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City Grants Delayed Water Rate Increase

Water rates in Stratford will be increased moderately starting with bills rendered after February 1, 1958, following filing of new rates, by the Southwestern Public Service Company, water supplier here. Minimum charges will remain unchanged.

Mayor Gene Hudson, in commenting on the filing, said "I am very glad that the Southwestern Public Service Company has agreed to defer the application of these new rates until after the heavy-use season. So long as I am Mayor of Stratford, I will continuously oppose increases in charges for services to our citizens, however, I realize that to have modern, dependable services, the city or the private companies which supply such services must be entitled to a fair return on their investments, otherwise services up to the standards needed in Stratford cannot be maintained. I want our citizens to know that their city commission thoroughly investigated the water situation."

Talks between the Public Service Company and the city officials began some months ago. Company officials were able to show how they have made needed improvements since acquiring the water system in August of 1946.

"Since acquiring the water system, Public Service has doubled the water capacity," said Chester Guthrie, manager for the company. He continued, "My company has laid over 34,000 feet of pipe ranging from the 3-4 inch size to the 6 inch main, at a cost of over \$43,000. A new well in 1951, plus rebuilding of ground water storage facilities, earlier, double the water supply. Some \$14,000 has been spent in new meters and service entrance pipe, as well as the addition of 13 new fire hydrants at a cost of \$157,000 each. Altogether, we have spent over \$93,000.00 in new plant and equipment to give Stratford the finest possible water service."

Asked what the increase might mean to an average customer, Guthrie said, "Actually, there is no such thing as an 'average' customer, since use varies with people every day, every month, and every year. But, to answer your question as best I can, let us take a residential customer who uses 7,000 gallons a month. Under the old rate, he would pay 50 cents per thousand for the first 5,000 gallons, and then 40 cents per thousand for the remaining 2,000 gallons. His bill would be \$3.30. Now, under the new rate he will pay 58 cents per thousand for the first 5,000 gallons and 47 cents per thousand for the remaining 2,000 gallons or a total of \$3.84. Thus, he will pay only 54 cents a month more for his water. This is a modest increase since we have held the line as long as we possibly could since acquiring the system in 1946."

"Now," said Guthrie, "let's compare the summer irrigation water situation. A resident who uses, say, 32 thousand gallons in a month would pay, under the old rate, \$4.50 for the first 10 thousand gallons, leaving 22 thousand gallons at a rate of 15 cents per thousand, making the total bill \$7.80. Under the new rate, he will pay \$4.50 for the first ten thousand gallons and 20 cents a thousand for the next 22 thousand gallons or a bill of \$8.90."

"As for commercial customers, Guthrie said, "let's take a fellow who now uses 10 thousand gallons. Under the old rate he would pay 50 cents per thousand for the first 5,000 gallons and 40 cents per thousand for the remaining 5 thousand, (Continued on Page 6)

Ex-Students Re-Union August 10

Former students of Stratford High School will hold their annual reunion in the school cafeteria at 7:00 p. m. Saturday, August 10. John Steel, a graduate of the school, will be the principal speaker for the occasion.

Local ex-students will take over the responsibility of preparing the food for the occasion. Each family has been asked to bring enough food for themselves and one other person. This policy will relieve those traveling long distances from the responsibility of preparing food.

In recent years the annual ex-students re-union has been held at the same time of the Stratford Jamboree and Junior Fair. As many of the local ex-students have spent most of these days in aiding in the promotion of the events of the day, they have found themselves too tired to attend the annual gathering. This year the time of the re-union has been set in August to reduce local conflict and to enable those with children in school elsewhere to attend the gathering without hindering with the children's schooling.

A dance sponsored by the Nu Beta chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi will open in the American Legion hall at 9:00 o'clock.

Mrs. Davis Honored At Lullaby Shower

Mrs. Jimmy Davis was the honoree at a lullaby shower Thursday morning of last week in the home of Mrs. Cone Donelson, with Mrs. Sonny Donelson as co-hostess.

A green and yellow color scheme was carried out in the decorations. The table was covered with yellow net over a green cloth, with Bells-of-Ireland and jonquils in a crystal bowl, and yellow candles in crystal holders.

Coffee, poured by Mrs. M. E. Upchurch, and dainty cinnamon rolls were served to the 39 guests who were registered by Mrs. Sonny Donelson. Many who were unable to attend sent gifts.

Sandra Johnson Circle Meets With Mrs. Divine

The Sandra Johnson Circle of the Baptist W.M.U. met Wednesday, July 23, in the home of Mrs. I. D. Divine, for a mission program.

Mrs. W. O. Cook led the opening prayer and Mrs. Elma McDaniel gave the devotional, using Luke 11:1-13, after which the minutes were read and approved.

"The Effect of Prayer in My Home" was given by Mrs. Lee Grimes, "God Answers Prayer," by Mrs. W. O. Cook and "Two Women Who Prayed," by Mrs. I. D. Divine. Mrs. Pruett Adkins talked about "The School of Missions," and Mrs. Joe Brown talked on the subjects, "Why I Ask" and "More Love." Mrs. H. B. Norris gave the closing prayer.

A business meeting and social

Mrs. Hudson Is Shower Honoree

Mrs. Clyde Hudson was honored with a bridal shower in the Newton Crabtree home Friday, between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00.

Mrs. Charles Cameron presided at the brides book. Miss Mary Sue Smith, formerly a home economics teacher in the Stratford High School, and a close friend of the bride, poured, and Mrs. Donnie Ellison served the cake from a lace covered table centered with a doll cake. The cake, surrounded by apple blossoms and covered with white icing, formed a bouffant lace skirt decorated with pink forget-me-nots, for the veiled doll.

Pink carnation corsages were presented to the bride and her mother-in-law, Mrs. Gene Hudson.

Mrs. Hudson was the recipient of many beautiful and useful gifts from the 75 guests who called, and those who were unable to attend.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. Herbert Folsom, Mrs. John Knight, Mrs. Hugh Stewart and Mrs. Donnie Ellison.

School Teachers In Reading Workshop

Mrs. Roy Peterson went to Canyon Tuesday with Mrs. Ruby Hammons and other teachers from Boise City, to attend the annual reading workshop, which was held at West Texas State College this week.

hour followed, during which refreshments of cake and kool-aid was served by Mrs. Divine, the hostess.

A visitor, Mrs. Luzell Robinson, was welcomed at the meeting.



HERO TRUCKER . . . Ernest Roedel, truck driver of New Franklin, Mo., named National Driver of 1956, holds two children he saved in highway accident.

Mrs. Flores Celebrates Birthday

Mesdames Zeldia Dunlap, Mae Elliott, Kate Buckles and Agnes Foster helped Mrs. Hattie Flores celebrate her birthday from 5:00 to 9:00 p. m. Friday. They visited, and Mrs. Flores served them a delicious meal after which canasta was enjoyed.

Mrs. Flores' daughter, Mrs. George Cannon and daughters, Timmie Lu and Anne Rochelle, of Amarillo came late in the evening, bringing with them a beautiful birthday cake, which she served with coffee to the guests.

Summer Recreation

Family fun at home can mean extra satisfaction and savings, says Lucille Moore, extension recreation specialist.

One evening or two every week can be spent at home in some form of family recreation or play, and not only the "spectator" variety. Family members can even make their own games. A family hobby can be stimulating and interesting.

4-H and home demonstration groups are stressing wholesome family and community recreation for all ages. Leadership training schools help expand the program.

Name "Dixie" was given to the South, according to popular belief, by Negroes who were fond of a Manhattan slave owner by that name.

Young Men Will Organize Softball Clubs

Young men of the Stratford area will meet at the ball park at 8:00 p. m. Tuesday, August 13, to organize softball clubs. All those interested in participating in the sport are invited to be present at this meeting, according to an announcement made this week by Jimmyingham.

James H. Long Is Finishing Summer Training

CAMP WOLTERS — Army Reserve 1st Lt. James H. Long, whose wife, Edith, lives in Cactus, Texas, is scheduled to complete two weeks of active duty training July 28 at Camp Wolters, Texas.

While at the camp, Lieutenant Long studied civil affairs and military government for occupied countries. After completing his annual summer training he will return to his local reserve unit, the 4163d Army Reserve Area Service Unit at Dumas.

Lieutenant Long is employed as an equipment inspector by the Phillips Chemical Company, Dumas.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Long, Borger, he was graduated from Texas A. & M. College in 1950.

The famous Cullinan Diamond found in 1905 weighed 3,106 carats in the rough.

To Vaccinate Children For Asiatic Influenza

Ambassadors Will Open Colo. Camp On August 5th

The Trans-Canadian Royal Ambassador camp will be held August 5, 6 and 7 at Monument Lake, Colorado. Besides mission and Bible study, the boys will engage in fishing and hiking.

So far 48 boys and men have made reservations to attend this Baptist Camp.

Cone Donelson is chief counselor for the local chapter.

Girls Can Catch 'Em Too

Sherry Gail Skillman of Wichita, Kansas, proved that fishing is not a sport reserved for boys alone, when she won a first prize for catching the first blue gill at the annual fishing derby held at the Municipal Airport. Her picture with the 7-inch blue gill appeared on the front page of the Wichita Beacon. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. L. E. Bonar.

Perkins Buys 287 Truck Stop

M. B. Perkins of Houston, Texas has purchased the 287 Truck Stop from Orvie Brooks. Mrs. Norma Kubesch will be associated with her brother in the operation of the Truck Stop Cafe.

.17 Inch Rain In 2 Showers

An additional .17 of an inch of rain was added to Stratford's annual rain fall in showers falling Friday and Monday. The recordings were .05 and .12 of an inch.

Localized rains up to 1 1/2 inches were reported over several parts of the territory.

The value of this type moisture depends entirely on generalized rains in the near future.

A. L. Ross Building New Home In Stratford

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ross are having a new home constructed on North Maple. The new five room home with a bath and a half will be veneered in color crest stone and will have about 1400 square feet of floor space.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank everyone who sent me cards, letters and flowers while I was in the hospital at Oklahoma City.

Walker Taylor

APPRECIATION

We wish to thank all our friends who sent flowers, cards and letters, and the ones who helped in any other way, at the time of the passing of our dear mother and grandmother. God bless all of you.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Boren, Mary Janice and Joe, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Boren.

Stratford Star:

The following statement is information recently received on the possible outbreak of Asiatic Influenza in the United States.

In order to take necessary steps to have standby plans and precautionary measures in readiness in our community, we urge the following details to be publicized.

Surgeon General, P.H.S.

"The Public Health Service, in cooperation with the medical profession, will stimulate and promote a nationwide voluntary program of vaccination against the prevalent strain of influenza. It will not, however, request Federal funds for the purchase or administration of vaccine, except for its own legal beneficiaries. The State and Territorial health officers and the American Medical Association have jointly assured the Surgeon General that community resources, both public and private, will mobilize to provide vaccinations for persons who are unable to pay for such protection."

In behalf of the Dallam-Hartley-Sherman-Moore County Medical Society, we sincerely thank you.

John R. Purgason, M. D.
Secretary

Beta Sigma Phi Raises Funds

"Never underestimate the power of a woman" used to be the slogan of a national women's magazine and the truth of the saying has just been reconfirmed by members of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority in Texas, working locally and statewide in a fund-raising effort for their 1956-1957 state project, the Texas Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the state's Easter Seal organization.

A check for \$14,321.17, proceeds of activities sponsored by most of the sorority's 476 chapters in Texas, was presented to TSCCA at Beta Sigma Phi's recent state convention in San Antonio by Miss Martha Hannig of Abilene, state project chairman. Receiving the check in behalf of his organization was Arthur McKnight, director of information for the Texas Society.

To raise money for the projected Texas Beta Sigma Phi sponsored dances, cake sales, style shows, turkey raffles, beauty contests and countless other benefit affairs. Miss Hannig said that the sorority adopts a worthy organization each year as a state project and that since 1953 approximately \$50,000 has been raised for such groups. A total of 314 Beta Sigma Phi chapters in 134 Texas cities are represented in this year's total, she said.

McKnight said that a large portion of the Beta Sigma Phi contribution will return to the communities from which it came, as each of the 85 local Easter Seal chapters in Texas will share in the fund. The Society operates 31 Easter Seal treatment centers in the state where medical assistance is available to victims of any and all crippling conditions. TSCCA and its local units are affiliated with the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Magnet for many visitors in Washington, D.C. is the classic Thomas Jefferson Memorial on the Tidal Basin. The heroic statue of the standing Jefferson is clothed in a greatcoat—a likeness of the coat that was given to him by General Thaddeus Kosciuszko, the Polish patriot of the American Revolution.

THE OL' SWIMMIN' HOLE



Town Talk

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sneed and daughters left Wednesday evening to visit Mrs. Sneed's mother, who is ill, and attend a reunion of the Sneed family tonight (Thursday) at Idalou, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Powell and children, Jamie and Butch of El Paso, Texas returned home Monday after visiting with Mrs. Powell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Watson.

James R. Kirkwood of Amarillo brought his two sons to Stratford Wednesday of last week, for a visit in the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Kirkwood and uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Combs. Bonnie Combs returned with Mr. Kirkwood for a visit in his home.

Mrs. Gracyle Walker and son, Sidney, of Dallas, Texas, and Mrs. Marjorie Cleavinger and children, Jane and Mark of Dimmitt, Texas, were guests in the home of their sister, Mrs. H. M. Flores, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Taylor and Mrs. G. L. Taylor visited Mrs. S. P. Vineyard in Amarillo Thursday of last week, after which they went to the airport to meet Bob Taylor of St. Louis, Missouri, who came to Stratford for a visit with his mother and brother and family. T. L. Taylor and his brother, Bob, went to Cripple Creek, Colorado, the first of the week for a few days.

Mrs. J. P. Roberts returned to her home in Altos, Oklahoma Sunday after a week's visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roberts. Mrs. Roberts visited in Stratford while Mr. and Mrs. Grant Woodward were visiting in Colorado.

Tuesday of last week, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree and Charley were visitors in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Woolsey and children and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Moon and children returned home Monday from a vacation in Creed, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jeffcoat and Tex, visited friends, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Snider and children in Tucuman, New Mexico Saturday night and Sunday.

M. S. Horton attended a druggist's market display in Amarillo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Doerfler have as guests their granddaughters, Ellen and Linda, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Doerfler of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Yates visited relatives in Texhoma Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Ross, Jean Anne and Allen, Bill Ross, Dolly Mehner, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lamb and Mark spent Saturday night and Sunday enjoying an outing at Red River, New Mexico.

Miss Carroll Ann Parvin and David Johnson of Amarillo were guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Parvin, Saturday night.

Mrs. Clarence Smith of Lamar, Colorado, Mrs. Nola Rowe

and Mrs. Wright Davis were visitors at Boys Ranch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swain and children and Mrs. Gernie Swain and Mrs. Ella Macy of Arlington, Indiana have been visiting the past week in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hester, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen, Mr. and Mrs. John Steel and Mrs. C. V. Collins.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Butler returned Saturday from Lamar,

Colorado, where they had visited in the home of their son, E. W. Butler, Jr., and family since Wednesday of last week. Their 12 year old granddaughter, Barbara Butler, returned with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Miller returned to their home in San Angelo, Texas Sunday after spending the week in the home of Mrs. Miller's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lyon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Willey had as a guest this week their daughter, Mrs. Maude McDaniel, of El Paso, Texas.


Harold Williamson of Columbia, Missouri was a business visitor in Stratford Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Stilwell, of New Sharon, Iowa, who were business visitors in Stratford the first of the week also visited friends, being guests Monday in the home of Mrs. G. L. Tay-

lor and Mrs. V. O. Gilbert. Mr. and Mrs. Stilwell went to Amarillo Tuesday, and planned to return home from there.

Louis Lynn Thornton left Monday morning by train to visit his sister, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kennedy and son, Greg, in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Davis and children spent the week-end visiting in Red River, New Mexico.



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NUMBER TWO ON THE BALLOT

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 1957.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2 proposing an amendment to Article III, Section 51a of the Constitution of Texas, so as to increase the limit on the maximum monthly payment to needy aged persons from state funds and on the total yearly expenditure out of state funds for assistance to needy aged, needy blind, and needy children; and allocating and appropriating additional sums, supplementing current legislative appropriations, for payment of assistance grants.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Section 51a of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to read as follows:

"Section 51a. The Legislature shall have the power, by General Laws, to provide, subject to limitations and restrictions herein contained, and such other limitations, restrictions and regulations as may be by the Legislature be deemed expedient for assistance to, and for the payment of assistance to:

(1) Needy aged persons who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and who are over the age of sixty-five (65) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid to any inmate of any state-supported institution, while such inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas for at least five (5) years during the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for such assistance and continuously for one (1) year immediately preceding such application, provided that the maximum payment per month from state funds shall not be more than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25) per person; and provided further that no payment in excess of Twenty-one Dollars (\$21) shall be paid out of state funds to an individual until and unless such additional amounts are matched by the Federal Government.

(2) Needy blind persons who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and are over the age of twenty-one (21) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid to any inmate of any state-supported institution, while such inmate, or to any person who shall not have actually resided in Texas for at least five (5) years during the nine (9) years immediately preceding the application for such assistance and continuously for one (1) year immediately preceding such application.

(3) Needy children who are actual bona fide citizens of Texas and are under the age of sixteen (16) years; provided that no such assistance shall be paid on account of any child over one (1) year old who has not continuously resided in Texas for one (1) year immediately preceding the application for such assistance, or on account of any child under the age of one (1) year whose mother has not continuously resided in Texas for one (1) year immediately preceding such application.

"The Legislature shall have the authority to accept from the Federal Government of the United States such financial aid for the assistance of the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children as such Government may offer

not inconsistent with restrictions here-in set forth; provided however, that the amount of such assistance out of state funds to each person assisted shall never exceed the amount so expended out of federal funds; and provided further, that the total amount of money to be expended out of state funds for such assistance to the needy aged, needy blind, and needy children shall never exceed the sum of Forty-seven Million Dollars (\$47,000,000) per year. The Legislature shall enact appropriate laws to make lists of the recipients of aid hereunder available for inspection.

"Supplementing legislative appropriations for assistance payments authorized by this section, the following sums are allocated out of the Omnibus Tax Clearance Fund and are appropriated to the State Department of Public Welfare for the period beginning December 1, 1957 and ending August 31, 1959: Four Million, Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,900,000) for Old Age Assistance, One Hundred, Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000) for Aid to the Blind, and Five Hundred, Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$525,000) for Aid to Dependent Children. Such allocations and appropriations shall be made available on the basis of equal monthly installments and other wise shall be subject to the provisions of currently existing laws making allocations and appropriations for these purposes."

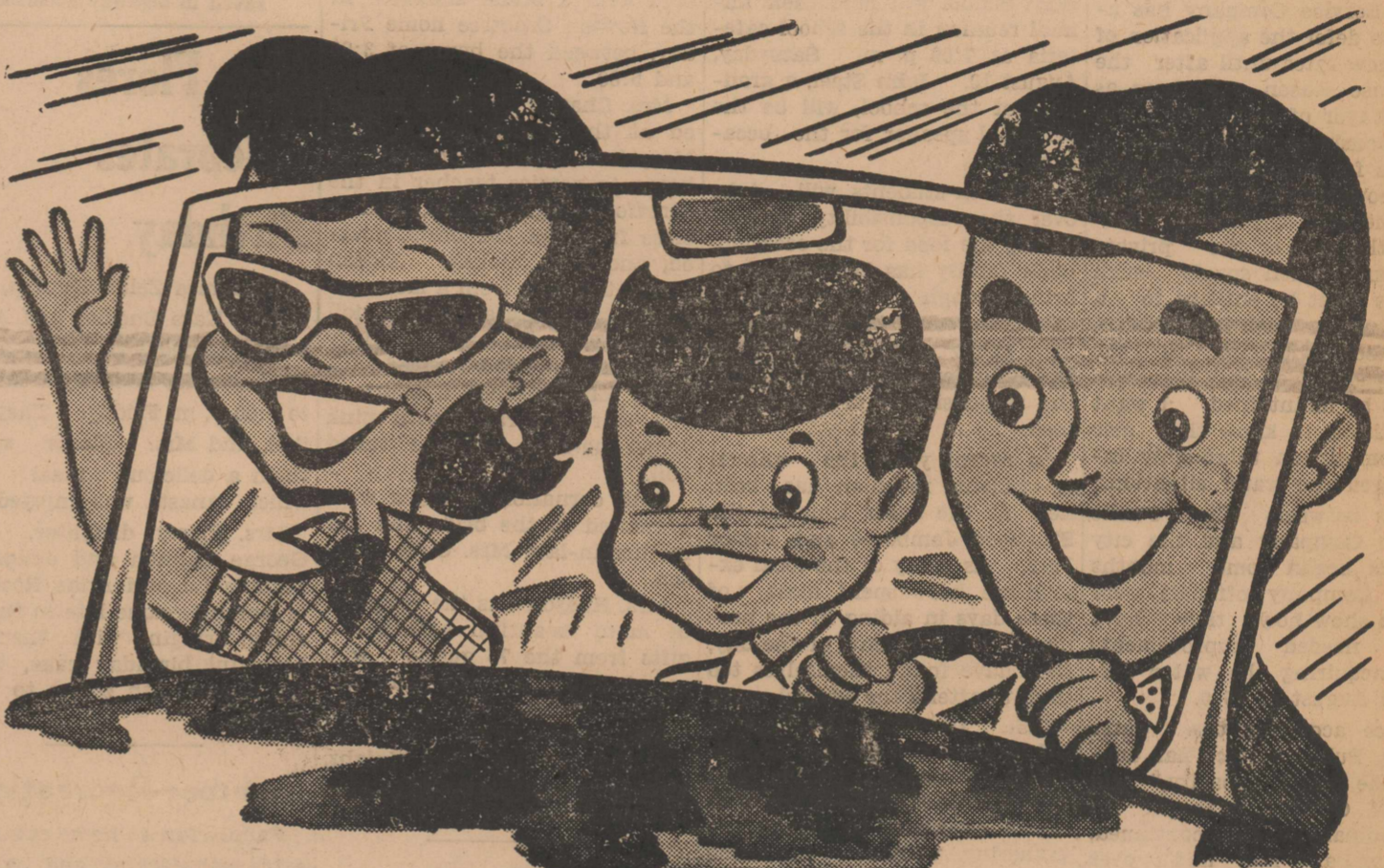
Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of Texas at an election to be held throughout the State of Texas on the fifth day of November, 1957, at which election there shall be printed on such ballot the following clauses:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment increasing the limit on the maximum monthly payment to needy aged persons from state funds from Twenty Dollars (\$20) per month to Twenty-five Dollars (\$25) per month subject to certain conditions for payment in excess of Twenty-one Dollars (\$21) per month and on the total yearly expenditure out of state funds for assistance to needy aged, needy blind, and needy children from Forty-two Million Dollars (\$42,000,000) per year to Forty-seven Million Dollars (\$47,000,000) per year, and allocating and appropriating additional sums, supplementing current legislative appropriations, for payment of assistance grants."

"AGAINST the Constitutional Amendment increasing the limit on the maximum monthly payment to needy aged persons from state funds from Twenty Dollars (\$20) per month to Twenty-five Dollars (\$25) per month subject to certain conditions for payment in excess of Twenty-one Dollars (\$21) per month and on the total yearly expenditure out of state funds for assistance to needy aged, needy blind, and needy children from Forty-two Million Dollars (\$42,000,000) per year to Forty-seven Million Dollars (\$47,000,000) per year, and allocating and appropriating additional sums, supplementing current legislative appropriations, for payment of assistance grants."

Sec. 3. The Governor of Texas shall issue the necessary proclamation for the election and this Amendment shall be published as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.

Be Happy Legal Licensed Drivers



New Texas Teenage Driver's License Laws Become Effective August 23

- (1) Youngsters 14 and over can be fined \$100 for speeding, DWI or driving without a license.
- (2) Parents will be liable up to \$300 for property damage by minor children.
- (3) Drivers licenses for youngsters under 16 will be harder to get. Department of Public Safety, rather than local county judge, will have say-so.
- (4) A special "license" will be needed for driving motor bikes and scooters.

Your cooperation in meeting the requirements of the new Texas State Law will enable you to continue as happy careful drivers. Don't cause yourself needless embarrassment by neglecting to comply with the state law my office is obligated to enforce.

Ross Turner

SHERIFF, SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS

21st Annual

XIT Reunion and Rodeo

Dahart, Fri.-Sat., Aug. 2-3

Schedule of Events

Water Carnival	5:00 p. m.	Aug. 2
Old Timers Reunion	6:30 p. m.	Aug. 2
First Rodeo	8:00 p. m.	Aug. 2
Parade	11:00 a. m.	Aug. 3
Barbecue	noon	Aug. 3
Rodeo	2:00 p. m.	Aug. 3
Amateur Show	5:00 p. m.	Aug. 3
Rodeo	8:00 p. m.	Aug. 3
Dances	9:00 p. m.	Both nights

PARADE RODEOS DANCING

FUN FOR ALL!

The Little Boy Who Cried Wolf 1957 Version

(By Walter Rogers)

You have all heard the story of the little boy who was left to watch the sheep and was told to call out if a wolf appeared. He called out several times when there was no wolf, to the dismay of the men who came to help. When a wolf finally appeared his cries for help went unheeded, and as the story goes, the wolf ate all the sheep, and some people say the little boy.

We have a modern day version of this which would go something like this. Once upon a time there was a little boy named Val Peterson, who had a friend called the President. The President had many, many things to do. Included among these was the responsibility of

developing a warning system to protect the American people against a Russian bear. He thought the best way to do this would be to keep a sharp lookout, and whenever the bear attacked, he could warn the people so that they could scurry into safe places and protect themselves from the bear. So, he bought a large whistle with a long string on it. He then sat his little friend, Val Peterson, by this whistle and told him that it was his duty to pull the string which would blow the whistle and warn the people that the Russian bear was coming. Little boy Peterson was so fascinated with his job and so anxious to pull the string and blow the whistle that he devised a plan to blow the whistle even though there wasn't any Russian bear coming so that the people would scurry to places of safety. By this means he reasoned that a test could be run on whether or not there were enough places of safety for the people to scurry to and whether

or not there were enough roads for the people to do the scurrying on. He advertised this plan widely, and on the appointed day pulled the string, and lo and behold the whistle blew. However, much to his dismay, the people didn't scurry. For some reason the people didn't understand that they were supposed to run and hide because the little boy had blown the whistle. However, the little boy was so enchanted by the sound of the whistle that he continued to pull the string each day, and it wasn't long before the people had become so accustomed to hearing the whistle it did not even cause comment.

In fact, the recent "Operation Alert," a mock air raid on the City of Washington and other major cities of the nation, designed to produce casualties of 54 million people, was executed. This operation even included the little boy's friend, Mr. President. He was provided with two helicopters which spirited him and the secret service men from the White House to a secret destination. As you can imagine, this was a major exercise of such proportions as to draw the attention of many millions of people, especially those who were supposed to be killed. The only catch was that the people had heard the whistle so many times they paid no attention to it and did not know anything about "Operation Alert" until they read about it in the newspaper after they were dead or maimed. This has caused a great deal of concern among those who conceived the plan, but it is rumored that a solution may have been found. It has been suggested that, since the little boy has blown the whistle so many times and the people have become so used to hearing it, the only effective warning, should the Russians approach, would be for the little boy not to blow the whistle.

The little boy was promoted recently to be Ambassador to Denmark. The moral seems to be, if you want to be an Ambassador, you don't have to toot your own whistle, you can toot the government's.

I apologize if this seems somewhat facetious, because I fully realize the great need for a proper warning system in the event this country is invaded. However, I think it is foolish to continue programs which cost the taxpayers lots of money and which are not producing the results that should be produced. I feel the plan or program should be weighed against the possible danger involved. I have never felt there was a great danger of this country being attacked by Russian planes dropping bombs or any other kind of bombs. There is no doubt that Russia could get some planes through to drop bombs on our major cities

if she sent enough planes in the first place. However, this is not a one-way street. Russia realizes this country has the potential to retaliate on a ratio of at least 10 to 1 should anyone in Russia become foolish enough to attack this country. In the first place, the congested areas of Russia are so much more congested than in the United States that an equivalent bomb dropped on equivalent localities in both countries would do much more damage in Russia, in so far as taking human lives, the reason being that Russia has no residential districts. The people live in living quarters set aside in huge apartment type buildings. These living quarters are so small in many instances that the manner in which people are crowded in these buildings resembles

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New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Horn are parents of a seven pound ten and three-fourth ounce daughter, Virginia Karen, who was born Friday in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. The little lady has a sister, Phyllis, who is almost five years old. Mr. Horn, who remained in Amarillo with his wife, brought her and the new baby home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sloan, Jr., are the parents of a five pound thirteen ounce daughter, Patricia Ann, born July 21 in a Shreveport, Louisiana hospital. Their daughter, Pamela, is three years old. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sloan of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Kirkwood, Amarillo, are parents of a daughter, who was born July 17 in Neblett Hospital in Canyon. The baby weighed seven pounds four ounces, and has been named Penny Fay.

Prevent Heat Sickness

Remember these rules to avoid heat sickness: Avoid over-exertion, particularly in the early part of the heat wave; avoid too much exposure to direct sunrays or extreme indoor temperatures and high humidity. Wear a hat while outdoors, wear light porous clothing and increase the use of salt to offset the excessive loss of salt in the body through perspiration. Drink water often through out the day, eat nutritious food, but avoid overeating. Avoid ice water and alcohol.

Even in summer, breakfast is an important meal. To encourage folks to eat well, bake a pan of muffins with biscuit mix, stirring a generous handful of sweet raisins into the batter. Serve hot, with orange marmalade, berry jelly or jam.

Legend says that Esh Sham (Damasus), the capital of Syria, was founded by Noah's grandson a few years after the great flood. Esh Sham is reported to be the oldest continuously inhabited city.

Swifts, the most aerial of all birds, never alight on the ground unless hurt. They gather all their food and nesting material while flying; drink skimming over water; and mate in mid-air.

During a day spent in reading muscles move the eye something like 100,000 times. Eye muscles are about 100 times as strong as they need be and are among the most exercised muscles in the body.



CARE AIDS RED VICTIMS . . . Chinese boy, one of thousands of refugees from communism, pushes heavy CARE food package on Hongkong street.

R. D. Vaughn Has Leave In Italy

AUGSBURG, GERMANY — Army Specialist Third Class Ronald D. Vaughn, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Vaughn, Cactus, Texas, recently spent a seven-day leave in Italy. Specialist Vaughn is regularly assigned as a clerk in the 11th Airborne Division's 111th Medical Company in Germany. Vaughn entered the army in

October 1954 and received basic training at Fort Ord, California. He arrived in Europe in February 1956. The 21 year-old soldier attended the University of Texas.

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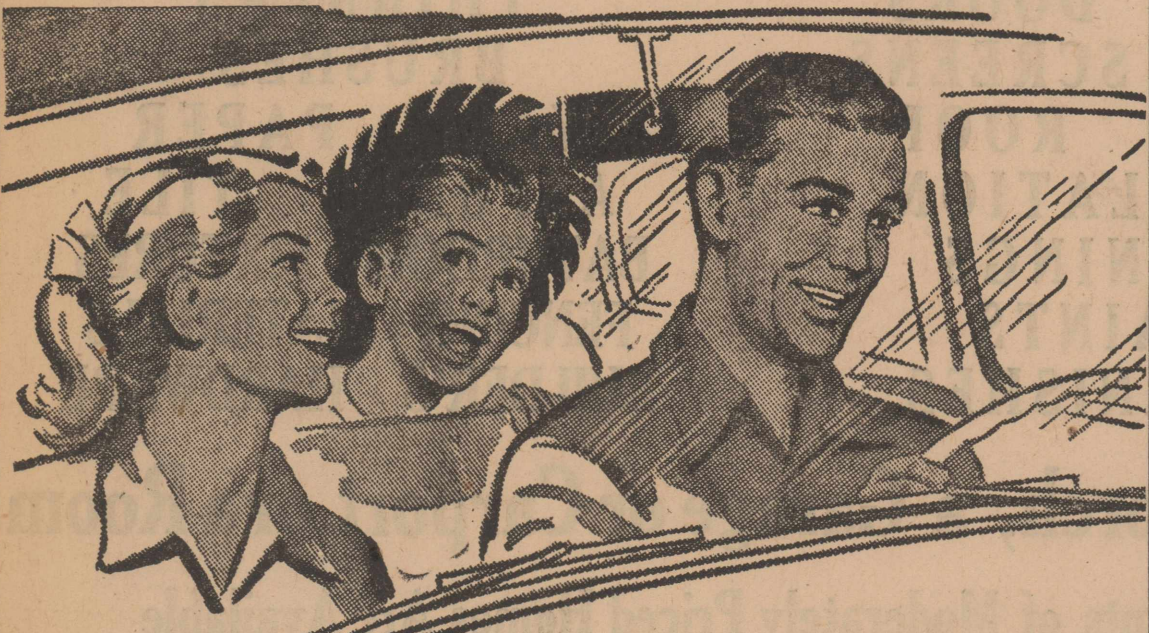
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In its earlier years Detroit was proclaimed as "the Constantinople of the Western World."

The Little Boy--

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stacked cordwood. The Russians have no private conveyances to speak of and would have no way in the world to depart from these congested areas should a war break out. For these and many other reasons, I do not believe that we are on the verge of war with Russia, and I do not think we should continue to spend tremendous sums on programs that could be considerably better, much more efficiently handled, and at a much cheaper price. If we continue to maintain our defenses as we have in the past and do not relax our vigilance, our country will be here for a long, long time.

Methodist Church

(Rev. Charles R. Gates, Pastor)
Sunday School 9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
M. Y. F. 6:00 p. m.
Junior additional session 6:00 p. m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p. m.

Wesleyan Guild meets fourth Monday night of each month at 8:00 p. m.

W. S. C. S. Circles meet Wednesdays.

Official Board meeting second Tuesday of each month.

L. L. Vaughn

Is Completing

Active Duty

CAMP WOLTERS — Army Reserve 1st Lt. Leonard L. Vaughn, 26, whose wife, Kathryn, lives in Cactus, Texas, has completed two weeks of active duty training at Wamp Wolters, Texas.

While at the camp, Lt. Vaughn studied civil affairs and military government for occupied

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countries. Vaughan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil C. Vaughan, Route 2, Sikes-ton, Missouri, is a chemical engineer with the Phillips Chemical Company in Cactus. He is a 1953 graduate of the University of Missouri.

Assembly Of God Church

(Bob Goodwin, Pastor, Phone 4351)

Sunday School 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a. m.
Young People 6:00 p. m.
Children's Church 6:00 p. m.
Evangelistic Service 7:00 p. m.

Wednesday night service 8:00 p. m.
The public is invited to all services.

Wednesday afternoon the W. M. C. met at the country home of Mrs. Barbara Hawkins. The W. M. C. chorus opened the meeting. Mrs. Leroy Judd gave the devotional entitled "From the Guns to God." The business meeting discussion was on taking linens to the camp meeting, to be stored, for the use of missionaries. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served to the group. The W. M. C. gave Mr. and Mrs. Herald Fields of Goodwell, Oklahoma a bridal shower. They are one of the new couples that have been attending church.

Sunday night the Junior Church enjoyed a Bible story and choruses prepared by Mrs. Bob Goodwin.

Sunday night the Christ Ambassador group gave a short two act play entitled, "Doctors Examination and Spiritual Check-up."

Monday night, Mrs. J. N. Fos-

ter, the Missionette sponsor, gave the group a Spanish supper. After the meal the group enjoyed several games. The group has been studying missionaries in Argentina.

Church of Christ

(L. L. Thornton, Minister)

Sunday Bible Classes 10:00 a. m.
Worship 10:55 a. m.
Young Peoples Classes 5:15 p. m.

Evening Worship 6:00 p. m.

Tuesday Bible Classes 9:30 a. m.

Wednesday Bible Classes 8:00 p. m.

Among the Sick

Mrs. W. H. Gaylord was brought home Tuesday morning after being a medical patient in Dumas Memorial Hospital the past six days.

Miss Pauline Jones was taken to Dumas Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Divine. She entered Dumas Memorial Hospital for a medical examination.

Bill Gamble was admitted to St. Anthony Hospital in Amarillo Monday afternoon. He underwent surgery Tuesday afternoon for the removal of cataracts from his right eye.

J. D. Plunk was brought home Wednesday from St. Anthony Hospital where he underwent surgery on his nose Thursday morning of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Word spent Sunday with his mother who is ill in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Foods And Nutrition Briefs

Tired of trying to concoct new salads? Serve a big bowl of crisp relishes instead. Carrot sticks, radishes, celery, green pepper strips, tiny whole tomatoes and shiny ripe olives make mighty good eating. Arrange in bowl of crushed ice, like a bouquet. They'll stay crisp in hottest weather.

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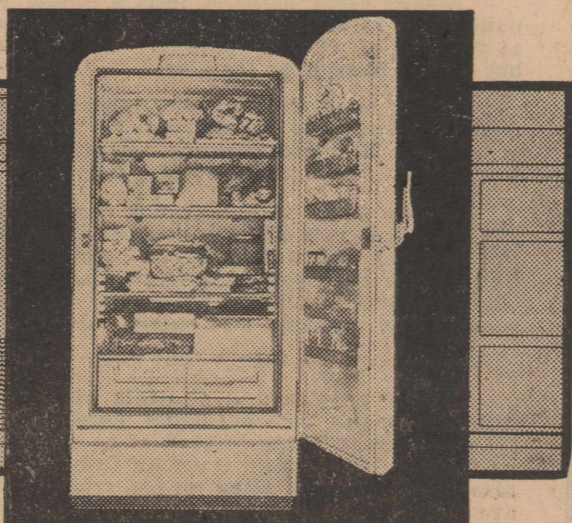
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NUMBER THREE ON THE BALLOT

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 1957.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3 proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Texas adding a section to be known as Section 48-c of Article III, providing for the issuance and sale of bonds of the State of Texas to create the Texas Water Development Fund to provide financial assistance to certain political subdivisions or bodies politic and corporate of the State of Texas in the conservation and development of the water resources of the State; providing for the payment of such bonds; creating an agency to administer said Fund and to perform other duties prescribed by law; limiting the period during which financial assistance may be granted; and providing for the calling of an election and the publication and issuance of the proclamation therefor.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Article III of the Constitution of Texas be amended by adding a new section thereto to be known as Section 48-c, as follows:

"Section 48-c. There is hereby created an agency of the State of Texas, the Texas Water Development Board to exercise such powers as necessary under this provision together with such other duties and restrictions as may be prescribed by law. The qualifications, compensation, and number of members of said Board shall be determined by law. They shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate in the manner and for such terms as may be prescribed by law.

"The Texas Water Development Board shall have the authority to provide for, issue and sell general obligation bonds of the State of Texas in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000). The Legislature of Texas, upon two-thirds (2/3) vote of the elected Members of each House, may authorize the Board to issue additional bonds in an amount not exceeding One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000). The bonds authorized herein or permitted to be authorized by the Legislature shall be called 'Texas Water Development Bonds,' shall be executed in such form, denominations and upon such terms as may be prescribed by law, provided, however, that the bonds shall not bear more than four per cent (4%) interest per annum; they may be issued in such installments as the Board finds feasible and practical in accomplishing the purpose set forth herein.

"All moneys received from the sale of State bonds shall be deposited in a fund hereby created in the State Treasury to be known as the Texas Water Development Fund to be administered (without further appropriation) by the Texas Water Development Board in such manner as prescribed by law. Such fund shall be used only for the purpose of aiding or making funds

available upon such terms and conditions as the Legislature may prescribe, to the various political subdivisions or bodies politic and corporate of the State of Texas including river authorities, conservation and reclamation districts and districts created or organized or authorized to be created or organized under Article XVI, Section 59 or Article III, Section 52, of this Constitution, interstate compact commissions to which the State of Texas is a party and municipal corporations, in the conservation and development of the water resources of this State, including the control, storage and preservation of its storm and flood waters and the waters of its rivers and streams, for all useful and lawful purposes by the acquisition, improvement, extension, or construction of dams, reservoirs and other water storage projects, including any system necessary for the transportation of water from storage to points of treatment and/or distribution, including facilities for transporting water therefrom to wholesale purchasers, or for any one or more of such purposes or methods.

"Any or all financial assistance as provided herein shall be repaid with interest upon such terms, conditions and in such manner as may be provided by law.

"While any of the bonds authorized by this provision or while any of the bonds that may be authorized by the Legislature under this provision, or any interest on any of such bonds, is outstanding and unpaid, there is hereby appropriated out of the first moneys coming into the Treasury in each fiscal year, not otherwise appropriated by this Constitution, an amount which is sufficient to pay the principal and interest on such bonds that mature or become due during such fiscal year, less the amount in the sinking fund at the close of the prior fiscal year.

"The Legislature may provide for the investment of moneys available in the Texas Water Development Fund, and the interest and sinking funds established for the payment of bonds issued by the Texas Water Development Board. Income from such investment shall be used for the purposes prescribed by the Legislature. The Legislature may also make appropriations from the General Revenue Fund for paying administrative expenses of the Board.

"From the moneys received by the Texas Water Development Board as repayment of principal for financial assistance or as interest thereon, there shall be deposited in the interest and sinking fund for the bonds authorized by this Section sufficient moneys to pay the interest and principal to become due during the ensuing year and sufficient to establish and maintain a reserve in said fund equal to the average annual principal and interest requirements on all outstanding bonds issued under this Section. If any year prior to December 31, 1952, moneys are received in excess of the foregoing requirements then such excess shall be deposited to the Texas Water De-

velopment Fund, and may be used for administrative expenses of the Board and for the same purposes and upon the same terms and conditions prescribed for the proceeds derived from the sale of such State bonds. No grant of financial assistance shall be made under the provisions of this Section after December 31, 1952, and all moneys thereafter received as repayment of principal for financial assistance or as interest thereon shall be deposited in the interest and sinking fund for the State bonds, except that such amount as may be required to meet the administrative expenses of the Board may be annually set aside; and provided, that after all State bonds have been fully paid with interest, or after there are on deposit in the interest and sinking fund sufficient moneys to pay all future maturities of principal and interest, additional moneys so received shall be deposited to the General Revenue Fund.

"All bonds issued hereunder shall after approval by the Attorney General, registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, and delivery to the purchasers, be incontestable and shall constitute general obligations of the State of Texas under the Constitution of Texas.

"Should the Legislature enact enabling laws in anticipation of the adoption of this amendment, such acts shall not be void by reason of their anticipatory nature."

Sec. 2. The foregoing amendment to the Constitution shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at an election to be held on the 5th day of November, 1957, same being the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in said November, 1957, at which election each ballot shall have printed thereon, the following words:

"FOR the amendment to the Constitution of Texas adding a new section to be known as Section 48-c of Article III, authorizing the issuance and sale of Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) in bonds by the State of Texas to create the Texas Water Development Fund to provide financial assistance to certain political subdivisions or bodies politic and corporate of the State of Texas in the conservation and development of the water resources of the State."

"AGAINST the amendment to the Constitution of Texas adding a new section to be known as Section 48-c of Article III, authorizing the issuance and sale of Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) in bonds by the State of Texas to create the Texas Water Development Fund to provide financial assistance to certain political subdivisions or bodies politic and corporate of the State of Texas in the conservation and development of the water resources of the State."

W. D. Ellis in Stratford, and her mother, Mrs. Shaw Dotson and other relatives and friends in Texhoma from Wednesday to Friday evening.

Mrs. E. E. Coons and Claudett Peters are in Chicago, Illinois to attend the convention of the Chicago National Dance Masters. After the convention they will visit in the home of Mrs. Coons' daughter, Mrs. Russell W. Brown, in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Butler, Jr., and children of Lamar plan to arrive in Stratford today (Thursday) and taking Mr. and Mrs. Butler, Sr., with them, will leave tonight for Mansfield, Louisiana to attend a reunion of the Butler family. They plan to return Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Garoutte and children of Liberal, Kansas visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Garoutte and other relatives over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Crabtree visited Mr. Crabtree's mother, Mrs. B. R. Crabtree, in Dalhart Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Burke of Amarillo were week end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Parvin.

Mrs. Dewey Newburn visited relatives in Denver, Colorado last week.

Fish Without a License At Rainbow Lake Red River, N. M. POLES AND BAIT FURNISHED FISH CLEANED Taylor McCasland OWNER

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Veale and son, James, of Pampa, visited Mrs. Veale's cousin, Mrs. G. L. Taylor and Mrs. V. O. Gilbert, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Michaels of San Pedro, California plan to spend the week end visiting in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Baskin Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip C. Johnson of Leadville, Colorado visited Mr. and Mrs. Brown Ross the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ray of Chicago, Illinois, have returned home after spending last week visiting in the homes of Mrs. Lillie Newburn and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Newburn.

C. C. Plunk was a business visitor in Amarillo Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gail McDaniel and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McDaniel attended the annual McDaniel family reunion in Felt, Oklahoma Sunday.

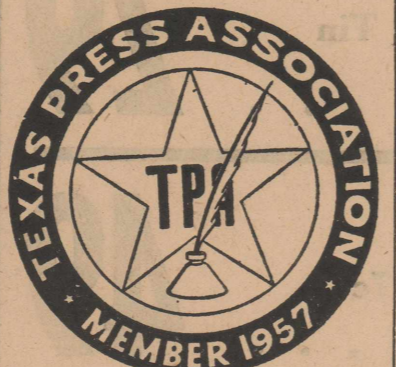
Dale Gardner of Las Vegas, Nevada is visiting John Sears.

Miss Leona Miller returned home Monday from College Station, Texas where she has attended a two weeks short course.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen and daughters, Kathy Nan and Carolyn Ann, went to Lake City, Colorado Monday for a vacation. They plan also to go on to the Taylor Lakes, north of Gunnison, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ellis and daughters, Beth and Sue of Amarillo visited his mother, Mrs.

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Kerrick News

Allen Boren, who has been ill in the Dumas Memorial Hospital for the last two weeks, was brought home last Thursday, and is improving nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDaniel and children and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hutcherson and children left last Friday for Lake

City, Colorado, where they have been spending a few days vacationing and fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Eden and children and Mrs. Eden's sister, Miss Margaret Madel, of Denver, Colorado, visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Eden from Thursday of last week until Tuesday.

Mrs. Ray Taylor and Mrs. Bob

Scott were Amarillo visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. Walker Taylor, Darla and Peggy, Mrs. Robert Elms and Linda, and Mrs. Alton Brewster and Linda, were visitors in Amarillo Thursday.

Artificial teeth were considered quite fashionable by early Roman women.

Town Talk Park Hammons, a former Stratford High School student, of Boise City, and friends were Sunday afternoon visitors in Stratford. Mrs. Morton Durr, Alamo, New Mexico and her grandchildren, Sandra and Carl Durr, visited in the Newton Crabtree home for a short time Tuesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Allen returned Saturday from Lake City, Colorado, where they had enjoyed a weeks vacation. They report that they caught plenty fish. Chester Guthrie and Harold Quinn attended the golf tournament in Dalhart Sunday.

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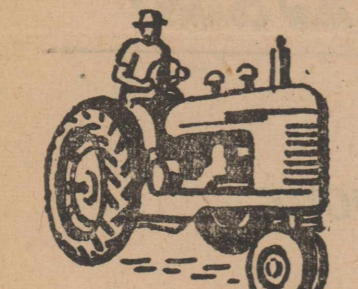
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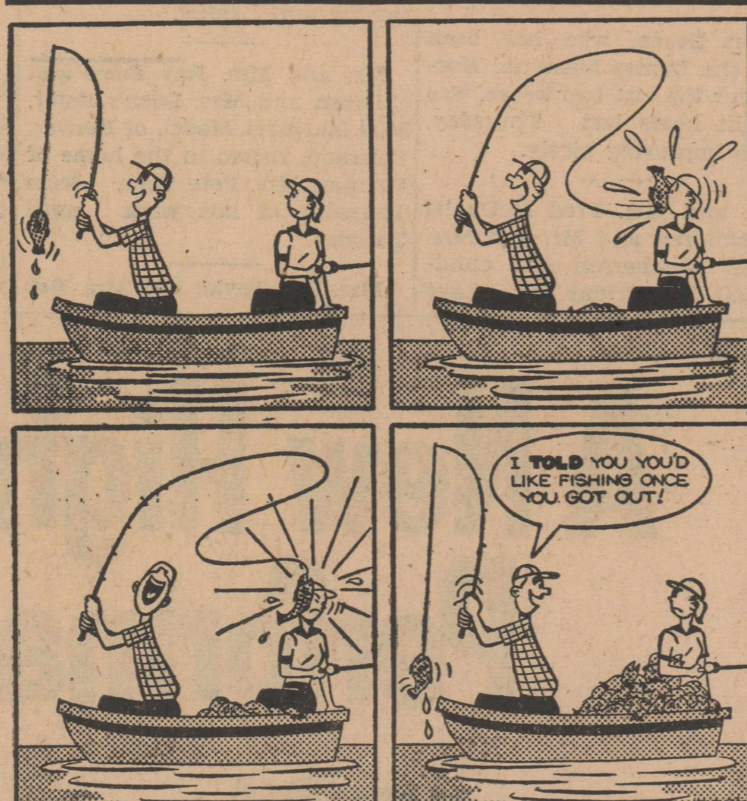
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THE BAFFLES By Mahoney



August 2nd and 3rd. The fabulous three million acre ranch was the largest ranch in the world at the time under one fence. It covered most of ten Texas Panhandle counties.

The XIT Ranch was owned by a Chicago syndicate and largely financed by English capital. Most of the land was sold around the turn of the 20th century. Each year the surviving XIT cowhands and their families return to Dalhart to exchange tales of the old west.

The schedule of events this year include; a water carnival at 5:00 p. m. on Friday at the Municipal Swimming pool; an Old Timers Reunion at 6:30 p. m. on Friday, and a rodeo at 8:00 p. m. Friday night.

On Saturday the XIT parade moves out at 11:00 a. m., a barbecue at noon with a rodeo at 2:00 p. m. and 8:00 p. m. Saturday night. There will also be an amateur show at 5:00 p. m. on Saturday. Several dances are scheduled for both nights of the celebration.

The Marine Drill Team and Bugle Corp will perform at the two rodeos and will march in the XIT parade.

Plan A Restful Vacation

Here are some thoughts on late summer vacations: An employer's and an employee's conception of a vacation differ considerably. The employer emphasizes rest and relaxation for the vacationers. The employee thinks in terms of fun and activity.

Possibly more attention should be given to rest in connection with vacations. Too many people returning to work after their two weeks off sigh wearily and say "I'm glad to get back to the office for a rest."

The annual vacation in the United States has become an actual necessity for health and

well-being. But for maximum benefits it should be restful above all. Rest the mind, rest the eyes, rest the body, is good advice to the late summer and early fall vacationists.

The annual "rest period" should be spent so that you return refreshed rather than fatigued.

Here are some tips on taking vacations for rest and relaxation:

Don't get into a cross-country driving marathon. Realize that you can't see the whole United States in two weeks. Settle for a leisurely sightseeing trip if you spend the time in travel.

Rest the mind with books if you are going to settle down somewhere; if traveling, visit historical places on the way. This kind of visiting will take your mind off present-day worries and troubles.

You use your eyes more on vacation than you do normally. They are also subjected to unusual strain. For tired eyes use sun glasses that are most restful. It is also a good idea to carry a bottle of Murine in the car dashboard compartment. Move off the road when you feel tired and take a nap.

Keep the body relaxed by mild exercise. Don't attempt a strenuous athletic program. If you are going to do a lot of walking, do it in easy stages. Unless you are in really good condition, and few vacationers are, start your sports activities in mild doses until your muscles are limbered up.

And, finally, remember that the sun will burn the pale city dweller's skin. Use sun tan lotions and don't stay out too long. A sunburn isn't relaxing.

Remember, let the word "rest" rule your vacation at all times.

Distemper is commonly considered a form of influenza.

City Grants —

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making a bill of \$4.50. Now, under the new rate he will pay 58

cents per thousand for the first 5 thousand and 47 cents per thousand for the second 5 thousand or a total bill of \$5.25, only 75 cents more."

In conclusion Guthrie said, "Let me take this opportunity to thank the citizens of Stratford and the mayor and commissioners for giving us the opportunity to present our case, and for the businesslike way in which the conversations were carried on. We are glad to be a part of the community and pledge our every effort to providing Stratford with the best water service possible."

Following are the new water rates effective with bills rendered after February 1, 1958. Applicable to residential, commercial and industrial service: Minimum charge \$1.50.

First 5,000 gallons used per month at 58 cents per 1,000 gallons.

Next 5,000 gallons used per month at 47c per 1,000 gallons.

Next 40,000 gallons used per month at 41c per 1,000 gallons.

Additional gallons used per month at 35c per 1,000 gallons.

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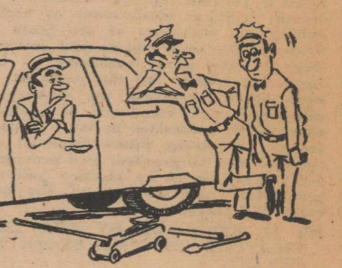
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NUMBER ONE ON THE BALLOT

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO BE VOTED ON AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 1957.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 37 proposing an amendment to Subsection (a) of Section 62, Article XVI of the Constitution of Texas, relating to establishment of a retirement, disability and death compensation fund for officers and employees of the State.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. That Subsection (a) of Section 62, Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to read hereafter as follows:

"Section 62. (a) The Legislature shall have the authority to levy taxes to provide a State Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Fund for the officers and employees of the State, and may make such reasonable inclusions, exclusions, or classifications of officers and employees of this State as it deems advisable. The Legislature may also include officers and employees of judicial districts of the State who are or have been compensated in whole or in part directly or indirectly by the State, and may make such other reasonable inclusions, exclusions, or classifications of officers and employees of this State as it deems advisable. Persons participating in a retirement system created pursuant to Section 1-a of Article V of this Constitution shall not be eligible to participate in the Fund authorized in this Subsection except as permitted by Section 63 of Article XVI of this Constitution. Provided, however, any officer or employee of a county as provided for in Article XVI, Section 62, Subsection (b) of this Constitution, shall not be eligible to participate in the Fund authorized in this Subsection, except as otherwise provided herein.

The amount contributed by the State to such Fund shall equal the amount paid for the same purpose from the income of each such person, and shall not exceed at any time five per centum (5%) of the compensation paid to each such person by the State.

"All funds provided from the compensation of such person or by the State of Texas for such Retirement, Disability and Death Compensation Fund, as are received by the Treasury of the State of Texas, shall be invested in bonds of the United States, or in bonds issued by any agency of the United States Government, the payment of the principal of and interest on which is guaranteed by the United States; or in such other securities as are now or hereafter may be permitted by law as investments for the Permanent University Fund or for the Permanent School Fund of this State, under the same limitations and restrictions imposed by the Constitution for investment of those funds and subject to such regulations as the Legislature may provide. However, a sufficient amount of said Fund shall be kept on hand to meet the immediate payment of the amount likely to become due each year out of said Fund, such amount of funds to be kept on hand to be determined by the agency which may be provided by law to administer said Fund.

"Should the Legislature enact enabling laws in anticipation of the adoption of this Amendment, such legislation shall not be invalid by reason of its anticipatory character."

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this State at a special election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1957, at which election all ballots shall have printed thereon the following:

"FOR the Constitutional Amendment amending Subsection (a) of Section 62, Article XVI of the State Constitution, relating to establishment of a retirement, disability and death compensation fund for officers and employees of the State."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State of Texas is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said special election and this Amendment shall be published and the election held as required by the Constitution and laws of this State.