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If there is an X in this box it is notice your subscription has expired and an invitation to renew.

Plans Are Progressing For A New Hospital

Rites Held for Father of Coach Sonny Arthur

Services for Charles W. Arthur Sr., 64, a former Lubbock groceryman, were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday in W. W. Rix Chapel in Lubbock with the Rev. Wilburn P. Coffman, pastor of Parkway Drive Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was in the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mr. Arthur died Monday in St. Mary's Hospital in Roswell, New Mexico, where he had been assistant manager of the Shamas Food Stores after moving there seven years ago from Lubbock.

A native of Waco, Mr. Arthur moved to Lubbock in 1940, where he was active in the grocery business until moving to Roswell.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie; three sons, Wilford of Ropesville, Charles Jr. of Lubbock, and Weldon of Pampa; three daughters, Mrs. Bill Grider of Route 2, Lubbock, Mrs. James Exum of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Mrs. Clarence Ashmore of Hale Center; a brother, Weldon of Dallas; five sisters, Mrs. Maude Cagle of Denton, Mrs. M. L. Sutherland of Houston, and Mrs. W. F. Tyson, Mrs. Ruby Fowler and Mrs. Jimmy Farrell, all of Dallas; 14 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The Plainsman family and Ropes community extend deepest sympathy during this time of sorrow.

The advertisement for sealed bids has been completed for office space for officials of Hockley County; the advertisement was answered by one bid; the Hockley County Commissioner's Court has accepted this bid under certain conditions.

It looks like the new hospital is near to becoming a reality.

We received the following information this week from County Judge Hulon Moreland. It concerns the notice; the bid; and the acceptance. To The Honorable Hulon L. Moreland, County Judge and The Commissioner's Court of Hockley County, Texas, Levelland, Texas:

HONORABLE SIRS:

Pursuant to the Notice to Bidders dated May 12, 1970, which reads as follows:

THE ADVERTISEMENT:
"THE STATE OF TEXAS:
COUNTY OF HOCKLEY:
IN THE COMMISSIONERS'
COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY,
TEXAS

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Notice is hereby given that the Hockley County Commissioners' Court, meeting in open regular session did then and there pass the following order:

Motion by Commissioner Janes, seconded by Commissioner Long and unanimously carried that Hockley County advertise for bids for the purchase of approximately Eleven Thousand Square Feet (11,000 sq. ft.) of ground floor office space, with central heating and air conditioning, with on premises parking that will accommodate approximately twenty-five cars.

Bids will be accepted in the office of the County Judge until 10:00 A.M., Thursday, May 28th, 1970, at which time all bids will be opened in a special session of the Commissioners' Court and read aloud.

The Court reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Given under hand and seal of said Court this 12th day of May A.D. 1970.
(SEAL)

(S) Raymond O. Dennis
Raymond O. Dennis, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court,
Hockley County, Texas."

THE BID:

WE, the undersigned, being the owners of the following described property, to wit: Lots Numbers One (1), through Six (6), in Block Number One Hundred Twenty-two (122), of the Original Town of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas, on which is situated the building known as the South Plains Hospital, Levelland, Texas, in obedience to said Notice to Bidders, do offer the following described building located on the above described property: Containing 11,425 square feet of floor space, brick construction, equipped with three 7 1/2 ton and one 5 ton heating and cooling units.

We offer this building to Hockley County, Texas, pursuant to said Notice to Bidders for a price of \$200,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,
E. D. Barnes
Braulio J. Cuesta

THE ACCEPTANCE AND CONDITIONS:

IT IS MOVED THAT THE COURT ACCEPT THE BID OF E. D. Barnes and Braulio J. Cuesta in the amount of \$200,000.00 subject however to the following terms and conditions, to wit:

1. That at least a 55 or more bed hospital, meeting State Health Department specification, be constructed in the City of Levelland or within five miles of the City of Levelland within twenty-four months from the date hereof;
2. That said hospital be constructed and operated with private funds;
3. That a clinic be constructed adjacent to the hospital with adequate facilities to serve said hospital;
4. That no hospital district will be organized in Hockley County prior to the closing of the contract of purchase of the facilities of South Plains Hospital; and that no notice for such organization be received by this Court;
5. That the property submitted by bid remain in as good condition as it presently is, normal wear and tear excepted;
6. Heating and cooling units will

be in working order.
It is further moved that Commissioners' Court of Hockley County be authorized to deposit \$20,000.00 in escrow upon the execution of a contract of purchase which includes the above terms and conditions.

It is the understanding of the Plainsman that now the Hospital Committee, headed by Dr. Baker of SPC will proceed with plans to acquire a hospital built as private enterprise.

BEST SOME THOUGHTS —

It's difficult to find astounding headlines for a small paper.

The weather, it's coat and warm stove and blanket time to combat these 48 degrees. The unseasonable cold spell has put everybody to digging out their winter coats so smugly packed away a few weeks ago.

'Course by the time this paper is printed, we will be running the air conditioners again.

But June 1st and 2nd folks were watching the sky for a possible snow storm.

We celebrated another of those anniversaries this past Monday, and we can definitely remember June 1, 1946 was a very clear, hot day. We and the better half even walked part way to the parsonage. We can't recall the weather of the twenty-four June first's that have been in between, though.

We can remember when we were little, our Mother took down the stoves on June 1, and this was the great day we were allowed to go barefoot for the first time of the summer. We looked forward to it like we did Christmas.

The feel of the hot ground on our feet, the sting of stickers and the happiness of a shower when we could squeeze the mud between our toes.

The joy of building a swing in the big cottonwood tree in our yard that was bound to break while we were up in the air, and numb us from one end to the other. Those were the days.

The times of steady practice at the piano and the squeaky violin, and setting type by hand. Of acquiring enough money to get a big double dip ice cream cone and a bag of salted peanuts to go with it.

And with age comes a change of desires. The cold ice cream hurts our teeth, and the peanuts are too hard to chew. Just the sight of a swing in motion makes us dizzy, and we only go barefoot in the house.

Each age has its specialties. We can now enjoy our grandson, and let his parents do the correcting. Our children are old enough that any corrections are only a repeat, and we sound like a broken record.

We desire only to stay at home, and not have to get up and get ready to go anywhere. Saturday nights stopped being special nights a long time ago, and we don't even care.

We presume this is what you call old age creeping on, but with us it's moving at jet speed.

We're tired this week.

And, with age comes wisdom (?) We find we know less every day.

"Hem" announced the doctor as he concluded his examination of the woman. "It's quite plain, madam, that your arthritis is being caused by your teeth and they'll have to come out. Let me see them please." "Sure doc," said the woman, reaching toward her mouth, "just hold out your hand."

With age also comes a new set of choppers.

Also a few wrinkles, blonde hair for brunettes, and a pace slow enough to see what's going on in the world around you.

And slower each week printing the paper, and writing this column, and so we creep off the page for yet another week, another fiscal year, and begin a new volume all over again.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held at the Ropesville Church of Christ beginning Monday, June 8, and will continue through Friday, June 12. Classes will be conducted from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

In addition to the children's classes, an adult class will be featured each day which will be taught by Travis Boyd, minister, and area

preachers. The public is cordially invited.

To the delight of the children, a picnic will be enjoyed by all on Friday, June 12th, following the second class period.

Certificates will be given to all the children at 10:45 a.m. June 12th. Parents are invited to attend our program and stay for the picnic.

SAN JOSE YOUTH NAMED PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR RECENTLY

The following article is taken from the San Jose (California) News. It is about the grandson of Mrs. W. E. Pierce.

A San Jose boy is one of 119 high school seniors throughout the nation to be named a Presidential Scholar. He is William E. Blakely, 18, of 893 Cottontail Avenue, a student at Overfelt High School.

The honor was bestowed on the youth by President Richard Nixon. Word came Thursday in a telegram from John N. Stalnaker of Evanston, Illinois.

Stalnaker is executive director of the Commission on Presidential Scholars.

Blakely, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Blakely, has been a student leader throughout his four years at Overfelt. He is a straight A student.

Blakely is Chief Justice of the Student Court and a member of the school tennis club. He holds the title of "distinguished expert" in the junior program of the National Rifle Association.

He is a member also of the Overfelt Chess Club, Radio Club, Math-Astronomy Club and Key Club and the California Scholarship Federation.

Blakely was student council representative during his freshman and sophomore years at Overfelt. He was the school's delegate to San Jose Boys City Day during his junior year and was alternate for Boys State.

The presidential honor for the youth was announced by Overfelt's Principal Donald D. Taylor.

William Blakely's mother is the former Veda Nell Pierce, daughter of Mrs. W. E. Pierce of Ropes, and the late W. E. Pierce. She graduated from Ropes High School in 1942 as valedictorian, and attended Texas Tech.

ATTENTION BROWNIES AND JUNIOR GIRL SCOUT TROOP

Members of these organizations will tour KSEL Television Channel 28 and attend the Earl-E-Bird show at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 17th. We will meet at the Community Building and be prepared to leave at 2:45.

For additional information, contact Mrs. Wanda Pierce, phone 562-3751, Ropes.

PUBLIC NOTICE —

The Board of Equalization for the City of Ropesville will meet at 8:00 Thursday night at the City Hall.

MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM TO BE SUNDAY AT GILLESPIE

The annual memorial meeting of the Gillespie Baptist Church Cemetery Association has been slated for Sunday, June 7, at the Gillespie Baptist Church on the Knox City - Monday Highway.

Regular church services will be held at the usual hour and a covered dish luncheon will be served from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m.

An interesting program has been planned for the afternoon from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Make your plans now to attend. We would love to see our old friends and relatives on this special day.

CEMETERY LOOKS NICE

A large crowd showed up at the Ropes Cemetery Memorial Day for the clean up. We were a dab late getting there, but still managed to do some work. If you haven't seen the cemetery, we suggest you take a drive out and look at it. We believe it looks better than it ever has.

1955 CLASS TO HAVE REUNION JUNE 7

The Ropesville graduation class of 1955 will have its 15 year class reunion on June 7, 1970 at the Ropesville School Cafeteria starting at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is asked to bring their families and their own lunch.

Gene Newsom and Tommy Whitlock

NO RIFLE PRACTICE SLATED THIS WEEK

The 4-H Rifle Club will not practice this week because of Roundup at College Station. The next practice will be at 2:00 p.m. Friday, June 12.

High scores were fired last week by Jerry Drake, Randy Pierce and David Carpenter.

SUFFERS INJURIES FROM FALL

Mrs. J. C. Yeager of Lubbock, the former Lola Floy Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Evans, suffered a broken back and ankle when she fell through the roof of their home Sunday.

The Yeager home was damaged in the recent tornado, losing their air conditioner, the shingles on the roof, and the ceiling was lifted up about an inch. Mrs. Yeager was investigating the damage when the mishap occurred.

She is in Room 403 in West Texas Hospital.

Delbert Hall Writes

(We were very happy to receive the following letter from Delbert Hall recently. Delbert is serving with the Armed Forces overseas. He was raised here, and we always enjoy hearing from him. We hope everything is okay with him over in that part of the world.)
May 17, 1970

Hello Plainsman,
Mama is still sending the Ropes Plainsman to me every week. I am able to stay on top of the local news.

Since I came to Germany in March '70 I have made SFC (E-7) and the other day I received orders for awarding the Bronze Star Medal for duties in RVN.

Reference, April 30, 1970, Statement:

Jest Some Thoughts—
"Mac McAlister of 'For Your Information' on Radio Statin KSEL, had better come out of the high buildings and paved streets before he opines the weather isn't as bad as we said it was last week. He quoted a part of our column, and said the weather just isn't that bad."
Please ask him for me hadn't he better review a few of his thoughts of Lubbock and area? Is someone trying to tell Lubbock something?

The town of Giebelstad is the size of Ropesville. This is also a farm area. The towns or villages are about two miles apart. The farmers are required to build in town and go out by day to farm the land.

Looking back at Ropesville I guess we in the States in the past ten years are building in towns, cities and going out to farm the land.

The people here show a love and care for the land. The land gives the farmer something in return that money or praise cannot hold a light.

Can it be that we have some lesson here. Do we farm, sell, work just for the love of doing our work, or is it the green dollar?

Regardless of where we go the old home place holds the memories to return to some day.

I enjoyed the back page of the May 7th paper, "It Is Our Belief". That was the period of time before I completed High School.

I hope more people will drop you a line or come over to the office to tell you how they enjoy the paper.

Thank you for taking time out to read this from a fellow from Ropesville.

Delbert

It Is Our Belief . . .

That we've been here a long, long time . . .

A look at the volume number of the Plainsman this week tells us that this is the beginning of another fiscal year for this business. This makes thirty-two years of continuous printing of the Plainsman in this branch of the Morris family.

This paper has had only five owners in its time of existence. They were the late Nyles Morris (our uncle), Afton Richards who now has the Jayton Chronicle and the Ralls Banner, the late W. J. Hale, the late Troy Morris, and us.

The oldest copy we have of a Ropes paper is 1936, when it was published by Nyles Morris, and was at that time called The Ropes Hustler. This paper was printed in a two-story building just off Main Street, on Timmons Avenue.

Ropes was a thriving little town when we moved here in 1938. We can remember so many businesses that were in operation that we do not have now.

We do not really know what has happened, but we do know it is extremely hard, if not impossible to build up public interest in anything to keep our town alive.

Sometimes we think trying to build up our town is like hitting our head against a brick wall. Other times, we know it is.

Ropes has been here a long time. So have many other towns that gradually became memories, and referred to as a ghost town. We would do anything we could to build up our town, but to be honest, we don't know what to do. It looks like we are going to be forced to go out of town for business, and that means the local paper will be urging people to trade elsewhere. But we must do something to stay in business.

We get ideas sometimes, but then we figure the merchants would decide we had lost our marbles, or we feel we could get no cooperation in putting these ideas across.

We really need a Chamber of Commerce, but since our town is so small, we have thought of perhaps, a Merchant's Association. Maybe if the merchants could get together, plans could be made to draw business for those already operating, and also some way to draw new merchants into our town.

We do know that all the merchants standing divided in our little city will not accomplish anything, but if they were to band together, something great might be accomplished.

We would certainly do our bit.

We think that a look at Main Street on almost any day should convince the merchants that something needs to be done. One person in town can mean business to several merchants. Perhaps a person comes to town after a few groceries, he might need gas, a flat fixed, perhaps some repair to his vehicle, a haircut, or some insurance, a gift, and maybe drop by on the same visit and take a subscription to the Plainsman. This one trip of one extra person drawn to our town would benefit several merchants.

People need to know what we have to offer here. They need to know what they can get when they come to our town. They need to know the merchants care, and need their business. They need to know that we EXIST!

There are times when we definitely feel the disadvantages of being a woman, for we do not feel comfortable to go into some of the businesses occupied only by the male population.

It is also not an organization for a woman to start.

However, if some businessman will start the ball rolling we will give it a great big push, take time to attend any meeting, and do everything possible to give Ropes the shot in the arm it definitely needs.

Do you have the nerve, care enough for your business and town, to start such an organization?

PERRY RINEY WEDS MISS DIANNE McMILLAN

Miss Dianne McMillan and Perry Lynn Riney exchanged wedding vows Friday, May 29 in Clovis, New Mexico.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McMillan of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Riney of Ropesville.

Mrs. Riney is a graduate of Isbell's University in Lubbock and is employed by Koscot Cosmetics. Perry is a graduate of Ropes High School and is employed by H. C. Morris Oil Company in Lubbock.

The couple will make their home in Lubbock.

NOTICE —

Please do not pump your cess pools into the sewer system. This fouls up the chemical process and causes odors. Besides, it's illegal.

The final inspection was made on the new system Tuesday morning and it appears to be up to par.

VISIT IN MEADOW

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Price were in Meadow Friday night visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jordan. Also visiting in the Jordan home were Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Vernon and baby of Dallas.

VISITING GRANDPARENTS

Terri D'Ann Littlefield of Lubbock is spending the week in the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Littlefield. Terri is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Littlefield.

DEAN'S HONOR LIST - SPC

Dean Arp was among the students at South Plains College on the Dean's Honor List attaining above a 3.0 grade point average and carrying 12 hours or more.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our deep appreciation to each and every one for the food, flowers and other kindnesses shown us during our recent sorrow. A special thanks to the Robert Mayfield's.

The Family of J. E. Bullock

UNDERGOES SURGERY

Miss Debbi Arant underwent surgery on her arm Wednesday in a Lubbock hospital. She cut it a few weeks ago in a storm door. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Arant.

VISITING IN NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Gregory accompanied their son, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Gregory of Oklahoma, to Hobbs, New Mexico for a few days visit with relatives.

The VA urges college veterans studying under the G.I. Bill to return their certification of attendance cards during the last full month of every enrollment period so final checks for that period may be prepared.

VISIT SIX FLAGS RECENTLY

Mrs. Aubrey Mayfield and Debbie and Steve Kimberlin enjoyed a trip to Six Flags recently.

MRS. DURHAM IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Tom Durham is reported to be in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock.

NOW AT HOME

Mrs. George Carter is reported to be at home following surgery last week in a Lubbock hospital.

VISIT IN LITTLEFIELD SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Abb Russell were in Littlefield Sunday where they visited an aunt, Mrs. H. P. Pointer, who is in serious condition in the hospital there.

They also visited in Levelland with his mother, Mrs. Reba Russell.

IN ROPES THURSDAY

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Wade of Lubbock were in Ropes Thursday visiting their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kimberlin and family. They returned Ricky home after a week's visit in Lubbock.

One inch thickness of lumber, according to the Texas Forestry Association, gives the same insulation as six inches of brick or 12 inches of concrete.

ABOUT MEMORIAL DAY

A Junior High School student from East Paterson, New Jersey, wrote to Lieutenant General Sam Maddux, Jr., the ATC Commander, asking how he and his classmates might better recognize Memorial Day. Following is General Maddux's reply:

Dear Peter, As a man with more than 30 years of military service, Memorial Day has a very special meaning to me. It's a day to honor the men who died for the same principles that I have chosen to support. Some were my personal friends.

It also reminds me of parents, wives, and children of men who gave their lives in the defense of our country. Somehow words never seem adequate to convey my feelings about them.

But, Memorial Day is deeper and wider than one person's experience. It's about all the wars and conflicts that have involved our nation from the Revolutionary War to the hostilities today in Southeast Asia. Our wounds of the Civil War are healed and we have reunited to become the strongest nation in the world.

The things that make our country strong are those that are worth defending, such as our freedoms of speech, assembly, worship, vote, and petition. Many countries in the world today do not allow these rights which we sometimes take for granted.

To answer your question of how you and your classmates can commemorate Memorial Day, I ask you to observe it in your own personal way. You may feel like saying a prayer for our fallen heroes, or you may prefer to place flowers on graves. If your school has not already done so, perhaps an honor roll of former students who gave their lives would be appropriate.

The important thing is to remember. In a few years the responsibility to defend and to govern this country will be shifted to the shoulders of you and your classmates. I am confident that with young people such as you our nation will be in good hands.

Sincerely, (S) Sam Maddux, Jr. (Copied)

VISIT FRIENDS IN LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin were in Lubbock last week visiting some of their friends who suffered some damage to their home and property during the tornado of May 11. The house was damaged, but not completely demolished. In the back yard a big apricot tree was twisted off below the ground, and a most interesting sight was a Mimosa tree in the front yard with all the limbs split, and a composition shingle had been blown off the house with such force that it was embedded in the tree part way.

GUESTS IN RUSSELL HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bridwell were guests Monday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Abb Russell.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to say thank you to the group of men who presented me with a new bicycle last Friday. All of the names on the paper were not clear, so I can not thank you individually. I sincerely appreciate this nice surprise.

Travis Boyd

J. Dukes Wooters, Jr., 52, has been appointed executive vice president and general manager of Cotton Producers Institute. He was assistant to the chief executive officer of Reader's Digest and had been with the Digest since 1956. Mr. Wooters will head a staff carrying out consumer and technical research and market development activities for cotton. CPI is financed through grower payments of \$1 per bale.

SPEND WEEKEND IN POINTER HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sparkman of Plainview visited over the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pointer.



CONGRATULATIONS TO -

Mr. and Mrs. Loran Pitts of Ropesville on birth of a daughter weighing 8 pounds 3 1/2 ounces at 1:55 p.m. Friday in Methodist Hospital. The father is a farmer.

ATTENDING SPC

Dwain Davis and Artie Thomas are among those attending the summer semester at South Plains College in Levelland.

VISIT HERE FROM JUSTIN

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bond of Justin visited over the weekend with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Bond. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Art Knippa and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Daniels of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Dub Forbis of Seminole.

Miss Annette Bond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Bond, recently married and is now living in Orlando, Florida.

ROPEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Table with columns: Schedule of Services, Sunday Bible Classes, Worship Hour, Pew Packer's Class, Evening Service, Wednesday Ladies Class, Wednesday Bible Classes, Vacation Bible School.

LITTLE LEAGUE SCHEDULE 1970

Table with columns: Date, First Game, Second Game. Lists Little League games between teams like Yankees vs. Red Sox, Cubs vs. Red Sox, etc.

Teams Not Ready To Take The Field At Game Time Will Forfeit The Game. Championship Will be Determined 10 Days Before The All-Star Game. Games Are Sponsored by the ROPES LIONS CLUB.

SERVICES:

Table with columns: Service Name, Time. Includes Sunday School, Morning Worship, Evening Nyps, Evening Service, Prayer Groups, Men - Tuesday, Women - Tuesday, Family Prayer - Wednesday.

ROPEVILLE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

WELCOME TO ALL Dave K. Powers, Minister Elwood & Timmons

VISITS DOCTOR

Mrs. Tommy Littlefield visited her doctor this week and her arm is reported doing nicely. She broke it several weeks ago in a fall at the cafeteria. The cast was removed last week.

VISITS GRANDPARENTS

Ronnie Gotcher of Fort Worth visited Monday in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gotcher. Ronnie is home attending the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Garth Gotcher of Lubbock, who is in a hospital there.

VISITS SISTER FROM HOBBS

Doyle Leverett of Hobbs, New Mexico spent the weekend in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Price. Mrs. Leverett visited her parents in Lubbock.

ON VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. James Martin and family of Lubbock are on vacation this week making a trip to Disneyland, Knox Berry Farms, the Wax Museum, and other points of interest in California.

VISITING BROTHER

Mr. and Mrs. Ennis Moore are in Little Rock, Arkansas visiting his brother, Rev. and Mrs. Austin Moore. Enroute home they will visit in DeLeon with her brother and other relatives.

IN ROPES MONDAY

Mrs. Bob Abbott of Lubbock was in Ropes Monday visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walling.

VISITS GRANDPARENTS

Mrs. Troyce Sosebee and girls, Pam and Amy of Lubbock visited Monday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

Gilbert Northam, former resident of Ropes but now of Buchanan Dam, underwent major surgery last week at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. He is now recuperating at the home of G. A. Martin in Lubbock.

VISITS DOCTOR MONDAY

Emra Walling was in Lubbock Monday for medical care.

ROPE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1970-71

Table with columns: Date, Event. Lists school calendar events like August 17-21 Inservice Meetings, August 24-25 First Day of Classes, etc.

Table with columns: Event, Duration. Lists school year durations like 85 School Days, 6 Teacher Work Days, 9 Holidays, etc.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Table with columns: Office, Name. Lists political candidates like For State Senator District No. 28 H. J. 'Doc' BLANCHARD, District Clerk RUBY BEEBE WILLIAMS, etc.

Table with columns: Office, Name. Lists political candidates like County Judge HULON L. MORELAND, County Clerk RAYMOND O. DENNIS, For County Treasurer: Inetha Cooke, etc.

Table with columns: Office, Name. Lists political candidates like For County School Superintendent DAVIS POUNDS, For Justice of the Peace Precinct I M. L. ROBERTS, etc.

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So Successful It Outells All Others Combined

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Fill Cracks And Holes Better Handles like putty. Hardens like wood.

PLASTIC WOOD

PAINFUL CORNS? AMAZING LIQUID RELIEVES PAIN AS IT DISSOLVES CORNS AWAY

Advertisement for Bowers Diesel Fuel and Gasoline. Includes phone number 562-3511 and names James Walker and Dennis Rasberry.

Advertisement for First United Methodist Church. Includes address, phone number, and worship schedule.

Large advertisement for Jackson Insurance Agency. Features 'Ranger Crop Hail Insurance Information' and contact details for Ropesville, Texas.

Advertisement for Stanback Headache Pain relief. Describes the product's effectiveness for various types of headaches.

Advertisement for Techmatic razor by Gillette. Shows an illustration of the razor.

Advertisement for Chapped Lips relief. Mentions soothing antiseptic relief for wind or sunburned lips.

Advertisement for Ropes Church of the Nazarene. Lists services and contact information for the church.

Watch This Space

SUMMER HOMEMAKING TO BEGIN JUNE 8TH

Mrs. Woody, Ropes Homemaking teacher, announced this week that Summer Homemaking will begin at 9:00 a.m. June 8th.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF TEXAS IN AND FOR HOCKLEY COUNTY

121ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT CIVIL FILE NO. 6226 W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, Plaintiffs vs. HAROLD McCANN and BILL LEON WRIGHT, Defendants

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS.

TO BILL LEON WRIGHT, One of the defendants in the above styled and numbered cause:

You are hereby commanded to appear before the 121st Judicial District Court of Hockley County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse of said County in the City of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas, at or before 10:00 A.M. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty two (42) days from the date of issuance hereof; that is to say, at or before 10:00 A.M. of Monday the 20 day of July, 1970, and answer the petition of W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, plaintiffs in Cause No. 6226 styled W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, Plaintiffs vs. HAROLD McCANN and BILL LEON WRIGHT, Defendants, in which the following persons are Plaintiffs: W. O. FLUITT and wife, JOY FLUITT, and the following persons are Defendants: HAROLD McCANN and BILL LEON WRIGHT, which petition was filed in said court on the 3 day of March, 1970, and the nature of which suit is as follows:

For damages, for bodily injury and property damages arising out of an automobile collision occurring on or about March 10, 1968, on State Highway 116 about four or five miles west of Smyer, Texas.

If this citation is not served within ninety (90) days after date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Witness, Ruby Beebe Williams, Clerk of 121st Judicial District Court of Hockley County, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of office of said court at office in the City of Levelland, Texas, this 1st day of June, 1970.

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DIVISION OF CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SERVICES

It is not an easy thing to face up to an illness, accident, or birth defect, but it is an even more difficult thing to do when one of these conditions leaves you permanently or partially disabled - particularly for the young. Thousands of Texas children would face bleak futures without hope of ever achieving full physical sufficiency if it were not for a program operated by the Texas State Department of Health.

Any child under twenty-one years of age whose physical functions are impaired by a bone, joint, or muscle defect or deformity is eligible for assistance by the Division of Crippled Children's Services. The law only requires that a physician practicing under the laws of the State of Texas must have examined the child and recommended treatment, and the county judge of the county of the child's residence must certify that the parents cannot finance the needed care and treatment.

Crippling conditions from all causes occur in about six of every 1,000 live births. The statistical evidence is that about one of the six will have a congenitally defective heart. One child in every 1,000 can be expected to have cystic fibrosis.

Texas has available some six million dollars in funds for the Crippled Children's Program. The State Health Department handled some 14,619 cases last year. The number of cases treated is increasing at the rate of five percent a year.

The program will pay the costs associated with medical and surgical care, hospitalization, special nursing, and transportation to and from treatment centers for the crippled child and his parents. The program will also furnish eligible patients with wheel chairs, braces, artificial limbs, crutches, special medication and related services, including assistance to the family in plans for management and care of the child.

Early diagnosis and treatment are vitally important - especially with such diseases as cystic fibrosis. If untreated, one-half of the children with the disease may die before reaching twelve years of age.

Assistance under the State program is obtained by applying to the Division of Crippled Children's Services, Texas State Department of Health, 1100 West 49th Street, Austin, or by placing an application through an established city or county health unit. Cases may also be referred by private physicians or other state and local agencies.

NEW YORK - Eight fires with insured losses over \$3 million each occurred in the United States in 1968, reports the Insurance Information Institute. The most costly was a \$12 million fire involving chemicals in Taft, Louisiana.

GUESTS IN FRY HOME Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Fry and family on Saturday evening were Rev. and Mrs. Claude Jarrett and daughters, Jeanette and Sharon of Euless, and Mrs. E. B. Jarrett and Miss Gwen Holloway of Lubbock.

Fifty years of faith, hope and therapy for crippled children and adults is the record of the nationwide network of Easter Seal societies of which Texas Easter Seal Society is one.

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WHATSOEVER THINGS

Back several years ago I ran across what is, to me, one of the most beautiful stories I have ever heard. Maybe you are familiar with it, maybe not. I still want to pass it along. A fellow by the name of G. W. Rosenberg told it. He's now dead, but the story lives.

Dr. Rosenberg was riding a train across the state to attend a conference. There were few people on the train, and he couldn't keep from noticing a young man who seemed very nervous. Everyone seemed to notice how restless and tense he was. He would take a seat, sit for a moment, get up and move. Finally Dr. Rosenberg went over to where the young man was, sat down beside him and spoke. "What's your trouble, son? Is something bothering you? I would certainly like to be of help if I can."

The young man looked at Dr. Rosenberg for a moment and then spoke. "I don't mind telling you. Do you know where Springvale is?" Dr. Rosenberg answered, "Isn't it the next stop?" The young man spoke again. "Yes, sir. We will be there in just a few minutes. That's my home. I lived there until three years ago. My mother and father live there still. But three years ago I had a quarrel with my father. I told him he would never see me again. I packed my bags and left. It has been hard during the past three years. Many times I have wanted to go back. I wrote mother often. I wrote her last week and told her I would be passing through. I told her I would like to stop for a moment if it was alright with Daddy. I told her that if Daddy said it was alright for them to hang something white outside the house and I could see it when the train passed, I told her not to do it unless Daddy agreed. She would do it anyway, you know."

There was a period of quietness. The boy looked out the window. Then the terrain became familiar. The train was nearing the house where his parents lived. He spoke to Dr. Rosenberg excitedly. "Mister, would you look for me. It is the next house, just around the bend. I just can't look. If there isn't something white - I just can't look."

The train slowed for the curve and jerked a bit stopping for the water tank. Nearly forgetting every thing, Dr. Rosenberg just about shouted. "Look, son, look!" The little farm house was there amid the trees. But you could hardly see it for the white. The parents had taken everything white they could get their hands on and hung it out on the hill side. Every sheet, bed spread, towel, sock, handkerchief - everything white they could find - was hung on that hill side. The boy became nervous and pale. His fingers gripped the cheap suitcase. He was out of the car before it had completely stopped. The last the passengers saw of him he was running up the hill to his home as fast as his feet would carry him.

It is an ageless story. Remember how He told it: "But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him..." The white sheets are still out. And so many need to come home.

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TEXAS TRAFFIC ACCIDENT COST SPIRALING UPWARD

AUSTIN - Traffic accidents cost Texans nearly \$38 million during April according to the Texas Safety Association.

The total cost of traffic accidents during the first four months of the year, was more than \$185 million when computed according to a National Safety Council formula.

So far this year, the Texas Safety Association said that the most startling increase in traffic accidents and fatalities has occurred on the state's Farm to Market roads. Preliminary reports show a 51 percent increase in traffic fatalities on the rural road system over the same period last year.

Traffic collisions on Farm to Market roads so far in 1970 have cost Texans an estimated \$23 million.

TSA reminds motorists who use the Farm to Market system that staying alert to such traffic hazards as slow moving vehicles and intersecting roadways can reduce traffic collisions and deaths.

The statewide safety group also emphasized the need for motorists to use seat belts and shoulder harnesses while driving on any roadway since a driver's chances of survival in a crash are five times as great if he is not thrown from the car.

LONG DISTANCE CALLS SET RECORD FOR ONE DAY A record 14,212 long distance telephone calls were placed with the Brownfield traffic center of General Telephone Company of the Southwest on May 12, 1970, according to G. T. Hamilton, Brownfield division manager.

The record calling was attributed to the tornado at Lubbock on May 11, and exceeded the 6983 calls placed the day of the snow storm on March 15, 1969. For the week ending May 16, 1970, we had a daily average of 8494 calls.

The Brownfield toll center handles long distance calls for Brownfield, Tahoka, Denver City, Seagraves, Plains, Wilson and Loop. Also Meadow, New Home, Fletcher Carter, West Lakes, Ropesville, Ausborne and Wheatley.

"Even though we had all available operators scheduled for the anticipated heavy volume of calls we know that we had slower answering time and some circuit congestion. We certainly appreciate the patience and understanding that was displayed by our customers," Hamilton said.

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SERVICES HELD TUESDAY FOR MR. T. J. IVY

Services for T. J. Ivy, 53, a Hockley County resident since 1931, were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in George Price Funeral Home Chapel, Levelland, with the Rev. W. C. Williamson, pastor of La Huerta Baptist Church in Carlsbad, New Mexico, and the Rev. Charles Ivey, pastor of Hillside Baptist Church in Greeley, Colorado, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock.

Mr. Ivey died Sunday in a Littlefield nursing home, where he had been since shortly after a 1967 motorcycle accident.

He was a resident of the Pettit community, moving there from Cottle County.

Survivors include his wife, Norene; a daughter, Mrs. Gayla Collier of Lubbock; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ivey of Pettit; six brothers, C. D., T. C. and Willie, all of Levelland, T. H. of Milnesand, New Mexico, B. E. of Littlefield and Joe of Wilcox, Arizona; one sister, Mrs. Joyce Scoggins of Walsh, Colorado; and one grandchild.

Pallbearers were J. H. (Chick) Smith, Jack Stanley, H. C. Donnell, Jimmy L. Welch, Howard D. Ivey and C. L. Chamberlain.

MRS. NIX IN EL PASO Mrs. E. E. Nix went to El Paso last Saturday to attend the bedside of their daughter, Diane who was having problems with a kidney stone. She is reported on the mend now. Diane is teaching school at El Paso.

VISITING HERE Mrs. Ruby Saunders of Meadow is visiting for awhile in the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Odum.

Mrs. Saunders is recuperating from a crushed knee suffered in an automobile accident near Abernathy.

The Veterans Administration is intensifying its orientation and counseling efforts to encourage more veterans and servicemen to apply for government benefits.

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THE UNITED STATES has a press unequaled by that in any other nation - more than 10,000 small newspapers scattered over the country representing an independence of thought and expression providing fundamental support of our society. This freedom is indispensable to the preservation of our political and economic institutions.

When governmental spokesmen talk of serving the best interests of consumers by advertising restrictions they don't need to be very explicit to censorship. It is a short road between censoring the right of individuals and firms to offer merchandise and censoring information they want and need in a free society.

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It costs money to produce a newspaper. ADVERTISERS, who pay a major share of this cost, provide the real foundation for our free press. The subscriber's cost of a good newspaper unsupported by advertising would be astronomical.

Viewed in this light it's easy to understand that our free enterprise system, strongly supported by freedom of the press and the right to advertise all goods honestly and in good taste, hinges on the public's ever being alert to protect its communications media from those who believe bureaucratic control is the answer to all problems in our free society.

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