

WEST WIND

The small percent of patron who may have read a statement published in another newspaper last week by "interested citizens of the Springlake-Earth communities" got another compounded dose of the same old milarky. Quote: "These (building contracts) were not let until the channel of appeal instigated by the appellants had come to its legal conclusion - the ruling of the State Board of Education." Har! HAR!

Now I wonder what "interested citizen" in these communities has developed such a cute legal "dialect"? And, what "interested citizen" would have dared to insult the intelligence of sane voters by giving them the same old raspberries again just TWO DAYS AFTER Judge Roberts, in an Austin court, RULED THAT THE APPELLANTS' APPEAL HAD NOT COME TO ITS LEGAL CONCLUSION?

Incidentally, that ruling finally and definitely clinched our case. It legally renders the above quoted statement a daring falsification of the facts and unqualifiedly proves our oft-repeated charge that the board illegally negotiated an unwitnessed and non-recorded contract on school buildings in shocking violation of their own court recorded agreement! If they are capable of misrepresenting the legal record, how can you believe ANYTHING they tell you?

Consequently, in my opinion, the legal implication is that somebody's school board may have personally and collectively incurred a contractor's bill for services rendered it (the board) to date.

But that is their monkey. No amount of reasoning or persuasion could slow them down. While we were on our knees begging for the crumbs - ONE grade school - ANYTHING, they hid snugly behind the Board of Education, the Attorney General, the Governor and the Legislature, and brazenly cracked the whip of their sovereignty under the Glimer - Aiken law across our sore backs until they forced us to invoke our constitutional rights by calling an election to get relief.

Our reference last week to a wave of boycotting was made without knowing the identity of the leaders. This week we are prepared to furnish many affidavits naming two of them as board members. Add to this somber story, an attempt by two board members to obtain the school secretary's signature to a statement denying that she was "excused" from the meeting at which contracts were "negotiated" for the school buildings.

And there you have the unfolding proof of the political corruption to which the Earth Sun has made continuous reference for the past 10 months.

Now that a free and progressive people are disgusted with 32 years of tyranny in which our school has become the "laughing ghost" of West Texas, they are eager to go to the polls and vote to abolish this contemptible mess, in the belief that whatever they get, it certainly couldn't be any worse.

When national and state governments have been in power too long and have grown too corrupt, the people march to the polls and CLEAN HOUSE! That is our objective in Saturday's election - A GENUINE HOUSE CLEANING! The Old Party has been in power TOO LONG!

Each campaign they have come up with some silly argument that turns out to be hot air. Last time it was the abandonment of \$550,000.00 worth of buildings which NEVER EXISTED. This time it is "loss of student credits" - which also is another bold misrepresentation of fact.

In a telephone conversation, the Department of Education in Austin has assured us that no school child will be allowed to lose their earned credits in the establishment of a new school district. What other authority is there to pass on that question?

I cannot recall one controversial phase of this school issue wherein the opposition has not distorted the facts. In their statement last week, they claim "there are no cesspools in use on the (Cont. On Back Page)

VOTE SATURDAY!

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SCHOOL DEBATE NEARS END; POLLS TO OPEN 8:00 A.M. SAT.

EARTH PLANS FOR HOSPITAL LOCAL LADY DONATES LAND

STUDENTS IN GRADE TWO PLAN PROGRAM

The students of the second grade, 2C are planning a February Birthday program and tea on February 14 at 2:00 p. m. in the Class room of Mrs. Mathews. The program is being given as part of the reading and social studies unit on February's famous birthdays.

A prominent part of the program is a Valentine Coronation in which Miss Karen Barton and Dean Kirby will be crowned as King and Queen of Valentine. Carolyn Kelley and Darvin Sanders are princess and prince.

The cast of the playlet, "February's Birthday Cake" is as follows: The Child—Connie Glassecock; Month of January—Donna Watson; Month of February—Linda Ussey; Washington's Candle—Phillip Middleton; Lincoln's Candle—Gayle Sawyer; Valentine's Candle—Coyle McGill; Susan B. Anthony's Candle—Beth Dent; Lowell and Longfellow's Candle—Wayne Chasteen; Edison's Candle—Sandra Harris.

A reading, "The Great February", will be given by Sandra Harris, Glenda Mitchell and Ray Packard are featured in a Colonial Duet. Queen of Hearts and Knave of Hearts will be portrayed by Kay Phillips and Richard Mitchell, and a Valentine Duet will be given by Alice Jaquess and Kenneth Schaefer. A Choral reading, "When Did We Sent It To?", will be given by the entire group.

The little Flower Girl and Cupid will be portrayed by Jan Martin and Little Frank Heil.

Two songs, "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" and "You, You, You" will be sung by Mrs. H. F. Axtell.

Beth Dent, Sandra Harris, and Maitha Adkins dressed in red, white and blue will act as hostesses in serving at the tea for the parents.

The program will be elaborately costumed throughout and everyone is invited.

New Office To Open In Earth

A new business office will soon be established in Earth. Southwestern Public Service Company has leased an office building from M. W. Messer at the old location of Lucille's Beauty Shop, according to Howard Horne, manager of the Littlefield District.

Harry Vogt will be manager and a full time office girl will be employed, therefore electric bills will be paid next door to the former S. W. P. S. office.

The number of electric meters, has grown to justify the company's set up its own office here. The place will be open sometime in February.

Plans for a hospital in Earth are definitely being formed according to D. E. McCarty.

A \$4,000 two acre plot of land has been donated by Mrs. Lena D. Hite, as a site for Earth's new project. The property is located east of town on Highway 70 on the south edge of the Hite farm across from the G. C. Green home.

Tentative arrangements are for the center, to be owned by stockholders, have a Board of Directors, Business Manager, two doctors and one dentist, ten hospital rooms, surgery room, delivery room, emergency room, laboratory, X-ray and dark room.

Several thousand dollars have already been pledged on the hospital, says McCarty, which is to be an investment instead of a donation.

Others working with the project are Jarvis Angeley and M. W. Messer.

Mrs. Travis Scott accompanied the G. C. Green family to Ft. Worth last week end where they attended the Fat Stock Show.

School Census Now Underway

The school census is well underway in the local system. Census blanks have been sent to homes by the student to be filled in and signed by the parents and are being returned favorably.

Parents of students who will be 6 years old by September 1, 1955 are urged to report to the School Secretary's office to sign census blanks for the 6 year olds. Parents who have other children in school are requested to enumerate their 6 year olds on the same census blanks as the other members of their family.

The census will be completed soon and placed in the office of County Supt. immediately thereafter. Parents are urged to ensure their children have been enumerated. In the school 1953-54 we received \$68 per capita.

Supt. Lumsden To Make Trip To Austin Next Week

Supt. O. E. Lumsden reported this week that he plans to make a trip to Austin with County Supt. Jerry Lumsden, next week.

Lumsden said that the teacher registrars are being taken to be audited and that the school might qualify for two extra teachers instead of one. If so that will mean another teacher's salary plus \$500. maintenance which will amount to about \$3500. per year. The average teacher's salary is \$3000. per year.

He also said that the school will receive more transportation money than last year. This year's amount should be about \$27,981. to last year's \$24,381.

What Kind Of 'ISM' Is This?

Did you know that a petition was presented to all Springlake school teachers Thursday demanding that they vote FOR the school to remain at the present site? That teachers were told that refusal to sign might mean the loss of their job.

WHAT NEXT?

Marvin Ellis Buys Business

A business sale was held at the City Jewelry and Floral Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock where all of the merchandise was sold to the highest bidder, Marvin Ellis.

Ellis has been operating the store since August when he moved her intentions to buy the store by transactions were stopped when Lemuel Kelton, owner, was unable to clear up the debts against his business. It was decided in a recent meeting of Kelton's creditors that the sale would be held.

The store is again open for business and will go under the name of Ellis Jewelry and Floral.

Ellis wishes to extend an invitation to everyone to visit the store and for information concerning a sale he is now holding, look elsewhere in this paper for an ad.

Miss Brown Was Shower Honoree

Miss Patsy Brown, bride-elect of Earl Jordan was honored with a pre-nuptial shower in the home of Mrs. M. O. Carter Tuesday afternoon.

Thirty-seven persons were registered in a beautiful, hand made bride's book, made by Mrs. Joe Chester. The ivory sheets, trimmed in lace were set off by etchings on each page. Mrs. Ivan Smith presided at the book.

Refreshments of sandwiches, angel food cake and spiced tea were served from a table with a cut linen cloth over green and centered with a lighted planter of ivy.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. Sam Ownby, Mrs. Sam Henderson, Mrs. Laura Kelley, Mrs. C. P. Parish and Mrs. J. H. Jones.

Jarvis Angeley Is Lucky Winner

Jarvis Angeley didn't know it but he was the lucky winner of a pair of boots Monday night at the Farm Bureau Victory Party held at the Littlefield Community Center.

The party was held for a report on the F. B. Membership drive. Angeley was unable to attend the party but was awarded the boots for selling the most memberships from Earth. Bill Streeve of Springlake also won a pair along with ten other men in the county.

A 12 foot deep freeze was won by Joe Thompson and an orchid was won by Mrs. E. J. Stone of Sudan.

Several local persons attended the party.

TO THE PEOPLE OF EARTH

It's an obvious fact that the Earth Sun is the only newspaper which has dared to carry the ball for you in this fight for a school. Since Earth was incorporated, we have aggressively supported every worthy public issue regardless of financial consequences.

We think we were influential in getting a better phone system for Earth—a community house—a bank—a water system (vote 69-2)—a fire department—street lighting and paving and a sewer system. (vote 78-6).

You did not awake one morning and find all these municipal improvements miraculously moved in. They each required a long and bitter struggle and we diligently and daringly fought for every one of them.

Today, we feel like our past efforts have been amply justified and rewarded, for WHO among you would choose to return to the old life?

But we are now facing the greatest loyalty test in our history. Shall we have a school in Earth? You have prepared all the necessary facilities for a school by providing municipal water and sewerage, a fire department and other conveniences enumerated above. Now is it possible that one single citizen of Earth would neglect to go to the polls and vote on the most important issue of your life? LET'S VOTE 100 PER CENT FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE SPRINGLAKE DISTRICT so we can establish the EARTH SCHOOL DISTRICT.

An official election TO ABOLISH or NOT ABOLISH Springlake Independent School District will be held tomorrow (Saturday) Feb. 5 at Earth Community Building in Earth from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. There will be only one voting box in the district.

L. T. Smith will act as Presiding Judge.

All persons upon voting will be required to show their 1955 poll tax receipt except those who are exempt. Exemptions include persons who were 60 years of age before January 31, 1954 (last year).

If the vote carries to do away with the present school district a new ACCREDITED district will be set up where new buildings are to be constructed from the bond money recently issued, originally \$400,000.

The issue is claimed to be the "hottest" ever to arise in the local area, stemming from a new building program and a dire need of public schools in this rapidly growing town of approximately 1240 population.

Since the construction of Earth its school students have been transported by bus five miles out into the country amidst cotton fields etc. for their education, but the majority of townsmen and hundreds of others are no longer satisfied with the inconvenient site in view of the fact that present school buildings are old, the campus is crowded and many other factors including a most important argument, that Earth give to the school, an adequate water and sewer system, which the school has never had and has not included in the current building program.

Seemingly, the opposing factor principally constitutes, nearby Springlake town, populated with about 220 people, and many farm residents in that area and to the northeast corner of the school district.

A few people have become outrageously furious fighting the abolishment, therefore, added police are to be sent here for the election.

A count of 349 poll tax receipts were issued in Earth by Aiene Griffin, City Secretary.

Miss Bennie Sue Welch Honored With Pre-Nuptial Shower

Miss Bennie Sue Welch, bride-elect of Bobby Free was honored with a pre-nuptial shower in the lovely home of Mrs. L. Z. Anglin, Saturday evening at 7 o'clock.

Co-hostesses were Megdames B. F. Hodge, Ralph Huff, M. G. Keller, John Welch, Buford Price, Arnold Shelby, Bruce Higgins, Herb Wendbourn, Sam Jones, J. A. Littleton, R. H. Belue, Roy Neal, Jolt Laing, W. O. Wood, Pat McCord, Wayne Rutherford, C. P. Parish, O. B. Whitford, J. D. Newton and E. C. Hudson.

The refreshment table was laid with a white cloth of ruffled net over taffeta and decorated with white rose buds. A centerpiece of white carnations casually arranged on blue was set off by four candies. Plate favors were miniature white fans inscribed with "Bennie Sue and Bobby February 20." Individual cake square, iced in white and topped with wedding bells were served

by Mrs. Dwain Wheat and hot punch was served by Miss Geneva Rutherford and Mrs. Harlon Watson.

A comical reading, "The Proposal" was cleverly given by Miss Anita Messer after which Mrs. Leonard Stephens sang two songs, "I Love You Truly" and "Oh, Promise Me". The presentation of gifts was made by Miss Joyce Gooch after the reading of "A Gift From Heaven."

Soft music was played throughout the evening by Miss Wayne Rutherford and Miss S. Neal.

The eighty-five guests were registered by Miss Joyce Gooch.

Other persons attending with the party were Mrs. J. D. Newton, Mrs. J. D. Truelock and Miss Joan Kelley.

The honoree was the recipient of a beautiful array of gifts.

News Bulletin

THERE WILL BE NO LOSS OF CREDITS TO LOCAL SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM ABOLISHMENT OF SPRINGLAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT!

ANY ABSOLUTE STATEMENT TO THE CONTRARY IS FALSE! DIRECTLY FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN AUSTIN, TEXAS. HERE IS THE TRUE STORY:

Abolishment of the present district will end THIS district and its accreditation naturally, BUT immediately thereafter a NEW district will definitely be established.

The new school district, as one of its first acts, will apply to the state for accreditation. The policy of the State Board of Education is to work for the best interests of the school children.

This means quick action so that the new district by meeting requirements of the state (which it already meets) will be accredited before the end of the present school year.

Under present plans there is no reason to dismiss any teacher or reduce the salary of any teacher.

There is no reason for even one day of school to be lost.

Under these circumstances there is no reason why the new district cannot qualify immediately for accreditation.

Modern Gin To Be Constructed Here

O. C. (Bill) McBride announced this week that construction will begin around July 1st on an all new, modern gin and will be located on the highway six miles west of Earth.

McBride said that the grounds or the gin are being prepared now and construction will begin in the near future on an office.

The McBride family has lived here for the past five years and operated the McBride and Sons Gin here for the past two years.

The new gin will also be called McBride and Sons Gin.

Who Would Stoop So Low As To Put Fear Into Children To Gain Their End?

Ask the Superintendent of Springlake Schools who started these False and Malicious rumors. All the False rumors you hear are started in the Springlake Schools. The Superintendent knows the truth, why doesn't he stop these Rumors by simply telling the Students and Teachers the Truth?

We Tell You Truthfully

TAXES WILL NOT BE RAISED

NO MORE BONDS WILL BE VOTED

NO STUDENT WILL LOSE ANY CREDITS ON GRADES

NO STUDENT WILL LOSE ONE DAY OF SCHOOL

VOTE FOR ABOLISHING SPRINGLAKE DISTRICT AND

BETTER SCHOOLS -- BETTER ATHLETICS

BETTER EQUIPMENT -- BETTER WATER

BETTER HEALTH SAFEGUARDS

BETTER LOCATION FOR MOST OF THE STUDENTS

This is a planned program for the benefit of the students and future students, not for adults.

Go to the polls Saturday and vote For Abolishing Springlake District. Which is a Vote for Better Schools.

Mr. VOTER

Are You Ready To Clean House?

Do you think the old party has been in power too long?

Do you want a new, clean school instead of the disgraceful mess we now have?

IF YOU DO

Here Is The Way To Vote

SAMPLE BALLOT

For Abolishment Of Springlake Ind. School Dist.

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A Plea For Sanity To The Citizens Of The Springlake- Earth Community

My Fellow Citizens:

I have purchased the following space in this newspaper not to influence you in any way as to how you will vote Saturday, but to speak to you through this medium in regard to matters of the heart. I do not regard myself as a community spokesman, but as one who has in recent weeks felt a growing need for an article of this type. I had hoped that some other might come forth and do this, but since no one did I had no recourse, but to choose myself.

For many weeks now I have viewed with growing concern the unhealthy atmosphere of hate, jealousy, and hysteria which has grown up around the issue of our School. We have witnessed the gradual disintegration of community ties and have watched our community literally ripped apart over this vital question.

The question of what to do with our school is of the highest importance. And we would do ourselves an injustice were we to treat it lightly. An issue of this type is worthy of our most careful scrutiny and prayerful consideration. Perhaps it is because the issue is so important to our common-life that we have allowed ourselves to forget even the most elemental virtues of Christian ethics and democratic procedure. It seems that long ago, many of us at least, have allowed the words of co-operation and understanding and even friendliness to elude our thoughts, and unfortunately our actions.

Some of us have become enamored with our own views and so concerned with protecting those views that they remain intact that we have forgotten that every man be he learned or unlearned has a right to his own opinion. To be sure we may feel that he is ill-advised or that his opinion is completely wrong, but still he has his right of opinion. We need to remember in these days of community disorder that every man must be given the dignity of his convictions.

It seems to me that we have allowed an important issue which should be decided through cooperation and community effort to resolve itself into a fight between groups whose philosophy seems to be "no quarter asked and no quarter given." This has evolved into an unfortunate situation which has stifled intelligent and considerate appraisal and thus the community is the pauper.

The issue has become so confused that many of us have completely forgotten that we are dealing with life-long friends and neighbors whose friendship in our calmer moments we cherish. We have allowed ourselves to become so insensitive and so hysterical that we have accepted the law of the pack and rushed about carrying rumor and scandal laboring under the misapprehension that we are rendering community service. We have seen good and intelligent men hurt. And what greater misfortune for a community than that honorable men should be treated like criminals?

I know of no greater disaster to a community than to have a situation arise in which calm and intelligent discussion from each side is made impossible. So great has been our confusion that we have sponsored no meetings in which the finest and most informed leadership of our community from both sides of the issue could come and present their views for our consideration. As a result there seems to be no well defined and clear cut issue and the future of our school has been left not to well informed people, but to people who are angry.

We must think for a moment. Who is that one who is suddenly our enemy? Is he not the man who came to visit when we were sick, or loaned us his tractor or his breaking plow or extended credit in a time of crisis, or teaches the Sunday-school class at church? A good man yes. But suddenly our enemy simply because he dares differ with us on an issue?

Thus we find ourselves engaged in a little "civil war" of our own in which neighbor is pitted against neighbor and family against family and friend against friend. The horror of it all is that we, every one of us, is the loser. We have robbed ourselves of intelligent bi-partisan endeavor which alone makes for good school. We are not dealing with something unimportant we are dealing with our SCHOOL. We hold the future in our hand and we dare mold it on the whim of anger or emotion.

I appeal to you in the name of common decency to create a situation where intelligent people from both sides may exchange a free expression of opinions. TO LEAVE THE SITUATION BOILING AS IT IS NOT ONLY ROBS OUR CHILDREN OF A SCHOOL BUT MAN OF HIS DIGNITY AND YOU OF A FRIEND. Conceivably this battle could go on and on until the entire community is consumed with the cancer of hate and injustice and scandal which it has spawned. NOTHING CAN BE MORE REPUGNANT TO THE TRUE GENIUS OF FREEDOM THAN THAT THROUGH OUR HYSTERIA WE ROB OURSELVES AND OUR COMMUNITY OF A FREE AND UNINHIBITED EXCHANGE OF OPINION.

I hope that you will not misunderstand the spirit of this writing. I have steadfastly refused to take sides in this issue I will continue in that position. Neither do I set myself up on authority on the issue involved and I doubt very seriously that there exists such authority. Nor do I set myself up as a religious spokesman for all. For indeed you have your own churches and good pastors.

My only hope is that we may be able to fashion some sort of order out of our present disorder. Furthermore, I hope and pray that we may be able to conduct ourselves in the heat of the issue that come the aftermath we may be able to meet people from both sides and say "my friend and my brother."

Respectfully yours,
F. Eugene Matthews, Minister

Don't Be Misled Be Informed

ARE YOU GOING TO VOTE YOUR SCHOOL OUT OF ITS ACCREDITATION?
YOUR ARE IF YOU VOTE FOR ABOLISHMENT OF THE DISTRICT!
WHAT IS ACCREDITATION AND WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO A SCHOOL?

Accreditation is a standard by which elementary and secondary schools are rated, accepted, or recognized among all other public schools and education agencies of the State.

WHAT WOULD LOSS OF ACCREDITATION MEAN TO OUR SENIORS?

Their last semester's work would be non-accredited. Their high school transcript (credit record) would not entitle them to enter colleges without taking entrance exams. WHY SUBJECT OUR GRADUATES TO SUCH A HANDICAP WHEN THEY HAVE FULFILLED ALL THE ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION AND COLLEGE ENTRANCE?

WHAT WOULD IT MEAN TO OUR OTHER HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS?

The credits they should get for this semester's work could not be granted. This would be a particular handicap should they transfer to other districts before graduation or should they graduate in this district before accreditation standards for the new district were met.

HOW DOES A NEW DISTRICT GET ACCREDITED?

In Texas Education Agency Bulletin 560 twelve principles are set forth which a school should meet to continue or gain (if a new district) its accreditation or affiliation. Principle 2 is stated: "There are good school-community relations which strengthen and support the work of the school." IF IT STRIKES YOU THAT THIS RELATIONSHIP IS A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR TO THE CALLING OF THIS ELECTION, WOULD IT NOT ALSO BE THE VERY PRINCIPLE THAT WOULD HOLD BACK ACCREDITATION OF THE SAME DISTRICT UNDER A NEW NAME?

HAS THIS ELECTION BEEN CALLED TO ABOLISH THIS DISTRICT SO THAT TWO SEPARATE DISTRICTS COULD BE FORMED? If so, consider these questions and answers!

Q. If the election should carry, and since the present buildings of Springlake County Line Independent School District are now located in the so-called East Half of the District (in the event the district were divided by a line North and South one mile East of Earth) . . . would the East Half be required to pay the West Half for the value of one-half of the present assets (buildings, etc.) of the District?

A. "This writer does not believe there would have to be an accounting by the East Half to the West Half for buildings constructed or under contract for construction . . . but there may be an accounting to the West Half of other assets, if any, to be determined by the County Board . . ."

Q. In the event the Independent District, after being abolished, were divided approximately in half, as above outlined, what would be the accredited status of the high schools, if any, of the two newly established districts?

A. "In response to question . . . the accreditation of the newly created districts could only be had after filing of an application for accreditation, and the districts meet the standards for accreditation as have been established."

Q. If the election should carry, what would be the status of the outstanding contract in the sum of \$358,000.00, for the building program now in progress?

A. "In reply to question . . . it would be our opinion that the contract for the construction having been entered and being performed, that an election carried to abolish the district would not affect the contract. The bond proceeds realized from bonds voted for the buildings under construction could not be used legally for any other purpose than the construction of the buildings contracted for thereunder and for the equipment of same." (Quoted statements are excerpts of letter from Mr. Chester E. Ollison, Appeals Counsellor, Texas Education Agency, in reply to questions written him by local school official.)

IN EFFECT, THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION WOULD NOT AFFECT THE CONTRACT NOR CAN THE BOND MONEY LEGALLY BE USED TO BUILD ANY BUILDINGS OTHER THAN THOSE NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION, NOR ON ANY OTHER SITE THAN THE PRESENT SITE.

THE ONLY WAY TO BE SURE YOU HAVE A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN THE FUTURE IS TO VOTE AGAINST ABOLISHMENT SATURDAY.

WERE YOU MISLED BY THIS?

News items appearing in one Earth newspaper last week headlined "Appellants Win Round in Court Battle" and under similar wording in the other newspaper may have misled people into thinking the District Court at Austin ruled in favor of the appellants in their attempt to overrule the decision of the State Board of Education, which has upheld the local board's decisions. Actually, the appellants were granted an extension of the case for trial later; otherwise, it would have been removed from the docket and would no longer be pending. The Judge's action in no way ruled on the merit of the case.

SAVE YOUR SCHOOL DISTRICT * * * VOTE AGAINST ABOLISHMENT
This information compiled by interested citizens of

Springlake Independent School District

GIANT MARK DOWN

We Would Like To Announce That We Have Purchased The City Jewelry & Floral And Rather Than Holding A Formal Opening We Are Throwing This Big Gigantic Thrift Sale In Order That We Will Have Room For New Merchandise Now On Order. We Wish To Say That We Would Like To Meet Each One Of You, Personally, During Our Big Sale.

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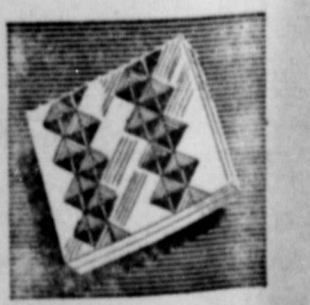
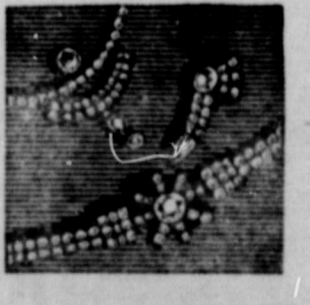
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Representative On Social Security To Be In Earth Wednesday

Our representative will be in Earth at the Post Office at 11:00 a.m. on Feb. 9th and will be glad to assist in all matters pertaining to Social Security. (Editor's Note: This is another in a series of articles prepared for farm families

by the Lubbock, Texas, District Office of the Social Security Administration.)

The self-employed farmer, rancher, or cotton ginner will begin to have in 1955 the same sort of protection for himself and his

family against income loss by reason of old age or death that other self-employed persons gained in 1951.

The old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act have a purpose that might be summed up in this short phrase: "Replacement of a portion of a lost income where the loss was caused by old age or death. Later articles will deal with how large a replacement is possible, and to whom such payments are made.

Large corporations have intricate profit and loss statements and batteries of accountants busily engaged in compiling them. Most merchants maintain rather detailed records of inventories, receipts, losses, etc. What sort of records must the farmer keep in order to know whether he must make a special social security report in 1955 on his 1955 earnings.

There are no set rules or particular bookkeeping systems prescribed by the law. However, the records, of whatever nature they may be, must be sufficiently complete to support a finding that there was or was not a net profit for the year. And, to keep his social security protection in force even through drought or other bad years, the farmer who has a gross income of more than \$1800 may claim credit for either his actual net income or a special figure of \$900 if he failed to net that much. The farmer whose gross income is below \$1800 may also take social security credit for either his actual net income or one-half of his gross income, but here that figure must be at least \$400 or no social security credit is possible. Farmer A grosses \$3700 but his true net profit is only \$500 — he can legally report \$500 or \$900. Farmer B grosses \$1700, but nets only \$500 — he can report either \$500 or \$850. Farmer C grosses only \$789, and nets less than \$400 — he can have no social security credits for that year.

Later articles will give more details, or if you prefer to write us a card or letter, we'll send you our free booklet, "Facts for Farm Families." Our mailing address is Social Security Administration, Room 202, Vet. Adm. Bldg., Lubbock, Texas.

Remember, the records of the self-employed farmer must be complete enough to show his gross income from his farming operations, his operating expenses, and finally, his net profit. Income from renting out a pasture, or a part of the farm itself, on a true rental agreement does not count toward Social Security credits for the farm owner. Only income traceable to actual operation of the farm or ranch can be used in building up a social security account.

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Lubbock, Tex.

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Local Girls In Music Program

The Hi-Lo Piano Club, consisting of parents of the piano students of Mrs. Sam McKinstry, held its first meeting of 1955 on Tuesday, January 25 at 7:30. The roll call was answered with the name of a musician and a solo written by him. A short business session was conducted by the president Mrs. Adams.

The life of Beethoven was narrated by Mrs. Gammon, and three of this great composer's compositions were played by the pupils. Tonye Welch of Earth played Beethoven's "Symphony." Several other selections were heard with two duets arranged by Eckstein played by Donna Kay and Vicki Lynn Talbert.

A round table discussion followed on "How to get Your Child to Practice" as the guests were served cakes and cookies from a beautiful lace covered table with the horn of plenty as a centerpiece.

Those attending from Earth were Mrs. L. J. Welch and Mrs. Denton Talbert.

Mrs. M. E. Kelley returned to her home last Thursday after spending several days in a Lubbock Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley were enroute home from Dallas where she had received a medical check up when she became ill and was admitted to the hospital.

She is reported to be doing much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Ray Pifer and daughter spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Belsaw.

Dinner guests in the E. C. Clayton home were Mr. and Mrs. Chubby Dent and Mr. and Mrs. Erwin.

Vows Read In Hale Center

Mrs. Ruby Hodge and Roy Davis, both of Hale Center were united in marriage last Thursday in a quiet ceremony at the First Baptist Church in Lubbock.

Persons present for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Billy H. Hodge, all of Earth; also Mr. and Mrs. Davis of Lamesa and Mr. and Mrs. Davis and daughter of Lubbock.

The couple plans to live in Hale Center.

J. A. 'Pap' Parish Involved In Accident

J. A. "Pap" Parish received only a minor hand injury Monday afternoon when he lost control of his car as he started to park at the Cecil Parish residence west of Earth.

"Pap" turned off the highway and was unable to stop the car before it crashed into the rear of an automobile which was parked in the garage. The two cars were slightly damaged and quite some damage was done to the house.

Mr. Parish was immediately taken to the Amherst Hospital where x-rays were made of his left hand to find that it was bruised considerably, but no bones broken.

J. W. Kelley made a trip to Oklahoma City, Okla. last Friday for an eye checkup. Mr. Kelley underwent surgery on his eyes several months ago and the operation proved to be a success. He was accompanied there by Ray Kelley.

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Hometown Talent In Sudan Show

Miss Kathy Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown, and Miss Karen Barton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Barton, participated in the Amateur Hour program at Sudan last Thursday evening.

Miss Brown tap-danced the "Teddy Bear Blues" and Miss Barton sang and danced "Peg Of My Heart."

Lloyd Ray Goodwin enrolled as a student at Texas Tech last week.

Goodwin studied at Droughon's Business College in Lubbock for several months before entering the Army two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Barton and son Ed, moved here from Montevillo, Missouri. He is employed with Barton Brothers Butane.

Barton is a son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Barton.

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February 2, 1955

Mr. E. T. Borum
Mr. A. D. Taylor
Earth, Texas

Dear Sirs:

In reply to the questions raised by you concerning the status of the Spring Lake School District of Lamb County in event the citizens vote to dissolve the district, I submit the following information:

1. If no action is taken to dissolve the district, its accredited status continues as an accredited high school unless at any future time it is found to be violating accreditation standards.
2. If action is taken to dissolve the district and it ceases to be a legal entity, its accreditation would also cease, in as much as it is impossible to continue as an accredited school any district that legally is out of existence.
3. If, at some future time, a new district was created it might apply to this office for initial accreditation.
4. The deadline for such applications is November 15 each year, but a visit could be made this spring if an official request is received by late March.
5. Accreditation of the new district would depend upon its full compliance with presently adopted accreditation standards.
6. In case the district does not have accreditation at the time of graduation, graduates would be eligible to take college entrance examinations furnished by this Agency covering any units of credit not completed in an accredited school.

Yours very truly,

W. R. Goodson

W. R. Goodson, Director
School Accreditation

WRG:eh

We reproduce above the full text of a letter from Dr. W. R. Goodson, Director of School Accreditation for the State of Texas for which we made a special trip to Austin in order to obtain and to talk personally with Dr. Goodson. We felt this trip was necessary in order to bring to all Springlake students the true facts in the case. Dr. Goodson assured us that in making the transition from Springlake to Earth District there would be no loss of time in accrediting the new district so that the seniors can graduate this year with full credits. We refer you to paragraph 4 of Dr. Goodson's letter where he is extending the deadline to the last of March in order that the new district can be accredited before the end of this school year.

Here we would like to say that if Supt. Lumsden will put forth one-fourth the effort to secure accreditation of the new school district as he has in interfering in affairs outside of his line of duty, then the schools in the new district will be accredited before the end of this school term. (How about that, Mr. Lumsden?) And also Mr. Lumsden, can you explain why you were so desperate in your attempt to interfere by telephone in our securing this letter from Dr. Goodson who is a fair minded and understanding man thinking only of the welfare of the students of our schools? And Mr. Lumsden, what was your statement or question in this conversation with Dr. Goodson when he told you that we were entitled to the facts the same as you are, and that he was mailing you a copy of this letter and you could use it the same as we. And also, Mr. Lumsden, the rumor that the High School students will lose their credits if the District is abolished is untrue. You know that there is no such thing as a student losing his credits.



Here is one unit of the crude, primitive, expensive pump and dump cesspool system that served an enrollment of 729 students this year. Another cesspool may be seen at upper right hand towards corner of High School building.

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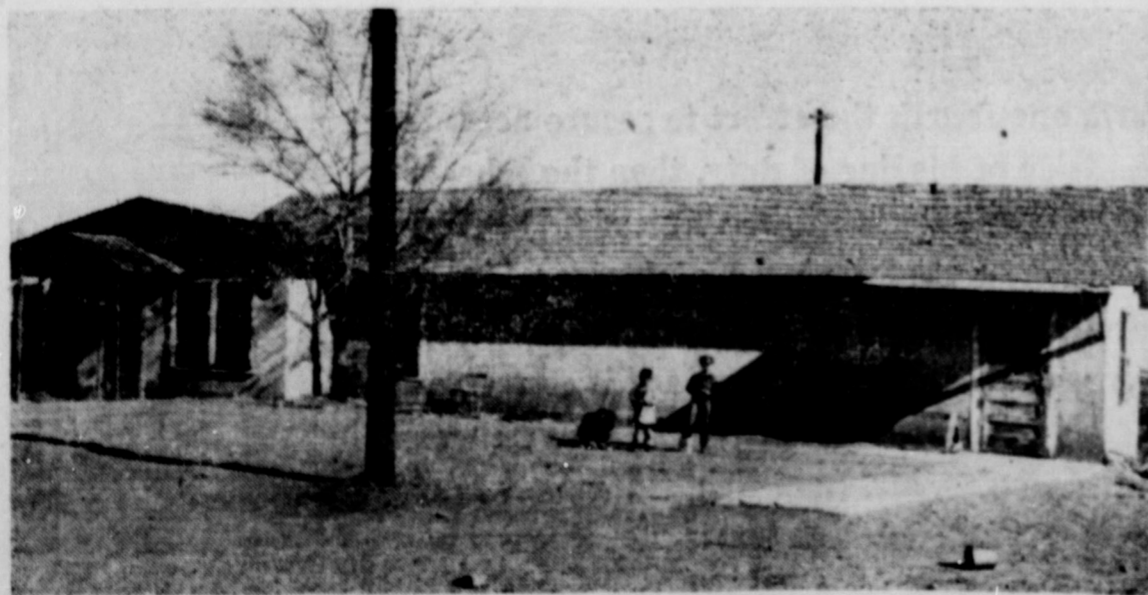
And Vote For Abolishment



This small building houses the pressure pump system which furnishes water to a student population almost equal to that of Earth. What kind of fire protection does this water system provide? Remember, the electrical system is the first thing to go out in the event of a fire.



Here is the original one room school building in which Springlake school began operation 32 years ago. It is now divided into two poorly finished apartments for teachers.



This building once housed the school lunch room. It is now used as a class room for one of the lower grades. Five or six other dilapidated buildings are also used for class rooms.



The above war surplus barracks houses three or more families. Its bleak, barren appearance suggests a labor camp.

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Seven Years Ago This Week

(From The Files Of The Earth Sun)

In an impressive ceremony, at the Broadway Church of Christ of Lubbock, Miss Agnes Bozeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Bozeman of Springlake, became the bride of Mr. T. L. (Mickey) Dent, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Dent, also of Springlake.

Funeral service for Rawls Miller, 61, were held Sunday at 2:30 in the First Baptist church at Earth with Rev. C. T. Jordan and Rev. Hugh F. Blaylock officiating.

Four Springlake school boys were treated in the Amherst hospital Monday following a period of playing basketball in the new gym when escaping gas made them ill.

Miss Colleen Wendbourn, bride elect of Dan S. Gregory, Jr. of Lubbock was honored Saturday evening with a shower in the home of Mrs. Jack McCord.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Haberer entertained in their home Thurs-

day evening with a "northwest" dinner. The meal was highlighted by the 21 pound striped bass, caught by Mr. Haberer on their recent trip to the Northwestern states and included dishes made from walnuts and apricots grown by California relatives, individual salads of tinted pink and green pear halves, jello of Bing cherries and wild blackberry cobbler, all from Washington State.

Two ghosts sat on a cemetery wall at midnight and one asked the other "Tell me honestly do you really believe in human beings?"

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Parish of Amarillo, former Earth residents, on the birth of a son, Terry Wayne weighing 8 pounds and 1 ounce and born Tuesday, January 29. Mrs. Crill Bullis, mother of Mrs. Parish, has returned home after spending some time in Amarillo.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dawson of Lubbock who are the parents of a son, Kenneth Edwin, weighing 6 pounds and 5 ounces, born Jan. 24 at 2:55 a. m. at the West Texas hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Huff entertained a number of their friends in their home with a 42 party Saturday night.

The Springlake schools were closed Tuesday and Thursday on account of the extreme cold and icy roads which gripped a large part of Texas this week.

Lynn Glasscock has re entered West Texas State College at Canyon.

Richard Earl and Barbara Linn McCaskill are confined to their home with the mumps this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simms and family of Lubbock were Sunday dinner guests in the W. L. Barton home.

Northwest Corner News

By M. S. C. B. Landers

The lovely, new home of Mr. and Mrs. George Wuerflein was the scene of a gathering Thursday night when friends and neighbors met and surprised them with a house-warming.

Many lovely and useful gifts were received by them and several were sent by persons unable to attend.

The evening was spent in visiting and playing "42".

Coffee, punch and cookies were served to fifty six men, women and children.

Mrs. Alton Taylor of Lubbock spent several days this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor.

John West and Floyd Andrews took a load of hay this week to "Girl's Ranch" near Whiteface. The hay was donated by the farmers of the Pleasant Calley Community.

Mr. and Mrs. John West and family were shoppers in Clovis, N. M., last Tuesday and had lunch at the El-Monterray.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Commons were visiting and shopping in Lubbock last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Meeks took their little daughter, Regina Gail, to a doctor Saturday who was suffering from tonsillitis and a cold.

Mr. and Mrs. John West and family spent the week end in Borger visiting his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie West.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill McGary were Saturday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Landers. Bill was a "buddy" of their son, Bobby, when the two were stationed together for eighteen months in the Air Force. He has been stationed at Cargwell, Ft. Worth, for the past two years and just received his discharge last month.

The M. W. Megser family and Dixie Parish visited in Littlefield Sunday afternoon.

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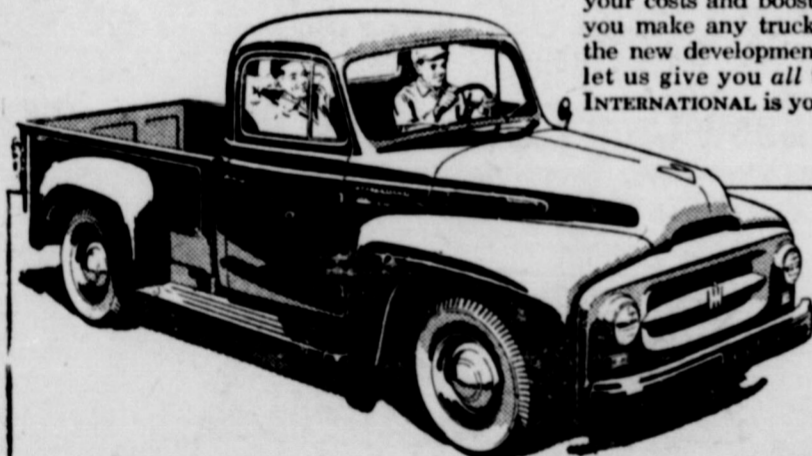
First and third Tuesday nights
Baptist Brotherhood .. every Monday Night at 7:30 p. m.
Good Earth Garden Club - First and third Tuesday nights	.....
Town and Country Study Club - Second and fourth Thursday nights	.....
Farm Bureau - Second Tuesday nights	.....
Farmer's Union - Each second Tuesday night.	.....
P-TA - Each third Thursday at 4 p. m.	.....
Girl Scouts - Each Thursday at 4:30 p. m.	.....
Brownies Scouts - meet except on 3rd Thursday.	.....
American Legion - First and third Thursday nights.	.....
Earth Woodman Circle Group 2275 - Each third Tuesday at 4:30 p. m.	.....
Miss Glenna Rutherford returned to Tech Monday to begin the second semester of her sophomore year.	.....
Methodist Men's Organization	.....
Lions Club-Tuesday noon	.....
Junior Chamber of Commerce-Monday noon	.....
Rebekah Lodge- Each Thursday night	.....
L.O.O.F. Lodge Each Monday night	.....
Rainbow For Girls - First and third Monday nights.	.....
Eastern Star - Second and fourth Monday nights	.....
Masonic Lodge - Second Thursday nights
F. M. S. Each Tuesday at 3 p. m. (Baptist) Auxiliaries - Tuesday at 4 p. m.
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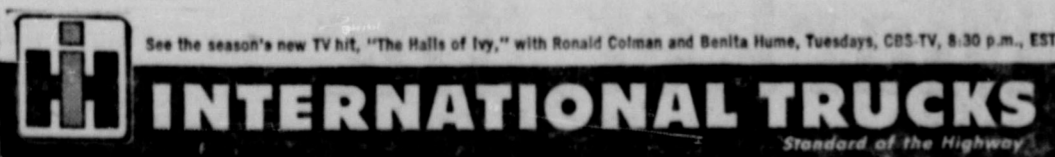


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Dear Voters:

Do you think the school district should be abolished? It sounds simple. According to promises, in no time at all you would have Earth Ind. Sch. Dist.—a new name, a new board, and some bond money. This last point is highly speculative because no one could safely say how much, if any, of the \$400,000 could be galvanized should the building program be stopped or changed, or whether any part of it would be spent at Earth (the best interpretation of State school law available is that it could not be so used legally). But the first points, simple sounding, are even more highly speculative and uncertain than this. There is an easier and less risky way to change the name. There is a sounder, though more gradual, way to change the board. AND WHO CAN SAY WHETHER EARTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL EVER BE ESTABLISHED?

OR WILL THE DISTRICT BE PERMANENTLY ABOLISHED? If not, it would suffer certain loss of students by transfer or petition to other districts. This, in turn, could mean the eventual abolishment of our district by the State. In the recent publication "Texas Public Schools under the Minimum Foundation Program," an evaluation of the school systems in Texas, 1949-1954, by the Texas Research League, recommendations have been made as to how school districts should be ENLARGED to a minimum average daily attendance of 1000 students, which generally means a total enrollment of 1100 to 1200 students. Our present enrollment is 729. Can we long survive IF WE LOSE any part of our district or its students? There seems little chance the State will re-district us if we are GROWING TOWARD, NOT AWAY FROM, this minimum.

A POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCE of voting this district abolished would be the abandonment of our buildings and the absorption of all our students into neighboring schools. And don't forget the bondholders mortgages. We'd still be paying for buildings we weren't using, and our property would be worth less (sale value) because of poor access to good schools. We would have such area-wide reputation that tumble weeds would be growing on the school ground and on a good many lots and streets of Earth as well!

ONE IMMEDIATE BUT SERIOUS CONSEQUENCE of abolishing the district would be the simultaneous loss of its accredited status with the State. This means that seniors graduating under this status could never enter college without passing an entrance exam; other high school students might, when transferring to other districts, have difficulty getting credit for courses completed under non-accredited status. Accreditation, once lost, would be most difficult to re-establish in this district.

None of us would stake our individual fortunes where there is so little to gain and so much to lose. WHY GAMBLE ON AN ELECTION WHERE THE ODDS AGAINST OUR SCHOOL CHILDREN AND TAXPAYERS ARE SO OVERWHELMING?

Why are we so concerned about all this? With a first grader this year and three more to follow we see at least 18 school years ahead for us. It doesn't matter to us what the school is called or whether our children go 5 or 10 miles farther to school IF IT BE A BETTER SCHOOL! We are not opposed to Earth's having an elementary unit as a branch of the central system. BUT WE DO FEEL ABOLISHING THE DISTRICT WILL NOT ACCOMPLISH THIS.

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MR. AND MRS. ED DAWSON

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(Cont. From Page 1)
campus." Elsewhere in this paper there is photographic contradiction of that statement. They also state they are planning a permanent sewer disposal system "identical with the system Earth is installing".
Now with every dollar of the bond issue appropriated for buildings and every single incoming tax dollar doubly and triply budgeted, why not ask your board members where they intend to get the immense sum necessary to install this new sewer system?

To complicate further their record of snap-judgement activities, and in a mad rush to win a stray vote or two on the eve of the election, they have further involved the taxpayers by awarding a contract on this costly sewer system while Earth is offering this service free to the school.

Their mysterious operations conducted under a cloak of super-secrecy - selling bonds prematurely - letting contracts illegally - has established a record of maladministration unprecedented in the history of the school district. How can anyone KNOW what they're going to do?

Are we going to stand dumbly by and let a dollar - happy school board spend us into another emergency bond issue? Why shouldn't the taxpayers protect their interests by demanding a summary audit of school accounts immediately regardless of the outcome of Saturday's election?

One final thought: In this election, there will be a certain percent of "spite voters", but you WISE VOTERS had better REMEMBER that if Earth is deserted THIS time, your present school and tax mess is mild and insignificant compared to what you're facing. Your troubles will BY NO MEANS be ended - THEY'VE JUST BEGUN!

I want to say in conclusion that the election result will soon be history, and although I have taken a very firm but conscientious stand in favor of abolishing the district, I hold ill will against NO LIVING PERSON whose opinion may have opposed mine. Personally, I will be ready to congratulate the victors in Saturday's election - WHOEVER THEY ARE! So may God grant us a peaceful settlement of our differences and a speedy return to normal school and business activities.

L. T. says that in reviewing the election laws, he discovered a clause disbarring idiots from the polls, therefore he didn't anticipate a very large turnout Saturday.

Bride Elect Given Shower Wed.

Miss Bonnie Sue Welch was honored with a lingerie shower in the home of Mrs. G. W. Simmons last Wednesday afternoon. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Dwain Wheat and Mrs. Harlon Watson.

Refreshments were served from a lace covered table centered with a bridal doll. Frosted punch and individual cake square, iced in white and topped with blue wedding bells were served by Mrs. Wheat.

Those present were Miss Joyce Goochs, Miss Glenna Rutherford, Mrs. Leonard Stephens, Mrs. Wheat, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Pody Welch, the honoree and the hostess.

Shower Honors Mrs. Price

Mrs. Larry Price, the former Novella Green, was complimented with a bridal shower in the Earth Community Hall Monday at 2:30 p. m.

About thirty guests were registered by Mrs. Carlis Bills.

The tea table was covered in white and centered with red carnations and candelabra. Miniature marriage license were used for plate favors. Coffee was served by Mrs. Arnold Shelby and Mrs. Bruce Higgins served cake.

The honoree was presented with a lovely corsage of red carnations.

Co-hostesses were Mesdames Ralph Huff, Carlis Bills, John Welch, Z. E. Robnett, R. D. Usery, Mildred Free, V. J. Sigman, Ronald Cleavinger, Arnold Shelby, Pody Welch, Bruce Higgins, Ed Williams and Miss Larue Ormand.

Mrs. Axtell Hostess To Study Club

Mrs. H. F. Axtell entertained the members of the Town and Country Study Club at her home last Thursday evening with Mrs. Ed Dawson assisting as co-hostess.

"The influence of TV and Radio on the School and Home" was given in panel discussion by Mrs. Carra Morgan and Mrs. John Laing.

Contributions to the March of

Dimes were made at the meeting. Refreshments of dainty Valentine sandwiches, chocolate cream puffs, mixed nuts and mints, and hot tea and coffee were served to the guests. President, Mrs. G. C. Green, poured tea from the coffee table.

Potted plants were used as decorations.

The next meeting will be held February 10 in the home of Mrs. C. W. Terry with a guest speaker.

Persons present for the meeting were Mesdames: Laing, Morgan, Green, Earl Miller, B. T. Hamilton, L. Z. Anglin, Ted Haber, E. C. Hudson, Ray Axtell, Ray Kelley, Roy Neal, C. W. Terry, Dawson and the hostess.

Most Taxes Paid

School Secretary, Beedie Welch reported Tuesday that she had collected \$80,706.39 in school taxes for the Springlake Independent School District, leaving a balance of \$4,790.71 yet to be collected out of the total tax roll of \$85,497.00.

Delinquent taxes which have been collected amount to a total of \$498.82.

Several members of the Springlake FFA organization attended the Fat Stock Show in Ft. Worth last week end.

W.M.S. Circles Hold Meeting

The W. M. S. Circles met Tuesday for their first Bible Study meetings in the homes.

The West Circle met in the home of Mrs. George Wuerflien. Mrs. Wuerflien was elected

chairman of the organization and Mrs. Doyle Turner co-chairman. Other officers are Mrs. Eldon Davis, Bible Study chairman; Mrs. Emert Rose, Mission Study chairman; Mrs. Jarvis Angeley, Stewardship chairman; and Mrs. Roy Taylor, Community Mission chairman.

Mrs. Cecil Meadows had charge of the Bible Study for the afternoon.

Others present were Mrs. Leonard Dutton, Mrs. H. S. Evans, Mrs. Laura Kelley and Mrs. Travis Scott.

The East Circle met in the home of Mrs. Marvin Sanders who also gave the afternoon Bible Study.

Mrs. Eldon Sheaffer was elected as chairman and other officers are Mrs. E. E. Watkins, Bible Study chairman; Mrs. W. G. Sanderson, Mission Study chairman; and Mrs. Troy Kirby, reporter.

The Town Circle met at the home of Mrs. Leva Foster.

Mrs. C. W. Terry presented the Bible Study. Those present were Mesdames Terry, Paul Wood, Travis Jaquess, Travis Scott and the hostess.

All of the Circles will meet at the church next Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Green and Terry and Mrs. C. W. Terry attended the Ft. Worth Fat Stock Show last week end.

Mrs. Laura K. Fuller of Lubbock spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown.

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1/4 teaspoon nutmeg



1 lb. 29c



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- HONEY GRAHAMS, Nabisco, 1 Lb. Box . 29c
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