

HOCKLEY PLACES 2ND IN COTTON GINNED

According to recently released figures, Hockley county ranks second in production with 150,000 bales, while Lubbock county ranks first with 200,000.

A report on the cotton situation released by the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., follows:

Production figures from the 23 member counties of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. 1957-58 cotton crop con-

tinued to climb upward as scrapping and clean-up harvesting enters the final stages.

Total production from the 23 counties has already passed the 1½ million bale

mark. The U. S. Department of Agriculture classing office at Lubbock has already classed 1,461,808 bales, W. E. Franklin, Chairman, reports. This includes 1,276,919 bales in the Lubbock office and

184,889 in the Lamesa office. Franklin estimates there is another 50,000 to 75,000 bales yet to be classed.

If 75,000 additional samples were classed it would push the classing office total

to 1,536,808 bales, a figure that comes close to the final production estimate made by the Plains Cotton Growers staff this week, which was 1,521,000 bales.

The total value of the 1957 crop has been placed near \$204 million dollars. This compares with an estimated total value of the 1956 crop of around \$300 million.

Rain and Snow Visit the South Plains In Small Quantities Mon.

A brisk north wind brought rain and snow to the South Plains on Monday night and Tuesday.

As this is written about Tuesday noon, the precipitation has been light. Flurries of snow have fallen, and

some rain.

Thus far, January has proven one of the wettest months in recent history.

During the past few years there has been little moisture during the month of January. Our big snows, if

any at all, have come in February and March.

Continued moisture brings promise of favorable crop conditions over the South Plains for 1958. Usually at this time of year farmers are running irrigation wells to get an underground season. Up to the present time no irrigation has been necessary and if the season continues as it has started, there will be little irrigation this year. One farmer told us that the ground is soaked to a depth of five feet.

With favorable moisture conditions farmers over the section will be able to plant without waiting for rain, which usually does not come until it has made planting late.

A report from government sources states that the short crop of last year and the damaged cotton by weather conditions will create a healthy market for good staple cotton in 1958. This being the case, it appears we have prosperous times ahead of us.

Thus while wet weather and other unfavorable conditions cost High Plains producers money on the 1957 crop, conditions now are said to be excellent in regard to prospects for the 1958 crop. "We're going into 1958 with excellent prospects. The ground, moisture-wise, has never been in better shape for breaking," D. C. Prince, Secretary of the Lubbock Cotton Exchange, said last Saturday.

Many farmers throughout the area already have ground breaking underway, and in contrast, some farmers still have cotton in the field to be pulled or stripped. Many gins are still operating.

The average quality of the 1957 crop shows a drop from figures compiled in 1956, according to George W. Pfeiffenberger, Executive Vice President of the PCG.

Pfeiffenberger explained that the PCG has conducted a quality survey the last two seasons on High Plains cotton.

"Figures on the 1957 crop show that 40 percent of the crop was white cotton, while light spots accounted for approximately 44 percent and spotted cotton 14 percent with about 2 percent tinges and below grade.

"Last year, 1956, 50 percent of the crop was white, 47.1 percent light spotted and about 2.5 percent spotted.

"Staple length on the 1957 crop, however, has held up well, running 31.2nds of an inch, compared with 30.6/32nd for the preceding year.

"The average micronaire for 1957 averages 3.3 while in 1956 it was 3.9. Tensile strength for 1957 is 73,000 pounds per square inch compared to a 1956 average of 78,000 pounds," Pfeiffenberger said.

It has been estimated by the trade that about 800,000 bales have been put into the government loan this year whereas between 600,000 and 700,000 bales of the 1956 crop were put into the government loan.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. PRICE AT MEADOW TODAY

As we go to press Wednesday night we learn that Mrs. Mollie Price, mother of Tom Price of west of Ropesville, passed away in Lubbock Wednesday morning following a heart attack.

Funeral will be in Meadow from the First Baptist Church, Thursday (today) afternoon at 3 o'clock.

SAWS SHARPENED

I am now ready to sharpen your saws. Also, I rebuild any kind of door.

GROVER BLANKENSHIP

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Rev. John J. Cole, Pastor MONTHLY WORKERS CONFERENCE - T. J. Redman and Joe Fleming went with the pastor to the Workers Conference Thursday night at the First Baptist Church, Levelland. The next meeting will be with our church February 20th. It will be our responsibility to provide the evening meal for the guests from the other churches of the Association. This is the first associational meeting to be with our church in a long time. We need your help in providing the meal, and we would also like for our people to attend the evening service and hear the good messages that will be given. The main speaker will be Dr. C. B. Jackson of Dallas.

THE NEXT BROTHERHOOD MEETING will be Thursday night, February 6th. Potluck supper at 7:30 PM. EVERY MONDAY at 3:30 pm: W.M.S. Meeting Junior GA Sunbeams Royal Ambassadors

DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD RALLY - February 11th. First Church, Lubbock. Every man bring a boy. Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis, speaker.

SUNDAY MORNING, 8:00: Every Sunday morning the Baptist Hour can be heard over Radio Station K L V T. Our church helps to support this work. We invite you to listen to the good messages and music that are presented.

PASTORS AND LAYMEN CONFERENCE for the West Texas area will be held at Wayland College February 3rd and 4th. Dr. Carl J. Giers, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chattanooga, Tennessee will be the guest speaker.

THE DISTRICT NINE ANNUAL CONVENTION will be held at Brownfield First Church, February 27th, beginning at 10:00 o'clock AM.

OUR SPRING REVIVAL will be April 6 to 13. Brother Philip C. McGahey, pastor of the College Hills Baptist Church in San Angelo, will be our evangelist. Our singer will be Brother Pete For-

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NOTICE

If there is a date written by your name on the Plainsman, your subscription expired on that date. Please

WANNA VOTE

Friday, December 31st, is the last day to pay your poll tax. Several important elections will come up in 1958, so why not be ready to express your opinion on all issues and all candidates.

Four county offices are to be elected. You certainly want a say-so in these elections. Remember, it is the vote that assures your freedom — without a

vote you are no better off than the man behind the iron curtain.

Up to Wednesday there were 3,007 poll taxes paid in the county. Only 84 had been issued in Ropes. Last election year 650b paid poll taxes.

Don't forget, Friday is your last day and you can pay your poll tax at the Ropes Drug Store.

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INDEPENDENT BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

The Ropes Independent Basketball team has announced the following schedule:

Levelland this Saturday night at Levelland.

Three - Way Wednesday night, February 5, here.

Inc Oilers Saturday night, February 8, here.

The team has already played four games, winning from Brownfield, Seagraves, Three Way and Levelland.

Members of the Ropes team are Esten Blackman, Gene McKee, Larry Roberts, Tommy Lacewell, James Means, Richard Arant, Murray, James Whitten, Chuck Smith and Robert Phillips.

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SCHOOL CENSUS IS BEING TAKEN

The Ropes PTA is busy this week taking a school census.

We are requested to say that if you have a child who will attend school for the first time next school term that you be sure and see that he is registered. If an enumerator has not called on you, please contact O. V. Fuller, or any member of the PTA.

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HOCKLEY COUNTY FARM BUREAU TO HOLD MEETING

The directors of the Hockley County Farm Bureau will hold their regular business meeting February 4th at the Steak House, beginning at 7:30 PM.

The purpose of this meeting will be to take care of routine business, also to discuss and act on local problems that might come before the board.

Anyone having anything that they would like to present to the board are invited to meet with us the first Tuesday night of each month.

We will be happy to have visitors to meet with us at any of our meetings. To better acquaint you with our directors, they are: Frea Albus, Glen Bratcher, Bryan Daniel, Delvin Drachenberg, L. E. Dresslar, A. H. Epper-son, E. N. Exum, W. C. Floyd, Paul Gilmer, T. R. Harrison, A. C. Jones, Ernest Lorenz, Earl Miller, B. L. Moore, L. F. Schoenrock, Charles Shannon, Vernon Stone, Albert Storey, Robert Strickland, Roy Whittenburg, Coy Winn, and George T. Forbus.

Talk your problems over with these men at any opportunity that you may have.

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NAZARENE CHURCH

Rev. Dan Jones, Pastor

Do you attend Sunday School and church regularly? If not, why not? There is a church within reach of you, and you will find a hearty welcome.

Our regular services are as usual:

Sunday School 9:45 AM
Morning worship 11 AM
NYPS, Juniors 6:30 PM
Evening service 7:00 PM
Mid-week Service,

Wednesday 7:00 PM

Sunday morning service will be dedicated to the Young People. We urge all our young folk to attend the morning worship service.

The Abilene District is in a special Sunday School emphasis for the next ten weeks. Help us make ours a success.

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ROPE SCHOOL GOES BACK INTO CLASS B

At the opening of the 1958-59 session of the Ropes schools their athletic teams will be in Class B instead of Class A.

The placing of the school in Class A was kind of a freak. To be in that class a school has to have 120 pupils in high school. Ropes, for the first time, showed an enrollment of 121 high school pupils. Never before has this occurred, the average running around 112 to 115.

In the class A competition Ropes teams were thrown into competition with larger schools and much stronger teams than are found in the Class B circuit. Due to this the football teams have made a poor showing for the reason that they were out-classed. It is thought now with the school being placed in Class B that football will make a better showing.

County Political Pot Gives off Steam

We wouldn't say that the political pot in Hockley County is boiling, but it is simmering.

This week shows four new announcements in our column:

Mrs. Minnie Fewell for Justice of Peace of Precinct 1. This is the first time in the history of the precinct that a woman has offered for the office. Two others

have announced for this office, Jim Gotcher, present incumbent, and J. F. Williams.

Louis Owens, who has announced for the office of County Judge. He opposes Paul Williams, the present incumbent.

R. O. (Raymond) Dennis, who announced for County Clerk. This is the second announcement for this of-

fice. Mrs. Grace Clingan had previously announced. Mrs. Clingan is filling out the unexpired term of her husband, H. E. Clingan, deceased, and is asking for her first elective term.

Chester Border, who announced for County School Superintendent. This makes a pair for this office, as Davis Pounds had previously announced.

The grapevine tells us there are yet to be others. However, we have no way of verifying the "others", so we don't know who they are or whether there will be further announcements.

In elections, as now held, half the office holders have to run each four years, and each two years as in the past. Four year terms have brought this to pass.

**R. O. DENNIS
FOR OFFICE OF
COUNTY CLERK**

R. O. (Raymond) Dennis, 35 year old Arnett community farmer, has authorized announcement of his candidacy for County Clerk of Hockley County, subject to the July 26 primaries.

Dennis, who has lived in Hockley county for twelve years, has farmed for the past eight years near Arnett. Prior to that he worked at the Co-op Refinery near Levelland for two and a half years.

Dennis also has worked slightly over two years in insurance offices in Lubbock and Levelland doing book-keeping, filing and other general office tasks.

During 40 months as a member of the Air Force ground crew, Dennis served on Iwo Jima, Guam and Saipan.

He was born in Ellis County near Waxahachie, and graduated from Cedar Hill High School near Dallas.

Dennis, a member of the Fifth Street Baptist Church in Levelland, is married and has five children ranging in age from 2½ to 13 years of age.

Dennis plans a formal statement at a later date.

**LOUIS OWENS
ANNOUNCES FOR
COUNTY JUDGE**

Louis Owens, of Levelland, was a pleasant caller at the Plainsman office Monday and authorized us to announce to the folks of the Ropes community and Hockley County that he is a candidate for the office of County Judge of Hockley County.

Louis is 37 years of age, and has lived in Hockley County since July, 1948. He is married and has four children. He was born in a small village between Crowell and Vernon, and attended school in the latter place, where he graduated. From there he went to the University of Texas, where he majored in Business Administration and Government. He has also had two years of law.

He is past president of the Levelland Lions Club, and has spent some twenty-five years in Boy Scout work.

At the present time he is teaching in the Levelland Elementary School.

"It is my hope," said Louis, "to be able to see each voter personally before the election, but should I fail to do so I want you to

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take this as a personal solicitation for your vote and influence."

**MINNIE FEWELL
FOR OFFICE OF
JUSTICE OF PEACE**

Mrs. Minnie Fewell called at the Plainsman office on Monday and authorized us to announce to the folks of Justice Precinct 1 that she is a candidate for Justice of the Peace.

Mrs. Fewell has lived in the Ropes community for the past seven years, and is well and favorably known to most of our people. They own their home in Ropes.

She was born in Canyon in 1911 where she was raised and is a graduate of the Canyon high school. It was in that city that she was married to C. B. Fewell, and they have two children, Clyde, who is married and lives in Ropes, and a daughter, Dannie, nine years old and who is attending Ropes schools.

Mrs. Fewell said: "I have never asked for public office before, but I feel I am fully qualified to discharge the duties of the office I seek."

Since being in Ropes she has been employed by Walt's Cafe, and is now working in the concession stand of the Ropes Theatre.

"I intend to see all the voters personally, but if for any reason I do not contact you before election, I want you to consider this a personal solicitation for your vote and influence."

**CHESTER BORDER
ANNOUNCES FOR
SUPERINTENDENT**

Chester Border, who lives five and one-half miles north west of Levelland, was a pleasant caller at the Plainsman office on Friday of last week, and while here authorized us to announce that he is a candidate for the office of County School Superintendent.

Chester has lived in Hockley County for twelve years, and eleven of those years he spent in the Whitharral school system, being principal four years and superintendent seven years. He also served one year as secretary of the Hockley County Teachers Association.

This past year he did not teach due to the fact that he bought a farm, which is his present home, and he has been putting in his time farming.

He has a Bachelor's Degree which he received from West Texas State at Canyon, and he has put in two summers at Texas Tech on his Master's Degree.

Chester is married and has one son.

He was born in Runnels County and was brought up on a farm west of Ballinger. He is a graduate of the Bronte High School, having been valedictorian of his class, and also was awarded a scholarship, and with this and work in the dormitories

and campus was able to make his way through college.

He states that he will make an effort to see each voter personally, but should he miss any of you he wants you to consider this a personal solicitation for your vote and influence.

**MAYBE THERE
IS A REASON
FOR THIS**

An editorial appearing in the Carlsbad Argus was sent to us by A. L. Wildman, of Plains, and we reprint it below:

South Dakota is a debt-free state. In addition, after paying about ten million dollars in veterans' bonuses it recently was able to reduce taxes.

Somewhere along the line, while the nation and other states have expanded their public debts, South Dakota has been reducing its obligations.

An extra, such as a sales tax to pay the bonus, nearly always is retained. But not in South Dakota.

Officials of the federal government and the various states, especially New Mexico, should be required to take a course in South Dakota on how this achievement was made possible.

In looking into this we find that South Dakota is 42 in per capita payment for school students; that 99 per cent of its teachers do not have four years of college; ranks 43rd in teachers' salaries. However, 16 per cent of its income is paid out on education, which makes it rank third in this category.

**KAY SOSEBEE
NAMED BETTY
CROCKER HOMEMAKER**

Kaye Nell Sosebee has been named the Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow in Ropesville.

She received the highest score in a written examination on homemaking knowledge and attitudes taken by graduating girls in Ropesville High School.

Her examination paper now will be entered in competition with those of 628 other school winners to name this state's candidate for the title of All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow and will also be considered for the runnerup award in the state. For her achievement, she will receive an award pin designed by Tiffany of New York.

Each State Homemaker of Tomorrow will receive a \$1,500 scholarship and an educational trip with her school advisor to Washington, D. C., Colonial Williamsburg, Va., and New York City. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded the second ranking girl in each state. The school of the state winner receives a set of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

A record 327,000 young women in 11,800 of the nation's public, private and parochial high schools participated in the fourth annual Betty Crocker Search sponsored by General Mills. This year's huge entry brings the four-year participation over the million mark. A total of 1,071,000 girls has enrolled in this national homemaking project since it was launched in 1955 to assist schools in education for home and family living. A total of \$106,000 in scholarships will be awarded this year.

The national winner will

be named April 17 at a banquet in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City.

The scholarship of the All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow will be increased to \$5,000. Girls who rank second, third and fourth in the nation will receive \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 scholarships, respectively.

Science Research Associates of Chicago prepared and scored the examination through which local, state and national Homemakers of Tomorrow are selected.

**KERR & MIDDLETON
PREPARING TO
START CURB, GUTTER**

It is stated that Kerr & Middleton are moving in material and equipment preparatory to starting work on the laying of the curb and gutter which will run along the side of the new super highway to be built through Ropesville.

The contract has been let for the building of the highway, and it is thought work will start at an early date.

**ROPES FFA BOYS
ATTEND FAT STOCK
SHOW IN FT. WORTH**

The members of the Ropes FFA Chapter and their sponsors left at 5:00 a.m. Saturday, January 25, 1958, for the Ft. Worth Stock Show. They arrived in Ft. Worth about 2:00 p.m. and spent the next 2½ hours shopping and looking around in downtown Ft. Worth. They went to the show grounds and visited the exhibits, especially the livestock. They were quite impressed with the number and quality of animals in the show. This gives

an indication of what type of animals win in the shows.

The rodeo took place at 8:00 p.m., and all members who went attended the rodeo. Miss Gayle Davis, Annie Oakley on television, appeared in person. She did some of her fancy shooting acts and sang for the sell-out crowd.

The group left Ft. Worth at 9:00 a.m. Sunday, January 26th, and arrived back in Ropesville at 6:10 p.m. All were tired, but all had seen one of the largest and best rodeos and stock shows in the United States. Next trip of this nature will take us to the State Fair of Texas next October.

The group who went to Ft. Worth were: Johnny Castanada, Doyle Crawford, Pat Dunavant, Billy Durham, Ernest Gonzales, Robert Gu-tierrez, Joey Jeffcoat, Ronald Jeffcoat, R. C. Lewis, Buford Lee Moore, Johnny Redman, Guadalupe Torrez and Johnny Ward.

Sponsors were Mr. Pete Lewis and C. T. McCormick.

**ROPES DOWNS
SEAGRAVES, 58-47**

Ropesville's Eagles broke loose in the second quarter at Seagraves Friday night and went on to down the Seagraves Eagles, 58-47, in a district 5-A basketball tussle. It was Ropes' second straight district win.

Four players hit in double figures for the Ropes quint, with Troy Witherspoon hitting 16 to lead the way. Johnny Valentine had 13, J. L. Hansard 10 and Pranted 10.

Seagraves now has an 0-2 record in conference play.

The Seagraves B-team defeated the Ropes B-team in

the preliminary game, 62-26, as Pat Blakeley hit 15 points and Jack Prestridge 13. Williams led the visitors with 11.

BAPTIST CHURCH

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dehase, of Dallas. Brother Forderhase is secretary of the State Music Department, and we need to begin now the preparation for a great Revival in our Church.
STUDIES IN HOSEA each Wednesday night at 7:30.

CUB SCOUT NEWS

By Tommy Redford and Jimmy Cole
The Cub Scouts meet at the Methodist Church on Friday. The members are Danny Rosser, D'Witt Hardin, Jimmy Cole, Benny Redman, Dee Lindley, Lewis Adams, Mike Cobb and Tommy Redman. Mrs. James Adams and Mrs. Hardin are the Den Mothers.

We are studying the Cub Scout Handbook and enjoying it so much. We are studying hard and trying to pass our ranks. We want to thank Mrs. Rosser for being our Den Mother for the first three months. Any boy from age 9 - 10 interested in becoming a Cub, meet with us on Friday right after school Den I.

NEW ARRIVAL

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Allen are happy over the arrival of a new daughter, born at 7:30 AM Tuesday in the Phillips-Dupree Hospital in Levelland. She weighed 8 pounds and 4½ ounces at birth, and has been christened Cynthia Lanette.

New Arrivals

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VOWS ARE EXCHANGED

Twin ring wedding vows were read at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Southcrest Baptist Church, Lubbock, for Miss Frances LaJean Timmons and Douglas Gerald Roper. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Timmons of Ropesville and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Roper of Tulia.

The Rev. Wayland Edwards officiated and Miss Gracelyn Hansen of Tulia played wedding music. The latter also accompanied Miss Barbara Orwell of Tulia as she sang "Whither Thou Goest", and

"Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life", also, "I Love You Truly".

The bride's father escorted her to an altar decorated with pink snapdragons and palms. Her waltz-length gown of Chantilly lace and tulle over net and satin is styled with a portrait neckline edged with scalloped lace. Tapered wristlets dotted with seed pearls complemented the gown.

A coronet of pearls secured the bride's veil. She carried pink roses over a white Bible.

Attendants to the bride were Miss Evelyn Bonds of Tulia, maid of honor; Mrs. Bobby O'Neal of Levelland,

matron of honor; and Miss Gaile Eads of Levelland, bridesmaid. They wore identical dresses of pink taffeta and matching bandeaux of taffeta trimmed with rhinestones. Each attendant carried a pink satin muff topped by white gardenias.

Candles were lighted by Miss Gay Roper of Tulia, sister of the bridegroom, and Mike Timmons of Ropesville, brother of the bride. The bride's cousin, Pamela Sue Anderson, was flower girl and the bridegroom's cousin, Buddy Baker of Hale Center, carried the rings.

Travis Turnipseed of Tulia assumed duties as best man. The ushers were Gary Simons of Amarillo, Don Max Vars of Tulia, Gilbert Davidson of Tulia and Howard Timmons, brother of the bride from Ropesville.

The church parlor was the scene of the ensuing reception. A three-tiered cake was encircled by pink snapdragons and placed on a lace-covered table.

Miss Thelma Roper, sister of the bridegroom, registered reception guests and other members of the house party were Mrs. Wayne Timmons, Mrs. J. C. Bonds Jr. of Tulia and Misses Trina Baker of Hale Center, Elizabeth West, Delia Murrell, Jerry Ann Williams and Barbara Ham.

The bride donned a beige wool suit with matching hat and black lizard accessories when the couple left for a wedding trip to Austin. They will return to Lubbock to make their home where both are students at Texas Tech.

Roper is a sophomore at the college and employed by General Electric Supply. His bride is a freshman. Both are graduates of Tulia High School.

COTTON SITUATION NOT IMPOSSIBLE

Cong. George Mahon has advised officers of the Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. that help on the wasty and barky

cotton situation for High Plains cotton producers may not be as impossible as first thought.

Cong. Mahon in a letter to W. O. Fortenberry, PCG President, said after consulting with various other Congressmen and Senators and U. S. Department of Agriculture officials that he had learned that the USDA was going to accept peanuts which did not meet the former criteria as to quality and moisture.

"They did this because of unusual and unfavorable weather conditions. A USDA spokesman admitted that the same conditions which justified the action in regard to peanuts seemed to justify comparable action in regard to cotton," Mahon wrote.

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LITRELL-PETTIE
WEDDING IS
SOLEMNIZED

New Orleans, La., was on the wedding sojourn itinerary of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Littrell Jr., (Patsy Ann Pettiet) marriage night in Ford Memorial Chapel of the First Baptist Church. Horace Coffman was officiant for a double ring ceremony read at 7:30 o'clock.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Pettiet, Ropesville, and the bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Littrell, Route 3, Lubbock.

The bride stood before an altar embellished with jade palms and formal arrangements of stock and iris in the white bridal theme, lighted by cathedral tapers.

A musical program was presented by Mrs. O. W.

Dalton, organist, and Miss Sandra Armstrong who sang, "Because" and "Wedding Prayer". Both are from Ropesville.

Wearing a crown of white imported French lace and nylon tulle over net and taffeta, the bride was escorted by her father. Highlighting the ensemble was a portrait neckline outlined with appliqued medallions of lace, long sleeves and torso waistline. The bouffant skirt was made of tulle fully shirred with alternating panels of lace and nylon tulle.

A crown of scalloped lace outlined with seed pearls secured a veil of silk illusion. She carried a bouquet of stephanotis and iris trimmed in lace and pearls.

To attend her sister as maid of honor, Miss Sue Pettiet wore a cloud blue dress of nylon chiffon over taffeta fashioned with a portrait neckline framed with drapery of fabric in cowl effect at front and ending in point in back. The softly shirred bodice terminated with a long torso waistline. The waltz-length skirt was made of chiffon over net and taffeta. Her flowers were white iris.

Candles were lighted by Roger Pettiet, brother of the bride from Ropesville. Charlotte Wynn, Anton, a niece of the bride, served as flower girl, and rings were carried by Mickie Evans, another niece of the bride, from Shallowater and Stevie Littrell, a brother of the bridegroom from Lubbock.

Bill Meadors was best man, and ushering were Jerry Swinford and Fred Jerden, all of Lubbock.

Reception Is Honor

At the following reception, the serving table was covered with a white linen cloth and held a three-tiered cake of blue, silver and white topped with a miniature bride and bridegroom. The bride's bouquet provided the table decor.

Members of the house party were Mrs. Billy Joe Evans of Shallowater, Mrs. W. D. Wynn Jr. of Anton, both sisters of the bride, and Mrs. Wayne Worley.

For traveling, the bride wore a wool jersey costume in a soft tone of blue, made with a high neckline and accented by fold satin and embroidered rhinestones and her accessories were white and navy.

The former Miss Pettiet was graduated from Frenship High School and Jessie Lee's Hair Design Institute. Currently, she is a stylist at Jessie Lee's Beauty Salon.

Her husband also is a graduate of Frenship High School. He attended Texas Tech and now is serving in the U. S. Navy, stationed in Japan.

He will leave for Japan on February 10th. His bride plans to join him later in that country.

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ATTENDS AREA 4
CONFERENCE AT
HALE CENTER

Supt. O. V. Fuller was in Hale Center Wednesday night where he attended an Area 4 Conference of School Superintendents.

The discussion at the meeting was, "A Balanced School Program".

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BIRTHDAY DINNER IS SERVED

While we say as little about ourselves as possible, we want to note in passing that this past Sunday our kids and wife served us a luscious birthday dinner.

We try to forget our birth days, but somehow or other they keep popping up. And, they are usually rather profitable. This past birthday the loot was rather plentiful, and even though we were fighting off an attack of the flu we enjoyed the occasion.

And, by the way, the celebration was held in the home of our daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas.

Those present were Mrs. Donald Morris and children, of Texico, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Shanklin and children, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whitfield and children, all of Lubbock.

Donna Mae, Kathryn and Larry Morris, Darlene and Wesley Shanklin, and Artie Thomas sang "Happy Birthday", accompanied by Berrilyn Thomas at the piano.

Home movies were enjoyed, and films taken of the occasion.

MRS. HUGHES LEAVES TO ATTEND COLLEGE

Mrs. Lola Hughes left Sunday for Canyon where she is attending West Texas State College.

She will take work that will supplement college work she already has. She plans to teach.

J. MOORE RETURNS FROM ABERNATHY

J. Moore, who has been visiting in the home of his son, Rev. Austin Moore and wife in Abernathy, returned to his home in Ropes this week.

JOE HARRIS AND WIFE VISIT IN ABERNATHY

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris and children were in Abernathy Sunday where they attended the dedication services of the Church of the Nazarene.

Rev. Austin Moore, a former resident of Ropes, is pastor of the Abernathy church.

ATTENDS FUNERAL IN PLAINS SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Tyree Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Arzie Martin and Mrs. Jim Martin were in Plains Sunday where they attended the funeral of G. E. Coke, aged 73.

Mr. Coke was a pioneer citizen of the Plains community, and the funeral was attended by folks from all over this end of the state. He was an old friend of the Martin family.

ATTEND LODGE IN SUNDOWN

Mrs. Bob Thomas and Mrs. B. J. Thomas were in Sundown Monday night where they attended a regular meeting of the Rebekah Lodge.

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SEZ WE

During the past few weeks this column has found its way into the waste paper basket, rather than into the newspaper for the reason that local news has forced

it out. We've always considered local news paramount, and give it first place for, lot anyway.

We've long since learned we are neither sage nor pro-

phet, and our effort to reform the world has fallen on barren ground, so after

almost three score years we after all, what we might say doesn't amount to a whole

few months to "sit by the side of the road and watch the race of men go by".

We've allowed ourselves to worry very little over Price Daniels and Texan Republi-

cans; we're not discouraged because Texas cast an overwhelming vote for a Republican president, as we know they did not vote for him because he was a Republican but because he was General Ike, born in Texas, but falling far short of what a Texan should be.

We didn't have anything to do with putting Ike in office, and we are of the opinion that if it were possible for him to run again we'd have lots of company in not voting for him. We think this especially applies to the farm population.

If the policies promulgated under President Ike go into effect, farmers of the nation will become poverty stricken. The idea of abolishing the Farm Program and applying the money to national defense is one of the brainstorms cooked up by the present administration, and if the Republicans stay in office the day is not far distant when there will be no farm support and the farmer won't only have work worn hands and care worn faces, but they will also be eating sowbelly, red beans and corn bread, and do well to have a second pair of pants.

No one can successfully deny that it is farm supports that have put the farming industry on its feet, and a check of history will show that when there are not farm supports the farmer is in a losing business and not a profitable one.

It took clear-thinking Democrats to pull us out of the depression; it took clear-thinking Democrats to put the farmer on his feet and to pull him from the abyss in which the Republicans had cast him. If there was a Republican congress in power now we'd have already been in the middle of a depression.

The Republicans are the big business party. They think that prosperity should begin at the top and seep down. The trouble is it never seeps below the waist line of the big money interests who wax rich while the little man at the bottom is in the valley of starvation. On the other hand, it is the opinion of the Democrats that prosperity should start at the bottom and climb upward. It has been proven that when it starts at the bottom that every one is benefited and not just a few of the filthy rich.

Little business has never prospered under the Republicans. The reason is simple: The little business man becomes just one of the multitude under Republican principals -- the forgotten man. Those that are remembered are the ones at the top, who not only have plenty but get plenty more.

It is our opinion that it will be many a long day before Texas votes for a Republican--even if he is Texas born and a general in the army.

The foregoing is something we've watched go by. We imagine we'll watch a lot more go by if we live long enough, such as: We believe Lyndon will be next choice of Democrats for president. Yeah, we know, he ain't got a chance, but he might run a right good race at that.

So, with that we move off the page.

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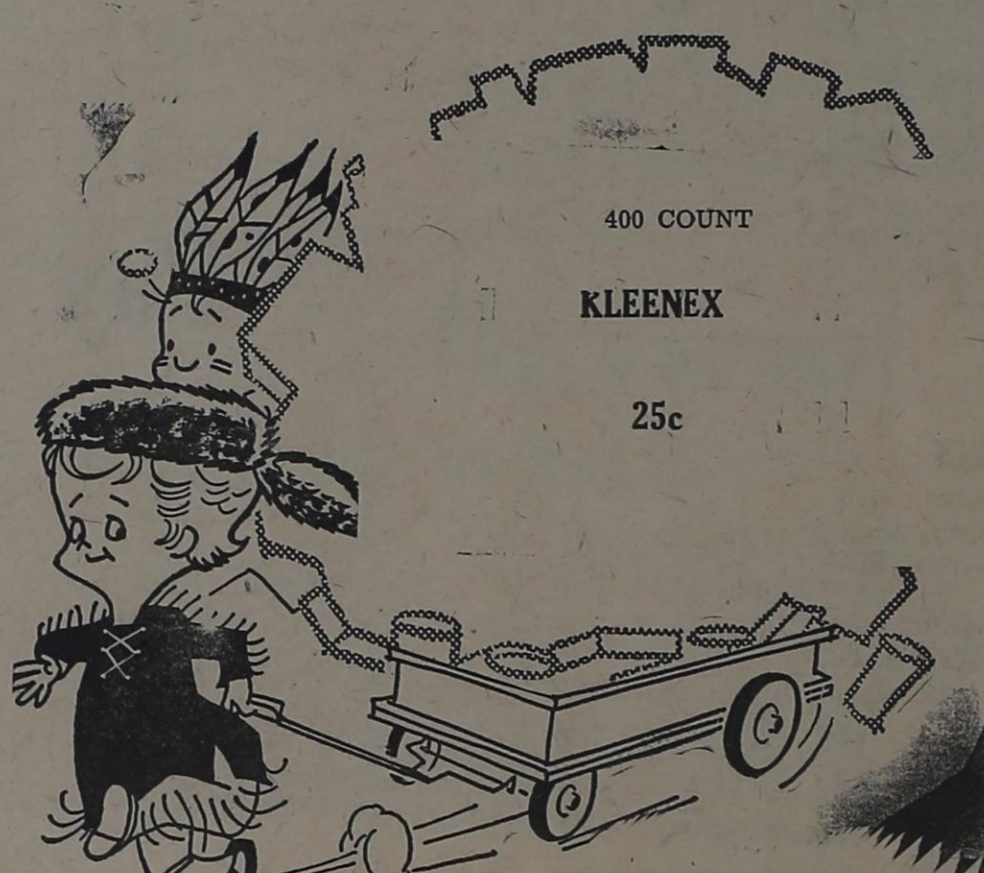
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