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Somethin' to Think About —by Jannette Wilkerson

"UNSUNG HERO'S" There are many contributing factors that work behind the scenes of our lives to help us attain Adulthood. The most recognized are Parents, Pastors, and Guardian Angels. Yet, there is one very influential person, without whom you

couldn't even get started . . . The First

Grade Teacher . . .

I sure remember min; Mrs Fleming was the "best" first grade teacher and is a very special lady. The parade of faces and events she holds dear would probably fill volumes. Most people recall their first year of school with mixed emotions. What do you remember?

The A.B.C. song, the fat kid who stole your oatmeal cookies, when you wanted to quit school, because your little brother colored Dick and Jane purple, learning to print your name, the dumb kid that threw up when he ate his glue, crying for your Mother, living in fear your shoe would come untied and not knowing how to tie a bow, the smart girl, the mean boy, missing the school bus, being chosen to hold the flag and discovering your shoes were on the wrong feet, not telling your Mother you had Chickenpox, so you could be in the school play, ripping off your sleeve on picture day, and keeping your mouth shut for a week, so no one could detect your loose tooth???

I certainly don't envy the First Grade Teacher, and I know Heaven holds a special place for those brave souls who, every day, face a room full of wide eyes, skinned noses, freckles, and no front teeth. Once the shock of being away from 'Mama' wears off, you probably have never been so 'smart' again. This Unsung Hero introduced you to the world outside your own back yard, and how to

use your curiosity for learning. There are some of us old enough, or

should I say, lucky enough to remember a three room country school house with a 'chinning' bar in a tree, and home made fried pies in a lard bucket. But above all, I remember Mrs Fleming; she untangled my pigtail from a barbed wire fence, put 'monkey blood' on my scraped knee, and didn't tell my Mother when I threw Jr Landers cap in the overhead windmill

So when they pass out awards for deserving people, your first grade teacher will be right up there with the 'Biggies' -- Parents, Pastors, and Guardian Angels. And that's 'someone' to think about this week . . .

County-wide Poll Uncovers Mixed Feelings On County Jail

by Jannette Wilkerson and Jim McWilliams

This is the final article in a three part series concerning the Schleicher County jail

Our first article pointed out the condition of the jail: it does not meet the minimum standards for county jails according to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

The second article quoted all four county commissioners as favoring research into what kind of facility would meet the standards.

This week we took an informal poll consisting of telephone interviews and personal contact to get an idea of how the citizens of Schleicher County felt on the issue.

The poll showed some rather typical feelings that one would expect. Most of the people polled agreed that the jail was unsafe for law enforcement officers. They realized that something will have to be done sooner or later; but most favored the later part.

The El Camino Girl Scout Council held its twelfth

Annual Meeting on Saturday, January 29th in the Houston

Harte University Center Ballroom on the campus of

Angelo State University. Approximately 150 council

members, including delegates from each neighborhood

association attended. Mrs Bill Gentry attended from

New officers of the board include San Angeloans I. W

Santry, president; F. L. Stephens, Mrs Gary Flage and

Mrs Gerald Raun, vice presidents; and Randy Gardner, treasurer. Mrs Hilton Moneyhon of Mason will continue

New members of the Board of Directors are: Mrs T. A.

Jones, Mrs Walter Martin, Michael A. Pasierb, Mrs Frank

Trevino and out-going president Arch Black, all of San

Angelo. Out-of-town members of the Board are as follows:

Mrs Dolph Briscoe, Uvalde: Mrs Gilbert Murray, Richard

Callahan, Mrs Charles Cauthorn; and Howard Fletcher,

Del Rio; Mrs E. U. Rogers, Menard; Mrs Mike Turner, Eden; Tommy Starks, Mason; Marion Rivers, Mertzon;

Mrs Lawrence Janes, Ozona, and Mrs J. B. Brame,

Horace Linthicum, new president of the Eldorado Riding Club, announces a re-organizational meeting tonight.

The meeting is open to all persons interested in making

There will be a covered dish supper at the Eldorado

All interested persons are invited to attend. Bring your

ideas and suggestions in order to have a successful club

Burn Victims Return Home

Conwell have returned and hands and were hos-

home to recuperate from pitalized at Lillian Hud-

Company.

arena Roping Club House at 7 p.m. tonight, with the meeting to follow. Please bring a covered dish if you can.

Tonight

were burned about the face

speth Memorial Hospital in

Sonora. They are em-

ployees of Delta Drilling

Riding Club Meeting

the Riding Club an active group again.

Terry Clingan and Clay

burns they received during

a butane explosion at a

drilling site last week. Both

Eldorado.

being secretary.

Scheduled

The poll results looked like this:

Are you in favor of building a new jail for Schleicher County?

53%

UNDECIDED

Reasons given for the "No" vote were anticipation of higher fuel prices, higher food prices, and general cost of living increases expected in the coming year.

The voters said they feel a new jail is needed, but were unwilling to risk higher taxes to provide the county with a new law enforcement facility.

The Commission on Jail Standards will begin its state-wide inspections between the 10th and 15th of this month. Schleicher County will wait for the decision from Austin.

Colonel Norma E. Brown, Commander of the 6940th

Security Wing, Goodfellow AFB, was speaker for the

meeting. The theme was "Road to The Future". Colonel

Brown stated "We need to be aware of where we are, and

we need to examine ourselves and our attitudes as we go

through life and see that they need to be changed. Be

honest with yourself," she said, " and find out where you

are in relation to where you want to be, and then know that

including Pat Gentry, Eldorado, who received an award for

Co-director of Day Camp in 1976. Our neighbor, Sonora

Neighborhood, received an honor award for increasing

In conclusion, Colonel Brown presented a film covering

Several awards were presented to various persons

you have to be willing to work to get there.

membership in scouting during the year 1976.

Lions Club beginning fund

raising drive Eldorado citizens now have a chance to win a citizens band radio and at the same time help crippled and diabetic children through the local Eldorado Lions Club.

The local group is selling tickets for the radio to raise money for the Lions Crippled Childrens Camp at Kerrville. The camp specializes in recreation and training for handicapped and diabetic children in addition to training for the blind of all ages.

Drawing for the radio will be March 3 and the lucky donor will receive a new 40 channel citizens band radio installed in his or her car by Jerry Jones TV and Radio Service.

Only 800 tickets will be sold by the group between February 9 and March 1. They will be one dollar each or five dollars for six tickets.

Tickets may be obtained through any local Lions

Club member.

The local Lions Club has sent numerous children to the Kerrville camp during recent years at no cost to their parents.

several projects in the community of San Angelo, in which base personnel are active.



Ray Butler



Frances Bland



Bumguardner

THE WEATHER

compiled by Mrs Jack Wade

	Hi	Lo	Rain
January 22	52	48	.25
January 23	52	27	
January 24	55	26	
January 25	58	28	
January 26	68	38	
January 27	68	36	
January 28	52	15	

TOPS

Tops 899 met with nine members present. Helen Fay was queen for this week and also queen for the month of January. TOPS meet every Tuesday at 7 o'clock at the memorial building. Everyone is welcome at TOPS.



Elred Roach, left, and Kenneth Cheek, long-time Schleicher County ranchmen keep an eye on the crowd while finishing off barbecue plates at Saturday's Livestock Show.

have been transferred to Rock Spring, Wyoming. Kenneth is employed by The Western Co of North America.

Call me your Home Front News items. 853-2688 or 853-2032. Billie Porter.

Mr and Mrs Howard Webster recently moved here from Sonora. They have two young daughters. Mr Webster is employed by Permian Corp and we welcome the Websters to EldoMr and Mrs Kenneth Hight

Leslie Baker continues to make improvements after his recent hospital stay. It's good to see him around town again.

Phil Olson and Jerry Jones were among those on the sick list the first of the week.

Mr Ray Gentry was released from the local hospital Monday

Mr and Mrs Ken Peters visited his parents, Mr and Mrs E. C. Peters, over the weekend.

Mr and Mrs Clay Porter visited their son, Carl, in Rankin Sunday. Carl returned home with them for a few days visit.

Mr and Mrs P. S. Dudley have returned home from

their annual winter stay in the valley. Also, Mr and Mrs Fay Hilliard have returned from a month's stay in the valley.

E. C. Peters was a business visitor in Abilene last week.

recently purchased Mrs L Moore's home and are in the process of renovating it.

Mr and Mrs Jerry Edmiston visited with her parents, Mr and Mrs Roy Fischer in Mereta for a fish fry last Sunday.

Jan and Bobby Corbell of Anchorage, Alaska, formerly of Eldorado, are here for a short visit to family and friends. She is the former Jan Paxton.

Mr and Mrs Eddie Walker and Wendi are making plans to move to Rockspring, Wyoming, through the Western Company.

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Eldorado, Texas

of Sonora announce the birth of a son, Jon Cody, born Wednesday in Lillian Hudspeth Memorial Hospital in Sonora. He weighed 7 lbs 3 oz and measured 19 1/2 inches. Mrs Gann is the former Wanda Paxton, formerly of Eldorado. Grandmothers are Patsy Hutcherson of Rocksprings and Mrs Guy Dene Gann of

Mr and Mrs Lon Townson of Brownfield proudly announce the birth of a daughter, Katherine Renee. She weighed 6 lbs 8 1/2 oz. This is the Townson's first child.

Mr and Mrs Andy Anderson of Eldorado are the grandparents.





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OBITUARIES

ANNIE LOU THOMAS

Services for Mrs Wade H. (Annie Lou) Thomas, 91, of Coleman were held Thursday in Stevens Memorial Chapel with burial in Coleman City Cemetery.

Mrs Thomas died at 12:20 a.m. Tuesday in Overall-Morris Hospital. She was born Feb 20, 1885

in Shreveport, La., and was married to Wade Thomas June 26, 1904 in Sanger. He died in 1967. A son, Clyde Thomas, died in 1975. She had lived in Coleman County since 1906 and was a member of Trinity Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday school 15 years.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs Allen (Bessie Lou) Woodard of Coleman, Mrs James W. (Leola) Burnam of Abilene and Mrs Delbert (Juanita) Taylor of Eldorado; one son, George Thomas of Fort Worth; two sisters, Mrs Inex Honeycutt of Port Arthur and Mrs Evelyn Clayton of Uvalde; 10 grandchildren, 15 greatgrandchildren; five greatgreat-grandchildren; and nieces nephews.

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This last week was a quiet, regular routine one. Nothing unusual happened that I can remember.

The Bingo winners on Wednesday were Bessie Andrews 2 games, Erna Rexroat 3 games, Maggie Sluder 1 game, Beulah Harris 1 game, Elva Daniels 2 games and LaVita Brooks 2 games.

Ruthie Dacy, who conducts all of our games and activities left last Friday for a week vacation in New Mexico. She planned to do some skiing while she is there. We hope she gets back in one piece.

Debbie Kellogg had charge of our Bingo game Friday, due to the absence of Ruthie. The following were the winners: Erna Rexroat 1 game, Beulah Harris 2 games, Bessie Andrews 1 game, LaVita Brooks 1 game, and Russell Donaldson 3 games.

There were a few visitors during the week: Mr and Mrs "Tuffy" McCormick of Houston visited his mother, Jimmy McCormick; Fern Edwards of Eden and Mr and Mrs Preston Schuder of Sonora came to see Hexie Potter; Ethel McAngus from San Angelo came out and spent some time with Lizzie McAngus; Ebbie Donaldson's grandson, Gary Donaldson of San Angelo visited him; Beulah Harris's son, Milton Harris. from Ozona visited her; Paul Sauer, who is a senior student of Texas Tech Univ of life. in Lubbock visited his grandfather, Fred Gunstead. All of our residents are well and are able to get around as usual. Come to see us. We all

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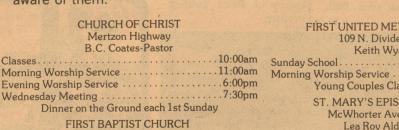
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Gene Stark-Pastor9:45am Sunday School. Jnion Youth Fellowship6:00pm Church Training6:00pm Wednesday Prayer Service8:00pm

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.7:00pm

7:00pm

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if God so loved us, we ought also to - I John 4:11

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KPEP Radio is sponsoring the Miss KPEP Pageant and Dance Feb. 18, in the Town and Country Club, according to Dick Sims, president and general manager of the station.

Deadline for entries is Feb. 8.

Entrant must be an unmarried female who will be at least age 18 by March 1. She must be able to ride a horse and able to participate in KPEP promotions and activities during Rodeo Week and throughout the year. Applicants will be judged on charm, character, appearance, intelligence and personality.

Fifteen finalists will be selected from application forms by the judges and will be announced on Feb. 14. The finalists will then be presented during the pageant, which is slated from 8-9 p.m. Feb. 18. A dance will honor the winner from 9 p.m. - midnight. Music will be by Lou Kordek and the Country Showmen.

Some prizes Miss KPEP will win include a saddle and western outfit, color television, gold diamond horseshoe necklace, six-foot trophy, clock radio and the use of an automobile during Rodeo Week.

Application for Miss KPEP may be picked up at this

Sims stated the station plans to make this an annual event. Miss KPEP will be the radio station's goodwill ambassador and will represent KPEP in various functions throughout the year.

EXTENDED MINISTRY TO GOLDEN YEARS

The UMW is in the process of organizing other ministries to the Golden Years. Real mission starts at home. It involves service to other - not just money sent to outside missionary posts.

We hope to involve the whole community. As a starting place, we organized four groups, or cells, to be responsible for the the assembly. After assembly, we scatter among the people for ministries such as reading, visiting, sewing, helping individuals according to needs, etc. We are asking that some of the men of the community join us, and play dominos, etc, with those interested.

Come join us in fellowship and service each Tuesday at 2 p.m. Your motive may be to help the aged but the results will be a personal blessing. Give us your ideas.

Another phase of our ministry will be for individuals to assume responsibility to be a special friend to one aged person. This could mean remembering birthdays, taking them shopping, or getting needed supplies and other lovely ideas that you may think of.

Leaders of groups are: Mrs Dan Brown, Mrs Pat Walton, Mrs Marcus Hale and Mrs Garland Gaines. Mrs Lola Brown and Mrs Maude Gaston are leaders for each 5th Tuesday for a party. Call one of the leaders and join us.

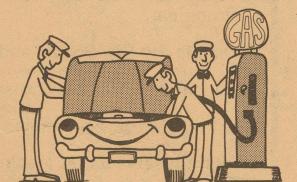
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HOME Front

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WOMENS CHURCH **ORGANIZATION**

The women of the First United Methodist Church have recently organized the United Methodist Women. a service organization, for the church. The group met Wednesday afternoon to elect officers for the coming

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE

The Wednesday Bridge Club met Jan 23rd at the home of Mrs Ben Hext for a luncheon at 12:30 p.m. There were three tables of players and one guest, Mrs Jerrol Sanders, present. Ruth Case won high and Mrs Joe E. Christian won

The New Tuesday Bridge Club

The New Tuesday Bridge Club met today in the club room of the memorial building. Lunch provided by hostess Yvonne Kerr was enjoyed by members and guests. Our guest players were Sylvia Griffin and Bea Griffith. Winning high was Betty Kay Lacy and second high was won by Candy Richards. The next meeting will be Feb 15 and the hostess will be Betty Kay Lacy..

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Historical Society will meet Monday, Feb 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Museum. A new complex for displayRecipe Corner

1 lb zita macaroni (large

1/4 lb mazzarilla cheese, diced

BAKED ZITA

1 egg 3/4tsp salt

1 lb ricotta cheese (white, soft like cottage cheese) ½ cup grated Parmesan Cheese

6 cups tomato sauce.

Cook zita and drain. Combine cheeses and egg and salt. Layer zita filling and sauce in a baking dish, starting and ending with sauce. Bake 350 degrees for 40 min. Can be prepared ahead and frozen before baking.

Pickled Eggs

12 hard cooked eggs 11/2 cups vinegar ½ cup water 1 tsp water

1 tsp salt ½ clove garlic (crushed) 1/8 tsp celery seeds 3 peppercorns 2 whole cloves small piece mace.

Shell eggs. Combine pickling ingredients in 1 qt sauce pan, bring to boil, place 6 shelled eggs in 2 glass jars, pour hot pickling mixture over them. Cover, let cool, set in refrigerator. Chill several hours. Beet juice may be used in place of water.

For appetizer or salad garnish, cut eggs in half, decorate with thin slice of onion, black olive, parsley, or your favorite garnish.

COUNTRY WISDOM

Cloud Reading

Hard-edged clouds mean

Delicate, soft looking clouds tell of fine weather with moderate high breezes.

A gloomy, dark, very blue sky says windy but fair. A bright yellowness of the

clouds at sunset fortells means rain.

The softer the look of the clouds the less wind there will be. Hard looking clouds with rolled and ragged appearance tell of coming strong wind.

Small ink-colored clouds speaks of rain.

Light, skimming clouds driving across and beneath heavy masses show wind and rain, or sometimes just wind, depending on the kind of cloud cover above them.

People read every word of this paper because they are interested in you. Call the Express News.

CHRISTOVAL 4th ANNUAL STOCK SHOW

The Christoval 4th Annual 4-H Stock Show was held January 8 at Hap McMillan's pens. The show was set up four years ago by the Adult Association to help give the first year showers experience in showing their stock at the larger shows. We had a very nice turn-out even though the weather was a little damp and cold. Congratulations to all who showed for a job well done.

They placed as follows:

Crossbred Lambs

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Lightweight - 1, 4, & 5 Christi Barton; 2 Leffy Vance; 3 Tim Drennan; 6 Leslie Drennan

Heavyweight - 1 & 5 Toni Arthur; 2 & 3 Todd Arthur; 4 Christi

Lightweight - 1 Todd Arthur; 2 Leslie Drennan; 3 & 4 Christi

Barton; 5 Leffy Vance; 6 Tim Drennan Heavyweight - 1 & 5 Toni Arthur; 2 & 4 Christi Barton; 3 Todd

Grand Champion - Todd Arthur Reserve Champion - Toni Arthur Showmanship - Todd Arthur

Horses Mares - 1 Shane Wells; 2 Christi Barton Geldings - 1 Karen Crosby; 2 Christi Barton; 3 Marty Wells Grand Champion - Karen Crosby

Reserve Champion - Shane Wells Showmanship - Christi Barton Class 1 - 1 Leigh Ann Billingsley; 2 & 3 Shane Wells; 4 & 5 Stacy

Class 2 - 1 Marty Wells; 2 Mark Hayes; 3 Janelle Billingsley Grand Champion - Marty Wells

Reserve Champion - Leigh Ann Billingsley Showmanship - Shane Wells Rabbit

1 Steve Jacobs Cooking

Pies - 1 Blenda Sawyer: 2 Susan Pritz: 3 Tonda Gaines: 4 Christi

Cookies - 1 Blenda Sawyer; 2 Brandy Anthony; 3 Susan Pritz Candy - 1 Susan Pritz; 2 Toni Arthur; 3 Tina Buettner; 4 Blenda Sawver: 5 Christi Barton: 6 Tonda Gaines Cakes - 1 Susan Pritz; 2 Becky Fuentes; 3 Tina Buettner; 4 Blenda

Sawyer; 5 Dena Erickson; 6 Kina Buettner Best All Around - Susan Pritz The kids would once again like to thank Hap for all his help. We

don't know what we'd do without you, Hap!

TOM GREEN COUNTY STOCK SHOW

The Tom Green County 4-H Stock Show was held Saturday, January 15, 1977 at the San Angelo Fair Grounds. Christoval 4-H Club members who participated were Todd & Toni Arthur, Shane & Marty Wells, Christi Barton, Leslie Drennan, Leffy Vance, Karen Crosby, Stacy Lee, Debbie Paine and Mark Hayes.

Karen Crosby won the Horse class and Toni Arthur won the Lamb Division. Other placings were as follows:

Finewool Lambs Lightweight - 8. Toni Arthur; 9. Leffy Vance Heavyweight - 1. & 2. Todd Arthur; 3. & 10. Toni Arthur

Sheared - 3. Christi Barton Champion and Reserve - Todd Arthur

Buck Kids - 3. Shane Wells; 4. Marty Wells Yearling Does - 3. & 6. Marty Wells; 4. & 5. Shane Wells

Heavyweight - 4. Marty Wells; 6. Shane Wells Lightweight - 5. Stacy Lee Heavyweight Cross - 4. Mark Hayes

Grade Mare - 2. Shane Wells

Grade Gelding - 2. Christi Barton; 3. Marty Wells Todd and Toni would like to thank Shane, Marty, and Debbie for helping to show their lambs. Debbie showed the Reserve Champ Finewool for Todd. It was her first time to show and she

did a beautiful job. Maybe Dad will get you a lamb for next year. We're trying, Deb.

TOM GREEN COUNTY FOOD SHOW

The Tom Green County Food Show was held Saturday, January 22, in San Angelo at the Johnson Street Church of Christ. Two Christoval 4-Hers will go to district. They are Susan Pritz, Junior Division Breads and Desserts and Blenda Sawyer, Junior Division Main Dish. Three alternates: Dena Erickson, Senior Division Main Dish; Leigh Ann Billingsley, Junior Division Snacks and Beverages; and Toni Arthur, Junior Division Main Dish.

Our 4-H placed as follows: Main Dish - Senior-1. Dena Erickson; Junior-1. Blenda Sawyer; 1.

Tina Buettner; 2. Kina Buettner Snacks & Beverages - 1. Leigh Ann Billingsley Side Dish - 1. Toni Arthur; 2. Debbie Paine

Breads & Desserts - 1. Susan Pritz; 1. Christi Barton Thanks to Mrs Pritz and Mrs Sawyer for all the work and long hours. You are appreciated.

ADDITIONAL ELDORADO

ing early day snapshots has been purchased and will be assembled. Anyone who would like to share their pictures, please contact Elizabeth Ballew. Margaret Frost has been

re-elected president of the Schleicher County Historical Society and Mrs Ben Issacs will continue to serve as secretary and treasurer. Everyone is invited to attend the meeting and enjoy the additions to the Museum.

SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTEST

Mr Mac and twenty members of "That Going Band from Eagle Land" will attend the Solo and Ensemble Contest February 3 in Brownwood.

Lisa Smith. Susan Stark will

he going as a piano accom-

Those going will be Jim Bob Byrd, Gynna Jay, Cleva Clark, Teresa Logan, Rene Rodriquez, Paige Helmers, Kim Higdon, Laura Gentry, Willie Day, Paul McWhorter, Mark Wallis, Sammye Jay, Ronda Kerr, Mary Byrd, Debby Patton, Joy Corbell, Donna Casbeer, Rick Griffith, Charlie Bradley, and

Readers are interested in panist for those playing Tell the Express News.

represent Eldorado well. Lisa Smith, Rep

> WINTER BAND CONCERT

Each member has been

working hard and want to

The Eagle Band will be having a winter concert, Thursday, February 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School auditorium. Admission is \$1.00 for adults, and \$.50 for students.

There will be a variety of music played. The drum section will be featured in "La Band Fiesta" by Zane Van Auken. A spiritual type to be played will be "A Spiritual Festival" by Hawley Ades. A medley of marches will include "The Swing March" by Blake Edwards, "This Is My Country" by Bill Moffit, "The Hustle" by Van Mc-Coy, and "The Rockford Files" by John Cacavas.

Mr MacDonald and the Eagle Band have been working hard to make this concert a success. Lisa Smith. Ren what you think. Letters to the Editor are always read.

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The Mentalvos wish to thank those who helped with donated items or financially after their recent fire losses. It was very much appriciated.

We see a new business preparing to open, called 'The Waterhole' next to the bridge in the park. It was formerly named Playland Cafe. Good news to hungry travelers.

JoJo Buettner had surgery in Houston Friday, Jan 28th. He is doing fine, and should be home Tuesday or Wednesday. Hurry home,

Mr Crosswhite has been in the Clinic Hospital this last week, and hopefully is on his road to recovery.

Tommy Ball is attending applied automation school in Bartlesville, Oklahoma for a two week period. The Art Club resumed its

regular Thursday meetings

which will now be held in

the trailer at Maude Gas-

ton's. Bring your supplies and join the other amatuer artists for a fun time. The Baptist Church had dinner after Sunday services with a real good

crowd, despite the bad

weather.

The Baptists will host the Methodists to supper this Sunday afternoon just prior to services at 5:00 p.m. at the Baptist Church, Chris-

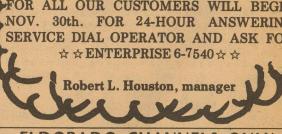
The U.M.W (United Methodist Women) will meet at the Golden Years Home for their study. They will meet this week to organize for the new year. We will keep you posted as to time and study. The meeting will be after the assembly time, Tuesday.

Assembly starts at 2 p.m. February and March together should tax the heating systems and snow shovels of most residents in the Northwest.

Middle Atlantic states will be cold and snowy from Groundhog Day through the first day of spring. West of the Mississippi

the weather seems mild. The summer will be hot and dry. When the rains come in August it will be too late to save ruined

A dry western winter and spring "plus a hot July" are conspiring to bring dust storms rolling back along the plains and praries.



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and OTHER PLACES

AROUND THE HOUSE

by Nancy Lester

County Extension Agent -

Home Economics

The Schleicher County Home Demonstration Council will meet Thursday, February 3, at the country store in the Reynolds Community at 1:30 p.m. All members should plan on attending.

On Tuesday, February 8, Patsy Kellogg, Geneva Wade and I will be attending the Texas Home Demonstration Association Planning Meeting in Sweetwater. Patsy is presently serving as chairman of our Home Demonstration Council and Geneva is county THDA Chairman.

Two weeks ago I attended an "Update in Clothing" training presented by one of our clothing specialists from Texas A&M University. She gave us some forecasts for Spring and Summer fashion for 1977. We also learned how fashion evolves. I thought you might enjoy having this information passed along.

Basically there are two types of fashion: couturier and ready-to-wear. "Ready to Wear" styles are usually an adaptation of couturier designs. There are five major factors that influence these two types of fashion.

The first of these factors is color. Few of us realize that the availability of fabric dye plays an important part in determining fashion colors. Fabric manufacturers also go to Europe and the Far East to get color ideas. The different hues that they decide upon are then adapted to the climatic and seasonal condition of our part of the globe. Generally colors worn in other parts of the world are darker than those worn in our country.

Fashion colors for this spring are going to be very pure and bright. We will be seeing a lot of white and it will be a very stark white. Brown and black will be very good with white.

At one time colors changed drastically from year to year. Now colors are being planned with the previous years color in mind. This is due to the economy. Fashion designers know that people cannot always afford an entirely new outfit, but they might be able to buy a separate piece. So by coordinating current colors with those of previous seasons they are able to sell their products.

The second factor that influnces fashion is Garment Design or Style. Design usually comes from historical influence. Only since 1200 have garment pieces been cut into shapes and sewn together, "wasting fabric". Today's fashion trends are not new, but repeats and adaptation of those of the past.

The third major influence on fashion is the American consumer. One example of this influence was the rejection of the "middy". Some American companies bought large supplies of this fashion item and took large financial losses by doing so. In 1970 we had the "funeral" for the middy. Now in 1977 we are wearing it. Something unusual about fashion in our country is that when we are in a period of prosperity, we try to look poor. When we have economic problems we try to look like we don't.

Another major influence on fashion is fabric. The polyester knit had a very dramatic effect on the fashion industry. It provided comfort and ease of care. But because of it's weight and texture, styles were straight, tailored, had few seams and no waistline. Polyester knits have now become softer and more pliable. Fashion is changing because technology is changing. Fabric manufacturers are now making synthetics look like naturals because the natural look is popular today.

The final major factor that influences fashion is government regulations. This is mainly in the area of fabric flammability. In the near future this may have an even greater effect on tashion.

One thing that I found very interesting is that we don't adapt to fashion as quickly as other people. This is because we have larger wardrobes. People in Europe usually buy five or six new outfits a year and wear them until they wear them out. Then they get rid of them and get new clothes. The more I think about this the more it sounds like a good

Now for the Spring and Summer forecast - One of the big fashion items for these seasons is going to be the strapless jumpsuit. We will also be seeing alot of big pockets, wide cuffed sleeves, square necklines and hooded tunics. The drawstring will be used a lot. Straw hats will also be popular. Terry cloth will be good. It is now being called "city velour". We saw some slides of Paris fashion for summer and practically all of the dresses that they showed were not buttoned from the waist up! - I can't quite see this for Eldorado yet but if a trip to Paris is on your agenda you might want to keep this in mind!

Let's Pause A Minute Eldorado's



Ministerial Alliance A lot of people have asked me over the years which Bible they should study. As we all know (or should) today there are more versions of the Bible than ever before. The most recent translation came just this year and is called the "Good News Bible." But let's take a little closer look at some particular Bibles. A good many people believe that the King James Version of the Bible was the first English translation. In fact, many people still believe that the King James Version is the only true and correct version. This is not the case however for our newest Bibles are often more correct than older translations such as the King James. With the archeological finds of the past hundred years ancient Hebrew and Greek texts have been found that have updated some of our older translations. Thus, our newest Bibles are often our Oldest Bibles for they reflect the writings of earlier centuries than do later translations that underwent centuries of editions and editorial changes. In the English language, however, there were many many translations available before the King James Version was

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even authorized.

The early English Bibles are supposed to go back as far as the 7th century when Caedmon (Cadmus in its Latin version) paraphrased some of the Bible. Although it was English at the time it is impossible for us to read today. An example is this: Nu scylun hergan hefaenricaes uard --Now we must praise of the heavenly kingdom the guardian

-- Metudaes maecti end his mogdidanc -- of the maker the might and his heart-thought -- and so on. This early English more resembled its Teutonic origin than does the English we speak today

In the 8th century, Bede, the famous churchman and scholar of that time translated part of the Gospel of St. John into the vernacular. In the 9th and 10th centuries there were also additional rendering of the Bible or parts of the Bible into other forms of old English.

In 1525 Tyndale translated the Bible directly from Hebrew and Greek into English and by this time the words begin to seem familiar. Tyndale translated the Lord's prayer in this manner: "O oure father which are in heven. halewed by thye name. Let thy kingdom come. Thy will be fulfilled, as well in erth as hit ys in heven. Geve us this daye oure dayly breade. And forgeve vs oure treaspases, even as we forgeve them which treaspas vs. Lede vs nott into temptacion but delyvre vs from yvell. Amen." In order to improve upon this translation Miles Coverdale in 1535 translated "a compleat Bible." After this came the Matthew Bible, the Taverner, the Great Bible of 1539, the Breeches Bible, the Bishops Bible, and Rhemes, Douai, and finally the King James Version in 1611.

Today, we are more fortunate than those early Englishmen who had perhaps only one translation with which to use. Some of the translation available today are the King James Version - 1611; The Revised Standard Version - 1881, 1901, 1946; The Twentieth Century New Testament - 1900; The Bible--A new Translation by James Moffatt - 1922; The Complete Bible, an American Translation Edgar Goodspeed University of Chicago Press - 1939 (sometimes called the Chicago Bible); The Holy Bible translated from the Peshitta, George Lamsa - 1957; The Amplified Bible - 1958; The New Testament in Modern English J.B. Phillips - 1959; The New English Bible - 1961; Good News for Modern Man - 1966; The Jerusalem Bible - 1966; The Living Bible, The Good News Bible - 1976. I'm sure that there are more translations available but this represents the majority of them.

Therefore, when asked by people which Bible they should study or read I usually recommend several translations instead of just one. By studying different versions sometimes we can understand what the scriptures are really trying to say. Certainly the understanding of God's word whould be the most important factor in our reading the Bible and not how many translations it takes to understand that word. So I recommend that you use your Bible -- all of the translations -- so that you might truly know what has been said to you. Keith Wyatt, Minister

First United Methodist Church

42 Club

Mrs Truett Stanford was hostess last Thursday when she entertained the 42 Club in her ranch home. There were three tables present: Lillian Mikeska, Virginia Griffin, Jake Spencer, Allie Cheatham, Bessie Doyle, Opal Parks, Annie Speck, Etta Ruth Dannheim, Zelma Henderson, Maudie Bassinger and Rose Brannon.

The hostess served smoke turkey sandwiches, cheese strips, cake and coffee. A good time was had by all. Rose Brannon will be hostess when the club meets

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THE FOLLOWING ELDORADO SCOUTS WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE LIONS CLUB FOR THEIR SUPPORT. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE INDIVIDUALS WHO YOUR SUPPORT OUR SCOUTING PROGRAM WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN A SUCCESS.

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(Left to Right) (Back Row) Georgia Luckie, Rosetta Lozano, TOOK US TO CAMP AND CAMP-OUTS. WITHOUT ALL Maudie Bassinger, Mary Etta Stricklan, Betty Cavaness (Front Row) Norma Hodges, Lois Etheredge, Nell Williams, Helen Fay. Members not present: Betty Romero, Mary Romero, Pam Moody.



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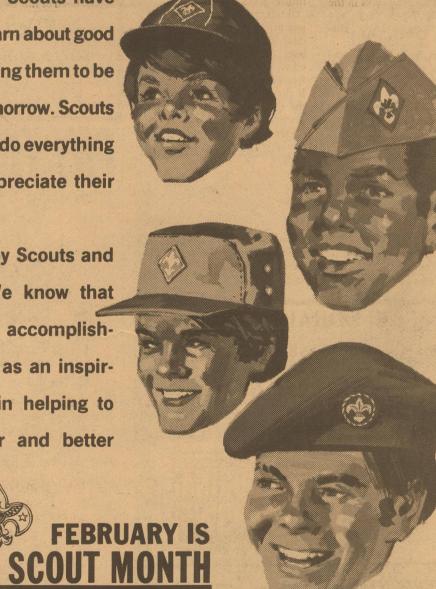
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ADVICE FROM YOUR COUNTY AGENT By Jerry Swift

Local cotton prices advanced by about 3 cents per pound over those of the previous week; according to B. B. Manly in charge of the USDA Cotton Classing Office in Abilene. Market activity increased during the week ending January 28, as prices advanced to 27 cents over CCC loan rates. Grade 42, staple 32 cotton, miking 3.5 to 4.9 brought about 61 cents per pound. Most available qualities brought prices ranging from 56 to 62 cents per pound.

Cotton grades remained predominantly grade 42 at 26 percent. Twenty percent was grade 52, 12 percent was grade 32, and 3 percent was grade 51. Grades 41,43, and 53 comprised 7 percent each. About 45 percent of the samples were reduced in grade because of bark or grass

Staple lengths were 54 percent staple 32, 25 percent

staple 31 and 13 percent staple 33.

Micronaire readings were 67 percent within the 3.5 to 4.9 range, 32 percent 3.4 or lower and 1 percent 5.0 or

A total of 10,000 cotton samples were classed at the USDA Cotton Classing Office in Abilene during the week ending January 28. This brought the seasonal total to 488,000 samples classed, which compares to 363,000 samples that had been classed by the same time last

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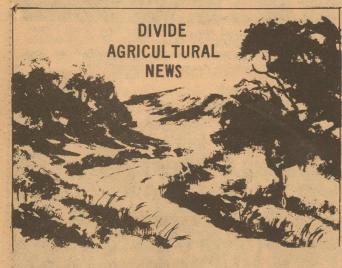
Proper precautions taken against mice and rats should be part of the home winterizing proces.

Tiny bits of paper, cloth and oblong droppings are telltale signs that mice or rats are in your home. By following thre basic practices, the homeowner can get

rid of most rat and mouse problems. First of all, buildings should be rat-and-mouse-proofed

if possible. Block all entrances into the house that rodents might use.

The best mouse-proof seals are mixtures of steel wool and plaster. All openings around windows and pipes that



By Nathan J. Merz, Range Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service

Pasture planting of improved grasses can be extremely beneficial to farmers and ranchers in the Eldorado Divide Soil and Water Conservation District.

Pasture land assists stockmen to provide abundant livestock forage from April thru November which allows seasons of rest for their native grasslands. During periods of excess forage supply landowners can also harvest a hay crop from their improved pasture for use during the winter months.

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Obtaining a good stand of pasture grass takes a great deal of effort by the land user. Seed should be planted on a firm seedbed that is free of existing vegetation. If the seedbed is not firm, the tiny seed will bury too deep for germination.

After establishment, a sound grazing management program must follow to reap maximum benefits and maintain the grass

stand. For more information on Kleingrass and other adapted pasture grasses, contact your local Soil Conservation Service office in Eldorado.

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Remember that rats and mice must have food and water and shelter to live. By eliminating these, most rat and mouse problems can also be eliminated. In fact, proper sanitation alone, such as keeping trash, leaves, wood and paper away from the home, can eliminate more than 75 per cent of all rat and mouse problems.

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Amarrillo Beef Firm Leads in Production

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The name is Iowa Beef Processors, Inc., and the claim to fame is that its facilities can kill and process 23,250 head of finished cattle per week. And with a recent expansion in the cooler facilities, IBP is working two eight hour shifts six days a week to hold its ranking as the

Mike Olson, son of Mr and Mrs P. A. Olson of Eldorado, is an employee of Iowa Beef Processors. He is in charge of estimating the number of cattle to be killed each day. Mike reported that 23,693 head were slaughtered last week with 4,313 in one day.

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Dale C. Tintsman, IBP president, said the recordshattering figures are the result of a high utilization of the firm's capacity especially at Amarillo. That whopping production resulted in a lower cost of production, which was reflected in earnings and a reduction in the price of the product, especially IBP's Cattle-Pax.

The firm's construction subsidiary, Texas Amarillo Systems Co. (TASCO), put the finishing touches in May on the cooler capacity expansion. The work was part of a company-wide capital improvements project which will total \$185 million in the next four

In addition to TASCO, IBP's Midwestern Cartage subsidiary handles routing of meat shipments by contract carriers and its own fleet of about 300 over-theroad vehicles. Midwestern Cartage has facilities in all IBP plants.

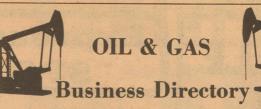
The Denison Hides Co., subsidiary here, similar to the plant in Nebraska, cleans and processes hides for shipment throughout the world. On its staff here are about 110 workers.

The heart of the \$30 million complex here, however, is an assembly line operation capable of turning custom-fed cattle into butcher-ready hunks of meat in a matter of min-

Until the giant trucks take the meat to retailers throughout the country, a \$4 million material handling system installed by Litton Industries of Chicago moves 3,600 cartons of beef (each weighing between 40 and 50 pounds) per hour, 24 hours a day. The cartons go from the packing stations in the complex to storage areas and later to shipping docks.

As an example of IBP's tremendous volume, a week's production from the eight plants would make a stack of boxed beef more than 45 miles high.

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J. Cleo Thompson-P.L. Childress well #1-D, 13 miles e of Ozona, 9200 feet wildcat.

om the Oil and Gas Journal Newsletter, Jan.31,1977

A sprinkling of new disclosures of 1977 spending plans reaffirms earlier reports that another extremely busy year lies ahead for the oil industry.

The disclosures came along with the first batch of year-end earnings reports, which show the industry logged a year of improvement in 1976 after a slump in 1975 for most companies.

Continental Oil Co. expects a banner year for 1976 profits and record capital and exploration outlays for 1977. Conoco says its capital and exploration expenditures in 1977 will jump almost 30% from the 1976 level to stand at an all-time high of \$1.1 billion. About two-thirds of that amount will be concentrated on projects in the U.S., with the balance mainly in Canada and the North Sea.

Conoco's earnings of \$363.1 million through the first 9 months of 1976 topped its previous full-year record of \$330.9 million chalked up in 1975.

Standard Oil Co of California reports its spending will stay about even with its \$1.6 billion program of 1976, but a larger share will go for exploration and production.

Socal's profits for 1976 were \$880 million, up 14% from a year earlier. Fourth-quarter earnings were \$268 million, up 29% from the same period in 1975. Among other spending plans, Getty Oil Co. and its

wholly owned subsidiaries raised their sights to \$583 million this year from \$430 million in 1976. About 83% of this year's spending will be committed to U.S. projects.

Skelly Oil Co., a partially owned subsidiary scheduled to merge into Getty, plans a \$293 million spending program for 1977, up from about \$200 million last year. Ashland Oil Inc. reports a record net income of \$43.3

million in its first fiscal quarter, which corresponds to the fourth calendar quarter. That's up 6.1% from a year ago. Its capital outlay during the latest quarter was \$108 million, more than twice the expenditures in the same period of the preceding year.

A rundown of other profits statements lists Exxon Corp with earnings of \$2.64 billion for 1976 and \$680 million for the fourth quarter, up 5.5% and 6.9%, respectively, from year-earlier performance.

Corresponding figures for Standard Oil Co. (Ind) are \$893 million and \$168.9 million, up 13% and down 5.4%; Texaco Inc, \$869.731 million and \$230.49 million, up 4.7% and 3.9%; Atlantic Richfield Co, \$575.178 million (including\$122 million in nonrecurring gains) and \$124.867 million, up 64% and 9%; Sun Co Inc, \$356.2 million and \$85.4 million, up 62% and 43%; and Standard Oil Co (Ohio), \$136.9 million and \$40.7 million, up 8% and 21%.

The tally of active U.S. rotary rigs dropped last week, but the decline is attributed mostly to foul weather and doesn't likely represent a delayed beginning of the traditional early-year slump in drilling.

The slump this year, if it comes at all, is expected to be much less pronounced.

Hughes Tool Co's Jan 24 count shows 1,835 rigs at work despite severe winter weather that blanketed many U.S. oil provinces. The latest count is off 43 from the preceding week but off only three (less than 1%) from the first week

By contrast, declines from the first to the fourth weeks in January amount to 61 rigs (3.4%) in 1976, 20 rigs (1.2%) in 1975, 24 rigs (1.7%) in 1974, and 70 rigs (5.8%)

Amid the current furor in Washington created by the natural-gas pinch, the big question among producers concerns the intention of the Carter administration on deregulating wellhead prices.

Reporters at a White House news conference last week tried to pin down White House Energy Adviser James Schlesinger on this point. He sidestepped it by saying the question of price

deregulation is being considered along with other issues in an energy-policy package the President will reveal in a few Schlesinger admitted the emergency gas bill sent to Congress last week was intentionally mum on the

deregulation issue to assure its quick passage. He said the

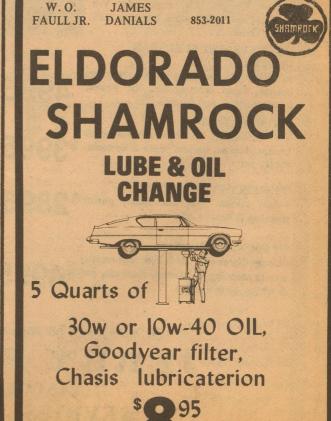
administration wants to consider deregulation apart from the current emergency. IPAA Pres A. V. Jones, Jr., in a telegram to Carter, urged immediate action to implement campaign promises to work with Congress to decontrol new natural gas. Jones

said only this action can assure increased gas supply.

Russian crude and gas-liquids production for 1976 rose 6% to 10.364 million b/d, according to official reports. Crude output alone placed Russia as the top-ranking producer in the world. Gas-liquids production amounts to about 200,000 b/d.

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8th Grade Boys. (Back Row) Jay Cash, Mike Griffith, Joel Robledo, Juan Arispe, Eddie Scott, John Paul Joiner, Kenneth Phillips. (Front Row) Tommy Martinez, Billy Charles Gunstead, Derrick Engdahl, Bobby Lozano, Keith McCormack, Mark Wallace, Gary Miner, Trey Jackson, Coach Mitchell.

Express News SPORTS

ELDORADO BOYS DOWN WALL

The Eldorado Eagles led by forward Jimmy Bosmans, maintained their second place standing in district competition by defeating Wall 64-50 Friday night. The Eagles began the first quarter play by putting up a sound defense and alert rebounding on both ends of the court. With Bosmans hot hand in the scoring department the Eagles took the lead and held it throughout the game. Wall never was closer than five points to the Eagles in the game. Bosmans finished the game with a blistering 44 points followed by Fatheree 7, Byrd 2, Jarrett 3, Martinez 6, and Higdon 2. The Eagle district standing remains at second place with a 6-3 record.

The Eaglettes fell upon hard times in their contest with the Wall girls by losing 60-52. The contest was close until the middle of the third quarter when the Wall team built up a 10-12 point lead. The Eaglettes could not get within reach as the Hawks began their stalling tactic with five minutes left in the final quarter. Gynna Jay played an outstanding offensive game and led the scorers with 31 points, Jill Yates added 5, Mary Kay White 4 and Susan Mertz 12. The Eaglettes now hold third place behind district leader Robert Lee and Wall who are now first and second respectively.

In Junior Varsity action, the Eaglettes defeated Wall in a close contest 37-35, while the boys fell 53-30.

EAGLES LOSE THREE GAMES TO STEERS

The Eldorado Eagles were surprised by Robert Lee Tuesday evening when the Eagles lost their fourth district contest of the season 75-73. The close contest was won by Robert Lee in the final seconds of the game when an Eagle fouled a Robert Lee player. The two free shots were made giving the win to Robert Lee. Bosmans led the Eagle scoring again with 40 points, Whitaker 9, Fatheree 9, Byrd 4 and Jarrett 5.

The Eaglettes also lost to district leader Robert Lee 67-44 who is currently undefeated in district play. Leading the scoring for Eldorado was Gynna Jay 28, Jill Yates, 10, Cherie Niblett 4 and Mary Kay White 2.

The boys JV team was also defeated 53-45. The Eagle teams will host Junction Friday, with 3 games scheduled to begin at 5:00 p.m. with a JV game.

SPRING SPORTS ACTIVITIES **ELDORADO HIGH SCHOOL**

March 4 Robert Lee Girls Track Meet Eldorado Junior High Track Meet March 5 McCamey Track Meet (boys) March 11 Eaglette Relays, Junction Tennis Tournament March 12 Iraan Track (boys) Junction Tennis Tournament March 19 Sonora Track Meet (boys) Mason Track Meet (boys) Ballinger Track Meet (girls) March 26 Junction Junior High Track Meet

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7th Grade Boys. (Back Row) Shane Wells, Bobby Hurley, Keith Whiddon, Kirk Griffin, Nick Robledo, Rojello Adame, Eddy Montalvo. (Front Row) Brad Thomas, Lawrence Brame, Conrad Robledo, Niki Dahlberg, Andy Bosmans, Floyd Fay, Dan Ray, Coach Mitchell

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