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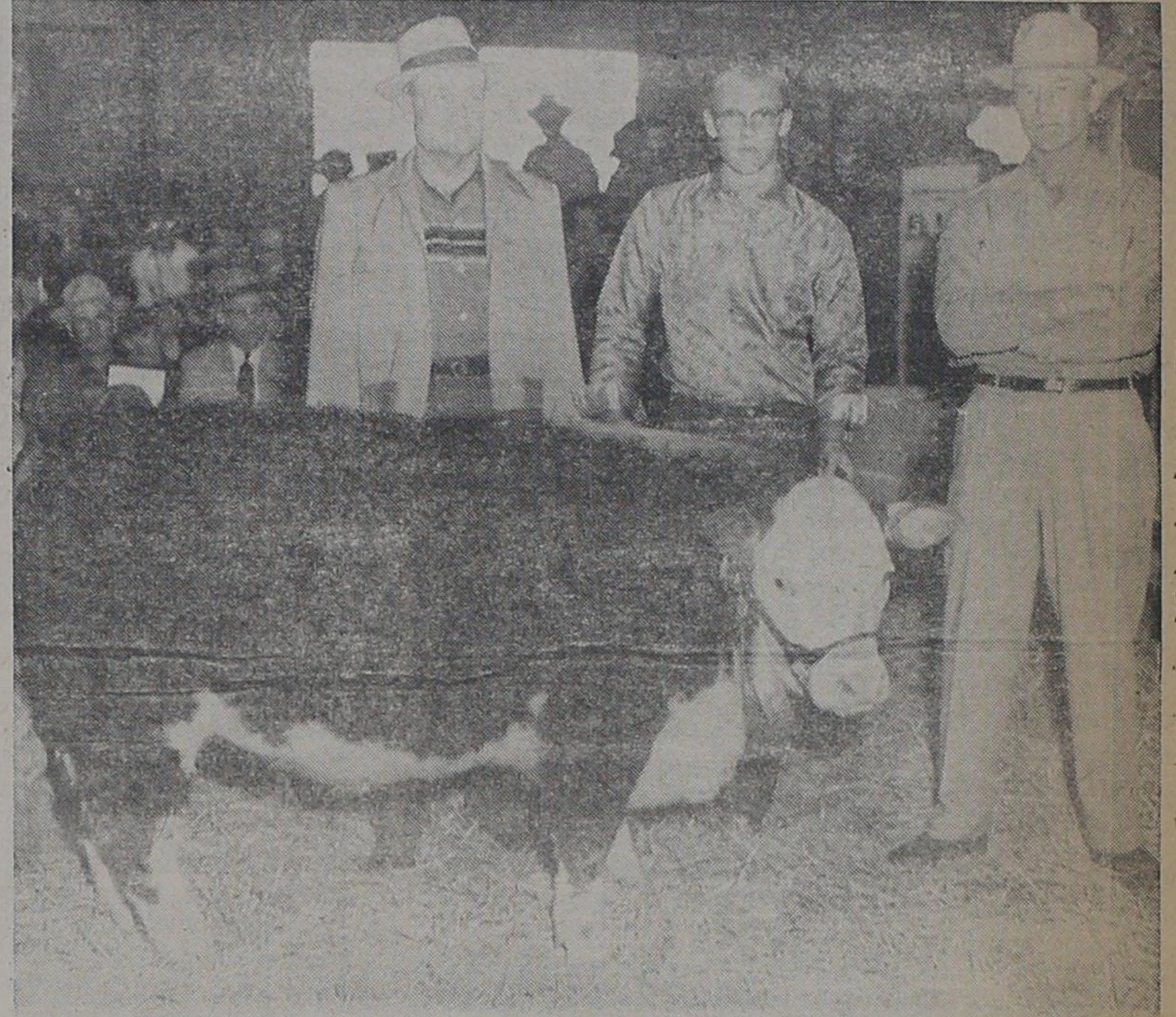
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THURSDAY, MAR. 12, 1959



On the left: John Bain, who won first place for the third year in a row. His Spotted Poland China won first in the light class and went on to win champion of the breed. He was sponsored by the 4-H. He is the

son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bain. Parker Burford of Idalou was the breeder. Mr. Burford formerly lived at Ropesville.

On the right: Terry Jack Rucker won first in the heavy Berkshire class at the

Junior Show. The pig was bought from J. M. Hewlett of Ropesville. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Rucker. He is a member of the Ropes FFA Chapter.

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Buford Lee Moore won Grand Champion with his 870 pound milk fed steer, Butch. Buford Lee was second last year and was determined to do better this

time. He bought the calf from the Andrews Hereford Farm at Ft. Worth. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Boots Moore. He is a member of the Ropes FFA Chap-

ter. In the picture, left to right, Boots Moore, his son, Buford Lee, and Winston Jones, who bought the steer for the Ropes Farmers Coop Gin, who paid 75c per pound.

NAZARENE SPRING REVIVAL MAR. 18 - 29

Rev. L. P. (Jack) Durham, of Arlington, who will open a Spring Revival at the Church of the Nazarene, is now a full-time evangelist, following twenty years of service as pastor of Nazarene Churches in Texas and New Mexico.

He was voted an evangelist's commission by the Houston District Assembly in



REV. L. P. (Jack) DURHAM

August, 1958, where he had served on the District Advisory Board for seven years while pastor of Houston First Church of the Nazarene.

Mr. Durham was born in Pratt, Kansas. He prepared for the ministry at Bethany Nazarene College, Bethany, Oklahoma, graduating in 1937. As a student he was a member of the college quartet, and still sings special selections in connection with church services.

He served Nazarene churches in Quanah, Center, and Corsicana, Texas, and in Carlsbad and Clovis, New Mexico. For three years, he was assistant pastor and director of music at Dallas First Church of the Nazarene.

While pastoring in Houston, Mr. Durham also studied at the University of Houston, securing a master's degree in 1954.

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WARNING — DOGS!

The dog situation in Ropes has become serious, with one dog chewing up the arm of a small child Wednesday. In the light of this, dog owners are warned to keep their dogs up until vaccination time — dogs running loose will be shot.

Jack Ogle, Constable.

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METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

The Spearhead Sub-District meeting of the Methodist Youth Fellowship met with the local Methodist Church with seventy in attendance. Churches represented at this session were: Draw, New Home, Meadow, O'Donnell, Wilson and Ropes.

The Wilson MYF presented a wonderful program of worship on the theme "Why I Need the Church". Plans were completed for the election of officers at the next session which will be the second Monday evening in May. Refreshments of sandwiches, cookies and drinks were served by the WSCS. Mr. Eugene Roper, of New Home, is the adult counselor for the sub-district. Rev. Harold Rucker and Rev. Frank Story are the co-directors of youth work for the District.

REV. FRANK STORY and Mrs. Story attended a part of the Willson Lectures and a meeting of the Town and Country Commission at Abilene Tuesday and Wednesday. The Willson Lectures are an annual affair at McMurry College and the Town and Country Commission meets during the Lectures in a Pre-Conference meeting to plan for the sessions of the Annual Conference which meets the last week in May.

THERE WILL BE a meeting of the Adult Workshop and Charge Lay Leader's training school at the First Methodist Church, Brownfield, this evening at 6:30. The program consists of a Fellowship meal to be provided by the "covered dish" method. After the meal the Charge Lay Leaders will be directed in their studies by Judge Charlie Lawrence of Seminole, District Lay Leader, and Joe Salem, District Lay Leader of the Plainview District. All other Adults will divide into six groups for the study of Christian Family Life. Leading these discussions will be: Rev. and Mrs. Charles Lutrick of Lubbock, Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Campbell of Anton, and Mr. and Mrs. Coke Tolliver of Brownfield. These families attended the Family Life Conference for all the United States last fall.

FOR OUR POST Easter Revival, we are having a different speaker each week-day night for a week with

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BAPTIST REVIVAL APRIL 2 - 12

Kirby McGuire, pastor at Queen Street Baptist Church in Tyler, will be the Evangelist for the Spring Revival at the First Baptist Church. Mrs. McGuire will be the guest Pianist, and Brother Eddie Smith, Music Director of the same church, will be the Gospel Singer.

This Evangelistic Team is



ABOVE — Kirby McGuire, who will open the Spring Revival at the Ropes First Baptist Church on April 2.

one of the best to be found anywhere. We are looking forward to some great evangelistic services. We extend an invitation to the people of our community to take advantage of this opportunity to improve their spiritual lives and relationship with the Lord.

We are interested in the salvation of the lost and the revival of the joys of salvation for the saved. God says in His Divine Word, "If my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and heal their land." 2 Chron. 7:14.

We invite you and your family to join with us and the other churches of our community in a movement to give attention to the things of the Spirit. Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Savior of the World, is the answer to the needs of the individual, the nation, and the world. Give God a chance to do for you and your home what needs to be done.

John J. Cole.

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ROPES FFA AND 4-H BOYS MAKE GOOD SHOWING

Members of the Ropes FFA Chapter and the 4-H Club showed many top quality animals in the Junior Fat Stock Show in Levelland on March 6th and 7th. Top place went to Buford Lee Moore when he saw his Hereford steer, Butch, win the coveted honor of Grand Champion. Butch weighed 870 pounds and was every inch a champion. He was purchased from the Andrews Hereford Farm last year and showed promise all along. He was chosen first in the heavy milk fed class, and went on to win champion of the milk fed division. He then competed against the champion dry lot calf, and was chosen grand champion of the show. He was bought by the Ropes Farmers CO-OP Gin for seventy-five cents a pound.

Terry Jack Rucker was the next best FFA winner. He won first in the heavy Berkshire barrow class. The pig was from the J. M. Hewlett herd of Ropesville.

John Bain, Ropes 4-H Club member, was the top winner for the 4-H Club of Ropes. He was first in the light Spotted Poland China Class, and went on to win champion Spotted Poland China. John has won first the past three years.

Other placings were: Terry Jack Rucker - 2nd Light dry lot Hereford Steer.

Clinton Abney - 2nd Heavy Berkshire Barrow.
Ronnie Ayers - 2nd Light Berkshire Barrow.

Leon Bain - 3rd, Duroc Barrow.
Sammy Berry - 2nd, Hampshire Barrow.
3rd, Duroc Barrow.

Michael Cato - 5th, Duroc Barrow.
Joe Conatser - 5th, Spotted Poland China Barrow.

Gail Gregg - 3rd, Hampshire Barrow.
Johnny Redman - 6th, Chester White Barrow.

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BAPTIST NEWS NOTES

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

John J. Cole, Pastor

MARCH TO CHURCH IN MARCH — Will you join us in making this month a season of growth in interest and attendance. Attend the services of your church and pray for Revival. Give attention to the things of the Spirit. "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above." Colossians 3:1.

THE PASTOR will be in Portales conducting a Revival with the University Baptist Church March 11 to 22. Brother C. Paul Rich is pastor of this good church, located near the campus of Eastern New Mexico University.

PULPIT SUPPLY — Next Sunday, in the pastor's absence, Brother Hugh Montgomery will preach both services. Brother Montgomery is a great Spirit, he loves the Lord and the Book. He has just resigned as pastor of the County Line Church in our Association. Sunday, March 22, Dr. Brougher Maddox, Bible Professor at Wayland, will be here for both services. We hope you will be faithful in attending all these services.

A welcome awaits you at the First Baptist Church.

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LEON RICE SUFFERS A HEART ATTACK

Reports given the Plainsman this week state that Leon Rice, of Lovington, N. M., suffered a severe heart attack Sunday morning. He is now in a Hobbs hospital where it is said he will have to remain for at least four weeks.

Leon and family are former residents of the Ropes community, and have many friends here who hope for his speedy recovery.

STAR PERCHES ON TIP OF MOON

A little after dusk the Plainsman was swamped with calls asking us to take a look at the moon. At that time a star was sitting on the horn of the moon and remained there for some minutes.

Realizing this was unusual, we investigated, and through the Lubbock Avalanche we learned:

"Dr. R. S. Underwood, of Texas Tech, said the star is Venus. The phenomenon, stated Dr. Underwood, occurred twelve years ago and will occur from 12 to 14 intervals. And, said the doctor, it will occur again in 29 days."

Venus, which runs in an orbit which keeps it from 26 million to 160 million miles from the earth, has taken up its position in the western sky and will remain there from now until July. It is one of the brightest stars in the heavens and is known as both the morning star and the evening star, as during the year it will appear in the east and also in the west.

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BUYS REGISTERED BROWN SWISS BULL

Lewis Bros., of Ropesville, recently purchased the registered Brown Swiss bull, Happy Ours Violet's T. Oscar, 132299, from Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Biddle, Boulder Colorado, according to a report from Fred S. Idtse, Secretary of the Brown Swiss Cattle Breeder's Association, Beloit, Wisconsin.

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EVANS HAVE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Evans had as their visitors Sunday their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Yeager of Lubbock. While here they visited in Fluvanna, near Post.

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See "Dirty Work at the Crossroads", a play being presented Friday night by the Junior class.

STATE FARM BUREAU

State Farm Bureau President J. H. West of Waco, Thursday night pictured the economic and social dilemmas facing the nation and its farmers today, warning his audiences "we're not going to have a popular Secretary of Agriculture in my day."

West told County Farm Bureau members, who had gathered at the fairgrounds women's building for his address, that the people who think "harshly" of Benson will still have the same Civil Service men on hand making decisions after Benson is gone.

He said that the department of agriculture is now larger than the entire federal government was at the time he first started going to Washington to seek better farm legislation.

"These men are used to spending our money and they enjoy controlling the farmer's destiny, West said.

He asked of the people who are crying for more farm controls, "How much control do you want? . . . Where are you going to stop?"

Of the crops which have been under controls, West asserted, "the ones we messed with most are in the most trouble."

He cited the current limitation of .7 acre of tobacco for tobacco growers in this country and said that wheat is in "bad trouble" primarily because of an unrealistic

price and a 15 acre exemption.

"I just don't know what we're going to do," West said but added, "I know what we ought to do."

West turned to a discussion of the current cotton program. "We haven't got a good bill at all," he said. "It was the best we could get in the political arena."

He pointed out that it also provides for a 10-acre exemption and continues the cotton export program.

West discussed the enroads of synthetic fibres into the cotton program and the mills' practice of blending the synthetic with cotton in order to make cloth at a lower price. He said even a tenth of a cent a yard is an important amount for the mills, although the value of the cotton in an ordinary shirt may be only a few cents.

He stressed that the purpose of the B cotton plan was not for export competition, but to enable the cotton farmers to maintain their domestic market which they have been losing.

He said that 22 million more bales of fibre are being used now than in 1935, but that cotton "hasn't participated in any of the increase".

West said he found in a London cotton meeting he attended last year that the people of other countries resented the export program which the USDA put into

effect. He quoted a highly educated Negro from Sudan as charging "you have used your other resources to export your cotton to markets we have been supplying. Our cotton is still in the warehouse."

He said the man made the point that there would be no complaint if Americans sold their cotton abroad at the same price they sold it for at home.

West said that Communist China is now following a similar plan and underselling Japanese cloth markets for which Americans have been supplying cotton, and pointed to the danger of Russia doing the same thing "now that we have taught them how".

In the development of foreign markets, he said there is always the possibility that foreign countries won't buy U. S. products on the chance that "you'll give it to me" in case no purchase is made.

West said he had never seen anything "as delicately balanced" as foreign trade.

He said Farm Bureau has opened a trade center in Rotterdam to do research on markets in Europe, which he rated as the best market for products outside the United States. He pointed to early success in marketing broilers and citrus products.

West touched briefly on the grain sorghum program picture, predicting that grain sorghum would sell above the support price this year.

He also warned of the dangers of inflation, of federal aid to education and the growing surge toward a labor "monopoly".

HERE FROM LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Eubanks, of Lubbock, visited Tuesday night in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lipham, and children, Dorinda and Darryl.

FATHER OF T. J. LITTLEFIELD PASSES AWAY

Funeral services were held Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at the Brownfield Church of the Nazarene for W. T. Littlefield, father of Tommy Littlefield of Ropesville.

The services were conducted by the Rev. John Ferguson, Gainesville. Burial was in Terry County Cemetery.

Mr. Littlefield operated a farm near Brownfield until he retired in 1948.

He was 86 years of age, and was ill only about two weeks, passing away Friday in the Terry County Hospital.

Survivors, other than T. J., include his wife and four other sons, C. H. of Brownfield; G. A. of Lubbock, H. C. of Lovington, N. M., and S. D. of Albuquerque; three daughters, Mrs. Exa Martin of Portales, Mrs. Docia Bagwell of Weatherford, and Mrs. Verdie Harris of Lubbock; 23 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren.

ENTERS SWINE

The FFA Chapter of the Ropes schools has entered the Swine division of the South Plains Junior Fat Stock Show, which is to be held in Lubbock March 16, 17, and 18.

Leon Bain has entered 2 Berkshires; John Bain a Duroc; Gail Gregg a Poland China and Hampshire; Bill McCormick has entered a Hampshire and Spotted Poland China. Bill is a local 4-H boy.

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"We Hew to the Line—Let the Chips Fall where They May".

BOB WRITES FROM AUSTIN (Delayed) TAX HEARING CONTINUES

The Taxation Committee is continuing its hearing. This week the committee spent all week on House Bill 33 by Seeligason. House Bill 33 is tax codification bill. Texas tax laws are noted for being piecemeal and patch work.

Although I would like to see this bill changed in some respect, I feel that in general, Texas certainly needs a tax code containing all of our various tax statutes. If this is done, then we will all be able to see more clearly what portion of our income and expenditures go for

state taxes.

NEW JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Rep. Wesley Roberts, of Lamesa, and I were successful last Friday for passing House Bill 87 out of the House. This measure created a new judicial district for our area. This district, the 121st, will be composed of Cochran, Hockley, Terry and Yoakum counties.

Lynn, Garza, Dawson and Gaines counties will remain in the 106th judicial district. This measure, when passed by the Senate and signed by the Governor, will give the South Plains area a new judicial district and, of course, allow a new district judge and district attorney.

SPECIAL SESSION APPEARS CERTAIN

Earlier I had implied that a special session was probable, but it now appears certain that Governor Daniel will of necessity have to call a special session of the Legislature to consider money matters. Governor Daniel has not as yet attempted to coordinate his program, but has refused to concede many portions of his program. Unfortunately all of

his proposals are not good. If we are to get by without a special session, the Governor will have to "get off his high horse" and get down to some shirt-sleeve work with the members of the Legislature.

R. L. BOWERS, Jr.
State Representative,
District 98.

DO YOU KNOW MEANING OF VIRUS?

Do you know the meaning of virus? We didn't either, but was told this week that it is a Latin word meaning, "Your guess is as good as mine".

No, Webster didn't give that, but from the number of diseases without names that it is tacked onto, the above meaning might be right.

SCHOOL NEWS

Miss Hannaford's Class 6B We are glad to be back to normal again this week.

We had four visitors last week. They were Mrs. M. L. Collins, Mrs. Fred McNabb, Mrs. Loyd Conatser and Mrs. M. R. Rowland. We are happy these came, and would like anyone who wishes to visit us at any time.

We got a few new books. Friday we had a holiday, for the teachers went to a teacher's meeting.

Reporter, Diane Collins.

FLORA MARTIN UNDERGOES SURGERY

Miss Flora Martin, assistant post master, was taken to a Lubbock hospital Tuesday where she underwent major surgery.

Her many friends in this community are hoping for her rapid recovery.

SEES PLENTY OF RAIN, HAIL, SNOW

Chester Stephenson and Clyde Loveless were in Oklahoma, near McAllister, this past week, and Chester tells us they saw plenty of rain,

hall and snow.

Chester says that at one point, where the pavement had been torn up, he saw at least fifty cars in the ditch and one large transport turned over.

It's a shame the boys could not scoop up an inch or two of the rain and bring it back with them.

COOP GIN TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, March 24th, the Ropes Coop Gin will hold its annual stockholders meeting in the high school auditorium. Preceding the business meeting a barbecue supper will be served in the Ropes school cafeteria.

Aside from making the annual report, it is stated there will also be an interesting and entertaining program.

DONNIE BLACKMON HAS SCARLET FEVER

Donnie Blackmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Blackmon, is said to be confined to her room this week with scarlet fever.

NOTICE

Those who left dishes at the Drake home will find them at the Ropes Food Store. Please call and get your dishes.

MR. KISOR IN ROPES

Mr. Kisor, Meadow city secretary and owner of the Kisor Electric, was looking after business in Ropes on Tuesday.

Mr. Kisor tells us that after operating a number of years without city taxation, Meadow is this year imposing a city tax.

MR. AND MRS. BOB THOMAS RETURN FROM KNOX CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thomas returned this week from

Knox City where they had been attending the bedside of her father who is seriously ill.

At the time of their returning home it is said her father was some improved.

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Girls Win in County Show

The FHA Club voted a donation to the judges for the judging of the style show. Also Gracie showed us a Civil Defense film.

There were several of the girls who entered the Style Show at Levelland, and some various prizes:

In the dressy dresses, Cathy Byrd won 1st, unlined suits; Wenda Lou Lowrie won 1st, in frilly blouses and skirts, or other skirts and blouses; Sharon Campbell won 2nd in sun dresses. Jan Pointer won 3rd in New

Trends, and Priscilla Green won 2nd place.

4-H WINNERS

Ropes winners in the 4-H Club are as follows:

Sharon Campbell - 1st, Western shirt and slacks; 3rd, street or church dress, in dressy dress division.

Freda Pointer - 1st, Plain dress.

Berrilyn Thomas - 3rd, Plain blouse and straight skirt.

Doris Martin - Scored 90, Plain dress.

Rita Campbell - Scored 80, Full skirt.

Mary Jackson modeled plain dress.

Mary Lee Gregg modeled a plain dress.

1st prize winners received a \$7.50 certificate in each division; 2nd prize winners received a \$5.00 certificate, and 3rd prize winners received \$2.50 certificates.

These certificates are to be redeemed for dress materials or sewing equipment.

Upon arriving there they found that Chester's father, Henry Stephenson, had suffered an accident which almost cost him his life.

Uncle Henry, as he is affectionately known to the folks of the Ropes community, and who lives in a trailer house in the yard of his daughter, in some manner became wedged between the bed and wall and was unable to extricate himself. He remained in this position from about 8:00 p.m. until 7:30 a.m. and was at the point of death due from the cold and exposure when he was found by his daughter.

Chester says he was much improved when they left to return home.

MR. AND MRS. EDD RUSSELL GO FISHING

Mr. and Mrs. Edd Russell were at the Stamford lake over the weekend fishing. Edd says the fish were on vacation, and they caught only one member of the finny tribe and it was just a baby.

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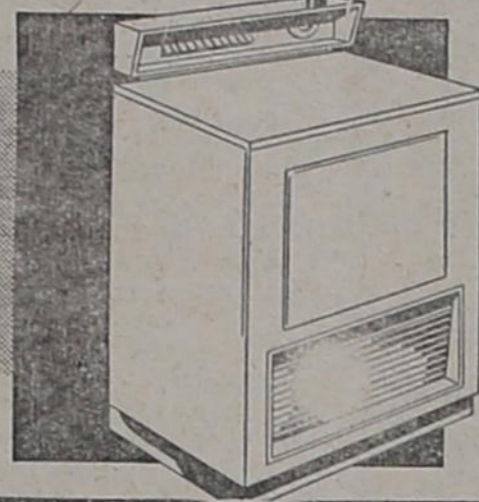
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NAZARENES BACK HOME SUNDAY

The Church of the Nazarene congregation, who have been meeting in the school cafeteria for the past three Sundays while their church was undergoing repairs, will be back home Sunday.

Services will be as usual:
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning worship 11 a.m.
NYPS, Juniors 6:30 p.m.
Evening worship 7:00 p.m.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of thanking the folks of the Ropes community who have patronized us during the time we operated the Ropes Laundry. We have sold the business to Mr. and Mrs. Nixon who now have charge of the business, and bespeak for them a continuance of your business.

Mr. and Mrs. Arzie Martin

CUB SCOUT NEWS

Cub Scout Pack 173, of Ropesville, attended the Scout Circus March 7th in Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. They participated in the Grand Entry March, and in Act No. 1 of the Circus, which included cub games. They were assisted in their march and games by Mrs. Butner, den mother, and Bud Rucker, cub master.

Over 6,000 scouts and cubs participated in the circus. Uniformed cubs demonstrated games, costumed as space men on wheels, and the cub performance closed with a display of floats on themes from pioneering to missiles.

The scouts demonstrated outdoor crafts, including tower and bridge construction, wall scaling and fire building were shown.

The scout circus closed with a spectacular Indian dance, including the "Indian Thunderbird Ceremonial" in a colorful display.

A crowd of 15,000 was present for the circus.

SGT. STROUD VISITS ROPES

Sergeant Stroud, of the Department of Public Safety stationed in Lubbock, was a visitor in Ropes Tuesday.

Sergeant Stroud was especially interested in preparedness for disaster, and expressed concern over the fact that there were not enough storm cellars in Ropes to take care of all the people in case of a tornado. He was also concerned about school children, pointing out that the most dangerous place a person could be was in a brick building during a storm of this nature.

He wishes to meet with the City Council, and the Council is sending an invitation to the School Board to meet with the Council when Sgt. Stroud comes again to Ropes.

FATHER OF MRS. H. WHATLEY PASSES AWAY

Funeral services for Ed Gillit, 71, father of Mrs. Hubert Whatley, were conducted at 2:30 Tuesday at the Wolforth Church of Christ with Bob Hoover, minister of Vandelia Village Church of Christ, Lubbock, officiating.

Burial was in Wolforth Cemetery under the direction of Rix Funeral Home.

Gillit passed away at 10:45 a.m. Monday in a Lubbock hospital following a heart attack. He had been ill only a few hours.

NEWS OF OUR SCHOOLS

The absentees from the Ropes schools on account of illness dropped this week from 83 of last week to 54 on Tuesday of this week.

There were more than 225 who visited school during Public School Week, and Supt. O. V. Fuller said:

"The personnel of the school expresses their sincere thanks to the folks of the Ropes community for their interest and cooperation during Public School Week."

School was dismissed last Friday so the teachers could attend the meeting of District 4 Teachers Meeting, which convened in Lubbock. Mr. Hannaford, high school principal, represented the county in the house of delegates. O. V. Fuller was elected president of the small schools association of district 13. He was also appointed to attend the teachers convention, which will be held in the fall.

School will be dismissed for Easter on March 27, and will not open again until Monday, March 31.

Following is the high school honor roll:

"A" HONOR ROLL

Pupil	Grade
1. Sharla Biggs	9
2. Cathy Byrd	10
3. Priscilla Green	11
4. Roseva Lewis	9
5. Ronnie McNabb	11
6. Billy Strickland	12

"B" HONOR ROLL

7. Bobby Bevers	9
8. Helen Cain	10
9. Paula Cole	9
10. Doyle Crawford	10
11. Billy Durham	12
12. Stanley Elliott	12
13. Marilyn Fletcher	10
14. Barbara Goode	9
15. Larry Jackson	12
16. Wenda Lowrie	12
17. Martha Mannin	11
18. Janice Pointer	11
19. Bernice Prater	12
20. Jehue Price	10
21. Sue Redford	9
22. Gracie Riojas	12
23. Gerald Ward	12
24. Connie Witherspoon	12
25. James Zorns	11

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METHODIST CHURCH

the Pastor opening on Easter and closing the following Sunday. The theme for these days will be "AFTER EASTER, WHAT?" A part of the speakers have been engaged, and a full list will be printed as soon as it is complete. Will you not begin praying that God will bless us in this effort.

JOPLIN RITES HELD FRIDAY AT MEADOW

Funeral services for Lynn Freeman Joplin, 17, Ropesville, were held at 4:00 p.m. Friday in the Meadow Baptist Church.

The Rev. Alton West, pastor of Johnson Community Baptist Church and the Rev. Don Murry, pastor of Meadow Baptist Church, officiated. Burial was in Meadow Cemetery.

Joplin was killed when his car plunged into a ditch north of Brownfield Wednesday night. His wife, Shirley, also 17, was injured in the mishap.

Survivors besides the wife, are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Joplin, Ropesville; a sister, Mrs. Helen Bell, also of Ropesville.

DR. HILL SAYS MOST CASES ARE SCARLETINA

An epidemic is now in progress that in some cases are taking so many pupils out of school that schools are closing—as was the case at Smyer.

The same week (last week) 83 were absent from the Ropes schools. Mr. Fuller told us Monday, "The situation has improved—we now have only 56 absent.

While, in many cases, the illness is diagnosed as sore throat, strept throat and tonsillitis, the fever jumps above 104 and parents are warned to take special care with children, as it can run into rheumatic fever.

Monday morning the Plains man called Dr. Wayne Hill, at Brownfield, and asked if he had an accurate diagnosis for the disease. He told us:

"The majority of the cases that have come to me have been scarletina. This is a mild case of scarlet fever, causing sore throat and high temperatures, but it is as dangerous in that it attacks the heart and kidneys. A child suffering from this disease should be made to rest. It can run into rheumatic fever.

"We are now in the midst of one of the most severe epidemics that the state has had in a number of years. It is my opinion that where this disease appears in epidemic form that schools should be closed to stop the spread of the disease."

TYREE MARTIN AMONG THE ILL

Tyree Martin has been confined to his room during the past several days because of illness.

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4-H winners, other than John Bain, were: Donald Glenn - 3rd, Berkshire Barrow.

Bill McCormick - 3rd, Hampshire Barrow.

"FARMER OF YEAR" MAKES TOP RECORD ON 333-ACRE UNIT

A depression era program of the new Deal, which moved to lift stable and reliable men from the depths of a period of economic disaster and allow them to work again for themselves, has produced Hockley County's "Outstanding Farmer of 1959" Jovial round-faced C. D. (for Clifford Dean) Bond, a World War I veteran and Plains area pioneer whom the Levelland Chamber of Commerce recently honored as the county's top farmer, established his record for farming skill and agricultural leadership on the 333 acre Unit 60 of the federal government's Ropesville Rehabilitation Project.

The Ropes experiment was a project on which the eyes of the nation were focused, at least for a brief time, and it was considered important enough that the wife of the President visited the project in the summer of 1936, dur-

ing the first term of Franklin D. Roosevelt—the man who made the "New Deal" a household word on the lips of every American.

The experiment proved to be one of the most successful in the history of the new Deal and the only discredit, in the opinion of many, was that there weren't more similar programs.

Farmers in the Ropesville project—of which Bond is an outstanding example—have paid off their farms and become financially independent.

They've done it mostly with hard labor, sweat and courage. Bond has continued as a successful farmer in a new era of high prices and irrigation, although irrigation water under his tract has been scarce.

He's drilled for water like most other farmers in the county, but has developed only two water-stingy four-inch wells.

This means he's already successfully dealing with a water conservation program which may be facing many other Hockley County farmers as the years pass.

He ran his precious water down ditches the first two years he used irrigation, but found he could exactly double the number of acres he could water by using por-

table aluminum pipe.

Bond first bough 2,200 feet of pipe, then this past week added an additional 1,000 feet as he made plans to move his cotton land farther from his wells.

Bond usually gives his cotton a pre-planting watering down every other row, then another watering during the growing season down every other row.

Such a procedure has produced up to a bale and a quarter per acre for him, while a third of a bale is about average on dry land.

Making a decision on plan A and plan B under the USDA's current allotment plan isn't difficult for Bond at all, simply because of the water shortage.

"I'm an A man because I can only water half my acres (allotment)," Bond says. "I can't afford to take \$28.50 per bale less" for a third of a bale per acre on 40 per cent more acres.

He says a farmer with plentiful water and a poor allotment might gamble and come out on the B allotment plan, which allows an extra 40 acres of cotton for every 100 of allotment under the A plan.

Farmers have until mid-March to make a decision on which program they will follow.

Bond is convinced farmers are facing a condition which is growing continually more difficult. He's frankly critical of the current administration's farm policy.

"I personally don't think Mr. Benson understands our problems down here," he says. "He keeps lowering the price on everything we have to sell and labor and machinery and everything we have to buy keeps going up. "I don't think we ever should have had the B plan at all. It's just a compromise program."

Continued Next Week

LIONS TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT

We are requested to announce that the Ropes Lions Club will meet in regular session on Monday night of next week in the school cafeteria.

All members are urged to be present.

GEORGE ALLEN IS IMPROVING

George Allen, who has been seriously ill during the past few days, is reported to be improving.

At the present time he is staying with a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Thomas, in Lubbock. He is expected to return to Ropes on Friday of this week.

COME ONE, COME ALL!

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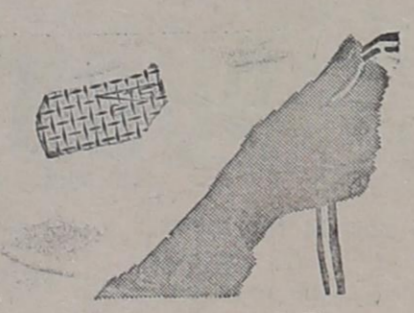
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