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## Through The Editor's Specs

By BAB

Now and then — mostly "then" — our mail yields a response that is stimulating, if you know what I mean. For brevity, unequivocation and downright sincerity, I think the following is a classic:

"Sir:  
"I received a dun for the paper today. I received one the first of April and sit down and mailed you three one dollars bill. And I don't care to send any more at this late date. It just up to you and your honesty."

The subscription involved has been marked up a year from the expiration date. The letter was worth it.

"But," says Mrs. W. E. Ellis who handles circulation accounts, "loose money sent in envelopes sometimes gets sidetracked. A check or money order is much safer. And it's a record."

More about prairie dogs — M. J. Duker recalls a colony of prairie dogs which existed for many years just southwest of town.

"I shot a lot of them for sport," he said.

"You could always tell when a rain was brewing. They would get busy and build dikes of earth around their holes," he said.

Sometimes little owls and rattlers would take up residence with the dogs. They didn't seem to mind the owls but just let the prairie dogs start kicking dirt back into a hole where a rattlesnake had intruded and that rattler would come out of there in a hurry.

"He knew what would happen to him if he stayed down there," said Duker. He'd be buried alive.

But most ranchers hated the colonies, not because they took up space and ate vegetation that would support a cow, but because the holes they dug were dangerous to horses and men as well as cattle. Many a running horse has stepped into one of these holes, broken his leg and had to be destroyed. The rider was lucky if he wasn't also seriously hurt.

## \$234.00 Raised for Little League Help

C. M. (Mutt) Carroll, president of the Little League Baseball Club in Rising Star, expressed the thanks of the organization to the business men of Rising Star for their generous contributions to the fund to help equip the teams of junior ball players.

A special thanks to Dr. Steve Seminiuk who found time in his busy schedule to make the solicitation, was also expressed. A total of \$234. was raised for the program.

## Rodeo Results . . .

Boys and girls barrel races: Under 16 — Nathan Ray McCarthey, 22.8; Sherman Jessup, 24; Over 16 — Judy Moore, 19.5; Karen Harris, 19.8;

Professional girls races — Brenda Foster, Abilene, 19.3; Sue Alvin, Comanche, 20.4;

Rescue races: Linda Garrett and Barbara Shocklee, 16.2; Colleen White and Linda Rudd, 16.8;

Bronc Riding: Tie, Allen Driscoll, Early, and Lyle Ancellum, Abilene, 67 pts.;

Calf roping: Peyton Whittaker, 10; Sloan Thompson, 10.7; LeRoy Hodges, 11.1.

Bull riding: Sandy Stringer; Wayne Stewart;

Jack Pot roping: Joe Templeton, 9.7; Harry Jones, 10.9; Connie Gibbs, 11.1.

## Faculty Of School Is Completed

Mrs. Nell Seider, whose husband is a stock farmer six miles south of Rising Star, and who has taught in the Comanche school and other schools, has been employed by the Rising Star School board as teacher of third grade, it was announced by Sam Jones, superintendent.

She and her husband will move their home to Rising Star. They have one son in the seventh grade and another two years old.

Mrs. Seiber takes the position made vacant by retirement of Mrs. Lois Ferrell. Her employment completes the faculty, Mr. Jones said.

## R. A. Henderson Dies At 90 Years; Burial Tuesday

Robert Alex Henderson, 90-year-old father of Mrs. Harry E. (Madolyn) Sone of Rising Star, died in Rising Star Hospital at 2:15 p. m., Sunday, June 21, after a long illness, 21 after an illness of two months.

Funeral services were held at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel in Rising Star at 10:00 a. m., Tuesday, June 23, with the Rev. D. L. Barnes, of Novice, a former pastor of the First Methodist Church here, officiating, assisted by the present pastor, the Rev. Milton Slayden.

Burial in Rising Star Cemetery was under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home here.

Mr. Henderson is survived by his wife, Mrs. Harriet Henderson; a son, Lt. Col. Robert A. Henderson of Alexandria, Va.; three daughters, Mrs. Madolyn Sone of Rising Star, Mrs. Sidney H. Farius of Fort Worth, and Mrs. Melrose H. Hefflin of Killeen; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was born March 4, 1874, in Alabama, and came to Texas with his parents when a child of five, living the remainder of his life in Texas. He had resided in Rising Star for the past 15 years.

By profession he was a decorator, retiring in 1950.

He was married to Harriet Sanders at Tahoka, Texas, on December 29, 1903. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services were E. B. McCollum, Raymon Wade and Raleigh Darnell of Rising Star, and Claude Maynard, J. C. Whatley and E. C. Johnston of Eastland.

## Charles Rixford In Galveston Hospital

Charles (Buster) Rixford, Rising Star carpenter, was in John Sealy Hospital, Galveston, for surgery and treatment of a broken right hip sustained in a fall from a ladder last Saturday while working on a carport at the Timmie Johnson home. Mr. Rixford missed his footing when the ladder shifted as he was coming from the roof of the carport. The break was reported to be a serious one and prospects were that he would be hospitalized for a considerable time.

## McCulloch County Singers Meet Sunday

The McCulloch County Singing Convention will meet Sunday, June 28, at 2 p. m. in the Central Baptist Church, 601 S. China Street in Brady. The public is invited.

Mrs. Florene McCaskill of Portland, Ore., and her brother, Spear McCaskill of Wichita Falls, Tex., were week-end guests of Mrs. Nora Harris and Florence Scott. Mrs. McCaskill came from Oregon to Wichita Falls to join her brother for the trip here. She then went on to Houston to visit another brother, J. W. McCaskill.

## Pasture Improvement Project . . .



Reubin Marsh is shown constructing a cross fence on his farm northeast of Sabanno. Marsh chopped the oak brush on the east side of the fence and has seeded it to weeping love grass. Goats will be used to control oak sprouts. He will chop and seed the west side in 1965. He is doing this work in cooperation with the Eastland County Great Plains Program.

## Rush Creek Survey To Be Started Near July 1

John Simpson, SCS work unit conservationist at Comanche, has informed the Rush Creek watershed Association directors that survey work will begin in the watershed about July 1. The planning party will begin detailed survey work on Copperas Creek first, he said.

Simpson made the announcement to directors of the Rush Creek association and other landowners and operators in a meeting held in the conference

room of the Comanche County Electric Co-op Friday night, June 19.

Rush Creek Ass'n directors were asked to secure permission from landowners and operators in the watershed for the watershed planning party to enter on their lands in order to secure necessary engineering information to complete the watershed plan.

The Rush Creek Ass'n was organized in 1954 and submitted a request to the Upper Leon Soil Conservation District for the upstream watershed protection and flood prevention project under the Flood Prevention Act of 1954 known as Public Law 566.

Copperas Creek heads two miles west of Rising Star and flows in an easterly direction into Rush Creek above Proctor Lake. Other streams making up the Rush Creek watershed are Key's Branch, Nannies Branch, Sweetwater Creek and Duncan Creek.

## Romney Community Reunion Next Sunday

All former residents and friends of the Romney Community are invited to attend the Romney reunion to be held Sunday, June 28, to be held at the old Romney school building. Luncheon on the ground at

There will be visiting and a noon, said Mrs. Gil Walker. All former residents of the Community, whether or not they attended the Romney school, and their friends are invited, she said.

They are asked to bring basket lunches.

## Bobby Compton Gets Missile Instruction

FORT BLISS, TEX. (AHTNC) National Guard Pvt. Bobby R. Compton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Compton, Route 1, May, Tex., completed a Nike Hercules missile crewman course at the Army Air Defense School, Fort Bliss, Tex., June 12.

During the course Compton received instruction in the preparation, firing and maintenance of the NIKE-HERCULES missile.

Compton, 22, is a 1960 graduate of May High School and attended Cisco Jr. College.

## HOSPITAL NEWS

ADMITTED — Reno McGregg, Mrs. Bert Davis and Mrs. Mable Smith of May; L. R. Smith, Mable Chamberlain, Mrs. Alton Clark, James Hogan, Mrs. O. D. Chambers, Mrs. Edwin Schaefer, Bill Medley, John H. Williams and Janie Fussell of Rising Star.

DISMISSED — Mrs. Bert Davis, L. R. Smith, Mabel Chamberlain, Mrs. Alton Clark, James Hogan, Mrs. O. D. Chambers, Bill Medley, Mrs. Mabel Smith and Mrs. Edwin Schaefer.

## Little Danger Of Hopper Raids Here Foreseen

Heavy infestations of grasshoppers which are reported doing extensive crop and range damage in southern Brown County and other areas are not expected to occur in the Rising Star area, at least to any great extent, County Agent J. M. Cooper told the Record this week.

Most grasshopper outbreaks occur on tight land, said Cooper, where two varieties of the pest are most often encountered — the big jumbo type and the "differential" type, a smaller species. The latter is most frequent.

The county agent also pointed out that the heavy feeding period for the hoppers occurs in the early summer and from now on the damage done by the insect is expected to decline.

Areas most likely to have outbreaks are the tight land sections in the Okra area northeast, the northwest part of the county and the eastern range sections.

Farmers and stockmen were advised to keep a careful lookout for signs of hopper infestation and if any is detected to get in touch with the county agent for information on control measures.

## Youth Center Tickets Sunday School Class

Tickets for membership in the Rising Star Youth Center are now on sale at \$1.00 or one-half book of S&H Green Stamps it was announced this week. They may be obtained from Mrs. Tom Lewis at the WTU office here.

A teenager must have paid a membership before he or she will be eligible to vote in the election of officers, it was explained.

The Center, located in the former Post Office building, is due to open July 4.

Saturday of this week, the building will be painted. Election of officers is due to take place Saturday, also.

## Mrs. Critt Evatt Buried Monday In Service At May

Funeral services for Mrs. Edna Lela Evatt, 75, of May, who died in Memorial Hospital, Brownwood, Saturday, June 20, after a brief illness, were held at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel Monday at 4 p. m., with the Rev. Ben H. Moore officiating, assisted by the Rev. Weldon Haynes, both of May.

Burial was in Eastlawn Memorial park at Brownwood under Higginbotham Funeral Home direction.

Mrs. Evatt was seriously injured in February in an automobile accident on Highway 183 south of May, in which her husband, Critt Evatt, was killed, but apparently had completely recovered. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

She is survived by three sons, Maj. Henry Critt Evatt of Indian Lake, N. Y.; Nathan Evatt of Beaumont, and Rex Evatt of Midland; two brothers, George M. Spence of Beaumont and A. P. Spence of May, and three sisters, Mrs. W. R. Chambers of May, Mrs. Wessie Hardy of May and Mrs. Lolo Bloxom of Breckenridge.

A son, John W. Evatt, a Navy pilot, died in World War II.

She was a member of the Methodist church.

## TO GERMANY JULY 15

Capt. and Mrs. C. B. Nichols, Jr., and family have gone to New Orleans on a visit. They are here from Dallas visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Irby. Capt. Nichols, who recently received his master of science degree from SMU, has been assigned to duty with the Army Inspector General department in Germany. He has orders to leave July 15.

## Roping Club Members Called for Parade

Members of the Rising Star Roping Club and the Rising Star Junior Roping Club will go to Ballinger Thursday (today) to ride in the Ballinger rodeo parade at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

President Jack Jackson of the Roping Club, asked all members of the two clubs to gather at the Dixon Boggs Service Station at 12:30 noon to prepare for the trip as a group.

## John Evans, 101, Dies After Hip Broken In Fall

John Henry Evans, 101-year-old Rising Star resident, who died Monday in a Comanche Hospital after suffering a broken hip in a fall at his home in Twilite Nursing Home last week, will be buried in Rising Star Cemetery Thursday (today) following services at 10 a. m. in First Baptist Church here.

The Rev. Milton Slayden, First Methodist pastor, was to officiate. Higginbotham Funeral Home is in charge.

His death occurred but a few days following a celebration in which he and his wife were honored by their children on the date — June 13 — when their combined ages reached a total of 200 years.

Mr. Evans, a resident of Rising Star since 1930, responded well to surgery for repair of his broken hip, but Sunday took a sudden turn for the worse.

The celebration took place at the Twilite Acre Nursing Home.

Surviving, besides Mrs. Evans, are three sons, Sterling Evans of Houston; John Temple Evans of Brenham, and J. W. Evans of Levelland, and a daughter, Mrs. R. L. Leushner, of McCamey. There are five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Mr. Evans was a native of Mellbest, Alabama, and for many years was a prosperous stock farmer in Frio and Medina counties. He and his wife moved to Rising Star when they retired in 1930.

## Rising Star Grad Sent To England

WEHERSFIELD, ENGLAND.—Airman First Class Gary W. Scott, son of Mrs. Lillian Scott Coleman, Tex., has arrived for

Europe (USAFE) unit at Weathersfield with a U. S. Air Force in ersfield RAF Station, England.

Airman Scott, whose father, James E. Scott, lives on Rt. 1, Waco, Tex., is an Air Force munitions specialist. He previously served at Vandenberg AFB, Calif. His new unit supports the USAFE mission of providing the major air contribution for defense of the NATO countries.

The airman who formerly resided in Rising Star, Tex., is a graduate of Rising Star High School. He attended Tarleton State College at Stephenville.

## Pfc James Walker Completes CBR Study

3RD ARMORED DIV., GERMAN (AHTNC) — Army PFC James D. Walker, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Walker, Route 1, Rising Star, Tex., completed a chemical, biological and radiological (CBR) course with honors June 10 in Germany.

During the course Walker received training in detection of harmful gasses, decontamination of radioactive and chemically affected areas and the use of special CBR equipment.

Walker entered the army in June 1963, completed basic training at Fort Polk, La., and arrived overseas last January.

He is a 1958 graduate of Cisco High School and attended Cisco Junior College.

Mrs. Estelle Anderson has returned from Anaheim, California, where she spent two months visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James R. LePew. Mr. and Mrs. LePew and daughter, Jennie Lee, brought her home and spent several days here before leaving Sunday for visits in San Antonio, Dallas and Oklahoma, en route to their home.

## \$50,000 Allotted GP Program

E. J. Hughes, area conservationist, of the Soil Conservation Service at Brownwood, has informed the Rising Star SCS office that \$50,000 has been allocated to the Rising Star area for the 1965 fiscal year Great Plains program.

According to John Lee, Rising Star work unit conservationist, this means that an additional 25 Great Plains contracts can be approved for the area beginning July 1, 1964.

Great Plains funds are obligated by farmers and ranchers to carry out conservation plans on their farms and ranches. The funds are obligated on a cost-share basis within the framework of a contract entered into by the landowner or operator and the Secretary of Agriculture. When the conservation plan has been approved by the Secretary or his officer, cost-share funds needed to carry out the plan are guaranteed and are available to the farmer and rancher, as the conservation practices are applied.

Farmers and ranchers may schedule the plan to be completed within three and not more than ten years from the date of the signature.

Lee stated that 53 active Great Plains contracts are being administered by the Rising Star office at the present time. About \$90,000 in Great Plains are obligated by these contracts, he said.

## Long Illness Is Fatal To Claud Willett of May

Claud Willett, 63-year-old farmer of the May community, died in Rising Star Hospital at 11:47 p. m., Tuesday. He had been in ill health since 1953, and had retired from farming that year.

Funeral services were to be held at 10 a. m., Thursday, June 25, at Higginbotham Funeral Chapel with Minister H. McDonald of the Church of Christ officiating.

Burial in May Cemetery is in charge of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Foster Willett whom he married at May on December 19, 1920; a son, Burrell D. Willett of Bryan, Tex.; two daughters, Mrs. A. Z. Alexander of Bangs and Mrs. Morris Witt of Omaha, Tex.; four brothers, J. T. of Anthony, N. Mex., Raymond of Fort Worth, Clyde of Rising Star, and M. D. of May; and a sister, Mrs. Ada Holamon of Rising Star. There are five grandchildren.

## Salt Tank - Crocker Reunion July 11, 12

The Salt Tank - Crocker Reunion will be held at Barnes Chapel, nine miles northwest of Rising Star on Farm Road 569, Saturday night and Sunday, July 11 and 12, it was announced this week.

There will be visiting, preaching Sunday morning and a dinner on the grounds Sunday noon.

## To School Buildings Repairs Being Made

Extensive repairs are being made to the buildings of the school system during the summer. A new roof is being laid on the north building of the Elementary school plant and repairs are also being made to the gym. Repainting is being done.

## Callahan Singers To Meet at Cross Plains

The Callahan County Singers will meet Sunday, June 28, at 2 p. m. in the Revival Center Church at Cross Plains. It was announced.

The public is invited. A number of visiting singers is expected.



## Knowing How Plant Grows Will Help Farmer Manage Grass Production

By Pat Trew, SCS, Stephenville

"By knowing how a plant grows and managing accordingly, a farmer or rancher can get and maintain the highest possible forage production," say Range Conservationists with the Soil Conservation Service.

Plants that do a good job of feeding themselves produce the greatest amount of forage. A grass plant with most of its leaves will produce 75 per cent more than one heavily grazed for two years," they said.

Ninety-five per cent of the elements used by a plant to manufacture food come from the air. Only five per cent are taken from the soil.

Food for growth is manufactured in the leaves. Water and minerals are taken from the

soil. Carbon dioxide and sun light come in from the atmosphere. When these come together in the green leaf, a simple sugar is formed. This sugar is further refined into carbohydrates, fats, proteins, etc. This food is used by the plant to make its growth during the growing season. In perennials it is stored in the roots and crowns to make next year's growth.

Considering the above, it's easy to see why plant leaves are important. They are the food makers. Without them, the plant cannot feed itself. A plant with limited leaf growth that cannot do a good job of feeding itself can't produce much forage for livestock either.

About half of the leaves of

a grass plant can be grazed and the plant still stay healthy and productive. Grazing half and leaving half is considered proper use. Grazing 80 to 90 per cent of the leaves off for two years in a row will reduce forage production by 75 per cent.

Buffalograss usually produces about 2,600 pounds per acre in an average year. About 1,300 pounds can be safely harvested each year for an indefinite period of time. Harvesting 2,300 pounds or 90 per cent of the annual growth for two years in a row will lower production in the third year to about 650 pounds per acre. This is a good example showing how a plant must be able to feed itself to produce.

Not only is the plant unable to feed itself with 10 to 20 per cent of its normal leaf surface but it does not do a good job of conserving the soil where it grows, nor the rainfall.

### BACK FROM CAMP

Donald and Jimmy Semeniuk, sons of Dr. and Mrs. Steve Semeniuk, have returned to their home after ten days spent at Lone Star M. V. Camp for boys located at Athens, Tex. While at the camp the boys enjoy swimming, canoeing, and nature studies.

### Deferred Grazing Effects Appraised . . .



O. C. Allen examines grass seed of little blue stem following deferred grazing on his ranch three miles east of May.

Mrs. Neva Dougherty of Beuna Park, Calif., was here last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Earl Swayne, and Mr. Swayne. Mr. and Mrs. Swayne returned with her to California Monday for a visit.

Studies by the Travelers Insurance Companies show driver error and lack of judgment were responsible for 34,700 deaths and nearly 3,000,000 injuries on U. S. highways in 1963.

Mrs. Kelsey House has returned to her home here after eight weeks of treatment at Rising Star Hospital.

**RUBBER STAMPS  
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## \$532.2 Millions Harvested From Tourist Industry

AUSTIN — The Texas highway department today announced publication of the 1963 Texas Tourist Industry report.

The 16-page booklet describes in striking detail results of the annual survey conducted by the Department. The cover depicts in brilliant natural color scenes from the state's outstanding recreational areas.

According to the survey some 11.7 million out-of-state guests came to Texas last year. They poured approximately \$532.2 million into the state's economy. The report points out:

"This was new money, which generated new jobs, new construction, new business. This report is clear proof that every Texan has a stake in the state's travel industry."

The State Highway Department traditionally has been active in promoting tourist travel in Texas. The Department operates seven hospitality centers on key highways entering the state and publishes and distributes travel-oriented literature including the official Texas Highway Map.

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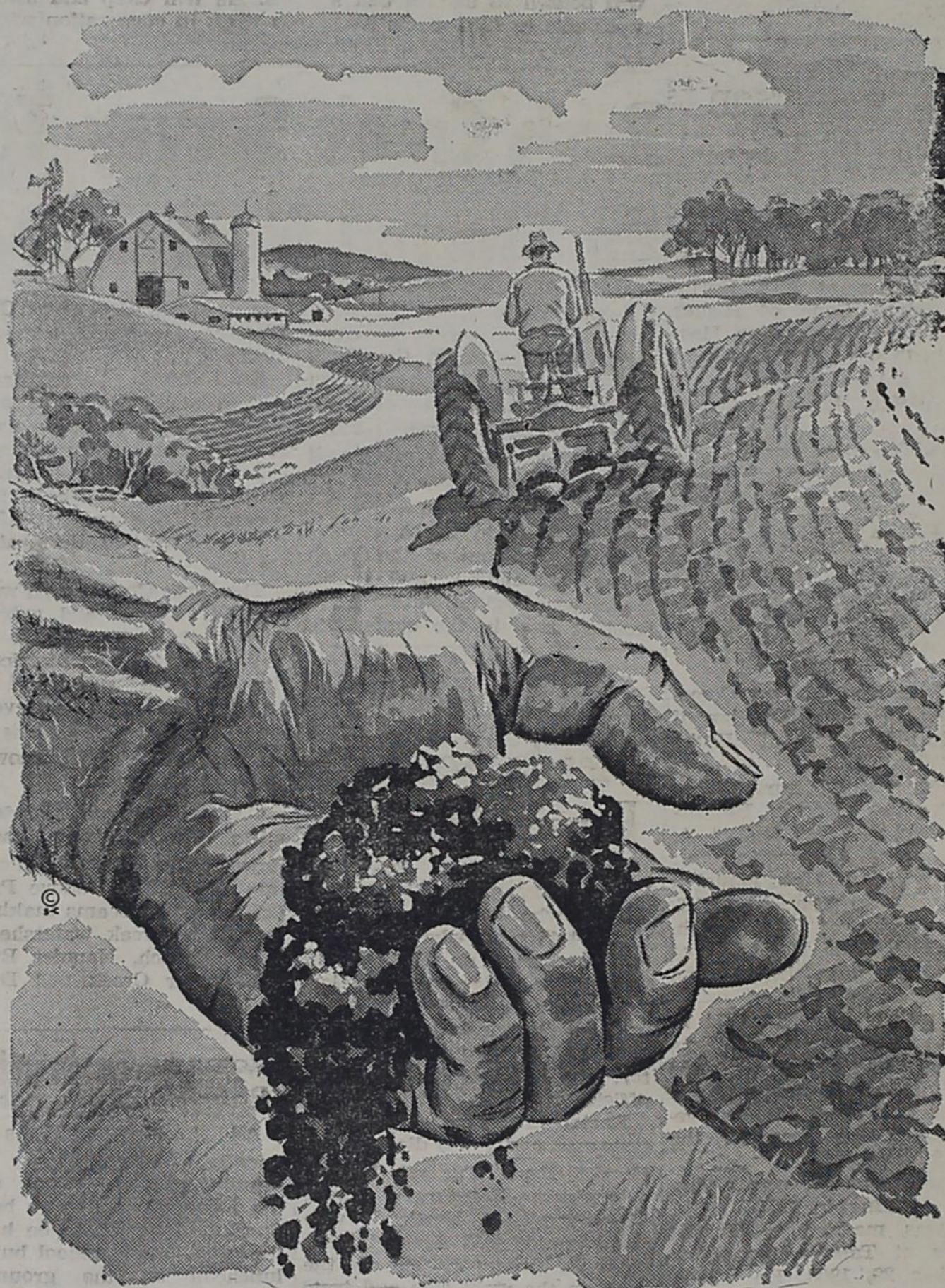
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## Upper Leon Soil Conservation District

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J. D. Clark, Rising Star

Henry Turney, Secretary, Dublin;  
Wade George, De Leon;



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Horton and two grandchildren visited Stanford Horton and Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Shults. The two grandsons returned to their home in Houton while Mr. and

Mr. Horton went on to Michigan and Wisconsin. Mrs. Ida Montgomery had a week-end gusets, her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl

Southerland of Odessa. Mrs. Alyne Siekman of Pyote is visiting her father, M. G. Joyce, and her daughter, Mrs. Art Fisher, and family.

### Browsing With Bev

By Beverly Nicholson, County Home Demonstration Agent

June and July are the best months to spray poison ivy. Do not delay this treatment any later than August 15, because after this the plants begin to go dormant and sprays are less effective.

Use any commercial formulation of 2, 4, 5-T, 2,4-D amittrole or ammonium sulfamate herbicide. Apply as directed on a day when there is little or no air movement. Early morning or late afternoon — when the air is cool and moist — is usually best.

Plants take several weeks to die and normally two or more applications are necessary to control sprouting poison ivy. Even then, keep a careful watch over the area. Plants believed dead sometimes revive after many months and new seedlings may become established.

Ever wonder why strawberries or other fruits sometimes float in a jar of jam?

There may be several reasons, but here are some possibilities: The fruit may not have been fully ripe; it may not have been thoroughly crushed or ground; fruit was not cooked enough; the jam was poured into the containers too soon after it was taken from the heat.

You can answer Junior's call for a snack-time treat and still stay away from the stove by making these no-bake cookies.

**Peanut Butter Treats**  
2 cups white corn syrup; 2 cups peanut butter; 3 cups dry milk; 2 cups confectioner's sugar; 3 cups cake crumbs.

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Motorists in 1963 raced down the nation's highways to a new, all-time auto death record which for the first time exceeded 42,000 fatalities. This tragic toll topped the figure of nearly 40,000 persons killed in 1941 — a record high which stood for twenty years — and even surpassed the new record of 40,500 deaths established in 1962.

peanut butter. Stir in gradually dry milk and sugar. Mix until blended and smooth.

Shape into thin rolls and slice into 1-inch pieces. Roll in cake crumbs.

Makes 100 cookies.

### Guar Excellent Soil Conditioner For This Section

Guar, a soil-conditioning legume, has been grown in this area for several years with good results, according to John Lee, local soil conservationist. It is a drought resistant, annual summer grower. Guar is especially adapted to land being converted from the base crops such as small grain, cotton and grain sorghums.

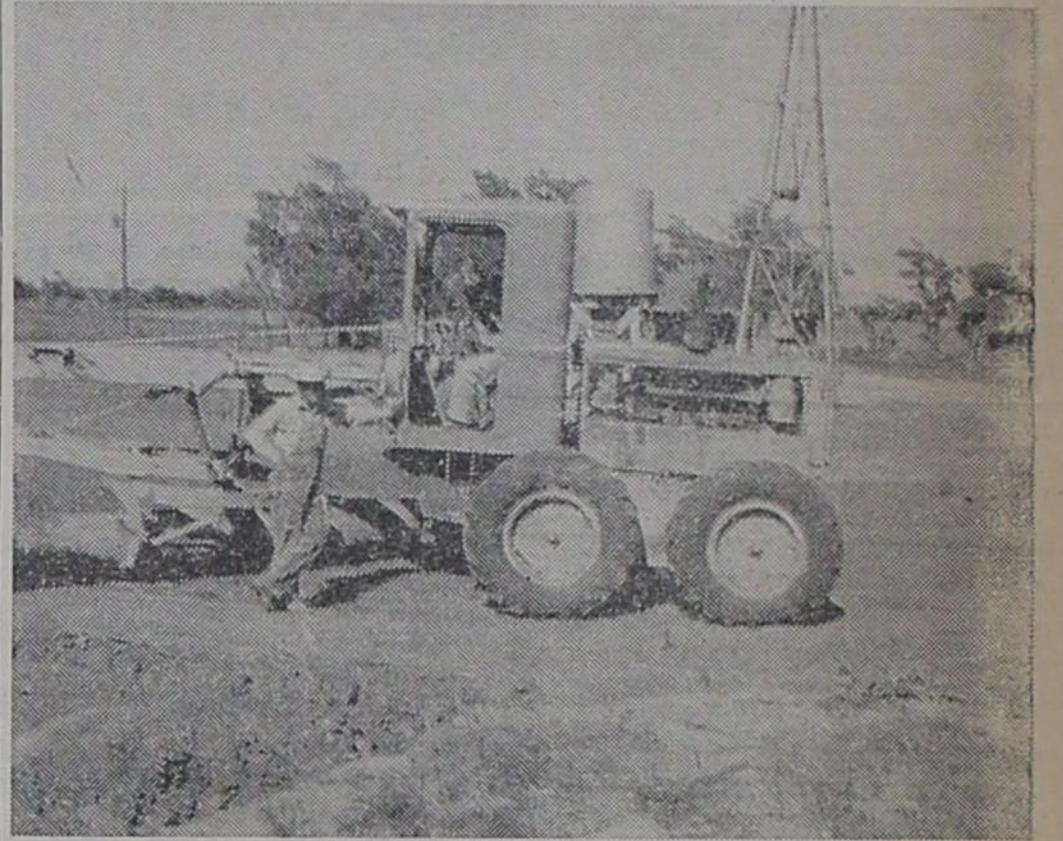
Guar is increasing to the point that it is now a good cash crop. New uses for the by-products in gum form are for food, paper, textiles, pharmaceutical products and cosmetics. The gum is likewise used to raise the viscosity of water and to stabilize ingredient mixtures in salad dressings, ice cream mixes, baker icings and gelatin products. These are just a few of the many new commercial uses of guar.

As a livestock feed, guar meal usually contains 35 percent protein. It is used in livestock, poultry and other commercial mixes.

Those interested in planting guar may obtain additional information from the County Agent, Soil Conservation Service Office, County ASC of FHA Supervisor.

M. G. Joyce and Mrs. Alyne Siekman attended a reception at Munday, Tex., honoring Mrs. J. B. Bowden on her 80th birthday. Mrs. Bowden is the mother-in-law of Merle Joyce of Albany.

### Conservation Equipment At May . . .



Equipment such as this heavy-duty motor grader owned by Olin Lee of May, is used by local landowners to construct terraces, diversions and waterways. Henry Lindley, Amity Community farmer, and John Lee, SCS, survey a diversion terrace before the finishing touches are put on.

### Cites Recreation Opportunities

Are you looking for a place to spend your vacation — a place close to home and suitable for the whole family? Do you have the urge to get out in the open and go camping, boating, or just walking in the woods and fields? If you do, you may find just what you are looking for on a farm right close by.

A new publication by the U. S. Department of Agriculture miscellaneous Publication No. 930, "Rural Recreation—New Opportunities on Private Land" is just out that gives the latest information on ways to enjoy the out-of-doors. You can get a copy from the local office of the Soil Conservation Service, in Rising Star.

John Lee, who is assigned by

the SCS to assist the upper Le on Soil Conservation District, said that the new publication lists the opportunities for outdoor recreation close to home. It gives suggestions on how to find them, and describes the farm and ranch people who will be your hosts. It tells about campgrounds, vacation farms and ranches, swimming and boating, fishing and hunting. Just walking and enjoying nature are there for your asking.

A copy of this publication may open up ideas for enjoying outdoor fun right in your own neighborhood that you never realized existed.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Fisher have returned from Pyote, Lubbock and Alpine where they have been visiting relatives.

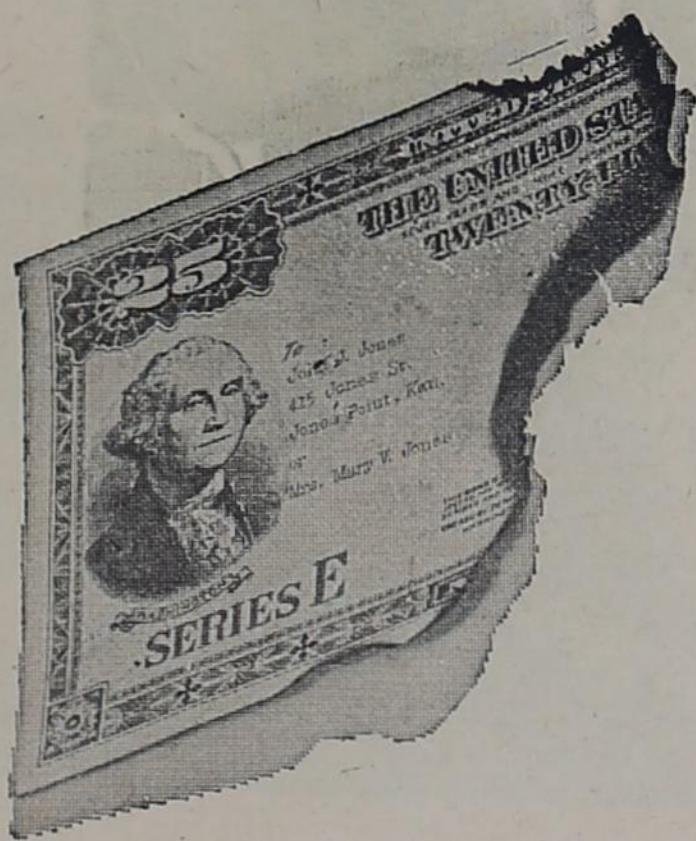
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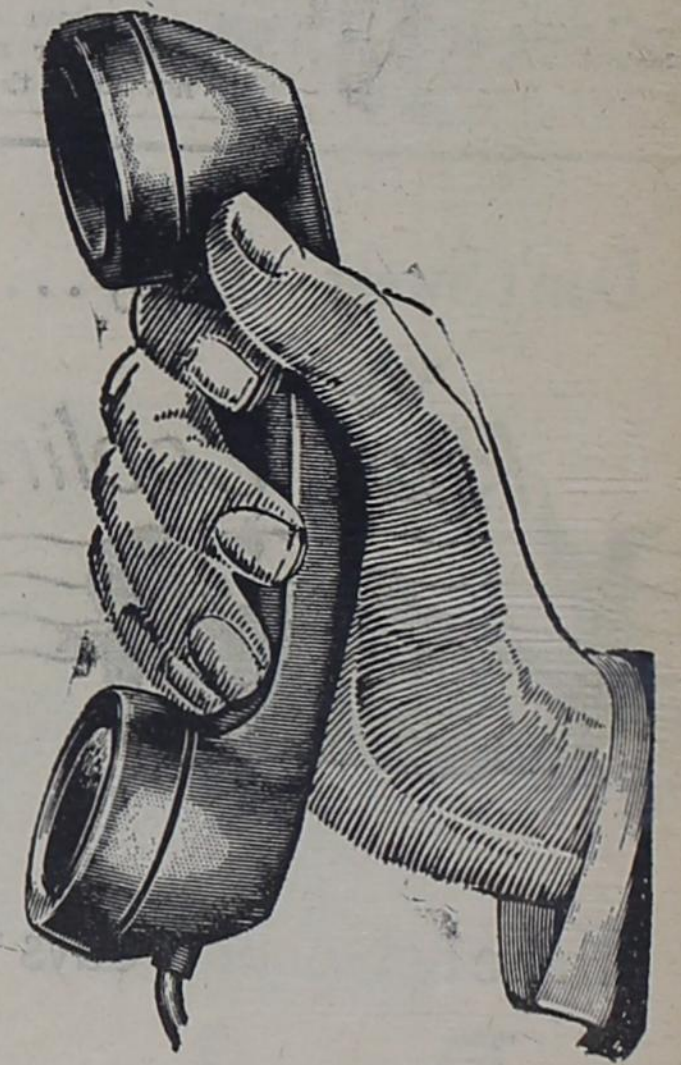
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### It's the Law in Texas

Owning a swimming pool is becoming rather common in Texas and it places some legal duties on the owner. Your main duty hinges on the "doctrine of attractive nuisance" under which you become legally responsible to young children who trespass on your land.

As a rule you owe no duty to trespassers. They must take your property as they find it; if dangerous, that is their tough luck. Not so for children who wander on your land. The attractive nuisance doctrine says that if you have some man-made things on your land which entice youngsters you have a legal duty to make your land safe for them.

A high tension line, an old mineshaft, a railroad turntable, a pool of clear acid may be irresistible to children. If they are likely to be attracted and unable to grasp the dangers, you have an "attractive nuisance," and you must make your premises safe.

Recently a court held that a swimming pool may be an attractive nuisance. In this case a toddler drowned in Jones' pool. Jones and the boy's parents lived across the street from each other. About 30 feet from the street, the pool was fenced but with openings through which small children could enter. On weekends the Joneses were not home, only the Jones' children. Animals often played near the pool.

The pool and the animals could attract a youngster; he could not grasp the water's danger. The Joneses could have had a locked gate. The jury promptly held Jones responsi-

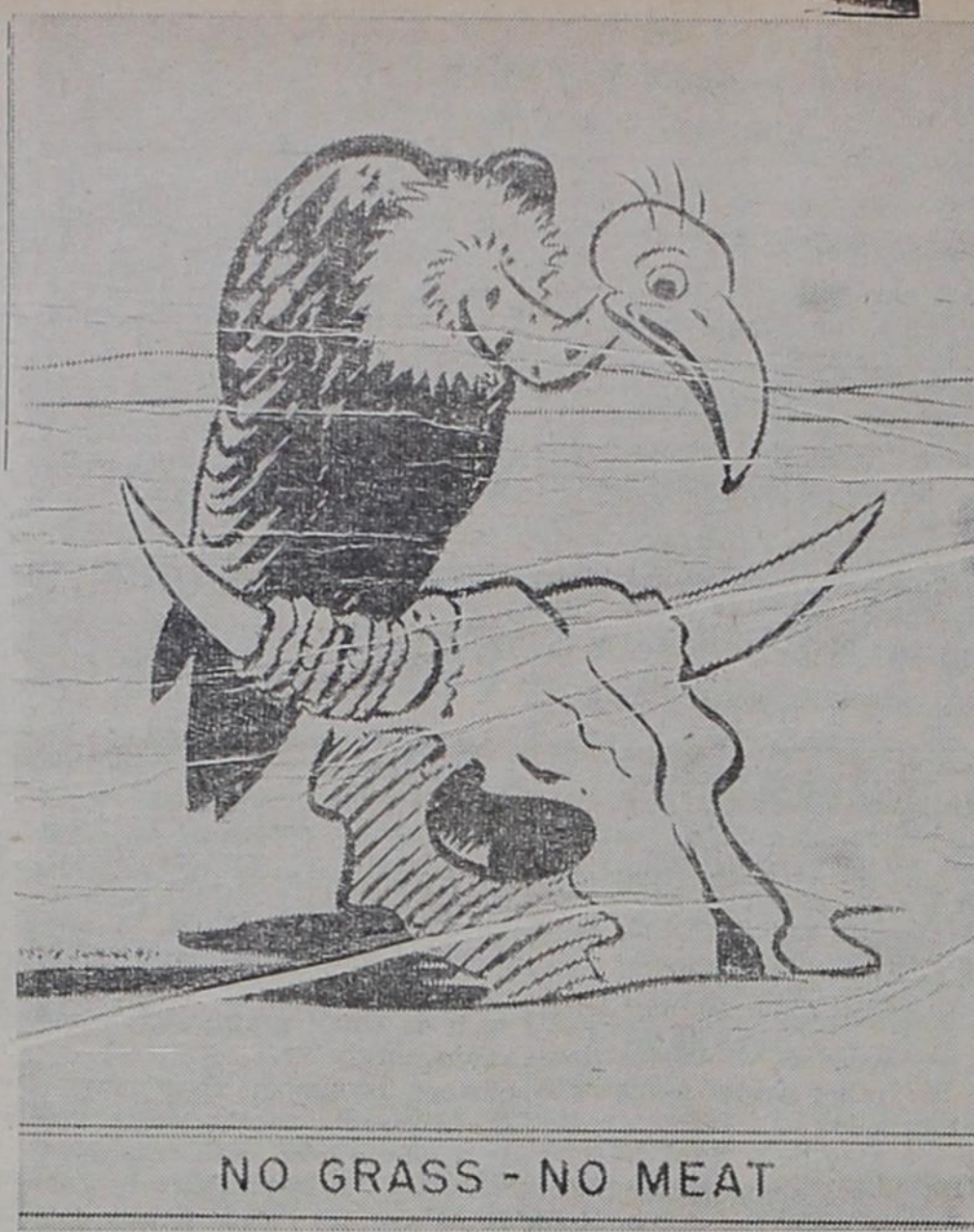
ble for the drowning.

How young is the child? Can he appreciate the dangers? How easy is it for the owner to make the place safe for children?

There are times when an older child should appreciate dangers. An older child playing on a scaffold should appreciate the dangers of height. In another case a 12 year old boy tried to jump on a train which was moving along a public street. When he fell he could not get damages for his injury. He should have seen his danger. Besides how could one put up a barrier along a public street which could keep out 12 year old boys?

A land owner may have other duties to trespassers. He cannot set a "trap" on his land, create hazards on his land on purpose; he cannot put a pit on his land where people frequently trespass, put in spring guns, or other traps to harm trespassers.

Sometimes a condition on your land may be a trap to children but not one for adults. The adult may grasp the danger of slippery algae growing in a partially drained pool, but not a child. But even with a trap on your land the attractive nuisance doctrine will not apply without some allurements or enticement to bring children to trespass on your land. Such attractions are, in effect, an implied invitation to enter. Check your place for such attractions, and in any event consider measures, such as insurance, to cover harm that may come from things on your land. And above all, keep your place safe. For all the money may not undo the harm.



NO GRASS - NO MEAT

## SCS, Soil Districts Work Hand in Hand

By John Lee, Conservationist, Rising Star SCS Office

The Soil Conservation Service is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's technical agency for soil and water conservation. It functions through a line-staff organization.

Conservation technicians assigned to assist landowners and operators within locally organized and governed Soil Conservation districts, are augmented at area, State and national levels, by a staff of specialists in each of a wide range of technical fields required to solve land and water problems. The backbone of SCS assistance is the help it gives to the individual landowner and operator in developing and carrying out a conservation plan.

In carrying out its job, the

Rising Star SCS office: terms of agreements with the conservation measures under the operators plan and apply con-

(1) Assists landowners and Upper Leon and Brown-Mills Soil Conservation districts.

(2) Assists local people to plan, apply for and carry out upstream watershed protection

cost-sharing provisions of that

and flood prevention projects authorized in 1954 by Public Law 556. The Rush Creek watershed and flood prevention program is such a program.

(3) Assists in the development of the Middle Colorado River Flood Control project authorized in the Flood Control Act of 1944. The Turkey Creek Watershed in Callahan County and the northwestern portion of Brown County, is such a project.

(4) Provides basic soils information needed not only for the conservation planning, but also for guidance in proper classification and development of non-agricultural lands. This survey, made in cooperation with the State agricultural experiment stations, is developed and published, county by county, and is known as the national Cooperative Soil Survey.

(5) Administers the Great Plains Conservation Program, under which farmers and ranchers in Brown and Eastland counties receive technical and financial help in carrying out long-term soil and water conservation plans. These plans are aimed at bringing about needed land-use adjustments and applying the conservation measures needed to stabilize agriculture in this area of special climatic hazards.

(6) Gives technical assistance in establishing income-producing recreation on rural lands as a part of a conservation plan.

(7) maintains equipment and trains staff members to provide radiological monitoring of agricultural land in the event of nuclear attack or major nuclear reactor accidents.

(8) Helps develop the annual Agricultural Conservation Program in Eastland, Brown and Comanche counties and gives technical help to farmers and ranchers participating in the

program.  
(9) Gives technical aid to farmers and ranchers who are planning and applying soil and water conservation measures in conjunction with the conservation-credit programs of the Farmers Home Administration.

### SOIL DISTRICTS ARE INDEPENDENT UNITS

By Gary T. Grogan  
SCS Office, Rising Star

Soil Conservation districts are legally constituted units of the State Government created to administer soil and water conservation work within their boundaries. They are not branches or agencies of the Federal government.

Each district is autonomous. It has authority to enter into working agreements with other governmental agencies and private concerns to carry out the objectives of soil and water conservation.

Each district is directed by a board of local land owners elected by landowners or operators within the district. This board of supervisors decides upon a district-wide program and plan of action. It then arranges for assistance from public or private sources to put its program into effect. It directs the use of this assistance to help farmers and ranchers further their individual conservation plans. In addition they make certain conservation equipment and scarce seeds available on a cost basis.

Farmers and ranchers in Brown county are in the Brown-Mills SCD. Supervisor B. U. Ross of May, Tex., serves the northern part of Brown County.

Farmers and ranchers in Eastland and Comanche counties are in the Upper Leon SCD. Supervisor J. D. 'Skeet' Clark of Rising Star serves the southwest part of Eastland county.

## Survey Under Way On Upper Pecan Bayou

Flood Control Survey work is nearing completion in the Upper Pecan Bayou watershed. Paul Kenner SCS Planning party leader, said that survey field work is nearing completion in the segment of the watershed known as the Byrd's laterals.

Included in the Byrd's laterals are streams known as Paint Creek, Elm Creek, Red River, Hog Creek, Holoway Branch, and Lost Creek. These streams are in the north portion of Brown county and flow into Pecan Bayou in the vicinity of Byrd's Store.

This upstream flood prevention work is being done under the Middle Colorado River flood control program authorized by Congress in 1944.

## WSCS Has Spiritual Life Program Monday

The WSCS of the First Methodist Church met Monday afternoon for a Spiritual Life program. Mrs. J. R. Bucy presided and Mrs. Milton Slayden led the devotional.

Present were Meses. Bucy, Slayden, Mollie West, Elsa Witt, Lucille Joyce, Emma Weathermon, May Pearl Hull, Beyrl Heath, Jennie Henry. The group was dismissed with a prayer by Mrs. Bucy.

### LIBRARY OPEN

from 2 to 4 p.m., it was announced. The Rising Star Public Library will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. - it was announced. Mrs. Fred Roberts will be in charge.

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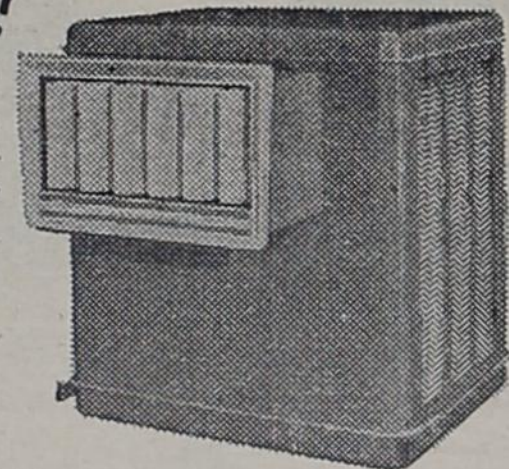
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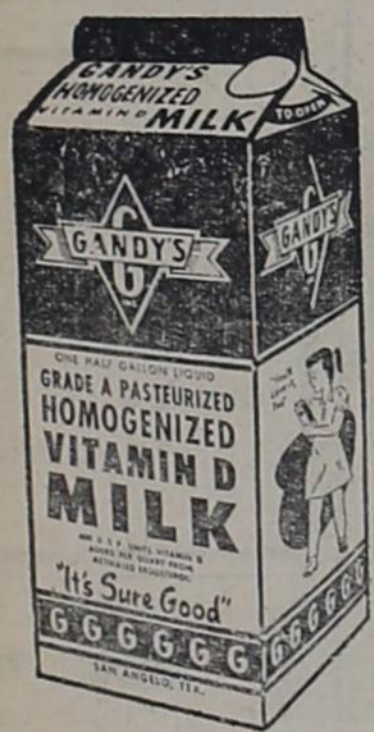
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## Methodist Youth Enjoy Party, Tennis

Wednesday evening, June 17, the youth of the First Methodist Church, the MYF, got together for an ice cream party and tennis matches, with a little volleyball thrown in, Mrs. York Eberhart, our most able sponsor made a gallon of the most delicious ice cream along with cake and lemonade. We all enjoyed this immensely. After we had finished our refreshments, we played tennis. Three of the four Junior High cheerleaders were there — Mary Jean Benson, Katie Howard and Linda Hubbard — doing yells and getting ready for next year's football season. So everyone had fun. Members of the MYF who attended were President Katie Howard, Vice-President Dalton Hughes, Secretary Gwen Eberhart, Treasurer Bonnie Byrd, Reporter Bert Griffin, and Frances Eberhart, Mary Frances Ramsey, Mary Jean Benson, Calvin Easterly and Richard Ritchie. We were most happy to have these guests, Linda Hubbard, Karen Bean and Bess Lee.

We of the MYF would like to thank Mrs. Eberhart very sincerely for being our sponsor. You are a very wonderful one! We all enjoyed the get together and look forward to the next one with much hope that some more teenagers who were not here then would come. Reporter.

A weekly public service feature from the Texas State Department of Health

## Accent on Health

J. E. PEAVY, M.D.  
Commissioner of Health

AUSTIN — Fear of snakes will keep many a would-be camper at home this summer, even though statistics show that in the U. S. more people are killed or seriously injured in their bathtub than by snakebites.

An unreasoning fear or ignorance may cause more harm than an actual snakebite. For example, a man who once trod on a rattler still wakes up screaming in the night. And a hunter, spiked by barbed wire thought he had been bitten by a snake and very nearly died of shock.

True, these are extremes. But if you regard the snake as a vicious and cunning brute with a deep-seated hatred of man, you are mistaken. Instead, it is timid and retiring. The earth-bound reptile will react to man as it would to any big and threatening creature, but it much prefers to slide unobtrusively away.

Poisonous snakes of the U. S. include the rattlesnake, copperhead, cottonmouth, moccasin and coral snake. One of the most prevalent in Texas is the rattlesnake.

Should you encounter a rattler, the safest thing to do, usually, is to remain perfectly still or edge gingerly away. Don't run. You only excite the snake, making it more apt to strike in self-defense. On the other hand, don't assume that it will shake its rattles as a signal of attack or that it only strikes when coiled. A rattling tail indicates nervousness rather than a sign of aggression. And, a rattler may strike in any direction from any position.

If you should receive a snakebite, don't panic. Cease activity as much as possible and lower the affected part below the level of the rest of the body. Quickly encircle the extremity with a constriction band above the bite. Use of a band makes gangrene more likely below it, but sometimes may save a life. The band should be loosened as soon as antivenom is given.

If a lengthy interval seems likely before antivenin can be given, make cuts cautiously through the skin and just above the presumed venom deposit site, avoiding tendons, and apply suction. It probably is best not to make cuts if the snake is small or if it largely wastes the venom in biting through clothing.

A weekly feature from the Division of Public Health Education, Texas State Department of Health.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Langstrom of Cisco visited Mrs. A. T. Shults and Mrs. H. H. Frye one day this week. Mrs. Langstrom and the mother of Mrs. Shults and Mrs. Frye. Mrs. D. E. Jones, were cousins.

Midsummer . . .

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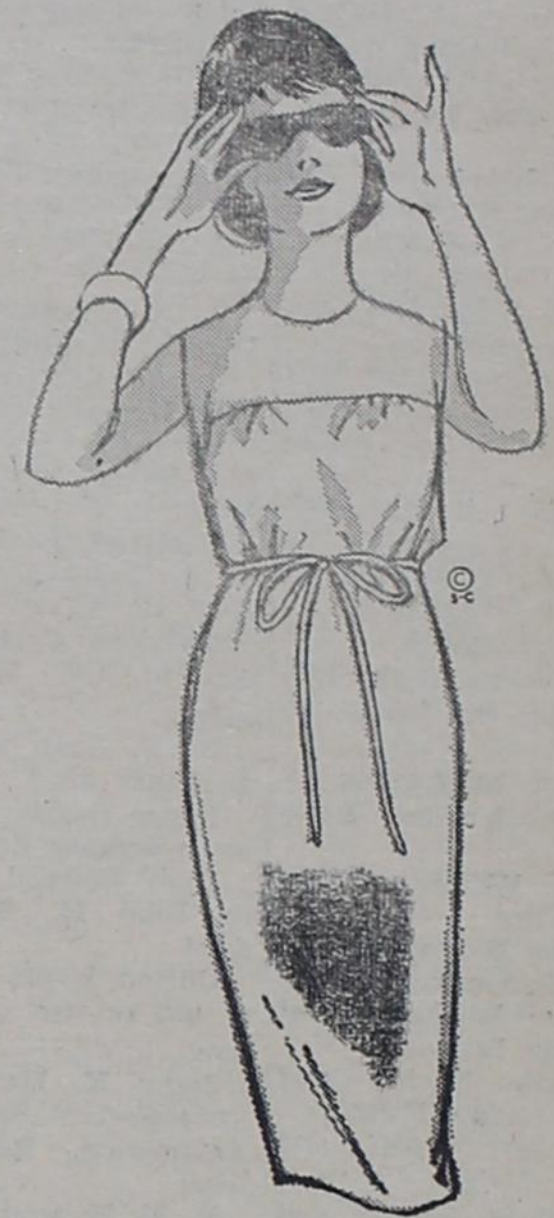
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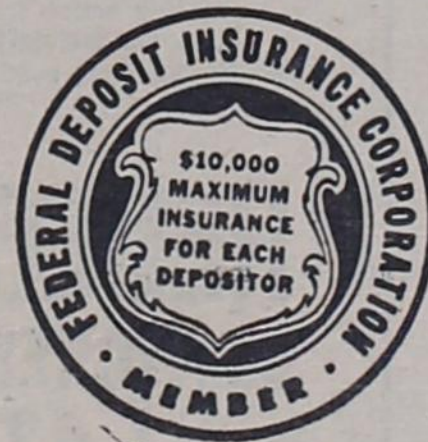


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### Court House News

#### SUITS FILED

Roy Franklin Alston vs. W. M. Isenhower, damage.  
 Bernie McCrea vs. Earl Conner, Jr., Individually and as Individual executor of the balance due on estate and for an accounting.  
 Montgomery Ward and Co. vs. R. W. Nixon, Jr., debt.  
 Seaman Clifford Cotton vs. Patsy Colleen Cotton, divorce.  
 Sadie Pearl Brizendine vs. Fred Brizendine, divorce.  
 H. B. Langford vs. Lara Mae Langford, divorce and child custody and property settlement.  
 In re: Adoption, a baby girl, adoption.  
 Henry E. Van Gemm et al vs. Sam Columbus Edwards et al, partition of real estate.  
 State of Texas vs. Beck Gunner, for penalty on failure to pay wages.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Eddie Lee Snyder and Bettie Lee Arms.  
 John Edwin Wiley and Estelle Allison Rice.  
 George Felton Burroughs and Jimmy Sue Hallmark.  
 Charlie Ivy Kitchens and Maggie Ansuler Lorenz.  
 Henry Frank Wyatt and Mrs. Norma Dunlap Falton.  
 Charles Robert Groff and Barbara Ann Craig.  
 Kenneth Hubert Maltby and Rena Mae Carr.

#### INSTRUMENTS FILED

T. E. Bucy et ux to Ruby Benner Bonner, warranty deed.  
 Kenneth Bostick et ux to the State of Texas, deed.  
 Clara Bell Berger Executrix of the Estate of Birdie E. Nunn et al to B. J. Greenhaw, correction deed.  
 Wanda Drago Beall et vir to J. A. Hernandez, warranty deed.

Billy Bacon Individual and Comm. Administrator of Estate of Nina Bacon deceased to the public, correction of Homestead designation.  
 C. B. Chaney to C. P. Chick, Jr., power of attorney.  
 City of Eastland to C. M. Cox, cemetery deed.  
 Rufus G. Carleton et ux to Jerry K. Harvey et ux, warranty deed.  
 A. R. Chestnut et ux to Joe Dennis, warranty deed.  
 Dennis Cotten et ux to Gilbert Garces, warranty deed.  
 Elsie F. Culwell deceased to the Public, certified copy probate.  
 Eastland National Bank to O. J. Treadway et ux, release deed of trust.  
 Fashions Cleaners and Tailors to the Public, assumed name.  
 B. F. Goen to M. P. Goen, warranty deed.  
 Edgar Harris to J. S. Cox et ux, warranty deed.  
 John Edward Green et ux to Ellis H. Scobey, mineral deed.  
 Clifton Hyatt to O. C. Penn et ux, release of right of way lien.  
 Jerry K. Harvey et ux to First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Ranger, deed of trust.  
 B. E. Hanson et ux to Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co., deed of trust.  
 Millie L. Hunt to Ida Henderson, warranty deed.  
 J. A. Hernandez to H. L. King et al, deed of trust.  
 Lewis Jackson et ux to M. G. Joyce et ux, warranty deed.  
 K. C. Jones et ux to A. R. Chestnut, warranty deed.  
 E. G. Lopez et ux to O. G. Arnold to the First National Bank, Cisco, assignment mater-

### Blackwell Switchgrass Established . . .



Clarence Stroeb and John Lee, SCS conservationist, examine a stand of Blackwell switchgrass established with the help of the Soil Bank Program.

ial mechanics lien.  
 H. L. Latham to Stephenville Savings and Loan, trustees deed.  
 Lone Star Producing Co. to Lucie E. Harrell, release of oil and gas leases.  
 C. D. Long to First Federal Savings and Loan Association, deed of trust.  
 Fulton Moore et ux to Albert Earl Taylor, deed of trust.  
 Mid State Homes Inc. to Jimmy Griffin et ux, release of deed of trust and material mechanics lien.  
 Billy J. Moore et ux to Fulen Motor Co., lease contract.  
 Betty Ann Meador to James Elbert Meador, release deed of trust.  
 O. C. Penn et ux to the State of Texas, easement deed.  
 I. N. Poyner et ux to Earl Taylor et ux, warranty deed.  
 J. D. Phillips, Jr., et ux to Truett Jones et al, warranty deed.  
 Rockwall Lumber Co. vs. Tom Stanley, abstract of judgement.  
 H. L. Short to First National Bank, Cisco, deed of trust.  
 R. Courtney Suttle to C. C. Westerman, partial assignment of oil and gas lease.  
 State of Texas Department of Banks to the Public, certified copy amendment.  
 Southern Life Insurance Co. to J. H. Tidwell et ux, release deed of trust.  
 Albert Earl Taylor et ux to Fulton Moore et ux, warranty deed.  
 Earl Taylor et ux to I. N. Poyner, deed of trust.  
 United States of America to J. R. and F. J. Rector, Jr., notice of tax lien.  
 Theresa H. Weddington to the State of Texas, deed.  
 David Truett Wier to J. C. Penny Co., agreement lease.  
 Hershel Wagley et ux to Ken-

eth Bostick et ux, release of right of way lien.  
 Mobil Oil Co. Socony Co. Inc. to Billy J. Moore, deed.  
 Mrs. Mary J. Smith to Higginbotham Bros. & Co. to Southern Savings and Loan Assn., material mechanics lien and assignment.  
 Speed Eze Car Wash to the Public, assumed name certificate.  
 E. F. Stephens et al to the Public, affidavit.  
 E. F. Stephens et ux to J. A. Whitehead et ux, warranty deed.  
 Harvey Ellis St. Clair to Melvin Wylie et ux, quit claim deed.  
 Harvey Ellis St. Clair to Melvin Wylie et ux, bill of sale.  
 United States of America to Lawanta M. Livingston dba Lawanta Coffee Shop, notice of Tax Lien.  
 Veterans Land Board of Texas to Bobby G. England, contract of sales and purchase.  
 Melvin L. Wilcoxon et ux to Southern Savings and Loan Assn., Ranger, deed of trust.  
 J. A. Whitehead et ux to First Federal Savings and Loan Assoc., Ranger, deed of trust.  
 James W. Young et ux to Eastland National Bank, warranty deed.  
 Texaco Inc. to Gene Hill, warranty deed.

#### GOOD RAINS EAST

Mr. and Mrs. Everette Harris have returned from a trip to Mississippi and Alabama during which they attended the Murf family reunion at Aberdeen, Miss. Two hundred and 11 persons representing 12 states were present. They reported Mississippi the driest they had ever seen it. However, good rains fell after they arrived there and they encountered rain in Alabama, Louisiana and East Texas on their return.

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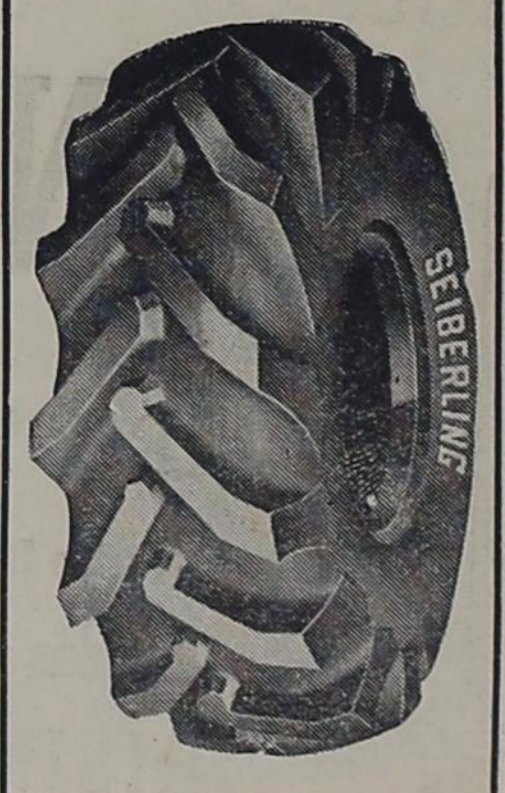
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### Rising Star LVN Students Capped At Brownwood

Thursday of last week the Vocational Nursing Class members received their caps at an exercise held in the Reddy Kilowatt room of the Texas Power and Light Co. in Brownwood. Miss Agnes King of Memorial Hospital, Brownwood, capped the following nurses: Mrs. J. T. Alford of Rising Star, Mrs. David Templin, Mrs. Joe N. Overton, Mrs. Roland Lindsey, Mrs. W. L. Keesee and Mrs. Sammie Bettis of Brownwood; Miss Marilyn Morgan and Mrs. John Schultz, Jr., of Bangs, and Mrs. Nell Stone of May. The following students were capped by Mrs. Judy Hughes of Medical Arts Hospital: Mrs. H. H. Lawson and Mrs. Vernon Walker of Rising Star, Mrs. J. S. Tipton, Mrs. Kermit Brown, Mrs. Martha Yancy and Mrs. Bob Alford of Brownwood.  
 The instructor, Mrs. Gilbreath, made an interesting and instructive talk on "The Wearing of the Cap." The class president, Mrs. J. S. Tipton, led in the pledge and gave the closing prayer.  
 The tea table carried out the class colors of burgundy red and white. The table was laid with a deep red cloth and the center piece of white mums were flanked by white tapers in silver holders. Two small dolls stood on either side of the centerpiece and they were dressed in the uniform of the student LVN. These were the handiwork of Mrs. Joe Overton. Pineapple float, cake squares, mints and nuts were served by Mrs. Joe Overton, Bob Alford and Ronald Lindsey.  
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## Grasses Respond to Proper Care . . .



Pat Agnew is carrying on a farm improvement program with his father on their place near Rising Star. They have sprigged 200 acres to coastal bermuda this year. Pat and Ray also established three waterways to coastal bermuda during the last three years. Cross fences and farm ponds have been built to allow rotation and deferred grazing. This program is supplemented by fertilizings and mowing pastureland. Pat is shown in picture in a field of common bermuda fertilized with turkey manure and the same grass with no fertilizer. The Agnews have developed a Great Plains Conservation Program with the Rising Star SCS Work Unit.

## Cluttered Field Sign Of Good Farming

BY JAMIE CLAYTON  
Abilene Reporter-News  
There's a way to beat the whipping West Texas winds and hot, drying sun out of valuable soil, says James Dominy, head of the Abilene Work Unit of the Soil Conservation Service.

But it's hard to convince area farmers that the results are worth the looks of an untidy or "cluttered" field, he said.

Stubble mulching is the process of leaving wheat, oil, barley, or any small grain residue on the soil, to act as a protective insulation for the soil against heat and wind — two of the main moisture limiting factors in this area.

"Stubble mulching is a real good practice," Dominy says,

"It keeps moisture in the soil and helps prevent runoff."

### Clark Farm Cited

A good example of the practice is the Travis Clark farm four miles south of Abilene.

Upon completion of his wheat harvest recently, Clark, who operates International Harvester Farm Equipment Co., Inc., ran a chisel plow over the wheat and left the stubble on the surface instead of plowing it under with a one-way as is the usual practice in this area.

The plow, Clark says, is easily adapted, using a tool bar plow and equipping it with chisels. The chisels cut down the stalk and prevent it from continued growth which saps up moisture.

The soil is thus loosened, which increases saturation, and

the residue is left intact on the surface.

### Runoff Is Checked

The stubble checks runoff and tests have shown temperature of the soil on a typically hot day is well below that of barren soil. If subsurface soil on bare ground is checked the temperature "will usually be from 100 to 125 degrees, while mulched soil shows temperatures 20 to 30 degrees lower," according to Dominy.

"This proves how much moisture loss by evaporation is cut down by using the mulching," he said.

"We are encouraging farmers to use this as a 'way of farming' rather than just another 'method,'" Dominy stressed. Most farmers don't like the looks of a cluttered field and feel they must plow everything under and leave it neat — and bare to the elements."

"I met a farmer from Amarillo who said it had taken eight years to convince him that stubble mulching was the thing to do," Dominy said. "But after those eight years he knew his farm was safe from loss of soil from blowing and washing, as well as having cut down on his loss by evaporation."

"And Clark is convinced that mulching is 'right for him,' also.

He received 2.9 inches of hard falling rain on his place two weeks ago. "Last year this field would have had water standing in all terraces and little would have soaked into the soil generally," he said.

The field slopes downward to the east and water run-off has always been a problem. The residue on the ground trapped most of the moisture and allowed it to soak in during the recent rain. Terraces were not damaged, and no water was left standing, as it was in nearby barren fields.

Sweep attachments can also be added to the tool bar to keep weeds in control, Dominy and Clark advised. "It's important to keep the weeds down, because if they get too large, a one-way will be necessary after all and effects of the stubble-mulching will be lost," they said.

Mrs. Steve Semeniuk spent several days at Comanche hospital as a patient.

Columnar Pads at the Record

## New Invasions Of Screwworms Are Threatened

MISSION—Screwworms penetrated into central and west Texas during May for the first time this year and are now in an excellent position to swoop into any area of the state where farmers and ranchers are not watching and treating animal wounds.

Screwworm eradication officials warned that infestations have been reported as far north as Coryell County in Central Texas and as far west as Presidio County in the Big Bend.

The number of cases has remained relatively low, with only 36 cases reported in May as compared to 451 a year ago.

However, with many livestock producers failing to take adequate precautions in handling their animals and weather conditions favorably for screw worm development prevailing over most of the state, the insect could easily spread into any area of Texas, eradication workers said.

Emergency eradication measures initiated wherever a screwworm infestation is reported are credited with keeping the native fly population down. Large numbers of flies, reared and sexually sterilized in the Mission plant, are dispersed in areas where infestations are discovered. Sterile flies mating with fertile female flies prevent offspring from being produced. Campaign workers also spray livestock in infested herds and flocks to prevent further infestations.

These measures are started only after a sample collected by a producer has been positively identified as screwworms at the Mission laboratory. Handy collection kits are available through county agricultural agents' offices for producers to use in collecting and mailing larvae specimens.

Stockmen can also aid the program by treating animal wounds and spraying their livestock before they become infested, eradication officials say. Spray solutions containing Corral or Korlan will give protection against other external parasites as well as screwworms, they pointed out.

# Washed Out Roads - Eroded Fields - Eroded Economy



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Great Plains Program Cooperator . . .



K. M. Bostick fertilizes a year-old stand of coastal bermuda grass on his farm at Nimrod. Bostick planted the grass in cooperation with the Eastland County Great Plains Program. He will complete his conservation plan under the program in 1966.

## RushCreek Project Questions Answered

Here are some questions and answers about the Rush Creek Watershed and upstream Watershed:

(1) Just what area comprises the Rush Creek Watershed?

All of that land area, some 188,000 acres, which drains into Rush Creek, beginning with Duncan Creek just three miles N. of Comanche, Sweetwater Creek and its tributaries, and Copperas with its tributaries.

(2) Just what is meant by "Upstream Watershed Protection" and Detention Structures?"

Both are apt descriptive terms. "Upstream Watershed Protection" includes those practices of soil and water conservation measures, grassed waterways, deferred grazing, reseeding pastures, terraces, strip crops and cover crops to name just a few. "Detention Structures" are supplemental to these and other practices and simply catch and retard flood waters thereby minimizing flood plain and road and bridge damage as well as protecting Proctor Lake from siltation.

(3) How many structures will be built?

We had hoped some 35 to 40, based on the comparative size of our watershed and others where such programs are in progress. Currently only some 20-odd potential sites have been considered in the Rush Creek Watershed. We still hope this current figure will be increased when the actual survey is made.

(4) Have any actual sites for structures been determined for the Rush Creek Watershed?

No.

(5) When will this survey be made?

A state financed planning party is due to begin the actual survey in the near future.

(6) Who pays for this program?

You do. (7) I thought this was to be a Federal Grant?

It is, in part, but the Federal Government gets its money from the taxpayer and you are one of them.

(8) What do you mean "in part"?

This is a "cost-share" program. The landowner contributes his share in those soil and water conservation practices already named and in donating easements for the location of the structures. Also the State of Texas finances the survey, and the Comanche County Commissioners Court is the local division of State Government responsible for letting of contracts.

(9) If one of the detention structures should be located on my farm will I get paid for the land?

No. There are no funds set up for easements or land purchase. This is a part of local cost-share.

(10) What if I don't want one of the things on my place?

We hope that in each possible site there may be an alternate location above and below your land, and that your neighbor will gladly accept the 30 to 40 thousand dollar detention structure. Actually, we believe no landowner in our area would want to miss the opportunity if offered, if they ascertain the facts.

(11) How big will the detention lakes be?

No firm answer can be given until actual surveys are made as too many variable factors are involved, such as the size of each drainage area, types of soils, and slopes of land. A conservation pool that covered some 10 acres might inundate temporarily some 80 to 1,000 acres at full flood stage, but as I say, this very general statement would vary with each structure, both as actual size of conservation pool and total potential flood area inundated.

(12) Who owns the structure?

The landowner, or in case of more than one, the landowners on whose property the structure and conservation pool is located. The dam and spillway will be sodded or seeded to an adapted grass, fenced to protect from overgrazing and the lake stocked with fish at no expense to the landowner. In return for his easement, the landowner retains all fishing, recreation and irrigation rights in respect to the conservation pool, subject to the following exceptions (a) The upper Leon Soil Conservation District as our sponsoring agency would retain the right to send a representative each year to inspect general condition of the structure, sod and fences (b) the Commissioners court would retain the right to obtain entry to make major repairs to structure or spillway if needed.

(13) What about land subject to flooding?

Experience in similar watersheds has indicated no native or bermuda grasses have been killed by inundation, but seem to rather have benefited by the free irrigation.

(14) Would you say if I got one of the structures I would have full ownership. What if I decided later I didn't want it; could I tear it down?

This would be inadvisable. However, it is our opinion that you could probably sell the property for perhaps twice its former value to someone who wished they had one.

(15) Who will benefit from this program?

Everybody. (a) the landowner or landowners where the structures are located. (b) All landowners downstream. (c) The entire county through increased productivity of an entire segment of the county and through less maintenance expenses of roads and bridges downstream. (d) The entire nation through generations to come through a more productive land. (e) Many other benefits not mentioned of which the least important might be the million or so dollars that will be spent in construction in this area.

### Mrs. Warlick Hosts Are Now On Sale

Mrs. Foy Warlick hosted the "Dependables", a Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church, with a picnic-swimming party at Comanche Thursday of last week. Members attending were Donna Chalk, Sharon Donham, Cynthia Brown, Carol Harrell, Louise Fraley, Sherry Jones, Sharilyn Roach and Lovie Bishop. Guests were: Lenna Chalk, Ginger Bishop, Becky Nowlin, Sandy Warlick and Mrs. Ira Hudler, superintendent of the Young Peoples Department.

Recent guests of Mrs. Wilburn Scott were her sister, Mrs. Grover Curry of Flagstaff, Ariz., and a brother, Charlie Pierce, of Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil McCantles and Mrs. A. T. Shults went to Abilene recently to meet Kay McCantles who flew in from Snyder for a visit with a sister of Phil and her family, while Mrs. Shults visited a nephew and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Smith.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. McDonald, with the exception of one son, were here for the week-end.

Mrs. Doris Dunson and daughter, Mrs. Judy Satterwhite and baby of Houston have been visiting Mrs. T. B. Busbee and Geraldine.



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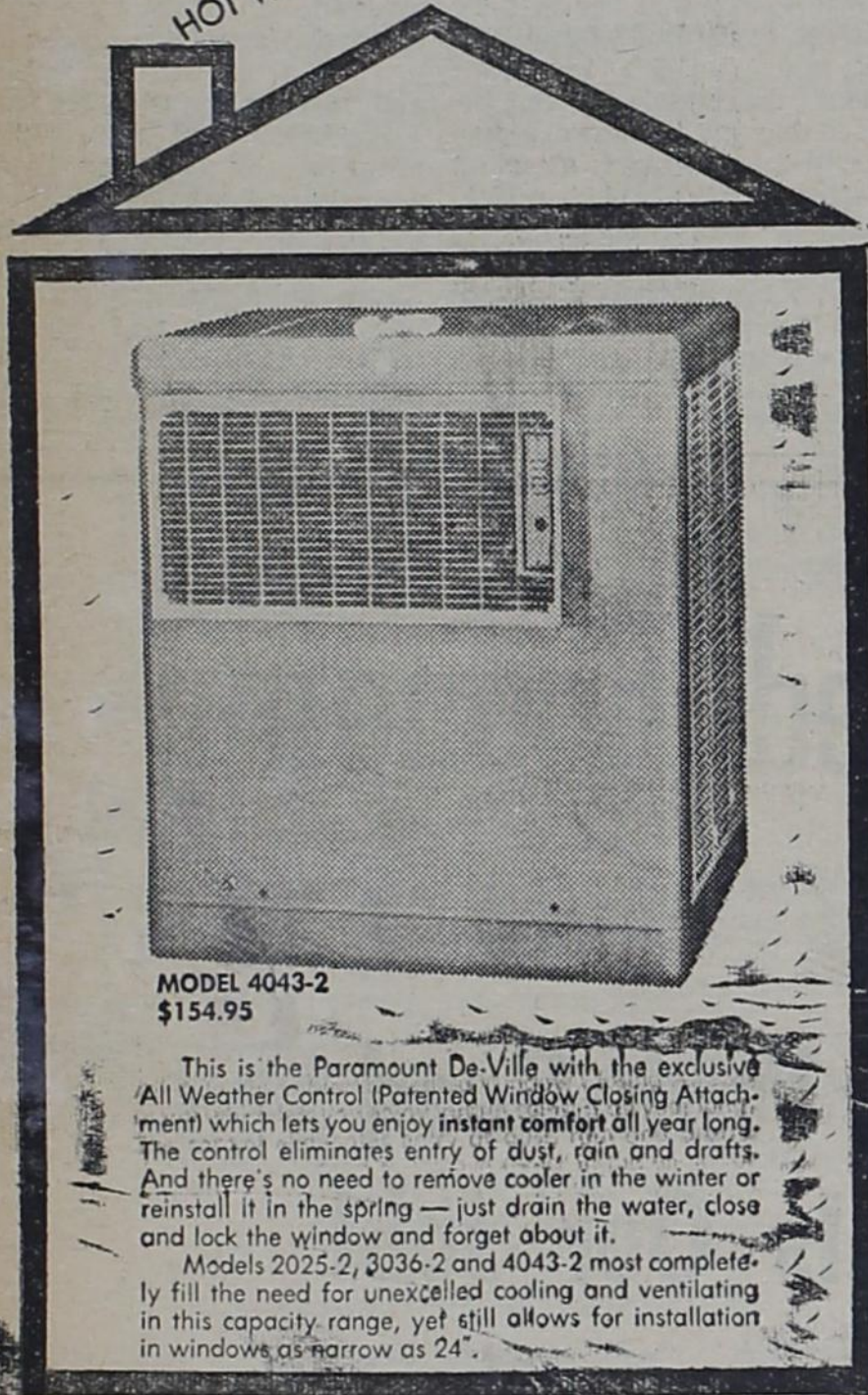
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