

Community Building to be Dedicated Tonight

After months of labor on the community which was moved into Ropes several weeks ago, it is now ready for the dedication service, which will be held on Thursday night of this week. The following program will be given at the dedication: Billy Key - Master of Ceremonies; Invocation - Rev. Dan Jones; Songs - Mrs. Teaff and Mrs. Arant; Dance Numbers - Von Nettles; Speaker - Hulon Moreland; Music - Mrs. Jordan and son; Songs - Mrs. Clarence Jordan and sons; Music - Martin Brothers; Benediction - L. A. Townsen. Refreshments will be served free, and the entire community is invited to attend.

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The weather — ain't it nice.

Otto Sims says that getting his feet wet has caused them to swell to such an extent that he has had to buy new and larger shoes, explaining, "A person living in West Texas don't have but one or two opportunities in a lifetime to get his hooves damp from rain."

However, that is hardly as bad as what happened to Woodrow Jones. So surprised was Woodrow to see it raining that he stepped out into the downpour and the new suit he was wearing became damp. "That is the reason," said Woodrow, "they had to cut the suit off me—it just shrunk and shrunk." And, there was Ulys Gregg who was standing in front of the Texaco Station in summer togs shivering and shaking, and chattered, "I didn't know it was going to be this cold or I never would have sold my winter clothes to help make the down payment on a new car. Now, I'll probably have to sell the car to pay a doctor to cure the pneumonia I'm going to take."

As a car drove into the Shamrock Station during the blinding rain storm, Mansfield Thomas ejaculated: "That feller doesn't need gasoline, he needs a boat."

J. C. Pointer was slightly upset after the rain. Said he: "When I looked out the window and saw all that water, for a minute I thought my irrigation wells were running away. Then I saw there was too much water for that, and I went out and examined the stuff laying on the ground. I stuck my foot in a puddle of it — it got my shoes wet; I stuck a finger into it and it was damp; then I tasted it and it tasted like water, so I dashed a little on my face and right then and there I decided it was water."

Now, that is just a sample of what rain does to things and folks in this country — it surprises them, shocks them and sends some of them into hysteria. Rain on the South Plains is no common occurrence and rates along with earthquakes, tornadoes and the explosion of an atomic bomb in the news field.

Right there we ran out of space, so we quit.

BIRTHDAYS CELEBRATED

Kay Baxter, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Nichols, celebrated her 13th birthday Tuesday with a nice supper, and three dollars in cash, one each from her daddy, Elmo Baxter, and Mr. and Mrs. Nichols.

Town Gossip

Labor Octopus Reaches Tentacles for Farm Labor

We suppose right at the present, where people gather, there is no more discussed question than the organization of farm labor by the CIO and AFL — farmers live with it during the day and go to bed dreaming about it at night.

One such discussion took place in Walt's Cafe Monday when M. M. Collins, Skeet Robinson, Alvin Ryals, Frank Sylvester and others gathered for a coffee break.

Mr. Collins pointed out a few of the disadvantages of the movement, explaining that if farm labor was organized there would be specialized branches, such as: When you start to irrigate you would have to have an engineer to look after the engine or motor, as the case might be; a special man to dig the irrigation ditches or lay the pipe, and a special man to see that the water went into the rows.

It was also pointed out that all the farmer would have to do would be write the checks; that he would not have the power to fire or hire. This would be left up to a foreman, who would see that the 40 hour week was enforced; that time and a half is paid for each holiday and for all overtime.

Alvin Ryals complained: "You mean with me writing the checks I can't hire and fire who I please?"

"That is right," declared Collins.

"I'll do my own work," allowed Alvin. "You might," said Collins, "but when your crop is brought to the gin, which is organized, the ginner will refuse to gin it, and if you get it ginned the buyer will refuse to buy it for fear of offending the union."

It was further pointed out that an agreement would have to be made for the wage to be paid when the hands couldn't work on rainy days—also paid vacations would have to be allowed, hospital insurance furnished, and a guarantee that the hands be better better cared for than the owner of the farm.

In fact, it was said the time might come when the farm family would have to move out of their residences and live in the "picker" house so that the pickers might have the comforts they were not raised up to expect. It was also explained that with unionized farm hands the time might be at hand when you would have to furnish the hands with a checking account for convenience, and a new automobile for pleasure.

And, when cultivating

comes along there would have to be a man to drive the tractor, a man to put the plows on, a man to see that the plows stayed on, and a man to crank up the engine; a man to fill the tractor tank with gasoline or butane and one to mark off the rows.

BAPTIST

CHURCH NEWS

John J. Cole, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship.... 11:00 am
Training Union 6:30 pm
Evening Worship.... 7:30 pm
Wed. Nite Serv..... 7:30 pm

We have experienced a wonderful Revival the past few days. Twenty-one new members have been received into the church fellowship. Ten of these were by transfer from other Baptist Churches, and eleven were added by profession of faith and baptism.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL attendance last Sunday was 273, and the Training Union attendance was 114.

THE PASTOR is conducting a Revival meeting at Wolforth this week. Morning services are at 10:30 and evening services at 7:30. Brother Bill Summers, Lubbock, is leading the music. The pastor is Brother Glenn Wilson.

The Gideons will furnish the speaker for the morning service Sunday, April 19th. Brother Ray Dunavant will preach at the evening service at 8:00 o'clock. The pastor will be at Wolforth.

YOU ARE INVITED to attend services at the First Baptist Church.

NAZARENE

NEWS NOTES

Dan D. Jones, Pastor
Our regular services are as follows:

Sunday School 9:45 AM
Morning Worship 11 AM
NYPS, Juniors 6:30 PM
Evening Worship 7:00 PM
Wednesday
Prayer Serv. 7:30 PM

These are busy days, closing out the year's work. All departments are checking their records which will reveal what we have accomplished. Our Convention will convene in Lubbock May 11-15. NYPS will be the 11th, NFMS the 12th, and the Assembly proper 13 - 15.

OUR VACATION BIBLE School has been scheduled for May 25 - 29 before people get off on their vacations.

WE TRAVEL

Not that we traveled very far, but we did visit the city of Levelland, the county site of Hockley County, on Friday of last week. While there we were in the court house, the House of Justice, the mesa of the law profession and the home of the county officials.

There, as large as life, was our commissioner, Hulon Moreland. In company with Hulon was Tom Price, a former commissioner. They were not discussing county business, but art, fishing and politics, Tom saying it is only eight months until the boys would have to announce again for public office, and intimating he might be a candidate — for just which office he hasn't as yet decided. There are several offices to come up — Sheriff, Tax Assessor - Collector, County Attorney, County Commissioner of Precinct I, Constables and others. Tom is thinking about pitching tickets in a hat and reaching in and drawing one out and the name of the office on that ticket is the office he will run for.

But, even as early as it is, there is a rumor going the rounds that Weldon Johnson, Levelland attorney, may throw his hat into the ring for county attorney. Weldon has lived in this county more than thirty years, and is an outstanding attorney. Along in the 30's he served as county attorney of this county and turned in a good record. Many of his friends have told us they believe Weldon is the man for the office.

We contacted Dick Cooke, county treasurer, and found this young man busy taking care of the duties of his office. Before becoming county treasurer Dick served as veterans officer, and is well and favorably known to the many war veterans and their families throughout the county.

On down the hall is the office of the county judge and county attorney. Warren Tabor was in, but he was busily engaged in writing checks for his monthly bills and looking after other business. As to the Judge, he was having juvenile trouble.

He was ironing out some troubles with some youngster and stated that he had three more coming in at one o'clock. The latter three were the ones who allegedly telephoned a school in Levelland and told the person answering the phone that a bomb had been placed in the school and was to explode in fifteen minutes. "These kids are giving me a fit," said Louis Owens, Bob Robins, juvenile officer, was also in the judge's office and doing his part in the

Long Time Resident of South Plains Passes

METHODIST NEWS NOTES

Frank Story, Pastor
Mary Morrow, Diane Nix, Milton Story and Rev. Frank Story attended the District meeting of the MYF Saturday. Officers were elected for the ensuing Year and were installed by Rev. Harold Rucker, pastor at Wilson and District Director of Youth Work. Joe Don Horton of Meadow was elected president.

SEVERAL OF OUR workers in the Children's Division of the Church School attended the Vacation Church School Institute at Brownfield Wednesday. Mrs. Charles Shannon is superintendent of this Division in the local church.

REV. FRANK STORY was in Brownfield Sunday where he preached at First Church in the Evening service, and the Local Youth led in the Evening Worship in his absence. Mr. and Mrs. Travis White sponsor the Local MYF.

TUESDAY EVENING, 46 persons were present at the Local Church for an appreciation party for Mr. and Mrs. Wallace White and Glen who have recently moved from our midst. Various classes of the Church School and many individuals presented them with useful and beautiful gifts in appreciation of their contribution to the Church and Community life while they abode here. We hate to lose them, but bid them Godspeed and blessings as they labor in a new place.

MONDAY, TUESDAY and Wednesday of next week Rev. and Mrs. Frank Story will attend Camp Training for Intermediate Camps at Camp Butman near Merkel. This is a new Camp Ground and the Brownfield District Intermediate Camp will meet there June 22 through 26th. Rev. Story is District Director of Intermediate Work.

COUNTY FARM BUREAU HEAD VISITS ROPES

Odell Frazier, of Levelland, and head of the County Farm Bureau, was a pleasant visitor in Ropes on Monday.

He stated that the Farm Bureau was opposed to the Unions organizing farm labor, and that the Bureau is taking every possible step to prevent organization.

R. RIOJAS IN BRADY

Ralph Riojas, local dry-goods merchant, is in Brady this week looking after business.

Charley G. Kulms, 81, long time resident of the Plains, passed away at the home of his son, D. G. Kulms, on April 8th. The funeral service was held at the First Baptist Church in Ropesville. Interment was in Ropesville Cemetery.

Mr. Kulms was born on the Guadalupe River near San Antonio, Texas, February 28, 1878, and in 1905 he was married to Miss Annie Landers. To this union were born five children, four girls and one boy, all of whom survive him except one girl and his wife. Those still living are: D. G. and Mrs. H. B. Marrett, both of Ropesville; Mrs. A. W. Self of Wolfforth, and Agnes Hooks of Grants Pass, Oregon.

Other survivors are 23 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Kulms first moved to the Plains in 1923. After spending about one year in New Mexico he returned here and settled at Wolfforth where he lived until he moved to Ropesville in 1942.

RAY TUSSEY INJURED IN SMASH UP

The pickup driven by Ray Tussy Tuesday morning was almost demolished when it crashed into a gravel truck driven by Jerry Edward Snell at the intersection of Timmons Avenue and Farm to Market 41.

Ray was traveling west on 41 and the truck was going south on Timmons Avenue.

"I saw the truck coming," stated Ray, "and I thought he was going to stop. I locked my brakes as he came up on the highway and threw myself down in the seat, gripping the right hand door handle."

While the truck showed little or no damage the pickup was wrecked, the front and side caved in and the windshield knocked out.

Ray received a severely injured leg, a cut arm and possibly a broken shoulder. He was taken to a hospital by Loyd Arant.

This is the second accident on this intersection since the pavement was laid, the first occurring in a similar manner when a car pulled out on the highway without stopping.

WENT IN AMARILLO

Mr. and Mrs. Slim Weatherly were in Amarillo this past week visiting relatives.

AMONG THE ILL

Mrs. J. T. Allen is this week suffering from throat condition.

**BOBBY WHITLOCK
RECOMMENDED FOR
CREW CHIEF**

A-1c Bobby John Whitlock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Whitlock, stationed at Lincoln Air Force Base, Nebraska, sent the following information to his parents:

S/Sgt. Bobby J. Whitlock, AF18438562 is highly recommended to be nominated as crew chief of the month because of the record set by him and his crew of aircraft 53-2292A.

During the month of January this aircraft was scheduled for eight (8) sorties. On each occasion the aircraft was in commission upon arrival of the flight crew and each sortie was successfully flown as scheduled.

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This crew voluntarily works many hours of overtime to insure that quality maintenance is always performed on their aircraft. In addition to the record and number of sorties flown by this aircraft, this crew performs their post flight and pre-flights in a thorough and professional manner and are to be commended and recognized for a job well done.

CRISPIN M. WOOD,
Major, USAF
Maintenance Officer.
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**ROPES WINS
7-B MEET**

Ropesville got fine performances from four freshmen to win the District 7-B track and field meet Tuesday afternoon at Texas Tech.

The Eagles copped seven first places enroute to compiling 49 3/4 points. New Home finished second with 38 1/8, followed by Whiteface, 26 3/8; Wellman, 28 3/8; Union, 9 3/8; and Meadow, 8.

Of the five individual events Ropesville won, three of them were taken by freshmen. Curtis Means high jumped 5-4, Ronnie Ayers won the 100 in 10.8 and Bob Bevers ran the mile in 5:24.0. Another frosh, Larry Witt finished second in the 120-yard high hurdles.

Ropesville's other blue ribbons came when Stanley Elliott won the high hurdles in 18.0; Billy Durham flung the discus, 102 feet, 6 inches; the sprint relay quartet of Gerald Ward, Buford Moore, Danny Robinson and Ayers clocked a 47.6, and the mile relay team of Moore, Elliott, Jehue Price and George Marrett ran a 3:44.0.

The first and second place finishers in each event are eligible for the regional meet to be held April 24-25.

Coach Paul Brown will take 11 boys to the regional meet. They are: Ronnie Ayers, Bobby Bevers, Larry Witt, Buford Moore, George Marrett, Stanley Elliott, Jehue Price, Gerald Ward, Billy Durham, Danny Robinson and Curtis Means.

**LOCKETTVILLE
H. D. CLUB NEWS**

The Lockettville Home Demonstration Club met on Wednesday, April 15, in the home of Mrs. J. C. Armstrong, Jr., with eleven members present.

Wanda Pierce gave a demonstration on the use of cosmetics.

The club has sold some candy for the Hockley County Council.

Those present were Mmes. Glenda Dean Nix, Gladys Robinson, Ruby Price, Wanda Pierce, Winkler, Irene Armstrong, Kay Bailey, Sue Spradlin, Phyllis Redman, Nancy Reeves, and the hostess.

The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Winkler on May 6th.

FOR SALE

About 1500 bushels of 6-11 Lankart '56 white sack cotton seed, acid delinted and in 50 pound sacks. See Dee Strickland, 2 miles east on Route 1, Ropesville. 4t

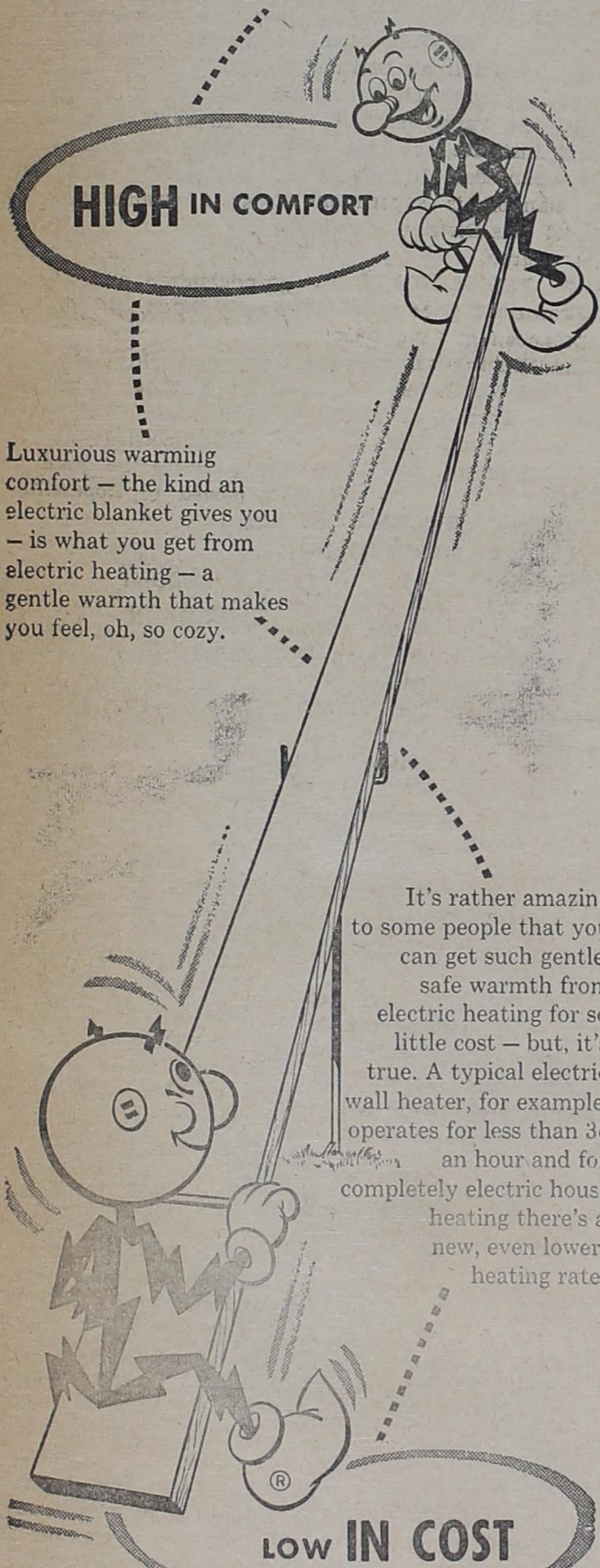
**WE TRAVEL
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handling of the erring youth.

We're going to say this, we expected Louis Owens to make a good county judge and we have not been disappointed.

Sheriff Weir Clem was in the court house. He says things are rather quiet at the present time. Sheriff Clem is not slow in making arrests where the law has been violated, but he says that it disgusts an officer to make an arrest and then fail to get his case prosecuted.

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THIS WEEK In AUSTIN

By Sen. Preston Smith
The state's teachers have drawn the fire of several Legislators during this session for their "strenuous" support of proposed teacher

laws.
Rep. H. J. "Doc" Blanchard has accused teachers of "lobbying by mail". One Legislator offered letters as evidence that school students in his locality had

been required to type letters to the Legislators at the instruction of their teacher.

One case, which recently made headlines, accused a teacher of threatening a student's grades unless the student typed the letters.

How extensive or how true these charges turn out to be is not known. But, even casual observers here can testify that bigger-than-ever crowds of teachers have visited Austin this session.

Objects of this teacher interest include a new teacher pay bill and a strong teacher tenure bill.

Highlighting the tenure bill are provisions that "no teacher who has attained tenure status shall be suspended, demoted, reassigned or dismissed except for marked inefficiency or grave immorality; continued and serious neglect of duty, conviction of a felony; willful and persistent violation of state school laws, legally authorized regulations of the State Board of Education, or the Department of Education, and/or just and reasonable regulations of the local board of education."

It provides that teachers of one year's experience in a school shall be on probation for one year before the tenure provisions apply; and new teachers shall be on probation for two years.

The general terms in the tenure bill, authorities say, will set up a basis for a court suit by any complaining teacher. The tenure terms create an area for fact determination and also a review of the reasonableness of any order affecting an individual or any general regulations of state and local boards of education.

GEO. ALLEN LIKELY TO UNDERGO SURGERY

George Allen told the Plainsman this past week he had been having trouble with his stomach for some time, and that doctors had advised him that surgery was needed to relieve the condition.

He is giving the matter serious thought, and said he might enter the hospital next week.

HARRIS' VISIT IN TULIA

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris and children were in Tulia during the weekend visiting in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris.

They are former residents of the Ropes community, Mr. Harris having been employed as manager at the Lockettville Gin for a long number of years.

MRS. C. LOVELESS VISITS DAUGHTER

Mrs. Clyde Loveless was in Lovington, N. M., during the weekend visiting in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn D. Patman.

D. E. STRICKLANDS

GO TO FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Strickland left this week for Florida where they will visit in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. McKinney and children.

BOB THOMAS UNDERGOES SURGERY

Bob Thomas, this past Monday, underwent major

surgery in the Veterans Hospital at Amarillo.

A report from his bedside on Tuesday stated that while he is seriously ill his condition is favorable, and he is recovering. Mrs. Thomas and son, of Ropes, are attending his bedside.

BILL FOSTERS IN NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Foster are sojourning in Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, where Bill is taking the hot baths.

SCIENCE TEACHER WILL ATTEND TECH ON GRANT

Paul Brown, science teacher in the Ropes high school, has received a Science Foundation Scholarship.

He will attend Texas Tech this summer.

JAMES MARTIN HOME ON SHORT LEAVE

James Martin and a friend were here from Thursday to Saturday of last week visiting in the home of James' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin. They are stationed at Waco.

On Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Martin and the boys went on a rabbit drive near Sweetwater. There were more than a hundred and fifty people at the drive, and rabbits by the hundred. Mrs. Martin said they are having two rabbit drives a week.

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and that the drive they attended was the 10th, and rabbits were still plentiful.

MRS. T. MARTIN IS RECOVERING

Mrs. Tyree Martin, who has been suffering from a severe attack of throat trouble, is much improved, but not yet well.

Tuesday Tyree and wife visited a doctor in Brownfield, who said treatment would have to continue for a few days.

ROYCE AND CHARLES CAVITT AMONG ILL

Royce and Charles, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Cavitt, have been confined to their room because of illness.



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OPERATED ON FOR APPENDICITIS
This past Sunday Mrs. Duke Biggs became ill and was rushed to a Lubbock hospital where she was operated on for the removal of her appendix. Reports given the Plainsman on Tuesday stated she is well on the road to recovery.

ABB RUSSELL VISITS MOTHER
Abb Russell was in Level-land this past week visiting in the home of his mother, Mrs. A. Russell. Abb said his mother had been at Stovall Wells taking hot baths, and that the treatment had improved her health.

VISITS TULIA
On Thursday of last week Bun Redman was looking after business in Tulia and Odell. On Sunday the Redmans and Mr. and Mrs. James Redman went to Burson Lake, near Silverton, where they went fishing.

FLORA MARTIN IS RECOVERING
Miss Flora Martin, who underwent major surgery in a Lubbock hospital several days ago and who for a time was in critical condition, has been removed from the hospital to the home of her brother in Lubbock. Flora is assistant post master at Ropes, and the patrons of the office miss her.

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MAYFIELDS RETURN HOME
Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Mayfield, who have been visiting in Temple, have returned home.

ABB RUSSELLS HAVE VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. Abb Russell had as their guests this past week their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Somerfeld of Hamilton.

SIMS HAVE VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. Buck Cate, of Lubbock, were visitors in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Sims, on Sunday of this week.

MRS. SHANKLIN VISITS IN ROPES
Mrs. R. W. Shanklin and children, of Lubbock, were in Ropes Monday visiting in the home of her children, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas.

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Wrap, remove radioactive waste

Now is the time to prepare for disaster, not when the warning sounds. Many of the same preparedness measures would be helpful against natural disasters, like tornadoes, as well as enemy attack. Warning of approaching natural disaster would come from newspapers, radio or television. Warning of an impending nuclear attack would be by sirens. After warning is sounded the Conelrad emergency broadcasting system comes into operation. Conelrad stations broadcast on low power on 640 and 1240 kilocycles to deny national aid to enemy pilots nearing targets. Local civil defense instructions would be broadcast by Conelrad during the shutdown of regular radio and television.

THE "ALERT" signal, a steady siren or

whistle blast of three to five minutes, would mean that an attack is probable. In such emergencies, you would be expected to take action as directed by your local government. Thereupon Conelrad radio stations would broadcast local instructions. A warbling siren tone or short whistle blasts means "Take Cover," an attack is imminent. You would be urged to seek the best available shelter, underground if possible, such as a basement, or an interior room on the ground floor. Otherwise, it would be best to lie flat on the floor wherever you are. You can do many things to prepare for disaster:

Use your "Handbook for Emergencies" which was prepared by the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization and de-

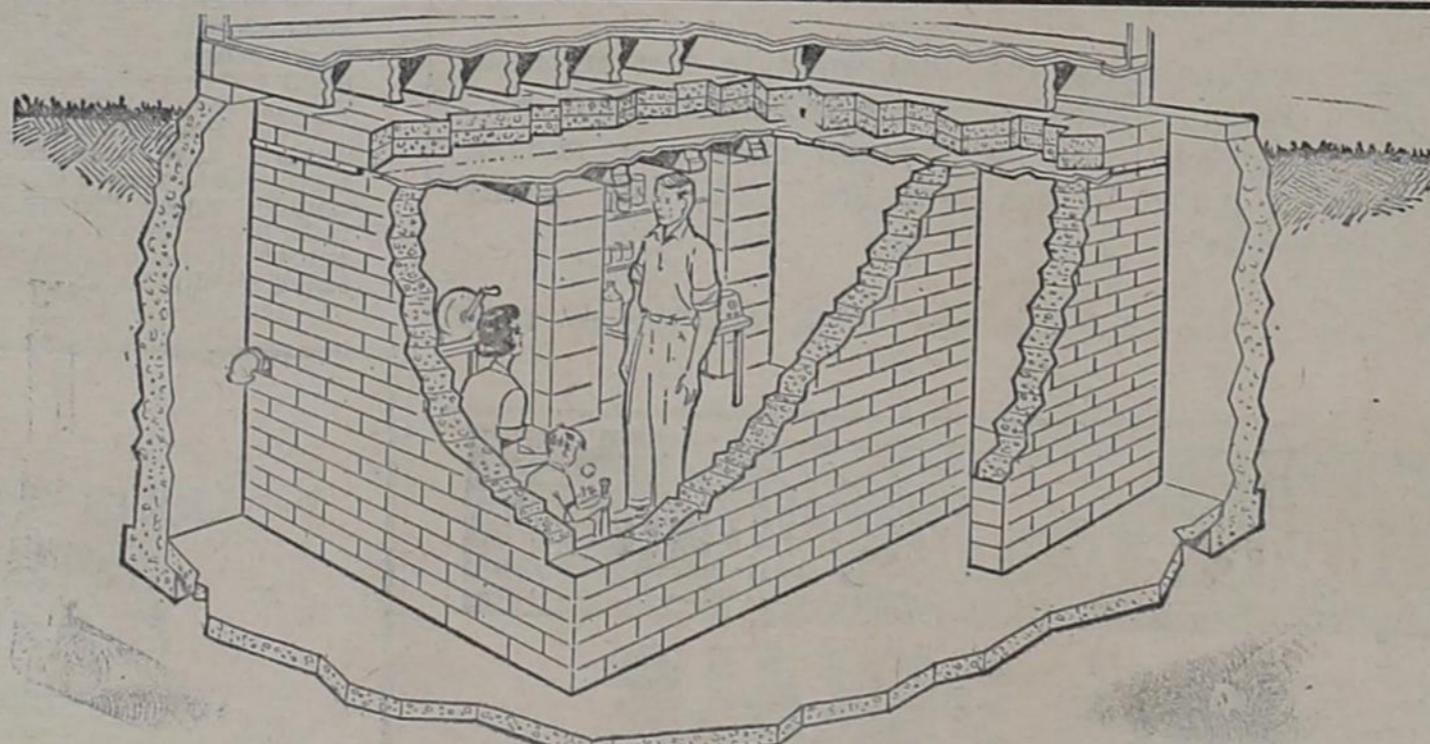
livered to your home last October by Boy Scouts.

- Build or improvise a home fallout shelter. An underground shelter covered by three feet of earth is excellent. A basement shelter of concrete blocks is relatively inexpensive, and would provide substantial protection except in heaviest fallout areas.
- Stock the shelter with a two-week supply of food and water. Extra, uncontaminated drinking liquids are normally available for emergencies in hot water heaters, ice cubes and bottled drinks, fresh fruits, and water-packed fruits and vegetables in cans. Most food should be cellophane-wrapped or in cans or bottles. Allow at least seven gallons of drinking liquids per person in covered containers.
- Equip your shelter with a first aid

kit, battery radio, flashlights, blankets and warm clothing. Desirable items are bunks, and longer-duration battery or hand-generator-operated lights.

Learn basic first aid from Red Cross or civil defense training courses in your community. At least one member of each family should have this training.

THE FALLOUT danger which would follow a nuclear attack could inflict casualties in the most remote areas. Civilians should learn the facts of self-protection. Anyone exposed to radioactive dust must wash it away promptly. Food protected by cans, bottles and even cellophane would be safe to eat if the exterior were cleaned of fallout dust. Unpeeled fruit and vegetables like potatoes, if cleaned could be eaten safely.



BASEMENT SHELTER, designed by the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization, is recommended for protecting the average family from radioactive fallout. The 13 x 8-foot shelter can be built of concrete blocks for about \$300 on a do-it-yourself basis, somewhat higher if contracted.

ALERT SIGNAL

A steady blast of 3 to 5 minutes on sirens, whistles, horns, or similar devices.

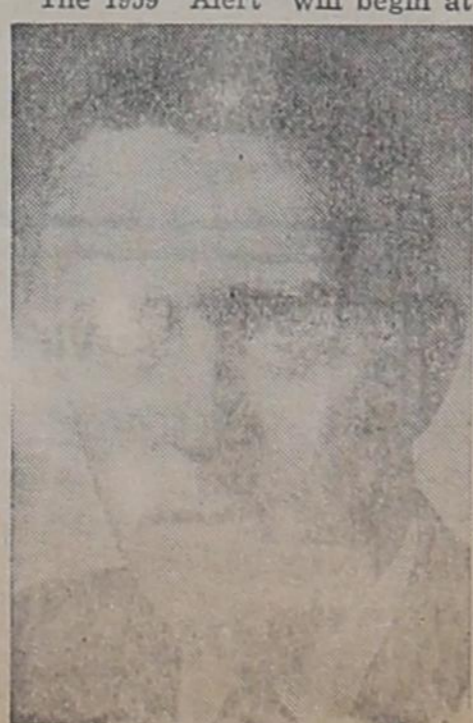
TAKE COVER SIGNAL

Wailing tone or short blasts for 3 minutes on sirens, whistles, horns, or similar devices.

THESE PUBLIC WARNING signals could mean life or death to millions of Americans if the nation were attacked. The "Alert" signal on sirens or whistles means take action as directed by local government, an attack is probable. The "Take Cover" signal means, take cover, an attack is imminent. In such emergencies, you should seek the best available shelter immediately, preferably in a basement or underground. Some protection can be gained by lying flat in an interior ground floor room, on the floor of an automobile or in a ditch.

6th Annual Civil Defense 'Alert' to Begin April 17

The sixth annual civil defense Operation Alert will begin April 17 and continue through the summer in progressive stages. The 1959 "Alert" will begin at



... to direct "Alert"

11:30 a. m. (EST) with the mock approach of "enemy" planes and missiles. Warning signals will sound in cities and towns across the nation. The drill may call for evacuation, shelter, or a combination of both, depending on local plans.

At the same hour, a nationwide 30-minute Conelrad Radio Alert Drill will be held. Civil and Defense Mobilization Director Leo A. Hoegh will speak on a national Conelrad hookup as part of a drill to increase public awareness of the emergency broadcasting system and to train radio personnel in its use. Conelrad radio stations operate only on 640 or 1240 kilocycles. All other radio and television stations will be off the air. Hoegh will be heard at about 11:45 a. m. (EST).

Operation Alert 1959 will be the first such exercise since President Eisenhower promulgated the National Plan for Civil Defense and Defense Mobilization last October. Many of the procedures and lines of authority set up in the plan will be practiced during the Alert.



SURVIVAL PLANS for civil defense action have been prepared by all but four states and can be tested during the civil defense training exercise, Operation Alert 1959, which begins April 17. The plans provide emergency evacuation and shelter

procedures for states, cities and communities in event of enemy attack. New Mexico and Pennsylvania have their plans 75 per cent finished, Indiana 50 to 75 per cent, and South Carolina less than 50%. There are also 240 area plans within states.

DO YOU WANT A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA?

If you are not a high school graduate and are interested in securing a high school diploma issued by the State Department of Education, you can do so by taking a General Education Development Test to be given at South Plains College on the evenings of April 21, 22, 23, and 24, beginning at 6:30 in Room 7. However, these tests may be taken at any time between 8:30 a.m. and 5 P.M. at the Registrar's office.

There are five tests covering grammar, literature, history, science, and mathematics. Two hours are allowed for each part of the examination. The tests are of high school level and reflect intellectual ability of this level rather than specific knowledge, therefore, specific preparation can not be advised. The purpose of this test is to obtain a high school equivalency diploma, for college entrance, and for employment requirements for many businesses.

Veterans over 18 years of age and non-veterans over 21 years of age may take the test. Birth certificates must be furnished for proof of age. The cost is \$10.00 for taking this battery of tests. One or all parts may be taken over after three months from the first test date without charge.

Nathan Tubb, Registrar.

GRACIE RIOJAS ATTENDS PARTY

Gracie, daughter of Ralph Riojas of Ropes, attended an information party on the afternoon of April 12 in Tech Union ballroom, Lubbock, held for high school senior girls and their mothers who are interested in obtaining information about sororities and Rush Week at Texas Tech.

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SCHOOL MENU FOR APRIL 20 - 24

Monday: Baked ham, buttered rice, green peas, banana pudding, hot rolls, butter and milk.

Tuesday: Fried chicken, maccaroni and cheese, tossed salad, apricot cobbler, butter, hot rolls and milk.

Wednesday: Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, English pea salad, jello, light bread and milk.

Thursday: Chili beans, cooked cabbage, tomato casserole, apple cobbler, corn bread and milk.

Friday: Turkey and dressing, green beans, sweet potatoes, cranberries, lightbread and milk.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our sincere thanks to the folks of the Ropes community for the words of sympathy, cards, flowers, gifts of food and acts of kindness at the time of the death of our beloved father and grandfather. May God's greatest blessings be with each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Kulms,
Mrs. H. B. Marrett,
Mrs. A. W. Self
and grandchildren.

LOUD SIREN PLACED ON OGLE AUTOMOBILE

A siren, which it is said can be heard for two miles, has been placed on Constable Jack Ogle's car, along with a public address system.

This equipment is installed to be used in case of emergency or disaster, and in cooperation with civil defense. As long as there is electricity the fire siren can be used, but in case the fire siren is knocked out the siren on the law enforcement can be brought into use. For example: If there is a storm and the electricity goes off and there is a fire the battery operated siren can be used; in case of a severe storm warning and the electricity is off, the siren can be used; in case of enemy attack or national disaster, the siren and public address system from the car can be used.

This is a part of the system to be used in case of emergency. The other part is a two-way radio which can be used to receive and send out warning, or in law enforcement. This radio station, which will be licensed

to the City of Ropes, can receive and send to the police circuit or can be switched to the state circuit and contact and receive from the Department of Public Safety.

The radio station has been ordered and should arrive within the next thirty or forty days.

ROPES HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETS

The Ropes Home Demonstration Club met on April 7 at the home of Mrs. Bud Rucker, with twelve members and two visitors present. Mrs. Joe Harris presided at the business session during which plans were made to assist in getting the Community building ready for opening. Members will meet to clean the kitchen and a committee was selected to plan and select curtains for the party room.

The program for the day was entitled "Your Clothes and You". It was brought by Mrs. Bob Thomas, who had recently attended a training school on this subject in Levelland. She demonstrated her remarks with various accessories, showing how a basic dress could be changed for different occasions. Glenda Tussy concluded the program by pointing out which designs of clothing are most flattering to individual figures.

The next meeting will be held on April 21 at the home of Mrs. Kirby Shannon. The program will be on good grooming habits.

Mrs. James Chambers,
Reporter.

FARM BUREAU TO MEET IN AMARILLO

The Farm Bureau is girding itself for a battle against the organization of farm labor by the CIO and AFL. The first meeting of the Bureau in this section will be held in Amarillo on Friday morning, April 17, in the Townhouse Hotel.

Anyone interested from his county and desiring to attend will be furnished free transportation. They will leave from the Levelland office of the Farm Bureau at 6 o'clock Friday morning. Information in regard to the trip may be obtained from E. N. Exum of Ropes.

The feature speaker of the occasion will be Matt Tregg, legislative representative of the Farm Bureau from Washington. He will tell what is happening in the Congress and bring the folks attending the meeting up-to-date on the moves being taken by the Unions to organize farm labor. He will also explain what steps the farmers are going to have to take to meet the threat of the organization.

ROPES MAN INJURED

Three Negroes were injured when their car overturned about 11 p.m. Saturday near Post. In fair condition at Methodist Hospital at Lubbock Sunday were Jack Sapp, 29, Ropesville; Thelma Johnson, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Johnson, Rt. 2, Levelland, and Florida Allen, 37, Rt. 2, Levelland.

FOR SALE

Sixty acres, modern home, good dairy barn and out-buildings. See or call V. L. Bridges, 1 mile west of Ropes, phone 3021.

5-A NEWS

We are sorry Royce Cavitt has been absent from school on account of illness. Hurry back to school, Royce.

We are, also, sorry that Mary Haislip has been absent so much this 6 weeks. Sneezes, a bad tooth, and a cold have all done their best to keep Mary at home, and succeeded very well, too.

5A HONOR ROLL

ALL A's:

Peggy Tudor
Glenda Price
Charlotte Johnson
Charles Cesari

ALL A's And B's:

Carolyn Peal
Janice Hickman
Donnie Blackmon
Berrilyn Thomas
Mary Haislip

ALL B's:

Royce Cavitt

Peggy Ann Tudor made a grade of 100 on 20 written problems in 5A's six weeks test. She made 97 on 33 other problems of her six weeks test, which gave her an average of 98. Good work, Peggy.

Charlotte Johnson and Charles Cesari, also, made A's on their arithmetic tests.

NEGRO MINSTREL FRIDAY NIGHT

The Negro Minstrel, sponsored by the Ropes Parents-Teachers Association, will be staged Friday night in the Ropes High School auditorium.

This is said to be a hilarious production and one which will keep you laughing from the time the curtain goes up until the climax.

The money raised from the show will be used to finish the tennis courts. Admission is \$1.00 for adults, and 25c for children.

Have fun and help a worthy cause by attending.

CARL ALLENS HAVE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Allen had as their visitors this week her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Plague, and Mrs. Parker of California.

ROY McCOY OPENS BARBER SHOP

Roy McCoy, of Levelland, has opened the Ropes Barber Shop.

Mr. McCoy is a barber of long experience and states that he will move to Ropes sometime in May.

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RECIPE

1 pkg. butterscotch instant pudding
 2/3 cup dark corn syrup
 3/4 cup PET Evaporated Milk

In 1-qt. bowl mix instant pudding and corn syrup until smooth. Stir in PET Milk gradually. Let stand to thicken, about 10 min. Makes about 2 cups. Cover and store in refrigerator.

YOU'LL NEED:

Butterscotch Inst. Pudding .12
 Syrup, Blue Label Karo .27
 Pet Milk (Evaporated) 3 - .48

SHURFINE PINEAPPLE, 20 OZ. JAR

Preserves .39

LIBBY'S BRUSSELL, 10 OZ. FROZEN

Sprouts .29

LIBBY'S, 10 OZ. PACKAGE, FROZEN

Cauliflower .24

SHURFINE, 303 CAN

Spinach, 2 for .27

LIBBY'S YELLOW, 303 CAN

Cream Corn .15

MRS. TUCKERS, 3 POUND CAN

Shortening .65

GOLD MEDAL, 10 LB. PRINT BAG

Flour .89

FOLGERS, 6 OZ. JAR

Instant Coffee .89

BROWN BEAUTY, 303 CAN

Spanish Rice .19

LIBBY'S WHOLE, 303 CAN

Red Beets, 2 for .29

WOLCO, 303 CAN

Blackberries .19

HURFINE, NO. 2 1/2 CAN

Fruit Cocktail .39

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MEATS

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POUND

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RED McCLURE, NO. 1, 10 POUND BAG

Potatoes .49

YELLOW, POUND

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