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Congress Blamed For Energy Crisis

C of C Discusses Upcoming Projects

Several reports were given during the Thursday morning meeting of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. According to a report of the chairman of the Citizen of the Year breakfast, they were disappointed in the low turnout for the breakfast where Dorothy Green and Earl Harris received dual honors as 'Citizens of the Year' for 1976.

All plans are nearing completion for the annual Muleshoe

Chamber of Commerce banquet scheduled for February 2. The only conflict will be a basketball game at the Muleshoe Junior High School gym which is expected to put some limitation on parking near the cafeteria where the banquet is scheduled to be held.

A membership drive for the Chamber of Commerce will get underway with a planning meeting slated for Monday (tomorrow) at 7 p.m. at the Muleshoe City Hall.

John Clark was named chairman to name a committee to help choose a chairman or director of the Muleshoe Area Industrial Foundation, which is to be regrouped and reformed to become active. He will report back to the next Chamber of Commerce meeting the names of his committee members.

A proposed resolution on the Regional Health Advisory Committee was presented and discussed with no formal action taken pending further checking, said Tommy Black, Executive Director of the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce.

Through other plans to be finalized, the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce also plans to become a stronger voice for the more than 220 local businesses the board represents.

Barnhill Named To Easter Seal Program

Ted Barnhill has accepted the position of Easter Seal Representative for Bailey County. The appointment announcement was made by Irvin A. Baker of Dallas, president of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Last year, the Society aided 10,768 Texans through an information, referral and follow-up program; physical, speech and hearing therapies; orthopedic equipment purchase and loan;

Lazbuddie Tax Office To Be Open

In order to make it more convenient for Lazbuddie area residents, the school tax office officials have announced they will be open on New Year's Eve, Friday, December 31, until 3 p.m.

Anyone wishing to pay their school tax at that time will be able to do so, said Superintendent Sam Barnes.



FIRES PLAGUE AREA... In the third of three fires in and around Muleshoe Friday, firemen are shown at the Blanche Volkman farm south of Muleshoe where a grass fire got out of control Friday afternoon.

Friday Fires Keep Local Firemen Busy

Friday fires really kept local firemen hopping. The first fire was reported at 7:30 a.m. in the Cliff Griffiths home. Muleshoe City Police Patrolman Jimmy Mills helped remove Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths from their smoke-filled home. They were not injured in the fire which burned a chair, part of the carpet and floor of the home.

Second fire was during the noon hour when firemen were called to Protein Processors east of Muleshoe where bales of hay were reported burning. Fire Chief H.E. Reeder said several bales of hay was the only loss in that fire.

Early Friday afternoon, they were called again. This time to the home of Blanche Volkman. She had reported a grass fire. Mrs. Volkman said she was attempting to burn grass and weeds near her barn when the fire got out of control. Although several small outbuildings were threatened, firemen extinguished the blaze with little or no damage to buildings and fences.

Vandals Hit Christmas Tree, Lights

Continued vandalism of the Christmas decorations and Christmas tree have prompted a warning from Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tommy Black.

Black said unknown vandals have destroyed some of the decorations and have taken lights from the Christmas tree at the Mule Memorial site. He has reiterated the \$100 reward offered anyone who will identify the vandals and thieves.

According to the Chamber of Commerce executive director, the decorations have been put up for everyone to enjoy, not be vandalized or stolen. He asks that anyone knowing who has damaged the decorations to call the Chamber of Commerce office or the Bailey County Law Enforcement Center.

Kiwanis Host Dual Speakers For Meetings

During the past two Kiwanis meetings, special speakers have been featured. During their meeting of December 10, Mrs. Rowena Watson, coordinator of the Bailey County Mental Health office and the mother of Kiwanis sweetheart Merle Watson was speaker.

She spoke in an informative session on the purpose of the mental health office in Muleshoe, they way mental health is looked at now and the ways to work with and treat it.

Tommy Black received the friendship dollar from Jerry Beauchelle.

During the meeting of Friday, December 17, special speaker was Wayne Holmes, crime prevention officer with the Muleshoe City Police Department. He showed a film on shoplifting. R.A. Bradley said the film was very revealing and very shocking to most of the Kiwanis members at the meeting.

Officer Holmes also explained how to prevent crime and indicated his desire to give advice and information in businesses and homes on ways and means to prevent crime.

It was announced that the Kiwanis Christmas party for Kiwanis members and their families will be in the 16th and D Church of Christ fellowship room on Tuesday, December 21. The Kiwanis Club will have round table discussions to replace regular meetings for the next two weeks of the holiday season.

Receiving the friendship dollar was Merlyn Neel, who was judged to have the coldest hands.

Another special guest, Sherri Henry, daughter of Mayor Kenneth Henry, who presented place mats presently being sold by the Junior High School Historical Society as a fund raising project.

Gas Representative Predicts Shortages

"The day of cheap energy is over, and people will have to face facts, the United States, who have had the cheapest energy of all the countries in the world, now faces a real crisis," said Bob Mills of Pioneer Corporation during a noon meeting of Rotary Tuesday.

The Amarillo gas company executive said the entire country is facing a serious situation.

According to Mills, Congress has played a major role in the crisis facing the entire nation for energy consumption today. He explained that all Congressmen are trying to do the best they can for the people in their own area, consequently they have been trying to hold the price of oil down, forcing reduction or holding of prices while also holding back exploration and development of new supplies of gas and oil. While this is happening, they have approved importation of foreign oil, which has steadily increased in price and is due for more increase.

"Right now, we are importing nearly 50 percent of the oil used in this country," he said. "If we continue to import, and it reaches above 50 percent, in the event of a war our country could get into a real tight squeeze, as ships would be sunk trying to bring oil in and supplies could be cut off."

Mills said that Congress was also responsible for the failure of the Alaska pipeline, which was virtually abandoned before it was ever completed. He said the project was killed by Congress due to pressure by a small group of ecologists. The ecologists argued that the pipeline would upset the tundra and upset the migration of caribou. Mills ruefully commented, "The only thing the pipeline is good for now is for the caribou to lean up against to stay warm."

"Unfortunately," he continued, "many people do not believe we have a real problem and are doing nothing to help conserve energy. In 1973, people cut back their thermostats and cut back their speed to save on gasoline. Today, they are right back where they started, with thermostats turned up high and one the way here from Amarillo today, almost everyone on the road passed me with my speedometer set at 56."

Speaking of the recent cutback of natural gas supplies by Lone Star Gas Co. in the northeastern part of Texas and in Oklahoma, Mills said this would not be done here. During a recent cold snap, schools in numerous Texas and Oklahoma had to close due to no gas to heat the buildings. Mills explained that in peak times, like a prolonged very cold spell or during the

Plane Crash Victim Alert But Critical

Captain Gordon Isachsen said Friday afternoon that First Lieutenant Robert L. Jones, who was critically injured in a double plane crash south of Muleshoe Tuesday afternoon was in critical but 'stable' condition.

The Reese Air Force Base information officer said Lt. Jones was alert and aware that people are in his room at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. Jones was transferred to Lubbock from west of Enochs after receiving emergency treatment at Cochran Memorial Hospital in Morton.

Lt. Jones received his injury after bailing out of a T-38 Talon trainer which was in a mid-air collision with another trainer from Reese AFB during a routine flight training in southwestern Bailey County.

Killed in the crash was Lt. Phillip Jones, who was to have graduated from flight training at Reese Friday. Graduating as scheduled with his class was Lt. Dennis Maples, who was also in one of the two planes, but managed to parachute to safety. Also clearing the plane and parachuting safely was Capt. James Crumley. Captain Isachsen said both are back on active duty and flying.

peak irrigation time during the summer, there is not a low supply of gas. He did go on to explain that at such times if there is a brief cutback to large industries, it is because the pipeline does not have the capacity to carry the larger supplies of gas required.

Mills said an investment in larger pipelines for peak use only once or twice a year would be prohibitive, and it was not feasible to make the changes for such limited use.

Power companies do have oil standbys to convert during such peak times and are planning complete conversion to coal operated generators.

The gas company representative said that in West Texas, the supply of gas remains good and the reserve is adequate for several years. He said there has been a good supply for the past two years, acquiring more reserve supplies than have been sold and to protect consumers are continuing to add to reserves to guarantee gas supplies for later use.

He also suggests re-evaluating the use of energies and their sources and make sure the right energy is used for the right job. Mills said such a project would take a lot of cooperation from a lot of people, including the Congressmen and Environmentalists, adding, "With progress, you're going to have smokestacks."

Mills added that the country needs to bring together all the powerful industrial minds in the country to solve the problem before it is completely out of control.

Explaining that the gas company is operating on the same mark-up for natural gas at the same rate as in 1970, Mills added, "The last base rate increase the gas company had was in 1970 and since then the only increases have been the cost of gas we have had to purchase in the field, when we have charged a straight gas pass through."

"Increase for the irrigation farmer on a base rate was the increase in 1971. Since that time, when they paid a 41 cent average, the average is \$1.24 today. In 1971, the return to Pioneer Natural Gas was 26 cents and the return to Pioneer today is still 26 cents of the \$1.24."

Mills added, "One criticism we get from some groups is that we are not perhaps as fastidious in acquiring new gas supplies. As a matter of fact, our field cost for gas is the lowest in the state. In October we paid \$1.07, Lone Star was the nearest with \$1.29, while Houston Gas Company paid \$1.90 and LoVaca paid \$1.93."

"Our biggest competition in purchasing gas supplies comes from the chemical companies," he continued. "They need gas and they are willing to pay top prices to acquire it."

He spoke of the plight of farmers who are faced with continuing rising prices to produce crops and the continuing low price they are receiving for commodity goods.

"Experts say there is as much oil left to be discovered as has already been used," concluded Mills. "However, it is going to be more expensive and more difficult to get."

Police Report

Several items have been reported as stolen to officers during the past week, including a stolen stereo, reported by Kenny Kittrell; several small kitchen utensils, reported by Ernest Young; Ernest Bass reported a missing hydraulic cylinder with hoses and Byron Gwyn said he was missing a CB radio.

Minor accidents were reported on both Monday and Wednesday within the city limits of Muleshoe, with no injuries in either accident.

Arrests included two on drunk charges; one for driving while intoxicated; one person booked for food stamp fraud; one for drinking and no driver's license; two for no driver's license and two illegal aliens.

Corn Disease Test Results Are Given

Results are in from a corn disease demonstration study conducted in Castro County in 1976, and may become a source of optimism for disease-weary corn growers on the Texas High Plains. Complete details about the demonstration are revealed

in a summary report released in Lubbock this month. The demonstration, conducted by Dr. Robert W. Berry, plant pathologist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, showed that most of the major corn diseases appearing on the High Plains can be controlled with resistant hybrids.

Berry says that diseases are always hard to combat. Consequently, pathologists have looked to resistant hybrids as the most effective way to deal with disease. "Irrigated corn production in the Texas High Plains has developed since 1963," Berry states in the 10-page document. "Production first started in the Castro, Parmer, and Bailey county area and has spread to adjoining counties. The greatest increase occurred from 1974 to 1975 -- from 400,000 acres to almost 1,000,000 acres. Production is found in all counties north of Lubbock, but the con-

centrated production area is in Castro and adjacent counties. "Corn growers have experienced very little loss to diseases before the 1975 season," he adds. "Diseases were occasionally observed but losses were negligible in rust, Maize Dwarf Mosaic Virus, common smut, stalk rot, and foliar diseases."

"In 1975, however, a new disease problem was discovered on the George Sides farm west of Dimmitt in Castro County. Corn head smut was infecting 30 percent of the plants, causing a severe loss of yield. A survey of corn fields in the area showed many with 10 percent loss and some with as high as 50 percent infected plants."

Berry explains that head smut occurs periodically on sweet corn in deltas and intermountain valleys of the Pacific Coast states and Mexico. However, this was the first report of a natural epidemic of head smut on field corn. No information was available on which to base control recommendations.

Berry says 15 corn seed companies responded to his proposal to evaluate commercial hybrids for disease resistance on the Sides farm. These companies furnished 70 hybrid corn entries. Among the results, Berry found the grain yields from the demonstration test ranged from 41 to 223 bushels per acre, with an average yield of 146 bushels. Incidence of head smut ranged from zero to over 61 percent, and stalk rot from five to 93 percent. MDMV disease occurred in up to 15 percent of the plants, and 66 hybrids were susceptible to rust. These and

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Three Way School Plans Big Program

Three Way School will have a special Christmas program on Tuesday, December 21, at 2:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. A spokesman said four through sixth grade students will present the program and anyone interested is more than welcome to attend.

School at Three Way will dismiss for the holidays at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, December 22 and classes will resume at regular time on Monday, January 3.

Young Homemakers Extend Project

Because Christmas is nearing and shopping is not quite completed, members of the Young

Public Meeting Attendance Is Cut In Half

Attendance in the final of a series of meetings on Community Development was cut in half from the meeting Tuesday night at the Muleshoe City Hall. The only people who showed up for the meeting were Jack Eades, assistant to City Manager Dave Marr and Clea Williams from The Journal.

Eades explained that City Manager Marr was attending an FAA meeting in Dallas and was unable to attend the meeting. Within minutes after time for the meeting to begin, Eades closed the meeting which was required by Federal Law in order to apply for up to \$250,000 for community development in the form of a grant.

Homemakers have extended a project for a few more days in order to give someone an opportunity to perhaps give 'someone special' a very nice Christmas gift.

Until just before 5 p.m. on Thursday, December 23, they will continue to sell tickets on the Singer, Stretch stitch sewing machine with built-in buttonholer. Tickets are only \$1 each, the Young Homemakers said, with the proceeds going to a very worthwhile project.

All proceeds will be used to purchase playground equipment for the city park on West Avenue D. The Young Homemakers have found that to purchase the needed equipment, they will need a minimum of \$1,500, so the ticket project has been extended to give other people time to purchase their tickets before the deadline.

If you want to try to give that someone special a coveted Christmas gift, even if the someone is yourself, call one of the Young Homemakers at 272-3444 or 272-4463.



EARLY MORNING FIRE DAMAGES HOME... Cold firemen answered a fire call to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Griffiths shortly after daylight Friday morning to find a chair in their house blazing. The fire, of undetermined causes, destroyed the chair in the foreground and damaged the floor and carpet. Smoke damage was sustained throughout the house.

Soil Samples Now Provide More Profit

Profitable crop production depends on fully utilizing soil nutrients in addition to efficient fertilization. And the key to all this is soil testing, contends a soil chemist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Although most soils contain some of all the essential nutrients needed for plant growth, the amounts vary greatly between soils. Most are deficient in one or more of the essential nutrients," points out Dr. Charles Welch.

"Past fertilization and native fertility are major factors affecting the level of available nutrients in a soil. To determine the level of nutrients and which should be included in a fertilization program, a soil test is needed, contends the Texas A&M University System specialist.

Local county Extension agents, fertilizer dealers or any local agricultural agency can provide instructions for collecting and mailing samples.

In collecting samples, the first step is to use a map or sketch and divide the farm and fields into sampling units or areas. If the area represented by each

sample is too large, the information obtained may not be much better than a general fertilizer recommendation, says Welch.

"Under today's conditions, a major objective in soil testing is to determine the level of available nutrients in a soil so that fertilizers can be selected that will supplement the soil supply and provide what is needed for top yields," emphasizes the soil chemist.

Soil test results for phosphorus are especially valuable for fields that have received regular applications of phosphorus for several years. The residual from row applications of phosphorus may be difficult to measure until it is thoroughly mixed with the soil, explains Welch.

Soil testing can also determine the level of available potassium and can monitor changes in both the surface and subsoil as a

result of cropping. Although many soils contain an adequate supply of available potassium, others may be quite deficient. It is important to identify deficient soils and apply more potassium rather than treat all soils alike, emphasizes Welch.

"As far as nitrogen is concerned, most soils are deficient so nitrogen fertilization is necessary to produce economical yields," says the soil chemist.

"However, the amount to apply as well as the time of application is important in getting good results."

A soil test will help producers identify nutrient deficient soils and make more efficient use of applied fertilizers. For producers who have not included soil test in their farm planning program, now is the time to start for next year's crops, contends Welch.

Candid Comment
When opportunity knocks it only means the new electric chimes aren't working.

-Wall Street Journal

Services Held For Wrinkle

Funeral services for D.T. Wrinkle, 80, father of Roy Wrinkle of Muleshoe were held at 2:30 p.m. in Bronte. He was a native of the Bronte area and a retired farmer. Services were held in Central Baptist Church in Bronte with burial in the Bronte Cemetery.

Survivors included his wife, Minnie; one other son, Dennis Wrinkle of Levelland; three

daughters, Mrs. Robert Brown, Tennyson; Mrs. Pat Hughes, Bronte and Mrs. Evelyn Mangum, Gorman; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

When you want to do something for the good of someone else you need not wait on any committee to meet, debate, disagree and postpone action.

On Wall Street By Bob Hill

You may not have adequate insurance on your home and its contents, even if you increased the coverage under your homeowners policy last year. The reason is the sharp jump in home replacement costs which have been rising much faster than the rate of inflation.

Our inflation rate is running about 4 1/2 percent. But the latest wholesale price index figure for November shows all building materials climbing 9.6 percent for the year. Soft plywood has jumped a spectacular 32 percent while softwood lumber is up 28.8 percent. Both of these woods are essential materials used in all residential building and repair.

Even if you have an inflation guard endorsement on your homeowners policy, you may not be covered on the skyrocketing construction costs. This kind of endorsement raises the face value of the policy one percent each quarter for a total of 12 percent over the three year life of the policy. But during those thirty six months, at today's rates, replacement costs would rise nearly 30 percent.

If your coverage under a standard homeowners policy falls below 80 percent of the replacement value -- as separate from the market value, all other coverage under the policy is reduced proportionately. So, it is vital that you insure your home to replacement cost. You can do this by having the house appraised by an independent appraiser or using a rule of thumb of current construction costs per square foot and applying that figure to the total square footage of your own house. You can also get a pretty fair idea of replacement cost by pricing new homes of comparable size and quality of construction as your house.

An inflation endorsement is available on your homeowners policy for about three percent more premium charge. This raises the coverage on your home two percent each quarter, but it is not much help if the inflation rate is over 10 percent. You can also get an inflation index policy. The insurance company tells you shortly before the end of each 12 month period of the three year policy life just how much you should increase your insurance coverage. This seems to be the way homeowners insurance will be priced in the future.

You Can Bank on It!

Bill Loyd, President
Muleshoe State Bank

Two unusual records were set this past September... neither of the two had anything to do with sports... they both involved money.

First was a record increase in the money supply, four and a half billion dollars during the week of September 9th through the 15th. Second, a record decrease the very next week of 2.8 billion dollars.

Most people greeted the new records with something akin to a loud yawn, but money managers and analysts paid a lot of attention. This particular measure of the money supply, sometimes called M1, is the total of all cash and checking accounts in the country... money available to be spent immediately. It has been hovering for the past few months between 305 and 310 billion dollars. Its importance to money managers lies in the tendency of money to behave just like any other commodity. The more there is, the less it costs, i.e., lower interest rates. The less money available, the higher the interest rate. Both statements depend on two assumptions. That demand for the money is relatively stable. That there are no outside factors. Complicating things is the fact that seldom are the assumptions absolutely true. Demand varies and anticipation of action by the Federal Reserve Bank is almost always an outside factor.



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18-oz. Box

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1-Lb. Can
Limit One (1) with 7.50 or more purchase

Piggly Wiggly
Fresh Butter 99¢
1-Lb. Pkg.

Piggly Wiggly
Fruit Cocktail 3 \$1
16-oz. Cans

Powdered, Light Brown or Dark Brown
C&H SUGAR 25¢
1-Lb. Pkg.
Limit Two (2) with 7.50 or more purchase

Piggly Wiggly, Bartlett
Pear Halves 3 \$1
16-oz. Cans

Pet
Evaporated Milk 4 \$1
13-oz. Cans

Del Monte Peas or
WHOLE BEANS 3 \$1
16-oz. Cans

Piggly Wiggly
BROWN & SERVE ROLLS 3 \$1
12-Ct. Pkgs.

All Flavors 46-oz. Can
Hi-C Drinks 45¢

Piggly Wiggly, Cut Pillsbury, Crescent
Yams Rolls 39¢
8-oz. Pkg.
Early California, Stuffed
Olives 53¢
5-oz. Jar 79¢

All Flavors Royal
Gelatin 3-oz. Boxes 24¢
Swanson's Chicken 13 1/2-oz. Cans 39¢
Betty Crocker Sticks, Pie
Crust Mix 22-oz. Pkg. 89¢
Sauce Piggly Wiggly Cranberry 15-oz. Can 37¢
Larsen's Mixed Vegetables 15-oz. Cans \$1.00
Veg-All Glad, Small, Garbage 3 15-oz. Cans 79¢
Bags Libby's Sliced Pickled 30-Ct. Box 79¢
Beets 16-oz. Jar 59¢

Texasan
Orange Juice 49¢
46-oz. Can

Piggly Wiggly, 8-oz. Pkg.
Potato Chips 59¢
Twin Pak

Sliced or Crushed
Del Monte Pineapple 3 \$1
8-oz. Cans

Kraft's
Marshmallow Creme 45¢
7-oz. Jar

Miniature or Jet Puff
Marshmallows 39¢
10-oz. Pkg.

BELLS
Egg Nog 69¢
Qt. Ctn.

BELLS
Sour Cream 3 \$1
8-oz. Ctns.

BELLS
Whipping Cream 3 \$1
8-oz. Ctns.

Reynolds Standard
Aluminum Foil 29¢
25-Ft. Roll

Zee Luau, Assorted Colors
Paper Napkins 2 79¢
100-Ct. Pkgs.

- Rainbo **Sweet Pickles** 22-oz. Jar 89¢
- Chocolate Flavored
- Baker's Chips 12-oz. Pkg. 69¢
- Del Monte **Spiced Peaches** 29-oz. Can 99¢
- Piggly Wiggly, Cut, With Tops
- Asparagus** 14 1/2-oz. Can 59¢
- Medium Pitted, Early California
- Ripe Olives** 2 6-oz. Cans 99¢
- Fancy
- Piggly Wiggly **Le Sueur Peas** 17-oz. Can 51¢
- Sueur
- Cottage Cheese** 12-oz. Ctn 69¢
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- Peas with Onions** 17-oz. Can 45¢
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- Peanut Brittle** 12-oz. Box 69¢
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- Kimbies Diapers** 24-Ct. Box \$2.19
- Stove Top
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- Kool-Aid** 6-oz. Pkg. 49¢

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Pie Shells 9-oz. Pkg. 39¢

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Mrs. Smith, in Natural Juice
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Piggly Wiggly
Whipped Topping 9-oz. Ctn 49¢

Birdseye
Corn On The Cob 4-Ear Pkg. 89¢

School Set For Agriculture Loans

A special session on making agricultural loans will be one of the highlights of the 25th Farm and Ranch Credit School for Commercial Bankers, February

7-9, at the Rudder Center, Texas A&M University. "Different agricultural enterprises require specific analysis and consideration, so six major

loan areas will be examined at the school," notes Tom Prater, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service who is the school's general chairman.

"The six loan sessions will look at field crops, cow-calf operations, feedlots, dairies, rice and grain storage and warehousing. Bankers from throughout Texas, who are experienced in making these types of loans, will con-

duct each of the sessions."

Another special feature of the school will provide a brief look at recent developments in the agricultural industry, according to Prater. Gene Finley, vice president, Capital National Bank, Austin, will preside over this session. Topics to be discussed include energy and agriculture, the new meat grading system, animal reproduction, grain sorghum research activi-

ties, new insights into beef tenderness, improved weather services and the new estate tax law.

"The school will be kicked off with a session which will examine ways farmers and ranchers may get control over capital. Discussions will include expected changes in dealer methods of financing farm equipment and farmers outside equity capital.

"Rounding out the school will be sessions dealing with crop, livestock and money market outlook information, correspon-

dent banking relationships and the banker and his customer," says Prater.

The annual school is planned for bankers by the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Section of the Texas Bankers Association. It is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station and the Texas Bankers Association.

In conjunction with the school, an Agricultural Credit Analysis Workshop will begin the afternoon of February 9 and continue

through the morning of February 11. The workshop will deal with preparing financial statements, analyzing and reconciling farm records, and preparing cash flow projections. Case problems will also be studied and solved, points out Prater.

Running concurrently with this credit workshop will be a special two-day Commodity Hedging Session. This session will investigate the mechanics of hedging, hedging decision guides and what a banker should know about living with a hedged loan. Prater invites Texans who are

concerned with agricultural financing to attend both the school and either of the two workshops.

For registration information, contact Prater at Room 107C Agriculture Building, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas 77843.

The Sandhills Philosopher

Editor's note: The Sandhills Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sandy Creek takes a gloomy look at the world's financial plight this week.

Dear editor:
As you may have noticed, I don't like to write about gloomy things, although it's hard to keep from mentioning Congress once in a while, but over the past few weeks a gloomy question has begun to emerge in my mind: Is the world broke?

As I understand it, the United States for example now has a debt of 3 trillion dollars. I don't know what a trillion is, but the dictionary says it's a number followed by 12 zeros. That's in American use. In England it has 18 zeroes. But when you get that far in debt, what's a few zeroes one way or the other?

Our being the world leader and all, it's only natural that other countries should follow us into debt too. Everybody knows what shape Mexico's in. France is so far in debt that even if she can sell some of those mammoth planes called the Concorde it's doubtful if she can furnish a clear title to them. England has been on the verge of bankruptcy so long she's now trying to borrow against the verge.

I could go on naming other countries but everybody knows practically every country on earth is heavily in debt and getting deeper in all the time. And not just countries, but cities and states too.

In fact, you could say a nation today consists of cities in debt surrounded by states in debt surrounded by a country in debt, inhabited by people, most of whom are in debt.

Except for one small item, there's a solution to all this. The whole world ought to face up to the situation, declare bankruptcy, rub out its debts, and start over again.

The small item missing is, who could we get to act as receiver? What a shame it is that after going 2 billion dollars further in debt to find out, we found out there's nobody on Mars to handle the job.

So, when my subscription to The Muleshoe Journal comes due, please charge it. A mere \$8.95 added to the world's debt isn't going to amount to anything.

Yours faithfully,

Three Way School Menu

- December 20 - 22 - 1976
- MONDAY**
Barbeque Weiners
Potatoes
Corn
Rolls
Peanut Butter and Syrup
Milk
- TUESDAY**
Hamburger on a Bun
French Fries
Onions - Pickles
Lettuce with French Dressing
Pear Halves
Milk
- WEDNESDAY**
Turkey and Dressing
With Giblet Gravy
English Peas
Cranberry Sauce
Mashed Potatoes
Hot Rolls
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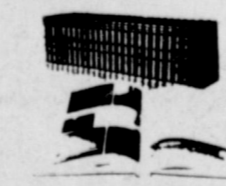
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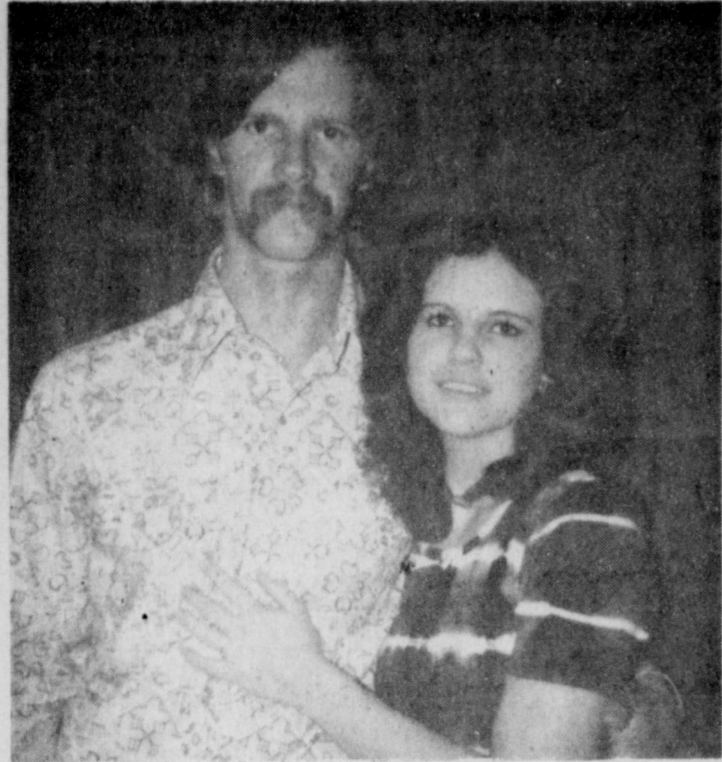
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FEBRUARY WEDDING . . . Miss Barbara Davis, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carol Davis of Muleshoe, and Daniel Beavorsdorf, son of Mrs. Bernadine Beavorsdorf and Fred Beavorsdorf of Muleshoe, engagement is being announced by the future bride's parents. The couple plans to be married February 19, 1977, at the First Baptist Church in Progress. Miss Davis is a 1976 graduate of Muleshoe High School. Beavorsdorf is a 1970 graduate of Muleshoe High School.

OES Holds Family Night Christmas Party

The annual Family Night Christmas party for Muleshoe Chapter No. 792, Order of the Eastern Star, was held Saturday, December 11, in the banquet room of Masonic Hall. Invocation was given by Elbert Nowell, Worthy Patron of the Chapter. Officers presented a gift to the Worthy Matron and

Worthy Patron. Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Nowell also presented gifts to their officers. Christmas carols were sung and Mrs. Glenn Lust presented a solo.

The children were visited by Santa Claus and helped him by distributing gifts.

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December 16 - Paula Hernandez, Beverly Ann Hicks, Margarita Rodriguez and Vergie Harding.

DISMISSALS
December 14 - Thresa Coleman.

December 16 - C.D. Noland, Juan Gutierrez and William E. McDaniel.



Tera Danelle

Mr. and Mrs. Butch Davis of Morton are the proud parents of a new baby girl born December 8, at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. The baby weighed eight pounds and twelve ounces and was named Tera Danelle. This is the couple's first child. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Claunch of Bula and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis of Morton.

Start a list of things your youngsters can help you do before the holiday season is underway, and then involve the children in some of these activities, suggests Mrs. Irene Miller, family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Miss Ida Davila Bride Of Larry Jones

Vows were read Saturday, December 4, for Miss Ida Davila and Larry Wayne Jones of Comanche, Okla., at the Bula Baptist Church. The Rev. Edward Riley of Bula officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Davila, Sr. of Bula and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Jones of Comanche, Okla.

The altar was decorated with yellow daisies and greenery entwined set off with spiral candelabras, with white burning tapers. Bows of yellow ribbon completed the archway. Wedding music was sung by Michael Sowder of Maple, soloist, and he was accompanied by Mrs. Jerry Teaff of Bula on the piano. "If" and "The Wedding Song" were the bride's selections.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride wore a pearl white gown, reflecting a Victorian design. The gown featured a deepshield shaped bib yoke of white heirloom lace, edged in cluney lace. Ruffles edging the yoke were enriched with delicate pearl bead work. A high wedding band neckline accented the lace bodice and was edged in cluney lace ruffled edging. Long slender candlestick sleeves of heirloom lace, with pearl enrichment tapered to ruffled cuffs. The bouffant A-line princess skirt of pearl white silk organza with scattered enrichment of applied cluney lace was accentuated with madellians drifting to form a full chapel train. A deep ruffle of heirloom lace enriched the hemline and floated to enhance the gown. The bride wore a heirloom lace Victorian capulet from which drifted her bouffant mantilla of silk illusion. Carrying out the tradition of something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue, the bride carried a corsage borrowed from her aunt, Mrs. Yolanda Kramarz. The corsage was a large single white leaf covered in tear drop pearls. The chrysanthemum-like flowers were made up of tear drop pearls centered with crystal beads. A yellow and white love knot fell

from the corsage. For something old, she carried a silver dollar that her mother carried on her wedding day. Her wedding dress was something new and the bride wore a blue garter.

Miss Oralia Davila of Bula, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Carolyn Stroud of Enochs and Elmore Peacock of Bula were bridesmaids. They wore formal length dresses of yellow satin with empire waists and long chiffon sleeves. They each carried a long stemmed yellow carnation. Miss Denise Soria of Lubbock served as flower girl. She wore a long dress of white lace over satin. Her head piece was of lace.

Dennis Morin, Comanche, Okla., served the groom as best man. Dennis Nichols of Enochs and Douglas Jones, Comanche, Okla., brother of the groom, served as groomsmen. Candlelighters were Bernie Davila, Jr., brother of the bride and Billy Jones, Comanche, Okla., brother of the groom.

The bride's mother was attired in a long turquoise dress with black accessories and a white carnation corsage. The groom's mother wore a long floral print dress and a white carnation corsage.

A reception was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church following the ceremony. The table was decorated with white lace over yellow and centered with the bride's bouquet. A three tiered cake clustered with wedding bells on top and yellow flowers and green leaves, was served by Miss Etta Warren, Miss Sheryl Lynsky, Miss Judy Morgan and Gloria Simpson, all of Maple. Miss Judy Mutzler, Maple, registered the guests.

Special guests were Mrs. Preston Jones, Comanche, Okla., mother of the groom; Mrs. Quinton Tamez and Joe, Mathis; Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Kramarz, Jackie and Ludwig, Jr. of Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Soria, Lubbock; Miss Gayla Underwood, Levelland; Mrs. Dale Nichols and Paula of Maple; Meloni Roberts, Enochs; and Dee Sanderson of Maple.

The bride wore a yellow pants suit with a matching colored shirt for her wedding trip. The couple is at home in Duncan, Okla., where the groom is employed by Duncan Implement Company.

The bride is a senior in high school. The groom is a 1974 graduate of Comanche High School.

TOPS Queen Mrs. Garner

TOPS Club met December 16, at the Bailey County Electric Cooperative Room. Mrs. J.O. Parker was in charge.

The meeting opened with the Pledges Song. Their was one new member, Mrs. Carmen Duran, one new renewal, Mrs. Roy Pierce, moving back from Shamrock, and one visitor, Mrs. Claude Holmes. There were 28 members present for the weigh-in.

Mrs. Ronald Patton drew Can-Can. Mrs. Roy Pierce celebrated her birthday.

TOPS Queen for the Week was Mrs. Ronnie Garner. First runner-up was Mrs. Ed Harp and second runner-up was Mrs. Ronald Patton.

Secret pals were revealed and gifts were exchanged. Secret pals were drawn for next year. Mrs. Tom Berry gave a reading written by her daughter-in-law on the "New Night Before Christmas".

The next TOPS meeting will be December 22, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. This will only include a weigh-in.

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Hobby Club Meets For Christmas Party

The Muleshoe Hobby Club met at the Muleshoe State Bank Community Room for their Christmas Party.

Secret pals were revealed and gifts were exchanged. Mrs. Ola Epperly drew the hostess gift. Several guests were present. They were Mrs. Myrtle Wells, Sudan; Mrs. Mary Evans, Littlefield; Mrs. Mae Pattie, Mrs. H.H. Williams, Mrs. Modene Elmore, all of Muleshoe.

Club members present were Mrs. Levina Pitts, Mrs. Ola Epperly, Mrs. S.L. Robison, Mrs. Dora Phipps, Mrs. Mae Loyd, Mrs. Henry Bass, Mrs. Allie Barbour, Mrs. Mabel Caldwell, Mrs. Bub Shafer, Mrs. Sammie Ethridge, Mrs. Verna Dement, Mrs. Vicki Hen-

Economical cuts of meat are less tender and require long, moist cooking. Marinades, wines and tomatoes aid in tenderizing these cuts of meat, advises Mrs. Sally Coble, foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

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CHRISTMAS PROGRAM . . . Presenting a Christmas program Tuesday, December 21, at 2:00 p.m. at the Richland Hills Cafeteria will be the Second Grade Choir.

AAUW Holds Party

The Muleshoe Branch of the American Association of University Women met Monday, December 13, for their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Eric Smith. Miss Virginia Bowers served as co-hostess.

After a short business meeting, Mrs. Jim Shafer brought a brief review of some of the legalities of personal finances, budgeting, community property, insurance and other related items on which all women should be informed.

Miss Virginia Bowers directed the group in mental teaser games related to seasonal songs, decorations, food and customs.

Gifts were exchanged and refreshments of candies, cookies, cheese balls, cider and coffee were served.

Members attending were Mrs. Joe Costen, Mrs. Don Cumpston, Mrs. Ken Box, Mrs. Neal Dillman, Mrs. Paul Hindelang, Mrs. E.W. Johnson, Mrs. Max King, Mrs. David Lynn, Mrs. Roland McCormick, Mrs. Ed Kramer, Mrs. Jim Shafer, Mrs. Mabel Wolfe, Mrs. R.G. Wilson, Mrs. Roy Wrinkle, Mrs.

John Watson, Mrs. Jim Young, Mrs. Kay Swint, and one guest, Mrs. Emma Schuster, the mother of Mrs. Roy Wrinkle.

H.D. Club Holds Party

"Prairie Days Christmas" was the theme of the Home Demonstration Council Christmas party in the home of Robin Taylor, Bailey County Extension Agent. The party was held Tuesday, December 14.

Each member brought a homemade gift to exchange. Games were played and past Christmases were brought to mind. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Taylor.

Those present were Mrs. D.L. Redwine, Mrs. Zelma Fred, Mrs. Gordon Murrah, Mrs. W.R. Byars, Mrs. Albert Davis, Mrs. C.E. Wells, Mrs. Elnita Key, Mrs. Ada Long, Mrs. A.P. McCall, Mrs. O.C. Kirk, Mrs. Perry Fort, Mrs. Boyd Landers, Mrs. David Gully, Mrs. Alma Altman, Mrs. Bonnie Long and Mrs. Robin Taylor.

Holiday Gifts Reflect "Careful Consumerism"

COLLEGE STATION -- Alternatives to the materialistic, commercialized holiday gifts of the past are attracting this year. Mrs. Claudia Kerbel, a consumer information specialist, suggests "Consume with care" be the watchword for the 1976 holiday season. Many shoppers are looking for gifts which conserve resources and celebrate life.

This specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, suggests some ideas for these kinds of gifts.

--Give a gift of energy -- your own energy -- visit an elderly friend or babysit for a young mother X times during 1977. Or volunteer your time and talents to one of the many community agencies that need help.

--Conserve when you wrap

gifts by using last year's paper and ribbons, or the comics from the Sunday newspaper, or butcher paper decorated with potato block prints or finger painting, or leftover fabrics cut with pinking shears, or acorns, pine cones and other natural materials.

--Buy a live tree and plant it later.

--Make your own gifts, like children's stuffed toys, doll clothes, wooden blocks, or knitted or crocheted items, or plants, baked goods or jams and jellies.

--Buy discriminately and ask

Keep air filters in forced-draft, warm-air furnaces clean. This is the time of year they clog up rapidly.

yourself: is it useful? will it be used? is it made of durable materials? can it be recycled, repaired or reused in the future?

Mr. and Mrs. Howard To Be Honored

Mr. and Mrs. O.T. Howard of Muleshoe will be honored with a Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary party on Sunday, December 26, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Muleshoe State Bank Community Room. Hosting this occasion will be the children of the couple.

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Cottage cheese
Whole sections of oranges
Whole sections of grapefruit
Seedless grapes
Cherries
Melon balls
Ripe olives
Celery hearts
Mayonnaise
Fruit Salad Dressing

Arrange a large lettuce cup on each serving plate. Add a pineapple slice and top with cottage cheese. Alternate sections of oranges and grapefruit, slightly overlapping the cheese mound. Add 2 clusters of grapes, cherries and melon balls. Garnish each plate with a ripe olive and celery. Serve with a fruit dressing or sour cream.



JANUARY GUEST ARTIST . . . Mrs. Joe Roark of Clovis, N.M., has been selected as the Art Association's guest artist for January. Mrs. Roark is a former Muleshoe resident and has been painting for about seven years. She prefers oils and to paint florals. She has studied under Mary Lena Burk, Lavanda Calton and Dean Merritt.

Welcome To Muleshoe



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wallace

We would like to welcome back to Muleshoe Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wallace. They have four children who are all married and living away from home. Wallace and his wife reside at 625 W. Ave. E. He is the assistant manager at St. Clairs'. Before moving back to Muleshoe Wallace was a manager at a Department store in Fort Worth. The Wallace's enjoy bowling and golfing. Their church preference is Baptist.



FOUR GENERATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS . . . Celebrating Christmas with their mother and grandmother are from left: Mrs. Bill Bruns, Mrs. Jess Winn, Mrs. Grace Winn and Chansé Bruns. This party was held at the Muleshoe Nursing Home Thursday, December 16, with approximately 75 in attendance.

Officers Elected By Progressive Home Club

The Progressive Homes Club met in the home of Mrs. Troy Thomas, December 15, for their annual Christmas Party.

Roll call was answered with poems read by Mrs. Vera Engelking. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Engelking and Mrs. Thomas reported their visit to Boys Ranch and meeting women from Reese Air Force Base, who are also sponsors of the ranch.

Officers were elected for the coming year. They are President Mrs. C.D. Hoover; Vice president Mrs. H.L. Stratton; Secretary-Reporter Mrs. Troy Thomas; and Treasurer Mrs. Vera Engelking.

Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed. Fines of 25 cents were given to those who failed to guess their secret

pals. The money from the fines will be used for the Boys Ranch. Mrs. M.J. Gibson gave a demonstration on making the eye of God. Mrs. C.D. Hoover drew the hostess gift.

Members attending were Mrs. Vera Engelking, Mrs. C.R. Black, Mrs. C.D. Hoover, Mrs. M.J. Gibson, Mrs. H.L. Stratton, Mrs. R.L. Roubineck and Mrs. Troy Thomas.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. C.R. Black January 26, 1977.

Most people overvalue compliments and undervalue constructive criticism.

What we don't know is more important than what we think we know.

Christian Women's Fellowship Meet

The Christian Women's Fellowship of the First Christian Church met at the Corral Restaurant Tuesday, December 14, with Mrs. Joe Costen as hostess.

Mrs. Walter Bartholf, president, called the meeting to order. The members decided to buy a dress for the girl they sponsor at the Juliette Fowler Home in Fort Worth. The members and guests brought gifts for a "Sunshine Box" for Doris Bartholf.

Mrs. Joe Costen presented a program on Acts, Chapter One

and Two. Members present were Mrs. T.R. White, Mrs. Lula Gorrel, Mrs. S.E. Goucher, Mrs. Walter Bartholf, Sr., Mrs. Sena Stevens and Mrs. Joe Costen.

Guests attending were Mrs. Ed Johnson, Mrs. Wes Glover and Mrs. Bonnie Haberer.

The next meeting will be January 11, 1977, at 4:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Sylvan Robison with Mrs. Bobby McGee in charge of the program.

Eggnog

6 eggs
6 rounded tablespoons sugar
6 T brandy

Trim branches from your evergreens for Christmas greenery.

A real mark of fashion this season is the scarf-wrapped head. Some new dress creations feature a scarf of the same material.

It's not too early to begin making holiday cookies (ones that can be frozen) for the Christmas holidays.

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disease until that disease appears in his field. Neither should a producer choose a hybrid resistant to one disease, ignoring its susceptibility to another equally serious disease."
The pathologist adds that another mistake is likely if a grower changes to a new hybrid just because it resists disease, but does not reduce yield.
"Yield ability is the most important attribute of a hybrid and it must not be forgotten," he emphasizes. "It would be a mistake for instance, to select

only for stalk rot resistance and wind up with a low yielding crop in the process. On the other hand, it is fatal to ignore head smut susceptibility in a hybrid when the last crop had even a trace amount of disease. The next crop must be planted to a resistance hybrid in that situation."
Berry's report is available free on request from a local county Extension agent's office or from the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock.

Easter

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treatment in the state since 1929 and is the oldest voluntary health agency serving physically disabled Texans. The program is supported by the traditional Spring Easter Seal Appeal and an annual Fall Membership drive, added the new representative in Muleshoe.

Plenty of Time
First little girl—What's your last name, Annie?
Second little girl—Don't know yet, I'm not married.

Golden Gleams

The night cometh, when no man can work.

—John 9:4
Night is the mother of thoughts.

—John Florio.
Come, gentle night, come loving black-brow'd night.

—Shakespeare.
Night is the half of life, and the better half.

—J.W. Goethe.

Bula News
By Mrs. J. Blackman

Three Way School will close Wednesday, December 22, for the Christmas holidays. Classes will resume Monday, January 3.

Both boys and girls basketball teams played in the Whittarral tournament Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Girls won first place and boys won consolation.

W.R. Adams' nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Telford from Wolforth, were guests in their home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Rowland spent Saturday night and Sunday visiting with her nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Clawson of Lovington, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewell Battles returned Friday from spending a week at Lake Buchanan.

Mrs. C.A. Williams, accompanied by her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Williams, arrived home about 11:00 Saturday night from Puerto Rico.

Mrs. Marie Aaron from Carlsbad, N.M. arrived Monday to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Pearl Walden.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clawson attended the wedding of her brother Friday evening at the First Methodist Church in Spearman.

Mr. and Mrs. I.L. Clawson had several of their children visit with them Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Brown and children from Levelland; Mr. and Mrs. Brian Noble and son Steven of Muleshoe, and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Jones and children Melissa and Greg, who are in the process of moving from Kim, Colo. to Knox City, visited with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Lynn of Lovington, N.M. visited Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. F.L. Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. P.R. Pierce accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Jim Carpenter and boys Jeff, Joey and Jeremy of Muleshoe, drove to Lubbock and were dinner guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Jackson.

Stanley Nichols was able to leave the Lubbock Methodist Hospital, Sunday morning, following surgery December 3.

Mrs. Richard Stanley of Hereford spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. John Hubbard.

A.P. Fred, at last report was not doing very well. He is still a patient in the Lubbock Methodist Hospital.

Mrs. Buck Medlin is spending much of her time recently at the Lubbock Methodist Hospital, to be close to her sister, Dot Gage, of Littlefield.

Spending Wednesday night with the Nolan Harlans were his uncle and aunts, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shepard from Loving, Mrs. Betty Shepherd from Jean and her son, Billie Joe, from Boyd.

There will be a community Christmas party, Monday, December 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bula Community Center.

F.G. Lindsey of Fort Worth, a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. L.G. Fred, spent Friday through Saturday with them.

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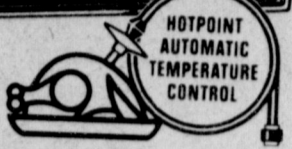
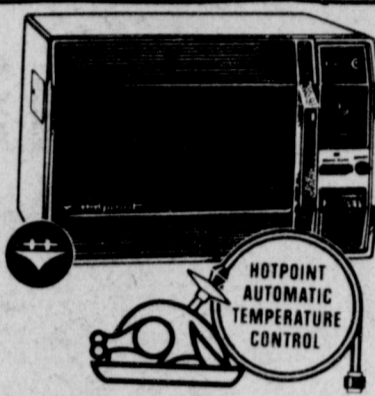
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Chaloupka Named FB Prexy Again

Carrol Chaloupka, Dalhart feed grain and cattle producer, was re-elected president of the 195,000-member Texas Farm Bureau at the conclusion of the organization's four-day meeting in Fort Worth December 8.

Following adjournment of the convention, the TFB Board of Directors met and named Henry Burton, Lutkin egg producer, as vice president; and re-elected Reed Lang of Rio Hondo, grain, cotton and citrus producer, as secretary-treasurer.

Three new directors were elected by voting delegates, replacing three men who were ineligible for re-election due to a six-year limitation rule.

They are Calvin Ruetter of Clifton, replacing John A. Smith of Cameron; Vester Smith of Loop, replacing Bill R. Reid, of Lamesa; and J.R. (Bubba) Day of Uvalde, succeeding R.A. Fasel of Hondo.

During the final two days of the convention, the 1,000 voting delegates from 160 counties adopted state policies to guide the TFB next year, and also approved recommendations on national issues. The latter are being forwarded to the American Farm Bureau Federation for consideration at its annual meeting January 9 - 11 in Honolulu.

TFB took a stand in support of the effort to increase the "dollar a bale" cotton promotion and research program. The referendum on the cotton check-off will be conducted by mail December 13 - 17.

Delegates also took a new position on Brucellosis control which calls for a strong emphasis on voluntary calfhood vaccination and an adult vaccination program for problem quarantined herds.

In other state-level policy matters, delegates:

-Favored the use of the state sales tax to finance public education in lieu of ad valorem taxes.

-Asked for a well-head tax on Texas-produced gas and oil to be used to lower school taxes.

-Opposed labor organizers having access to individual farms for the purpose of organizing farm workers. They also opposed picketing or demonstrating on private property.

-Asked that jurisdiction over natural gas be taken from the Railroad Commission and transferred to the Texas Utilities Commission.

In the matter of national recommendations, delegates:

-Said top priority should be given to agriculture on all sources of energy.

-Opposed divestiture of any industry.

-Called target prices in farm programs unsound, but said "in the presence of a target price program, the target price should be increased on all crops to a level which would cover the current cost of production ..."

-Said farmers and ranchers should be exempt from certification requirements for private use of agricultural chemicals.

-Opposed export embargoes on any agricultural commodity except for national defense purposes.

-Asked the Federal government to enforce present laws relating to counter-vailing duties on agricultural imports.

-Wanted the Secretary of Agriculture to have veto power over any EPA regulations pertaining to agriculture.

-Favored making cheating on welfare a felony offense.

-Said we should "discontinue all allotments and subsidies." The latter was approved overwhelmingly by the delegates after an impassioned speech by Joe Frantzen of Fredericksburg who backed the resolution. Frantzen is the newly-appointed chairman of the TFB Young Farmers and Ranchers Advisory Committee.

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Judy Precure To Audition For All-State Band

Freshmen Boys Win Tournament

The weekend of December 9-11, the ninth grade Mules became the champs of the Muleshoe Tournament. Their first chance to move up on the bracket was Thursday night against the Olton Mustangs. The Mules won this game 45-19. Mike Northcutt, scoring 13 points, was the high scorer. Friday night the Mules played a very close game against Hale Center and finally defeated them 55-54. High scorer in this game was Mike Northcutt with 16 points. Then Saturday night the Mules played the Littlefield Wildcats for the Championship.

The Mules came out on top by a score of 42-33. Mike Northcutt was also high pointer in this game with 24 points. On December 13 the Mules had another victory over the Dimmitt Bobcats by a score of 42-29. Scorers for the game were Mike Northcutt, nine points; Mark Northcutt and Sam Whalin, eight points each; Al Ontiveroz and Zeke Pecina, six points each; Terry Burton, four points, and James Atwood, one point. Congratulations to these boys for their first place trophy and a winning season.

Council At Levelland For Area Meeting

Monday, December 13, the Muleshoe High School Student Council attended the Area Five Student Council Meeting at South Plains College in Levelland. This annual meeting is held to elect new District officers of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Parliamentarian. Each of the schools is represented by four voting delegates. M.H.S. was represented by Tom Pepper, Martin Nowlin, Kim Helker, and Patti Poyner. The students from Muleshoe who attended the Student Council Meeting were Beverly Biggerstaff, Rhonda Briggs, Shannon Kennedy, Patti Poyner, Renee Douglass, Tom Pepper, Martin Nowlin, Kim Helker, Mark Washington, Curtis Carpenter, Dean Northcutt, Mark Harmon, Charles Briscoe, Jeep Shanks, Randy Whalin, Steve Turner, Keith Hawkins, and the Student Council Sponsor, Coach Rodney Murphy.



JUDY PRECURE

Debate Squad In Competition At Lubbock

Muleshoe High's debate squad competed in the Lubbock debate tournament last weekend. Royce Clay and Tom Pepper won third place; Brent Burrows and Mark Harmon lost in the quarter-finals to Midland-Lee. Scott Baker and Lamont Lewis failed to break preliminaries by five speaker points. Muleshoe High won second place in the overall standings toward debate sweepstakes. Midland Lee won first place. The speech team traveled to Brownfield on December 18 to compete in Brownfield's speech tournament. Kerry Moore is the speech coach for Muleshoe High School.

Muleshoe High School senior Judy Precure was selected as one of four area french horn players to compete in All-State auditions to be held at Texas Tech on January 22. She competed against Lubbock area band students in the first round of auditions Thursday night at Lubbock High School. Judy has been a member of the All Region Band the last two years and also made a division one rating at UIL solo and ensemble contest last year. She played Marimba in last year's percussion ensemble that made

a first division at contest. Judy has played cornet, baritone, and valve trombone in marching band as well as playing piano in the high school Stage Band. Judy was a band Librarian last year and is the Secretary for this year's Mighty "M" Band. She has written two original compositions for Piano, one of which she performed at last year's Talent Show. She was elected to "Who's Who Among Music Students in American High Schools". In the January auditions at Tech, Judy will compete against the best students from the Amarillo, Midland, El Paso, and Lubbock areas. If she wins these, she will go to San Antonio in February to participate in the All-State Band. Judy's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Precure.

Christmas Band Concert Held Monday

The Annual Band Christmas Concert was held Monday night, December 16, in the high school auditorium. The band played "Adeste Fideles", "Overture to The Messiah", "Great Songs of Christmas", "Hey! It's Snowing", and "A Christmas Festival". The band presented Mr. Clines with a gift certificate of \$100 to purchase a copy of the film on the band when they got a "ONE" at Marching contest. The nominees for band favorites were Patty Pena and Randall Hamilton, Judy Precure and Royce Clay, and Cindy Isaac and Mike Wislan. Cindy and Mike were named Band Favorites for the 1976-77 school year. Congratulations!

DECA Shows Movie For Christmas

The Distributive Education class of Muleshoe High School presented the movie, "Trinity is Still My Name", on Wednesday, December 15 at 8:35. The DECA chapter shows a movie each year at Christmas time. The DECA chapter, along with Ag, HECE, and Auto Mechanics sponsored a party Friday, December 17, at 7:30 in the High School gym. They played basketball, volleyball, table tennis, and had lots of food.

J.V. Mules Down Cooper In Basketball

On December 14, the J.V. Mules played Lubbock Cooper here at Muleshoe. The Mules defeated Cooper 51-23. Mac Norman netted 19 for the Mules. Others scoring were Charles Briscoe, six; Jeep Shanks, six; Dennis Patterson, six; Eddie Crego, four; Dicksey Suddeth, Donny Long, and Robert Rodriguez, all with two. The Mules play at Hale Center on Monday December 20 and will play at Lockney December 21.

Thespian Of The Week

Thespians have chosen Pam Young as student of the week. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Young. Pam is a freshman at MHS. She was elected freshman President of FHA; Pam also participates in Contest Speech as a debater. She recently won a beginner's debate award at the Clovic Forensic Tournament. We would like to congratulate and encourage our talented young students of Muleshoe High School.

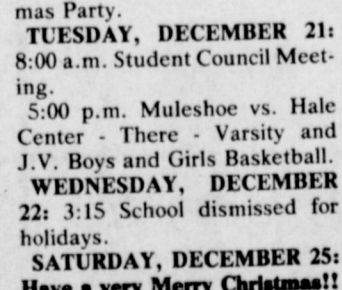
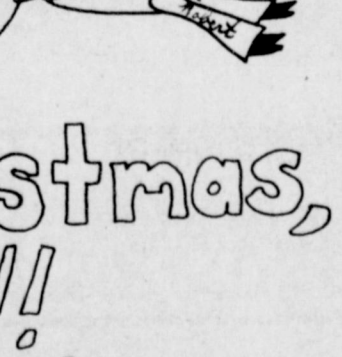
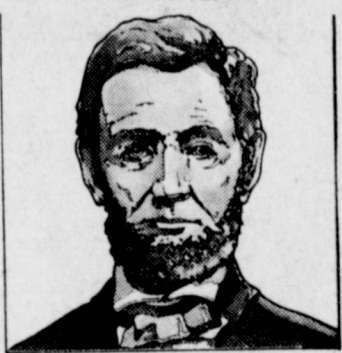


PAM YOUNG

Muleshoe School Lunch

December 20 - 22 - 1976

- MONDAY**
 - Milk
 - Corn Dog - Mustard
 - Crackers
 - Vegetable Beef Soup
 - Cinnamon Rolls
 - Sliced Peaches
- TUESDAY**
 - Milk
 - Hamburgers
 - Lettuce and Tomato Salad
 - Pickles - Onions
 - Tater Tots - Catsup
 - Apple
 - Frosted Brownies
- WEDNESDAY**
 - Milk
 - Turkey - Dressing
 - Cranberry Sauce
 - Green Beans
 - White Bread
 - Waldorf Salad
 - Pineapple Nut Carrot Cake



JULIA SHAIN

ROBERT KING

TOM PEPPER

STEPHANIE BRANTLEY

Mulette Maneuvers

The Varsity Mullettes took second place at the Lobo Invitational Tournament in Levelland. In the double elimination tournament, the girls lost their first game 44-51 to host Levelland. They then defeated the winner of the opposite bracket, Cooper, 54-40, to win a berth in the finals. The Mullettes met Levelland again in the championship game, but they were defeated 45-53 to get Runner-up. On Tuesday, December 14, the Mullettes defeated Cooper in Muleshoe 55-51. Because of the open date on Friday, the Mullettes have re-grouped for their two games this week. On Monday, December 21, they will travel to Hale Center. The Mullettes will host the Muleshoe Basketball Tournament over the holidays, on December 30, 31, and January 1.

Happy Birthday

The Mule's Tale Staff wants to wish these students a very nice day. Students celebrating a birthday this week are: December 19 - Harvey Vanclave. December 21 - Gwen Reeder. December 23 - Kenneth Miller. December 24 - Cindy Isaac. December 25 - Alick Shafer. To the faculty member who is also celebrating the anniversary of his birth this week, the staff would like to send our sincere best wishes. December 21 - Coach Washington. The staff would also like to send a Happy Birthday wish to those students who will be celebrating a birthday during the holidays. December 27 - Jimmy Ware, Jo Ann Lopez and Tanya Burton. December 28 - Esther Gonzales. December 29 - Johnny Hernandez and Mike Griffin. December 30 - Renae Norton and Doug Precure. December 31 - Virginia Hodges and Lee Elder. January 2 - Fabian Quintana. January 4 - Juanita Davis. January 5 - Ginger Wilcox. January 6 - Lori Douglass. January 7 - Mark Benedict. January 8 - Amy Clark. January 9 - Joe Stroud and Denise Reeder. On January 2, Mrs. Harbin is enjoying a birthday, too, and the staff sends their sincere best wishes to her.



BEVO BODE SEZ THERE AINY NOTHIN' LIKE A DIET TO TAKE THE STARCH OUT OF A FELLA!

Applications Due For Financial Aid

All persons who plan to apply for financial aid for summer session 1977 or the 1977-78 academic year at The University of Texas at Austin are urged to begin the application process now.

The UT Austin Office of Student Financial Aid awards financial assistance in two categories: 1) Gift-aid, which includes grants and scholarships; and 2) self-help funds, which include the College Work-Study Program, full-time summer employment, and long-term loans, according to Susan Kjellman Groves, financial aid counselor. The amount offered as a financial aid award, plus the student's resources and those of his or her parents, if dependent, cannot exceed the educational budget determined by the Office of Student Financial Aid, she said.

Ms. Groves said all financial aid awards offered through her office are based on documented financial need. Therefore, a student must file a Family Financial Statement (FFS) with the American College Testing program (ACT) in Iowa City each year. If a sibling or spouse of an applicant also is applying for financial aid, each must submit a separate set of application materials. As soon as the Family Financial Statement is processed by ACT, a Student Financial Aid Report (SFAR) will be mailed to the applicant with an Institutional Data Sheet (IDS). The student then must complete all the items on the sheet and send it to the UT Office of Student Financial Aid.

Applications for aid for 1977-78 will not be considered complete until the IDS is received at UT, Ms. Groves emphasized. The ACT Family Financial Statement is available through all high schools and should be obtained there instead of from the Office of Student Financial Aid, said Mrs. Groves. She noted that the UT Austin code number, 4240, must be on all ACT forms.

All students who are applying for financial aid and have not received a bachelor's degree are required to submit a Basic Educational Opportunity Grant (BEOG) application. After the BEOG application is processed, each student receives a Student Eligibility Report (SER) which should be submitted immediately to the Office of Student Financial Aid. Gift-aid funds and College Work-Study funds are limited, and priority for their distribution goes to students who apply on or before the application deadline, Ms. Groves said. The deadline date is February 1, 1977, for the full-time summer employment program (Pro-

Coach Comments

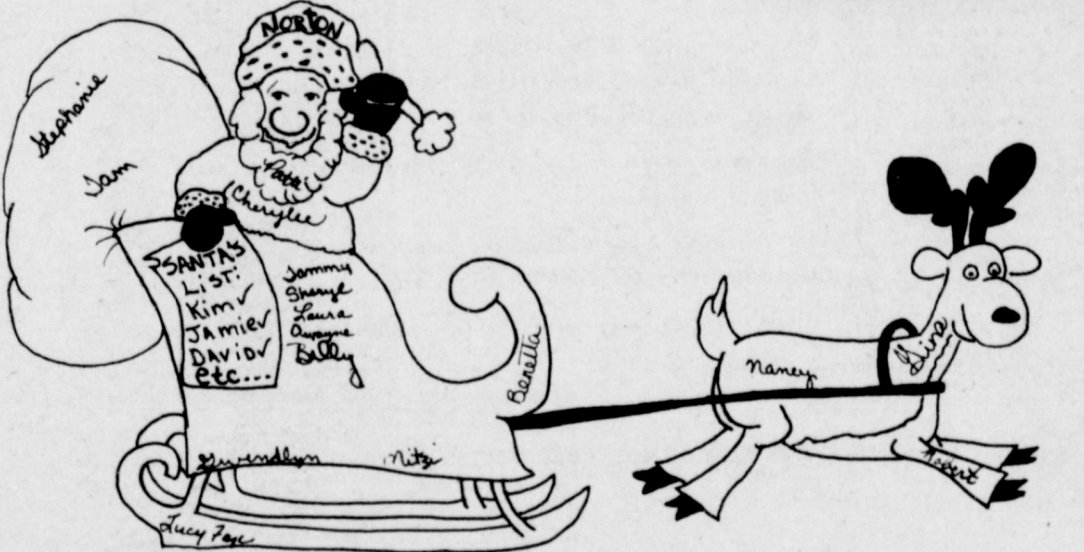


The Mules currently have a record of four wins and five losses. We have been pleased with our play except for the fact that our shooting percentage has been very low. Our defense and rebounding has been excellent; and if we can start shooting

with a higher percentage, we can have a good season. We have been pleased with the attitude of our players and with the way they have been working in practice. If this continues, we will show a lot of improvement in the next few weeks.

Connally declines GOP chairmanship.

Sometimes a specific nutrient is referred to as being balanced, such as "balanced protein". This means that the protein, which is made up of substances called amino acids, contains a "balance" or combination of all the essential amino acids in amounts that most nearly match the combination and amounts needed by our bodies.



Merry Christmas, Kiddos!!

Council Votes To Bring Food For Tournament

Tuesday, December 14, the Muleshoe Student Council met at 8:00 a.m. in Room 14. After President Tom Pepper called the meeting to order, Linnie Davis led the prayer. After school Tuesday, many of the Council members stayed and decorated the Christmas tree, furnished by the Student Council. The tree is located in front of the vending machines in the main hall. December 30, 31, and January 1, Muleshoe High School will host the annual Muleshoe Tournament. The Council will provide food for the coaches hospitality room. Those students who will bring food are Dani Dunham, Donita Dale, Shelly Dunham, Nancy Ramm, Keith Hawkins, Patti Poyner, Lary Hooten, Karen Stovall, Mark Harmon and Julia Shain. After they volunteered to bring food for the tournament, the meeting was adjourned.

Calendar For The Week

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20: 4:00 p.m. Muleshoe vs. Lockney - There - Varsity and J.V. Boys and Girls Basketball. 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Speech Christ-



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Business Loans Still Weak

By Billings D. Barnard, Economist
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas

While up nationwide, bank loans to business are just hoding their own in the Southwest. Compared with last summer, business loans are up sharply in the Eleventh Federal Reserve District. But at \$5.6 billion in November, commercial and industrial loans at weekly reporting banks in the district totaled a little less than in September. The district is made up of Texas and parts of Louisiana, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona.

Meanwhile, business loans at the nation's large weekly reporting banks were up in the four weeks ended in mid-November at an annual rate of 22 percent over the average for the four weeks ended in early September. At first look, the increase nationwide would seem to indicate business loans had finally turned around.

With the apparent turnaround could come fresh hope that a business expansion was at last getting underway. And with the seeming lack of growth in the district could come concern that the Southwest was not sharing in the expansion. But loan demand is not as strong across the country as recent reports would suggest. Nor is it as weak in the district.

Business loans in the district have differed decidedly from those in the nation ever since the recovery set in about April 1975. And over the long haul, they come off looking better than the comparison this fall would show.

Even with the recent increase, at \$115 billion, business loans at the nation's big banks still total a tenth less than when the recession ended. And even without any marked increase in borrowing in the district this fall, business loans in the Southwest are up nearly a tenth from a year and a half ago.

Some of the difference, then, comes from banks in the district not having as much catching up to do. Some of it, however, comes from the far faster growth in bankers' acceptances over the nation as a whole.

Acceptances are negotiable drafts drawn usually to finance international transactions. The drafts are considered accepted when a bank takes responsibility for paying them at maturity.

By late October, reporting banks in the Eleventh District were holding half again more dollar volume in acceptances than when the recession ended. But nationwide, banks held twice as much.

Acceptances now make up half again more of the business loans in the nation than the district.

Some difference is to be expected. From late August through late October, for example, all but \$67 million of the nearly \$2.3 billion increase in business loans was reported by banks in New York, Chicago, and San Francisco.

These are not only the nation's largest banks. They are also the banks with most direct access to international markets. Because they are big and much of their operations are in international banking, their experience is usually different from other banks.

During the corresponding period a year earlier, business loans fell \$529 million nationwide. But outside these three financial centers, banks increased their business loans \$188 million, helping offset the decline in loan demand at only the comparatively few large banks.

So far in the recovery, the worldwide prominence of these big banks has allowed loans to foreign businesses to build up six times faster in the nation than in the district alone. That has been just about enough to offset the decline in loans to domestic manufacturers of durable goods.

Nationwide, loans to durable producers have fallen a third since the trough of the recession. In the district, they have fallen only a fifth. And that is from the unusually high loan levels reached during the recession when manufacturers in the Southwest were borrowing to expand production of oilfield supplies and equipment.

The result has been far more catching up to be done in the nation than the district. Nationwide, loans to manufacturers are increasing a third faster than in the district.

Of all types of bank loans to support domestic industry, only loans for mining have held up well throughout the recovery.

Even there, with the hustle to produce oil and gas, mining loans have increased half again more in the Southwest than in the country at large. And they are now increasing four times as fast.

Other than foreign loans, the only kind of business loan that has increased more in the nation than the district since the recession has been bankers' acceptances. And though credit instruments, acceptances are vastly different from other types of loans.

For one thing, they do not necessarily represent borrowing in the usual sense. For another, they usually come into play in financing international trade.

Bankers' acceptances are drafts one party to a transaction writes on the bank of the other party. The bank authorizing the draft pledges to pay it. It is not payable on demand, however, but at some future maturity. And as it cannot be cashed until later, usually 90 days, and there is no doubt about its being redeemable, it is negotiable.

Acceptances come into use in international trade because buyers and sellers are seldom willing to depend on the creditworthiness of the other. Sellers will not ordinarily ship goods to another country until they receive payment. Buyers will not pay until they have the goods.

The impasse is broken by banks serving as intermediaries. Though letters of credit authorizing time drafts, they substitute their credit for that of buyers. And by discounting drafts drawn against the letters, they substitute their credit for that of sellers.

In the strictest sense, then, acceptances are loans, first to buyers and then to sellers. But they are also essentially different from the kind of loans businesses typically make to raise funds for investment. Their use as guarantees is what is important.

Bankers' dollar acceptances in this country increased \$216 million in September, pushing the total outstanding to \$19.6 billion.

Included was a \$65 million increase in the acceptance of bills to finance exports. That was the eighth month of increase in export bills and the

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third consecutive monthly record. It did not, however, represent any great surge in total American demand for acceptance financing.

Nearly half the increase in export bills was offset by a \$32 million decline in the acceptance of bills to finance imports. And that was on top of a \$168 million decline in bills for imports in

August. Most of the increase, \$173 million, was in third-country bills. That means drafts to finance shipment of goods between other countries. If September can be taken as a guide, much of the increase in business loan demand, then, reflects not so much an expansion of the kind of borrowing

associated with domestic business activity as an extending of bank services in support of foreign trade.

And even there, most of the increase is not in support of American trade. Rather, it is all part of the rise in foreign loans.

Primarily, the increase in acceptances reflects use of financial markets by foreigners who, partly because of the weakness in loan demand, can offer banks an investment alternative with higher returns than they could get on Treasury bills.

View From The Plain

by J.D. Peer
I & E Field Officer

WINTER DOVE HUNT SCHEDULED

The second half of the Texas mourning dove season starts January 1 and continues through January 16, 1977, and

sportsmen out after the elusive bird can hunt 30 minutes before sunrise and sunset daily.

The daily bag limit will be 10 birds per day and 20 birds in possession after the first day.

Other regulations are similar to the September dove hunt with 10-gauge shotguns being the largest gauge legal during this season. The shotguns must be plugged to hold no more than three shells including both the chamber and magazine. Sportsmen who have a chance at dove while quail hunting should check their shotguns for the

required plug as these devices are not required for resident Texas game birds such as quail, pheasant or prairie chicken.

No special permit is required for the dove hunter, but the Texas hunting license requirements apply if the hunter is 17-65 years of age and hunting out of his county of residence.

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Careful Toy Choice Reduces Injuries

No one would purposely buy a toy which could injure the child for whom they plan happiness, but thousands of Texans this Christmas may be doing this unknowingly.

If the wrong toy falls into the hands of a child, this toy could produce a serious injury, says the Texas Department of Health Resources. When buying toys this year, think toy safety, advises Dr. Fratis L. Duff,

director of the Texas Department of Health Resources.

A few months, or a year or two, in a child's development can make quite a difference in that child's ability to cope with toys. "That's the reason manufacturers are required to place precautionary labeling on toys," says Harold Ray, director of the Department's Division of Product Safety.

"Consumers should look for

the warning label on a toy which states that the toy isn't recommended for a child under a certain age," Ray said. "If such a label warns that the toy is too advanced for the child in mind, the purchaser should heed the warning and find one to fit the child."

Ray noted that a testing process has been used in determining the right toy for the right child. Last year the United

States Consumer Product Safety Commission issued final regulations for use and abuse testing of toys. While not banning toys, the regulations provide tests for impact, bite, flexure, torque, tension and compression -- all of which simulate normal and reasonably foreseeable use, damage and abuse of toys, games and other articles for children for whom the toys are intended. These age levels are 18 months

and less, over 18 months but not over 36 months, and over 36 months but not over eight years of age.

What can you as an individual do to prevent this mis-match of toy and child?

First, be aware of how the toy is built, says Ray. Toy buyers in the family should reject those with obvious hazards -- sharp points; rough or unfinished surfaces; small, detachable parts that may be swallowed; brittle plastic or glass that breaks easily and leaves sharp edges that may cut; poorly

constructed toys with sharp spikes or pins that are exposed when the toy is pulled apart by a curious child; toys with triggers, gears, or other parts activated by a spring or motor that may pinch fingers or catch hair.

Most of these types of toys have been eliminated through Consumer Product Safety Commission standards. But, some 5,000 new toys enter the marketplace each year. The holiday season will find more than 150,000 different kinds of toys for sale in an estimated one million retail outlets. Despite

the efforts of toy manufacturers, retailers, state and federal inspectors and different governmental agencies, it is impossible to inspect every toy.

It is possible, however, for parents, relatives, friends and older sisters and brothers to check every new toy they buy and every old toy around the house for possible hazards.

There are some specific things you can do in thinking toy safety. These suggestions include:

- Buy toys that suit the skills and abilities of the child. Avoid toys that are too complex for young children. No small child should be subjected to electrical toys or those which can produce burning temperatures.
- Look for labels that give age recommendations or safety information such as "Not Recommended for Children Under Three" or "Non-Toxic" on toys likely to end up in little mouths.
- Watch out for toys that have sharp edges, small parts or sharp points.
- Avoid toys that produce extremely loud noises that can damage hearing, as well as propelled objects that can injure eyes.
- Explain to the child how to use toys properly and safely.
- Always try to supervise young children while they play.
- Insist that children put their toys away so they do not get broken, and so that no one trips or falls on them.
- Examine toys periodically. Repair broken toys and discard toys that cannot be fixed.
- Keep these toy tips in mind before, during and after purchase of toys, says the Department of Health Resources, and you'll feel more confident that the toys you buy will bring nothing but pleasure to their young owners.



Dear Santa

Dear Santa Claus,
How are you? I am fine. Please bring me a Hoolihan game. That's all. Bye!
Love,
Becky Mardis
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Dear Santa,
I like you and I think you are nice. I hope Mrs. Claus is doing O.K. What I want for Christmas is a real horse, some clothes, a watch, and a doll with a trunk. Santa you don't have to bring me all of these presents. You can bring me some more that are not listed.
Love,
Janna Wuerflein

Dear Santa,
Thank you for the toys you brought me last year. We will not be here this year we will be in Mexico at my grandmothers. I hope you will be able to make a stop at our house even if we are not going to be here. I hope you have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Yours truly,
Charlie Mata

Dear Santa Claus,
I hope you will bring me a gas airplane and lots of other toys. And I hope you are well and make the trip alright. Oh and I hope Mrs. Claus is well too. I hope all of your reindeer are fine and your elves also.
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Patti Poynor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haney Poynor of Muleshoe. Miss Poynor, a Senior at Muleshoe High School, is the 1976 Homecoming Queen and Head Cheerleader. She is also active in several school organizations.



Miss Merry Christmas admires the lovely table setting in Something Special. It is set with Mikasa Strawberry Festival China, Viking Ruby Red Glassware and Oneida flatware. This is just what I would like my table to look like on Christmas, she said.



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Miss Merry Christmas models a lovely vested pantsuit, light blue in color, fashioned by Bobbie Brooks. She admires a beautiful red party dress by Couture Et De La Mode while in BurSinger Fashions. Please Mr. Santa, stop by BurSinger Fashions before stopping at my house, she smiles.



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What could be more fun than stereo equipment from Poynor's White Stores in Muleshoe? Miss Merry Christmas is looking over a good suggestion for Christmas in the store which carries a full line of stereo and tape players.

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For that special holiday entertainment, Miss Merry Christmas models an after-five jumpsuit by Strait Lane at St. Clair's. The holiday mood is further enhanced by the black satin trim and crochet evening bag by Carpet Bags of America. With her attire, she is ready for entertaining from St. Clair's.

St. Clair's

Muleshoe Texas



Shopping around for food, Miss Merry Christmas stopped by White's Cashway to check out her turkey purchase. Cashway offers Butterball turkeys and all the trimmings to enhance your holiday table. Miss Merry Christmas is pleased with all her purchases at Cashway.

Whites
CASHWAY

Muleshoe Texas



Checking out gift suggestions, Miss Merry Christmas, adds a short natural dyed rabbit jacket by Orchard Street. She is looking at the lovely suggestion at Cobb's in Muleshoe, a store which can handle most of your Christmas needs.



Does your shopping list include a new car? Miss Merry Christmas found that she could find just exactly what she wanted, at the price she wants to pay, at Town and Country Auto in Muleshoe. She also knows she can get top service for her automobile at the same location.

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If you have your eye on furniture or appliances for Christmas, Miss Merry Christmas, Patti Poyner, suggests Johnson Furniture on West American Blvd. She found they have a full line of beautiful furniture, appliances and carpet for your selection.



Need a ham for Christmas? Miss Merry Christmas did, so she went to Pay-N-Save to check out top quality hams offered for your eating pleasure. Pay-N-Save also offered a full line of all necessary grocery items not only for Christmas, but for your every meal.

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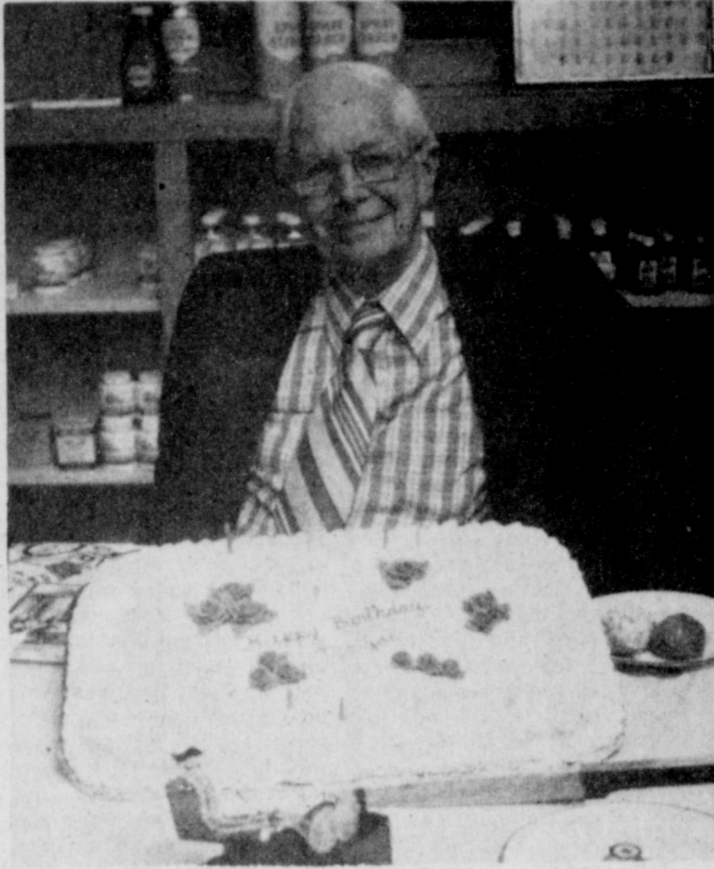
Joe Damron celebrated his 78th birthday at Damron Drug this week. Damron has been a resident of Muleshoe since February of 1932, when he and his wife, Robbie, moved from Amarillo and opened Damron Drug. Helping Damron celebrate his birthday were his employees at Damron Drug. A white sheet cake with red roses and the words "Happy Birthday Mr. Joe" written on it. A gift saving

"Your the Boss", was given to Damron.

Damron Drug and Muleshoe both have seen major changes in the 44 years the Damrons have lived in Muleshoe. Damron recalls there were only 900 residents in Muleshoe in 1932 and the streets were not yet paved, not even Main Street! Damron Drug was more of a soda fountain store than a drug

prescription store in its beginning. He and one other man were the only pharmacist that were needed in the 1930's. Now Damron Drug has three pharmacists and four clerks employed.

The Damrons have three children - Joan Smith and Sam Damron of Muleshoe and Jayne Reese of Odessa. They have seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Joe Dam-



JOE DAMRON

ron has five sisters. They are Mrs. Francis Johnson of Roswell, N.M.; Mrs. Irvin Hawkins of Amarillo; Mrs. Virginia Flow of Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs.

Dorothy Faught of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Mrs. Fern Thompson of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

No Injuries In Wrecks

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated four accidents on rural highways in Bailey County during the month of November, 1976 according to Sergeant Thurman Keffer, Highway Patrol supervisor of this area.

These crashes resulted in no persons killed and no persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first eleven months of 1976 shows a total of 42 accidents resulting in two persons killed and 29 persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for the 60 counties of the Lubbock Department of Public Safety Region for November, 1976, shows a total of 567 accidents resulting in 14 persons killed and 261 injured, as compared to November 1975,

with 530 accidents resulting in 14 persons killed and 258 persons injured. This was 37 more accidents, the same killed, and three more injured in 1976 at the same period of time.

The 14 traffic deaths for the month of November, 1976, occurred in the following counties: Two each in Carson, Gray; One each in Castro, Oldham, Potter, Floyd, Lamb, Palo Pinto, Parker, Wichita, Wise, and Yoakum.

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Bullock said that Texas' 254 counties received \$3.30 per capita from the state during the 1976 fiscal year, while the cities received \$3.27 per person. "Take this money away," Bullock said, "and then watch local

property taxes." Only \$31 million of the \$72 million allotted to cities and counties by the state in fiscal 1976 came from state revenues, according to Bullock. The remaining \$41 million came from the federal government.

The counties received a total of \$40 million in fiscal 1976, while the cities received \$32 million. The analysis is contained in the December financial statement

published by Vernon McGee's Planning and Research Division.

The statement also reports that energy related taxes continued to play a vital role in the state's economy during fiscal 1976.

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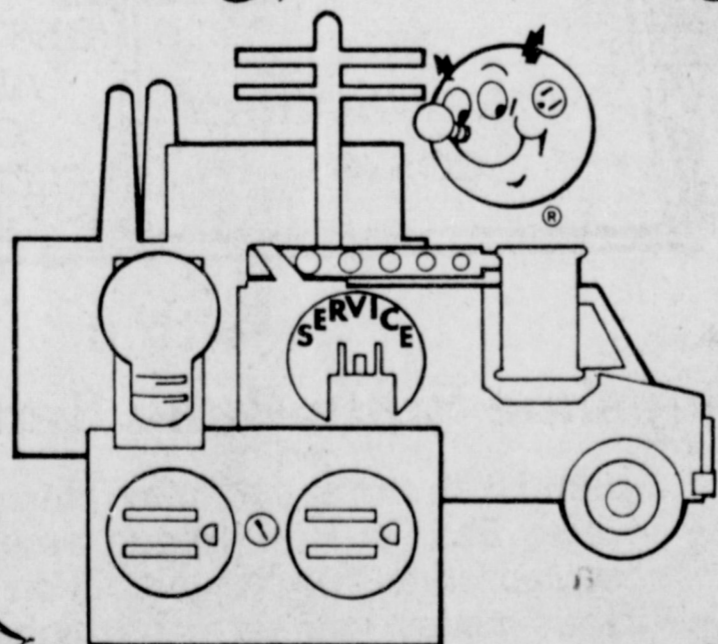


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The hustle, bustle and excitement of the holidays are part of what makes the Christmas - New Year time a special season. That same exuberance can also lead people to drop their guard, and all too often the season is marred by the tragedy of an accident.

Slow down during the holidays and take time to be safe, advises

the Texas Safety Association. Take a minute to read these holiday safety reminders.

Get yourself organized well ahead of meals, parties, decorations and such holiday activities. Frantic, poorly organized preparation times can set you up for an accident, as well as causing increased fatigue.

Take time to check wiring and

extension cords for broken insulation, loose sockets, and electric load limitations. Remember that metallic Christmas trees should not have lights strung on them, but should be highlighted with indirect lighting. Real candles should never be used on any kind of tree, or around any flammable decorations. Natural trees should be in stands that hold water or buckets of wet sand to keep dry trees from becoming a fire hazard.

where it can't be knocked over or touched by an inquisitive child. Keep kitchen snooters to a minimum to reduce confusion

and accident potential. The Texas Safety Association asks that you take time for safety all during the holidays.

AC Spring Registration Date

Amarillo College is the place to be this spring with the offering of well-rounded programs in five general areas -- arts and sciences, biomedical, technology, vocational, and non-credit community courses.

Spring registration for three areas -- arts and sciences, biomedical, and technology will be conducted January 10 and 11, vocational registration will be February 21. Community Service will be February 7 and Adult Vocational Education on January 17.

Spring semester enrollment for pre-advised day students will begin January 10 with surnames M through N at 1 p.m., O through S at 2:30 p.m., and T through Z at 4 p.m. January 11 schedule is A through B at 9 a.m., C through F at 10:30 a.m., G through I at 1 p.m., and J through L at 2:30 p.m., and late registrants at 4 p.m.

Students who were not pre-advised during advance registration, report to their academic adviser according to the above schedule.

New students that were pre-advised during advance registration but did not complete registration should report to the College Union Building at the same times listed above.

New students with a registration permit should report for registration at the following schedule: January 10 beginning

with M through N at 9 a.m., O through S at 10:30 a.m., T through Z at 1 p.m., A through B at 2:30 p.m. and C through D at 4 p.m. Beginning January 11 will be E through F at 9 a.m., G at 10:30 a.m., H through I at 1 p.m., J through L at 2:30 p.m. and late registrants at 4 p.m.

Students who have not received a registration permit should report to the registrar's office for admission clearance according to this schedule also.

Evening college registration will be conducted in the College Union Building also from 1 to 9 p.m. on January 10 and from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on January 11.

Late registrants for day students will be conducted January 13 from 9 a.m. until noon. Late registration for evening students will be January 13 from 7 to 8 p.m.

A late registration fee of \$5 will be charged after January 11.

Schedule changes can be made from 1 to 4 p.m. January 13 for day students and from 7 to 9 p.m. January 13 for evening students.

January 19 is the last day for registration or to add a class.

Be safety minded when buying gifts for children. Consider the age and physical ability of the child and check manufacturers' age suggestions.

Be especially careful in purchasing electrical toys and other gifts, which should have the UL label. Flame-retardant clothing gifts provide an added measure of safety and thoughtfulness.

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Frances Graham
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Card Of Thanks

The members of the family of R.L. Hobbs wants to thank all of you for your many expressions of love and sympathy in the time of our sorrow. It is truly appreciated.
Family of R.L. Hobbs
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Information For 'Mything' Persons

Are you a "mything" person where drinking alcoholic beverages is concerned? If so, there are some things you need to know.

Do you feel like you are really stimulated when you drink? Wrong! Ethyl alcohol, the ingredient that produces the "effect", is a depressant. Alcohol goes into the blood stream from the stomach or small intestine and travels to the brain where the depressive action begins, to result in a loss of judgement and self-control.

Do you believe that drinking either doesn't affect your driving or makes you a better driver? Well, that notion is a result of the alcohol working on the part of your brain that controls your judgment. False confidence and taking risks are common by-products of alcoholic beverage consumption.

Do you rush in from Cold Texas

weather and have a drink to warm up? That drink will actually be lowering your body temperature. A false sensation of warmth may occur because the blood vessels on the surface of the skin become dilated. Actually, more heat can be lost than gained by the "warming" effect.

Do you believe in the sobering up remedies of coffee, a cold shower, fresh air or a run around the block? Time is the only true remedy for reducing the effects of alcohol. The ethyl alcohol must leave the body by oxidation in the liver, and this process cannot be rushed. (The old joke about coffee producing a wide awake drunk is true.) The body needs about one hour to get rid of the alcohol in one average drink.

Do you swear by the old adage that it's mixing your drinks that gets you drunk? The truth is

that ethyl alcohol, the intoxicant, is found in all alcoholic beverages. The same concentration of alcohol in the blood is produced from 3 1/2 ounces of wine as from a 12-ounce bottle of beer or 1/4-ounce of 100 proof whiskey, though the volume of liquid differs. So staying with one kind of drink offers no advantage; only the amount you drink can control the degree of

intoxication. Do you believe that you get "picked on" about drinking and driving? There are places where a DWI is considered a worse offense. For instance, in San Salvador, the penalty for DWI can be the firing squad. If you think your spouse would be upset if you got arrested for DWI, consider Malaysia. There, your spouse goes to jail with you

if you are convicted of driving while intoxicated.

Do you think the Texas presumptive limit of .10 percent alcohol concentration level is too low? Well many countries have even lower tolerance and presumptive limits for driving while intoxicated. Sweden, for example, uses a .03 percent level, and Denmark and Norway .05 percent.

The Texas Safety Association urges everyone to slow down their drinking and driving during the holidays to a responsible, informed level.

Christmas Decorations From Garden

Your own yard can provide this year's inexpensive but elegant decorations for Christmas.

A landscape horticulturist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service suggests just a sampling of the ways that branches, fruits, leaves and other yard paraphernalia can be utilized to bring the holiday spirit.

Such items as yaupon, deciduous holly, pyracantha and pine branches can be designed into

an attractive wreath, or the branch can be used alone, especially if it is unusual, says Dr. William C. Welch.

Pine cones, lotus pods, cattails and cockleburs can be spray painted in a variety of Christmas colors and added to the centerpiece of a festive table.

Persimmons, crabapples, pears and quince also provide color for indoor decorations. Magnolia, yew and pittosporum leaves can be dried or used

in their natural greenery to surround a nativity scene or similar setting, adds Welch.

Leaves of magnolia, pittosporum and loquat last longer when used in the dried form. To retain their shape, Welch suggests hanging the leaves, cut stem up, in a cool, dry shady area for a few days or weeks.

The uses of garden greenery for holiday decorations is limited only by one's imagination, contends the horticulturist.

Hangovers Can Haunt Holidays

Medical research shows why a hangover can feel like someone tap danced on your tongue and made you swallow a dozen dirty tennis shoes. During the holiday season, many people will be doing their own informal research on hangovers. The Texas Medical Association points out both scientists and laymen come to the same conclusions though. Hangovers hurt.

The main reason they are such a pain is that all sorts of things are thrown out of balance. A hangover can cause irritated stomach and intestines, altered body fluid balance and blood acidity, too much potassium and lowered levels of male sex hormone. As the alcohol breaks down and the body expels it, everything general returns to normal - except for alcoholics whose body is only further hurt by the drug.

People have been trying to prevent and cure hangovers for thousands of years. More than 2,500 years ago a Hindu writer described a selection of symptoms such as vomiting, loss of appetite, heartburn, thirst, diz-

ziness, shaky hands, and sleeplessness. He also mentioned sweating, fatigue, headache and depression but didn't say what to do about the problem. A Greek doctor 1,900 years ago recommended eating roasted hog lungs to keep from getting drunk and hung over. More modern concoctions of raw eggs and hot sauce are in the same category, says an article in *The Practitioner*, a British medical journal.

The same journal says taking a large drink of water, lemonade or lime juice and a couple of aspirin before going to bed will help the next morning. Some researchers contend there is no cure for a hangover except time. Some people have a drink to drive off hangovers. One article said this action marked a growing dependency on alcohol. Of course the best, and most ignored, advice is not to drink too much.

There is a lot of debate on whether some types of alcohol give worse hangovers than others. An article in the *Quarterly of Studies on Alcohol* says bourbon gives more of a hangover than vodka. The theory is that "congeners" - materials such as sugar, coloring and preservatives, in alcoholic beverages increase hangovers. Vodka is low in congeners and bourbon contains a lot of them. The article also mentions a theory that allergies to certain ingredients in some types of alcohol can increase hangover for some people.

Researchers also believe that smoking, bright lights, activity, noise, lack of sleep and all the other factors in a night on the town help bring on hangovers.

Enochs News

By Mrs. J.D. Bayless

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols and daughter, Paula, drove to Plainview Saturday and spent the night with their son, Dennis.

The friends of A.P. Fred pulled his cotton this past week. A.P. is still a patient in the Methodist Hospital.

The Associational Youth Rally was at the Baptist Church last Monday night. There were 79 in attendance.

Wayland Altman is home from the hospital and is doing fine.

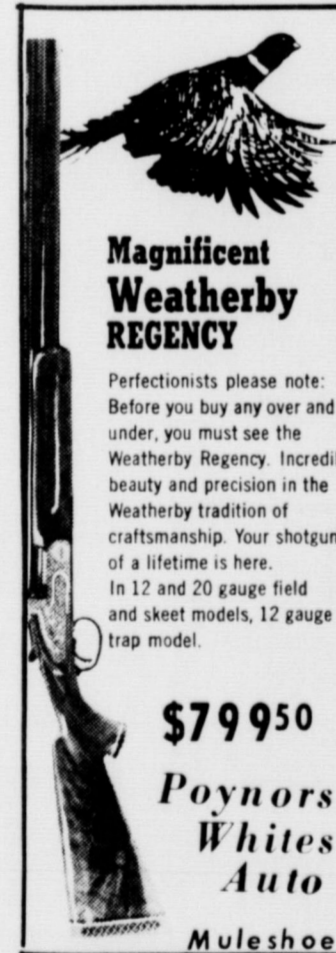
The cotton harvest in our area is almost history. Some of the people are going to other places to pull cotton.

A community Christmas party will be held December 20, at 7:30 p.m., at the Bula Enochs Community center. Everyone is urged to attend.

Visiting in the Bill Key home Tuesday were her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Fort, from Jackson, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coats, Mrs. Alma Altman, Mrs. Mable Coats, Mrs. Keith Coats, Kim Coats and Buckley Brummel of Canyon were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones at Clovis, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Adams were dinner guests in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bobbie Adams.



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