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ROPSVILLE MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION

Homer Henderson

For over a year now, the ministers of the churches in our town have been meeting together for breakfast each Saturday morning. The group originally included Phillip Goodrum of First Baptist Church, Buck Griffith of the Ropes Church of Christ, Ivy Bohannon of the Nazarene Church, Bob Sena of the Baptist Mission, and Homer Henderson of First Methodist Church. From the beginning this informal association has been rewarding both from the standpoint of discussion and debate and from the standpoint of personal friendships. All of us believed that mutual understanding and sharing were creative and helpful to all concerned. None of us felt that anything was to be gained by one church being critical of another. Thus our informal meetings began.

Now much later, the membership of the group has changed. Three of the original members remain. Bob Sena has since left our community, and now Paul Garcia is the pastor of the Baptist Mission. Paul has become an active participant in our breakfast meetings. Buck Griffith has also left our community to become the minister of the New Home Church of Christ. Kenneth Evans who is presently the minister of the Ropesville Church of Christ is not now participating in our breakfast gatherings. Of course, we regret his absence and hope that he might be able to join us in the future.

So after more than a year and many changes, not only in the composition of the group but also in our attitudes toward one another and in the feeling of the community, we decided last Saturday morning to end our informal meetings and to formally organize. The four of us presently meeting together adopted the name "Ropesville Ministerial Association". Now, we do not intend for this step toward organization to change the nature of our fellowship in the least. Our meetings will no doubt be just as usual. However, there were some reasons behind forming a more formal Association.

First, we each realize that the day will come when none of us will be in Ropesville. If we have only an informal get-together, chances are it will vanish into the night with us. Therefore, we hope to establish an organization that will encourage those who follow us one day to continue meeting together as the Ropesville Ministerial Association. We do not want to see our churches retreat back into isolation from one another.

Second, we think that an organization will enable us to have an official sponsoring agency for inter church and community activities in Ropesville. For example, last year's Community Thanksgiving Service originated in our informal group, but there was really no sponsor for the event. This year's Community Thanksgiving Service will be sponsored by the Ropesville Ministerial Association. We hope that there might be other such events in the future.

As we support our various churches in this community, may we all grow in an understanding of what it means to share together as disciples of one Lord and Saviour.

CERAMIC CLASS TO BE HELD NOV. 24

Everyone is cordially invited to attend a ceramics paint class on Friday, November 24th at the Community Building. Mrs. Jurchak of Plainview will be in charge. Everyone is to bring a sack lunch.

Ropes 4-H Club Is Best In County

The Ropes 4-H Club received the plaque for having the best club in the County at the annual Hockley County Achievement Banquet held Saturday, November 11 at the South Plains College Cafeteria. Marcia Ream was mistress of ceremonies and Becky Carpenter gave the welcome. Those receiving pens and certificates of completion were:

Paula McCormick - Clothing
Loeulla Means - Clothing
Danny Carpenter - Electric
Marcia Ream - Electric
Tony Streety - Home Improvement
Becky Carpenter - Home Improvement
David Carpenter - Home Improvement
Denise Carpenter - Home Management
Jerry Drake - Horticulture
Scott Drake - Horticulture
Rex Darby - Photography
Pam Ream - Safety

Each 4-H member receives an award, then special awards are presented to members doing outstanding work in all areas of club work. Marcia Ream received the General Foods Cookbook for having the highest score in the County Food Show; a pen and cookbook for representing the County in the Vegetable Group at District; and a pen for placing first in the County Dress Revue. Paula McCormick received a pen and cookbook for placing first in the Bread Group at County. Pam Ream received a pen and cookbook for placing first in the County Food Show in the Milk Group. The cookbooks the above girls received were donated by Gladiola Flour.

Denise Carpenter was selected the Outstanding Junior Girl in Hockley County and was presented a scrapbook by the Home Demonstration Club Council. Becky Carpenter received the "I Dare You Award". This award is presented to the most outstanding girl and boy in the County. They received copies of Mr. Wm. H. Danforth's inspirational book, "I Dare You". Our Club also received the blue award for meeting requirements set forth in this award.

We were proud of the work done by our Club and its members this year and hope we will do even better this coming year.

A 4H club cannot function without Adult Leaders and ours are the best. The following were honored with certificates at the banquet: One year — Glenn Hewlett
Four years — Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carpenter; Mrs. John Ream
Five years — Mrs. E. N. Exum; Mrs. Sam Whitener
Eleven years — Mrs. L. S. Rosser
Seventeen years — Mrs. J. C. Pointer
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Streety and Ricky, Mrs. Doyle Darby, Mrs. J. T. Drake and Mr. John C. Ream also attended.

4-H CLUB MEETS

The Ropes Starlight 4-H Club met Monday night for its regular meeting. Jerry Drake led the pledge, motto and creed. Paula McCormick gave the inspiration, "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost. Paula also gave the Council report and gave a Committee report on the Christmas party. It was voted the party would be at our regular meeting time in December and each boy will bring a boys gift and each girl will bring a girl's gift costing not more than a dollar or less than fifty cents.

Marcia Ream gave a report on the Awards Banquet. Pam Ream was elected alternate Council Delegate.

Thirty-three members were present with eleven new members: Dusty Evans, Joe Allen, Jerry White, Glenna Marcy, Irene Thomas, Sherri Morgan, Cindy Allen, Becky Evans, Ramona Hamby, Daniel Hamby and Gabby Ponce. Visitors were David Hamby, Melanie Carpenter and Mr. Elvis Spradlin. Parents present were Mrs. B. J. Thomas, Loy Hamby, Keith Streety, and J. T. Drake. Also present were four adult leaders and Jimmy Stapleton. Refreshments were served by Wanda Drake and Cookie Jordan.

4-H Club members will help collect for the United Fund Saturday morning beginning at 9:30. These boys and girls will have some sort of identification and we will appreciate your help for this worthy cause. Mrs. L. S. Rosser is in charge of this drive.

Reporter,
Marcia Ream

News Of The Ropes FHA Chapter

The Ropes FHA Chapter had their weekly meeting on Tuesday, November 14. The meeting was called to order and the minutes of the last meeting were read.

An emblem service was presented by Glenda McKee, Pam Ream, Shirleen Butner, Kathy Hobbs, Carolyn White, Becky Carpenter,

Janice Jones, Sharon Womack and the chairman, Brenda Cole.

The bake sale was discussed. Orders for the bake sale will be delivered November 18 at the Ropes Food Store at 9:00.

Reporter,
Paula McCormick

Rites for Dee Nabours Zone Meet'g

Last rites were conducted Tuesday, November 14, for Melvin Dee Nabours, 59, in the Baptist Church of Canutillo at 2:00 p.m. Officiating was the Reverend Jim Wade, pastor, assisted by the Reverend Don Williams and the Reverend Boone of El Paso, and the Reverend McLamore of Belview, New Mexico.

Burial was in the Anthony Cemetery, Anthony, Texas.

He suffered a stroke Friday and was taken to an El Paso hospital where he passed away early Sunday morning.

He was a member of the Canutillo Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife Edith; one son, David; and one daughter, Deanna Sue, both of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nabours of Lubbock; three sisters, Mrs. Carrie Lee Hall of Ropesville, Mrs. Wilma Ray of El Paso, and Mrs. Helen Bates of Lubbock; and one brother, Jay Nabours of El Paso.

We record with sorrow this week the passing of Dee Nabours, a man we had known for the past 22 years. Dee was respected and well-liked by all who knew him, and set a Christian example his family can well be proud of.

This past summer Dee was in Ropes a week visiting his parents, and renewed acquaintances around town also. We enjoyed about an hour's visit with him at that time.

We realize more each day that the Angel of Death plays no favorites — and strikes at the most unexpected hour.

Dee was born in Montague County December 1, 1907, and moved with his parents from Elk City, Oklahoma to Ropes in 1935. He then moved to Canutillo, Texas in 1942 where he had since resided.

The Plainsman family, along with the Ropes community extend our heartfelt sympathy to the relatives.

Booster Club Meets

The Ropes Booster Club met on Tuesday night, November 14, at 8 p.m. for our regular meeting. Discussions on different subjects were held. We had 3 football players as our guests. They were Mike Flowers, Terry Bradshaw and David Bradshaw.

The football boys are nearing the end of their season. Their last game will be played at Wilson Friday night. For some boys, this will be the last football game they will ever play. To the Seniors, Congratulations on your games well played — We will miss you next year. We of the Booster Club are very proud of our boys. They have had a good year this season. We are also very proud of our coaching staff — They have done a great job during the football season.

The Booster Club would like to have all members and non-members to be at Wilson a little early to form the booster line to bring the boys on the field — Be there by 7:00 p.m.

Basketball season is here. We urge every parent of a basketball player to join our Booster Club. We feel you will enjoy these meetings. They are very profitable and worthwhile. The boys and girls like to know we are supporting them all the way to a victorious season.

The girls have won all their games played this year and they are looking forward to a winning season all the way to Champions.

There will be a basketball game Monday night, November 20 at Post. The A and B girls teams only, beginning at 6:30.

Tuesday night, November 21, the boys and girls basketball squads will travel to Welman. The girls B team will start at 5:30 followed by the girls A team. The boys will play the last game.

Lets go out to these games and show the Coaches and boys and girls we are supporting them all the way to a successful basketball season.

Our Booster Club attendance is still low at our meetings. Please make an extra effort to attend these meetings.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday night November 28 following the basketball game between Pep and Ropes. The meeting will be held in the Library. Come on in and have a cup of free coffee and join in our meeting — You don't know what you are missing. The film of the Ropes-Amherst game was shown. It was a very good one. Coach Arthur commented on the film and he is looking forward to a victory Friday night at Wilson.

Coach Spradlin commented on his girls' basketball team — he is looking forward to a very strong team and winning season.

SEE YOU AT WILSON
BEAT 'EM EAGLES!

Reporter,
Betty Flowers

Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

Again this year on Thanksgiving Eve (Wednesday, November 22) at 7:30 p.m., there will be a community-wide service of thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God. The service is non-denominational in character and intended for all members of the Ropesville community whether church members or not.

The service this year will be held in the sanctuary of First Methodist Church. The Reverend Phillip Goodrum of the First Baptist Church will deliver the thanksgiving message. Ivy Bohannon and

Homer Henderson will assist in leading the service. A combined choir from the community churches will sing special thanksgiving music, accompanied by Charisa Shannon and Shryle Ann Harris.

An excellent crowd attended the service last year, and an even larger attendance is anticipated for this year's service. Come and bring your family. A nursery will be provided at the church. And following the service, coffee and dessert will be served by the women of First Methodist Church.

Battle of the Budget Report From G. Mahon

November 16, 1967 — Representative George Mahon predicted today that Congress at this session will reduce the President's request for funds in excess of six billion dollars.

Mahon reported that the present Congress has devoted a great majority of its time to the battle of the budget. In his capacity as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, Mahon has been in the thick of the spending battle since the President submitted his budget in January.

He pointed out that during the past two years Congress had approved many new and expensive programs — too many according to Mahon. He thinks the present Congress deserves credit rather than criticism for its decision not

to embark on extensive additional ventures in government programs. A number of programs have been renewed and some have been expanded, but on the whole Mahon feels this Congress can be characterized as an appropriations Congress.

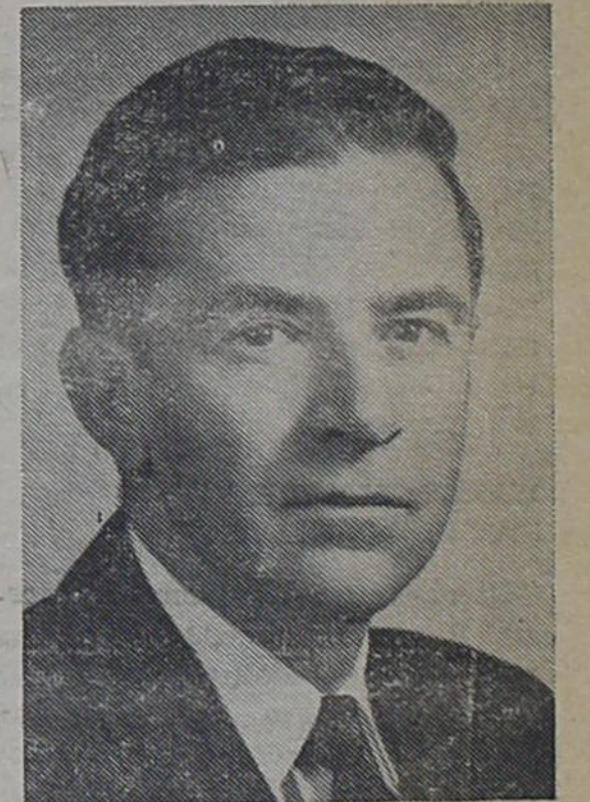
Appropriations approved by the Congress this fiscal year will be less than were provided last fiscal year. This is good, Mahon indicated, but he cautioned that spending will be higher than last year. This results from the current expenditure of large carryover funds for the war in Vietnam.

In regard to a possible adjournment date, Mahon said that while the end is apparently in sight on money bills, the final date is still unpredictable.

To Be a Run-Off



EDDIE PAXTON



JOHN KENDRICK

Voters Saturday did not settle the question for a replacement for Representative of the 75th District vacated by the resignation of Jesse George. About all that was accomplished was narrowing the field down to two candidates — John Kendrick, Democrat from Brownfield; and Eddie Paxton, Republican from Levelland. Ted Weaver of Muleshoe, the third candidate, lost out in the race, Precinct 14, the Ropes voting box, went as follows:

Kendrick — 43
Paxton — 9
Weaver — 9
which shows a total of 61 votes cast.

Each man carried his home County.

No date has been set for the runoff, but it will be in the near future.

Hockley County voters endorsed the first four Amendments and opposed the last two.

SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. MARY MCCOY

Services for Mrs. Mary McCoy, 85, who died Friday in a Lubbock hospital, were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday in the First Baptist Church of Meadow. Burial was in the Meadow Cemetery. She had been a resident of this area since 1925. The Plainsman, along with the Ropes Community, extend their deepest sympathy to A. L. McCoy on the loss of his mother.

TEXAS TECH NEWS

Dr. Thadis W. Box, director of the International Center for Arid and Semi-Arid Land Studies, has returned to Tech after participating in a three-day workshop in Washington for the Commission on Education in the Natural Resources. At the request of the National Academy of Sciences, Dr. Box helped formulate guidelines for education in the natural resources.

KATHY KIMBERLIN SUFFERS INJURY

Kathy Kimberlin happened to the misfortune of falling this past week and cut a gash in her forehead which took five stitches to close. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kimberlin.

MOVE TO LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nabours moved to University Convalescent Home in Lubbock last week where they will reside.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE NEWS

Ivy Bohannon, pastor

The revival of last week closed out Sunday night with good victory. Sunday morning we will be receiving members into the church with a baptismal service on Sunday night.

Also the annual Thanksgiving Offering for missions will be received on Sunday morning.

COTTON HARVEST REACHES 100,000 BALES

The South Plains cotton harvest reached the 100,000 bale mark during the week ending Thursday, according to W. K. Palmer, in charge of the Lubbock Cotton Clasing Office of the USDA.

WEEKEND GUESTS IN WILSON HOME

Guests Saturday and Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Wilson and Mrs. Ola Jeffcoat were all their children, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hill and family of Levelland, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nutt and family of Dimmitt, Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and family of Sunny Side, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Ferguson and children of Ropes, and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Wilson and Scotty.

Junior left Tuesday for a tour of duty in Germany.

ROPES HOUSEWIVES BOWLING LEAGUE

Following are this week's standings for the Ropes Housewives Bowling League:

- G & S Grain
 - C & C Gin
 - Ropes Farmers Co-Op Gin
 - Mansfield's Shell Service
 - Bowers Butane
 - Ropes Plainsman
 - Means Flying Service
 - Ropes Food Store
- High games were:
 Von Ayers 199
 Betty Watts 195
 Jamie Sparks 192
 Janie Sparks had a 517 series.
- Bowlers of the Week:
 Syble Harris
 Von Ayers
 Sylvia Phillips

BLUE RIBBON CITY AWARD

Big Spring — A new 'Blue Ribbon City Award' program was announced today at the 14th annual West Texas Chamber of Commerce Industrial Conference. John Ben Shepperd, Odessa, chairman of the Small Town Economic Progress (STEP) team, made the announcement and explained the awards program. All incorporated cities in West Texas with population under 12,000 will be eligible to participate in the awards program.

NEW GAS RATE

Gas used for domestic and commercial purposes after November 15, 1967, will be billed at a new rate by Pioneer Natural Gas Company. In June, the Company applied for an 11.5 percent increase in rates in the West Texas service area, and by late September all of the cities and towns had approved the new rate.

WATER DEPLETION TAX CLAIM REPORT

Recent information for the Internal Revenue Service, Dallas, Texas, revealed they had processed 6,218 amended water depletion tax claims for the years 1962, 1963 and 1964. A total of \$1,400,000 was refunded from these claims.

ATTEND CONVENTION IN AUSTIN

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Rucker and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Whitener are in Austin this week attending a Farm Bureau convention.

THANKSGIVING SUPPER

The Couple's Class of the Ropes Methodist Church enjoyed their 36th annual Thanksgiving Supper Wednesday night with turkey and all the trimmings.

VISITS DAUGHTER FROM CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Ethel Sadberry of San Diego, California is here visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Chitwood.

ATTEND FUNERAL OF SISTER-IN-LAW

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Jeffcoat were in Bochita, Oklahoma recently on the sad mission of attending funeral services for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Emma Jean Hill, 46.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank everyone for the flowers, cards and prayers, and especially the visits made to our parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nabours in Lubbock.

The Relatives of Dee Nabours

SON VISITS GOTCHERS RECENTLY

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gotcher were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Garth Gotcher of Floydada.

ON SICK LIST

Mrs. D. G. Kulms has been on the sick list this past week suffering from a severe cold and sore throat.

VISITS PARENTS LAST SUNDAY

Mrs. Marlo Davis and children, Denver, Doris, Joel and Carl Wayne of Lubbock visited Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Evans.

VISITS HERE FROM LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whitfield and Barbara visited Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas and family and Mrs. Troy Morris.

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ROPES HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- PLAINS 41 — EAGLES 6
 - EAGLES - 16; O'Donnell - 0
 - *MEADOW 26 — EAGLES 0
 - *SUNDOWN 24 — EAGLES 8
 - *EAGLES 42 — NEW HOME 0
 - *EAGLES 14 — COOPER 12
 - *EAGLES 34 — WHITEFACE 0
 - *ANTON 21 — EAGLES 8
 - 11-3 Open
 - *EAGLES 26 — AMHERST 18
 - 11-17 *Wilson T 7:30
- *Denotes Conference Games

Varsity team members this week are:

- Rick Braden, Sophomore
- Larry Parchman, Sophomore
- Roy Rowland, Senior
- Terry Bradshaw, Senior
- Harlan Cain, Junior
- Octavio Reyna, Sophomore
- John Roberson, Senior
- Royce Borland, Freshman
- Gary Butler, Senior
- Harold Schwartz, Junior
- Mike Blackmon, Senior
- Larry Borland, Senior
- Kyle Lewis, Junior
- Russell Arp, Junior
- David Bradshaw, Junior
- Mike Flowers, Junior
- Abram Lara, Senior
- Rosario Lara, Sophomore
- Ted Lowrie, Junior
- Wayne Morgan, Freshman
- Dennis Baxter, Junior
- Randy Martin, Sophomore
- Andy Perez, Freshman
- Lynn Searsy, Sophomore
- Bill Tudor, Sophomore
- Louis Womack, Sophomore
- Steve Kimberlin, Freshman
- Jim Martin, Sophomore
- Artie Thomas, Sophomore
- Gerald Jackson, Senior
- Steve Wright, Sophomore
- Charles Blair, Junior
- Rick Bevers, Sophomore
- John Martin, Freshman
- Stan Awbrey, Sophomore
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- Travis White, Freshman
- Rick Blackmon, Sophomore

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VISIT BROTHER IN SEAGRAVES SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Tyree Martin were in Seagraves Sunday where they visited his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Martin.

W. E. PIERCE IS IN HOSPITAL

W. E. Pierce is reported to be in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock where he is undergoing tests and treatment.

WEEKEND VISITORS IN ARMSTRONG HOME

Visitors this past weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Armstrong Sr. were their son, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Armstrong, Jr. and family of Plainview.

ATTEND FUNERAL IN NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Jones were in Roswell, New Mexico Monday where they attended funeral services for Mrs. Clovis Kiser, a former resident of Ropes.

Nola Knows
By Nola White

Dear Nola — A young woman name really bugs you, adopt both names hyphenated as your surname as other cultures often do. This will enable you to identify with your prominent family while acknowledging that you are married. There's no legal basis for this, but you don't have any legal rights, anyway, so why worry?

Dear Nola — My daughter, who is in her second year in junior high school, claims it is all right if she goes steady because it is a sign that you have matured socially earlier than the average. I don't want to be too old-fashioned, but I doubt very much that she's right. What does Nola know?

Offended

Dear Offended — Anyone who lets a phone call take precedence over a guest in her home has a lot to learn. She should have taken the number and called back after you had left.

Dear Nola — I've been married a little over six months now, and I resent more and more the fact that a woman has to take her husband's name when they are married. My own family is known and respected all over this part of Texas, but my husband's family is not. Having to use his name means I have no separate identity; it is as though I belonged to him the same as his cattle or tractor. Why must women be humiliated this way?

Maiden Name

Dear Name — If you think this is the only humiliation you'll suffer as a married woman in Texas, go out and try to sell your car. Honey, you've got no rights a-tall, and I'm surprised you got old enough to get married without finding it out. If taking your new husbands

Puzzled Mom

Dear Mom — Nola knows a con artist when she hears one. This girl is trying to buffalo you. Girls and boys too, are under a lot of pressure to 'be popular' and going steady is the easy way out. It gives them security. But it robs them of the fun of falling in and out of 'love' every few days, of the marvelous suspense of wondering if that special somebody will ask them for a date, and of the solid comfort of growing up gradually. I'm against going steady.

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FERTILIZER PRICES TO RISE IN SPRING

Fertilizer prices, already on the rise, will probably increase another 5 per cent by next spring, according to Jaral Aston, vice president of marketing, Agricultural Chemicals, Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation. Mr. Aston said the increases are in store for mixed fertilizers and phosphates, and he named these four reasons for the increases:

1. The sulfur industry has increased prices three times over the past year—increases totaling \$12 a ton or more than 40 per cent.
 2. Limited sulfur supply will restrict phosphate production and thus increase production cost per unit.
 3. Labor, warehouse and transportation costs have been climbing continuously, and these increases must be added to fertilizer costs.
 4. Phosphate costs themselves have increased because of the increased expense of handling and processing phosphate rock.
- "Sulfur is fundamental to the production of phosphate fertilizers," Mr. Aston explained. "An average of one-third ton of sulfur is required to produce one ton of phosphate fertilizer."
- He said since 1963 the consumption of sulfur in the United States has exceeded production. Consumption of sulfur has become so great it has reduced inventories to a point where allocation to cus-

tomers has become necessary, he added.

Rapidly increasing labor costs, increases in warehouse and terminal expenses, as well as transportation costs for raw materials have added considerably to the cost of fertilizer, Mr. Aston said.

Mr. Aston said approximately a ton of phosphate rock is necessary to produce a ton of fertilizer. Labor and processing costs of phosphate rock are other factors causing the increased cost of phosphate fertilizers.

"In all, these increased fertilizer prices could mean an additional investment of from 10 cents to 30 cents an acre to the farmer, depending on the type of crop and location of the farm," Mr. Aston said.

He said even with this increase, fertilizer is still one of the farmer's best investments for increased profits.

"The United States Department of Agriculture recently put out a study of farm costs, and the most staggering increase—almost 100 per cent—is in farm real estate. These figures were based on 1960 prices compared with prices through 1965. Farm wage rates went up more than 70 per cent, farm machinery went up more than 50 per cent, and fertilizers went up less than 5 per cent," Mr. Aston said.



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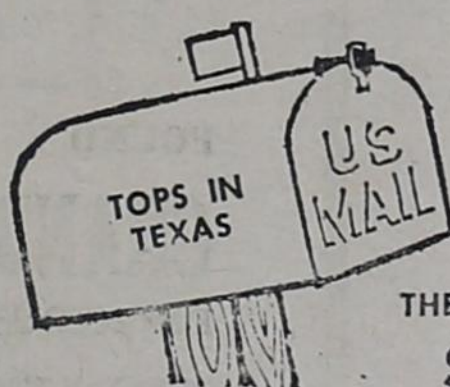
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METHODIST'S JOIN

FOR HARVEST DINNER

This Sunday evening at 7:00 in the Fellowship Hall of the First Methodist Church, Ropes Methodists will celebrate the Thanksgiving Season with a Harvest Dinner. The dinner will also honor those who have participated in the Lord's Acre-Project Program of the church and will conclude the Methodist Every Member Visitation.

CHICAGO STOCK SHOW CELEBRATES 68TH YEAR

Chicago, October 29 — The 68th annual International Live Stock Exposition, largest of the country's stock shows, will be held here November 17 to 26 in the International Amphitheatre at the Chicago Stock Yards.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to say thanks to so many Ropes people; for the beautiful flowers and cards; and for every prayer said in our behalf during our recent illness and bereavement.

Bertha, Earl and Shirley Odum

IN CALIFORNIA

Mrs. J. C. Chitwood of Idalou flew to California Saturday to attend the bedside of her mother who underwent surgery this week.

IN LOUISIANA

Mrs. Merlin Hobbs is in Louisiana this week visiting a sister.

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