

JEST SOME THOUGHTS

The weather — topcoat and long-handle. A New Year has begun — the first copy of the Plainsman was put to bed last week — after a deal of hardship.

We feel the main issue of 1968 will be political. You better get to Tyree's Insurance office and register so you can have your say in the upcoming elections.

There might be a good variety to choose from in some of the races this year.

Candidates seeking the votes of the Ropes people through the paper so far are Weir Clem, re-election as Sheriff; and for County Commissioner of Precinct 1, Myrl Brock, re-election; Tyree Martin and E. O. (Emmett) Schoenrock.

Wrote a column last week about politics, and some of the goings-on in some of the offices, but since the linotype wasn't working good, we didn't get it set, and after sleeping on it a few nights, decided our hot air might cause too much steam; the pot might boil over.

People serving the public must have diplomacy — without it, enemies are apt to be made that could hamper their desire to serve the public at a later date.

We do wonder, though, why the Plainsman didn't receive any more citations during 1967 for publication.

A small newspaper has to depend on many things to stay in business. Besides the advertising and job work, the citations of the County are supposed to be one means of support for all the papers in the County. If they are divided up as they should be, they can be a great help to a small business, such as ours.

When conversing with a hopeful candidate, you might remember that promises are easier to make than to fulfill.

The following poem we liked, and took it from "The Beacon", a publication of the Trinity Baptist Church in Renton, Washington. Rev. Don Crossland is the pastor, and we enjoy the paper each month.

THE BRIDGE BUILDER

An old man going a lone highway came at the evening cold and gray To a chasm vast and wide and steep With water rolling cold and deep. The old man crossed in the twilight dim The sullen stream had no fear for him. But he turned when safe on the other side And built a bridge to span the tide. Old Man, said a fellow pilgrim near You are wasting your strength with building here, Your journey will end with the ending day You never again will pass this way. You've crossed the chasm deep and wide. Why build you this bridge at eventide? The builder lifted his old gray head, Good friend, in the path I have come, he said There followeth after me today, A youth whose feet must pass this way. The chasm that was naught to me To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall be; He too, must cross in the twilight dim — Good friend, I am building this bridge for him.

Did you know you are going to have to have your picture on your next driver's license. That's the literature we got.

Little Mary says we shouldn't despise our enemies — we ought to like what we've made.

The Traveler's Insurance Companies public information states that alcohol has been found to be a contributing factor in more than half of the fatal traffic accidents, according to independent surveys.

Don't forget! Register to vote.

Ropes High School Basketball Schedule 1967-68

Table with columns for date, time, and teams. Includes games like Jan. 12 Sundown H, Jan. 16 Southland H TB, Jan. 19 New Home T TB, etc.

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1967-68

Following is the calendar for the Ropes Independent Schools for the terms of 1967-68: March 1: TSTA Meeting, April 12 - April 22: Easter holiday, May 24: School closes, etc.

EVERYONE, REGARDLESS OF AGE, MUST NOW REGISTER IN ORDER TO VOTE, AND YOU MAY DO SO AT TYREE'S INSURANCE AGENCY IN ROPES.

VISITS HERE FROM ODESSA

Mrs. Allen Watson of Odessa visited the first part of the week in the home of her mother, Mrs. John Kimberlin.

GERT BROWN ON SICK LIST

Gert Brown was on the sick list the first part of the week, but is reported to be improved.

GI BILL INCREASES

Veterans now in school will soon receive automatic increases in their GI Bill education checks, Jack Coker, Manager of the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Waco, said recently.

PROPORTIONATELY SMALLER ALLOWANCES WILL BE PAID FOR PART-TIME TRAINING, HE SAID.

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Your Help Needed

Mrs. Jewel Robinson asks your help in teaching some young home makers how to sew. If you can help, please come to the Community Center Monday, January 15 at 2:00 p.m.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated nine accidents on rural highways in Hockley County during the month of November, according to Sergeant A. E. Roberts, Highway Patrol Supervisor of this area. These crashes resulted in eight persons injured and an estimated property damage of \$8,240.00.

SELECTIVE SERVICE FOR JANUARY

Austin — State draft boards will be called upon to furnish 1,659 men for the armed forces in January. This quota is the biggest monthly call since November 1966, when the quota was 2,012 men.

RAILROADS PAY TAXES

Current annual taxes paid to the various government agencies by Texas railroads in Hockley County totaled \$15,055, it was announced by the Texas Railroad Association.

TEL'PHONE COMPANIES MERGE

San Angelo — General Telephone Company of the Southwest and The Southwestern States Telephone Company will be legally merged into one operating organization on January 10, 1968, it was announced January 9 by E. H. Danner, president. The two companies are wholly owned subsidiaries of General Telephone & Electronics Corporation.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following political announcements are made subject to the Democratic Primaries:

SHERIFF WEIR CLEM (re-election)

COMMISSIONER, PREC. 1: MYRL BROCK (re-election 3rd term)

TYREE MARTIN E. O. (Emmett) SCHOENROCK

There's A Diet To Fit Your Need

The American public is now well aware that any effective weight control program must include dieting. Hundreds—perhaps thousands—of different diets are presented to us. Most are billed as a "sure-fire" means of trimming off excess pounds.

The American Medical Association's home health book, Today's Health Guide, points out that weight can be lost on virtually any dietary plan, good or bad, that ensures a caloric intake less than energy used. It is apparent, however, that many diets are only temporarily effective and do not promote the fundamental purpose of permanent weight loss.

Reducing diets, ideal weight charts, calory-counting tables are available almost everywhere. It is our purpose here to discuss briefly some principles of the good reducing diet.

The diet should be individualized in harmony with income, national origins, religious principles and personal circumstances. The diet should be practical, consistent with work patterns and other everyday obligations and responsibilities.



Strickly Local

RETURN HOME FROM WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Cain, David and Harlan returned home recently from Renton, Washington where they had been visiting their daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Don Crossland and Tamra, and making the acquaintance of a new grandson, Richard Bradley Crossland.

RECOVERING FROM FLU

Bill Chandler is now recovering from a case of the flu.

ON SICK LIST

Becky Braden was reported on the sick list this week suffering from the flu. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Braden.

MRS. JOSIE ARMSTRONG IN LUBBOCK HOSPITAL

Mrs. Josie Armstrong was reported to be in a Lubbock hospital last week.

RECOVERING FROM FLU

Mrs. Robert Mayfield is recovering from a severe case of the flu.

BREAKING LAND

Darwin Hobbs of Seagraves has been here this week breaking land for his father with a new eight row Farmall tractor.

MRS. EVANS IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Shelby Evans was reported to be in a Lubbock hospital this past week.

W. E. PIERCE IN LUBBOCK HOSPITAL

W. E. Pierce was taken to a Lubbock hospital last week suffering from pneumonia. It was thought he may be able to return home the middle of this week.

BIRTHDAY CLUB MET SATURDAY

The Ropes Birthday Club met last Saturday at the Spot Restaurant in Levelland. Mrs. Kirby Shannon was honoree, and Mrs. E. N. Exum was hostess.

Others attending were Mrs. E. J. Abney, Mrs. D. M. Tipps, Mrs. W. M. Thompson, Mrs. W. E. Walling, and Mrs. Kelly Teaff.

VISIT HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Emzy Hobbs from Littlefield visited last week in the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs.

FAMILY DINNER HELD SUNDAY

The Martin family gathered Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Littlefield for a dinner and visit with J. L. Martin before he left Tuesday for a tour of duty in Africa with the Air Force.

There were 52 present: Mrs. Jim Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Arzie Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Tyree Martin and boys, all of Ropes; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Martin and family;

Mr. and Mrs. James Martin and children, Mrs. Jesse Littlefield and girls, of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Martin and children, of Seagraves;

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Martin and children, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hitt, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Tindel and children, of Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Martin and boys from Wolfforth; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jarrod and Teddy, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bradley of Brownfield.

VISITS HERE FROM ALBUQUERQUE

Nyles Morris and son, Phil, of Albuquerque, New Mexico visited over the New Year's weekend in the home of his aunt, Mrs. Troy Morris, and cousin, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas and family.

Nyles was a resident of Ropes many, many years ago when his father, Nyles Morris, Sr. ran the paper here, known as "The Ropes-Hustler".

NEW YEAR'S GUESTS IN KLUMS HOME

Guests for dinner New Year's in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Klums were Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Roberts Jr., Linda and Davey of Ropes; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Klums, Boyd and Jeanie of Smyer; Mr. and Mrs. Ewel Holcomb and Ida Mae of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Marcy and five children of Weatherford; and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Klums, Gregg and Lisa of Lubbock.

SANDRA DALTON HAS EYE SURGERY

Sandra Dalton, 5 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Omer Lee Dalton, underwent eye surgery Tuesday at West Texas Hospital in Lubbock.

Sandra stuck a pair of scissors in her eye several weeks ago. This is the second time surgery has been performed.

VISIT IN BROWNFIELD SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs and grandchildren, Charlotte and Chris, were in Brownfield Sunday where they attended church services, and visited in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Lillian Gryder and boys.

RETURN HOME FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Dalton and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Timmons returned home Tuesday night from a trip to San Antonio and other points.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for the many kindnesses extended us in the illness and death of our loved one. Especially we are thankful for the food, beautiful flowers, visits, cards and prayers; and to Brother Goodrum and Brother Adkinson and Franklin - Bartley Funeral Home. May God bless each of you in our prayer.

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COL. NEIL GRAHAM NEW COMMANDER



U.S. Air Forces, Thailand — Colonel Neil J. Graham from Lubbock is the new commander of the 338th Tactical Fighter Wing at Korat Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

The colonel's organization flies the F-105 Thunderchief, one of the U. S. Air Force's prime aircraft for strike activity over North Vietnam.

Colonel Graham, son of C. S. Graham, Route 1, Meadow previously was assistant deputy chief of staff for plans for the Pacific Air Forces, with headquarters at Hickam AFB, Hawaii. Prior to that assignment, he commanded an F-105 fighter-bomber unit, the 18th Tactical Fighter Wing, at Kadena AB, Okinawa.

Commissioned through the aviation cadet program and a World War II veteran, the colonel has logged more than 6,500 air hours, half of which have been in jet aircraft. During his distinguished 25-year military career, he has received one of the nation's highest awards for outstanding service to the United States, the Legion of Merit. He also has among his decorations, four awards of the Air Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

Colonel Graham is a 1941 graduate of Lubbock High School, and the brother of Mrs. Odell L. Lowe, of Lubbock.

The colonel received his B.S. degree in military science from the University of Maryland through the Air Force education program "Operation Bootstrap" that enables career personnel to complete degree requirements at civilian institutions. He earned his M. A. degree in international affairs in 1961 from George Washington University.

The colonel is also a graduate of the Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama, and the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Colonel Graham is married to the former Phyllis L. Biggs, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Biggs, Las Vegas, Nev.

New Arrivals

CONGRATULATIONS TO —

Rev. and Mrs. Don Crossland of Renton, Washington are proud to announce the arrival of Richard Bradley Crossland, who moved into their home last month. He is now seven months old. They have one other child, a daughter, Tamra.

Mrs. Crossland is the former Helen Cain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Cain.

ARIZONA COUPLE HURT IN WRECK

A Winslow, Arizona couple was in satisfactory condition Friday night at University Hospital, Lubbock, where they were being treated for injuries received in a car-truck accident near Tahoka about 4:00 pm. Friday.

John Scott, 60, a locomotive engineer, and his wife Ruth, 58 were injured when their sports car was in collision with a truck driven by Narciso Rosales of Ropesville at the intersection of U.S. 380 and FM179 14 miles west of Tahoka.

Investigating Highway Patrolman James Burdette of Tahoka said the Scotts were traveling west on U.S. 380 and Rosales' truck was going north on FM 179. Rosales was not injured.

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COMPLETES TRAINING

Ft. Sill, Oklahoma (AHTNC) — Army Private Loyd V. Fulford, 30, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larence W. Fulford, Route 1, Meadow completed an eight-week field artillery basic course November 9 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

During the course, he was trained in the operation and maintenance of the 105 mm and the 155mm towed howitzers. He also received specialized training in firing such weapons as the M-60 machine gun, the M-79 grenade launcher and the 3.5-inch rocket launcher.

His wife, Carol, lives in Brownfield.

TOPS CLUB NEWS

The Tops Club met January 8 at 7:00 p.m. with thirteen members and three visitors present. Two ex-members, Ina Watson of Odessa, and Marie Quisenberry and daughter Donna of Slaton.

We were happy to have our visitors and all our members present. Attending were Neil Hobbs, Mabel Hobbs, Wanda Allen, Mayme Rasher, Iva Ree Young, Loneta Shafer, Vera Lee Tudor, LaQuita Moore, Betty Whitehead, Lillian Willis, Inez Price, Odessa Walling and Celeste Thomas.

MRS. HEWLETT REPORTED ILL

Mrs. J. M. Hewlett was reported to be ill this week, and has been hospitalized.

NEW PICKUP

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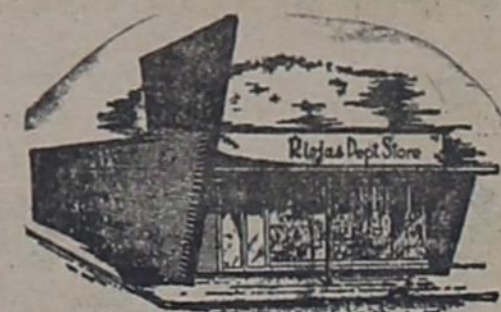
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