

# HERBICIDE LAW CONSIDERED AT TUESDAY MEETING

As a result of a recent meeting in Spearman with the Hansford County Commissioners where a delegation of about 30 farmers requested a herbicide law for this county, Walter Newcomb, Assistant Agricultural Supervisor of Area I met with the County Commissioner at a 1:00 p.m. Tuesday meeting.

Mr. Newcomb discussed the herbicides law and how it would be invoked in Hansford County. The State of Texas has passed this law and the Commissioners will have to decide whether to activate the law in Hansford County.

The law pertains to all hormone type herbicide substances producing a physiological change in plant tissue without burning, includ-

ing 2, 4 D and 2, 4, 5-T. The law will demand regulation on application of any herbicide. Regulations in the law include a license to sell and apply, and regulations on equipment, distance from broad leaf plants, wind velocity, and direction, records, and transport regulations.

The law further states that all persons engaged in

the application, for hire, must execute a surety bond in the penal sum of \$20,000 and all equipment bonded for \$2,000.

The introduction in recent years of more cotton, soy beans, and other broad-leaf plants in this County and the damage caused by weed sprays on other crops brought about the request for controls on the spray-

ing. Rains during the month of June caused almost miraculous growth of weeds in yet-unharvested wheat fields which prompted many farmers in the area to resort to spraying in an attempt to control the growth of the weeds, making the situation especially touchy this year, although the spraying problem has been a source of irritant for several years.

On the other hand is the recent information from Dr. Allen Wiese, one of the nation's top weed experts working at the Southwestern Great Plains Research Center at Bushland, who pointed out that weeds are getting a large portion of the 11 inches of rain which fell during June in the Panhandle areas. He reported that there is a profusion of weeds in all area sorghum fields, soy beans, sugar beets, as well as in local backyards and vacant lots with the weeds getting a long drink of water from the rains rather

than the land storing it up. Dr. Wiese also reports that fall wheat can suffer from the over-abundance of weeds and if weeds are allowed to grow, from 90 to 95 per cent of the June rains will be sucked out of the land. He further states that "If the weeds weren't allowed to grow, we've probably lost from 70 to 75 per cent of the water due to runoff and evaporation.

Weeds which heartily took on such growth in the Panhandle include all of the well-known and some of the little known varieties, in-

cluding: pig weeds, rag-weeds, Johnson grass, crab grass, blueweeds, iron-weeds, tumble weeds, and bindweeds. According to Dr. Wiese, one pigweed per foot, can cut a sorghum yield approximately 20 per cent if allowed to grow to maturity.

So, it has become a matter of to spray or not to spray---and perhaps the last word in authority on such business might be an interview with the little animal with the stripe down his back for he certainly knows when it is wise to spray and when it isn't.

# FARM SAFETY WEEK SET FOR JULY 25-31

## President Lyndon Johnson Endorses Rural Campaign

July 25-31 has been proclaimed National Farm Safety Week by President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Co-sponsors for the 22nd annual rural safety campaign are the National Safety Council and the U S Department of Agriculture. Special emphasis is being given this year to preventing accidents involving slow-moving vehicles, chemicals, electricity and in recreation.

The President urges that vigorous new efforts be made to eradicate hazards and rectify unsafe practices which cause farm and rural accidents.

"Progress toward this objective should be the goal of National Farm Safety Week 1965", he said.

The latest yearly breakdown of farm resident accidents shows a total of 8,400 deaths and 780,000 injuries. Of the deaths, 3,600 were motor-vehicle; 2,000 were in the rural home; 2,600 were work accidents, and 800 resulted from non-motor vehicle accidents.

"Rural leaders and farm families are making a joint effort to reduce accidents", says Howard Pyle, president of the National Safety Council.

"Today's farm family can prepare itself for accident prevention by eliminating hazards and making skillful use of modern farming equipment and production aids."

## GRUVER GIRL IS REUNITED WITH SISTER

Exciting event in the life of Miss Linda Willoughby, happened last week when she and her father visited her younger sister Wrenette Taylor of Oklahoma City after being separated for 14 years.

The girls were separated when Linda was 4 years old and her sister, 2 years old. There are two more children, an older brother and an older sister whom they have not located as yet.

The children were separated when Linda's father who was wounded in the Korean conflict died in 1957 and faced with the financial burden of raising four children, her mother placed all four up for adoption. At that time, the children were 2 years old, 4 years, 6 years and 7 years. Because of the necessary secrecy connected with the adoption agency, none of the children knew where the others had been taken. After a number of years of



Linda Willoughby

searching, the first contact Linda and her adopted family was in Oklahoma City. From there on, through a series of events and much correspondence, the final reuniting of the two girls was accomplished.

Linda spent the past week in Oklahoma City visiting her sister whom, Linda reports, resembles her--complete with freckles and all. Wrenette is a sophomore and attends Classon High School in Oklahoma City.

## Hitchland Community Church Has New Pastor

The Reverend Paul Allspaugh has accepted the pastorate of the Hitchland Community Church. Reverend Allspaugh, his wife, Eva, two sons, Danny and Patrick, and three daughters, Deborah, Lesia, and

Jamie recently moved to Hitchland from Corpus Christi, Texas.

Services for the Hitchland Community Church include Sunday School at 10:00 a.m., Sunday Morning Worship Services, 11:00 a.m. and Sunday Evening Service, 8:00 p.m.

## ETLING NEPHEW DROWNS

Dwight Lott, 15, nephew of Mrs. William Etling of Gruver, drowned Sunday afternoon in Lake Altus at Quartz Mountain Park, 10 miles east of Mangum, while on a family outing.

Lake patrol officials said the youth, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lott of Mangum, was swimming near the dam with two other boys about 5:45 p.m. when the accident occurred. The Patrol was alerted and mouth-to-mouth resuscitation was given but the youth was pronounced dead on arrival at Mangum City Hospital.

Survivors include his parents, one brother and one

sister. Mrs. Etling and daughter, Mary, left to be with the Lotts late Sunday evening following a telephone telling of the fatal accident. Mr. Etling joined his family Monday in Mangum. Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday morning from the Methodist Church in Granite under the direction of the Johnson Mortuary.

The Potluck Supper sponsored by the American Legion and the Legion Auxiliary originally scheduled for the evening of July 22nd has been postponed until a later date.

# THE GRUVER

## INDEPENDENT

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## Area Matrons Rites Held

Memorial services for Mrs. Georgia Mathews Jones of Morse were conducted at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, July 17th from the First Methodist Church in Morse.

Mrs. Jones, respected matron of the area, passed away Thursday afternoon, July 15th, 1965 at her home in Morse. She was born in Young County July 6, 1881 and following her marriage to H. H. Jones in 1897, the couple moved to the Panhandle area, making their home first near Morse, moving to Spearman in 1926 and fifteen years ago, once again back to Morse.

As Mr. and Mrs. Jones established their first home on the Plains northwest of what is now Morse, real

love and devotion was exhibited not only for each other and for friends, but for the many sojourners who spent the night with them as they traveled across country on the freight road to Texoma in those early days. It has been brought to mind that Mrs. Jones attended the first funeral in the Lieb Cemetery, being that of a young cowboy, Frank Fox, who just the night before had stood guard with Mr. Jones over some cattle. The young cowboy was killed by lightning the following day.

Their home was broken as her husband, H. H. Jones preceded her in death November 29th, 1963.

The Reverend Wade Griffin, pastor of the Asbury

Methodist Church of Lubbock former pastor of the Spearman First Methodist Church officiated assisted by the Reverend Ivan Allen, pastor of the King Memorial Methodist Church of Childress and former pastor of the Morse Church and the Reverend John Fitzgerald from the Stinnett Methodist Church who pastors also the Methodist Church services in Morse.

The body lay in state at the home in Morse until just before services. Selections were sung by a ladies' quartette composed of Mesdames Robert Schooling, David Reid, Jerry Womble, and Johnny Brumley who sang "Does Jesus Care", "Beyond the Sunset" and "Abide With Me" accompanied by Mrs. H. B. Parks. Interment was in the Lieb Cemetery under the direc-

tion of Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jones was an active member of the community, especially church and school affairs, and even though she had gotten up in years, she was young at heart in that she was an ardent supporter of athletics and other events that her great grandchildren were interested in. So another of our loved citizens has gone on...truly there will be a place missing in the heart of the community for her.

She and her husband were charter members of the early Methodist Church at Lieb later placing their membership in the First Methodist Church in Spearman as they moved there. When they moved to Morse they both became faithful members of the Methodist Church there in Morse. Mrs. Jones continued faith-



Mrs. H. H. Jones

fully in her service to her Lord until the day of her death.

She was a Past Matron of the Order of the Eastern of Spearman and was a member until her death. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Luthera Dixon, Morse; son, Hall Jones of Spearman

two sisters: Mrs. W.R. Parks of Morse and Mrs. I. R. Thompsins, Spearman.

She is also survived by three grandchildren; Perry and Elvogene Dixon of Morse and Mrs. Bob (Mary Kathryn

Jones) Parris of Spearman and four great-grandchildren: Monte Dixon, Mary Nicole Parris, Alan and Suzanne Dixon.

Pallbearers were: Wilson Buchanan, Don McCammond, Wilson McCloy, Lynn Davis, Freeman Barkley, Chesta Lieb, Floyd Close, H.B. Parks.

Honorary Pallbearers: Henry Reid, Lee McClellan, Rex Sanders, P.A. Lyon, Sr., E. J. Copeland, Jake Vernon, Tom Etter, Ernest Lieb, Sam Cluck, Pete Cator, R. C. Womble and Jerald Schriber.

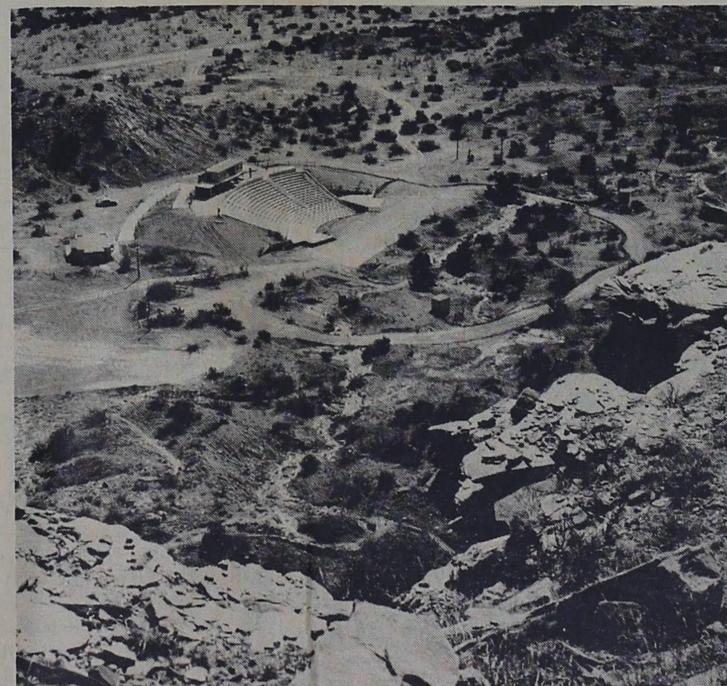
## THEATRE-BOUND THURSDAY NIGHT

Exciting is the prospect for over 40 area residents who will board a chartered Continental Bus on Thursday afternoon for a jaunt to view the "Thundering Sounds of the West", the spectacular now showing at the Pioneer Amphitheater in Palo Duro Canyon.

The group under the direction of genial Dick Bynum, Amarillo representative for the Continental Bus Company, will leave from the Gruver Hotel about 4:00 p.m. with dinner reservations made in Amarillo and from there, on to the Canyon, returning following the conclusion of the Thursday night performance.

The spectacular tells the story of the Canyon from the beginning as the floor of an inland sea millions of years ago. The rushing rivers, crashing rockfalls, wind and rain eroding the Canyon out of solid rock is portrayed by use of narration combined with a terrific musical background, lights and sound effects. The show is produced nightly with the exception of Tuesday night at 8:15 p.m. and tickets may be obtained by writing to Pioneer Amphitheatre, Box 268, Canyon, Texas.

The show's performers were chosen from among several hundred applicants through tryouts and eliminations. Each of the performers is required to be able to sing, dance, and act. The cast consists of young people of the area who work in



"The Palo Duro" was once the sheltered passageway to the Southwest and was used by dinosaurs, buffaloes, Indians and pioneers. Stories of this historical spot and the settling of the area are to be recreated in the above Pioneer Amphitheatre.

several different capacities aside from their work on the stage--making costumes, work on lighting, painting, etc.

The nightly performances are given in the Pioneer Amphitheatre which was established and is growing through the efforts of the Panhandle Heritage Founda-

tion and involves the efforts of thousands of Texans endeavoring to make a living monument to the builders of the Panhandle area.

The Theater is located in a canyon at the base of a 600 foot bluff and fits into the landscape in a man-made bowl in which concrete seats and steps have been in-

stalled. The cost of the theater, and equipment has been placed at \$350,000 with the Sound and Light Building estimated to be valued at more than \$40,000.

Large ceramic tiles, produced by a new process developed by Emilio Caballero head of the West Texas University art department

## GRUVER GIRL INJURED IN ACCIDENT

Regina Finney, 7 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Finney, suffered lacerations on her arm in an accident Sunday afternoon when the car in which she was riding overturned about 5 miles south of Canyon on Highway 87.

Investigating officers said that the car driven by Mrs. Finney overturned when apparently the left rear tire

blew out. Treated and released at Nesbitt Hospital in Canyon were Regina's sister, Laquita, age 3, and her brother, Belton, age 6. Mrs. Finney who is the local area representative for Watkins products was uninjured.

The Finneys live northeast of Gruver and Mr. Finney is employed by Buddy Etling of Gruver.

## Army General Commends Kelly

In a recent communique from Brigadier General David W. Hiestler, Commanding General for the U. S. Army Ordnance Center and School at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland to Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Kelly of Morse, it was revealed that Larry, their son, had graduated from the U S Army Ordnance Center and School as the honor student of his class.

General Hiestler remarked that in awarding this high honor to Larry, his academic standing as well as his overall performance as a soldier had been considered. Larry had the highest academic grade in his class.

The commendation was dated July 12th and received by the Kellys this past week.

will represent each of the 40 Panhandle counties, designs for which were chosen from among those submitted in the individual counties. Hansford County is aptly represented in a plaque designed by Ray Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Kelly of Morse.

Commemorative walls inside the theater will be at either side of the promenade at the rear. A holder of

two founder's memberships (\$100 each) will be entitled to designate one name to be honored on the wall.

By the summer of 1966, the amphitheatre should be completed and the first performance of the symphonic drama written by Paul Green, noted writer of outdoor shows, should be ready for production according to Foundation officials.

SCENES IN AND AROUND GRUVER

Joining gadding Gruverites this week are the Howard Barkleys and part of their tribe, Arlene, Timmy, and Scotty (young Roger is staying with his Auntie, Mrs. Carlie Knight) who left Tuesday morning for a Texas size trip including Six Flags Over Texas and other points of interest.

Off for the W.M.U. Conference at Glorieta, New Mexico is Mrs. Ed Vernon. Off for a wonderful whirl through California including a visit to Disney Land are the three children of the Keith Grosses, Marcy, Chub, and Stacey who are accompanying their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Hurter of Frmsworth on the summer trip.

Just for a break, while the children are enjoying themselves in sunny California with their grandparents Keith and Mary Gross have flown to Las Vegas for a bit of R & R (rest and relaxation).

Returning Gruverites include the Earl Phillips who have been cooling off in Colorado for the past week.

Former neighbors, the Hix Spiveys, visited the Eldon McMillans who have recently moved to Perryton.

Staying with the Tom Jones's are the Sonny Blank enshins from Tulla. Sonny's father is a patient at the Hospital in Borger where he is reported to be improving with the possibility of perhaps being able to come home toward the end of the week.

Danny Bakley was observing life with the Army on Sunday when he joined others of the Reserve for a day's drilling at the Army in Borger.

Recently returned just in time to go again are the Messer boys, Randy and Walde who returned to Gruver Sunday following a two month vacation with their grandparents, the W. M. Sparks in Roswell, New Mexico and paused over night at home before taking off for RA camp on Monday.

Welcome weekend visitor in the home of Mrs. Ed Rafferty, Sr. was Mrs. Ruth Johnson of Borger. They enjoyed a visit to Ute Park New Mexico on Sunday and were off for some visiting in Liberal on Monday.

Gruverites in the news--the Harley Alexanders who joined "Cotton John's" Scandinavian tour this past

week. The Alexanders were interviewed over KGNC prior to the group's taking off.

Welcome Gruver visitors enjoying (?) the heat in these parts are Squire and Mrs. Maupin from cool Monte Vista, Colorado. They stayed just long enough to know it's really hot here, leaving early Tuesday morning for Monte Vista.

Aches and Ailment Department--Include Mike Riley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Skeez Riley who underwent an emergency appendectomy Sunday morning. Include also Glen Kauffman who suffered painful injuries last Thursday afternoon while his arm was mangled when he was using an auger at the Kauffman farm north of Gruver.

Dr. and Mrs. Luther Kirk of Pampa who conducted last Thursday night, with Dr. Kirk, district Superintendent, conducting the Quarterly Conference for the members of the Gruver Methodist Church.

Add to the wonderful week just past for the T. C. Harveys, the visit of son Jimmy and wife, Sue, and tiny daughter Shannon of Dallas. The Jimmy Harveys returned to Dallas early Monday morning.

Off to round up small daughters Janie and Jill who have been visiting in Hollis, Oklahoma was Mrs. Loyd Bryant who took small neices Cindy and Marcy

Wallin along for the ride.

Enjoying a super vacation are the Elmo McClellans, Jr., Sandra and Ronnie who left early Sunday morning for a trip to Grand Canyon no less with a spot of fishing at Lake Isabella in Colorado thrown in for good measure before their return home.

Enjoying "grand-parenting" for the next six weeks are the Chester Heaths whose daughter Mrs. Winson Heath and four children, Wayne, Lynn, Glenda, and Terry, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, along with granddaughter Rosemary Heath (daughter of the J. B. Heaths) of Kansas City, Missouri, arrived for a good long visit on Sunday evening. The Heath's son, Donald and his wife, left early last Thursday morning to pick up Rosemary in Kansas City, returning via Bartlesville, Oklahoma where Mrs. Winson Heath and family had de-planed from Florida. Winson who is with Phillips Oil and Gas Co. in Fort Lauderdale plans to drive up some time in August to retrieve his family.

Include the Reverend W. L. Porterfield and family as gadding Gruverites for they have been in Fort worth visiting her mother, Mrs. Gordon. Mrs. Porterfield and the girls stayed on for a longer visit and Brother Porterfield returned for Sunday services.

Enjoying last Sunday at Perryton visiting Mrs. Isabella Barnett and daughter were the Albert Hahns and son Tommy.

Farm Safety Means Success

That old phrase, "og, for the peace and quiet of the country" is probably used often in today's busy world, but a second look might show that the farm isn't always so peaceful.

One sure way to convince yourself it isn't is to take a long look at the accident tolls: an estimated 8,400 deaths and 780,000 injuries to farm residents last year, according to the National Safety Council.

Sound a little in credible? Well, it's not. Each day many farmers work in the fields or in the barn, and suddenly somehow, sometime during the workday, are injured or killed. Not only can an injury disrupt one or two workdays, but a permanent injury or death can totally change an entire farm or farm family.

The farm picture is constantly changing. With new machinery, chemicals, and methods, it is a challenge to learn how to utilize them all safely. Unless you carry this new knowledge through in everyday practice, you are not fulfilling your responsibility to yourself and your family. You might, for example, know everything about a machine, but allow a boy barely able to reach the controls handle a tractor!

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**BAPTIST YOUTH REVIVAL SLATED FOR SPEARMAN**

A three day Youth Revival has been slated at the Spearman First Baptist Church, July 23, 24, and 25. Services Friday and Saturday will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the Sunday services will be held at 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The Evangelist for the Revival will be Claude Dollins, Youth Director of the First Baptist Church of Levelland with Billy Upchurch of Cleburne, Texas, as the song leader. Lonnie Hiller of Gruver will serve as the local youth pastor for the services.

Youth Director Dollins and Mr. Upchurch are both recent graduates of Hardin-Simmons College and many in the area are acquainted with them.

Adults as well as the youth in the surrounding area and Spearman are cordially invited to attend all of the revival services with a special invitation to all youth to attend Friday night services to be followed by a fellowship. A dinner at the Church will be held on Sunday for the youth.

The greatest number of accidents caused by tractors occurring while the tractors are being operated on the level ground, according to the National Safety Council.



Claude Dollins



Lonnie Hiller

**Most of the world lives in darkness**



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

**WORSHIP THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE**

<b>THE GRUVER METHODIST CHURCH</b> pastor, Rev. Norman W. Grigsby	
Sunday School	9:45
Moming Worship	11:00
M.Y.F.	7:00
Evening Worship	6:00
Wednesday Bible Study	7:00
Wednesday, Choir Practice	8:00
Thursday W.S.C.S. monthly	3:00
Dorcas Circle...Thursday	9:30
Mary Martha Circle...Thursday	3:00
<b>THE ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> pastor, Paul DeWolfe	
Sunday School	9:45
Moming Worship	11:00
Sunday Evening Worship	7:00
Wednesday Night Service	7:30
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<b>GRUVER ELEVATOR</b>	
<b>TEXACO SERVICE STATION</b>	

<b>THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> pastor, Rev. Bill Butts	
Sunday School	9:45
Morning Worship	11:00
Training Union	6:30
Evening Worship	7:30
Wednesday Evening Lesson Study	7:00
Prayer Meeting	8:00
R.A.'s Wednesday	6:00
G.A.'s Thursday	
Y.W.A. Wednesday	7:00
W.M.U.	
Sunbeams	
<b>THE CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> minister, Alfred White	
Bible Study	10:00
Morning Worship	10:50
Evening Worship	6:00
Bible Study..Wednesday	7:00
Ladies Class..Jr..Wednesday	9:30
Ladies Class..Sr..Thursday	2:30
<b>THE COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH</b> pastor, W. L. Porterfield	
Sunday School	9:45
Morning Worship	11:00
Youth Meeting	6:30
Evening Worship	7:30
Wednesday...Bible Study	8:00
<b>THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH</b> Summer pastor, Rev. Fred G. Pugh	
Sunday School	10:00
Moming Worship	11:00
Chi-Rho	7:00
Adult Bible Study	8:00
Wednesday Juniors	4:00
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	8:00
<b>THE OSLO LUTHERAN CHURCH</b> pastor, Robert Cordes	
Sunday School	9:45
Adult Bible Class	9:45
Morning Worship	11:00

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### Hat-making Workshop Scheduled

Do these hot summer days make you want to flip your lid? If so, you are just the one who will be interested in the two-day hat-making workshop to be conducted in Spearman early in October, according to Home Demonstration Agent Linda Webb. Fun it will be to design, and make your own chapeau under the tutelage of Mae Mears, a professional milliner from Fort Worth who will be conducting the course set for October 4th and 5th in Spearman.

The study course includes instruction on hat designing, hat theory; making hat frames of buckram; French draping

adapting current styles to one's personality; proper setting of trims and veils; hat pattern making; plus other valuable hints.

If you would like to enroll, contact the Home Demonstration Agent, either by phone (659-2030, Spearman)

or by card or letter (Box 997-Spearman) indicating your interest by July 31, 1965. The fee will be set as soon as the enrollment is certain. (With only 20 persons enrolled, it would be only \$10 per person.) Those who indicate that they are interested will be contacted later for positive enrollment, after which the small fee will be set.

### Walker Host Hamburger Fry

Delectable odors wafted from the backyard of the Orville Walkers last Friday evening as they prepared a wonderful hamburger fry with all of the trimmings for Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bakehouse, Mrs. Grace Bennett and Miss Reba Bennett, Ms. Tommy DeWeese, and Mrs. Grace Thoreson.

Dropping in later in the evening for homemade ice cream and cake were Roy Walker and children from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Bill Spradlin.

Enforce the rule of no extra riders on farm machinery. Small children are often injured by machinery in driveways and work areas.

### Count The Cost Of Stubble Burning

Did you know that if you burn stubble:

1. You forfeit your right to draw ACP Payments for conservation practices such as pipelines, land leveling and chiseling.
2. If you have a Great Plains Conservation Program Contract you will be in violation of the Contract and may if practice is continued forfeit cost share payments drawn under this program.
3. The soil bacteria that works in the top few inches of the soil is destroyed.
4. Water intake is reduced in a soil that already takes water too slow anyway.
5. Wind erosion hazard is increased.
6. Water erosion hazard is increased.

Did you know that if you manage stubble properly

(Chop it up with a shredder, use a moldboard, offset disc or one-way to turn it into the soil)

1. You will continue to be eligible for ACP Payments.
2. You will continue to draw Great Plains Cost Share.
3. Soil bacteria will continue to work for you to enrich your soil.
4. Water intake rate will

be increased and soil will be easier to irrigate.

5. Wind erosion Hazard will be reduced. Wheat will not be blown out.
6. Water erosion hazard will be reduced. Soil will hold more water. Fewer gullies and less soil will be lost from the field.

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Mr. and Mrs. George S. Gray of 1040 Neel Road, Pampa, Texas announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Miss Marion Gray to Mr. Joe Gammertsfelder, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Gammertsfelder of Morse, Texas. The ceremony will take place at 7:30 p.m. August 28 in the Methodist Chapel in Pampa. They are both Seniors at West Texas University in Canyon and will continue their schooling. Marion is majoring in Foreign languages and minoring in English and Joe is majoring in Business Agriculture.

### Anticipation Shower Honors Mrs. Adams

Mrs. Robert Adams was the honoree at an Anticipation Shower Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ted McClellan. Registering the many guests who called between the hours of 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. was Mrs. Jimmy Edling.

Pink roses in a stemmed white milk glass vase centered the lovely table setting which was completed by the silver coffee service and the crystal punch service.

A corsage of "First Love" rosebuds and baby's breath was presented to Mrs. Adams by the hostesses who also presented her mother, Mrs. William Edling, with a corsage of pink feathered carnations.

Hostesses for the afternoon affair included Mesdames R. C. Green, Harvey Holt, Harry Barkley, Helen Wood, J. C. Harris, Jim Edleman, P. H. Westerfield, Grover Taylor, Ted McClellan, I. W. Ayres, Jr., Fred Womble, Elvin Garrett, A. R. Bort, T. C. Harvey, Jr., Gene Cluck, Hix Spivey, and Everett Sullins.

Also included in the hostess list were Mesdames Duane Pulfer, A. R. Henderson, True Leatherman, Elvin Wright, Gene Fletcher, Gay Fletcher, Jim Cator, Pete Cluck, Archie Nelson, P. A. Williams, Myrtle Berstein, Theodore Bayless, Sam Cluck and Andy Burleson, all of Gruver with Mrs. Zack Fisher and Mrs. Helen Fisher of Spearman also assisting.

### RECENT BRIDE HONORED

A bridal shower honoring Miss Mary Jane Horton, bride elect of Tommy Womble of Morse was held recently in the Morse Community building.

The honoree was presented a corsage of white carnations with yellow trim, her mother Mrs. Buster Horton, and the mother of the prospective bridegroom Mrs. A. C. Womble were also presented corsages.

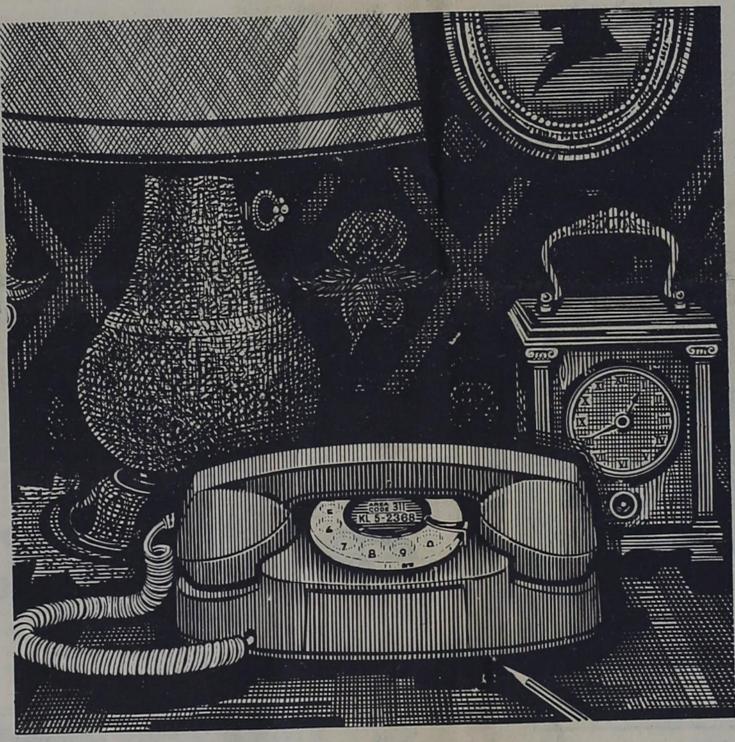
The bride's chosen colors of white and yellow were carried out in the decorations and refreshments. The serving table was laid with a lace cloth over yellow, and centered with a flower arrangement of yellow and

white. Silver and crystal completed the setting.

Mrs. Tab Womble of Fritch registered the guest in the bride's book. Pineapple punch and cake squares decorated in white and yellow were served by Mrs. Jeanie West of Spearman and Miss Donna Cator of Morse.

Hostesses for the courtesy were Mesdames: Si McCloy, Henry Reid, R. C. Womble, Erlis Pittman, Edward Papay all of Morse, and Mrs. Helen Wood, Gruver.

The wedding date has been set for July 23 in the First Baptist Church, Merkel, Texas.



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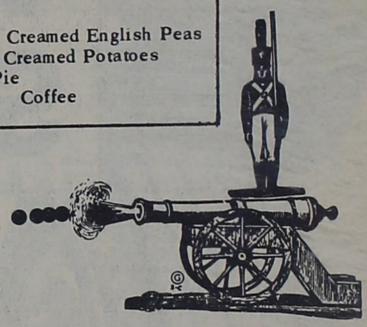
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# WHEAT GROWERS LETTER

Experts from a recent "Report From Washington" published by the National Association of Wheat Growers is both timely and of interest to many in the Gruver area. In a recent letter from Washington to Bud-

dy Murrell, Hansford County President of the National Association and also a member of the Texas State Board of Directors of Wheat Growers, were interesting facts and figures quoted from the July issue of Farm Journal

concerning a new picture for agriculture.

"An article in the July issue of the Farm Journal points out that although the number of farm families is declining...there are many other groups that have a real stake in agriculture... such as...many landowners who do not live on the land... estimated that 1 1/2 times as many people have money invested in land as we have

farmers...they have a stake... the people who provide the tools and supplies, or who buy and sell and process farm products...they have a stake--why shouldn't they all join the club?"

"The article continues" ...it's time the farmers and country town people stop eyeing each other from two camps and all get into one camp"...if all those who have a money interest in this business will join the club and if farmers welcome them, two things will happen, we'll find that agriculture is not losing people but gaining them, and all concerned will forge ahead." It seems to me that Agriculture cannot afford to do anything less.

Included in the letter was the following concerning facts on the farm situation: "In testimony before the Senate Agriculture Committee, Leon Keyserling pointed out some very pertinent farm facts...that from 1947-64 farm personal income declined 24.8 percent...and total non-farm personal income increased 97 percent. That from 1953-64, net farm operators' income declined at an average annual rate of 1.4 percent... and total non-farm income advanced at an average annual rate of 3.6 percent. That in 1963 non-farm salaries averaged 86 percent higher than farm families... the farm family had only about 53 percent of income parity with others.

The letter also reveals the interesting report from the USDA that "farmers share in a loaf of bread." The USDA reports that "factors which affect cost of a pound loaf of bread"... since 1947 the millers' share has increased from 6¢ to 9¢...a 50 percent increase...bakers and wholesalers'

## RAs Depart For Camp

If one is ever in doubt that camping is just meant for summer fun, one should be in on the departure of some of the groups which have been leaving each week for time at camp. This Monday morning saw the departure of a group of RA boys from Gruver and Spearman who literally made the sides of the Baptist Youth bus bulge with boys and equipment as they prepared to leave for a four day camping at the Baptist Association RA camp near Amarillo.

Gleefully getting ready for the take-off were Marty Rasor, Billy Boone, Carl Odom, Johnny Ames, Kenneth Leonard, Willis Boyd, Danny Leonard, Donny Wilson, Jimmy Jones, Randy Messer, Lanny Chandler, Don Ross, Jerry and Gary Leatherman, Jimmy Taylor, Brent Womble, Phil Gross, Bob Crawford, Kenneth Harris, Doug Messer, Dicky Hannah and sponsor, the



Pictures are Darlene Odom (left) and Amy Cator, shown as they pack to leave at 7:00 a.m. for Cheerleaders School on the Texas Tech Campus at Lubbock where they will be for a week. Not pictured but also going are Mary Gale Jackson, Mary Etling and Sue Fulfer.

Reverend Bill Butts.

The Spearman contingent included Danny Morrison, Truitt Cates, Billy Choate, Brent Helms, Phil Lairs, Randy Denham, and counselor Don Denham. The

Gruver and Spearman groups will join about 300 other boys from the area for the camping time. They plan to return to Gruver about 4:00 p.m. on Thursday.

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share has increased from 5.7¢ to 11.4¢ an increase of 100 percent...retailers share increased from 1.9¢ to 4.0¢... an increase of 111 percent... labor's hourly wage rate from \$1.15 to \$2.33--an increase of 103 percent...but what happened to the farmers share????? In 1947-49 the farmer got 2.7¢ from a loaf of bread...in 1964 he got only 2.5¢...a decrease of 8 percent.

Included also in the July 2nd letter was the recommendation by the National Association that farmers who believe that farm programs are necessary in this age of abundance...to help stabilize and improve farm income...should write not only to one's Congressman--but several city Congressmen. Without the votes of many city Congressmen--there will be no farm bill!

They urge every wheat farmer to write at least three letters...one to your Congressman and one to at least two city Congressmen--they need to know why the farmer thinks they should support the Domestic party plan for wheat. Many powerful interests are telling the Congressmen why they should not support the wheat program. These letters of the farmers are important.

## TELEGAGS by BOB NOBLES

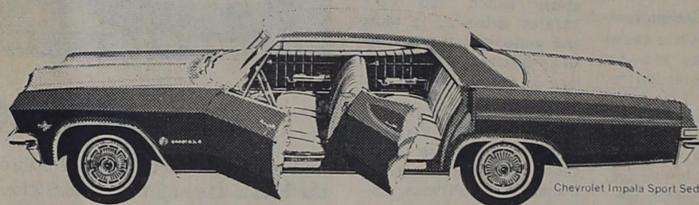


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## Royal Neighbors Meet

Members of the Royal Neighbors enjoyed an afternoon meeting at the country home of Mrs. Roy Thomas with Mrs. Pearl Shapley assisting the hostess.

Chatting and handwork filled the afternoon hours. Two guests were present including Mrs. Bonnie De Armond from California who is visiting her sisters, Mrs. Pearl Shapley and Mrs. Albert Bakehouse and young Miss Edna Bayless of Canyon who is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. V. Bayless.

Delicious refreshments were served during the afternoon to members Mesdames: Oscar Dahl, O. V. Walker, Sr., Albert Bakehouse, D. V. Bayless, Silva Davis, C. A. Davis, Margie Barkley, Albert Hahn and the two guests.

Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of accidental death to farm residents, said sponsibilities. Life is one dodge after another—cars, taxes and death to farm residents, said sponsibilities. the National Safety Council.

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The farm pond, long a useful farm resource, can become a death trap for swimmers when precautions are forgotten.

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2. Mark safe swimming areas.
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5. Post safety instructions for swimming and boating.
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Most important members of the houseparty included the Harvey grandchildren, tiny Miss Shannon Harvey of Dallas, little Miss Halle Reed of Spearman, and young Miss Tamara Osborne of Gruver.

More festivities for the Harveys included leaving Monday morning for an extended trip via their new silver Fleetwood to the East including stopovers at Niagara Falls, New York City and environs, and Washington, D. C.

## HOMEMAKING NOTES

by Linda Webb, H. D. Agent

Having just returned from our County 4-H Camp in Red River, New Mexico, at this writing, I find my desk piled high with lots of things I want to pass along to you.

We had a very enjoyable time at Camp, and are already looking forward to next year.

July 25-31 is Farm Safety Week. This year's slogan is "Stay Safe and Alive in '65." Many lives are lost or permanently damaged each year through accidents in the home and on the farm. Please be careful so yours won't become one of these.

Safety begins at home, so eliminate hazards as you find them. Be a good housekeeper at all times.

Chemicals are being more widely used in agriculture and about the farm home. Always read the label, use as directed, and store them safely.

Prevent falls by taking your time, and by making stairs, ladders and paths clear of obstruction, safe to use.

Be courteous on the highway-live and let live. Know and obey all traffic laws and follow safe driving practices.

With your farm machinery don't depend on luck. Make sure equipment is in safe operating condition. Equip your farm vehicles with the new slow-moving vehicle emblem.

Take safety seriously at all times, especially in recreation, around water, and when handling guns.

Since I'm planning to begin my vacation July 22, this next bit of information was a good reminder for me, as I hope it will be for you.

You can stretch your vacation if you actually start it when you leave home. Go-

ing can be as much fun and as relaxing as being at the vacation spot-provided you plan the trip carefully.

Take all necessary equipment for emergencies and don't push too hard to reach your destination.

Here's a handy checklist to aid you in getting started. It's prepared by the Women's Department of the National Safety Council.

Have your car checked before starting. This should include brakes, lights, tires steering and wheel alignment, windshield wipers and horn. This is a good time to install seat belts for all passengers, including children.

Take along emergency equipment, such as a flashlight and warning lanterns, flares, reflectors or red flags for use if trouble arises.

Start your trip early and don't try to cover too great a distance each day.

Study and understand driving techniques in different localities, such as in the mountains or on super highways. Always read high way signs and signals carefully, since they are not uniform in all states.

Take the sun in easy doses. Wear sun glasses, and don't nap in the sun.

Stay out of the water for at least an hour after eating. Swim in sight of others. Be sure the water is deep enough and free of obstructions before diving.

Don't scoff at poison ivy. Doctors say that 8 out of 10 persons are susceptible.

**LAST NOTE:** For a terrifying demonstration of what a population explosion would do to the food supply, let your teen-agers invite a few friends over for dinner.

## Reception Honors Harveys

The Silver Wedding Anniversary for the T. C. Harveys, Jr. was the occasion Sunday afternoon for a reception given in their honor by their children, Mrs. A. D. (Sharon) Reed, Mrs. Gary (Peggy) Osborne, and Jimmy Harvey at the Harvey home in Gruver.

Presiding at the guest register during the afternoon calling hours from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM were Mesdames Oliver Wallin and Loyd Bryant, sisters of Mrs. Harvey. On display during the afternoon was the lovely silver service which was a gift from the Harvey children to their parents.

Gracing the serving table which was laid with an exquisite lace cloth was a pyramid arrangement of white daisies, carnations, and gladioli spiked with silver leaves in a low crystal bowl, accented by white tapers in crystal candlesticks and the crystal punch service. Highlighting the table decor was the beautifully

decorated, tiered wedding cake.

Presiding at the serving table during the calling hours were Mesdames K. E. Irwin, Dayton Barkley, Ed Rafferty, Jr., J. C. Harris, Harry Barkley, Jack Hart, Faye Nickolson of Springfield, Colorado, and Dick Hefley of Wheeler, Tex.

Radiant was gracious Mrs. Harvey who chose a stunning white linen shift for the occasion accented by white accessories and a rare deep-throated orchid corsage.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Dick Hefley and Mike from Wheeler; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Orman and Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Miller, Jr., Edd and David, all of Borger; the John Wells, Dumas; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Yeary of Walka. From Okeene, Oklahoma, came Mr. and Mrs. Gus Janzen. Attending from Spearman were Mrs. Eleanor Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Archer, and Mrs. Gertie Archer; and from Pampa came Mrs. H. S. Ayres and

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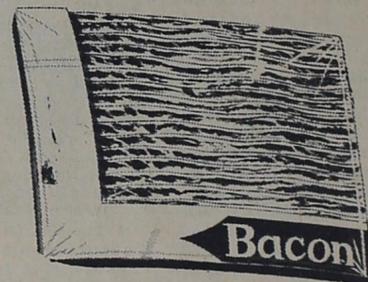
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