

The Weather

From records of Fred Byerly, Weather Observer.

Table with weather data: Wed. 12th 60 53, Thurs. 13th 58 45, Fri. 14th 49 38, Sat. 15th 46 32, Sun. 16th 39 28, Mon. 17th 05 37 32, Tues. 18th 48 27

Total precipitation to date 1968 4.00

Total precipitation to date 1969 .74

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Co. Depositories Unchanged

Commissioners Court, in regular session Monday voted unanimously for the county funds depositories to remain as they have for the past year...

Sgt. Reyes In Viet Nam



Sgt. Arnold Reyes

The article below from Army newspaper in Viet Nam quotes Sgt. Arnold M. Reyes of Rotan who is serving with 1st Air Cavalry Division there in combat...

Tapped Wire Tunes In On Enemy

Tay Ninh — Wire-tapping soldiers from the 1st Air Cavalry Division tuned in on an enemy commander and foiled his plans during a sweep near here.

The men from Company A, 1st Battalion, 8th Cavalry were on the move. The unit had split up into platoons, flanking each other as they moved through the thick jungle.

"We found a complex of 40 bunkers which showed recent use," recalled Sergeant Arnold M. Reyes, an artillery forward observer attached to the company...

A short time later, two of the platoons found communication wire running along a jungle trail. The unit's Kit Carson scout went to work.

"He tapped the wire and listened for the enemy. Chuck was on the line, too," stated Sgt. Reyes. The enemy had spotted the troopers sweeping their way. They did not want to stay around.

"The Americans are in the area. Everyone move out at once, except for an element to make contact and slow them down," crackled the wire.

A few minutes later, the Sky-troopers opened fire on a platoon-sized unit. The message had been right, but prearranged Aerial Rocket Artillery and tube artillery strikes made sure the Calvarymen were not slowed down for long.

Visiting in the home of Bro. and Mrs. J. C. Appleby was Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fowler and sons from Ft. Worth. Mr. Fowler is a graduating Senior at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. The Fowlers came to Seminary from Memphis, Tenn.

School Open House Mar. 2

Board of Education of Rotan Independent School District extends invitation to all citizens to attend Open House of the school system, March 2 from 2 to 4 p.m.

This cooperates with Texas Public School Week, which is an annual affair over the entire state and most schools cooperate on this.

Mrs. H. C. Shelton who recently had eye surgery at Lubbock is doing nicely, and reports that her doctor is pleased with apparent results. She is at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Signor.

Accident Fatal To N. O. Johnson

Neeley Oliver Johnson, 58, was fatally injured about 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, about 4 miles southwest of Trent on FM 1085, when his pickup apparently skidded into a crossing to strike the second unit of an eastbound Santa Fe freight train.

The pickup was demolished and damage to the train was estimated at \$5,000.

Funeral service was held Friday at 2 p.m. from First Baptist Church by Rev. Billy Hudnall and Rev. Bob Ford. Burial was in Belview cemetery under direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Pallbearers, Bug Rollans, L. D. Bridges, Truman Gililand, Dick Young, Willie Fleming, James Shelley, Leray Riney, Merkel and J. W. Seymour, Merkel.

Mr. Johnson was returning from the farm they own, south of Merkel, when the accident occurred.

He was born July 27, 1910 in Hamlin and came to Rotan from Sweetwater in 1958. He was a member of Methodist Church since early childhood and was a Mason. He married Mamie Lois Gray, July 31, 1958, and was associated with she and her son, John Gray in Mobil Oil business in Rotan. They had farm and ranch interests near Rotan in addition to the Merkel place.

Survivors are his wife, 2 sons, Carol of Dallas and Darrell of Camden, S. C.; a daughter, Mrs. Naomi Wortham, Midland; one step-son John Gray of Rotan, a step daughter, Mrs. Jane Levens, Austin, 2 brothers, M. S. of Hamlin and Olney Johnson of Midland, and 12 grandchildren.

Mrs. Finch Quits Tax Office

Mrs. Al Finch has resigned as Tax Assessor-Collector for Rotan Independent School District, effective March 1st. She has served in this capacity since the resignation of Dono Darden who did the work for some 10 years.

Anyone interested in applying for the vacancy may contact Supt. K. C. McCasland.

Special Program For Buz Bugs

At next regular meeting of Buzz Bugs next Wednesday from 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. Rosa Horton will present program and instruction on making of Braided Rugs from scrap materials. This will be held in Community Center.

An interpreter will be present to assist Latin-Americans attending.

Youngs' Changed To Drive-In



The above pictures show results, both interior and exterior to Youngs Food Market last Friday when an unoccupied tank truck rolled into front of the store from the street.

A. W. Thomas, driver had parked the truck, stating he applied brakes before leaving and had gone into Rotan Motor Co. In some manner brakes failed and the truck rolled some 25 to 30 yards into the store.

A salesman's car parked in front of the store suffered damaged right front fender as the truck side-swiped it in the path of travel. The truck was owned by Calvin Phillips and is used in his aerial dusting and control service.

No one was injured, the salesman and Mrs. L. E. Newton were only ones in the store at that time, and both seeing the truck rolling into the front, were uninjured, but very nervous after the accident. Fortunately the accident occurred about 30 minutes before Primary School dismissed for the day.

A large number of children pass the store front enroute to and from school and a tragedy could have resulted some 30 minutes later.

Mrs. James Sheehan of Calwyn, Pa., returned to her home recently after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tye Harrison and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harrison. She is the former Brenda Sue Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Todd and family of Abilene spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cooper.

First Place at Ft. Worth Show



First Place Early Summer Yearling Angus Heifer, Jr. Fort Worth Fat Stock Show, Mike Herron, Fisher Co. 4-H Clubber.

Co. Voting Strength Good

According to County Tax Collector's office, 2625 Fisher County citizens registered to be eligible to vote during 1969.

This is good number considering it being an 'off' year, but still City official and school trustee elections are important, and there is always the possibility of special elections.

Citizens of all ages were required to register to vote this year.

Service For Mrs. W. W. Berry

Funeral services for Mrs. W. W. Berry, 72, a pioneer of Rotan were held at 2 p.m. Monday in First United Methodist Church with Rev. Robert Ford, pastor, officiating, assisted by Scott Mitchell, Church of Christ minister.

Burial was in Belview Cemetery, under direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home. Graveside rites were conducted by the Rebekah Lodge. Mrs. Ogden died at 9:25 p.m. Saturday in Callan Hospital after an illness of three weeks.

Born July 15, 1896 in Snyder, she was the former Drudy Berry and came to Rotan in 1911. She married W. W. Ogden Jan. 11, 1914, in Rotan. He died in 1950. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, the Rebekah Lodge and the VFW Auxiliary.

Survivors include two sons, Willis of Rotan and Paul of Irving; two daughters, Mrs. John Leach and Mabel Ogden, both of Rotan; four sisters, Mrs. Pearl Murphy of Hardy, Ark., Mrs. Nell Bingham of Dallas, Mrs. Mary Cook of Morgan Mills and Mrs. Ada Williams of Abilene; four brothers, H. P. of Spur John of Morgan Mills, Hugh of Brookshire and James Arnold of Chicago, Ill.; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Service Here For Houston Hale

Funeral service for Houston M. Hale, 66, of Amarillo a resident of Rotan for several years in the 1920's, was held at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Weathersbee Funeral Chapel with burial in Hamlin Cemetery.

Officiating was Rev. Robert Ford, pastor of First United Methodist Church. Pallbearers were Marshall T. Hill, James Green, Dave Williams Jr., Lee Rasberry, Marvin Mann and Willard Tolson.

Mr. Hale died Monday in Amarillo, where he had lived over 20 years.

Before moving to Amarillo, he was employed by West Texas Utilities Co. in Rotan and Abilene for several years. Born April 28, 1902, in Nolan County, he was a veteran of World War II and a member of the Methodist church.

Survivors include one son, John Ross Hale of Rotan; two sisters, Mrs. A. C. Walker of Austin and Mrs. R. L. Unwood of Wichita Falls; two grandchildren.

WO and Mrs. Eugene Spivey and family have moved to Mineral Wells. He has recently returned from a tour of duty in Viet Nam.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Upshaw and baby of Trent spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. Dona Whitby and other relatives.

Robert Phillips Has Surgery

Postmaster Robert Phillips had major surgery at 7:30 Wednesday morning at Hendrick Memorial Hospital, Abilene. Mrs. Phillips advised her mother, Mrs. Daughery, who was in Rotan at 10:30 that the operation was completed and Robert was in recovery room. Mrs. Phillips and her sister, Mrs. J. C. Morrison were there, as well as several friends.

Mr. Phillips was in Callan Hospital for treatment several weeks before going for the surgery.

His host of friends are hoping for speedy recovery and his return to his position at the Postoffice.

Vital Teachers Meeting-Abilene

The Retired Teachers Section of District XIV of Texas State Teachers Association will hold a luncheon meeting on March 7, at 12:15 p.m. at Lavender's Cafeteria, River Oaks Village, Abilene. R. R. Tuley Jr., District Manager, Social Security Administration will speak on "Medicare and Participation in Its Benefits." All retired teachers and teachers nearing retirement are invited. Time will be given for the answering of questions.

PTA FOUNDER'S DAY PROGRAM

The PTA is having a meeting Feb. 20 at 7:30 in the Primary library. We will have a program and refreshments in honor of Founder's Day.

The program will especially be interesting to you mothers who have children starting to school next year. Dr. LeBleu is going to talk about immunization.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Sanford of Meridan spent several days here last week with Mrs. W. L. Terrell.

Nazarenes To Hold Meeting

Revival meeting of Church of the Nazarene at Lee at McKinney in Rotan will open Monday, Feb. 24 to run thru March 2. Services will be daily at 7 p.m.

Rev. H. D. Willms, pastor announces Rev. Joe Norton of Hamlin as evangelist. He is an outstanding preacher and will have an inspiring message for you at each service.

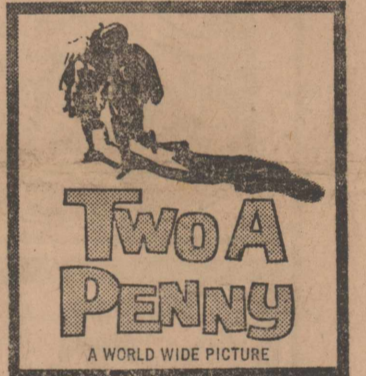
Rev. Joe Norton of Hamlin, is an evangelist devoting his full time to service in the Church of the Nazarene.

Prior to entering the evangelistic field in 1948, Mr. Norton, who is a graduate of Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Oklahoma, was for sixteen years a pastor in Oklahoma and Texas.

Mr. Norton is a sound Bible preacher, placing emphasis on the Word of God, prayer and fasting, and personal evangelism.

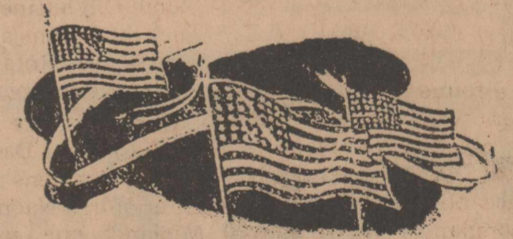
The pastor joins the church in extending to you and each of your friends a hearty welcome to attend these services.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Stapleton of Haskell visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Black over the weekend. Mr. Stapleton is County Agent of Haskell County.



LANCE THEATRE

Rotan March 10-11



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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FEBURARY AS AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH

"We have a Republic, if we can keep it." So stated Benjamin Franklin. If we are to do so, it is necessary to be well informed of the heritage that is ours as citizens of this great country. In order to help in this effort, the Daughters of the American Revolution sponsor February as American History Month, and encourage all of us, young and old, to read and study the history of our nation, that we may have an understanding and appreciation of the rights and obligations of citizenship in our country. Since 1921 the DAR has distributed, free of charge, over nine million Manuals for Citizenship to help new citizens become good American citizens. To the adult naturalized citizen who has demonstrated outstanding ability, following naturalization, in trustworthiness, service, leadership and patriotism, is given the Americanism Medal.

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COUNTY AGENT NEWS

by Richard Spencer

Pregnancy testing in cattle is becoming very important to ranchers in Texas. When we consider that one "open cow" can consume the profit of three to five calves, it further underscores the importance of pregnancy determination in present day beef production. Because of this, the extension service has developed a new bulletin "Determining Pregnancy in Cattle". The bulletin is available from our office.

Two more stock shows remain on the calendar for the spring show season, Houston and San Angelo. We will leave for Houston Sunday and return on March 2. The San Angelo Show begins on March 5. Eighteen head of steers and heifers are entered for the Houston Show. We hope very much to leave some of the steers at Houston.

Shade trees seldom require supplemental fertilization in

lawn areas where a good lawn maintenance program is followed. Occasionally it is necessary to provide additional fertilizer in areas where the tree roots are confined due to street and curb conditions as well as other structural features.

Over fertilization of trees can force excessive top growth, making them vulnerable to storm damage. Tree fertilization is seldom necessary more than once every three years except in extremely sandy soils.

The recommendations usually made are based on the trunk diameter and make no allowance for the fact that the root zone may be confined to a limited area. If these recommendations are followed, it would result in over fertilization and damage to the trees.

The safest method of computing the amount of fertilizer to be applied is to base it on the number of square

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feet included in the branch spread of the tree using 2 pounds of actual nitrogen per 1,000 square feet covered. As an example a tree having a 33 foot branch spread would cover approximately 1,000 square feet. It would require 24 pounds of a complete fertilizer with an analysis of 8-8-8 to supply the two pounds of actual nitrogen required. A fertilizer analysis of 16-20-0 would require 12 pounds of the material to supply the needed nitrogen. The same complete fertilizer recommended for lawn use will be satisfactory for fertilizing trees in a given region.

If the root zone of the tree described above is confirmed, for example, to an area of 12 feet by 20 feet due to buildings, curbs, walks, or streets, the fertilizer application should be computed on the basis of actual root zone—in this case 240 square feet, rather than the 1,000 square feet; therefore use only one-fourth as much fertilizer.

Normally the fertilizer would be applied in late winter or early spring but in the case of trees with restricted root systems a second application can be made in late fall.

The fertilizer may be spread evenly beneath the branch spread of the tree and watered thoroughly. Without moisture the roots cannot utilize the nutrients.

If the tree is in a lawn area and it is not desired to fertilize the grass, the material may be distributed to the root zone by punching holes with a bar or pick or by drilling holes with an auger to a depth of 8" to 16" depending upon the depth of the top soil. The holes should be spaced every two to three feet beneath the branch spread. The greater portion of the holes should be within the area extending 2

to 6 feet on each side of the drip line or outer edge of the branch spread. On young trees stay at least 3 feet away from the trunk and on older trees 6 to 8 feet away. Divide the fertilizer and apply equally to each of the holes, then fill the holes with sand or a mixture of sand and peat-moss. Water the area thoroughly in order to facilitate uptake of the nutrients.

During periods of inclement weather the avid gardener can obtain much satisfaction as well as many hours of enjoyment by studying the seed catalogs and planning the garden for the coming season. Because of the intense competition among the seed companies the information contained in their catalogs can be relied upon for accurate information concerning the plants and supplies listed.

The catalogs provide a free source of details about flower varieties and in many cases are the only sources of new varieties. Using the information given on colors, heights, and planting tips it is easy to plan a well arranged attractive garden. Don't forget to include a few of the new varieties described in order to provide a conversation piece in your garden. When selecting garden supplies remember that price doesn't necessarily determine quality. Choice quality usually comes from reputable firms that do not care to risk their reputation by offering inferior products.

Mrs. Dorothy Jameson brought her mother, Mrs. Dee Thomas home Sunday and spent several days with her. Mrs. Thomas had gone to her granddaughter's wedding in Kress.

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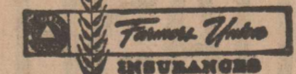
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There's an Acre-eater north of town that a farmer tried to stop. There was an old house setting next to the Acre-eater so the farmer took a dozer and pushed the house into the Acre-eater. Well, that Acre-eater enjoyed being hand fed. The next time it rained he woke up hungry as a bear. He took a big bite, belched a couple of times and that was all of the house.

Down the Brazos it went. The Acre-eater has far reaching effects beyond the soil loss to the Upper Clear Fork Soil and Water Conservation District. It changes the course of the river, silts up lakes, and clogs harbors and bays in the Gulf of Mexico. Bill Lewis, soil conserva-

San Antonio — Airman Richard A. Allred, grandson of Mrs. J. M. Montgomery of Sylvester, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Lowry AFB, Colo., for training in the supply field. Airman Allred, a 1965 graduate of McCaulley High School and received an A.A. degree from Cisco Junior College.

Classified Ads Get Results!

tionist at Rotan, says, "The cure for this glutton is a big brute called a bull dozer that loves hard work."

The dozer slopes the banks and dresses the gully so it can be crossed with a farm tractor. It can help put the monster to sleep forever—just cut off the outside water that comes down the Acre-eater, spring with bermuda grass, and apply fertilizer.

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**Jameson-Hall
Wedding Friday**

Miss Diane Jameson and Don Hall were married Friday evening in First Baptist Church of Claytonville with the pastor, Rev. Truett Kuensler, officiating.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jameson of Kress and Mr. and Mrs. George T. Hall of Tulia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jameson and the bride are former residents of the Rotan area and the bride is granddaughter of Mrs. Dee Thomas of Rotan.

After a wedding trip to Red River, N.M., the couple will be at their home west of Finley.

The bride is a 1966 graduate of Kress High School and a graduate of Adelle's Beauty School. She attended West Texas State University last Semester. The groom is a Tulia High graduate, and a 1967 graduate of the University of Texas, Austin. He is employed by Producers Grain Corporation.

Notice to Contractors

February 20, 1969
Sealed bids, addressed to Mr. Clay Fowler, president Rotan Independent School District of Rotan, Texas, will be received at the office of Superintendent of Schools until 7:00 p.m. Monday, Mar. 10, 1969 and then publicly opened and read for furnishing all plant, labor, material, and equipment and performing all work required for the construction of Drainage improvements, concrete tennis court and paving.

All proposals must be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check upon a national or state bank in the amount of Five Percent (5%) of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the Rotan Independent School District or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company, as a guarantee that bidder will enter into a contract and execute performance and payment bond within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without check or bond will not be considered.

The successful bidder must furnish performance and payment bonds upon the forms which are attached hereto, in the amount of 100% of the contract price from an approved surety company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as surety or other surety or sureties acceptable to the OWNER.

The right is reserved, as the interest of the OWNER may require, to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informality in bids received.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be purchased from the office of HICKS & RAGLAND, Consulting Engineering Company, 2101-40th Street, P. O. Box 3008, Lubbock, Texas 79410, on payment of ten dollars (\$10.00) per set, which sum will NOT be refunded.

Plans and specifications may be examined at the following locations:

Hicks & Ragland Consulting Engineering Company, 2101 40th St., P.O. Box 3008, Lubbock, Tex or Superintendent of Schools, Rotan, Texas

Bidder should carefully examine the plans, specifications and other documents, visit the site of the work, and fully inform themselves as to all conditions and matters which can in any way affect the work or the costs thereof.

Rotan Independent School District
by Clay Fowler, president
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**Study Group
Fetes Valentine**

The Bible and Mission Study Group met at the Fisher County Nursing home February 11 and at the Crest View Lodge Feb. 14 for Valentine programs. The Ladies enjoyed visiting in the homes very much. After the program, refreshments were served by the Group.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. A. D. Thomas Tuesday, Feb. 25 for Mission Study. Mrs. A. B. Carrell will bring the study.

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WASHINGTON
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Washington, D.C. — The VIP's (Very Important Persons) are common around Government facilities—like military bases and other installations—VIP lounges, parking spaces and other accommodations. Big business also recognizes status-VIP.

The term applies to the position the person holds rather than the person. It is a matter of convenience.

In cities and probably a great many other places, the

term should probably be better applied to the fellow who can fix a doorknob or unstop a sink. He is an important person, if he does it right and at the time specified. The trouble is that great many of these VIP's let the opportunity slip.

A man the other day was talking about being in a fairly new and modern hotel. When the bellboy placed his bag on the bed, the headboard fell off. The dresser had a split that extended across two drawers. The bath room fixtures had not even been anchored to the wall. A little while later, the marble foyer was blocked while workmen tried to stop a leak in the ceiling. All this for \$40 a day.

An automobile dealer was describing his dilemma and

said he spent most of his time trying to repair new cars he had just sold. He had to keep knobs from falling off, tighten loose chrome strips and repair sloppy painting.

The question is being raised: Is this a fallout of full employment? In spite of joblessness among the hard-core unemployed, apparently almost anyone who is willing to work and not walk off before quitting time can draw a living wage. Those who are fired can usually walk down the street to another job and be reemployed.

Looking at the over-all picture, the whole operation that produces anything may be at fault—the paneled executive office, engineers, chemists, accountants, college professor

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whoever may share some of the blame. Experience indicates that when skills are in short supply, the prima donnas, job jumpers and the like, increase.

Maybe we are all cheating on one another.

The careless man on the automobile assembly line is robbed when his sly TV repairman replaces perfectly good tubes. The TV man cusses when his new shoes split the third time he wears them or the button falls off his new shirt.

The lazy foreman in the factory is outraged when the walls of his new apartment seem to be made out of cardboard. Probably a very few of us would do the best possible job about any thing unless we are concerned of the consequences of doing a bad job. It is not because we are bad—it is because we are people. The fear of the consequences of "bugging out" must at least equal the courage to stand firm.

There have been time when there was probably too much job discipline. In the depression days there were ten hungry guys and their families standing behind everyone with a job and the man doing the job knew it had to be done properly.

Today the economy is so heated, the value of the dollar is in danger. Prices and wages have been leaping ahead of improvement in quality and productivity. The new Administration's policy is to "cool it."

In reason and logic, this

Baptist Ladies Enjoy Luncheon

Ladies of the First Baptist Church and guests met in the home of Mrs. C. E. Leon for a covered dish luncheon and for a study of the mission book "Aloha Land."

Mrs. H. L. Davis chairman of the Mission Group was in charge.

Ladies on Program wore Hawaiian Costumes.

The home was beautifully decorated with many lovely flowers and items from Hawaii were on display. After the study, a film on Hawaii was shown and a covered dish luncheon, consisting of Hawaiian food was served to thirty members and guests.

Guests present were Mrs. Walter Wall, Mrs. A. Hudnall, Mrs. Talmage McDonald.

Donald Thomas of Chicago, Ill.; and Ehris of Arlington spent Tuesday night and Wednesday with their mother Mrs. Dee Thomas.

All the geography schools need to teach nowadays is how to read a road map.

seems to be the time to earn a reputation as being an "Honest John" and a "Willie Willie." When customers get choosy and when "Help Wanted" signs come down, reputations will likely become important again. The doorknob fixer, who is now the VIP, can maintain his status if he really fixes it on the day and time he says he will be there and not three days and three trips later.



"Ye Shall Know The Truth"

John 8:32

EXCUSES—No. 8

This will be the last article on excuses and in fact the last article I will write for this paper, as we will move to Everett, Washington the first week in March. In this closing article, permit me to note some seven arguments often offered by those who refuse to obey the Lord. They are:

1. IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT YOU BELIEVE AS LONG AS YOU ARE SINCERE. No one was ever saved by sincerity but by obeying the "will of the father in heaven. Matt. 7:21. Why did Jesus warn us not to believe every spirit I John 4:1. Other scriptures that point out our need for believing the truth of God are: Matt 24:4, II John 9, I Timothy 1:3, II Timothy 4:3 and 4. If sincerity is enough what if one was a sincere atheist? Why did Paul and Cornelius have to obey the Lord?

2. YOU CAN PROVE ANYTHING BY THE BIBLE. In John 17:17 we read that "God's Word is Truth." All truth must run in parallel lines and can not contradict itself. Jesus was not guilty of saying things out of both corners of his mouth. The problem is that some would take a subject out of context.

3. IT DEPENDS ON THE WAY A MAN INTERPRETS THE BIBLE. There can be only one interpretation put on the Bible. That is what it really means. We must never "read" into a passage our prejudices or ideas.

4. MAN IS SAVED BY FAITH ALONE. James 2:24 says "Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith alone". Other scriptures, Acts 10:35; James 2:19; 2:17; and I Cor. 13:2.

5. ONE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE BAPTIZED TO BE SAVED. The Bible does not say that! Mark 16:16. "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved." Acts 2:38 "Repent and be baptized for the remission (taking away) of sins." Acts 22:16 and I Peter 3:21 also.

6. ANY MODE (METHOD) OF BAPTISM IS O.K. This is not true. The word baptism means to dip, plunge or immerse. The Bible describes it as a burial, planting and a resurrection, Romans 6:1-6; Col. 2:12. There is not one command or example of sprinkling in the New Testament!

7. ONE DOESN'T HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF ANY CHURCH TO BE SAVED. In Acts 2:47 we find "the Lord added to the church such as should be saved." If God adds to the church the saved, how could one be saved outside the church? The church is called the body of Christ, Ephesians 1:22 and 23. Christ is the savior of the body Ephesians 5:23, and I Corinthians 12:13 "we are baptized into one body" Thus we are to be baptized in order to get into the body which is the church!

Have you been guilty of one of the above false arguments or excuses? If so why not repent before it is too late.

Signed, Scott Mitchell

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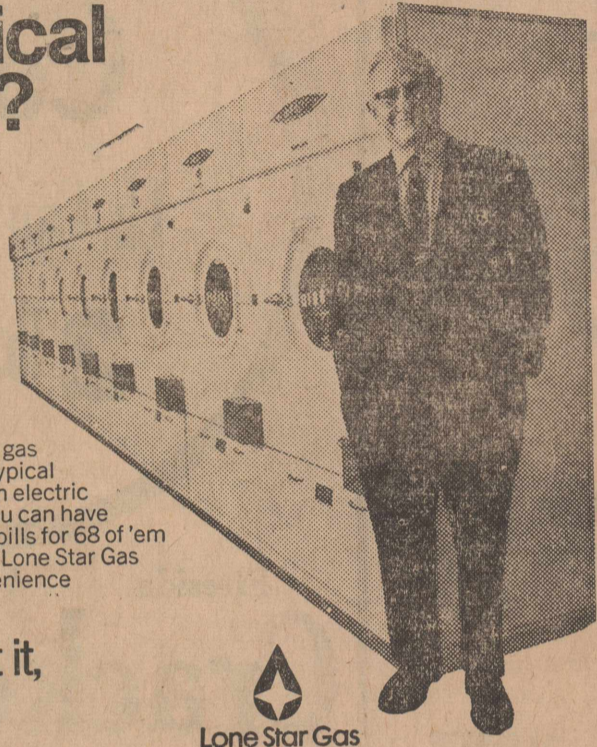
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Richard W. Homan, Sugar Grove, W. Va., Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has announced that Juston M. Morrow, Rotan, Vice-Chairman of the National Credentials Committee, V.F.W. will be among the Texas delegation attending the annual V.F.W. Mid-Winter Conference of National Of-

ficers and Department Commanders March 1-4 in Washington, D. C.

Prominent legislative, administration and military officials have been invited by the veterans organization to give closed briefings to those attending the Conference. In addition to appearing before the House Committee on Veterans Affairs to present their organization's legislative program for 1969, the V.F.W. leaders will meet with members of their own Congressional delegations in Wash-

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ington.

The annual V.F.W. Congressional Banquet, held to honor members of Congress who served in the armed forces, will conclude the Conference and will be attended by some 2000 people including Congressmen, Supreme Court Justices, military leaders and members of the President's Cabinet.

The national winner of the V.F.W.'s Voice of Democracy contest will be announced at the banquet. Rep. Olin E. Teague of Texas, Chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee and this year's recipient of the V.F.W. Congressional Award, will be the principal speaker.

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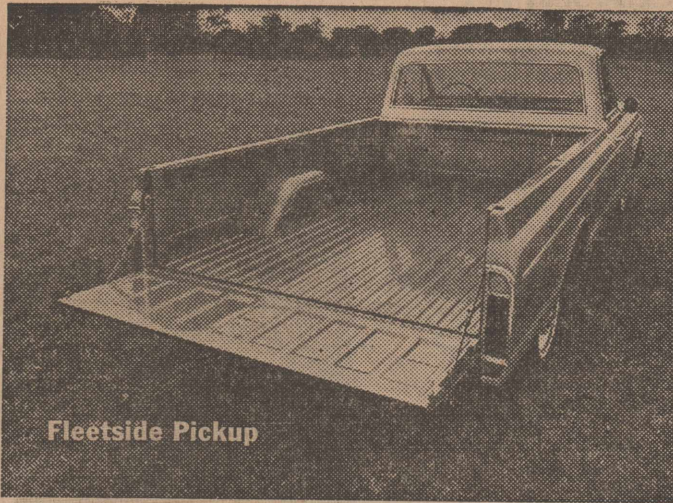
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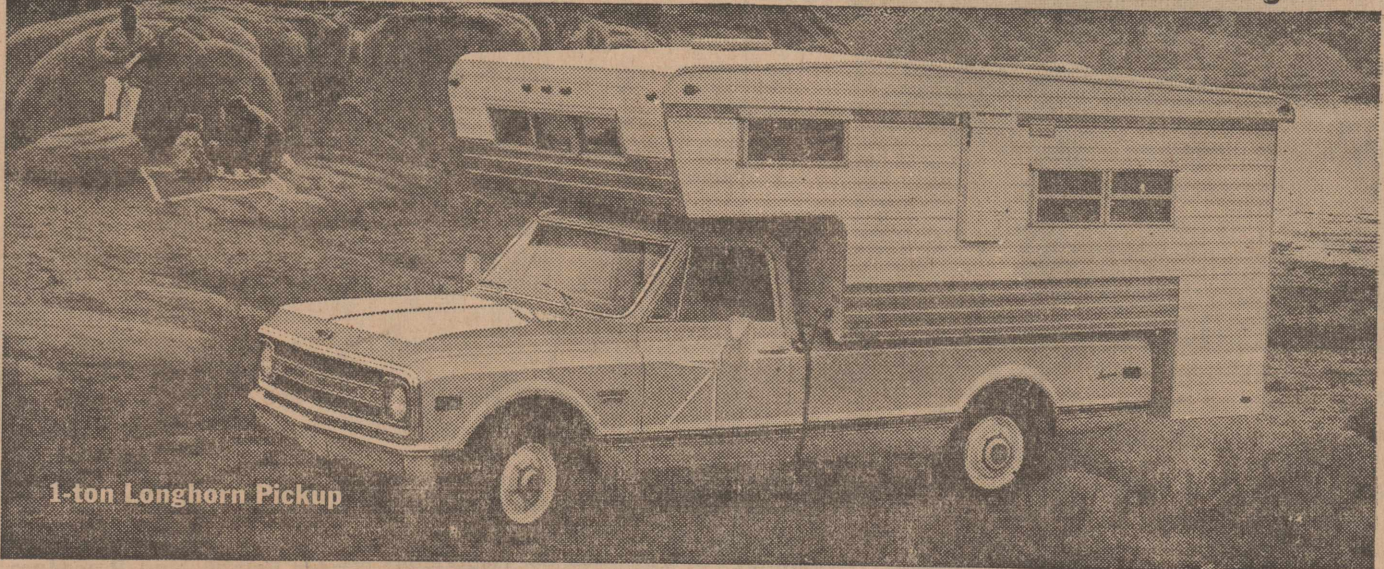
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The illustrated talk recommends the adoption of a breath test law in Texas as an effective and a scientific means of combating the drunken driver problem.

Such a law, the illustrated

talk points out, will set in motion the wheels to scientifically whether a driver is ill, has just had one or two drinks or is too intoxicated to drive, thus removing the guesswork from the drunken driver problem that has in the past often made enforcement erratic or inefficient.

Illustrated with 32 color slides, the talk will be given

to adult groups throughout the state. Civic and service organizations wishing to see the presentation are urged to contact the Texas Safety Association, 1623 South Lamar Boulevard, Austin, Tex. 78704, Telephone Austin Area Code 512, 444-6551.

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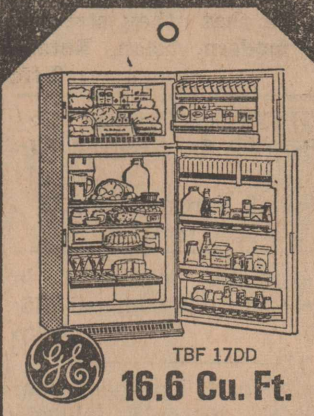
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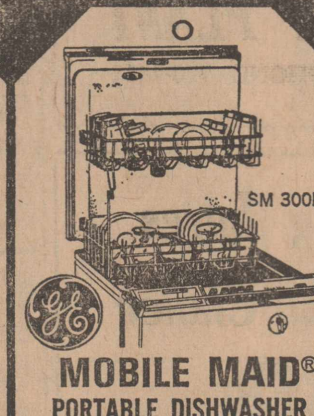
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