

Washington

"As It Looks From Here"

OMAR BURLISON
Congressman
17th District



Washington, D. C.—The following somewhat plagiarizes the impressions of a newspaper reporter from Denver, Colorado, who was in Washington a few days ago.

He visited the McCarthy-Army hearings and likened them to a Roman holiday.

The Coliseum was the Senate Office Building where the gladiators were meeting. It is jammed with spectators who have come to see somebody thrown to the lions. They aren't quite sure who the victim is, but as the holiday goes on and on, it appears the real victim is the people.

They stand in line, some with lunch-boxes and pillows, and wait for someone in the arena to tire of

his seat or his standing place. Uniformed janissaries herd them and keep them quiet, and trickle them in and out like sands in an hour glass. The arena is brilliantly lighted to allow batteries of TV cameras, movie cameras, and still cameras to get the gleeful, the pained, the glowering features of the gladiators. The atmosphere is always choked with smoke and occasionally with excitement.

One end of the arena is for the combatants, their seconds, sword carriers, stoolies, bootboys, valets and pawns. The other end is occupied by newspaper reporters, photographers, spectators, and so forth. The chief gladiator of them all—Joe McCarthy—sits at the table with a look of Horatio-at-the-Bridge.

Pilate is Senator Kary Mundt in his temporary job as impresario of Circus Maximus. He spends a great deal of time washing his hands and making speeches about fair play.

The other chief gladiator—Army Secretary Stevens—looks pale, patient, and shaken.

Senator McCarthy is flanked by loyalists, Roy Cohn and other advisers. Mr. Stephens is flanked by John G. Adams and other advisors.



TO WED JUNE 1st—Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Fortune are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Johnnie. She will wed Allen W. Bland of Hobbs, New Mexico in the home of her parents on June first. Johnnie is a junior in Cross Plains High School. The groom-to-be finished high school in Hobbs with the class of 1953 and is now employed with Sargent Engineering Company.

Senator Mundt is flanked by his Senatorial colleagues, who try to muster the dignity associated with Senators.

They haggle, argue, dig, scratch, kick, snort, cut, slash, turn cheeks. The television cameras blink and stare with red and flashing eye.

The visitor says it is good to go out in the cool brisk air of Washington in the Spring. He looks down the beautiful Mall, one of the prettiest sights in Washington. He walks to the Lincoln Memorial and climbs the marble steps and reads these words inscribed over Lincoln's head: "In this temple as in the hearts of the people for whom he saved the Union the memory of Abraham Lincoln is enshrined forever."

The great stony eyes stare to Capitol Hill, towards the arena where the new tower of political Babel is going up. There is a sadness in those stony eyes.

"His head is bowed. He thinks of men and kings. Yea, when the sick world cries, how can he sleep?"

The visitor looks at the words of Lincoln carved in the stone around him—his Gettysburg Address, his firm, unflinching, powerful second inaugural address.

Lincoln said, "If the good people in their wisdom shall see fit to keep me in the background, I have been too familiar with disappointment to be much chagrined."

To the visitor, Washington seemed to be taking Lincoln at his word.

Is it so difficult for us to remember that it is better to build a molehill of faith than a mountain of fear?

Appreciation Speech For Senior Night

As We gather here tonight, we know that this is possibly the last time that we shall be together and present a program as the Seniors of Cross Plains High School for the year 1954. For us high school life is about over, and we are ready to enter the world in search of our fortunes, fame, or whatever the future holds for us.

However, before we go, we want to express our appreciation to the people who have made our high school life a success. There are a number of different kinds of people who have made this possible. By different, we do not mean better or richer, but we mean that we know them better and have naturally placed them in different categories.

The first persons we want to express our appreciation to are the ones who have given the most for us so that we might take advantage of the high school education that has been given to us here at Cross Plains. These people, of course, are our parents. They, who might not have had the opportunities that we have, gave their all that we might gain from their loss.

Then we wish to express our appreciation of the people of this community—the teachers who have helped and guided us all through our school life—the friends who have stood by us and made our troubles much easier to bear. We want to thank all of these people for the wonderful way in which they have co-operated with us to make our school life a joyful success.

We would also like to express our appreciation to two people who are not with us now, but we know that they are thinking about us as we finish our school year. These are Mrs. Vernon Mikel and Mr. Frank Rundell, who were our former sponsors.

We would also like to express our appreciation to our present sponsors for the way in which they have helped us to finish our school year. They are Mrs. Dorothy Shook and Mr. James Alexander, and to them we wish to express our deepest gratitude.

So as we leave this period of schooling that for many of us will be our last, we wish to let you know that we thank you for the many ways that you have made our school life more pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hornsby and son visited Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hazel and Raymond Gibbs and Mrs. Gibbs Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cobb of Midland spent Tuesday night here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Smith. They were enroute to Galveston where Mr. Cobb will receive medical care.

H. J. Smith left Friday morning of the past week for Canada where he will be employed by Anderson Construction Company.

Mrs. David Chappel of Abilene is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. D. Smith and husband, and other relatives.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Calhoun Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ira Calhoun and baby of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Recie Andrews and daughter of Coleman.

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ROWDEN NEWS

By Velda Crow

(Intended for last week)

Visiting with Grandmother Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Truett Hollingshead, Mr. and Mrs. Hop Sikes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Glaze, Mrs. Velma Ross and Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Miller and family all of Abilene, Mr. William Lee Miller of California, Mr. and Mrs. George Sanders and Hancel, Mr. and Mrs. Voncille Gibbs and Judy and Mrs. Lella Gibbs all of Rowden.

Miss Velda Crow visited Saturday with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. A. Griffin and Lella Jo in Abilene.

Misses Pearl Smedley and Marjorie Mauldin returned home from Bandera, where they went with the seniors of Cross Plains High. They reported a very nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Starnes of Midland spent the week end with Mrs. Annie Miller and Ray Boen.

Paul Harrell and Miss Anna Belle Harrell of Cross Plains visited with Mr. and Mrs. B. Crow and girls Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. McElroy returned to and Mrs. Littlefield remained here her home here Sunday after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. N. A. Yarbrough and family at McNeal, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilks returned Wednesday night of last week from Fort Gibson, Oklahoma where they visited for several days with his mother, Mrs. J. C. Wilks who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Anderson were in Lubbock over the week end visiting their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson and children of Presidio and their two children, Byron and Margo returned home with their grandparents for a visit.

Burkett School Honor Roll Announced

Walter Chambers, superintendent of the Burkett schools announces the following listed on the honor roll for the last six weeks period of school:

First grade: Tommy MacConnolly, Larry Don Boyle and Gaylon Harris. Second grade: Mickey Rhoads, Wayne Webb and Darrell Hunter.

Third grade: Brenda Holland. Fourth grade: Jerry Biehl, Richard Burns, and Billy Watson.

Fifth grade: Tommy Adams, Clenton Copeland and Mickey Holland. Sixth grade: Geraldine Burns, Carline Bludworth, Coralea Rhoads and J. W. Tomlinson.

Seventh grade: Tony Burns and Pat DeBusk. Eighth grade: Shirley Anderson and Bettie Sue Burkett.

Freshman: Hilda Anderson, Lanette Burns, Scot Edington and Joan Evans.

Sophomores: Harold Glen Chambers, Sammy Edington, Sonja Evans, Allen Rhoads Anita Strickland and Max Watson.

Juniors: Jane Godwin and Lovera

Mountain. Seniors: Colleen Burkett, Don Gray, Dick Koenig and Zelma Strickland.

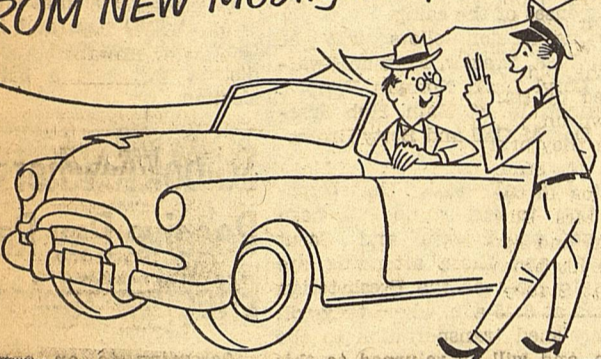
Mrs. Leo Tyler of Clyde spent Friday in Cross Plains visiting with her sister, Mrs. Jeff Clark.

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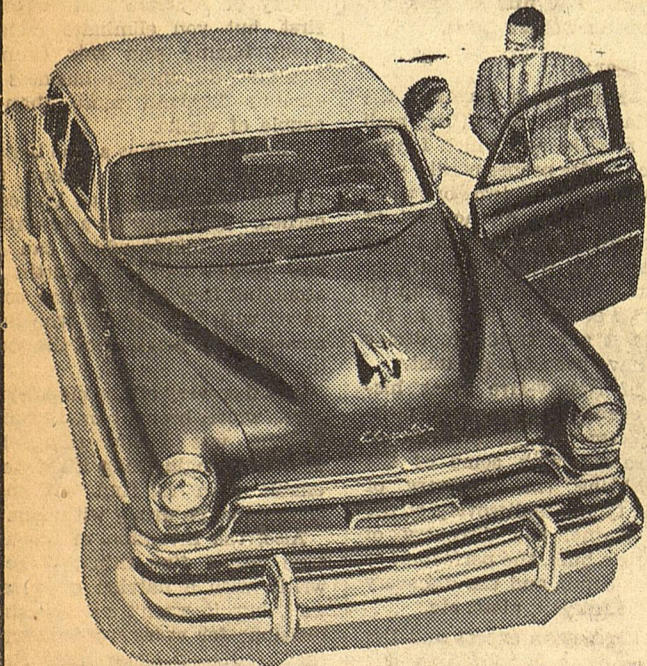


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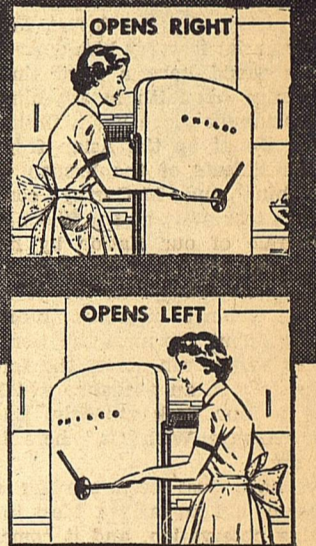
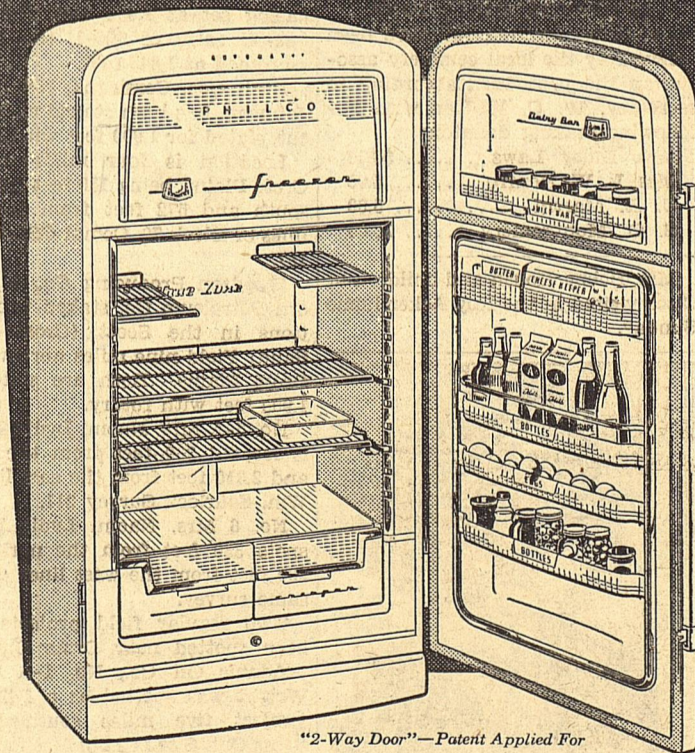
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PIONEER NEWS

By A. O. (Slim) Harris

Roscoe Dean of Freeport spent the week end with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Delma Dean.

Merlyne Freeman who had recently recovered from a siege of mumps, was taken to the Rising Star hospital for a few days last week because of a swollen gland in her neck, and will return again to the hospital this week for further treatment.

Mrs. Ida Gray, our local Post Mistress is vacationing in Utah for a few days. We know she is having a wonderful time seeing the sights in that state.

Well, old Mother Nature is blessing our community with warm sunshine which the farmers are welcoming to the fullest degree, since it has been so cool or cold since the wonderful rainfall we have had in the past two weeks. Some watermelons and feed stuff have been planted several days but seem to be just standing still and making no growth at all, but very soon now tractors will be humming like mad all over our part of the world.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pancake of Fort Riley, Kansas, visited a few days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Skinner and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Pancake. Edward has about 60 days more before his discharge from the Army. He intends to make his home in Abilene when he returns home from the service.

Rev. Quint Farley and family were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Cloud last Sunday.

Rev. Farley announced a few days back that he will resign as pastor of the Baptist church here in August to go into Mission work in California. The church and community will surely miss him and his family when they leave.

In spite of all the weather conditions that have retarded the progress of the Cross Plains-Pioneer cut-off highway, in the near future it will be opened to regular travel, probably this week if no more rains prevail. It was temporarily open last Saturday for a short while and several vehicles really scooted along the nice wide thoroughfare. One can get into town in short order with plenty of room for everyone, and we overheard rumor that the Nimrod to Pioneer farm-to-market road work will start soon, which will be a great advantage to the residents along that route.

The Community Center of Pioneer had its second meeting last Thursday night. The entertainment committee furnished a musical program and pie sale with only a few attending, but was enjoyed by each one. A small number of home-made pies were sold under the hammer of auctioneer Derald Fry of Cross Plains and \$24.50 was realized after a prize was given. Then the pie-cutting was in order. The next meeting will be June 10, at night when another program will be presented by the ladies in charge. This is a community affair, and it's for all. It is non-sectarian and non-political and its purpose is to promote good will in the community and to sponsor projects that will be for the advancement of a better community, so the executive committee cordially invite all of you to remember the next date and be sure and be there and enjoy yourselves.

Mrs. Lola Pancake is handling our mail while Mrs. Ida Gray is out for a few days vacationing.

Mrs. Ed Stratton of Rising Star was a visitor in the Delma Dean home one day last week.

L. W. Pancake, Revis Tennison, and A. O. Harris were in Comanche on business last Monday.

Pioneer is on the up grade. We can see the frame structure of a residence making headway in the north part of our little town. Who knows we may stage another comeback yet? We hear that some other new buildings will be placed along the new highway in a short while. Who knows, it may be like Fort Worth to Dallas in a short time along the new route to Cross Plains.

We are glad to see that R. C. (Dick) Brown's condition is improved to the extent that he can now be out and around again.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Harris were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duke Mitchell last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Naylor of Scranton and Bill Hester of McCamey spent the week end with their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hester.

It won't be long before a lot of us will be hunting a chigger lotion, as I know that a lot of folks like me are going to do our part at drowning a bunch of earthworms and feeding some rabbit meat to the finny tribe, but please don't let the big one get away, and then say he was a gollywopper, those kind wont make the pan stink.

COTTONWOOD

By Hazel I. Respos

Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Myrick and Mrs. Jack Thomas attended the Workers Conference at Putnam Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Demere entertained the Methodist Church folks with a nice party Saturday night. Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Skinner were present and gave a picture on tithing. Games and contests were on the program which created much enjoyment. A refreshment plate of sandwiches, stuffed olives, potato chips and cakes were served with delicious lemonade.

Roy J. Clark was carried to Harris Memorial Hospital in Fort Worth Monday to have his ankle bones set, which were broken in February.

The farmers were rejoiced over the nice rains last week which fell here.

Walker Repp of Rising Star is improving. Is able to sit up some and has been for two short car rides near his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Coffey are on a fishing trip with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heyster.

Mrs. Ernest Gillet is back on the Star Route with her husband after a two weeks visit with her father, F. D. Robbins in the Valley at Lyford.

Miss Anna Belle Harrell spent the week end in Mineral Wells with her mother, Mrs. Cap McAfee of Lubbock, who is spending a few weeks in that city.

DOG ODDITIES

By Harry Miller, Director, GAINES DOG RESEARCH CENTER



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ATWELL NEWS

By Mrs. Alton Tatom

The Youth Ralley held Friday night was very interesting. Rev. Dan Acklin, a ministerial student at Howard Payne College, Brownwood, brought the message and Randall Purvis sang a special song. The 74 attending enjoyed the entire program which was very inspiring.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wilson and girls of Cottonwood and Mr. and Mrs. Langley, Grisson and children from Truby visited Misses Maggie and Myrtle Wilson Saturday.

T. Stephens of El Paso visited Mr. Black and children over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Tip Wrinkle visited Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hughes in Baird Sunday afternoon. They reported Pat is recovering very nicely from major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Johnson of San Antonio visited Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Morgan over the week end and took their baby home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Brashear visited Reba Jo and family Saturday at San Angelo. Wayne came home with his grandparents for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Mindon McWilliams and son and Mrs. Ila Rouse of Baird attended church Sunday and visited in the Ebb Rouse home.

Mrs. Blain Odom and Marian of

SABANNO NEWS

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin

(Intended for last week) We have had a good rain and at this writing it is still raining. There was quite a bit of visiting among folks in our community over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McCann had several of their children with them for Mother's Day: Irene and family of Dallas, Bennie and family of Coleman and Mrs. Claton Scott and family of Andrews.

Most everyone in our community was present at the burial of Mrs. Armada Webb, who was buried in the Liberty Cemetery last Friday afternoon. The family has many friends in our community who share their sorrow with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hicks and children, Mr. and Mrs. Casey and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Erwin attended the funeral of the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clark in Cross Plains last Friday afternoon. She was the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Holcomb of our community.

Mrs. Joe Lilly visited relatives in Big Spring over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Miller of Lamkin visited in the Wes Holcomb and Edwin Erwin home Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Allen and children visited in the home of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Goleanor, over the week end.

We have another oil derrick not very far from us. This well is being drilled by L. Kirk Johnson of Fort Worth and is on what is known as the old Westerman land, now owned by Hanson of Cisco, and is known on oil maps as track 10. We hope they bring in a good well.

T. N. Minnix of Sweetwater is visiting in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edwin Erwin.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lusk visited with his brother, Clifton, and family at Sidney Sunday. Mrs. Clifton

Carlos J. Turner Named President Of Cisco Junior College Recently

By Mrs. Edwin Erwin

Carlos J. Turner, registrar at Cisco Junior College since 1948, was named president of the school for a three-year term at a meeting of the board of trustees the past week. He will replace president O. L. Stamey, who resigned in February. Turner will assume his new office in July.

He was born in Eastland County and attended grade and high school in Eastland. He is a graduate of Ranger Junior College and received his bachelor of arts degree from Howard Payne College, Brownwood. He was awarded his master of arts degree at Hardin Simmons University and has attended school at the University of Texas and also the University of Colorado.

Brownie Scout News—

The Brownie Troop held their regular meeting Monday afternoon. Following the business meeting the group enjoyed a hike accompanied by their leader, Mrs. Helen Freeman and two Brownie mothers. After refreshments games were enjoyed and we returned to the school building and were dismissed.

Lusk is in a serious condition. She has been sick for sometime.

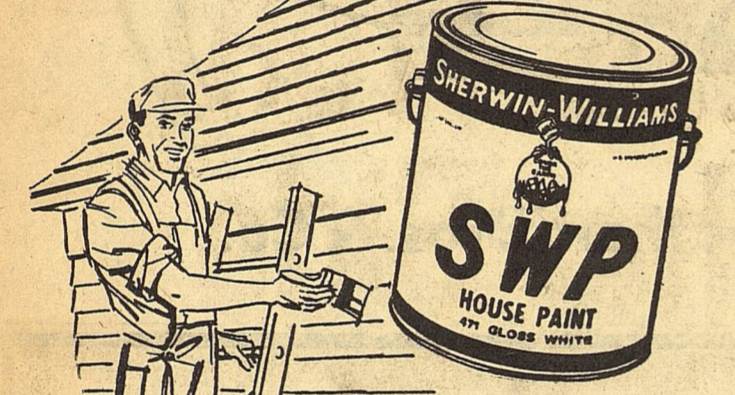
Mr. and Mrs. Clois Webb and children of Grand Prairie visited with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King, Saturday.

Bobby Rhoady, who has been in the service, has returned home. We are all glad to have Bobby back home. He is the son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hicks.

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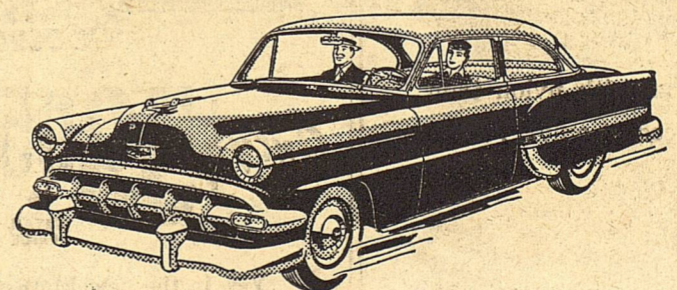


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Austin — "Evidence of fraudulent and corrupt abuse of our insurance laws, and gross if not criminal laxness in their enforcement" was cited by Associate Justice Robert G. Hughes of the Court of Civil Appeals in Austin.

Being considered was a case involving the Texas Mutual Insurance Company of Beaumont.

Garland A. Smith, chairman of the Board of Insurance Commissioners, agreed with Hughes' opinion that the company has been improperly organized. He said that the commission had changed its rules covering the appraisal of real estate for assets, as a result of the case.

Smith stated that "under our laws, a company can be solvent today and broke three months later." He pointed out that his commission has 28 examiners and that there are some 1,884 companies to examine every two years. "We aren't physically able to do it," Smith said.

He pointed out that Texas insurance laws are generally sound but that "A few termites are going through a few loopholes." Smith repeated his recent statement that the board will insist on corrections in the insurance laws by the next Legislature.

Office Padlocked

Ralph W. Hammonds, attorney-in-fact for Lloyd's of North America insurance company, protested in 98th District Court here that he is "defenseless" because his Houston office has been padlocked.

Attorney General John Ben Shepherd charged that the company was established by fraudulent means and is now insolvent, having a \$427,000 deficit. The attorney general seeks a receivership to protect the policyholders.

Padlocking of the Houston office was by court order.

New Officials

Mark Wentz of Big Spring took office as state fire insurance commissioner, succeeding the late Paul H. Brown.

H. C. Pittman of Waco was sworn in as a member of the Industrial Accident Board. He succeeds Robert L. Hill who resigned.

Political Pot Percolates

Things will boom in June on the political front. Candidates are busy now getting their houses in order for the campaigns. What looked to be rather a dull campaign season now promises to be rather a lively affair.

Governor Allan Shivers, seeking a third elective term, spent a few days in Austin, between a vacation in Alabama and a trip to Korea. He plans to leave the Korean party early, to be in St. Louis May 31 for an address at the Southern Baptist Convention.

Meantime, Shivers' main opponent, Ralph Yarborough of Austin, also was actively setting the stage for his race.

Yarborough has appointed Bob Sawtelle of San Antonio as his campaign manager. Sawtelle is son-

in-law of the late State Senator Woodville Rogers.

Road Problem

Representatives of state, local, and private highway interests form a special committee assigned by Governor Allan Shivers to the job of working out a road program that will be presented to the next Legislature.

Texas Good Roads Association, which has a member on the committee, is in favor of a one-cent increase in the gasoline tax to provide money for growing highway needs.

This question is expected to be a major one when the Legislature meets.

More Patrolmen

Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, says he will ask the next legislature for more highway patrolmen.

Four hundred seventy men now are on the job, says Garrison, and 200 more are needed to cut down rural traffic fatalities.

Abolish Orphans' Home?

A proposal, made by the Texas Research League, to abolish the state orphan's home at Corsicana was being "considered by the State Board for Hospitals and Special Schools. Almost immediately following announcement of the plan, inquiries from Texans seeking to adopt children from the home began to arrive. Alvin H. Burger, executive director of the Texas Research League, said that was a "totally unexpected response." The league feels the children should be placed in foster family homes, rather than kept in an institution.

Corsicana and Navarro County officials objected strenuously to the proposal. The home has been in operation since 1889.

Also before the Board was a plan to set up a new state mental hospital in Southeast Texas.

Another project before the board is a new dormitory for the Texas School of the Deaf in Austin. "Now being used as a dormitory is a building so dilapidated that it was declared no longer fit for habitation."

College Usefulness

Junior Colleges can expand their communities, according to Dr. Reynolds, University of Texas professor in junior college education.

At a conference here, the professor suggested that the junior college should be more sensitive to the needs of the areas where they are located.

Plan To Retire

Plan now for your retirement income, is the counsel of James B. Marley, social security official here.

One American in 12 is now over 65 years old, and the proportion of aged people to total population continues to grow, Marley said, adding that social security is not intended to provide a full retirement income.

Officer Dies

R. A. Wahl, who was with the state selective service system since 1941, died here at the age of 64. At the time of his death, he was the system's state procurement and fiscal officer.

Wheat Estimate

Texas' winter wheat crop was estimated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture at 23,418,000 bushels, an increase over the estimate made April 1.

An official of the USDA here said the increase reflected improved moisture conditions.

Laughlin's Appeal

Lawyers for ousted Judge C. Woodrow Laughlin, appealing his case to the U. S. Supreme Court, attacked the authority of the Texas Supreme Court under the state constitution to remove a district judge.

Legal counsel for Laughlin contends that the state constitutional provision violates the Fourteenth Amendment, or due process clause, of the federal constitution.

Ridiculous, He Says

"Ridiculous as Romeo's running against Juliet"—that's what Attorney General John Ben Sheppard thinks of C. Woodrow Laughlin running against George Parr for judge of the 79th district, which includes Duval County.

Archer Parr, sheriff of Duval and George Parr's nephew, is running for the state legislature.

Peru for You

Wick Fowler, secretary to Governor Allan Shivers, and long-time newspaperman, does his best to keep things from getting dull for people waiting to see the Governor.

Wick sent a waiting group into much laughter a few days ago when talking on the telephone to someone who wanted an official "letter" to take along on a trip out of the states. Such letters, written on the governor's stationery, are addressed to "To Whom It May Concern," state that the traveler is a good Texan and that any courtesies extended him in the foreign country will be appreciated." The official gubernatorial seal with red ribbons is affixed at the bottom.

After listening to the request of the caller in question, Wick asked, "Where did you say you were going—Nicaragua? Heck, you can't go there. You'll have to go to Peru—I can't spell Nicaragua."

Wick pulled a "Fowlerism" on Ed Gossett of Dallas recently that's been good for several repetitions in the Capital City. Ed, a former Texas Congressman, now is general attorney for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in Texas.

Wick told him to pass the word on

to the telephone folks in Dallas that a small West Texas town had something new in phone service. While Gossett picked up his ears, Fowler explained that he picked up a phone and a woman's voice asked for the number. "I told her and presto—she got my party. I didn't have to dial or anything like that."

DIES IN BIG SPRING

News was received here last week of the death of R. R. McFerrin of Big Spring, who passed away at his home there on Thursday of last week.

He was the father of John McFerrin of this city. No details of his death or burial were available here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Garrett and son of Coleman spent Sunday here with the T. J. Garrett family.

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Ed Andrews Honored With Dinner On 75th Birthday Sunday, May 16

Ed Andrews celebrated his 75th birthday Sunday at his home here and was honored with a dinner by his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Anderson, Mrs. Nelda Hardin, Robert Andrews, Dot Clark and John Whiteside, Cross Plains; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Landolt, Talpa; Mr. and Mrs. Reynard Andrews and two children and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Andrews and Linda, Coleman; Mrs. T. C. Weiss and children, Cross Cut; and Mrs. M. C. Landolt, Jr., and son of Snyder.

Ross Newtons Entertain Seniors From Oklahoma

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Newton of the Cross Cut community entertained 17 members of the Martha, Oklahoma senior class with three sponsors at their cabin on Lake Brownwood Thursday night of last week. They were enroute for a few days visit at San Antonio, Galveston and Houston.

A nephew of the Newtons, Darrel Watts, was a member of the class.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wilson, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Wilson and children all of Waco visited Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wilson, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Wilson and son over the week end.



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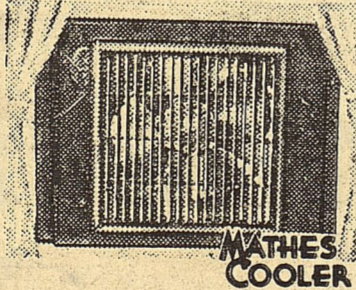
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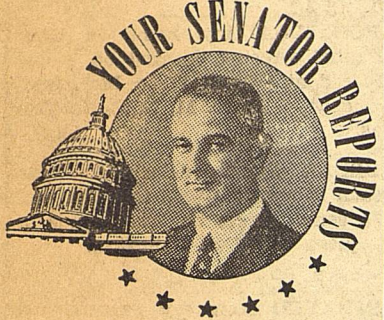
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Senior Class Members Report Wonderful Time On Annual Senior Trip Recently

The Senior Class left Cross Plains at 8:30, Thursday morning, May 6, 1954, for Bandera, Texas. We arrived at Fredericksburg at 12:00, where we ate dinner. We left about one o'clock, but we were delayed for about thirty minutes between Kerrville and Bandera because of road construction. Due to the loss of this time, we reached the Lost Valley Ranch about 3:30. We were assigned our rooms and the first thing we did was unpack. Some of the class went swimming while the others looked around.

During our stay at the ranch, such games as tennis, ping-pong, shuffle-board, pool and television were enjoyed by all. There were several tours by horseback, swimming and a fish fry was enjoyed on the creek bank.

We left the ranch about one o'clock Saturday, May 8, enroute to San Antonio. We arrived there about 2 p.m. and checked in at the Plaza Hotel. Several members of the class then went on a tour of the city. We saw the Alamo, Conception, San Jose Missions and La Villita. Saturday night some of us went to the show, shopped, and enjoyed downtown San Antonio.

We got up at 7:00 Sunday morning, ate breakfast in the hotel dining room and headed for Brackenridge Park. We spent about two hours and thirty minutes in the park observing the many animals and the sunken gardens.

About 11:45 we left the park and started home. We ate lunch in Burnett and stopped in Lampasas for a few minutes.

We arrived in Cross Plains about 5 o'clock. Everyone had a wonderful time, but we surely were glad to get home.

Those who went on the trip were: Shirley Atkins, James Barnard, Kenneth Beeler, Leonard Bodine, Katie Bryson, Gene Bush, Billy Buzbee, Arthur Coats, Joe Coppinger, D. T. Crockett, Patsy Cumba, Patsy Decker, Jean Dillard, Edwin Franke, Ileen Foster, Sammy Hill, Billie Kilgore, Carl King, James Oscar Koenig, George Lowery, Marjorie Mauldin, Peggy Miller, Betty Montgomery, Weldon Newton, Garmond Parrish, Wilda Queen, Marcel Rich, Dee Robbins, Billy Schaffner, Pearl Smedley, Kenneth Tension, John Wagner, Barbara Watson, Elzie Wilson, Billie Woody, Mrs. M. B. Shook, James Alexander, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whitton.

Once again the Senior would like to express their appreciation to everyone helped make this trip possible.

western Indo-China. But it is also true that the Viet Minh can now concentrate on challenging Franco Viet Namese control in Hanoi and in Haiphong.

North Viet Nam military headquarters are located in Hanoi. Haiphong is the vital seaport through which pass American supplies.

Bleak outlook: As this is written, I recently have attended another conference between leaders of Congress and Secretary of State Dulles. I cannot discuss details of the conference, but I will say no one there pretended the outlook is anything but bleak.

A very grave threat exists to Indo-China—to the entire Tonkin Delta—even to all Asia. The communist aggressors may be expected to press forward.

Blow to U. S.: The conclusion cannot be escaped that American foreign policy has suffered a stunning reversal.

The bitter truth is that we have been caught bluffing by our enemies. Our friends and allies are frightened and wondering—as we ourselves wonder—where we are headed. We stand in danger of being left naked and alone in a hostile world.

These are the hard facts. We must face up to their implications.

Month of prayer: This month of May has been designated as "Come to Church" Month. Many Texas community service clubs and business organizations have arranged for daily prayer services during the month.

We need Divine Aid as perhaps never before in our national history. We must seek it earnestly and prayerfully.

Water bill: During the 1953 session of Congress, I introduced in the Senate a bill providing for cooperative Federal-local action in attacking the problem of upstream water control. Congressman Bob Poage of Waco introduced an identical bill in the House.

The legislation has passed the House, and a special subcommittee of the Senate Agriculture Committee has been studying the Senate bill. I made a statement before the committee urging favorable action.

This is a soil and water conservation measure of the utmost importance. It would set up policies and standards for joint action by the Federal Government, the States, local governmental units, and landowners. Cost of projects would be shared between participants.

Harold Moon visited with friends in Mineral Wells over the week end.

Bicycle Riders Warned Not To Take Chances

"Smart bicycle riders don't take chances!"

That tip was given to Texas cyclists today by Col. E. B. Tilley of Houston, President of the Texas Safety Association, as he commented on the dangers of riding a bicycle carelessly in traffic.

He spoke in cooperation with the Department of Public Safety and the National Safety Council, who are conducting a Child Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety program this month.

"According to National Safety Council figures, approximately 22,000 children were injured or killed while riding bicycles in 1952," Col. Tilley said.

"This should leave no doubt in anyone's mind that riding a bike in traffic is hazardous," he said.

"Good riders know this," he continued, "that's why they always play it safe. They realize that care and judgement are as important as skill in riding a bike well. The experts have all three."

Col. Tilley advised youngsters who would like to become experts to follow these rules:

- 1. Keep to the far right.
- 2. Do not weave or stunt. Ride in a straight line.
- 3. When with friends, ride single file.
- 4. Put books and packages in a carrier and never carry passengers on your bike.
- 5. In traffic, obey all signs, signals and pertinent traffic laws.
- 6. Never hitch on to a passing truck, street car, automobile or any vehicle.
- 7. Never dart into traffic from a driveway, alley or side street.
- 8. If you must ride at night, have a good light and rear reflector.
- 9. Keep bicycle in good condition.

Mrs. T. J. Garrett and Mrs. Ruby Copeland made a business trip to Abilene Tuesday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Smith Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cox and son of Brownwood.

Mrs. A. W. Waddell and Mrs. Carrie Littlefield of Temple visited here with their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Smith last week. Mrs. Waddell left the last of the week for Midland and El Paso where she will visit with relatives for a longer visit.

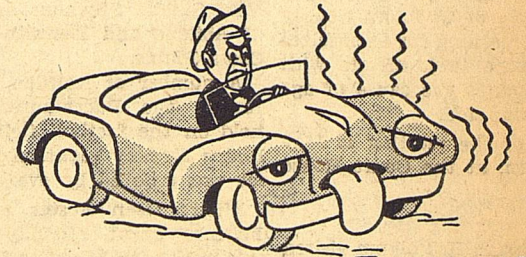
C. D. Lane spent the first of the week in Dallas where he received a medical check-up.

Mrs. Clara Foster left Tuesday morning for a few days visit with relatives in Oklahoma.

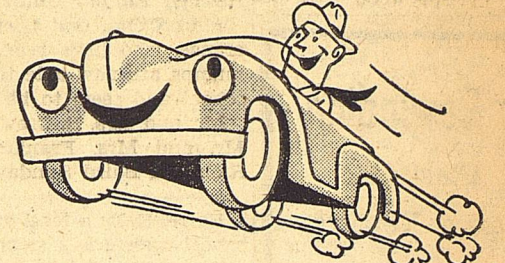
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stacy and Mrs. Gene Renfro were Brownwood visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Ruby Copeland and Mrs. T. J. Garrett visited in Brownwood Friday.

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