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## Through The Editor's Specs

By BAB

Some years ago, during the promotion of the Rush Creek watershed conservation project — now nearing reality — this column suggested the advisability of developing a similar project on the Sabanno watershed through southern Eastland County. So far as I could tell the suggestion aroused a notable lack of enthusiasm.

However, in a recent article, the Eastland Telegram brought the subject to the fore again with the question, in effect, "Does the Sabanno have irrigation possibilities?"

According to the Eastland paper, the idea is being given considerable attention by many people, including flood control specialists, who envision an enormous potential in farm income, particularly irrigated pastures.

I have always thought that it would be a wise and timely project for the people of this area, and particularly for Rising Star, to concentrate on the development of the water supply potential of this stream. It takes no great amount of imagination to foresee the great influence that the full utilization of the water resources of the Sabanno could have on the economy of this area in our increasingly water-hungry society. The water shortage which plagued the New York area last summer have given even greater emphasis to the vital role of water in the national growth and prosperity. The need for water is certain to increase—and rapidly.

Those areas with good water potentials waiting to be developed hold a commanding resource for growth. We certainly have that potential in the Sabanno, a potential combined with good soil and other circumstances which offer conditions to a thriving and growing economy.

It seems to me that we could adopt no project with greater long range, and short range, promise in community welfare than to concentrate on development of the Sabanno potential. Not only would it provide an adequate supply of soft water for community use, but it would offer a strong inducement to various forms of industry for which our section and immediate area are otherwise suited.

While we have considerable, and for the moment adequate supplies of underground water, this supply is limited and if we elect to depend upon it altogether, we are tying our future to a dwindling resource.

And unless we do take immediate steps to claim and utilize our surface water, we will most likely find them preempted by more aggressive downstream areas and no longer available to us.

It is not far-fetched, in my opinion, to say that much of what can be the future of our community is tied up with the water resources of the Sabanno.

## J. L. Harris Dies In San Antonio Monday

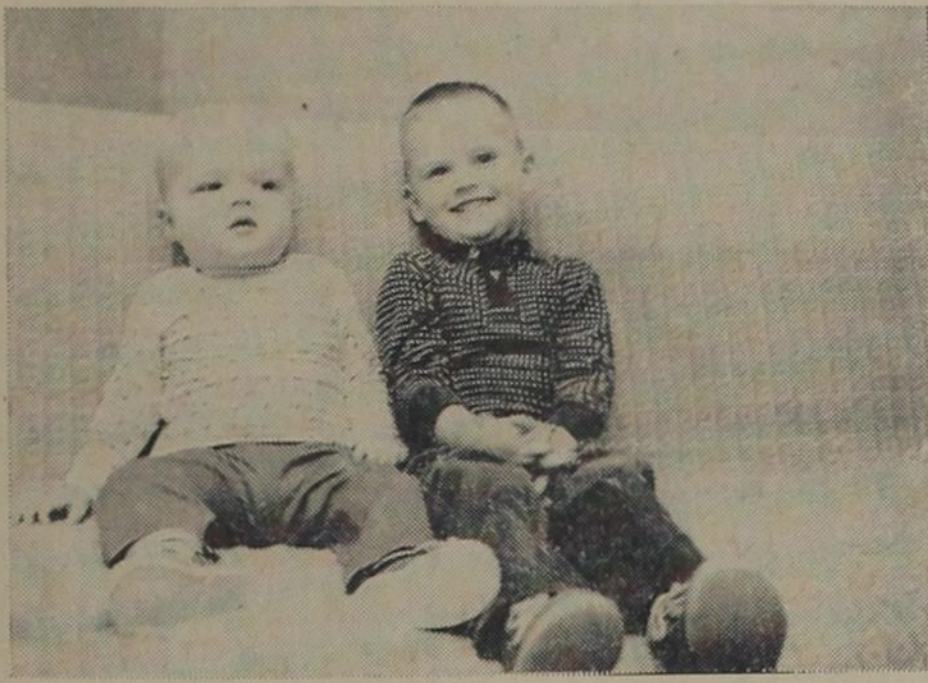
Word has been received of the death of J. L. (Lobertus) Harris in San Antonio.

Mr. Harris, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Harris and a brother of W. W. (Woody) Harris, died in a San Antonio Hospital Monday, Jan. 10, at 10 p. m. after a long illness.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church in San Antonio at 10 a. m. Wednesday. At 3 p. m. a short service was to be held at the Baptist Church in Lampkin, to be followed by burial in Tolaver cemetery.

OFFICES SUPPLIES AT THE STAB

## March of Dimes Boy for 1966...



Haden Lee Johnson, 15-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson of Lake Leon, March of Dimes Boy for Eastland County 1966, and his three-year-old brother, Leslie. (See story below).

## MOD Means Much To Eastland County Baby

By H. V. O'Brien, Editor Eastland Telegram

The 1965 March of Dimes drive, which gets under way in Eastland County Monday, will undoubtedly mean different things to different people.

For one 15-month-old youngster, it and other such drives, certainly mean a lot. As young as he is, he may not be fully aware of all that March of Dimes means, but as he grows and as he learns, MOD will mean much.

Maybe unknowingly, but young Haden Lee Johnson and MOD are kinda, well, buddies. March of Dimes, through its annual drives, is attempting to find the answer to birth defects. Polio was given the big O by MOD, and now there are other giants to conquer.

Through no fault of his, or

## James J. Shults, 83, Buried In Services At May Sunday at 3

James Jackson Shults, 83, died in Odessa Friday of last week and was buried in May cemetery Sunday following services at 3 p. m. at the First Methodist Church in May. The Rev. Aubrey Edwards, pastor of the church, officiated and Higginbotham Funeral Home here directed arrangements for burial.

Mr. Shults had been in ill health for a long while. He retired from his occupation at a farmer five years ago. He was born on April 23, 1882, and was married to Ida Mae Williams in Brown County on Oct. 13, 1909. His wife died in September of 1952.

Survivors include three sons, R. M. Shults of Hobbs, N. M.; James J. Shults of Odessa, and Hollis W. Shults of Seminole, Texas; a daughter, Mrs. W. K. Rodgers of San Angelo; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He served for many years as a member of the Williams school board.

## Fire Department Returns Officers

All officers of the 1965 organization of the Rising Star Fire Department were re-elected at the annual organizational meeting of the volunteer organization at the City Hall last week.

The officers who will hold office for the ensuing year are Roy Holly, president; H. McDonald, vice-president; J. W. Bishop, fire chief; Dean Bailey, secretary and treasurer; J. D. Clark, manager; Dutch Shults and Milton Teague, group captains; Paul Maxwell, assistant fire chief, and Jimmy Wilson, fire marshal.

Kenneth Willett, secretary for the past two years, asked not to be re-elected.

Mrs. M. S. Sellers has returned from spending the holidays with her son, Wayne, and Mrs. Sellers in Rock Hill, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Mayfield of Houston visited relatives here recently.

## McDonald Named CofC President

H. McDonald, vice-president of the Rising Star Chamber of Commerce for the past year, was elected president of the organization at the meeting of the members at the Elite Cafe Tuesday noon.

He succeeds John Pruet, who was transferred to Cross Plains by the West Texas Utilities Co at the first of the year.

Gene Rhodes, who follows Mr. Pruet as manager of the local WTU Co. office, was named vice-president. A. D. Jenkins was re-elected secretary of the organization.

The new officers will be formally installed at the annual dinner meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at the High School gym on the evening of Thursday, Feb. 10.

Plans for the dinner for which W. O. Shafer, president-elect of the State Bar of Texas and an Odessa attorney, will be the speaker, occupied most of the time of the meeting Tuesday.

Mack Eplen, Abilene restaurateur, will cater the meal.

## Charlie C. House Dies; Services At 2 P. M. Tuesday

Funeral services for Charlie House, 73, who died in a Wichita Falls hospital at 11 a. m. Sunday, January 9, were held at the Church of Christ in Rising Star at 2 p. m., Tuesday of this week. H. McDonald, minister of the church, officiated and burial in Rising Star cemetery was under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mr. House, a longtime employee of Rutherford and Steel, local building supply firm, had been retired since 1958.

He was a native of Sipe Springs where he was born on January 8, 1893. He was married to Myrtle Alice Adams at Sipe Springs on September 4, 1917. His wife survives him.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Jo Ann Dillard of Winters; a brother, Kelsey House of Rising Star; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Claborn of Eastland and Mrs. Rena McClanahan of Rising Star; and two grandchildren.

He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Pallbearers were Charles Rutherford, Lee Hughes, George Steel, Paul Crowley, C. M. Carroll, Jake Somerford and Skeet Clark.

## O. L. Stamey To Be Candidate For Superintendent

O. L. Stamey, Eastland County School Superintendent, this week authorized The Rising Star to announce that he will be a candidate for re-election this year, subject to the will of the voters to be expressed in the Democratic primary on May 7.

Mr. Stamey will be seeking his first full term in the office. He is currently serving the unexpired portion of the term of the late H. R. Garrett.

He said that he would have a statement to make to the voters at a later date in the campaign.

## Rutherford Will Be Honored by WTCC

Mr. and Mrs. James Rutherford left Wednesday morning for El Paso and a meeting of the board of directors of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce of which Mr. Rutherford is a member.

The Rising Star banker will be among those honored at a special breakfast for their "Quota Buster" success in securing new members for the regional commercial organization devoted to the economic growth of this section of the State.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Witt visited in Big Spring recently.

## New City Gas Well Most Promising, Say Officials

The City of Rising Star this week was rushing completion of a line to the H. V. Burk farm, four and one-half miles northwest of town, formerly the Dr. T. B. Busbee place where a gas well, long unused, will be tied into the city gas system.

The well, inactive for several years, has undergone extensive tests under the direction of O. L. Burnes, local oil and gas operator, and J. T. Alford of the City utilities department.

According to Mayor W. G. Reed

and members of the City Council, which authorized the line at a special meeting last week, the well has the most promising potential of any that the City has been able to test. Tests run for several days prior to the decision to lay the line have established a daily gas potential of about half a million feet a day, it was said.

"The well seems to have low pressure and considerable volume," City officials said this week.

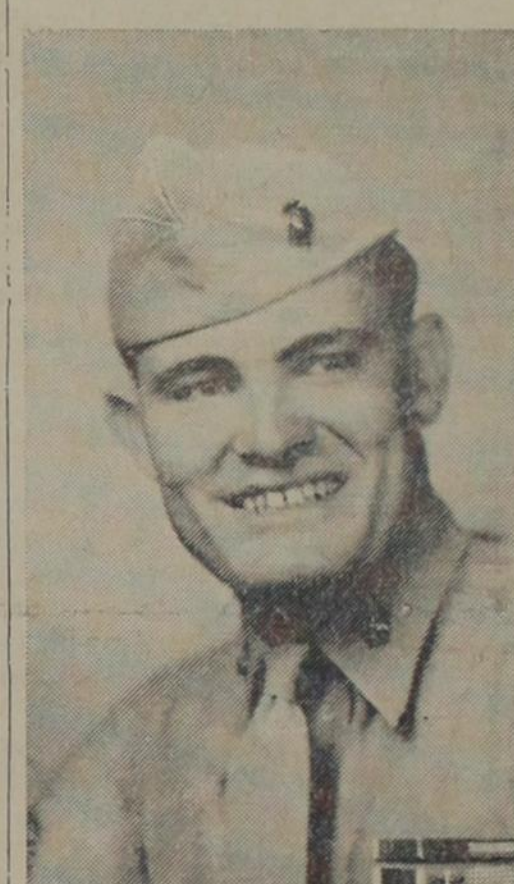
## Joint Meeting Called Upon Rate Request

A joint meeting of the Rising Star and Cross Plains City Councils will be held at Cross Plains next Tuesday evening, Jan. 18, to consider the employment of a CPA to examine the records of the Kizer Telephone Co., in connection with the company's pending request for an increase in rates. Mayor W. G. Reed announced this week. Representatives of other communities served by the company have been invited, he said.

The company in its appearances before the two municipal governing bodies, offered to open its

books to their scrutiny in determining the justice of its request.

## In Viet Nam...



## New Dentist Will Open Office In Rising Star June 1

Dr. B. J. Mahoney of Memphis, Tenn., will move to Rising Star about June 1, to reopen the dental clinic operated by the late Dr. W. S. Carter.

Dr. Mahoney, who will receive his degree from Memphis College of Dentistry this Spring, has purchased the east half of the Carter building on East College St., and the dental equipment used by the late Rising Star dentist from Mrs. Carter, and will practice dentistry in that location.

Dr. Mahoney is married and he and his wife have one child.

## Five In Family of New First Baptist Pastor

Rev. and Mrs. L. R. Pendley and their two daughters, Beverly, 11, and Donna, 7, have moved into the parsonage of the First Baptist Church. Rev. Mr. Pendley, who comes to the pulpit of the local church from that of the First Baptist Church at Tye, began his work here on January 7.

The Pendleys also have a married daughter, Mrs. Jimmy Peterson of Erwin, Texas.

Mrs. Pendley, a member of the faculty of the Abilene Public Schools, will resign that position effective January 21, at the end of the current semester.

The new minister is a graduate of Southwestern Seminary at Fort Worth. He has held pastorates at Spur, Mineral Wells, and Lamesa. He has also held various offices in the Baptist Association, while at Tye he served as a member of the board of the Abilene-Callahan County Ass'n.

## FORT WORTH ROTARIANS COMING HERE JANUARY 21

Fort Worth — A bus full of Fort Worth Rotarians from the Rotary Clubs are coming to Rising Star at 2:50 p. m. January 21, 1966 with the story of the 1966 Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo, January 28 through February 6.

The Fort Worth Stock Show Booster Trip is a coordinated activity of the participating civic clubs, the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce, the Rising Star Chamber of Commerce and the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show.

Mrs. H. S. Switzer has returned to her home here after a month's visit in Pasadena, Calif., with her son, Rev. David Switzer and family.

"Of course, we can't know how it will stand up until it is used under city demand conditions, but it is the best looking prospective supply that we have had. It looks good enough to justify the expense of tying it into the city system and we believe that that it will supply the gas that we need."

The line, expected to be completed Friday, is constructed partially of 7,000 feet of four-inch pipe already owned by the City, and 19,000 feet of two-inch pipe purchased from leases at Winters and Lawn. It is being laid by the city's crew. Sixteen thousand of the two-inch was purchased at 24¢ per foot from Kewanee Oil Co. at Winters and 3,100 feet at 18¢ from Well Service Co. at Lawn.

The City's contract with Mr. Burk provides for payment of a flat fee of \$100, per month so long as the gas supply is satisfactory. The City will run tubing, by the line and deliver the gas to its system, while Mr. Burk takes responsibility for any fluid problems that may arise in the course of production.

The new supply augments that from wells on the Moore farm near May, and the Angel and Crownover wells south of town. It will be tied into the city system at the Ober Cooper farm in the northwestern part of the community.

## Lee Roy Allen Is Buried Here In Wednesday Rites

Lee Roy Allen, 69, who died in a Brownwood hospital at 4:30 a. m., Tuesday, was buried in Rising Star cemetery Wednesday following services at the Church of Christ at 3 p. m.

H. McDonald, minister of the church, officiated and Higginbotham Funeral Home was in charge of burial arrangements.

Mr. Allen was a retired farmer. He was born March 19, 1896 in Emmett, Ark., and was married Emmett, Ark.

He is survived by his wife, Bertie, whom he married at Comanche in October, 1932; a son, Leland Roy of Kermit; a daughter, Mrs. Joanna Lay of Stephenville; a brother, Luther T. Allen of Rising Star, and three grandchildren.

Pallbearers will include U. Z. Aaron, Curt Smith, L. J. Collins, A. D. Jenkins, Aaron Gage and C. W. Richter.

## Local Residents On Special Venire Panel

Prospective jurors called in the special venire called for the January 24 murder trials include the following from Rising Star and Carbon:

Rising Star — C. F. Hubbard, Herman H. Claborn, Mrs. Curt Smith, C. F. Barton, Otis Lee, B. B. Jackson, John D. Clark, Joe Criswell, Arley Bibby Waldene Lewis, Robert Butler, Curtis Alford, Lela Mary Shults, A. D. Jenkins, Weldon Roach, Mrs. C. M. Carroll, Kenneth Willett, W. G. Reed, S. C. Cotton, Paul Maxwell, Oleta Seale, J. P. Vermillion, Monty Joe Jones, Lucille Joyce, Mrs. J. A. Fleming, Elgie Crisp, L. T. Burkhalter, Lucille Huddlestone, C. E. Smith, U. Z. Aaron, Jack Schlenker, Lee JdRkiHT—geshuETAOIN

Hughes, A. B. Jones, Tom Grisham, Lane B. Wells, James Wolf, Dale Lipsey, H. M. Jones. Carbon — Buell Allison, E. H. Cook, A. M. Medford, Donald Tom GlennETAONI TAOIaue Nicholas, Tom Glenn, Dean N. Collins, J. P. Mehaffey, A. E. Guy, Charles Morgan.

## Mrs. Merle Nance Spier Dies At Cisco

Mrs. Merle Nance Spier, formerly of Rising Star, died in Graham Hospital at Cisco Sunday after a long illness. She was 57.

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Cisco at 2 p. m. Tuesday with burial in Oakwood cemetery at Cisco.

Mrs. Spier, the wife of John Spier, was the daughter of S. H. Nance, former business man of this city who went to Cisco in the early 1930s to take over an automobile agency which he operated until his retirement about 10 years ago.

Rising Star Man Wins In Suit for Damages

ABILENE — After deliberating less than an hour, a jury in 42nd District Court, Abilene, ruled Tuesday that an Abilene Negro couple is due nothing in a suit for \$7,000 damages against Bruce Harris, Rising Star trucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harris had sued the Rising Star man over a March 19, 1965, car-truck collision at Chestnut and S. First St., in Abilene. The jury ruled that the collision was due to an unavoidable accident.

Miss Betty Barrett of Gorman spent the week-end here with Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hodges.

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Courthouse News

SUITS FILED

Mary Beth Poyner vs. Terry Poyner, annulment. Ben Hamner vs. W. H. Wende, suit on note. John T. Gregory vs. Travis Terry, suit on note.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Jerry Ray Lasater and Linda sue Williams. Buford Green and DeAnn Belis. Harvey Lewis and Sharon Chick. Walter Webster and Linda Faye Johnson.

INSTRUMENTS FILED

George Bell, et al, to the public, affidavit. Tera Beall to the public, affidavit. B. D. Ballinger to Finis Buck Whitehead, et al, warranty deed. Jesse Cassle to First National Bank, Cisco, deed of trust. Blair Clark, et ux, to British American Oil Producing Co., oil, gas and mineral lease. Cisco Truck Stop to the public, hold on file. Shelly Dobson to T. C. Huckaby, warranty deed.

Rowena Duckett, deceased, to the public, proof of heirship. Enterprises, Inc., to Paul Riffe, abstract of judgment. Federal Land Bank of Houston to J. W. Gerhardt, et ux, release of deed of trust.

First Federal Savings and Loan Ass'n, Ranger, to Ralph Morton, et ux, release of deed of trust. R. B. Gustafson, et ux, to Gulf Oil Corp., warranty deed. Carl Graves to Carlton Brown, warranty deed.

W. A. Honea, et al, to Alma Honea, warranty deed. Veon Howard, et ux, to O. A. Jordan, et ux, warranty deed. T. B. Harris, et ux, to Don Harris, warranty deed.

O. A. Jordan, et ux, to First Federal Savings and Loan Ass'n, Ranger, deed of trust. M. S. James to Bob Barnhill, bill of sale. Martin London to O. D. Odum, Jr., abstract of judgment.

Lovera Oil and Gas Co., et al, to Lesters Formation, mechanic v materialmans lien, affidavit. Billy Joe Mathis to Charles Mathis, mineral deed.

Robert McCleskey to the public, certified copy. Anna Notgrass, Jr., et al, to Auta Lee Rudd, warranty deed. J. D. Parsons to Eastland National Bank, deed of trust.

Mildred Barnes Pickereil to David Pickereil II, bill of sale. L. C. Phagan to Blanche Callaway, et vir, agreement of lease. Lucy Rust, et vir, to Comanche Electric Co., warranty deed.

J. H. Reynolds, deceased, to the public, certified copy of probate. Republic National Life Insurance Co. to Bobby Jack Hickey, et ux, release of deed of trust. Gilbert Sasser, et al, to Tera Beall, warranty deed.

F. B. Simpson, et ux, to Alma

Siverson, deed of trust. Grace Thorman to Jesse Cassle, warranty deed.

R. E. Thompson et al, to Fred Garcia, mechanic v materialmans lien, assignment. Billy Joe Taylor, et al, to the public, affidavit.

George Whitehead, et ux, to D. R. Ballinger, warranty deed. D. S. Wills to J. F. Carson, abstract of judgment.

Wildcat Tales— publication in soon. — Brenda

"ON BEING A SENIOR"

Being a Senior in high school or college gives a person prestige. He is at the top of the ladder and on top of his world; but it is only in his world, however, for along with the rank he holds, his Senior position places much responsibility on him.

In the past he was gradually given more privileges; and as he grew older, he obtained a driver's license; he took part-time jobs; he was given more freedom to choose for himself what he wished to do with his time.

Now our Senior is given in a sense the rest of his life to make decisions as an adult. He must now choose again for himself, but the decisions are harder and the penalties are increasingly higher.

He is given his choice of a profession, and he then decides on a college or a job that will fill the desired requirements; however, his accuracy on the job and the knowledge that he acquires is now entirely up to him. No longer will there be an elementary teacher constantly reminding or reassuring. What he accomplishes in his lifetime will be that for which he is willing to work and strive.

Being a Senior is a challenge and a privilege for those who realize its value. It is a time to stop and think ahead - a time to glance behind but look to the future.

Julie Watkins English IV

"FROM THE WILDCAT DEN"

After having a little time off for the Christmas holidays, the Wildcats have resumed basketball play.

This week the Wildcats will begin their district play in basketball. Their first game will be played against the Bangs "Dragons". Schools in the district are the same as last year: May, Blanket, Bangs, Brookesmith, and Zephyr.

Last Friday night the Cats hosted Moran in a non-district tilt. The scores in this game will be given in next week's edition.

Track season is just around the corner, and a few boys have started running to build up those muscles for the season ahead.

Until next week, — Franz

John Musselman Announces For Legislative Post

John E. Musselman, Jr., former manager of the Albany Chamber of Commerce and member of a pioneer West Texas ranching family, announced this week he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination to the Texas House of Representatives for the 63rd District. Musselman's announcement came on release of the news that Rep. Wayne Gibbens of Breckenridge, House member from the 63rd since 1961, was resigning to go to Washington to operate the new Texas Liaison Office.



JOHN E. MUSSELMAN, JR.

Musselman, who said he will file formally for the office within a few days, praised Rep. Gibbens' long service in the House. "I hope I can give our portion of West Texas the same able, energetic representation Rep. Gibbens has provided," he said.

Musselman, 24, is the son of a Shackelford County ranch couple, and the grandson of Mrs. Henry Green and the late Mr. Green who were among the earliest settlers of this area. His paternal grandfather was the late Claude Musselman of Paris, Texas, theatre owner who had movie interests in various West Texas cities. Musselman attended Albany public schools and was graduated from Lawrenceville Preparatory School in New Jersey with an outstanding record. He was a letterman in football and track, president of the chapel board, president of his dorm, president of the dramatic club and business manager of the student newspaper.

He has had three years of work at the University of Texas toward a law degree. At the University of Texas he was active in student politics, serving as student assemblyman and as foreman of his student political party. He was chairman of the Campus Chest Fund raising drive.

He is a member of Silver Spurs, men's honor organization. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, social fraternity, he has served SAE as rush chairman and in 1963-64 was president, receiving national recognition for his service in that office.

Musselman returned from Austin in the spring of 1964 to become manager of the Albany Chamber of Commerce. He was named outstanding citizen of the year at the Albany Junior Chamber of Commerce banquet in 1965 and is listed in "Outstanding Young Men of America" in 1965.

He was prime mover in the revival of Albany's famous Fort Griffin Fandangle, serving as producer of the revived show in 1964 and 1965.

Musselman directed the drive which resulted in the new amphitheatre which houses the Fandangle.

Musselman said he will name campaign managers throughout the district soon after his formal announcement for the legislative post.

Political Announcements

The Rising Star is authorized to announce the following persons as candidates for the political offices under which their names appear, subject to the will of the Democratic voters to be expressed in the Democratic Primaries preceding the General Elections in November, 1966: FOR COUNTY JUDGE, Eastland County: SCOTT BAILEY (Re-Election).

FOR COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: O. L. STAMEY (First full term).

FOR REPRESENTATIVE 63rd DISTRICT: JOHN E. MUSSELMAN, JR.

CARD OF THANKS We greatly appreciate all the expressions of sympathy, the food, flowers, and kind words extended to us in the loss of our father and grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Leland Allen and Reta, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lay, L. D., Mary and David Steel.

Nimrod News

BY MRS. EVA STROEBEL

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Richardson of Mansure, La., visited his sisters, Mrs. A. N. McBeth, Mrs. Maud Hill and Mrs. G. C. Stroebel.

Mrs. Nolan Brooks and girls and son, Jimmie of Houston, and Mr. and Mrs. Truett Dawkins were guests in the home of Eldridge and Golden Lawson recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Wordis Erwin and Peggy had dinner in the home of her sister, Mrs. Hulon Erwin, and Mr. Erwin during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. King of Sabanno were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Barron in Cisco last Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Merritt of Fort Worth and I. A. Bailey of Cisco visited Mrs. H. C. Ledbetter at Scranton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brummitt of Fort Worth spent last weekend in the B. O. Speegle home at Scranton.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Shrader and son of Odessa visited in the home of John Shraedr recently.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stroebel visited her sister, Mrs. A. N. McBeth, in Cisco Friday night. Also visiting Mrs. McBeth were her son, Rev. Cecil McBeth and daughter, Celia of Calvert, Mr. and Mrs. Claud McBeth of Denver City, Mr. and Mrs. George McBeth of Rotan and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hart and daughter of Cisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brandon of Putnam and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brandon of Fort Worth were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brandon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Townsend were shopping in Cisco Wednesday.

Mrs. Maud Hill and Dinky visited Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Stroebel Tuesday night.

Bill Ledbetter of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ledbetter of Cisco and Mrs. R. A. Ledbetter of Fort Worth visited in the home of W. P. Ledbetter Sunday afternoon.

E. R. Battle of Ceranton visited in Abilene Tuesday.

Jerry Morgan returned to Tarleton State College Monday after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morgan, at Scranton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Frye, accompanied by their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mize of Irving, went to Houston, Monday, January 9. Mr. Frye will receive treatment at Anderson Hospital.

Relatives here have received news of the illness of E. F. King in a Hobbs, N. M., hospital. Mr. King is the husband of the former Rowena Clark of Rising Star.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Brownwood Cattle Auction

Market: Strong on all classes. Packer cattle \$1 to \$2 higher. No. of Head: 1350. Stocker, Feeder Cattle and Calves: Stocker calves (choice): Steer calves, wts. 250-425, 25.00-31.00; heifer calves, wts. 250-425, 22.00-25.25; steer yearlings: wts. 425-550, 24.00-26.25; wts 550-600, 23.50-25.75; wts. 600-800, 23.00-25.50; heifer yearlings, lt wts. 21.50-23.00; hvy wts. 21.50-22.50; plain kinds, all wts., 16.00-21.00; heiferettes, 17.00-18.50; cows and calves, pair, good, \$170.215.00; plain, 120.00-170.00; stocker cows, 120.00-150.00; stocker bulls, 19.00-25.00. Slaughter Cattle: Fat calves, 22.00-23.75; fat cows, 15.50-17.25; utility and cutter cows, \$4.00-16.00; canners, 12.00-14.25; shells, 10.00-12.50; slaughter bulls, 18.50-22.00; hogs, (top) 26.50.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Kizer Telephone Company, Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Texas, has requested before the City Council of Rising Star of Eastland County, Texas, an ordinance to set forth rates to be charged for telephone services in the limits of the above-mentioned city. And further, the rates, charges for telephone service in non-city areas have been listed with the City Council of the above-mentioned City. This request sets forth the classifications of amounts of the charges for telephone service as follows: Business, one party \$12.50 per month; Business, two party, \$10.50 per month; Business, rural, \$8.30 per month; Business extension telephone \$2.00 per month; Residence, one-party, \$6.50 per month; Residence, two party, \$5.80 per month; Residence, four party, \$4.80 per month; Residence rural multi-party 5.80 per month; Residence extension telephone 1.50 per month; Pay station local call rate, .10 This notice is hereby published E. O. Kizer, President, Kizer Telephone Company, Ralph E. Kizer, Sec'y-Treas.

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# WILDCAT TALES

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## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

At midnight, Friday, December 31, 1965, a change occurred throughout the world. The change was not visible, but everyone knew the time had come — 1965 had expired. An explosive array of fireworks greeted the new year, bidding 1966 to be a happy and prosperous one.

When a person reaches this point, it is too late to do anything; grades are posted; and if they are not satisfactory, one is going to have a hard time getting into the crowded colleges, which have room only for those students near the top of their classes. Students, let us keep our resolutions. Let us work harder to make better grades and finish high school as better people. — Editor

we will be hopelessly wishing we had worked harder, put out just a little more effort, made slightly better grades; and what hits hardest is knowing that we could have done better if we had only tried. High school students are past the age to take school work lightly. In such a short time graduation day approaches, and college days are just around the corner. When a person reaches this point, it is too late to do anything; grades are posted; and if they are not satisfactory, one is going to have a hard time getting into the crowded colleges, which have room only for those students near the top of their classes.

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## STAMP PADS AT THE STAR

## "LIVE AND LEARN"

Last week we were entertained by the Ranger Junior College stage band directed by Mr. Alton Roan. We were very happy to hear them; they gave a very enjoyable performance. Afterwards the high school saw a film called "Anatomy of an Accident," which placed its emphasis on driving safety.

We were still feeling the effects of Christmas around the school, as we talked all week about our Christmas presents. Sandy Warlick brought her new portable tape-recorder and was able to tape some very unusual conversations. Oh, yes, Marcia acquired a new piece of jewelry during the holidays. I suppose we could always pawn it for extra funds as it nears time for our class trip. — Julie

## "BUILDERS OF TOMORROW"

The Christmas holidays and mid-term tests are over as of this afternoon. Everyone seemed to have had a nice Christmas; I believe that Santa Claus was good to everyone this year.

Mr. Hounsell prepared his Algebra II class for the mid-term test by giving a test over each chapter we had studied this semester.

Mr. Nunnally gave written assignments over chapter 18 in order that we know all the important facts about the Civil War.

Mrs. Claborn reminded us daily of the requirements for completing the literature course; book reports, notebooks, themes, and poetry. How about it, Hurby? ?

Have you noticed how dark and long Robbie's eyelashes have become? I wonder why? ?

We are now on the home-stretch of the 1965-'66 school year; let's make it the best yet. — Jill Ann

## "NOT FINISHED, JUST BEGUN"

Here we are back in school again after the wonderful holidays. Everything is going smooth just as before.

We are in the process of our mid-term tests, and I think we are still a little rusty and will have to burn a little midnight oil.

It really does not seem as if it could be so long since September and the beginning of school. All students are settling down to their reviews and know what is expected of them. They have stopped fussing about all the homework and have accepted the fact that they must really buckle down to make their grades.

Our class has made resolutions; we are trying hard to keep them.

The letters D. M. have become a thing of terror to all of us who are camera shy; please have mercy on us!!!

And, in closing, I notice our appropriate motto for this new year of 1966. — Peggy

## "IN THE FISH BOWL"

We are in a busy rush this week, studying for and taking mid-term exams.

We took our General Math, Algebra I, General Science, and English on Wednesday.

We took our Home Economics I and Ag I Thursday morning.

Many of us are still settling down after the Christmas vacation. With nearly two weeks out, some of us are a bit lazy, especially in P.E.

The members of the Freshman Class are now discussing a money-making project. We will be working with the Chamber of Commerce. We are not sure about it as of yet. I will be able to give you details later.

Until next week. — Katie

## "LA ESTRELLITA"

The annual staff is well on its way toward a completed annual for Rising Star High School. Deadlines are being met with time to spare, and some of the sections have been completed.

The staff would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to "La Estrellita". To those who helped in design and planning, we are especially grateful. We would also like to express our appreciation to the College Studio in Brownwood because of their kindness in letting us use their facilities for the Who's Who pictures.

The staff members are working hard to make this year's "La Estrellita" the best yet. We hope that you will enjoy the yearbook as much as we are enjoying planning it. We can hardly wait until spring — how about you? — Robbie

## "TOWARD NEW HORIZONS"

The Rising Star FFA Chapter was called to order by our president, Pam Geye. We then went directly into our program. Our

program was a film on patriotism. It was called "The Sounds of Patriotism". Through this film, we learned of the interest of America in our citizens and themselves becoming better citizens. The meeting was adjourned, and we enjoyed refreshments made by the freshmen.

We are looking forward to January 20 when we will have a dinner with foreign foods. Our theme will be "Our Neighbors Near and Far." We are going to have an exchange student as our guest speaker. — Sara

## "WITH THE FARMHANDS"

In starting the year off, most of us make resolutions. I now offer these belated aids in making resolutions. They are from the FFA Handbook.

**Code of Ethics**  
 We will conduct ourselves at all times in order to be a credit to our organization, chapter, school and community by:

1. Dressing neatly and appropriately for the occasion.
2. Showing respect for rights of others and being courteous at all times.
3. Being honest and not taking unfair advantage of others.
4. Respecting property of others.
5. Refraining from loud, boisterous talk, swearing, and horseplay.
6. Demonstrating sportsmanship — modest in winning and generous in defeat.
7. Taking pride in our activities; as well as friends.
8. Attending meetings promptly and respecting the opinion of others in discussion.
9. Sharing with others experiences and knowledge.

— Jim

## "DO-RE-MI"

The band has received an invitation for the girls to attend a state wide All-Girls Concert and Stage Band Festival at the Texas Woman's University at Denton, Texas on February 25 and 26, 1966. The girls that are interested can get application blanks from Mr. Reed; you are asked not to apply unless you are sure you can go if accepted. The girls that go will enjoy a paid two-day trip; they will receive instruction from many band directors. The girls will give a concert the evening of the 26th. Mr. Reed would like to encourage anyone who wants to attend to get your application blanks. — Jim

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## 15 ATTEND MEETING OF WSCS MONDAY

The WSCS of the First Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at the church with 15 members present. Mrs. J. R. Bucy presided and Mrs. Lee Burkhead led the opening prayer. Mrs. E. A. Hull gave the devotional, reading from the 103rd psalm and "Into the New Year with Christ." Mrs. John Mathis gave a talk on "Program Materials for the Society." The meeting was dismissed with the society benediction.

## SHULTS REUNION

Members of the Shults family enjoyed an Open House hosted December 26, by Mr. and Mrs. Mack Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Mayfield. The Mayfields are from Houston. Approximately 50 relatives and friends attended. Those coming the farthest distance to attend were Mr. and Mrs. Phil McCanlies and daughters, Kay, Lee Ann and Donna, of Los Angeles, Calif.

## STAMP PADS AT THE STAR

## North Star Club Has Medicare Program

The North Star Home Demonstration Club held its regular meeting January 4 with the president, Mrs. Lee White, presiding. Committees were appointed and plans made for the new year.

The program was on "Medicare" and was presented by Mr. Weatherby of the Social Security office at Abilene. He urged all people over 65 to sign their medicare cards and mail them immediately.

Attendance was good. One new member, Mrs. Julia Townsend, was welcomed into the club.

A check in the amount of \$2 was sent to the Texas Tuberculosis Ass'n.

The club gave a new quilt to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Wilson who lost their home by fire recently.

The next meeting will be held January 18, when all visitors will be welcome.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mrs. T. S. Holden were Mrs. M. T. Haskins and Lucille Duke, both of De Leon.

## Statement of Condition First State Bank of Rising Star

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1965

<b>Assets:</b>		<b>Liabilities:</b>	
Loans and Discounts .....	\$1,724,717.06	Capital Stock .....	\$ 50,000.00
Overdrafts .....	1,086.15	Certified Surplus .....	50,000.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures .....	16,000.00	Reserves .....	206,731.87
Other Assets .....	7.00	Deposits .....	3,359,529.04
Other Real Estate .....	1.00		
<b>QUICK ASSETS:</b>			
Cash in Vaults and in Other Banks .....	\$967,829.24		
U. S. Gov't, State, Municipal Bonds And Securities .....	956,620.46		
	\$1,924,449.70		
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$3,666,260.91</b>	<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>\$3,666,260.91</b>

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- 45 Inch Drip Dri Check Gingham, Reg. 98c, Now per yard Only ..... 69¢
- 45 Inch Combed Satin Print, Reg. 1.19, Now per yard Only ..... 79¢
- 45 Inch Dacron and Cotton Print, Reg. 1.19, Now per yard Only ..... 79¢
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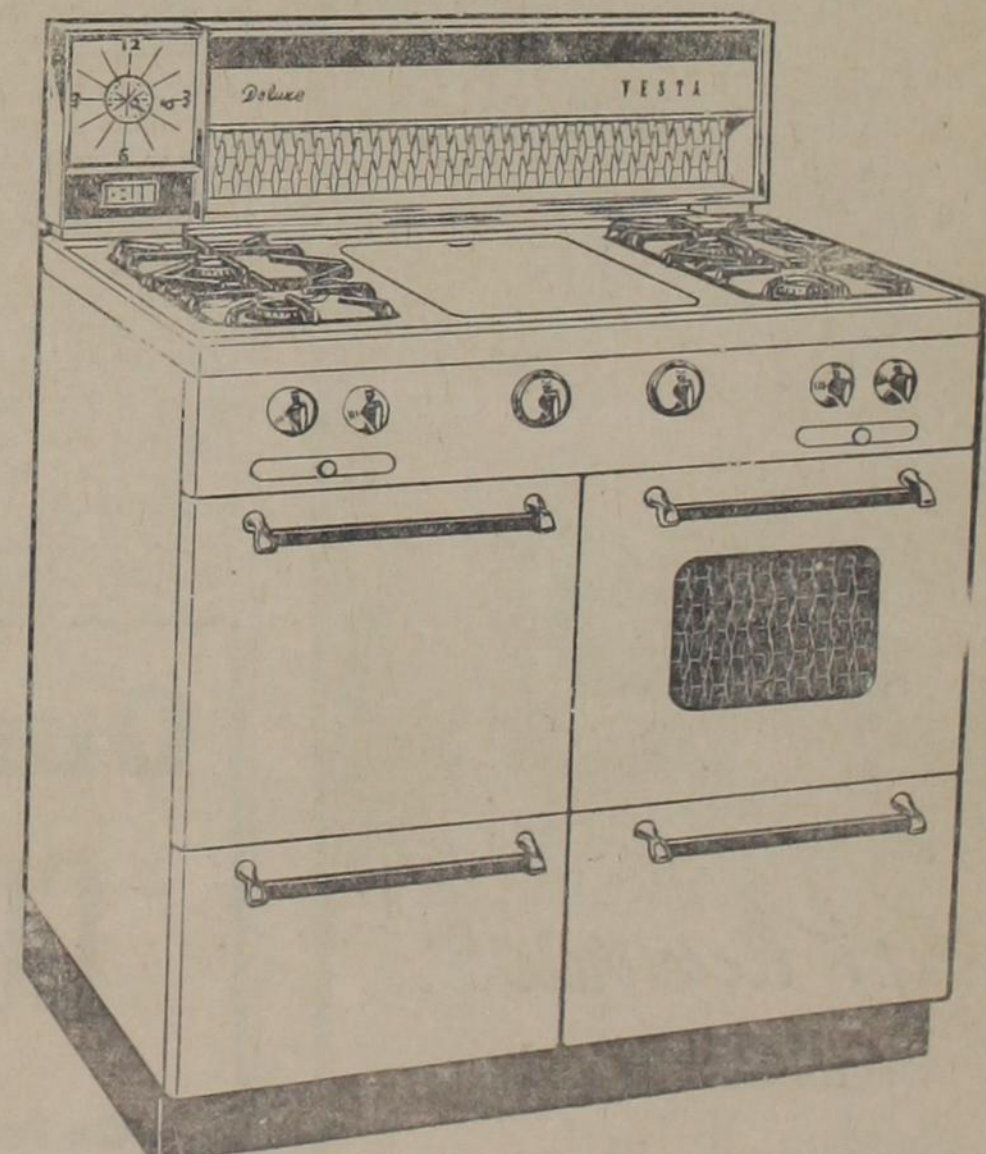
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### Mrs. Steel Chosen New President Of Saturday Club

Mrs. George Steel was elected president of the Saturday Club during the meeting of the club Wednesday, Jan. 5. Mrs. Jack Agnew was named vice-president. Other officers elected were Mrs. F. B. Joyce, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert Butler, treasurer, and Mrs. Wilburn Scott, corresponding secretary. Mrs. John Clark gave a talk on "Safety" and showed a film on the subject. A volume was presented to the club by the Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association of Fort Worth. Twenty-one members were ser-

ved refreshments by the hostesses, Mrs. J. R. Bucy and Mrs. John Mathis. The next meeting will be held January 19, when a program on science will be presented by Mrs. Wilburn Scott and Mrs. Lee Clark. Hostesses will be Mrs. F. B. Joyce and Mrs. W. C. Witt.

#### WMS MEETS MONDAY

The WMS of the First Baptist Church met in circles on Monday, January 10. The Van Worten Circle met in the home of Mrs. F. J. Maynard with ten members present. The Boyd Circle met with Mrs. Della Adams. There were 12 members present.

Mrs. Bennie Gordan and daughter, Sydney, of Bethany, Okla., spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Morris.

## It Has Been

By VADA ARNOLD

Numerous requests have been made for more 1900 news since last week's column. It is a pleasure to please our readers, so here is more "ancient news".

"The Cumberland Presbyterian Church here had had a very narrow escape from being burned on last Saturday night, the cause of the trouble was the explosion of a lamp which set fire to the floor and two seats, and but for the thoughtfulness of one or two persons present the church would have been burned."

"Who was it that howled so at the preacher's sermon last Sunday? The fellow that was hit of course."

"The High school and grammar departments of the school here went picnicking last Saturday."

"Each teacher procured a long freight wagon and hauled his entire department in it."

"Prof. J. E. Well's music class accompanied them."

"With hearts full of happiness and baskets full of grub the merry crowd left the school house about nine o'clock for the Holman Mountain about five miles southeast of Star."

"After dinner on the ground and Comanche yells all day, and a fine time in general, the happy children returned in the evening refreshed, and ready for one more month of school and hard work."

"After going to the school building and posing for the photographer to get the beautiful image, they dispersed each carrying with him a sore throat and sweet memories of a happy day, that will stay with him as long as life shall last. (We mean the memories)."

"Two-One. Cupid has again won a victory and as result, Mr. Martin Joyce led Miss Ida Clark to Hymen's altar last Sunday afternoon and there had Rev. W. M. Bennett to perform the ceremony which proclaimed to the world; 'We are no longer two but one.'"

"Both of these parties to the above marriage contract are members of two of the most highly respected families in every phase of life, in this community, and each of them have numerous friends here who wish them the happiest of happy wedded life, even surpassing their most sanguine dreams of blessedness. Yes their many friends all join in the hope that the sweet and most beautiful which had bloomed in their fancied and imaginary flower gardens of wedded blessedness may pale into absolute insignificance and nothingness when compared with the actual flower gardens of life as the fruitage of the double harness rig of life."

"The Beaumont oil field affords great opportunities for speculators such as they have not had in many years. They are piling up money on everything that looks or smells like oil."

"Phillip Miller says that the high north west wind two weeks ago blew all the water out of his well - or words to that effect. The well referred to is about fifty feet deep, but Phillip is noted for his truth and veracity in this community."

"Last Sunday, April 14, 1901, the cornerstone was laid for the Methodist Church at Macedonia. Quite a number of Rising Star and Sipe Springs people were in attendance. Rev. C. E. Statham conducted the services, assisted by the Rev. Leverige, pastor of the Sipe Springs church.

Bro. J. C. Watkins made a short talk in which he gave a history of the struggle of the church people there to build them a church.

"The Rev. C. E. Statham made the deposit which consisted of a Methodist Discipline, a copy of the Nashville Christian Advocate, a Hymn book and a Bible. Everybody who were in attendance seemed to enjoy the services."

"People should not overlook the fact that "dog days" are on and the stray dogs should be put out of the way before some of the children get hydrophobia."

### News From May

By Mrs. LuDene Michael

Larry Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charley Moore of Fort Polk, La., visited his parents recently. He has been transferred to Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri. Larry is a 1963 graduate of May High School.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Touchstone and Mr. and Mrs. Everette Harris attended the musical at Stagg Creek last Friday night.

Jeanne Choma visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Weathersby, Wednesday, Jan. 5.

Pauline Fisher underwent surgery at a Brownwood hospital this week and is reported doing well.

Ernest McDaniel will spend the winter months at the Twilight Acre Nursing Home in Rising Star with his wife, who is a resident of the home.

Mrs. Ida Murphy and daughters attended the funeral of Jess Watkins at Cross Plains. Mr. Watkins was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Murphy.

Guests in the home of Lon McDaniel last Sunday were Opal Gentry and Lawrence Parsons of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Beal McDaniel and Tony of Comanche; Mrs. Lynn Crimm of Brownwood; Alma Robason and Mr. and Mrs. Russel McDaniel and Fain of May.

Mrs. Sook Burnett and Mrs. Ludene Michael and son, Hal Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lee, Mary Smith, A. J. Dickerson and Hal Sanford attended the funeral of Vernon Haynes at Comanche last week.

Funeral services for John Henry Beck, who was found dead near his home at May Monday, January 10, were held at the Davis-Morris Funeral Chapel in Brownwood Tuesday at 3 p. m., with burial in Pleasant Valley cemetery. Mr. Beck, 64, died of an apparent heart attack. He is survived by five sons and five daughters.

Marcelle Murphy, daughter of Mrs. Ida Murphy, was honored with a birthday dinner in the home of her mother, Saturday, January 1. Marcelle was the winner of the First Baby Derby in Brownwood on January 1, 1950.

Relatives present for the dinner were her sister, Mrs. Fred Lemmons, and Mr. Lemmons; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barnes, Ricky and Rance, all of Brownwood, and her uncle, Frank Murphy of May.

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<b>CUTLETS</b> Lb.		65¢
<b>BOLOGNA</b> lb.		39¢

#### HAVE NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bishop of Hobbs, N. M., have announced the birth of a son, their second child, on January 3. The baby has been named Kenneth Eugene. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Batson of Katy, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bishop of Rising Star, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Swift, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Ams and Miss Hallie Hill attended the funeral of Tom Poe at Long Branch last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Doyle of Mullin are here for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Doyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Boggs visited their daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Gonzales, and Mr. Gonzales and children at Jim Ned over the week-end.

Dr. F. W. Wright has returned from West Virginia where his father was buried. His mother, Mrs. F. W. Wright, Sr., remained for a visit with her sister.

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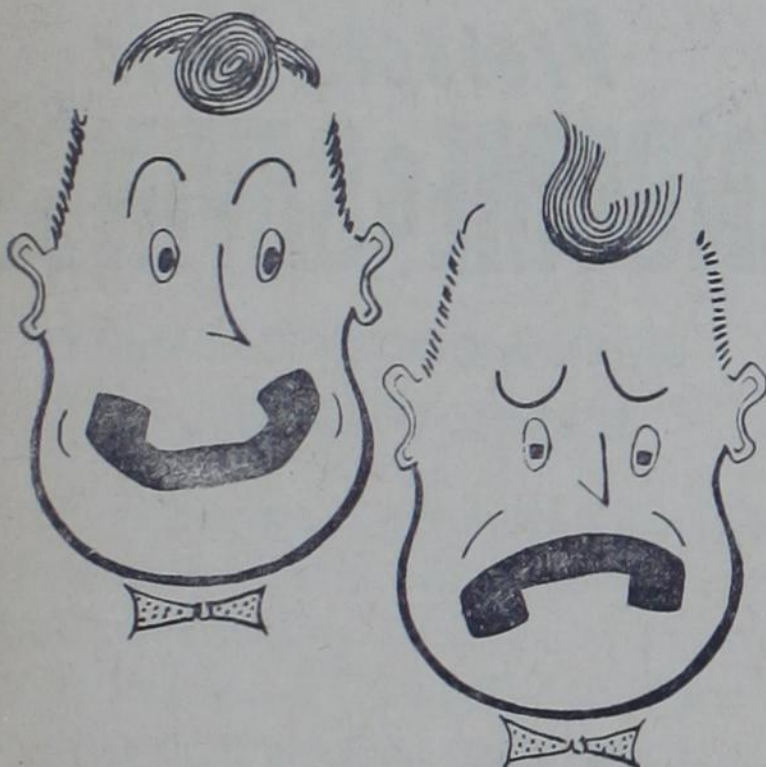
There will be no services at the First Methodist Church Sunday evening, Jan. 16. The congregation will go the First Baptist Church Sunday to help welcome the new pastor there, Rev. L. R. Pendley.



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