

Wohlford To Introduce Gas Law

State Representative Sam Wohlford has directed the following letter to the members of the Texas Legislature:

"Mr. Speaker, Members of the House, Ladies and Gentlemen:

A few days in advance of the special session of the Legislature, I want to take this means of directing to you, my fellow House Members, an open letter on a subject very near the heart of the tax problem which concerns us most at this time.

We are being asked to provide additional funds for a worthy cause. The question that confronts us is: Where We Gonna Get The Money?

All of us have been abundantly aware that the same old tax sources aren't inclined to let us saddle them with any new burdens at this particular time. The likelihood of a favorable Supreme Court decision on the gas gathering tax before we have to act seems remote at best.

I shall have in the hopper a proposal for providing this revenue from Texas natural gas without increasing the already excessive tax rate on this resource, and it is to ask your support of this plan that I now address you.

Gas producers and royalty owners in Texas now pay in State taxes of 5.72 percent of the value of the gas at the well (except for those fortunate companies which pay on some compromise or prevailing average weighted field price based on readings at the recycling plants or at the gate). As high as this rate is, natural gas pays only a fraction of the taxes this State should be receiving for the permanent depletion of its rich resource. One "solution" is to continue the time-worn practice of upping that percent-of-value rate, but even if we raised it to the point of outright confiscation Texas still would be denied a fair return on gas being sold under old outdated contracts such as those existing in my Panhandle district calling for 3 or 4 cents per thousand cubic foot.

Obviously, then if Texas is going to benefit from its gas, something is going to have to be done about correcting the condition which denies natural gas its competitive price in a free economy. I do not propose that we engage in "price fixing" so that the price of this commodity can be raised and stabilized by legislative fiat about that level which would prevail in a free market. I have no sympathy with pressure groups which want the government to help them get a price which normal competition denies.

But here, fellow Members, is a special problem which the normal competitive forces of our dynamic economy cannot touch; only we, the representatives of the people of Texas, can correct a serious flaw. In the great Hugoton and Panhandle gas fields we have a special situation calling for special attention. Like other old gas fields in the State, this gas was tied up by the gas pipeline companies years ago when gas was almost worthless. Unlike other commodities, our natural gas is "dedicated" under Federal Power Commission regulations; consequently, these gas prices are not allowed to adjust to demand conditions as are prices of all other commodities. In a free market, natural gas is worth several times the price prevailing in these old fields. But we are denied the right to sell to the highest bidder because, for the most part, the pipe line servicing a given area has a virtual monopoly and it is uneconomic for a competitor line to come in.

I doubt that many of you realize that gas from these three large Panhandle fields is from the same reservoir as Kansas gas now selling for a minimum of 11 cents, and in Oklahoma for 9.8 cents. Nor do many people know that some 97 percent of this gas flows out of the state. It is natural that these pipelines produce heavily on the Texas side while holding Oklahoma and Kansas gas from the same source in reserve, with the result that Texans and the Texas State government are being robbed of its birthright.

It would be grossly unfair to condemn the pipelines for taking this course, just as it is illogical to expect them to do anything about the price on their own. They are regulated by a federal agency as a utility, and there is no incentive for them to do something about these give-away prices — such action would only bring them trouble from the FPC and consumer areas in the North and East. "Business statesmanship," my friends, can't correct this one; it's up to us.

Now, as never before, we have the incentive to do something about it. We need additional State revenue. Here is a source which is capable of providing without injury to any segment of the industry and without cost to any Texas consumer group all the money required to meet the new teacher pay obligations and, in time, far more. Moreover, this action is dictated by conservation interests alone, since only a free gas price can halt the serious waste now unavoidable.

There is another aspect to this which we can no longer ignore. Because natural gas is so grossly underpriced in relation to other fuels, exports from Texas have begun to exceed our ability to discover new reserves. Something must be done to assure that our own State needs will be satisfied before exports are allowed to expand further.

In my own counties, Dallam, Hansford, Moore, Oldham and Sherman, farmers can't even buy gas to run irrigation wells, even though the gas is being produced from their own farm. The pipelines say all this gas is "dedicated" for export and won't even sell it to them.

THE STRATFORD STAR

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Stock Show Tuesday

The annual Sherman County Fat Stock Show will be held on the school grounds at Stratford Tuesday, February 16.

The livestock will be tied in place by 10:00 A. M. and open to the public. Eighteen baby heaves, twenty-two hogs, and a number of breeding stock have been entered in the show. Last year was a hard year on livestock in general, however, the boys and girls will put on exhibition some of the best club calves and more fat barrows than we have had on exhibit in Sherman County in several years.

The fine spirit of cooperation of the officials of the school has been a great contribution to the livestock show. It has meant a lot to the progress of 4-H and F.F.A. work in the county.

The program committee has worked hard to give the people an interesting as well as attractive livestock show this year. The schedule of events is as follows:

Livestock will be weighed in at the Santa Fe scales and in place by 10:00 A. M.

10:30 to 11:00 A. M. Demonstration on fitting and showing a show animal by Alfred Meeks, a well known Hereford breeder and outstanding showman of Texas from Dalhart.

11:00 to 11:30 A. M. Demonstration and chalk talk on wholesale cuts of meat as located on the animal by R. M. Buckles.

Alfred Meeks will begin judging at 1:00 P. M.

1:00 P. M. Judging of senior

class.

1:20 P. M. Judging of junior class and selection of Grand and Reserve Champion.

1:40 P. M. Judging of hogs by C. T. Watson of Stratford.

2:00 P. M. Judging of breeding stock.

2:30 P. M. auction sale.

The livestock will be on exhibition to the public until 4:00 P. M. when they will be released from the barn.

Alphonso Garcia, a local boy who is a well known auctioneer in this area, will call for the bids starting at 2:30 P. M.

A number of committees have worked very hard and given considerable time for the benefit of the boys and girls in the promotion of this show. They are: Purchasing Committee: George Jeffcoat and Rennie Hamilton; Show Officials Committee: R. M. Buckles; Finance Committee: Jim Taylor and Les Parker; Livestock Arrangement Committee: John Steel; Awards Committee: Neil Jackson; Weighing Committee: Arthur Judd; 4-H and F.F.A. Committee: Johnny Summerour, Edward Summerour, Bob Newman, Milton Meyer, Sonny Judd, and Gerald Preston; Grounds Committee: Duard Lamb and E. Goyle; Superintendent of Steer Show: P. J. Pronger, Jr.; Superintendent of Swine Show: Arthur Judd.

Any of these men or any of the F.F.A. or 4-H boys and girls will be glad to answer any questions or render any assistance in connection with the livestock show.

County Calves Win Honors At Guymon

Sherman County F.F.A. and 4-H Club boys and girls took many of the honors at the Guymon livestock show this week. All of the local entries were in the light weight Hereford class.

Sonny Judd won first and reserve champion Hereford.

Bob Newman won second in the class of his entry.

Buzz Summerour placed third. Jerry Harland placed fourth. Milton Meyer placed sixth.

Sonny Judd placed seventh.

Senior Class

In the senior class entries Johnny Summerour placed fourth and Wayne Cummings placed sixth.

Champion Pig

Gay Judd took first place and class championship with her Berkshire pig.

considerably below the cost of other fuels is the wellhead price monopoly.

For example, a St. Louis home heated with fuel oil pays the owner of a Texas oil well \$51 out of every \$100 spent for heating; the same home heated with natural gas from Texas pays the producer \$7.28 out of every \$100 spent.

The problem is ours and needs our attention now. If we meet it frankly, the net benefit to sufficient in time to amaze us all. Until we do, our State will not receive anything like the return it should get, industries will not have an incentive to move here, and some of our own industries will be lost (as in the cases of processing plants for Texas gas moving into the East).

When we gather in a few days, I will have my bill to accomplish this, believing sincerely that it is appropriate to the call. I am convinced that through it we can provide a solution to our present problem and a far more prosperous Texas of the future. All I ask is that you give it your careful attention.

To Conduct Religious Census

At 1:30 P. M. Sunday, February 14, a religious census will be conducted by the First Baptist Church in the City of Stratford. Later during the week the rural areas will be canvassed.

The purpose of this census is to secure the names of all the people in the community who are Baptists, or who have Baptist preference.

Plans have been made for those who so desire, to bring sandwiches to the church and eat their lunch before the census begins. Coffee will be served. Also, a nursery will be maintained for small children of parents who wish to help conduct the census.

During the period of April 18 to May 2 the local church will cooperate with other Baptist churches of the Southland in a period of simultaneous revivals.

A concerted effort will be made to enlist the prospects obtained in the census by the end of the revival period.

Court Orders Election

An "Allocation Election" to be held in April, was ordered by the County Commissioners' Court in session Monday. The "Allocation Election" as approved by the voters enables the court to transfer funds accumulating in one fund to another fund where they are needed. The county has been operating under this law. It must be approved by the voters every six years if it is to remain in effect. Election judges to serve for the next two years were also appointed by the court.

PFC. GEORGE STONE IS TRANSFERRED

Pfc. George Stone has been moved to Weisbaden, Germany. He is still attached to Battery Headquarters as a typist. Stone is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ural Stone of Stratford.

Park Hammons Is Spelling Bee Champion

Park Hammons, eighth grade student, has won the Stratford Spelling Bee championship. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hammons. Hammons will participate in the spelling bee to be held in Amarillo February 27. The Amarillo spelling bee will be telecast.

Glenda Green won second place in the local spelling bee, and Mary Sue Taylor placed third.

Heart Fund Drive Sunday Afternoon

Those who will give their service in soliciting funds for the Sherman-Moore Heart fund are requested to meet at The First State Bank in Stratford at 1:30 P. M. Sunday.

Stratford Scouts had planned to make this drive but were informed their organization was not allowed to solicit funds.

Members of the Stratford Lions Club have taken up the work planned by the scouts. They will gladly accept the help of any volunteers.

The canvass of Stratford is planned from 2:00 to 4:00 P. M. Sunday.

Oratorical Contest February 23

Tuesday, February 23, is the date that has been set for the oratorical contest to be held in the High School Auditorium. W. W. Stevens, speech teacher, states there will be four contestants. The contest is a nationwide project sponsored by the American Legion in the interest of preparing the nations youth for better civic leadership.

Sherman County ASC To Hold County Meeting

A county-wide meeting will be held Wednesday, February 17, at 2:00 P. M. in the Sherman County court room for the purpose of discussing the measuring of wheat acreages. All producers of wheat, especially those who planted in excess of their acreage allotment for green manure or cover crop, are urged to attend.

CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN APRIL

A City election will be held in Stratford in April for the election of a mayor and two councilmen. Applications for a place on the ballot must be filed with Mayor H. M. Flores 30 days before the election.

The date of the city election will be April 6.

Elevate Football Field Ground

Elevation of the football field on the school grounds was launched Monday as a community project. Work was donated and road equipment of Precincts Two and Four were used to move between 700 and 1,000 yards of dirt on the field. The field will be leveled in a gradual slope from the center to provide drainage. In the future, it is hoped to plant the field in grass.

Bill Allen Home From Hospital

Bill Allen was brought home from an Amarillo Hospital Wednesday. He underwent a skin graft operation on one leg last week. He was burned in a flash fire at his home near Conlen recently.

BREAKS ARM IN FALL AT SCHOOL

Wayne Cummings fractured bones in an arm in a fall while running at school Tuesday.

Wheat Prospects Are Best In Several Years

The over-all wheat conditions in Texas still promise more than any prospect since the 1949 harvest, reports Fred E. Dines, Extension Wheat Marketing Specialist in Amarillo. Needless to say, it is too early to predict with any accuracy the size of the 1954 wheat harvest. However, the above normal October 1953 rains gave wheat fields the foundation of moisture needed to go into the winter and hold until early spring rains determine the final outcome.

Surface soil moisture is approaching a serious deficiency particularly in the Panhandle and South Plains regions and in a large portion of the Rolling Plains region below the Cap Rock. Lack of surface moisture and hard freezes have brought to a standstill any growth of the wheat plant forcing removal of some cattle from wheat pasture. Few wheat fields have an abundance of top growth resulting in limited grazing and little protection from strong winds.

No alarming proportions of wheat insects are present at this time. A few greenbugs have been found in a few seeded heavy growth fields but natural parasitic insects of the greenbug are also found that will aid in control of any possible increase in the warmer months ahead. Spider mites are not as heavy this year as in the previous three years and any severe cut-worm damage is not anticipated in the early spring. No wheat diseases have been reported other than foot-rot in a few isolated areas.

Sub-soil moisture ranges from approximately 15 inches in the drier western sections to in excess of 30 inches in some of the eastern areas. From 20 inches to 30 inches of sub-soil moisture is reported over most of the heavy Panhandle and South Plains wheat areas.

With mostly satisfactory sub-soil moisture, no apparent insect or disease problem and a good root system, the wheat crop can withstand a long winter-dry period. With limited top growth and continued dry weather, soil blowing may result that can damage wheat fields in late February and March. Although rains and snow now would materially aid the wheat crop, the final outcome of the 1954 wheat crop will be more dependent upon the rainfall received in March, April and May.

Status Of Grain Sanitation Program

The Grain Sanitation program of the Food and Drug Administration has changed very little from the position it was in a year ago. The main exception is that the proposal to start seizure of weevil infested grain was temporarily set aside awaiting a more accurate fast method of testing for weevil infestation. Also, it was deemed necessary by the U.S.D.A. and the Food and Drug Administration that more time was needed for educational agencies to inform farmers and grain handlers on the purpose, requirements and means of handling sanitary grain for human consumption.

Food and Drug Administration inspectors may still inspect elevators for the purpose of checking sanitary conditions and may condemn for human consumption any wheat obviously contaminated. Rodent (Rat and Mice) and bird contamination are some of the most obvious sources of rodent and bird contaminated grain are being made. Also being seized is wheat in human food channels showing a presence of poisons such as chemicals used in seed treatment against smut and soil insects.

Although most weevil infested wheat in store or in shipment is not now subject to Food and Drug Administration regulations, wheat being used by the flour milling trade is definitely required to be clean. Flour mills are not purchasing weevil infested wheat or wheat that has been infested as flour is now being sold on "fragment count" as well as other specifications. High "fragment count" flour may be seized by Food and Drug Administration inspectors (Continued on Page 8)

Underground Water Supply Is Studied

The Underground Water Conservation and Royalty Owners meeting was held Wednesday at 2:15 P. M. in the court house with 47 present.

The meeting was called to order by E. Goyle, County Agent, who made a few introductory remarks and explained the purpose of the meeting. He stated that J. B. Craig and Luther Browder, committee members, were ready to make a progress report on what has been done toward forming an Underground Water Conservation District in this area. James Craig gave the committee report in the absence of his father, J. B. Craig, Committee Chairman, who was unable to attend the meeting. He reported that a petition has been passed on forming an Underground Water District and area, which is now under advisement at the State Board of Water Engineers at Austin.

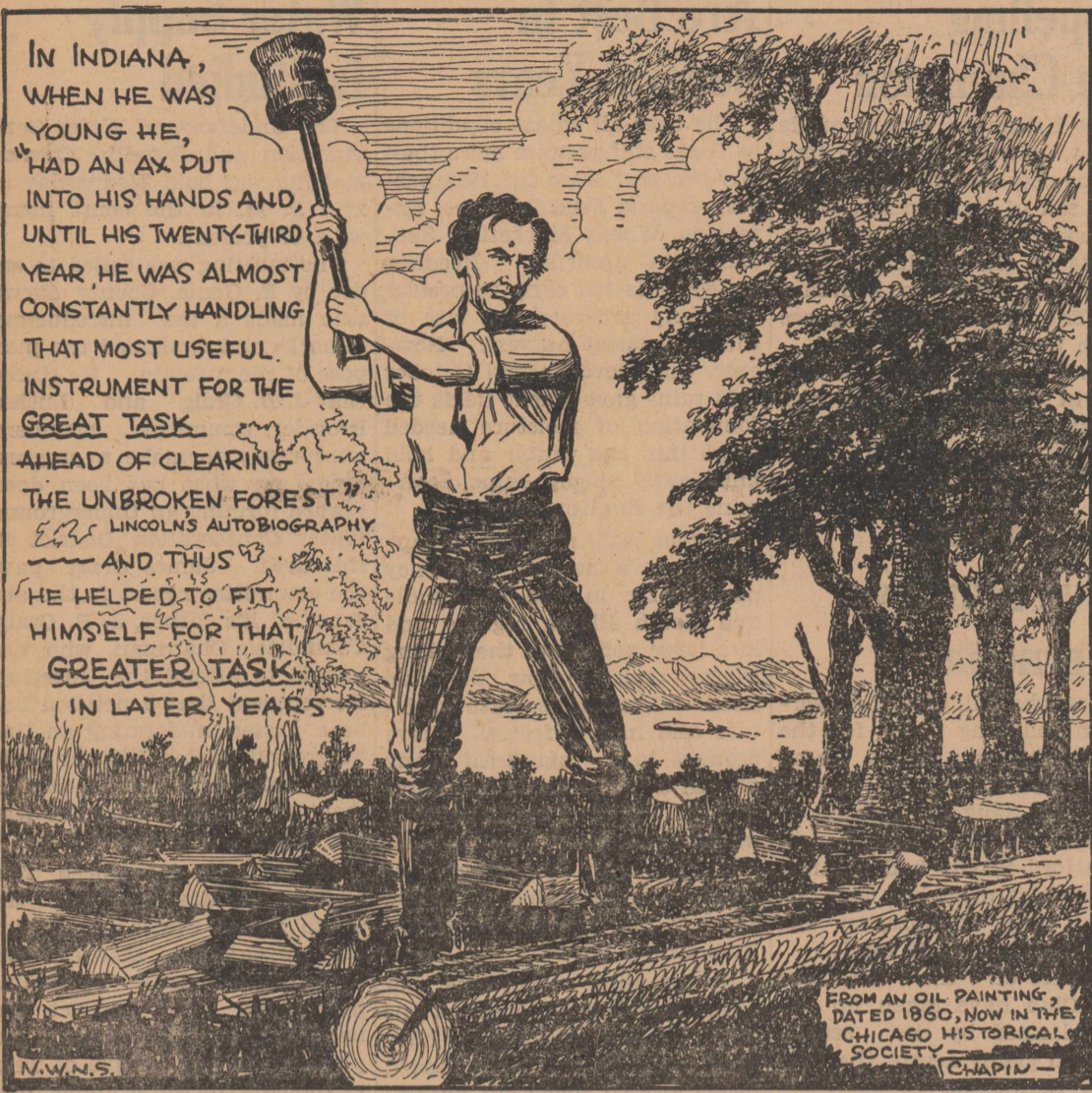
James Craig introduced Tom McFarland, Manager of the South Plains Underground Water Conservation District, who explained the purpose of an Underdegrederog Water District and its functions. McFarland explained that the people of Texas thought the water under their land belonged to them and that they intended to keep it. A bill was sent to the Legislature to try to keep underground water for their own use. This bill was passed and the South Plains Underground Water District Number 1 was set up. McFarland stated that 60% of the land acreage and 20% of water west of the Mississippi was in Texas and that they now have 20,000 wells pumping in the South Plains area. He stated that an Underground Water District puts control of the water in the hands of the local people. He reported that the South Plains District only has 50¢ per \$100.00 tax valuation in to finance this district, but they have only collected .03¢ per 100 acres up to date. The maximum tax could never exceed 50¢ per \$100.00 tax valuation in the county, which is only a small amount compared to the benefits received from an Underground Water District.

McFarland stated that only the Board of Water Engineers can delineate an area for an Underground Water Conservation District but once it is delineated, it is in the hands of the local people. The board of directors consists of five members elected from each county. The district board of directors would be made up of 5 members from the counties in the district. Jerry Cronin, Geologist for the U. S. Geological Survey Department of Interior, who collects information and does research work on underground water studies discussed the geology of this area and underground water supply. When he was answering questions from the group, Mr. Cronin stated that the artificial discharge of water had been found to move 10 to 13 feet in a year in an experiment carried out in Nebraska. He stated that the most of the water available for irrigation in this area comes from the ogalala formation which is just above the red beds. In answering questions about how far north this water formation had been located he stated the red beds had been cropping out in Hemphill County; Texas County, Oklahoma; and New Mexico, just west of us.

Sam Wohlford discussed some of the Underground water conservation problems and called the group's attention to the tremendous value of the water under their land. He stated, according to information that he had, that the underground water pool in this area was one of the best pools west of the Mississippi River and probably had one of the greatest sources of recharge. Wohlford stated that he thought there was a great need for forming an Underground Water Conservation District in this area.

In the concluding remarks, County Agent E. Goyle stated that he had a late report from the State Board of Water Engineers. According to this information (Continued on Page 8)

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Kendrick To Appear On TV Interview

Kenneth Kendrick will appear with Bob Izzard on a 6:30 P. M. KGNC Television News Cast Sunday. Kendrick will devote his efforts to counteract unfavorable publicity given this area by a Chicago newspaper. The Chicago Daily News reporter attempted to create the impression that plains wheat farmers were getting rich from wheat placed under government loan during drought years.

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Arthur R. Ellis Gets Discharge From U. S. Army

Sgt. Arthur R. Ellis received his discharge Friday morning at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He and his wife arrived Friday night for a visit with his mother, Mrs. W. D. Ellis, and plan to visit with her mother, Mrs. Shaw Dotson in Texhoma.

H. D. Council Meeting Friday

The Sherman County Home Demonstration Council met Friday in the club room. In the absence of the chairman and vice-chairman, Mrs. T. F. Baskin Jr., was appointed to fill the chair. For the opening exercise Mrs. Kenneth Pickens read a poem "Matter of Moments" by Mary Gustafson. Roll call was answered by 14 members. All club presidents gave their reports on what their club was doing. All recommendations for club committees were accepted by the council.

Miss Lucile King will conduct a school for making hats in Texhoma the 19th of February. The school will be held in Stratford February 15. These will be all day meetings and will start at 9:30 at the court house in Stratford.

Recreation was led by the Lone Star Club and refreshments were served by the Southside Club.

Those attending were Mrs. Raymond Keener, Mrs. Earl Kirkwood, Mrs. Arthur Judd, Mrs. Tommie Wakefield, Mrs. Everett Riggs, Mrs. M. J. Carter, Mrs. T. F. Baskin, Jr., Mrs. Oma Ellison, Mrs. Kenneth Pickens, Mrs. Lavon Kokska, Mrs. Bugs Graham, Mrs. Clifford Stedje and Mrs. Archie Arnold.

The next council meeting will be March 5 at 2:30 P. M.

PTA Appears On Radio Program

P.T.A. members sponsored a

radio program Sunday over KXIT in Dalhart. Mrs. Ben Biddy, president of the local organization, gave the five objects of the Parent Teacher Association and an outline of the work being done this year. Mrs. T. L. Wakefield gave a poem, "For Presidents Only."

Music was furnished by a quartet composed of Walter Pendleton, Mrs. Leon Guthrie, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Webb, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Walter Pendleton. All who took part in the program are members of the local Parent Teacher Association.

Hudson Elected Fraternity House Manager

AUSTIN — Clyde Milton Hudson of Stratford has been elected house manager of Delta Theta Phi law fraternity at the University of Texas.

A senior law student, Hudson is on the staff of Dicta, law school publication. He is the

son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene H. Hudson.

James Lowe Wants To Hear From His Friends

Cpl. James Lowe, stationed with the U. S. Army in Germany, is attending classes in a radio school six hours a day, and studies five hours daily in order to keep up with his classmates, but he still wants to receive letters from his friends. His mail address is:

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REYNOLDS ROCOVERING FROM OPERATION

Vern Reynolds, who underwent an emergency appendectomy in Loretto Hospital in Dalhart early last week, was taken to his home Tuesday, and is reported to be doing nicely.

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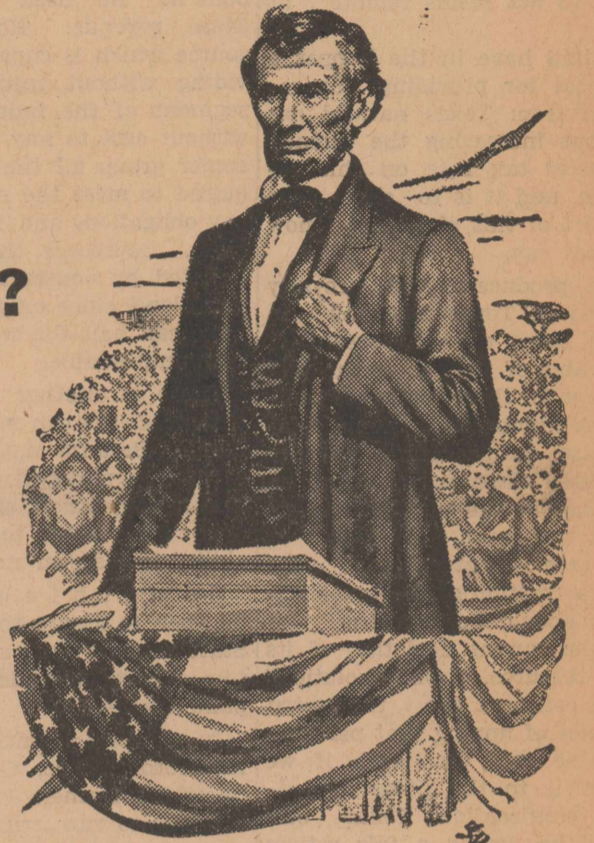
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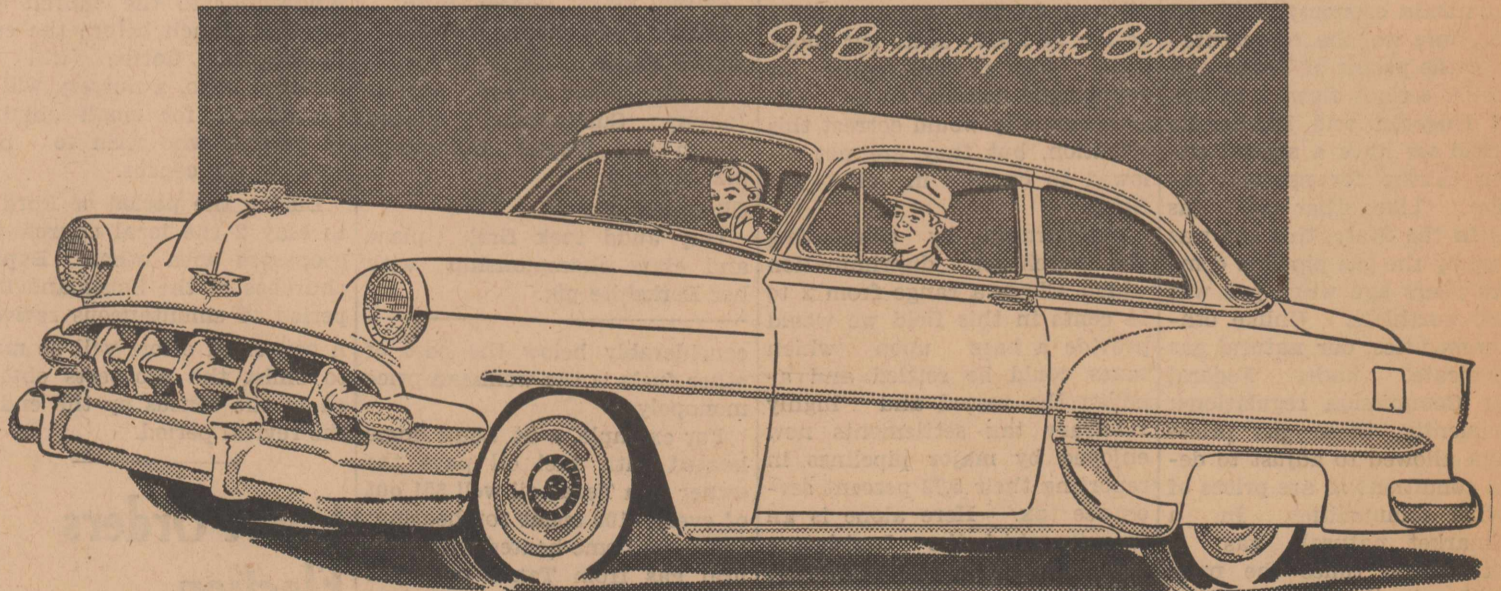
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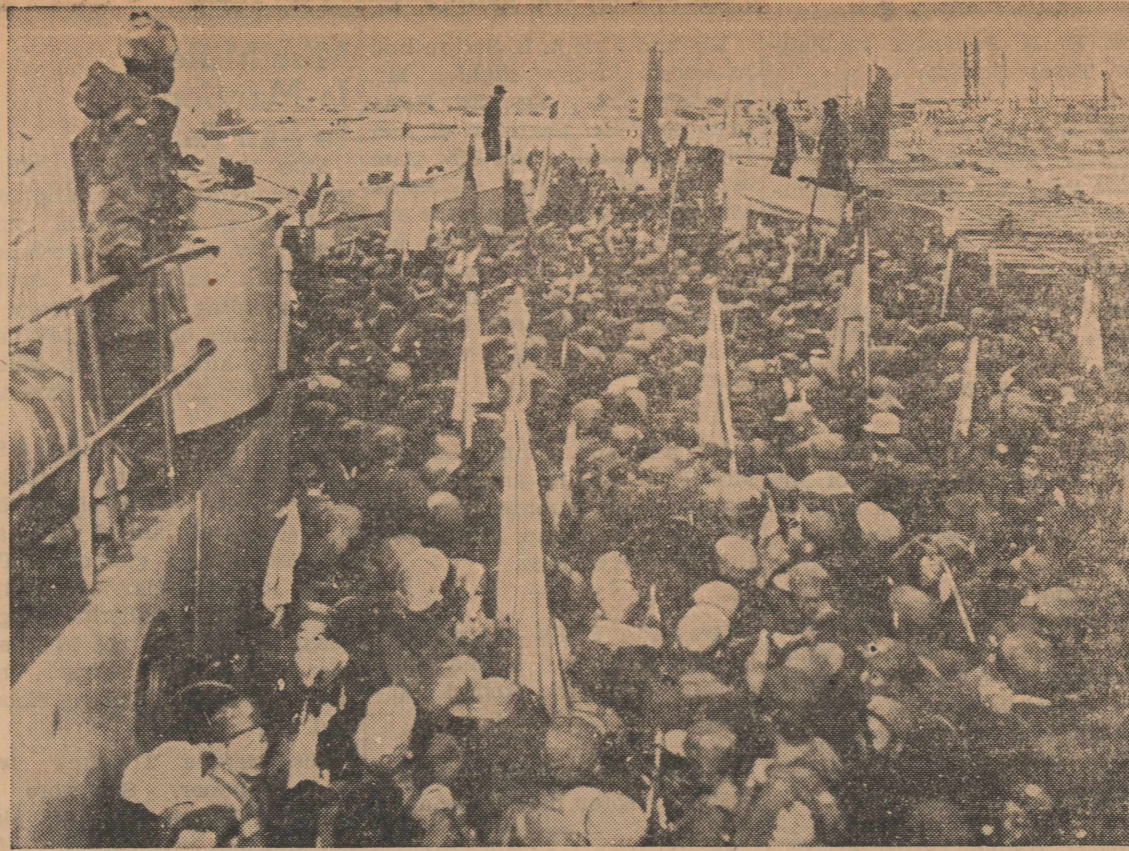
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Miss Fedric On WTSC Honor Roll

CANYON — Miss Letha Fedric, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lacy M. Fedric, is one of the 51 students at West Texas College listed on the fall semester honor roll.
Miss Fedric is a freshman speech major.

Mrs. N. W. Hudson Is Sorority Hostess

Texas Nu Beta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Thursday night of last week at 7:30 in the home of Mrs. N. W. Hudson.
Mrs. Fred Senna, program chairman, introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Duard Lamb, whose topic was The Story of Soil, and Cultivation of Roses. She illustrated her talk with a film and soil tests. The program ended with questions and answers after which a business meeting was conducted.
Final plans were made for the annual Valentine Charity Ball, furtherance of the park project, and plans for spring.
The hostess served lovely refreshments, carrying out the Valentine theme, and a social hour was enjoyed by Mrs. Helen Buckles, Mrs. Zola Brannan, Mrs. Johnnie Vincent, Mrs.

Alice Jeffcoat, Mrs. Dorothy Summers, Mrs. Gerri Hell, Mrs. Mary Jane McIntosh, Mrs. Corrine Eller, Mrs. Mary Riffe, Mrs. Babe Senna and Mrs. Virginia Lamb.

Baptist Brotherhood Announces February 16th Meeting

The Brotherhood of the First Baptist Church will meet February 16 at 7:00 P. M. in the Fellowship Room.
A program on evangelism which will stress "Methods Used In Visitation" will be presented. All men of the church are invited. Light refreshments will be served.

Beta Sigma Phi Valentine Ball Saturday Night

Beta Sigma Phi members will stage their annual Valentine Charity Ball in the American Legion Hall Saturday night. Dancing will commence at 9:00 o'clock with Bobby Burns and his 7-piece orchestra furnishing the music.

Mrs. George Oquin Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. George Oquin was honored with a pink and blue shower Friday in the home of Mrs. Roy Mitchell. Mrs. J. W. Smith assisted Mrs. Mitchell as co-hostess. Mrs. Oquin was given a corsage of pink and blue by the hostesses. The pretty decorative motif featured these colors.
Among the out of town guests were Mrs. Bert Pirkle and Mrs. Thomas Gibbs of Dalhart, and Mrs. Jack Rheard of Cactus.

Southside Club Meets With Mrs. Carter

Tuesday, January 26, at 2:30 P. M. the Southside Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. M. J. Carter. The program was on kitchen storage.
Roll call was answered with pictures and ideas on kitchen storage. Those present were Mrs. Wayne Cartrite, Mrs. Arthur Cartrite, Mrs. T. F. Baskin, Jr., Mrs. William Glen Hart, Mrs. Don Ellison, Mrs. Vernon Carter and the hostess, Mrs. M. J. Carter.
The club met Tuesday in the home of Mrs. T. F. Baskin, Jr. The agent, Miss Lucile King, gave a demonstration on a complete meal with chicken pie.

Consumers Co. Elects Board Of Directors

Luther Browder, Arlyn Halle, Shuler, Donelson, F. D. Brannan and Herbert Folsom were elected to the Board of Directors of the Stratford Consumers Co., Inc. at the annual meeting held in the district court room at the court house in Stratford Monday.
Attendance prizes of two tires and tubes were awarded to Mrs. A. G. Everett. C. L. Cameron was presented a deep fryer. An electric iron went to Mrs. A. W. Allen.
A. W. Allen received the prize for being the oldest man present. Mrs. Arlene Steel received the prize for traveling the farthest distance to attend the meeting.

Recipe Of The Week BUTTER CHEWS

Butterscotch Crust
1-3 cup butter or margarine.
1-2 cup brown sugar.
1 cup sifted enriched flour.
Cream butter or margarine. Gradually add brown sugar, mixing until light and fluffy. Stir in flour. Mix until blended. Pat in bottom of 8-inch square baking pan. Bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) 15 minutes. While butterscotch crust is baking prepare crunch topping.
Crunch Topping
1 egg.
2-3 cup brown sugar.
1 teaspoon vanilla.
2-3 cup chopped walnuts.
1-2 cup shredded coconut.
2 tablespoons enriched flour.
Dash salt.
Beat egg. Add brown sugar, mixing until smooth. Add vanilla extract. Combine walnuts, coconut, flour and salt. Add to brown sugar mixture, mixing until well blended. Spread on top of Butterscotch Crust. Continue baking 15 minutes longer. Makes 16 2-inch squares.

Ealon Norvell Circle Meets In Butler Home

Ealon Norvell Circle of the First Baptist Church met Wednesday afternoon in the home of Mrs. E. W. Butler. The circle ladies studied the first four chapters of "In Evangelin's Country."
Those present were: Mrs. W. L. Hankey, Mrs. W. W. Steel, Mrs. Joe Brown, Mrs. Lee Grimes, Mrs. W. D. Green and the hostess, Mrs. E. W. Butler.

Mildred Crabtree Circle Meets In Davis Home

The Mildred Crabtree Circle of the Baptist W. M. U. met for a circle program in the home of Mrs. L. J. Davis. Mrs. M. E. Upchurch conducted the devotional and led in prayer in the absence of the circle chairman. Mrs. Leon Guthrie gave the part, "The Margaret Fund Scholarship." Mrs. Baskin Brown had the topic, "Great Things for God." Other subjects were: "Muchas Gracias" by Mrs. Everett Riggs; and "Home Missionaries to the Russians."
Other ladies present were Mrs. V. M. King, and a visitor, Mrs. Henry Wyatt.
A delicious salad course and coffee were served to the group by the hostess.

February 28 Is Last Day To Order Seedlings

The deadline for ordering tree seedlings to be used for windbreak purposes in Northwest Texas is February 28. Orders submitted in February may specify a March delivery date.
Available seedlings include Austrian pine, cottonwood, loblolly pine, shortleaf pine, mulberry, bois d'arc, western yellow pine, honey locust, red cedar, sycamore, Chinese elm and Russian olive.
Seedlings for windbreaks are sold to landowners for \$1.50 a hundred by the Texas Forest Service and cannot be used for ornamental purposes.

Musicians Entertain Lions Club
W. Wayne Stevens, Stratford School band director, and Miss Wederah Watkins, school music teacher, were featured on the Stratford Lions Club program Monday night. Mr. Stevens sang and played french horn and coronet solos. Miss Watkins furnished piano accompaniment.

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Local News

Mrs. Ozie Green is moving to Hereford to join her husband who moved there about two weeks ago.

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day night, were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ross, Mrs. Lorraine Mehner, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Harris and Nell, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Sanders and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates. Mrs. Emil Blanck and Mrs. Sallie V. McAdams attended the Eastern Star meeting in Texhoma Monday night. Mrs. Esther House, District Deputy Grand Matron of Guymon, was present.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Harrison, Mrs. Marguerite Wilson and son John Marvin, visited Mr. and

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Mrs. H. P. Ballengee in Phillips, Texas, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Corley have returned home from a visit in Little Rock, Arkansas and Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Looney and daughters, Elona and Ramona, of Amarillo, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McWilliams.

Misses Beth Pemberton and Joyce Haney were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Marshall in Lubbock, Texas last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Adams in Lubbock, Texas, from Sunday to Tuesday. They also visited Mrs. D. J. Wheeler in Tulla and enroute home they visited Mrs. J. W. Norvell in Canyon.

EM3/c Harold Turner arrived Sunday for a 30 day leave from the U. S. Navy to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boney, Gruver, were guests of her mother, Mrs. Tim Flores, Wednesday.

Mrs. L. J. Keenan and daughter, Thelma, of Las Animas, Colorado, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Burgess.

Mrs. W. D. Ellis, who underwent an eye operation for removal of cataracts recently, returned to her home Friday. After Texas Hospital in Amarillo, Mrs. Ellis went to the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. F. Hamilton in Texhoma, where she remained until Friday.

Mrs. Robert Bolster and Mrs. Edward Smith were visitors in Amarillo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lavake returned home Friday from a two weeks vacation in Santa Rosa, California. They visited in the home of Mrs. Lavake's brother, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Beauchamp and son, Charles. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Springfield stayed at the Lavake home while they were away.

Dinner guests in the G. L. Taylor home Friday were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hankins of Lubbock, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bennett and daughter, Pam, left Wednesday of last week for a short vacation in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

Mrs. Melvin Brock and baby daughter, Suzanne, returned to their home Sunday after a three week visit in the home of Mrs. Brock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Reynolds, of near Conlen. The Brocks live at Sandia Base, near Albuquerque, New Mexico where Mr. Brock is an electrical engineer. He was on a field trip while his wife visited her parents.

Mrs. F. L. Yates made her official visit as Deputy Grand Matron of District Two, Section Two, to Texline Thursday night. She was accompanied by her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bolster visited friends in Springfield and Two Buttes, Colorado over the week end.

Mrs. Sam Wohlford was brought home today from Dumas Memorial Hospital where she was admitted Saturday night as a medical patient.

Sunday dinner guests in the Homer Blake home were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Harper and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parker of Amarillo, and Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Chisum.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mott were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Wall Monday night. They were on their way to Los Angeles, California where they plan to make their home after spending the last two years in Saudia, Arabia, with the American-Arabian Oil Co.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Ross Turner were visitors in Guymon Sunday.

Kirk McWilliams spent last week end with his sister, Mrs. Marshall Jackson and family, in Cheyenne, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sutton had as guests Friday night, Mr. Sutton's niece, Mrs. Ed Hartman, and Mr. Hartman of San Diego, California, and Mrs. Sam Maxwell of Lansing, Kansas. Mr. and Mrs. Hartman were enroute to their home after attending funeral services for his mother in Lansing, Kansas. Mrs. Maxwell accompanied them to California for a visit with a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lavake, Mrs. P. C. Adkins and Eloise, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Beauchamp, in Clayton, New Mexico Sunday.

Mrs. Alta Fallis, Seiling, Oklahoma, is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bolster.

Newton Foster, Dalhart was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Smith are visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Pfc. and Mrs. Kenneth Pemberton in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Charles Wisdom is serving on the federal petit jury in Amarillo.

Miss Miller Is Married In San Angelo

Miss Verna LaJune Miller, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lyon of Stratford, and Robert W. Lowry of Bethesda, Maryland, exchanged double ring wedding vows January 21 in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nate Miller, at 1510 South David in San Angelo, Texas.

The Rev. G. N. Goldston, minister of the First Christian Church, read the ceremony before a mantel flanked with baskets of white gladioli. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a ballerina length gown of ice blue net and lace over satin. She carried red roses tied with matching ribbon and net.

Miss Maxine Treading was maid of honor. She wore a ballerina length gown of pink net and lace over taffeta. Her flowers were pink carnations. Doyle Miller of Kermit, Texas, brother of the bride, was best man.

Mrs. Lem Arnold and Mrs. Nate Miller presided at the serving table during a reception after the ceremony. Mrs. James

E. Clay registered guests. The bride was graduated from Sunnyside High School at Sunnyside, Washington, Shamon Memorial Hospital School of Nursing and San Angelo College. The groom attended Mackenzie High School in Detroit, Michigan, and Highland Park Junior College in Highland Park, Michigan. He served as a Hospital Corpsman in the U. S. Navy, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Estus A. Lowry of Detroit, who with their son, David James, attended the wedding.

Auxiliary Food Sale Saturday

A food sale sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary will be held in Jones Hardware building Saturday. Food will go on sale at 10:00 A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brannan are the parents of a seven pound seven ounce daughter, Joy Nell, born Thursday of last week in Dumas Memorial Hospital. Mrs. Brannan and daughter were brought home Monday.

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LETTUCE	Fancy California Large Heads Pound	10c
CABBAGE	Medium Green Heads POUND	3c
CARROTS	Fancy Cello Package	10c



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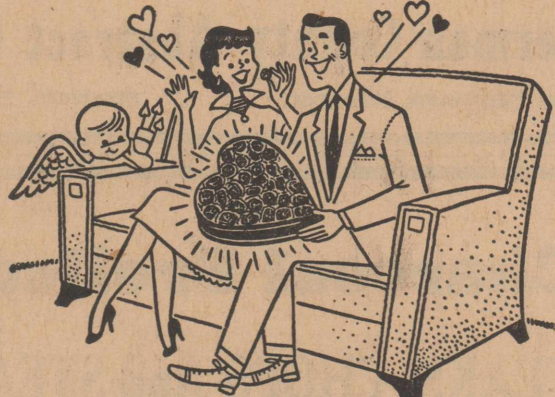
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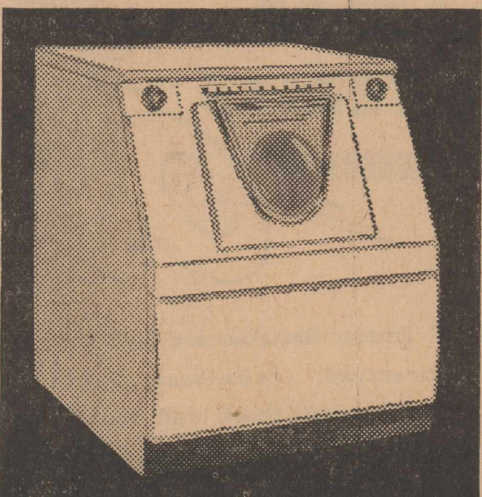
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THE ELK — STRATFORD SCHOOL NEWS

Correction—

Stratford Grade School raised \$84.28 for the Polio Drive instead of \$54.28 as reported last week.

First Grade

Miss Staten's Room
This is the week of excitement for all. Our valentine box is straining at the seams. If we don't open it soon it may become too full and break. Our party is February 12.

We are now reading our third primer. We have learned many new words and should be well-prepared for our First Reader soon.

It was fun to watch our classmate, Lorelyn Halle, on the "For Kids Only" TV show.

Our health project this month is to learn to eat a well balanced diet each day. Each child is trying to eat a little of everything on his plate instead of just one thing.

In nature study we have read

several stories about animals and their habits. Miss Staten told stories about Lad of Sunny Bank Farm. We learned a lot about wild animals, and were surprised at how clever wild animals can be.

First Grade

Mrs. Gates' Room

We completed the book that we received last Monday. The name of it was Watch Me. All of us liked it. Now we have another book. The name of it is I Know A Story. It contains the old stories we all used to read. Some of the favorites are Gingerbread Boy, Straw Ox, Three Billy Goats Gruff etc. The old stories seem to still be favorites with children. This book is a little harder as it is a first grade book. Many of us read it well but some of us need a great deal of reading practice.

Valentine day is coming soon and everyone is enthusiastic about next Friday. That is the day we have our party.

We are very happy to know there were 19 pupils that made 100 in spelling last week. We spelled the "at" family. This week we will study the "ing" family. Next week we will study the "all" family. They are all, ball, call, fall, hall, pall, tall, wall, stall and small.

All of us are in school this Monday. We hope we won't have any more illness. Some of us have been ill though, and especially on some of these nice days, we have all had that wonderful spring fever.

Many of us are beginning to use the library table to an advantage. We quite often see it in use before class in the morning, indoor recesses etc. The books are a little hard but the interest is high. We got several new books for our library last fall and they are just now finding a place to be of use. Unrequired reading should start early and we are happy to see it.

We learned last week about the honest little boy that cut down his father's cherry tree. We hope we will grow up to be as honest as young George Washington was. This story is in our February units. We receive a unit each month.

Second Grade

Mrs. Minkley's Room

We still have four pupils who have not missed a day this year. They are: Rickie Pickens, Charlotte Eller, Karen Woolsey, and Linda Reesing.

All of us are enjoying our study of the earth. We have learned many things we did not know.

Sue Plunk and Dwayne DeBord were sick several days this week. Charlie Lavake is still in Northwest Texas Hospital at Amarillo. We miss Charlie in our room and hope he will be better soon. We wrote him a letter this week and many of us have sent him Get Well Cards.

Judy Hudson's mother was so very nice to make our Valentine Box. We are looking forward to Friday when we will give out our Valentines.

Carol Reeder had a birthday on Friday, February 5. She was eight years old.

Third Grade

Mrs. Hammons' Room

All our seats were occupied Friday, for the first time in several weeks.

Mackie Sanders gave a short talk on his trip to South Texas, for his English report. We enjoyed hearing about the contrast of weather a few hundred miles south where oranges are being picked from trees.

Most of us have had the fun of making a model house to represent shelter in our country and other lands. Some of our models have been an American, Filipino, Indian, New Guinea, African, Pueblo, China, and igloo house. We hear rumors of a log house being made to represent Abraham Lincoln's shelter as a boy.

Talks were made in English on ways of transportation in our country and other lands. Pictures were shown after each talk. We learned many things, but the one thing that amazed us, was that in one country you would see a traffic sign, "Keep Left."

Today, we planned a booklet, named "My Little Dictionary." We think we have learned how

to use our new dictionaries, ordered by Mr. Standefer and wish to thank him for the prompt service.

Mrs. Donald Borth surprised us with a lovely Valentine box. We wish to thank her for thinking about us.

Don't forget P.T.A. Thursday night. We hear that the fourth grade has planned an interesting program.

Fifth Grade

Mrs. Elliott's Room

Shirley Sanders brought us a palm-leaf from the Rio Grande Valley where she has been visiting for the past week. It is the first one of its kind that many of us have seen.

The class is enjoying working with fractions and we keep finding more and more uses of numbers; consequently, arithmetic is more meaningful to us. This week the South is leading the North by four points in our contest.

In Science we have as our unit of work, A Heavenly Merry-Go-Round. We have become acquainted with the earth's movements; we know what causes day and night; what is responsible for the change of seasons, and the various kinds of moon-forms we see from time to time.

Our bulletin board is taking on an atmosphere of St. Valentine's Day. Carol Smith is manager of this project. Her committee members include Sharon Oquin and Shirley Ann Robbins.

In reading this week we have been working with a Rhyme-a-word puzzle and the Fantastic animal matching game. They have both been fun but have required a great deal of research work.

Sharon Lynn Mullen is absent this morning because of an attack of flu. We are sorry Sharon, but we know nothing can keep a worker like you down very long.

Sixth Grade

Mrs. Cameron's Room

The Pee Wee Boys won the consolation trophy in the tournament. Henry Harrison won an individual gold basketball

to use our new dictionaries, ordered by Mr. Standefer and wish to thank him for the prompt service.

The directors chosen for our plays in English are: Jessie Riggs and Doris Dortch, Molly Davis and Darla Taylor, Sammie Beall and Gay Judd, Patricia Herald and Norma Bachman, Leslie Gay Plunk and Carolee Baskin, Karl Kirkwood and Neil Harris, J. D. Plunk and Jimmy Cameron, Ernest Dyess and Wayne Lavake, Hal Bennett and Charles Clements.

Carolee Baskin has done a beautiful oil painting and given it to Mrs. Cameron. Thanks Carolee.

Freshman News

This week end the Freshmen have been playing basketball. Thursday night we played at Boise City. Friday night we played at Cactus. Saturday night we played at Cactus again. The boys won consolation and the girls won second.

F. H. A. News

(By Pat Taylor)
The regular meeting was postponed to February 15 at which time we will discuss the Valentine party that will be held the 27th of February.

We elected Bob Newman as our F. H. A. Beau.

Sophomore News

On Friday, February 5, the Sophomore class had a class meeting. During the week of February 22 through the 27, we have decided to have a Hobo Week. If anyone needs any work done this week, just call on a Sophomore.

Honor Roll

The following students made the "A" Honor Roll: Minnie Crabtree, Ealon Davis, Ray Grimes, Joy Keener, Ernestine Palmer, Clara Mae Stone, Jean Spurlock and Rita Joyce Neal.

The following students made no grade less than "B": Faye Beall, Jimmy Ingham, Donald Stone, Joyce Haney, Pat Taylor, Sherry Goule, Sarah Lav-

ake, Helen Lowe, Laurine Nau-gle, Beth Bemberton, Feliz Ramon, Sherry Self, Anna Mae Weller, Francis Norris, Bob Reed Donelson, Raymond Kirkwood, Geraldine Clements, Jeanette McMahan, Cynthia Reed, Carrol Ann Parvin and Lynne Reeder.

Hit-Parade

Frankie Hamilton to Jean Cummings — We Were Wed In June.

Jo Wayne Harding to Johnny Summerour — Its Been So Long. Shirley Plunk to Delton — Why.

Bob Newman to Sherry Goule — That's My Trademark.

Benny Biddy to Girls — Anytime.

Helen Finch to James Crawford — Till Then.

Bob Garoutte to Pat Taylor — Let Me Love You Just A Little.

Emery Hamilton to Bonnie Farris — Too Young.

Donald Stone to Ealon Davis — 3 O'clock in the Morning.

Dan Gillis to Carolyn Folsom — Forever and Ever.

Cynthia Reed to Perry Coffman — Say Good Lookin'.

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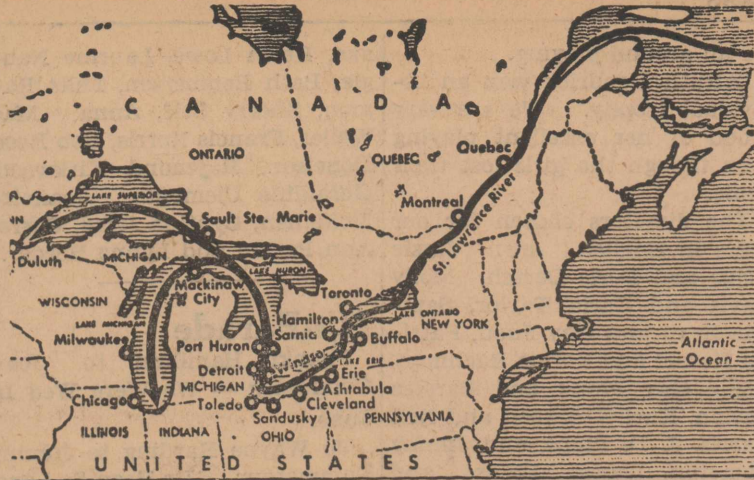
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STATE AFFAIRS . . . Secretary of State John Foster Dulles (left) chats with Sen. Guy Gillette, Iowa Democrat, after giving recess foreign relations report.



PROPOSED SEAWAY . . . Map shows St. Lawrence seaway project which would bring ocean vessels into Great Lakes at cost of \$105,000,000 to U.S., with Canada supplying balance.

SPORTS CORNER

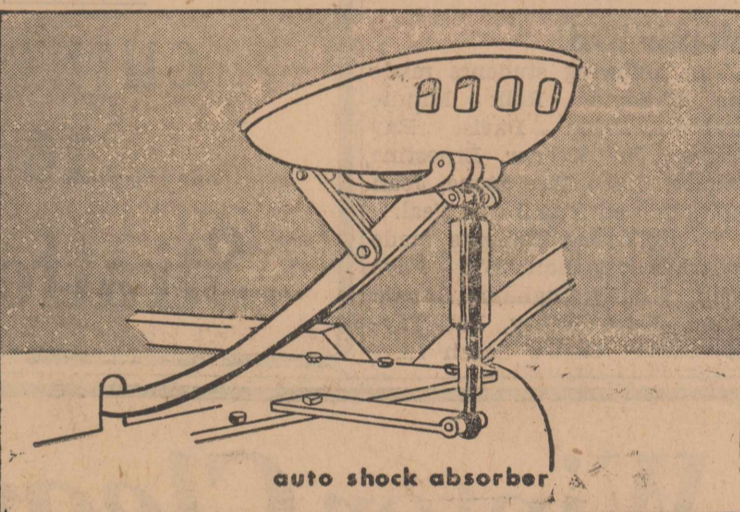
This an' That

Newspaper writers in the Kentuckiana area are striving hard to promote a post-season all-star basketball game between graduating stars of the top college teams in Kentucky and Indiana into a regular event . . . Graduating seniors of Kentucky and Indiana colleges will clash September 10, at the Kentucky State Fair, may repeat at the Indiana State Fair . . . Babe Zaharias, known to many as the best of women golfers, was quite upset by an article on women golfers by golfer Betty Hicks in the Saturday Evening Post. Babe quit in a huff at a Tampa tournament in which she shot a first round of 77 to share a three-way tie for second place . . . Stan "The Man" Musial signed his 1954 contract calling for a reported \$80,000, highest salary in the National League. Said Stan, "I'm well satisfied" . . . Baseball Commissioner Ford Frick recently revealed a \$598,400.02 balance in the major league central fund from which player pension costs are paid.



HOCKEY BROTHERS UNITE . . . Doug and Max Bentley appear together in N. Y. Ranger uniforms for first reunion since 1917. Doug was player-coach of Saskatoon Quakers and Max was with Toronto.

FENCE LINES



SHOCK ABSORBER . . . An airplane-type auto shock absorber, simple to install, will lessen the bounce of a tractor seat. U-shaped bracket is either to the seat or seat column, with the lower end pivoting on a bolt passing through the eye of bracket attached to transmission housing.

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Fertilizer Aids Plum And Peach Trees
 Fertilizer applied to peach and plum trees early in the year will give them the plant food needed for a fast start. According to Miss Lucile King, County Home Demonstration Agent, most tests show that a bearing orchard of 70 trees an acre will need at least 60 pounds of nitrogen, 80-100 pounds of phosphoric acid and 60-80 pounds of potash each year. She says an application of 300-400 pounds an acre of 12-12-12 fertilizer mixture in February or March followed in April with a 300 pound application of 5-10-10 will do the job. She recommends using from four to six pounds of 12-12-12 mixture on each tree in February and the same amount of the second suggested mixture for April application. The fertilizer should be scattered over an area around the tree from about the end of the tree branches to within three or four feet of the trunk. It should be disked into the soil to a depth of three to four inches immediately after it is applied, she says. The trees need and can utilize large quantities of nitrogen during the early season but heavy applications made later in the season may cause excessive terminal growth, increased framework suckering and delayed ripening of the fruit. Ample supplies of phosphorus and potash at all times are important, especially during the period of seed or pit development and fruit bud formation. The agent points out that peach and plum trees perform the double task of developing the fruit crop and next year's fruit buds at the same time and this takes place between late May and early July.

Hope Keynotes The Heart Fund Drive

Hope is the underlying concept of the Sherman-Moore Heart Association and the American Heart Association, sponsors of the 1954 Heart Fund. As a companion thought, the Heart Association preaches the doctrine there's hope for every heart that is still beating. This is not unwarranted. Some forms of heart disease can be prevented, a few can be cured, and almost all can be helped with proper treatment.

In 1952, latest year for which figures are available from the National Office of Vital Statistics, heart and circulatory diseases caused 771,000 deaths, or 51.6 percent of all deaths. About 10,000,000 persons, or 1 out of every 16, suffer from some form of heart or blood vessel disease. Of these, about 600,000 are elementary and high school children. Heart diseases affect people in all age levels and economic groups. After the age of 45, they cause one of every two deaths.

There are twenty forms of account for about 90 percent of all heart disease are: 1, Coronary heart disease, resulting from hardening and narrowing of the coronary arteries; 2, Hypertensive heart disease, resulting from high blood pressure; 3, Rheumatic heart disease, which follows rheumatic fever, a leading fatal disease among those ages of 5 to 19, affecting some 1,000,000 Americans. Unknown to medical science

are the causes of rheumatic fever, high blood pressure and arteriosclerosis. However, the outlook is hopeful that both causes and controls will ultimately be discovered. It is now known that prompt and efficient medical treatment of streptococcal sore throat with penicillin may prevent development of rheumatic fever. Notable surgical procedures have been perfected, remarkable tools have been developed for the diagnosis and study of these diseases, and many new drugs have been formulated that are effective in the care and treatment of diseases of the heart. Each year at least 152,100,000 man-days are lost as a result of heart and circulatory diseases. The cost is even more staggering in terms of loss of life, human suffering and treatment programs.

Today, hearts are being saved because heart research is making vital new discoveries, and because people are beginning to know these five. **Hopeful Facts**

Today, hearts are being saved because heart research is making vital new discoveries, and because people are beginning to know these five hopeful facts: Some forms of heart disease can be prevented, a few can be cured. All heart cases can be cared for best if diagnosed early. Almost every heart condition can be helped by proper treatment. Most heart patients can keep on working, often at the same job. Symptoms may or may not mean heart disease. Don't guess, see your doctor and be sure.

K. Kendrick Elected NAWG President

Kenneth Kendrick was elected president of the National Association of Wheat Growers at the convention held in Wichita, Kansas last week. He is making plans for setting up headquarters of the organization in Stratford.

Other officers elected include: H. W. Cutter of Holcomb, Kansas, Secretary-Treasurer; and the following Vice-Presidents, R. L. Patterson of Oxford, Kansas; Carrell Boyd of Dumas, Texas; Floyd Root of Wasco, Oregon; Gordon Day of Onida, South Dakota; Herbert Hughes of Imperial, Nebraska; and Henry Christensen of Denver, Colorado.

Kendrick has been invited to give the address he gave at the convention in Wichita, Kansas at the meeting of the Colorado Wheat Growers in Denver, Colorado and at the annual convention of bakers to be held in Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. Dyess Is Hostess To Friendship Club

Mrs. Roscoe Dyess entertained the Friendship Club in her home Thursday of last week. Eleven members and one visitor attended the gathering. Those present were: Mrs. Rollo Newman,

Mrs. George Bradley, Mrs. W. R. Taylor, Mrs. Robert Bolster, Mrs. Eddy Smith, Mrs. Kenneth Borth, Mrs. Ernest Cummings, Mrs. George Oquin, Mrs. R. E. Oquin, Mrs. James Bradley, and the hostess, Mrs. Dyess. The Friendship Club will meet February 18 in the home of Mrs. Rollo Newman.

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For Sheriff, Tax Assessor and Collector:
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 Harry Sears.

For County and District Clerk:
 Mrs. Leilah Boney.
 Mrs. Ethel Skillin.

For County Commissioners of Precinct 1:
 Roscoe Dyess.

For County Commissioner of Precinct 4:
 E. E. Hamilton.
 F. M. Keener.
 J. M. Bowling.

For Justice of the Peace of Precinct 4:
 Burk Green.

For County Judge and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Schools:
 Bob Ferguson.

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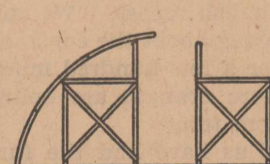
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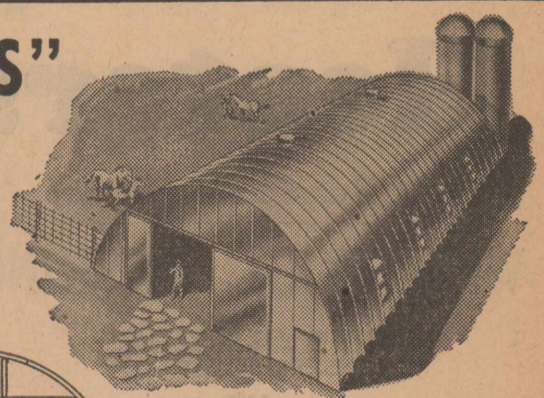
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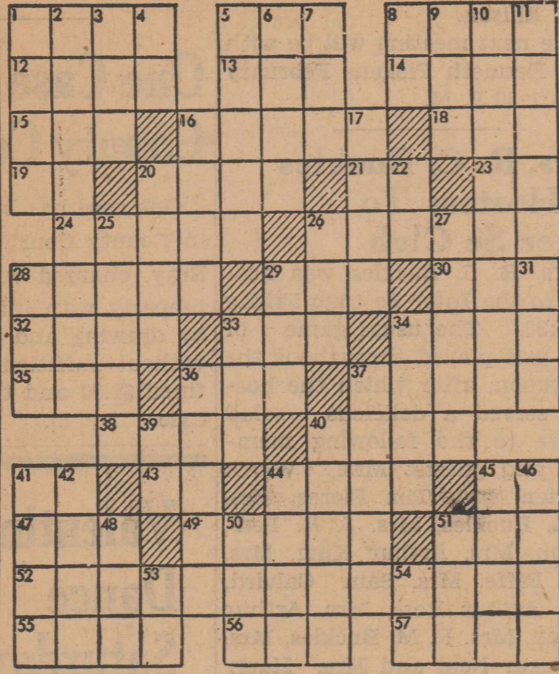
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 17 To jump
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 19 Evil
 20 Period of time
 21 Edible root
 22 Shelter
 23 To help
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 33 Part of "to be"
 34 Salty
 35 So be it!
 36 Public vehicle
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 38 To lessen
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The Elk—

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Irene Doefler to Glenn McMinn — Secret Love.
 Arlene Doefler to Bob Euper — I'm A Walkin' the Dog.
 Jimmy Davis to Rogene Seaman — Gimme Five Minutes More.
 Adabelle to Tall, Dark, and Handsome — Baby, Baby, Baby.
 Colleen Palmer to Pecos — Rick-shay Romance.
 Joy Keener to Billy Keener — Tea For Two.
 Martha Plunk to Adrian Ball Boys — Hurry, Hurry, Hurry Back To Me.
 Feliz Ramon to Stinnett Ball Boys — I'll Be Seeing You.
 Jeanette McMahan to Elwood Gillis — You'll Never Know If You Don't Know Now.
 Wayne Cummings to Martha Stone — She's My Baby.
 Homer Boren to Girls — I'm a Ladies Man.
 Dorothy Bachman to Donald Stone — Get Used to the Name My Darling.
 Joyce Haney to Buzz — I'll Be Waiting at the Garden Gate.
 George Harding to Pat Hamilton — I Love You, You, You.

Wine From The Old Grape Vine

Well, did anyone miss the old reliable column the last three weeks? (I don't think so.) Old faithful has returned to her gruesome typewriter to clue you people in on the latest. Lucky people!
 We have been told by a faithful old boy that Billy McMinn would like to send Yvonne Mitts a great big red valentine! And I always thought he was a bashful youth.
 Well, Frankie Hamilton and Jean Cummings are on speaking terms again. Frankie has been singing Wedding Bells in June all week.
 Tacie Emerson seems to be up in the clouds this week. We were informed that her boyfriend is home from Blanco, New Mexico.
 The Doefler twins are mighty interested in what goes in the paper this week. Couldn't be that they've been out every night this last week could it.
 Jo Wayne Harding said to say Hi to her Grandmother in Oklahoma City. She receives the Stratford Star weekly. Lucky person.
 Hey! Darrell Stublefield, whats this I hear about Ann Sinth of Borger. They say love strikes like a bolt of lightning. So watch it kid.
 I heard that some Spearman boys came over Sunday. What about this Clara Mae Stone, Yvonne Mitts, and twins and other friendly girls? You better watch your time if you want to get home on time.
 Well, until you students hand in more items for the public I fear it shall not be written anymore.

Cactus Tournament
 Peeewe Girls
 Stratford 26, Channing 19; Stratford 16, Pringle 24.
 Peeewe Boys
 Stratford 11, Dumas 21; Stratford 20, Sunray 12; Stratford 35, Pringle 18. (Consolation winner.)
 Junior Girls
 Stratford 22, Cactus 15; Stratford 25, Dumas 17. (Championship.)
 Junior Boys
 Stratford 20, Borger 42. Those receiving gold basketballs were La Ruth Kendrick, Henry Harrison, Mary Janice Boren and Mary Lou Wells.
 Junior High Results
 Boys first game, Stratford 27, Pampa 53. Boys second game, Stratford 42, Sunray 26. (Won consolation.)
 Girls first game, Stratford 38, Sunray 13. Girls second game Stratford 22, Dumas 29.
 Those making the all tournament team for the girls were Carolyn Folsom and Jeanette McMahan. Sherrydon Keener made the all tournament team for the boys.

Basketball News
 Last Saturday night the Senior boys and girls went to Texline and played. The girls took Texline by a score of 40 to 23. The girls looked good the first quarter and scored 17 points which is very good for a quarter. Ernestine Palmer had 29 points to take high point honors for the night. Ealon Davis was

second with 8. Sarah, Yvonne and Gaynelle did a good job of guarding. Lynne was out due to a bad cold she had.

The boys beat Texline by a score of 42 to 29. Bob Garoutte was high point man with 17 points. Biddy was second with 12. The boys had quite a time beating Texline. It was a close game all the way.

Monday night the boys and girls went to Sunray to play. Our girls were beaten 48 to 41. It was a close game all the way and Sunray finally edged them out in the last quarter. Palmer was high with 21 and Ealon Davis second with 16 points.

The boys beat Sunray by a score of 55 to 39. Benny Biddy was high with 15 points and Jimmy Ingham was second with 14. The boys had trouble with their passing and only in the first quarter did they look good with their passing. I believe once they settle down with their floor work and passing they will do a lot better and we all want to turn out this week end for the district tournament at Texline. Their first game is Thursday night with Channing. So lets all go out and support them.

City Park Beautification In Progress

Beautification of the City Park was started this week with the planting of evergreens near the three barbecue pits and the laying out of a wagon wheel flower bed in the center of the park. A rock rim was used with spokes being made of pebbles. Annual flowers will be planted, carrying out a red, yellow and white color scheme. Cost of the labor is being

paid by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and the Stratford Lions Club. Stratford Tractor Co. donated a tractor, Southwestern Public Service Co. dug water pipe ditches, Harold Gray donated the shrubs and the City furnished pipe and other fixtures.

Wayland College Committees Appointed

W. A. Mays of Amarillo, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Wayland College at Plainview, Texas, has announced his appointment of committees.

Among the committeemen better known in this territory are: J. B. Craig of Plainview and Kenneth Kendrick of Stratford, Building and Finance; Lon C. McCrory of Dalhart, Science; D. M. Womble of Morse, and Roy Browder of Sunray, Athletics.

Mary Ethel Circle Meets With Mrs. Stevens

The Mary Ethel Circle of the First Methodist Church met Wednesday morning at 9:30 in the home of Mrs. W. Wayne Stevens, with Mrs. O. L. McMinn, Chairman, in charge.

Mrs. Art Ross discussed "Origin, the Great Bible Scholar." Mrs. R. C. Ferguson reviewed "The Life of Augustine and His Influence on Protestantism."

Each member was urged to read the Book of Jeremiah in preparation for the study beginning March 3. Those present were: Mesdames C. C. Plunk, W. E. Cummings, N. W. Hudson, Max Stephenson, Melvin Phillips, Richard Albert, Verne Foreman, Robert C. Ferguson, T. Edgar Neal,

Art Ross, R. W. Standefer, Jr., Bill Lasley, Lorraine Mehner, J. J. Cameron, O. L. McMinn, Hugh Stewart, Joe McAdams, Ernest Cummings, Harry Sears, and the hostess, Mrs. Stevens.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 24, at 9:00 A. M. in the home of Mrs. Verne Foreman.

Mrs. Joe Brown Will Continue Kindergarten

Mrs. Joe Brown announces she will continue her kindergarten during the school term. She does not plan to have a summer session.

There are about 50,000 Indian head pennies still outstanding.

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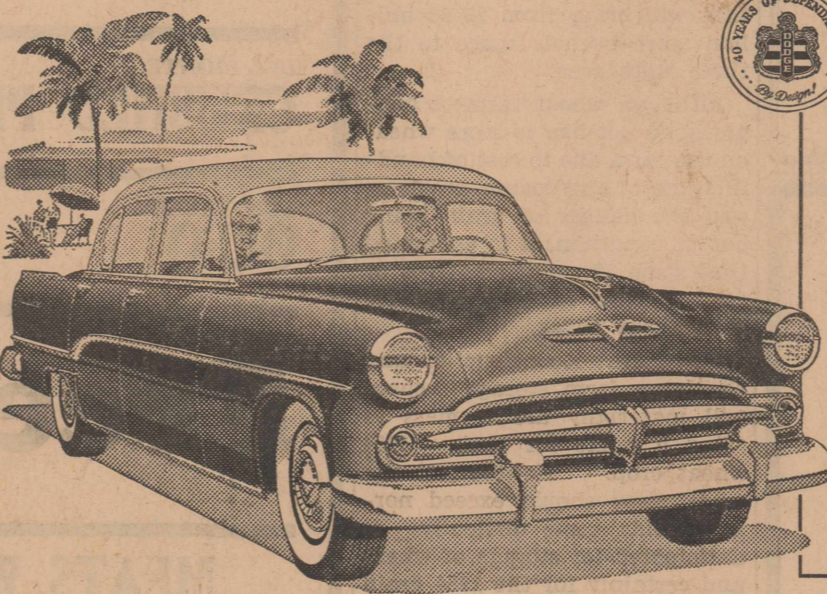
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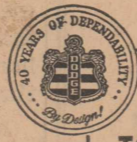
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THIRD STREET

STRATFORD, TEXAS

Underground-

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formation the State Board of Water Engineers are collecting necessary information in this area and would be ready to delineate the district at an early date if sufficient information was available. The people could expect this job to be done just as fast as possible. He further stated that once the area

was delineated, the State Board of Water Engineers would hold a hearing to determine whether or not the people wanted a district and if they did, they would follow the hearing with an election.

Royalty owners elected officers and a board of directors at the close of the meeting. Membership dues were set at 1-2 of 1 percent of royalties received.

Wheat—

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so that weevily wheat is indirectly regulated.

A seventeen (17) member Grain Sanitation Advisory Committee has been appointed by the Federal Government to work with the U.S.D.A. and the Food and Drug Administration

to investigate all phases of the problem and to make recommendations. This committee is sub-divided into three (3) sub-committees; namely, (1) weevil and other insect contamination, (2) rodent and bird contamination, and (3) education and publicity.

It is not improbable that a complete grain sanitation program will be brought about in the future that will require far more stringent sanitary handling of grain. In this light, every farmer, grain dealer and processor is encouraged not to delay further a complete clean-up program of his own and to maintain sanitary conditions on his premises. Many farmers and grain dealers have found that even the basic principles of handling sanitary grain have repaid many times over due to loss of weight and higher grades on marketing.

Grain Sanitation Meetings To Be Held In March

The Texas Grain Sanitation Committee in cooperation with the Texas Grain and Feed Dealers' Association and the Extension Service of the Texas A. & M. College is sponsoring a series of grain sanitation meetings in March for Texas farmers and grain dealers. The meetings have been set for an afternoon of discussion to be given the farmers and grain dealers by officials of the Food and Drug Administration and the Commodity Credit Corporation, as well as by authorities on rodent control, stored grain insect control and elevator and farm premise clean-ups.

The meetings are as follows: Amarillo March 8, Lubbock March 9, Abilene March 10, and Vernon March 11.

The exact time and meeting place will be announced later. It is hoped that all those interested in grain sanitation will be present at one of the meetings.

Storage Space Shortage

The Commodity Credit Corporation has recently announced that they own 108 million bushels of wheat in storage in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico and in addition expects to take over heavy holdings from 1953 crops now subject to government loans. If the cash market price does not rise above the government loan rates, at least half of the 1953 wheat crop of 94 million bushels and 62 million bushels of grain sorghum from the three state area may be taken over to nearly fill all the warehouses in the area.

Since very little of this grain is now expected to be exported this year, a serious shortage of storage space could develop for 1954 grain crops.

The U.S.D.A. started to relieve this situation months ago by encouraging elevator men to construct more storage under a guaranteed storage program that will bring from 50-55 million more bushels space to the three state area.

Although wheat farmers generally do not like to store wheat on the farm due to cost of handling, insect and rodent problems and the danger of grain going out of condition, it is estimated that some 35 million bushels of farm storage space is available throughout Texas.

New elevator construction and the large farm storage space will materially aid farmers to "find a home for their 1954 wheat crop." However, if the wheat crop should exceed normal yields, some difficulty is anticipated for storage of wheat and certainly for the 1954 grain sorghum crop unless further elevator facilities and some additional farm storage is built.

Flora Foreman Circle Met Wednesday

The Flora Foreman Circle of the W. S. C. S. met Wednesday afternoon in the parlor of the First Methodist Church for the weekly meeting. The hymn, "This is My Father's World" was sung by the group.

Mrs. Ralph Harding led in prayer. Mrs. Arthur Ross gave a talk on the Life History of Jeremiah. The study of the Book of Jeremiah will begin the third of March. Each member gave her favorite verse of scripture.

Mrs. J. W. Elliott gave the treasurers report. Mrs. J. K. Richardson gave the devotionals on the subject, time, and gave her favorite verse of scripture of John.

A joint meeting of the circles

will be held next Wednesday.

Ladies present were: Mrs. Arthur Ross, Mrs. W. P. Cummings, Mrs. J. K. Richardson, Mrs. J. W. Elliott, Mrs. M. Dortch, Mrs. J. G. Cummings, Mrs. T. Edgar Neal, Mrs. Ralph Harding, Mrs. F. B. Mullins, Mrs. J. B. McWilliams, Mrs. Emil Blanck and Mrs. C. W. Moon.

Mrs. Mullins dismissed the meeting with prayer.

Building 4-H Welcome Signs

Four 4-H Welcome Signs are under construction by the sign committee from the Sherman County Joint Boys and Girls 4-H Council. These signs are being built by the boys under the supervision of Miss Lucile King, County Home Demonstration Agent, and Earl Kirkwood, adult leader. Mr. Kirkwood offered his shop for the boys to build the signs.

The purpose of these signs is to extend the 4-H hand of friendship to the public and encourage pride in the 4-H Club emblem. The signs will be five feet long, four feet wide, and five and one-half feet high. They will have a green background with a white map of Texas with a 4-H Clover in the center and will read, "Welcome 4-H Clubs of Sherman County."

The Sherman County Wheat Producers Association is sponsoring this project for the 4-H Council. Those on the sign committee are: Rex Burgess, Cecil Borth, and Perry Coffman. Perry was unable to attend the first meeting. Others who worked were Butch Kirkwood, Karl Kirkwood, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kirkwood and Miss Lucile King.

The committee planned to work again Thursday, February 11, at 3:30 P. M. Mrs. Kirkwood served the group refreshments which were greatly appreciated.

Pfc. Monroe A. Fields Is Security Guard

Marine Pfc. Monroe A. Fields, son of Mrs. Opal Kemper of Stratford, was among the security guards aboard one of the 15 ships taking 14,000 anti-com-

munist Chinese prisoners from Korea to Formosa.

Accompanying the Marines were 18 Navy doctors and a four-man sanitation-control team, in addition to the regularly assigned battalion corpsmen.

The refusal of more than 20,000 communist troops to return to their red-dominated country dealt a serious blow to communist propaganda.

Death Claims

Mrs. Lenoir

Mrs. J. T. Lenoir, a former Stratford resident, passed away Friday night, according to a brief letter received by friends here. Mrs. Lenoir had been making her home at Pratt, Kansas.

Finis Frizzell Has Heart Attack

Finis Frizzell of Amarillo suffered a heart attack Friday and was hospitalized in St. Anthony Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Frizzell, Sr., went to Amarillo Friday to be with him. His condition had improved sufficiently for them to return home Sunday.

Finis Frizzell was employed with Price & Wiginton several years ago.

Happy Hour Club Meets With Mrs. Dovel

The Happy Hour Home Demonstration Club met Thursday of last week in the home of Mrs. Bernard Dovel. The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mrs. E. E. Riggs. Roll call was answered by eight members. The secretary read the minutes, and after a short business session the meeting was turned over to Miss Lucile King. Miss King gave a demonstration on a complete dinner menu for Chicken Pie.

Refreshments were served to one guest, Mrs. A. W. Allen, and the following club members: Mrs. Hugh Stewart, Mrs. Jim Brittain, Mrs. C. W. Wells, Mrs. E. E. Riggs, Mrs. Kenneth Pick-

ens, Mrs. Bill Lowe, and Mrs. Oma Ellison.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Kenneth Pickens February 18 at 1:30 P. M.

Mrs. R. C. Buckles Is Hostess To Inter Se Club

Mrs. R. C. Buckles was hostess to the Inter Se Club Friday at 2:30. The usual game of "42" was played throughout the afternoon, after which the hostess served a delicious salad course to the following members and guests: Mrs. W. G. O'Brien, Mrs. Tim Flores, Mrs. D. L. Buckles, Mrs. J. R. Pendleton, Mrs. Arthur King, Mrs. Earl Riffe, Mrs. Sam Calvird, Mrs. Arthur Ross, Mrs. Arthur Milton, Mrs. R. M. Buckles, Mrs. T. Edgar Neal and Mrs. Harry

Jackson.

One Case In County Court

One case has been disposed of in County Court. Donald R. Bray, charged with obtaining property with intent to defraud by drawing and giving a check without sufficient funds, was fined \$1.00 and the costs of the case.

Valentine Dance Saturday

When bandleader Bobby Burns brings his versatile seven piece "Reveries In Rhythm" orchestra to the American Legion Hall on February 13, 1954, dancers will have a real treat in store. Laughingly referred to by the band as the "No Style" music of Bobby Burns, this group plays every thing from Western to Dixieland, Dixieland to Society, and Society to Pop; and add their Latin American Arrangements to the list! Throw all this together, and you have the "Reveries In Rhythm" of the most versatile seven piece orchestra in the nation today, appearing here this Saturday night at 9:00 P. M.

So don't miss this attraction sponsored by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

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