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(The following letter was given us by C. M. Gregory. It is from Don Gregory, who is working in Ethiopia. We found it very interesting, as that is one country we sure know nothing about. Our thanks to the Gregory's.)
Hello Mama and Papa,
I thought I would drop you a line and tell you I arrived here in Ethiopia okay. Flying on those big jet air planes is sure alright. They feed you, show you picture shows and have music. I flew over some pretty country, or what I could tell while we were low enough to tell, but when we would land it would be only for 45 minutes or so, just to gas up. I would get out of the plane and look the air port over.
When I got to Asmira I had been flying for about 2 days and nights, so I slept, then I had about 5 hours to look the town over, then get on the company plane and come out to camp. We are about 150 miles from town through the wilderness. They fly us in and out.
We work 21 days straight, then get off and fly to town for 7 days. What I saw of Asmira was real nice. Like a picture out of a book. Boy, they sure have a lot of Negroes over here, about 98 per cent. Here at camp there is about 10 Americans, 8 Italians, and the rest colored.
I get to go to town Thursday. I will be there and back probably before you even read this. We get a mail plane 1 time a week. It brings men to and from town, mail, food and supplies.
Where our plant is, it is a salt flat. A lot of these people are so far behind they don't even know what a shovel is for. Even as smart as I am I sure know what one of those things are for. We sure are having a time trying to teach them how to run this plant. None of them speak English. I don't do any physical labor at all. I just write down some temperatures and measurements one time an hour. Oh, I have to help the block men every once in a while to do something.
We have a few wild animals here, Gazel (like a deer), Hyenas, leopards, and ostrich. Also I sit around with my feet propped up all the time. Man, they have all kinds of bugs and spiders. I haven't been bitten yet, but I bet I have had 200 different kinds of bugs crawl up my pants leg. Don't take me too long to get out of my britches either. I don't wear long legged pants anymore just because of that. It is too, so I wear shorts, shower shoes, no shirt and am getting dark like a Negro.
I guess I better go. You and Papa take care of your

self, and I'll see you in about six months.
Your Grand Grandson,
Don Gregory.
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RYH NEWS
Tuesday morning, March 7, the Ropes Young Homemakers met at the high school. A program about "Kitchen Safety" and "Safety in the Home" was brought by Lois Great-house of Lyntegar Electric Cooperative, Inc. She spoke of the many hazards that are in every home and told us how to safeguard against these dangers. Some examples of danger were plastic cleaning, poisons in our cabinets next to our food, poisons where the children can reach them, any kind of cleansers and cleaning fluids down low, old refrigerators setting out with the latches still on the doors, grease catching on fire on the stove and numerous other things. She told us some antidotes for poisons and some first aid for burns. She distributed leaflets on the various poisonous plants we raise in our flower beds and yards each year—not realizing the dangers of them if a child should put one in his mouth.
We feel we learned a lot and hope to have Mrs. Great-house back in the near future for a program on first aid.
Those attending Tuesday's meeting were Betty Whitehead, Shirley Streety, LaQuita Moore and Lois Great-house.
Our next meeting will be March 14, on Monday night.
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RYH NEWS
The FHA Area Meeting will be held in Amarillo this week. We understand one that can attend. It is a lot of fun for the parents, too.
Our 'New Eyes for the Needy' project is still going on. If you have any old glasses or costume jewelry we would appreciate it if you would bring it. The project is to help people who can't afford glasses to have them.
The Dress Revue, at Level-land will be Thursday. Many of the Homemakers are entering.
All stamps have to be in by March 18. Everyone work hard and get those stamps in so we can take them to the Area Meeting.
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Mike and Rodney Wilson, and Randy and Tammy Ferguson spent a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson, recently while their parents were in Colorado.
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Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Loveless Sunday were her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blakely, Barthina Terry and Randy of Lamesa,

W. H. Morrow, father of O. H. Morrow, is seriously ill in a Lubbock hospital.
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Roy Shanklin, son of Mrs. Lela Shanklin, has been very ill this week with a virus.
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Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson received word this week that their son-in-law, Charles of Dimmit is in the hospital at that place with a severe back injury.
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Bob Thomas has been on the sick list this week.
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ROPES SCHOOL CAFETERIA MENU
Menu for the Ropes School Cafeteria March 7-11:
Monday - Super dogs, buttered corn, buttered asparagus, apple cobbler, light bread and milk.
Tuesday - Fried Chicken, new potatoes, buttered broccoli, Krispie cookies, hot rolls, butter and milk.
Wednesday - Meat balls, green beans and tomatoes, green pea salad, sliced peaches, hot water and milk.
Thursday - Tamales, Pinto beans, buttered spinach, Jelly with whipped cream, corn-bread and milk.
Friday - Hamburgers, potato chips, tossed green salad, fruit cup and milk.
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Mrs. J. T. Allen and Mrs. Carl Allen were in Lubbock where Mrs. Carl Allen went for medical care.
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NOTICE—
1952 Chevrolet Pickup For Sale. Sealed bids will be accepted by the City, and they must be in City Hall by Tuesday, March 8th. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
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Mrs. Lela Shanklin and boys moved this week to the house formerly owned by Mrs. La Hughes.
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TOPS CLUB NEWS
The Ropes Tops Club met Monday night, February 23, with fourteen members present. The meeting was opened by Leader Inez Price.
Iva Ree Young gave the opening prayer.
The group joined in the pledge and opening song.
Ina Watson won the basket for the most weight lost last week.
There are four remaining in the towel contest.
Next Monday night is awards night.
Those present were Mable Hobbs, Celeste Thomas, Charlotte Smith, Ina Watson, Lillian Willis, Wanda Allen, Nell Hobbs, Billie McCormick, Odessa Walling, Mayme Raspberry and Inez Price, Loma Clemons, Betty Whitehead and Iva Ree Young.

Special Notice

WE HAVE BEEN GLAD IN THE PAST TO OFFER THIRTY DAY CHARGE ACCOUNTS TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND MAIL STATEMENTS AT THE END OF THE MONTH.

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TO THE PROPER OPERATION OF OUR BUSINESS THAT THESE ACCOUNTS BE PAID BY THE
10TH OF THE FOLLOWING MONTH
IN THE FUTURE THOSE WHO CANNOT TAKE CARE OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH'S BILL BY THE 20TH OF THE MONTH WILL BE ASKED TO PAY CASH.

J. R. Smith
Doc Whitehead

LEAGUE STANDINGS
Following are the Ropes Housewives Bowling League standings for this week:
Mansfield's Service Sta. C and C Gin
Ropes Coop Gin
Bowers Butane
G and A Grain
Robinson Cleaners
Ropes Grain
Means Flying Service
Jackson Electric
Bishop Shamrock
Pierce Farm Supply
Ropes Food Store
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Flora Martin is in West Texas Hospital in Lubbock suffering from an infected risin in her nose.
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Mrs. John Bayne of Howard County Junior College in Big Spring was here Saturday visiting her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Whitlock.
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Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Ferguson and Mrs. Junior Wilson went to Denver, Colorado last Friday morning, to see Junior Wilson who is stationed with the Air Force there. Mrs. Wilson remained with her husband in Colorado, and the others returned to Ropes on Wednesday.
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Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dorsett and Gertrude Freeman of Brownfield and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs were in Floydada Monday visiting Elder and Mrs. Dennis Taylor, and also helping them pack.
Elder and Mrs. Taylor are moving to Iowa. He has been preaching at the Primitive Baptist Church for the past year.
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Randy Clemons, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Clemons, has been ill this week with the flu.
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E. J. Abney is receiving medical care in Lubbock every day.

WANTED TO BUY—
Used tractors and combines C. B. Ward, Phone 562-4732, Ropes. tfn 2-17
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Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs were all their children, Mrs. Lillian Gryder and boys, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dorsett and boys, all of Brownfield, Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Hobbs and family of Denver City, and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Hobbs and family of Ropes.
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Mrs. Ola Jeffcoat has been very ill this past week with the flu.
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Out of our public schools come the future leaders of our country. Pay tribute to the schools during the week of March 7 through 11, 1966. That's Public Schools Week, and a fine time for all Texas citizens to go back to school for a day.
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PICK UP AND DELIVERY
On Dry Cleaning. Pick up on Tuesday by noon, Delivered Friday at noon; Pick up on Friday at noon, Delivered on Tuesday by noon. Pick Up Station Located in old Post Office in Ropes.
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TAX MAN SAM SEZ:
Do you know what the three most common errors made on income tax returns are? The good tax folks say they are:
1. Forgetting to sign the return.
2. Omitting Social Security number, and
3. Mistakes in arithmetic.
A word to the wise—be careful.
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Mrs. G. R. Gailey is reported to be in a Lubbock hospital this week.

TRUSTEE ELECTION
There will be a Trustee Election for the Ropes Public Schools April 2.
At the last Board meeting, a Nominating Committee was appointed by members of the Board to select candidates to fill the offices of C. E. Bradshaw and Billy Odom, which expire this term. On the nominating committee were N. J. Green, Bill Berry, Bud Rucker, E. G. Moore and J. R. Smith.
The nominating committee recommended the following names be placed on the ballot:
C. E. Bradshaw
Billy Odom
Joe Lemon
Joe Harris
O. H. Morrow
Anyone wishing to run for the Board of Trustees should file not later than Friday, March 4th at the office of Superintendent O. V. Fuller.
The Board will appoint someone to finish out the unexpired term of G. C. Bevers, who resigned last month due to the fact he is moving.
A renewed emphasis by state health authorities is being placed on animal vaccination against rabies after a definite upswing in this virus disease has been noted since early fall.
State health officials emphasize that a complete continuing rabies control program must include these phases: (1) Public education regarding the seriousness of rabies exposure and the relative ease with which rabies can be controlled in the animal population through concerted effort; (2) Vaccination of all owned dogs and cats; (3) Pick and elimination of all stray dogs and cats; and (4) Wildlife control procedures in the county areas and eradication of those in cities and their fringe areas.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY MEETS

The Board of Directors of the Hockley County Unit of the American Cancer Society met Monday, February 21, in the Community Room of the First National Bank in Levelland for a special called meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to make plans for the annual April Crusade and to promote the education and service activities of the ACS in Hockley County. According to Mrs. Ethelmae Kauffman, Unit President, the prospects for the year look good. Mrs. Kauffman said, "I am so pleased with the response and promised cooperation of the people of our communities for this year's Cancer Crusade."

The Board approved plans for a fellowship meeting of Crusade workers and other interested persons for early in April at which "Lefty" Ross, State Crusade Chairman is to be present. It was also announced that Mrs. J. C. Pointer will serve as Crusade Chairman for Ropesville, Mrs. J. H. Caddell for Claene, and Mrs. L. L. Anderson for Anton. Other business included the consideration of adding a "Special Gifts Chairman" to the Board. This recommendation was approved.

Plans have been made for showing the "Is Smoking Worth It?" film on Tuesday evening, February 22, at 7:00 at the First Methodist Church, Levelland, and on March 14, at 6:30 at the Ropesville Community Center. Everyone is urged to attend. Film showings are available and appointments made by calling Mrs. Ethelmae Kauffman at 894-3636, Levelland. Also bandages, beds, chairs, and many other items needed by cancer patients may be obtained free of charge on written request from the patients doctor by contacting Mrs. R. P. Brotherton, phone 894-6263, Levelland.

Present at the meeting were Mrs. Ethelmae Kauffman, President, Mrs. Mavis Cathey, Vice-President, Ray-

mond Dennis, Crusade Chairman, Mrs. J. C. Pointer, Crusade Chairman for Ropesville, Darvey Lavender, Communities Chairman, Mrs. R. P. Brotherton, Service Chairman and Don Lambert, Field Representative of the ACS.

NEW MATH HELPS PARENTS CAN HELP HOMEWORK
By Texas Education News Service

(The following article was given us by Pat Patterson.)
One of the chief criticisms aimed at modern mathematics courses being taught by many public schools today is that parents are unable to help their children do homework.

This criticism more or less implies that under the old math dad, for example, could work out any elementary problem without blinking or that mom could solve a quadratic equation in 10 seconds or less. But the criticism is basically correct. And it is only to be expected. The new math is really a re-organized way of teaching the same old fundamentals.

In the new math the same things are true that were true under the old math. The difference, really is that the truth is being found in a different, more interesting way.

And, parents can help. Here's a few ways they can assist their children in doing math homework:

1. Parents' attitude is important. If they disliked their own school mathematics they should not admit it to their children because kids tend to adopt their parents' attitudes.
2. Do not criticize the program in the children's presence. Take questions and criticisms to the teacher or the principal.
3. Try to understand what the new math program is and what the schools are trying to do with it. Attend PTA sessions called to explain the subject. Read some of the many booklets and materials about the new math now on the market.
4. Read the child's textbook

and try to get ahead of him. Anticipate, if possible, his questions.

5. Encourage the child to think things out. The new math program has been planned to match the average intelligence level of the child's group.

6. When children ask questions, reverse the situation and have them try to explain things. Turn the help session into a discussion period. Giving the child blunt answers to his homework problems does him a disservice. Parents won't be present to help the child at test time.

7. Help the child select a regular time and place for study and then encourage him to stick to the schedule.

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OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM

by John Connally
Governor of Texas
Austin, Texas

GREETINGS:

Special observance of increased emphasis on our educational system has been marked annually for fifteen years by a Public Schools Week in Texas.

During this period, parents are encouraged to visit the public schools, and all citizens are urged through special programs to recognize the tremendous importance of our system of education. Our goal is to make Texas public schools the finest in the Nation, and to achieve this our citizens are urged to take an active interest in the school systems and to cooperate with their school boards, superintendents, principals and teachers.

Never before in our history has there been a greater need for educated leadership. As we rush to train young people in science and technology to keep pace with world events, it is also important to remember that our public schools will furnish our tomorrow's leaders with the basic human, moral and

spiritual foundations necessary for more advanced training and knowledge.

THEREFORE, I, as Governor of Texas, do hereby designate the period of March 5-11, 1966, as

PUBLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
in Texas

In official recognition whereof, I affix my signature this 9th day of September, 1965.

John Connally
Governor of Texas.
(SEAL)

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated 11 accidents on rural highways in Hockley County during the month of January, according to Sergeant A. E. Roberts, Highway Patrol Supervisor.

These crashes resulted in eight persons injured and an estimated property damage of \$8,050.00.

April 15 is the deadline to have your motor vehicle inspected.

Austin - Speaker Be Barnes recently announced the appointment of Representative Jesse T. George of Brownfield to a special Committee on Language Disorders in Children. George will serve with four other members of the House of Representatives and five citizen members who are specialists in the field.

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- For County Judge:
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- For County Treasurer:
INETHA COOKE (Re-Election)
- For County Superintendent:
DAVIS POUNDS (Re-Election)
- For County Clerk:
RAYMOND O. DENNIS (Re-Election)
- For District Clerk:
RUBY BEEBE WILLIAMS (Re-Election)
- MRS. O'FAY LEWIS
- For Justice of Peace, Prec. 1:
M. L. ROBERTS (Re-Election)

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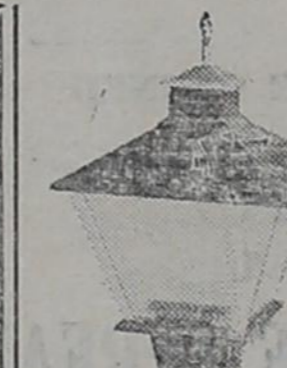
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