

THE ROPES PLAINSMAN

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ROPEVILLE, HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

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If there is an X in this box it is notice your subscription has expired and an invitation to renew.

BEST SOME THOUGHTS —

We have enjoyed a box of cookies this week, given us by Mrs. Wanda Pierce, from the Brownie Troops of Ropes.

The Brownie Cookie Sale will begin February 27th and continue on through March 12th. The cookies are sold each year to raise funds for this very important organization.

The girls have a variety of cookies, and they sell for only fifty cents per box. And we can recommend them. They are delicious — so buy several boxes — for your own eating enjoyment, and to help these girls on their way.

We have some ruts in the road just north of our house. A perfect spot for an ambush, except the ones ambushing would break a leg.

Thes ruts have become so permanent they are now in the center — a new road has been made for the east bound cars off of private property, and the west bound cars go as far over as the road sign permits.

Now all we need is some sort of monument to put in the road. It should be engraved in lasting memory to the eternal ruts of dirt roads.

Guess this is the way the ball bounces, but if a ball ever reached those ruts, it would go crazy.

Before the lanes were made on either side of these ruts, a tow truck was kept busy pulling cars out.

We might make some money by advertising it as a meteor crater.

One night we missed our cousin's car, a big Buick — it had rolled off into the ruts.

If you manage to drive over them, you suffer from chipped teeth, your car receives broken springs and shocks.

We are hoping a sandstorm will come along and fill the ruts up. But it sure would take a granddaddy of a sandstorm to do it. That would be lots of loose real estate.

How about that sewer system. It is really coming along great. But, in answer to all those phone calls — no — the City Dads didn't tell us yet what kind of pipe to buy. Guess they haven't decided yet.

Oh! The dogs, dogs, dogs! Ropes is going to the dogs. Little ones, big ones, medium sized ones are all running loose. We need a good law passed on dogs. They bother much more than wrecked cars.

And, litter, too. If you don't believe it, try walking through your yard after about a dozen dogs have visited you — and try not to step in the "litter".

From the looks of the wind today — we'll blow off the page for another week. Hope the sand concentrates on filling those ruts.

SWINE SHORT COURSE

Floyd Easter, Frenship High School Agriculture teacher, states that there will be a Swine Short Course held at Frenship High School. The dates are February 16-17-18, 1970 at 7:30 p.m. Registration fee is \$2.00. Everyone is invited to attend.

Three top hog men of the area, Jack Barton, Roy Poague, and Buddy Winter, will be the speakers at the short course.

FEBRUARY 16 DEADLINE

The Levelland Livestock Show will be held March 12, 13 and 14. All 4-H members must have their eligibility certificates and entry fees in the County Agent's office before 5:00 p.m. February 16. These certificates must be signed by Mrs. John Ream.

Bicycle Bandits Strike Culprits Caught In School, Store Breakin

Early Monday morning it was discovered that entrance had been gained to the Ropes Elementary School building and some vandalism had taken place. The Malt Shop, Mrs. W. E. Pierce's "little store", had also been entered and several items, mostly candy, taken.

City Marshall O'Neal Fox was called to make an investigation. He stated that the school house was entered through a window that had been left open. The outer screen was cut, and the window pushed up. Several films were unrolled and papers scattered, but as far as could be determined, nothing of value was missing. Some records for a "Show and Tell" machine were taken.

Principal Terry Redford's office

was also entered, and papers and checkbook disturbed.

Entrance at the little store was gained by breaking a panel in the door and pushing the wooden bar off the rests. Here the vandals helped themselves to armloads of candy and other sweets.

The thieves rode bicycles and left fresh tracks at both places. The vandalism occurred around 9 p.m. Sunday night.

Shortly after noon Monday Marshall Fox caught the culprits, two Latin-American male juveniles, ages 12 and 13.

Restitution was made for the damage at Mrs. Pierce's store, and punishment will be decided on for the school house breakin at a later date.

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James Pierce Suffers Burns From Explosion

James Pierce is suffering from second degree burns received in an explosion in his back yard Saturday.

The Pierce family was having a yard cleaning day and among items stacked by the trash barrel was a can under pressure that contained paint.

The paint can was placed by the trash barrel, and later other items of wood and general debris were thrown over the can and ignited.

As James approached the burning mass, the pressurized can exploded.

He turned part way, but boiling paint was spewed on his right arm and side. He was wearing short sleeved coveralls and the most severe burns were on his arm.

Randy Pierce was also close, but suffered no ill effects.

They were taken to a Lubbock doctor for medical care. James remains under the doctor's care.

The explosion was heard for several blocks, and parts of the debris blown over into the Otto Sims' yard.

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The Observer and the Observed by Dave K. Powers

There is a desire within almost everyone to do something with ourselves. Many people will never achieve greatness or much wealth but we can be what we want to be. There is possible within the framework of this life a great measure of success. It will never come unless we work daily for that goal we have in mind. When will we learn that happiness is not measured by salary increases, a big bank account, social position or the keeping up with the Joneses. As good as these things are, they do not satisfy the innermost being of man. Only God can do this in different ways to different persons.

Peter Marshall said, "We cannot do much for the world until, first we have done something for ourselves. The longer the orchestra plays, the more it needs to be tuned up. The farther an airplane flies, the more it requires ground service to be put in shape again. There is no evading that law in any realm." Physical life is no different. The more we are stretched and pushed to meet the demands of daily living, the more it is necessary to keep the body, mind and soul sharpened in tuning sessions. Success will not fall at random upon individuals—it is earned and is the result of hard work. It is difficult to believe that the housewife, who is happy and successful can be just as happy as a hard working millionaire.

February is a month designated by many Churches as a time for emphasis upon stewardship of time, title and talent. When we have taken care of ourselves and our own spiritual needs, we are then ready and able to go to others and help them.

TIME TO FILE FOR OFFICE

It's time for local citizens to toss their hats into the political ring, do a public service and represent the people with a voice in City government.

The terms of Mayor T. J. Redman Jr., and Aldermen B. J. Thomas, Place No. 1, and Dennis Rashberry, Place No. 5 expire.

You have only until March 4th to file at the City Hall 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

LOCAL BOYS NAMED TO ALL WEST TEXAS ACADEMIC FOOTBALL TEAMS

The "All West Texas Academic Football Teams" have been announced by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Nominations were made from the more than 400 High Schools in the 132-County area served by the WTCC and selection to team membership was made by a special committee named by President J. Fike Godfrey of Spur.

Defensive and offensive teams were named in all classifications. In order to qualify for nomination the students had to be seniors, maintain better than average grades and be selected to represent his school on an all-district team.

Because of Texas Interscholastic rules there will not be any prize awarded to these honorees.

Boys from Ropes selected to the All West Texas Academic B Football Team on the Defensive Unit are Ricky Blackmon, Lineman, and Ricky Braden, Linebacker.

ROPES FFA CHAPTER RATED SUPERIOR

The Texas Association of Future Farmers of America has rated the local chapter as superior for the year 1968-69. This is the highest rating in the State.

The award is attained by meeting requirements set by the State Association. They include the participation by the chapter on certain events and meeting many other requirements and achievements both by members and the chapter as a whole.

Notification came from Mr. Walter Labay, Supervisor of Area I.

EMERGENCY FARM LOANS

We received the following telegram this week from George Mahon:

"I am pleased to advise that the USDA has today designated for emergency farm loans the following counties: Cochran, Crosby, Hockley, Lubbock, Terry, Yoakum. Upon request of local citizens I had urged that this action be taken.
George Mahon"

SATURDAY IS VALENTINE DAY. Make your life happier by presenting your wife or girlfriend a box of Valentine Candy from Riojas Dept. Store.

WHICH ONE ARE YOU?

- Don McWhorter

The following is a Paraphrase of the Parable of the Good Samaritan as told by Jesus in Luke 10. "The West Texas Samaritan" is a personal composition of my own based on an idea I got from a book called "God is For Real Man" in which young teenagers in New York tell the Bible stories in their own language.

I sincerely hope you will take from this paraphrase the feeling that the Bible is as real today as it was in the days Jesus spoke those words of Luke 10.

The West Texas Samaritan

There was a man, a traveling seed salesman I think, passing through West Texas on his way from Amarillo to Dallas. He saw two hitchhikers traveling down a lonely farm road and gave them a ride. The salesman had all good intentions of doing a good deed by saving those two from a long walk into town. However, the hikers had other ideas. They forced him to pull off the road, they beat him, half stripped him, took all his money, shoved him out of his car and sped away, leaving him half conscious, bleeding, and shivering on the cold ground.

It just so happened that on that same lonely road that morning a preacher was passing on his way to make his hospital calls. When he saw the man being showed from his car and lying there on the ground, the car speeding away, he thought to himself: "I should help that man, but I don't have time to get involved with the police; besides, I've got to get to the hospital and visit my own."

A gentleman farmer in his shiny new pickup came by a little later and when he saw the man lying there he thought: "My, oh my, look at that drunk. He'll sober up in this cold. Oh, he's hurt! Oh well, I've got to get to the post office and meet the fellows at the coffee shop." So he sped on his way.

But there was a poor Mexican farm hand who came along in his old beat up pickup. When he saw the man lying there hurt and half naked on the cold ground, he stopped and rushed over to him. Seeing the blood, he began to wipe and clean the wounds of the stranger. The traveler looked up with a half awake look and tried to speak, but fell unconscious into the farm hand's arms. The Mexican looked at him with great compassion and said, "Don't worry, Senor, I will care for you."

He took him up in his arms and put him into his old pickup. He drove down a long, dusty road to a small house where he lived with his family. With the help of his wife, the farm hand carried the stranger into his home and gave him his only bed. Then he cleaned his wounds and fed him food that this family could hardly spare. When the traveler was able to leave he tried to thank the Mexican and his family, but the tired old man said to him, "Senor, if it had been me who was hurt, would you not have done the same?"

BOOSTER COMMENTS

There will be a Booster Club meeting in the School Library immediately following the boys game Friday night. Please make a real effort to attend.

The Booster Club urges everyone to attend the games, against Wellman Friday night and show our appreciation to our young people for so ably representing our school. Their conduct and ability are to be commended.

As much as we all like to win, we must remember that in a district with eight teams that only one can end the season in first place.

We want all of our teams to know that we appreciate you and that we are extremely proud of each player.

TRUSTEES TERMS EXPIRE

The committee selected to recommend candidates for the Board of Trustees of the Ropes Independent School District include N. J. Green, Bud Rucker, J. R. Smith, E. G. Moore and Bill Berry.

Trustees whose terms expire are Crate Snider, Erlan Gresham and H. Joe Schwartz.

DON'T FORGET THE BETTER half — buy her a box of Valentine Candy at Riojas Dept. Store.

Schedule is Given

1970-71 School Year To Have More Days

O. V. Fuller, superintendent of the Ropes Public Schools, released the 1970-71 school schedule this week. Mr. Fuller stated that with the extra school days required, the schedule may not be as desirable as usual, but it seems about the best possible with the time allotted.

We think they have done a very fine job, the time seems very well organized. We believe most people prefer to start early in order to be out in May. We were concerned over the extra days required because it looked like school would have to remain in session until June. Usually students and parents are ready to begin school early, but everyone is sure ready for the term to end.

ROPES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE YEAR 1970-71

FIRST SEMESTER
August 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 — Inservice Meetings
August 24 — First Day of Classes
August 24 - October 2 — First Six Weeks
October 5 - November 13 — Second Six Weeks
November 15 - December 22 — Third Six Weeks
November 26, 27 — Thanksgiving

December 22 — Semester Exams
December 23 — Christmas Holidays Begin

December 23 — Work Day
January 3 — Christmas Holidays End

TOTAL FIRST SEMESTER:
85 School Days
6 Teacher Work Days
9 Holidays.

SECOND SEMESTER:
January 4 — First Day of Classes
January 4 - February 12 — Fourth Six Weeks

February 15-March 26 — Fifth Six Weeks
March 26-May 21 — Sixth Six Weeks

April 12 - April 16 — Easter
May 20 — Jr. High Graduation
May 21 — High School Graduation

May 24, 25, 26, 27 — Work Days
TOTAL SECOND SEMESTER:

95 School Days
4 Teacher Work Days
5 Holidays

GRAND TOTAL SCHOOL YEAR:
180 School Days
10 Teacher Work Days
14 Holidays

Students will not attend school on work days.

Days of Instruction 180
Inservice Meetings and Work Days 10

Total Days 190
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Mrs. BARBARA PICKETT, reading teacher from Amherst, attended a meeting of area Title I teachers a SUNDOWN, sponsored by the Region XVII Education Service Center.

Larry Morton, Title field consultant for the ESC, made arrangements for the program which included demonstrations by Mrs. Beulah Cross of Sundown. Mrs. Cross displayed her method of teaching

reading to four different age groups; second, third, sixth and seventh grades.

After the demonstration, a teachers panel chosen by Mr. Morton, answered questions concerning reading education problems which the participants encountered.

The teacher panel included Mrs. Lenave Freman, Mrs. Mary Schell, Mrs. Geneva Kerr and Mrs. Gladys McCaskill.



The Whitten Children met in Seymour last weekend for their annual get together. They report a very good time. Pictured above, back row, from left to right are: Mrs. Sipe Griffith of Roswell, New Mexico; Mrs. Dorothy Deemer of Knox City, and Mrs. Jessie Thomas, Ropesville; front row, left to right, Gilbert Whitten of Seymour, and George Whitten of Levelland.

Were You Eagle Scout

As a special project during Boy Scout Week, February 7-13, officials of the South Plains Council, Boy Scouts of America, are conducting an Adult Eagle Scout Survey in an effort to determine the men in the area who were Eagle Scouts.

"In our mobile society, we are sure that there are several men who were Eagle Scouts from other areas that now live in the South Plains Council," said Dr. Robert N. Arnold, Lubbock, Advancement Chairman for the South Plains Council.

Among those former Eagle Scouts already identified are Dr. Gale Seigler, Plainview; Judge Leslie Pratt, Lamesa; Sam Houston, Spur; Paul Armstrong, Hart; Jimmy Willson, Floydada; Bill Mayes, Ralls; Dr. R. Ted Means, Lorenzo; William C. McCormick, Ropesville; and Dr. Grover Urray, Judge Halbert O. Woodward, and Rep. Elmer Tarbox all of Lubbock.

Persons who were Eagle Scouts, or know of one now living in the area are asked to complete the information below:

Name	Zip
Address	
Occupation	
Title	Phone
Year of Eagle Award	Now Registered — Yes () No ()
Where Eagle was received:	
City and State	
Mail to: Eagle Survey, P. O. Box 3357, Lubbock, Texas 79410	

BIRTHDAY CLUB MEETS

The Ropes Birthday Club met last Saturday honoring Mrs. D. C. Craig on her birthday in the home of Mrs. A. M. Armstrong. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all.

Election of officers was held, with the following elected:
Mrs. D. M. Tipps, president
Mrs. C. K. Teaff, vice-president
Mrs. J. N. Willis, secretary.

Those present were Mrs. D. M. Tipps, Mrs. Raymond Edwards, Mrs. E. J. Abney, Mrs. W. E. Walling, Mrs. C. K. Teaff, Mrs. J. N. Willis, Mrs. E. N. Exum, Mrs. D. C. Craig, Mrs. Claude Brown, and two visitors, Mrs. Charlene Pettiet and Mrs. Ronnie McNabb, and the hostess.

Lillian Willis, Secretary.
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ROPES SCHOOL CAFETERIA MENU

Following is the menu for the Ropes School Cafeteria for the week of February 16 - 20:

Monday — Hot dogs with chili, baked beans, spinach, peaches and milk.

Tuesday — Meat balls, spaghetti, buttered blackeye peas, fruit cobbler, hot trols, butter and milk.

Wednesday — Fried chicken, scalloped potatoes, green peas, peanut butter cookies, hot rolls, butter and milk.

Thursday — Burritos, green beans tossed salad, cornbread, fruit Jello, and milk.

Friday — Hamburgers, potato chips, pickles, onions, mustard, pork and beans, lettuce and tomato salad fruit Jello, and milk.
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HONORED WITH BIRTHDAY PARTY

Miss Sandra Dalton was honored on her 8th birthday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Omer Lee Dalton.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bevers, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ayers, Gayle and Alan, Mr. and Mrs. David Dalton, Larry and Sharon, Mrs. Ida Forrest and Bart Bradshaw.
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SUNDAY GUESTS

Guests Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Price were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jordan of Meadow, and Doc Babb of Los Angeles, California.
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GUESTS IN ODOM HOME

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Odom for dinner included her mother, Mrs. Ida Gossett, her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Gossett, of Portales, New Mexico; his sister, Mrs. Ruby Saunders, and Mrs. Terry of Needmore; and their children, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Carothers and boys of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Withrow of Levelland, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Odom and girls of Ropes.
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VISITS HERE

Mrs. Jim Gage and children from Amherst visited Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Willis.
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CONGRATULATIONS TO —

Mr. and Mrs. Arlin Ray Ryals on birth of a daughter born at 7:23 a.m. Thursday. She weighed 8 pounds and six ounces. They have one other child, a son.
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DON'T FORGET! SHE EXPECTS

a box of candy on Valentines Day. Buy it at Riojas Dept. Store.
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NEWS OF AREA

MEN IN SERVICE

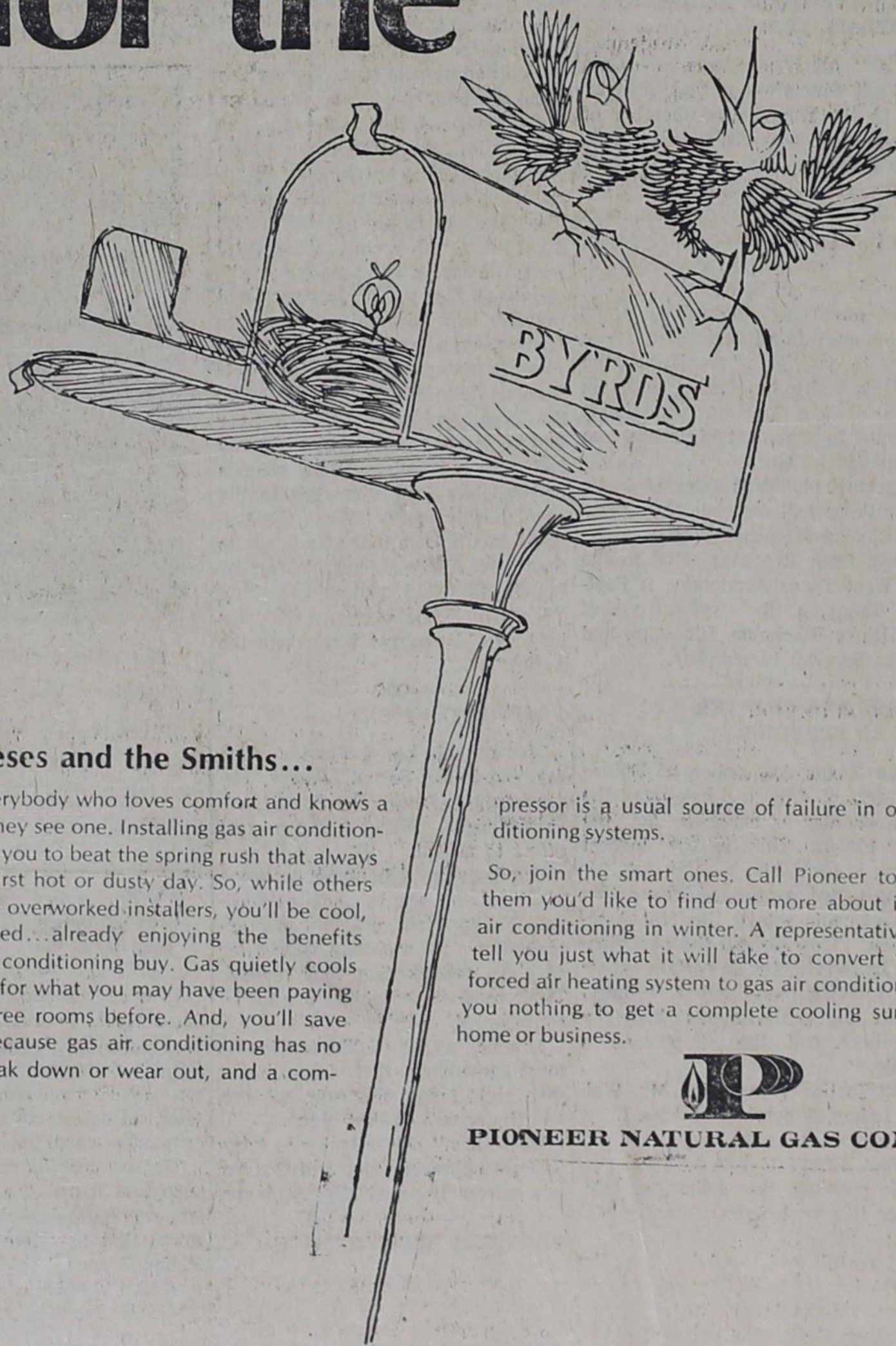
Camp Casey, Korea (10) PFC Abram L. Lara, 21, of Ropesville, Texas has joined the 7th Infantry Division in Korea. He has been assigned to C Company, 2nd Battalion, 17th Infantry.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincente Lara, he attended Ropes High School. He is married to the former Elvira Elizabeth Alvarado of Wolfforth.
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PIONEER NATURAL GAS COMPANY

MRS. J. D. NICHOLS HAS LEG AMPUTATED
Mrs. J. D. Nichols underwent surgery Wednesday morning for the amputation of a leg. She is in Room 1 of the Universiyt Hospital in Lubbock.
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BOWLING STANDINGS

- C & C Gin
 - Bowers Butane
 - Mansfields Service Station
 - Ropes Farmers Co-Op Gin
 - Arnett Co-Op Gin
 - T & M Trucking
 - Cyanamid Farm Supply
 - Jackson Insurance
- BOWLERS OF THE WEEK**
Glenda Sparks
Lola Marcy
- ALTERNATES**
Nita Black
Sandra Ayers
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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Willis attended the ginner's convention at Corpus Christi over the weekend.
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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE — 4 ROOM HOUSE, BATH, UTILITY ROOM, GARAGE, 5 ACRES LAND. GOOD PLACE TO RAISE CHILDREN, CHICKENS, AND COW. 2 MILES WEST, and 2 MILES NORTH OF ROPESVILLE. VERGIE SHAFER, 625 S. 7TH, SLATON, TEXAS 79364
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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following political announcements are made subject to the Democratic Primaries:

- For State Senator
District No. 28
H. J. "Doc" BLANCHARD
- District Clerk
RUBY BEEBE WILLIAMS
(re-election)
- County Judge
HULON L. MORELAND
(Second Elective Term)
- County Clerk
RAYMOND O. DENNIS
(re-election)
- For County Treasurer:
Inetha Cooke
(re-election)
- For County School Superintendent
DAVIS POUNDS
(re-election)
- For Justice of the Peace
Precinct I
M. L. ROBERTS
(re-election)
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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
 TO: BILLIE APPLE)
 Defendant, Greeting:
 You are hereby commanded to appear before the Honorable 121ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT Court of HOCKLEY County at the Court House thereof, in LEVELLAND, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 9 day of MARCH A.D. 1970, then and there to answer Plaintiff's Petition filed in said Court, on the 14 day of January A.D. 1970, in this cause, numbered 6188 on the docket of said court and styled RE: ADOPTION APPLICATION.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: PETITION FOR ADOPTION FAILURE TO SUPPORT THE MINOR CHILD

as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Levelland, Texas this 22 day of January A.D. 1970.

Attest:
 RUBY BEEBE WILLIAMS
 Clerk,
 121st Dist. Court, Hockley County, Texas
 By Johnnie Roberts Deputy.
 (SEAL)

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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 27th day of January, 1970, by J. R. Dever, Clerk of said court, for the sum of \$823.12 plus interest at seven per cent (7 per cent) per annum from May 27, 1968, plus \$200.00 attorney's fees and costs of suit, under a judgment in favor of Municipal Investment Corporation in a certain cause in said Court, No. 60328 and styled MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION VS. GARTH FREEMAN and wife, LOUISE M. FREEMAN, placed in my hands for service, I, WEIR CLEM, as Sheriff of Hockley County, Texas, did on the 2nd day of February, 1970, levy on certain real estate situated in Hockley County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Sixteen (16), Block One Hundred Thirty-Four (134), Original Town of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas (assessment Unit 2-50-67, Certificate 1) against which is due a balance of \$601.66, plus interest at 7 percent per annum from May 27, 1968, and reasonable attorney's fees of \$150.00;

Lot Sixteen (16), Block One Hundred Thirty-Four (134), Original Town of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas (assessment Unit 2-66-67, Certificate 1) against which is due a balance of \$221.46 plus interest at 7 percent per annum from May 27, 1968, and reasonable attorney's fees of \$50.00;

and levied upon each of the above described tracts as the property of GARTH FREEMAN and wife, LOUISE M. FREEMAN, and that on the first Tuesday in March, 1970, the same being the 3rd day of said month, at the Court House door of Hockley County, Texas, 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 venue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of GARTH FREEMAN and wife, LOUISE M. FREEMAN;

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 February, 1970.

WEIR CLEM, Sheriff
 Hockley County, Texas

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COCKROACHES - Rats, mice, termites, gophers and other household pests exterminated. GUARANTEED. Davidson Pest Control, 111 First St., or phone 894-3824. Levelland.

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 12th day of January 1970, by J. R. Dever, Clerk of said court for the sum of Six Hundred Fourteen and 86-100 (\$614.86) Dollars plus interest at 7 percent per annum from April 13, 1969 and attorney's fees of \$125.00; and costs of suit, under a judgment, in favor of Municipal Investment Corporation in a certain cause in said Court, No. 59651 and styled MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT CORPORATION vs. JAMES T. SUITS and wife, MRS. JAMES T. SUITS, placed in my hands for service, I, WEIR CLEM as Sheriff of Hockley County, Texas, did, on the 2nd day of February 1970, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Hockley County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

Lot Seven (7), Block Sixty-Eight (68), Original Town of Levelland, Hockley County, Texas; and levied upon as the property of James T. Suits and wife, Mrs. James T. Suits and that on the first Tuesday in March 1970, the same being the 3rd 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 venue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said James T. Suits and wife, Mrs. James T. Suits.

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 February 1970.

WEIR CLEM
 Sheriff HOCKLEY County, Texas.

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NOW AT HOME

Mrs. Shelby Evans returned to her home last Saturday after several weeks in a Lubbock hospital following hip surgery. She is visited daily by a nurse for therapy.

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RECEIVING PLAINSMAN

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Withrow of Levelland are now receiving the Plainsman, courtesy of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Odum.

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DELIGHT THE WOMAN IN YOUR

life with a box of Valentine Candy from Riojas Dept. Store.

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METHODIST NEWS

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 Evening Worship 6:00

Don McWhorter, Pastor

The Women's Society met in regular meeting Monday, February 9, with five present. The program on "Welfare" was given by Mrs. Nina Hayslip. Mrs. Millie McWhorter presided over the business meeting. The state of the Society was discussed and the widened interest of the ladies of the church was hoped for.

YOUTH TO BECOME AWARE
 The United Methodist Youth are striving to make their meeting relevant and of importance. Their viewing "Sex: A Moral Dilemma for Teenagers", a film strip furnished by the Conference Coordinator of Youth Activities was well received. Their next program will be February 24th when they will present a film strip on Marijuana.

NEW MIRROR FOR LADIES LOUNGE
 A new gold-framed mirror was given to the Church for the ladies lounge by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fine, the sister of Mrs. Claude Brown, in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Tarleton.

LAY WITNESS MISSION PLANS
 The Lay Witness Mission to be held at our church on April 10-11-12 will be one of several such missions held in this area at United Methodist Churches. This is a period of renewal for all people of the church. There will be outside guests coming to carry on the program and the mission. Preliminary plans and direction are under the supervision of our Committee on Evangelism and the co-chairmen are Travis White and Miller Srygley. There will be a need for housing for about 10 guests for the weekend. A program of small group sharing experiences and common meals along with a general program of sharing will be carried out under the co-ordination of Mr. Elmer Hurley of Bronte, Texas.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS
 February 15, Deuteronomy 8:11-20
 February 16, Deuteronomy 31:1-8
 February 17, Psalm 25:1-14
 February 18, Psalm 28:1-9
 February 19, I Peter, 5:1-11
 February 20, I John 3:1-7
 February 21, James 4:13-17.

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NEWS ITEMS FROM THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

February 8 was designated as "Boy Scout Sunday." All scouts were urged to wear their uniforms to services.

A regular business meeting of the Church was held Monday night.

The Lakeview Christian Home truck will be here February 17th. Members are invited to view the bulletin board for needs.

The truck from the Children's Home in Portales will be here on March 9th. Items are needed for the pantry.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Means, Sr. are enjoying a few weeks at the Stamford Lake.

Lectures will be held February 22-26 at Abilene Christian College. All who can, are urged to attend.

Richard and Linda Burns moved to Austin recently, where they will make their new home.

Bonnie Fay Sosebee has been under a doctor's care recently.

John Owens is attending a gospel meeting being held in Hurst, Texas. Richard Rogers is doing the preaching and a number from the Sunset School of Preaching are doing personal work.

Mrs. O. V. Fuller is in Houston attending the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Agnes Brown, who is seriously ill in a convalescent home there.

Bob Whitlock is visiting his doctor for medical tests and care.

Katherine Thomas is taking a telephone operator's course.

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HOBBY CLUB MEETS
 The Ropes Hobby Club met February 4th in the home of Mrs. Ronnie McNabb, with nine members present.

Mrs. C. P. Arnwine brought the program on making flowers from yarn thread. Everyone enjoyed learning to make them. Refreshments were served.

Those present were Mrs. E. E. Nix, Gene Dean Nix, Mrs. A. M. Armstrong, Mrs. J. N. Willis, Mrs. C. P. Arnwine, three new members Mrs. O. W. Dalton, Mrs. Herman Timmons, Mrs. Peggy Fry, and the hostess.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. E. E. Nix on March 4th. Come join us.
 Lillian Willis, Secretary.

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ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hall and family of El Paso were in Littlefield this past week on the sad mission of attending funeral services for her brother, Ronald Miller. He was killed in a highway accident near Dimmitt.

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121ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT HOCKLEY COUNTY LEVELLAND, TEXAS OCTOBER TERM, 1969

The following criminal cases are set for trial the week beginning February 16, 1970, at Levelland, Texas.

Announcements will be called for at 10:00 A.M. on Monday, February 16, 1970. All motions and pleas of guilty will be heard at that time. The Jury will report at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, February 17, 1970.

No. 1205 — State of Texas vs. Roxie D. Blanton, Theft by False Pretext; George Gilkerson, Lubbock, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1274 — State of Texas vs. Vic Zackery, Theft; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1280 — State of Texas vs. P. L. Thomas, Theft; R. H. Munsterman, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1317 — State of Texas vs. Lupe Castillo, Theft; Frank B. Kiser, Jr., Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1323 — State of Texas vs. Rodolfo Benavides, Murder; Frank B. Kiser, Jr., Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1327 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft by False Pretext; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1328 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft by False Pretext; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1329 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft by False Pretext; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1330 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft by False Pretext; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1337 — State of Texas vs. Rickie Plymell, Destruction of Property; Alvin R. Allison, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1348 — State of Texas vs. Ramze John Zakka, Possession of a Narcotic Drug; Broadus Spivey, Lubbock, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1349 — State of Texas vs. Richard J. Zakka, Possession of a Narcotic Drug; Broadus Spivey, Lubbock, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1352 — State of Texas vs. Bradley K. Bodeman, Possessing a Narcotic Drug; Phil Brummett, Lubbock, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1353 — State of Texas vs. Jerry Greer Luper, Possessing a Narcotic Drug; Alvin R. Allison, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1356 — State of Texas vs. L. C. Jones, Robbery by Assault; Broadus Spivey, Lubbock, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1357 — State of Texas vs. Linda Johnson and Louanna Grigg, Attempted Burglary; Byron Chappell, Lubbock, Attorney for Defendants.

No. 1358 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft by False Pretext; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1359 — State of Texas vs. Jose Baiza, Extortion; Alvin R. Allison, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1364 — State of Texas vs. Ronnie Stroud, Burglary; R. H. Munsterman, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1365 — State of Texas vs. Margie Golden, Assault with a Prohibited Weapon; Sandra Davis, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1366 — State of Texas vs. Joe Louis Avalos, Assault with Intent to Murder; Warren Tabor, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1394 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1397 — State of Texas vs. Junior Brown, Theft; Dan Hook, Levelland, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1376 — State of Texas vs. Lonnie Stroud, Burglary.

No. 1377 — State of Texas vs. Robert Cruz, Possessing a Narcotic Drug; Phil McGahay, Arlington, Attorney for Defendant.

No. 1390 — State of Texas vs. Victor V. Flores, Theft by False Pretext.

No. 1378 — State of Texas vs. Victor V. Flores, Theft by False Pretext.

No. 1395 — State of Texas vs. Mickey Guetersloh and James Smith, Conspiracy; R. H. Munsterman, Levelland, Attorney for Guetersloh; Travis Shelton, Lubbock, Attorney for Smith.
 (Set for hearing of motions.)
 M. C. Ledbetter
 District Judge

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VISITORS IN EVANS HOME
 Visitors over the weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Evans were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Allison and family of Sundown; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Yeager and family, Mrs. Marlow David and daughters, and Mrs. George Oliver, of Lubbock; Nelda and LaVon McGahey of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Evans and family of Ropes.

NEWS FROM PIONEER NATURAL GAS COMPANY

Amarillo — February 3 — The Board of Directors of Pioneer Natural Gas Company, at their regular quarterly meeting held today in Amarillo, Texas, declared a quarterly dividend of 20c per share on the outstanding common stock, payable March 3 to stockholders of record on February 13, 1970.

The annual report for the 1969 operations of the company will be mailed to stockholders on or about March 20.

Burton P. Smith, president of Pioneer, announced that A. C. Verner, president of the First National Bank at Lubbock, was elected to the board to fill the unexpired term of Geo. W. Dupree.

Dupree, who has been a Pioneer director since 1952, resigned and

was elected Director Emeritus by the board.

In additional action, Pioneer's board ratified the consummation of the acquisition of Contractors Machinery Company of San Antonio and Corpus Christi. The effective date of the acquisition was February 2, 1970. Contractors Machinery Company, a heavy construction equipment distributor, will operate as a subsidiary of Plains Machinery Company, which was acquired by Pioneer earlier this year.

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HAVE GUESTS SUNDAY
 Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall were Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hall, Glynis, Robert, Melvin, Jack, Gary and Wanda Jo of El Paso, Mrs. Ahelma Fowler, Randal and Cheryl of Euless, and Helen Bates of Lubbock.

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NO. 300 CAN SHURFINE

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LUNCHEON MEAT45

POUND PACKAGE GOLDEN CHEF

COOKIES **.45**

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FACIAL TISSUE 2 FOR49

SINGLE ROLL NORTHERN

BATH TISSUE 4 FOR45

SIX OUNCES FOLGERS INSTANT

COFFEE98

18 X 25

REYNOLDS WRAP59

FIFTEEN OUNCE CAN RANCH STYLE

BEANS, 2 FOR35

SIXTEEN OUNCES SHURFINE WHOLE

TOMATOES **.19**

GIANT SIZE

COMET CLEANSER25

GIANT SIZE IVORY LIQUID

DISH SOAP49

GIANT SIZE TIDE

DETERGENT,69

POUND PRESSED HAM

LUNCH MEAT59

POUND PORK

STEAK **.59**

POUND BEEF

LIVER39

POUND CHUCK

ROAST **.53**

POUND ROUND

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