

County Redistricting Ruling Overturned

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100 units join in Spearman farm rally here Tuesday!



Double lane of tractors on main street---



Farmers ready for prayer on main street - Spearman



Mr. and Mrs. James Martin - back to the old days---



Tractors come in from Waka, Tues. January 2nd, 1978

The Spearman farm rally held Tuesday, January 3rd was a big success according to all of the farmers and most of all of the businessmen in Spearman. A total of 86 farm tractors and 11 other units participated in the parade, including a team and wagon, driven by James Martin, rodeo operator, in Spearman. Some 3 tractors were unable to participate in the parade because of flat tires, etc.

Tractors began to come to town on Monday and Tuesday, getting ready for the parade and the tractors were lined up on the highway, just across from strike headquarters near the Dairy Queen. All types of tractors from the large 8-wheel drives to old timers were in the parade.

At high noon on Tuesday most of the tractors journeyed to Waka, Texas, where they met a group from the Ochiltree area and circled through Waka and came back to Spearman. They arrived in Spearman at about 3:15 and some 20 more tractors met them at the outskirts of town and joined in the biggest

display of power that the area has ever seen! The 100 unit parade turned left on Main Street and drove down to the Court House and circled the Court House, then came back up Main Street, parking the tractors 2 deep all the way up the entire mainstreet. The merchants had closed except for the suppliers of food and medicine who had to stay open. But a large crowd was on hand to welcome the farmers with many parking their cars along the parade route. The weather cooperated and, as the farmers started their parade toward Waka at noon, the sun broke out and made the parade weather near perfect.

After all of the units were lined up, double down Main Street all of the farmers left their tractors and parade units and gathered in front of the Joe Traylor Ford and Interstate Loan Office, where Don Wirsdorfer gave a prayer for divine guidance and then lead the group in the pledge allegiance to the Flag! It was all

very impressive and there was no sign of violence anywhere during the entire operation.

After the pledge of allegiance the parade then drove out to strike headquarters and several of the farmer, their wives and children, met in the office where they enjoyed free coffee and also cookies, crackers, etc. furnished by many of the local businessmen, who were all in sympathy with the strikers. Most all of the businessmen helped the strikers in every way they could.

Phase III of the farmers' strike includes local American Ag. chapter will meet with specialists on beef parity at the County Barn in Spearman. This meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m. The entire community is invited to attend this meeting at the County Barn in Spearman. This meeting will meet with agriculture secretary Bob Berglund to discuss the farm situation. Also, American Ag is asking their members to start plowing up 5% of their wheat mid-January and plow up 3%

each week to "get rid" of the surplus! January 13, American Agriculture kicks off a national investigation on farm imports with special interest on beef and imported grains. To date, 329 strike offices have been counted nationwide. And, the movement is growing!

American Agriculture officials informed the newspaper early Wednesday morning that they wished to thank everyone in the area for their cooperation in the rally. Especially thanks go to the city police and the highway patrol, who met the convoy at Waka and in the local area, and assisted in every way possible.

New Year's Sock Hop

There will be a New Year's Sock Hop in the high school cafeteria gym on Jan. 7 from 8 to midnight.

This 4 hours of non-stop music is sponsored by Explorer Post #502. Sock feet only!

Stewart Rites Held

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 3 in the First Baptist Church in Spearman for Robert C. Stewart, 79, strike officer who died Sunday, Jan. 1. Officiating were the Rev. Russell Pogue, pastor of the First Baptist Church and the Rev. Archie Burress, pastor of the Union Church.

Burial in Hansford Cemetery was under the direction of Boswell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mr. Stewart was born Nov. 10, 1898, near Marietta, Okla., and had lived in Spearman since 1931. He married Esther Bullen in 1921 at Wheeler.

He is survived by his widow; a son, Dwayne of Spearman; a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Dancer of Borger; a sister, Mrs. Fannie Hand of Borger; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Casket bearers were Gus McLain, Frank Yancey, Johnnie Lee, Clarence Mitchell, John Wilde and Ray Gibson.

Cullison Rites Held Friday

William Roy Cullison, Sr., 83, of McLean died Tuesday, the 27th of December. Services were held in the First United Methodist Church with Rev. James Merrill, pastor, and the Rev. Bul Wells, pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating, on December 30th.

Mr. Cullison was the father of Spearman and Mrs. Dean (Rita) Cluck of Gruver. He was the Grandfather of Mrs. Eldon (Joan) Vernon and Mrs. Jim (Wanda) Eakin of Spearman, Monte and Teresa Cluck of Gruver.

He is also survived by his wife, Lucille, whom he married in 1970; two sons, Roy Cullison, Jr. of McLean; Jack Cullison of Burkburnett; three sisters; two

A three-judge appeals court in Amarillo has agreed with a Gruver housewife that Hansford County's division into commissioners' precincts should be redrawn.

The housewife, Ruth Gumfory, sued the Hansford County Commissioners Court to overturn a county redistricting ordered by the commissioners on Aug. 23, 1976.

She contended that the commissioners' division of the county was unconstitutional under both federal and state law because two precincts were areas territorially non-contiguous.

On Oct. 28, 1976, District Judge Richard N. Countiss of Spearman decided in favor of the commissioners.

Mrs. Gumfory appealed to the 7th Court of Civil Appeals in Amarillo. The three-judge court overturned Judge Countiss' ruling in a decision released yesterday.

The Amarillo court, in an opinion by Associate Justice Carlton B. Dodson, said, "We conclude that the common meaning of the phrase 'commissioners' precincts' denotes a territorially contiguous area."

The decision by the Amarillo judges also says the three judges "hold that the phrase 'commissioners' precincts' as used in the Constitution of the State means that such precincts must be territorially contiguous."

The Amarillo court ruling further says, "For us to depart from the legal, popular, and common concept of territorial contiguity of commissioners' precincts as contended by the commissioners' court in this case would do no more than place another gerrymandering tool in the hands of the apportioning body."

The Amarillo decision continues: "This court must notice with common knowledge that many counties of this state have numerous voting precincts numbering in the tens and hundreds and that the method of division of reapportionment employed in this case encourages the 'checkerboarding' and 'spot zoning' of commissioners' precincts, which we decline to judicially approve."

The Hansford County Commissioners Court had redistricted the county by splitting the city of Spearman into three parts.

In February of 1976, Mrs. Gumfory filed a civil suit against two Hansford County candidates for the position of commissioner for Precinct 3.

She claimed the two candidates — Dan Desmore and L.M. Womble, both of Spearman — did not fulfill residency requirements and asked that their names not appear on the ballot.

In August of 1976, the commissioners' court redistricted the county commissioners' precincts.

Mrs. Gumfory's suit was heard in October by Judge Countiss who upheld the commissioners' redrawing of the precinct lines.

She appealed and the three judges in Amarillo heard the case in October of 1977.

Representing Mrs. Gumfory were her son, Tommy Gumfory of Gruver, and a former Gruver resident, Selden Hale, now an Amarillo lawyer.

Vernon Crooks Dies In Montana

Vernon Crooks, 52, a Spearman resident most of his life, died Monday, Jan. 1 in Libby, Montana.

Mr. Crooks and his children were snow-mobiling when he suddenly fell dead of a heart attack about 5 p.m.

Mr. Crooks and his family left Spearman some 12 years ago when he decided to become a preacher. He has preached for several church of Christ congregations in Montana, but for the past 5 years has been at the Libby, Montana, church.

No services were held. The body was cremated which was his request. Memorials can be made to the Spearman Church of Christ Children's Home.

Survivors include the wife, Mary Joyce; and a daughter Linda of the home; sons, Larry of Dallas and Terry of Libby, Mont.; another daughter, Jill of Calif.; one grandchild; two brothers, Harold Crooks of Spearman and Howard Flint of May, Okla.; two sisters, Joy Mitchell of Albuquerque, N. M. and Ruby May of Borger.

Markets

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Soybeans	\$8.30

brothers; six grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

Mr. Cullison was a retired Mobile Oil Co. employee, a member of the Methodist Church, IOOF Lodge and VFV.

Rite Held For Emma McGurk

Mrs. Emma Adeline McGurk, 87, of 1313 Francis, Borger, died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at Magic Plains Nursing Home in Borger.

Services were at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Ed Brown & Sons Chapel of the Founds with the Rev. Russell Pogue, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Spearman, officiating.

Burial was Thursday in Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Cove, Ark. Services were under the direction of Ed Brown and Sons Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McGurk had been a Borger resident for six years and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Spearman.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Clyde Lehenauer of Borger and Mrs. R. H. Gray of Spearman; two brothers, Clarence Livingston of Hamburg, Ark. and Ollie Livingston of Collinsville, Mo.; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Whitlock of Bastrop, La. and Mrs. Daisy Britton of Post; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

"SLEEPY" SNO DGRAS PASSES A WA Y-----

Word was received this week that Sleepy Snodgrass passed away during the holidays.

Why Natural Gas Is Scarce

THE BIRCH LOG

by John F. McManus
Belmont, Massachusetts
The average American expects at the very least that our President will try to be pro-American. That is, that the occupant of the White House will wield his considerable powers in the best interests of our nation.
But the sad truth is that, for more than a generation, our chief executives have been satisfying hidden international designs, groveling at the altar of "world opinion," and putting our nation's interests last. Almost without exception, the big decisions have led to disasters. Examples include pulling the rug out from under Chiang Kai-shek in 1947, sacking General MacArthur in 1951, backing Castro's takeover of Cuba in 1959, and conducting the war in Vietnam in such a way that defeat was guaranteed.
Recent Presidential initiatives involving the energy crisis and the Panama Canal clearly fit the on-going America-last pattern. The effect of each will directly place the United States at the mercy of foreign leaders. Whereas our Senators and Congress-

men will reverse the sorry trend may well depend on the amount of sentiment they receive from back home.
Alaskan Natural Gas
Everyone knows that Alaska's North Slope is saturated with oil deposits. But there are also huge reserves of natural gas. Now that the oil pipeline is finally functioning, attention has turned to getting the gas to the "lower forty-eight". Two pipeline routes have been suggested: One parallels the existing oil route entirely within Alaska, and the other goes through Canada's rugged Yukon territory, eventually re-entering the United States along our northern border.
The second and longer route will cost \$10 billion, far in excess of the all-Alaska route. Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus expects that demands by environmentalists will add another \$1 billion to the cost of the project. But an even more compelling reason to avoid the trans-Canada route is that it will give Canadians the opportunity to raise their demands at any time, and even to shut the gas off. Have we learned nothing from

our experiences with Arab oil barrels?
As surprising as it still might be to some people, Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau was denied entrance to the United States in 1953 because of his close Communist connections. He has made several trips to Moscow and Peking, published the works of known front groups. As Prime Minister, his policies are leading Canada into chaos. And, he is anything but a true friend of the United States.
So with all this background information at his fingertips, which route did President Carter choose? The trans-Canada route! If his decision sticks, Pierre Trudeau, or whoever might succeed him, will have our nation's neck in a very convenient energy noose.
A Monopoly for Panama
Omar Torrijos and his henchmen who run Panama are either Marxists or out-and-out Communists. A number of these same men are international drug pushers. They love Castro and hate America. And they have both bankrupted and ter-

rorized their own country. Yet in spite of all this, President Carter wants to give them our Panama Canal and pay them close to \$400 million in grants and credits to take it.
The whole deal is mind-boggling, but there is more. Part of the treaty being pushed by the President guarantees that the United States will not build another canal elsewhere in the Western Hemisphere - without agreement from Panama. If we should decide in a few years that giving the Canal to Panama was a bad mistake, we are precluded from digging another until after the year 2000.
It is not easy to decide that the leaders of one's nation are committed to hurting it. But what else can one conclude? Obviously, it is time to call a halt to this dangerous trend and to begin to put America's interests first for a change.

their position on the hospital guidelines published in the FEDERAL REGISTER last September.
"Secretary Califano's action was reassuring," Hightower said. "Twice, in as many days, we have seen federal agencies respond favorably to a strong grass roots reaction to proposed guidelines."
Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland had announced December 1 that the Department would allow grazing of set-aside acres. Hightower had repeatedly communicated the need for such a provision to Secretary Bergland and other USDA officials, and grain producers from the 13th District and other grain producing areas of the nation had written to emphasize the consequences of not providing it.
In a letter the Congressman wrote October 28 to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare he stated that the proposed health guidelines could result in rural hospitals becoming little more than first-aid stations. He also urged people in the 13th District to write to the Department, and the response was overwhelming. "I received more letters or copies of letters that had been sent to the Department than on any other issue since I have been in the Congress," Hightower said.

Secretary Califano told Hightower that his Department's reassessment of the proposed guidelines was the result of congressional and public concern.
Hightower pointed out that the three major areas of concern were that the proposed guidelines, as drafted, might force small rural or community hospitals to close; that the standard applied to obstetrical units was too strict and would drop many hospitals below the accepted levels; and that the thrust of the guidelines would tend to take decisions out of the local hands.
The HEW Secretary's letter to Hightower stated that they intended to clarify and broaden the exceptions as they applied to rural and community facilities when the guidelines were revised. The current guidelines provide exceptions when patients would otherwise be more than 45 minutes from a hospital. For health care to be available to the majority of the 13th Congressional District of Texas, these exceptions would have to be expanded substantially.
Califano also said that the Department recognizes that the currently proposed standard for obstetrical units may be too strict. There appeared from the proposed guidelines that hospitals in towns as large as 100,000

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Putting America's Interests Last

The Birch Log
By John F. Neenan
Belmont, Massachusetts - It might be a bit difficult in August to remember the extreme cold of last winter. But we ought to try. There was a lesson to be learned when natural gas shortages forced 4,000 plants to close, put 400,000 out of work, shut down schools, and even posed a threat to homes and hospitals. The lesson is that price controls stifle production. Far from helping hard-pressed consumers, they always make matters worse.

Target: Natural Gas
The oil field by-product called natural gas was discovered to be a clean and efficient source of energy in the post-World War II years. But in 1954, just after its worth had been thoroughly established, the Federal Power Commission slapped price controls on all gas sold interstate. This led immediately to a downward trend in exploration and development, and to an increase in consumption because of the artificially low price.

The American Gas Association has stressed the amazing fact that there has never in our nation's history been an effective incentive to explore for natural gas. Price controls are the major reason why. When a producer cannot charge enough to finance costly exploration and expensive production equipment, he turns his attention elsewhere.

While government's meddling with elementary economic laws resulted in closed factories, idle workers, and real suffering last January, gas remained plentiful in gas-producing states such as Louisiana and Texas because there are no price controls on intrastate sales.

For years, the gas industry has pleaded for an end to the regulation of its prices. But Congress has refused to budge, customarily citing wild tales about potential huge profiteering. Just a few weeks ago, the House Commerce Committee again voted against ending the controls. And President Carter has called for an extension of price controls to intrastate sales of natural gas. Clearly government's policy is: Share the shortage of the natural gas.

If Controls Were Removed....
The American Gas Association has consistently provided sensible energy recommendations to government authorities. In a report sent to Presidential energy advisor James Schlesinger early this year, the AGA says its projections show gas availability if price controls were merely relaxed. AGA's estimate is that there is enough natural gas within the territory to last for over 2,000 years. It is obtainable only if government will get out of the way.

Even the government's own researchers have arrived at a similar conclusion. Last January seventy specialists from the federal Energy Research and Development Administration were commissioned to study our nation's natural gas potential. The group made its report in April, just prior to the President's planned forecast of impending energy catastrophe. The ERDA task force said that, by simply allowing prices to rise, the nation could be flooded with natural gas.

What did ERDA's brass do with its report? They recalled it. Next, they disbanded the team that wrote it and appointed a second team to do a rewrite job.

Ruth Class Has Meet

Ruth Sunday Class of the First Baptist Church met Monday, January 2, 1978 in the home of Mrs. Fred Hoskins. Mrs. Bill Gandy led in the opening prayer remembering the departed. Special prayers had been requested.

Mrs. Arthur Adickson presided over the short business meeting. Mrs. Rex Sanders had of the devotional period. She read "A New Year." Psalms 118:2-3. This is the day the lord has made we will rejoice and be glad in it." Also read scripture Joshua 3:4-5.

Mrs. Joe Novak led in the closing prayer.

Hostess Mrs. Hoskins served refreshments to members, Rex Sanders, Ed Entekin, Rex Sanders, Mel Edwards, Dewey Ball, Joe Novak, Arthur Adickson, Wesley Brown, Woodville Jarvis, Bill Gandy, Lowell Demman, and Bill Russell.

The next meeting will be February 6 with the meeting place to be announced at a later date.

United Presbyterian Church News

Thursday, January 5 is the last day of the Christmas season.

Friday, January 6 is the beginning of the new season of Epiphany, the coming of Light into the world.

On the week of Prayer is January 8-14.

There is a Sunday Church School class for everyone every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. with a fascinating Bible lesson. Come and grow with us.

"Shadow of Things to Come" will be the subject of Pastor Edward D. Freeman's sermon at the service for the public worship of God on Sunday, January 8 at 11:00 a.m.

The First Presbyterian Church of Dahart is celebrating its 75th anniversary on Sunday, January 8.

For all who would be willing to be counselors for the Larry Jones Crusade January 15-22, there is counselor training on Thursday, January 5; Monday, January 9; and Thursday, January 12 at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

There is a warm, Christian welcome awaiting anyone who attends any of the services or activities of the First Presbyterian Church.

Collision Fatal To Cow

Hansford County highways were almost 100 per cent accident free over the holiday.

A Spearman resident escaped injury but the cow was totaled and damage to the pickup truck driven by Leon E. Eastey, 38, of Spearman received damage estimated at \$700 in a collision Tuesday, Jan. 3, on State Highway 207 about two miles south of Spearman.

The call to the sheriff's department was received at 9:44 p.m.

Easley was southbound at the time and alone in the vehicle. The cow was the property of a local ranch.

Hospital News

Patients in Hansford Hospital are Mary Sparda, David Rogers, Teresa Bynum, Donna Southerland and daughter Margaret Jenkins, Earl Goodheart, Marguerite Harrelson, Ki Ki Carthel, Mona Branch, Nikki Jones and Velma Roden.

Dismissed were Lindsey Geyer, Mose Lamb, Robert Speck, Jewel Ward, Bill Braunreiter, Justin Carthel, William Weasley, Ann Wyrick, Betty Jo Perry.

Understanding Your Child

NEED FOR SUCCESS
Every young man graduating from high school wants to get on the road to a career as quickly as possible. Despite the show of independence he might make, he is grateful for a helping hand from parents in going in the right direction.

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The first recorded coffee houses, in 16th century Turkey were known as "Mekteh-irfan," meaning "schools of the cultured."

Quiet Observance
A quiet observance of the New Year holiday weekend was reported in Spearman and vicinity.

The fire department made one run Tuesday, Jan. 3, to a residence at 1101 Archer where smoke was observed and residents were advised to get an extension to their central heating unit vent pipe to avoid any future problems. Fire Chief Steve Wianiewski reported only minor traffic encountered no problems in Spearman on Tuesday and all activities in the city on that date were carried out in a peaceful and cooperative manner.

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Spearman Has Assistant Manager

Spearman has an assistant city manager, Lenis R. Simpson, Jr., 22, who officially came on duty here Dec. 16, 1977, and is now getting settled in on the job.

He is a native of Amarillo where he was born June 18, 1955, and is a mid-year graduate with a bachelor of science degree of West Texas State University in Canyon.

He is a graduate of Memphis, Texas, High School and while in school there he played some football and basketball.

While at WTSU he was a member of Kappa Alpha and in 1976 was KA Chapter President.

Prior to moving to Spearman

he interned at City Hall in Canyon last fall.

He moved to Spearman after he got the job offer because, as he phrased it, the city seemed like a good, aggressive community in which he could learn something.

To make money for his college education, Simpson worked as a roughneck for A & A Drilling Co. in Memphis.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lenis R. Simpson, live in Memphis where his father owns and operates a men's clothing store.

Simpson, not married yet but engaged with a wedding date set for February 4 in Lubbock to a Lubbock girl has two older, married sisters. One lives in Phoenix, Ariz. and the other in Denver, Colo.



Two of every three deaths in Texas during 1976 were caused by diseases of heart and blood vessels-plus cancer, says the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the Texas Department of Health.

Deaths from all causes in 1976 totaled 100,620, according to Don Carroll, Chief, Bureau of Vital Statistics.

Slightly offsetting these grim statistics is some good news. Infant deaths reached the lowest point in Texas in 1976-16.0 deaths per 1,000 live births.

The two top killers, heart disease and cancer, came as no surprise since both of these have been the leading causes of death in the state for some time.

Last year, Carroll noted, heart disease killed 33,836 Texans, while cancer accounted for 19,230 deaths.

Even though heart disease is a top killer in Texas, a decline in the death rate from heart attacks has continued for the third straight year. In 1976 the death rate was 118 per 100,000 population. In fact, health officials say, there were 360 fewer deaths than expected from heart attacks, based on 1975 experience.

"Whether a three-year declining rate is related to a decline in 'risk factors' for heart attacks isn't known," said Dr. Richard K. Donelson, Director

are now being investigated," said Dr. Donelson. "One possible explanation is that physician and hospital workers have recently become more persistent in their attempts to diagnose and make special records of septicemia. This is perhaps due to the increasing emphasis on hospital infection control. The several different types of septicemia appear to have been equally increased, said Dr. Donelson. About half of the deaths occurred in persons over 65, which has been the experience in past years.

The infant death-which includes the first year of life-continued its downward course to 16.0 deaths per 1,000 live births. Since 1972, when the death rate of infants was 20.2, the number of infant deaths has gradually decreased. Despite this gratifying decline, there were 3,502 deaths last year.

Physicians with the Department are concerned about the number of infant deaths and feel that the infant death rate can be improved.

"The greatest decline in infant mortality will come in the newborn period and will be influenced by better prenatal care and the continued improvements in hospital facilities and trained personnel," said Dr. P. Cliff Price, chief of the Bureau of Personal Health Services. "Good intensive care for the premature babies can be a big factor."

The number of "preventable" infant deaths is the subject of continuing great interest among obstetricians and pediatricians.

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Lynxettes blast Parkins, Arkansas in thriller at Ada, Okla. 63-47

The defending AA state champion Spearman Lynxettes routed a good Parkins, Arkansas team 63-47, in the mid-arcana tournament at Ada, Oklahoma Thursday night. Keetch paced the lady Lynxettes in the route and Collier followed. Three girls were in double figures; Keetch hit 21 points; Greene, 18; and Collier, 16; with Vernon pouring in 8 points for the Lynxettes. Gressett, McAdams, Flowers and Comegs had a good night defensively for the Lynxettes.

The Lynxettes had previously lost their opening game in the tournament 62-58, to undefeated Konowa, Oklahoma. The Gruber girls lost their game to Mustang, Oklahoma Wednesday afternoon. Both the Lynxettes and Gruber girls will be playing in the tournament Friday evening.

MAKE WEEKENDS PAY.



Sweet Spanish Onions Perk Up Potatoes



When onions play an essential part in a recipe, the Sweet Spanish variety are the ones to select. This unique member of the onion family is famous for its extreme mildness and large size. Sweet Spanish onions offer the distinctive flavor of an onion, but without the harshness of other varieties.

For Skillet Onion And Potato Slices, ome white slices of Sweet Spanish onion and sliced cooked potatoes are sautéed separately; then the two are combined to mingle the flavors. A sprinkling of salt and freshly ground pepper and a garnish of chopped parsley add the finishing touches.

You'll find Sweet Spanish onions in your supermarket from September through March. These giant beauties, grown in Eastern Oregon and Southwestern Idaho, are round in shape and have a thin golden-bronzed skin which crackles to the touch. You'll especially enjoy the delicate flavor of Sweet Spanish onions where raw onion is used, as in relishes, salads and sandwiches.

Skillet Onion And Potato Slices

1 medium Idaho-Oregon Sweet Spanish onion
1 pound potatoes
1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup onion, sliced
Salt and freshly ground pepper
2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Peel and slice onion. Should make about 2 cups. Cook potatoes in boiling, salted water until tender. Peel and slice. Sauté onions in 1/4 cup butter or margarine over med. heat until golden. Remove onions. Add remaining butter or margarine and sauté potatoes until golden. Return onions to skillet to heat through. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and parsley. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

The Safest New Year's Resolutions

More than 20 million household accidents occur each year, including some 27,000 deaths. And, four million people are disabled a day or longer from injuries received in home-related accidents annually.

Safety rules are often simply a matter of common sense. People often tend to forget the rules or develop sloppy safety habits. A reminder now and then often helps. With the start of the new year, the Scott Paper Company Home Service Center in Philadelphia offers some resolutions to make your home a safer place.



- The single largest cause of home accidents is due to "falls." And, say these experts, two-thirds of all fatal home falls occur at floor level — a spilled liquid, an object on the floor, a rug edge that is turned up. Actually, they say, home fall hazards exist every where.
- **Eliminating Kitchen Hazards**
If the kitchen is the work center of the home, it is also frequently the scene of home accidents. Here are some preventive measures which can be taken:
• All work areas — particularly around the stove — should be well lighted.
• Turn the handles of pots and pans toward the rear or side of the stove to avoid possible spills and burns.
• When kitchen spills do occur — whether on the stove, the counter or the floor — wipe them up immediately with heavy, absorbent ScottTowel. A spill on the stove can cause a fire and something spilled on the floor can easily cause a fall.
- Handle knives and other sharp kitchen tools carefully and never use any electric apparatus when your hands are wet or while touching a sink or faucet. (This is a good tip to remember in the bathroom, also.)
- **Preventing Bathroom Falls**
The bathroom is also often the scene of falls.
• Wet floors are slippery and non-skid rugs help prevent falls.
• Quickly wipe up spills with a good heavy absorbent paper towel. (It's a good idea to install a paper towel holder in the bathroom, kitchen or anywhere else in the house where spills are likely to occur.)
- A non-skid rubber mat or absorbent towels are a "must" in the bath or shower.
- A "grab bar" is another good idea — especially if there are older people in the home.
- And, finally, add the experts — these are resolutions both you and your family can live with.

Adventist Meet In Spearman

Seventh-day Adventists from Berger, Pampa, Dumas, Perryton, Gruber, Sunday, Stratford and other communities will gather in Spearman for a special service this Sabbath (Saturday), January 7. "This service gives opportunity for the members in our three churches to fellowship together and collectively worship the Lord," says the pastor, Franklin Horne.

The "Redemption Sisters" a witnessing team from Sandia View Academy, the church's secondary school near Albuquerque, New Mexico, will conduct the service. They will present a program of Gospel singing and will give personal testimony of the goodness and greatness of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The service will begin with Bible school at 10 a.m. and the worship hour at 11:15. There will be a fellowship dinner following the service. The public is welcome to all the activities of the church. The Seventh-day Adventists are currently meeting in the First Presbyterian Church at 11th and Cotter.

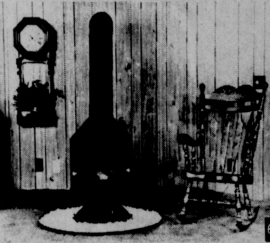
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Fireplaces And Safety

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Energy shortages, the high cost of gas, oil and electricity, and the growing pre-eminence have resulted in increased consumer interest in fireplaces. Modern fireplace systems are a long way from the smoked up (but picturesque) fireplaces of the pioneers. Today, fireplaces come in many sizes and shapes: fireplaces and fireplace stoves, built on-the-spot and factory built, and mounted into or against the wall — or even in a corner of freestanding.

Underwriters Laboratories Inc. (UL) believes that a fireplace should be more than warm and eye-catching. It should be operated safely, as well. The following are some safety tips for your "chestnut roasting" activities this year.

- Highly combustible materials, such as loose papers, cardboard and fabric, should be kept away from the fireplace area. These materials could easily be ignited by stray hot ashes, glowing embers, or flying sparks. Ashes should be placed in a metal container with a tight fitting lid, pending final disposal.
- Check to see that the chimney and flue lining are clean. Is the damper in proper working order? If the flue is obstructed, carbon monoxide, other toxic gases, and smoke can escape into the living area. Soot and tar deposits can build up on the walls of the chimney and flue. These deposits are highly flammable, and if not periodically removed, can be the source of a fire.
- Open the damper before starting a fire, and keep it open until every ember is completely out — again, carbon monoxide gas can fill the living area, even causing death.
- A tight fitting screen or door should be placed over the front of the fireplace to prevent sparks and hot coals from popping out.
- When building a fire, don't overdo it. Overfiring can make the firebox and flue lining red-hot, causing a fire and chimney fire. Place a moderate amount of fuel in the firebox area. Also, people who use lighter fluid on a wood or coal fire are asking for trouble — a flashback fire can result, and inflammable vapor can travel throughout the room causing a fire hazard.
- Fireplace fires consume oxygen while burning. Therefore, make certain that there is proper ventilation, both for burning efficiency and for the safety of the occupants of the house.
- Store wood in a dry area prior to burning. A six month storage period is desirable. The drier the wood, the more evenly the fire will burn. Using wood that is not sufficiently dry increases the possibility of soot and tar deposits, as well as flying sparks.
- Certain types of coal can be highly volatile. Coal should be stored in a cool (75°F or lower) atmosphere with no foreign material cluding the area.
- Factory built fireplaces and fireplace stoves should bear the UL Listing mark, indicating that it meets recognized safety standards.
- When installing a factory built fireplace or freestanding fireplace stove, seek expert help and follow the manufacturer's instructions completely. Make certain that free-standing stoves are placed an adequate distance away from combustible materials. Keep safety in mind and enjoy warm and pleasant nostalgic times using your fireplace.

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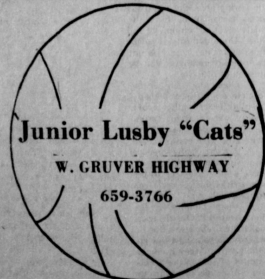
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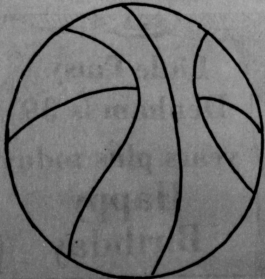
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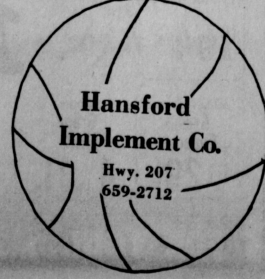
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REMEMBERING...

By BILL D. BROOKS

CRANKING THE CAR
Next time you start your car you're thankful it's a key you're turning instead of a crank. There was a time when cars didn't even have starters, that is except for a wicked looking bent steel rod called a crank. The crank was to turn the engine over to start it, the same thing a starter does today.

There was a little hole in the front end of the car that you could stick the crank through. On the front of the car's engine was a bracket that the crank hooked into. The bracket had teeth that meshed with two prongs on the crank. The idea was to stick the crank in, turn it smartly clockwise a couple of times, the engine would cough, spit, then start and you could be on your way. As I said that was the idea but it didn't always work that way. There were several methods of "cranking". Some people placed the handle near the bottom and pulled up sharply, one pull at a time. Others would turn it vigorously around and around several times without stopping. Different methods worked for different people and different vehicles.

The crank was always an

instrument of confusion for most women. They usually didn't know which end of the crank to hold or which end to put into the car, or what exactly to do with it once it was in the car. They had a way of looking bewildered and helpless, waiting for someone to come along and do the honors. My cousin says we were better off back then - fewer women drivers you see.

You always ran the risk of rubbing a big ole blister on

your hand but on extremely cold days the crank might freeze to your fingers. On such days it was usually futile to try to crank the car anyway. Often the engine would backfire and if it did the crank could break your arm or at least bruise youriceps. To top it off the car could sometimes slip into gear all by itself and lots of people got run over by their own cars just after cranking them.

Cars had a personality and definite temperament in those days. Cars would start for certain people but not for others. We had an old

Chevrolet that no one could start except my Dad. He could put the crank in, pull up on it a couple of times and it would kick off. But anyone else might as well not try. I used to try to crank that car. I wanted to start it so bad but I don't think I ever did.

After auto makers started putting electric starters on cars most people were skeptical enough that they wanted to keep the crank, just to be sure, so the crank hole was left in most models for some years after starters became standard equipment. I miss some things from those days but the crank is not one of them.

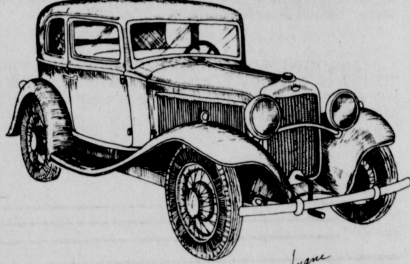


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ing homes have a monthly charge for basic services but make sure the nursing home spells out what it considers to be extra-charge services. Find out which services Medicare and other programs will pay for. Also check on the nursing home's policy about a refund for unused days paid for in advance. Another important billing consideration is how the nursing home accounts for patients' funds the facility might handle. Patients should get at least a quarterly report on finances and receipts for all transactions.

Nursing homes are classified in three categories according to the kinds of services they give. Facilities range from hospital-like settings to "Class 2-custodial" homes that help patients with common chores they cannot handle and provide some nursing supervision. The middle category provides more extensive nursing care than a Class 2 facility. A nursing home can be certified in all three categories but if it is not, the category that will fill the patient's needs the best should be chosen.

No matter what category a facility is in, some patients may need or want certain services. Check to see how the nursing home handles needs for physical therapists, barbers and beauticians and recreational directors. If the nursing home does not have a full-time recreational director, is there a schedule of activities that will interest even those who are physically inactive? Is the schedule being followed?

Try to visit sometime around midday to see food preparation and service, another vital aspect of nursing home life. Does the food served match posted menus? Do residents seem to be enjoying it? Ask how special diets are handled. Are residents who need assistance eating getting special help? Of course safety and comfort factors such as proper temperatures, clearly marked exits, adequate hand grips in bathrooms and hallways, and non-slip surfaces also are very important.

For more information on nursing homes write: Government Bookstore, 9319 Gulf Freeway, Houston, Tex. 77017 or Government Bookstore, Federal Building, 1100 Commerce, Dal-

las, Tex. 75208 for a copy of "How to Select a Nursing Home" (90 cents) or "Nursing Home Care" (70 cents) — include payment with order. For a free pamphlet on nursing home selection, write the Texas Nursing Home Association, 6225 Hwy 290 East, Austin, Tex 78723. For Medicaid information, check with the local Department of Human Resources (welfare department); ask the local Social Security office for Medicare information relating to nursing homes.

The new Department of Energy has a budget of \$10.4 billion. Federal regulation of energy costs exceeds the value of the annual Texas crude oil output by about \$1 billion. Cost to U.S. taxpayers is equal to a tax of \$3.51 for each barrel of oil produced in the U.S. in 1976.

Weather

December 21	47	17
December 22	59	27
December 23	65	29
December 24	65	42
December 25	43	11
December 26	49	16
December 27	44	19
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December 30	48	25
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Recent controversy about care given in Texas nursing homes has caused concern over what

qualifies a good nursing home does have. The Texas Medical Association offers these sugges-

tions from the federal Health, Education and Welfare Department on how to choose a nursing home.

To get funds from Medicaid, Medicare and other programs, nursing homes must meet certain standards. These standards do not mean the home may be the most desirable place to live but it is very important to check in advance to see if the

facility is eligible for the funds. An eligible nursing home will have documents proving it is qualified.

Another important document is the nursing home's written policy covering patient's rights and responsibilities. Patients should be aware that they should be free from chemical and physical restraints except in emergencies or as authorized in writing by a physician. Another important right is that patients should not be required to perform services for the nursing home that are not for therapeutic purposes. Other rights also should be honored concerning privacy, as much individual control as the patient can handle, and other common-sense rights and responsibilities. Billing and the contract for services also should be fully understood before a patient enters the facility. Most nur-

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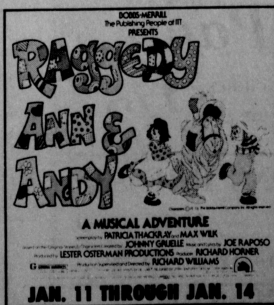
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JAN. 11 THROUGH JAN. 14

'Lucky' Blackeyed Peas A Year 'Round Favorite

AUSTIN—Blackeyed peas are a big favorite with Texans. Although traditionally served on New Year's Day for good luck, they are delicious the year 'round.

Harvest in the state lasts from May through October; in addition, they are available dried throughout the year.

One cup of cooked peas contains approximately 175 calories, 15 grams of protein, and vitamin A, the B vitamins, folic acid and calcium, phosphorus, iron, sodium and potassium.

When buying fresh peas, remember that one pound shelled or three pounds unshelled equal approximately four or five servings.

Fresh blackeyed peas are easy to prepare—simply cook in a tightly covered pan for 10 to 15 minutes in about one inch of water.

The Texas Department of Agriculture home economist offers two recipes that star blackeyed peas.

Hopping John

1-1/4 cups dry blackeyed peas
4 cups water
1-1/2 cups chopped onions
1/2 tsp. black pepper
1/4 tsp. red pepper
8 oz. coarsely chopped salt pork

Combine blackeyed peas and water in large covered saucepan. After boiling for two minutes, remove pan from heat and let stand one hour. Add onions, black pepper, red pepper and garlic. After bringing to boil, cover and simmer one hour, stirring occasionally. Stir in salt pork; simmer one more hour, uncovered, stirring frequently. Just before

serving, season to taste. Serve with boiled rice. Yield: approximately 6-8 servings.

Texas Caviar

5 cups water
2 cups dried blackeyed peas
3 tsp. salt
3/4 cup red wine vinegar
1/2 tsp. black pepper
2 cups vegetable oil
1 medium onion
2 large garlic cloves
1 Tbsp. fresh parsley

Bring water to boil over high heat. Add peas and cook briskly for two minutes. Turn off heat and let peas soak for one hour. Add 1 teaspoon of the salt and bring mixture to a boil again. Simmer for 40-50 minutes, or until peas are tender but still firm to the bite. Drain peas. Combine vinegar, 2 teaspoons of salt, and pepper in a bowl. Pour oil into mixture, beating constantly with fork or wire whisk. Beat until mixture is thick and smooth. Peel the onion; slice thinly, and separate into rings. Peel garlic and bruise with the side of a knife. Add onion rings, garlic and peas to marinade mixture. Cover bowl and refrigerate for 2 or 3 days, stirring from time to time. To serve, discard garlic cloves, transfer peas and onion rings to serving dish. Garnish with parsley. Yield: approximately 10 servings.

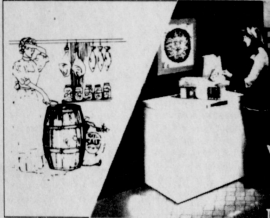


Betrothal Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Q. D. Bevil of Gruver are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Debbie Pierson, to Gregg Breland, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Breland of Gruver.

A March 24 wedding in the First Baptist Church of Gruver is being planned. Both are graduates of Gruver High School, and the bride-elect will be a May graduate of Texas Tech. The prospective groom is engaged in farming. While at Tech, Miss Bevil was a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron and the Home Economics Honorary Fraternity.

Changing Home Lifestyles



Stimulated by higher prices for natural gas and new-found crude oil, Texas oil men in 1977 are drilling more wells than in any year since 1962. The first 9 months, they drilled 10,823 wells, a 10% increase over 1976; 84.7% increase over 1971, the low point of postwar drilling activity.

Citizen of the Year award Guidelines: (Please follow these guidelines when nominating your choice for the citizen of the year award).

The Guidelines are:

1. Individuals nominated for Citizen of the Year should be cited for activities outside those duties connected with his or her employment.
2. Unselfish with time and capabilities for the betterment of the community.
3. Friend of those in need.
4. Concern for his fellowperson, community and country.
5. Citizen of the community.
6. Above all must be of outstanding character, dependability and reliability.

We encourage you to submit your entry by January 20, 1978. The decision of the judges will be final. The award will be presented at the Annual Membership Banquet, Saturday, January 28, 1978.

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Please return your entry to the Spearman Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 161 Spearman, Texas by February 18, 1978. A box will be available for your entry, if you would like to stop by the Chamber office, 211 Main. Recipients of previous "CITIZEN OF THE YEAR" awards are:

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| 1976 | Mrs. R. B. Archer, Sr. | 1970 | Mrs. Frank Davis and Bruce Sheets |
| 1957 | E. J. Copeland | 1971 | Harry Stumpf |
| 1959 | Oscar Donnell | 1972 | Dean Weese |
| 1961 | Frank Massad | 1973 | Charlene Bulls |
| 1963 | John R. Collard, Jr. | 1974 | L. L. Anthony |
| 1965 | Sam Watson, Jr. | 1975 | J. L. Brock |
| 1967 | J. B. Cooke | 1976 | Dee Jackson |
| 1969 | Mrs. E. A. Greever & Jesse Davis | | |



Among some primitive peoples, the king or chieftain was directly responsible for rain and sunshine.



The U.S. Census Bureau reported that its 1970 census missed about 5,300,000 people.

MASSAD'S Sell Out!

Sale Starts Wed. Jan. 4, 1978

END OF THE YEAR

Sportswear

ALL SPORTSWEAR MIX & MATCH

1/3 off

ALL TO CLEAR



KNIT TOP & T-SHIRT 1/3 OFF TO CLEAR

JUMP SUITS 1/3 OFF

LADIES CHOICE OF ALL FALL ROBES BRUSHED & QUILTED

Robes

MANY BARGAINS NOT LISTED

BLOUSES



1/3 OFF

PANT SUITS

1/3 OFF ALL TO CLEAR



Ladies Coats



CHOICE OF ANY 1/2 PRICE

LADIES Pants

CHOICE OF ANY 1/3 OFF

LONG DRESSES

TO CLEAR 1/3 OFF



Ladies DRESSES

CHOICE OF OUR STOCK OF LADIES DRESSES MISSES & JUNIORS



1/3 TO 1/2 OFF TO CLEAR

Ladies Sweaters

A GOOD SELECTION OF SIZES & STYLE



1/3 OFF TO CLEAR

LONG SKIRTS



CHOICE OF ANY 1/3 OFF

MASSADS