



MORTON'S MIKE WILLIAMS, 43, blocks Littlefield's Narva... 32, shot in action Tuesday night in Wildcat Gym. Williams, an all-stater, lead Morton to a 66-33 win over the

Wildcats. Other players eyeing the blocked shot are Lonnie Twitty, 22, and David Davis, 34, of Littlefield and Loyd Joyce, 15, of Morton. [Leader-News Photo]

Board Extends Contracts

Littlefield School Board members disposed of a six-item agenda in short order Monday morning with the extension of administrator's contracts highlighting the meeting.

Tommy Brawley, high school principal, Byron Ford, junior high principal, Jack Christian, Elem. II principal, Jim Settle, Elem. I principal, Forrest Martin, primary principal, Jerry

Blakely, athletic director and Carlton Parker, tax assessor-collector, all received one year extensions on their present contracts.

All their contracts now run till June 30, 1978.

The vote on the extension was 4-2 with trustees Dick Hopping and David Hampton voting against the motion as they have consistently voted against

contracts more than one year in duration.

Doug Walden was out of town and absent from the meeting.

The board also set the trustee election for April 3 to fill two places.

The terms of Doug Walden and Doyle Winfield are up.

The school grounds improvement program was also discussed. It was noted that the \$7-9,000, estimated cost of the project will be spread out over three years with most of the funds coming from interest on Certificates of Deposit that the school presently holds.

Besides the landscaping program, covered walkways are soon to be built from the primary and elementary building to the cafeteria for protection during inclement weather.

In other matters, the minutes of the previous meeting was approved, the financial statement was approved and bids were accepted from Al Duesterhaus on a stove and from Frank Sharpe for a stove, mixer, dishwasher and a steam jacket.

Farm, Ranch Tax Seminar Set Here Next Tuesday Afternoon

A tax seminar for farmers and ranchers is set for Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 1:30 p.m. in the Willy Room of Lamb County Electric Co-op.

It is sponsored by the Lamb county Extension Service and Security State Bank, and several local and area tax specialists are to be guest speakers.

The program begins with a film-strip, "What Happened to Our Plans," by insurance representative David E. Anderson.

Littlefield attorney Jerome W. Kirby will speak on "Highlights of Estate Planning" at 1:50.

Bank trust officer Walter Taylor will discuss "Trusts, Their Place in Estate Planning" at 2:30 p.m.

Security State Bank will furnish refreshments for a 15-minute break at 3 o'clock.

A Littlefield certified public ac-

countant, Calvin Price, will talk on "Tax Problems Before and After Death" at 3:15.

The session will end following a question and answer period at 3:45.

The seminar is designed to help farmers and ranchers reduce taxes and avoid unnecessary taxes. Those planning to attend are asked to call the Extension office at 385-4004.

Weather Modification Hearing Slated Today

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) will hold a public

hearing in the district courtroom here today beginning at 9:00 a.m. regarding cloud seeding activities conducted in an effort to suppress hail in this area.

Farmers who contract the cloud seeding services from Atmospherics Incorporated form a group known as Better Weather Incorporated (BWI).

The public hearing will be presided over by A. L. Black of Friona who is a member of the TWDB. Besides Black, several other TWDB members are expected to be present.

After listening to and recording all testimony, the tapes and transcripts will be presented to the entire TWDB at a meeting in the near future.

The hearing is the result of a recent weather modification act that calls for public hearings at the request of 25 or more petitioners.

The Littlefield hearing is one of two set up by the TWDB this week. Several Lamb County residents attended a hearing in Plainview Tuesday which considered the application of a permit by Plains Weather Improvement Association (PWIA) for a four-year permit to seed clouds in this area. The PWIA group operates independently from the BWI group in this area who contracts with Atmospherics Incorporated.

A large crowd is expected for the hearing.

Indians Defeat Wildcats

The Morton Indians came away with another scalp Tuesday night as they downed outmanned Littlefield 66-33 in boys action.

The varsity and the junior varsity girls collected wins over Morton. The varsity girls won 63-40 and the JV's

took an easy 31-12 decision.

In the boys game, the game 'Cats brought the crowd to its feet time after time the first half with their inspired play. Morton, the state's top ranked

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Clark B. Hill Selected SWCD 'Farmer Of Year'



CLARK B. HILL has been selected by the Lamb County Soil and Water Conservation District as Lamb County's Conservation Farmer of the Year. Raymond Lewis who is chairman of the SWCD said "Many farmers were considered and Clark Hill is the best of the lot this year." Hill farms and lives west of Fieldton. He is shown here with his wife Doris and his son Benton. [Photo]

Clark B. Hill is a complete conservation farmer. He conserves soil, water, wildlife, and energy.

He remembers the past, farms in the present, and plans for the future. Hill tries new farming methods readily and looks forward to new innovations in farming.

Hill started farming in 1935 for his father on a dryland farm near Pep. In 1939 he moved to his present 177-acre "home place" and began irrigation farming. He now owns and farms 899 acres divided into five farms. He has been a Lamb County Soil and Water Conservation District Cooperator since 1949.

Clark's principle crops are corn, wheat, and soybeans. Recently he added, sunflowers. Most of his cropland is Class II or Class III land.

When he began irrigating in 1939, Hill used the graded furrow method from open ditches. As irrigation technology improved, he installed buried irrigation pipelines, hand-move sprinklers, and later, side-roll sprinkler. Now, he has five center-pivot sprinklers supplied by nine irrigation wells. Hill wonders what irrigation method he'll be using ten years from now.

"These center pivot sprinklers save water, soil, labor and fuel," Hill said. Uniform water distribution is another sprinkler advantage. This year Hill and an irrigation company is experimenting with a new center-pivot sprinkler set-up that requires lower water-pressure to operate.

Minimum tillage is another newer conservation practice that Hill uses. After corn harvest, the land is disked twice to "tuck-in" the stalks and leaves. Chiseling is done next to shatter plow pans and increase water infiltration. Listing the land is accomplished next and then pre-plant irrigation, if needed. Fields are rod-weeded once before planting and usually one cultivation after planting is necessary.

Hill says, minimum tillage reduces his fuel needs, saves soil moisture and

reduces his overall expenses. Hill and his son, Benton, are the only workers on the 899-acre operation.

All grain stalks are used to help prevent wind and water erosion, increase water holding capacity and improve soil fertility.

Years ago, hill purchased a very sandy farm that was not well-suited for cultivation. He planted it to grasses such as Indian, Fescue, and Midland Bermuda. Alfalfa for hay production was planted, also. Now, Hill has 107 acres of pasture on which he grazes 47 cows and two bulls. He grows 85 acres of Alfalfa. Hill feeds what he need and sells the surplus hay.

"Cattle fit in well with my grain," Hill said. "The stock can clean the fields after harvest and some corn-stalks are stacked to provide additional winter feed."

Mr. and Mrs. Hill are members of the Fieldton Methodist Church. They have three grown children, two girls and one boy. The son, Benton, is just starting in farming business with his father's help.

Hill is concerned about wildlife populations on his land. Small areas of grain stalks are left to provide cover for pheasant in the winter. Odd areas and fence rows are left to provide nesting areas in the spring. Hill doesn't hunt the pheasant, he simply enjoys looking at them.

Hill has completed 95 percent of his conservation plan. He still has one

49-acre field to work on. This field is the steepest and poorest land he owns and he has not fully decided how to treat it. In the mean time, he hasn't abused it, either.

Hill is a demonstrator of conservation farming and many have followed

his practices. The Lamb County S&WCD Board of Directors is proud to name him Conservation Farmer of the Year and nominate him for the 31st state wide Texas Conservation Awards Program sponsored by the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.



TED CURT CHISHOLM is having a hard time asking Paige Ann Burks to be his Valentine. First the cat got his tongue, then a bad case of bashful set in. Ted is 6 and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Chisholm of 712 E. 13th. Paige is 6 and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burks of 720 E. 13th Street. [Staff Photo]

Commissioners Slate Salary Hearing, Act On Long Agenda

Lamb County Commissioners' voted to publish a notice of a public hearing for a proposed 15 percent increase in officers' salary at the regular Monday meeting of court.

County employees have been given raises since elected officials' salary increases three years ago. The increase is to be effective next year.

The hearing is set for 10 a.m. at the 10:00 a.m. meeting of the Court on Feb. 27 in the Commissioners' hearing room on the first floor of the courthouse.

In other action Monday, the Court resolved to cooperate with Bill Powell in a pilot program of Comprehensive Manpower Services. Powell is with the South Plains Community Action Association, Inc. headquartered in Levelland. Through this office, Lamb County has the opportunity to use funds made available through Title I and VI in employing several persons for county jobs for a six-month period without any cost to the county.

Economically disadvantaged or unemployed individuals are trained

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Parish Named ACA Executive

K. B. Parish of Springlake, Tex., vice president of Grain Sorghum Producers Association, has been elected to the executive committee of the Agricultural Council of America.

The selection was made during the council's third annual meeting in New Orleans recently.

John Despres Sheriff Candidate



JOHN L. "JACK" DESPRES

Why am I campaigning for the position of Sheriff in Lamb County?

Because so many of you have asked me to run for that office!

That is the main reason; because I don't want to let you down.

You people from all races, all ages, all creeds and all walks of life deserve the chance to be better served by a new sheriff. A young man who was raised to love all people regardless of their backgrounds, regardless of their position in life and regardless of who they know. When you vote for me for Sheriff, keep in mind you will be treated as fairly and as honestly as anyone else.

We will not pull any punches nor will we do anyone any special favors. I believe in equality and justice for all and if you want to see a great improvement in your County. Then I ask you to vote for me in the upcoming election.

My wife, Kay and I have three children, John, 15, Scott, 13, and Coleen, 12. I have a G.E.D. from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and a graduate of Woodstock Academy in Leominster, Mass. I have a class C certificate from the Registry of Emergency Medical Services, from the Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education, and am a graduate of the Defensive Driving Course, all from the State of Texas.

From the South Plains Association of Governments I have certifications for training in the Texas Penal Code, Fraud Seminar, and 240 hours training in Basic Law Enforcement. I adhere to the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics.

If any of you have any complaints, any fears, any questions about where I stand on any position, please feel free to call on me. My time and services will be available to you twenty-four hours a day and I will not have a deputy within the Sheriff's Department who feels any differently.

s/John L. (Jack) Despres

Pol. ad paid by Jack Despres



Laurie Ratliff, 8-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Ratliff visits with "Uncle Sam" Monday night during the program of the annual Girl Scout Father and Daughter Banquet. The patriotic gentleman gave an inspiring speech to the large crowd in attendance. Jerry Tunnell served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. [Staff Photo]

Jamiesons Celebrating 50 Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Jamieson of 1215 Monticello in Littlefield will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Feb. 15, from 2 to 5 p.m. in the XII Room of the Security State Bank.

Their children and their families will host the reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson were married Feb. 14, 1926 in Childress. They have lived in the Lamb County area since 1938.

Their children are Mr. and Mrs. Don Goodman, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Womack, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Batt, Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Jamieson, and Ronald Jamieson. They invite family friends to attend.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN T. JAMIESON

Golden Wedding Reception Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. James H. (Jim) Davis will be honored in observance of their golden wedding anniversary with a reception from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 15 in the Flame Room of Pioneer Natural Gas.

Hosts for the occasion will be the couple's children and their families. They are Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Davis of Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brown of Lorenzo, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pash of

Bellevue, Michigan. Davis, who is a native of Oklahoma and the former Minnie Fitzsimmons, a native of Tennessee were married in Feb., 1926. They moved to Texas in 1947. They have lived in the Littlefield area where Davis farmed until his retirement. The couple have eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend the reception.

AMHERST NEWS

THE AMHERST Study Club will meet Monday, Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. C. A. Thomas, Mrs. W. P. Stone and Mrs. Karen Rich, hostesses in the Thomas home.

MR. AND MRS. V. R. Stagner are fishing at Falcon Lake on the Mexican border.

MR. AND MRS. Roger Britt returned home Saturday from a vacation trip, a tour from Los Angeles. They had a short visit

there with their daughter Barbara Yarbrough, Barry and Sunshine. They stopped briefly in Honolulu before going to Seoul, Hong Kong and other places of interest.

REV. JARRELL Tharp returned home Monday to Powell, Wyo, after a week spent here with his mother and other relatives. He was guest speaker for the Sunday morning service at the Methodist church.

ENOCHS NEWS

THE LADIES Of Enoch Baptist Church met on Tuesday morning. Mrs. Dorothy Nichols gave a story on the women of the past have helped provide help to the missionaries. Those attending were Mrs. Loretta Layton, Mrs. Rose Nicols, Mrs. Wanda Layton, Dorothy Nichols, Wilma Petree, Ellen Bayless, Etta Layton, Olive Cox, Alma Altman, and Olive Shaw.

MR. AND MRS. L. E. Pollard have moved into the Roberts Nursing Home at Morton.

Red Cross Board To Meet Friday

Board members of the American Red Cross are scheduled to meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Commissioner's Court Friday the 13th. Action to be voted on and decided at that time will include, a challenge by the chairman, Delbert Hall, to members regarding their membership status, and new board members from area towns.

Hall is especially asking all persons interested in how their money is spent by this chapter to come and have a say and a vote on all matters to be brought before the board. He points out there are different levels of members in the chapter and each person has the decision as to the level they want to participate.

Regular members affirm belief in Red Cross humanitarian objective. Sustaining members are those who help the Red Cross maintain and continue its work locally, nationally, and internationally. The Development member is one who helps the Red Cross develop new programs to meet changing human needs. The highest level is the Award Member who helps the Red

Cross assure its ability to meet major human crisis.

The need is greatest now for town representatives to attend the board meeting and say what the Red Cross can do for the people in their town. The newest board member is Wendell Potts of Olton. Mr. Potts is asking all persons in the Olton Area who would like to work with him for a better representation of that town contact him at his office, 718 Main in Olton or call 285-2275. Plans are underway to begin a Home Nursing and First Aid Classes in the Olton Community.

Ladies Church Group Meets

The Ladies Missionary Auxiliary of St. John's Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Mary Alexander Saturday evening.

Topic for discussion was "What Can We do to Make Our City a Better Place to Live."

Afterwards, refreshments were served and enjoyed by all attending. Present were Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Irene Wormely, Mrs. Bessie Robbins, Mary Williams, Alfred Robbins, Glenda Taylor and Mrs. Alexander.

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Bookmob Schedule

The High Plains Bookmob will be in Lamb County following dates.

WEDNESDAY: Feb. 11, Whiteface #1, 9:30-12:00; Whiteface #2, 10:30-12:00; Lehman, 11:05-11:30; soe, 12:00-1:00; and 2:15-3:15.

THURSDAY: Feb. 12, Camp, 9:15-10:15; 10:30-11:30 and 12:00-3:30.

FRIDAY: Feb. 20, Chapel, 10:00-10:45; 12:00-1:30; Hart Camp, 2:30; and Fieldton, 2:45.

SATURDAY: Feb. 21, Olton, 9:30-11:45; and herst, 1:15-3:30.



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Troop To Train Mothers

Littlefield Girl Scout Troop will have a Mothers' Training Course at 2 p.m. on Sunday the 21st in the room at Laguna Park. For this class is for mothers of girls from Bula. All mothers are asked to attend and new members are invited.

Community Action is sponsoring a Red Cross Home Nursing course. There will be a class in Spanish for the Spanish speaking man or woman who needs to know how to care for a sick or injured person in their home.

There is to be a class in English for the English speaking person who needs to know how to care for a person who is sick at home. The classes are free.

Pre-registration is necessary in order to set the dates and time and to have sufficient books on hand. Be sure to state if you need a morning or night class. The only cost of the course to the public is \$1.50 for the Home Nursing Book. Please Pre-Register by calling community action at 385-3756 or the Lamb county Red Cross office at 385-3663.

Autograph Party Saturday
The Flower Box shop is sponsoring an autograph party

LVN, Draftsman Needed

Reese Air Force Base at Lubbock needs a licensed vocational nurse, GA-5, \$8,925 per annum and an engineering draftsman, GA-6 \$9,946 per annum.

To qualify as a licensed vocational nurse applicant must hold a current LVN license and have two years of experience subsequent to the date of license.

To qualify as an engineering draftsman, GA-6, applicant must have a total of four years of drafting experience which may include appropriate education.

Persons interested in qualifying for these positions should include application to the Dallas Area Office, U.S. Civil Service Commission, 1100 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas no later than February 25, 1976.

Further information and appropriate applications may be requested from the Dallas Area Office, Federal Job Information Center, by mail or by phone (toll-free) 1-800-492-4400.

Saturday, Feb. 14th, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. for Mrs. Jerrye Kelley.

Mrs. Kelley will be autographing her new book, Poems to Live, To Love, and to Laugh By."

Everyone is invited to come by and meet Jerrye and get to know the characters in her book. She is a former Littlefield resident.

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Principal Explains Program

TITLE I PROGRAM

This is a brief description of the Title I program that is offered in the Littlefield Public school system.

"Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the largest Federal aid-to-education program, was passed in 1965 to provide financial assistance to local school districts in planning and operating special programs for educationally deprived children. It is a supplementary program, designed to upgrade the educational opportunities of children and not a general aid program." This is a quote from the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Elliot L. Richardson, Secretary, Office of Education, S. P. Mareland, Jr. Commissioner.

An educationally deprived child is a child who needs special educational assistance to perform at the grade level for his or her age. The term also includes children with special educational needs resulting from poverty, neglect, delinquency, handicaps, or cultural, economic, ethnic, or linguistic isolation from the general community. Title I may fund a preschool project for children under the age of five or a drop-out prevention project for youth up to 21 years.

Littlefield uses Title I funds for remedial instruction in reading and mathematics to upgrade the achievement level of children who are below

grade level in these subjects. Additional teachers and aids are used to provide more individualized instruction for Title I children. Auxiliary services, such as food, medical and dental services, and clothing, are authorized under Title I. However, funds may be expended for these purposes only when all other resources have been exhausted and only on the basis of individual need. In addition, such services must be an integral part of a Title I educational program.

Each school district must have a systemwide council composed of a majority of Title I parents. The council participates in the planning, operation, and evaluation of the district's Title I program. The Office of Education has also recommended that parent councils be organized at each Title I school.

If any person is interested in visiting our T-I reading program at Littlefield Junior High, please contact Mrs. Nancy Foust, supervisor, or Byron Ford, principal, so we can make arrangements with our reading teachers, Mrs. Bonnie Pressley and Mrs. Joanne Kennemer. We hope you will visit us.

s/Byron Ford
Principal
Littlefield Junior High

STAR-SPANGLED HISTORY

HISTORICAL DRAWINGS BY JOSEPH BOGGS BEALE (1841-1926)



"PUTNAM LEAVES HIS PLOW"

Israel Putnam, a leader in the pre-revolutionary Sons of Liberty movement, was plowing his fields when he heard the news that the Revolution had begun. Leaving the plow where it stood, he went off to join the battle. Putnam was one of the few experienced soldiers at the beginning of the Revolution. During his career in the Continental Army, he rose to the rank of major general. From the collection of American National Insurance Company, Galveston, Texas.

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2A team and possibly the best team in any classification this year, methodically rolled to the win.

Indian all-stater Mike Williams gave the fans an excellent exhibition of his basketball talent. Williams collected his game high of 20 points with a dazzling array of shots and moves and then threw in half a dozen blocked shots, numerous rebounds and fine passes.

The Wildcats effort was led by Rayford Greene's nine points. Narva Simington and Rudy Ayala hit for six each and Ralph Mendez added four. Rounding the scoring were Richard Rogers with three, Lonnie Twitty and Bryan Gregg, two each and Kip Elms one.

Morton scored the first eight points of the game and never were threatened. The Indians lead 18-6 at the end of the first period.

The 'Cats played their finest ball in the second quarter and trailed at half 34-17. Morton upped the count to 49-22 at the end of three quarters.

Littlefield is now 17-13 on the season and entertains Olton Friday night.

Monica Phillips and Carol Sexton paced the girls varsity to their 63-40 win. The game was the teams last of the season. The girls finished with a 13-15 record.

Littlefield lead at the end of the first stanza 17-8 and at half 30-18, the girls held a 43-24 advantage after three periods.

Miss Phillips was the game's high scorer with 22 points and was closely followed by Cartol Sexton's 21.

Penny Sexton dropped in 11 while Wanda Williams added six and Paula Mears three.

The girls JV's blasted Morton 31-12 to even their season record at 7-7.

Littlefield held a narrow 6-4 lead after the first quarter and was ahead by only 14-10 at half.

The local girls threw up an airtight defense in the final half and allowed Morton only two points in the third quarter and none in the fourth.

Carla McCannies outscored the entire Morton team as she bucketed 14 points. Buzz Daniel connected for eight and Ann Hill six. Others scoring were Dana Bassett two and Anita Bryant one.

Littlefield's junior varsity boys and girls team close out their season this weekend in the Dimmitt tournament.

The boys open at 4:00 p.m. Thursday against Christ the King. If the boys win they will play the winner of the Tahoka-Lamesa game at 5:30 p.m. Friday. Should the boys lose they will play the Tahoka-Lamesa loser Friday at 4:00 p.m.

Other teams in the tournament are O'Donnell, Tahoka, Cooper and Slaton.

The girls will compete in a six team tournament against Seminole, Slaton, Christ the King, Tahoka and O'Donnell.

Littlefield's first game is against Christ the King Thursday at 2:30 p.m. If the locals win the first game they will play Tahoka at 2:30 p.m. Friday. Tahoka drew a first round bye.

Should Littlefield lose the opening game they will meet the loser of the Slaton-Seminole game for the consolation crown at 10 Saturday morning.

The girls championship game is set for 4:00 p.m. Saturday and the boys championship tilt will follow at 5:30.

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through SPCAA and paid minimum wages with the hope that after the trial period they will be kept on as regular employees.

The program is specifically designed to get people off unemployment and put them to work.

Commissioners appointed Troy Moss of Littlefield to the Veterans Land Board. Moss replaces John D. Smith who no longer qualified as a board member after moving out of the county.

Specifications and advertising of bids for paving a road near the new denim plant were discussed, but no action was taken.

This item, along with scheduling H. K. Henniger from the South Plains

Association of Governments, is slated for the end-of-month agenda.

Regular items of business included the reading and approval of payment of county-wide bills, and the examination and acceptance of monthly reports from various county offices.

Woman Convicted Of May Burglary

A seven-man, five-woman jury deliberated approximately two hours Friday evening before returning a guilty verdict against Marie Toney for burglary and sentencing her to eight years in the Texas Department of Corrections.

A day and half of testimony was presented in the case that charged the woman with burglary of Mrs. Raymond Humphreys' Amherst Variety on May 8 of last year.

K. W. Carson was foreman of the jury. Other jurors were Mrs. Uil Gunter, George Gallegos, Jim C. Robbins, Mrs. Danny Masten, Mary Wilma Miller, Mildred Rice, Ernest Watson, Betty Jo Koontz, Travis Walters, George Willard Jr., and Joel Henderson.

Earth Council Calls Election

The Earth City Council has called a municipal election for April 3 to elect a mayor and two aldermen.

Terms of Mayor Larry Tunnell and aldermen W. B. McMillan and Donald Runyon are expiring.

G. W. BLACKMON

Services for G. W. "Barney" Blackmon, 79, of Shallowater were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the First Baptist Church of Shallowater with the Rev. R. C. Hester, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church of Amarillo, officiating.

Masonic graveside rites followed in Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock under direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home.

Blackmon died at 6:20 a.m. Sunday in West Texas Hospital following a brief illness.

Blackmon had resided in Shallowater since 1919. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Shallowater, the Shallowater Masonic Lodge No. 1279 and the Khiva Shrine Temple.

Survivors include three sons, Donald of Abernathy, Leidon of Washington, D. C., and Esten of Colorado City; three brothers, Glenn of Littlefield and Alton and Elton, both of Shallowater; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Merrell of Shallowater; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

EUNICE JONES

Services for Eunice Martha Ann Victoria Jones, 80, of Littlefield will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Hammons Funeral Home Chapel. Officiating will be Wilburn Dennis, minister of Crescent Park Church of Christ, assisted by Jack McCormick, minister of Ninth Street Church of Christ.

Burial will follow in Littlefield Memorial Park under the direction of Hammons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Jones died at 8 a.m. Tuesday in Medical Arts Hospital here after a lengthy illness. She had resided in Lamb County since 1926 and was a 20-year resident of Littlefield. She was a native of Wadley, Ala., and a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include three sons, W. B. of Spade, A. D. of Dallas and Sherman of Amarillo; four daughters, Mrs. Nettie Durham of Yuma, Ariz., Mrs. Neoma Henley of Lamesa, Mrs. Lola Wasson and Mrs. Pauline Parrott, both of Littlefield; three sisters, Mrs. Bernice Shuemaker, Mrs. Goldie Scarborough and Mrs. Jewell Melton, all of McKinney; 18 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Paul McCormick, Norman Emfinger, Harold Heller, Don Huckabay, Pat Montgomery and Ned Fairbrian.

Area Man In Guatemala

Frankie Miller, a former Olton resident and a graduate of Olton High School and Abilene Christian College was outside Guatemala City when the devastating earthquake hit last week.

Frankie is a brother of Joe Miller of Amherst and his mother and stepfather are Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Phillips of Amherst. His relatives learned through the Guatemalan embassy Saturday that Miller was not among

the injured or casualties. His exact location was not known, but he was reported to have been going to Antiqua.

At the time Miller departed for Guatemala to attend language school, he was living in San Antonio.

THE ABUNDANT LIFE

Watch Word



By BOB WEIR

WORDS INFLUENCE our lives, in almost every aspect of living. The words we say, and the words said to us affect us. Of course, the words we say are the only ones we can control completely; but we are not likely to be perfect in doing this. Nevertheless, whatever our possible degree of success, continuing improvement in the choice of words and the way we use them is one of the most rewarding of all accomplishments.

WE MUST BE ALERT to "watch words", the words we use, and the way we use them. This applies in all of our communications; in our family associations, in our friendships, in our social life, in our casual contacts with people, in our business life, and in every other situation of human relationships. We must never permit ourselves to be careless, and we will be very foolish if we ever deliberately choose to misuse words.

WORDS ARE MORE THAN words, when considered from the standpoint of the major role they fill in human associations. There are differing viewpoints, the development of skill in the use of words could be one of our most helpful and most useful skills. Right words spoken in the right way will establish and maintain the most satisfactory human associations, but wrong words will spoil everything.

"WATCH WORDS", because they can easily determine our personal success or failure. We can work

diligently, with energy and skill, and fail because we did not or could not speak. They can be helpful and encouraging, or they can be hurtful and discouraging. They can be used to win the approval and the good-will of others, or they, if unwise, will cause disapproval and ill-will. We don't want this to happen. Therefore, we must be just as careful as we know how to be in encouraging to know that we will continue to improve our skill with words.

OUR WORDS have some kind of effect upon the people to whom we speak. They can be helpful and encouraging, or they can be hurtful and discouraging. They can be used to win the approval and the good-will of others, or they, if unwise, will cause disapproval and ill-will. We don't want this to happen. Therefore, we must be just as careful as we know how to be in encouraging to know that we will continue to improve our skill with words.

"COLD WORDS freeze people, and hot words scorch them, and bitter words make them bitter, and wrathful words make them wrathful. Kind words also produce their own image in men's souls; and a beautiful image is. They soothe, and quiet, and comfort the hearer." — Pascal

OUR PEACE OF MIND, and general well-being depend, in large measure, upon the wisest possible choice of words. "A man has joy by the answer of his mouth."

"WATCH WORDS", because they play a very big part in making our life what it is.



A FEATURE OF this week's issue of USN&WR deals with "New ways to heal disturbed minds". Naturally, I was all ears. — If I've ever seen a time when "Disturbed minds" were a dime a dozen, this must be it!

Never before have so many been busy findin' fault with so few. It seems like only yesterday that our own publisher broke silence to voice a few displeasures. — And when HE breaks silence, that's noteworthy!

AS FOR THE aforementioned article, as far as I'm concerned, most of it was malarky. — The kind of stuff you'd expect from some fellow with nothing to do but sit behind a typewriter and blow his mind for something to write about. Perhaps the reason it failed to strike my fancy being that it lacked the tone of firsthand experience. — NOW there, I'm experienced!

So, then, after a little mind-searching, (What time I could find the thing) I decided I might have a few observations of my own to offer, and to wit:

FIRST THING YOU'VE gotta do, if you're gonna help a disturbed mind, is to tranquilize the thing. As long as it's pitching and riotin' you can't handle it at all. You must get it in condition to where you can get its' attention. — Of course, tranquilizers are the answer. — Ah-h dreamland!

Now we've had a steady diet of this dosage for many years. It has been flowin' from Washington, and other high places, in streams of honeyed phrases. We're assured that we have it better than any other people in the world, and that our future security is guaranteed. WE have nothing to worry about!

THESE PEOPLE WILL look right in the eye, and in solemn tones of deepest honesty, ask you to trust them and just leave all the drivin' up to them. We're assured that we can be prosperous, national security and sense of well-being via deficit spending, and no one will ever have to pay. Just let the government take care of you, do all your thinkin' and pay your way.

Deep down, somewhere, what the thinkin' mind looks for is a feeling of security. We'd like to think that we have means of weatherin' the years of old age, without bein' homeless, cold and hungry. — Of bein' able to be cured of our frequent illnesses, and being able to live without bein' utterly dependent on others. The government has assured us that this we can do. They've set-up Social Security and Medicare, plus tax exemptions, to take care of that situation.

HOWEVER, AS WE approach the time, we find that our "Security Blanket" has been cut-off at both ends. As we consider a bankrupt Social Security and rampant inflation, we come to the realization that our blanket has become something like a bikini — too much acreage revealed to be comfortable.

We didn't reckon on sky-rocketed fuel and grocery prices, continually increasin' taxes, and exorbitant hospital bills. — That coupled with a two-bit dollar that's wrecked our savings — We never had it so good??

GENTLEMEN, PASS THOSE tranquilizers around, again — I think I'm wakin' up!



AND WE THINK WE have problems, but what do we have that would even compare to the various disasters that have struck our neighbors in Central America. It is hard to visualize the total population of Levelland killed. Yet that is how many people that have died from the disaster and about 20 times that many were injured.

Guess we can be thankful that we live in these wide open spaces. If for some reason a tornado would come in the middle of the night and all in its path were killed, it would take all the population of Littlefield, Olton Springlake, Earth, Sudan, Amherst, Anton, Pep, Spade, Whitharral and it still would not add up to the number that was killed the other day in Central America.

THE CAMPAIGN POT is beginning to boil again this year. Noticed some

of our national candidates are taking another look at their "Hole Card" — may not look quite as good as anticipated. Of course it is still a little early for the population to decide who they want to vote for. Elements can change a person's mind several times. As far as polls go, I'm not on them although it is good stuff to see the papers with and to use to your advantage in case if you are a leader in the poll.

Speaking of polls, the R.O.N.B.C. (a group not know by many) ran a survey and they proved the fact that Cornball should not run for Dog Catcher. Many of those polled gave their reasons but the report as given to me did not list them.

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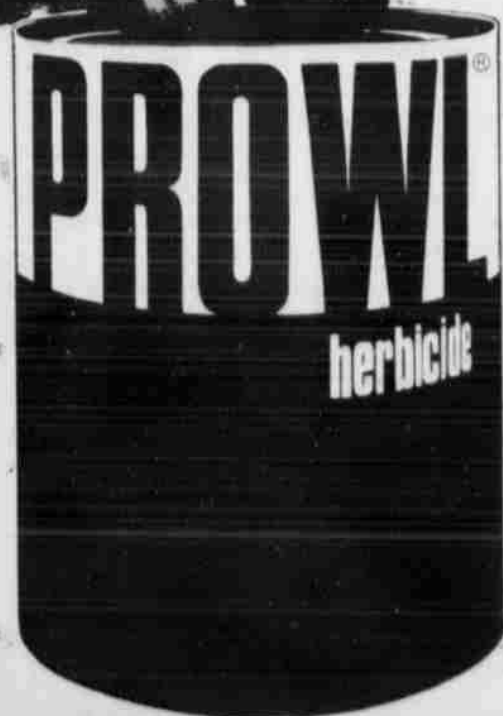
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We wish to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to our dear friends for their kindness during our recent bereavement. Mrs. Norman Heinen and children.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to my wonderful friends, neighbors, and relatives for their many prayers, cards and personal expressions of sympathy at the death of my father, Virgil C. Cole. Thank you so much for the food, flowers, and plants that were thoughtfully brought to our home and the church. May God bless each of you. Mrs. Juanita Cole Clancy.

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The specifications presented are intended to be minimum specifications only. Bids on items of similar and equal quality will be considered, provided the Bidder states in his proposal exactly what he intends to furnish.
The City of Littlefield is exempt from all Federal Excise and State Sales Taxes, therefore, please do not include these taxes in your bid price.

To submit a bid, please use the bid form enclosed. Any additional information which you may want to present should be attached to the bid form. An extra copy of the specifications and bid form is enclosed for your retention.

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"Let Freedom Ring" was the theme held at 6:30 Jan. 29. The fellowship hall was beautifully decorated and lighted for the occasion featuring red, white and blue. Leese Miller gave the invocation.
The welcome was by U.M.W. President Mrs. Mary Brownlow and Monte Pierce, the response.
The bicentennial motif, red, white and blue was used in the place cards and other decoration of the individual tables.
The menu was tomato juice cocktail, baked ham, rice-broccoli casserole, wheat dinner rolls, sliced white and blue cream, cookies, tea and coffee.
Kyla Harrell and Messamore furnished numbers and Raymon of Lubbock was guest of honor. Rev. Norman Patton benediction. High school seniors and guests, nine attended.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Article 3912k, Sec. 6, of Vernon's Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, which states the following:

"The Commissioners Court shall not exercise the authority provided by... this Act (to fix the amount of compensation for county and precinct officials) except at regular meeting of the court and after 10 days' notice published in a paper of general circulation in the county of the intended salaries, expenses, and allowances to be raised and the amount of the proposed raises."

The Commissioners' Court of Lamb County, Texas, will take under advisement at its regular meeting on the 27th day of February, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. at the courts' regular meeting place in the Lamb County Courthouse the setting of the salaries of the following Elected Officials of Lamb County, Texas, with a proposed fifteen per cent (15%) increase to be effective March 1, 1976.

Office	Present Annual Salary	Proposed Annual Salary
County	\$8,400.00	\$9,660.00
County Sheriff	\$8,000.00	\$9,200.00
County Attorney	\$7,200.00	\$8,280.00
County Tax Assessor-Collector	\$7,400.00	\$8,510.00
County Treasurer	\$6,780.00	\$7,800.00
County Clerk	\$7,350.00	\$8,450.00
District Clerk	\$6,780.00	\$7,800.00
County Commissioner, Precinct #1	\$7,500.00	\$8,625.00
County Commissioner, Precinct #2	\$7,500.00	\$8,625.00
County Commissioner, Precinct #3	\$7,500.00	\$8,625.00
County Commissioner, Precinct #4	\$7,500.00	\$8,625.00
Justice of Peace, Precinct #1	\$2,400.00	\$2,520.00
Justice of Peace, Precinct #2	\$2,400.00	\$2,520.00
Justice of Peace, Precinct #3	\$6,780.00	\$7,800.00
Justice of Peace, Precinct #4	\$2,400.00	\$2,520.00

The Commissioners' Court will consider the proposed salary increases and take action upon the same on February 27, 1976. WITNESS my hand this 9th day of February, A. D., 1976.

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Mexican YH Topic

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Gail Spivey will present a program on preparing a menu for the year.

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OFFICIAL LHS NEWSPAPER



Choir Sings Valentines

By TODD STAFFORD
This Saturday, February 14, is St. Valentine's Day. Most of you will be receiving Valentine candy, flowers, or cards. The LHS choir members, under the direction of Miss Carol Chantry, can willingly help some of the LHS students with their Valentine cards. The choir members will have a collection of Valentine verses from which you may choose or you can even use your own. The choir members will deliver either an ordinary Valentine or a singing Valentine. The money collected will help the choir pay for a trip in the spring. Here is a sample of a choirgram: Roses are red, violets are blue, Send a Choir Valentine and we will be grateful to you!

Flashbacks

Outstanding Boy and Girl of 1969 were Allen Williams and Carla Chambers. Koleta Giles was the Homecoming Queen of 1968-1969.

Famous Men Recalled

PERRIN
Washington, won a place in American history as "Father of His Country" for nearly twenty years. He guided his country as its own child. Three ways Washington guided the United States were: he recommended the Constitution that won American independence from Great Britain; he presided over the Revolutionary War; he served as the first president of the United States. Third, he was the first to be elected to the office of President. There are many differences between the United States today and the time of Washington. The new nation was small then. It stretched from the Mississippi River to fewer than 4,000,000 people. Most people made their money by farming. Very few people could read or write. Transportation and communication were slow. There were only 11 states at the time Washington was President.

Washington went to school only until he was 14 or 15. However, he learned to make the most of all his abilities and opportunities. His remarkable patience and his understanding of others helped him win people to his side in times of hardship and discouragement. Perhaps the strongest feature in his character was prudence, never acting until every circumstance, every consideration, every possibility, was maturely weighed; refraining when he saw a doubt, but, when decided, going through with his purpose whatever obstacles opposed.

Washington was born on Pope's Creek in Westmoreland County, Virginia, on February 22, 1732. He probably did not attend school for more than 7 or 8 years. His favorite subject was math.

Abraham Lincoln was our 16th President of the United States. He was one of the truly great men of all time. Life in the United States during Lincoln's administration revolved almost entirely around the Civil War. He was born on February 12, 1809. Many people believe that Lincoln began his life in a log cabin, which in his case was considered a place of poverty. He was well-fed and well-clothed for the times. Lincoln's formal schooling totaled less than a year. He describes his education in his own words: "There were some, schools, so called, but no qualification was ever required of a teacher, beyond reading and writing, and ciphering to the rule of Three. On the evening of April 14, 1865 Lincoln was shot by John Wilkes Booth. He died at 7:22 a.m. of April 15. On May 4, Lincoln was buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery at Springfield, Ill. We remember these two men during our 200th year of the United States on their birthdays this month.



JENNY AND RUTH GARNEY are pictured here beside a frost-covered tree which resulted during a recent frost. The two girls, who are sisters, are from Middleboro, Massachusetts and are featured this week. [Photo by Dolores Mendez]

Girls From Massachusetts And Teacher Featured

By CHRISTENE CRISTAN
By DOLORES MENDEZ
Mrs. Bobbie Pylant is new to high school this year, but she has been teaching in Littlefield since 1964. Mrs. Pylant attended Wayland Baptist College and Southwestern Oklahoma State University. She has taught school for 16 years; four years in Anton and 12 years in Littlefield. She has taught 7th, 8th and Varsity basketball, 7th and 8th grade English and Freshman English in Anton. In Littlefield she has taught physical education and health in high school and has been 7th and 8th grade girls' coach as well as teaching junior high P.E. She also helps with freshman girls' basketball. Mrs. Pylant enjoys teaching in Littlefield. She says the teachers and students are very cooperative and a pleasure to work with. In her spare time she rides her motorcycle or watches television. Mrs. Pylant says that steak rates first as her favorite food and blue as her favorite color. Jennifer Lynn Garney and Ruth Elizabeth Garney, both sisters, from Middleboro, Massachusetts, are this week's feature students. Ruth and Jennifer both moved to Littlefield in August of 1975 and they both like it here, but their opinions of LHS differ. Ruth as a junior says that the school and the classes are easier here than there, and she likes it especially because our lunch hour is longer than theirs was. Ruth is 16, and is taking English II, Chemistry, World History, Home and Family and

Freshmen Glad About Move

By TODD STAFFORD
This year for the first time since 1964 the freshmen class has attended school in the same building as sophomores, juniors and seniors. A questionnaire was passed around to a number of freshmen asking them if they liked being in high school, if they were glad the freshmen were moved up, and their personal opinion of LHS. Jack Hall- Yes, I like it because we have more freedom than at junior high. We are able to participate in more things. At first I didn't think it would be any fun, but it is. Kerry Drake- I like LHS because it is fun, for school that is and you have more electives. I'd rather be in high school than junior high. Ben Davidson- Yes, I like LHS because there's a lot more going on here, and I'm glad they moved me, but I wish they'd leave my little brothers in junior high. Van Jaquess- yes, I like it because you have more privileges and we have a longer lunch period. The people seem nicer here, too. I think that LHS is pretty cool, and the teachers are a little bit nicer. Diana Hernandez- Yes, I like LHS because we get to do more things now than in junior high. I'm glad that the freshmen got moved up because it's pretty cool up here. It's a neat building with lots of neat people and cool things to do. Karla McCanlies- I like being in high school because you are able to meet more people and learn to have more responsibility. I'm glad to be in LHS even though we didn't get to be the top class in junior high. We'll work our way up... eventually. I think LHS is great. It is more lenient than junior high, though it could be a little more lenient. People are more friendly and most of the teachers are nice. The only things I don't like are the



FRESHMEN BOY'S basketball team is pictured here at the close of the season.

Seniors Featured

KIP ELMS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Elms, has been active in Chemistry Club, has won an academic sweater in Chemistry, and has received a varsity letter in basketball and football. Kip works on his father's farm and plans to go to college to study automotive engineering. The thing that disturbs him most is the fact that moral standards in this country have seemed to disappear. JOY EDDINS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eddins, has been active in cheerleading, Latin Club, French Club, National Honor Society, and Science Club. She plans to attend college after graduation, and her favorite pastimes are reading, riding bicycles, and traveling. Her main annoyance is the prejudices of people toward each other. BRAD FITZGERALD, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Willis, plans to work after graduation. His favorite pastime is reading, and the thing that bothers him most is prejudice people. ESPERANZA HOPE FLORES, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Flores, has been active in Business Club, Student Council, basketball, and KATALYST staff. Her favorite pastimes are reading, listening to music, and bowling. She may attend college after graduation. The thing that annoys her most is people who gossip and are jealous of others. LISA GARLAND, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Garland Jr., works part-time at Garland Motor Co. and plans to attend college after graduation. She has been active in FTA, Chemistry Club, Industrial Arts, Student Council, and band. Her favorite pastimes are water skiing and going to Lubbock. DAVID GATTIS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gattis, has been active in choir and National Honor Society. David was nominated to Who's Who Among American High School Students. He works at State Line Irrigation and plans to join the Air Force after he receives a bachelor's degree so he can train to be a pilot. His favorite pastimes are hunting, fishing, bowling, and riding around. BRYAN GREGG, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Gregg, has been active in National Honor Society, basketball, Science Club, and band. He was manager for the football team, won academic sweaters in Algebra, Algebra II, and Geometry, placed 2nd in district number sense, and was nominated to Who's Who Among American High School Students. Bryan plans to go to college after graduation. His main annoyance is that so many people are turning away from belief in God. KATHY HAGERTY, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hagerty, was a varsity cheerleader her junior year and was editor of the KATALYST her senior year. After graduation she plans to enjoy the summer, find a job, and maybe get her own apartment. The thing that bothers her most about life is that people don't try to get along with each other. RANDY HALL, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benny Hall, works at Furr's and plans to attend college after graduation. His favorite pastimes are watching football games and talking to people. Randy has been active in athletics, choir, Industrial Arts, and Cat Club. He made All-District in football his senior year and was class vice-president during his junior and senior years.

Teams Lose Season Games, Gain Six

- Girls' teams suffered the hands of Friona, and Olton.
- Boys defeated Friona, Varsity lost to Olton.
- Freshman girls lost to Friona 41.
- Varsity boys edged Friona 43-Friona 41.
- Varsity girls won over Olton and around and lost to Friona.
- Varsity boys beat Dimmitt 33.
- Varsity boys beat Dimmitt, and Lorenzo.
- Varsity girls won 46-Dimmitt 45.
- Varsity girls won 47-Friona 39.
- Varsity girls were defeated by the Olton Mustangs.
- Varsity boys beat Friona and Friona both beat Friona.
- Varsity girls beat Lorenzo.
- Varsity boys beat Friona 59.
- Varsity girls beat Friona 76.
- Varsity boys beat Friona 55.
- Varsity boys were also defeated by Olton and Dimmitt.
- Varsity girls beat Friona 52.
- Varsity boys beat Friona 71.
- Varsity girls beat Friona 39.

Coming Soon

- Lincoln's Birthday
- Olton (Here at 6:30)
- V Boys
- 12, 13, 14 Tahoka JV
- 14 St. Valentine's Day
- 14 Washington's Birthday
- 17 Dimmitt (There at V Boys and V Boys)
- 20 Student Council 50's and Dance
- 24-25 Quarter Test
- 26-27 Inservice Days

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MRS. BOBBIE PYLANT, who is this week's feature teacher is not new in the school system. This year she has moved to LHS for some of her classes. Here she is pictured checking roll in her 6th period health class. [Photo by David Cutshall]

Apathy Problem Present

By JERRY SCHULZ
Apathy is a characteristic that can be very destructive. It is an attitude in people that tends to make them lazy and "wishy-washy." Apathetic people have a "don't care" attitude and really just don't care about anything. Apathy is present everywhere. It is very evident in government. Poor turnouts at election polls indicate that many people are not interested enough or just too lazy to vote. Many offices on state and county election ballots are unopposed because no one has enough determination or interest to run against an incumbent. Our government was created as a democracy of the people, by the people, and for the people. But, how can a government function to its fullest when the people are so unconcerned that they don't even bother to exercise their right to vote? Apathy is equally present in the church, community affairs, and school life. School provides good opportunities for students to get involved in clubs and organizations that relate to their interests, but some students would rather not get involved. Instead, they gripe and complain about what is wrong and what they dislike. Constructive criticism and a willingness to reform is essential to growth and development. Our nation was built by men who were willing to change what was wrong and make it better. On the other hand, unjustified complaints and degradation can only tear down. They can never be constructive. Apathy can and will cause the downfall of our nation if permitted to do so. A solution to apathy is for each individual to set goals for himself, to busy himself with

Leap Year Here

By JULIAN SAENZ
Whether you know it or not, this year is Leap Year. Leap Year started when the Gregorian calendar was introduced in Spain, Portugal, and parts of Italy on the same day that it was adopted in Rome. On the same day the following year, the Catholic states of Germany and France adopted it. In Great Britain and in her American colonies, where there was objection to everything originating in Rome, the old calendar, with the new year beginning on March 25th, was used. Because of the confusion arising from the use of a different calendar from that used on the Continent, the British Parliament passed an act in 1750 adopting the Gregorian calendar, with the new year beginning on January first. The Julian calendar had become eleven days slow by that time. It was therefore ordered that September 3, 1752, should be September 14, not only in Great Britain but in her American colonies as well. In the course of time, the dates of events prior to 1752 were changed to correspond to the new calendar. Washington was born on February 12, Old Style, and he observed the anniversary on that date, but at about the beginning of the nineteenth century, the day began to be observed on February 22. (from The American Book of Days)

Western Play Is Planned

By STEVE CRUZ
The LHS SKAT staff is proud to announce the presentation of Littlefield High School's first play of the year. It is a western entitled WEST OF PECOS. It centers on a cowboy who is just days from being married. Then he is accused for shooting holes in a poster of Lily Langtry on "Lily Langtry Day". The honorable Judge Roy Bean is the law in this town and his verdict will decide the fate of the young cowboy. For the results of this suspense-filled, full-length play be sure to attend its presentation around the first of March. Sponsoring the play will be Mr. Tommy Harrison and Mrs. Tiddy Blakely. Cast members will be announced later.

Superstitions Brought Out Friday 13th

Superstitions have developed through many years and have affected many people. One superstition is that breaking a mirror means seven years of bad luck. Another says that if you get cold shivers, someone is walking over the spot that will be your grave. Friday, along with the number 13, is thought by some to bring about bad happenings on that day. Remember that as this Friday is the "13th"!



THE LHS AGRICULTURE boys returned from the Hereford Livestock Judging contest with a trophy for fourth place. These students are shown with Mr. Homer Lowrance, ag teacher. From left are Ricky Bryant, Dean Walden, Timmy Cannon, and Kevin Bell. Kevin received an award for high point individual.

Around LHS

UIL
Kip Elms (SR.), Bryan Gregg (SR.), and Doug Pharris (FR.) attended the UIL slide rule practice meet in Andrews, Saturday, January 31st. The three LHS members left at 5:00 a.m. and returned home at 5:30 p.m. Kip competed in the slide rule math test and science test, Bryan in the number sense, and Doug in the slide rule and sciences tests. They received no awards, but their scores will be sent to the school.

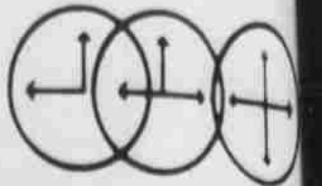
BUSINESS CLUB
Tuesday night, February 3rd, the Business Club members met to discuss having a bake sale on Saturday, February 7th. The sale will be held at Roden Drug from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. They will sell pies and cakes and the money they raise will be used to buy toys for the children of the State


CHEERLEADERS
The JV cheerleaders are having a bakesale Saturday, February 14th, at Ware's Department Store in Littlefield. The sale begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 5:00 p.m. They will sell German chocolate and Bundt cakes, cupcakes, cookies, and brownies.

FFA
On January 31 the Agriculture boys went to Hereford to judge livestock. It was a 4-H and Agriculture event. The Ag boys that went were Kevin Bell, Timmy Cannon, Dean Walden, and Ricky Bryant. As a group they got fourth place. Kevin Bell received high individual. In this event the animals that were judged were swine, sheep and steers. There were approximately 150 people participating. Their next judging event will be at San Angelo.

"THERE IS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING . . ." Ecclesiastes 3:1, The Living Bible, Tyndale House

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WHAT'S IN A KISS?

The turning point in the course of the growth of the Kingdom of God must surely have been the day or year when those who advocated monasticism died. And those who believed in living in the real world took over. If that change had not come, the whole world would have had little use for either evangelism or missions in later days. And who set the example? Whose example was totally forgotten by the monks and the monasticists? Why, Jesus, of course!

Some say He never smiled. If so, how could little children have been attracted to Him? Some say He was a glutton, simply because He enjoyed a good meal in the homes of His friends. But how else could He have found the fellowship which He so dearly loved? Some say He was an econoclast because He spent time in the mountains alone, but how else could He have discovered the plan and will of God for His life for moment to moment and day to day living?

But no scripture, I suppose, so beautifully rebuts these and other scandalous things said about Him as does Luke 7:45, "Thou gavest me no kiss." He merely wanted it from a most unlovable person—Simon the Pharisee, an avowed and vindictive foe. He didn't have to ask Judas for a kiss, but somehow Jesus saw this simple act from His worst enemy as at least a beginning for something better.

Somehow it epitomizes for me the ministry of religious broadcasting when we reach out to the avowed enemies of Christ—to those who commonly, thinkingly or unthinkingly, use His name in the center of the worst curse their minds can conceive and we in His name approach them by way of radio and television to say for Him, "Thou gavest me no kiss." He wants this and He asked it of even His enemies. He cares, He really cares—and He cares for us all.

— Paul M. Stevens

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Wanda Williams led the scoring with 25 points, followed by Carol Sexton with 16, Karla McCanlies with 12, Buzz Daniel with five and Anita Bryant with two.

AMHERST— On Saturday, February 14th, Sharalyn Patterson and Monte Pierce will be on the campus of Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls to take part in the Sectional Bicentennial Youth Debates.

Sharalyn and Monte have been working in these contests since last fall. They won in our school contests and in the district meet. Sharalyn won in persuasive speaking, and Monte won in debate.

Amherst High School is in District XXII of the DYD Debates. These contests were made possible by a National Grant. The topic for this meet is "Working In America."

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Littlefield seventh and eighth grade girls closed out the basketball season Monday night by thumping Olton.

The seventh graders blasted Olton 30-2 behind Michelle Phillips 11 points.

Linda Glover and Pam Fisher each tallied five and Sylvia Martinez added three. Scoring two points each were Sally Wilkinson, Cindy Klein and Alvina Gonzales.

Bridgett Twitty paced the eighth graders 33-26 win. Jamie Lee dropped in eight while Robin Messer, Jana Jones and Geanice Ward scored four each.



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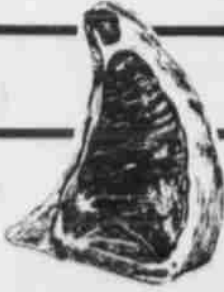
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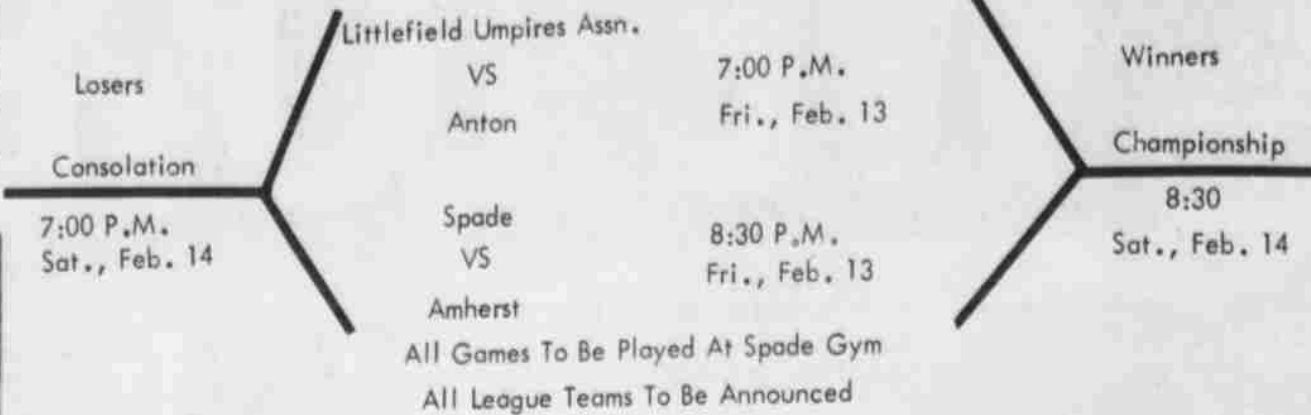
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BROTHER DON Shackelford of Lubbock Christian College Bible Chair Director brought the lesson Sunday morning to all adult classes in the auditorium and spoke at the 11 o'clock service at Main Street Church of Christ Sunday.

MARK BRYANT, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Bryant, student at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, visited here last weekend.

MR. AND MRS. Rex Boyles announce the arrival of Cheri Jo, who was born Jan. 30 in Littlefield Hospital at 7:30 p.m. in Littlefield. She weighs 6 1/2 pounds and is 19 inches long.

WE ARE HAPPY to report that I. B. Holt is improving following a stay in Central Plains General Hospital in Plainview.

MRS. MAUDIE Cure, mother of Mrs. Hope Loveless, Alton Cure and Mrs. Bert Stewart, has returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stewart after receiving treatment at Hi-Plains Hospital in Hale Center a number of days.

JACK BURKHALTER underwent surgery in Littlefield Hospital last Monday. He is in room 225 doing well.

WORD HAS BEEN received here that O. B. LaFrance underwent major surgery Thursday morning in Tucson, Ariz. and is doing fine.

MRS. E. G. PEEK, mother of Judy Ray, underwent surgery Wednesday in Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.



LISA RISINGER of Bula is the leading scorer for the South Plains College Texanettes. The 5-10 freshman forward is averaging 16.9 points a game. She also has 111 rebounds in 13 games for an 8.5 average in that category. Miss Risinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Risinger, was an All-State player for two years and was named to four All-District teams while at Bula High School. She has been the top scorer in six of the Texanette's 14 games. She hit for 32 points against Angelo State in the first game of the season and followed that with a 27-point effort against West Texas State. The Texanettes currently are 13-1 for the year.

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WHITHARRAL

By CHARLA CHRONISTER

THE WHITHARRAL Junior High basketball teams played Pep on Monday, Jan. 26. The girls won their game with the boys losing theirs. They participated in the Threeway tournament over the weekend. The boys came home with third place and the girls came in for consolation. Monday night, Feb. 2, they met Bledsoe on the home court and won both games.

THE HIGH SCHOOL basketball teams journeyed to Bledsoe on Friday night, Jan. 30, with both teams losing. The girls score was 58-46 with Rhonda Bryant making 19 points. John David Dukatnik made 16 points for the boys, with the final score being 78-53.

THE 7th thru 12th grade English classes went to South

Plains College on Monday, Feb. 2. They heard a Rice University professor give an impersonation of Mark Twain.

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CECIL GIPSON of 1211 W. 8th has been in Methodist Hospital, room 391, after breaking his hip while on the job. Gipson is a carpenter.

MR. AND MRS. E. K. Broadus, Rt. 1, Littlefield spent four days in San Antonio with daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Pat Smiley and Andrea.

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