





## WEATHER TIPS

By JAMES DABNEY  
Official U. S. Weather Observer

With the advent of February, we in our part of Texas, expect four to six weeks more of what we normally call "winter."

However, 1967 and 1968 so far have produced practically no real winter, as the term is usually used and accepted. True, we have had some nasty, wet, icy, and cold weather, but little, if any, frozen moisture in the form of snow. This is not to say that the possibility of more bad, wet and acowy weather is behind us. Because, it isn't.

The Weather Bureau uses certain "key" words in their forecasts in describing types of winter weather to be expected. You may expect to see some of the following in the weeks to come: Freezing rain and Freezing Drizzle, sleet, snow, and ice storm. The terms "Freezing Rain, and Freezing Drizzle" are used when surface temperatures are below freezing and moisture is falling in liquid form, but freezing upon impact, resulting in a coating of ice or glaze on all exposed objects.

In December, 1967, the Eastland area suffered a heavy ice storm, the worst in many

years. The coating of ice at that time became so great that the extra weight caused severe damage to trees, power lines, and utility poles. However, the beneficial effects of normal snowfall, acting as a cover for young crops, and sleet and ice greatly outweigh the usual damage. Fresh water from streams fed by melting snow and ice in watershed areas finds its way to such places as Lake Leon, Eastland Lake, Ringling Lake and numerous stock tanks throughout the area.

Some of the "old timers" will tell you that winters are... "not what they used to be." Winters are getting colder and these chilly mornings you might think so. History shows that in the days of the Roman Empire, the Tiber River froze solid. And "Frost Fairs" were held each year on the River Thames, adjacent to London, England. On Feb. 3, 1814, a whole sheep was roasted on the ice of the Thames, without melting through the ice. Today, one couldn't roast as much as a squab on any of the major rivers of the Western Hemisphere. Reference books will show that in pre-historic time the weather on earth was so cold that great ice areas not only covered all of Canada, but extended as far south as St. Louis, and some of this ice was one half mile thick.

So, perhaps we should be thankful for our type of winter, and as February draws to a close in the coming weeks, you can expect to see more windy days, with the wind prevailing from the southwest.

Normal yearly rainfall for our part of Texas varies from 21 to 27 inches, and the month of January produced a good percentage of this, ten and eight-tenths inches.

This was truly unusual, however, and was caused by a cold front that passed through Eastland County on the night of Wednesday, Jan. 17, setting off thunderstorms that lasted until about 5:30 a. m. on the 18th. The front stalled across Central Texas and the warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico overrode it, causing drizzle and intermittent heavy rains that lasted until Tuesday, Jan. 23rd. This spell alone dropped eight and three tenths.

Perhaps nature will be kind to us, though, and not permit the flowers and fruit trees to blossom prematurely, for there is still a chance of freezing weather for some time to come.

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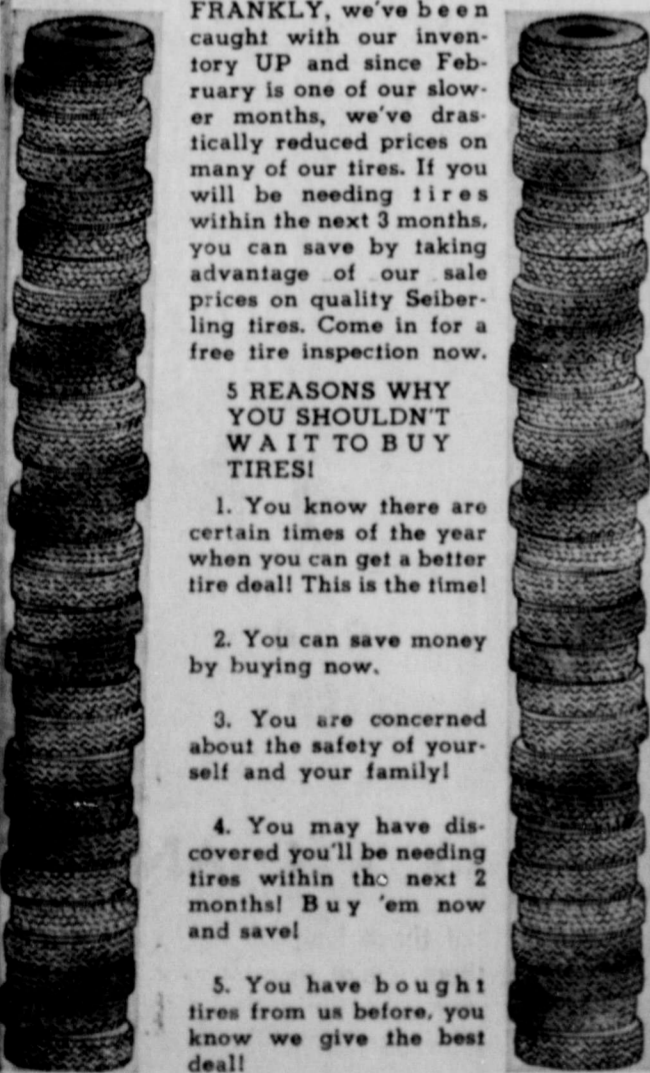
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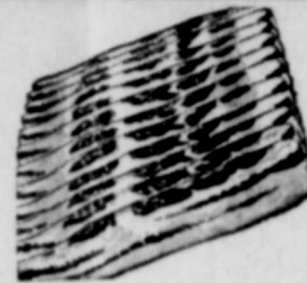
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The Times is in receipt of a copy of Volume II of "The Tyros," a literary publication dedicated to the aspiring young poets and poetesses of the Freshman and Sophomore English Classes of Ranger High School. The first volume published a year ago, met with high favor with parents and friends of the youthful authors, it was deemed profitable to publish a second edition.

Compiled by Bill Askew, instructor, the mimeographed booklet contains forty-five writings from some two-score students. In the foreword, Askew said: "The longer I teach the more convinced I am that the young people of today are far more concerned with problems of the adult making them than they deserve to be. They question the habits and practices of the extremists and the reactionist within our nation. The majority of our young people are literally begging for roots to anchor to, for peace, freedom, and above all, for a return to normalcy, nobility, dignity and decency within our nation and world."

The booklet contains "haiku," limericks, ballads, lyrics and sonnets.

Some examples of Haikus, an ancient form of Japanese poetry form, are as follows:  
Time we cherish most,  
When the family is near  
With spirit of love.

—Gary Poynor  
I was standing there  
Thinking of the mighty world,  
How it came to be.

—Darlene Boone  
Limericks is a form of poetry using rhythm and rhyme technique. Example seen in the following:  
There was an old lady who  
cried,  
"Oh, look what a spider I've  
spied!"

So, out of a cup  
She gobbled it up  
The end of the story? She died!  
—David Allsup  
A silly young fellow named  
Clyde,  
In funeral procession was  
spied,  
When asked, "Who is Dead?"  
He giggled and said,  
"I don't know; I came for the  
ride."

—Della Lewis  
A ballad:  
When I Was a Little Boy.

—Dean Hughes  
When I was a little boy  
I liked to play and run,  
I had a good time doing it;  
Oh, it was so much fun!  
Those things were so much  
fun back then  
And filled with so much joy,  
I still have dreams about the  
time

When I was just a boy,  
Those things are all so dear  
to me,  
I dare not let them go;  
They're all so clear and just  
as grand,  
And I still love them so.

Now I am old, so very old,  
Life holds for me small joy,  
but long as life, I'll ne'er forget

When I was just a boy,  
From the pen of Bill Woods  
comes the following lyric:  
To A Star

Above, a jewel in the sky,  
It's effervescence twinkling  
high,  
A silent serenade to me,  
A sign of God's infinity.

Translucent in the lighted day,  
It silently doth make its way,  
To find its place through darkest  
night,  
And joyfully sheds its welcomed  
light.

It had its origin in God,  
And so no foot hath ever trod,  
Upon this brilliant mass of  
light  
Because He hath not ruled it  
right.

A thought for this, a gracious  
thing,  
A song for this, the angels  
sing;  
And there in heaven, high  
above,  
It represents God's shining  
love.

Neva Nichols contributes  
the following sonnet entitled  
"Examples:"  
I'm sick and tired of hearing  
adults say

That same expression time and  
time again,  
"Our modern youth have surely  
lost their way."  
Why can't they see their words  
are said in vain?  
They talk so much of crimes  
that youth has done,  
But never stop to ponder the  
true cause.

What are the answers that they  
wish to slun?  
They know the reasons, but  
they dare not pause,  
To see our lives we've patterned  
after them;

They've trod wrong paths so  
many times before,  
And still it seems our problems  
never end.

Because for us there will be  
more and more,  
They've asked why some of us  
have gone astray,  
But yet do our Exemplars  
show the way?

We congratulate Mr. Askew  
and each contributor to "The  
Tyros" and are indeed happy  
to offer a few of the many fine  
articles to our readers.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Lowe of  
Wichita Falls were weekend  
guests of his mother, Mrs.  
Gertrude Lowe and her sister,  
Mrs. Mildred Williams. Another  
guest of Mrs. Williams  
was her daughter, Miss Glenda  
Raines of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Morene Eastland of  
Fort Worth was a weekend  
guest of her parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. E. E. Blackwell.

Guests in the home of Mr.  
and Mrs. Dalton Hatton on  
Wednesday were her parents,  
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jacobs  
of Desdemona.

Mr. A. F. Hughes was in  
Abilene last weekend for a  
visit in the home of her mother-in-law,  
Mrs. Ed Hughes.

Sunday guests of Mr. and  
Mrs. A. F. Hughes were Mr.  
and Mrs. Cody Thompson and  
family and Mr. and Mrs. Doc  
Hughes, all of Abilene.

Mrs. Bob Harper of Stephenville  
was a recent guest in the  
home of Mrs. P. T. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Moore of  
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The City of Ranger's Airport could benefit from a proposed \$1 million state aid program to build and develop airports in towns under 50,000 population, it has been announced.

Ranger is one of 64 towns in Texas which has formal applications pending before the Texas Aeronautics Commission. The proposal for the \$1 million was made by Lt. Gov. Preston Smith, who called the legislative-budgeted \$500,000 "insignificant."

There are at least 64 towns in Texas that are eager and ready to build airports or make their facilities adequate and only the lack of money was held back for the projects," Smith said.

Brownwood and Brady are other area towns which have applications pending.

The Lieutenant Governor said an accelerate program of \$1,000,000 for the year 1968-69 would not cost the taxpayers "one thin dime."

"The funds used for the development of aviation and aviation facilities come from unclaimed refunds on aviation fuel."

"The amount of these unclaimed refunds varies from month to month, but will

average out to around \$50,000 a month."

"Right now, there is a surplus of \$450,000 in the unclaimed refunds funds, and between now and Sept. 1, 1968, the start of the new fiscal year, another \$400,000 surplus, it is anticipated will be in the fund and by the end of Sept., 1969, the full \$1,000,000 will be available for appropriation to the proposed program."

Smith said another half a million dollar million appropriation would be "entirely inadequate" and that he would personally urge and campaign for doubling this amount.

"We are at the cross-roads of building an air transportation system in this state and unless we speed up now we will never get an adequate system because applications for funds will increase not decrease as more and more towns become aware of the importance of an airport in attracting and keeping industry and tourists."

"The air age is here to stay. We must meet the challenge headon."

Smith said State aid to build airports was not by any means

**ASSOCIATION MEETING**

Monday, Feb. 19, the Cisco Baptist Association will have their meeting at First Baptist Church at Ranger. The WMU and Executive meeting will be at 5:30 followed by supper at 6:15. Rev. Avery Sullivan will bring the message following the business session.

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**OPEN LETTER TO MY OPPONENTS AND THE VOTERS OF EASTLAND COUNTY**

Dear Friends,

It has come to my attention that my residence eligibility as a candidate for District Judge, 91st District Court, is being questioned. I sincerely feel that I am a legally qualified candidate for the 91st District Court of Eastland County. However, because of questions being raised by my opponents I have (about one month ago) contacted my opponent in the race and suggested to him that if he felt he had any reason to contest my qualifications, that I would be willing (at that time, middle of January 1968) to work out an agreed statement of facts and submit the questions directly to the Supreme Court of Texas. In this way it would be possible for us to get a final decision from the Supreme Court of Texas prior to either of us spending any money in the race.

To date, I know of no efforts by my opponent to contact me in trying to find a fair answer to any questions he may have. And since the time of my suggestions I have made several expenditures in behalf of my candidacy and I have a bill for \$1.25 from our County Democratic Executive Committee for Election Filing fees which is due and payable by Feb. 25, 1968.

Today, I received word from what I consider reliable sources that my opponents have stated that they plan to wait and let me get my feet wet" by paying my filing fees etc. before they plan to contest me, and

Second, that they plan to file their charges in Judge Sparks Court, where they feel they can be more assured of a favorable decision.

It is my opinion that any contest in this matter will have to be finally decided by the Supreme Court and that it is not necessary that there be a fact issue since all the necessary facts can be easily determined.

I therefore challenge my opponent to put his candidacy on the line to rise or fall on this issue:

First, if the Supreme Court determines that I am not qualified, then, of course, I will be out of the race; but second, if the Supreme Court agrees that I am qualified, then I would expect Mr. Earl Conner to withdraw from the race.

If my opponent feels that he is so sure of his ground and that he really has a case against me, then I challenge him to accept this proposition. And I can assure him that I (and my lawyers who I have already retained to work with me) will make every effort to get an early answer from the

Supreme Court if he feels he needs such.

On the other hand, there is another choice and I strongly recommend this choice to my opponent.

Let the people of Eastland County decide on the merits in a fair election. Stop those noises about contesting residence and present an affirmative campaign of what each of us believe we can do for this county as its judge. Let us present ourselves as Gentlemen to the voters and let them decide who they think will make the best Judge for Eastland County. Let the voters decide who they feel they can trust with the responsibilities of this high office to do the job with fairness and justice for the best interest of all the people of this fine county and not to the interests of a select few.

Why would my opponents be afraid of a new comer, anyway, if they have a qualified candidate who has lived in the county most of his life when the newcomer has only been in the county two and one half years? Is it possible we need New Blood in our Courthouse?

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### Mothers of FHA Members Enjoy Salad Supper Feb. 12

Mothers of members of Ranger Chapter, Future Homemakers of America, joined their daughters for a salad supper in the library of Ranger High School at 6 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12.

The buffet included ham and potato and three varieties of bean salads, served with fruit cup, cake squares and iced tea.

Chapter president, Sylvia Camacho, welcomed guests and introduced homemaking instructor, Mrs. Ruby K. Hal-

### St. Rita's Church To Sponsor Spaghetti Supper March 3

Parishioners of St. Rita's Catholic Church will serve a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, March 3, according to a church spokesman.

Serving time in Parish Hall will begin at 11:30 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m. Tickets are \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for children under twelve years of age. They may be purchased from any member of the church or at the door.

Area residents are cordially invited to attend.

bert. Using the style of Dorothy Emerson, Mrs. Halbert discussed "Symbols of Value," climaxing her remarks with the statement "The goal of all homemaking is better home living for all."

Eleven guests received door prizes, containers of "Dippity-do."

It was a pleasant and rewarding experience for the sixty ladies who attended.

### Mrs. Jack Bearden Is Honored With Pink-Blue Shower

A pink and blue shower in the home of Mrs. A. F. Hughes on Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, honored Mrs. Jack Bearden. Co-hostesses were Mmes. C. D. Quarles, Tommie Huling, Vinetta Young, H. L. Caraway and Shorty Mann.

The honoree and hostesses displayed gifts during the delightful social hour. Refreshments of cake squares, salted nuts and hot, spiced apple juice was served to a large number of guests who called between the hours of 7 and 9 p.m.

### New Era Club Meets With Mrs. Larry Hunt

The New Era Club met Wednesday, February 14, in the home of Mrs. Larry Hunt. Refreshments carrying out the Valentine motif were served preceding the program.

Mrs. R. V. Robinson presided at the business meeting at which time a letter from Mrs. Pearce, president of National Federated Clubs, was read. She urged all federated clubs to engage in activity to help fight the crime crisis.

With the theme topic "Life Unfold: Within," Mrs. T. J. Anderson discussed "Thoughtfulness of Others."

Present were Mmes. George Robinson, T. J. Anderson, V. V. Cooper, Walter Daniels, B. S. Dudley, Sr., A. B. Halbert, Alex Roberson, J. A. Johnson, W. A. Lewis, Wayne Mathews, Gilbert Meredith, R. V. Robinson, H. H. Oliver, F. S. Pear-sall, Avery Sullivan, Buck Wallace, W. A. Robinson, A. W. Warford, one visitor, Mrs. Wade Allbritton, and Mrs. Hunt.



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Strovos of San Diego, Calif. are the parents of a daughter, Kimberly Dawn, born Tuesday, Feb. 13 in a San Diego hospital. Maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Ada Eaves of Ranger; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Lyon, also of Ranger, are paternal great-grandparents.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Many Happy Returns to the following Rangerites who will celebrate birthdays during the coming week:

- Sunday — Mrs. E. L. Norris, Odes Wilson.
- Monday — David Alan Oliphant, Mrs. Don Squyres.
- Tuesday — Ronald Jo Ogden.
- Wednesday — Cynthia You-

- ng, Mrs. W. M. Ross.
- Thursday — Elena Cole, Jim Vinson, Vernon Sunday, Jr., Zora Lea Hughes.
- Friday — Gertrude Lowe, Peggy TheBerge.
- Congratulations to these couples who will observe wedding anniversaries this week:
- Sunday, Feb. 18: Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hatton.
- Wednesday, Feb. 21: Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Bunton.
- Thursday, Feb. 22: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Laig; Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Arterburn.

- Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Larson have returned from a visit with relatives in Temple.
- Mrs. George T. Guess and children visited her mother, Mrs. Charlie Hathcock and her aunt, Miss Jewell New-ham during last weekend.
- Mrs. J. D. Johnson has returned from a visit with her mother, Mrs. Frank Johnson of Teague.
- Mrs. N. L. Sudderth has returned from a visit in the homes of her daughters, Mmes. Glen Roberts of Brown-wood and Terrell Williamson

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