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Toll-Free Wats Line Open To Taxpayers

Comptroller Bob Bullock said his office began operation of a toll-free WATS line to answer general taxpayer questions.

He said the number is 1-800-292-9687.

"Information is like oil to the machinery of business or government," Bullock said. "Without it we just can't run as well."

The Comptroller said his office deals directly with more than half a million taxpayers, nearly all of whom have a question from time to time.

"If they don't get an answer," Bullock said, "they might make a mistake on their return. That will cost them and us money to correct."

He added that every person in that state, "even a kid buying a 15¢ candy bar," deals indirectly with his office by paying the state sales tax and is equally entitled to answers about taxes.

Bullock said the toll-free line will be in operation from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, with extensions in each taxing division, as well as in the legal division and tax information office.

Taxpayers with specific questions on matters already being negotiated with the Comptroller's Office should contact the persons with whom they have been dealing directly, he said. Bullock said many taxpayer questions can best be answered by contacting the local district office, listed under "Texas, State of...Comptroller of Public Accounts" in the telephone directory.

Demo. Workshop To Be Saturday

The Democratic Participation Workshop to be held Saturday (January 10) in Amarillo, Texas is drawing interest from all over the Panhandle.

"I'm delighted with the response we've gotten and the interest shown by Democrats of all descriptions from Dalhart to Tulia," said Democratic Party Chairman Calvin Guest.

Andy Shuval, District Attorney of Hereford, and Ruth Osborne, State Committeewoman of Pampa, are in charge of the program for this area.

The Workshop will be held at Amarillo in Caprock High School Registration begins at 9:15 a.m. The program begins at 10:00 a.m. and lasts until 4:30 p.m.

The Workshop is free



HAROLD L. COMER

Harold Comer Seeks Election For District Attorney

Harold L. Comer was born in Longview, Texas, but has lived most of his life in Pampa. He attended the Pampa school system and graduated from Pampa High School. He graduated from Texas A & M with a BA degree. He was graduated from the University of Texas Law School.

He is married to the former Jean Hendricks, who was born in Pampa, and they have three children, Carrie, Lauren, and Chris. All his family are members of the First Christian Church. He is active in community and civic affairs and presently serves on the Pampa School Board.

He served in the Judge Advocate's Corps of the United States Army as prosecuting attorney in general court marital cases.

I appreciate the encouragement I have had to be a candidate for District Attorney. It's gratifying to know that so many believe that my service would bring trust between the office and the people of this district.

A District Attorney should cooperate with law enforcement officers and the court for better enforcement of the criminal laws of this state. Prompt, vigorous, but fair prosecution of criminal offenders is important to create respect for the law and to deter others who might commit offenses in the future.

If elected, I will do my best to conduct the office in a manner that will accomplish these objectives.

and open to any Democrat who would like to participate.

For further information contact your County Chairman or Andy Shuval in Hereford, Texas at 364-3700 or 364-4984.

A cubic foot of gold weighs about 1,200 lbs.

J. D. Fish Seeks Re-election As Constable Prec. 5

I wish to take this opportunity to announce my candidacy for re-election as Constable of Precinct 5. During the years that I have held the office of constable, I have performed my duties to the best of my ability.

If my record of service speaks as you expect, then I would appreciate your support in the forthcoming Democratic Primary. I sincerely appreciate the support residents of Precinct 5 have given me in the past, not only at election time, but all through the years.

If re-elected as your constable, I shall strive to serve you in the best way I know how.

Quarantine On Texas Brucellosis Delayed Til Jan. 9

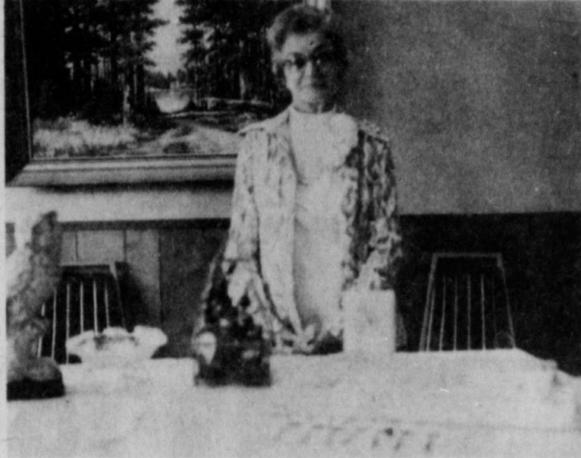
The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced Friday (Jan 2) that it is delaying the effective date of its federal brucellosis quarantine on Texas from Jan. 5 until Jan. 9.

According to officials of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), the quarantine is being postponed because of a temporary 17-day restraining order issued Dec. 30 by Judge J.T. Boyd of the state's 64th Judicial District Court in Castro County, Texas. The temporary restraining order requires the Texas Animal Health Commission to bring the Texas brucellosis program into compliance with the cooperative state-federal brucellosis program.

A hearing on the state court action was scheduled for Jan. 8 in Dimmitt, Texas.

Issuance of the temporary restraining order by the state court means that Texas officials must comply with the uniform methods and rules of the national brucellosis eradication program for the duration of the order, according to Dr. John M. Hejl, APHIS deputy administrator for veterinary services.

My Neighbors



MRS. WILSON (FERN) BOYD

Fern Boyd Retires After 50 Years At The McLean Bank

It is with regret the American National Bank in McLean announces the retirement of Mrs. Wilson (Fern) Boyd as assistant cashier.

Fern began work in December 1924 and has worked continually with the exception of one year when she first married.

Wilson was employed in the oil fields which necessitated several moves for them.

Upon returning to McLean, Fern returned to her banking job, and this month completed her 50th year of friendly, efficient service.

She will be missed by her many friends and customers and co-workers.

Minimum Wage Raised to \$2.30

An estimated 4.2 million workers got a pay increase New Year's Day as the federal minimum wage reaches \$2.30 per hour.

The increase, establishing a minimum wage that continues to lag behind the official poverty earnings level, is the third and final one mandated by a 1974 law and covers all non-supervisory workers not employed in agriculture.

Sen. Harrison Williams, D-N.J., who sponsored the 1974 bill, said its long-term benefits "are reflected today in the increase in wages for millions of Americans at the bottom of the wage ladder."

A salary of \$2.30 an hour for a full-time, year-round employee amounts to less than the \$5,036 annual salary the Censure Bureau defined in 1974 as the poverty level. Considering the rate of inflation since 1974, experts estimate a worker would have to earn \$2.67 an hour to meet the poverty level.

The \$2.30 minimum marks a 10¢ an-hour in-

Gov. Dolph Briscoe Approves Grants

Governor Dolph Briscoe announced his approval of two grants totaling \$45,295 for improvements in law enforcement and criminal justice in the area served by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

The money comes from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office. CJD administrators the state's block grant form the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration under the Crime Control Act of 1973.

The largest grant to Hartley County provides \$23,308 to continue employment of a criminal investigator and secretary - assistant for the 69th Judicial District which includes Dallam, Sherman, Hartley, Moore, Oldham and Deaf Smith counties. During the past funding year, the investigator helped facilitate a 68 percent reduction in case backlog.

A second grant to Hartley County of \$14,987 provides salary and operating expenses for a district court coordinator to serve the 69th Judicial District. The coordinator will provide docket planning and organize administrative details.

The grants were among 77 approved by Governor Briscoe totaling \$4,923,508, for crime reduction and criminal justice system improvements at state, regional and local levels.

crease for workers covered prior to 1966 and 20¢ for those covered since 1966.

Farm workers will receive a minimum wage of \$2 per hour, which will climb to \$2.20 next year and \$2.30 the year after.

The 1974 law expanded the number of workers guaranteed a minimum wage by 7 million - about 5.3 public employees and about 1.3 domestic workers.

Call news to 779-2447.

Co. Commissioners Approve 1976 Hospitals Budget

After discussion and comments from some of the approximately 40 citizens present at the Gray County Commissioners Court session the proposed 1976 \$3.8 million dollar budget for Highland General and McLean General Hospitals was approved.

On making his motion that the 56-page budget be accepted Commissioner Don Hinton commented that at the last session the commissioners had asked that additional budget information be provided.

Budget consideration following the swearing in of the three new hospital board members - Mrs. Susie Wilkinson, Bill Tidwell and Ed Patman of McLean.

The new board members succeed E.L. Henderson, Aubrey Steele and J.W. Meacham, whose terms expired.

The budget approved was for total estimated expenses of \$3,494,924.27 for Highland General Hospital and \$276,187.70 for McLean General Hospital.

In the original budget, submitted to the county commission on Dec. 12, the estimates were for \$3,466,640.27 for Highland General and \$271,418.70 for McLean.

The increases, Monogue explained, were necessitated because of an increase in liability insurance rates and increasing the salaries of licensed vocational nurses.

Several citizens from McLean attended the session and spoke of that community's need to keep their county hospital open.

Jake Hess said, "I've got a son alive today that would've been dead if it hadn't been for the hospital at McLean."

The mayor of McLean, Sam Haynes, said, "We appreciate the consideration given us by the county commissioners court." We've received some rather bad publicity in the Pampa News.

Commissioner Ted Simmons of McLean pointed out that government regulations have caused problems in operating smaller hospitals.

Following approval of the budget, Fred Neslage, hospital board chairman, said "Thank you for approving our budget. I'd also like to assure the people of McLean that we've gone all out at all times to provide a top flight hospital and we will continue to do everything we can."

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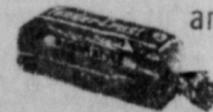
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3. You won't have the constant watchful eye of God over you there. (2 Thess. 1:9)
4. You won't be expected to attend Bible study or worship at all there. (2 Tim. 2:15; Heb. 10:25)
5. You won't have to give of your possessions there---you won't have any to give. (Luke 12:16-21)
6. Purity and goodness will not be expected of you there. (Matt. 25:41)
7. There will be no faithful gospel preachers there to "nag" you into greater Christian service. (Rev. 2:14-15)
8. You won't be lonely; many of your friends and family who followed your example will be there too. (Matt. 15:14; Gal. 5:9)
9. There'll be no worry about judgment---it will be over. (2 Cor. 5:10) All you'll have to do is serve your sentence---for eternity. (Matt. 25:46)
10. There'll be no worry there about Christ coming again; He won't ever. (1 Cor. 15:24-28; Matt. 25:31-46)

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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by Mrs. P.M. Gibson
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Grade 42 predominated in this weeks classing accounting for 36 per cent. Other major grades were 32 with 16 per cent, 43 with 15 per cent and 33 with 10 per cent. One fourth of the samples classed were reduced in grade due to bark or grass content. Staple 31 was the predominant length comprising 46 per cent. Staples 32 and 30 made up 33 and 17 per cent respectively. Micronaire readings were similar to last weeks with 21 per cent miking 3.5-4.9, 17 per cent miking 3.3-3.4 37 per cent miking 3.0-3.2, and 22 per cent miking 2.7-2.9.

Approximately 20,000 samples were classed for the week ending Friday, January 2. This brings the season's total to 135, 000 for the Memphis, Texas area.

The cost of making a sales call in 1963 was slightly more than \$31. Today, the same visit costs a company over \$75, on the average.

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Grade 42 predominated in this weeks classing accounting for 36 per cent. Other major grades were 32 with 16 per cent, 43 with 15 per cent and 33 with 10 per cent. One fourth of the samples classed were reduced in grade due to bark or grass content. Staple 31 was the predominant length comprising 46 per cent. Staples 32 and 30 made up 33 and 17 per cent respectively. Micronaire readings were similar to last weeks with 21 per cent miking 3.5-4.9, 17 per cent miking 3.3-3.4 37 per cent miking 3.0-3.2, and 22 per cent miking 2.7-2.9.

Approximately 20,000 samples were classed for the week ending Friday, January 2. This brings the season's total to 135,000 for the Memphis, Texas area.

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AUSTIN — Significant new legislation took effect in Texas January 1.

The acts were passed by the legislature during 1975 with effective dates postponed until start of the new year.

Among the new laws are the following:

—Authority for the Department of Public Safety to cancel licenses following a hearing of automobile inspection stations which are caught requiring unnecessary repairs or equipment.

—Power for the Department of Public Welfare to regulate homes, nursery schools, private kindergartens and child placing agencies for teenagers with special problems. The regulations already have met with controversy from kindergarten operators.

—A requirement that certificates of titles be provided for boats over 14 feet long and for motors of more than 12 horsepower. Purchasers must send necessary forms and a manufacturer's statement of origin to the State Parks and Wildlife Department before new titles will be issued on payment of a \$2 fee.

—Placement of new strip mining regulations (coal, lignite and uranium) in hands of the Texas Railroad Commission for enforcement through permits and restoration requirements.

—Provision for Texans to donate parts of their bodies as "anatomical gifts" for transplant purposes by signing a special statement on their drivers' licenses.

Tag System Changed

Texas car owners are getting new auto registration notices through the mail this week.

Instead of sporting new metal license plates, vehicles will be tagged with small strips of reflective material. Bicentennial red, white and blue stickers are to be fixed to the upper left-hand corner of the five-year plates issued a year ago.

For the first time since World War II, Texans will use old license plates. Plans call for annual reissue of the same plate numbers for the foreseeable future for periods of at least five years at a time.

Beginning in 1978, Texas will go to a year-around registration system. The validation sticker will indicate the month of issue for each car. Registration will occur during every month of the year, similar to present procedures for vehicle safety inspection. The month-of-issue will remain the same for the life of the vehicle.

Insurance Growth

Seventeen new insurance companies organized in Texas during the last year, and 54 more firms from other states were granted authority to do business here.

State Board of Insurance new annual report shows 1,724 companies are now under the agency's regulation. There are more than 97,000 licensed insurance agents.

AG Opinions

A sheriff is not entitled to a fee for an unsuccessful attempt to serve process, Atty. Gen. John Hill determined in a recent opinion.

The same opinion concluded county or district clerks may not assess fees for service as costs prior to



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the successful performance of service. A clerk may require security for such fees or an affidavit of inability to pay costs prior to issuing any process.

In another opinion, Hill said state agencies may enter into contracts for non-assessable insurance policies with mutual insurance companies without violating the constitution.

New Appointments

Comptroller Bob Bullock named Randall B. Wood to succeed the late Ervin B. Osborn as his chief clerk and deputy comptroller for tax administration.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe appointed Thomas L. Clinton of Lubbock as 99th district judge succeeding Judge Howard C. Davison, also of Lubbock, who resigned. Clinton has been serving as Lubbock County court-at-law No. 2 judge.

Briscoe appointed Sally J. Cooney of Houston and reappointed Joe H. Golman of Dallas to Texas Cosmetology Commission.

He appointed John H. Butts of San Augustine to the Sabine River Authority of Texas, succeeding D. N. Beasley of Hemphill.

Webb Gas Fields Merged

Texas Railroad Commission has ordered consolidation of Texas fields in Webb County into a single field designated Laredo (Lobo) Field, effective February 1.

The order involves at least 100,000 acres. Temporary field rules adopted for 18 months will be reviewed at a hearing during July 1977.

Fields to be consolidated are Clark Ranch (Midway), Clark Ranch (Wilco and Wilco West), Hulbert and Hubbert East, Laredo, South, (Wilco 6250 and 6800, 7000 and 7250), Zachry Ranch (Midway), KAD (6100) and KAD (6730).

The commission acted on application of Gulf Oil Corporation.

Short Snorts

Veteran State Senate Secretary Charles Schnabel faces a grand jury indictment on charges of theft from the state and misconduct.

Republican Alan Steelman of Dallas has entered the U.S. Senate race.

A federal judge here delayed a ruling on cattlemen's suit to lift a

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Former Oklahoma U.S. Sen. Fred Harris has filed required petitions to get on the 14th Central Texas senatorial district ballot as a May 1 presidential preference primary candidate. He's the first to qualify in any district.

Ground was broken December 29 for a 1,700 seat amphitheatre at Galveston Island State Park.

James H. Broadhurst has retired as head of the Texas attorney general's tax division after 18 years' service.

The State Banking Board voted against a charter for Spring Hill State Bank near Langview.

The Texas attorney general's crime prevention division has compiled a 178-page directory of law enforcement agencies.

Dona Hendricks Dies In California, Services Here Sat.

Miss Dona Madge Hendricks, 33, of Buena Park Calif., died Tuesday.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Z.A. Myers, pastor of Assembly of God Church, and the Rev. Herman Bell pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb Funeral Home.

Miss Hendricks was a native of Claremore, Okla., and had been a resident of Buena Park since 1958. She was a supervisor for Beckman Instrument Corporation at the time of her death. She was a member of the Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hendricks of McLean one sister, Mrs. Kathy Cunningham of Amarillo; two brothers, Benny of Salt Flat and Claude of Amarillo.

Hunting, Fishing License Sales Off

Fishing and hunting licenses were down 10.5 percent in numbers during the period Sept. 1 through Nov. 30, 1975, as compared to the same quarter in 1974, and income to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department dropped \$595,583.80.

Some 63 P&WD licenses were listed in the comparative report, showing total number sold in the three months of 1975 at 1,057,066, down 117,824 licenses from a total of 1,123,537 during the same period in 1974. Revenue dropped from \$6,449,872.25 in 1974 to \$5,854,288.45 for the same three months this year.

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Outdoor Classrooms are located at most of the schools in Gray County. An Outdoor Classroom is a nature study area where students may observe and study basic natural resources, such as soil, grasses, shrubs, and wildlife; and the conservation practices associated with the management of these resources. Generally teachers use these study areas in conjunction with indoor course work concerning nature and conservation. Outdoor classrooms provide on-campus examples of important forage plants, wildlife food and cover, and in some cases erosion control structures. Fully developed classroom areas not only provide nature and conservation study areas during school hours but they also provide scenic areas and parks for families during school holidays.

Outdoor classrooms provide an excellent environment for conservation education. Continued support and development of outdoor classrooms will provide high quality conservation education in Gray County in the future. For information on how you can help to maintain the quality of conservation education in your school, contact the local Soil Conservation Service office or the Soil Conservation District Director in your area.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry D. Williams and Erica from Denver, Colo. visited over the holidays with his parents, the Howard Williams.

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SPSC Announces New Improvements

Southwestern Public Service Company will invest more than \$389-million during the next five years in new equipment and improvements, Roy Tolk, chairman and president of the electric company, announced today.

Expenditures for 1976 will be about \$73-million, while the projected expenditures for the other four years range from \$65 million to \$104-million, the latter expenditure scheduled in 1980. The new equipment and improvements are necessary so that SPS can continue providing electric service for the 45,000 square mile area it serves.

"During the five-year period, Southwestern will be required to borrow about \$275-million to meet these construction expenditures," Tolk said.

Two new generating facilities to be installed during this period will increase the SPS system capability by more than 700,000 kilowatts, bringing the total capability to just over three million kilowatts.

Harrington Station, northeast of Amarillo, will be the site for the two additional generating units. The first is nearing completion and is scheduled to go on the line in June 1976. The second unit is scheduled for completion in 1978. Both of these units will have a capability of 350,000 kilowatts and will use coal as their primary fuel.

"During the latter part of the five-year period, substantial expenditures will be made on a third 350,000 kilowatt generating unit presently planned for completion in 1981. This unit will also use a coal-fired boiler," Tolk said.

Low-sulphur coal from Wyoming is now arriving at Harrington Station. Approximately 11,000 tons are delivered every four to five days by a 110-car unit train, and SPS presently has about 125,000 tons on hand. This represents about a month's supply of fuel.

Southwestern Public Service Company, through its fuel subsidiary, TUCO INC., is continuing its aggressive program to assure adequate fuel supplies. "The Company's traditional suppliers of natural gas have been successful in acquiring additional reserves and, at the present time, indicate that they have adequate supplies to meet their delivery needs," Tolk said. "While the introduction of coal as a fuel to this area will not reduce the cost of electric service, it will act as a stabilizing factor."

Transmission lines and transmission substations scheduled for completion during the five-year period represent an investment of about \$60-million with more than \$10.5 million being invested in 1976.

The lines will be 115,000 and 230,000 volts and will serve the primary load areas in Southwestern system. The major transmission project will be a 115,000-volt line from Cunningham Station, near Hobbs, New Mexico, to Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Whales cannot breathe under water.

Michele Bell Directs Speech Class Play

Miss Jacque Gillispie's 6th period speech class is presenting a play to be directed by Michele Parker Bell as a project for Mrs. Bell's speech class at West Texas State University. The play, "Antic Spring" features Wayman Bell, Terry Rollison, Kenneth Parker, Natalie Morris, Kara Daniels, and Connie Cunningham.

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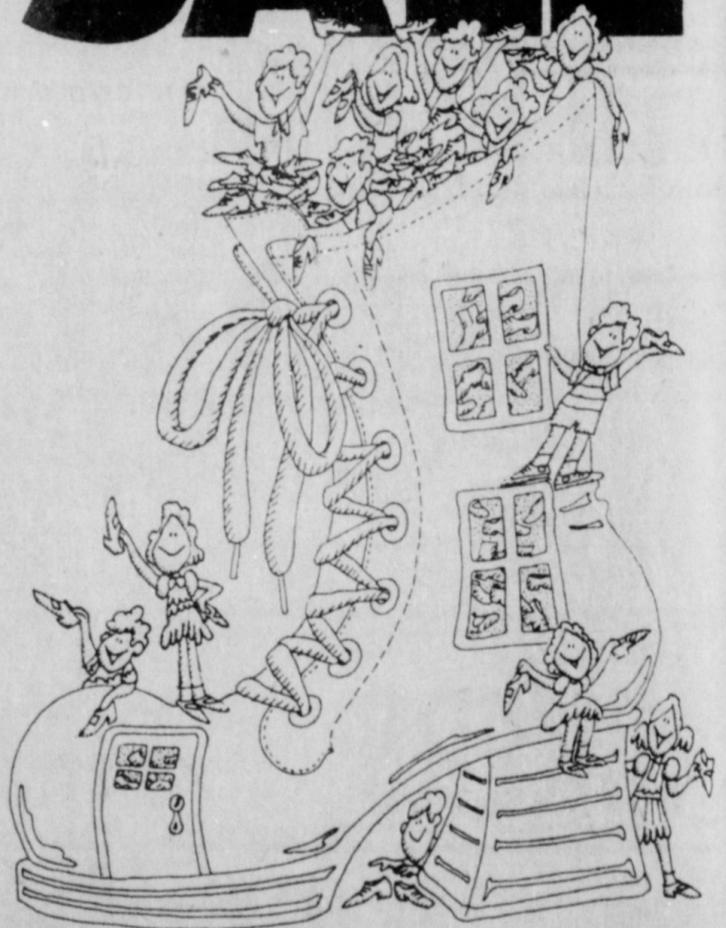
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The Wednesday night class of Reading 123, Reading Development, will be taught by Mrs. Pelfrey of Memphis at the Library and then on Thursday evenings, Mrs. Betsy Hawkins of Clarendon will teach Art 101-102, Oils, at the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church in McLean.

Registration will be held for the Art class in the Fellowship Hall on January 22 from 5-8 p.m. Should enough students desire the course, a second class will be offered at 4:00 p.m. on Thursdays. All other classes will meet from 7-10 p.m.

Registration for the Monday and Wednesday classes will be held at 7 p.m. on the 19 and 21 of January at the Library or call 779-2851.

For additional information contact Loyd Waters, Dean of Students, at Clarendon College.

1975 IRS Tax Forms In Mail

Individual Internal Revenue Service (IRS) taxpayer returns for 1975 include questions on residence intended to provide an accurate basis for equitable distribution of general revenue sharing funds, according to the Office of Revenue Sharing (ORS) of the U.S. Treasury Department.

Such funds are returned by the Federal government to State and local general-purpose governments under terms of Federal revenue sharing law. The amount each government receives is based, in part, on population and per capita income estimates made by the bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce.

The new questions on the income tax form are designed to identify the taxpayer's legal residence, which may differ from his or her mailing address.

The information from the residence questions will be used by the Bureau of the Census to make biennial population and per capita income estimates needed to insure that States and communities receive the amounts of general revenue sharing funds to which they are entitled.

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Texas Employment Job Report

While paying out record-breaking amounts of unemployment insurance benefits in the past fiscal year, the Texas Employment Commission still managed to find jobs for more than 400,000 unemployed Texans.

The jobless benefits paid from the Texas Unemployment Compensation Fund in the year ending last August 31 amounted to \$167,347,622, the Commission said in its recent annual report.

Non included in that total was \$65,755,538 in federally-funded unemployment benefits paid because of prolonged unemployment resulting from adverse economic conditions.

Commission employees made 413,538 job placements during the year, at the same time handling the heaviest unemployment claim load in the history of the agency and performing the other regular responsibilities of the agency.

Although job placements declined slightly during the year because of employment cutbacks, the TEC emphasis on increased services to Texas employers and on the placement of applicants in productive employment remained evident. The agency made 1,334,390 referrals to jobs. Veterans were hired for 92,135 of these job openings.

At the end of the fiscal year, more Texas employers were covered by the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act than ever before--207,631, up 5,783 from the previous fiscal year. These employers paid \$15.6 billion dollars in taxable wages to workers in the year ending June 30, 1975.

In spite of national economic problems, the Texas labor force registered a 3.2 per cent gain from August, 1974, reaching an estimated 5,367,900 workers.

Social Security Taxes To Go Up

American workers earning \$15,300 a year or more, Social Security taxes increase 8.5 per cent starting New Year's Day, taking a still bigger bite from the paychecks of middle-income workers in 1976.

The tax will be higher than 1975's for anyone who earns over \$14,100. For those who earn below that amount, there will be no increase in the new year.

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Texas Trapping Season Is Open

Many Texas sportsmen are cleaning their rifles and planning for next fall but a few are participating in an ancient winter sport-trapping.

Fur prices are showing a comeback as the trapping season progresses with one buyer paying \$43 for a large prime bobcat. Most buyers are paying \$20-\$40 for bobcat; \$7-\$8 for coyote and \$5-\$10 for raccoon.

Competition between buyers and trappers is increasing as the prices move up with trappers hauling their furs to the highest bidder. Only top dollar is being paid for prime pelts that are either brought in as a carcass or cased the way the buyer wants it done.

The open season for taking pelts for sale for mink is Nov. 15 through Jan. 15; muskrat, Nov. 15 through Jan. 31 and all other fur-bearing animals, Dec. 1 through Jan. 31.

Fur-bearing animals include: badger, beaver, fox, mink, muskrat, opossum, otter, raccoon, ring-tailed cat, skunk (polecat) and wildcivet. Bobcat and coyote are not considered fur-bearers and can be taken any time of the year but prime pelts on these two animals occur from November through March.

A license is required of those who take for the purpose of barter or sale of pelts of any fur-bearing animal in Texas; Special license are available for residents and non-residents as well as retail and wholesale fur buyers. A resident trapping license is available for \$5 and the non-resident license is \$20.

The fur-bearing license is required for the sale of pelts only and a Texas hunting license must be obtained when hunting out of your county of residence if you are 17 years of age or older and not over 65 years of age.

Hunting regulations apply to both hunters and trappers alike as does the requirement of permission from the landowner before hunting or trapping.

A few sportsmen are bagging coyotes and bobcats by using a varmint caller. The use of a high-powered rifle in the vicinity of livestock can be dangerous and varmint hunters should clear the use of these firearms with the landowner.

Livestock owners know that an excess of coyotes can deplete their herds and trapping and controlled hunting of these animals is beneficial.

More information about trapping and varmint hunting is available from your local game warden or any P&WD office.

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"If at first you don't succeed, fix the blame quick!"

Tigers Compete In Amarillo Tourney

The McLean Tigers traveled to Amarillo to play in the American Legion Tournament, Dec. 29, 30, and 31, in Division II. In the Tigers' first game they played Hartley, the team that was picked to win the tournament. They lost the game 58-42. Hartley went on to win first in the tournament. The Tigers were ahead by 2, 22 to 20, at the end of the half. But then Hartley went on and pulled ahead of the Tigers and won easily. The outstanding scorer for the Tigers were Jim Bond with 20 points, Morse Haynes with 11, Dean Trew with 5, Ricky Lowery, Billy Terry and Sam Haynes completed scoring with 2 points a piece.

As the Tigers went into consolation competition, they played Paducah losing 76-57. The Tigers were behind most of the game and Paducah won it easily. The outstanding scorers were Billy Terry with 26 points, Morse Haynes and Jim Bond with 8, Dean Trew had 7, Ricky Lowery collected 6, and Sam Haynes picked up 2 points to round out scoring.

In the Tigers final game they played Petrolia and won 47-46. It was close all during the game. Dean Trew made two free throws with few seconds left to go in the game to push the Tigers ahead by three points. The Tigers then went on letting Petrolia shoot and they scored right when the game was over. High point man for the Black and Gold was Dean Trew with 17 points, Morse Haynes had 11, Jim Bond tallied 7, Billy Terry popped nets with 6, Sam Haynes made 4, and Ricky Lowery tossed in 2 points.

J. V. Tigers Lose To Memphis J. V.

Junior Varsity Tigers were defeated in an attempt to up end Memphis' second stringers Monday night as the Cyclones slipped by on a narrow 3 point 37 - 34 margin.

Memphis held a firm grip on the lead they acquired early in the game until the fourth quarter.

The Tigers really poured it on in the final period of play to make a tremendous comeback, but were unable to gain the lead.

The Black and Gold JV will hit the court again Friday night in their next game against Clarendon.



Mr. and Mrs. Danny Gurule are the proud parents of a 8 lb. 6 oz. baby boy. Born December 31 at Grand Junction, Colo. His grandmother is Mrs. Priscilla Dowis. Mrs. Gurule is the former Linda Bruce. They have another child, Nicole, that is 1 year old.

Tigerettes Compete In Tournament

The McLean Tigerettes competed in the American Legion Tournament Dec. 29, 30, and 31. The Tigerettes played Hartley in the Civic Center Monday morning and were beaten by a score of 53 to 30. Rose Dwyer was high pointer with 19.

The Tigerettes played Bovina in the second game of the tournament. The girls lost by 2 points on a last second shot by Bovina. The final score was 50-48. Rose Dwyer tossed in 18 for the Tigerettes.

The final game was played in Amarillo College girl's gym against Happy. McLean lost again by a score of 57 to 49. Cindy Sherrod was high pointer with 22 points.

The Tigerettes and Tigers both lost district game to Memphis last Friday in the local gym. The Tigerettes lost an important game in a heartbreaking 42 - 40 score.

One of the referees was quoted as saying "It was one of the best games I have ever refereed. Both teams played together well, and they were evenly matched."

The Tigers lost a high scoring battle in on 81-63 score. Scorers for the Tigers were Ricky Lowery with 16, Jim Bond with 13, Morse Haynes with 12, Dean Trew and Billy Terry with 11.

Six Weeks Test Held This Week

After the long Christmas holidays the now empty-headed students return for two days of six weeks tests. Now they will spend the rest of the week cramming for them and begging the teachers to make the tests easier if not just forget them.

Hippopotamus means river horse.

UMW Observe Call To Prayer and Self-Denial Week

United Methodist Women of United Methodist Church of McLean will hold one of their most important annual observances next week-- The Call to Prayer and Self - Denial. About 1.5 million women in 35,000 local units in all 50 states will join in the observance.

The Call, inspired by special mission needs, focuses on prayer, a deepened spiritual life and a guided mission study. Major events of the observance include the Quiet Day and an interpretation of the mission projects in the United States and abroad for which a special offering will be made. Each woman who takes part is asked to give for others by denying herself, and to cultivate through prayer a spiritual oneness with planners, mission workers and those served in church-related ministries.

The Call to Prayer and Self - Denial for women of the United Methodist church will be held at 9:30 o' clock on Wednesday, January 14, 1976 in the church parlor.

The Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church sponsors the Call to Prayer and Self-Denial and has designated two aspects of the large United Methodist mission program to benefit from this year's special offering.

The Division says of the 1976 mission aspects:

In the United States the offering will be used for "Healing Ministries and Services for the Aged."

Through the programs and projects benefitting from this offering, the lives of many senior citizens will be enriched.

Overseas, the offering will be directed toward "Support of Victims of Oppressive Societies and Systems." Those victims

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January 10
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Almeda Patton
January 11
None
January 12
Patricia Johnson
Susan Throckmorton
January 13
Gary Verlon Lee
Johnny Weldon Trimble
Connie Lynn Webb
January 14
Wesley Baker
Jana Sue Branson
April Marie Kesterson
January 15
Bobby Jack Massey
O. N. Patterson
Mrs. Noble Touchstone

Energy Savers

Preparing meals with a pressure cooker cuts cooking time by about two-thirds and therefore cuts two-thirds of the fuel cost. Pressure cookers are ideal for pot roasts and other cuts of meat normally done in liquid.

Cracked or soiled eggs may contain bacteria. They should be used only in foods that are to be cooked thoroughly, such as baked goods or casseroles, say U.S. Department of Agriculture nutritionists.

may be identified as political prisoners, exiles, refugees and women in the urban labor force in Asia, Africa, Latin America. Programs include education and development, community building, research and publication ventures.

Ronnie Brown Receives Serious Gunshot Injury

Ronnie Brown of 319 Clarendon was still in critical condition Wednesday at Northwest Texas Hospital as a result of a gunshot wound received Saturday.

The McLean Volunteer Ambulance was called to the home just before noon Saturday and took Ronnie to the McLean Hospital and then transferred to the Amarillo hospital.

Tuesday he underwent surgery for the removal of the bullet.

Despite slowdowns in labor market demand for college graduates reflecting recession impacts, long term projections suggest that the demand for college graduates may grow at three times the rate of demand for all workers in the American labor force, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

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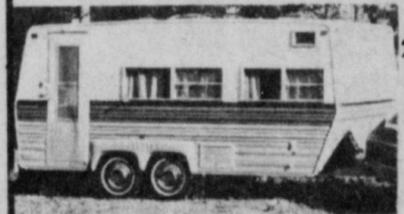
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