

ENGINEER ASSERTS TRAIN SPEED, SUN GLARE WERE CAUSES

Testimony Continues In Train-School Bus Suits

RODGERS, consulting engineer in traffic safety, testified on the witness stand that the cause of the accident which killed seven students and injured 15 others

was "caused by sight restriction because of the speed of the train."

Ted Abrahamson was the first of four witnesses to testify before the six-man, six woman jury in the opening day of the

collision trial in 154th District Court before Judge Pat Boone Jr.

Oscar Hamer, Santa Fe train brakeman, and Welker Larmon McDonald, engineer on locomotive number 2627, both testified that the brakes on the

train were applied before the accident. Both train officials said the four-engine, 58-car long freight train hit the bus at the full speed of 58 miles per hour because the 5,000-ton weight of the train could not be slowed before impact.

Under questioning from lawyers for the plaintiffs, both railroad officials said they never left the front of the train to go back to the site of the collision to inquire of the number of persons killed and injured.

Engineer McDonald said he was to pick up a message and parcel as the train came past the Littlefield depot. He had opened his window and had his arm out to snare the package when the train approached the depot. The engineer said he never did intercept the message on the pole.

Driver of the bus involved in the tragedy, Artis Ray Johnson, said he stopped at the crossing, opened the bus door, did not see the flashing lights nor hear the bells. In an almost inaudible voice, he said he saw the fast approaching train when he was very near the main line of the railroad crossing.

Johnson said he did not think he could stop the bus without being in the middle of the track. "All I had in my mind was to get the bus across the track," Johnson said. He said he gave the bus everything it had to get across, that the bus "quivered" for a second and took off. Johnson said he had already seen the train when one of the boys on the bus said a train was coming.

The family man said his dad died when he was in the third grade and he never went back to school. He said he had been doing janitorial work for the Littlefield school about five years, driving a bus to fill in for regular school bus drivers whenever he was needed.

At the time of the accident, he said he had been driving the bus on the Fieldton route for about two weeks.

Off and on during the first day of testimony, witnesses and the jury were referred to a scale model of the depot, rail yard tracks and crossing, train and bus. Prepared by the Amarillo engineer, Abrahamson, the model was used to recreate the causes of the accident.

In several instances, mothers of the children involved wiped away tears as the violent tragedy was brought to mind. Numerous photographs taken by the defendant railroad were introduced as state evidence.

Using a pocket computer, scale ruler, protractor and the model, Abrahamson was called on for nine of eight drawings and to show the angle of the sun at the time of the accident. Abrahamson said in his opinion the way the sun was shining was a factor because of the way the sun reflected back from the signal lights at the crossing at that time of day.

Johnson, now 69, said he had driven a bus a lot and was sure aware of the responsibility he had for all the children on his bus. He said there was a normal amount of talking on the bus, but that he never had one minute of trouble with the children on the bus.

In a weak, hoarse voice he said he "never did see the flashing signals, didn't hear the bell at the crossing and didn't hear no whistle a tall."

Testimony was brought out showing that the train traveled 88 feet per second through Littlefield, and that at its weight of almost a million pounds, the time it took to bring the train to a stop equalled the length of the train.

Trial resumed Wednesday morning with cross examination of the train engineer McDonald by Santa Fe lawyer Tom Johnson.

Lawyers for the nine families involved in the almost 2.5 million dollar damage suit are Johnny Splawn, Robert Templeton, James Edwards and John J. C. O'Shea.

Jurors selected for the trial are Mable Smith, Edith Nell Morris, Irene Stamps, Mrs. Robert O'Hair, G. W. Lewis Jr., David Davilla, Carlos Duran, Floyd E. Houston, Mrs. Wix Gaston, L. D. Stanaford, Belinda Moreno, and Jim Hyatt.

Plaintiffs include the families of Andreas Medina, Gilbert Diaz, Pablo Martinez, Larry Ortiz, Don Foley, Harold George Davis, Cubos Chavez, Jose Frausto and Johnny Frausto.

The consolidated suit is brought against the Santa Fe Railway, the Littlefield Independent School District and Artis Ray Johnson.

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Christmas Concert Scheduled Tonight

Three Littlefield bands will present their annual Christmas Concert at 7:30 in the Junior High School Auditorium. Featured will be various arrangements of Christmas music. Mr. Threadgill will be directing the Intermediate and Junior High bands, Darle Rountree will direct the Elementary Band. The public is invited to hear the performance.

Parents, Get Letters From Santa Claus

Do your kids have you written that letter to Santa yet? There are not many days before he'll be coming our way on Christmas Eve and he'll be wondering what you have for Christmas. You may address your letters to Santa Claus, in care of the Leader-News, Box 100, Littlefield, 79339. First, second, third and fourth graders at Littlefield schools have been invited to write their Christmas letters to Santa Claus, and their teachers will see that the Leader-News receives them. All other children in those grades who attend other area schools are urged to do so in their letters too. Pre-schoolers may need help from their mothers or fathers in writing the letter, and they'll see that the address is correct too. Santa Claus is a regular reader of the Leader-News, and he'll be seeing them when they're printed. Be sure to sign your full name to the letter, so Santa will know where to deliver the gifts.



BAND BOOSTERS now have their Christmas tree lot open on Hall Avenue, and all profits from the sale of trees will go toward the purchase of new band equipment. Shown making a selection are, left to right, Sheldon Zahn of the Wildcat Band, Joey Zahn of the Beginner Band, Todd Stafford of the Intermediate Band, and Richard Rogers of the Junior High School Band. Various sizes are available. (Staff Photo)

Children's Movie Slated Dec. 22

A children's movie will be shown in the Place Theatre Saturday morning, Dec. 22, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Children who attend are asked to bring a can of food for the admission price. The food will be donated to needy families. A continuous showing of the film will run until 1 p.m.

School To Convene Later With Daylight Saving Time

A 9 a.m. till 4 p.m. school day is in the mill for Littlefield school students. "if and when" Daylight Saving Time is reinstated.

The new time for school was determined at Monday morning's School Board meeting.

In other matters of business, the board heard reports from Supt. Paul I. Jones on the Title I audit, basic education class, other energy change proposals,

'Messiah' Canceled, Church Programs Are Scheduled

Efforts to once again have a community-wide presentation of Handel's "Messiah" sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance have failed to get the production off the ground.

In its place, various Churches in the county are sponsoring their own Christmas programs.

You are urged to consult your Church's bulletin or contact the churches for times.

the new public address system in the high school gym and plans for replacement of the hot water heater in the fieldhouse.

The board considered three proposals before deciding on the 9 to 4 school day, with members citing that this would "probably conflict less with the business community as opposed to a 9:30-4:30 day or leaving it the way it is now." Various businessmen have stated that they may adjust business hours to avoid conflicts between working parents that have children in school.

Prefacing the discussion on the new p.a. system in the high school gym, Supt. Jones stated, "the last pep rally was the first time I was able to hear sufficiently in the gym." The system was donated and installed by Pat Downs.

A \$2,000 price tag was put on the replacement of a new unit in the water heater at the field house and this prompted a motion to try and find a used one at a surplus center, and if not, then purchase a new one.

The hot water heater presently used is one that was used at the old field house and has had numerous patch jobs.

Trustee Glen Batson asked Jones, "If you can't find a used one, do we even have \$2,000 for a new one." To this Jones stated, "right now we do."

The last item on the agenda, the financial statement, was not considered. The reports were not yet available from the accountant.

Rep. Clayton To Discuss Constitutional Revision

Representative Bill Clayton of Springlake will begin making visits to the immediate area Tuesday, Dec. 18, to discuss the state constitutional revision with the people of his district.

Persons in the district are invited to stop by at their leisure during the specified times at each community to ask any questions or give any suggestions on the constitutional revision.

Discussion will be centered around the Texas Constitution of 1876 under which we are now operating, the proposed amendment submitted by the Constitutional Revision Commission, and other matters the people would like to see incorporated into a new constitution.

These will be considered early next year by the Constitutional Convention. The following schedules will be observed very closely because of the timing of stops at the various communities of the district. The discussions will be informal, and Rep. Clayton and his staff are "looking forward to meeting the citizens and having their participation."

Tuesday, Dec. 18, he will be in Olton from 8 to 9 a.m. in the High School Auditorium; and at Lazbuddie from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria.

Wednesday, Dec. 19, Rep. Clayton will begin the day with a conference in the Springlake-Earth school lunchroom from 8 to 9 a.m.

He will be in Sudan's High School Auditorium from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday; at the Amherst High School Auditorium from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.; in the County Courtroom in Littlefield from 2:45 to 4:45 p.m.; and in the Spade school auditorium from 5 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, he will be at the Community Building in Needmore from 9 to 9:45 a.m.; and in the Bula School Auditorium from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.



'RESUSCIANNE' has undergone several attempts to revive her during special training sessions with city policemen, sheriff's officers, firemen, ambulance drivers, nurses and students in health classes at school in Littlefield. 'Resuscianne' is a practice dummy owned by the American Heart Association and is used for cardio pulmonary resuscitation training. Other training sessions may be arranged by contacting Joyce Oliver, left, who is Community Service Chairman of the Lamb County Chapter of the Texas Heart Association. She and four others are trained by the Association to teach the course. They are Nina Talburt, right, and Steve Cox, Bobby Pylant (teachers) and Kay Kendall, RN at Medical Arts Hospital. (Staff Photo)

Witnesses Attend Lubbock Seminar

Local delegates of Jehovah's Witnesses have returned home from a two-day seminar in Lubbock this past weekend. Twenty-one congregations from West Texas attended the 15 hours of Bible lectures, demonstrations and discussions.

John H. Moore, local presiding elder stated, "The highlight of the program came Sunday, when John P. Sutherland, well-known Bible teacher and lecturer delivered the talk, "Act Wisely As The End Draws Near." Sutherland stated, "Many indications are that mankind cannot continue as it is going authorities acknowledge this growing food shortages, unchecked

population growth, water shortage, energy shortage, effects of pollution, inadequate fuel, even threat of oxygen supply. All this coincides with the evidence that we are in the 'last days' of this system of things, as it foretold in the Bible."

Moore commented, "This seminar was one of several hundred being held by Jehovah's Witnesses throughout the world for their 31,850 congregations in 208 lands. The peak attendance for the Sunday highlight was 1,808." He added, "There were 47 baptized in the faith Sunday morning, this adding to the total membership of 1,758,000. Just last year the group baptized 193,000 in the faith."

Moore concluded, "All interested individuals are invited to visit their local Kingdom Hall. No admission is asked or collection taken."



EVAN GARY SMITH

SOCIETY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, DEC. 16
REV. AND MRS. Robert Glenn will hold open house from 3 to 5 p.m. at their apartment on the Springlake highway for members of the congregation of the First Christian Church.

Assembly Of God Schedules Revival

Evangelist Gary Smith of Fort Worth will be preaching for revival services the remainder of this week through Wednesday, Dec. 19 at the Assembly of God Church, 14th and Hall in Littlefield.

Week night services begin at 7:30 and the Sunday service

will begin at 7 p.m. The revival began Wednesday night.

The evangelist is assistant youth director for the North Texas District Assemblies of God.

"Everyone is invited to attend the revival," states the pastor, Rev. M.D. Anderson.

Oklahoma Avenue HD Club Feted At Party

The Oklahoma Avenue Home Demonstration Club's Christmas party was held Thursday, Dec. 6, in the home of Pebble Roberts.

Roll call was answered with "How I Plan To Share Christmas."

Lora Acord presented the Christmas program. She read portions from Pat Boone's book, "The Real Christmas." Homemade gifts were exchanged, with members pulling ribbons attached to the gifts.

The hostess gave members 1974 date books and Bible book

markers and served refreshments to Lora Acord, Fern Bitner, Clem Dubose, Mary Feagley, Thelma Griffin, Zaida Helms, Joe Jones, Inez Lichte, Vena Maner, Ruth Miller, Beverly Trimmer, Edna Crews, Barbara Starnes, Brenda Coffey, Peggy Starnes, Ronald and Beth Mann, Shannon Crews, Janie Starnes, Shelley Coffey, Letitia Trimmer, Brady Lynn Waters, Steve and Scott Starnes and the County Extension Agent, Lynn Bowerman.

Ferol Krizek Hosts Coffee

Ferol Krizek was hostess for a Christmas coffee for the Art Club of Littlefield Monday morning at her home.

New officers for 1974 were elected, and Mrs. Krizek will again serve as president. Louise Rogers was named vice president, Wanda Hamblin will serve as treasurer, Maureen Mercer is

secretary, and Mutt Still was elected to serve as reporter.

A gift was presented to the president.

Members present were Louise Bennett, Maureen Mercer, Naomi Hewitt, Wanda Hamblin, Vera Griffin, Louise Rogers, Ocia Stone, Dorothy Harvey, Reva Florence, Anna Lee Neale and Mutt Still.

Club Has Luncheon

Littlefield Woman's Club met Saturday, Dec. 8, for a noon luncheon in the home of Mrs. A. B. Brown.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. Maye Randall told an unfamiliar story of the "First Christmas" by Paul Mier.

Mrs. Ruth Ford directed the group in singing favorite songs.

Forty-five members were present, along with three guests: Mrs. Laverne Smith, Lillie Kling and Bertha Troyer.

Nelson Awarded Fellowship

A graduate researcher in agriculture biochemistry at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater has been awarded a National Defense Education Association fellowship.

He is James Nelson of Littlefield, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nelson. He is working on his doctorate in agriculture economics at OSU.

Fifteen graduate students received the fellowships which are supported by a \$96,885

NDEA grant from Washington, D.C.



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MRS. LESTER LA GRANGE
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MR. AND MRS. Edward White of Sundown visited his father, Willis White and sister, Mrs. Randall Crawford last week. The Crawfords recently completed an addition to their home for her father. Wanda White of Austin was here for a visit with them recently.

GINA MARIE Tadlock of Ruidoso arrived Friday for a visit with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Payne.

MESDAMES Bennie Harmon, George Harmon, E. E. Gee, Walton Macmanus and Lester LaGrange attended a tea in Muleshoe Saturday afternoon. It was given in the home of Mrs. Bennie Harmon's mother Mrs. Horace Holt with Mrs. Dorothy Wood, co-hostess.

KAY CAMPBELL was home for the weekend from Weatherford, Okla., where she attends college.

MRS. MARY E. Britt attended the 60th wedding anniversary of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Yarbrough in Plainview Sunday afternoon. It was held in the party room of the First National Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Wade Britt of Lovington, N.M. came for her and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Britt joined them for the occasion.

MRS. CARLTON BOWMAN and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ray Bowman of Fieldton were Lubbock visitors Sunday afternoon.

Bridal Shower Honors Couple

AMHERST—Miss Shirley Gilliland, bride-elect of Larry Edwards was honored with a bridal shower in Mrs. Gene Campbell's home Saturday.

The three sisters of the prospective bridegroom presided at the refreshment table, Shelia, Jackie and Linda Edwards. It was laid with a handmade white lace cloth, and a center decoration featured blue, the bride's chosen color for the wedding. An assortment of home made cookies and nuts were served with spiced tea or coffee from a silver service.

The large array of pretty and useful gifts on display included a set of club aluminum cooking ware from the hostesses, Mmes. Gene Campbell, Vernell Batson, Gayla Cowan, Margie Harmon, Gail Messamore, Tressie Carpenter, Mary Burditt, Nell Cook, Jeannie Gage, Donna Nell Weaver, Yvonne Maxfield, Martha Ferguson, Joan Crosby, Lessie Messamore, Bertha Black, Nell Miller, Florice

MR. AND MRS. John Moreland have moved into their new home on Washington Street.

JAMES COX is getting around well on crutches since his accident several weeks ago involving a lawn mower.

MR. AND MRS. Bill Walter of Downey, Calif. are expected Dec. 21 for Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Buford Thompson and sister, Mrs. Arlis Humphreys and family.

AMONG THOSE from out-of-town for the bridal shower honoring Shirley Gilliland Saturday afternoon were Mmes. R. H. Tanner, Veta Dresser, Veta Joiner, Estelle Tanner, Vayonne Gordon and

Juanita Gilliland all of book.

MRS. MARIE HURD Amarillo was a guest at the home of Mrs. Jones and

MRS. SYBIL BOLD, Detroit, Mich. arrived week due to the services of her father, Martin Bold. He is a patient in the hospital. Corley White, Albuquerque and Mrs. Frances White of Tahlequah, Okla. have been here.

PAM YANTIS was here for the weekend from Temple. DONNA GILLILAND Lubbock was home for the weekend.

Bride-Elect Honored With Shower

BULA—Miss Margaret Richardson, bride-elect of Jerry Teaff, was honored with a wedding shower Friday evening, Dec. 7, from 7:30 til 9 p.m., in the Bula school lunchroom. Thirty-seven guests were registered in the bride's book.

The honoree, her mother, Mrs. Ashel Richardson, and Mrs. Royce Teaff, mother of the groom, were presented corsages of kitchen gadgets surrounded with net and white carnations.

The bride's chosen colors of pink and purple were carried out in the table decorations.

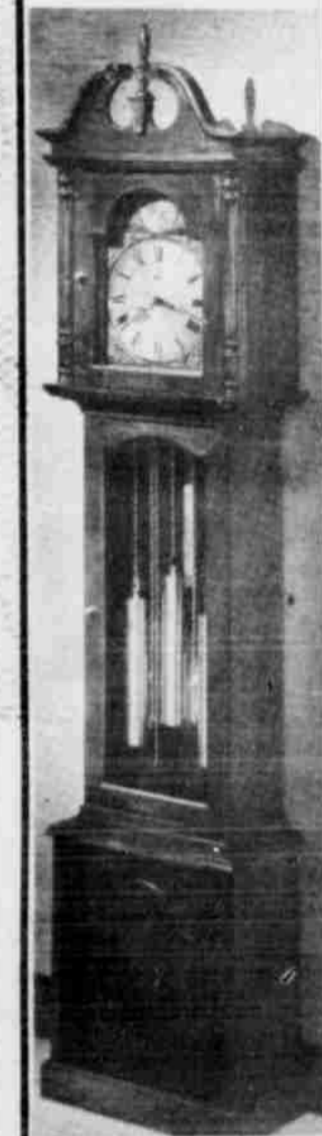
The serving table was white lace over white with a nine-pointed star holding pink burning e. Flavored with pink roses and purple velvet bows. Janice Cannon, Karen Riley served the sheet cake decorated with purple flowers and punch. Pink mits crystals silver completed the settings.

The hostess gift of a stainless steel cooking and four-place setting ironstone ware was sent along with the array of Hostesses for the were Mrs. Tommy Kirk, Clyde Hogue, Mrs. McCain, Mrs. Ed Crane, C. L. Cannon, Mrs. Withrow, Mrs. Nolan, Mrs. Eddie Riley, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. J. L. Le, Mrs. Fred Locker, Mrs. Battles, Mrs. F. L. Siz, Mrs. Raymond Austin, Jim Claunch, Mrs. M. Drake and Mrs. John man.

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Members of the Plainview School Band are expected to meet on Sunday, Dec. 16, at the P.H.S. band hall in the afternoon of 1973. The reunion and maintenance and scene, according to Ferguson, president of P.H.S. Band Exes.

opportunity to renew friendships of their high school days. Those unable to attend are urged to notify Gary Lance of their current address and addresses of friends for future updating. He may be contacted at 2616 28th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79410.

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AREA SERVICEMEN

LYNDALE D. CAMPBELL, Navy Seaman Lyndale D. Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Campbell of Olton, returned to his hometown at Long Beach, Calif. on board the destroyer escort ship USS Cook after a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific.

He participated in bi-national fleet training exercises in the Far East, and on the way home helped host more than 13,000 visitors to the ship during goodwill stops in Australia and New Zealand. A 1966 graduate of Olton High School, he joined the Navy in September, 1971.



AIRMAN Astolfo G. Venzor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victoriano E. Venzor of Rt. 1, Littlefield, has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., after completing Air Force basic training. During his six weeks at the Air Training Command's Lackland AFB, Tex., he studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instruction in human relations. He has been assigned to the Technical Training Center at Keesler for specialized training in the armament systems field. Venzor is a 1972 graduate of Littlefield High School. (Air Force Photo)

MAXIEMILLI HERRERA, Sergeant Maxiemilli Herrera, son of Mr. and Mrs. Margarito C. Herrera, Route 2, Littlefield, participated in the U.S. readiness command's Exercise Brave Shield VI in western Texas and southern New Mexico.

The three-week training exercise, involving Army, Air Force, Army Reserve and Air National Guard troops, included ground maneuvers at Ft. Bliss, Tex., and a mock air war concentrated over White Sands Missile Range, N.M.

Joint training of U.S.-based combat ready Army and Air Force conventional forces is a major part of the mission assigned to the readiness command at MAC Dill Air Force Base, Fla. Through exercises such as Brave Shield VI, the command insures that its general purpose combat forces are ready when and if needed to reinforce other U.S. unified commands.

Sgt. Herrera is a mechanic in Company A of the 1st Cavalry Division's 34th Support Battalion. His wife, Kim, lives in Copperas Cove.

DEAR SANTA.....
Dear Santa, I have been a good girl. My name is Michelle. I am eight years old. I am in the third grade. May I have a baby doll called Button Nose in Bunting. And a Pogo stick. And may I have a hairstyling Salon. And bring me anything else you think an eight year old would like. We will leave you some cookies and milk on the table. I love you. And a Merry Christmas to you.
Your friend,
s/Michelle Lea Jones



MR. AND MRS. V. H. Diersing of Graham visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Glumpler and family during Thanksgiving holidays.

MR. AND MRS. Syl Diersing and daughter of Paducah visited with friends and relatives during the Thanksgiving holiday.

MR. AND MRS. Matt Demel and son of Paresall visited in the home of their parents, Mrs. Cecelia Sokora and Mr. and Mrs. Norma Demel during Thanksgiving holidays.

MR. AND MRS. Franklin Green attended the funeral of Ted Hertle at Rhineland on Nov. 25.

MR. AND MRS. Conrad Demel visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lupton at Hereford Dec. 1-3.

MICHAEL ALBUS of Hobbs, N.M. visited in the home of his mother, Mrs. Evelyn Albus during Thanksgiving holidays.

MR. AND MRS. Luddy Hatla and family of Nazareth visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Glumpler during the Thanksgiving holiday.

TONY and France Lupton of Hereford visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Demel Thanksgiving Day. Tony and France are son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lupton.

MR. AND MRS. Don Shannon and daughter of Plainview visited with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hasty of Littlefield and Mrs. Valeria Shannon during Thanksgiving holidays.

MR. AND MRS. Billy Demel and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Demel of Littlefield visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Demel Thanksgiving Day.

PEP HIGH SCHOOL girls' basketball team won third place in the Spade tournament at Spade on Nov. 30-31 and Dec. 1.

ELIZABETH DEMEL, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Demel spent the weekend Dec. 8-9 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Herring of Littlefield.

A. H. JUNGMAN, Conrad Demel and son, David, Norman Demel and sons, Johnny and Fayette, Dave Shannon, Alvin Walker and Billy Witt Jungman, Shallowater, went deer hunting at the Glass Cox Ranch near Sheffield. They left Thursday evening and returned home Sunday evening. They brought home some of the deer. They all enjoyed the trip.

DEAR SANTA.....
Dear Santa, I have been a good boy this year. I would like a football suit, smash up derby, and a teeter totter watch. Bring me anything else you think a 6-year-old boy would like. Will leave you some cookies and milk on the table.
Your friend,
s/Kerry Jones

DEAR SANTA.....
12-10-73
Dear Santa, My name is Shane Carter and I live at 501 E. 17th. I am 6 years old. I have been purty good this year. Please bring me an electric futbol game, a light brite, a GI Joe helicopter and a train set. My brother is 9 months old and his name is Brandon. Please bring him somethin to chew on!
Luv,
s/Shane Carter

P.S. There will be kookies and milk for you on Kristmas Eve.

Bible Vote Being Taken

Homer Waray Burns of Nashville, Tenn. has opened a post office box so Americans can vote either "Yes" or "No" on whether they want the Bible returned to schools.

"The Bible and history will bear out the fact not nation has stood for long when its moral standards were allowed to fall," he stated.

Results of the votes, and if possible the mail itself, will be sent to representatives in Washington.

The votes are being counted now. Your vote can be sent to Christian Bible Study, P.O. Box 90530, Nashville, Tenn. 37209.

DEAR SANTA.....
Dear Santa,

My name is Lucretia and I am 8 years old and in the third grade. I would like a tape player but if you do not have a tape player I would like a type writer.

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OBITUARIES

TEDDIE Q. HUTCHINS

Services for Teddie Quincey Hutchins, 68, of Littlefield, who died about 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, in Medical Arts Hospital, were conducted Monday afternoon in the First Baptist Church at Spade.

Rev. Bill Hindman of Lubbock and Rev. Jim Palmer, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Spade, officiated.

Burial was in Littlefield Memorial Park with Hammons Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Hutchins was retired farmer and a former resident of Spade.

Surviving are his wife, Alda; a son, Sgt. Kenneth Hutchins of Ft. Mead, Md.; a brother, J. R. Hutchins of Spade; two sisters, Mrs. H. A. Sheffield of Fort Worth and Mrs. Fletta Webb of Lubbock; and four grandchildren.



JOHN PAUL VRUBEL

John Paul Vrubel, 47, lifetime resident of Spade, was dead on arrival at Medical Arts Hospital Monday afternoon, Dec. 10, after suffering an apparent heart attack in his pickup in downtown Littlefield.

Services were conducted Wednesday afternoon in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Littlefield.

Rev. James Ristvedt, pastor, officiated, and burial was in Littlefield Memorial Park with Hammons Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Vrubel was found in his pickup near First National Bank at approximately 12:30 and Justice of the Peace Stanley Doss was called to the scene.

Vrubel was born Oct. 20, 1926 on the farm where he was living at the time of death. He began farming there in 1947 after he served his tenure with the Army in Japan during World War II.

He was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

Surviving are his wife, Lois; a son, Larry Wayne Vrubel of Portales, N.M.; a daughter, Karyn Lynette Vrubel of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Rosie Vasek of Littlefield and Miss Millie Vrubel of Rosenberg.

Pallbearers were Gary Hodges, Albert Key, David Buchanan, Mike Nichols, Bob Adams and Doyle Black.

Honorary pallbearers were J. M. "Doc" Key, Jimmy Long, Bill McKinnon, Billy Lynch, Alfred Sladek, C. C. Byars, W. B. Jones, Bob Mills, Cliff Smith, Pete Dunn, Dwain Phillips, Bobby Brantley, Ronald Pence, Lyndell Holley and Rafe Rodgers.

LOYD EDWIN ROBERSON

Funeral services for former Littlefield resident, Loyd Edwin Roberson, 69, of Winters, who died at 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at North Runnels Hospital in Winters, were conducted Tuesday morning at the First Baptist Church in Winters.

Officiating was Rev. Harry Grant, pastor. Burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery at Winters with Spill Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Roberson had operated a tailor shop in Amarillo and went to Winters in 1950. He was a member of the First Baptist Church at Winters.

He was a song leader for several years in Amarillo, Littlefield and Winters. He was also a music composer.

Surviving are his wife, Lillian; a sister, Mrs. Curtis McCafferty of El Paso; two brothers, Howard Roberson of Amarillo and Deward Roberson of Hereford; and several nieces and nephews.

ADDIE L. STUART

Services for Addie L. Stuart, 91, of Sudan, who died about 1 a.m. Saturday in South Plains Hospital in Amherst following a brief illness, were conducted Sunday afternoon in the First Baptist Church of Sudan.

Rev. Eddie Freeman, pastor, and Rev. Joe Salem, officiated.

Burial was in the Sudan Cemetery with Payne Funeral Home of Amherst in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Stuart moved to Sudan in 1925, and she and her husband ran several businesses. She managed a floral shop until her illness last week.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Gatewood of Sudan; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Clovis Bridwell, R. E. Drake, E. C. Minyard, Radney Nichols, Mat Nix and F. M. Smith.

JOHN WILLIAM WELTY

John William Welty, 82, of Olton, died



"BEEN MEANING TO REDUCE SOME —!"

EDITORIAL

Let's Hear It For The U.S.

Once again America seems to be everyone's favorite whipping boy: Watergate and the crisis of confidence; the energy shortage and talk of recession; the Middle East War and cracks in the Atlantic alliance, and so on and so on.

Some time ago, a perceptive Canadian commentator—Gordon Sinclair—took time out to deliver a thoughtful essay on what's good about America and Americans. Coming from a foreigner, it makes for interesting, and heartening, listening. Here is what Mr. Sinclair had to say:

"This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth...."

"Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy, were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts. None of these countries is today paying even the interest on its remaining debts to the United States."

"When the franc was in danger of collapsing in 1956, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris."

"I was there. I saw it. When distant cities are hit by earthquakes, it is the United States that hurries in to help.... This spring, 59 American communities (were) flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped."

"The Marshall Plan and the Truman Policy pumped billions upon billions of dollars into discouraged countries. Now newspapers in those countries are writing about the decadent, war-mongering Americans."

"I'd like to see just one of those countries that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar build its own airplanes."

"Come on, let's hear it! "Does any other country in the world have a plane to equal the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tristar or the Douglas 10?"

"If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the international lines except Russia fly American planes?"

"Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man or woman on the moon?"

"You talk about Japanese

about 12:30 p.m. Saturday in Central Plains Hospital in Plainview following a brief illness.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon in the First Baptist Church of Hart with Rev. Jack Stringer of Hobbs, N.M., and B. B. Harding, Church of Christ minister of Hart, officiating.

Burial was in Plainview Memorial Park with Parsons Funeral Home of Olton in charge of arrangements.

Welty was a retired farmer and had lived at Hart the past 22 years. He was a native of Arkansas.

He married Evie Neoma Griffis April 19, 1910. He was a Baptist and a former member of the Oddfellows.

Surviving are his wife; three sons, Othel Doyle Welty of Plainview, Robert C. Welty of Hobbs, N.M., and Leonard H. Welty of Hart; a daughter, Mrs. Irene L. Brooks of Hart; two sisters, Mrs. William Myers of Anson and Mrs. Nolan Curry of Rotan; three brothers, Rex Welty of Kerrville, Clarence Welty and Verdie Welty, both of Patricia; nine grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

technocracy, and you get radios. You talk about German technocracy, and you get automobiles.

"You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon—not once but several times—and safely home again."

"You talk about scandals, and Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at."

"Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them—unless they are breaking Canadian laws—are getting American dollars from Ma and Pa at home to spend here...."

"When the railways of France, Germany and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them. When the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke."

"I can name you 5,000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble. Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble?"

"I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake."

"They will come out of this thing with their flag high. And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their present troubles."

"I hope Canada is not one of these." From Canadian commentator Gordon Sinclair, some thoughts on America—as some darkly see it—and, as it truly is.

Turn Row

COMMENTS

By EMIL MACHA

THE OUTDOOR "News Bulletin", published by the Wildlife Management Institute, observes, "Wildlife officials in many states across the nation report that poaching was on the rise, ostensibly in the wake of the alleged beef shortage. Several states have curtailed many of their management activities and assigned more personnel to law enforcement details. Oklahoma wildlife agencies are asking all citizens to help apprehend poachers."

This also pertains to Lamb County and the area. Have heard that some farmers are unhappy with some of the local hunters because they are taking shots at their pheasants.

Many farmers have spent several hundred dollars the last couple of years to stock pheasants with hopes of someday having enough birds for decent hunting. But in some instances this foundation stock is being killed before the birds have a chance to reproduce.

We could have a good thing going if we all cooperate.

IF YOU'VE SEEN a tractor with a cotton basket under the suction of one of



HONNY GRITS

By CORNBALL BLEYEN

DO BELIEVE we've got a new vice president. Would'a never believed it could be so painless. Figured it'd take Congress much longer to confirm him for the simple reason that it was Nixon who suggested his appointment.

And; from what they say, he might be a pretty decent kind of fellow, in spite of his name!—Anyhow, it's nice to know we have someone in charge of VICE, once more!

GUESS YOU KNOW, it's just a few more shoppin' days until—! Betcha this'll be the first time in history that anyone asked Santa to fill their stockin' with gas!

SEEMS A COUPLE OF southern gentlemen were pinned down in a foxhole in WW II during the battle of Bulge. Their situation seemed to be pretty hopeless, what with shells fallin' all around.

By mutual consent they decided the best thing to do was pray. Except that neither knew how. After some discussion and argument, one of them said, "Go 'head, Sam, I knows you used to live across the street from a church!"

"Well, yeah, but I nevah did

the local gins, it was not due to the trailer shortage but due to some union labor at the manufacturing plant.

So the story goes, this farmer was about to dump his basket full of cotton on his new machine and in doing so the basket came loose from the mount and started to fall. The only solution was to get a wench truck to replace the basket and chain it back into position, then drive the tractor and stripper to the gin to get it ginned off so the basket could be replaced.

GOT A PAMPHLET in the mail from one of my readers that was published by the Fertilizer Institute. The heading of the pamphlet is "Why Farmers Can't Get Enough Fertilizer and The Facts Behind The Fertilizer Shortage."

It was suggested in the bulletin that as a farmer we should utilize soil testing. In doing so we can eliminate over fertilizing. Also we should fertilize wisely, based on recognized crop yield goals, and the retailers are to make efforts to distribute supplies as equally as possible, based on customer needs and past use.

IF YOU PLANNED to do your Christmas shopping early this year I think that you have missed the boat as there are only 11 days left until Christmas. If you haven't finished your gift shopping, why not make it a merrier Christmas for your neighbors too by shopping in your home town first, in doing so all will benefit.

HE THAT'S ANGRY without a cause must be pleased without amends.

deficiencies in interpersonal communications.

MANY THINGS ARE determined and depend on how well we communicate with each other. The degree to which we can understand one another is a very critical factor in fashioning a degree of satisfaction we experience in all of our associations.

Therefore, all of us should have responsibility for doing everything we can do to make our interpersonal communications as extensive and intelligible as possible.

CARELESSNESS IS one of the most obvious hindrances to satisfactory interpersonal communications. Oftentimes carelessness is twofold.

Both the communicator and the respondent are careless; neither does his best to make sure that the full and complete understanding is achieved, course, if either one fails, a misunderstanding is inevitable.

PRETENDING THAT we understand when we do not understand, is a rather common barrier to satisfactory interpersonal communications. This is a barrier that can produce very undesirable consequences.

It is much better to continue to ask questions until we get the information which will help us fully understand.

WE OFTEN TAKE too much for granted, and fail to give sufficient detailed information. On the other hand there is the inclination to jump to conclusions.

Both of these rather prevalent mistakes can and should be corrected.

OUR INTERPERSONAL communications must receive careful consideration, because provide the key to our personal and social welfare.

go!—However, I'll try to say some things I over-heard."

Then, with bowed head he said, "Under B, ten—Under L, ten—Under N, twelve—Under two—"

(Borrowed from an association mine;—Name furnished for a friend.)

NO, I CANNOT accept the idea that the Israelis are God's favored people. They lost that status when they crucified His Son.

The idea that we owe Israel an allegiance simply for religious reasons is no good. When in the wrong, we deserve to be dealt with just like anyone else.

IF THEY ARE THE aggressors in the present crisis, why should they be supported??

HATE TO ADMIT it, but the lowering thing will really be of benefit.

I traveled 246 miles over the road. A familiar route, I've traveled sixty times before. I forced myself to sixty, and below, the entire trip.

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AS FAR AS I'm concerned, the wasn't worth the effort, when consider that this was a total of hours of the life of the better number two son, and myself.

HOWEVER, WHEN YOU take consideration that the three gallons of fuel (in a truck) would have a pay-load of 40,000 pounds about a mile, it becomes a bit more impressive. (Just a bit.)

Now, if you multiply that by the stiffness you passed me so fast they blew me off the road, between the two of us we could have moved that about ONE HUNDRED miles!

MAKES ME feel a little better to that a little sacrifice on my part, with the cooperation of others, can make a sizable contribution to the world.

May as well warn you though, I'm in favor of tryin' to save all the myself. It's gonna take the united of the whole kablooie of us to do good. Just make sure that can "back-end" ain't mine!

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Thomas E. Tollett, Billy Hall, Lot 10, Blk. 16, Lot 17, Blk. 32, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, Blk. 7, Yellowhouse Addn.

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William L. Jones Earns Master Divinity Degree

Littlefield native William L. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delton B. Jones of Littlefield, will receive the master of divinity degree during winter commencement exercises to be held in Truett Auditorium at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Dec. 14 at 10 a.m. Seminary President Robert E. Naylor will present degrees and diplomas to 190 candidates from the seminary's three schools: theology, religious education, and church music.



WILLIAM L. JONES

Jones earned his BA degree from Wayland Baptist College in 1966.

Brooks H. Wester, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, Miss., will be the commencement speaker.

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Jr. High Results

The freshmen girls played during the opening game of the Muleshoe Tournament, but were defeated by the host

team, Muleshoe, 42-34. Monica Phillips sank 22 points, Rhonda Hollingshead dropped in 8 and Pennie Sexton and Pat

Moreno each added 2. Friday, Littlefield roared onto the court and upended Farwell by a score of 63-52. Monica Phillips ripped the cords for a staggering total of 35 points. Rhonda Hollingshead bucketed 18, Lisa Berry and Pennie Sexton each tossed in 4 and Pat Moreno added two. The defense led by Karen Carter.

Melissa Sawyer, Shelly Bitner, and Lori Westmoreland literally ran circles around the opposing offense making this one of the best team efforts of the season thus far. Saturday the determined freshmen claimed the consolation trophy by besting Olton 47-37. Miss Phillips again led the scoring, this time with 31 points. Hollingshead followed with 7, Sexton 6, Berry 2, and Moreno 1.

The eighth grade girls also participated in the tournament. They played a tight ball game before going down in defeat to Muleshoe, 34-29. Lota Zoth bucketed 15 points, Tonya Tunnel 6, Carmelita Patterson 6, and Paula Mears 2. Debbie Burks, Regina Macha, Kim Fisher and Dana Bassetts led the defensive work. They met Friona in the second game and were defeated 41-27. They now hold a 3-3 season mark. The best record belongs to the seventh graders. In addition to a 5-2 mark, they also own a third place trophy won in the Cotton Center Junior High Tournament held Dec. 1. Karla McCanlies, Wanda Williams, and Deanna Blakely at forward and Kelli Hampton, Carol Sexton, and Janet Mitchell at guard compose the starting line-up for this team.

Area Basketball

Marvin Matthews scored 21 points to lead Spade to the championship at the Anton Basketball Tournament Saturday night. Spade won the contest 73-50 as Joe Luna tallied 16 points for Anton.

In the girls division, Cotton

Center slipped by Anton 60-58 behind the 37 points of Patty Robertson. Mary Fisher had 25 for the runnersup. Amherst beat Sudan 55-43 for third place, led by Gina Young's 26 points while Pat

Hedges had 21 in defeat. Taking consolation honors in the boys division was Sudan which slipped past Amherst 39-38 as Richard Tamplin scored 23 points. The boys all-tournament team included Gaylon Reed of Spade, the Most Valuable Player, Randy Gray of Spade, Joe Luna of Anton, Richard Tamplin of Sudan and Morris Applewhite of Cotton Center. Patty Robertson of Cotton

Center was the girls' MVP. Also selected to the all-tourney team were Pam Black of Cotton Center, Patricia Williams of Anton, Elaine Schulte of Nazareth, Jan Glazner of Spade and Rose Garin of Amherst. Three Way won 68-54 over Amherst, as Dan Simpson scored 14 points. S. Thompson hit 13 for Amherst. Amherst girls won 44-42, as Gina Young and Kalene Garin hit 14 each.

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THE YAK CLASS of the First United Methodist Church will conduct their annual Christmas party at 7 p.m. at the home of Jerry and Kay Tunnell. Each couple is to bring one \$2 gift.

SUNDAY, DEC. 16
LAMB COUNTY Sheriff's Posse will hold their monthly playday in the Sheriff's Posse Arena. Registration begins at 1 p.m. and action starts shortly thereafter.

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News From Spade

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Moorhead and family. THANKSGIVING dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Tomlinson and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Willey and Lewis were Mr. and Mrs. Claud Bundick and family from Blanket, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gee and family from Pampa, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lee Tomlinson and family from Littlefield. Also calling in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bundick of Abernathy, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bundick of Hart Camp and Ethel Bundick of Littlefield.

MARY BETH WILLEY recently attended a Vital Statistics Conference in Austin.

MRS. ADA BUNDICK was transferred to the Littlefield Hospital by ambulance from the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. L. Tomlinson Thursday, Nov. 28, where she has been bedfast since June. Her condition is improving.

MRS. JOHN RAMAGE of Littlefield, formerly of this community, is improving satisfactorily in the Littlefield Hospital following gall bladder surgery.

MR. AND MRS. Ernest Cotton were host to a family reunion Dec. 2 in their home for the family of Mrs. Cotton. All of her brothers and sisters were there. This was the first time they have all been together in ten years. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Nesbitt and Louis Talley from Morton, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bell and David from Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Nesbitt and Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Funk and family, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Bell and Sheila all from Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. O'Donald from Canyon, Mrs. Dan Frank O'Donald and family from Edmonson, Mrs. Lucille Stangle from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. James Nesbitt from Borger, Mrs. Leta Scott from Pecos, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nesbitt from Abernathy, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Johnson and Ashley from Arlington and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nesbitt and daughter from Muleshoe.

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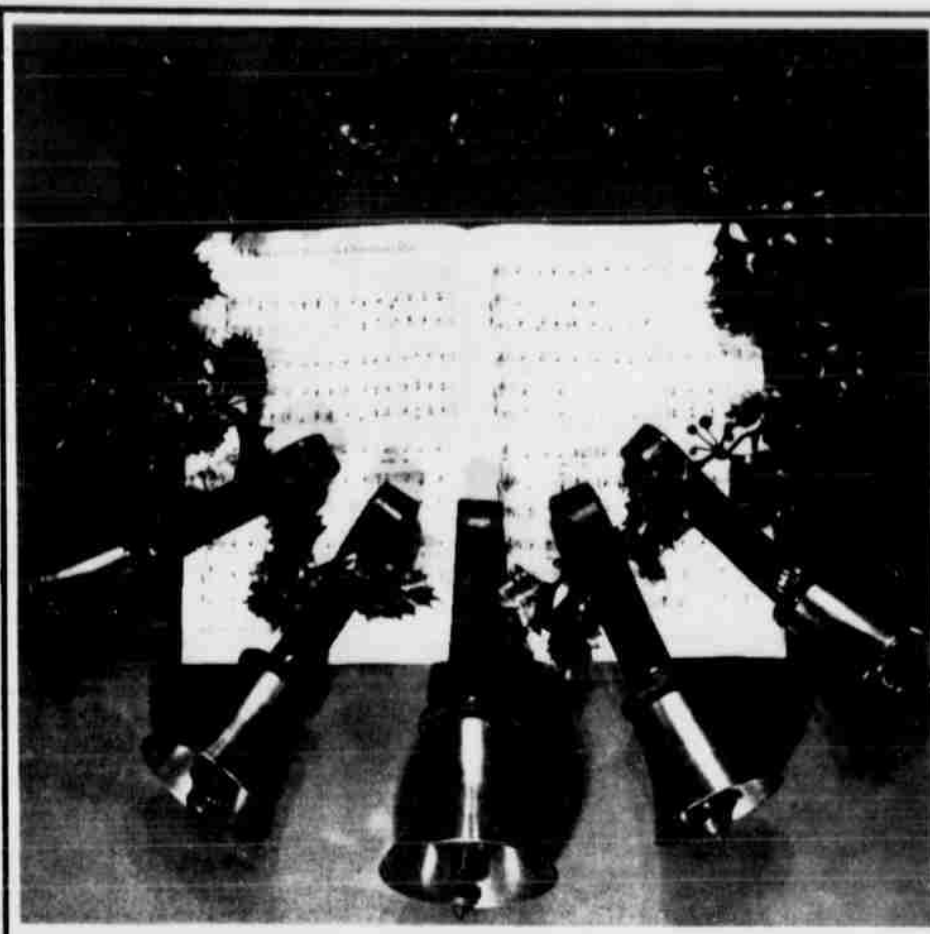
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RUSHING TO THE rescue of Randy Cook (42) and Gary Lichte (34), Chris Pope tries to get in the action to help his teammates. The Wildcats dropped the game against the Brownfield cubs 66-50. (Staff Photo by Karen Walker)

Wildcats Lose To Muleshoe

The Brownfield Cubs took a 76-60 win over the Littlefield Wildcats Monday night in Wildcat Gym. Brownfield had a 3 point lead at the end of the first quarter, 15-12 but extended their lead by half-time to 43-24. Chris Pope led the Cat scoring with 21 points. Gary Lichte had 8, Randy Cook 7, Andy Rogers 6, Bennie Williams 6, Tommy Batson 5, Kelly Pratt 3, Perry Bussanmus 2 and Danny Brockington 2.

In Tuesday night action, Muleshoe took a close 56-50 win over Littlefield. Littlefield led at the end of the first quarter but trailed by 3 at the half, 35-32. The Mules had a 6 point lead at the end of the third quarter and maintained this for the final difference. Cook led the Cats with 17, Pope had 16, Batson had 11, Pratt 2, Lichte 2 and Williams 2.

Littlefield lost the varsity game 52-47 and the JV's lost 41-13. Jill Owens led the Cat's scoring with 26 points, Toni Gardner had 17 and Pam Turvaville pitched in 4. Muleshoe hit 48 percent from the floor and Littlefield only managed 28 percent.

MOST VETERANS

The Veterans Administration reports that California, with 3.23 million veterans, maintained its position in fiscal year 1973 as the state with the most veterans. New York ranks second with 2.52 million veterans.

Littlefield's JV lost also, 45-37. Lonnie Twitty had 10 points, David Davis 6, Rayford Green had 8. In girl's action Tuesday,

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The 1973-74 girls basketball season is off to a good start. Basketball continued Monday night, and the boys played Morton (there). Results in next week's column.

Coach Hooper—Who's OLDER?
Shalyn—Need a Kleenex?
The LJV Wildcat and Intermediate Bands have concerts coming up. Lets go Band!!!
Mrs. Aryes—Be nice, Santa is watching.
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LOBO JV 45, S-E 44
The Levelland JV edged Springlake-Earth 45-44 for the boys title at the Springlake-Earth Tournament Friday night. Springlake-Earth's girls took a 45-27 win over Farwell in the girls finals.

Hard Demons led the Levelland JV with 16 points and Jacob Miller topped Springlake-Earth with 12. Gay Ellis led Springlake-Earth girls with 18 points and Kathy Boothe led the losers with 13.

SPADE 82, ANTON 60
Spade upped its season record to 17-1 with an 82-60 win over Anton. Randy Gray led Spade with 24 points as four other teammates scored in double figures. Grady Goen paced Anton, now 3-5, with 14. Sherry McCoy led the Spade ferns to a 57-42 win by scoring 22 points. Pam Williams led Anton with 16.

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