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PVT. LONNIE J. WESLEY

Pvt. Lonnie J. Wesley is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wesley, of Silverton. He is also visiting his brother, Eddie, of Morton; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Wesley, of Tulia; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Brooks and family, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Weeks, all of Silverton.

Pvt. Wesley is being transferred from Fort Sam Houston, Texas to Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He will be with the 9th Ordnance Bn. Special Weapons Support, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He will be at home for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brown and children, of Dumas, visited over the weekend in the home of D. E. Brown. They came to be with the Lightsey's and other children of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Brown.

Mrs. Frances Christopher returned home early part of the week from California, where she visited her sister for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt Entertain R.E.A. Directors

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Northcutt entertained the R. E. A. directors at the Northcutt home last Friday night. A picnic supper was served and moving pictures were shown later.

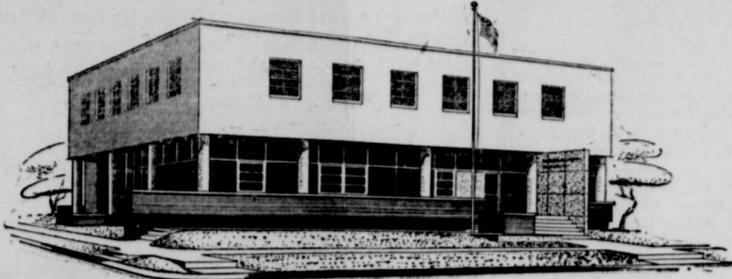
Guests for the occasion were: Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Todd, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Redmon, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Woodall, Mr. and Mrs. John Nobles and John Stanley, of Tulia; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. O. Milner, of Kress; Mr. and Mrs. George Denny and children, of Wayside; Mr. Tom Bostick, of Olton; Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Thompson and sons and Loretta Lowry, of Silverton.

MR. AND MRS. A. P. DICKENSON ENTERTAINED WRIGHT FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dickenson entertained with a delightful garden party last Wednesday evening when they served desert on their lawn to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Wright and their visiting children and friend. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wright, Gregg Wright and Tommy Buchanan, of Raleigh, North Carolina, Mrs. Harold K. Ownby and daughters, Dianne and Carol, of Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Neese and family, of Amarillo, visited Sunday in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Neese.

AMERICAN LEGION'S NEW STATE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING



Above is the new \$205,000 state headquarters building of the American Legion, Department of Texas. Located two blocks north of the State Capitol building at 15th and Congress Avenue, the structure is of polished native Texas granite and cream colored bricks. It was dedicated July 7.

President Gets Drouth Measure On Monday

The House and Senate Monday approved and sent to the White House legislation providing a multi-million dollar loan and subsidy program for the drouth-stricken Southwest, according to dispatches out of Washington.

President Eisenhower was expected to sign it without delay.

The measure makes \$16 million available immediately. It also authorizes unlimited appropriations to supplement that fund.

Chairman Clifford R. Hope (R-Kans.) of the House Agriculture committee, told the house the administration "very soon" will ask Congress to appropriate additional funds.

Some farm state congressmen have estimated the program will require \$100 million to \$200 million additional funds.

The bill authorizes the government to subsidize low-cost feed and seed in "disaster areas" and set up a vast government credit program. It also seeks to counteract the effects of forced sales in the drouth area by making special government loans available to livestock producers anywhere in the United States who may be suffering from "economic disaster."

Loans under the program would be available for two years at five per cent interest. Those eligible are producers and feeders of cattle, sheep, and goats, exclusive of feed lot operators, who can not get credit elsewhere.

It was disclosed that Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson has changed the rules governing federal controls on wheat to allow drouth-stricken Southwest farmers to plant as much as they want for livestock feed or as pasture cover for their parched fields.

The measure was signed just 24 hours after Congress completed action on it.

Fred Mercer Is Appointed Zone Chairman

Fred Mercer retiring president of Silverton Lions Club has been appointed zone chairman of Zone Two, by the new District Governor of Lions International, Joe R. Phillips, of Amarillo. This includes clubs of Plainview, Lockney, Floydada, Matador and Silverton.

Fred Garrison, of Silverton, served in this capacity during 1950-51.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Lightsey and Gerald, of Maywood, California, are visiting relatives and friends in Silverton.

Mrs. Emma Paige, of Crestline, California, is here for an indefinite visit with her son, Mr. Lester Paige, and Mrs. Paige and family.

Latest Ruling on Lottery is Given by P. O. Department

The postoffice department at Washington, D. C., has just recently released a late ruling on LOTTERY and it should be read by all Briscoe County News subscribers. Since the present owner of the News took over the management of the paper five years ago, this lottery law has come up for discussion every few weeks. Some organization would come up with the idea to give away something, sell chances and expect the newspaper to give publicity to their project. In most cases we were able to explain the position we were in, and that we could not, regardless of advertising or publicity be made a party to lottery. However, some were very indignant about the matter and refused to believe that the newspaper cannot take any part in lottery.

We are asking that everyone read the following article just released, and please do not ask the paper to carry advertising or publicity that is considered lottery—we will have to turn you down.

POST OFFICE DEFINES LOTTERY CONSIDERATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Following two court decisions, the post office department has reversed its position, in part, as to what constitutes "consideration" in a lottery. This is the new ruling:

"In order for a prize scheme to be held in violation of this section (36.6 P. L. & R., 1948), it is necessary to show (in addition to the fact that the prizes are awarded by means of lot or chance) that the 'consideration' involves, for example, the payment of money for the purchase of merchandise, chance or admission ticket, or as payment on an account, or requires an expenditure of substantial effort or time.

"On the other hand, if it is required merely that one's name be registered at a store in order to be eligible for the prize, consideration is not deemed to be present."

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Pitts and children, of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Mrs. Bryan Strange, Mrs. Fred Brannon and Sue, Mrs. Norman Strange and Kay, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Strange enjoyed a picnic supper and a swimming party at Burson's lake Monday evening.

Mrs. Joe Brooks underwent surgery at the local hospital Tuesday. She is reported to be doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ivy, of Vega, visited her aunt, Mrs. Jeff Simpson, last Thursday morning. They were enroute to Turkey to visit Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Turner, parents of Mrs. Ivy.

Mrs. Ruth Moore, of Berkeley, California, arrived on Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. Una Burson, and other relatives.

Mrs. Baily Hill is a patient in the local hospital, having undergone major surgery on Tuesday.

Dr. Sedgwick is Home From Plainview Hospital!

Mr. and Mrs. Will Smithee and Mrs. Bob Dickerson were in Tulia on Wednesday of last week. From Tulia Mr. Smithee accompanied Mr. Robert Allen Sedgwick to Plainview to return home. Dr. W. A. Sedgwick who recently underwent major surgery in a Plainview hospital. Dr. Sedgwick was able to walk to the car from the hospital and also to walk from the car into his home when they reached Tulia. He is doing well.

Robert Allen Sedgwick and his family, of Los Angeles, California came so as to be with his father during the operation; they have gone to San Antonio to visit other relatives before returning home.

Dr. Sedgwick grew up in Silverton and is a brother-in-law to Mr. Smithee and to Mrs. Dickerson.

CPL. JIM HOWARD CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY

Cpl. Jim Howard, of Tulia, member of Btr. A. 132nd F. A. Texas National Guard Division of Plainview, Texas, has received orders to report for active duty at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Friday, July 17.

Cpl. Howard is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Howard, of Silverton, he attended high school here before moving to Tulia.

Mrs. Howard the former Doris Gunkey, of Tulia, will stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Gunkey until her husband is stationed permanently.



MARSHALL FORMBY,

a member of the State Highway Commission, has moved to Plainview and opened a law office. He is a former resident of Plainview and now owner of radio stations in West Texas.

ATTEND FUNERAL OF A. M. HILL AT ERICK

Mrs. J. N. Cantwell and Marie Bishop attended the funeral of A. M. Hill at Erick, Oklahoma, Tuesday. Mr. Hill died in San Angelo hospital Sunday, after an illness of about a week. Mr. Hill is a son-in-law of Mrs. J. N. Cantwell.

Mrs. C. L. Oliver, of Denton, Texas, is visiting in the home of her mother, Mrs. F. M. Autry, and sister, Mrs. J. M. Thompson. Judge and Mrs. Clyde Wright and their children and grandchildren who are visiting here, explored Palo Duro Canyon and went through the Panhandle Historical Museum in Canyon last Saturday. The young folks went for a swim in Burson lake on Thursday.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS—

SPARKS BURN OUT
The danger from flying sparks, originating either from chimneys or outdoor fires, can be minimized by protecting roofs with fire-resistant asphalt shingles.

FIRE WALL FOR GARAGE
A fire-retarding wall between a house and its attached garage is required by many building codes. The wall is meant to confine a garage fire until firemen arrive.

PAINT COPPER SCREENS
Copper and bronze screens should be painted, even though they will not rust. They will corrode and discolor and paint is needed for that reason.

RANGE NEAR SINK
Location of the kitchen range near the sink is the most convenient arrangement, according to research workers at the New York State College of Home Economics at Cornell University.

NO MORTGAGES
More than half of all homes in the United States, excluding farm homes, are free of mortgages, says the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

PROTECT HEATING PLANT
All parts of a hot water heating system, including radiators, should be filled to capacity for the summer to prevent rust. In the fall, drain off the excess. A steam boiler should be filled with water to the height of the safety valve.

NON-SLIP BATHTUBS
Bathtubs with non-slip corrugated bottoms are recently introduced safety equipment for the home.

KITCHEN SHELF HEIGHT
For ease in kitchen work, cupboard shelves should not be lower than 20 inches above the floor.

MOW CLOVER EARLY
For best quality hay, mow red clover when it is in the one-third to one-half bloom stage, say University of Nebraska agronomists. Later mowing will result in more hay but it won't be so good.

PAINT CHIMNEY
If a chimney that runs up the outside of a house is unattractive, try painting it to match the side walls. This will make it less noticeable.

Modern Materials Give New Life to Old Dwellings



The handsome, new-looking home, top, is the remodeled version of the 100-year-old farmhouse, bottom. Window rearrangement, elimination of the porch, a new fire-resistant asphalt shingle roof, and new paint were principal exterior improvements.

Thanks to improved modern building materials, an old house that is remodeled may be better than ever—even better than when it was brand-new.

Windows are a case in point. Because of modern insulation and heating systems, windows can be bigger and there can be more of them. Asphalt shingles, another example, today give the roof colorful beauty, fire-resistance, and long life in addition to the fundamental quality of weather protection.

A 100-year-old farmhouse in Wisconsin typifies the improvement that can result from home modernization when the frame is structurally sound.

A new asphalt roof was the first item in the face-lifting job. In the process of reroofing, the two old chimneys were removed and a better-located chimney was built.

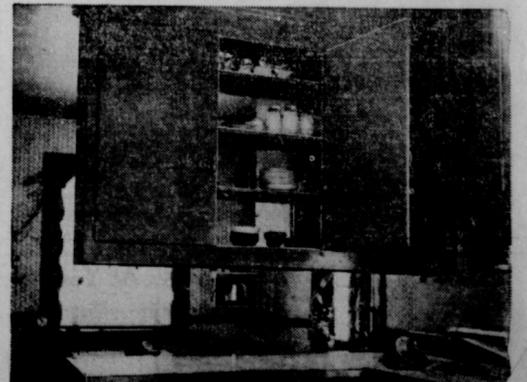
A major change consisted of enclosing the open, old-fashioned porch. The interior space gained was divided between the kitchen and the living room. This made room in the kitchen for a dining area and a built-in desk.

Windows were rearranged and many new ones were added. The front door was moved to improve furniture placement in the living room.

After exterior alterations had been completed, the sidewalls were painted. White, a color of dignity, was chosen in keeping with the excellent architectural proportions of the century-old home.

Interior improvements included insulating the walls to cut winter heating expense and increase year-round comfort. Wallboard was used to recondition old walls and ceilings.

Cupboard Hangs in Air



A cupboard that hangs from the ceiling is one of the new conveniences in kitchen design. The one illustrated here is suspended above a counter. The counter and the cupboard serve to set the kitchen and an adjacent dining nook. The cupboard has on both sides for ease of use. A fluorescent tube light under cupboard illuminates the counter.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. J. E. Meadows and Vicki, of Childress, visited relatives here from Tuesday until Friday of last week. Mrs. Meadows, the former Alta Mae Kendricks, is a grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Vardell and grew up in this vicinity.

Mrs. J. H. May, Miss Virginia May and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer May and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd May and family, at Rock Creek, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rafferty, of Waco, were over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Calloway and Wayma Rae on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Pitts and three children of Fayetteville, North Carolina, arrived here on Sunday for a two weeks visit with friends and relatives. Mrs. Pitts is the former Laura Mae Strange, daughter of Mrs. Bryan Strange.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bryan, of Plainview, were Sunday guests of their daughter, Mrs. Joe Montague and Mr. Montague.

BIRTH

Born, on Saturday, July 11, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burleson, of Amarillo, a son, Gary Ray, weight 7 pounds. Grand parents are Mrs. Avis Cowart, Silverton; Mr. Dick Cowart, Amarillo; Mrs. Jo Annie Burleson, Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Graham and son, of Farwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Dudley, of Petersburg, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Dudley and Connie.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Paige and Donald Glenn spent Saturday night in Amarillo, guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Allen. They returned home Miss Marsha Allen who had visited the Paiges here for two weeks while her parents were gone to California.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Minter and son were Sunday guests of Capt. and Mrs. Charles Yates and children in Wichita Falls. The Minters are parents of Mrs. Yates.

Rev. G. A. Elrod is attending the Plains Baptist Assembly Camp, District Nine, near Floydada, this week. Derron Thompson, Bradford Wilson, C. L. Dunn, Fred Chase Kellum, Walter Arnold, Harvey McJimsey and Richard Gregg, members of the intermediate class of the local Baptist Sunday School, attended the camp from Monday noon until Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allday, of Lubbock, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Paige. The Alldays are former Silverton residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Yates and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Vardell and Leroy went to Anardarko, Oklahoma, on Sunday to visit relatives. Mrs. Vardell remained for an indefinite visit to help care for her sister, Mrs. A. A. Walls, who recently underwent major surgery and has not recuperated satisfactorily. She was better on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rafferty, of Waco, visited Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crow and Jim from Sunday until Wednesday. Mesdames Rafferty and Crow are sisters.

Mrs. Betty Pendleton, of Amarillo spent the weekend with Mrs. Bonnie Brewster. On Sunday afternoon Mrs. VicPeriano, Michael and Donna went to Amarillo with Mrs. Pendleton where they entrained on Monday for their home in Fort Stockton, California. Mrs. Brewster is the mother of Mesdames Pendleton and Peirano. Mrs. Peirano and children have been here for some time, guests of Mrs. Brewster.

Mrs. W. J. Hyatt and son, Ray, returned last Wednesday from a visit of several days with relatives in Dallas, Longview, Mineola and Sulphur Springs. They attended a Turner family reunion held in the Jim Hogg Park at Quitman, in Wood County; all eleven brothers and sisters of Mrs. Hyatt were together for the first time in twenty-one years.

NOTICE! -- NOTICE!

Due to the danger and prevalence of certain infectious diseases all precautionary measures must be taken, and possible breeding places of such diseases must be eradicated.

Owners of livestock and poultry within the city limits must obey the following rules:

1. All barns, sheds, poultry houses, lots and corrals must be sprayed regularly.
2. Regular cleaning and spraying of poultry and livestock yards.
3. Frequent removal of all offing from lots, sheds or enclosures.
4. Rubbish and all debris should be moved from all down-town lots and alleys, from rear of lots and back of business houses.

If livestock and poultry owners are unable to follow these rules, it will become necessary that these animals be housed outside the city limits.

If you are unable to meet the spraying requirements, contact the City Hall, they will be happy to aid you in this project.

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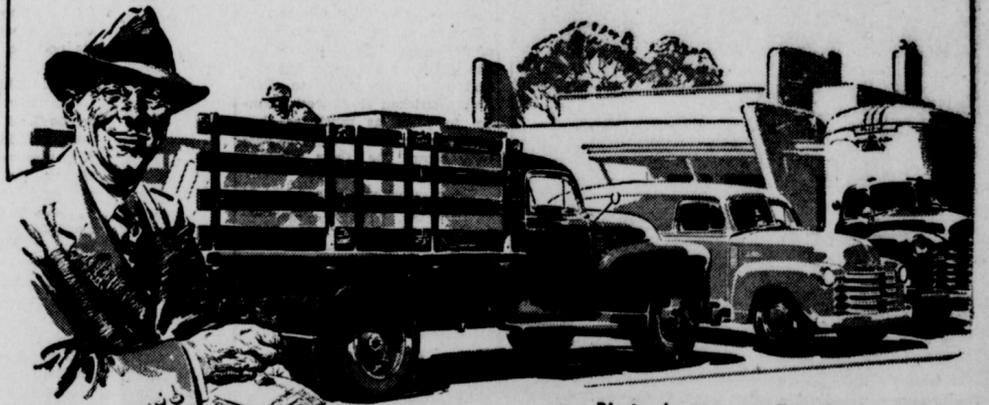
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LAFAYETTE, Ind.—Three scientists at Purdue University believe they are hot on the trail of a practical way to save farmers, grocers and housewives some of the millions of dollars they lose annually through spoilage of fruits and vegetables.

The research team reports that rot and mold losses have been reduced as much as 75 per cent in peaches and strawberries exposed to the vapors of two volatile chemicals.

In one of the team's experiments, a quantity of fruit was inoculated with rot-producing material. Half the fruit was treated with the chemicals and then both batches were put in cold storage for nine days. After removal, the fruit was held 24 hours at room temperature before comparison.

Of the untreated fruit 58 per cent was found to have been damaged, as compared with 6 per cent of the treated fruit.

Driver Stores Auto After Tongue-Lashing

ST. LOUIS—Almost 20 years ago Francis E. Schwentler violated a traffic rule. As a result, a truck driver gave him a tongue-lashing and told him he should stop driving.

Schwentler did just that. He took his 1934 Ford home, put it in the garage and jacked it up.

When he died last year at the age of 90 that car was still there with only 58 miles showing on the speedometer. Inheritance-tax appraisers were astonished and inquired about the car.

Friends and neighbors explained how Schwentler took the truck driver's lecture to heart. Although he never drove again he bought Missouri license plates for the car each year until his death.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wilson, of Stephenville, visited her mother, Mrs. W. R. Grimland, from Wednesday until Friday of last week.

Mrs. Ena Belle Hollar, David and Martha Sue, of Amarillo, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Jackson.

Mrs. J. J. Vardell went to Dimmitt on July 3rd to visit a son, O. T. Vardell, and family. The following Tuesday she went on to Clovis to visit the Luther Vardells for several days.

Cecil McKay and his mother, Mrs. Eugenia McKay, of Delano, California, came in on Sunday for a visit with relatives in this vicinity. Mrs. Cecil McKay came several days ago to visit her mother, Mrs. W. K. Grimland and other relatives.

Mart Hyatt, of Tulia, and Mrs. Lucille Simmons, of Harlingen, Texas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Bomar on Wednesday of last week. They came here to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hyatt but, unfortunately, they were not at home. Mr. Mart Hyatt is the father of Mr. W. J. Hyatt and Mrs. Simmons and grandfather to Mrs. Bomar.

Mrs. Bailey Hill was a recent visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Hamilton, at Abilene.

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American Legion State Headquarters New Building

Austin, July 15—After 35 years, the American Legion has built its own state headquarters building, a modern \$205,000 structure located two blocks from the state capitol building at North Congress and 15th Streets in Austin.

The building was formally dedicated July 7 with the American Legion's state commander, Albert D. Brown, Jr., of Austin, presiding and the National Commander Lewis K. Gough of Pasadena, California and Governor Allan Shivers, the principal speakers.

The building is two stories with a foundation and elevator shaft for six additional stories. There are approximately 5,000 feet of floor space on each of the two floors. The building is of polished Texas granite and cream colored brick. It is both air conditioned and winter conditioned.

The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary, The Texas Legion News and the 40 and 8 all have their state headquarters on the main floor. The upper floor is rented to a state agency.

The building is paid for and an adjoining lot on 15th Street has been purchased for parking purposes. The state headquarters property has 92 feet frontage on

Congress Avenue and 180 feet on 15th Street.

Ground was broken for the building July 22, 1952 and it was dedicated a few days less than a year later. Members of the building committee were V. F. Taylor, Austin, chairman; R. C. Gusman, Bay City; Lou Roberts, Amarillo; Ralph Holman, Joinerville; Howard Hudgins, Amarillo; Willis Jarrel, Tyler and E. L. Jackson, Cisco.

Helping Hand Club Met With Mrs. Francis

The Helping Hand Club met with Mrs. John Lee Francis on Thursday, July 9. A social hour was enjoyed. Angel food cake and ice cream were served by the hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Mary John Harris.

Those present were Mesdames Mae Pearl Rowell, Modene Calloway, Mary John Harris, Zoe Steele, Kathleen Francis, Nelda Jasper, Pearl Lanham, Lorene Crass, Nettie V. Baldwin, Laverne Mercer, Lois Smithee and Daphne Fern McGavock.

Two visitors were present, Mesdames Jenny Fairman and Ima Nelle Francis. Little Vicki Jasper and Riley Harris also attended the meeting.

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Local Farmers and Ranchers Hold Protest Meeting

Local farmers and ranchers gathered at the court house Friday night for the purpose of discussing "cloud seeding" and what effect it has on weather conditions in Briscoe County.

Quite a bit of discussion was carried out during the early stages of the gathering, with the most noise favoring a discontinuation of the "seeding" project; and out of these discussions it was decided to send a committee of men to Amarillo to discuss the subject with the governors in their gathering there with the President on Saturday. They went and delivered their message and hope something may develop out of the discussions to give authority for a ban on cloud seeding, cloud busting, or what ever it is that comes out of such operations.

Hail Prevention Not Cause of Drouth Says Top Pilot

Members of the hail prevention association arrived at the farmer-rancher gathering during their session and their top flyer made a talk on how and what they were attempting to do. In brief his discussions could be summed up in about these words:

Hail prevention has not been responsible in any way for the dry spell that is reaching into this territory.

That's the answer of Pilot Lee Rawlings to complaints of farmers against the hail prevention program.

Rawlings is chief pilot for the hail prevention program and has complete scores of missions to investigate cloud formations.

"Seeding clouds does not break up clouds nor prevent clouds from raining in any way," he told his audience here Friday evening. "We won't attempt to argue the issue with anyone, but we can prove it to any one who will make a trip with us to seed a cloud."

Many farmers have blamed hail prevention for the drouth that has prevailed here since early 1952.

But Rawlings reported that the hail prevention program is an "open book," for any farmer or critic to investigate from cover to cover. "The hail prevention association is a non-profit organization, formed by the farmers of Hale and Floyd county and chartered under the state laws of Texas," he explained. "Its purpose is to promote and develop hail prevention. It is under the management of Scholarship House."

Rawlings said that it is only natural for farmers to become suspicious when they see promising rain clouds mysteriously break up and disappear. "Our planes check most of the clouds and naturally the unusual action of the clouds puts us under suspicion," he said. "Actually, we have seeded only one out of every five clouds we have inspected until the past few days."

He extended an invitation to farmers to ride with him or one of his pilots any time to actually observe for themselves and make up their minds about hail prevention and its relationship to actually breaking up clouds. "We can't prove to any body on one trip that our program will prevent hail; only time can prove that; but we can prove in one trip that we do not break up clouds in any way."

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Thompson and sons went to Amarillo Sunday morning to visit Mr. and Mrs. Mack McKenney and family. Both families went to Skellytown and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Thompson and sons. Mrs. McKenney, Bill and Kemp Thompson are sister and brothers.

Miss Gay Lyn Calloway was a patient in the Lockney hospital from Saturday until Tuesday. It was feared for a time that she had typhoid fever but tests proved otherwise. Her fever had cleared and she has returned home.

Mrs. Susie Bean, of Brownwood, Mr. Butler Bean, of Texas City, and Mr. J. K. Bean called on Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crow and on Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Long Tuesday morning. The Crow and Bean families were neighbors in Johnson County many years ago.

BIRTH

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Perkins, of Hereford, are the parents of a baby girl, born July 11, 1953, in Hereford Hospital, weight seven pounds two ounces, named Ruby Fay. Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis and Lee Perkins, Silverton.

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I take this means to thank my good friends and neighbors for many cards and other things sent me and done for me while I was in the hospital. Everything was certainly appreciated. Sincerely,

MRS. J. E. HENDERSON.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud McMinn went to Hale Center Sunday to visit their son, Travis, who received a back injury from a fall he received Friday while washing a car at the station where he is employed. His condition is fair, but he will be confined to bed for several days.

Mrs. Susie Bean, of Brownwood, Texas, Mr. Aron Bean, of Mullen, Texas, and Mr. Butler Bean, of Texas City, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Bean and family on Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Susie Bean is the mother to Aron, J. K. and Butler Bean.

Mr. Joe Lemons, of Los Alamos, New Mexico, visited his mother, Mrs. Fred Lemons, from Monday until Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Shafe Weaver is a patient in the local hospital.

Mrs. Virgil Ballard and Joni Jo, of Mission, Texas, returned home on Wednesday after having visited Mrs. O. T. Bundy for a couple of weeks. They took Mrs. Bundy to Midland where she will stay for some time in the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Mast while recovering from a crushed shoulder which she sustained in a fall recently.

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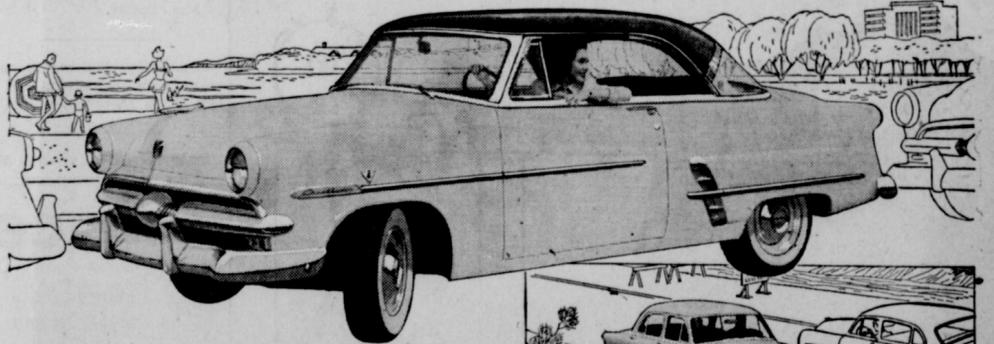
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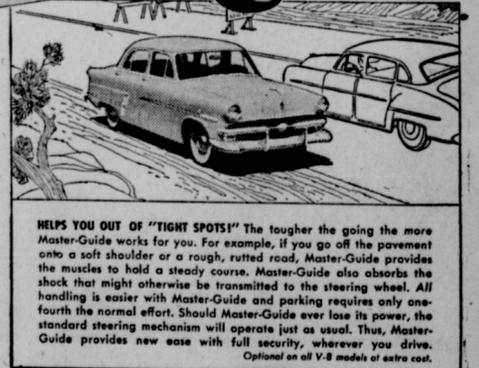


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