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HOWDY FROM BIG "D"

—Don McWhorter

Last week I wrote about the endeavor know as Education. Well, this week I am deeply engrossed in the experience of learning. My family and I arrived in Big D after a trying and hot Sunday afternoon drive. The trip, however, went without problem or worry, other than the heat.

We are living in a one room efficiency apartment in Irving which is about twenty two miles from SMU where I am going to school.

Dallas freeway traffic is really something else at the morning rush hour. If you want to know the truth, I should be a better person when we get home because the traffic scares the Devil right out of me.

We had a nice visit with Newt Green's niece and her family (Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carrell) of Plano, Texas about 15 miles from Dallas.

We have completed already two major assignments in school and spent many hours behind this typewriter.

Well, 'nuff said about the trip to Dallas. Having spent the past week in a large city, I think I need to comment about the life of the people here and say that I really do appreciate the life in the small town in which we live. Everyone is in one great big hurry here, and has no time for anyone else.

We live in an apartment building with about 20 other families and not one has spoken, even in passing. I wonder if I have been friendly, or has it rubbed off on me already. No one says 'Hi' and you walk down the street. No one seems to care if anyone gets where he is going except himself. You read of rape and traffic deaths, murder rape, and today the Kroger store in Dallas was robbed by three men of \$10,000 just as the store opened with three armored car guards in the store.

Is this living, or is this mere existence among people who seem to be indifferent about the needs of one another. You would think I was complaining about this trip and the month here in the big city. Well, I am. It is hot, unfriendly, and the people are cold. The "little town" of Ropesville has an immense drawing power for me. While the weather is warm, so are the people.

Sharing ones life with people who care and are willing to share their lives with him — BOY, That's Living!

NOTICE

Ropes School District is accepting bids for gasoline and oil for school buses for 1969-70 until 8:00 p.m. on August 4, 1969. Bid forms may be obtained by request at the office of the Superintendent of Schools in Ropesville.

VISITS HERE SATURDAY

Afton Richards, owner of the Rails Banner and Jayton Chronicle, was a pleasant visitor at the Plainsman office last Saturday. He was enroute to a class reunion at Meadow.

Afton was once owner of the Plainsman, and also the Meadow Star and Four County News located at Anton.

He is a life-long family friend and we enjoyed his visit very much.

MRS. BEN STEPHENS IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Ben Stephens is in the hospital at Brownfield, and will likely be confined for four to six weeks.

EDDIE THETFORD NOW AT HOME

Eddie Thetford, who has been in a Lubbock hospital suffering from burns received from a weed torch, is now at home, and reported to be much improved.

Rites Held For Mrs. Bonnie Hunt

Last rites were conducted from the Franklin-Bartley Funeral Chapel in Lubbock at 11:00 a.m. Monday for Mrs. Bonnie Gene Hunt, sister of Jack Tipps of Ropes.

The Rev. Wayne Perry and Garnie Atkisson of Lubbock conducted the services. Interment was in Resthaven in Lubbock.

Mrs. Hunt was killed Thursday in an automobile accident near Greeley, Colorado. Her daughter, Mrs. Marsha Johnson was riding with her, and remains in Denver General Hospital, Denver, Colorado.

Mrs. Hunt, 54, was born in Rusk County, and moved to Denver about

twelve years ago from Fort Worth. She was a member of the Applewood Baptist Church, Denver.

Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. Marsha Johnson of Wheatridge, Colorado; and three brothers Henry Tipps of Kilgorn, Hubbard Tipps of Lubbock, and Jack Tipps of Ropesville.

Pallbearers were Dwayne Ward, Jim McDaniel, Buck Craig, Kenneth Means, Bud Rucker and A. M. Armstrong.

The Plainsman, along with the community, express their deepest sympathy to the survivors in their time of sorrow.

Letter From the Women's Cotton Ass'n

DEAR HOMEMAKER,

According to National Cotton Council's Research Service, Cottons share of the U. S. fiber consumption dropped from slightly over 50 percent to 44 percent in 1968. This is the heaviest loss of cotton markets in history. In fact it's more than twice as much as ever before. National statistics on fiber marketing show that women buy 75 percent of all fabrics and items made of fabric and we are largely responsible for the other 25 percent.

So when it comes right down to it, who is responsible for this cotton loss, bit by bit? Lets try like we've never tried before to get 100 percent cotton stocked in our stores and out again. None of us have worked at this as hard as we can. Some of us do not have the needed confidence in ourselves to work alone, but if we combine our efforts in an organization, "Womens Cotton Association", much can be accomplished.

The purpose of the "Womens Cotton Association" is to promote our own product and to be of service to the cotton industry. The aim is to try for much larger stocks of cotton in our retail stores and to create

a greater public awareness of cotton and cotton's problems.

If you would like to become a part of this cotton promotion organization, you may do so, by paying your annual dues of \$2.00 per year, \$1.00 of this will go to the district, and you will receive a Cotton newsletter. The membership committee from Ropes are: Mrs. D. C. Craig, Mrs. John Ream, Mrs. Edsill Huey and Mrs. Kenneth Means. If you would like to become a member, please make your check payable to the Hockley County Cotton Association.

The Association is sponsoring a "Sew It With Cotton Contest" to be held in September. Entry blanks may be picked up at the stores in the county which handle patterns and dress fabrics.

We would like to encourage you to join this association, so that we may all work together toward a sense of true accomplishment and a new awareness of cotton, and its importance to the well-being of everyone in this area.

Any member of the committee will be glad to take your dues. WOMENS COTTON ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

HIGH SCHOOL M. Y. F. HAPPENINGS

The High School M.Y.F. group will be in charge of the 6:00 p.m. worship service at the Ropes United Methodist Church Sunday, July 20. It will be a contemporary service.

Those who will be participating in the service will be: Sammy Harris, Brenda Johnson, Steve Kimberlin, Jane Murphy, Jana Odum, Larry Sayles, Larry Shannon, Georgana Snider and Travis White.

In absence of our beloved janitor the group has the job of keeping church and yard work done.

Scheduled for the regular M.Y.F. meeting Friday night, July 25th, is the movie, "The Parable".

To All Our Friends In Ropes,

We McWhorters are having a good time in Dallas though it is hot and we are crowded in a small apartment. We are etogether as a family as God intended and that makes us happy. Thanks for your prayers and the send off. If we are needed or you would like to drop us a line, we are at:

715 Sunny Lane Apartment 12 Irving, Texas 75060
God Be With You
The McWhorters

TOM WALL IN HOSPITAL

Tom Wall was taken to the Lubbock Osteopathic Hospital Monday, July 7. He is reported doing about as well as can be expected.

He is in Room 120.

VISITS HERE

Mrs. J. W. Berry of Lubbock visited the first part of the week in the home of her son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berry.

ON VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Terry are on vacation this week in South Texas.

JEST SOME THOUGHTS —

Boy, the weekend of the 4th was some weekend. We had two Saturdays, two Sundays, followed by three Mondays. Thought we never would get last week's paper printed. It was quite a chore.

Happiness is turning the water faucet on, and the force of the water knocking the glass out of your hand.

There's been no happiness around Ropes for quite a spell now.

It's so dry that when the babies cry, they shed no tear. Their tear ducts are all dried up.

The heat wave that has taken possession of our territory for so long had decided this is the place to live. No doubt about it.

Guess about the two most important items to the human being are air and water. We can't survive long with out either.

An era of history was uncovered this past week when Vera Lee Tidor told us she had found the footprints of Our Tom Cat embedded in the cement sidewalk in front of Walt's Cafe. Our Tom Cat used to bug the late Walt Fraley 'bout more than anyone.

Tula Mae Roberts asked us last week to write an article praising the City Council for the fine job they are doing. She is right. The City looks better than we can ever remember it. The new equipment purchased by the City, and put to such good use, has improved the looks a hundred percent. They should be given a good word that is well deserved.

We are very happy over the progress of the sewer system. This week the Plainsman received the bid notice to publish, the system is down to the point of receiving bids from contractors to do the work and the deadline for entering bids is in August. So, it looks like maybe the work will start in the very near future.

This is a big, progressive move for our town, and we believe it will help us grow as nothing else would. The shortage of water is becoming a disadvantage, but the City Dads have already made arrangements for more wells which will boost our water power, and they will be put into operation next year.

The purpose of charging for water and disposal units is to forward the progress of the City. If everything the City takes in is put back into the development of the City, we can't help but progress. It is not supposed to be a profit making organization, and money put on ice, so to speak, will not do the people one bit of good.

AS WE GO TO PRESS WE WERE INFORMED OF THE DEATH OF MR. TOM REDMAN, 86. HE PASSED AWAY AT 3:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY AT HERITAGE MANOR IN LEVELLAND. SERVICES ARE PENDING AT A LEVELLAND FUNERAL HOME.

ATTEND REUNION IN QUANNAH

The annual Stanley family reunion was held July 4th and 5th at the park in Quanah. Family members spent the night in a big house in the park and a very good time was reported by all. Those attending were Mrs. Sam Whitener and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Glenn, Calvin and Kyle of Ropes; Mrs. Billie Morton of El Paso; Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Stanley of Pampa; Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Stanley and Mr. Oscar Stanley of Paducah;

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stanley and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Leggett, Robbie, Lisa and Stanley, all of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Toland of Quanah; Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Stanley of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth West, Denise, Karen and Teddy, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Grimes and Debbie of Childress.

VISITING GRANDPARENTS

Timmy, Alan, James and Richard Berry of Lubbock are visiting this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berry.

VISIT IN LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson were in Lubbock Saturday night where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Wilson and Miss Leola Wilson.

Rites Held Wednesday For Morgan Infant

Graveside services for Michael Wayne Morgan were conducted at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, in Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Waymon O. Morgan of Ropesville.

Officiating was Chaplain Clyde F. Pressley Jr. of Reese Air Force Base. Resthaven-Singleton - Wilson Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

The boy was born dead at 6:23

a.m. Tuesday in Reese Air Force Base Hospital.

Survivors are the parents; the grandparents, Clyde B. Fewell of Lubbock and Mrs. C. B. Fewell of Ropesville, and paternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rasberry, of Ropesville.

The Plainsman and community extend their sympathy to the survivors.

Debbie Kay Chaney Wins First Alternate

Debbie Kay Chaney, six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Chaney, won the place of first alternate in the first annual Miss Majorette of the Southwest Pageant in the Tiny Tots Division.

The contest was held in Roswell, New Mexico on Saturday, July 12.

Miss Majorette of the Southwest was chosen by an accumulation of points on basic strutting, twirling

solo routine, and a beauty contest where a dress-up dress was modeled.

Debbie Kay will be a first grader in Ropesville Elementary School this fall. She is attending Benni and Art Evans' Twirling Camp at Lake Brownwood this week.

Debbie is the granddaughter of Mrs. Roy Dopson.

WHATSOEVER THINGS

—by Donald E. Wildmon

A woman's scream suddenly startled a party of screevors at dinner in a forest in northern Virginia on a calm, sunny day in 1750. The men ran in the direction of the scream. One of the first to reach the scene was an 18-year-old. "Please, sir, please make them release me," the woman said as several held her. "My boy is drowning, and they will not let me go to save him!" One of those holding her yelled: "It would be madness; she will jump into the river and drown herself."

The young man threw off his coat, sprang to the edge of the bank, scanned for a moment the rocks and whirling currents, and then, catching a glimpse of the boy, plunged into the roaring rapids. "Thank God," the mother said, "he will save my boy!" Everyone watched as the young would-be rescuer fought the rocks and the whirlpools. Twice the rescuer disappeared from sight only to come back. He was nearing the part of the river that was the most dangerous. The rush of the waters was so dangerous at that spot that no one had ever dared approach it, even in a canoe. Into the middle of it he went. Finally he grabbed the boy, lifted him above the water with his strong right arm. But at that moment those standing on the bank cry in horror. Both the youth and child shoot over the falls and vanish in the seething waters below.

Following a deadly few seconds, the mother shouted. "There they are! See! They are safe!" Soon the youth, exhausted, and the boy, senseless, reached the bank. The friends were there to meet them. "God will give you a reward," solemnly spoke the grateful woman. "He will do great things for you in return for this day's work, and the blessings of thousands beside mine shall be yours."

We call it courage, that thing that made the youngster do what he did. When others refused, were afraid, called it hopeless, he leaped into the water without thought of any danger he may face. One thing raced in his mind above everything else—there was another human who needed help.

Courage is a wonderful thing. It is something that you don't normally get overnight. You have to work at it, make it a way of life. The Carpenter had it, too, you know. He was a Man who inspired others with His courage. When they threatened Him with bodily harm, He stood fast. When they gave Him a choice between a

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated nine accidents on rural highways in Hockley County during the month of June, according to Sergeant Hal Pirtle, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in ten persons injured and an estimated property damage of \$35,500.00.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first six months of 1969 shows a total of 72 accidents resulting in eight persons killed, 60 persons injured, and an estimated property damage of \$107,450.00.

During the first six months of 1969 in Texas there were 1,470 traffic deaths, or two less as compared to the 1,472 traffic deaths for the same period of 1968. However, if past trends continue the last six months will probably far exceed the first six months; as a matter of fact, the last six months of 1968 there were 2,009 traffic deaths.

The Sergeant stated, "With an all time record of 49 traffic deaths over the 4th of July weekend, we are not only well ahead in comparison to the beginning of the second six months in 1968, but well on our way to establishing a record year in 1969."

FILM AVAILABLE

There is now available for showing from the District Five Office of the Texas Highway Department in Lubbock a new film entitled, "Texas — America's Fun-tier." Oscar L. Crain, District Engineer, District Five, has announced.

Someone from the Texas Highway Department will show the film to civic clubs, schools or any group who would like to use it as a program.

The film, "Texas, America's Fun-tier," depicts recreation and fun-things to do and unusual events set against backdrops of the great diversity of scenery found in the State from east to west and north to south.

"Texas, America's Fun-tier" is a half hour sound and color production with original music score. The address of the Texas Highway Department is P.O. Box 771, Lubbock, Texas 79408 or call SH 4-8411, Extension 22.

lie or a cross, He chose the cross and Truth.

Oh, I nearly forgot. The woman's prediction about the young man proved correct. Some thirty-nine years later he was installed as the first President of the new country, the United States of America. His name was George Washington.

— FIVE STAR FEATURES

Be Familiar With Amendments by Aug. 5

AMENDMENT NO. 7-H.J.R. No. 4 education under the Texas Opportunity Plan.

(Adding certain governmental employees, officers, and agents, including members of organized volunteer fire departments and members of organized police reserve or auxiliary units, to the list of persons whose surviving spouses and children are eligible for assistance as provided by law.)

This proposed amendment to Section 51-d of Article III of the Texas Constitution adds certain governmental employees, officers, and agents to the list of persons whose surviving spouses and minor children are eligible for assistance as provided by general law.

Enumerated among those whose surviving spouses and children would be eligible for assistance are volunteer firemen, reserve or auxiliary police, and any other employees, officers, and agents of the state or of any political subdivision who, because of the hazardous nature of their duties, suffer death as a result of performing those duties.

The present Section 51-d was adopted in 1966 and allowed the legislature to provide for payment of assistance to the surviving spouses and minor children of law enforcement officers, custodial personnel of the Texas Department of Corrections, and fully paid firemen who suffered violent death in the performance of their duties.

The proposed amendment is broader than that approved in 1966. It would allow the legislature greater latitude in providing assistance to the named dependents of public employees whose jobs require that they perform hazardous duties.

ARGUMENTS

For:

1. The people have already voiced approval of the principle involved—that the public should aid those dependent on public employees who perform hazardous duties for the public benefit. It is logical to extend the eligibility for this assistance to all public employees and volunteers who perform hazardous duties, such as volunteer firemen and policemen, attendants at the Rusk State Hospital for the Criminally Insane, and others.

2. The proposed amendment does not automatically provide assistance. The legislature must specifically name by law the groups to receive the benefits.

Against:

1. The amendment proposed does not place a limitation on the amount of assistance which may be provided. The cost to the electorate, therefore, cannot be determined by them.

2. Many of the employees who are within the scope of this amendment are employed by cities or counties. This cost might more appropriately be borne by local political subdivisions.

AMENDMENT No. 8-H.J.R. No. 50 Student Loan Fund

(Authorizing the legislature to provide for additional loans to students at institutions of higher

education under the Texas Opportunity Plan.)

The proposed amendment adds a new section 50b-1 to Article III of the Texas Constitution. The amendment gives the legislature power to authorize the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, to issue and sell \$200 million of additional general obligation bonds, the revenue from the sale of which is to be used to make loans to students who have been admitted to any institution of higher education in the state whether publicly or privately owned or operated, and including junior colleges.

The money received from the sale of the bonds is to be deposited in the Texas Opportunity Plan Fund, established by constitutional amendment in 1965 (Texas Constitution, Art. III, Sec. 50b) and implemented by the Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Act of the 59th Legislature, Regular Session, 1965. Anticipating the adoption of the proposed amendment, S.B. 535, which was enacted by the 61st Legislature, amends the Hinson-Hazelwood Student Loan Act but will take effect only if the proposed Amendment No. 8 is approved by the electorate.

Amendment of the Constitution is necessary to the creation of state loan funds for students because several sections prohibit the use of public money by any individual, association, or corporation, except in cases of public calamity.

ARGUMENTS

For:

1. The total amount of funds presently available for student loans will be in use and loaned out before repayments of outstanding loans begin to return a substantial amount of funds available for re-lending. It is desirable that a certain amount be available every year to insure equal treatment of deserving students and to maintain a stable recycling of funds. The demand and need for student loans is great and, in addition, a cutback is expected in the amount of federal funds available. The federal cutback will increase the state's burden. Therefore the proposed amendment is essential to continuation of the Texas Opportunity Plan.

2. A college education in today's technical world is even more essential now than in 1956 when the Texas Opportunity Plan Fund was created by adoption of Article III, Section 50, and the Hinson-Hazelwood College Student Loan Act. Every deserving and qualified student should be afforded the opportunity to have a college education. It should be emphasized that the passage of H.J.R. No. 50 will authorize only loans and does not authorize gifts or grants to students. All loans are repayable with interest charges set by the coordinating board, and of the 90 thousand loans made thus far, the 23 in default of payments constitute a percentage actually too small to calculate.

3. The single greatest natural resource in the State of Texas is its

young people. Each year, thousands of high school graduates with college potential are deterred from continuing their education due to inadequate finances. Adoption of the proposed Amendment No. 8 would assure many of these students of the college education and training they deserve and would assure the State of Texas that future state development will be in the hands of those best qualified for service.

Against:

1. State loans to students take business from private enterprise. Banks, savings and loan institutions, and private charities have helped students finance their educations for years. The Texas Opportunity Plan Fund already has authorized \$85 million, and any more loans would create administrative problems adversely affecting the repayment rate.

2. This amendment continues the practice of making loans to students enrolled in church-supported schools. This is merely a subterfuge to permit state aid for churches.

3. Those able-bodied young people who are serious enough about wanting an education and who are willing to work can finance their own schooling. At a time when violence and disrespect for law and order are evident on our campuses, the state should encourage students to work and build for themselves rather than foster indolence through practically give-away loans.

VISITS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Elma Burleson of Hart Camp visited briefly Sunday evening in the home of her brother Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas and family.

VISIT PARENTS SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bradley of Brownfield were in Ropes Sunday visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tyree Martin and boys.

RETURNS HOME

Shannon Means returned home recently from El Paso where he has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morton. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Means.

COTTON TALKS

The Agriculture Appropriation Bill, together with the suspenseful controversy over a possible limitation of 1970 farm payments to producers of cotton, feed grains and wheat, is, in a word, nowhere at the moment.

It's next scheduled stop is the Senate-House Conference Committee where differences in the two versions are supposed to be worked out before the bill is again presented to both houses.

But as of Friday, July 11, neither house has appointed its Conference Committee members, and no one seems to know when they will be appointed.

Moreover, it's almost a cinch the work of the conferees, whatever they do, will be strongly questioned in a least one and possibly in both houses.

House in May adopted an amendment to the Appropriations Bill stipulating that the funds could not be used for payments in excess of \$20,000 to any one producer under 1970 cotton, feed grains and wheat programs.

At the time some observers voiced the opinion that if the Senate turned thumbs down on a payment limit the House-Senate Conference Committee would accept the Senate

version and the issue would be closed.

But such does not now appear to be the case. The Senate did, in fact, vote against payment limitations July 7. And it is still thought that the Conference Committee sooner or later will turn out a bill without a limitation of payments. But if this happens, Congressman Conte (R-Mass.) and Findley (R-Ill.), the amendment's original sponsors in the House are bound and determined to see the bill sent back to Conference Committee with House conferees instructed to reinstate limitations.

House leaders at the moment think it's nip and tuck as to whether or not a motion to recommit would be successful.

There is also another factor that may cause trouble. The House voted \$340 million for the food stamp program. The Senate upped that amount to \$750 million, despite the fact that the Food Stamp Bill passed by the House in 1968 specified a maximum expenditure of \$350 million.

Consequently, if the House-Senate conferees go along with the higher figure set by the Senate, someone in the House is sure to yell "point of order" and say the House would be violating its own rules by legislating on an appropriations bill if it accepted a food stamp appropriation above the \$350 million statutory maximum.

On the other hand, if the conferees cut the food stamp appropriation back to the House figure, the Senate is sure to kick up dust.

The final outcome is anybody's guess. But it's certain the Agriculture Appropriations Bill is not yet out of the woods. Nor is the issue of a payment limitation on farm programs for 1970.

The advancement of \$45,000 by Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. to Texas Tech in 1969 for the construction of 4,000 feet of floor space to be used for a "Pilot Spinning Plant" blossomed over the years into a full scale Textile Research Center with 45,500 square feet of floor space, worth \$2.5 million.

The Center, which began with the bare capability of small-scale yarn spinning operations, now has the capacity to carry any raw fiber through the complete spinning,

weaving, finishing and dyeing processes on a scale closely simulating conditions in a commercial mill. Its research and product development studies are carried out mainly in cotton and the other natural fibers of wood and mohair, including blends of the three.

Where its original research projects were almost exclusively those supported by Plains Cotton Growers the Center now draws research funds from USDA, the Cotton Research Committee of Texas, Cotton Producers Institute and others in addition to the work it does for P-CG.

Planning for months has been underway for an Open House and International Textile Research Symposium on the college campus October 30 and 31 of this year. Invitations are being mailed to some 5,800 people in the textile industry of 48 countries around the world.

The Symposium is being developed around the theme of "Marketing through Research," and it has been said that the Textile Research Center will become a "window to the quality of fibers produced in Texas." Expected at the Symposium are fiber processors, apparel makers and other textile manufacturers, all of whom will be made aware of this area's quality fibers and textile industry potential.

A committee of some 50 people, mostly West Texas agriculturalists and agri-businessmen, has been selected to assist with planning for the October affair, and this committee will be given a preliminary "walk through" tour of the Center's facilities on July 17 following its first meeting.

Also on hand for the July 17 meeting will be Texas Representative Bill Heatley, Chairman of the State Appropriations Committee; John White, Texas Commissioner of Agriculture; members of the farm press and various other dignitaries.

Texas, and especially West Texas is fortunate that agricultural, business and educational leaders a decade ago had the vision and faith in the area to make a start toward the magnificent textile research facility located on the Tech campus today. Its contribution to the economy of this area and the State will far, far exceed its cost.

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That by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable 99th District Court of Lubbock County, on the 30th day of June 1969, by J. R. Dever, Clerk of said Court for the sum of Two Hundred Two and 54/100 (\$202.54) Dollars plus interest at 7 percent per annum from May 27, 1968, plus \$65.00 attorney's fees and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Municipal Investment Corporation in a certain cause in said Court, No. 60059 and styled MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION vs. R. H. BRASHER and wife, LILLIAN BRASHER, placed in my hands for service, I, WEIR CLEM as Sheriff of Hockley County, Texas, did, on the 3rd day of July 1969, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Hockley County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Nine (9), Block Two (2), Crownhill Addition to the City of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas;

and levied upon as the property of R. H. BRASHER and wife, LILLIAN BRASHER and that on the first Tuesday in August 1969, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door of Hockley County, in the City of Levelland Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said R. H. BRASHER and wife, LILLIAN BRASHER.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the ROPES PLAINSMAN, a newspaper published in Hockley County.

Witness my hand, this 3rd day of July, 1969.

WEIR CLEM
Sheriff Hockley County,
Texas.

SHERIFF'S SALE

STATE OF TEXAS)
County of HOCKLEY)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
That by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable 99th District Court of Lubbock County, on the 27th day of June 1969, by J. R. Dever, Clerk of said Court for the sum of Nine Hundred Ninety-Six and 51/100 (\$996.51) Dollars plus interest at 7 percent per annum from May 27, 1968, plus \$150.00 attorney's fees and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Municipal Investment Corporation in a certain cause in said Court, No. 60064 and styled MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION vs. REX B. WARREN and wife, RUTH WARREN, placed in my hands for service, I, WEIR CLEM as Sheriff of Hockley County, Texas, did, on the 2nd day of July 1969, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Hockley County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Being a part and out of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Labor No. 9, in League No. 28 of the Hood County School Land, described by metes and bounds as follows:
BEGINNING at the Southwest

corner of said above described tract for the Southwest corner of this tract;

THENCE North along the West line of said tract a distance of 270 feet to a point the same being the Northwest corner of this tract;

THENCE East parallel with the South line of said tract 130 feet to a point the same being the Northeast corner of this tract;

THENCE South parallel with the West line of said tract a distance of 270 feet to a point the same being the Southeast corner of this tract

THENCE West along the South line of said line of said tract a distance of 130 feet to the point of beginning, in the City of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas;

and levied upon as the property of REX B. WARREN and wife, RUTH WARREN and that on the first Tuesday in August 1969, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door of Hockley County, in the City of Levelland Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said REX B. WARREN and wife, RUTH WARREN.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the ROPES PLAINSMAN, a newspaper published in Hockley County.

Witness my hand, this 2nd day of July 1969.

WEIR CLEM
Sheriff Hockley County, Texas

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
County of HOCKLEY)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
That by virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable 99th District Court of Lubbock County, on the 26th day of June, 1969, by J. R. Dever, Clerk of said Court for the sum of \$2,480.50 plus interest at seven per cent (7 percent) per annum from October 13, 1966, plus \$360.00 attorney's fees and cost of suit, under a judgment in favor of Municipal Investment Corporation in a certain cause in said Court, No. 55813 and styled MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION vs. ESTATE OF T. U. CARTER, DECEASED, et al, placed in my hands for service, I, WEIR CLEM, as Sheriff of Hockley County, Texas, did on the 2nd day of July, 1969, levy on certain real estate situated in Hockley County, Texas described as follows, to-wit:

Unit 18, Certificate 4, issued on October 13, 1966, in the amount of \$205.00, reciting the levying of an assessment against the following described property:

Out of unplatted portion of Block 1, Carter Addition, all that tract of land situated in the Carter and Booger Addition to the City of Sundown, Texas, the Carter Addition being on Labor or Tract 67 and the Booger Addition being on Labor or Tract 66, in League 39 of the Bob Slaughter Block, as shown by the map of said addition recorded in Volume 1, Page 47 of the Plat Records of said Hockley County, Texas, and be-

ing a tract described by metes and bounds as follows:

BEGINNING at a point on the South line of Block 1 of said Addition, which point is 120 feet East of the Southeast corner of Lot 22, in said Block 1 for the beginning corner of this tract;
THENCE North 150 feet;
THENCE East 50 feet;
THENCE South 150 feet;
THENCE West 50 feet to the place of beginning, in the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

Unit 34, Certificate 3, in the amount of \$205.00, issued on October 13, 1966, reciting the levying of an assessment against Lot Seventeen (17), Block Five (5), Carter Addition to the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

Unit 36, Certificate 1, issued October 13, 1966, in the amount of \$205.00, reciting the levying of an assessment against Lot Eighteen (18), Block Twenty-Four (24), Carter Addition to the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

Unit 36, Certificate 3, issued October 13, 1966, in the amount of \$615.00, reciting the levying of an assessment against the South 105 feet of Lots Thirteen (13), Fourteen (14), and Fifteen (15), Block Twenty-Four (24), Carter Addition to the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

Unit 32, Certificate 1, issued October 13, 1966, in the amount of \$100.00, reciting the levying of an assessment against Lots Twenty-Seven (27) and Twenty-Eight (28) Block Seventeen (17), Carter Addition to the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

Unit 22, Certificate 3, issued October 13, 1966, in the amount of \$102.50, reciting the levying of an assessment against Lot Eight (8), Block Nineteen (19), Carter Addition to the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

Unit 33, Certificate 2, issued on October 13, 1966, in the amount of \$574.00, reciting the levying of an assessment against Lots Five (5) and Six (6), Block Sixteen (16), Carter Addition to the City of Sundown, Hockley County, Texas;

and levied upon each of the above described tracts as the property of FRED CARTER, Individually and as Executor of the ESTATE OF T. U. CARTER, Deceased, LEONA CARTER RICHARDS, UNA MAY CARTER WILLIAMS, GORDON CARTER, GUY CARTER, SIM CARTER, BURIE CARTER, NICK CARTER, VERA CARTER SCHULTZ, The Unknown Heirs and Legal Representatives of D. E. MAGEE, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs of T. U. CARTER, Deceased, and that on the first Tuesday in August, 1969, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the Court House door of Hockley County in the City of Levelland, Texas, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. by virtue of said levy and said order of sale I will sell each of the above described tracts of real estate separately and not in solido at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said FRED CARTER, Individually and as Executor of the Estate of T. U. CARTER, Deceased, LEONA CARTER RICHARDS, UNA MAY CARTER WILLIAMS, GORDON CARTER, GUY CARTER, SIM CARTER, BURIE CARTER, NICK CARTER, VERA CARTER SCHULTZ, The Unknown Heirs and Legal Representatives of D. E. MAGEE, Deceased, and the Unknown Heirs of T. U. Carter, Deceased.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the ROPES PLAINSMAN, a newspaper published in Hockley County, Texas.
Witness my hand, this 2nd day of July 1969.

WEIR CLEM
Sheriff Hockley County, Texas

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Garth Freeman and wife Louise M. Freeman

GREETING:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 4 day of August, A.D., 1969, at or before 10 o'clock A.M., before the Honorable 99th Dist. Court of Lubbock County, at the Court House in Lubbock, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 26 day of May, 1969.

The file number of said suit being No. 60328.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Municipal Investment Corporation as Plaintiff, and Garth Freeman and wife, Louise M. Freeman as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

This is a suit on paving lien on the following described property; Lot Sixteen (16), Block One Hundred Thirty Four (134) Original Town of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas

If this Citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

Issued this the 20 day of June A. D., 1969.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Lubbock Texas, this the 20 day of June A.D., 1969.

J. R. Dever Clerk
99th District Court
Lubbock County, Texas
By Verna Boyd Deputy

(SEAL)

WILSONS ENTERTAIN WITH FISH FRY

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson entertained Monday evening with a fish fry in their home. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson and Mike of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Winston Jones and Janice, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Green, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Jones and children all of Ropes; Hershel Wilson, Lonnie and Daneen of Dimmitt; and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Ferguson, Randy, Tammy and Tonya of Ropes.

ATTEND 'TEXAS' SHOW AT PALO DURO CANYON

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berry, Flora Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Berry and boys of Lubbock attended the 'Texas' show at Palo Duro State Park over the weekend. They report the show is exceptionally good.

VISITING HERE FROM KANSAS CITY

Mrs. Charles Case of Kansas City Missouri is here visiting with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Sullivan, and her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Pierce, Randy and Becky. Mrs. Case's husband is in Korea where he is serving a tour of duty with the armed forces.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

Harrell Whitehead, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Whitehead of Ropes, was promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant in June. He is serving a tour of duty with the United States Air Force in the Phillipine.

His wife and son, Berrilyn and Jeff, reside in Lubbock.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to say thank you to each and every one for your concern, the cards, flowers, visits and prayers offered in my behalf following my accident.

Eddie Theford

IN AMARILLO

Mrs. Noel Flowers and son, Joel, were in Amarillo recently where Joel went for an eye checkup.

VISIT HERE FROM HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Leverett and daughter, Beverly of Hobbs, New Mexico visited Saturday in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Price.

HOME OVER WEEKEND

Johnny Martin was home over the weekend from Camp Post.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Ropesville, Texas will be received at the office of the City Secretary in Ropesville, Texas until 2:00 p.m. C.D.T., August 4, 1969 for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence and labor for the construction of a Sanitary Sewerage System in the City of Ropesville, Texas. The principal items of this project are a collection system of 6 and 8 inch vitrified clay pipe, manholes, service connections and cleanouts, and a treatment plant. Alternate bids are requested on the treatment plant.

Bidders shall submit their bid on the forms attached to the specifications and must submit therewith a Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Proposal Bond from a reliable Surety Company, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Ropesville, Texas, in an amount not less than five per cent (5 percent) of the largest possible bid submitted on the Project as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bond and guaranty in the forms provided within fifteen (15) days after notice of award of contract to him.

The successful Bidder must fur-

nish bonds on the forms attached to the Specifications in the amount of 100 percent of the total contract price from a Surety Company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as Surety, or other Surety or Sureties acceptable to the Owner.

All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. Unreasonable (or "Unbalanced") unit prices will authorize the Owner to reject the bid.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done. Attention is called to the provisions of the Acts of the 43rd Legislature of the State of Texas, Page 91, Chapter 45, (Article No. 5159A Civil Statutes 1925) concerning the wage scale and payment of prevailing wage established by the Owner. There must be paid on this project not less than the following prevailing wage rates:

	General	Prevailing	General
	per diem	wage based	Prevailing
	on 8 hour	working day	Hourly Wage
Mechanic, Workman or Type of Labor	\$16.00 to	\$2.00 to	\$2.00 to 4.00
Skilled	12.80 to	16.00	1.60 to 2.00
Semi-skilled	12.80 to	16.00	1.60
Unskilled	12.80 to	16.00	1.60

(Detailed Labor Classifications and corresponding wage rates are set out in the Specifications.)

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file at the office of the City Secretary, Ropesville, Texas, and copies can be secured at the office of the Consulting Engineer, A. C. Bowden, 1414 Avenue J, Lubbock, Texas, upon deposit of \$25.00 as a guarantee of the safe return of the plans and specifications. The full amount of the deposit will be returned to the Bidder on submission of a bonafide bid on the work, with such plans and specifications, or upon returning the plans and specifications immediately after examination of same but before the time

of receiving bids and advising the Engineer that a bid will not be submitted, otherwise, the deposit shall be forfeited. Suppliers may secure copies of the plans and specifications as outlined above but will be given five (5) days after bids have been received to return said documents to the Engineer's office before the deposit shall be forfeited. No obligation is assumed to return the deposit under other conditions.

CITY OF ROPESVILLE, TEXAS

Owner
By T. J. Redman, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:
Mrs. Phillip Kimberlin,
City Secretary

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RETURN HOME FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mayfield, Aubrey Mayfield and Mrs. Linda Ellis returned home Saturday from a two week vacation to Tennessee.

VISITING HERE

Mrs. Jo Ann Fletcher and Pam, and Gay Hogett of Burleson are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Willis. Mrs. Ada Bevers returned to Ropes with them for a visit.

IN LAMESA SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walling were in Lamesa Sunday where they visited relatives.

ATTEND REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas and Irene, Mrs. Berrilyn Whitehead and Jeff of Lubbock, Mrs. Troy Morris, and Troy Shanklin, Tommy Powe and Marcia Ream were among those who attended the Thomas-Toney family reunion held at the Club House in Shallowater last Sunday.

VISITS HERE

Ben Stephens of Levelland was visiting around in Ropes Monday.

IN ROPES LAST WEEK

We failed to state last week that Buren Fewell was in Ropes for the purpose of celebrating his birthday. Buren is a resident of Ray's Hospitality Home in Lubbock.

SAFETY WEEK

Texas Governor Preston Smith has proclaimed July 20-26 Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Week and called on rural residents to make use of the new SMV emblem on slow moving agricultural vehicles as added protection when traveling on Lone Star State highways.

CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends, we so greatly appreciate your many expressions of sympathy during our recent sorrow. Your concern and many prayers helped lighten the sad hour.

Sincerely,
Hixie and Jack Tipps

VISITS HERE

Mrs. Ralph Parker of Tyler was in Ropes recently visiting in the home of her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tipps.

IN ROPES

Commissioner, Emmett Schoonrock was in Ropes Tuesday morning attending to business.

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