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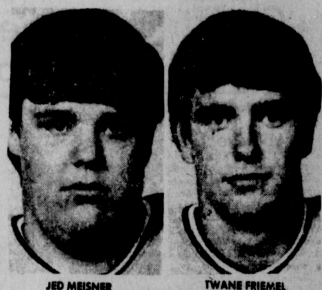
THE SPEARMAN REPORTER, SPEARMAN, TEXAS 79081

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1977

Adult Typing Course Offered

There will be an adult typing course offered at Spearman High School beginning Monday night, January 9 at 6:30 p.m. Fee for the course will be \$25 which will include all materials including typing paper. Anyone interested in taking the course may contact the instructor for the thirty hour course. The course is for beginning typists and will be held in the high school typing room. There will be a 3 hour session each evening. Anyone interested in taking the course may contact the superintendent's office, 659-3233.

Two Lynx Make Super Team



JED MEISNER

TWANE FRIEMEL

Two Spearman Lynx football players were named to the Globe-News' 1977 Pathfinders Plains Super Football Team. Twane Friemel, senior tackle was named to the Offense Team and Jed Meisner, senior linebacker was named to the Defense Team. Friemel has been on the Spearman varsity teams for four years, three of them a starter. During that span, Spearman won 41 and lost 7 games. "The second-best tackle I've coached in 18 years, and I've had five all-starters, and based on overall agility, he's the best I've," said coach Greg Sherwood. Meisner is strong (bench presses 365 pounds) and quick. Just not handled. He led a 10-1 team in tackles on a first defensive unit that allowed just one TD of any kind through the 10 regular season games. In on 11 tackles a game, covered 9 fumbles, had the team's high defensive grade in 7 of the 11 games.

Christmas Services Slated

Christmas Eve Communion Services are scheduled in several churches in Spearman Saturday plus a full schedule of regular and special services Sunday, Dec. 25, in observance of the Birth of Christ. First Presbyterian Church will have a Christmas Eve Candlelight Carol and Communion Service beginning at 7 p.m. Dec. 24. Student Recognition Sunday and Christmas Day Worship Service will begin at 11 a.m. Dec. 25. Faith Lutheran Church will have a special Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5:30 p.m.

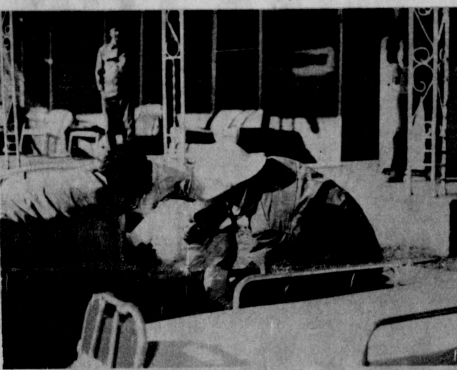
Saturday, The Christmas Day Service will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will be followed by Sunday School and the singing of Christmas Carols. First Christian Church will have a special Communion Service Christmas Eve between 7 p.m. and midnight. Christmas Day Worship Service will begin at 10 a.m. The First Assembly of God Church will hold a Praise and Worship Service Sunday beginning at 8 a.m. with a Communion Service to begin at 9 a.m. There will be no Sunday night service, it has been announced.

A "Drive By Church" from 7 to 8 p.m. Sunday will be at the First Baptist Church during which chalk drawings by Mrs. Russell Pogue will be on display and there will be appropriate special music. Combined services will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday as part of the Christmas Day Observance. Christmas Day at Fellowship Baptist Church will be the locale for a Birthday Party For Jesus. Regular church services at 11 a.m. with the children's program scheduled for 7 p.m. will be followed by the Birthday For Jesus to which everybody is invited. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. The Singing Bursess Family singing Christmas Carols will be the highlight of the Union Church Services Christmas Day. Sunday School will begin at 10 a.m. with the Sunday Worship Service to follow and the morning services will be concluded by 11:30 a.m. There will be no Sunday night service. First United Methodist Church for those who desire to enter for individual worship on Christmas Eve. Regular church services will be held Christmas Day.

Farm Deficiency, Disaster Funds Being Disbursed

Christmas will be somewhat cherrier this year for at least 375 farm families in Hansford County who have received deficiency payments and at least 325 farm families who have received deficiency payments. And all the others eligible will be receiving a check of some sort between now and Jan. 2 or 3, according to Ellzey Vanderburg, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Executive Director for Hansford County. One of his principal projects these days is to endorse the drafts as they come into his office and see that they get mailed out as quickly as possible. Vanderburg noted that 773 farms in the county were eligible under one or the other of the programs and that as of Dec. 15 his office had sent out 325 checks under the deficiency payment program. An exact total will not be announced until all checks have been mailed out but Vanderburg noted that each producer is limited to \$20,000. He added that most of the checks under the disaster or low yield payments program had been mailed out by Dec. 12 and as of that date, checks had been mailed to 375 county farms. Vanderburg stressed that all checks to county farmers are expected to be mailed out by Jan. 1. Deficiency payments are aimed at making up the difference between the low market price and the determined target price of wheat as set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, now pegged at \$2.97. The deficiency payments supposedly cover the cost of production as well as determining deficiency payments for the unplanted acre allotment which is 22 cents per bushel. This is the first year for deficiency payments and they are the result of a poor market price. The disaster and low yield payments were created in the Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973.

Man Burned In Hotel Fire Hospitalized



Ralph Snodgrass, in the white shirt between James Meinen, left, and Fire Chief Steve Slater, right, is getting emergency first aid after being taken from his burning room in the Spearman Hotel Monday.

A Spearman resident, Ralph Snodgrass, 70, who lived at the Spearman Hotel, was listed Tuesday in stable condition at Hansford Hospital where he was admitted after receiving burns over approximately 42 percent of his body in a fire in his room on the second floor of the Hotel on Monday, Dec. 19. Although burned on the face, arms, hands, legs and abdomen, Snodgrass can thank members of the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department and rescue squad units for saving his life.

The units responded to an alarm at the hotel, in the 500 block of Davis, at 11:35 a.m. Monday. At the time James Meinen and Mark Brand arrived at the room it was pretty much involved, and they had to pull Snodgrass from the burning room and tear off portions of his clothing which were on fire. To spectators who gathered along the streets across from the structure, smoke was seen coming from the doorway leading to the porch on the second floor. According to preliminary investigation, Snodgrass is reported to have gone to his room, lighted a cigarette and tossed the match into a trash can after which he left the room, going to the bathroom across the hall. When he returned to his room he found it on fire. A mattress, curtains, a chest of drawers and many of Snodgrass' personal belongings and articles of clothing were destroyed. Some of his clothing was saved. Given temporary emergency treatment at the scene, Snodgrass was taken to the hospital for further treatment.

New Voting Certificates

Hansford County Registrar of Voters Helen Dry has announced that new voting certificates are being supplied registered voters in the county. Recently she eliminated each registered voter a new "yellow" certificate which will replace the "blue" certificates that expire Feb. 28, 1978. More than 3,400 certificates were mailed and of these almost 700 were returned by the postal authorities due to voters moving or changing mailing addresses. She reported that these certificates were mailed as "non-forwardable" mail. These persons who have previously been receiving their mail at a post office box and have started having home delivery or vice versa need to come by or call the Hansford County Tax Office to have their address and/or precinct corrected and receive their new cards. Also, women who have changed their name, through marriage or divorce, need to register under their correct name. This will eliminate confusion at the voting polls, she explained.

Gladys Burchinal Services Held

Gladys A. Burchinal, 77, died Sunday, Dec. 18, 1977 at the Abraham Memorial Home, Canadian, Texas. Graveside services were held Dec. 21, 1977, at 3 p.m. in the Conway Springs Cemetery, Conway Springs, Kansas, by the Ebenezer Church. Mrs. Burchinal had made her home in a rest home in Spearman, Texas for several years. She married Bert Burchinal in 1919, at Wellington, Kas. He died in 1956, at Arkansas City, Kansas and a son died in 1969 in Seattle, Washington. Survivors are a daughter, Fontella McKee of Spearman, three sisters, May Allen, Lincoln, Neb., Jeanette King, Moline, Kansas and Marcella Madison, Woodward, Okla., four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

4-H Club News

Eight Hansford County 4-H members participated in a steer and lamb show at Lubbock this past weekend, December 17 and 18. Kenny Gammon placed 3rd with his steer in the heavy light weight cross class. Kyle Williams was 8th place in the light heavy weight steer class. In the heavy weight cross class, Kyle Noller placed 5th and Todd Williams placed 7th. Trevor and Ty Williams were both selected to compete in the showmanship class in their respective age division. Other 4-H members from Hansford County who exhibited steers or lambs were: Mendy Gammon, Roy Don Gammon, Tammy Nollner and Ricky Alexander.

Hospital News

Patients in Hansford Hospital are Mary Sparks, Ralph Snodgrass, Harvey Urban, Kenneth Vinder, Robert Welsh, Gloria White, Velma Roden, G.J. Brown, Minnie Richeson, R.E. Martin and Ina Martin. Dismissed were Bee Cates, Allen, Anniston, Carl Gidley, Loraine Dorman, Jesus Borunda, I.L. Harris, Noe Renteria, Robert Welsh, Barbara Bartz and daughter and Gloria Alvarez.

Christmas Programs In Schools Today

The annual Christmas programs in the Spearman schools will be held today, Dec. 22, the last day of school in 1977. The program by elementary school children will be presented at 1 p.m. in the Junior High School auditorium. The JHS Christmas Program will be given at 11 a.m. in the JHS auditorium with the band in charge of the program this year. The senior high program will consist of an assembly featuring the choir and Christmas music with some participation by the band. The programs are open to the public, it has been announced. School will be dismissed today before taking up again next year and buses will run today at 2 p.m.

Youth Dance Thursday

The Hansford County Family Center "Y" will host a youth Christmas party, Dec. 22, from 9 til midnight at the Spearman County Barn. All youth of the county 7th grade through seniors are invited. "Myth" will be playing for the dance. There will be refreshments, dancing and visiting. This activity is sponsored by interested adults with proceeds going to the Hansford County Family Center fund. Admission is \$4.00 for couples and \$2.50 for singles. Representatives from the youth ages included have been active in planning this dance and other activities for the young people of the county. This is a kick off of the activities that are being planned for the citizens of Hansford County. Future plans include after-school activities, disco parties for junior high and high school students. Plans are being made for a permanent Family Center for the County which will be open to all youth after school and Saturday activity as well as the special dances and parties. Family activities will also be planned at a later date. Recreational equipment will be added as funds become available.

Holiday Mail Notice

To afford all postal service employees the opportunity to be with their families on Christmas Day, there will be no incoming or outgoing mail service Sunday, December 25. The Spearman Post will be closed Monday, December 26, in observance of Christmas Day. There will be incoming and outgoing mail service and post office lock box service will be provided. No deliveries will be made in city or rural routes.

Cash Winners

List of \$100.00 Christmas Cash Winners are Mrs. M.L. Mitchell, Grove, Texas, Drawn from Earl's TV, Mr. Fred Mann, Gruver, Texas, Drawn from Hansford Implement, Lorraine Kamselmann, Spearman, Texas, Drawn from Spearman Jewelry, Mr. Bobby Everson, Spearman, Texas, Drawn from Hi-Plains Auto, Mr. Richard Laird, Spearman, Texas, Drawn from Hi-Plains Auto.

Markets

Wheat	\$2.48
Corn	\$2.10
Milo	\$3.20
Soybeans	\$7.90

Course Applications Necessary

The deadline for applying to take the vocational nurse course being offered by Hansford Hospital in cooperation with Frank Phillips College in Borger is Jan. 15, 1978, and those who already have made application at the hospital business office in Spearman are requested to come by and pick up an application, complete it and return it to the hospital business office so it can be forwarded to the college in Borger. It was pointed out in the announcement about the course offering that student loans, student grants and scholarships are available through Frank Phillips College. The VNC is 12 months, with five months preclinical instruction at Frank Phillips College and clinical instruction for seven months in Hansford Hospital. In addition to students from Spearman, others from the Northern Panhandle are expected to participate in the course at the superbly equipped and expertly staffed classroom facilities at Frank Phillips College in Spearman. Application blanks can be picked up at the business office at the hospital in Spearman, 659-2535, or from Ella Weeter or Andy Hicks at the college in Borger, the mailing address is Box 111 in Borger, Texas 79007, or telephoning 274-4311.

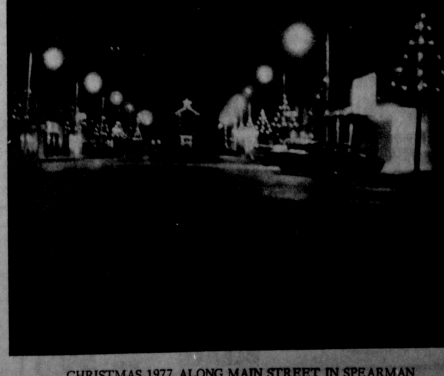
MERRY CHRISTMAS From the Staff of The Reporter

Big Bucks Day

This is the BIG DAY for the distribution of Christmas Bucks to lucky recipients with two drawings set, in the downtown area of Spearman at 10 and 11 a.m. in the vicinity of the Chambers of Commerce and two others in the Plains Shopping Center at 2 and 3 p.m. It is important that all registrants be present in order to win so if one has registered in stores in the downtown section or at the shopping center, or at stores in both sections, one has to be present to order to win. The Christmas Bucks are redeemable in merchandise only through the 28 businesses participating. And extra bucks can come in handy for the last minute shoppers.



THIS IS one of the many typical Christmas scenes in Spearman



CHRISTMAS 1977 ALONG MAIN STREET IN SPEARMAN



Christmas scenes in Spearman

Social Security Rep Schedule

A field representative of the Social Security Administration will be in Spearman at the Court House from 10 to 11:30 a. m. on Thursday, January 12, 26; February 9, 23 and March 9, 23. He will help you on any matters relating to social security, supplemental security income or Medicare.

You may also obtain service by going to the Social Security Office at 1541 North Hobart

Street, Pampa, or by telephoning 806-669-3381 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday (except national holidays).

A representative is available to explain the provisions of the Social Security Act and answer questions at meetings of farm groups, unions, and other interested organizations. There are no charges for any of these services of the Social Security Administration.

About five percent, or approximately one million older people, live in institutions of all kinds, reports Mrs. Vivian Blair, family life education specialist, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Wear several shows at once. It's a cool-weather layering trick, says Mrs. Bucky Culp, area clothing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Christmas Carol Hour in Austin

AUSTIN -- This is a time of peace and fellowship among all people, Governor Dolph Briscoe said today as he took part in the traditional Christmas Carol Hour in the Capitol Rotunda.

"There is a magic about this very special season of the year that draws together people of all religions, of all races and of all philosophies," the Governor said in remarks prepared for the occasion. "It is a tribute to those who helped build this great land of opportunity, who helped create a nation of free people, that we are able to join together for this occasion."

Freedom is a fragile thing, something that must be constantly guarded for once it is lost it can never be regained, the Governor said.

"Our freedom in America and in this great State of ours allows us to be participants or non-participants," Briscoe said. "But, whether we choose to take part in traditional activities such as these or sit on the sidelines... the thing that must be remembered is that we have the right to make such a choice."

"There may be some who

would disagree but there is no necessity for anyone being disagreeable," the Governor said.

Briscoe expressed his appreciation for the dedication state employees bring to their jobs, adding: "Let each of us resolve to work hard to make Texas better and find a sense of fulfillment in our contribution to the people of this state."

"I hope that this year each of us would seek some special treasure which would remain our far longer than any material gift," the Governor said. "We might ask for the gift of love and an understanding of the needs of others."

American Beef Use Promotion

National attention has been focused on a unique new project initiated by the Independent Cattlemen's Association which promotes the use of American produced beef in consumer food products, according to T.A. Cunningham, ICA president.

The project includes the distribution of red, white and blue window decals proclaiming the

exclusive use of domestic beef in food products and food preparation at restaurant and retail store merchants. Decal promo-

ters say they hope to see the decals displayed in food establishments throughout Texas and the rest of the country in the months to come.

Bullocks Cites Minor Problems

AUSTIN -- State Comptroller Bob Bullock said Thursday that tax experts from his office paid personal calls on more than 65,000 Texas businesses during the first two months of his taxpayer canvassing program.

Some 11,400 of those businesses visited to date -- roughly one in six -- required assistance with their accounts, have been minor.

"But by catching these problems now and correcting them on the spot -- before they become big ones -- we are doing the taxpayer a service, as well as ourselves," Bullock explained.

He said that most of the businessmen and women contacted have been pleasantly surprised by the visits.

"We've had people who have been in business for years tell us that this has been the first opportunity they've had to visit face-to-face with a representative of the Comptroller's Office," Bullock said.

Well 'Library' one of largest

AUSTIN, Texas (Sp.) One of the largest public collections of its kind in the U.S. is the Well Sample and Core Library of The University of Texas.

The "library" contains more than eight million cuttings representing 85,000 oil, gas and water wells from every county in Texas. UT students and professional geologists use the collection as a valuable source of information about the composition and structure of subsurface rocks.

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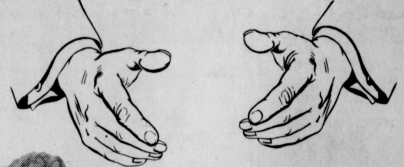
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Jeannie is still at the age when she can look at life unafraid. She's a happy and trusting little girl, and she is sure Daddy will catch her at the bottom of the slide.

As we grow older, our fears accumulate and sometimes they rule our lives. We grow afraid of losing our job, our health or our possessions. There is fear of being "different." We often go along with things that we know are wrong, just because we're afraid to take a stand. Many of our fears have no foundation. Yet we go through needless suffering, worrying about things that will never happen.

The Bible says, "If God is for us, who can be against us?" Through the Church, we receive assurance of God's constant love and protection in all our adversities. And we come to understand the comforting Truth... "Perfect love casteth out fear."



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1. That an election shall be held within said Ground Water Conservation District No. 2

2. North of the Canadian River hereafter referred to as "The District"

3. That an election shall be held within said Ground Water Conservation District No. 2

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5. That such election shall be held and conducted and returns made to the Board of Directors

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7. That the President and Secretary of the District shall give notice of this election

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Condado de Lipscomb County: Gene Born Victor Miller

Condado de Hansford County: Robert C. Ferguson Deek Jackson Everett Vanderburg

Condado de Hutchinson County: Buster Kirk Thana McClay Noble Watson

Condado de Sherman County: H.H. Caraway Walter Leslie Duane Schaffer

Los espacios blancos se dejaron a fin de que los nombres de otras personas se escriban dentro. Cada Persona (votante)

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CONFIRMATION: 1/5 Robert Thompson Secretary

HOLIDAY DAYS

Mary Williams Honored On 100th Birthday



HONORED ON 100TH BIRTHDAY Nov. 12 in the Care Inn at Shamrock was Mrs. Mary Williams. She is shown here with her foster sister's daughter, Mrs. L. F. Cook of Spearman and Dennis, Shayne and Christi Jo Covel, all of Pampa, children of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Covel. The Covel children are great-grandchildren of Mrs. Williams foster sister, Mrs. Cora Smith of Perryton. Mrs. Williams is in fairly good health with the exception of poor eyesight. She has on brother Irving, John Renner, who is 95 years old.



Mrs. Mary Williams was honored Saturday, November 12, at Care Inn with a party to celebrate her 100th birthday. Old time gospel songs were sung by Clois Hanner, Bus Dorman, Hester Dodson and Don Wells with Mrs. Sandra Margan accompanying them on the piano. "Happy Birthday" also was

brook, assisted by Grace Hanner, Care Inn activity director. A large number of birthday cards were opened and read to "Aunt Mary" as she is affectionately known by the staff and residents.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Renner was born in Cook County, Texas, November 26, 1877, the oldest of four children. She moved with her family in 1882 to Montague County near Sunset and in 1898 the family moved to Gray County where they made their home northeast of Laketon. The moves were and a hack.

She recalls how cold it was and said "I almost froze." During her childhood and when she was a young woman she liked to milk cows, raise chickens and a garden. She picked cotton and shocked wheat when wheat was cut with a binder.

It was in a cotton field in Montague County where she met her husband, John Williams, who later moved to Gray County. John Williams and Miss Mary Elizabeth Renner were married in Miami in 1911. They moved to a farm south of Miami, where she lived until approximately five years ago when she could no longer stay alone.

Mr. Williams died in 1947. Aunt Mary's family are known for their long lives. Another, Browder Renner, died at the age of 92 in April 1971 and his sister, Mattie Johns, died in December, 1972 at the age of 92. Her youngest brother John Renner, is 94 and a resident of Care Inn. Mary's parents took Cora Smith, now of Perryton, when an infant and reared her. She is now 81 years of age.

Mrs. Williams is reported to be in fairly good health with the exception of having poor eyesight. She has been in Care Inn three and one-half years and has not had to spend any time in the hospital during that time.

Besides her brother and foster sister, she had eleven nieces and nephews, three foster nieces and nephews and a number of great and great-grandnieces and nephews, of which sixteen attended the birthday party.

Although she was unable to see the members of her family she remembered them when they told her their names, some of whom she hadn't seen in several years.

Aunt Mary enjoyed visiting with her family and even held the great grandbaby of her foster sister.

"No one has worked harder on the farm than Aunt Mary," said one of her nephews, so we younger people can take her advice that hard work does not shorten one's life.

Among the out-of-town guests attending the birthday party were, Mrs. Cora Smith of Perryton, Mr. and Mrs. L.F. Cook of Spearman, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Covel and family of Pampa, Willie Renner of Miami, Mrs. Marguerite Anglin of Mobeetie.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Marker, Mr. and Mrs. E.B. Jones and daughter Anita, all of Duncan, Oklahoma; Mrs. Lillie Lamb of McLean.

Mrs. Marion Grimes and Elizabeth, Mrs. Helen Martin, Mrs. Winnie Dudley and Mrs. Carol Laycock, all of Wheeler.

NEWS OF TOYS

Like A Real Baby

A popular doll this year may be one that provides special fun—because it does special things.

She fusses and squirms and rotates her head from side to side, demanding attention—just like a real infant. She rocks her cradle by her own movements. She has all the appearances of being a real live baby.



Western Ag Announces Expansion

Western Ag Sales Co.'s plan to manufacture PVC plastic irrigation pipe and center pivot sprinklers was announced today by officials of the company. The plant is located at 24th and Columbia in Plainview where the company has a sizeable irrigation equipment and grain handling systems operation.

Two high capacity extruders have been installed and are producing PVC pipe for the irrigation industry. These extruders will produce pipe from 6" through 12" diameters for the irrigator farmer. This equipment, according to Newton C. Vance, President of Western Ag Sales, is the most modern in the industry and produces a high quality product. The center pivot sprinkler being manufactured in their Plainview plant is totally galvanized, electrically driven and features solid state controls. Solid state controls. Solid state electronic controls are the most advanced guidance controls in the pivot sprinkler industry.

Western Ag's manufacturing plant building when completed will have over 10,000 square feet devoted to the manufacturing of these products. This expansion has created approximately 30 new jobs for management and plant personnel. Western Ag's retail operation employs over 35 people at the adjacent facility.

This expansion according to Vance gives the irrigator farmer an opportunity to support a locally owned business that is totally owned by employees of the company. All of the officials and key people in Western Ag Sales Co.'s locations have years of experience in the irrigation industry. Mr. R.M. Raimond, Vice President and Financial Officer of the company has been in the irrigation industry for 25 years in the capacity of administration—finance with extensive involvement in lease-finance of irrigation equipment. Mr. W. J. Ogil, Director of Manufacturing, has been extensively involved in the manufacturing of irrigation equipment since 1950. According to Vance, he is one of the most knowledgeable men in

PVC extrusions in the Southwest. Mr. Merle Burton, Plant Manager, has a proven record in PVC extrusions in plant located in Texas, California, and Arkansas. Mr. W.W. Cantwell, the Plainview District Manager for Western Ag Sales, has been involved in sales, installations, and management of an irrigation operation since 1950 with most of this time at the Plainview site. We are a "new company", but all of our employees are long on experience, states Vance.

In addition to manufacturing and installing irrigation systems, the company designs and erects grain management systems and metal farm buildings. Other district operations are located at Seminole, Lubbock, Hereford, Farwell, Dumas, and Spearman, Texas. Sales offices are located in Dunsmuir, Olton, Floydada, and Tulsa, Texas. Out-of-state operations are located in Goodland, Kansas and Gering, Nebraska.

In addition to having a complete line of grain management systems, farm buildings and irrigation equipment, Vance points to another of Western Ag's real strengths, "experienced and dedicated employees". Of the approximately 160 employees in Western Ag, the average length of employment for each employee with the company and the former owners is ten years. These employees are well experienced in their field and they know how to get the job done.



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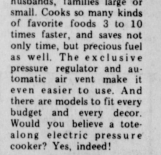
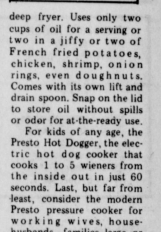
Local Merchants Offer Novel Gifts

Any live-owners, office-goers, swinging singles, retirees or perhaps a family on your gift list?

Here are some ideas to help anyone make America's favorite foods easy and delicious, anytime, and almost anywhere. Like the original Presto Burger electric hamburger cooker that shapes and broils an extra-juicy burger, rare to well-done, in just 1 to 2 minutes.

For couples, a kitchen full of appliances—the Presto-Burger/2, The Thick 'n Thin reversible cooking tray broils two hearty burgers, and reverses to a deeper broiling area for steak, sandwiches and even bigger burgers. Turn the cover over and it's the Little Griddle to cook ham slices, eggs, pancakes, hash browns, a T-bone steak. For singles, the Presto-Burger/1 boasts the same features in a one-serving size.

Yet another big idea in a little package is the FryBaby, a mini-electric deep fryer. Uses only two cups of oil for a serving or two in a jiffy or two of French fried potatoes, chicken, shrimp, onion rings, even doughnuts. Comes with its own lift and drain spoon. Snap on the lid to store oil without spills or odor for at-the-ready use. For kids of any age, the Presto Hot Dogger, the electric hot dog cooker that cooks 1 to 5 wieners from the inside out in just 60 seconds. Last, but far from least, consider the modern Presto pressure cooker for working wives, house-husbands, families large or small. Cooks so many kinds of favorite foods 3 to 10 times faster, and saves not only time, but precious fuel as well. The exclusive pressure regulator and automatic air vent make it even easier to use. And there are models to fit every budget and every decor. Would you believe a one-also-also electric pressure cooker? Yes, indeed!



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This beautiful wedding cake complete with waterfall was made by women taking the cake decorating course recently completed at Spearman High School.



The conclusion and results of the cake decorating course...

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Noell cordially invite you to attend a reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sheets on their 50th wedding anniversary to be held at Fellowship Hall in First United Methodist Church Sunday, January 1, 1977 between 2 and 4 p. m. Please no gifts

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Agriculture Is A Woman's World

LUBBOCK—Ask any farm or ranch wife from yesteryear, and she'll tell you agriculture is a woman's world—tending chickens, milking a cow, and even helping in the fields. Agriculture still is a woman's world, but in a way grandmas never dreamed possible.

Coods are studying everything from agricultural engineering to animal science and, what's more, they're landing good jobs.

In Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences 270 undergraduate women are enrolled in nine departments, and another 27 are in graduate programs. The number represents 18 per cent of the 1,505 undergraduate total and 15 per cent of the 180 graduate students.

The largest numbers are studying animal science, plant and soil sciences and park administration or landscape architecture.

Dr. William F. Bennett, associate dean of the Texas Tech College of Agricultural Sciences, said that nationally more than 30 per cent of the agricultural sciences students in higher education are women.

The high percentage, he said, is accounted for primarily in that natural resource management and environmental sciences are areas included in colleges of agriculture in many schools. These are particularly attractive to women, he said, and in some eastern schools more than half the students enrolled are female.

The first person to earn the doctor of philosophy degree in agricultural sciences at Texas Tech was a woman, Dr. Margaret Briley. Her primary interest was animal nutrition. She received the degree in 1973 and

then joined the Texas Christian University faculty.

Helen Howe, KDAV radio farm director, is a graduate in animal science, and she was the first woman radio farm director in Texas. She was awarded her degree in '73.

"The enrollment of women in agricultural sciences began increasing significantly about a decade ago," Dr. Bennett said. "We have found that industry welcomes women, and as graduates they compete well with men for jobs and salaries."

Some who come from farm and ranch families return home in management roles, he said. A few enter veterinary medicine. Some go into government service, particularly from the areas of park administration and range and wildlife management.

Nursery management and nursery marketing employ graduates who have majored in

horticulture. Some graduate teach vocational agriculture. Others join industry. For instance, one woman graduate is now a marketing representative for an agricultural chemical firm. Another works in market development for the same company.

From food technology, graduates work in areas of quality control and regulation in the food industry.

Of the 270 undergraduate women students in Texas Tech's College of Agricultural Sciences, 12 are in agricultural economics, four in agricultural education, one in agricultural engineering, 59 in animal science, eight in entomology, seven in food technology, 59 in park administration and landscape architecture, 76 in plant and soil sciences, 22 in range and wildlife management, and 12 have not declared majors.

Of those in plant and soil sciences, Bennett said, most are majoring in horticulture.

SANTA CLAUSS IS COMIN TO TOWN



MERRY CHRISTMAS

County's Portion Of State Travel Receipts

AUSTIN, TEX. — Hansford County received \$1,545,000 of the State's \$6,075,952,000 travel receipts in 1976, a national study commissioned by the Texas Tourist Development Agency has disclosed.

The 1976 figures reflect an increase of 14 percent in travel receipts over 1975 when Hansford County's travel business accounted for \$1,355,000.

In addition to gross receipts, the study found that Hansford County in 1976 had 59 of the state's 227,258 travel-related jobs, with an annual payroll of \$307,400.

It also estimated \$61,400 in state and \$13,100 in local taxes were paid by county visitors in 1976.

The study was done by the U.S. Travel Data Center in Washington, D.C., an independent travel research organization funded jointly by public and private sectors.

It was based on the Center's Travel Economic Impact Model which breaks out a state's share of the national travel market on a county-by-county basis.

The model measures the economic impact of all travel involving overnight trips away from home, and day trips at least 100 miles or more from home. Thus it includes travel by Texans as well as out-of-state visitors, for all purposes.

It includes estimates of the traveler's spending at home in preparation for the trip, his spending en route, and that at his destination.

Basic data for the model comes from the National Travel Survey, conducted every five years by the U.S. Census Bureau, and from the Center's own National Travel Expenditure Model.

It was the latter which estimated that in 1975 Texas had dislodged New York for third place in the nation's travel industry. The 1976 figures, however, show Texas back in fourth place behind California, Florida, and New York.

"We're pleased that travel research techniques have finally developed to the point that states can determine where, within their boundaries, travel dollars are spent and travel-related jobs exist," said Frank Hildebrand, executive director of the Texas Tourist Development Agency.

"Now we can trace travel's considerable economic impact on a county-by-county basis, observe changing patterns annually, and help direct the rapid growth of this burgeoning industry."



Sheets To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sheets will be honored with a reception on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary on January 1 in the First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 407 S. Haney. Guests are invited to call between the hours of 2 to 4 p.m. They ask that those calling not bring gifts.

Hosting the reception will be their children Susan and Jeff C. Noell and grandson Chris.

Freda Newcomb and Bruce Sheets were married in Fargo, Okla., January 1, 1928. They have resided in Spearman most of their married life. Mr. Sheets became a registered pharmacist in 1928, and served as such in Shattuck, Okla., until 1931. At that time they moved to Perryton to work for Mr. H.C. Sanford. In 1933 they moved to Spearman where he operated the Spearman Drug Co. until his retirement.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Sheets are active members of the First United Methodist Church. They reside at 722 S. Bernice.

They have also been active in city and community affairs, with Bruce having served as Mayor of the City of Spearman.



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(O Come, All Ye Faithful)

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at six thirty o'clock in the evening

First United Methodist Church

Spearmen, Texas

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Shower Honors Bride-Elect

A bridal shower was held Saturday, December 17, 1977, honoring Lee Ann Uptergrove, bride-elect of Stan Josephson.

The courtesy was held in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Hostesses were Mmes. G.W. Robinson, Buddy Benton, Joe Cage, Jim Fowler, Glenn Day, Roscoe Nelson, R. W. Thomas, Edward Wheeler, Wayne Cape, Douglas Connelly, Lowell Donnan, E. L. Garner, Dwight Hutchison and Johnnie Lee.

The serving table was laid with a white eyelet cloth and centered with an arrangement of peach carnations, bronze mums, baby's breath and greenery. Refreshments of wassail and cookies were served.

The registry table was laid with white knit with stocking and centered with peach carnations, bronze mums, baby's breath.

The honors was presented a corsage of peach carnations and bronze mums. Special guests included Mrs. Josephson of Berger, mother of the prospective groom, Mrs. K. L. Uptergrove, mother of the bride-elect, Mrs. Bill Poole of Morse, aunt of the bride-elect, and Mrs. Thane McCloy of Morse, Mrs. Don Schrayner, and Mrs. Jim Shields of Pringle.

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THINGS LOOK BETTER

Even though we still need moisture, and improved wheat pasture, the markets are getting stronger. Since the low points in 1977, wheat's up around 62 cents, corn's up about 40 cents, and sorghum about 84 cents. The beef cattle report also proved to be bullish.

These signs are very good, especially this time of year. The coming year's odds favor: world production down, world demand up, continued strong exports, and prices continuing to improve.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



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Mrs. John Hill Visits Here

Bitsy Hill is a Texas woman. She inherited a sense of history from her rural Texas upbringing.

Elizabeth Ann Graham Hill is the only child of Ruby and Roy Graham. For more than 100 years her kinfolks and ranches in a community near Olney. Bity was graduated from the Olney public school system. She garnered her share of high school honors: Band Sweetheart, National Honor Society, Who's Who. She attended Stephens College, where she was named to the Dean's List, took specialized courses at Texas Woman's University in Denton and transferred to the University of Texas at Austin, where she graduated with a degree in Social Science at the age of 19. While at Stephens she organized activities for "unwanted children" which included tutoring disadvantaged youngsters. At the University of Texas, she met a student leader by the name of John Hill.

During the war, Bity worked with Lockheed handling personnel interviewing and writing the company newsletter. While Navy Lieutenant Hill was in the Pacific serving as commander of

a landing craft, Bity returned to Olney and taught high school classes.

Two years and two battle stars later, Lt. Hill brought his ship home to California, met Bity and took her to the Post Exchange to buy a wedding ring. They were married in April, 1946, in Olney, where her father was mayor. After the wedding, the Hills were stationed briefly in New Orleans, where he was released from active duty. They returned to Austin and UT law school. Within two months in the spring of 1947, John passed the Bar exams, received a law degree, made the honor roll and Bity had their first baby, Melinda.

They moved to Houston, where John established a law practice. Their only son, Graham, was born in 1949 and another, Martha, in 1952. Bity was active and held offices in the PTA, Campfire Girls, as well as Boy and Girl Scouts. She taught Sunday School and was one of the first women on the Administrative Board of the Chapelwood United Methodist Church.

A woman of unlimited energy and deep social concern, Bity

helped found Houston's Multiple Sclerosis Association in 1952. Her prior work with neglected which raises and manages a \$100,000-a-year fund for children with neurological disorders.

In Austin, Bity is on the advisory board of the "Meals on Wheels" program which serves meals to senior citizens. In 1976 she was Travis County Chairwoman for the American Cancer Society drive.

Bity and John live in a 100-year-old home, which they bought and restored. Their home was given a Medallion award by the Austin Heritage Society.

Although a grandmother to four small children, she still has time for a regular game of tennis.

NOTICE

Due to the fact that Christmas falls on Sunday, Dec. 25th of this year, the Hansford Plainsman will be printed earlier as the Perryton Newspaper office will be closed Friday afternoon and all day Saturday for the Christmas holidays.

The public is asked to please get their news into the newspaper by Thursday noon to be published in the Sunday paper.

Thank you so much for your consideration.
Staff of the Reporter

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and

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Denham

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First Baptist Church

Canyon, Texas

"42" Club Meets

'42 Club met Saturday, December 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin for a Mexican dinner.

Mrs. Mona Beth Windom won high score for the women and Sonny Windom, high score for the men.

The next meeting will be January 16 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Windom.



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Arts & Crafts Guild News

Arts and Crafts Guild met in the home of Mrs. Ned Turner on Friday, December 16 at 3:30 p.m. for their annual Christmas Party. Her home was beautifully decorated and a small lighted tree was in the center of the table where all the gift packages were placed.

A short business meeting was held with Mrs. Deana Blodgett presiding in the absence of the President Mrs. Nolan Holt.

The minutes of the last Christmas Party were read by the secretary and approved. Then they had the election of officers for 1978. Those elected were Mrs. Joe Traylor, president; Mrs. Garrett Allen, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Pope Gilmer, reporter.

Gifts were distributed which were beautifully hand-painted china plates and then they were displayed on the table.

New names were drawn for next year.

Level refreshments were served by the hostesses to members, Mesdames: Garrett Allen, Deata Blodgett, Clay Gilbert, Sada Hoskins, Joe Traylor, Ned Turner, Pope Gilmer, F.J. Daily, Guy Fuller, Bill Gandy, P.A. Lyon, Sr., Bill Russell and Bruce Sheets.

The next meeting will be January 6 in the home of Mrs. Guy Fuller.

Servitors Club Met

Servitors Club met Thursday, December 15 for a Christmas Party at the First Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. Husbands and wives attended this festive occasion.

Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames: Janet Slaughter, Debbie Benton, and Rita Holmes.

The next regular meeting will be January 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the B & B Friendship Room.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Upergrove
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Lee Ann
to
Mr. Stanley Regan Josephson
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Nineteen hundred and seventy-seven
at seven o'clock in the evening
First Baptist Church
Spearman, Texas

Reception following

Operation Christmas Greeting Underway

It's time again to send holiday greetings to all your friends. Once more the members of the Hansford Hospital Auxiliary are asking you to send the money you would spend on Christmas cards and let them use to benefit the Hansford Hospital. The Auxiliary has sponsored this project for the past four years and some \$3200 has been raised for needed equipment. The money was spent on equipping the OB room with two beds, two night stands, two overbed tables, two chairs, a clock, four pictures, and two light fixtures—not yet installed but purchased. Also purchased were three wheelchairs, transport cart (used for surgical patients), a crash cart (used with heart equipment for a heart patient), juice cart, and shelves in the bathrooms. The Auxiliary has also put floral arrangements on the TVs, tried to decorate the hospital each month—at Christmas put up the tree and decorate, mak-

ing Christmas Stockings for the babies born in December, send the first newborn of the year home in a New Year's stocking. This is how it is done: send your donation to Helen Etter, Box 1045, Spearman, Texas, and list your names the way you wish them to appear in this newspaper and your greetings will be published each week in the Spearman and Gruver papers. There will also be a bulletin board at the Hospital with your name listed upon it. Volunteers are needed for the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary will appreciate your continued support of this Christmas Greeting fund-raising campaign.



Presbyterian Men Plan Breakfast

Presbyterian Men will have a Christmas prayer breakfast on Thursday, December 22 at 6:30 a.m. Pastor Edward Freeman will be interviewed on KBFM at 9:30 a.m. on Christmas customs.

Rebekah Lodge Meets

Spearman Rebekah Lodge #290 held their Xmas Party Thursday, December 15. Bernice Goodrich gave the blessing before the refreshments were served buffet style. Dorothy Longley fashioned the centerpiece. After the meal, gifts were exchanged by all. Tables of dominoes, forty-two and pitch were enjoyed by those present which are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Noah Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slater, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Longley, Mrs. Mae Shaull, Mrs. Ruth Caro, Mrs. Inez Holland, Mrs. Margaret Eller, Mrs. Juanita Boxford, Mrs. Thelma Keeney and one guest Miss Sandy Bowler. The next regular meeting will be December 22, 1977.

Candlelight Carol and Communion Service will be Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24 at 7:00 p.m. Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25 there will be no Sunday Church School but there will be a service for the public worship of God at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Freeman will speak on "Glory to God in the Highest." The Session will meet on Wednesday, December 28 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited and welcomed to all activities and services of the First Presbyterian Church.

CORRECTION

The well-known band group, the Boneless of Pampa, would like to extend an invitation to Hansford County residents to come to the Playbox Club in Pampa, formerly called the Catalina Club. They started playing there Friday, December 16th of December. They will be playing in Pampa for sometime in the future and would like all their patrons from Hansford County to come and dance the night away!

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Montgomery wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Loretta Gail, to Gary Wayne Breland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Breland of Gruver, Texas. A late February wedding is planned.

Sansing To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

The 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. T.D. Sansing of 204 Dressen will be celebrated December 28th with a luncheon in the home of their daughter, Mrs. David Jordan, 515 Welwörter Courts, Katy, Texas. Other children hosting the event will be Mrs. Jerome McGehearty of Houston and Mrs. Perry Coursey of Monahans. Mr. Sansing and the former

Smith and a guest from Perryton. The next meeting will be January 19 in the home of Mrs. Lynn Cook.

Square Dance Club Meets

Spearman Spinners Square Dance Club met Thursday, December 15 for their Christmas dance with a covered dish at 6:30 p.m. at the County Barn. Hosts for the occasion were the Paul Lopez and the Bob Hohertz. Spearman Club hosted the Gruver Club. There were guests from Berger attending the dance. Paul Lopez called for the 3 squares dancing. Also present were the State Vice President Square Dance Officers from Perryton. The next meeting will be January 5.



Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Holton are the parents of a son, Jason Richard, born Dec. 8, 1977 in Hansford Hospital. He weighed 5 lbs. 12 1/2 oz. He has a sister Shannon, 3 1/2 years old. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Benson of Perryton and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holton of Spearman.

Presbyterian Women Meet

Spearman Presbyterian Women met Thursday, Dec 15 at the home of Mrs. Max Baggerly for a Christmas party. They had a toy shoveler for the nursery of their church. Then they sang Christmas Carols. Mrs. Helen Etter presented a sermon by Pastor Marshall "Let's Keep Christmases". Members present were Mesdames Max Baggerly, Carter McKenry, Walter Spoozemore, Jim Evans, Larry Moore, Henry Cornelius, Ed Freeman, David Burnett, Tom Etter, Cecil Barton, Nelson Turnbull, Floye Largent, and Glen Bobbsan. The next meeting will be January 18 at the First Presbyterian Church.

Pipkins Have Holiday Guests

The John Pipkin's went to Amarillo Sunday afternoon to attend a Christmas program with Yvonda and Larry Stokes. The Stokes' children, Kristal and Chris performed in the play. After spending the night, they met the plane which their daughters, Pauline Mayes, and children Tracy, Tommy and Cary arrived on from their home in Cape Cod, Mass. Her husband, Tom will follow on Friday. The Pipkin house will ring with laughter and fun for the next few days.

Hansford Shrine Club Met

Hansford Shrine Club met Thursday, December 15 at Clay Gilmer's ranch home for a Christmas Party, "Ladies Night". It was a formal occasion with a dinner of 20 courses. There was a record attendance of 20 couples. There was a social occasion, no business was discussed. The next meeting will be January 19 at Martin's Steak Garden.

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Bridge Club

Saturday Night Bridge Club met December 15 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rue Sanders. Mrs. Betty Porter won high score for the women and Troy Sloan won high score for the men. Those present were members, Messrs and Mesdames: Rue Sanders, Billy Miller, Chalmers Porter, Pat Cates, Troy Sloan and Garland Head. The next meeting will be in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Sloan.

Meeting Thursday, December 15 at Martin's Steak Garden was the Grand Slam Bridge Club. High score was won by Mrs. Gwen Smith; traveling partner, Mrs. Linda Blackman. Those enjoying bridge and refreshments were members, Mesdames: Lynn Cook, Monty Blackman, Roy Flowers, Ted Godfrey, Clark Mires, Bob Boswell, Mack McCormack, Brad Boen, Bitch Leaster, Wilton Green and guests Mrs. Don

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Bugsy Malone, An All-Child Musical Comedy

The most unusual casting in the history of motion pictures took place for Paramount's lavish and sprightly musical comedy, "Bugsy Malone." The film, a gangster musical set in 1929 New York, does not have one adult in its cast. Each and every role is filled by a child actor or actress, average age around 12.

It's quite a movie--there are the rich hoodlums out to get each other, the dreamers struggling to make it in show business, and the dazzling showgirls strutting their legs and making the customers happy in the speakeasies.

The casting alone took a year to complete and, it came from such sources as downtown Los Angeles, through uptown Harlem, to Lakenheath U.S.A. F. airbase in Suffolk, England. Nearly 10,000 children were seen during the year it took to cast "Bugsy Malone." The "short" list alone amounted to over 20 hours of videotapes.

The film, made at Pinewood Studios in England, was written and directed by Alan Parker, produced by Alan Marshall with David Puttnam as executive producer. The score is by American jazz pianist Oscar Paul Williams.

All the children involved in musical numbers, many of whom had not danced before, were rehearsed by choreographer Gilliespie for six weeks before filming commenced.

Alan Parker rehearsed all the speaking parts for a month before filming began. Apart from looking for American-speaking kids in England, New York and Los Angeles, French and

German schools were looked at (for journalists, Chinese school for a priest), boxing schools, drama schools and stage schools. To cater for its American viewers, Pinewood's canteen was providing 200 hamburgers a day.

Costume designer Monica Howe and her army of helpers had to supply nearly 500 cut-out dolls that are absolutely authentic 1920's costumes. Very little could be found in stock so she and her assistant Lorna Hilliard spent the best part of a year looking and searching for the right costume to adapt.

The official program to allow children to work in films was mountainsous. Every child had to have a separate working license and medical approval.

The main set, a giant 1929 New York street complex, was built by production designer Geoffrey Kirkland inside the studios. This was because the script called for many night-scene shots which called for a full-time school was set up at Pinewood Studios which catered to different teaching methods and five year age groups.

The result--a pint-sized cast with glib talents creating a musical unlike any other ever made.

Showing at the Lyric Theatre in Spearman Dec. 25-27.

Anthony Elec.	762
Dairy Queen	741
Ruthie's Beauty Bar	741
MEN'S HIGH SERIES	
Jim Mercer	594
Charley Greenwood	561
Tommy Reger	531
WOMEN'S HIGH GAME	
Jim Mercer	213
Charley Greenwood	210
Charles Elliott	193
WOMEN'S HIGH SERIES	
Shirley Greenwood	565
Joyce Frost	533
Jenny Jines	482
WOMEN'S HIGH GAME	
Shirley Greenwood	210
Joyce Frost	197
Barbara Reger	169
Jenny Jines	169
Brenda Russell	169
Penny Thomas	169

Letter To The Editor

To: President James Earle Carter, Secretary Robert Bergland, Senator Loyd Bentsen, Senator John Tower, Congressman Jack Highower, Governor Dolph Briscoe and Editors, The New York Times, Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, Amarillo Daily News, and Spearman Reporter.

Dear Editor, The "Farm Strike" is only a few days old, and already there are reports being made (some with ill-concealed glee) that "the farm strike is a failure".

This is not a strike like most strikes - no organization, no "war chest" of funds, no designated leaders. But the "strikers" know that months, or a year or more, may be required to bring results. There is a widely held belief that "bankers will not allow their borrowers to exceed production". Many lenders in farming country who are concerned with the ultimate security of their agriculture loans would, I think, rather lend their farmer-clients over the top for a year and produce nothing, if that would bring about substantially higher prices, than see them make a maximum production effort and have to spend 30 or 40 percent more than they could possibly receive at present prices.

Another year like the one just past would leave their loans in

even more jeopardy than they are now. For the present the goal is to present the problem to consumers in a visible, graphic way - because of the tremendous overload in the market, shortages will only gradually become evident. By next summer there won't be much talk about "the farm strike is a failure", I think.... Sincerely, R.C. Porter Rt. 2, Box 5 Spearman, Texas 79061

Still another fallacy is "It would break the Government to guarantee parity." As I understand the American Agriculture Movement's goal, farmer want parity for what they sell, not necessarily for what they produce, and would have the government guarantee this in the same way the government guarantees the minimum wage. That is, the law is that labor cannot be bought for less than \$2.30 per hour (next week \$2.65). COST TO GOVERNMENT IN SUBSIDIES - \$0. In the same way, the law could simply require "Farm products cannot be bought for less than parity."

There is a concern that such a requirement would virtually de-stroy export marketing of farm products, which at present make up a large part of the U.S. Movement of payments (pays for Arab oil). And that would happen for a while. But it is an unarguable fact that the rest of the world does not and cannot consistently produce enough food to feed the rest of the world.

This "strike" idea has raced through the farm sector of the economy like wildfire because all of us in this business have a gut feeling that there is no out for us in the present situation. The question continues: consumers must face it whether the nation wants the food production industry in a shambles - farmers are determined to resist going under by any available means, and this is the only

check.

Get rid of the tree when the needles begin to fall off in large quantities. This is a sign that the tree is becoming dangerously dry.

LIGHT SAFETY - Be sure the lights are safe. First, look for the UL (Underwriters Laboratory) label to insure pre-purchase safety checks.

Make a simple plan of meals that can be prepared ahead of time or require little preparation. One might be a favorite family casserole. Prepare it and freeze it in a foil-lined dish that can be heated in the oven. Once frozen, remove the casserole

from the container to free it for other uses, and store the casserole in the foil. When you are ready to serve it, simply place the casserole back in the original container and heat it. Toss a salad, heat some rolls and call the family in for a quick, but nutritious and tasty meal.

Another idea makes several meals with ground meat. Prepare a large batch of ground beef seasoned with tomato sauce and favorite spices and materials away from the bulbs. Don't overload extensible cords. More than three sets of lights on any extension cord invites danger.

Finally, keep the connection joint away from the water supply of a live tree.

OUTDOOR LIGHTS - Don't try to use indoor lights for outdoor lighting. Make sure outdoor lights are weatherproof and the label clearly says they are for outdoor use.

Before leaving the house or going to bed, be sure all lights are turned off.

Remove outdoor lighting as soon as the holiday season is over. Even these lights are not designed to withstand prolonged periods of time in the elements.

ORNAMENT AND PLANT SAFETY - Avoid placing breakable ornaments or those with small detachable parts on lower tree branches where small children or pets can reach them and knock them off.

Also, keep other decorations and holiday plants out of children's reach. Some traditional holiday decorations, such as mistletoe and holly berries, may be harmful if eaten.

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Santa Has Tax Problems

North Pole December 15, 1977 Mr. Henry Block 4410 Main Street Kansas City, Mo. 64111

Dear Mr. Block, Your office has been recommended to be for assistance in this time of need. I have received an audit letter from Internal Revenue Service and since this is my busy season, I thought you could handle this matter for me.

First of all they have questioned my deduction for uniforms. It seems that my uniforms could be considered "ordinary street wear", because so many of them are seen on the street corners at this time of the year. In addition, the Revenue Service is quick to point out, if the uniforms are not deductible, neither is the cost of cleaning. And you know how inconsiderate people are about their chimeys these days. The second item questioned is meals. Since I am "not away from home overnight" (only 9:30 p.m. till 5:20 a.m.) they tell me my meals are not deductible. Apparently there are no questions about the 4 bales of hay used on last year's trip as this is "allowable travel expense," although I understand I could have claimed 17 cents a mile for the first 15,000 miles and 10 cents thereafter. Also, certain business expense have been questioned as whether they are "reasonable and necessary." The first item is salary expense for 265 elves. Believe me, Mr. Block with the population explosion and all, I don't see how I could get along with any less. The other item questioned is "entertainment expense." It seems that I must show a "business purpose" for each gift and I am limiting myself to \$25.00 per person. The business purpose for each gift may

be a little difficult to prove considering it is more or less a birthday celebration. However, I will be more than happy to limit the gifts to \$25.00 per person. There seems to be a questionable item on my depreciation schedule. They say in their letter that "investing" may be depreciated if they are used for profit, breeding or other purposes and that gender of the reindeer is not indicated on the return, thus the exact use of the animals is not known.

The auditor included a note that it would seem that (a) the animals should have been fully depreciated by now because it seemed that they had been around quite some time and, (b) that "Rudolph" should be charged to advertising since he was not of the original herd. I am enclosing my prior year's returns and the books, records and cancelled checks on this year. I hope that your office will be able to handle this matter for me. If not, see if you can delay or postpone the matter until after January 1, for I would be glad to pay any deficiency until that time, as my Christmas Club check was misused because of the wrong Zip Code.

Very Merry Christmas, Santa Claus

Sheryl Meek	215
Lisa Pipkin	192
HIGH IND. SERIES	
Sheryl Meek	609
Joyce Frost	533
Georgann Washington	455
HIGH TEAM GAME	
Gordon's	554
First State Bank	521
JG's	508
HIGH TEAM SERIES	
Team #5	1399
McClellan Welding	1389
Gordon's Drug	1386

Wed. Morning Glories 12-14-77

White's Auto	W	L
Joyce Frost	37	23
JG's	35	25
34% 25%		
First State Bank	34	26
McClellan Welding	25	34%
Team #5	25	35
Bunkhouse	25	36
Gordon's	24	36
HIGH IND. GAME		
Joyce Frost	219	217
Betty Nolder	186	
HIGH IND. SERIES		
Joyce Frost	565	487
Sheryl Meek	487	
Betty Nolder	484	
HIGH TEAM GAME		
JG's	504	497
Gordon's	497	
White's	487	
HIGH TEAM SERIES		
JG's	1418	1396
White's	1396	1334
Gordon's	1334	

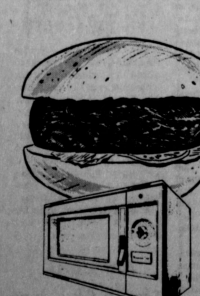
Team Standing End of First Half 12-15-77

Anthony Electric	44	12
Dairy Queen	43	13
Elliott Const.	34% 21%	
McClellan Imp.	25	31
Excel	24	32
United Grocery	23	33
Ruthie's Beauty Bar	22	34
Hi-Plan Auto	08% 47%	
TEAM HIGH SERIES		
Anthony Electric	2254	2254
Excel	2204	2204
Dairy Queen	2176	2176
TEAM HIGH GAME		
Sheryl Meek	225	Excel 783

Wed. Morning Glories 12-17-77

White's Auto	W	L
First State Bank	34	22
Joyce Frost	33	23
JG's	31% 24%	
Team #5	25	31
McClellan Welding	24% 31%	
Gordon's Drug	23	33
Bunkhouse	21	35
HIGH IND. GAME		
Sheryl Meek	225	Excel 783

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A microwave oven can save up to 50% of the energy required to operate a conventional electric oven. With energy costs rising, the energy saving feature and lower operating costs have added to the popularity of this appliance. Microwave cooking saves both time and energy because microwaves cause foods to produce heat within themselves, cooking foods thoroughly and rapidly... without heating up your kitchen. There are many microwave ovens on the market with a variety of features, so we suggest careful comparison shopping.

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Peggy's Pointers

Common-sense rules for decorating make holidays safer.

FREE SAFETY - In buying a natural tree, check for freshness.

Fresh needles will bend between your fingers. Signs of dryness include brittle branches and shedding needles. Tap the tree lightly on the ground to see if many needles fall off.

Don't depend on a healthy green color. Trees may be sprayed green to improve their appearance.

To set the tree up, place it in a sturdy holder with a wide base. Fill the holder with water and refill as necessary all the time the tree is in use. Set the tree a good distance from any heat source.

Get rid of the tree when the needles begin to fall off in large quantities. This is a sign that the tree is becoming dangerously dry.

LIGHT SAFETY - Be sure the lights are safe. First, look for the UL (Underwriters Laboratory) label to insure pre-purchase safety checks.

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BEST OFFER TAKES -- Johnny Vata, an employee of R. L. McClellan Grain Co. Inc. in Spearman trapped this young bobcat and will sell to the person making the best deal.

learned behavior may temporarily disappear, making you --rily disappear, making you lose your inhibitions, talk more freely, feel like the "life of the party," or make impaired judgements.

Continued input of alcohol creating higher blood alcohol levels, will depress brain activity further, and may impair memory, muscular coordination and balance. Still larger alcohol intake in a relatively short period of time depresses deeper parts of the brain, producing a state of loss of control when judgement is severely affected, and sensory perceptions are dulled. If steady, heavy drinking is continued, the alcohol will anesthetize the deepest levels of the brain, and may result in coma.

How quickly alcohol takes effect

The speed with which alcohol enters the bloodstream and begins to exert itself on the brain and body depends on several things. One is how fast you drink. Sipping a drink slowly at the rate of one drink an hour will prevent alcohol from "jolting" your brain and does not build up in your bloodstream. Gulping a drink will produce immediate intoxicating effects and depression of deeper brain centers. The half ounce of alcohol in an average mixed drink, can be burned up by the body in about one hour.

Alcohol & It's Effect

Austin (December 9, 1977) -- This safety information is courtesy of the Texas Safety Association, asking Texans to "lead the way for a safe holiday."

ALCOHOLIS...

Alcohol is a natural substance formed by the reaction of fermenting sugar with yeast spores and is the major chemical ingredient in distilled beverages, wines and beers. Teh intoxicating alcohol found in beverages is ethyl alcohol and is a colorless, tasteless liquid.

Alcohol is classified as a food, with calories but no nutritional value, and as a drug, because it has a dramatic effect on the central nervous system.

Once in the blood, alcohol is carried directly to the brain where it works on the brain's central control areas, slowing down or depressing brain activity.

Slow drinking resulting in a low level of alcohol in the blood, such as one drink an hour, has a mild tranquilizing effect from the depressed central nervous system. Alcohol's first effects are exerted on the upper parts of the brain where learned behavior patterns such as self-control and judgement are stored. After a drink or two, the

percent of consumed alcohol absorbed directly and immediately into the bloodstream through the lining of the stomach, with the other 80 percent processed only slightly slower through the gastrointestinal tract and then into the bloodstream.

Alcohol is in such a rush to get into the blood that moments after being consumed, it can be found in all tissues, organs and secretions of the body.

Whether your stomach is empty or full will make a difference, as eating before you drink and with your drink will slow down the absorption rate of alcohol into the bloodstream.

The body will have a more even response to the alcohol.

Your emotional condition and the setting or circumstances you are in also affect the rapidity of intoxication. If you are emotionally upset, under stress, or tired, alcohol may have a stronger impact on you than normal. Your expectations will also have an influence, so if you think you

are going to "become drunk," the ease and speed with which you will feel intoxicated will be increased. By contrast, if you are sitting comfortably and relaxed having a drink with a friend, alcohol will not have as much effect on you as when standing and drinking at a cocktail party.

Carter's Statements Erroneous

President Carter's statements to the press and to the American people yesterday relative to the farm situation was apparently designed to nullify any gains of public support that farmers might have achieved by their own bootstrap efforts in recent weeks but were typical indications of "bad advice" from subordinates that has been prevalent and hampered the development and passage of a wheat and other commodity Farm Bill during the past eleven months. These harsh comments were made today by Winston Wilson, President of the Texas Wheat Producers Association.

Wilson pointed particularly to two misstatements of fact and one of erroneous inference:

1. That only farmers in "disaster or drought" area are in bad shape or losing money.

2. That the price of corn and wheat are 60 cents per bushel higher now than a year ago.

3. And the inference that even if prices were 60 cents higher than a year ago that prices would be good.

The Texas Wheat Producers leader said that the fact is that wheat is 11 cents per bushel higher than a year ago, corn 18 cents lower, soybeans 50 cents lower, and grain sorghum 3 cents per hundred higher -- a long way from a 60 cent increase. Mr. Carter seems to have forgotten that a year ago prices were so low as compared to cost of production that there was a change of administration. He went on to say that a one year ago comparison at such low prices was inappropriate and misleading -- a three year ago comparison at such low prices was inappropriate and misleading -- a three year ago comparison when farms were making a

profit is what was needed -- or a comparison relative to other industries current profits.

Wilson admitted that farmers, who have had weather disasters, such as in Georgia, the Pacific Northwest and the Texas Panhandle are hard hit but that the real culprit is not weather, but higher cost for machinery, labor, seed, fertilizer and fuel and price too low to cover the cost -- leaving no profit for return to land or management.

The Association head pointed out that the recent farm bill as passed by Congress, if properly administered as to adequate acreage, realistic loan rates and target prices and producer supported and directed export market programs could return farming to a profitable endeavor. These sentiments were relayed to the President today by telegram and calls to White House aides.

Spirited Holiday Punches Take A Minute To Make

When the halls have been decked, the tree trimmed, the presents wrapped, the turkey stuffed, the mince pies made, and the time has come to relax with your family and friends, these festive punches are just the thing to revive your flagging spirits, and they can be prepared in seconds:



Instant Benchmark Eggnog

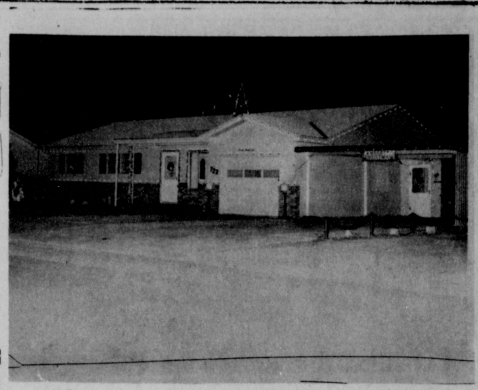
In a large punch bowl, combine 2 quarts softened French Vanilla ice cream, 1 fifth Benchmark Bourbon and 3 ozs. Myers's Jamaica Rum. Stir until creamy and sprinkle with nutmeg.

Wolfschmidt Wassail Bowl

In a large punch bowl, combine 1 part Wolfschmidt Vodka and 5 parts apricot nectar. Place a large block of ice in bowl, garnish with slices of fresh lime.

Something Special Milk Punch

In a shaker, combine cracked ice, 2 ozs. Something Special Scotch Whisky, 1 cup milk and 1 tbs. powdered sugar. Shake well, strain and sprinkle with nutmeg.



Christmas scenes in Spearman...

Social Security

All persons who have business with social security have the right to be represented by the person of their choice, Howard Weatherly, social security branch manager in Pampa stated today.

This does not mean that a person needs a representative. Most people handle their social security business themselves with the help of the people in the social security office, but, if a person wishes to be represented, the social security staff will work with the representative just as they would with any applicant.

An attorney or any other qualified person can act as a representative. If a person prefers an attorney and needs assistance in locating one, the social security staff can provide a list of legal service organizations such as the local bar association, the Legal Aid Society, or similar organization that can help get legal representation.

An attorney or other person must be formally appointed before he or she can act as a representative. A special form for this purpose can be obtained at the Pampa social security office.

A representative may act for an applicant in most social security matters, although he or she cannot sign a person's application for benefits. If the applicant wished to appeal a decision, the representative may make the request. Any notice or request sent to a representative has the same effect as if sent to the applicant.

A representative's authority ends when the applicant so requests, or when the final action is taken on the case.

Social security must approve the amount of any fee the representative wishes to charge. There are special procedures to follow to have a proposed fee approved. Complete information can be obtained at the Pampa social security office.

A leaflet, "Social security

and your right to representation," contains full information about the rules applying to representatives. Copies can be obtained at the Pampa social security office, located at 1541 North Hobart St. The telephone number is 669-3381.

CHRISTMAS IDEAS



HERB-SCENTED holiday wreath can spice up a home.

North Plains International, Inc. would like to express its appreciation to our many friends and customers in the Hansford Trade Area for a successful completion of its first year in business. We fully realize that this past year has been difficult for all concerned in Agribusiness, both farmers and businessmen alike.

We cannot be truly successful without the support and involvement of one another in the pursuit of our common goals. We fully support the efforts of the American farmer in the attainment of a fair and equitable price for his products. We are all involved, and the success of the farmer will greatly determine our future success. Good Luck.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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FIRE SCENE -- A fire at the Spearman Hotel in the 500 block of Davis shortly after 11:35 a. m., Monday brought fire and rescue units to the area to prevent the building from being destroyed and to rescue a resident. Ralph Snodgrass, from his burning room. See story on Page 1.

New Food Stamps Rules To Aid On Utility Bills

New rules will allow food stamp households to have the purchase price of their stamps reduced this winter if their heating or other utility bills rise, according to Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Carol Tucker Foreman.

The new rules, effective Jan. 1, require state welfare agencies to count a household's most recent utility bills in computing the household's food stamp purchase price. The new rules also direct states to recompute purchase prices within 10 days when a household's most recent bills represent an increase of more than \$25 over the bills initially.

"We want the food stamp shelter deduction to reflect current utility expenses," Assistant Secretary Foreman said. "We don't want people to have to choose between buying food stamps and paying the heating bills this winter. Our new rules will enable households with significantly increased utility costs to contact their local food stamp office and receive quick service."

Last winter, she said, utility costs rose sharply for many food stamp households, but some did not get the corresponding increase in their shelter deduction which would have lowered the food stamp purchase price.

Under food stamp regulations now in effect, the amount a household must pay for its stamp allotment is based on net income, after itemized deductions.

The principal deduction is for shelter costs - rent or mortgage payments, property taxes and utilities. If these costs are more than 30 percent of a household's income after all other deductions, the amount over 30 percent is counted as a "shelter deduction." Allowable utility costs include electricity, heating and cooking fuel, water and sewage, trash collection and basic telephone service.

Here is how the new rules on increase utility bills will work: Participating households who have increased utility bills should contact their food stamp office. If the bills have increased more than \$25, and the household has not yet purchased its stamps for the month, the adjustment in purchase price must be made within 10 days (or by the end of the month, if this comes first). If the household has already purchased its stamps for the month the adjustment should be made the following month.

States will make these adjustments promptly on the basis of the most recently incurred bills, and will not delay the adjustments until after the household has managed to pay the utility bills.

Households applying or re-applying for food stamps will be certified within 10 days, if utility bills have gone up more than \$25.

States that allow households the choice of using standard tables or actual bills to compute a household's utility costs, households will be allowed to switch from a standard allowance to actual bills once during the household's food costs certification period. This means that if a household was certified for stamps earlier this year using a standard table, and the household's actual bills this winter exceed the amount in the table, the household may switch to using its actual bills.

States will not be allowed to average past utility bills in figuring a household's utility costs. Instead, they must use the most recently received utility bills, and other available information such as notices of utility rate increases.

Assistant Secretary Foreman and USDA is also requiring that standard utility allowances, which are used in about 20 states, be up-to-date and reflect current utility costs.

Ms. Foreman noted that USDA has directed states to provide written notice of the new utility cost procedures to each food stamp household by Jan. 15, 1978 and to post a notice in each welfare office no later than Dec. 31. This notice will remain posted through April 30, 1978.

If a state has not put the new rules into effect by Jan. 1, any recipient using food stamp benefits because of the deal will be eligible to receive compensation for the lost benefits.

County Agent News

Description

The full grown caterpillar is from 1 to 1 1/2 inches long and varies in color from light brown or green to black. There are several lines extending down the back and on the sides of this insect. The larvae have a prominent white inverted "Y" shaped suture on the front of the head. The adults resemble cutworm moths having dark gray forewings mottled with light and dark spots and grayish-white hind wings.

The eggs are laid at night on grasses or other plants in masses of as many as several hundred. These eggs hatch into larvae in two to ten days and become fully grown in about 20 days. After this they enter the soil and transform to pupae.

This inactive pupal stage lasts about ten days after which the adult moths emerge and often migrate many miles before the females lay their eggs.

In the southern part of the United States, there may be several generations, whereas in the northern part of its range, only one or two generations may occur.

When larvae are abundant and the food supply becomes exhausted, they migrate as do true armyworms.

There are several important natural enemies of the fall armyworm, including parasitic flies, wasps, and predatory beetles. However, with the heavy population pressure of worms this year, these insects have been unable to keep this pest in check.

If the infestation is rather uniform throughout the field, it will be necessary to spray the entire crop. However, if the larvae are migrating from grass and weeds in fence rows or from adjacent crops, a chemical barrier can be applied to reduce migration into uninfested fields.

If a heavy infestation is present in adjacent fence rows, or on other crops, it might be wise to apply a heavy chemical barrier before wheat emerges from the ground.

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She suggests a small one tied at the neck, a long oblong under the collar hanging loose, and a large square or triangle draped around the shoulder.

Buying fresh vegetables affected by decay is "penalty food," says Mrs. Gwendolyn Chyatt, consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Texas A&M University System.

Our Heritage of Faith

notes from Faith Lutheran Church

Faith will have a special Candlelight Communion service on Christmas Eve. The time for this service is 5:30 p.m., not 9:30 p.m., as stated last week. On Christmas Day Faith will follow its regular schedule with worship at 9:30 and Sunday School at 10:30. But during the Sunday School time we will have a special Christmas celebration with singing Christmas carols and hearing the Christmas Story once again.

Christmas is a special time of the year. There seems to be a strange spirit in the air at Christmas time. There are times when we just can't help smiling or times we feel a strange sense of peace. Music fills the air, but music of a particular sound. This music catches our ears and creates a certain mood within us, a mood of lightness, happiness, and contentment. A mood that comes when we feel freedom from our worries and burdens to touch the hearts of those around us to bring joy to them.

But this feeling of joy or peace that we might feel at Christmas time is now what Christmas is all about. For there is still much more than this. The message of Christmas is that God Himself came into our world, born a helpless baby. Born in humbleness that He might share His glory with us. Born that He might live in our world so that we might be reborn to live with Him in His world.

Born that He might free us from those powers that enslave us, our own selfishness, the attainment of the world, the cunning of the devil, and the calamities, disasters, and evil that threatens our world and our life, in order that we might live in love and freedom. Born that peace and joy may not be feelings that occasionally arise, but that we may be free from our worries and burdens knowing that we are God's forgiven children and finally live with Him in a world where Peace and Joy reign.

We as Faith wish all of you not only the peace and joy of this Christmas season, but the Peace and Joy of knowing that this baby Jesus was born for you that you might be God's child and so trust in this Jesus as your Savior, your Lord, and your King.

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Texas No. 1 in Business Climate

AUSTIN - Comptroller Bob Bullock presented Texas Thursday with a Christmas present - Texas Thursday with a Christmas present - 49 other states with their had - the Number 1 national ranking.

"I'm not talking about football, although we're Number 1 there, too," Bullock said. "What I'm referring to is that Texas holds the title for having the best overall business climate in the United States."

The Comptroller backed up his announcement by releasing a new report published by his office, entitled "Texas Means Business."

The report compares Texas with other states in terms of taxation, government spending and other economic factors.

"Texas is the only major state with neither a corporate nor a personal income tax," Bullock said. "And most of our other taxes are either lower than the national average or the lowest,

period." Bullock added that the 4 percent state sales tax is right on the national average. "But our receipts from that sales tax have grown faster than any other state - 31 percent over the past two years, compared to a national average of only 17 percent."

He pointed out that Texas has the second lowest overall tax burden per capita - only \$273, far below other major industrial states such as Michigan, where it's \$413, Pennsylvania, \$432, California, \$500 or New York, with \$541.

"On the other side of the coin, while most states talk about controlling government spending, Texas has done something about it," Bullock said. "Forty-seven other states spend more money per capita on state services than we do in Texas."

Continued Bullock: "While seven other states were losing 565,000 jobs during the recession, the Texas economy was still growing and adding 150,000 jobs. While Texas has had no new taxes since 1971, 39 other states were suffering 101 tax increases."

"Texas Means Business!" also concludes that Texas has the best chance of all states to hang onto its Number 1 ranking, he added.

"Texas like being Number 1," the Comptroller said. "And I think that attitude of pride is a major factor in the fact that we are Number 1. Texans used to brag about a lot of things, but this is the best brag of all - not only because it's true, but because it really means something."

"The principal deduction is for shelter costs - rent or mortgage payments, property taxes and utilities. If these costs are more than 30 percent of a household's income after all other deductions, the amount over 30 percent is counted as a 'shelter deduction.' Allowable utility costs include electricity, heating and cooking fuel, water and sewage, trash collection and basic telephone service.

Here is how the new rules on increase utility bills will work: Participating households who have increased utility bills should contact their food stamp office. If the bills have increased more than \$25, and the household has not yet purchased its stamps for the month, the adjustment in purchase price must be made within 10 days (or by the end of the month, if this comes first). If the household has already purchased its stamps for the month the adjustment should be made the following month.

States will make these adjustments promptly on the basis of the most recently incurred bills, and will not delay the adjustments until after the household has managed to pay the utility bills.

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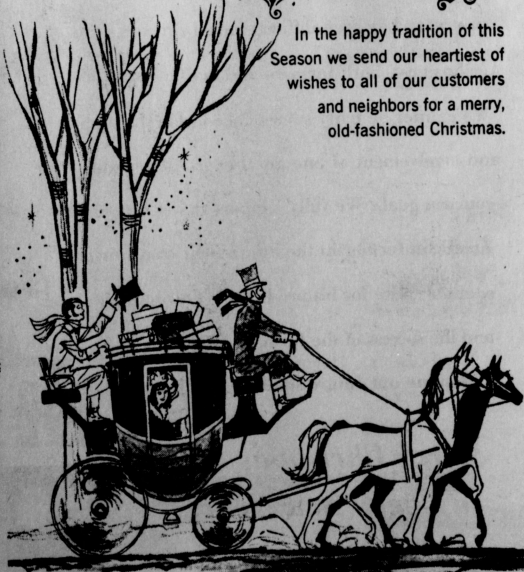
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Dear Santa,
Why do you wear a red suit? Why do you live at the North Pole? Please bring me a Elvis Presley record. I love to dance.
Love, Becky Booth.
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Dear Santa Claus,
I want a Baby Heartbeat and a Fuzzy Pumper. Please bring my baby brother a riding horse and a truck. We both have been pretty good.
Love,
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Dear Santa
I want a watch and I want a wagon.
Love Carter

Dear Santa! want a Watch and a baby come back, and a baby Alive and a Love Notes. and a bab that a way and a bikes. I am 8 years old.
Love Anita

Dear Santa,
Baby Baby
Fuzzy pumper Barber Shop.
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Love Michelle

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Love Laura

Dear Santa
I want a Babby this and that. And a new watch. And a shoe skates. And a table with 4 chairs. And a Your choice Kool-aid-ispwawe Weniw 'kool-issia 'PENSER Erarie and a clock radio and a doll buggy and a money and a musicians and a cash register. Typewriter a christm stocking and a Key grand piano. Please Santa
Love Sara

Dear Santa, I want a light bright and a walkie talkie. a Pulsar to and typewriter and electric train. Thank you.
Love, Tarren

Dear Santa,
How have you been. What have you been doing. How are the reindeer. I hope your well. I want a race set and a football and a jersey and helmet.
Love Jeff

Dear Santa, I want a wagon and a pet and the Six Million Doller man, rocket and a Bat mat and rodn.
Love Jamie

Dear Santa I want a race track and star wars. Batman and Pulsar and a ship that can float on the water and soldiers and the six millin Doller man, rocket and a TV that works and that showed Spider man and a real brief case. I've been a good boy.
Love, Junior

Dear Santa I want for Christmas a watch and a trampoline and a dog and a Load Camera and a Bird a Pottery and a paint set.
Love Christine.

Dear Santa, Please bring me Wonder Woman, Bride Doll, Baby Baby, Sno Cones, Etch-a-sketch, Wis-a-Tron Calculator. I love you Santa Claus. Send me which one you can.
Love Rhonda

Dear Santa This is I want for Christmas a label maker High chair and a tape recorder and 20 blank tapes and a brown and

white puppy a play pen and baby drink and wet a realomrg Bab drink and wet a real ring with my Birthstame on it. Love Deendra. P.S. Bedding set of cuddly knit soft blanket and pillow.

Dear Santa
I want a new watch. And a Baby this and that. And some shoe skates. And a Ernie clock radio. And a Shaggy pup. And a Bugs Bunny camera and a Big Is' Christmas stocking.
Please Santa Please,
Love, Kari

Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas, a tape player and a hamster and a watch and a ring and a lunch box and I have been a good little girl.
Love, Wanda

Dear Santa,
I want a Fingerprint set, 7up maker, snoopy movieviewmaster, and a bike.
Love, Casey

Dear Santa,
I want a sitting pup and casey jones dog, finger paints and sno-cone and baby this and that and a stuffed snopy.
Love, Shannon

Dear Santa,
I want a label maker high chair tape recorder a dance bag a hamster and baby drink and wet, a play pen, 20 blank tapes for may tape recorder and I want a real ring with my birthstone.
Love, Marty

Dear Santa,
I want a barbell set and a boys 10 speed and some army walkie-talkie field phone and a Mr. Mouth and 10' multi-action robot and a apple bank and a Bugs Bunny camera and a 3/4 size guitar and Blip and a dart board and some clets and a watch and a Dallas Cowboy football suit and a Bufflo Bill



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Love, Steve.

Dear Santa,
I want a football game and a watch, slotcars, trains, legos 400 walkie-talie, bick football t-shirt, bebbugn.
Love, Billy Joe



Dear Santa,
I want some clets and some walkie talkies, a blip, a verti-bird, an apple bank, a Bugs Bunny camera, a guitar, and a dart board.
Love, Toby

Dear Santa,
I want an electric train and a snow cone machine a Bugs Bunny Instant Load Camera a Blip.
Love, Mike

P.S. I would also like a trampoline, please. Thank you very much.

Dear Santa,
I want NFL Miami Dolphins football t-shirt, slotcars, leggos 400 walkie-talkies.
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A Common Sense Approach To Making Out A Will

BOSTON, October 10 - The Drawing up of a legally recognized will is one of those somber chores that many of us put off indefinitely. Others, having performed the task once, fail to recognize the need to constantly update and revise the document as their financial life changes.

More importantly, as federal estate tax statutes change, even the most recently revised will can be rendered ineffective.

"I'd say that anyone who had a will drawn up before the 1976 Tax Reform Act should at least have his/her will looked at by a lawyer," said John D. Goethel, associate counsel for the law department of the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Contrary to popular belief, drawing up or revising a will is usually a simple and inexpensive procedure. Yet, in 1975, 70 percent of the 1.9 million Americans who died left no will.

According to Mr. Goethel, even people on the lower end of the economic ladder can point to estate potential far exceeding what one would normally estimate. You don't have to own a palatial home to have an "estate." Group life insurance, company profit-sharing plans, pension plans and social security benefits all constitute estate potential that should be considered in drawing up a will.

Although the restructuring of the tax system in 1976 eases the tax burden of smaller estates, the consequences of a poorly outlined will may substantially diminish the value of your estate.

Goethel lists three steps that can be taken now to ensure your wishes are carried out at the time of death.

- Retain the services of a trusted family lawyer or contact a local professional lawyer organization for the names of lawyers who can assist you in drawing up a will. Fees vary, but a basic will is relatively inexpensive. Don't be afraid to inquire in advance about the lawyer's fees. You'll need a complete inventory of assets. Include: savings, stocks, bonds, life insurance, all pro-

erty (a home, car, furniture, etc.) or anything else that may be of value to the heirs.

- After a review of your list of assets, the lawyer will need to know your plan for distribution. He should be shown deeds, bank books, stock certificates and other documents to best advise you whether a change in title might be prudent in order to the death of your chief beneficiary - you and your wife.

- If you have a will, you will also ask you to appoint an executor whose chief responsibility is overseeing distribution according to terms of the will. A simple, modest estate could be served by the interest of economy, by your spouse or trusted relative. A more complex estate frequently requires the services of a co-executor, such as a bank.

In the case of a substantial estate, it might be wise to consider the services of a qualified estate planner. All lawyers are not created equal, but a lawyer who specializes in estate planning may be more versed in the ramifications of estate and inheritance laws.

- If you already have a will, it should be reviewed from time to time. A revision may be necessary if any of the conditions listed below have occurred:

- Sale of property.
- The death of the will's executor.
- You've moved to another state or country.
- Acquisition of new assets.
- A change in the state inheritance laws.
- Federal estate tax laws are altered.
- Your marital status has changed.
- A child, now grown, no longer needs as much help, or another child may need more help than his brothers or sisters.
- Final court proceedings that state a will should be viewed as a living document. It reflects your situation today and ability to provide for loved ones in the future.

P-A-G Introduces New Sorghum Varieties

P-A-G Seeds has developed 6 new grain sorghum hybrids for the 1978 planting season, according to Dr. Charles Berry, manager of P-A-G's sorghum research and breeding efforts. Five of the new hybrids are greenbug resistant and two are resistant to downy mildew. The new hybrids allow P-A-G to offer a full range of maturities and greenbug resistant hybrids that complement its already widely accepted greenbug resistant hybrid 5514.

Like 5514, all of the newly-introduced greenbug resistant hybrids restrict greenbug activity by genetic resistance (Bio-type C), which significantly reduces the number of greenbugs per plant, thus minimizing their injurious effects, according to Dr. Berry. In order of increasing maturity, the new grain sorghum hybrids are:

P-A-G's 3387 - This medium early, hetero-yellow semi-open headed grain sorghum hybrid has superior yield potential under dry-land conditions. In addition to greenbug resistance, this hybrid has demonstrated good tolerance to MDMV and head smut, according to Dr. Berry. He noted that 3387 exhibited excellent resistance to head smut. Other strong features of this hybrid are its short plant height, excellent standability, and rapid dry-down.

P-A-G's 5504 - A medium to medium-late maturity, semi-open head type hybrid that is greenbug resistant and downy mildew resistant. Added characteristics of 5504 are its high degree of resistance to presently prevalent races of head smut, excellent resistance to Fusarium head blight, improved resistance to insecticide burn, and hetero-yellow endosperm with improved grain weathering re-

sistance and excellent standability. It carries the same medium maturity, hetero-yellow hybrid. In stress tests at Lubbock, Texas designed to force differential lodging, 4474 exhibited superior standability when compared with seven other commercial hybrids in the test. Its outstanding stalk quality has also been demonstrated in research tests at Hutchinson, Kansas, where considerable natural lodging occurred. New 4474 also exhibits good field tolerance to head smut and is resistant to MDMV according to Dr. Berry. He noted that head exertion of 4474 is very good so harvesting is easier.

P-A-G's 4488 - Widely adapted from Nebraska down into the mature hybrid has a semi-compact head with very good head exertion. It has demonstrated resistance to MDMV and very good tolerance to head smut. Other strong features of this hybrid are its short plant height, excellent standability, and rapid dry-down.

P-A-G's 5501 - A medium to medium-late maturity, semi-open head type hybrid that is greenbug resistant and downy mildew resistant. Added characteristics of 5501 are its high degree of resistance to presently prevalent races of head smut, excellent resistance to Fusarium head blight, improved resistance to insecticide burn, and hetero-yellow endosperm with improved grain weathering re-

sistance in southern regions of the Sorghum Belt.

P-A-G's 6658 - A medium-late maturity hybrid especially for use in South Texas areas where downy mildew and head smut are particular problems. P-A-G's 6658 is downy mildew resistant and highly tolerant to head smut. It produces semi-open heads with large bronze-colored berries. It is a hetero-yellow endosperm hybrid that demonstrates improved grain weathering resistance, and maintains a higher test weight per bushel. In addition to its smut and downy mildew resistance, 6658 has shown good tolerance under field conditions facing local diseases that have plagued the Lower Rio Grande Valley and Coastal Bend areas of Texas.

P-A-G's 6662 - Features of this high-yielding, late maturity hybrid are its greenbug resistance, high level of tolerance to head smut and MDMV, and hetero-yellow endosperm. 6662 is especially adapted to irrigated land, producing outstanding yields, according to Dr. Berry. Its excellent standability and rapid dry-down permit early harvest for a hybrid of this maturity.

4-H News

More than 103,500 Texas youth between the ages of 9 and 19 are members of the action-oriented, "learning by doing" program called 4-H.

4-H is the youth phase of the education efforts of the Texas Agriculture Extension Service established in 1915 to diffuse among the people practical information relating to agriculture and home economics. However, 4-H goes back further than that. It actually had its beginning in 1891 in Jack County when a boys' corn club was organized to help grow better corn.

Shortly thereafter, girls got involved and the organization grew to include groups as tomato clubs, canning clubs and poultry clubs.

"4-H in Texas has grown from an organization for farm boys and girls to one that is quite diverse in its makeup," points out Dr. J. R. Pelham, state 4-H leader with the Extension Service.

Girls now consistently outnumber boys. Current figures show 56,307 girls to 47,255 boys. And the majority of members come from towns and cities from 10,000 to 50,000 population. More than 27,000 still live on farms and ranches while almost 21,000 live in suburbs and cities of more than 50,000 population.

As far as age groups are concerned, the 9 to 11-year-olds make up the biggest group in 4-H-44,320. There are 37,485 members aged 12 to 14 and 21,757 in the 15 to 19 age bracket.

In recent years membership from the various minority groups has grown substantially so that there are now some 12,400 blacks and 12,260 Mexican Americans in the program. Special 4-H activities in urban areas and new project groups have attracted many city dwellers.

Assisting county Extension agents and the 194-H specialist on the state Extension staff to carry out effective learning activities and programs are more than 21,700 volunteer leaders. Of these, 15,147 are adults and the remainder are junior and teenage leaders. "We rely heavily on our volunteer leaders to organize 4-H activities and to conduct worthwhile learning experiences for 4-H boys and girls," points out Pelham. "They are a vital cog in our total program, from recruitment to providing expertise in teaching various subject areas. Of course, we welcome any interested individuals to join the ranks of our volunteer leaders."

4-H continues to be a vibrant organization that is leading the way in helping youth learn practical skills and gain a knowledge of the environment that will make them better citizens and leaders of tomorrow. It is an organization worthy of public support, contends Pelham.

Hospitals Praise Briscoe

Texas Hospital Association (THA) President O. Ray Hurst issued a statement today on behalf of all hospitals in the State praising Governor Dolph Briscoe for championing their struggle against proposed federal regulations that would curtail or eliminate many services now available to Texas patients.

Hurst said: "The citizens and hospitals of the State owe Governor Briscoe a debt of gratitude for his involvement in opposing the proposed National Guidelines for Health Planning."

Governor Briscoe headed a Texas delegation this week to Washington. The delegation had meetings with Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) Secretary Resources Administration Administrator Dr. Henry Foley.

The Texas delegation was composed of representatives from the Texas Hospital Association, the Texas Medical Association and the State Health Coordinating Council. Congressman Jack Brooks of Beaumont assisted with the meetings.

Hurst went on to say, "In all of the meetings officials of HEW indicated that the response from

citizens of Texas to these proposed guidelines has been overwhelming. In fact, HEW has employed an outside firm to tabulate these responses."

It was indicated by Hurst that during these meetings Briscoe made a very strong plea for hospitals in Texas. The Governor pointed out to HEW officials the rural nature of most of Texas and the importance of having hospitals readily available to all citizens of the State.

In conclusion, Hurst stated that, "in all the meetings HEW officials indicated that the Guidelines would be revised to take into consideration the particular problems in Texas."

In addition to praising Briscoe, Hurst lauded the assistance given by Senator Lloyd Bentsen, Senator John Tower and the 24 Congressmen from Texas. Appreciation was also expressed to tens of thousands of citizens across the State who have taken time to voice their concerns over these proposed National Guidelines for Health Planning.

The Texas Hospital Association is the Austin based trade association for over 700 hospitals and health care institutions in Texas.



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who are 65 or more have bills of \$61.40, on average, while those under 17 spend only \$9.10 per year.

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Primary Uses For Grain Sorghum

LUBBOCK-In 1976, grain sorghum crops in Texas grossed more than \$647 million. That year Texas was responsible for two of every five bushels of the grain harvested in the United States.

The book "Grain Sorghum in the United States" relates that information and much more of importance to sorghum producers in Texas and across the country. The research project for the book was funded by the Food and Fiber National Institute of Achievement. Principal investigator for the institute's grant was Dr. James W. Kitchen of Texas Tech's Park Administration and Landscape Architecture Department. Graduate student Paul D. Hutchison was the author.

The book describes the various species of grain sorghum and their uses. It traces the history of the plant's development and predicts future developments for the plant and for farming in general.

Primary use for the grain in America is as a livestock feed, according to the book. However, the text continues, this indicates much of the machinery may be remote-controlled by the farmer from a central headquarters.

It also predicted growing sorghum and other crops on the floor of the ocean, the develop-

ment of multi-headed sorghum species, the conditioning of soil by ultrasonic waves, and the inbreeding of characteristics in the plant to improve the hardness and yield of the crop.

Grain sorghum is an important food crop for both animals and humans around the world, and all indications point to its continued growth as a world food crop, the author said.

In the United States, according to the book, grain sorghum has been used in such things as snack items, baby foods, thickening agents, sorghum flour, meat processing, pet foods, insulation board, adhesives, charcoal briquettes, paper making, polishes, weed killers, medicines, poultry feeds, baking products, building materials, explosives and a variety of other products.

With improved planting and production methods, along with increasing yields made possible by hybrids, grain sorghum may increase even more in importance in this country and worldwide as a food and as a source of other important products, according to the author.

In the future, farmers are likely to harvest grain sorghum, originally planted with fertilizer, herbicides, fungicides and insecticides already on it, with equipment powered by solar or atomic energy. In fact, the book indicated much of the machinery may be remote-controlled by the farmer from a central headquarters.

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ment of multi-headed sorghum species, the conditioning of soil by ultrasonic waves, and the inbreeding of characteristics in the plant to improve the hardness and yield of the crop.

NEWS OF TOYS

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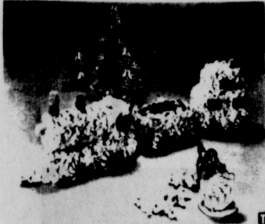
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Receipts at the Texoma Livestock Commission Co., Inc. were 2,378 cattle and calves. A very active to higher market on feeder weight cattle. Not enough good native calves here to test the market. A though there were buyers here looking for the choicest kind, Facker cows were selling from \$22.00 to \$26.00 on the better kind. Stock cows \$27.50 to \$31.00. Feeder heifers weighing from 600 lb. to 800 lbs. were selling from \$40.00 to \$42.70. No choice load offered. For next Thursday, we are expecting 3000 cattle of all classes. 80% of these to be feeder weight cattle. There is an extremely good demand now for feeder cattle. Because of the good fat market. Always plenty of buying power on hand. Send your next shipment of cattle to the dependable Livestock market. "The Texoma Livestock Commission Co., Inc."

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Choo-Choo A Popcorn Christmas



Remember when trains were such an important part of Christmas that some families turned over an entire room to a train world? There were miniature houses, lakes, bridges, even town halls, along with miles and miles of miniature train tracks. Here's a chance to wax nostalgic with family. Pop plenty of corn... we've used the kind that pops in its own pan... and set the family to work making its own decorative choo-choo.

- 1 package (5 oz.) Jiffy Pop Popcorn*
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup corn syrup
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/4 cup butter or margarine

Prepare popcorn according to package directions. Pour into large pan or kettle. Heat sugar, corn syrup and water in saucepan to 230°-260°F. or until a drop of syrup in cold water forms a hard ball. Remove from heat and stir in butter. Pour over popcorn and mix thoroughly with a large spoon. Save 2 or 3 tablespoons of syrup for use in attaching train parts.

Coated popcorn is now ready to be formed into train. You will need an empty 6 oz. juice can and the empty bottom of a 15 oz. raisin box. Grease your hands and all containers well. Use extra popcorn to form small balls for stocking fillers.

To make your Popcorn Choo Choo
ATTACH ALL PARTS WITH COOSED SYRUP

1. COOSED SYRUP: FORM LOGS BUILT IN 8 OZ. FREEZER JUICE CAN
2. THICK LOGS CHASSIS-7 LONG: SHORTER BEG HALF TO 3/4 - FORM COAL CAR
3. RAISINS: FORM LOGS CAR IN QUARTY OF 15 OZ. RAISIN BOX
4. RAISINS: FORM CHASSIS WITH HALF OF RAISIN BOX
5. THICK LOGS CHASSIS-7 LONG: SHORTER BEG HALF TO 3/4 - FORM COAL CAR
6. THICK LOGS CHASSIS-7 LONG: SHORTER BEG HALF TO 3/4 - FORM COAL CAR

HEW Guidelines Elimination Proposed By Krueger

"Birth quotas" and "travel time" requirements should be immediately eliminated from proposed HEW guidelines affecting rural medical facilities, U.S. Cong. Bob Krueger of Texas proposed today in a letter to HEW Sec. Joseph Califano and in sharply worded public appearances in Texas.

Charging that the Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare apparently is "filled with those who know more about numbers than they do about people," Krueger called on Califano to eliminate proposed guidelines that substitute "numbers and nonsense for knowledge and know-how."

Krueger, although already critical of proposed HEW guidelines which may threaten rural medical facilities, specifically proposed to Califano in a letter that "travel time" and "birth quotas" be eliminated from guidelines that determine where federal funding goes.

"I also would like to invite you, or one of your top aides, to accompany me on a trip through my 21st Congressional District and talk with some of the people who are being told that they must make a 45-minute trip to give birth to their children and who are being told they may lose federal support for their hospitals if a certain number of births do not occur here each year," Krueger said in his letter to Califano.

Krueger's predominantly rural district is 430 miles wide and is one of the largest in the nation.

The Krueger letter to Califano is in response to one he received from Califano, dated December 1. In which Califano said his office has "appreciated concerns" that the guidelines may be too strict, but indicated that the numerical quotas would remain

a part of the guidelines. "The 45-minute guidelines or any across-the-board travel time requirement) is not in the best interests of the health of an expectant mother or her child," Krueger said in a statement released by his office and in a public appearance in Texas.

"There is no doubt that a requirement such as that would cost lives. I would like to have the statistician with came up with the figure spend a week in my district riding with ambulance drivers who will tell him that such a drive can mean the difference between life and death.

"There are too many people in rural areas who do not have a vehicle that can make a trip of that duration on a moment's notice, and making a 45-minute trip to a city with which they may not be familiar under the high pressure circumstances that accompany child birth is asking too much.

"The numerical guidelines are numbers and nonsense substituted for knowledge and know-how."

"A trip to rural Texas might give HEW some additional perspective on how to deal with this problem."

The second proposed guideline which Krueger says should be eliminated involves a proposed requirement that federal funding be curtailed to hospitals in cities of less than 100,000, unless 500 births occur annually at the facility in question.

"Enforcing numerical quotas across-the-board without considering situations in individual communities leads to a kind of by-the-book government we can do without," he said.

"HEW had best put aside its preoccupation with numbers and return to its business of being preoccupied with the needs of people."

REMEMBERING...

By BILL I. BROOKS

CANVASSTORE FRONT AWNINGS

You still see a few but not as many as there once were. Pity though, I kinda miss them.

The awnings not only kept the sun from pounding away at whatever was on display in the store window but offered a cool shady place on the sidewalk for passers-by or would-be customers to stop, collect their wits and converse with friends. The shop proprietors knew full well that people stopping to talk would probably look at the window displays and some would be enticed to buy. Therefore the awnings were considered a sound business investment.

In our town almost every store around the main square had one. At various times of the day, as if on a signal, you could see shopkeepers coming out on the sidewalks with cranks in hand to roll the awning in or out, depending on the time of day and the angle of the sun. The awnings added a bright spot to the sometimes drab store fronts because the canvas was usually colorful with stripes of yellow, red, green or white and most had fancy scalloped around the edges that flapped in the breeze.

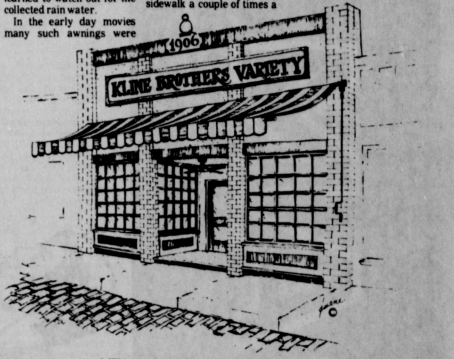
They have saved many a hairdo from a sudden shower

of rain although some had the knack of collecting water in their sagging places where it would remain mischievously inactive until the awning was cranked in, whereupon it would pour mercilessly upon the head of an unsuspecting passerby or indeed upon the proprietor himself. Fortunately, after one or two drenchings one learned to watch out for the collected rain water.

In the early day movies many such awnings were used to miraculously save the life of the good guy who had been pushed from a sixth-floor window by some ne'er-do-well. You remember how they would land on the awning, jump to the sidewalk, hail a taxi and be off after the crooks as if nothing had happened?

Most of the canvas awnings have been replaced by more permanent ones of wood, plastic or metal and I'm sure a lot of shopkeepers today would think it a waste of time to go out on the sidewalk a couple of times a

day to crank the awning in or out but back then I think most shopkeepers enjoyed it. It gave them an opportunity to gaze up and down the street to see who all was in town. It gave them a chance to say "Howdy" to the shopkeepers next door, to speak to folks on the street and to tune in to the latest "talk around town." Those shopkeepers knew what was going on in the town because they knew the people. Many of whom they met while cranking the awning.



Bureau Records Membership Gain

WACO - The Texas Farm Bureau has recorded the largest annual membership gain in its 44-year history, according to Carrol Chaloupka, president of the state's largest farm organization.

The FFB gained 18,626 member families in the fiscal year ending Oct. 31, and now has a membership of 214,197, Chaloupka said. All except six of the 210 organized county units

increased members this year, he said.

"It is significant that this tremendous gain was made in a year of severe economic hardship for farmers and ranchers," the Dalhart grain and beef producer said. "It shows that agricultural producers are determined to work together at solving their problems through organization."

Chaloupka said this marks the

25th consecutive year for the organization to show a gain. The FFB is now the third largest state Farm Bureau, and is closing in on the two leaders, Indiana and Illinois, he said.

The Texas Farm Bureau is affiliated nationally with the American Farm Bureau Federation which has a membership in excess of 2.7 million families. All states except Alaska have Farm Bureau organizations.

The top ten counties this year in terms of membership size are Wharton, Van Zandt, Fayette, Ellis, Macgoughes, Hidalgo, and Bell.

The original Texas Farm Bureau was organized in 1920, but had ceased to function by the early 1930's. The present Texas Farm Bureau dates back to 1933-1934 when it was organized as the Texas Agricultural Association. The name was changed a few years later when it became affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The Spirit of Christmas

In the quiet dawn of a winter's new day, the Spirit of Christmas descends upon the world, instilling boundless joy and the warm feeling of good will towards all. To our many friends, old and new, we're wishing that this will be the happiest of Christmases, bright and shining with the fulfillment of long-cherished dreams. It is our good fortune to have so many kind friends and patrons their friendship is one of our most prized possessions.

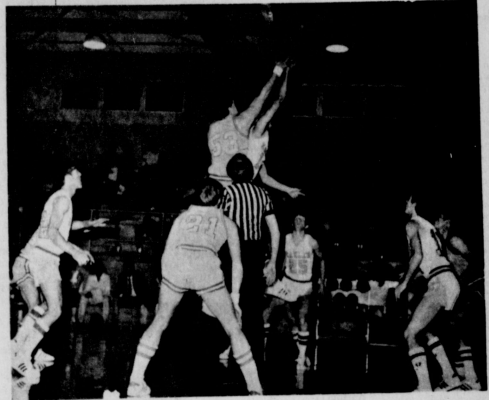
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JANUARY 24	BOYS RANCH - A and B Boys	----- HERE
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JANUARY 27	PANHANDLE - A Boys and Girls	----- THERE
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Alcohol - Biggest Holiday Highway Killer

Christmas and New Year holidays should be a time for fun and happiness. For many Texans, it will mean pain, anguish and possibly death. Major C. W. Bell, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety, said, "The greatest killer of persons on the highways of Texas this holiday season will be the inattentive, the impatient and the drunk driver."

Major Bell said, "Alcohol is the biggest highway killer during the Christmas-New Year Holiday." Bell reminds the motoring public that "alcohol is not a stimulant," but rather a depressant. Even small amounts of alcohol tends to reduce judgment, self-control, and driving ability. Coffee will not off set the effects of alcohol, only time can eliminate it from the blood stream. It takes at least one hour to oxidize one ounce of alcohol. The motorist does not have to be obviously intoxicated to be under the influence in order to become an unsafe driver.

Many accidents in Texas will be classified as one-car run off the road type. This means for some reason be it highway hypnosis, driver inattentiveness, alcohol, drugs or mental state, a driver loss control of his

vehicle. Most of this could be avoided if the driver follows the most elementary rules of the road. Stop and rest 10 minutes out of every hour driving time. Keep your head and eyes moving at all times, and if you are going to drink, Major Bell said, don't drive.

In an effort to reduce the expected death toll, Major Bell said, "The DPS and Local Law Enforcement Officers will be out in full force during the holidays. Also, in cooperation with local agencies and the news media of Texas, the DPS will conduct special tabulations on fatal accidents. These fatality tabulations will be issued three times daily in an effort to focus maximum public attention on the traffic accident problem.

The Texas Department of Public Safety is encouraging all motorists to drive with their low-beam headlights on during daylight hours as well as at night. This program is called "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday." It is the Department's belief that most motorists do not intentionally violate the Law, and need only to be reminded that holiday periods are more dangerous.

Remember, Christmas and New Years is a season of joy, goodwill and happiness. Don't

let an accident ruin your holiday. Don't be responsible for causing an injury or death. Our streets and highways can be safe, if the motoring public will think safe driving and drive defensively.

Conditions Deteriorate

Agricultural credit conditions in the northern High Plains of Texas have continued to deteriorate since last fall, an October 1 survey of area agr bankers by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas shows. Crop farmers, in particular, have been beset with cash flow and income problems because of higher production expenses and grain prices near or below break-even costs.

Hence, repayment of loans has slowed substantially, many loans have been extended for another year, and fewer funds are available to service requests for loans.

Agribankers are closely scrutinizing the creditworthiness of their borrowers and are requiring more detailed records and financial statements. Area bankers indicated they will discontinue financing about 12 percent of their agricultural borrowers

mainly because of inadequate income and insufficient equity. Referrals to Government lending agencies have increased markedly. Only half of the borrowers in the area are expected to repay their short-term debt from farm cash receipts as scheduled.

It was reported that, in some cases, most agricultural loan repayments are being made from outside income—minerals, business, savings, and selling of investments—or refinancing long-term debt.

Among the survey results reported by Carl G. Anderson and Alan M. Young, agricultural economists for the Dallas Reserve Bank, were these key indicators of agricultural credit conditions:

Where 39 percent of the bankers surveyed reported less than usual availability of funds a year ago, this year 55 percent did.

Where last year half of the respondents reported less than usual loan repayment, this year 77 percent did.

Where 13 percent said referrals to nonbank credit agencies were greater than usual last year, this year 61 percent did. Banks estimated that the value of "good" dryland and irrigated farmland declined 2 percent and 1 percent, respectively. Ranchland values rose 1 percent.

Olé For Christmas Empanadas



Try experimenting with a Mexican accent this year. Serve empanadas, those spicy meat pies so beloved by the Mexicans all year round and particularly during the Christmas season. Chocolate too, is a national flavor favorite frequently incorporated into drinks, pastries, even main dishes and sauces. We've combined these two popular south of the border foods in an unusual and delicious Christmas Empanada. The secret to making this easy, tasty snack is using a package of complete cheese pizza mix as a base for the recipe. It comes with its own pizza flour mix, pizza sauce and grated cheese. Make the empanadas ahead for quick warming when unexpected guests arrive.

CHRISTMAS EMPANADAS
Filling
1/2 pound ground beef
1 small onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
1 can pizza sauce from package of pizza mix
1/2 square unwetened chocolate
1 tablespoon peanut butter
1 1/2 tablespoons chili powder
1 package G. Washington's Seasoning and Broth
2 teaspoons sugar
1/4 lb. Monterey Jack or Cheddar cheese, shredded
Brown ground beef in medium sized skillet. Add onion and garlic; cook for five minutes. Drain off any excess fat. Add can of pizza sauce and remaining ingredients; stir. Cook over low heat until chocolate is melted. Remove from heat.

EMPANADAS
1 package Chef Boy-ar-dee's Complete Cheese
Pizza Mix
2 tablespoons shortening
1/2 cup hot water
Add grated cheese from package to pizza flour mix from package. Cut in shortening with knife or pastry cutter. Add hot water and mix, about 25 strokes. Cover and let rise in warm place for five minutes. Turn dough out on a well floured board and knead 10 times until dough is smooth and satiny. For large triangular empanada, roll out dough to 10" x 10" square. Place about 1 cup of meat filling on half of dough from corner to corner to form triangle. Fold over other half of triangular dough to cover meat mixture. Moisten dough edges. Seal with fork dipped in flour. Bake at 425°F. for 20 to 25 minutes. For small semi-circular empanadas, roll out remaining dough to about 1/8" thick. Use coffee cup as pattern or cut with round cookie cutter. Place one teaspoon of filling on half of dough circle. Fold in half, moisten dough edges. Seal with fork dipped in flour. Bake at 425°F. for 10 minutes. Yields 8 to 10.

Gift Ideas

To help you present tasteful gifts this holiday season that will be remembered for a long time to come, here are four suggestions:
1. Make it luxurious. Part of the fun of getting a gift is knowing it's something one might not ordinarily buy. But make it useful, too, not an expensive waste.
2. Stress quality. You'll give more for your money if you select something that's the best in its class.
3. Personalize it. One popular new kind of personalized present is a gleaming chrome "butler" for pouring half-gallons of Chivas Regal 12-



year-old Scotch. Perfectly balanced for pouring and equipped with an attached nameplate, it can be yours if you send \$9.98 and the name you want imprinted to Chivas Regal Cradle, P.O. Box 5061, Smithtown, New York 11787.
4. Wrap it with flair. A gaily wrapped package with fanciful ribbons can add glamor to any gift.

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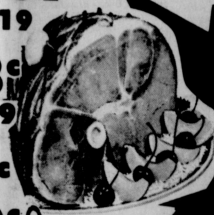
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Holiday Hors D'Oeuvres With A Swedish Accent



Christmas in Sweden lasts an entire month - from St. Lucia's Day (December 13) to Knut's Day (January 13). The highlight, however, is the Christmas Eve appearance of Jultomten, or Father Christmas, bearing gifts. His visit is celebrated in Swedish households by a beautiful holiday smorgasbord or buffet that's sure to include delicious open-faced sandwiches called Varmorgargar.

This recipe for Varmorgargar takes only minutes to prepare. A lightly seasoned mixture of ready to spread deviled ham and chopped hardcooked egg tops thin slices of white bread. They're easily cut into bite size hors d'oeuvres for a holiday gathering. You can do them well in advance as they keep wrapped in the refrigerator for three days or for several weeks in the freezer.

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| Varmorgargar | 1 1/2 teaspoons chopped dill |
| 7 slices thin white bread | 1 1/2 teaspoons chopped parsley |
| 1 can deviled ham (1 1/2 ounces) | 1 1/2 teaspoons chopped chives |
| 2 tablespoons softened butter or margarine | Dash freshly ground mustard |
| 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard | pepper |
| 2 hard-cooked eggs | |
- Tim crusts from bread. In a bowl, mix together deviled ham, butter, mustard, egg, dill, parsley, chives and pepper. Spread mixture generously on bread. (Sandwiches may be wrapped well and refrigerated for 2 days, or even frozen.) Just before serving, cut sandwiches into fourths. Garnish, if desired, with a sprig of parsley or fresh dill. Makes 28 hors d'oeuvres.

Service has the largest number of Home Demonstration Clubs in the state at present, outnumbering the other 13 districts. Programs on many timely subjects are selected by club members and planned in cooperation with Extension specialists and agents.

Variety of Center and County programs are offered. The A&M Center at Amarillo serves the upper 20 Panhandle counties, bringing a wide variety of educational programs to meet the needs and interest of local people.

County Extension agents serving the counties of the Panhandle and the cash agricultural receipts (gross agricultural income) generated in the respective counties in 1975-fol-low. Total cash receipts in the 20 counties amounts to \$806,678,000, points out District Agent Gross.

Armstrong County, with cash receipts of \$16,469,000, is served by County Extension Agent D.B. Wheeler, Jr. (agriculture); D.B. Wheeler, Jr. (agriculture); and Mrs. Susan Holder (home economics).

Canon: \$37,034,000 cash

receipts, served by John M. Fields and Mrs. Kathy Gist. Collingsworth: \$19,447,000 cash receipts, served by J. Don Reeves and Jean Chandler. Dallam: \$46,071,000 cash receipts, served by Robert L. Devin and Susan Montgomery. Deaf Smith: \$181,942,000 cash receipts, served by Justin T. McBride, Garland Stewart, Mrs. Joyce Shipp and Claudette Mitchell.

Donley: \$13,340,000 served by R.L. Gooch and Cynthia Manning. Gray: \$34,178,000, Joe Van Zandt, Layton Barton, Mrs. Elaine Houston, Mrs. Marilyn Tate.

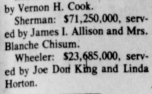
Hansford: \$78,689,000, served by J.D. Kuykendall and Peggy Marrs. Hartley: \$55,942,000, served by Robert D. Adamson and Cheryl Brewer.

Hemphill: \$9,664,000, served by W.W. Pickens, Dan Corbett and Mrs. Donna Brauchi. Hutchinson: \$18,365,000, served by Dennis Newton and Jana Pronger.

Lipscomb: \$19,811,000, served by C. Ray Burrus and Linda Haygood. Moore: \$52,019,000, served by K.L. Holloway, Robert B. Roark, Mrs. Rosa Lee Kalka, Mrs. Alby Peters. Ochiltree: \$46,525,000, served by W. Ronnie Wood and Mrs. Cula Nowlin.

Oldham: \$16,886,000, served by Jimmie D. Walker and Teresa Eckert. Potter: \$7,278,000, served by Gaines C. Franks, Billy Warwick, Mrs. Arla Felts. Randall: \$52,755,000, served by Bob Robinson, Paul Sammons and Mrs. Becky Hall. Roberts: \$7,328,000, served by Vernon H. Cook. Sherman: \$71,250,000, served by James L. Allison and Mrs. Blanche Chisum.

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Holiday Deaths Estimated At 71

AUSTIN - Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, today estimated that traffic accidents in Texas during the combined Christmas and New Year weekends will claim 71 lives.

He noted, however, that some of the deaths could be prevented if motorists would drive carefully and participate in the state's "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" program.

Speir said 41 deaths are likely to occur in the Christmas period from 6 p.m. Friday, December 23, through midnight Monday, December 26.

Another 30 traffic fatalities are estimated for the New Year holiday which extends from 6 p.m. Friday, December 30, through midnight Monday, January 2, 1978.

The "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" program calls on all motorists in Texas to drive with

their low-beam headlights turned on in the daytime, as well as at night, during the Christmas and New Year weekends.

"We feel this 'Light the Way' program, particularly with widespread participation on the part of drivers, will serve as a very meaningful reminder to others to drive safely," Speir said.

The DPS director observed that traffic deaths in Texas are currently running about 11 per cent over 1976, with much of this increase caused by the fact that three out of four motorists are violating the 55 mile speed limit.

"On the interstate highways where nine out of ten vehicles exceed 55, traffic fatalities are up approximately 47 per cent from a year ago," the DPS director added.

During the "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" program, Speir urged motorists to hold their speed down and refrain

from drinking if driving. He also urged urged drivers to keep their vehicles under control at all times and avoid following too closely.



"You must be ready to wash one another's feet," Jesus told his disciples as he finished washing their feet. He said: "The servant is not greater than his master and the messenger is not greater than the man who sent him." This lesson by Jesus about serving one another is one we should heed now.



Willie Wreathand

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A&M's New Amarillo Center Serves Panhandle Area

The newly-dedicated Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Amarillo serves the entire Panhandle area.

The smart new facility houses approximately 25 staff members of the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Center is located at 6500 Amarillo Boulevard West in the Medical Park Complex.

The \$855,000 A&M Center is strategically located on a 26-acre site adjacent to A&M's Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory. Besides the offices, the Center contains a modern auditorium, educational classrooms for teaching and conferences, a rather complete feedlot disease research facility and research laboratories.

A&M's new Center provides a basis for expansion of research and educational programs to support the beef cattle industry and related programs of the High Plains. A major thrust of this expansion is planned in the area of animal health, nutrition and management.

Research administration at the A&M Center is directed by Dr. G.B. Thompson and provides for coordination for research done at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Southwestern Great Plains Research Center at Bushland, the North Plains Research Field at Etter, and the Center at Amarillo. Major research at Bushland involves agronomic crops, including weed and pest control and genetic improvement. Research conducted at Etter emphasizes the efficiency of water use in northern High Plains crops.

A&M's new Amarillo Center also provides regional educational facilities for the Extension Service. District I educational programs for county Extension agents are coordinated by Paul Gross and Mrs. Sue Farris, district Extension agents serving the 20-county area. These programs relate to agriculture, home economics and family living, 4-H and youth, community resource development and other related educational areas.

Additionally, a staff of Extension specialists—with expertise in many subject matter areas—have offices in the new Center. They work with county Extension agents, Program Building Committees and subcommittees, the Panhandle Economic Program (PEP), agricultural producers, homemakers and youth, and other groups to implement educational program that are designed to serve local citizens.

Specialists include a veterinarian, entomologist, beef cattle specialist, agronomist, area economist in management, community resource development specialist and a clothing specialist.

Extension Education System

The Extension Service, through its county agent system, reaches into every community and Panhandle county with educational programs designed to meet the needs and interests of local people.

In cooperation with the specialists, the county Extension staff members take findings of the Experiment Station and USDA, to the people to help them enhance their quality of life or improve their position economically.

Agriculture continues to be Texas' No. 1 industry in terms of impact on that state's total economy. In the Panhandle, major crops are wheat, corn, grain sorghum and livestock. Other crops, such as potatoes, onions, sugar beets, sunflowers, vegetables and hay crops add to the total cash receipts of the area.

County Extension agents in agriculture, assisted by local leaders and by specialists, plan and conduct comprehensive programs in agriculture and related subjects. Result demonstrations are another major part of their work. These still reflect the philosophy of "learning by doing" of Dr. Seaman A. Knapp, USDA scientist who set up a field demonstration in 1903 in Kaufman County, which later led to the successful formulation of the Extension method of teaching.

Agents working in agriculture and home economics jointly conduct 4-H and youth programs and community resource development projects. Panhandle 4-H projects have the two-fold objective of providing learning experiences for youth and encouraging the development of desirable mental, emotional, moral, physical and social traits in each member. The learning experiences are guided by volunteer adult leaders and youth leaders who have received special training from county Extension agents and specialists. During the past year, more than 4,335 youth from 9 to 19 years participated in 4-H programs in District I. They were assisted by hundreds of junior and adult leaders.

Family living educational programs throughout the Panhandle helped thousands of homemakers enhance their quality of living during the past several years. Program thrusts in the various counties were in family health and protection, resource management, family stability, clothing, housing, and community environment and leadership. A special Family Living Youth Task Force of the area has planned and conducted annual in-depth seminars on a wide array of subjects ranging from health to energy. District I of the Extension