Lynxettes Memphis bound



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Play Olney for bi-district

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1977 Dist. 1-AA Champs

The 1976 Lynxettes--left to right, bottom row; Paige Mitchell, Carrie Clark, Lori McAdams, Tam Robertson, Connie Vernon, Carla Harper. Top Row; Christy Collier, Beth Ann Flowers, Debbie Greene, Tracie Keetch, Denise Ware, Cindy Gressett, JoNell Co-

Lynxettes Manager Cake Auction Raises Funds



PAIGE MITCHELL

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There are those people who do not know of all the work that takes place off the court in the course of a basketball season. At S.H.S. most of the logistics are handled by a very competent corp of young ladies, we call manager, led by Paige Mitchell. This sophomore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Mitchell is the person who sees that all the equipment is ready for each game and each work out session of the Lynxettes. Having completed a student trainer course offered by Cramer Athletic Products, Inc., Paige has become an invaluable asset to the team in the area of minor injury treatment and first aid. She has a knowledge of supplies and first aid products which is of great help to the girls on the team. In addition to her first aid duties, she is also responsible for the statistics kept on each game. Paige has a great love for athletics and a responsible for the statistics kept on each game. Paige has a great love for athletics and a tremendous attitude in fulfilling her duties. When you may hear someone shout, "Ice", "Band-aide", "Break-time", "Tape", or "Trainer" you can bet that Paige goes into action. Other interests include National Honor Society, Future Teacher of America, Band, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Spearman and their baking efforts were good for \$37.50. Spearman Rotary Club, Baker & Taylor, John R. Collard Jr. and Morse Lions Club with the acquisition of 12 of the 23 cakes up for sale insured the success of the auction. The Rotary Club auction. The Rotary Club bought four cakes, Baker and Taylor and Collard three each and the Morse Lions Club took home two of the

goodies.

There were plain cakes and fancy one, chocolate, white and vanilla, some with mottoes and others with creative designs and some in more or less the shape of man's best friend and other animals.

manimals.

Judges were Mrs. Vernon
(Marsha) Pipkin, Mrs. Monte (Catherine) Lusby and
John Bishop, all of Spear-

man.
The Murrow cake was bought by the Rotary Club.
Collard purchased the Kirk



Prize-winning cake bakers and their equally proud parents were presented last Tuesday night at the County Barn after the judges had selected the three top cakes of the 23 which had been prepared for the annual Cub Pack Cake Auction. From left are; Mr. and Mrs. Don Wirsdorfer and their son, Nick, whose cake took third prize; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kirk of Srinnett and their son, Kyle, whose cake took second prize, and Mr. and Mrs. Max Murrow and their son, Doug, whose cake won first prize.

Successful bidder for the Wirsdorfer cake.
Other bakers, purchasers and purchase prices were:
Karl Bynum--Tommy RusSale \$27.50 which was donal

Carl Kizziar--Don Wirsdorfer \$27.50

Guthrie \$27.50
Terry Phillips--Morse Lions Club \$30.00
Charles West--Baker & Taylor \$27.50 which was donated and resold to Burton Schubert for \$20.00
Tever English--Baker & Taylor \$27.50 which was donated and resold to Burton Schubert for \$20.00
Steve Womble--Baker & Taylor \$27.50
Dean Green--Rotary Club \$37.50
Lee Schub.

Jessie Moore--Rotary Club
Lee Schubert--Mrs. Fend\$30.00

and purchase prices were:
Karl Bynum--Tommy Russell \$25
Greg Reimer--Ed Martin
\$27.505
Ched Gutt-b

Chad Guthrie--Bunkhouse

Eric Martin--Burton Schubert \$25.00
Billy Volden--Lawton Guthrie \$37.50
Terry Phillips - Trevor English Date of the State of the State

Jessie Moore-Rotary Club \$30.00 which was donated and resold to Norlan Wine-garner for \$30.00

Trevor Longley--Collard

Trevor Longley-Collard \$30.00

James Davis--M.L. Murrow \$40.00

Ed Dear of Spearman was the auctioneer and his presentations of each entry added much to the flavor of the proceedings as well as the prices brought for the cakes. Cubmaster Larry Evans thanked everyone for attending and participating in the event, the only fund-raising activity sponsored by the local Cub Pack.
Wirsdorfer gave the benediction to conclude the proceedings.

SPEARMAN LYNXETTES

ts the end of the drouth.

gain on the throne;

great Lynxette effort,

edication set the tone.

the face of discouragement.

uccess is your story;

title vou've earned.

n five losses are lessons,

ause you've felt the pain,

wenty victories make it worth it,

C hamps you are again.

ead now into playoffs,

nother game to play;

another win be added,

rple Pride's on its way.

yourselves have faith,

n top plan to stay;

o end to your good luck,

pearman Lynxettes all the way.

size and speed and an excellent 25-5 record. They are plenty good and because of the weather Thursday night. Coach Newton was unable to scout the Olney team in action. It is hoped that he can see them play before he has to meet them play before he has to meet them in competition Monday night.

Girls basketball has progressed so much in the past few, years in Texas that on any given night just about any team could beat the other team; so the Lynxettes will definitely have their hands full when they play this bi-district game of champions. Many observors think the game is a toss-up and could go to either team.

Several people have asked us the best way to get to Memphis and we talked with Coach Friemel, who lives in that area; he says that it is about 145 miles to Memphis and the best way to go is to go to Borger, then south to Panhandle, then to Claude and hit the 4-lane Highway into Memphis. Or you can go

Spearman vs. Follett at Follett - Sat, night! Game begins at 6 p. m.

Hospital

News

Meet Monday

Commissioners Court of Hansford County will meet in regular session on the 14th of February, 1977 at 10 a.m. at the Courthouse in Spearman for the purpose of considering the following:

1. Approval of minutes of previous meeting.
2. Payment claims.
3. Receive Treasurer's Monthly Report and also Quarterly Report.
4. Select depository for County Funds and also Depository for School Funds.
5. Approve expenses for Clerk to attend Seminar.
6. Pay legal fees.
Consider contract to service radio tower.

Easter seal drive, light-bulb sale

Between now and March
14, if a lightbulb burns out in
your house, don't replace it
unless absolutely necessary
and then on that date or
March 15, when you are
contacted by a member of the
Fellowship of Christian Athletes, purchase a lightbulb
from them.

On those two days next
month, members of the

month, members of the Spearman FCA Chapter will be involved in their annual

American consumers lost estimated \$514 million

an estimated 3514 Initial last year as a result of mail

fraud and misrepresentation-by-mail schemes," according to Postmaster Ray Robert-

Accounting for most of the loss were sheemes involving stocks and land investments.

credit misrepresentation, and false claims against in-

"In a concerted effort to

assist consumers, Postmast-er General Benjamin F. Bail-ar has designated February

21-26 as the second annual Postal Consumer Protection Week. This week is design-

ed to alert the public to mail-order schemes and ser-ves to emphasize the con-

sumer protection activities of the Postal Service," Post-

master Robertson said.
'The Postal Service has been

helping consumers since en-actment in 1872 of the Mail Fraud Statute."

Fraud Statute."
Investment schemes ranked first in dollar value, with a
loss to the public of
\$44,524,240. Failure-to-fur-

nish merchandise ranked first in the number of com-

first in the number of com-plaints received, with more than 19.000 reported, involv-ing a loss of \$2,645,536. Postmaster Robertson stressed that the overwhelm-ing majority of those com-panies making up the \$60 billion mail-order industry are honest and seek to satisfy

their customers. But, as in other industries, there are a few disreputable ones that cause problems.

cause problems.

The Postal Service actively

investigates mail fraud and false representation by mail, and assists with mail-order and service problems, through the efforts of the

through the efforts of the Postal Inspection Service, the Consumer Protection Of-fice of the Postal Service Law

Department, the Service's Judicial Office and its Con-

The consumer protection activities of these departments include attempts to resolve unsatisfactory mail-order transactions such as failure-to-furnish ordered

failure-to-furnish ordered merchandise or make prom-ised refunds. Administrative

falsely advertise their prod-

for the summer camps they sponsor in Colorado, it has

sponsor in Colorado, it has been announced by Spear-man High School Coach Gregg Sherwood. Sherwood added the FCA drive will hopefully provide enough funds to take as many boys to camp as want to go this year. Also in March, the Lynx football team will be out

football team will be out trying to defend their state

ucts. In cases of mail fraud, the Postal Inspection Service presents investigative results to the appropriate U.S. At-torney for criminal proceed-

ings.
"In conjunction with Consumer Protection Week, we

are re-emphasizing the Con-sumer Service cards are available at the post office or

from letter carriers, and pro-vide the means for attacking problems invdividually and

Union Church

Missionary

Meet

Spearman Union Church

with the meeting being call-ed to order by Mrs. Adalyn

Prayer was by Mrs. Willella Martin. Bible lesson by Mrs. Dorcas Collard was on "Gifts Of The Spirit In The

The ladies worked on

Members prsent were Mesdames: Collard, Barnes,

Martin, Wilma Francis, Myrtle Fullbright, Vida Jones, Janice Riley, Ermel Pond, Ann Bowen, Jola Smith, Orlene Martin, Jessie Schubert, Ella Garnett, Doris Jean Pinkin, and Pats Rusten Pinkin, and Pats Rusten Pinkin, and Pats Rusten

Jean Pipkin, and Patsy Bur

ress.

The next meeting will be

COURT

CASES FILED

cases have been filed during the week which ended at noon Friday, February 11, Court Clerk Mario Gould has

quilts that afternoon

Postal Consumer

Protection Week Set

Sales Champions.
State District 1AA Team
Members Bo DeArmond and Terry Latham will be co-chairmen of this year's drive, it has been announced.

As defending champions of their Easter Seals sales record, the Lynx will be out to take in money which is used to aid and assist crip-

Bond Sales Noted

ings Bonds in Hansford County were reported today County were reported today by County Bond Chairman C.A. Gibner. Sales for the eleven-month period totaled \$69,521.00 for 77 percent of the 1976 goal of \$90,000.00.

Texas sales during the appropriate to the same of t

month amounted to \$22,560,585, while sales for the first eleven months of 1976 totaled \$254,887,405 with 94 percent of the yearly sales goal of \$272.4 million

The fastest speed at which a giant tortoise can crawl is

November sales of Series E and H United States Sav-



A GENDA REGULAR CITY COUNCING MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1977, 7:30 p. m. CITY HALL

1. Pledge and invocation

2. Minutes of the regular meeting on January 26, 1977.

3. Consideration of proposed zonin a zoning ordinance. 4. Consideration of contract with Pritchard & Abbott tax appraisers.

5. Consideration of resolution granting tax exemption for property owners over 65 years of age.

6. Consideration of placing for bid radio system for fire and city vehicles

7. Set election date for general city elections and appointing judges for that election.

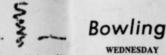
8. Consideration of appointments to the following:

A. Board of equalization, B. Airport Board, C. Planning and zoning commission. D. Library board. E. Electrical board, F. Citizens advisory committee, G. Buiding board of appeals.

9. Review of monthly fire, police, animal control, ambulance, municipal court and code enforcement

10. Consideration of bills payable for the month of January.

12. Adjournment. Posted this the 11th of February at 5 p. m.



Basketball tonite Wardrobe Cleaners 48 28 Doug Outs 44½ 31½ at Follett --Doug Outs Bowl Mor 6 p. m. 43 Cates Men & Boys 39 Panhandle Eastern 39 Saturday nite ... Hansford Impl. 281/2 4'
TEAM HIGH SERIES

WEDNESDAY MIXED DOUBLES

Verlin Behne Jenny Jines Winnie Urban Verlin Behne Jim Mercer Lynn Cook Joe Hutchinson Jenny Jines

2154

Wardrobe Cleaners TEAM HIGH GAMI

MEN HIGH GAME

WOMEN HIGH SERIES

Reba Benge WOMEN HIGH GAME

THURSDAY NIGHT

MIXED LEAGUE

Carolyn Cummings Sharon Mauk

Nan Nicholson Sharon Mauk

Reba & Carolyn

Baker & Taylor Anthony Electric Callaway Const.

Dairy Queen Hansford Implem Davis Oil

Callaway Const. Anthony Electric Baker & Taylor

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HIGH IND. SERIES

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Wardrobe Cleaners Cates Men & Boys

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PIN BENDERS Doug Outs MEN HIGH SERIES **Brock Insurance** 552 Cinderella 56 Spearman Super Ser44 McClellan Grain 38 Bowl Mor Lanes 35

> HIGH TEAM SERIES 1454

HIGH TEAM GAME Brock Insurance Bowl Mor Lanes earman Super Ser HIGH IND. SERIES

Shirley Greenwood Millie Craig Jo Larson HIGH IND. GAME Shirley Greenwood Jo Larson Mary Cornelius

Millie Craig

UMW MEETS

The Susannah Wesley Circle of the United Method ist Church met February 9 in the Church parlor. The hostess was Karen Countiss and the devotional was given by Karen Countiss.

The business meeting was

led by Judy Martin.

Karen Countiss reminded the members of a book review to be held in Gruver Feb. 16 at 2:30. Anyone interested in attending this book review meet at the church Feb. 16 at 2:00.

The World Day of Prayer to be held in March was

Karen read an invitation from the Follett United Methodist Women for the Sub-District North Day a part

to be held March 15 in Follett to be held March 15 in Follett starting at 9:30. A nursery will be provided and a lunch-eon will be served. Verna Strawn led the study on "Living God's Will".

Members present were: Mmes. Linda Blackman, Connie Steger, Karen Count-iss, Rita Curtis, Judy Martin, Jackie Pearson, Barbara Col-lier, Patty Sheppard, Verna Strawn, Mary Dixon and two guests, Patty Green and Jane Kenda.

The next meeting will be Feb. 16 at 9:30.

Mary Martha Circle of the U.M.W. me: Wednesday. U.M.W. met Wednesday, February 9 in the church parlor. Mrs. R. E. Lee, hostess, gave the devotional, "The Promise Of A Dynamic Life" from the Book of Deu-ternoomy.

The study lesson was pre-sented by Mrs. Russell Townsend from the Book of

The Mary Martha Circle has been invited to meet with the United Methodist Wo-men in Gruver to hear a book review next Wednesday, Feuary 16.

Refreshments were served Refreshments were served to members. Mesdames: Margaret Shedeck, W. H. Tarbox, J. B. Buchanan, Roy Jones. Russell Townsend, P. A. Lyon, Sr., J. E. Taylor, and Claude Smith.

Credit Bureau Stockholders

Meet Set
The annual Stockholders
Meeting of the Corporation
of the Credit Bureau of
Hansford County, Inc. will be
held in the office of the Credit Bureau in the Farm Bureau Building on Feb. 16th at 7:30 p.m.

I Was Discouraged and Angry With Myself Until I Found Pat Walker's



Laura Schelcher lost 593/4 pounds and still going down.

She writes: "I have always had a weight problem and have tried most every diet and fad that came along to keep my weight under control. I would do OK for a while then I would slip and have to start over. I would be so discour aged and angry with myself. Then it finally happened, I really let my weight get out of control. I had reached the point where I was ashamed of my appearance. Then six months ago, I noticed Pat Walker's ad in the paper and decided to try the program. I have lost 59% pounds and 86 inches and have gone from a size 20 to a size 10 and am still going down. I couldn't be happier."

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Hansford County anned Parentho 26 S. Haney 659-2483 Spearman Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. to 12 noon

LEON'S GARAGE Auto & Truck Repairs, 106 E. Broadway (in alley behind El Vaquero Restaurant), Gruver, Tex. Phone 733-2436 ater 6 p.m. 733-2924. Operated by Delbert "Leon" Wilson

TREE SURGEON: Winter spray-Dormant Oils, for healthier trees and shrubs. Free-estimates. Bcb Welsh. Farnsworth, Texas.

STEAM RINSE & VAC: \$11.00 per day. Shampoo or defoamer. \$2.98. For reser-vation call 2141, after 7 p.m. 3437.

12S-rtn

ETICS. Call 2751 after 5:00 p.m.

SERVICE: Pits cleaned, wet Also, dozer, grader, carry-all service. LeeRoy Mitchell, 806-733-2384, Gruver, Tex-as, 79040.

9-rtn

Rawleigh Black Pepper Sale. Call 659-2631. 12S-7tc

PEPPERMINT POODLE: Pet Grooming, small breeds. Call Caroline Murphy, 659-3905. 27 Archer, rear. 11-8tp

GENERAL PLUMBING
Phone 733-2912
Gruver
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KIRBY SALES & SERVICE of Spearman, 912 S. Bernice. 659-2797.
30-rtn

STANDING: John Kue Van (S184) Palomino Q. H. - Sire; John Kue Dial (TAAA). Fee 5150, Booking Fee \$50, Mare care \$1.50 and \$2.00. Jerry Mitts, Guymon, Oklahoma, 405-338-7616.

13S-1tc

CARMON LAIRD ALL BREED GROOMING & BOARDING 118 N. James - 659-2105 135-rtn

Miscellaneous FOR SALE

GIANT GARAGE SALE - 10 families. Boy Scout House (in back of Community Build-ing) Friday, February 18 and Saturday, February 19 from 9

13S-2tc

FOR SALE-Maytag electric dryer \$50; two 10 speed Western Flyer boys bicycles, \$50 each, 1974 Kawasaki motorcycle, like new, 225 miles, street or dirt bike, helmet included \$750. Call 659-2862 after 6 or (806) 753-4488.

753-4488.

13-4tc
Reduce safe & fast with
GoBese capsules & E-Vap
"water pills". Spearman

13-8tp

FOR SALE: '71 Dodge Demon, in good condition. Stick shift. 659-2077, 14 S.

7S-rtn

BANQUET TICKETS are now on sale for \$6.50 each. Stop by the Chamber office and pick up yours today and while you are there vote for the Employee or Citizen of the Year.

FOR SALE: 14x65 mobile home. Two bedroom, central air, and skirting. 733-2013 or 733-2762, Gruver. 13-2tc

FOR SALE-1971 Chevy 3/4 ton with utility box and camper. Best Offer. Also Ditchwitch ditching machine with trailer. See at 509 Richardson in Gruver any-time.

14S-rtn FOR SALE: 1974 Thunder Bird, 26,000 mi. One owner,

call 659-2240.

FOR SALE-Sears Stationery Bike Exerciser. Practically new. Call 2082. 12S-rtn

125-rtn
LOOK MULE TRAIN FANS
FOR SALE: One pair of
Spotted mules 5 & 6 years
old with fancy harness and
wagon. Broke to work. Also
one white mule 4 years old.
806-948-5549. J.B. Snead, Sunray, Texas 12S-3tp

FOR SALE: 14x72 foot Vintage 1973 mobile home, 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Call 659-2357 or 659-2676. 13S-2tc

FOR SALE: 4 Branding Irons, S brand. T. D.

13-2tc

Real Estate For Sale

FOR SALE: Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath brick home, den with fireplace, electric kitchen with disposal, central heat and air, carpets and drapes, fenced yard. Shown by appointment only. Emmett R. Sanders, Realtor, 659-2516, nights 659-2601.

115-rtn

FOR SALE: Very nice 3 bedroom, bath & half home near elementary and junior high schools. Attached garage, utility room, central heat & air, carpets & drapes, humidifier, other extras. Appointment only. Emmett R. Sanders, Realtor, 659-2516, nights 659-2601.

5S-rtn

OFFERED BY: Sumett R. Sander Realter

100 ft. Crawford Add. lot on Gruver highway, im-proved with small build-ing.

EMMETT R. SANDERS REALTOR 659-2516 659-2601 [nights]

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Homes - Farm

Beautiful 3 bedroom brick, 1 and 3/4 baths, den, fireplace, carpets, drapes, built-ins, etc. An exceptionally nice house. Near High School.

Large lot with nice two bedroom home in front, nice one bedroom house in the back. Double garage with efficiency in the rear. One year rental on one bedroom house paid at time of sale.

bedroom, 1-3/4 bath, orner lot, nice yard, 2 locks from high school, a come one would be proud

bedroom, single bath, arport, fenced yard, cor-er lot, 801 Dressen.

3 bedroom corner lot large fenced yard. 911 Haney.

FOR SALE: Three 2 bed-room houses, 659-2927 after 6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

11S-rtn

FOR SALE: Wright's Diner,
Hwy. 207. Completely
equipped. See or call Bob
Wright at Wright's Steakhouse - 659-9988.

10-rtn

Two large adjoining lots in
Lake Meredith Harbor.
Good Location-659-3268.

14S-2tp

Two adjoining lots in Craw-

Two adjoining lots in Crawford Addition, water, lights, night light-659-3268. 14S-2tp

FOR SALE: 5 acres in Waka. 435-5246. 5-rtn

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, brick den fireplace, living room carpeted, electric range/oven, dishwasher, central air/heat, storage ahed. After 4:00. 659-3664.

SALE-REDUCED-3 bedroom brick home, 1½ bath, carpet throughout, built in kitchen, central heat, built in Richen, central near attached garage. Extra lot adjoining plumbed for 2 house trailers \$24,000 or without lot \$22,000 selling for health reasons. Located at 213 N. Brandt. Phone 659-3667 days, 659-3633 aft-

12S-rtn
FOR SALE: 3 bedroom, bath and half, central heat & air, brick front, 60 ft. lot. Call 659-2240.

11S-8tp

John Mayfield - Broker 435-6528 Ruby Lair - Salesp 659-2188

3 bedroom, 11/2 baths, ha 3 bedroom, 1½ baths, has: been redecorated with new carpet, paneling, wall paper, paint inside and out, new appliances in kitchen, large lot, storm cellar, attached garage, large utility room. Fenced landscape yard. Blodgett Linn addition.

3 bedroom, 1 3/4 baths, completely redecorated inside and out, nice yard in Glover Terrace Addition

111 2, two bedroom, 1 bath, fully carpeted homes on one lot. Good location.

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Commercial building on Hiway 15 with a metal building.

Good Commercial site on Hiway 15, with 2,190 sq. ft. metal building, office space, 2 baths and metal shed. Lot size 186x295 ft.

Commercial building on Main Street for sale. Now occupied by Reed's Shoes, under short term

FOR SALE: Story and half brick home; 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, central heat and air, baths, central heat and am-nice kitchen with dish-washer, fenced yard, located on nice quiet street. By appointment only, Emmett R. Sanders, Realtor, 659-2516, nights 659-2601.

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Nightso WANTED - Sewing in my Fractioned. 659-

BABYSITTING-will baby sit in my home Monday through Friday. Ages 3 to 6. Call 659-3991.

FOR RENT

LBL Trailer Spaces: 54 monthly. 50' x 150' lots. Trailers also for rent. Ca Manager, 659-3551, 206 S. 40-rtn-T only

FOR RENT-Furnished apart ment, bills paid, couple bachelor. Call 2082. 12S-rtn

RENT-Furnished

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39S-rtn

LOST

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LOST: Gold ring with ruby sets. Big Reward Offered. Call 659-3087.

13S-2tp

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENTION

TO INCORPORATE
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Article 1302-2.02 of suant to Article 1302-2.02 of the Texas Miscellaneous Corporation Laws Act that SPEARHEAD PORK PRO-DUCERS, whose principal business office is at 1015 Wilmeth, P. O. Box 606, Spearman, Hansford County, Texas, has, effective April 30, 1976, become incorpor-ated without a change of firm name.

ame.

DATED this 29th day of December, 1976

James B. Lair Ruby M. Lair

Matthew Byron Lair Nancy K. Lair

Phillip Tarbox Lair
115 only-4tc

NOTICE TO BIDDERS The Hansford Hospital District, Spearman, Texas will accept sealed bids for a will accept sealed bids for a complete nurse call system that has a master station capable of handling 20 stations which will include a handset, tone indication of calls, patient call indication lamps. There shall be 10 double bed stations, 2 single bed stations, 5 staff stations, 3 duty stations, 12 dome lights, 11 toilet switches.

The system shall include all new cabling and a central control unit. The job shall also include removal of old nurse call system. The system shall have the Underwriters Laboratory approval and shall be the latest state of the art design.

of the art design.

Bids will be opened at 10
a.m. February 28, 1977 at
Hansford Hospital.

The hospital district reserves the right to accept or
reject any or all bids.

13S-2tSc

Too Late To Classify

FOR SALE: Commanche 250, '62 model. MK-5. MK-12A, ADF, DME, XP., auto pilot, original paint and interior. 13S-4tc

For ALOEVERA Cosmo JoAnn Kell, 659-2211. 1385tc

FOR SALE: 24x52 Trailer House, carpeted, AC., skirt-ed. 733-2439 or 733-2066. 13S-4tc FOR SALE: Split pinon firewood. 733-2439 or 733-2066.

13S-4tc

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts, visits and prayers while I was in the hospital. I am recovercely from my surgery. E. W. Renner

I want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and visits while I was in Hansford Hospital. A special thanks goes to Dr. Kleeberger, the nurses and hospital staff who made my stay in the hospital so pleasant.

Fendorf Schubert

Morse Pringle **School Board Meeting Slated**

of Trustees will meet Mon-day, February 14, at 7 p.m. in the Pringle School Cafe-teria to consider the follow-ing tentative agenda items. New Business listed for

consideration is to call an election for a board of trustees for April 2. the appointment of election officials,
organize administration for a
new consolidated school,
election of a superipredent consolidated school, tion of a superintendent other administrative connel, select name of consolidated district and

site for next year.

In addition there is to be a financial report and approval of bills, purchase of gasoline for school buses and discussion of citizen band radios for buses under new business additive according to the

buses under new business activity, according to the notice posted about the Monday night meeting.

Other items listed include the call to order, the reading and approval of minutes of the previous meeting and such old business as school housing, tax schedules and any other business as may be presented.

The 1977 Texas license plate sticker is now being issued at the office of the Hanford County Tax Assessor-Collector and at this midpoint in February, Mrs. Helen Dry, tax assessor-collector, requested that purchaspersented.

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4) Men's Wear Tech-

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Series wing for the 'profession-uch' is no doubt the goal of every experienced seam-stress. A series of four lessons will be taught once ach week in Spearman and criver beginning Feb. 21, tith the experienced seam-tress in mind, announces ggy Marrs, County Exten

The series will include ide presentations and deg topics:
1) Spring Fashion Focus,

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Club Meets

The Spearman Twentieth Century Club met Thurs. at the home of Mrs. Wayne Hutchison.

Mrs. J.R. Stump gave a Mini-Federation report on contributing to our heritage.

Mrs. Coy Palmer claimed that it is time to speak out and let the community know what the Federated Clubs are doing on the local, statewide, and national levels.

A program on Ecology-the delicate balance among living things on earth-was presented by Mrs. C.U. Pope. She emphasized that man is not the owner, but the stew-

The next meeting of the club will be Thurs., Feb. 24th at Martin's Steak Garden.

Annual Sale

freeders Association will hold its 61st Annual Sale February 15, 1977, at the Gouldy Sale Arena on the Tri-State Fairgrounds in Amarillo selling some 50 selected servisable aged bulls. Bulls will be placed at 9:00 A.M. February 16 and a bulls. Bulls will be placed at 9:00 A.M. February 16 and a Bar-B-Que lunch will be served at Noon. The Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet will be held Febru-ary 15, 1977, at 7:00 P.M. at

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Her office in the courthouse in Spearman is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

In addition to the office hours in Spearman, she announced that on February 22-23 the stickers will also be sold by representatives of her office who will be in the LaCasita Room of the Gruver

Classes will be held in Gruver on Monday after-noons, Feb. 21, 28 and Mar. 7 & 14, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the La Casita Room in the Gruver State Bank.

Gruver State Bank.
Classes will be held in Spearman on Tuesday evenings, Feb. 22,1 Mar. 1,8 & 15, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the High School Home Economics Sewing Room.
No pre-registration is required, but your indication of interest in attending one, two or all of the sessions, by contacting the Extension Office is appreciated. (Phone: Spearman 659-2030, Gruver 733-2901 -- Office: Courthouse Basement).

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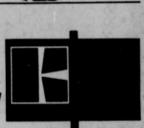
A dog cannot see colors very well, but he can differentiate degrees of brightness better than people can.

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sented by Mrs. C.U. Pope.
She emphasized that man is not the owner, but the steward of the earth. It is his to protect, not destroy.
Following the program, hostesses, Mrs. Wayne Hutchison and Mrs. Claude Newell served refreshments to those members present who included Mmes: L.L. Anthony, John Brown, Terry Curtis, Ed Freeman, E.L. Garner, C.A. Kleeberger, Woodville Jarvis, P.A. Lyon, Coy Palmer, C.U. Pope, J.R. Stump, Tom Sutton, and John Trindle.
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Finally, after watching and hoping for a long time, here comes our height.
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Jo Nell is rather quiet by nature and yet. I have a bit in aggressiveness on the court, be will be causing a lot of noise in the but she will be causing a lot of noise in the but she will be causing a lot of noise in the but she will be causing a lot of noise in the but she will be causing a lot of noise in the block a shot is a very rousing "EAT.

Jo Nell is the daughter of Mrs. Charles Perry, and has made her mark in other things besides basketball. She ran in the things concert or on the court, they are joyed to concert or on the court, they are joyed to concert or on the court, they are joyed to concert or on the court, they are joyed to concert or on the court, they are joyed to hear. Mr. Angel likes to hear 'EAT'.



TAMMY ROBERTSON

No place for short people in the game of basketball..."bah, humbug" and this young lady will prove that old misnomer to be "hogwash". There might not be always a place for people who are just short in the game, but there will always be a place for a Tammy Robertson on our team. When you talk about 'heart', you are really talking about this 5'3" Lynxette guard. Although up to now she has only played a reserve roll on the team, her value to the team is immeasurable. She spells the starters, she guards tough forwards in special situations, she keeps the chatter up, she encourages the other players, she gives her all. If she never played a minute, she would be a tremendous asset to the team because of her devotion to the team and the way she puts forth her one hundred percent in each workout.

Tammy is one of those kinds of players who makes things happen when she's on the floor. She is very alert and aggressive, mentally tough and very adept at handling the ball.

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After spending the last two seasons on the 'B' team, look for the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reg Robertson to become a valuable player on the Lynxette squad for her junior and senior years.

When it comes to basketball, Tammy can "carry the mail".



This senior at S.H.S. is an outstanding basketball player. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caroll Harper has proven in her career already that she can play with the "best of them." Having already captured all-district honors in two previous years, she looks forward to many more honors this season.—Carla stands just a shade over 5'7" but plays much taller in the games. She averaged around twenty-one points per game last year and led the team in free throws and offensive rebounds. She is an excellent defensive player and one who makes things happen because of her quickness and tenacity. She will be the floor leader for the Lynx-ettes this year and with her love for the game, her loyalty, her intelligence, her desire to excell, and her willingness to work should lead the team to many victories this season.

Carla not only is an outstanding basketball player but has been twice medalist at the regional U.I.L. golf meets. She also qualified for the regional meet in the hurdles in her first attempt at track last year.



Only a sophomore and has already been selected all-district basketball player and for her to accomplish? Probably many more days have passed. Debbie is the daughter of tall with great jumping ability and good rebounder on the Lynx-ette team last season line-up until after the Christmas holidays.

Debbie's physical ability, her willingness to take coaching will someday cause us to almost take coaching will someday cause us to almost S.H.S.

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from Debbie Greene.

Watch for great things



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Short and fiery--two terms which may well describe this Lynxette player. Only 5'3'/2' tall is Carrie Clark, but she is much bigger than this at heart. After having spent her first two high school years on the Lynxette 'B' team, Carrie has become an integral part of the Lynxette varsity basketball team. Carrie is one of the several members of this team who can play both forward and guard. She has played forward through her preparatory years, but because she has worked so diligently to improve her overall game, she has become a very good guard who can advance the ball very skillfully which is an absolute essential.

Carrie is an extremely unselfish basketball

Carrie is an extremely unselfish basketball player. In fact, if she has a fault as a forward, it would be that she does not shoot often enough. This young lady, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clark, is a pleasure to watch as she gives her all as she strives for every Lynxette victory.

As are most Lynxettes, Carrie's efforts are not all toward basketball. She is a member of the National Honor Society, is a twirler in the S.H.S. Band and in the Drama Club.

When we talk about the three D's - Determ on, Desire, and Devotion - or when we men he hundred per centers we must remember an Flowers. She is a living example of t ualities. Beth Ann has spent the season is huttle position playing "B" team and doul act to play varily when necessary or vo-ossible. She has gained valuable exper-laying "B" team and has been an integral



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One of the stand-out Lynxette guards this son is Lori McAdams. Lori is 5'3'' tall, te short for this game for tall people, but does not give one quarter because of her rtness. Lori is a real "hustle bug". neone has said that she reminds them of a ter bug, the way she darts here and there the court. She is often outsized but is yet to out-hustled or out-worked. This is the ard who draws the assignment of guarding





ingredient to the successful endeavor of the squad.

Cindy's love for the game is exemplified in the fact that she devotes some of her time to helping in the seventh grade basketball program.

This Lynxette junior earned a varsity letter in her freshman year and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gressett's daughter is sure to be a standout player for the next two years.



CONNIE VERNON



TRACIE KEETCH

"The most promising post forward prospect in four years" is the way some have described Tracie Keetch a 5'9" sophomore on the Lynxettes team. When the gym doors open for practice or a game one can probably find the friendly face of Tracie. She spends much of her time playing or watching basketball. A hard-working dedicated girl she is. One who loves her teammates and the game of basketball, as does Tracie, will most certainly be a success at the game and will play an important role in the success of the team. Tracie possesses a very good jump shot from close range and is now working on a hook shot which will make her much more effective when she gets the ball in close to the basket. Tracie is the daughter of Mrs. Joyce Frost and is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Future Teachers of America. With a little experience and some time she is destined to become an excellent post forward on the Lynxettes' team.

"Thump, thump" that's the sound that's heard over in the neighborhood west of the high school is out and the weather is decent. It may be someone kicking footballs out on the field, but more likely it is Christy Collier on her driveway with a basketball. Christy is that sophomore left hander who plays forward on the Lynxettes' team. Up from last year's E team Christy has become a quick success and an integral part of the success of this year's Lynxette team. She is a deadly shot from the fifteen foot range-shooting 51 percent thus far this season from the floor. Her free throw percentage is a phenominal 79 percent. In addition to her shooting skills Christy is steadily improving in all other phases of the game. Christy is a very conscientious worker with a great attitude and a tremendous love for the game. In addition to basketball her other endeavors include National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, SHS Cheerieader.

Her parents are Mr. & Mrs. Bob Collier who will have many occasions to be proud of their daughter's basketball accomplishments.



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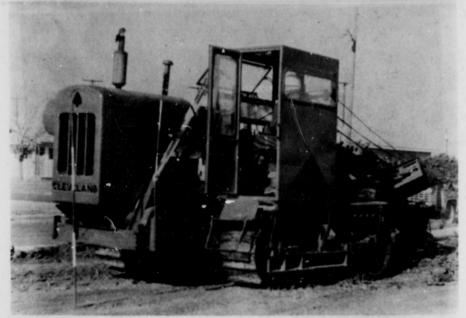
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Dirt has been flying the last 10 days in Spearman as men and equipment from Taylor Construction in Canyon lay a water pipeline along the east and south perimeter of the Spearman residential area. Starting on East Seventh Street near the storage facility, work has progressed to the park area just across from the high school. This ditchdigger is opening a trench for the pipe which is placed at the bottom of the excavation and then men and equipment, such as a bulldozer, push the dirt back into the trench and pack it down over the eight-inch waterline. The line will eventually link one of two new water wells to the storage facility.

Interest In Crosswalk Program Lagging

The Jaycee Wives would like to thank the parents who have participated in the school crosswalk program this year. Vicky Bullard, who has been in charge of the scheduling appreciates the mothers who called to let her know when they would be unable to work. She stated that when she is called in that when she is called in advance she can then make arrangements to have some-one else work. Because of a one else work. Because of a lack of interest in the pro-gram, those that volunteered have had to work every week through the rain and snow. Allen Alford, principal of the elementary school, has been kind enough to send

over to the curb when letting children out. Occasionally there are still parents stopping in the middle of the street to let the children out or to pick them up. This is very dangerous and inconsiderate because it hampers the flow of traffic at the school.

The crosswalk worker is there to protect the children

there to protect the children and direct traffic and parents stopping in the middle of the

stopping in the middle of the street run the risk of injury to their child and set a very poor example.

Some of the morning work-ers have not been showing up and one or two people can not be expected to work every morning. Chief of Police Wheeler has been been kind enough to send letters home with the child-ren asking for volunteers and to ask parents to please pull every morning. Chief of Police Wheeler has been asked to assign someone to work the morning crosswalk

and the Jaycee Wives will continue the afternoon crosswalk as long as the parents interest. Kemember the speed to not block traffic.

Soil, Water Conservation **District Meeting Tuesday**

in regular meeting Tuesday, February 8, in the Soil Conservation Office in the basement of the Hansford

County Courthouse approved minutes of the previous meeting, paid bills and acted on other items on the agenda for the February meeting. Participation in the Good-

year Program Contest involv ing carrying out the best conservation practices national and state competi-

tion was approved.

The Hansford District will be represented February 23 at the Panhandle Association eeting in Friona, according planning at this time. Conservation plans with

The Hansford Soil and operators of four farms were Water Conservation District approved after review.



Junior Troop #76 met Monday, February 7 at the Girl Scout House. The girls worked on their needlepoint and learned some new

and learners stitches. Refreshments were served to: Penny Cummings, Ten Thomas, Lelia Goodman, Seroggs; leader,



Angelia Gaither will serve efreshments at the February 5th meeting.

Brownie Troop #101 met February 9 at the Girl Scout House with ice cream sand-wiches and punch being

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CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR 1976

served by Elizabeth Sumner.
The troup said their
Brownie Promise. They went
outside to play games, and
finished the Valentines for Mrs. Larry Evans.
The next meeting will be February 14. finished the Valentines for their parents.

Present were: Tammy Shields, Christa Urban, Cayla Eaton, Sherry Sexton, Pam Stumpf, Dawn York, April Abston, Rhonda Mathews, Jana Pittman, Tammie Hogan, Terri Stewart, Kim Jenkins, Heidi Sims, Sandi McLeod, Elizabeth Sumner, Stacie Swann, Melissa McLain, Lani Merrill, Kimberly Branstitter, Vicci Elkbert; leaders, Mrs. Phillip Stumpf and Mrs. Jimmy McLeod.

Tammie Hogan and Lani Merrill will serve refreshments at the February 16th meeting.

Meeting Tuesday, February 8 at the Girl Scout House was Brownie Troop #42 with Alicia Langston serving refreshments.

The flag ceremony was held with Dana Irlbeck raising it and Alicia Langston helping fold the flag after the meeting.

The group sent their Part

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The group sent their Pen Pal letters. They began making doll beds out of shoe

making doll beds out of shoe boxes with completion ex-pected at their next meeting. Those present were: Shei-la Brand, Mary Ann Evans, Angelia Gaither, Dana Irl-beck, Alicia Langston, Carla Nickles, Tammy Ring, Kim Younger; leaders, Mrs. Bill Gaither and Mrs. Kenneth Evans.

Assistant Fire Chief Selected

Ronnie Antalek has been selected the assistant fire chief of the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department, it was announced at the Thursday, February 10 meeting of the

department.
Fire Chief is Chuck Rigdon
who also is acting fire ma-shal, code enforcement offi-cer, building inspector and
civil defense training direc-

tor.

Election is now is progress for captain with Ralph Bynum, Preston Graham and Louis Littlejohn nominated. Rigdon announced the SVFD is going to sponsor spring and fall dog field trials. There will be two shows with proceeds being used for department equipment.

FFA Boys Place

Seven Spearman FFA boys entered hogs in the recent Fort Worth Hog Show. Alan Uptergrove placed 1st in the light weight divi-sion, Yorkshire breed com-petition.

petition.

Andy Francis showed the Reserve Breed Champion of the light weight Berkshire

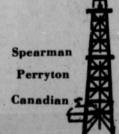
Placing 2nd with a medium weight division Chester was Alvin Byers.

Johnny Kenny placed 9th with his light weight Cross and Clay Reid placed 15th with his heavy weight Spotted Poland.

Other boys entering were Dayton Edwards and Dean Groves.







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Calendar Of **Events**

MONDAY, FEBRUAKY 14, 1977
Junior Troop #76 - Girl Scout House
Rotary Club - Martin's Steak Garden
Blue Monday Bridge Club - Home of Mrs. Viola

Graves Hansford Lodge #1040 A.F.&A.M. - Hansford

Lodge Hall
K.I.D.S. Wrestling (Jim Ivey - 7 p.m.) - Community Building
K.I.D.S. Boxing (John Sutterfield, D. A. Cator

- 7 p.m.) - Community Building TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1977 Brownie Troop #42 - Girl Scout House Lion's Club - Martin's Steak Garden Tuesday Bridge Club - Home of Mrs. Chalmers

Porter
Baker & Taylor Women's Association
Old Hansford Home Demonstration Club
Home of Mrs. L. W. Rosenbaum
Holt Home Demonstration Club
Town & Country Home Demonstration Club
Home of Mrs. Richard Pipkin
Night Owls Home Demonstration Club - Home
of Mrs. Janie Hand
Spearman Music Club
K.I.D.S. Wrestling (Jim Ivey - 7 p.m.) - Community Building
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1977
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Brownie Troop #101 - Girl Scout House Mary Martha Circle of the U.M.W. - United Methodist Church Baptist Women Study Group - First Baptist Church

Baptist Young Women - First Baptist Church Spearman Presbyterian Women - Presbyterian

Susannah Wesley Circle - United Methodist Church

Pheleo Circle - First Christian Church

K.I.D.S. Wrestling (Jim Ivey - 7 p.m.) - Community Building
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7 p.m.) - Community Building
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1977
Junior Troop #65 - Girl Scout House
Las Amigas Home Demonstration Club - Home
Demonstration Club Room
Hi-Lo Bridge Club - Home of Mrs. Leonard
Jameson

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Grand Slam Bridge Club
Happy Homes Demonstration Club
Spearman Spinners - County Barn
Hansford Shrine Club - Martin's Steak Garden
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4:30-5:30, Carol Stumpf, Judy Everson) Community Building FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1977 Junior Troop #120 - Girl Scout House Arts & Crafts Guild - Home of Mrs. Bill Gandy K.I.D.S. Wrestling (Jim Ivey - 7 p.m.) - Com-

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1977
Saturday Night Bridge Club - Home of Mr. and
Mrs. Billy Miller

The Spearman Study Club met Monday evening. Feb. 7, 1977 in the home of Mrs. Terry Schneider. The meeting was their Annual Mexican Food Supper and each member brought a Mexican food dish member b

It was reported that the Flag Pole given to the Girl Scouts had been put at the

Scouts had been put at the Girl Scout House.
Their Style Show will be held the 12th of March at the High School Cafeteria. The money made from ticket sales this year will go to help send high school children to The Fellowship of Christian Athlete's Summer Camp. The program at the March meeting will be some of the F.C.A. members telling all about the camp and F.C.A. program.

program.

The district workshop is April 1st and 2nd and all members were encouraged to attend.

to attend.

The club decided they would undertake a community improvement project for the coming year.

Mrs. Lois "shr'idknight told about a program called "Fashions for Handicapped" and asked that people knowing how to sew to design and

Study Club Has Annual Supper make special garments for the handicapped people of

the handicapped people of our town.

Mrs. Mary Jane DeArmond reported that the M.D. Anderson Hospital needs all kinds of books for the library at the hospital.

The new officers for next year were announced and they are as follows: President, Jackie Sherwood; Vice President, Linda Close; Secretary, Virginia Young; Treasurer, Sonya Godfrey; and Parliamentarian, Trudy Schneider.

The Program of the Year and Woman of the Year were announced for the 1976 year. The Program of the year was a book reviewed by Patty Sheppard and Woman of the Year was Mrs. Eulalia Mires.

The members present were Mmes: Linda Allen, Linda Close, Barbara Collier, Hester Crawford, Mary Jane DeArmond, Margarette Evans, Sonya Godfrey, Sha-ron Hamilton, Diane Martin, Fulalia Miras.

ron Hamilton, Diane Martin, Eulalia Mines, Trudy Schneider, Jackie Sherwood, Lois Shieldknight, Molly Turner and Virginia Young. The next meeting will be March 7 at the B&B Friend-ship Room with Mrs. Bar-bara Collier as the hostess.



Last Tuesday night in the County Barn an auction table laden with home-baked cakes was the center of attention. Prior to the start of the proceedings, this group of Cubs and friends walked along the table to get a closer look at the line-up of cakes in various shapes and sizes and with plain or multicolored and decorated icings. Some of the cakes were in the shape of animals or human beings. The father-son cake bake effort raised funds for the local Cub Pack.

New Johnny Cash Film To Be Shown

The story is old, but the The story is old, but the perspective is up-dated and brought into sharp focus by the film THE GOSPEL. ROAD to be shown on Sunday, February 13th at The First United Methodist Church. The showing will begin at 7:00 P.M.

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THE GOSPEL ROAD, dis-tributed by World Wide Pic-tures, was conceived and produced by Johnny Cash and his wife, June Carter Cash, whose desire was to Cash, whose desire was to tell the story of Jesus Christ in a realistic and meaningful

way.

The film is a unique blend of scripture-based narrative, an abundant supply of specially written songs, and a series of in-depth character portrayals, with Israel itself as the mixing bowl.

You are there, walking beside the Jordan and the Sea of Galilee; you are there, seeing Him in many human situations that establish a practical and personal rap-

situations that establish a practical and personal rapport with every viewer. You are there, being introduced to the disciples, and gaining insight into their varied personalities. You are there, experiencing the highly charged emotional impact of the trial before Pilate, and becoming so personally inbecoming so personally in-volved that you feel sympa-thetic pain when Robert Elfrom, in an outstanding ortrayal of Christ, suffers

the physical attack that pre-cedes the Crucifixion.

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Adding to the effectiveness of THE GOSPEL ROAD
IN ITS ENDEAVOR TO
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THIS DAY ARE: the fascinating treatment of the Crucifixion, making this tragedy an
event of significance that
reaches from its own time
across the years to take on reaches from its own time across the years to take on meaning for all men of all ages; and the songs and background music of Johnny Cash and other outstanding musicians, whose contemporary style is not out of keeping with the story....a story that reveals that His darkest day has become our brightest.

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Everyone is invited to this free showing of THE GOS-PEL ROAD at the Spearman Methodist Church on Sunday, February 13th at 7:00 p.m.

School Cafeteria

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14 Chicken & Noodle Mashed Potatoes Green Peas
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Birthday Cake for Feb.
Yeast Batter Bread - Butter

Yeast Batter Break Milk High School Choice Roast & Gravy - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Burrittos Potato Salad Seasoned Pinto Beans Cole Slaw Strawberry Pudding Cornbread - Butter

Milk High School Choice Beef Casserole WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Vegetable-Beef Stew

Buttered Corn Fruit Cookies

Milk High School Choice Chicken Salad Sandwich THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17 Oven Fried Fish - Tartar **Ruttered Potatoes**

Fresh Green Salad - Dressing Coconut Cookie Bar Hot Rolls - Butter

Mik Bigh School Choice Braded Beef Pattie RIDAY, FEBRUARY 18 fot Dog - Chili Sauce or Pimento Cheese Sandwich French Fries - Catsup Pork & Beans

Pork & Beans Dill Pickle Spears Lemon Chiffon Pie

Bowling News MONDAY NIGHT SCATTER PINS

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HIGH TEAM GAME 669 **Anthony Electric**

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Spearman Chapter #721 met for its regular meeting on Monday, Feb. 7 with Mrs. Judith Black, W.M. and Don Hendricks, W.P., presiding.

Special guests for the evening were Ruben Lauding.

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evening were Ruben Lauglin, member of the Masonic Nobleman Committee; Mrs. Ruby Laughlin, Chairman of Faternal Friendship Commit-tee; and Mrs. Bernice Buckley, member of Time and Talent Committee, all of District II, Sec. I Grand Chapter of Texas O.E.S. Other guests included Levita Counts, Virginia Barkley and Charles Buckley, all of Bor-

Friendship night on Feb. 19th at 6:30 p.m. at Hansford Lodge Hall. All area Eastern

Refreshments were served ger.

Spearman Chapter #721
O.E.S. will have its annual

by Louie Sampson and Joyce
Lackey, assisted by Fay
Palmer to 26 present.

Tammy Mundy On Honor Roll

Tammy Mundy is listed on the President's Honor Roll for the fall semester at West Texas State University. She compiled a 4.0 average on a 4.0 scale. Tammy is a sophomore student majoring in Special Educatio

She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lester Mundy of Victor, Colo., also the grand-daughter of Mr. & Mrs. A.D. Sparks of Spearman and Mrs. Lucy Mundy of Radford, VA.

CROSSWALK PATROL SCHEDULE

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The Truth About The Texas Teachers Retirement System

Complete text of remarks made February 1, 1977 by Rep. L. DeWitt Hale. Corpus Christi, in a personal privilege speech on the floor of the House of Representatives, 65th Texas Legislature, in response to allegations concerning the financial condition of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas. Transcription by the Texas State Teachers Association.

ers Association.
Mr. Speaker and Members of the

In 24 years as a member of this institution, I have risen on questions of privilege on only rare occasions. This probably the third or fourth time in all the years I have been here. And yet there have been some matters transpir-ed here within the last week that I feel deserve the attention of every member of the House because it reflects upon the character and integrity of some very fine people and it has also created a great deal of unrest and consternation among thousands of good people who great deal of unrest and consternation among thousands of good people who are drawing retirement benefits through the Teacher Retirement System. And they have become unnecessarily alarmed by some of the statements that have been made from this floor and in press conferences adjacent hereto.

hereto.

I want to se the record straight this morning. I have no intentions of debating the merits of a pending bill on the Retirement System, but I want to explain to this House and to the people of Texas, in the few brief minutes I have, how the Retirement System works and why the charges that have been made against it are totally and completely unfounded.

I have here in my hands a copy of a

I have here in my hands a copy of a newspaper. This has a dateline "AP," which indicates it is an Associated Press newspaper. This has a dateline "AP," which indicates it is an Associated Press story emanating out of Austin. I want to quote two or three things from this story and then comment on it: "Representative Jim Nugent, Democrat of Kerrville, pinned the label 'con man' on the executive director of the Texas State Teachers Association. Nugent also stirred things up by telling reporters the Teacher Retirement System is actuarially unsound. 'Quote:" It is my intention to clarify for the House the statement that the 'con man' CAllie Smith of the TSTA gave me last session," end quote, Nugent said. 'He told reporters that during the debate on the Teacher Retirement Bill last session he relied on statements by Smith in telling him how he system was actuarially sound. And now I find that is not true," Nugent said. Nugent Claimed, "It is reasonable to state there is not enough money in the Retirement System at the present time to fund the existing earned retirement benefits to the teachers of Texas."

Now let's address that. Mr. Nugent put on you desk here some days ago a photocopy from a page out of the annual report of the Teacher Retirement System. Each of you received a copy of this, and he had circled the last figure on the bottom, balance or deficit August 31, 1975, and a deficit of \$13,317,379.

on the bottom, balance or deficit August 31, 1975, and a deficit of \$13,317,379. And he makes a great to-do about this deficit, as to what a horrible situation that is. If you'll look at this page that he put on your desk, it is an account known

Now I'm sure what I have to say is not going to be news to many of you. But to some of you who may not be familiar with the details of the Retirement

with the details of the Retirement System, let me point out to you--if you will get a copy of that annual report which I have here--then you will find that there are several different accounts which they have.

There is a Members Savings Account, and it's in that which the 6 percent which the teachers pay in is deposited into that. There is a State Contribution Account, and that's the matching funds that go into that account.

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Then there's a Retired Reserve Account. That's the account that's set up for the teachers as they retire, and the money is put in there so that they will have the money to draw their retirement benefits.

Then there are what I would call some

retirement benefits.

Then there are what I would call some housekeeping accounts--an Interest Account, an Expense Account, and an investment portfolio. All of this is in the annual report and copies of 4his are available to you if you want to get them.

Now let's take a look at the \$13 million deficit that Mr. Nugent is so

Now let's take a look at the 313 million deficit that Mr. Nugent is so excited about, and which he says brings the system into a state of imbalance. First, let me say to you that this State Contribution Account is not really an operating account. It's simply a pass-through account. I would compare its metals to the Openius Tax Clearance.

estimated of all the teachers in Texas who are members of this system. And they have to contribute 6 percent. And the state matches that 6 percent. And that's done-on a monthly basis, by a transfer in the Comptroller's office. So that this State Contribution Account, depending upon what day of the month

depending upon what day of the month you pick, when that transfer is made, when teachers retire, and the rate at which they retire, and many other factors affect the balance in this State Contribution Account. And it fluctuates widely. And there are times when it. widely. And there are times when it, might be temporary deflicit; there are other times when it has a large surplus. And this is immaterial—absolutely and totally immaterial to the actuarial soundness of the Teacher Retirement

System.

I asked the System to give the month-by-month balances in this account during the fiscal year 1976, and I'm going to ask them to flash it on the screen up here so that you can each see that.

Here are the balances in that account about which Mr. Nugent is so concerned I will read it in round millions and not give you all those figures and go down it with you.

On July 31, 1975 and then monthly thereafter, July 31, \$88 million—on the plus side. August 31, the \$13 million deficit about what Mr. Nugent was so concerned. Now let me tell you then what happened right after that \$13 million deficit. On Sept. 2, 1975, two days after this \$13 million deficit showed in there, the Comptroller made his monthly transfer of funds into this State Contribution Account. On Sept. 2, 1975, two days after this \$13 million deficit showed in there, the Comptroller made his monthly transfer of funds into this State Contribution Account. Sa Sept. 2, 1975 the sum of \$14,661, 103 was transferred into that account by the Comptroller as the monthly payroll, 6 percent of the payroll figure for that month for teachers. That put the account immediately back into a balance, as you will see there, a positive balance of slightly over \$1 million. Then going down, October \$16 million, November \$15 million, December \$17 million, January \$32 million, Ebruary \$47 million, May \$77 million, Dune \$84 million, May \$77 million, June \$84 million, May \$77 million, June \$84 million, May \$77 million, Dune \$84 million, May \$77 million, April \$84 million, June \$84 million, May \$77 million, April \$84 million, May \$77 mil

I asked the Retirement System if there were any other month that they, recall where there was actually a deficit at the end of the month, and they said that that was the only one that they could recall. And they ran this one year off of the computer for me, and you can see how the balance changes from time to time.

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But even if it were true, and the \$13 million balance were a serious figure, let u take it in perspective. On the same report that you have, that Mr. Nugent took one page out of, there is another one called a Comparative Balance Sheet. And on the Comparative Balance sheet it shows the account balances. Let me read you these account balances, so you can get the perspective on these things:

The Member Savings Account, 1 billion, 37 million dollars (\$1,037,000,-000). State Contribution Account, minus \$13 million. That's the negative figure on this August 31 that Mr. Nugent was so upset about.

Retired Reserve Account. That is the money that is set aside to pay the teachers who have already retired. There are \$7,000 of them, in round figures, drawing retirement benefits from the Teacher Retirement System today: One billion, seven hundred and twenty one million dollars (\$1,721,000,000).

Expense Account, four million, two

Expense Account, four million, two hundred fifty one thousand (\$4,251, 000). Expense and Fixed Assets, four million, four hundred seventy two thousand (\$4,472,000). Interest Ac-

million, two days after this \$13 million deficit showed up. Now they are transferring \$17 million a month--a payroll of more teachers, and higher pay, and so it is going in at \$17 million a

pay, and so it is going in at \$17 million a month.

The second way money gets into this State Account is from interest. Interest on these tremendous sums of money, almost three billion dollars now, that is in their hands, and they are drawing interest on it. And on that interest, there is five percent interest credited to the Retired Reserve Account—that is the one that is set over here to pay the teachers who are retired. Five percent is credited to each of the members' accounts. Now the fund itself at the present time is making considerably more than that. It is now making money; as of August 31, 1975 the fund was actually earning 6.15 percent. As of August 31, 1976, the latest figure available to us, it's now yielding, the total investments, 6.42 percent. Now the difference between 6.42 and 5.5, which is credited on the Retired Reserve Account, is almost one percent. Well, one percent doesn't sound like much interest rate, but you apply one percent to three billion dollars that's invested one percent doesn't sound like much interest rate, but you apply one percent to three billion dollars that's invested and see how much money you come up with. You come up with a pretty sizeable piece of change that's transfer-

red as excess interest earnings into this State Contribution Account.

The third way that money gets into this State Contribution Account is when they make a profit from the sale of common stocks or bonds. Now let's take a look at their stock portfolio. None of this is credited to any of these accounts until its sold and the profit retually earned. I have here a monthly report which the Teacher Retirement System gave me. It is called a Monthly Market Cost Comparison of Stock Owned as of December 31, 1976, which is the latest one they could give me. And on this report it lists all of the common stocks which the Teacher Retirement System has purchased, when they bought it, how much they paid for it, how much per share, and the total value of their market value interest according to the stock exchange quotations on December 31, 1976.

And what does this show? This shows that the market value of the stocks owned by the Teacher Retirement System are \$117 million more than what they paid for those stocks. Now what does that mean? That means that if they liquidated all of these stocks, there would be \$117 million profit. They don't show that profit in these financial statements, because it is not earned unless and until they sell the stock. And the stock market, just like this State Contribution Account, flucuates widely from time to time. And it won't be the same each day, because it changes from day to day. But the total picture there, gives you that picture. \$117 million in profit, all of which would go into this State Contribution Account if these stocks were to be sold.

So I say to you that this Teacher Retirement System is in excellent condition. There is no reason at all for anyone to be alarmed. On the \$7,000 good people of Texas who are members of this system now drawing benefits from the Teacher Retirement System is in excellent condition. There is no reason at all for anyone to be alarmed. On the \$7,000 good people of Texas who are members of this system now drawing benefits from the Teacher Retirement Sys

there has been set aside, as each member retires there is set aside into this Retired Reserve Account enough money to pay that teacher with their benefit for the rest of their natural life, based upon 5.5 percent earnings. And that ratio changes as the market changes and additional money is put in there if it's needed. The money is there to pay those teachers. They have nothing to worry about. It's 100 percent funded.

Now how about the other? One of the

Now how about the other? One of the other charges that Mr. Nugent made was that the system itself had a tremendous amount of unfunded liabilities. I have here another Associated Press story. He said that two charges were made, that one had to do with Unfunded Liabilities, meaning those not covered by contributions to the system, totaling 1 point 26 billion dollars (\$1.26 billion). That's true, that's true, and to the same extent. Mr. Nugent is an honorable man. The figures he has given you are correct. The \$13 million deficit he gave you is correct. The wrong impression is his interpretation on it. The \$1.26 billion in unfunded liabilities that he mentioned is accurate; that also is shown here in this report. If

who haven't been contributing ver much over a very short period of time And as they retire, there becomes a tremendous liability on the system. The reason for that is in the fact that you can e to put the cash in it to fund it at the very start. So what you do on every retirement system, you work out a plan with idea of having that system fully funded within a period of some future

At the time the Teacher Retirement bystem was started, it was estimated that it would probably take about 100 years for the system to become completely funded. That has not worked out. The salaries have gone up, the earnings have gone up, and the sytem is n much better actuarial condition today that it ever has been. One of the finest systems in the United states. It's estimated, according to this report, that

systems in the United states. It's estimated, according to this report, that even these teachers who are not yet retired, their pensions are funded approximately 70 percent under this system, which is one of the highest of any public systems in the United States. Many of you are familiar with pension plans and you know that the Congress of the United States in 1974 passed a major piece of legislation known as ERISA, the Employees Retirement Income Security Act, and under that it set standards for all private pension plans. It doesn't effect the public plans like this, but I am proud to tell you that the Teacher Retirement System of Texas and the State Employee Retirement System of Texas can meet all of the and the State Employee Retirement System of Texas can meet all of the requirements of ERISCA right now, whether Congress acts to blanket in public retirement systems or not. And one of the requirements of ERISA is that a plan must be fully funded within a forty-year period, recognizing that they cannot fully fund that program from the very start. So there is nothing to be upset about on unfunded liabilities. If I can used a crude comparison, those of you who are not familiar with pension plans, let me use a crude

pension plans, let me use a crude comparison. Let's take the Austin National Bank down here. It would be just as accurate, it would be just as accurate for me to get up here at this microphone and tell you that if you've microphone and tell you that if you've got a deposit (some money on deposit) at the Austin National Bank, you better go check it out because they don't have enough money to pay all their depositors. And that's true. No bank has enough money there to pay all their depositors. If they do, they are going broke. Because they've got to put that money out and lend it, and get money coming in. That is the way a bank ming in. That is the way a bank akes its money. No bank could pay off all its depositors on short notice. It would put that bank into receivership

overnight. It is called a run on the bank. And that used to be the greatest worry of a bank. Why? They've got a tremendous amount of so called unfunded liability, but they've got the assets to back it up. They've got the income to come in there to take care of it.

Insurance policies are the same way. Many of you have life insurance policies. There is no insurance company in the United States, from Prudential on down, that could pay off all of their life insurance policies. If every one of their policy holders died today, it would bankrupt that company. Why? Because their life insurance in force, which is an unfunded liability of that company, far exceeds all of its total assets. You say, "Why do they take those liabilities?" Because they know, before those liabilities accrue and become due years from now, they will have taken in the premium payments and the money and the income necessary to fund those liabilities at the time they accrue.

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A retirement system works in exactly the same way. It has unfunded liabilities, but when those liabilities come, they will have the money there to pay them. And this system is actuarily sound. So there is absolutely no reason in the world to be upset about this system. Mr. Nugent is unduly alarmed, partly because of his political campaign last year, I dare say, partly because of the fact that he may want to kill this Retirement System. Whatever his motive, whatever his motive, I can say to you, and I can say to the people of Texas, you can be proud of this Teacher Retirement System. It's one of the soundest, most actuarily sound systems of any in the United States. Every actuarial study that has been made has said it was a fine system and will meet all its obligations, funded over a proper period of time.

Now, one other thing, and then I am through. And I thank the House for your patient attention to me.

There have been some things said about some very fine young men. I've known Callie Smith for many years. Some of you probably haven't met him yet. You will before the session is over. And I want to say to you that Callie Smith is no con man. In the first place, I want to tell you, Jim Nugent has been my friend for many, many years. He is one of the most capable, dedicated men in this House. And I am telling you, nobody can con Jim Nugent. Don't kid yourself. (Laughter) And I say to you that the last people in the world to try to con a member of this Legislature would be people of the character and integrity of Callie Smith and L.P. Sturgeon and A.H. Hooser and the others that represent the Texas State Teachers Association over here. I have had the they accrue.

A retirement system works in exactly

It has unfunded

that I have been in this body and knew them even before that. Callie Smith used to be a teacher in Tulsoo-Midway in my district, back in the late fifties and early sixtles. He......
Voice: Mr. Speaker....
Hale: He became...
Voice: Point of Order.
Speaker Bill Clayton: State your point of order, Mr. Uher (Rep. D.H. Uher, Bay City).
Uher: Mr. Hale is not speaking to the rules of the House as they deal with privilege. I ask that he confine his remarks to the issues affecting the integrity of this House and members of this House and not to consider the integrity, or lack of integrity or anything else, as to anybody outside this House. Clayton: Mr. Hale, if you would, please confine you remarks to those issues that would reflect upon the integrity of the House.
Hale: I'd be delighted to, Mr. Speaker, and not a thing (I've said yet in about fifteen minutes I have been up here-there is nothing I have said that doesn't reflect upon the operations of this House and the character and integrity of this House. Because when a member of this House says he has been "conned," then Mr. Uher that may mean you've been conned too. So it reflects upon your character and your integrity, too. In fact, Mr. Nugent even asked the question yesterday, if Mr. Wyatt had also been "conned."
So I am saying to you that Callie Smith is not the character of man that would con anybody. He has a fine reputation as a teacher, and as a principal and as a superintendent. He was at Harlandale High School in San Antonio for eight years, Mr. Ribak. How about that? Longview High School, those of you from East Texas. L.P. Sturgeon-many of you have worked with him for many years.

your have worked with him for many years.

Every statement that has ever been made before a committee of this House affecting the Teacher Retirement System has been made by these people on the basis that it is actuarily a sound program, they would not be before the committee asking anything that wasn't actuarily sound, and that the Texas State Teachers Association would oppose any bill here that would have the effect of making the Teacher Retirement System actuarily unsound. That is the record which they have made before this body. That's the record that is going out by the actuarial reports here today, and I'm saying to you that any propaganda that is put out on this floor, or in press conferences, to the contrary is misleading and inaccurate.



Make Monday A Love-ly Day

Roses are red; Mondays sometimes blue; pussywil-lows are usually grey. Now would you believe that this Monday is going to be Happy St. Valentine's Day?

Verse or words not being our long suit, the above amended couplet should serve to remind you that Valentine's Day 1977 will be Monday, February 14th-a magical kind of date to bring into sharp focus at least once during the year that love is that strange alchemy that does make the world go round-a day set aside for hearts 'n flowers-and ''llove-you'' kind of day. A day which never really should be set aside but lived every day. However, it is truly great to However, it is truly great to have a special observance to say those three little words-

say those three little words"I love you (and you....and
you....and you!)

"Its aptly been said that
'love makes the world go
round' and apparently even
politicians and people in high
estate who govern the activities of the world respect this
strange and lovely thought
for they have neither set up
rules and regulations governrules and regulations governing love; nor changed the
date of this day set aside for
love; nor even bothered to
set up committees to formulate activities for this day of cupid. It is a spontaneous and annual event observed

whatever the background and however one chooses to observe it, St. Valentine's Day remains one of the most important occasions in our lives for it gives us an oppor-

lives for it gives us an oppor-tunity to express our love for others. Long may February 14th remain a day to say "I

love you....and you....and you, too! Have a Happy Valentine, please!

by many.

As for background, pages have been written as to the origination of this delightful custom and in all probability the thoughts and significance stem from an ancient Roman festival called 'lupercalia' which took marriage (called Juno) and also the god of Nature (called Pan).

In the United States, St. Valentine's Day became popular in the 1800s at the time of the Civil War. Many

pular in the 1800s at the time of the Civil War. Many Valentines of this era were not complete without a fat little old cupid whose arrows pierced a heart berribboned and bowed and oft times trimmed with lace. Feathers, mother-of-pearl tassels, sea shells, pine cones, dried flowers were also used as decorations to embellish the "lovely" thoughts therein contained. Some of the more elaborate cards cost as much as \$10.00 which really nuch as \$10.00 which really much as \$10.00 which really is not such a startling price today for no longer are the penny valentines sold and all come much dearer--starting at 15 cents and some of the more elaborate in verse and worse as high as \$5.00 without a bit of lace or sath even showing as in the 'good even showing as in the 'good old days'.

Some of the older customs

Some of the older customs associated with Valentine's have to do with birds choosing their mates on February 14th (so if you happen upon a bit of billing and cooing, don't be surprised) and an old English superstition warned that it was bad luck to bring snowdrons into the bring snowdrops into the ouse before Valentine's Day if unmarried girls in the home expected to be married before the end of the year.

before the end of the year.

In Derbyshire, England,
young women used to circle
the church 12 times at midnight, repeating magic words
which were supposed to
bring their one and only true
love to them. Some young
ladies arose very early February 14th to peek through

Sacred Heart Women's

Guild Met

acred Heart Women's ild met February 7 at the ish Hall. Mrs. Maria theco presided over the etting. The minutes were d and approved. the club finalized plans for chili dinner which will be the church members. The

Rebekah's Honor **Retiring Noble Grand**

Evelyn Kingsley retiring Noble Grand of Spearman Rebekah Lodge 290 was ho-nored with a dinner Friday

night.

The centerpiece was made with daisies, red & white carnations worked with a large red valentine & two white doves.

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white doves.
Corsages of red & white
carnations tied with red ribbon were pinned on Evelyn,
Mona Slater, Bernice McBride & Dorothy Quinn.
A scrap book denoting the
year's work, compiled by
Evelyn Mackie & Dorothy
langely was presented to

their keyholes hoping to see two objects which would indicate that she would have a very good chance of marrying that year-(if just one object she did see, she might as well forget marriage for the next 365 days).

Following the spread of Christianity, churchmen tried to give Christian meaning to this pagan festival and in AD 496 Pope Gelasius changed the name of the festival of February 15th to St. Valentine's Day on the 14th-which only accomplished a change of day and never, never a change of meaning! Langely was presented to Evelyn, by Evelyn Mackie. Evelyn then gave each of

her officers a gift, with special gifts going to Mona Slater & Ruth Caro for their extra help.

Bernice McBride presented Evelyn the gift of appreciation from the Lodge, which was a purple necklace with matching earrings.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Hosard Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mackie, Mrs. Mae Shaull, Mrs. Ruth Caro with guests, Mrs. Coy Kingsley and Mrs. Mildred Chamberlain.

Funk Seed Hosts Appreciation Barbecue

The Funk Seedsmen turn-ed "Feedsmen" Monday night and entertained over one hundred area residents at the Memorial Building in Gruver for a delectable bar-beque in appreciation for past patronage and in antici-pation for increased use of Funk seeds this year. Host-ing the enjoyable occasion Funk seeds this year. Hosting the enjoyable occasion
were Aubrey Rasor assisted
by Bill Cator and Jerry Hunt,
both of whom will be responsible for storage of the Funk
seeds in their Farmers' AgriSupply for easy access by
area farmers.

During the course of the
evening a continuous colored
slide portrayed the growth of

the Funk Seed Company

the Funk Seed Company from its inception seventy five years ago when the Funk Brothers planted their first seed in Bloomington, Illinois and where the main Funk office still is maintained on through the 75 years of growth to the present.

Funk has gone into international operations and maintains Funk Seeds International of Canada, Ltd., at Cottom, Ontario, Canada; Funk Italia, S.P.A., Italy; Maices Hibridos Y Semillas, S.A., Barcelona, Spain; Societte Funk France; and the Prosem, S. DE R.L., in Mexico.

Local Funk Manager Au-

brey Rasor, who has been a Funk Seed representative since 1969, and Larry Goule. District Sales Manager from Dumas, conducted the drawing during the evening for door prizes which went to the following lucky ticket holders including gift certificates to Mrs. Ted Evans, Mrs. Milton Jochetz, and Mrs. James Deakin; bag of G-Hybrid corn seed to E. A. Williams; bag of G-Hybrid milo seed to David Boyd. Sets of Funk coffee mugs to Mrs. J. C. Harris, Mrs. Dave Remmel; Mr. and Mrs. Wes Maupin; and Anson Ward.

The delectable rib and beef barbeque was catered by Richard Dyers of Pampa served buffet style to the guests who were seated at long tables for the dinner. Notebooks, plastic bags, and pens were mementos of the Funk Dealers appreciation dinner to each of the guests attending.

Golden Spread Club Party

Golden Spread Club will have a game night on Tuesday, February 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Home Demonstration Clubroom. Golden Spread Club has an open membership for all people who are 55 years of age or older without discrimination as to race, religion, sex, or ethnic origin. The evening will be spent in fellowship, table games, such as dominos, forty-two, pitch, bridge, os, forty-two, pitch, bridge, canasta, and light refresh-

United Presbyterian Church News

Church News

Interesting Bible studies are conducted at the level of the pupils every Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

"Completing a Task" will be the subject of Pastor Ed Freeman's children's sermon and "Blessed Are You When People Hate You" will be the subject of his adult sermon at the service for the public worship of God on Sunday, February 13 at 11:00 a.m. Robert Bundy, Jr. will be received into the membership of the church.

Pastor Ed Freeman is chaplain at Hansford Hospital this week. He will also conduct the Daily Devotions program on KBMF-FM Monday through Friday, February 14-18, at 10:30 a.m.

Presbyterian Women will meet at the church on Wednesday, February 16 at 9:30 a.m.

There will be a church

a.m.

There will be a church committee night on Wednesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m. Everyone in the church is invited to serve on one of the six committees. Committee chairpersons are: Finance, Henry Cornelius, Christian Education, Wallace Price: Evangelism, David Burnett; Worship, Max Baggerly; Nominating, Danny Womble: Property and Grounds, Richard Holton.

The choir will practice

The choir will practice /ednesday, February 16 at

Wednesday, February 16 at 8:30 p.m. A warm, Christian wel-come awaits anyone who attends any of these services

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ing.

Mrs. John Berry had high score and Mrs. Preston Scott had second high.

Enjoying a delicious dinner and bridge were a guest, Mrs. Scott, and members, Mmes.: Berry, Gertrude Archer, Leonard Jameson, Vi Whitson, Faye Lynch, Gwenfred Lackey and the hostess.

MARKETS

Bridge Club

The Short Club Bridge
Club met Tuesday in the
home of Gertrude Jones.
Mrs. Jones had high score,
Elizabeth Holton had second
high and Lois Gibner won the
traveling prize.
Attending were a guest,
Doris Ellison, and members,
Rose Butt, Lois Gibner, Elizabeth Holton, Mary Cornelius, Barbara McClellan and
Ruth Skinner.

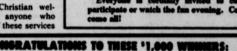
Mrs. R. E. Lee was hostess for the Bid-A-Bit Bridge Club in her home Thursday even-

Open House

There will be Open House the 12th of March at the Girl Scout House in observance of Girl Scout Week. Everyone in waterme to come and

Public Invited To Valentine Dance

The Spearman Spinners will host a Valenthes',
Dance the 17th of February. It will be at the
County Barn at 8:00 P.M.
Representing the Club as Valentine Sweethear
is Mrs. Adela Lopez.
Mr. Phil Nelman from Phillips will be the guest
caller at this gala event.
Everyone is cordially invited to come and
participate or watch the fun evening. Come one
come all!





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