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by John

This column says goodbye to 1975 and welcomes 1976. Our area of the country seems to us to have fared well above the average for the country in economic prosperity. Sure, we all are caught in the toils of spiraling inflation, but we seem to have been spared the drastic business declines experienced elsewhere.

At the present time in the Twin Cities, housing is the number one problem. We just do not have nearly enough rental property or new homes being built for sale. People are wanting to come to the Twin Cities for a variety of reasons, and we must plan for a rather large increase in local population in 1976.

Our basic economic well being is, of course, attributable to our local agricultural economy. Generally, farm commodity prices have declined in the past several months, yet we seem to detect a note of optimism about the farm picture in the coming year.

Our feed lot operations are experiencing a revival in numbers on feed and this is putting local people at work in the area. Grain prices are not what they should be but still are short of catastrophic. There is every indication that the price of grain will strengthen as 1976 grows older and that agriculture will hold its own in the world market place. The only bleak part of our picture is shared by the rest of the nation as the Congress does everything in its power to fuel the inflation cycle. To date, Congress has done more to erode the value of the dollar than any other cause, by a head and shoulders.

In short, the time-honored rules of hard work, prudent spending and personal responsibility will carry us through the new year in good shape.

This week the Tribune is making the announcement of acquiring a managing editor. George Prothro is no stranger to many local folks. If they are not acquainted with George personally, they are acquainted with his father, Doctor George Prothro, who administered the healing arts to many local youngsters several years ago in Clovis. And, of course, George's grandmother, Mrs. Norma Prothro, has been a well-known and widely respected music teacher in Clovis for many, many years.

Our all-around newspaper gal, Patti Hall, will continue to assist with the news, but this addition will allow her more time to oversee the paper's composition department which is her first love in the field of journalism.

A Frank Merriwell finish has propelled the Dallas Cowboys into the National Football Conference championship game. We don't know how the Cowboys will fare again against the L.A. Rams but whatever the outcome, they have exceeded the expectations of the great majority of the national sports pundits. They are also leaving Howard Cosell and Alex Karras with egg in their mouths.

The pantyhose kid has not always thrilled us with either his on- or off-the-gridiron antics, but a recent interview by Joe Namath gets our nod of approval.

Joe is quoted as saying, "Cosell and Karras are two people who know very little about football. It's a shame they have the right to sit up in the press box and come down on people." Of Karras, Namath also says, "He's just a dumb defensive tackle."

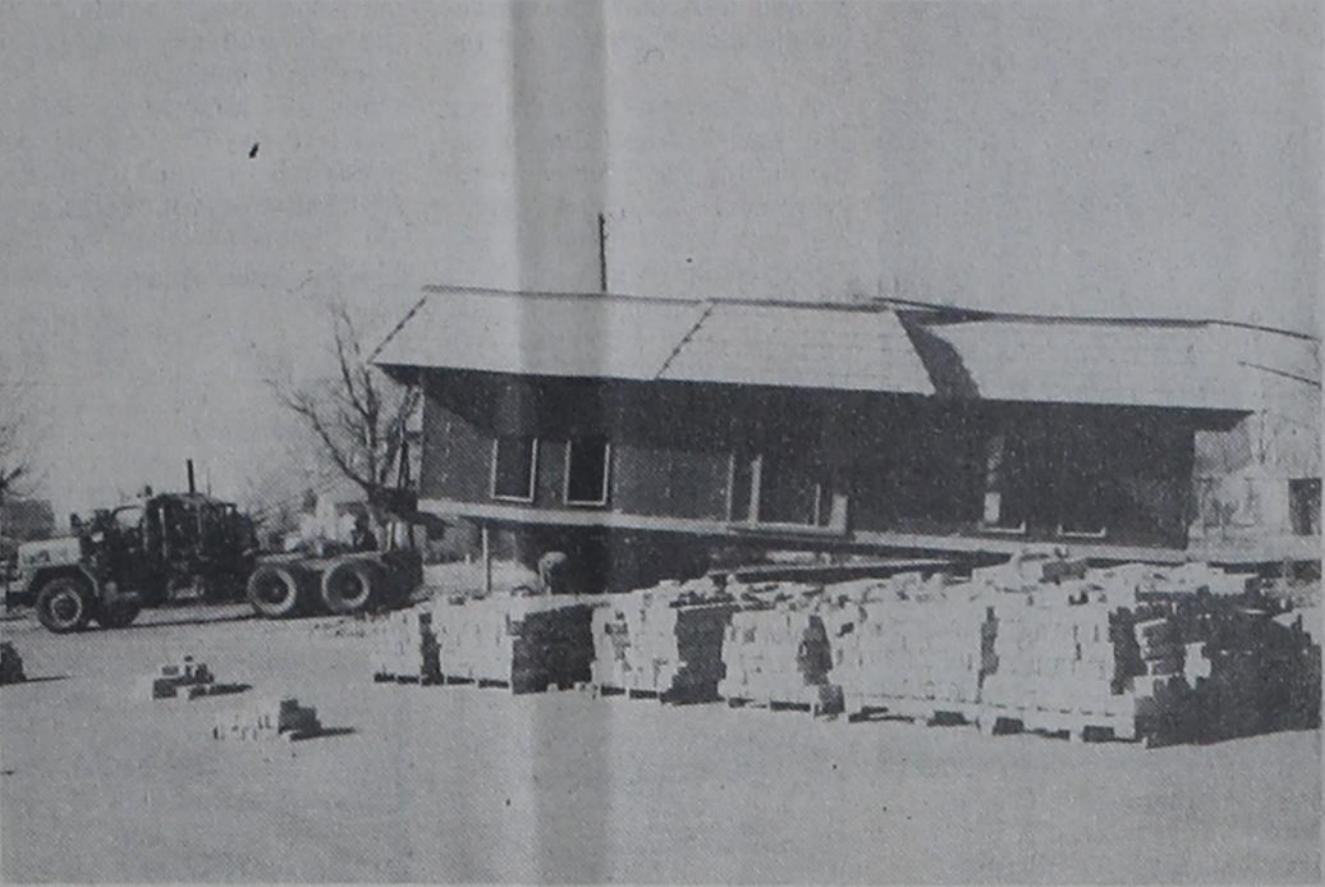
The showing of Dallas reinforces Namath's judgement of these two press box flannel mouths. Of course, with the Pokes getting this far in the playoffs there are a number of commentators who can join Cosell and Karras in the crow- eating department.

Win or lose on January 4, we're proud of the Cowboys.

### Meet Postponed

The regular meeting of the Farwell City Council which was to be held Monday, Dec. 29, was postponed due to a lack of a quorum.

According to Farwell City Clerk Janie Bowery, a new meeting date has not been set.



**SET 'ER DOWN EASY** - Taking its place in the City of Farwell Tuesday, Dec. 30, was the Tri-County Savings and Loan building located on the Farmers Home Administration lot on Avenue D. The ready-built building was brought onto the lot and set down on a concrete foundation which had previously been poured. The bricks seen in the foreground are to be used to finish the outside of the structure. Moving and placement of the building was done by W. K. Bigham and Sons of Lubbock.

## For Farwell - - City Sales Tax Effective Jan. 1

"An equitable tax and an equitable manner in which to provide city services desired by Farwell residents" was to go into effect Thursday, Jan. 1, as residents began paying a "city sales and use tax."

The one percent sales tax is to be levied in conformation with the state sales tax structure. Tax exemptions will also conform to state sales tax evying.

In regard to the tax, it has been pointed out that the city sales tax will be paid by all persons patronizing establishments within the city. In this manner everyone will be responsible for contributing to city funds.

The additional revenue raised through the tax will, in all probability, alleviate the burden of higher taxes on city property owners.

The idea of a city sales tax was backed by the Farwell City Council during its July 28, 1975 meeting during which Commissioners approved an order calling for the one cent city sales tax election.

Prior to the election, it was noted by Commissioners that unless the sales tax proposition passed and the city was able to derive revenue in this manner, the property tax rate more than likely would have been raised in order to meet expenses.

And pass is what the proposition did. Voters turned out 111 strong to cast ballots in the September 6 election with the issue carrying by an overwhelming margin of 102 For, 9 Against.

Following the canvassing of votes in the election, Farwell Mayor Gil Patschke commented, "The support obviously given the issue was overwhelming. I felt confident that it would pass but I didn't dream it would be by so great a margin."

Money derived from the tax will be used to provide community services deemed necessary. An example of fund usage is payment of wages for

the Farwell City Marshal. "The thing requested most by our citizens recently was a city marshal," commented Mayor Patschke. "Wages for this position are the responsibility of the city. The city derives funds from the property owners by taxation. Once again it is stressed that the approved tax will alleviate the burden of additional revenue

on the property owners." Local merchants will not have any additional bookkeeping chores as the tax will be reported and remitted the same as the present Texas system. The State of Texas will deduct a very small fee for administration and remit the balance to the City of Farwell each month for local use.

## 1975 Progressive For Twin Cities

The year 1975 has become a part of history for the Twin Cities area and the rest of the world but the mark of accomplishments during the year has been left for all to view.

Both Farwell and Texico have seen improvements which will benefit the respective communities and the two together including the okay of the Farwell Hospital District and plans for groundbreaking for a nursing home.

In addition to putting medical facilities on a local basis, the district and nursing home will give a boost to local economy by creating jobs and bringing in an addition to the populations of our cities.

Also affecting both Texico and Farwell was the installation of crossing arms at the railroad track at the state line of Texas and New Mexico on Highway 70-84. The Texico Woman's Club was the driving force behind a community push to obtain the safety devices and can be credited with adding to the well-being of the cities.

Both the Farwell and Texico schools saw vast improvements during 1975. Farwell received a new band hall and the old gymnasium on campus was converted into a woodworking shop to be utilized by students. A new section of bleachers was constructed at the football field to provide better seating

accommodations for patrons of Steer games.

Texico Municipal Schools were enlarged during the past year and a new department of education was created. A junior high school was developed with Kenneth Shaw named principal of the school.

In years past, Texico's school system had been divided into elementary and high school. Sixth grade students were encompassed in elementary buildings while the seventh and eighth grade classes were conducted in the high school building.

The new junior high school now houses classes for sixth, seventh and eighth grade students.

Progress was also noted in Farwell and Farmer County as county residents and persons from the surrounding area toured the new Farmer County Law Enforcement Center during official dedication ceremonies held in conjunction with the 9th Annual Border Town Days celebration.

Of course, the Annual Area Merchants Football Contest made news as the 12-week contest kicked off with 274 entries. At the end of the gridiron guessing, a total of 406 contenders had entered the competition only to give up the Grand Prize to Sam Gonzales of Muleshoe, the only person

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**NEW RATE EFFECTIVE** - Farwell City Clerk Janie Bowery reviews a tax rate card showing the new five percent rate which was to become effective in Farwell Thursday, Jan. 1. The additional one percent sales and city use tax was approved by voters of Farwell during an election held September 6, 1975, during which the tax was passed by a margin of 102-9. Revenue derived from the tax will be used in providing additional city services and in meeting expenses. "The tax will alleviate the burden of higher property taxes on property owners in the city," commented Farwell Mayor Gil Patschke.

## George Prothro - - Tribune Acquires Managing Editor

George L. Prothro has been named managing editor of the State Line Tribune, according to an announcement this week by John Getz, Tribune publisher.

Prothro, who will assume his duties Jan. 5, has spent more than nine years in the newspaper business and served as managing editor of both the Clovis (N.M.) News-Journal, 1966-70, and the Panama City (Fla.) News-Herald, 1973. Prior to his acceptance as managing editor of the Tribune, he was employed by the Eastern Plains Council of Governments in Clovis as a regional planner. He also is a part time accounting instructor with Eastern New Mexico University (ENMU).

Prothro, 30, is a graduate of Clovis High School and ENMU. Except for two years in Florida, he has lived in the area since 1949.

He is a member of the Clovis Chamber of Commerce and the Clovis Elks Lodge and a former member of the Panama City Kiwanis Club. He also has served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations.

He and his wife, the former Shirley Boydston of Dexter, plan to move to Farwell in the near future. Mrs. Prothro is a licensed practical nurse employed at Clovis Memorial Hospital.

Publisher Getz commented, "We are indeed fortunate to obtain an editor who knows Texico-Farwell and the High Plains area, who is in turn well-known by many of the local people. Prothro's experience in the newspaper field will enable us to continue to improve the paper for our readers."

Mrs. Patti Hall will continue in her capacity as news editor, assisting in all phases of the

news, but she will have more time to devote to the women's news and to oversee the composition of the paper.

"With two such capable persons in the news department of the Tribune, we will be able to give our readers one of the best weekly newspapers ever. However," emphasized Getz, "we still must rely on our news sources to keep us informed, so continue to call in your group and family activities."

## 'Gospel Road' To Be Shown

The First Baptist Church of Farwell was to sponsor the showing of the movie "Gospel Road" New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, at 9:30 p.m. CST at the church.

According to Dr. Cliff Ennen, pastor, no admission was to be charged for the movie and everyone was invited to attend.

## Farwell's First - -

# Venable Retires As Water Superintendent

V.C. "Vic" Venable was to turn in his title and take up a new life as he retired Wednesday, Dec. 31, as Farwell's first and only water superintendent.

Venable began his career with the water works of Farwell 27 years ago in 1948 when he began working for a

privately owned water system in Farwell. "At that time my bosses were Gabe Anderson, Hamlin Overstreet and W.W. Vinyard," he commented.

But time passed and the water system became the property of the city with Venable still heading the department. He reflected that Sam Aldridge was mayor when the city took over operations of the system.

"I first began in 1948 and at that time I did everything since I was the only one working. I put in water lines, worked on pumps, made water taps for customers and lots of other things."

"I was a laborer, superintendent and goat for the town. When mistakes were made, I was at fault and I sure made a lot of them. But I can say for the people of Farwell that they have really been good to me. They have always seemed to understand and no hard feelings ever dropped up," he stated.

Venable was born December 28, 1909 in Erath County in

southeast Texas. "I came to Bovina in 1933 and farmed with my father and uncle on a place south of there. In 1935 I left the farm to work for the railroad. I got to Farwell by being transferred here by Santa Fe Railroad. I was with the railroad from 1936 until '48."

When "Vic" started working with the water system under the ownership of the city, he began as superintendent, at the top of the ladder. "I was here and helped with the laying of city water lines. I have been to schools in Lubbock like the original water schools and I attended the A&M water school sponsored by the government. I received my first water certificate in 1952 and officially was recognized by the state."

He commented that men who are involved with a city's water or sewer systems must have state certifications up-to-date to continue in their positions.

"I didn't have help when the

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## At Oklahoma Lane - - Turnout 'Good' For Community Christmas

Mrs. Harold Carpenter, chairman of the 1975 Oklahoma Lane Community Christmas Eve Program, reports that the gathering on December 24 was "real good" as approximately 125 persons were present for the affair.

The Oklahoma Lane Community Center was the scene for the annual program and persons attending represented such areas as Springtown, El Paso, Odessa, Dallas, Bovina, Friona, Farwell, Mangum, Okla., and the host community.

"During the evening we had

the religious Christmas program and the appearance of Santa with gifts for everyone," stated Mrs. Carpenter.

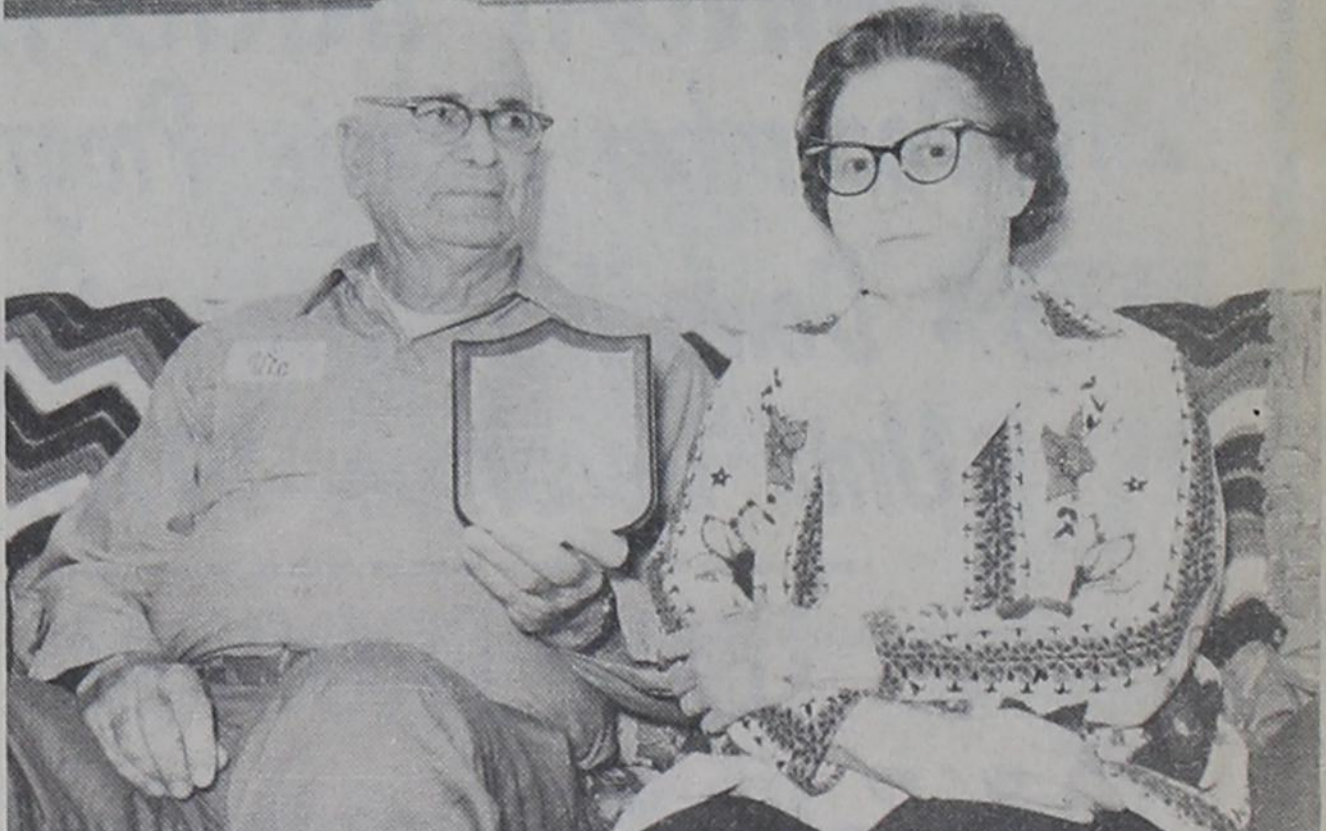
One highlight of the evening was the recognition of Mrs. Cora McGuire and Mrs. Ollie Carpenter as the oldest persons in attendance. It was also noted that Mrs. McGuire was one of the people who helped start the original community get-togethers in 1917.

## Lazbuddie - - Band Boosters Elect Officers

Mrs. Claud (Sandy) Gregory, Jr. was elected president of the newly organized Lazbuddie Band Boosters at the organization's first meeting Monday, Dec. 22, following the first band concert. Other officers are Mrs. Jerry (Evelyn) Thompson as vice-president and Mrs. Pete (Ettie) Jesko as secretary-treasurer.

Sam Barnes, school superintendent, was moderator in organizing the Lazbuddie Band Boosters. John A. Hudspeth, band director, was given a special round of applause for all he has done in directing the first year of band in the Lazbuddie School.

Plans are being made to raise funds for band uniforms and other expenses for the band. Anyone wishing to volunteer and help as a Band Booster is asked to call any of the officers.



**PLANS RETIREMENT** - V. C. "Vic" Venable of Farwell was to retire Wednesday, Dec. 31, as Farwell's first water superintendent. Venable began his 27-year career with the water works of Farwell in 1948 when he started working for a privately owned water system in the city. In addition to being water superintendent, for some time he was a member of the Farwell Volunteer Fire Department but due to a conflict in his superintendent duties and fireman duties, he resigned from the department. Upon his retirement, members of the unit recognized Venable and presented him a plaque which he and Mrs. Venable proudly display. The plaque was given in appreciation for Venable's "many years of support and service" to the unit.





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to take two consecutive Grand Prize wins in the local contest. Grabbing the Second Prize was local prognosticator Carl Kirkland.

Not all was on the light side for the Twin Cities during 1975. Officials sought public aid as juvenile crime was reported on the increase in Parmer County. Texico was also plagued by its share of burglaries and minor traffic acci-

dents. As 1976 begins in the Twin Cities, Texico is making plans for a clean-up campaign set for January 17 and Farwell is instituting a new tax, the city sales and use tax, with revenue from the one percent tax to be used to benefit the city by providing needed services, meeting expenses and easing the burden of higher taxation on property owners.



**TIME TO CATCH UP** - Vic Venable of Farwell plans to catch up a bit on his fishing during his retirement which became effective Wednesday, Dec. 31. Venable was presented a new rod and reel by members of the Farwell Volunteer Fire Department during a surprise retirement party recently. Upon his retirement, Venable ended a 27-year career as Farwell's first and only water superintendent.

Venable...

(Continued from Page 1) city took over, it was still just me," Venable reflected. "During that period of years, when we had a water line to go in, my superior officers would give me the authority to hire help. Doyle Goldsmith was my first full-time employee. I don't remember the year he started. Now my man is D.E. Hammit, Jr. He's been working with me for four years."

In looking back on his years as superintendent, Venable explained, "When I first started I had to deal with the Health Department. They had all the authority and were nice people. I worked with them and they worked with me. If trouble came up they were right here to help me in every respect. That's a part of this business that the public maybe doesn't understand."

"The Health Department is your friend. They will stay up or come to you at all hours of the night to help you because water and sewer situations are pretty tedious jobs. The people are helped through the Health Department and it's a wonderful thing."

"There are more people in Farwell than when I started and there are more kids in the schools and that's a wonderful thing. A superintendent must be interested in the health in

all people wherever he has jurisdiction. If an epidemic broke out here, the Health Department would be the first people I'd go to to know what to do and how to handle the situation."

He remarked that there are other people who are involved with the health of the people drinking a town's water. "We have the Water Quality Board, Safe Drinking Water Board and the Sanitation Board. I only had one class of superiors to deal with when I started and now that I'm retiring I have about four."

"We have had to shut down the water lots of times in order to save water," Venable stated. "If we had a main line to break I would first shut down the water and not waste it. A lot of people don't understand today is a critical time in the water business because the underground water is dropping fast. My prediction is that we are going to run out of water pretty fast. I'm not saying that to scare people but it is an actual fact. My records show with the way water is dropping, if people continue to use it the next 25 years as they have in the past 25, we will soon be out of water."

In regard to his retirement, Venable said, "I'm

going to open a tinker shop. Not the normal kind though. I mean that people can bring me something to work on but I don't intend to finish the job. I'll just 'tinker' with it and it's still theirs if they want it."

He then commented, "My home is here and my friends are here. And this is where I plan to stay. As far as hobbies or things like that, I like flowers and work in the yard. My wife and I have been married since 1929 and a lot of times I was away from home on business. I feel like a lot of my time is due her from here on out. If she wants to travel, we'll travel. She has raised our family almost all alone and I feel like she deserves what she wants from me."

The Venables are the parents of three children. They have two sons: Jerry of Amarillo and Melvin of Texico. The couple had a daughter who died at the age of 22 months. They also have three grandchildren, including two boys and one girl.

"The Lord has blessed me with health. I have never been sick much but I've been in the hospital a time or two. And, you know, you never realized how many friends you have until you get sick and then there is always someone knocking at your door. In a little town like this, everyone knows you and you have a lot of friends and that's all to be appreciated."

Among Venable's friends are members of the Farwell Volunteer Fire Department. "Vic" was once a member of the department but "the last few years I discontinued my membership because I was responsible for the water and when the fire whistle blew it was always my duty to check my pumps and check the water system to see that we had water."

And friends are what the Fireboys are. Upon learning of Venable's retirement, they "framed me and threw this supper. Some of them heard me talking about having some fishing to catch up on and the gang gave me a fishing rod and reel."

Members of the department also presented Venable a plaque with the inscription, "V.C. 'Vic' Venable - In appreciation for your many years of support and service, we salute you 'Mr. Commissioner,' Farwell Fireboys."

Texico Trustees Have Final Meeting

Members of the Texico City Council met in their final meeting of 1975 Tuesday, Dec. 23, and discussed the upcoming clean-up campaign for the city.

E. L. Mauldin, Dave Tanner and Ken Rhodes, representatives of the Environmental Improvement Agency of Clovis, met with Board members and discussed the campaign. Date for the event is January 17 and all city residents are urged to participate.

Chairmen for the campaign were named during the meeting with City Water Superintendent Billy Hammit and City Marshal Willie Ronquillo selected to head the event.

It was reported that members of the Texico Council are

seeking to meet with the Curry County Commissioners January 5 to discuss some of the solid waste problems of the city and ask assistance from the Commission.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Roland met with the Trustees and requested permission for a recreational trailer to remain at 400 Garwood Street for five

months. After a discussion, permission was granted.

City officials present for the session were Mayor Manford Turnbough and Trustees Bill Christian, Ruby Goforth, Bill Thigpen and City Attorney Harry Patton. City employees attending were Billy Don Arnold, Billy Hammit, Willie Ronquillo and Clara Wiehl.

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## Property Insurance Discussed At Commissioners Court Meet

Parmer County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, Dec. 22, and during the meeting discussed certain phases of the county insurance program.

Commissioners resolved, after lengthy discussion, that property insurance on the courthouse, law enforcement center and their contents be let on a quote basis instead of being split five ways as it is done now.

Parmer County Judge Paul Fortenberry was instructed to notify the five insurance companies involved asking for such quotes and that quotes be submitted prior to 11 a.m. January 12.

Jana Pronger, County Home Demonstration Agent, met with the Court for an updating on activities during the year. Following her report, Commissioners agreed that payment in the amount of \$75 is to be made to the Community Center in Friona for the use of the Center for various activities held by the Home Demonstration Agent and County Agricultural Agent Mack Head.

Further discussion was held relative to the office quarters of the extension agents. It was pointed out that these offices are in need of paneling and certain other repairs but that the Permanent Improvement

Fund does not currently have sufficient money to do the necessary work.

However, it was felt that investigation should be done and that some repairs may be taken care of at the present time. In regard to this situation, Commissioners resolved that certain pegboards requested by Miss Pronger be authorized and installed.

In other business a further discussion of the easement situation on the Ivy-Roming land at the damsite in Bovina was held.

Officials of the Parmer County Soil Conservation District met with the Court and, after varied and thorough discussion by all present, it was agreed that an Agreement and Stipulation prepared by the county attorney concerning crossing a certain easement, covering approximately 21.2 acres of land in the Northeast Corner of Section 33, Block B, Syndicate Subdivision, Parmer County, with a sprinkler system be approved.

Updating on the road situation and a general discussion was held to the effect that the Highway Department had sent informational letters to the utility companies involved and that certain individual clearances were being attempted by various land owners at the

present time.

A general discussion was held concerning the county tax structure and the possible necessity of changing the tax percentage. The tax assessor-collector and county attorney entered into this discussion extensively.

It was felt that a definite decision should be made at the first meeting of the Commissioners Court in January.

### Hospital Notes

Both Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Blain of Farwell were released Tuesday, Dec. 30, from Clovis Memorial Hospital where they had been receiving medical treatment.

Mrs. Blain was admitted Tuesday, Dec. 23, and Blain was admitted for treatment Wednesday, Dec. 24. According to a family member, both are doing well.

W. T. Magness is recuperating at home after being released recently from Lubbock Methodist Hospital after a lengthy confinement. According to his daughter, Mrs. Janie Bowery, Magness is "up and around and receiving visitors."

### FIRE CALLS

Both the Farwell and Texico Volunteer Fire Departments report one call during the past week.

On Wednesday, Dec. 24, the Farwell unit was summoned to extinguish a grass fire at 601 Avenue D.

Texico reported receiving one call for the emergency vehicle. On Saturday, Dec. 27, the vehicle was called to transport a woman to the Clovis hospital.

### SWCD NEWS

by Herb Evans

Recently I was talking to the seventh grade science classes in Friona. We were talking about soil and our environment. When talking about environment we naturally think of pollution.

We have heard lots about the pollution of our waterways. The biggest polluter of our waterways is soil. Where does this soil come from? It comes from our farms and ranches.

The way to stop this pollution is to apply good conservation measures on our farms here in Parmer County. You may not realize it, but the County Commissioners and the State Highway Department spend thousands of dollars each year removing this pollution from our bar ditches here in Parmer County. Of course, the bar ditches don't catch it all. As the water runs down our draws, it takes soil along with it and pollutes the lakes and streams on down toward the coast.

We should all be trying to stop the pollution we are creating. Come by and talk to the Soil Conservation Service in Friona.

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## Repotting Boosts Plants

"Healthy, vigorous and beautiful house plants can be grown during winter months if given a little special care," notes Everett Janne, landscape horticulturist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Plants placed outside for summer color as well as those kept inside should be repotted in fresh, rich soil.

When selecting new pots for house plants, check the drainage they provide. Plants can be grown in porous red clay, glazed crockery or plastic containers as long as they have good drainage, says the Texas A&M University System specialist.

"Select only pots which have neutral colors so they will not detract from the plant. House plants are grown for their attractive flowers and foliage and a gaudy pot can ruin the desired effect," contends Janne.

A container that is too large can also detract from the plant, so select the smallest pot that will hold the root system and still support the plant.

Good soil mixtures for house plants are available at florists and garden centers. For only a few plants, Janne suggests premixed and sterilized soil.

"If you prefer to prepare your own soil mixture, use two parts each of soil, shredded peat moss and coarse sand, and one part dried manure. To each bushel, add a half cup of 8-8-8 fertilizer and one cup of superphosphate. To sterilize the mixture to kill insects, disease organisms and weed seeds, bake it at 200 degrees F. for one hour," the horticulturist explains.

For a mixture that does not need sterilizing, use two parts each of shredded peat moss, perlite and vermiculite, and one part dried manure. Add one cup each of ground limestone and 5-10-5 fertilizer (or one-half cup of 12-12-12) to each bushel.

When preparing the pots, place a piece of broken pottery over the drain hole and add an inch-thick layer of fine gravel or crushed stone to promote drainage. In small pots, a half-inch layer may be enough.

To get the plant out of the old pot, invert the pot, hold the stem base between two fingers, tap the pot rim on a table edge and let the soil and roots fall into your palm.

After removing the outer

inch or more of the root ball to provide space for new rich soil, center the plant in the pot. Pack the soil firmly around the root ball, creating a downward slope from the stem to the pot edge. This will cause surface water to move away from the stem and reduce the possibility of rot. The soil level should be at least one-half inch below the rim of the pot.

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As we celebrate America's Bicentennial we are reminded that, while our founding fathers differed profoundly in their personal faith, they had learned from bitter experience that the health of any nation would depend upon the free exercise of religion within its society.

Based on their religious convictions they wrote eloquently in the Declaration of Independence, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights..."

These were men of spiritual insights who valued their God-given rights more than the material security they possessed. They did more than merely accept a faith in their Creator. They voluntarily lived by it and some died for it. It was no idle boast when they stated, "and for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

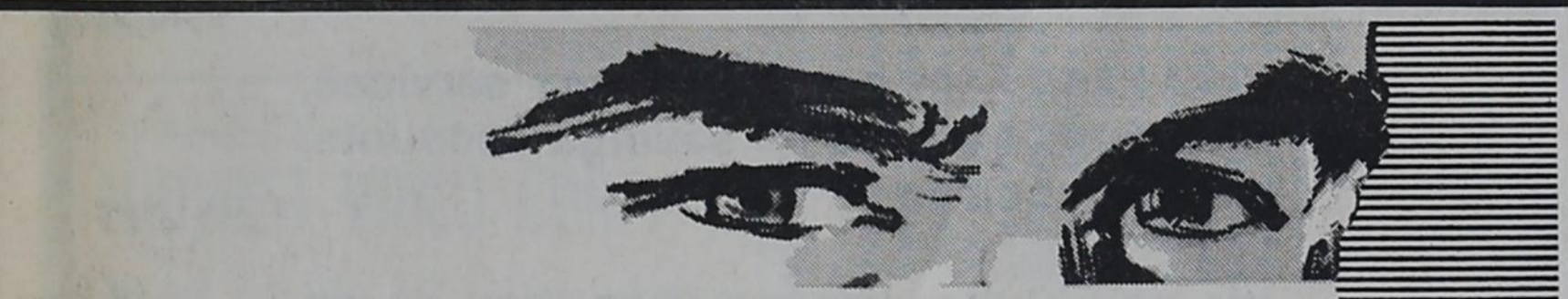
Religion has always been a cornerstone in American life and has in each generation provided us with men and women of enormous inner strength... a strength which came from God. Our religious institutions, preserved and sustained by our

forefathers, cultivated individual beliefs, brought an integrity of purpose to bear upon our social order, and propagated our highest moral and ethical values.

We who are privileged to live now need the same reliance on a religious faith if we are to achieve the equality of creation and to fulfill those "unalienable Rights." Our times demand as deep a faith, as firm a will, and as dedicated a people who will put God-given truth above self-serving ends. Religion was essential to our founding fathers and it must be a part of today's "survival kit" if a tricenennial is to be observed in the year 2076. At the beginning of it all, President George Washington stated, "To attempt government without God is impossible." Benjamin Franklin is reported to have said, "Men will be governed by God or they will be ruled by tyrants."

Welcome God into your Bicentennial celebration so that truth, which is the basis for the freedoms we cherish, may be preserved for posterity.

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# SPS Co. Sets Improvements

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

Expenditures for 1976 will be about \$73 million, while the projected expenditures for the other four years range from

\$65 million to \$104 million, the latter expenditure scheduled in 1980. The new equipment and improvements are necessary so that SPS can continue providing electric service for the 45,000-square mile area it serves.

Gerald F. Dorough, district manager of the Clovis District which includes Clovis, Portales, Texico and Farwell, says that

improvements in the Clovis area will be \$1,532,000 for the electric system and \$278,000 in Clovis for the water department.

"During the five-year period, Southwestern will be required to borrow about \$255-million to meet these construction expenditures," Tolk said.

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

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

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

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

Southwestern Public Service Company, through its fuel subsidiary, TUCO INC., is continuing its aggressive program to assure adequate fuel supplies. "The Company's traditional suppliers of natural gas have been successful in acquiring additional reserves and, at the present time, indicate that they have adequate supplies to meet their delivery needs," Tolk said. "While the introduction of coal as a fuel

to this area will not reduce the cost of electric service, it will act as a stabilizing factor."

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

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

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## Suits Change Personalities With Accessories

Men's suits can be dressed up or down, just as women's can, one authority said.

"Appropriate accessories can make on basic suit in a neutral color serve for work, parties or casual events," Margret Ann Vanderpoorten, clothing specialist, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, explained.

She suggested some guides in choosing accessories: —Select those that change the personality of the suit.

This means more than simply removing a tie to look more casual. Colors and patterns are the keys.

—Bold, contrasting sport shirts, sweater vests, or country shirts give a sporty or leisure look to a blazer suit.

—Pale colored dress skirts, foulard ties, and harmonizing patterns dress up the same suit for a more businesslike look.

—Choose shoes, hats and jewelry that add to the total look and complete the personality change.

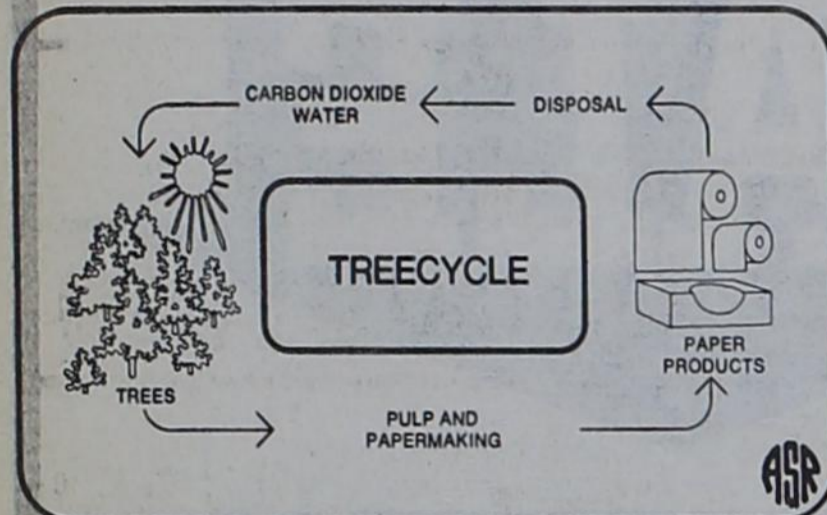
Jesse James loved chili so much that he refused to rob a bank in McKinney, Texas, because that's where his favorite chili parlor was located.



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For instance, the chemistry of tree growth shows that nature creates the wood in a tree by combining carbon dioxide and water. This process also depends upon energy from the sun. In the process of growth, oxygen is given off to the atmosphere while carbon dioxide is removed from it. This intake and output is vital in stabilizing the atmospheric envelope that surrounds the earth.

A young tree, at the height of its growth cycle, produces a maximum amount of oxygen. A tree which is decaying actually consumes oxygen. Therefore, proper management of the forests, which includes harvesting trees at the most favorable point in their growth, actually benefits the environment.

After a tree is harvested and made into paper, the paper is used by the consumer and then disposed. In the disposal process, paper goes through the process of oxidation which ultimately

converts it back to carbon dioxide and water which are then available for use by new trees whose growth perpetuates the cycle.

So, nature starts with energy from the sun, carbon dioxide and water, and grows a tree. The oxygen given off is equivalent to the amount ultimately needed by nature to turn the tree back into carbon dioxide and water, thus completing the "Treecycle." Man can stimulate tree growth, the use of products made from trees, and the conversion back to carbon dioxide and water — thus accelerating the treecycle for the mutual benefit of both mankind and the environment.

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WEDNESDAY -- Burritos with chili, grated cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, buttered corn, apple cobbler, bread, milk.

THURSDAY -- Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, onions, cheese slices, potato chips, buttered hominy, banana pudding, milk.

FRIDAY -- Tacos with meat and cheese, lettuce and tomato salad, pork and beans, iced chocolate cake, bread, milk.

## School Lunch Schedule at Texico

MONDAY -- Pinto beans, steamed wieners, coleslaw, cornbread, fruit cobbler, milk.

TUESDAY -- Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onions, cheese slice, lime gelatin with pears, milk.

WEDNESDAY -- Meat and cheese tacos, lettuce and tomato salad, buttered corn, cooky, peaches, milk.

THURSDAY -- Steak and gravy, creamed potatoes, celery stick, hot rolls, peanut butter and syrup, milk.

FRIDAY -- Meat loaf and catsup, buttered potatoes, tossed salad, hot rolls, apple half, chocolate milk.

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### The Consumer Alert

by John L. Hill  
Attorney General

AUSTIN—These days you frequently see someone wearing an expensive-looking squash blossom necklace or a heavy turquoise and silver bracelet or ring. One thing to remember is that fine, antique handmade Indian jewelry is extremely scarce, and as a result, quite expensive. However, many Indian artisans are creating authentic new jewelry, some of it in the old designs, some upon which to judge the value of such works is small.

The upsurge of interest in buying such American Indian jewelry has been great, but unfortunately the number of persons who have any knowledge of it in the old designs, some upon which to judge the value of such works is small.

Our Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division lawyers noted more than a year ago that this lack of expertise in evaluating authentic, handcrafted Indian jewelry meant there was a chance for misrepresentation by unscrupulous sellers.

Now, reports from several federal agencies indicate that a number of consumers feel they have been defrauded in their purchase of turquoise and silver jewelry.

Our Consumer Protection attorneys say the best safeguard inexperienced Indian jewelry purchasers can have is to deal with a knowledgeable, reputable dealer, one who has an established place of business in case you need to contact him later about any problem.

Some such dealers buy directly from Indian tribes who produce fine jewelry. Many belong to the Indian Arts & Crafts Association, which guarantees that merchandise will be as represented to purchasers. There are also museum shops that sell fine American Indian jewelry, as well as shops in national parks.

If high quality, craftsmanship and resale value are important to you, or if you intend to collect Indian jewelry, you probably will want to pay more for an item handmade by American Indians, in which sterling silver and fine turquoises are used.

But if you only want a pleasing design, or a piece to wear a few years, then you may be just as happy with a machine-

made item, perhaps of "Indian-inspired" design, but not necessarily made by Indians.

One thing to remember is that fine, antique handmade Indian jewelry is extremely scarce, and as a result, quite expensive. However, many Indian artisans are creating authentic new jewelry, some of it in the old designs, some upon which to judge the value of such works is small.

Experts say the fine, deep sky blue turquoises used in Indian jewelry are hard to obtain now too. The most valuable—and scarce—turquoises are Persian ones. American turquoise is lighter by nature than the Persian stones, but even fine American turquoise is becoming scarce.

Many of the dark blue turquoises found in modern Indian and "Indian-style" jewelry are lower-grade stones that have been treated with oil or wax to darken and intensify color, improve sheen, and add strength.

Treated turquoise, while inferior, should not necessarily be avoided, though. As long as treated stones are identified as such, and there is no attempt to deceive the purchaser, they can be a satisfactory answer to the shortage of high-grade turquoise.

The main thing is to find a dealer or jeweler who will be frank about a piece of American Indian jewelry. Then you can decide for yourself what you want and can afford to pay. Often only an expert can assess the details that make the difference between a magnificent example of Indian craftsmanship and merely a pretty necklace.

If you want to know more about Indian jewelry, contact the Indian Arts & Crafts Board in the Interior Department, Washington D.C. If you have a consumer complaint about misrepresentation in the sale of American Indian jewelry, contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division.



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# Holiday Visits And Visitors

Visiting with Mrs. Freddie Harriman of Farwell over the Christmas holidays were her sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Harriman, Katrina and Anasia of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Harriman of Crane, Tex. They also visited in the home of their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Ford and children.

Joining the group for Christmas Day dinner in the Ford home were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Russell of Portales, an uncle and aunt.

Janis Billingsley of Amarillo visited over the holidays in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Billingsley. Christmas Eve dinner guests in the Billingsley home in the Oklahoma Lane Community, in addition to Janis, were Bruce

Billingsley, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jones and children, Mrs. Cora McGuire and Mrs. E. F. Billingsley.

Colene Lane and Tim of Guthrie, Okla., and Cindy Landrum, formerly of Guthrie, visited the past week in Farwell in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Landrum, and with their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Landrum. Cindy has moved back from Guthrie to Farwell to make her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Vinton, Carol, Vicki and Robin of Farwell hosted a pre-Christmas dinner for Mrs. Vinton's family Sunday, Dec. 21. Attending were her mother, Mrs. Della Kirkland of Amarillo; Jorene Kirkland, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy

Kirkland and Jimmy, all of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Davey Kirkland and John David of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Kirkland and Terry of Shallowater, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kirkland of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kirkland and Leigh Ann, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kirkland and Brandon, all of Farwell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allan Kirkland of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kirkland, Lori and Jeff of Amarillo.

Visiting with Janie Bowery of Farwell during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bowery and Micheal of Houston, Charles Bowery of Carlsbad and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Engram of Houston.

A pre-Christmas dinner was hosted Sunday, Dec. 21, by Mrs. Carrie Christian of Farwell. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wendol Christian, Loy and Tammy, Mr. and Mrs. Eddi Corn and Clay, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Christian, Trumi and Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Darnell, Ray, Randy and David of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Christian, Vic, Sharmy, Todd, and Mr. and Mrs. Van Crume, Keralee and Chad of Albuquerque.

Mrs. Christian returned to Albuquerque with the Crumes and visited during the remainder of the holidays, returning home Saturday, Dec. 27.

Curtis Lee Graham of Arlington was in Texico Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, to visit in the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Anson Bower.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Carpenter of the Oklahoma Lane Community were Maj. and Mrs. Don Carpenter and Stephen of El Paso and Mrs. Ollie Carpenter of Farwell, mother and grandmother of the Carpenters.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Roberts of Farwell for the Christmas holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sheets of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller of Lockney and Beverly Roberts of Lubbock. Also visiting were Mrs. Roberts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Whitlow of Kress.

## Marriage Licenses

During the past week, one marriage license has been issued by the Parmer County Clerk. Receiving the license were Clive Raymond Lynk and Flowella Morris.



by Cynthia Lee  
Director, Consumer Relations Dept.  
Texize Chemicals Co.

## THE ROSE

In art and architecture, in history, in literature—everywhere we turn, there is admiring reference to the rose.

Sappho christened the rose the Queen of flowers more than 2500 years ago. The rose is a symbol of royalty, elegance and love.

Whether you buy roses from your florist, or bring them fresh from the garden, cutting and conditioning the stem is an important part of flower arranging.

Here are a few simple steps for you to follow:

\* Cut the stems at an angle. Remove all the thorns and any unwanted leaves. Wrap the stems in thick, non-absorbant paper—this will give



them support when they have their first good drink of water. Split the stems up from the base. Add a capful of Prolong Cut Flower Preserver to each cup of vase water and the roses are ready to arrange. It will double the life of the roses and enhance their blooming.

\* Follow this same method for tulips and any other soft-stemmed flower.

\* When working with flowers with hard, woody stems, cut them at an angle. Remove the thick bark and hammer the bottom half inch to break down the fibers. Place them into deep water for a long drink.

## Billingtons Visit Here

During the Christmas holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Sterlyn Billington of Farwell hosted their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Billington and Kelly of Fort Worth, and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Williams, Lynne and Lyle of Houston.

The Mike Billingtons arrived Christmas Eve and spent the night with his parents and had Christmas Day breakfast in their home before visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pershing Busbice of Farwell, for Christmas Dinner. They also visited

with Mrs. Loucile Foster during the afternoon of Christmas Day.

Kelly visited with her grandparents while her parents were in Albuquerque Friday and Saturday. The family left Sunday, Dec. 28, to return to Fort Worth.

The Williams family arrived Friday evening, Dec. 26, and visited until Monday, Dec. 29, when Mr. and Mrs. Williams traveled to Lovington. Lynne is visiting with the Billingtons while her parents are gone.

## Sew Your Own Ski Wear

Ski wear sewn at home looks just as great on the ski slopes as readymade — at half the cost, one clothing specialist noted this week.

"The homemaker can use special ski wear patterns or even adapt regular pattern styles for snow fashions," Beverly Rhoades, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System pointed out.

In making outer wear, such as warm-ups, take measurements over all garments to be worn underneath — the pattern size will be two or three sizes larger than usual, she said.

"Special snow wear fabrics are now available. Nylon is popular because it's water repellent, strong, lightweight, and fast drying.

"Urethane-coated nylon is waterproof, making it ideal for outer wear.

"Uncoated nylon is lightweight and ideal for windbreakers, warm-ups or parka linings. Both coated and uncoated nylon are available in 44-45 inch widths," the specialist explained.

Other fabrics she mentioned as being suitable for ski wear

are quilted nylon with polyester filling, stretch fabrics with a blend of 85 per cent wool and 15 per cent lycra. Fabrics with at least 50 per cent wool will hold and retain warmth better.

"Knit fabrics with a double layer of nylon and a light fleece interior also provide warmth and comfort."

Heavy, durable zippers with large tabs or rings, which can be handled with gloves on, are best for ski wear, she noted.

When sewing on heavy, dense fabrics, the specialist advised using a large (16-18) needle and heavy thread. For seams in quilted fabrics, use small stitches (8 to the inch) to ensure warmth and wind resistance, she said.

"For lighter weight fabrics, a fine needle (9-10) may be desirable. For best results, use a ball point needle on synthetics.

"Since machine tension is vitally important, make a test seam before sewing on the pattern pieces. Adjust tension as needed," the specialist reminded.



Cotton was planted in the first garden established by the colonists at Jamestown, Va., in 1607.

While the first crop failed, experiments in cotton cultivation continued for the next few decades. By 1693, cotton apparently was being grown in Carolina on a scale large enough to permit its export to other colonies. Proprietors of the Carolina colony wrote a letter commending the governor on the care he had taken in regard to cotton transported from Carolina to other plantations.

Shortly before the Revolutionary War, cotton was being raised extensively in various colonies chiefly for domestic use.

Its cultivation as a garden crop was so well known in the vicinity of Easton, Md., Cape May, N.J., and Sussex, Del., by 1776 that cotton was grown in these areas to help supply the needs of the American army.

At the same time, colonists in Pennsylvania raised enough cotton to supply their domestic needs.

In the early 1820's cotton also was being grown on a small scale in New York, on the seaboard of Connecticut, and on the Wabash River in Illinois.

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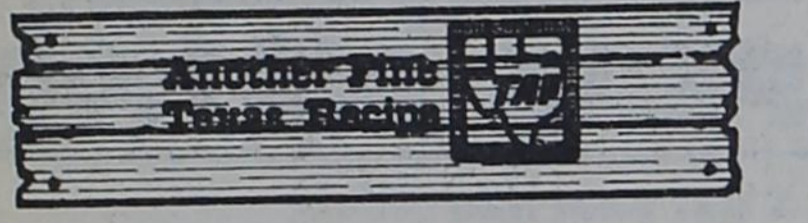
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By John Ricci

Significant changes are on the horizon for researchers working on agricultural projects. Underlying factor for these changes is the growing consensus among scientists that current research with its aims at yield increases through better fertilization and cultivation technique may be nearing its peak. In short, there is a growing feeling that we are reaching the stage of making a plant produce all that is possible. That's the reason for the change in direction. Scientists are now beginning to experiment on changes in the biological potential of plants. Basic changes in photosynthesis are being considered. Methods of limiting a plant's respiration are under study and the strange yield increases of some plants when exposed to carbon dioxide are being examined. In short, the new direction for research involves changing the plant itself in ways which could develop new and much greater yield increases.

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## TEXAS PEANUT PIE

- 2 Tbsp. flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 cup dark corn syrup
- 3 eggs
- 2 Tbsp. butter
- 1 cup salted peanuts
- 1/2 cup coconut
- 1 unbaked 9-inch pie shell

Combine flour, sugar and salt. Add water and syrup, blending well and boiling gently 3-5 minutes. Slowly pour mixture into slightly beaten eggs, stirring continuously. Add butter. Spread peanuts and coconut over bottom of pie shell. Pour filling into crust. Bake at 425 degrees 10 minutes. Reduce heat and bake at 350 degrees 20 minutes.

For additional recipes write Commissioner John C. White, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Tex. 78711.

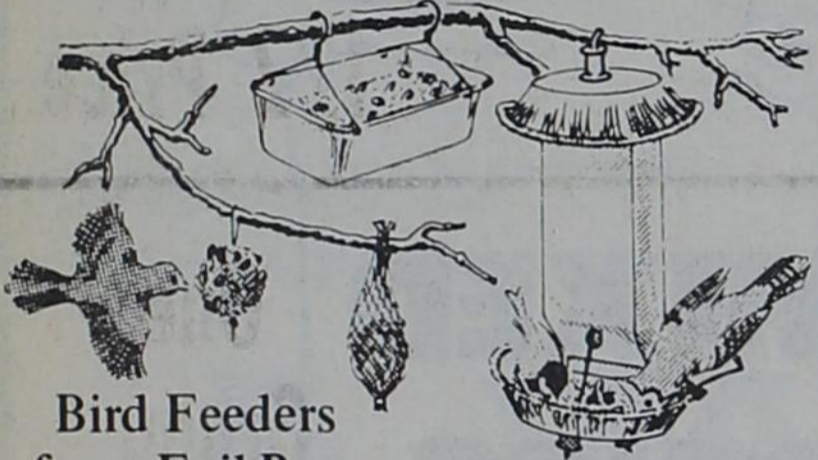
To turn canned baked beans into something special, add honey, mustard and a little ginger, say Texas Department of Agriculture home economists.

More than one billion pounds of frankfurters and wieners — an average of 80 hot dogs for each American — are produced under federal inspection in a year, according to Agriculture Commissioner John C. White.

The average Texan consumes around 64 pounds of dressed pork annually, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has said.

## Scrap-Craft Fun

with Edna



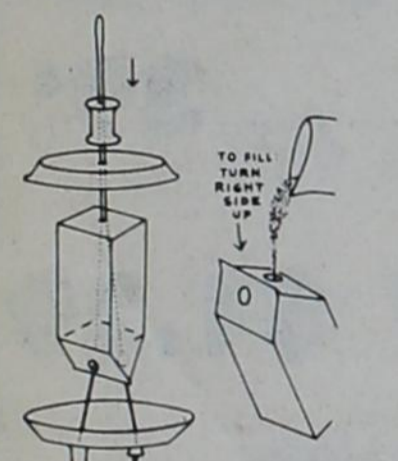
### Bird Feeders from Foil Pans

In the January doldrums? Brighten the days by making a bird feeding station and putting it in your yard. The sight of the birds coming daily will give you a lift. You'll be helping our feathered friends to survive. The feeders are easy to make from materials you probably have at hand.

For a very simple feeder, insert the ends of two coat hangers into the top of a foil pan. Hang on a branch or clothesline.

For an automatic feeder, you will need two foil pie pans, a half-gallon milk carton, and three wooden spoons.

In the carton, cut 1" openings in the sloping sides and punch a hole in the bottom. Punch a hole in one pie tin for the roof and two holes in the bottom of the other pie tin to match the holes in the carton.



Assemble the feeder from the top down, with a double heavy cord, as shown. Use a large wooden spool at the top and two smaller spools at the bottom. Knot the cord under the bottom spools. Push down on the carton firmly so it hangs straight, but leave a space of at least 1/2" between the carton and the feeding tray so the food flows out easily.

To fill the hopper, turn the carton right side up and slide down top spool, roof and carton so you can pour seed into the openings. Invert quickly after filling, pull snugly and tie cords above spool to hold roof on. Hang on tree. As birds eat, the tray will refill.

### Food Suggestions

Fill your feeder with cracked nuts, corn, peanuts, sunflower seeds, bread crumbs, raisins, corn meal, popcorn, or rolled oats.

Suet, hung from branches in small mesh bags, is a valuable addition to the bird's diet. Suet may also be rolled in bird seed and tied to a branch.

For more nature craft ideas, made from wood, you'll enjoy the book, "Easy Wood Projects for Boys." Anyone 8 or over will enjoy the many projects — from birdhouses to candleholders — featured in this book. To get your copy, send \$1.50 with your name and address for book number 120 to:

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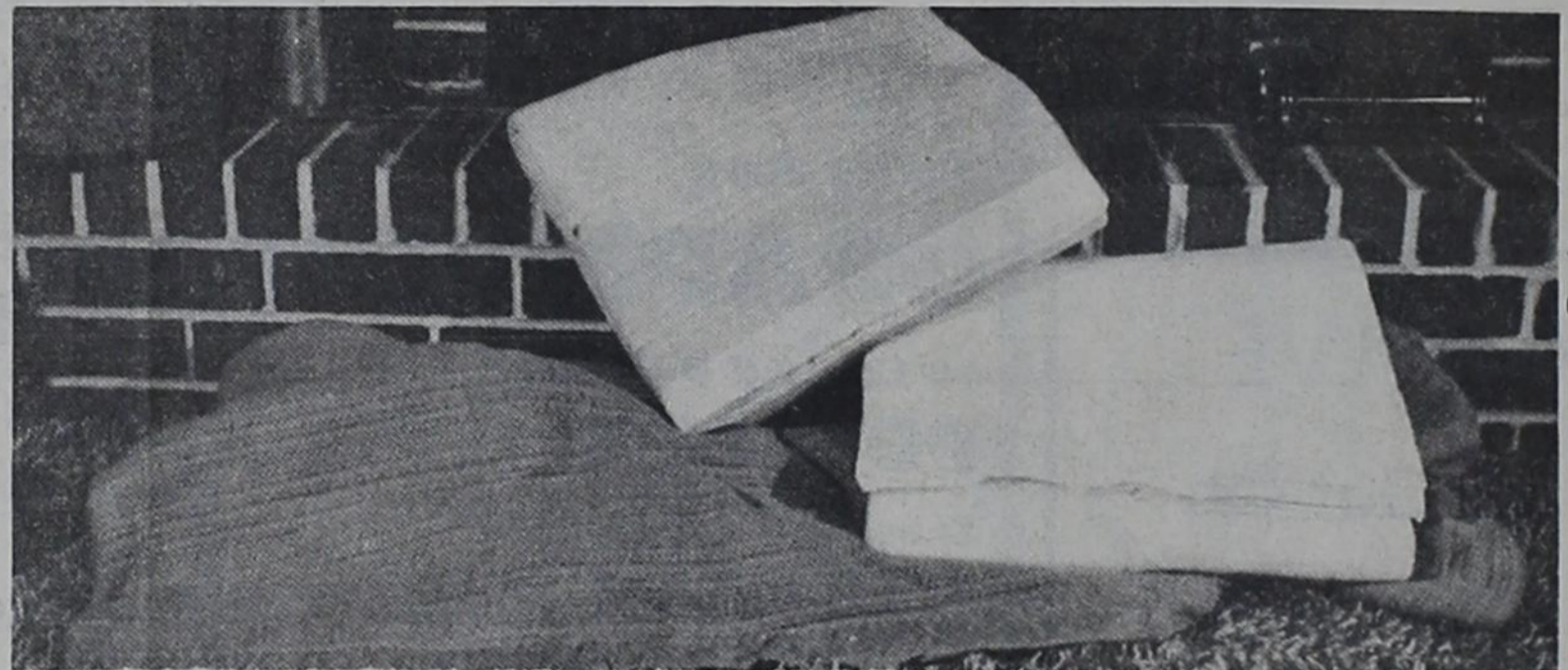
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## Marriage Announced

Katie Busbice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pershing Busbice of Farwell, and Ben Nicewarner, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Nicewarner, also of Farwell, were united in marriage Tuesday, Dec. 16, in Farwell.

Following a trip to Fort Worth after their wedding, they are making their home in Farwell.

## Texico WMU Hosts Study

Mrs. Lynette Thompson, New Mexico State Women's Missionary Union president, and Rev. Joel Horne, interim pastor of Texico First Baptist Church, presented a mission study book Wednesday, Dec. 17, during regular worship services.

The study, entitled "Sick and Ye Visited Me," was sponsored by the church's WMU which served refreshments of punch and cookies following the study.

## Carrie Haseloff Feted At Pre-Nuptial Shower

Carrie Haseloff of Farwell, bride-elect of Samuel Drager of Friona, has recently been honored at three bridal showers.

On December 12 a shower was conducted at Immanuel Lutheran Parish Hall in the Rhea community.

Christmas corsages of gold and white were presented to the honoree, the prospective bridegroom's mother, Mrs. John Drager of Clovis; the bride-elect's mother, Mrs. A. H. Haseloff; and grandmother of the bride-elect, Mrs. H. F. Peiman of Farwell.

The refreshment table was laid with a lace cloth and centered with a Christmas poinsettia. Refreshments of coffee, spiced punch and Christmas breads were served.

Sister of the honoree, Margaret Beavers, presided at the registry table.

Hostesses for the affair were Martha Schueler, Donna Schueler, Dorothy Self, Cecelia Schueler, Ruth Boyd, Maudie Grissom, Corrairie Jaroskie, Lorna Schueler, Esther Sachs, Barbara Williams, Dorris White and Selma Habbinga.

Hostesses' gift was a set of

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## Wedding Reminders

All friends and relatives of Carrie Marie Haseloff and Samuel Robert Drager are reminded of the couple's wedding to be held today (Friday), Jan. 2, at 6:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church at Lariat and the reception to follow.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Haseloff of Farwell. Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. John Drager of Friona. \*\*\*\*\*

Rebecca Louise Brandt and Lester Ray Norton will exchange wedding vows Saturday, Jan. 3, at 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1200 South Washington in Amarillo.

All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend the wedding and reception to follow at the Amarillo Club.

Parents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Frank Lyons of Amarillo. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Norton of Farwell.

## W. N. Fosters Celebrate Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Foster of Farwell were honored on their 55th wedding anniversary Friday, Dec. 26, when members of their family gathered for Christmas dinner at their home.

The serving table was centered with an arrangement of fresh cut carnations and chrysanthemums, a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Steve Foster and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foster. Also included in the decorations was a bouquet of poinsettias.

Attending the combination anniversary-Christmas celebration were Rev. and Mrs. B.

J. Foster and Cindy of Anton, Mr. and Mrs. Nicky Foster, Tony, Kirk and Connie of DeKalb, Tex., Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Bell, Jack and Jill of Clovis, Jady Bell of Lubbock Christian College, Mr. and Mrs. George Harold Trimble and Lynn of Pleasant Hill and Cheryl Ward of Clovis, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Russell of Clovis, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Welch of Portales, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Foster, Kelly and Matthew, Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon Foster, Georgie Foster and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Foster and Monty, all of the Oklahoma Lane community.

## Kate Phillips Honored At 'Surprise' Christmas

It was "just about the nicest Christmas ever" for Mrs. Kate Phillips of Farwell when all of her children and some of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren surprised her and were "home" for Christmas recently. This was the first time all the children had been together in a little more than 12 years and the first Christmas spent together in 15 years.

A Christmas dinner featuring roast prime rib, turkey, ham and all the trimmings was enjoyed by the four sons and one daughter and their families who attended. The afternoon of Christmas Day was spent taking pictures, visiting and singing Christmas songs and other selections led by Charlie Phillips accompanied by his guitar.

Those attending were the guest of honor, Kate Phillips of Farwell; Carthon, Doris and Todd Phillips of Austin, Elaine Petersen of Kansas City, Mo.,

Charlie Phillips of Amarillo, Billie Phillips, Penny and Thad Phillips and Ty, Pam and Tyal Phillips, all of Lubbock; Jerry, Linda, Jerilyn and Jennifer Irby of Carrollton, Joe, Connie, Jori and Jinger Fiola of Canyon, Al Phillips of Morton, Cindy and Donnie Carthel of Floydada, Liz Phillips of Farwell, Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Yearly of Fort Worth, Mrs. Liz Phillips' parents; Glenn Phillips, and Bunk Phillips, both of Farwell.

Also attending were Mrs. Bonnie King, who makes her home with Mrs. Phillips, and Mrs. Alvenia Cox of Farwell, mother of Billie Phillips.

Only 10 family members were not able to attend. They were Pete Petersen, Charlotte and Tom Barnabas and Debbie, Chris, Paul and Ellen, all of Kansas City, Mo., Craig Phillips of Austin, and Mary Catherine Kennedy and Tracy Phillips, both of California.

## Variety Club Celebrates Christmas, Thanksgiving

Members of the Oklahoma Lane Variety Club met Thursday, Dec. 18, in the home of member Janie Sides in Hereford for their Christmas meeting.

Following a short business session, members revealed secret pals and drew names for secret pals for 1976.

Refreshments were served to Gertrude Foster, Allie Mae Bandy, Pearl Grissom, Lola Jean Grissom, Carrie Christian, Garner Briscoe, Cora McGuire, Loucile Foster, the hostess, and one visitor, Lois Magness of Cortez, Colo.

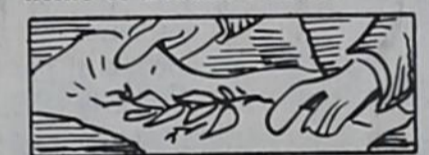
Prior to the Christmas meeting, Variety Club members met during November at the home of Carrie Christian for

their Thanksgiving dinner.

The hostess and Loucile Foster prepared turkey and the trimmings while other members provided the vegetables and desserts.

Following a short business meeting games of "42" were played.

Next meeting of the club will be held January 21 at the home of Loucile Foster.



The ancient Greeks believed that they would acquire inspiration by sleeping with laurel leaves under their pillows.

## TRIBUTE from across the desk of Joann Getz

About the cutest thing that has come to our attention in some time was a letter we received - a bit belatedly - to Santa Claus. It was written on a 6x9 sheet of stationery, triple-folded to make an envelope.

On the outside of "the envelope" was a Christmas gift seal, of Mr. and Mrs. Snowman, for the postage stamp. The letter was addressed: "To - Santa Claus." No address, but with the notation "mail it fast." It was written in pencil and obviously in the scrawled hand of a very young child.

The letter inside read as follows: "Dear Santa Claus, I wear size 7 and it is at Rip's and I want it in my stoking at grandmo's house before I go to moms. From Michael Paul Skaggs." Inside a lopsided-drawn heart were the words "I love you."

It's a good thing that Santa is such a smart man as the young man didn't say what the article was that he wanted. Even though the letter didn't arrive until Christmas Eve Day, we're sure that Santa got the message.

Also, the Tribune staff thinks that Texico and Farwell has some pretty smart and speedy postmasters to figure all this out and process this type of mail with top priority.

## Curtises Host Christmas For Crim Family

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis and Lesley of Farwell were hosts this year for the annual Crim Family Christmas and celebration marking the birthday of J. W. Crim of Muleshoe.

Menu for the affair was a Mexican Dish Dinner.

Attending as family members and guest were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crim of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Crim, Kirk, Greg, Rod and Vickie of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Crim and Lisa of Weatherford, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Curtis and Clay of Amarillo, Mrs. Mabelena Monroe of Clovis, the hosts, and guest, Kathy White.

## Epsilon Sigma Alpha Hosts Christmas Party

Members of Theta Rho Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority hosted their husbands at the organization's annual Christmas party. The event was held Saturday, Dec. 20, at Colonial Country Club in Clovis.

During the evening, club members' secret pals were revealed and gifts were exchanged. Names of secret pals

for the forthcoming year were drawn.

The door prize of the Christmas centerpiece used on the main dining table was won by Donna Jordan.

Those attending were served a meal of steak, baked potatoes, blueberry shortcake and drinks.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Parr, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Christian, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Helton, Mr. and Mrs. Pike Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gerries, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Castleberry, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Christian, Mr. and Mrs. Don Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Liethen, Mr. and Mrs. Mitz Walling, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Williams and Rosa Roberts.

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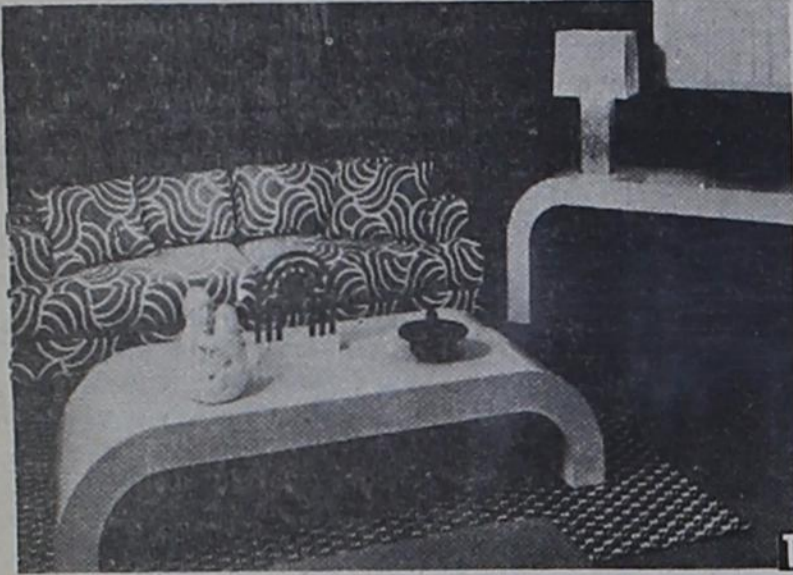
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Nice 462 A. irrigated farm. Five wells. Some grass land. With a very nice 3-bedroom home. On Highway 84, east of Amherst. \*\*\*\*\*

Nice 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, brick front house, with garage, fenced back yard. Nice location in Farwell. \*\*\*\*\*

Lays near perfect. 200 A. with sprinkler near Bovina. \*\*\*\*\*

2 bedroom, 1 bath, stucco house, with garage. Beautiful yard, large storm cellar, in Farwell. \*\*\*\*\*

Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath house with garage. Good location in Bovina. \*\*\*\*\*

1 bedroom house with living room, kitchen, carport, bath. Good location. Priced to sell. \*\*\*\*\*

3 bedroom, 2 bath, house with basement room. Good location in Farwell. \*\*\*\*\*

Newly painted and carpeted 3 bedroom, 2 baths, stucco, with garage, fenced back yard and storage shed, nice location. \*\*\*\*\*

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WD - Bobby L. Fillpot - Aubrey Bock - N 20 ft. lot 15, Blk. 65, Bovina.  
WD - Walter R. Broadhurst - R. V. Brown - Part of lots 8 & 9, Blk. 3, 1st, instal. Welch Ac., Friona.  
WD - James A. Taylor - Forrest W. Osborn - 0.037 ac. out Sec. 6, T4S; R4E.  
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**A NEW YEAR WISH**

We wish all of our readers a blessed New Year. For believers in Christ it will be most blessed of all if this coming year turns out to be the year of our Lord's coming for His own.

How long the present dispensation of grace will be prolonged we do not, and cannot know. Even Saint Paul, who was commissioned to make known the glorious truth of the rapture of the Church, did not know. He never dreamed that God would linger in mercy for more than 1900 years, for in I Thessalonians 4:16-18 he says: "WE who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, SHALL BE CAUGHT UP..." Thus instructed Bible-believers in every generation since his day have rightly been on the alert for their Lord to come for them, for they know that "the days are evil" and every hour is an hour of grace.

To the Philippians the apostle wrote: "WE LOOK FOR THE SAVIOUR"; and to the Thessalonians: "YE...WAIT FOR HIS (GOD'S) SON FROM HEAVEN"; and to Titus he says we should be "LOOKING FOR THAT BLESSED HOPE, AND THE APPEARING IN GLORY OF...OUR SAVIOUR, JESUS CHRIST" (Phil. 3:20; I Thes. 1:9,10; Tit. 2:11-13).

With the Lord's coming and the close of "the Dispensation of the Grace of God" so much nearer than it was in Paul's day, we say to the unsaved: "RECEIVE NOT THE GRACE OF GOD IN VAIN...NOW IS THE DAY OF SALVATION" (II Cor. 6:1,2). And to the saved, we say: "BUY UP THE TIME," take advantage of every opportunity to win the lost to Christ, FOR "THE DAYS ARE EVIL" (Eph. 5:16) and the day of grace may soon end.

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The Texas Department of Health Resources is training aerial snoopers.

That's right, snoopers. But it's all for a good cause. They are training and have trained people around Texas to track down radioactive sources in the event of a peace-time disaster or nuclear explosion. Aerial monitoring sets are in 22 locations in the state, not counting state agencies, and are mostly in the hands of Civil Defense personnel. These are in Dallas, Nederland, Tyler, Killeen, Waco, Conroe, Odessa, Lubbock, San Angelo, Amarillo, El Paso, Anahuac, Corpus Christi, Big Spring, Fort Worth, Dickinson, Harlingen, Pecos, Kingsland, Denton, Nacogdoches and Wichita Falls.

Recently, the Dallas Police Department completed the Aerial Radiological Monitors School under the guidance of Jack E. Beck and Gene Weatherall, instructors with the Emergency Medical Services Division. Jim Maris is Dallas Radiological Defense Officer.

The nine Dallas officers already had received ground monitoring training. They are among trained personnel at points around Texas where approximately 3,870 monitoring sets are located.

Use of radiological devices is on the upswing in Texas, according to the Department's Division of Occupational Health and Radiation Control. Dave Lacker, with the Division, said approximately 1,250 licenses have been issued for use of radioactive devices in Texas. They are found in medical centers and industry and have been long-used in oil explorations.

Lacker said a few incidents occur occasionally. Maybe some of the devices get lost in shipment. "But," he said, "most of the accidents and incidents occur in-house, where the devices are used, and pose no threat to the public."

Residents of Dickens and Burnet County had a flurry of excitement recently when two Thomas radium cones turned up in the hands of school children. These cones, containing coriolite ore with low grade uranium, had been sold in the past as a medical cure-all to be placed in drinking water and left overnight.

Lacker advises anyone finding these cones, or anything with the radiation symbol on it, to notify the Department of Health Resources or civil authorities. "Some of these devices can be hazardous. They should never be picked up and taken home. Devices in transit are encased in some form of lead shield, which should not be opened," he said.

In case of a spill of radioactive materials, or the search for a particular source, monitoring devices can be used from the ground or the air - if the source is large.

Tom E. Payne, of the EMS Division, said three types of monitoring devices are used,

from the extremely sensitive Geiger counter to the pen-sized dosimeter which measures accumulated exposure. "The Geiger counter is so sensitive it can be used to trace small amounts of contamination in food, water or on an individual's clothing," he said.

Trainees receive classroom instruction and then learn to use the equipment in the field under realistic circumstances. Small radioactive sources of about 30 millicuries are used in training and are carried in lead containers. In an exercise dubbed as an Easter egg hunt, the source is deposited in an unknown location for the students to find. This experience can be useful later in locating lost radioactive sources.

The Dallas police aerial training involved the use of a helicopter. The detection device gives off a tone which is affixed to a tape recorder. The pilot-observer uses a throat microphone to put times and locations on the recording tape. If the equipment picks up a radioactive source, the tone identifies it and the operator can pinpoint the location.

The health agency supplies monitoring kits to trained persons throughout the state. The Radiological Maintenance and Calibration Program of the EMS Division exchanges the instruments every two years. The returned instruments are checked, re-conditioned and recalibrated.

Additional instruments are available for issuance to hospitals, cities and counties who want monitoring equipment. During the past year 203 kits were issued.

When an accident occurs, the information is channeled to the Division of Occupational Health and Radiation Control, where trained personnel react to the report. In any incident, it is first necessary to decontaminate any personnel and keep down further exposure by isolating the area. All Civil Defense agencies and local governments are encouraged to have a radiological defense officer. The Department of Health Resources assists them in writing emergency plans.

The goal is to have trained people in every county in the state. So far, 248 of the state's 254 counties do have trained monitors.



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The Railroad Section of the Texas Safety Association has been instrumental in efforts to educate motorists and make them aware of the danger presented at railroad grade crossings. In fact, crossing railroad tracks without stopping when flasher warning signals, bells or gates are in

operation is a violation of the Texas motor vehicle law. Yet, Texans die every year as a result of ignoring warnings of danger, threats of prosecution, or just plain common sense.

TSA's Railroad Section offers this advice for being able to LIVE with railroad crossings:

- Never feel that just because you've never seen a train on a certain crossing - or haven't seen one there for some time - that there never will be one. Approach every crossing with care, look in both directions, and be prepared to stop.

- Be especially aware where automatic crossing signals are not present. And don't put yourself in a position where trees, brush, or other obstructions block your view of the tracks in both directions.

- Never stop on the tracks, even if the signals start

flashing or the gates begin their descent. Continue quickly across the tracks. If your car stalls on the tracks, get everyone out of and away from it. If no train is approaching, you can attempt to remove the car from the tracks.

- Finally, don't let the conveniences of air conditioning, stereo or car radios become your undoing. Turn down the volume and roll down the window when approaching railroad tracks. Train whistles carry a long way, but few sounds can penetrate today's autos, designed for complete quiet from outside noise - and blaring radios or stereos make whistles even harder to hear. So the Texas Safety Association Railroad Transportation Section asks you to tune it down, and don't take a chance at having to listen to a steady diet of harp music!

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Bicentennial Notebook - -

# 1775 Is Beginning Of Decisive Years

by Donald Whisenhunt

As 1775 drew to a close, American colonists could look forward to the new year much more confidently than they had welcomed the year just 12 months earlier. Although 1776 was the year when the official decision to declare independence was made, in many ways 1775 had been more decisive.

When 1775 began Americans were much more divided on their future course. Although they had taken steps to achieve a continental unity, this was still a dream to be achieved by the radicals. Americans as a whole were certainly not committed to independence. Even as the year ended those supporting an independent course were still not in the majority, but their

numbers had grown over the year.

The year 1775 was when hostilities began. Some historians believe that the act of spilling blood in an organized fashion may well have made reconciliation impossible. Whether true or not other events of the year further drove the two sides apart and gained converts for the American radicals. The apparent insensitivity of King George and the British Parliament contributed to the widening gulf.

As the year drew to a close, the possibility of healing the bleeding wound between mother and child seemed more and more remote.

Even so, Americans did not seem to have a very bright future when they looked ahead to 1776. The colonial unity, so necessary to success, was still far from perfect. The colonies had only a makeshift government with authority and power that was more imagined than real. Military power to face the world's most powerful empire was woefully inadequate; the possibility of gaining foreign aid was quite remote. The economic and financial stability of the united colonies was sadly lacking. Internally, at least one-third, and probably more, of the citizens were loyal to Britain and hostile to American resistance.

Even so, 1776 did prove to be a year of decision that would point the direction for the next 200 years. Even with the frustration and hardship, it was a year of excitement.

One year ended and another began in Texas in much the same fashion as other years. This was not a period of excitement and turmoil in Texas as it was in English America.

In Texas life was hard and routine. Little happened to upset the routine except for the Indian raids that might be expected at any time. The residents of Texas could look forward to 1776 being much like 1775.

Changes were coming to the Spanish Empire, but in 1775 the residents of Texas had little knowledge of outside events and were unaware of the colonial reforms being planned.

Newly Organized - -

## Lazbuddie Bands Present First Concert

The first Lazbuddie Longhorn Band Annual Christmas Extravaganza was held Monday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lazbuddie School Auditorium with a large crowd enjoying the music under the direction of John A. Hudspeth, band director.

The Fifth and Sixth Grade Band students played "Some Folks Do," "Ein und Zwei (One and Two)" and "Jingle Bells."

For the Seventh and Eighth Grade Band performance, "Castles in Spain" and "America" were presented. Hugh Moseley of the Parmer County Bicentennial Committee presented a bicentennial flag to Sam Barnes, superintendent, for the Lazbuddie School.

The Fourth Grade Music Class sang "Jingle Bells" and each student then played Christmas selections on a tonette. They played "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," "Twinkle, Twinkle" and "Good King

Wincelas." As the finale, the Lazbuddie Symphonic Wind Ensemble played "Deck the Halls" and "Silent Night" while the Fourth Grade Music Class sang the accompanying words.

Members of the Fourth Grade Music Class are Patti Alexander, Launa Brockman, Leah Collins, Esperanza Gallegos, Peggy Conteras, Sharon Glover, Mario Gomez, Noe Gonzales, Rafael Gonzales, Rogelio Gonzales, Israel Garcia, Kevin Fuqua, Chris Ivy, Dewayne Ivy, Donna King, Sean Mason, Evariste Sanchez, Lee Scott, Shane Smith, Jeff Standridge, Jana Rogers, Jose Trevizo, Tony Waddell, Franky Garcia, Tina Petree, Tonya Derrick and Christie Morgan.

Members of the Fifth and Sixth Grade Band are Alton Bradley, Janice Becks, Jana Briggs, Vio Burchett, Mary Burton, Bart Elliott, Gay Elliott, Susan Glover, Johnny Gonzales, Kim Gregory, Ray

Ann Hicks, Chanse Ivy, Lori Ivy, Frank Jesko, Mark Lust, Trestia Moore, Danny Powell, Joey Richards, Rudy Rocha, Daniel Schacher, Cara Smith, John Spencer, Douglas Stanley, Terry Steinbock, Rachel Summer, Shari Templar, Joe Dan Tarter, Kerry Winders, Sandra Zamora, George Moron and Ariel Sanchez.

Members of the Seventh and Eighth Grade Band are Joe Dan Briggs, B. J. Brantly, Earlene Burton, Terri Clark, Jalayne Collins, Jeanette Col-

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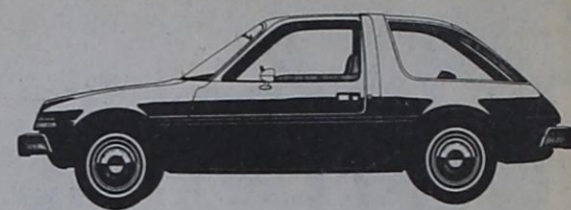
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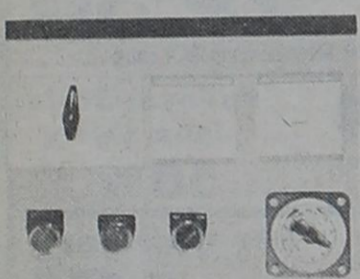
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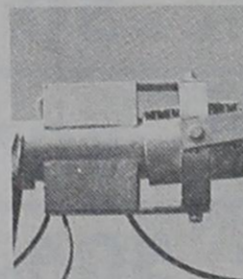
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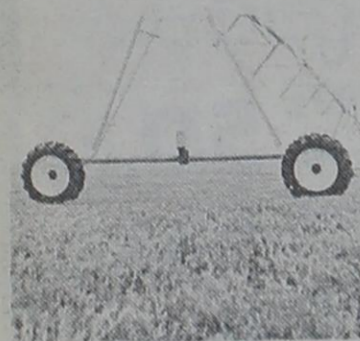
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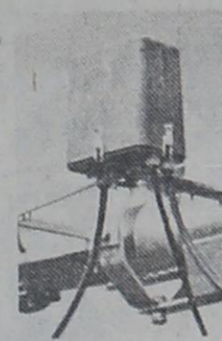
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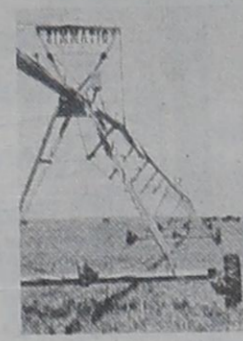
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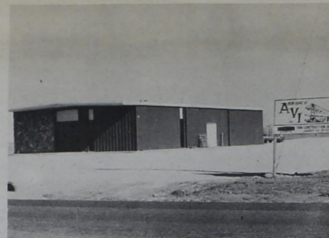
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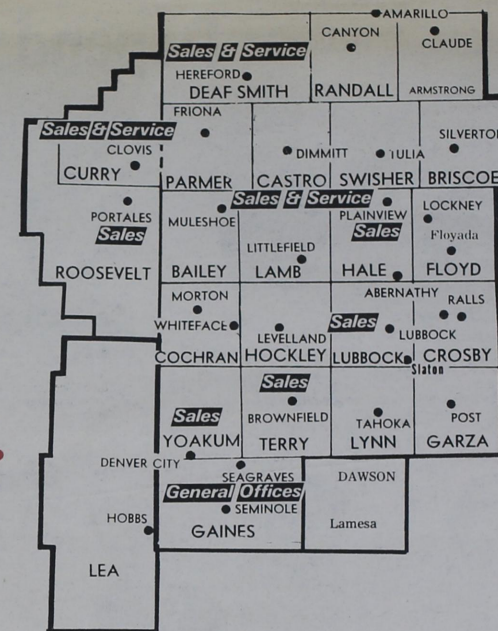


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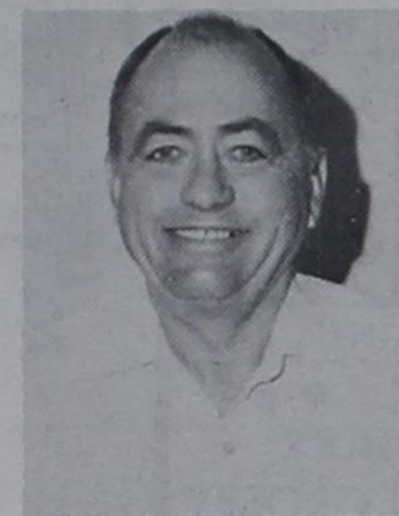
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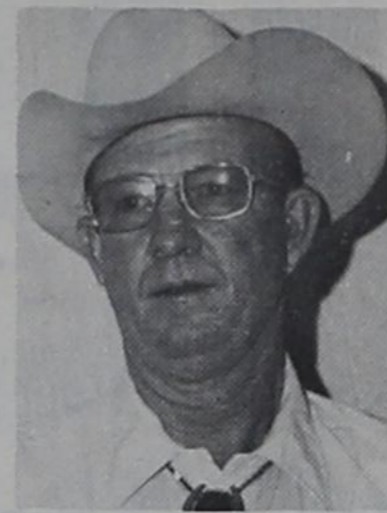
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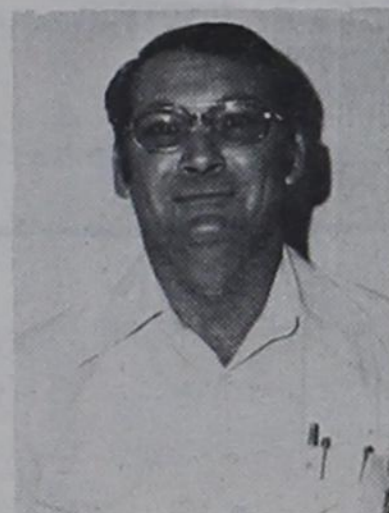
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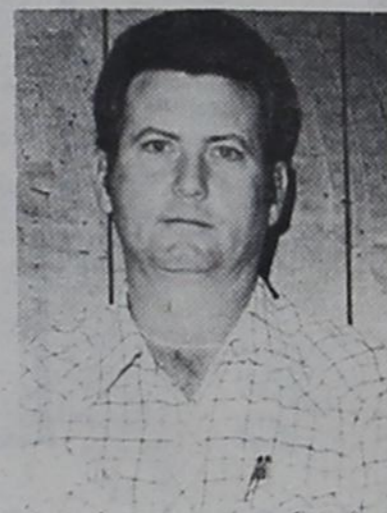
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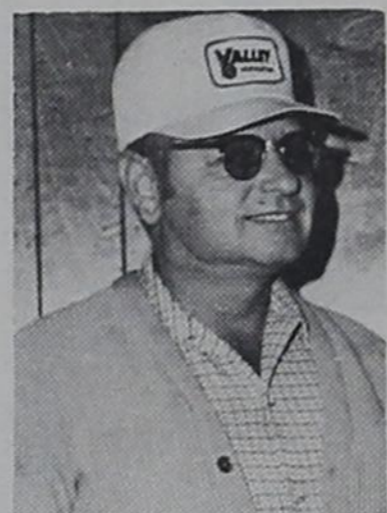
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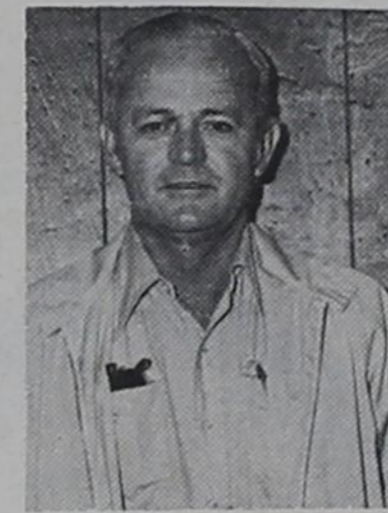
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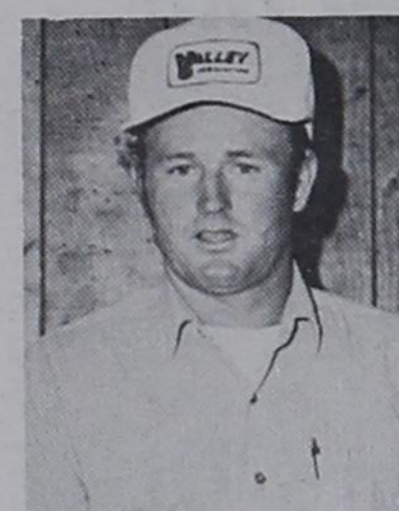
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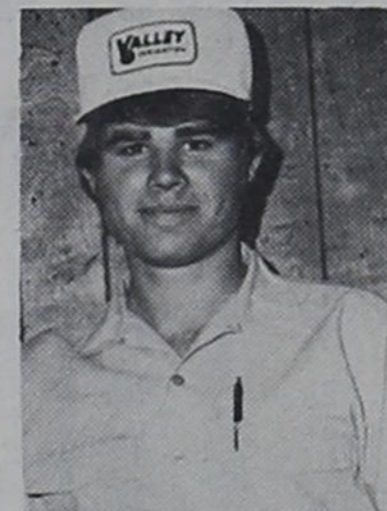
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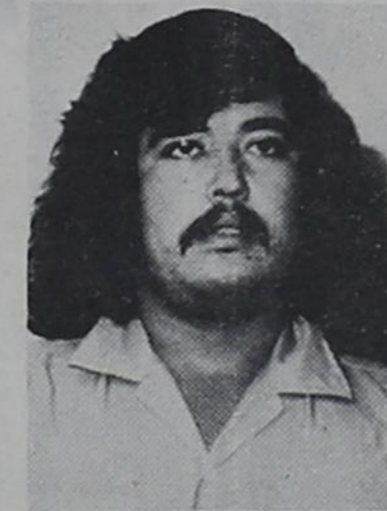
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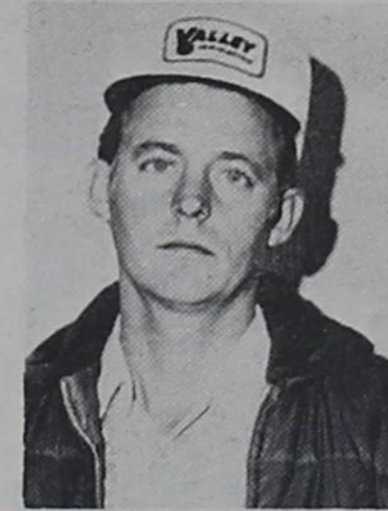
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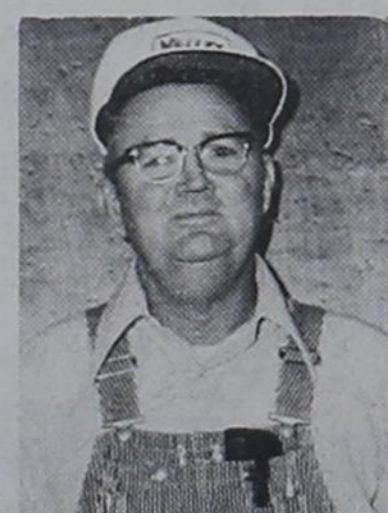
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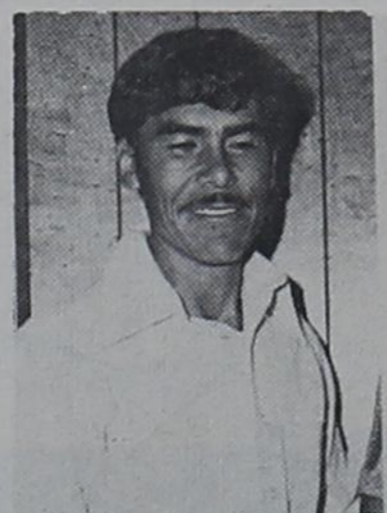
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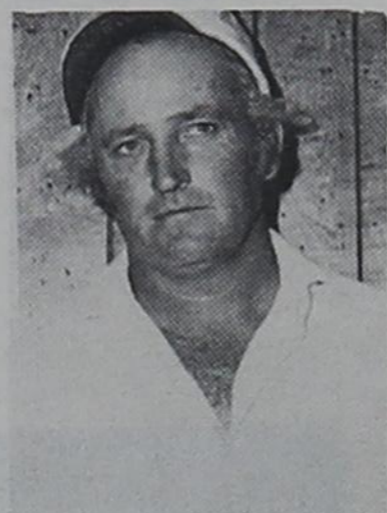
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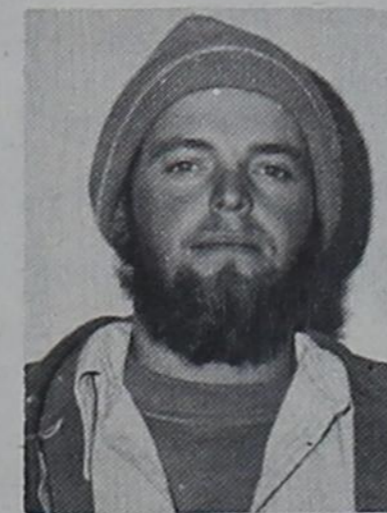
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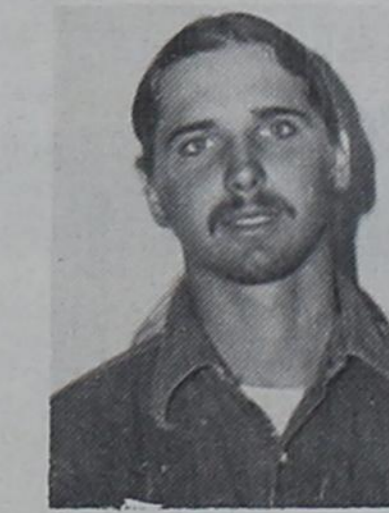
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