

City Council Asks For Suggestions

At a recent meeting of the City Council a plan of placing a suggestion box at City Hall was decided.

Citizens are urged to write complaints or suggestions for anything for the improvement of Rotan, sign and place in the box. At council meetings these will be considered, and acted on.

The plan is thought to give every citizen a voice in the management and operation of the City.

Missionary Family To Visit In County

Dr. and Mrs. William Bray and three children will visit Methodist churches in the Stamford district January 9-19. Dr. Bray has been a teacher in the Kwansie Gaukin School at Nishonoma, Japan, since 1953. He was graduated from Perkins School of Theology at S.M.U. in 1939, and received his Ph. D. degree from Chicago University before going to Japan. In addition to his work as a teacher, Dr. Bray founded a Methodist Church in Takarozuka, a city of 50,000 which did not have a Christian church at that time.

The Bray family is supported by the Methodist churches of the Stamford district, as an Advance Missionary Special Project. The schedule of speaking engagements include: (All evening engagements unless stated otherwise.)

January 10, Sylvester. January 19, Rotan. (morning.)

Mrs. Bray and the children visited last year in the Stamford district churches. She will speak to the W.S.O.S. of St. John's Methodist Church in Stamford Thursday, Jan. 16 at 9:30 a.m. and will be available to speak before other women's groups in the district. Her presentation of missionary work in Japan will enrich the study on Japan by Societies this year.

Terry Announces For Re-Election

TO THE VOTERS OF PRE. 4:

I wish to thank the citizens of Precinct 4 for letting me serve as your Commissioner and I solicit your vote and influence in the coming primary. If elected I shall continue to do my best to make a good Commissioner.

Sincerely,
Thurman Terry.

HD Club Hears Talk On Accessories

The Rotan Home Demonstration Club met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Champ Clark, with Mrs. Vernon Frazier giving a lesson on "Accessories." Mrs. L. had made and also modeled different made and also modeled different accessories that could be used.

Mrs. Clark used a salmon and brown feathered centerpiece for her dining table and served refreshments of coffee, piemento cheese sandwiches, potato chips, olives and divinity candy.

Others attending were Meses J. H. Aaron, Viola Hendon, O. R. Nowlin, Ray Wasson and C. C. Roach.

Dalton Announces For Re-election

The people of Fisher County have been very kind to me, and I am sincerely grateful. I am seeking re-election as County Superintendent and shall appreciate your support.

Respectfully yours,
C. J. Dalton.

Hospital News

Patients admitted to Callan Hospital from Jan. 1 to 8 were: Dr. Barry Allen, Mrs. Lyndall Stanford, Mrs. Chester Rivers, Jimmy Shifflett, Jimmy Rivers, Roger Gooch, Darrell Bunt, Mrs. J. D. Meadows, Dora Wasson, Frank Velez, Mrs. Melyin Thompson, Ernest Roberts Sr., Mrs. H. C. Byrd, Mrs. V. C. Tankersley, Mrs. Bill Graham, Blair Berry, Reba Cooley, Tony Velez, Erma Cole, Mrs. H. D. Johnson, Mrs. Ed Hawkins, Debra Rains, Mrs. V. B. Murphree, Mrs. Charles Rowland, Mrs. J. W. Little, Homer Stanford, Mrs. L. E. Wright, Mrs. C. G. Campbell, Hoy Starnes, Boy Underwood.

Out of town patients were Jerry Hale of Roby, Mrs. Walton Davis of Jayton, Casey Jones of Roaring Springs, Tom Ramby Jr. of Borger, Cindy Eaton of Roby, Mrs. Billy Eaton of Roby, Mrs. Glennon Jamason of Hamlin, Anita Beth Miller of Hamlin, Larry Dan Perry of Hamlin, Mrs. R. B. Brandon of Coleman, Lloyd Rudder of Jayton, Mrs. Grady Jones of Jayton.

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Cotton Harvest Stopped By Rain and Snow

Gins have had a chance to catch up on cotton stored during the past several days of bad weather.

Cotton gathering was halted Saturday when rain and snow started falling, and little harvest is expected this week.

A total of 14,657 bales had been ginned to Wednesday afternoon. Most farmers are through with cotton and some have started plowing their land.

We have the best moisture at this time of the year for the past eight years, and most farmers are very optimistic on prospects.

Sheriff Posse Wins First Place At Odessa

The Fisher County Sheriff Posse ended 1957 with another first place winning and closed another triumphant year for the organization, December 31, when they participated in the parade at the Sand Hills Hereford Horse Show in Odessa.

This was the tenth event for the group for 1957. Eight times they were first place winners; the remaining times they took second place.

At the recent meeting of the American Association of Sheriff Posses and Riding Clubs a Fisher County man and former president of the Fisher County Sheriff's Posse, O. R. Clark, was named president of the A.A.S.P. and R.C.

H. L. Davis of Rotan, is the president of the Fisher County Posse, and Jack Smith of Roby, is secretary.

Davis & Campbell Holding Jan. Clearance

H. L. Davis and Campbell Dept. Store are holding their annual January Clearance this week.

Both stores have nice stocks and prices are reduced. Their sales events always prove popular with the public.

The Clearance opens this morning and runs through Monday.

Calvary Observes Bible Study Week

A good number completed the January Bible Study observed thru-out the Southern Baptist Convention. Adults and young people used the book "Studies in Hosea," by K. Owen White, and taught by the pastor. The Intermediates studied "The Meaning of Church Membership," taught by Mrs. J. A. Barnes. "The Junior and His Church" was the book taught by Ty Harrison to the Juniors. Mrs. C. D. Ferris and Mrs. L. C. Price were teachers of Bible stories and recreation in the Primary and Beginner departments. The Nursery was in charge of Mrs. R. L. Harrison and Mrs. Hoy Starnes.

The church elected a Youth Committee last Wednesday night, and a well-rounded program for the year is being launched. J. A. Barnes and Mrs. Hoy Starnes are co-chairmen for this committee, and serving with them on various sub-committees are Mrs. J. C. Flippo, R. L. Harrison, Mrs. Garland Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Jones, Joe Driver and Ty Harrison.

"Living a Holy Life" we be the sermon subject of the pastor at the 11:00 o'clock hour Sunday morning. Subject for the evening service at 7:30 is "A Cry From the Depths of Sorrow."

Many church members seemingly do not feel the need for Sunday school and Training Union attendance. Won't you make an effort to be in your place in these two all-important agencies of your church? Sunday school meets at 9:45 and the Training Union meets at 6:30. Remember the Wednesday mid-week service is at 7:30. A good number was present last week. Let's make it more this week. Our nursery is always open with a competent worker in charge.

Gerald Murff returned to his school work at Texas Tech Sunday. His grandfather, C. C. Roach, and Bobby Griffith took him to Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Clark spent the New Year holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Lane in Slaton.

4-H & FFA Livestock Show Held At Roby

Entries were heavy and attendance good at the annual Fisher County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show at Roby Saturday.

Bill Scott, Abilene VA teacher was judge of the show.

Shirley Whitworth showed the Grand Champion of the wet lot calf division. This calf is from the herd of Dr. T. D. Young.

Reserve Champion was exhibited by Frances Hill of McCaulley. This calf came from the Largent Ranch.

Grand Champion dry lot was an Angus shown by Sara Jane Cave. Reserve Champion in this breed was shown by Jim Bob Cave. Both calves were from the herd of James Cave, father of the exhibitors.

Don Ballenger showed Grand Champion fine wool lamb. Doyle Rasco showed Reserve Champion. The Grand Champion crossbred lamb was exhibited by Neil Carter and the Reserve Champion by Doyle Rasco.

In the hog division Buster Brown exhibited the Grand Champion barrow of the show, a middleweight Duroc from his own herd.

Russell Green showed the Reserve Champion, a heavy weight Hampshire.

Other winners at the show in fat steer division were James Beck, Jerry Jeffrey, Doug Pyburn, Gerald Owens, Orvel Hill Jr., Jackie Jeffery, Caroline Herron.

In the sheep division other winners were Billy Carter, Jerry Upshaw, Terry Mauldin, Melvin Green, Olen Dennis, Marlin Field, John Palmer, Loran Little, Jim Counts, Jackie Studivant.

Placing in the capon division were Mickey Templeton, 1st; Joy Burk, 2nd; Doc Hardin, 3rd; Jerry Trice, 6th.

Jersey heifers 6-12 months class. Little was 1st; Doug Pyburn, 2nd; Tommy Stuart 3rd; Don Stuart, 5th.

Jersey yearling heifers, Tommie Stuart 1st; Dan Shipp, 2nd.

Jersey cows in milk, Don Stuart, 1st; Little, 2nd.

Champion Jersey, Don Stuart; Reserve Champion, Little.

In the lightweight barrow of the swine division Weldon Van Liew took 1st and 2nd; Russell Green, 3rd; Doug Pyburn 4 and 6th; Van Liew 6th. Others placing were Sotny Evers, Carl Hendrix.

Placing in middleweight barrow were Buster Brown, Russell Green, Ronnie Green, Doug Pyburn, Jerry Trice, Royce Green, Van Liew and Pyburn.

Russell Green and Buster Brown were the winners in the heavy weight barrow class.

Officials of the show were Doug Pyburn, FFA, general superintendent, and Frances Hill, 4-H club girl.

Many of the animals exhibited Saturday will show at the Nolan County Livestock Show in Sweetwater this weekend. A number will be exhibited at Abilene Fat Stock Show, opening January 13.

Mental Patient Causes Excitement Sunday

A three-hour search for a missing mental patient ended here Sunday afternoon when Rotan Fire Chief A. B. Parker and Fireman Obie Gene Killey captured Clarence Metcalf, 51, a one time radio repairman, at 5:45 p.m. about two miles west of Rotan. He surrendered calmly. He was reported to have a knife on his person and dangerous, but did not have a knife when captured.

He escaped from the hospital in Big Spring Saturday. He had been a patient at the hospital for about two weeks.

His wife, the former Nell Randolph of Rotan, lives in Snyder. He went to his Snyder home early Sunday and later came to the home of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Randolph, before going west of town.

Visiting Mrs. J. A. Brown during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Newcomb, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maddox of Odessa; Miss Annabell Brown of Seymour; Mrs. J. B. Coker of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Harrell of Rotan and Cecil Brown of Los Angeles, Calif. Cecil remained for a longer visit.

Kingsfield Building Taking On 'New Look'

Work has progressed rapidly on the Kingsfield building next door to the First National Bank.

Roy Kingsfield, owner, started rebuilding the structure in December and expects to have completed by February 1.

Farmers Home Administration will occupy major portion of the building, moving their offices here from Roby.

Other offices will be occupied by Bart Strayhorn and Clay Fowler, Rotan Cotton Warehouse and June Colwell. Additional office space will be available as the demand grows.

Mr. Kingsfield is using Roman brick for an attractive front, aluminum frame glass door, and steel windows. The building will be air conditioned and modern in every respect.

Home Lumber Co., is contractor of interior work with Rufus Goodrum as carpenter. Red Self of Sylvester is brick contractor.

Hillcrest Church News

The Brotherhood met in regular meeting Monday night. R. A. Guthrie, pastor of the Hittson Church, brought the message for the service.

Attendance was up in each service Sunday, despite the bad weather. Mr. and Mrs. Grover Carter were received into fellowship.

Hillcrest hopes to soon get the building enlargement campaign underway.

Hillcrest invites you to attend the services. Sunday School meets at 10. Training Union 6:30 with preaching service following at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

James Carter Completes Basic Combat Training

Fort Carson, Colo. (AHTNC)—Pvt. James V. Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Carter, Rotan, Texas, recently completed eight weeks of basic combat training at Fort Carson, Colo.

Carter is a 1953 graduate of Rotan High School and attended Hardin Simmons University. He was a farmer in civilian life.

FU Membership Campaign Planned

A group of Fisher County Farmers Union Action officials and membership Committee members early this week to map out plans for the 1958 membership drive in Fisher County. Drive dates were set for the 18, 20th and 21st of January. The drive will kick off with a meeting of team members from each community in the county on the morning of the 18th. From 75 to 100 members are expected to participate in the drive.

A chili supper in Rotan will wind up the drive on the 21st. Proceeds from the chili supper will go toward financing members of the county organization who are chosen to make a trip to Washington. They will join members from other Farmers Union organizations in the state for a ten-day bus trip to Washington, D. C. A number of people from Fisher County have made the trip during the past three years.

Fisher County Farmers Union received its charter in 1954 and has shown steady growth since that time. 1957 membership totalled 340 families. Joe Dismore of Hobbs, served two terms as the first president of the county organization. Present officers are Max Carrier of Roby, president; F. L. Mitchell of McCaulley, executive vice-president; and Mrs. Coy Carrier of Royston, secretary-treasurer.

Lieut. Jimmy Hale left Thursday of last week for his base at Goldsboro, N. C., after spending several days here with Mrs. Hale and their son Brad, who was born Dec. 23. Mrs. Hale and the baby will join Lieut. Hale later.

Virginia Ray returned to West Texas State College at Canyon Sunday afternoon, after spending the holidays at home. She reported the snow very heavy on the Plains, but the roads clear.

Second Snow Of Winter in Area

The second good snow of the winter same Saturday night, leaving more than a half inch of moisture.

The precipitation started with light rain Saturday afternoon and soon turned to snow. This melted as it fell until late that night and Sunday morning the ground was covered.

The fall was heavier north of town.

Farmers and stockmen state they have the best season in January in a number of years.

Cotton Farmers Need More Acreage

"Farmers must plant to prosper. Farming areas must plant to prosper. Certainly laborers, merchants and entire trade centers, as well as the total economy, need a program of plant to prosper. Freedom to plant and ever expanding markets for farm products must be the goal.

"Cotton is in major trouble because of laws that have encouraged and required farmers to attempt to prosper by not planting.

"Manufacturers of synthetic fibers have expanded manufacturing plants and prospered. Foreign cotton farmers have expanded the planting of cotton and prospered.

"The result in 10 years —

"U. S. cotton farmers cut back in acreage from 24 million (1947-49) to 16 million (1955-57) acres.

"Synthetic fiber production in the U. S. is up the equivalent of 2.1 million bales of cotton since 1947. For the world, the increase is equivalent to about 11 million bales.

"Foreign cotton production since 1947 is up over 12 million bales.

"Yes, cotton farmers and the whole cotton industry need to plant and sell to prosper.

"The urgent need for a change in the laws was placed before Congress during the past session. In a special communication dated July 12, 1957, a special plea was again made that another year not be lost for cotton.

There is great need for making cotton competitive in price both at home and abroad. In 1956-57 the U. S. offtake was 600,000 bales under the 1955-56 domestic consumption. For the first two months of this year our domestic consumption was running at about 10,000 bales per month less than for the same two months last year. If this decline is not stopped, the offtake by our domestic mills for the current year will be a little less than 8.5 million bales, compared with 9.2 million bales two years ago.

"Now leaders are saying, 'Cotton cannot continue to lose markets if there is to be a cotton industry.'

"The export sales program has demonstrated that if cotton is made competitive with rayon the inroads being made by staple fiber not only are stopped, but cotton begins to recover lost markets. In Europe it has been shown that consumers, given the choice of cotton or rayon fabrics, at competitive prices, take the cotton.

"Cotton, to compete at home and abroad, must meet certain minimum requirements.

"First is availability of supplies. This, perhaps, is as important as price, which is considered the major essential. Foreign mills and domestic mills must know that they will have ample supplies of cottons they desire if they are to stay with cotton. Mill programs are based on long-range plans. Mills know that they can get ample supplies of rayon at a stabilized price. They need assurance that the same will be true of cotton.

"The second element, equally as important as availability, is price. Cotton must be made competitive.

"Steps need to be taken to produce more of the kind of cotton demanded by the world today. The shortest staple, and low quality cotton, needs eventually to decline in prices at which they can be used. Low-grade cottons can be used by mills if the price differential is great enough to compensate for the extra manufacturing costs. They cannot be used when their price is supported at levels which make it unprofitable to use them."

Fire Dept. Elects Officers For Year

A. B. Parker was re-elected chief of the Rotan volunteer Fire Department at the annual elective meet Monday night. Parker has served 20 years as chief and 31 years as a department member.

Horace Arrington, another veteran member, was re-elected assistant fire chief.

Obie Gene Kelly was renamed Captain No. 1; Gene Wallace was re-named Captain No. 2. The Rev. J. Alvis Cooley was re-named Department Chaplain. Pauline Fleming was re-named Sponsor; Bernice Hardy was re-named Maid of Honor.

Sue King, daughter of fireman and Mrs. Harold King, was named "Sweetheart." Alva Douglas Mercer, son of fireman and Mrs. John Douglas Mercer, was named department Mascot.

Mrs. L. B. Green, widow of Rotan's first fire chief, has been "Mother" of the fire department for more than 30 years.

Kenneth Kelly was named president of the fire department; Archie Neeley was named vice-president.

Charlie Woods is the new secretary-treasurer; named as his assistant was Wayland Gray.

Roby Man Dies In Spur Hospital

C. H. (Charlie) Moore, 73, Roby stock-farmer and brother of George Moore of Rotan, died in Spur Memorial hospital in Spur at 11 a.m. Saturday. He had been ill of cancer several months and hospitalized there for 10 days.

Mr. Moore was born Oct. 2, 1884 in Georgia, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Moore. He came to Fisher County Jan. 1, 1908 from Jones County. He married Emma Stewart in Roby Sept. 4, 1910.

Funeral was held in the First Baptist Church of Roby Monday at 2 p.m. with the pastor, the Rev. Fred Blake officiating. Burial was in Roby Cemetery, directed by Weathersbee Funeral Home of Rotan.

Survivors are his wife; seven sons, Hugh, Kyle and J. P., all of Roby, Kenneth Charles of Plainview, Wayne Keith and Thorston Keith, both of Abilene, and Raymond Steward of San Angelo; three daughters, Mrs. L. R. Weaver of Henderson, Nev., Mrs. W. F. Smith of Roby, and Mrs. Tom Fields of Spur; one sister, Mrs. E. W. Wilburn of Dallas; two brothers, Geo. of Rotan, and Rufe of Abilene; 33 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Aldean Moore, Coy Stuart, Thurman Terry, Cullen Terry, Kermit Terry and Dono Terry.

Isla McClure For County Treasurer

TO THE PEOPLE OF FISHER COUNTY

I want to thank the citizens of Fisher County for electing me your County Treasurer. It has been a pleasure to serve you.

I solicit your vote and influence for re-election in the coming primary.

Sincerely,
Isla McClure.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Nowlin and Jim, Mr. and Mrs. Ornie Nowlin visited their aunt, Mrs. Estelle Inzer, in De Leon Sunday and helped her celebrate her 80th birthday. She has recently been hospitalized but is able to be home now. She will be remembered as "Miss Estelle," who taught in the schools here many years.

Approaching Marriage Announced

Mr. Troy Rogers of Rotan announces the engagement and approaching marriage of his daughter, Barbara Steger to Cecil King, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. King of Roby.

The wedding will be held February 8, at 7:30 p. m. in First Baptist Church of Rotan.

Miss Steger will be a mid-term graduate of Rotan High School.

Mr. King is a graduate of Roby High School and is assistant cashier in Citizens State Bank of Roby.



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VANILLA Wafers	NABISCO 25c cello bag	19c
HERSHEYS COCOA	1 lb. can	59c
Hip-O-Lite	pt.	23c

INSTANT MARYLAND CLUB COFFEE	6 oz. jar	99c
HEARTS DELIGHT Fruit Cocktail	303 can	21c
Black Pepper	1 lb. Rego	79c

PRELL SHAMPOO, lg. size	69c
NEW PINT PERMANENT	\$1.39
LADY ESTHER FACE CREAM, \$1.49 val.	79c
BUSTRE-CREME SHAMPOO, \$1.50 size	99c
MODART SHAMPOO, .75c size	43c
NOTE BOOK PAPER, 98c pkg.	79c
ALCOHOL, pt.	13c
JOHNSONS PASTE WAX 1 lb. can	49c



VELVEETA Cheese	1 lb. box	49c	KIMBELLS LUNCHEON MEAT	12 oz. can	39c
Double Cola	6 Botl. Ctn.	Plus Deposit	19c		
ADAMS ORANGE Juice	46 oz. can	29c	Vel	2 Reg. Boxes	53c
Salad Dressing	Mortons	Qt.	43c		
HUNTS PURPLE Plums	No. 21-2 Can	25c	Rinso	Reg. Size	25c
Waffle Syrup	Brer Rabbit	24 oz.	29c		

PORK STEAK	Semi-Bonless Lb.	55c
CHUCK ROAST	U.S. Good Lb.	49c
BACK BONE	Country Style Lb.	49c

HENS	4-6 Lb. Avg.	lb. 43c
Calf Liver	lb.	39c
Spare Ribs	lb.	59c

Ballard Biscuits	2 Cans	23c
RIO OLEO	3 Lbs.	59c
Bananas	Large Central American Lb.	10c

LARGE TENDER STALK CELERY	17c
COCOANUTS, lb.	12c
CABBAGE, med. size, lb.	3c
LETTUCE, lb.	15c
GREEN ONIONS, bch.	5c



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Piggly Wiggly

'Doc' Mize's Ralls Team Wins District

The following story by Bill Hart Sports Writer for Lubbock Avalanche-Journal recently appeared in the paper in regard to Weldon (Doc) Mize, coach of Ralls High School. He was reared in Rotan and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Mize of Rotan.

"Weldon (Doc) Mize climbed the coaching ladder to success in one year as he led the Ralls Jackrabbits to their first district championship in 32 years.

Mize took the Jackrabbits from a fourth place prediction to the Class A quarterfinals and that rated him the top coach of the South Plains award by the Avalanche-Journal sports department.

There's an interesting story behind this rags-to-riches tale. Mize has been a junior high coach the past seven years, but—and here's the big thing—he did not play college football.

"The Good Doctor" attended high school at Rotan where he lettered—and was a regular—four years as a guard, graduating in 1938.

He enrolled in Texas Tech and started out for football. However, finances became a problem and he quit school to go to work and earn money.

The next fall, Doc came back to Texas Tech, but passed up football for an engineering degree. Along came the war and Mize "enrolled" with the Army Engineers.

He was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas and a base in Washington, playing a little service football. He was an assistant coach of regimental team at Fort Hood.

When Mize returned to Texas Tech to resume his studies, he decided to be a coach instead of an engineer and received his degree in 1949. One year later, he had his doctor's degree.

Ralls hired Mize as a junior high coach and he served under four men—Rudy Haile, Doc Brantley, Herb Pyor and Don Leach—before taking the reins this fall.

Doc compiled a pretty good record with the freshman team at Ralls, winning 45 of 53 games. In addition, he was a classroom teacher in the chemistry department.

This fall, Ralls won 10, lost two and tie one, winning the district title for the first time since 1925. The Jackrabbits were eliminated in the quarterfinals by Sundown, 27-7, the farthest any Ralls team has ever advanced.

What made this team go? As one fan commented, "The boys liked their coach and played their hearts out for him."

Mize said, "desire and hard work was their key. They hustled all the time although they were not fundamentally sound at the first of the season."

Doc said also they didn't have a single disciplinary problem and the boys were just "fine kids."

This year's senior class, under Mize during their freshman year, went undefeated, but of that group, only three played ball for Ralls this season. Most of them moved away.

What about next year? Mize shys quickly away from a direct answer, but he loses only six players—all starters. Most of the line will be back, but the top backs graduate. Incidentally the juniors failed to win a game in the eighth grade and didn't play freshman ball as they were moved up to the varsity that season when the school didn't have a frosh team.

Mize, who is a major in the Army Reserve, is married to the former Lillian (better known as Poodles) Messer of Fort Worth and they have three children, Jack, 12, Tina June, six, and Terry Weldon, two. The Mizes have been married 15 years.

Those visiting the Jim Noles' during the holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Noles and children of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hardin and daughter of Odessa, also Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Foreman and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Finley Eaton and children, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rives, all of Rotan, Mrs. Jewel Wiley and Peggie of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hatcher and children and Mr. and Mrs. Corkey Foreman and daughter, all of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Truett Eaton, Pvt. and Mrs. Odell Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. James Yates and Chester of Mineral Wells, and Pfc. Melvin Sparks, who is stationed at Fort Polk, La.

Mrs. Hazel Chester and Linda have returned to their home in Grandview, Wash., after spending the holidays here with her mother, Mrs. W. F. Edwards, and other relatives.

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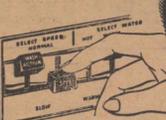
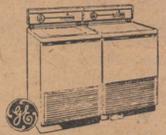
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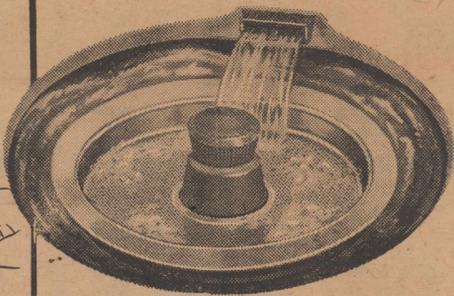
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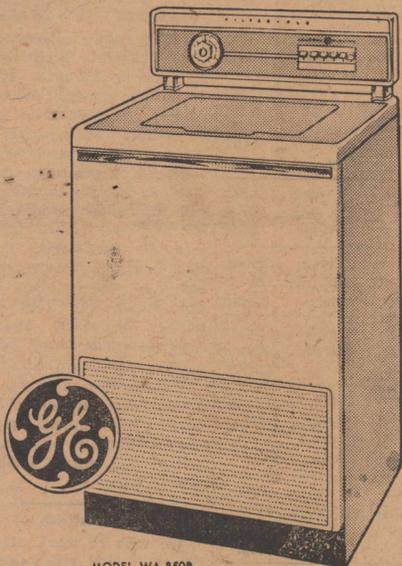
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ABOUT YOUR HEALTH



A weekly public service feature from the Texas State Department of Health, HENRY A. HOLLE, M.D., Commissioner

It was a good year for public health.

For the first time in Texas history live births passed the quarter million mark. More than 252,000 births were recorded as the year ended, compared with 72,000 deaths. That's a healthy 2 1-2 to 1 ratio of births over deaths, and indicates a natural population increase of 180,000.

Other health events were equally significant. An influenza epidemic, the worst since 1918, caused a flurry of activity among health officials in months just before the year died. Before it was over almost two million doses of vaccine were rushed into the state. Vaccine, and early warning, undoubtedly lessened the epidemic's impact.

As the official state agency for city planning assistance, the State Health Department processed 14 applications for federal financial aid. Total cost of projects, all in cities of less than 25,000, is \$451,252, of which the federal share is \$216,483.

Spring floods were behind the urgency of 58 special health projects costing \$417,000, including control of insect vectors, rehabilitation of water plants, and chlorination of thousands of farm wells.

Almost 1,100,000 pounds of food had to be removed from sale channels as being unfit for human consumption during the year.

Four separate episodes of radioactive isotope mishandling were investigated, and a toxicological information center was initiated to instantly provide information on

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antidotes in cases of industrial and household chemical poisonings. The center operates in cooperation with the Texas Medical Association.

Almost 1,800,000 shots of polio vaccine were distributed throughout Texas, cutting the incidence of polio to less than half that of the previous year. Only 729 cases were reported in 1957, compared with a five-year median of 1751 cases.

Five hundred nursing homes, housing 8,000 aged people, were inspected and licensed during 1957, and 21 hospital construction projects were approved by the State Board of Health under terms of the Hill-Bruton Act.

Construction of city sewerage plants with federal help got underway with the allocation of 30,500,000 to 42 separate projects, and a statewide water sampling program was begun. With game wardens collecting samples, some 500 samples per month are being analyzed at the State Health Department laboratory.

The past year saw 2116 medically indigent crippled children placed under care, and penicillin and department-manufactured biologics were furnished in record quantities to physicians of medically indigent patients.

Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Carlton of Hamlin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Withers Friday evening.

YOUNG'S FOOD VALUES

- Honey Cup Mellorine, 3 1/2 gal. crtn. \$1.00
- OAK FARM MILK, 1/2 gallon 43c
- WHITE SPUDS, 10 lbs. 39c
- GRAPEFRUIT, 5 lb. bag 35c
- CARROTS, 1 lb. cello bag 10c
- LETTUCE, firm head 15c
- WHITE SWAN TEA, 1/2 lb. 49c
- WHITE SWAN COFFEE, lb. 89c
- PINTOBEANS, 10 lbs. 98c
- SUGAR, 10 lbs. 98c
- White Swan
Crushed PINEAPPLE, 3 No. 2 cans 89c
- Pecan Valley
Cut Green BEANS, 2 No. 303 cans . 25c
- Del Monte CATSUP, 14 oz. bottle . 19c
- Del Monte Tomato Juice 46 oz. can . 29c
- Large Economy size Colgates
DENTAL CREAM, 49c
- JERGENS LOTION, reg. \$1 size . . . 79c
- GOLDEN BELLE FLOUR
10 Pounds 79c 25 Pounds \$1.79
- CREAM MEAL, 10 lbs. 73c
- FRYERS, pound 39c
- Home Made
PURE PORK SAUSAGE, lb. 55c
- PORK ROAST, lb. 49c

YOUNG'S MARKET

ABUNDANT LIFE

BY ORAL ROBERTS



CHARLIE MET THE MASTER WEAVER

Once I saw one of the most expensive rugs in the world. It was worth in excess of \$50,000. I picked up a corner of it and turned it over and looked on the other side. The threads were running crazily in every direction. There was no order, beauty or design. Then I flipped it over again and there on that side was this beautiful design woven by the hands of a master craftsman.

God's hand is like that. He can pick up a human life that is all mixed up, confused and blowing out in a hundred different directions. He can fit the affairs of our life into something of exquisite beauty.

Charlie C. of Glendale, California, stood looking down upon the slowly moving bosom of the Mississippi River. Just one quick jump over the handrail and the "father of waters" would engulf him in a dark embrace. A few months before, he was heading for the top of his chosen profession—a stock and bond salesman.

But suddenly his entire world lay at his feet in ruins. He was left absolutely penniless. As he stood that day on the bridge he recognized that he was a total failure. Now the question—what should he do? Should he jump? It was a way out! But maybe he could find another way.

He walked by a mission on the back side of town. Perhaps this thing called "religion" would help. So he entered into the outward form of worship. When the offering plate was passed, he dropped the last \$2.00

he had in the plate. Eagerly he waited to see what would happen. Nothing happened. As soon as the service was over, he returned to his apartment. The experiment in religion had failed.

But suddenly it dawned on him that if God had the answer for his life and his problems, he couldn't buy that answer for two dollars or two million dollars. But if he would only believe and have faith, God would give it to him.

He leaped to his feet and rushed out. It was ten o'clock at the little mission; the lights had been turned out. But he shouted to the little group who were still talking out front. "Turn your lights back on. Let's go back into the church. You have a red-hot prospect here!"

The language of the salesman was the only language that he knew. But the preacher understood what he meant. Together they knelt at the altar.

From that moment on he was a new man. His attitude toward life was completely changed. He loved God and he loved all of God's creatures.

Things began to break again for him in the business world—not overnight, but there was a steady climb. Today Charlie is an outstanding real estate and building contractor.

He found that when we let the "Master Weaver" take the tangled strands of our lives, the pattern begins to assume a wonderful shape. Suddenly life comes into focus and it reveals to us the beauty and steadfastness of God's love.

CLASSIFIED ADS

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For Sale

For Sale, Werner Piano, Mrs. H. C. Shelton, phone 337.

For Sale, my home, 806 Johnson, 3 bedrooms, wall-to-wall carpeting, drapes and air conditioned, O. B. Gave. 44-tfc

1954 Ford 4 door, good tires, motor has been reconditioned. Ready to sell. Hogsett Chevrolet Co.

Home for sale, three bedroom home with bath and half bath; plumbed for washer, two water heaters, wired for electric cooking. Two and half lots, trailer camp space to care for 3 or 4 trailer homes. Good location, fine neighbors. Price reduced to \$3250. See John Kiker, owner, 202 N. Concho, Italy. 51-2tp

For Sale, large four room house with butane, five acres of land with 1-2 mineral rights, 2 cisterns and 1 water well, 1 mile north-west of town. Priced reasonable. Jim McCright, phone days 225; night 7553. 43-tfc

For Sale, Sorghum Alum Seed, perennial glass seed, phone 5972, E. J. Rogers. 50-12tc

For your fall planting needs we have Early Triumph Wheat, Nortex Oats, Rye, Barley, Austrian Winter Peas, Vetch, Mustang Oats. A limited supply of certified Crockett Wheat. Pied Piped Feeds Mills, Division of F. B. Moore Grain Co. Box 168, Hamlin, Texas.

For Sale, 2 bedroom modern home on 2 1-2 acres, large barn, double garage, house is ducted-in air conditioned, all floors covered, living room and one bedroom carpeted wall to wall. City water. see or call Hubert Chance phone 2142. 43-tfc

For Sale, Von Roder Storm Proof Cotton Seed. See me at once as supply is limited. Also 5 foot Tumbler Fresno, worth the money. W. Carl Martin. 50-3tp

For Sale, extra good '49 Ford tractor, real good equipment, \$600. E. W. Bilbo, phone 5947. 50-4t

For Sale, 4 room house and bath, 235 E. Lee st., J. E. Miller. 50-4tc

1955 Plymouth 4 door Station Wagon, A1 condition. Priced to sell. See it today. Hogsett Chevrolet Co.

For Sale or Rent, newly decorated 4 room house and bath. Will sell or rental plan. A. D. Sumerlin, phone 5984. 42-tfc

For Sale, Used Refrigerators, Ranges and Washing Machines—Home Lumber Company.

1953 Plymouth 4 door. A real buy. Motor and tires A1 condition, Hogsett Chevrolet Co.

For Sale, Bathtub, complete with mixing faucet, see A. W. Kingsfield. 50-2tp

For Sale, Hi Line Leghorn Hens, phone 5773, Rotan. 50-tfc

For sale, House, 4 rooms, bath and garage. Phone 7521, Jewel McSpadden. 42-tfc

For sale, Lot 75x150 west of town, out of city limits, city water. Can furnish a nice two-room house. See Ernest Upshaw. 47-4tp

For Sale, Used Refrigerators, Ranges and Washing Machines—Home Lumber Company.

Felix Garcia needs your shoe shine business, at Dees Shoe Shop. Thank you. 1-tfc

For sale, Mustang Oats, \$1 bushel.—Jim Rowland. 36-tfc

For Sale 1953 Studebaker Commander, radio, heater. A nice clean car. Call 8119.

For Sale, 1950 model A John Deere Tractor, 2 row cultivator and planter, 4 row tool bar, see Truett Strickland. 51-tfc

1955 Ford 1-2T Pickup. New tires on rear, motor has been reconditioned. Priced to sell, Hogsett Chevrolet Co.

FOR RENT

For Rent—Furnished Garage Apartment see at 307 E. Snyder, phone 4872. 43-tfc

For rent or sale, building formerly occupied by Merchants Motor Freight, phone 339. 43-tfc

For Rent 3 room and bath furnished house also 2 bedroom furnished apt. Dono Darden, phone 206 or 5975. 43-2tp

For Rent, 3 bedroom house, phone 8106, 717 E. Burnside. 51-2tp

Nice clean apartment, close in. Phone 4575, Mrs. Lee Fancher, third residence north of Riley Drug. 39-tfc

For rent, large furnished apartment, with garage, 400 Beauregard, phone 339. 43-tfc

For lease—Grocery Store, Service Station and equipment. Very reasonable lease. On Highway No. 70, north part of town. See Clifton Rhomas at Clift's Cafe. 46-2tp

Want Farm Hand for next year. Have good house with butane, electricity, water convenient. Reference required. W. W. Butler, 7 miles south of Rotan. 48-3tp

For Rent, nice 3 bedroom home in country, modern, see J. A. Barnes at Barnes Feed & Produce. 51-tfc

For Rent, furnished 3 bedroom house, call 5422 Rotan or TE 79385 Odessa. C. W. Hardin. 50tfc

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Lemonade can 10c

FROZEN CHICKEN

Pot Pies each 23c

BALLARD

Biscuits 10c

NO. 1 FRESH DRESSED

FRYERS 39c

MIRACLE

WHIP qt. 53c

PARKAY

Margarine lb. 29c

LARGE FRESH

Calavo's each 15c

KIMBELLS

LUNCHEON

MEAT can 39c

DIAMOND

PINEAPPLE JUICE

46 Oz. Can 29c

AUSTEX

Tamales 25c

GRAPEFRUIT

RED SEEDLESS

each 5c

JEWEL

OIL

Qt. 58c

GOLD MEDAL

FLOUR

10 Lbs. 98c

NO. 2 1-2 BANQUET

PEARS

3 for \$1

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Darhtulia's Beauty Shop, call for appointment, 201 E. Lee st. phone 8148.

IRRIGATION Water Wells, Test Holes. Satisfaction is our Policy, seor call G. W. Rodgers, 1102 Cleveland, phone 8133. 45-14p

Farmers, bring in your Tractor Batteries and let us charge them for you FREE, White Auto

Will do your Mixed Ironing, \$1.50 dozen, call 4922, Mrs. R. A. Browning, 601 Wheeler. 45-2tp

At Service — Registered Duroc Boar. Phone 5507, Marcos Medrano. 47-3tp.

USED FURNITURE

Used Washers, Ranges, Refrigerators and Furniture. GARLANDS. Phone 360

For Service: Big bone Poland China boar. Fee is \$5.00 when you bring sow, or pig.—W. A. Rives. 47-3tp.

Will do ironing at home, phone 7851. Ira Jones, end of 300 West Lee st. 50-2tp

Responsible Person, male or female, from this area, wanted to service and collect from automatic vending machines. No selling. Age not essential. Car, references, and \$750 working capital necessary. 7 to 12 hours weekly nets to \$250 monthly. Possibility full time work. For local interview give full particulars, phone. Write PO box 4872, Dallas 2, Texas.

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Refilling and collecting money from five cent High Grade Nut machines in this area. No selling! To qualify you must have car, references and \$798 cash, which will be secured by inventory. Devoting 6 hours a week to business, your end on percentage of collections can net up to \$400 monthly with very good possibilities of taking over full time. Income increasing accordingly. For interview, write to Commercial Distributors of America, Inc., 125 West 41st Street, New York 36, N. Y. telling all about yourself. Be sure to include phone number.

Wanted Woman between 25 and 50 who needs to add to family income. Training and equipment at our expense. Car essential. For interview call Belmont 4-2389, Sweetwater, Texas. 51-2tc

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone for the many kind acts, flowers and prayers. Especially do we thank the Doctors and Nurses of Callan Hospital, in the illness and passing of our Mother.

The children of Mrs. W. C. Gordon.

Among those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Coan during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ashton, Betty, and Butch; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ashton, Sweetwater; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Ashton, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. O.

D. Stricklin and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Duaine Coan and girls of Rotan; Mrs. Bud Whitney and Mrs. Cleburn Dawkins, De Leon and Mrs. Hugo Dile of San Antonio.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Posey and Bobby during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Kent Westbrook, students at the University of Oklahoma, Norman, Okla., Richard Posey of Temple, Carolyn Murdock of Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Posey and Terry Lou of Cisco.

Jesse R. Hicks

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Home Economics Hints

Alice L. Kemp
County Home Demonstration Agent

LONGER LIFE FOR CHRISTMAS PLANTS

With proper care those potted Christmas plants can give your home a colorful holiday air throughout the winter months.

Here are some pointers on how to keep them looking lovely longer from A. F. DeWerth, head of the Texas A&M Department of Floriculture and Landscape Architecture.

Plants often fail because they are drowned with too much water or are allowed to dry out in the warm dry atmosphere indoors. If the pot is wrapped in metal foil, plants may suffer from lack of drainage unless a small hole is cut in the bottom of the foil cover.

A potted cyclamen will bloom for several months if kept at a temperature of 65 to 68 degrees where it can get morning light. Never allow soil to dry out completely while the plant is blooming. When it starts to lose leaves, allow the soil to become drier than in the growing season, but not powder dry. Some moisture must be present to keep corm from drying up completely. Store in a cool dark place to carry it over the second season.

African violets need a sunny window during the middle of winter but can be put in the shade about the last of February. Let the soil get dry before watering, and then use water several degrees warmer than room temperature.

Primroses need abundant light in winter and do best at about 65 degrees. Too much watering rots them, but they should not be allowed to dry out completely.

The Jerusalem cherry and ornamental pepper like cool temperatures, high humidity and plenty of sunshine. Smoke or gas in the room will cause leaves to drop.

Poinsettias will stay attractive for most of January if kept at temperatures around 65 degrees. Let them dry down gradually and plant outdoors.

LOSE EXTRA POUNDS GRADUALLY

Did the holiday season leave you with some uncomfortable extra pounds, or maybe you made a New Year resolution to get back to normal weight. If so, be sensible in mapping out a diet plan, cautions extension foods and nutrition specialists.

There is no safe EASY way to reduce. The one accepted way is to begin with a consultation with your family doctor, and then eat less, but adequately. This means smaller

amounts of a large variety of foods to insure getting enough of all the nutrients for good health.

A good guide to form the basis of a reducing diet is the Texas Food Standard, which includes a balanced variety of foods. It avoids much of the embarrassment and inconvenience caused by weird special diets. Best of all, it plans for a basic pattern of eating that will be continued after excess weight is lost.

Safe reducing is a fairly long-time project. Two pounds per week is generally considered a safe rate of loss.

Remember that the human body needs adequate fuel at all times. Damage to the body and nervous

system, as a result of improper dieting, can be permanent.

Copies of the Texas Food Standard are available at your local county home demonstration agent's office.

FREEZING PORK

Storage time for fresh pork in your home freezer should be limited. Extension foods and nutrition specialists say pork does not keep its quality in frozen storage as long as other meats.

Fresh sausage may be stored in the freezer from one to three months. Other cuts of fresh pork can be stored from three to six months, provided they are packaged properly and held at zero de-

grees or lower.

Fat portions of cured or smoked pork may become rancid if stored longer than a two-month period.

To package pork for the freezer use a moisture vapor resistant material, such as heavy freezer foil. Fold closely to drive out air. Use an overlap to prevent puncturing or breaking the foil in the freezer.

Mrs. C. M. Huckaby has returned home from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Mineola Burson, in Waco and they spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Royce Huckaby and two sons in Killeen. They were joined there by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Huckaby and Kitty of Galveston.

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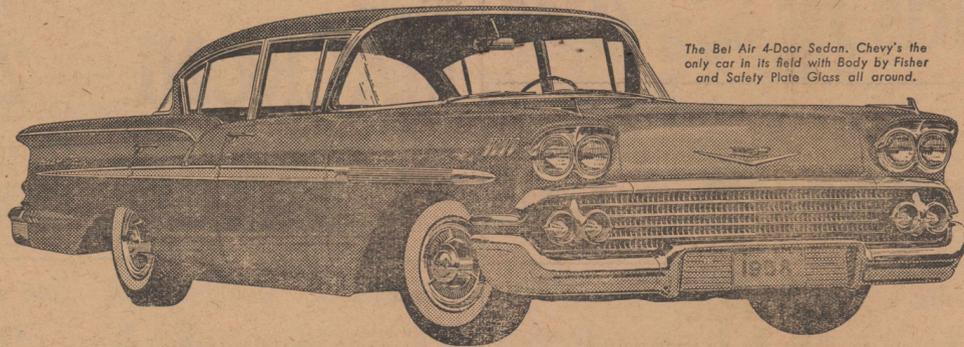
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TELEPHONE TALK

by Truman Black, Manager

OUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

Happy New Year . . . in case I didn't get to wish you one in person. Here's hoping 1958 will be the best, most prosperous year ever for you and your family.

Lots of folks like to take the beginning of the year to make some resolutions for the future and I have one to offer during this first week of 1958. Mr. E. M. Clark, our president, wrote it to explain the policies and objectives we try to follow in furnishing your telephone service and I thought it would make an appropriate New Year's resolution for us to make and dedicate to our customers.

WE DEFINE OUR OBJECTIVES

"OUR OBJECTIVE is to furnish the best possible telephone service at reasonable cost—a cost consistent with financial safety and fair treatment to employees.

"SERVICE ranks above everything else in this policy. And the only good service is one that is continually improving. To furnish this service we need the best people, the best equipment, the best methods, and the best management we can develop.

"REASONABLE COST has been defined as one that produces an ever-growing public demand. Our equipment, training, and methods would net us nothing if the cost of service became so high that people would not buy it.

"FINANCIAL SAFETY should not be endangered by setting the price of service too low. In the long run, a price that provides profit large enough to undertake new research and development results in better cheaper service to the public.

"FAIR TREATMENT OF EMPLOYEES means good pay, good working conditions, reasonable job security, and opportunity for advancement based on merit. It is people—employees—who are the most important element in the success of any business.

WE ACCEPT THESE RESPONSIBILITIES

TO THE EMPLOYEES: Provide machines, methods, equipment, direction, leadership, job training, incentives to progress, selection for promotion.

TO THE PUBLIC: More and better service at a reasonable cost. Contributions to public welfare and national defense.

TO THE OWNERS: Run business in a sound, profitable manner.

LOOKING AHEAD

"PROGRESS has long been the keynote of the telephone business. And, if business forecasters are anywhere near correct the next 20 years will bring more growth and development than we have ever seen before.

"THE FUTURE can be faced confidently with a policy of equal consideration for owners, employees, and the public."

There you have it. We do our best every day to live up to this resolution and we hope you feel we're succeeding in our efforts to give you the best in telephone service.

Call by number. It's twice as fast.

SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY



Mrs. Lena Patterson and her mother, Mrs. L. C. Miller, have returned home. Mrs. Patterson spent the holidays with her nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kiker in San Antonio, and her son, Dr. and Mrs. Marcelle Patterson, in Galveston. Mrs. Miller visited her daughter

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and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Scroggins, in Abilene.

Ignorance ceases to be bliss the minute a man gets wise.



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Lean

PORK ROAST

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49c

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Cheese

lb.

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FROZEN FOODS

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CLEANSER

25c

Our Value

2 303 Cans

Green Beans

25c

Our Value

2 303 Cans

TOMATOES

25c

Sun Spun Fresh Black Eyed

2 300 cans

PEAS

25c

Diamond

2 Boxes

Napkins

25c

VEGETABLES

Green

Cabbage lb. 5c

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Carrots 2 Bags 25c

Russet

Spuds 10 10 lb. Bag 49c

Sunkist

Lemons lb. 15c

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Lb. Box

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Political Announcements

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to Democratic Primary of July 26, 1958.

- FOR COUNTY JUDGE:
O. R. Clark
Bruce McCain (re-election)
- FOR DISTRICT CLERK:
Nealy A. Morton
- FOR COUNTY CLERK:
John W. Ashley (re-election)
- FOR COUNTY TREASURER:
Isla McClure (re-election)
- FOR COUNTY SUPT:
C. J. Dalton (re-election)
- FOR COMMISSIONER PRE. 4:
Thurman Terry (re-election)

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Deel spent Christmas in California with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Strickland and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Youngblood and families. They returned home last week, reporting a most enjoyable trip.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wasson this week are her mother and nephew, Mrs. W. R. Templer and Ray Tennis Wampler of Breckenridge.

Parker Kennedy and his mother, Mrs. J. W. Kennedy, visited her sister, Mrs. E. R. Rothwell, in Dimmitt Sunday, Dec. 29.

NEWS

*** County ***
Agricultural Agent
Texas A. & M. College
Extension Service

"Closing time," as it refers to 1957 farm records, is at hand, and C. H. Bates, extension farm management specialist, says it is time to total the balance sheets on the various farm and home enterprises and take a look at what happened during the year.

A close look should point up the problems that must be met in planning for 1958 and on into the future. For as Bates points out, a good set of farm records will reveal problems that are of vital concern to every family member. Records often reflect whether a management change did cut costs and raise profits or whether or not a minor farm enterprise should be dropped or expanded.

Too, a complete set of records is a must at income tax figuring time. Regularly kept records can save dollars at tax paying time for often deductible expenses are overlooked, especially if paid in cash, points out the specialist. With tax rates as they are now, the failure to claim \$25 deductible expenses adds \$5 to the tax bill and even more in the case of tax brackets.

Bates also points out that complete farm records are an asset when money must be borrowed for production or operating expenses. Knowing what the business is doing is a strong talking point in making credit arrangements. Too, farm families need facts upon which to base their decisions and none are more reliable, says Bates, than those obtained from farm records.

If a simple record book is needed, he suggests using the Texas Farm Record Book. It is available from the Exchange Store, College Station, Texas, for 75 cents a copy. And finally, he suggests that if assistance is needed on record keeping, a visit with the local extension agents be planned. Start now and be ahead in 1958.

Up to 30% can be added to the life of farm machinery by giving

it proper winter care. And too, says W. L. Ulich, extension agricultural engineer, time will be saved in getting the machinery back on the job when it is needed.

Here are suggestions from Ulich on winter machine care. Keep machinery under shelter when not in use. Coat with grease or a rust preventative all bright metal parts such as mower cycles, plow wings, cultivator and other plow points as well as the working parts of ma-

chinery. Rubber tires should be blocked up to take the weight of the machine off of them while in storage.

Gasoline should be drained from auxiliary motors. Spark plugs should be removed and three or four ounces of cylinder oil dropped into each cylinder. Turn the motor over a few times and replace the plugs.

The cooling system on all motors not used during the winter season should be drained. Place a cover over the engine exhaust pipe to keep out moisture. Lubricate all machinery when it goes into storage and change all batteries. It's a good idea, says the engineer, to remove the batteries from the motor and to check them regularly to see that they remain fully charged.

Finally, says Ulich, while the machinery is in storage give it a thorough inspection for worn and broken parts. Make note of the repairs needed so that the repair jobs can be done in advance of their next period of use.

With the continuing price-cost squeeze, proper machinery care can cut farm expenses and machinery replacement costs and make the farm operation more efficient and profitable.

The charity that begins at home usually remains in captivity.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Withers visited relatives in Abilene Sunday.

Judge and Mrs. H. F. Grindstaff visited relatives in Weatherford last week end.

Difference of opinion need not be a difference of principle.

Mrs. J. V. Hellums went to Big Spring Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Cooper, and David.

Guests of Mrs. J. W. Kennedy Monday night of last week were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harrell, Dr. and Mrs. Griffith, all of Ft. Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ott of Dallas, spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Homer Aaron, and Mr. Aaron.

Mrs. O. S. Kiker spent the Christmas and New Year holidays with relatives in Bronte.

Becky Strickland returned to Austin Sunday, where she is attending Texas University.

Mrs. John Price entertained with a holiday dinner Sunday. Her guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Blevins of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blevins and Doug of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Barron and Mrs. W. W. Barron.

The man who weighs his words usually retains his balance.

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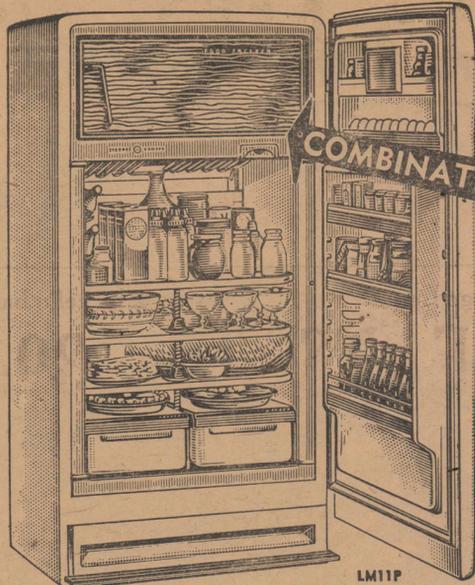
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Selections to be read from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy include the following (37:22-25): "It is possible, yes it is the duty and privilege of every child, man and woman, follow in some degree the example of the Master by the demonstration of Truth and Life, of health and holiness."

From the Bible will be read the following (Mark 16:15): "And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The Fifth Band elected officers January 8:

President, Bruce Baugh.
Vice president, Zana Thompson.
Secretary, Steve Edwards.
Reporter, Larry Hickam.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Hardy spent last weekend in Arlington with their son Marshall Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Withers visited his mother in Hamlin Wednesday.



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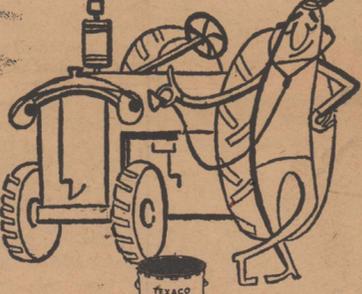


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This church's foundation—"Other foundations can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ." (1 Cor. 3:11.)

The creed of this church—"Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God." (Matt. 16:16.)

The rule faith, and practice of this church—"Every scripture inspired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction, which is in righteousness: that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work." (2 Tim. 3:16-17.)

The name of this church—"The disciples were called Christians, first in Antioch." (Names of individuals) The name of the church is—"The churches of Christ." (Romans 16:16.)

This church's worship—"And they continued steadfastly in the apostle's teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in prayers." (Acts 2:42.)

The objective of this church—"Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you", (Matt. 28:19-20.)

This church's invitation—We earnestly invite the cooperation and prayers of all who endorse these principles. In this church you may worship as it is written.

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Missionary Work Studied By WSCS

The W. S. C. S. met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. J. T. Smart and Mrs. Phil J. Malouf. Mrs. Homer Aaron, president, conducted a business session.
After a song by the group, with Mrs. H. F. Grindstaff at the piano, Mrs. Lawlis led the prayer.
Topic of the program was led by Mrs. J. W. Porter, with Mrs. Edna Colwell giving the devotional. Being a Missionary was discussed by Mrs. J. Alvis Cooley. The Experience of a Post War Missionary in Korea was given by Mrs. R. T. Williams. Mrs. W. A. Rives discussed The Experience of a Missionary in India.
After a closing song and prayer, refreshments were served to Mes. Hal Burrow, Homer Aaron, Nancy White, C. A. Lawlis, C. R. Polk, R. T. Williams, J. Alvis Cooley, J. W. Porter, H. F. Grindstaff, Edna Colwell, Clarence Huckaby, Flora

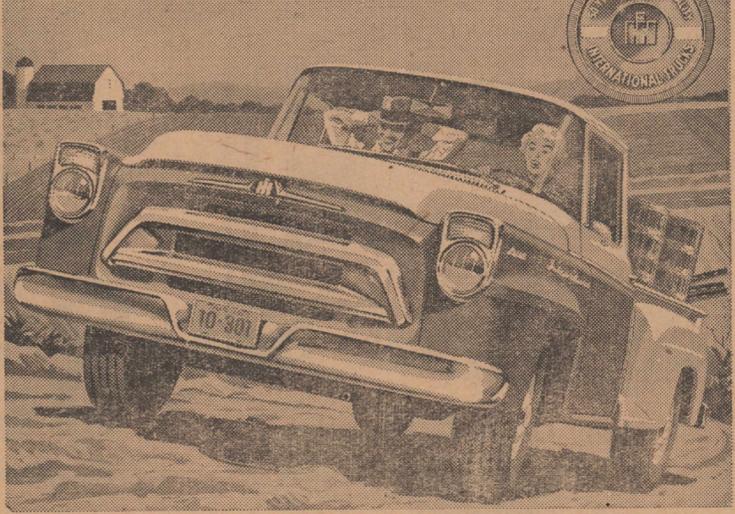
Blount, W. A. Rives, J. T. Smart, and Phil J. Malouf.

Mrs. J. W. Kennedy entertained members of her family with a holiday dinner Friday evening. Her guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Joe Helms and children, Mrs. E. W. Cade and children.

Miss Mary Grindstaff of Fort Collins, Colo., spent the holidays here with her father, H. F. Grindstaff, and Mrs. Grindstaff.

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