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

Pioneer Natural Gas Applies For Increase

Pioneer Natural Gas Company has put its application in for an increase in the general service rate with the City Council of Ropesville.

As of now the minimum bill is \$1.65 per month, and if the increase is granted, the minimum bill will be \$1.85 per month. This is a raise of 11.5 percent, and will affect 55 towns and cities, which comprise the West Texas Distribution System. The company does not plan to change the rates for industrial or irrigation service.

An increase is reported needed as revenues are not now sufficient under the present

rate which has been in effect for more than six years. The last General Service Rate adjustment was effective in January of 1961, due to the higher of field cost of gas. This increase is primarily attributed to the increase that the company has experienced in labor, materials, general taxes, and other operating costs.

Even after the increase, the net operating income of the West Texas Distribution System would result in a rate of return lower than the 6 1-2 percent allowed Pioneer in 1963 in a proceeding before the Railroad Commission of Texas.

FRINGE BENEFITS

Homer Henderson

Any group formed by voluntary association, whether a civic club, church, or lodge, depends upon the loyalty of its members for successful operation. In the structure of the Ropesville Community, there are many such organizations: our churches, the fire department, the Lions Club, the PTA, the Home Demonstration Clubs, the TOPS Club, FFA, 4-H, not to mention various social associations such as bridge clubs and so on.

Now I am not a member of all these groups, thank the Lord! But I have had the good fortune to attend meetings of each one from time to time either as a regular member, guest, or speaker. One characteristic has impressed me in each one of these voluntary associations: There is an inner core of regular supporters within the membership who have become the center of the organization. They hold most of the leadership positions, and they do most of the real work. They also receive 99 percent of the criticism from the membership when something or other is not totally suitable to every one concerned.

All voluntary associations are composed roughly of two parts: the core and the fringe. Consider the core. These are members who for various reasons have gotten deeply involved in the life and activities of the association. Why? Some believe in the purpose of the organization. Some find their lives enhanced by active participation. Some work merely out of a sense of obligation and responsibility. No doubt, some are involved for selfish reasons of personal reward or status. Yet for what ever reason, the core receives from the association in proportion to the measure they give it. That is the law of involvement. No matter how many times it has been said, the facts are that you get out of something about what you put into it!

Consider the fringe. These are the members who for various reasons have never really let themselves become involved with the group. Why? Some believe in the purpose of the organization and want to support it by their membership but are sincerely unable to support it any other way. Some find that their lives are not enhanced by active participation, so they lose interest. Some simply have no sense of obligation or responsibility toward the association; membership promises, pledges, covenants, charges, and so on are just so many high-sounding words. And no doubt, there are some who join with the intention of remaining on the fringe to enjoy membership benefits for themselves but not to create them for others.

Right now you are probably asking, "So what else is new?" This problem is as old as the headache; and aspirin won't help, although most presidents and chairmen and ministers take aspirin to cure the headaches the fringe-beneficiaries cause quite often! Surely, there is nothing new about the problem of members who hang on the fringe; but there would be something gloriously new and exciting about a solution to the problem. How do you approach the inactive in your club or church or whatever association? Think it over. In next week's column,

Reunion Is Held

The Willis-Walling-Floyd family reunion was held Sunday, June 25 at the Community Building in Ropes with 83 present. Those attending were:

Tressie Meeks, of Mineral Wells; Luphia Lane, Haskell; Billie and Vickie Brown, Bob and Pat Walling, Bob and Lois Abbott, Maywood Kelly, all of Lubbock;

Emra and Odessa Walling, J. N. and Lillian Willis, Noel Dean and Betty Flowers and three boys, Bill and Annice Willis and boys, Dennis and Mayme Rasberry, Wayne, Sherrie and Pattie Morgan, all of Ropes;

Fannie and George Mallicoat, Leo and Linda Mallicoat, Charlene and Randy DeMoss, Willie and Barbara Mallicoat and Scott, Temple and Charles

Perkins, Lance and Dal, all of Hobbs, New Mexico;

Cody Amburn, Farmington, New Mexico; Joyce Lamb and four children, Aztec, New Mexico; Edna and Roy Ballard, Rogers, Arkansas; Donna Dow and Deck Kelly, Ponca City, Oklahoma;

Jim and Jeannie Gage and children, Amherst; J. N. and Evelyn Willis, Francis Willis, all of Dallas; Melvin and Inez Willis, Houston; Dwyne and Mary Edith Galloway and children, Brownfield; Billie Worley and children, Stratford; Polly Galloway, Kate Parks, of Levelland; Howard and Lucille Floyd, Mrs. Benham, James and Sue Morton and children, all of Seagraves; and John Roberson, Ropes.

Methodist Men Meet

The men of the Methodist Church gathered Wednesday morning at Fellowship Hall at 6:30 a.m. for their monthly breakfast.

President Richard Parchman presided over the business meeting, and pastor, Homer Henderson brought an inspirational message.

A delicious meal of breakfast steak, eggs, biscuits, gravy, orange juice and coffee

was enjoyed by Richard Parchman, Newt Green, Crate Snider, Dee Lindley, Bill Wilson, Bill Odum, Butch Henderson, Joe Harris, Charles Shannon, B. J. Thomas and guest, Buster McNabb.

Following the meeting Rev. Henderson and Charles Shannon went to Levelland and picked up the county groceries for those in our community who needed them.

REPORTED IMPROVED

Curtis Thomas is in a hospital in Pasadena suffering from mumps encephalitis. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas.

Curtis had gone to Pasadena to visit his aunt, Mrs. Lorene Chesney, and took ill while there. He has now been moved out of isolation and is reported improved.

Mrs. Thomas flew to Pasadena last week to at her son's bedside.

SHOWER

Everyone is invited to attend a wedding shower for Mrs. Dennis Snider (Elaine Goodrum) on June 29th from 9 to 11 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Joe Schwartz. This will be a come and go affair.

IN NEW MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Price were in Hobbs, New Mexico Sunday where they visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Leverett.

I will outline three solutions now in use: the Bridge Club solution, the Civic Club solution, and the Religious solution... that is, if you remain an active reader of this column and don't drift out into the fringe!

RETURNS HOME

Bud Rucker returned home Tuesday from St. Mary's Hospital where he had been the past several days suffering from severe anhydrous ammonia burns on his face and eyes.

IN HOSPITAL

Duane Ferguson returned to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Monday for tests.

NOTICE

The Ropes Home Demonstration Club will meet Wednesday, July 5th, at the home of Mrs. C. B. Ward at 2:00. They will leave at 2:15 for Girlstown. Each club member is asked to bring some kind of snacks to be given to the girls.

Each club member is urged to go, and anyone else interested is cordially invited.

VISITING PARENTS

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Roberson, Joe and John over the weekend were T/Sgt. and Mrs. A. L. Roberson and Janet from the Military Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roberson and Brandon of Lubbock.

Bob Thomas is still in a convalescent home in Lubbock.

JEST SOME THOUGHTS—

Last week we about decided to quit the newspaper business. The papers weren't even all folded when our family started finding mistakes.

First, we left the by-line off Rev. Homer Henderson's article. Then in our travel item, we stated we turned off at Wellington, and it was Shamrock. Then we said the two Indian tribes were Kiowa and Cherokee, and it should have been Kiowa and Comanche.

Nothing wrong with us that a few weeks rest wouldn't cure.

If you notice a few more mistakes in the type, we have an excuse ready for that one, and someone else we can blame it on for a change. Our son, James Artie, started setting some of the type about three weeks ago, so 'tis all his fault.

How about that nice rain. All the farmers we have talked have received over two inches, and have no complaints. It's not too much, and not too little, and it fell just right. Just what the doctor ordered.

From north to south, and east to west, the amounts were just about same, and it was pretty general, fell easy, didn't wash and didn't hail. Now what more could we need but some sunshine.

Our little one said she knew it had rained because she stepped in a "poodle" on the way to the shop. Came from a joke she heard about it raining cats and dogs.

Do believe it rained frogs, because there was one in the shop right after the hardest rain Saturday evening.

The Plainsman rain gauge showed two and three-fourths inches over all.

Plainsman files show that ten years ago, in June of 1957, from 13 to 22 inches of rain had fallen over the Ropes territory, and the weather was quite stormy.

Ten years ago, Ralph Riojas opened his new department store in Ropes.... The street in front of the Post Office was paved.... Hail, rain and wind wiped out many thousands of acres of crops on the South plains the week of June 27, 1957.... The foundation was poured for Walt's new cafe.

July 4th fell on Thursday in 1957.... There was a new pastor at the Methodist Church, Rev. Frank Story.

How time does fly. We can read up on a few of the back files, and be surprised at the date on them, that they were so long ago, and it only seems like yesterday.

If you don't watch it, you can become too involved in the old files, and spend hours there instead of minutes.

Right now we have to worry about getting this issue printed so it can become a part of the files, so we move on.

ON NEW JOB

Coach Dean Andrews has submitted his resignation to the Ropes School Board. Coach Andrews has been employed as Head Basketball and Asst. football Coach at Tahoka. He assumes his duties in Tahoka, July 15.

IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Dan Carte is reported to be in the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock this week.



Pictured above is Miss Reda Pointer, Tech senior, as she watches a telephone cable being installed at Texas Tech. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pointer.

Lubbock June 20 -- Installation crews from Western Electric are at Texas Tech this month preparing the largest single cable ever built for use by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., telephone company official J. Y. Jordan announced.

Jordan said the 2,700-pair cable is to be run from Tech's main switchboard in Doak Hall to the three newly completed residence halls in the Wiggins Complex.

Jordan said the cable along with the new campus wide Centrex System of direct- to the extension calls will be in operation before opening of

the fall semester this year. He said initial work involves installation of brackets to secure the huge cable as it is pulled through an underground tunnel. The operation will require about four weeks.

Jordan said the cable's size was determined by the requirements of the three new 12-story dormitories in addition to three similar towers to be constructed in the immediate future to complete the Wiggins Complex. He said Tech already "has the largest single telephone system service by Southwestern Bell."

Isn't Law Important?

Do you want law and order? Then you had better get on the ball and say so. We do not know the extent of criticism a person can take, but we expect everyone reaches their limit after a few months of it.

Ropes, we expect, is the hardest town in the area to be able to keep a law. It is not the teenagers, or the kids, it is the parents who seemingly think their child can do no wrong.

We want to say that Ropes is very, very fortunate to have such a Marshall as we have. Never, in our history have we had anyone with his qualifications, nor the morals to back up the qualifications. Knowing what to do, and then doing it is two different things. Marshall Fox knows what to do, and then does it.

We have found that Marshall Fox plays no favorites. We don't think he should. Some people think they are untouchable, and want the law enforced for the other person and their children, but not himself, nor his children.

This can not be done if the law is to be fair. It must be enforced on everyone. If any thing serious came up here in Ropes, we have the man on the job that can handle it. We do not understand all this petty griping about running stop signs. The signs are put there for your own protection. They are not to be run.

Why is Ropes any different from any other town? Why don't people expect to go by the law here, as they would elsewhere?

You have an awfully short memory if you don't recall the mess this town was in before our present officer came. He has worked long and hard, and done an excellent job, and never hears any words of encouragement or appreciation.

What we can't understand is when someone gets a ticket, why not put the blame where it belongs? On the person driving, rather than on the one trying to keep things straight.

If Ropes should come up without a law again, just what kind of shape do you think the town would be in?

Some people have threatened to quit coming to Ropes, and trading here. Well, we

don't think we've missed any body. They are certainly not going to be able to go elsewhere and drive like they please, and let their sons go to town and throw out their beer containers, spin their wheels, and tear up, and get away with it. Why expect to here?

We appreciate our good officer. It is quite a change from not having any. Usually the ones who yell the loudest, have on the shoe that pinches.

VISIT RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall visited a few days with their son and family, Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Hall, Carece and Lemoyne, of Tell, Texas.

Both families drove to Fayetteville, Arkansas and spent the past week with their daughter and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Fowler, Randal and Cheryl. Everyone tried to fish some, but the fish all seemed to ignore the hooks.

On the way back home the Hall's spent a night with Robert's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Horne of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Hall were glad to see that it had rained at Ropes when they got home Monday afternoon. It was raining when they left Fayetteville and there had been rain all along the way.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

An outing in Mackenzie Park Friday night marked another year for Ennis Moore. Ice cream and cake were served to the following: his wife, Kate; Mr. and Mrs. Ardis Pace and Sharla of O'Donnell, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Young and Danny, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harris and Sammy of Ropes; Mr. and Mrs. Audis Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Moore, Terry, Randy and Brian, Mrs. Donna Corbell, Mrs. Jewel Moore, Mrs. Annie Moore, Mrs. Robbie Moore, all of Lubbock; and Captain and Mrs. Dwight G. Moore, Dennis and Perry of Fort Worth.

A very enjoyable time was had by all, despite the mosquitoes.

VISIT GRANDPARENTS

Gary Gryder of Brownfield is visiting this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs.

Like to get things clean without effort? Try SWIPE Cleans everything that you can use soap and water on with no scrubbing. May be purchased from any Tops Club member, or at the Plainsman office. Three dollars including tax.

EARLY SETTLERS REUNION JULY 8TH

The Hockley County Early Settlers Association Reunion has been set for July 8th, in Levelland. Anyone who has been a resident of Hockley County for twenty-five years or longer is considered an early settler.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution to this fund may send it to Alton Logsdon, of Levelland, Chairman of the Finance Committee; or Ed Hofack, Levelland; or Mrs. L. S. Rosser, Route 1, Ropes.

Church of Christ

Buck Griffith, Minister

Classes 10:00 A.M.
Services Sunday: 11:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:50 A.M.
Even'g Worship 6:00 P.M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Phillip Goodrum, Pastor

SUNDAY MORNING:
Wednesday Night 7:00
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
SUNDAY NIGHT:
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Worship Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

First Methodist Church

Homer Henderson, Pastor

SUNDAY SERVICES:
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice 7:00 p.m.

Mission Baptist Church

SUNDAY SERVICES:
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Worship Service
and Preaching
7:00 Training Union
7:30 Worship Service
and Preaching
Mission Study Mondays 7:00

Church of the Nazarene

Rev. Ivy Bohannon, Pastor

Sunday Services:
Sunday School 9:45
Morning worship 10:50
NYPs 6:00 p.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening:
Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Deadline for news and ads to be printed in a Thursday issue of the paper must be in by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday. This is necessary so that we may get it set up, and the paper on the press Wednesday afternoon in order to make the mail by Thursday morning.

Plans are being made to begin a pre-school kindergarten program under the Title I project for economically deprived children of the Ropes community.

The program replaces the Remedial Reading Program now in effect in Ropes Elementary School.

Mrs. Donald Blackmon will be the teacher for this Kindergarten Program which is slated to start at the beginning of the 1967-68 school year.

This program will include all 5 year olds who are eligible and can qualify. In order to qualify, a family's income must be less than \$3,000, per year.

The purpose of the program is to help break down language barriers, and give the children a good orientation and prepare them for first grade school work.

Fill Cracks And Holes Better

Handles like putty. Hardens like wood.
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The Genuine - Accept No Substitute.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Terry were in Littlefield Sunday where they visited with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barrick, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Terry.

Mr. Terry was just returned to his home in Littlefield last Tuesday from the hospital, and is reported some improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Whitehead and family moved to Fort Worth this week.

Last Friday evening the Ropes Volunteer Fire Department entertained its members and their families with a fish supper at Inez's Cafe. Approximately 43 attended.

Donnie Goodrum left Thursday morning for Abilene where he will be employed by Furr Food Stores.

Al Gardner, publisher and owner of the Levelland Daily Sun News, was a pleasant caller at the Plainsman Office last Monday.

Mrs. Buck Griffith and baby returned Wednesday from Corpus Christi where she had been visiting her sister.

Hockley County Farm Bureau Queen Contest

The Hockley County Farm Bureau Queen Contest will be held July 13 at South Plains College in Levelland. Rehearsals will be July 11.

All entry blanks must be in by July 1, and may be obtained from Mrs. John Ream, or at the Farm Bureau Office.

Following are the rules and awards:

1. The purpose of this contest is to give recognition to the Farm and Ranch girls of Texas. The basic principles of the contest are as follows:

a. This is an honest-to-goodness Queen Contest. The girls are to be judged on grace, poise, charm, vivaciousness, and all the other qualities that go to make up winsome Texas future homemakers. There are three main points on which they will be judged: namely, (1) appearance, (2) poise, (3) personality.

—Be sure to burn your trash when you put it in your barrels.

Levelland ... A new assistant county home demonstration agent will join the Hockley county Extension Service staff here July 1.

She is Mrs. Jean Smith, a native Kerrville and a Texas Tech graduate, according to a joint announcement by Hockley County Judge Hulon Moreland and Extension District Agent Mrs. Aubrey W. Resulle of Lubbock.

Mrs. Smith succeeds Miss Norma C. Cates who resigned June 20. The newly appointed agent was awarded a B. S. degree recently in home economics education and clothing. While at tech, she was a member of the Home Economics Club and the Kappa Theta Social Sorority. She also served as dorm legislator and dorm chaplain she graduated from Kerrville High School in May 1963.

Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Mr. Mrs. Sully Woodland of Kerrville and is married to Gay Smith, of Amarillo, who is attending graduate school at Tech.

She assisted the adult 4-H foods leader for Lubbock County the past year while attending college.

Mrs. Smith will work with Hockley County Extension agents Billy R. Taylor, Mrs. Jewel P. Robinson and James C. Stapleton in conducting youth and adult education programs.

Loyalty Day Parade At Brownfield the 4th

Brownfield will be the scene July 4th of a Loyalty Day Parade. The parade to start at 10:00 A.M., will be staged in order that citizens, club groups, and organizations may demonstrate their patriotism to their country, their faith in, and support of, America's service men and women, and their honor for the stars and stripes.

The parade through downtown Brownfield will end at the courthouse where the public will join with a choir from Brownfield High School in singing several patriotic songs.

State Representative Jesse T. George and Dr. F. W. Mattox, President of Lubbock Christian College, will address the crowd with Mattox delivering the keynote address. Brownfield's Mayor C. E. Ross will introduce the speakers.

A flyover of jet aircraft from Reese Air Force Base, has been scheduled to coincide with the parade.

All service personnel present will be given places of honor in the parade. First, second, and third place trophies will be awarded to the individual, group, or float entering the parade which most effectively demonstrates a patriotic theme.

All individuals, bands, service or civic clubs, church groups, fraternal or sorority groups, clubs or organizations, girl scouts, boy scouts, cub scouts, Brownies, riding clubs school clubs or groups, and Little League teams in Brownfield and surrounding areas, are urged to take part in the parade. Everyone entering the parade is encouraged to carry an American flag or a sign bearing patriotic slogans.

Anyone wishing to enter a group or a float in the parade is requested to contact the Brownfield Chamber of Commerce office on or before Monday, July 3rd so that the parade positions may be planned.

b. This contest is to give our beautiful farm and ranch girls recognition.

c. There is nothing personal in the project. It is anticipated that through the institution of this contest that more farm and ranch girls and other young people may become better acquainted with the principles of the Farm Bureau organization.

d. Question outline will be prepared to be used by the masters of ceremonies in the county and district contests. The same questions will also be used in the state contest.

e. Each contestant will be required to speak approximately one minute on, "Why Are You Glad Your Family Belongs to Farm Bureau?"

f. This project offers a contest that is glamorous, attractive, gains attention, and is worthy of sponsorship by

County Farm Bureaus.

2. Eligibility

a. Daughter or sister of a Farm Bureau member actively engaged in agricultural production. Membership should be in county of participation.

b. Single. (Defined as an unmarried girl or a girl who has never been married.)

c. Age 16-22 (sixteen by September 1, 1966 and not over 22, September 1, 1966.)

d. County must have 25 Farm Bureau members.

e. To enter district elimination, county must have a queen contest with at least two participants.

Exceptions — all employees and previous state winners, are not eligible to enter this contest.

3. Awards — appropriate awards will be made in the queen contest.

Darwin Hobbs, Gayle and Marvin of Seagraves and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs were in Littlefield last week visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs. Also present was their son, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hobbs and family of Phoenix, Arizona.

They also visited with his sister, Alpha McCarty, and her son, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McCarty and four children who are visiting here from Madera, California.

Mrs. Tarleton has been returned to Ropes after a stay in a Lubbock hospital. She is recuperating in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nabours are spending a few days with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Bates of Lubbock.

ARTHRITIS-RHEUMATISM

Do claims and double talk make you doubt you can get any relief from arthritic and rheumatic pains? Get 100 STANBACK tablets or 50 STANBACK powders, use as directed. If you do not get relief, return the unused part and your purchase price will be refunded. Stanback Company, Salisbury, N. C.

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AMAZING LIQUID RELIEVES PAIN AS IT DISSOLVES CORNS AWAY
Now remove corns the fast, easy way with Freezeone®. Liquid Freezeone relieves pain instantly, works below the skin line to dissolve corns away in just days. Get Freezeone...at all drug counters.

NOTICE OF BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING ROPES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

In obedience to the order of the Board of Equalization regularly convened and sitting, notice is hereby given that said Board of Equalization will be in session at its regular meeting place in the city of Ropesville, Hockley County, Texas, at 9:00 o'clock A.M., on Friday the 30th day of June, 1967, for the purpose of determining, fixing, and equalizing the value of any and all taxable property situated in the said Ropes Independent School District, for taxable purposes for the year 1968, and any and all persons interested or having business with said Board are here notified to be present.

Bill Odom
Secretary
Ropes Independent School District
Ropesville, Texas

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VISITS HERE

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Rasberry and family this past weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Floyd and Mrs. Susie Benham of Seagraves; Mrs. Polly Galloway of Levelland; Mrs. Kate Parks of Memphis; Mr. and Mrs. Dwyne Galloway and children of Brownfield; and Mrs. Ladson Worley and family of Stratford.

They were here to attend the Willis-Walling-Floyd reunion held at the Community Building Sunday.

IN LEVELLAND

Gert Brown and Mrs. Sid Price were in Levelland Tuesday visiting relatives.

ON VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Harrison are in Arkansas this week on vacation.

VISITS FATHER

Louella Means visited in Jacksboro over the weekend with her father, James Means.

IN ROPES

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McCarty and family of Madera, California visited Thursday evening in the home of his uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs.

VISITS MOTHER

Mrs. Lela Shanklin and boys of Shreveport, Louisiana are here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. Troy Morris, and sister, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Thomas and family.

RETURNS HOME

Rev. and Mrs. Ivy Bohannon returned last week from a vacation to California where they visited relatives and friends.

ATTEND REUNION

Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Thomas and family, Charles Thomas and boys, Mrs. Bob Thomas of Ropes and J. V. Thomas of Pasadena were at Brownwood over the weekend where they attended a reunion of the Thomas family.

VISITS DAUGHTER

Mrs. Troy Morris spent a few days last week in Lubbock visiting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Whitfield and Barbara.

Read the ads. Almost everything you need is in Ropes!

REMOVE WARTS!

Amazing Compound Dissolves Common Warts Away Without Cutting or Burning
Doctors warn picking or scratching at warts may cause bleeding, spreading. Now amazing Compound W® penetrates into warts, destroys their cells, actually melts warts away without cutting or burning. Painless, colorless Compound W, used as directed, removes common warts safely, effectively, leaves no ugly scars.

SEEK and FIND Sun-Fun

Your summer can be a happy sun-burn-less one if you seek the sun according to these suggestions:

- RIGHT HOURS**—Since the sun's burnings rays are most intense between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., you'll be much safer sunbathing before or after these hours. Start with a few minutes each day and gradually increase exposure.
- RIGHT CLOTHES**—To tan your face, shoulders, arms and legs, a playsuit or a strapless swimsuit is ideal. For a complete body tan, wear a bikini.
- RIGHT PROTECTION**—According to Dr. Archie Black, Ph.D., Research Director of the Coppertone Corporation, one of the most effective sun screens is homomenthylsilylate, which can be found in a type product best for your skin—cream, oil, lotion or spray.
- RIGHT LOCALE**—The most relaxing place for sunbathing is your own patio. If at a public pool or beach, spend part of your time in the shade. Remember, too, that you can get a sunburn on an overcast day.

FROM A FATHER TO HIS BOY IN VIET NAM

I wish I had the power to write
The thoughts wedged in my heart tonight.
As I sit watching that small star
And wondering how and where you are,
You know Son, it's a funny thing
How close a war can always bring
A family who for years with pride
Have kept emotions deep inside.
I'm sorry that when you were small
I let reserve build up a wall,
I told you real men never cried,
And it was Mom who always dried
Your tears and smoothed the hurt away,
So that soon you went back to play.

Now suddenly I find my son
A full grown man, with childhood done
Tonight you're far across the sea

Waging war for men like me
Well, somehow pride and what is right

Just doesn't seem to fit tonight
I find my eyes won't stay quite dry
But tears flow down and you know why

And if we stood here face to face

I'm afraid we find men do embrace

Son, Dads are a funny lot,
And if I failed you in some spot,

It's not because I've loved you less

It's just this cussed manliness
And if I had the power to write

The thoughts wedged in my heart tonight
These words would ring out loud and true

"I'm proud my boy, yes — proud of you".

(Our thanks to Mrs. Brice Kinnison for the above poem. It was sent to her by her son, Presley, who is in the armed forces.)

PASSES AWAY

Mr. and Mrs. Tyree Martin returned home Tuesday from East Texas where they had been to attend funeral services for an aunt.

RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stephenson returned home last Sunday from the wheat harvest.

Now Possible To Shrink Hemorrhoids

And Promptly Stop Itching, Relieve Pain In Most Cases.

Science has found a medication with the ability, in most cases—to relieve pain, itching and shrink hemorrhoids. In case after case doctors proved, while gently relieving pain, actual reduction took place. The secret is Preparation H®. It also soothes irritated tissues and helps prevent further infection. Just ask for Preparation H Ointment or Suppositories.



WAY TO SUN-FUN—Jill St. John wisely selects a suntan product to match her skin type. Jill co-stars in "Banning" for Universal Pictures.

NOTICE—

—Special Occasion Decorated Cakes, \$3.50 up. Emma Jean Nance Phone 562-4582, Ropes.

FOR SALE—

Five Pickup Campers; three Pickup Covers; Wholesale Prices; Will Finance Cab-Over Campers. S. B. Berry, Ropesville, Texas.

FOR RENT—

Four room house and bath. See B. J. Thomas, or call 562-3661 or 562-3852, Ropes.

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Nola Knows

By Nola White

Dear Nola - My husband nearly six weeks and things have been pretty rough. Now he wants us to pick up and move to where his brother lives to look for a job. I say he ought to find the job first and then us move. What do you say?

Dear Nola - My husband bows with a league two nights a week for recreation. This I don't mind. But he spends every cent we have betting on the matches "to be a good sport." We're stone broke. What can I do?

Dear Widow - He should be as good a bowler as he is a sport. In a situation like this you should reach for the purse string. When he starts for the lanes, let him carry only what the family can afford to lose.

Dear Nola - I am general manager of a branch office of a national manufacturing firm whose name you would recognize if I mentioned it. More than two years ago I received a directive instructing me to hire more Negroes. I would happily do so if I could find qualified Negro applicants. To be frank, I don't care if my employees are purple with green stripes so long as they have the skills I need. I wish we had more technical schools and more students who will seriously apply themselves to learn what they have to teach. Need I say more?

Dear Harry - 'Nuff said. Thanks.

Dear Nola - My husband has been out of work for

Dear No - I say you're right Send him on ahead and don't pack until he mails you his first paycheck.

Dear Nola - My sister and her husband were both killed in a wreck and left five children. They were both insured, the other guy was to blame, and altogether the children have inherited a substantial sum of money. But the rest of the family is acting like a bunch of vultures trying to get custody of the children so they can control their inheritance. Those kids are going to get skinned.

Dear Worried - The courts anticipate such as this and will investigate the parties applying for custody before anyone is appointed guardian. The children have sustained an irreparable loss. Try to help them adjust to that and don't worry about the money.

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Team Listed First Is The Home Team
First Game 6:00 p.m.

Date	First Game	Second Game
June 30	Red Sox vs. Yankees	Dodgers vs. Cubs
July 4	NO GAMES Scheduled - Independence Day	
July 7	Yankees vs. Cubs	Dodgers vs. Red Sox
July 11	Cubs vs. Red Sox	Yankees vs. Dodgers
July 14	Cubs vs. Dodgers	Yankees vs. Red Sox
July 18	Red Sox vs. Dodgers	Cubs vs. Yankees
July 21	Dodgers vs. Yankees	Red Sox vs. Cubs

Teams Not Ready To Take The Field At Game Time Will Be Required To Forfeit
Games Are Sponsored by The Ropes Lion's Club

NOTICE
Gurnsey cow strayed to my place about two months ago. Owner please pick up at E. G. Moore's southeast of Ropes

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DEAR GOD,
Hear me, now, oh! God.... Austin - The state's 155 draft boards will be called up on to furnish 974 men for the me, please Lord...if it be armed forces in July, Colonel Thy way...I'll try to make Morris S. Schwartz, state Sel- this appeal...my very, very active Service director said last...Erase from my mind, recently.
oh God...My awful, awful Monthly calls in the period past...And let me start to from January through June tomorrow as a person really ranged from a high of 1,110 should...Now that I am one to a low of 674.
among your splendid brother- The Selective Service boards will forward 5,016 men for hood.
Please, don't keep me in this draft pre-induction examination in July, an increase from (You never meant for me, I 4,000 in July.
know, to go along this way)... Local board quotas for in- .Reveal unto me, God, what duction and pre-induction al- ready have been figured and You would have me do... mailed to the state's local And all will turn out right, I boards.
know, just because of You! Colonel Schwartz also said state Selective Service had re- ceived a quota for four doc- tors of osteopathy to enter the Army or Navy in July, For I am told You do hear August and September.
the most worthless of us all... The Texas quota of 974 men for July is the state's share of a national call of 19,900. This manpower is for the If we only come to You, and on Your mercy call... So hear me today, God, and give me cause to smile...By just giving me, once again, God, a life that is worthwhile!
by Emilie Peck

BIRTHDAY DINNER
Mrs. Lillian Gryder of Brownfield and Darwin Hobbs of Seagraves were honored on their birthdays with an ice cream supper in Brownfield Park last Wednesday night. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hobbs and Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Hobbs and family of Ropes, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dorsett and boys of Brownfield, and the honorees and families.

VISIT BROTHER
Visitors this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Jackson were his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Jackson, Gary, and Sherry of Manhattan Beach, California.

VISIT RELATIVES
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Allen and family left the first part of the week for Arkansas to visit relatives.

VISITS HERE
J. V. Thomas of Pasadena was here last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Thomas, and his brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield Thomas, Brenda and Libby, and Charles Thomas, David and Freddie.

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Who is the INDEPENDENT?
 How do you save your money at the supermarket?

There is probably no word that has been used more often in the past few years than "independent". It has become a household word, a word that everyone seems to use. But what does it mean? Is it a word that describes a person who is not connected to any other person or organization? Or is it a word that describes a person who is not connected to any other person or organization? The answer is, of course, that it is a word that describes a person who is not connected to any other person or organization. But what does it mean? Is it a word that describes a person who is not connected to any other person or organization? Or is it a word that describes a person who is not connected to any other person or organization? The answer is, of course, that it is a word that describes a person who is not connected to any other person or organization.

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SHURFINE	POUND	
COFFEE		.59
SHURFINE	12 OUNCES	
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FRANKS,		.45
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SAUSAGE		1.29
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STEAK		.79
T-BONE	POUND	
STEAK		.89
SHURFINE QUARTERS	POUND	
OLEO.	.2 FOR	.35
SHURFRESH	TWO LB. BOX	
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SHURFINE	6 OUNCES	
ORANGE JUICE,	9 FOR	\$1
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CAKE		.59
SHURFRESH	POUND	
CRACKERS,		.19
SHURFINE	16 OUNCES	
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