

BURIED IN YEARBOOKS and educational encyclopedias, Dr. Jack Wilkes, new president, is at his desk at Oklahoma City University studying up on students, faculty and curricula this month. He will assume his duties full time July 1, when Dr. C. O. Smith, former president, becomes chancellor of the Methodist school. (Staff photo.)

Suburb of Village Asks De-Annexing

The Village board of trustees was asked Tuesday night to delete its Lakeside addition or figure out a quick way to get it out from under the mud.

Property owners claim their streets are so muddy garbage trucks won't risk coming in to pick up their garbage because they might get stuck.

Eight of the 10 property owners who live in the addition appeared before the board Tuesday night to air their grievances and demand action.

Robert Long, 8627 Lakeside drive, told the board:

"We were annexed by the Village two years ago against our wishes. Up to that time the county commissioner in our district maintained our road and we were satisfied with the road. Since we've been annexed by the Village we've been furnished with no municipal services and yet we have had to pay taxes.

An Emergency Now

"Now we are faced with an extreme emergency and unless something is done quick all of us are going to have to move into a hotel downtown until it quits raining because we won't be able to even reach our homes because of the mud.

"We want you to do something quick or turn us loose, de-annex us so we can get help from somewhere else," Long said in behalf of the property owners.

After hearing the protests, Dr. Neil C. Allen, chairman of the board of trustees called a special meeting for next Thursday night to discuss the problem.

He instructed the Village municipal engineer to prepare estimates on what can be done and how much it will cost. He told the property owners that they could have a mile strip of Lakeside drive graveled if they would get up a \$1,400 pot to pay for the gravel.

Rains Are Blamed

"The unusual rains we've been having," he said, "are to blame for the situation. We could listen sympathetically to your grievances, but we still can't make it stop raining. And until it quits raining and the roads dry out there isn't much you can do."

The chairman said Village's streets and alley fund is still

South's Flood Threat is Back

Altus Spillways Are Overflowing

Despite rapidly clearing skies late Tuesday, heavy rains earlier this week posed threats of renewed flooding in southern Oklahoma and caused spillways to overflow at Lake Altus for the first time in years.

The Red, the borderline of Oklahoma and Texas, pushed out of its banks in southeastern Oklahoma Tuesday, flooding farmlands and closing U. S. 271 between Hugo and Paris, Texas.

The Oklahoma City weather bureau predicted more showery rains Wednesday and through Thursday, but the rains are to be both light and scattered.

In the southeast, some rivers were dangerously high and a few overflowed lowlands. The southeast was alerted for tornado alerts Tuesday afternoon, but there were no reports of storms.

The excessive rainfall has resulted in hundreds of acres of rich land crumbling into the muddy waters of the Canadian rivers near Eufaula, McIntosh county.

Daily Oklahoman correspondent Hugh T. German said on bends in the rivers, losses of valuable lands are approaching staggering proportions.

Small chunks fell into the North Canadian just east of U. S. 69 bridge on the McKinney farm, taking a fence with it.

German reported 10 to 15 acres on the Follanshee-Buford farm

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Electric Jolt Fatal To Father of Five

CANUTE, June 4—Alfred Hoffman, 32, father of five children and farmer in the St. Francis community near here, was electrocuted Tuesday when an irrigation pipe he was apparently trying to install contacted a 7,200 volt

major distributors' began drawing special allowances granted to their dealers.

While retail prices in Oklahoma City were being juggled as early as mid-March, it was not until March 25 that the retail prices were beaten down to 24.0 and 26.9 cents a gallon. On April 5, major companies started granting allowances of 5 to 5.9 cents a gallon to their dealers to permit them to weather the price storm. None, however, announced changes in tankwagon (wholesale) prices.

Tuesday's tankwagon prices, including the 1-cent added June 1 because of the emergency state tax, were 25.8 for regular grades and 29.3 cents for premium grades.

Similar Action Expected

The retail price, which had settled down to 25.9 cents for regular grades, was being boosted to 30.9 and 31.9 cents a gallon Tuesday while premium grades are 34.9 to 35.9 cents a gallon. Independent stations are expected to range 1 to 2 cents a gallon below the major company branded products.

Withdrawal of allowances was started by D-X Sunray Oil and Phillips Petroleum companies. Other major distributors were expected to take similar action by end of the week.

The Oklahoma City "war" influenced prices and within the last two months marketing conditions have been "sloppy" in virtually every city and town in the state, with some areas reaching the low levels of the capital city.

'We're Glad It's Over'

During the first round of low prices, some retailers sought to place blame for the reductions on major dealers. The newly-organized Oklahoma Gasoline Dealers association sent witnesses to Washington to appear before the Kefauver committee and to Denver to testify before the Roosevelt committee.

The association also petitioned the federal trade commission for an investigation, on a general charge of discrimination of pricing and sales. An attorney of the commission was in Oklahoma City and Tulsa three weeks ago to question service station operators.

Reviewing the "war period" Tuesday, a representative of a major company commented: "We're glad it's over and hope peace will prevail through the summer. On the whole, the service station operator was not hurt—he didn't lose any money—because his supplier absorbed the lower prices through its allowance to him.

Severe Beating Case Revealed

An Oklahoma City woman, unconscious since last Friday when she was thought to have injured herself in a fall, regained consciousness Tuesday and told police she had been beaten by a man and a woman.

The victim, Mrs. Clyde Willis, of 125 NE 15, was reported in serious condition. Until Tuesday, according to relatives, she had not been expected to live.

Police launched an investigation Tuesday night had arrested persons who Mrs. Willis claims attacked her with a broomstick in her home last Friday night.

Arrested were Donald William Millan, 43, and his wife, Patricia Delores McMillan, 41, both of 401 NE 9. They were ordered held on vagrancy complaints pending completion of the investigation. Detectives Leon Fox and Jack Land said a doctor was called to the Willis home late Friday to treat Mrs. Willis. The doctor was called by a man and woman present at the home that Mrs. Willis had been and injured herself.

The doctor later became suspicious and notified police that Mrs. Willis could not have received the injuries she had received in "fall-down."

Two brothers of the victim, Ithel W. of Ontario, Calif., and Guy W. of Pomona, Calif., also asked police to make an investigation. Police said Mrs. Willis' husband

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Powwow Still Minus a Home

(Oklahoma Times Stillwater Bureau)
STILLWATER, June 4—The Pawnee Indian veterans homeing powwow was still without home Tuesday after the Stillwater chamber of commerce tourist promotion committee turned down offer to sponsor the event.

The powwow engagement, originally scheduled for the city of Pawnee July 11-14, was called off by tribal leaders over alleged slatings of Indian youths by a Pawnee city policeman.

John Zachry, manager of the Stillwater chamber, said the committee was "pretty well committed to other projects" and members of the committee "didn't feel they had enough time to promote it."

Zachry said many of the committee members had vacations coming up. "We would have to get the whole community worked up and nobody has time. Our committee just didn't feel like taking a project on," the chamber manager said.

Wes Wyatt, local insurance man and member of the chamber, had met with the Pawnees earlier and offered to give \$100 for powwow expenses and unofficially guaranteed the tribe \$500 to stage the event here.

The tribe voted to have the upcoming celebration in Stillwater and arrangements were made for the use of the high school football stadium and fair park.

"With everyone against the powwow, it looks like an upgrade effort. There'll be no powwow in Stillwater," Wyatt said.

Levi Horsechief, chairman of the Pawnee veterans organization, which sponsors the event, said he "imagined" the tribe would drop powwow plans for this year.

The Yale chamber of commerce had asked to sponsor the powwow, Horsechief said, but no plans could be announced until the veterans group had met.

Ask Your BEAUTY OPERATOR



South Faces New Threats Of Flooding

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 east of Cathay were water-washed east of Cathay.

Major bridges appear to be safe, however, German added.

Tuesday was the 15th consecutive day of rain for Oklahoma. More than 30 major highways are still closed at points by flooding or washouts.

The highway department reported more than 4 inches of rain had fallen at Antlers in the southeast and more than 2 inches at Durant.

Frank Fodge, district engineer in the southeast, said the rains had swollen bankfull streams and some were overflowing in some sections.

The Kiamichi river flooded SH 93 east of Hugo as 8 inches of water covered U. S. 271 just north of the Red river bridge south of Hugo.

Clear and Muddy Boggy rivers overflowed lowlands near Atoka and riprap on the Buncombe creek bridges west of Kingston has been washed out.

Rains fell Tuesday at Durant, Antlers, Wilburton, Idabel, Hugo, Atoka and Durant.

Water topped the Lake Altus spillway Tuesday morning for the first time in six years and the fourth time since the lake was built in 1946. About 4 inches of rain has fallen in the Altus area since the weekend.

The lake, located north of Altus in the Quartz Mountain park, has been at a low water point for months.

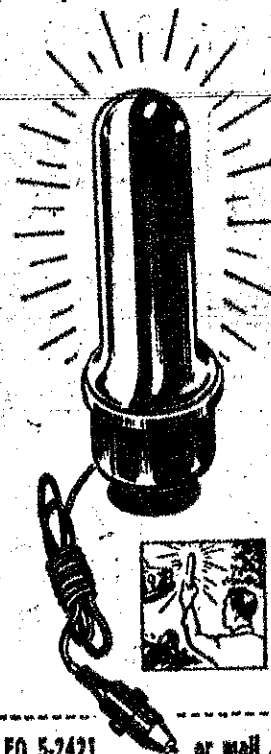
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Cimarron River Flood Control Will Be Tough

By BILL HARMON

(Oklahoma Times Stillwater Bureau)

STILLWATER, June 4—The Cimarron river will be a tough nut to crack from the standpoint of upstream watershed flood control. Ray Walker, chief of the soil conservation service in Oklahoma, said Tuesday.

But it can be done, he said, for despite the Cimarron's different "personality," the fact remains that floods are caused by the creeks that drain into the river.

The formula of land treatment plus a series of small detention dams on the upstream watersheds, to catch the water where it falls, will work on the Cimarron as it has on that portion of the Washita watershed for which flood control programs are completed, Walker said.

However, the Cimarron problem is complicated by the relative flatness of the topography and the fact that most of the tributary streams are short, the SCS chief pointed out in an interview.

Sites Limited

The "short watersheds" limit the number of suitable sites for detention dams, Walker said, and make more difficult the meeting of cost-benefit ratio requirements for SCS upstream flood control projects.

Walker, who took part in the house committee's Tulsa meeting on Oklahoma flood damage, said SCS thinking is not in terms of "complete control" through upstream land treatment and small dams.

The upstream structures are not designed to handle the occasional 12-inch rain, he explained, but to minimize the hazards of intense storms that occur from time to time.

However, he said it should not be overlooked that more than half the damage in Oklahoma's recent series of flood-producing storms occurred on the upstream watersheds.

"We ought to focus attention on that problem," Walker said, "and not think only in terms of main stream damages."

Example Given

For example, an SCS survey shows that Kingfisher county's Turkey creek caused total damage of \$1,322,420, with an added contribution of \$595,100 to the damage on the Cimarron flood plain.

Turkey creek's ravages included \$518,500 worth of crops and pastures, \$92,000 in other farm damage, \$344,800 in costs to towns, homes and businesses, \$176,900 to roads and bridges, \$70,000 to railroad property and \$120,220 in indirect costs.

The Turkey creek watershed is one of the few on the Cimarron for which residents of the area have applied for SCS help under public law 566. Cottonwood creek at Guthrie is another.

Walker said a problem in mapping flood control for Turkey creek is the infrequency of floods, making costs of detention structures difficult to justify in terms of annual damage, as the SCS is required to do. The recent flood was Turkey creek's first major overflow in about 18 years.

Soil Irreplaceable

However, the SCS chief pointed out value of the soil washed downstream cannot be measured in terms of dollars per year. It is irreplaceable.

"The thinking has been that at least 50 percent of a watershed must be controlled in order for the measures to be effective," Walker said. "But the Cimarron may not be adaptable to 50 percent control. It may take a different planning approach."

"Every watershed has its individuality and requires a different approach," he said. "The answers can be found for the Cimarron."

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ON A MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE are Italian screen actress Gina Lollobrigida and her husband, Mirko Skofic. They are shown in a launch in the harbor of Naples prior to boarding a yacht for the cruise with friends. Gina is expecting her first child in July.

Zoning Protest Given Setback

Newest chapter in the two-months running argument over zoning between city councilmen and embattled housewives living in the vicinity of NW 16 and Meridian Tuesday produced a setback for the protesting property owners.

Council members voted 6 to 2 to defeat a motion by Bob Constant, ward 2, to revise a city zoning law provision now requiring a six-months wait before re-hearing a zoning petition. Constant's amendment was supported by Lonnie Sage, ward 3.

The dispute stems from zoning of a site for a filling station, voted by the old city council the day new councilmen took office.

Residents of the neighborhood have appeared regularly at council meetings for the last eight weeks to register their protests.

Recently, a delegation of women took over the chore, contending they had not been fairly represented at the hearing on the zoning.

Despite Tuesday's setback, members of the delegation said the weekly appearances had not ended.

"We'll be back," promised Mrs. Gene Lybarger, 4432 NW 18 place.

Heart Attack Fatal

LARCHMONT, N. Y., June 4—Samuel K. C. Kopper, 42, assistant to the chairman of the board of the Arabian American Oil Co., and a former state department official, died in his sleep Tuesday, apparently of a heart attack, at his home here.

Rip Van Winkle Couldn't Sleep with Nagging Backache

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Ike Skips Reply To Khrushchev On Russian TV

WASHINGTON, June 4—President Eisenhower has turned down any idea of trying to answer Soviet communist boss Nikita S. Khrushchev — on Russian TV-radio or in any other direct way.

But the chief executive almost certainly will respond at a news conference Wednesday to Khrushchev's precedent-making TV interview, which was seen in this country last Sunday.

The Soviet leader said, among other things, the United States eventually will go Socialist — by which Khrushchev meant communist — without any pushing from Russia.

White House press secretary James C. Hagerty told a news conference:

"It has been decided that the president has no intention of answering Mr. Khrushchev."

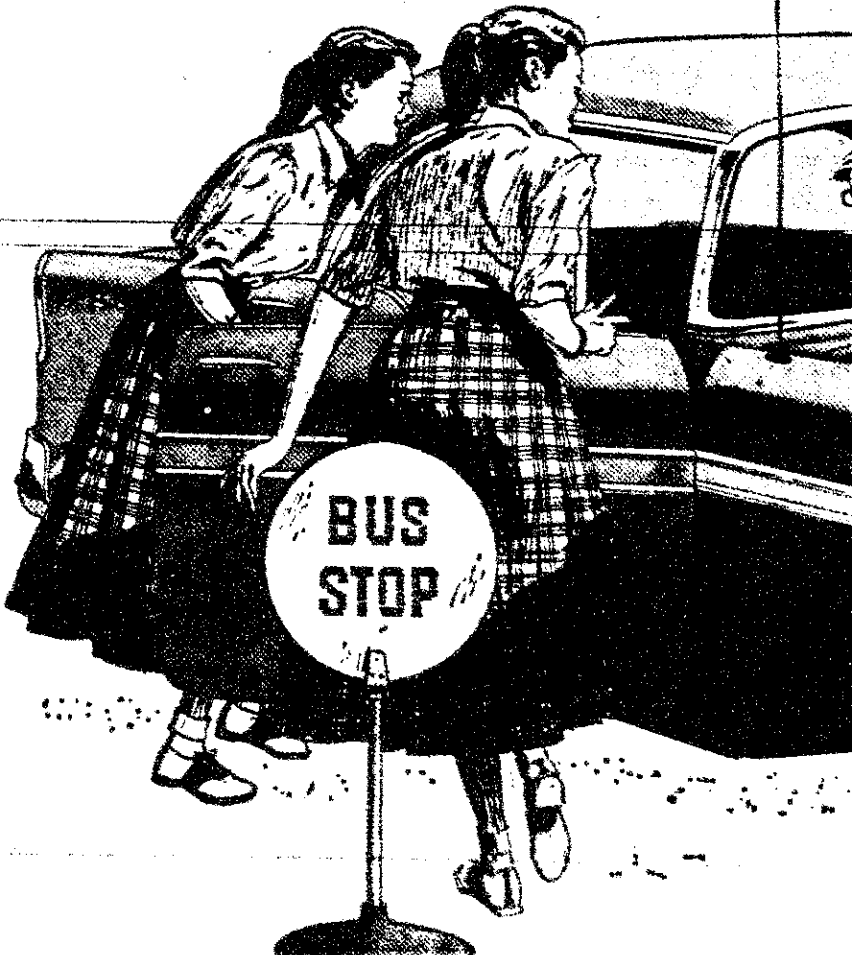
Hagerty added, in response to questions, he was talking about a reply on Russian TV or radio facilities. No offer to do so had been made to the president by the Russians, but the U. S. government could have requested such an opportunity.

The White House aide said Eisenhower himself rejected the idea of trying to make a personal reply.

He said, too, the administration hasn't decided whether to have some lesser official make a formal reply to Khrushchev or to let the matter drop.

Hagerty noted that Eisenhower holds frequent news conferences while "Mr. Khrushchev has one interview and everybody thinks we ought to make an answer."

In commenting on the Khrushchev interview Monday Hagerty said it was mostly a repeat of Russian propaganda and unworthy of further discussion. The state department said Khrushchev's professed overtures toward agreement with the west would meet ready acceptance if they proved sincere.



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The answers will follow the SCS formula of erosion and sediment control, sound land management to reduce damage to the land itself and increase in-soak of water, following up with flood-water detention dams at suitable sites on the tributary streams to prevent rapid accumulation of water in the main stem.

In Walker's opinion, if the watershed programs had been complete on Rush, Rock, Caddo and little Washita creeks between Chickasha and Sulphur, there would have been no flooding on the main stem of the Washita.

Sub-watersheds Involved

The SCS estimates that Rush creek, one of 14 sub-watersheds of the Washita on which a post-flood survey was made, would have flooded only 680 acres and caused about \$40,000 in damage if proposed upstream control measures had been in place. Actual damage on the creek was \$282,000 and included 2,300 acre-feet of sediment dumped into the Washita for eventual deposit in Lake Texoma, according to the SCS figures.

Walker said 72 percent of all damage on the Washita involved the sub-watersheds.

The Little Washita flooded 6,600 acres and caused \$142,000 in damage, but this would have been reduced 75 percent if the watershed treatment and small structure detention plan had been in operation, according to the survey.

Total damage to agriculture, roads and bridges from one storm, May 17-18, amounted to \$1,500,000 on the 14 sub-watersheds, not including contribution of runoff to Washita river flooding, Walker reported.

"The SCS function is to protect soil resources and on that basis the watershed program has just-

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