





# As It Looks From Here

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—WHAT CHILD HAS NOT had fun catching lightning bugs but experience disappointment the next morning to find the brilliance turned to a drab gray.

MEANINGFUL LESSONS MIGHT BE drawn such as a midsummer night's dream or like many things of beauty which fade when we try to imprison them or look too closely.

THE OBJECT OF THIS is not one of philosophy but on the uniqueness and value of the firefly in this day of nuclear energy and rapid scientific advancements.

SCIENTIST HAVE NEVER come up with an explanation as to how the firefly produces his cold light. It remains a mystery—just as it was to us as children

TO RELATE THE INSECT'S usefulness to science somewhat

degrades the romantic legend of Latin American ladies wearing little lamps in their hair for ornaments and the story of the military doctor, William Gorgas performing an operation by the light of a bottle of fireflies.

THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND space administration's Flight Center at Greenbelt, Maryland, is not especially interested in the firefly as yielding a soft summer magic which makes all the world seem young. It is interested in scientific and medical research. The lantern in the firefly's tail is what the scientist are trying to figure out. They say the light is produced by combining something called a denosine triphosphate (referred to as ATP) with chemicals in its tail. Evidently, this is quite a trick.

IT SEEMS MAN CAN turn out ATP, a basic protein of life

converted into energy, but he fails to turn it into light as a firefly can. How it is done they do not know, and the firefly's secret remains its own.

THE REASON A FIREFLY collecting company in New Jersey pays children a cent a piece for fireflies is to furnish them to the Greenbelt Laboratory for research. The reason of the research is to determine the action of ATP in red blood cells. As it is understood by the layman, the firefly can be used to measure the amount of ATP in red blood cells, which may result in detecting energy problems and possibly produce answers about diseases like cancer.

THE SCIENTIST SAY THAT where there is ATP there is earth-like life. That is where the Goddard Space Flight Center comes in. Late this year or early next, Goddard will launch its first rocket with a life-detection instrument (called firefly) which will contain extract of firefly lanterns. If the rocket encounters live microorganisms in the

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### LOUDER THAN WORDS

Suppose you walk into a coffee shop, point to the doughnut tray, and hold up two fingers. And suppose, after being served you decide that you aren't hungry after all—and refuse the doughnuts. Could the proprietor make you pay anyhow? Theoretically, he could indeed. Even though you haven't uttered a word, you have entered into a binding legal contract: As a rule, contracts are created by oral or written language. But the law recognizes that actions may speak louder than words. If the situation is right

upper atmosphere, the extract will glow. It will trigger an electronic system so sensitive it can detect one-quadrillionth of a gram of ATP. The information will be radioed back to earth.

THE NAVAL WEAPONS LABORATORY at Dahlgren, Virginia, a sophisticated scientists center, also ponders space age problems and is calling for 25,000 fireflies for a study of their light-producing materials. The center also offers a dollar a hundred for fireflies.

UNDERSTANDABLY THERE IS A concern that pesticides will eradicate the lightning bug, as well as the mosquitoes and other undesirable insects. And, too, it looks as if insects and bugs may not only be sterilized under the method used for the eradication of the screwworm but will be deafened too. Experiments with certain soundwaves at a continuous low hum destroyed 75 percent of moth eggs, and of those which hatched, half died the first day. Adults live shorter life. It is sort of comforting to know there are still things the scientist can not figure out and that they have to run for help to small boys and small bugs.

just a nod of the head may mean anything from "I do" to "I bid \$100 for that oriental rug."

You can not only enter into a contract but even commit an assault, merely by gesture. The law will weigh the surrounding circumstances to decide how much menace the gesture conveyed.

For example: It was held not an assault for a man to shake an angry finger at his hostess, since she was seated safely eight feet away. And it was held not an assault for a motorist to make a leering grimace at a pretty girl, walking at a considerable distance from his car.

But it was held an assault for a landlord to brandish a stick ominously over the head of his tenant. And it was held an assault for a man, known to be triggerhappy, to reach suddenly for his hip pocket.

Can defamation of character too, be committed by acts instead of by words? It is possible wrote Jonathan Swift, to "Convey a libel in a frown, And wink a reputation down."

In one case, a man charged that his character had been blemished—wordlessly—by two clumsy detectives. It seems they had followed him constantly for several days and nights, making no effort to hide what they were doing.

The detectives denied that this amounted to defamation. But the court agreed with the plaintiff, because the detectives had shadowed him so openly. The judge said their actions, proclaiming to one and all that this man needed watching, spoke more insulting than words.

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Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Swift were her brother Earl Hill of Junction and a niece, Earline Phillips of Barksdale, Texas.

### North Star Members Will Attend Camp

Members of the North Star Home Demonstration Club made preparations at a meeting July 5, to attend the four-county Home Demonstration Camp to be held at Blanket July 19. The camp will be for members of 4-H Clubs in Eastland, Brown, Comanche and Mill counties.

Each member will take a sack lunch, a small gift and a craft to exhibit.

The club also plans for the annual club picnic to be held on August 2 at 7 p. m. when families of the members will be guests. Cake and ice cream will be served at this meeting. Clara Burkhead and Julie Townsend, whose birthdays were observed at the meeting, opened gifts during the recreation period. Refreshments were served to 14 members by the hostesses, Martha Irby and Julie Townsend.

The club has purchased a new ice box which has been installed in the clubhouse.

### LINDY PENS AT THE STAR

### De Leon Exes to Have Homecoming Aug. 6th

Ex-students of DeLeon High School will assemble for Homecoming activities Saturday, Aug. 6 in DeLeon. The program will start at 10:00 a. m., with a barbecue at noon, and end by participating in the free watermelon slicing Saturday afternoon. It will be the last day of the Annual Peach and Melon Festival and several tons of ice cold melon will be served.

Officials request that all "Ex's" planning to attend send reservation fees of \$2.00 per person to the Ladies Division of the De Leon Chamber of Commerce for Barbecue tickets.

Graduates of De Leon High include Associate Justice Zollio Steakley; W. L. White, author and columnist Ben Barnes, Speaker of the House of Representatives; Dr. Arch White, Dean of the Business Administration School, University of Texas and many others successful in their own endeavors.

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Other Assets .....	7.00	Deposits .....	3,370,828.51
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	\$2,545,330.48		
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### News From May

By Mrs. Ludene Michael

Miss Paula Snyder of Albuquerque, N. Mex., and Mrs. Jamie Allen of Comanche visited friends and relatives in May Tuesday.

Mrs. Carol Price, who was ill last week is improving.

Jeanie Choma of Cambridge, Ohio, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Weathersby, this week.

Mrs. Mae Baker, Mrs. W. D. Baker, Ronnie, Terry and Diann of Blanket attended services at the May Church of Christ last Sunday.

Calvin McDaniel of San Pedro, Calif., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lon McDaniel of May attended the Educational Convention in Mexico City; Miami, Fla. and Houston Tex., recently. While in Houston he called his parents. He is the brother of Mrs. Ludene Michael and Russell McDaniel of May.

Walter Smith of Sidney fell at his home Sunday, July 10, and suffered a fractured shoulder and hip. He is a patient in Mims Hospital at Comanche where he is in a satisfactory condition. His son, Lois Jordan of Temple, and a niece, Mrs. Carl Dowell, of Hurst, are with him.

Approximately 150 descendants of the Ashworth family met at Lake Brownwood July 8-10 for their first family reunion in 30 years. Members of the family from all over Texas and Kansas and California were in attendance.

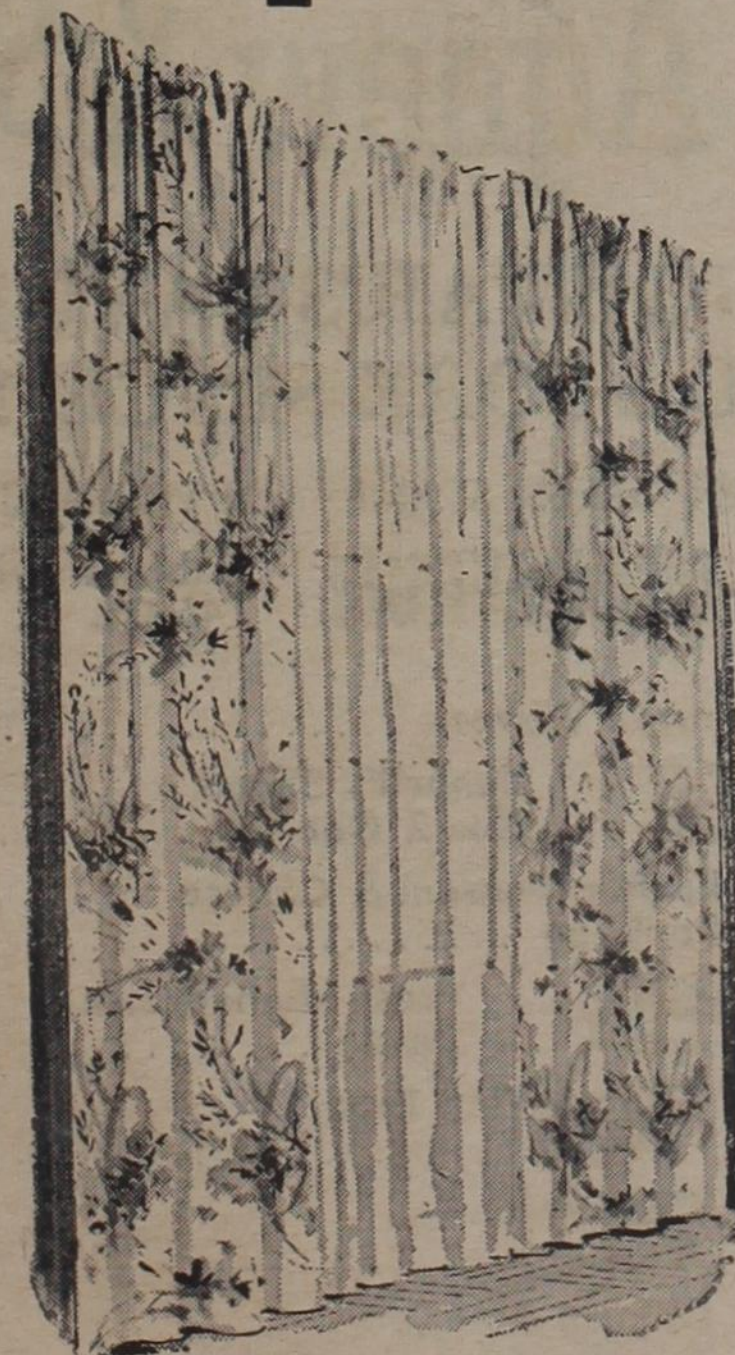
Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Boggs are their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Don Parrish and children of Corpus Christi, and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Gonzales and children of Jim Ned.

Mrs. Clara Burkhead, Wyatt Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Joyce Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bucy and Miss Mina Robinson attended the funeral for Mrs. Seth Bucy in Coleman Saturday afternoon.

Week-end visitors in the home of Mrs. Ruth Nay were Ross Earp of California; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Billings of Loop and Mrs. Fox Middleton of Lake Brownwood.

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## HIGGINBOTHAM'S

**Ratliff-Green Nuptials  
 At May On June 27th**

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Ratliff of Morgan have announced the marriage of their daughter, Johnnie Lorene, to Gerald Wayne Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Green of Rising Star.

The couple were married at May June 27 at the Baptist parsonage of First Baptist church, Rev. Les White officiating.

The bride was a 1966 graduate of Morgan High School.

The groom finished high school with the 1960 class of Rising Star High School, attended Cisco Junior College where he was graduated. He is now attending Howard Payne College at Brownwood and will receive his BME degree in August.

The couple are living at 1804 Vincent in Brownwood.

**Patsy Fox and Paul  
 Green Wed July 5**

Miss Patsy Sue Fox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fox of Olden, and Paul Green son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Green of Rising Star, recited marriage vows July 5, at the parsonage of First Baptist church in Rising Star. Rev. L. R. Pendley, officiated.

The bride attended High School at Olden where she was graduated. She was active in all school sports and held offices in class and club organizations.

The groom attended school in Rising Star. He is employed by Sandula at Cisco. Mrs. Green is employed by Hollywood Vassar in Eastland.

The couple are at home in Eastland, 1201 South Seaman.

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**It Has Been**

By VADA ARNOLD

January 13 1930, the mercury dipped to 7 degrees below zero in Rising Star, the coldest weather here since Feb. 12, 1899.

The same year the Liberty Theater in Rising Star installed "talking picture" equipment. "Broadway" was the first "talkie" shown. The house was packed and everyone was thrilled over the new entertainment.

On March 27, 1930, with an appropriate presentation speech, E. M. Howard chairman of the Rising Star Court of Honor of the Boy Scouts, awarded the Eagle Scout Badge to Charles Rutherford.

Charles was the first Scout in the district to receive the coveted honor, and the second in the entire Oil Belt to be made an Eagle Scout.

Rutherford joined the local troop in April, 1928, and passed his tenderfoot requirements.

In July, 1928, at Camp Martin on the Llano river where the Oil Belt Council met for their summer camp, Charles won his Second Class badge.

He was awarded his First class rank on October 28, and in December he received the rank of Life Scout.

Then at a Court of Honor held by the committee of Rising Star, Charles faced the Scouts of Rising Star and Pioneer as well as the court of honor committee and successfully answered all questions propounded

from the tenderfoot rank through the Eagle requirements.

Charles passed exams for 21 Merit Badges before expert examiners before being permitted to make an Eagle Scout application to the National headquarters in New York City. Following are the merit badges he received: firemanship, leathercraft, wood carving, animal husbandry, soil management, gardening, handicraft, scholarship, farm layouts, first aid, life saving, personal health, swimming, cooking, camping, civics, bird study, pathfinding, pioneering and athletics.

A few weeks after being awarded the Eagle Scout Badge Charles received many compliments by letter and press notices to say nothing of personal words of praise.

Eight years after becoming an Eagle Scout, and having remained active in the local troop, he was Scoutmaster of Troop 115.

That year Charles, with 17 of his scouts, were marooned at Camp Billy Gibbons following a flash flood that caused an unexpected rise on Brady Creek. The scouts camp was completely washed away and Scoutmaster Rutherford took his troop to higher ground. After a few days of isolation he brought the boys home safely, tired, dirty and happy to be home again.

After the ordeal one of his Scouts said, "Scoutmaster Rutherford deserves all the credit any

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man could be given. He is a real scout. He expects nothing in return for his services, which he renders wholeheartedly. I speak for the entire Troop 115, the deepest thanks to him. We will never be able to live up to his kindness and care for us. Three Big Hows for Scoutmaster Rutherford."

Mrs. Velma Neighbors of Brownwood and Mrs. Maud For-rider of Lawson, Colo., spent

four days last week with Mrs. Beyrl Heath.

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