

COTTON TALKS

FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. speaking on behalf of 23,000 High Plains cotton producers is urging President Richard Nixon to repeat his 1973 veto of the "ill conceived" minimum wage legislation reported out of the Senate-House Conference Committee this week and subsequently passed, in rapid succession, by both Houses of Congress.

"All efforts in the two Houses to prevent passage of or to meaningfully amend this legislation failed by wide margins," notes Donald A. Johnson, PCG Executive Vice President, "and the President is the last chance for avoiding rapidly increasing agricultural wage rates and a serious eroding

of seasonal overtime exemptions for agricultural processing industries.

Under this new legislation, workers who were covered by the minimum before 1966 will have a wage floor of \$2.00 per hour beginning May 1 this year and increase to \$2.30 by January 1, 1976.

Workers brought under coverage for the first time in 1966 and those newly covered under the present legislation will draw \$1.90 by May 1 this year, increase to \$2.00 on January 1, 1975 and escalate each year to \$2.30 by January 1, 1977.

The minimum for farm workers now drawing \$1.30 will increase to \$1.60 on May 1, 1974 and increase in 20-cent increments each year to \$2.30 on January 1, 1978.

In addition to the increases in wage rates, there will be an almost complete erosion, by the end of 1976, of all overtime exemptions so vital to agricultural operation.

For example overtime exemptions for cottonseed oil mills will be completely phased out in four steps, ending December 31, 1976. Compress and warehouse exemptions will be in effect 14 weeks per year during

which workers can work a maximum of 48 hours per week, 10 hours per day.

Ginners in 1974 will have a six week which they can offer employment of 72 hours per week without paying overtime, a four week period with up to 64 hours exempt, two weeks of a 54-hour exemption and a 48-hour exemption for the remainder of the year. For 1975 the corresponding figures will be six weeks and 66 hours, four weeks and 60 hours, two weeks and 50 hours, and an additional two weeks with 46 hours, and a 44-hour exemption the rest of

the year. By 1976 the exemption will be cut to six weeks with 60 hours, four weeks with 56 hours, two weeks with 48 hours, two weeks with 44 hours, and no exemption at all for the balance of the year.

Another important provision of the bill will allow the employment of students at 85 percent of the establishment minimum provided they work no more than 20 hours per week. No more than 10 percent of the work force of an establishment can be made up of students at the 85-percent wage rate unless it has a previously established practice of student employment as a higher percentage of the total.

If this bill is not vetoed, Johnson concluded, "Badly needed agricultural production will be hampered by an addition to already sky-high production costs and another crucial battle will have been lost in the war against inflation. But judging from the rapidity of action by both Houses and the overwhelming majority vote favoring the bill, chances for a Presidential veto seem rather remote at this time."

LEGAL NOTICE
To All Landowners
Commencing on April 1, 1974, and thereafter, all Applications for Water Well Permits to be issued by the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 in Bailey County, Texas, shall be applied for at 306 W. Second, Muleshoe, Texas.

Mrs. Doris Wedel has been designated Secretary for the Bailey County Committee of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1.
15-148-3tc

Farm-facts

A Weekly Report Of Agri-Business News

Compiled From Sources Of The Texas Department of Agriculture
John C. White, Commissioner

Something To Cry About... Sheep and Lambs On Feed Are Down But Up... Livestock Slaughter Increases... Feeder Cattle Prices Decline.

If you like onions (and who doesn't) here's something to cry about. The Texas spring onion crop for 1974 is forecast at 18 per cent above last year's crop. This year's spring crop is expected to be the largest since 1967 and the third largest on record.

Peak movement of the crop is expected in April. The quality of the crop appears to be excellent in the Rio Grande Valley. Harvest in the coastal bend area is expected to get underway in April. At Laredo, the crop is making good growth with the first harvest due during the early part of April. In the San Antonio-winter garden area cold weather has reduced stands some. But the crop is making good progress and harvest is expected to get underway there in April or May.

Acres for harvest this year are estimated 21,000, which is an eight per cent increase compared to a year ago. Yield per acre is expected to be up nine per cent from last year.

A 53 PER CENT increase in sheep and lambs on feed is noted by the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service as of March 1 compared to 1973. Drylot sheep feeders with a lot capacity of 2,000 head or more had 113,000 sheep and lambs on feed for slaughter as of March 1. This is four per cent below the number on feed as of February 1.

Current intentions to market are: March 46,000; April 44,000; and May 23,000. April and May intentions are incomplete because additional lambs could still be placed on feed and marketed during this period.

RED MEAT production in Texas increased four per cent compared to a year ago. A total of 201,000,000 pounds of meat was produced in the state during January. Cattle slaughtered numbered 317,000, calves 8,700, hogs 131,000 and sheep and lambs 116,000 head. Cattle and sheep and lambs increased but calves and hogs dropped below a year ago.

Nationwide, commercial production of red meat was two per cent more than a year earlier and 12 per cent more than December of 1973.

FEEDER cattle prices are being affected due to losses of feedlot operators. This has been happening since mid-January. A number of reasons are listed as the cause of this new round of confusion in the livestock industry.

Compared to fat cattle prices, feeder cattle were over-priced.

The number of feeder cattle available is also another cause for the feeder cattle price situation. January sales of cattle and calves at Texas livestock auction markets were 17 per cent above a year ago. Most of these were feeder cattle.

Another weakening factor for feedlots was a drop in the fed cattle market. Choice 900 to 1,100 pound steers sold direct from feedlots averaged \$50.45 per hundred weight during the first week of February. By the last week of the month, prices had dropped 13 per cent to around \$44 per hundredweight.

Feedlot operators, meanwhile, are losing \$135 to \$155 per head, which is \$35 to \$55 per head more loss than they experienced in late 1973.

FARM export totals are rising again. Agricultural exports for the fiscal year ending June 30 are expected to total about \$20 billion. This would be almost \$1 billion above the estimate made last November.

The \$20 billion export figure would also be almost \$7 billion above a year earlier.

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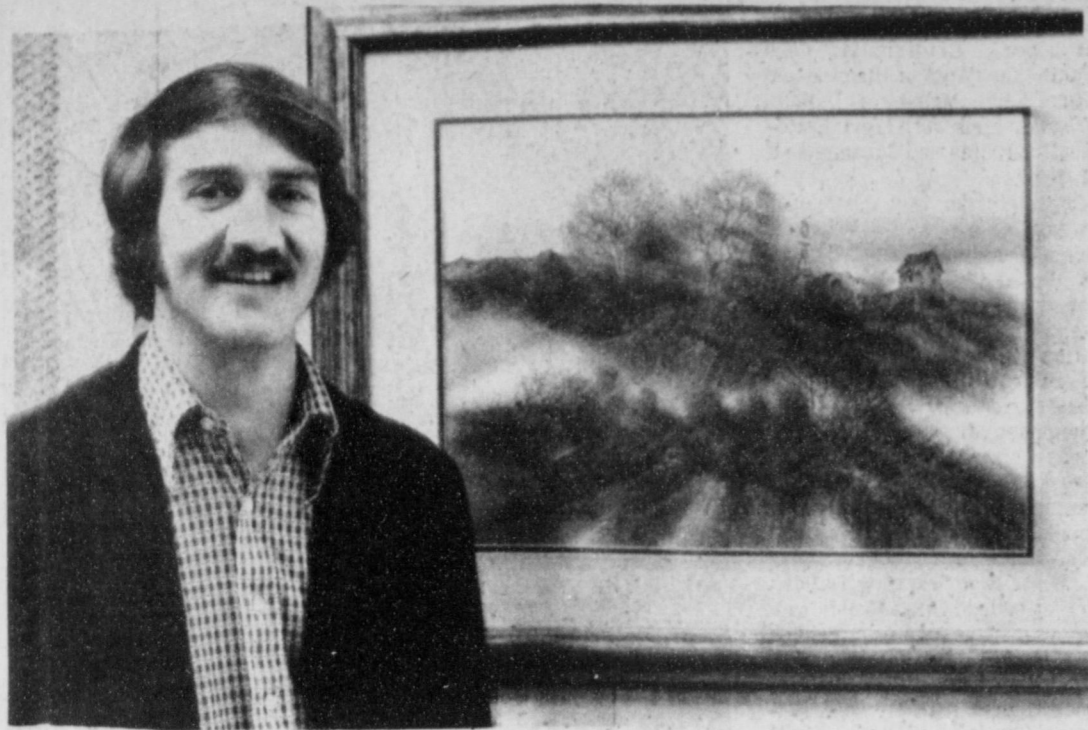


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DANNY GAMBLE

Art Association Will Host Danny Gamble

The Muleshoe Art Association will meet Tuesday, April 9 at 2:00 p.m. in the community room of the Muleshoe State Bank.

Guest artist for the meeting will be Danny Gamble of Amarillo. Gamble, a native of Hollis, Oklahoma has gained southwest renown for his portrayal of the rural scene.

His watercolors and acrylics project the poignant beauty of his homeland.

Gamble's career began at Southwestern State College, then matured while teaching in the public schools. Painting soon became so vital that he is now devoting full time to it. The regional demand

for his demonstrations and work shops has been tremendous.

Gamble has a wide scope of capabilities, ranging from dramatic floral paintings and mystic mood studies to mono-

chromatic value studies. In his celebrated "wet on wet" studies, the colors literally explode into startling, though subtle effects. His landscapes betray a deep personal relationship with the Southwest.

Gamble is currently teaching a watercolor class at Muleshoe. The Art Association has been

invited to show at the Muleshoe Library during Library Week, April 21-27. All paintings should be at the library by Saturday, April, 20 and they may be left there a month. Two paintings by Arlene Phelps and Rita White will be donated to sell chances on to earn money for the Association's annual competition show in July.

Ballet School To Open Here

Tutu's school of Ballet will be opening in Muleshoe soon. It will be located in the old Montgomery Ward building at

405 Main Street. Tutu has been teaching nine years but only four in this area. She has a studio at Sudan and one at Littlefield.

A ballet major of T.C.U. Tutu is also co-ordinator of the JR. Civic Ballet in Lubbock and a member of the Lubbock Civic Ballet Company. She is originally from Chicago and has studied in Chicago, Dallas and New York.

Her classes in Muleshoe will be taught on Tuesdays and Fridays. Ballet, tumbling, exercising, and modern jazz will be offered.

It is

That loud noise you hear is laughter by a mother of twin babies who has just had the 40-hour week explained to her.

NEW ARRIVALS



Martha Angelica Garza

Mr. and Mrs. Norberto Garza of Muleshoe are the proud parents of a new baby girl born April 4 at 5:17 a.m. in the West Plains Memorial Hospital of Muleshoe. The baby weighed seven pounds and ten ounces and was named Martha Angelica. She is the couple's second child.

Nursing Home News

by Myrtle Guinn

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones of Bula visited with Marnie Miller Friday. They are friends of several years when both families lived at Quail.

Mr. and Mrs. Esker Thomas from Canyon visited Friday afternoon with Mrs. Beulah Cross. Mr. Thomas is Mrs. Cross's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. John Blackman of Bula spent the afternoon Friday with his mother, Nettie Blackman.

Mrs. Mattie Duke had two neices and a nephew from Lubbock, visit her Saturday. They brought her flowers. Irma and Blonnie Ray were here also.

Miss Jerene Murrah hasn't been feeling well and is in bed most of the time. We hope she will be feeling better soon.

Mrs. Perry, who has been pretty sick, is slightly improved.

The Seales sisters visited Mrs. Ben Williams Friday as they do often. Ben who has been ill about six weeks is slowly improving.

Miss Mildred Davis comes each day to be with her mother Mrs. Davis.

Jerene Murrah's visitors Saturday and Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Claudis Murrah and two sons, Gregard Vence of Mallico, Kansas, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stark of Levelland and Oda and Gordon Murrah.

Visiting Mrs. Lewis the past few days were her son Leon, Muriel and Kirk. Mrs. Martin

and Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Blackman, Mrs. Weners, Mr. and Mrs. Head and family, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Cox.

I read this little paragraph recently and it expresses my hopes, desires and prayers so well I want to repeat it here. Maybe it is your hopes and prayers too. "My prayers are more often for strength in daily life, for joy and love in my family and friends and for others in need, for Gods gift of a merry heart, if you can smile and pray you are part way there. If you have someone to pray with and share that smile with, you have reached home base. Which is peace with God and our Savior Jesus Christ."



EVERYONE FILL YOUR CUP WITH DIRT . . . Twelve children attended the story hour Wednesday, April 3. They learned of spring and Easter and planted beans in paper cups. The children heard stories, sang songs and saw a film. Favors were handed out to the boys and girls by the leaders, Mrs. Lee Kimbrough and Mrs. Odell Rasco of the Llano Estacado Civic Club.



RECOGNITION GIVEN TO CLUB . . . Mrs. Bernis Camp presented Mrs. Lee Kimbrough and Mrs. Odell Rasco a certificate of recognition for the Llano Estacado Civic Club and their help in the Story Hour Program. Llano Estacado has it the first Wednesday of the month and the Young Homemakers have it the third Wednesday.

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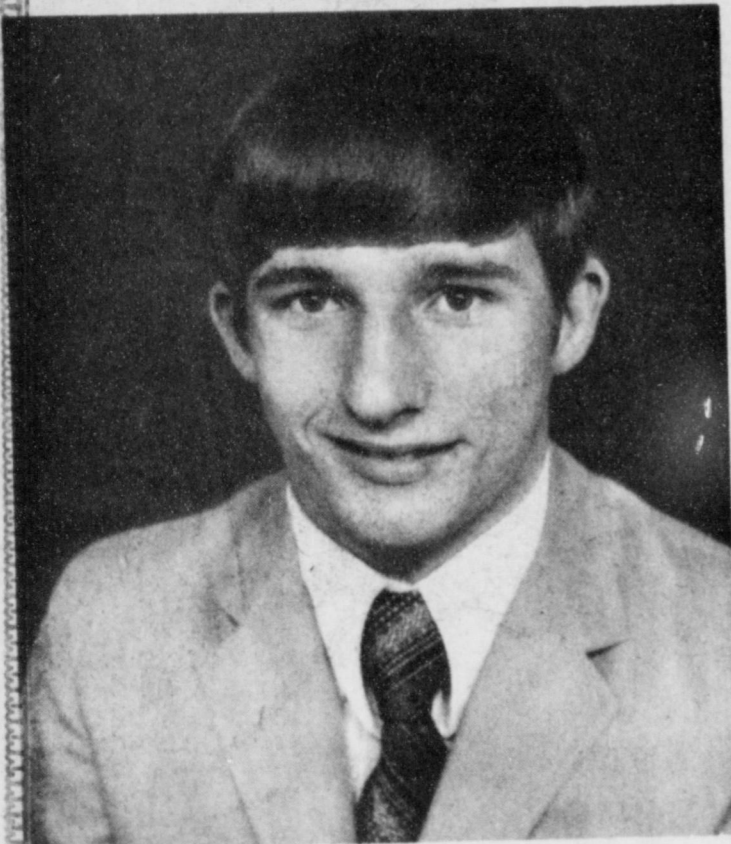
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Athletic Banquet Honors Students

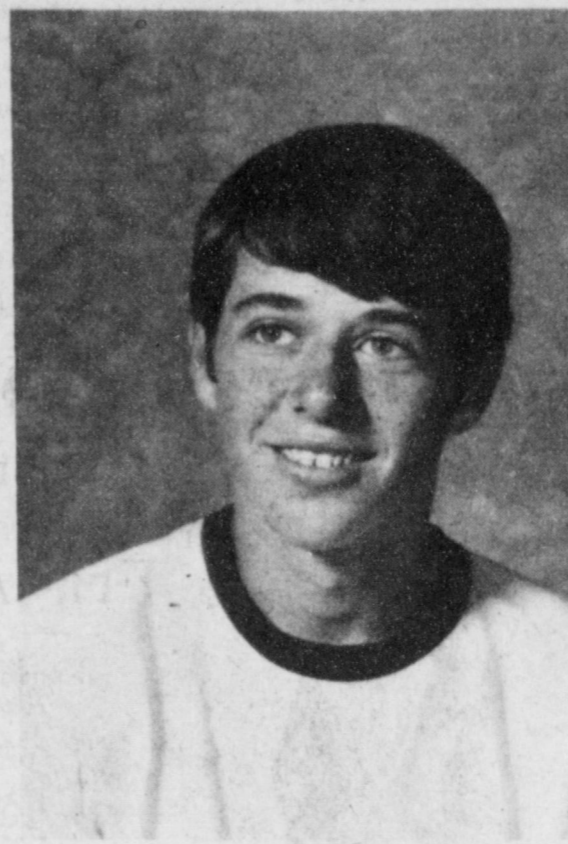
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Speech Department Wins Sweepstakes

The Speech Department won the District Speech Sweepstakes Championship for the fourth consecutive year this past weekend at the District 1-AAA Tournament held on the West Texas State University

Campus. Jana Oyler and Lawren Hall won first in girls debate; Steve Block and Richard Meyers first in boys debate; Sharon Wrinkle first in girls prose reading; Larry Torres, first in boys prose reading; Ronnie Bullock, first in boys informative speaking; Denette Mann, first in girls persuasive speaking; Belinda Nickels, second in girls poetry interpretation; Larry Mills second in girls poetry interpretation; Mary Ann Gonzales se-



TERINA WHALIN

Terina Whalin HERO of Month

This month the Hece girls selected Terina Whalin as their HERO Student of the month. Terina is a senior and the 19 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Davis. This is her first year in Hece. Terina is employed by Larry Hall at the Muleshoe Journal. She is a housekeeping management assistant. Terina's main job at the Journal is typing copies for the paper. She also does the school page and files and helps mail out the paper. Terina enjoys her job very much. After she graduates this year she plans to attend Texas Tech University to major in Vocal Music. Terina's hobbies are water skiing, swimming, sewing, singing, and dancing. Terina's activities include Choir, Publicity Chairman for the Choir, 1973-74 Choir Sweetheart, and Hece reporter. Terina commented on the Hece program as "I think this program has helped me a lot, not only on how to work but how to budget my money better; and everyone needs a little help in that." The Hece girls are getting ready for the Easter party for the migrant children at Richland Hills. They will be making eggs and easter baskets for the children. The girls are also working on the two bulletin boards. The Hece classes have a new student teacher and the girls really do enjoy her. Her name is Miss Paula Norris, she will be here till May 3.

Calendar of Events

- Monday, April 8
 - FTA Meeting-Orientation
 - National Honor Society Practice-orientation
 - Drivers Education-Summer Phase begins
- Tuesday, April 9
 - Cheerleader Tryouts-Gym-orientation
 - DECA Banquet-7:00 p.m.-cafeteria
- Wednesday, April 10
 - Film-Freshman-orientation-auditorium
 - DECA Meeting-orientation
- Thursday, April 11
 - National Honor Society installation-orientation
 - Faculty Breakfast-7:30 a.m. Home Ec. Dept.
- Friday, April 12
 - Easter Holiday

Carl Albert, Speaker of the House: "I would have to think a long time before recommending to the President that he resign."

Definitions
Wedding: That stage of romance when a man gets billed for the times he cooed.
-Times, Louisville.
Security
We don't fear an invasion from Mars. We figure they have heard of the high cost of living on this planet.
-Herald, Miami.

Best of MHS

Thespian Troupe 714 has chosen Kim Cowan as "Best of M.H.S." for this week. Kim is the 17 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cowan. They live at 214 East Elm. Kim is a Senior at M.H.S. and is active in Band as reporter; Choir as Vice President; Hece, working at the Public Library; National Honor Society; and Rainbow. Kim recently placed 1st in typing at UIL contest in Canyon, March 30. "CONGRATULATIONS KIM"

Choir News

The Muleshoe High School Choir has really been working hard to stage this Spring Concert, and they want this to be the best concert ever. There will be a medley of Hit tunes from 1920-1974, and there will also be a few solos and duets. The concert program will be April 18th and there will be no admission charge. The Choir would appreciate your support for this concert and truly think you will be glad you came. The choir is also working on music for the contest to be held in Lubbock. They are also working on sight-singing music. The M.H.S. Choir is really trying hard and hoping for a ONE this year.

Think On It
A meeting is where a group of people approve the minutes and waste the hours.
-Record, Columbia, S.C.
Maybe
You can't tell—maybe a fish goes home and lies about the size of the bait he stole.
-Journal, Milwaukee.

ATTENTION

Applications for irrigation well permits for Bailey County now being accepted by Mrs. Doris Wedel at 306 W. Second Muleshoe. Effective April 3
HOURS: 9-5 Monday thru Friday
PHONE: 272-3283
High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1

National Honor Society Meets

The National Honor Society met Wednesday April 3, at the Corral Restaurant. Vice-President Lequice Herman was in charge of business. Initiation, which will be held Thursday, April 11, was discussed. Cindy Chandler and Danita Throckmorton were put in charge of making keys to be worn by the candidates. Sharon Wrinkle was put in charge of making name

tags for the members to wear. A puncheon will be held after initiation hursday. Members present were Steve Block, Terri Bryant, Cindy Chandler, Kim Cowan, Glenda Harlin, Lequice Herman, Mike Jones, Denette Mann, Regina Poteet, Danita Throckmorton, Sharon Wrinkle, and Sponsor, Lucy Smith.

Earl L. Butz, Secretary of Agriculture: "Government restrictions on exports of wheat or other farm products would force consumer food prices up."

Drivers Ed Begins

Drivers Education classes will begin Monday April 8, 1974. Beginning at 4:00, they will last until 5:30 p.m. Class instruction will last 3 1/2 weeks. To receive a drivers certificate one must have 32 hours of class instruction, 6 hours of observation and 6 hours of driving. Teachers of this course will be Coach Fred Hedgecoke, Coach Sam Payton, Coach Curtis Dismay.

SPRING CHORAL CONCERT

THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH, 7:30 P.M.
High School Auditorium

Sr. High School Chorus presents
"THE PASSING PARADE"
A medley of hit tunes through the years!

Jr. High School Choralairs present
"THE MINSTREL SHOWBOAT"
Sixth Grade Chorus presents
A variety of favorite folk tunes.

No admission charge.

One Act Play Goes To Regional

This past Tuesday, Muleshoe High's Drama Department won first place in District 1-AAA One Act Play Contest. Muleshoe High's contest play is Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." Larry Mills was named Best Actor and Steve Block and Kelly Chah were placed on the All-Star Cast. The Drama Department will present their one act in Regional competition, Friday, April 19, at Odessa College. Judges for the District competition were Mr. Fred Getchell and Miss Linda Lilly of Tarleton State and Miss Kay Butler of East Texas State.

Student Council

Both houses met during orientation Wednesday morning April 3. Many important items were discussed with emphasis placed upon the state convention to be held April 24-27. The council elected Sharon Wrinkle and Gayla Hooten as the girl representatives and Steve Block and the next president of M.H.S. Student Council to attend as the boy representatives. He council urged all members of the council to run for office when elections will be April 15. Slave Day has been cancelled. The entire council has voted to have a wiener roast and marshmallow fry April 16, in the High school gym from 7:00 to 9:00

Ronald Reagan, California Governor: "I'm an eternal optimist and I think things will get better."

Golda Meir, Israeli Premier: "Israel has signed the agreement with the object of advancing toward a permanent peace settlement."

School Menu

- MONDAY
 - Milk
 - Meat Loaf--Catsup
 - Green Beans
 - Buttered Corn
 - Corn Bread
 - Stewed Apricots
- TUESDAY
 - Milk
 - Charburgers
 - Lettuce and Tomato Salad
 - Pickles--Onions
 - French Fries
 - Orange Juice
 - Ginger Cookies
- WEDNESDAY
 - Milk
 - Korn Links--Mustard
 - Vegetable Beef Soup
 - Crackers
 - Hot Rolls
 - Peanut Butter and Syrup
 - Orange Juice
- THURSDAY
 - Milk
 - Fried Chicken--Gravy
 - Creamed Potatoes
 - Green Beans
 - Oatmeal
 - Bread
 - Ice Cream
- EASTER VACATION

Courthouse News

NEW CARS
 Samuel J. Carr, 1974 Ford, Carlisle-Oldham Ford.
 James A. Dobbins, 1974 Buick, Town and Country Auto.
 Darrell Stephens, 1974 Ford, Muleshoe Motor Co.
 Allan Laybourn, 1974 Ford, Rosen Novak Auto Co.
 Charlie W. Durham, 1974 Ford Muleshoe Motor Co.
 Roger E. Haberer, 1974 Ford Pickup, Muleshoe Motor Co.
 Five Area Telephone Co-op Inc., 1974 GMC Pickup, Crow Chevrolet.
 Doyce Turner, 1974 Chevrolet Pickup, Crow Chevrolet.
 Lewis Wayne Shafer, 1974 Chevrolet Pickup, Crow Chev.
 T.A. Miller, 1974 mercury, Muleshoe Motor Co.
 Ronny Clifton, 1974 Pontiac, Town and Country Auto.
 Farmers Aerial Spraying Service, Inc., 1 4 Chevrolet Pickup, Crow Chevrolet.
 W.H. Jones, 1974 Ford Pickup Muleshoe Motor Co.
 J.E. Birdwell, 1974 Ford, Oswalt Manufacturing Co.
 L.E. Testerman, 1974 Chevrolet Pickup, Hudiburg-Jones Chevrolet.
 A.M. Bradley, 1974 Chevrolet Pickup, Crow Chevrolet.
 L.E. Savage, 1974 Chevrolet, Crow Chevrolet.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
 Gary Keith Glover, Muleshoe, and Joy Lynne Killough, Muleshoe.
 Donnie Herman Heberer, Earth and Carol Sue Smith, Muleshoe.
 Johnny Harold Lowry, Duncan Okla. and Joan Gault, Muleshoe.

WARRANTY DEEDS
 W.D. Medlock to Medlock Co. Inc. all of Section 10 and the west half of Section 14 and the west half of Section 13 out of the west part of the northwest quarter of Section 13.

G. Killough and wife, Savannah Ruth Killough, to Floyd J. Vandiver and wife, Doris J. Vandiver, the northwest quarter of Section No. 62, Block Y, W.D. and F.W. Johnson's Subdivision No. 2, Bailey County.
 Claude Nivesn and wife, Ruby Dean Nivesn, to Cecile Nivesn McMath, all of Lots No. 4, 5 and 6 in Block No. 30, Original Town of Muleshoe.

R.D. Dale, O.O. Dale, Janice Dale Bass, Virginia Dale Barrett, and J.D. Dale and Ruby Lee Davis, to Gene H. Davis, all of Lots No. 1, 2 and 3, Block No. 1, Kelly Slemmons Addition to Muleshoe.

J.W. Layton and wife Mary all of Labor No. 15, in League No. 199, Lubbock County School Lands, Bailey County.

C.W. Rammage and wife, Pauline Rammage, to Leslie Harris and wife, Alice Harris, the south half of tract No. 4, Aylesworth Acres, a subdivision of part of tract No. 16, W.A. Milrow Subdivision of the southwest quarter of Section 32, Subdivision No. 2, Bailey Cnty.
 Clinton C. Judd to Eugene Black and wife, Gladys Black all of the southwest quarter of Section No. 2, Block 4, W.D. and F.W. Johnson Subdivision

Bailey County.
 Alice C. Angeley to T.J. Power Co., all of that certain tract or parcel of land out of the northwest quarter of Section No. 21, Block Y, W.D. and F.W. Johnson Subdivision, Bailey County.

M.S. Childers and wife, Rebecca L. Childers, to M.G. Killough and wife, Savannah Killough, all of Labor Nos. 8 and 14 in League No. 191, Ector County School Lands, Bailey County.

Joe Mack Wagnon and wife, Beverly, to Dallas Kinard and wife, Hattie Kinard, all of the south half of the southeast quar-

The Sandhills Philosopher

Editor's note: The Sandhill Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm thinks he knows why the oil embargo was lifted, his letter this week claims.

Dear editor:
 I used to think that getting elected and sent to Washington meant you must have a fairly good knowledge of human nature, but I have begun to doubt it.

Take the Arab oil embargo. When the Arab nations decided to exert their power and teach the United States and a bunch of other countries a lesson, I guess that was the reason everybody in Washington gnashed his teeth and said what are we going to do - this country doesn't produce enough oil for its own use and without imports we're in for years and years of shortages. Washington even printed us 12 million dollars worth of gas rationing coupons and got set for the worst.

Five months later the Arab nations lift the embargo, and oil will flow again, as long as it lasts. You want to know why? You can attribute it to high-level diplomacy if you want to, but I have a notion there's a better reason. MONEY.

When the Arab nations launched the embargo, they stopped selling 3 million barrels of oil a day. At \$12 a barrel, F.O.B. the sheik's tent, that's 36 million dollars a day. How long do you think any group of people is going to give up 36 million dollars a day? That's over a billion dollars a month, including February. In five months they lost over five billion dollars, and for countries needing rain as bad as they do, that's a lot of money. In fact, it's a lot of money, rain or shine.

Anybody with a fair knowledge of human nature should have known the embargo wouldn't last. Nobody for long is going to turn away a cash customer when there's nobody else to take his place. The market for oil is in the U.S. with our 100 million cars, not in Russia or China where only a few top politicians get to ride.
 I don't know if the Arabs taught us a lesson in world politics but I figure they learned one themselves about recognizing a good thing when they see it.
 Yours faithfully,
 J.A.

ter of the southeast quarter of Section No. 23, Block X, W.D. and F.W. Johnson Subdivision Bailey County.

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Plant most seed to a depth of about one-half inch. Water the seed and place the containers in an area where temperatures will remain between 75 and 85 degrees. Place the seedling container into a plastic bag to prevent drying out. No additional watering is needed until the seeds have sprouted.

Once the seedlings have emerged, remove them from the plastic to 'harden' them before setting them in the garden. Place the young plants on a doorstep or patio for several days so they can adjust to outside conditions," suggests Tanksley.

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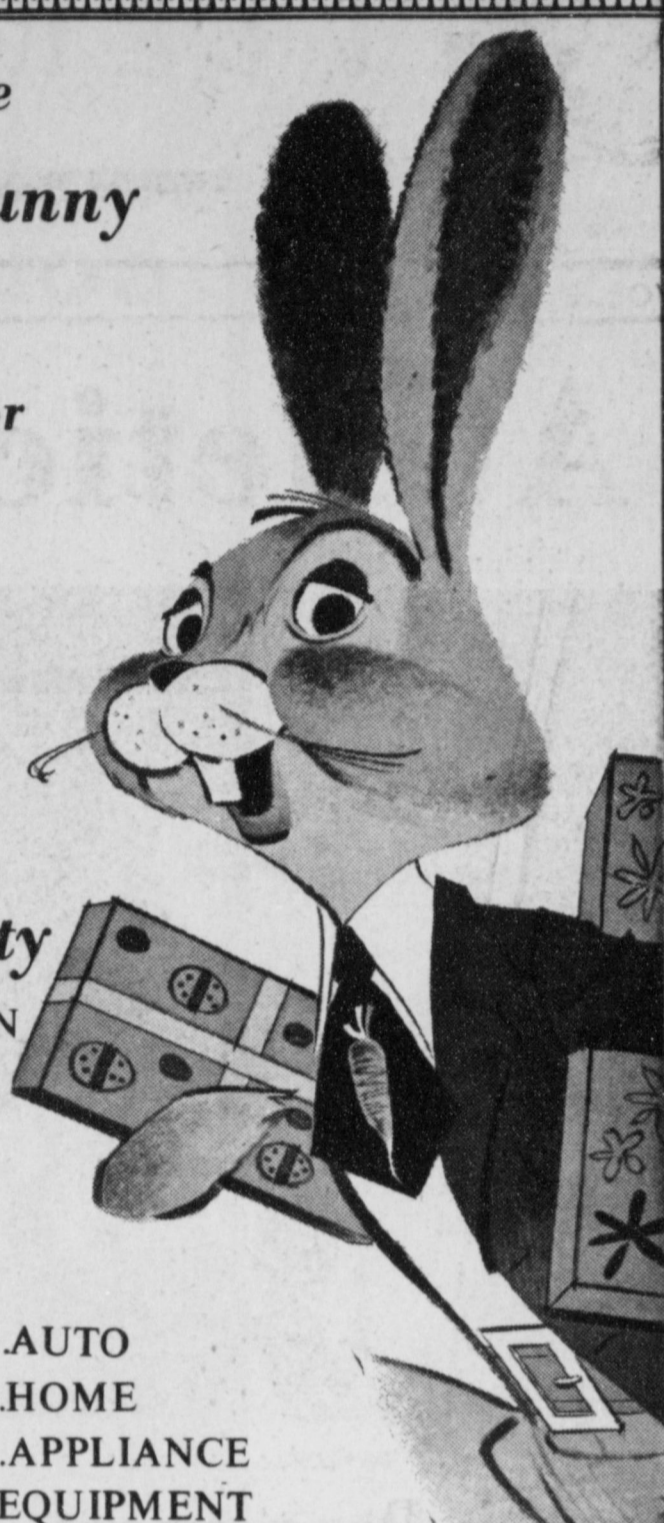
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In my own case, I use two methods primarily to keep up with what is going on in the minds of my fellow Texans, and what actions I should take in Washington to reflect as near as possible the cumulative thinking of my state. These include the volume of mail which daily pours into my office from Texas, and trips back to the state virtually every week to meet with various groups in my home state.

Mail is a major source of information that reflects the thinking of those back home who send us to Washington to represent them. My own mail runs anywhere from 2,000 to 5,000 letters during an average week, depending on what is going on. I look on this volume of mail as if it were a weekly poll of what are the major topics of interest in Texas.

Some of the recent topics which have been responsible for a good deal of the mail coming into my office the past few weeks deal with veterans' educational benefits, the proposed pay increase for members of Congress, the status of the Panama Canal Zone, and for Congress.

The issue of the Panama Canal Zone is somewhat complicated. As most of us know, the government of Panama has for some years now been attempting to take over control of the canal. I have received hundreds of letters from Texans, most of them opposing such a move. Typical of these is one from Ruby Baxter Jones of San Antonio, who writes, "I do not believe in giving away the Panama Canal."

Under the treaty of 1903, Panama granted the United States perpetual sovereignty over the Canal Zone for the purpose of building the canal. It was 11 years later before the canal was completed and opened to sea-going traffic. Although the treaty has been amended many times to remove some of the more onerous stipulations, resentment over the treaty has grown in Panama. This country currently is in the process of working out a new treaty, but such an agreement must retain defense rights in the canal area and protect our considerable interests there before I can support it.

Proposals now pending in House and Senate committees would eliminate charitable donations as tax deductions. This has precipitated much opposition in Texas, and typical of the mail I have received is a letter from the Billy G. Newkirk family in Fzle, who writes, "It is beyond us how anyone could look at our tax reforms we have now and see all the loopholes and even think about taking away the last real, honest, legitimate tax deduction the American people have."

Personally, I consider charitable deductions as a means of allowing the financing of worthy activities without imposing an unfair burden on the taxpayer. So far, no one has come forward with any argument to change my attitude on that subject.

a proposal to remove charitable donations as a tax deduction. It seemed appropriate to me that I use this method to discuss these topics since there appears to be widespread interest in them in Texas.

The House has just passed a bill giving veterans attending school an allowance increase and extending from eight to 10 years the time allowed for a veteran to complete his education after leaving the service. There currently are many hundreds of veterans in Texas completing their education and my office has received numerous letters from them. Typical of these is one by Edward D. Gist of Houston, who said in part, "A lot of veterans are like me; not realizing the importance of their VA education bill, and nearly missing it entirely. I was under the impression that one was entitled to the entire benefits as long as he started school before it expired." He concluded by asking me to support the time extension, which I certainly intend to do when the bill reaches the Senate floor.

On the subject of the Congressional pay raise, which prompted many hundreds of letters, I would like to quote from one from Mrs. W. L. Rich-

mond of Del Rio. Mrs. Richmond wrote, "It is my opinion that we are all in this thing together, and to be able to meet our needs and responsibilities, we are all going to have to tighten our belts." Like most of the letters coming into my office, Mrs. Richmond opposed the Congressional pay raise at this time. And, as most of you know, the Senate last week voted to kill the pay raise, and I voted with the majority against any pay raise.

Our Social Security program is the most comprehensive, complex and expensive endeavor the Congress has ever approved. For this reason, we in the Congress spend a very great deal of our time reassessing the system and attempting to improve its coverage as well as the efficiency of its administration. I have just recently completed a thorough review of the problems being experienced by Texans under the current provisions of the Social Security Act.

Most of these problems appear to result from confusion over the ever-changing provisions and regulations governing this complex system. But it has been brought to my attention by quite a number of Texans that several provisions of the act itself provide inequitable coverage for certain groups of individuals.

In an effort to remedy some of these inequities, I have just introduced four bills in the United States Senate to amend the Social Security Act.

Briefly, here are the changes which I have proposed:

The first would eliminate the special dependency requirement for entitlement to husband's or widower's benefits, would be payable on the same basis as benefits for wives and widows.

Also, I am proposing to pay benefits to married couples on their combined earnings record.

Another change which I have proposed would provide for full coverage to an individual who is otherwise qualified at any time after age 60 if he has been forced to retire at that age by a federal law, regulation or order.

Finally, I am proposing disability coverage for any individual who has 40 quarters of coverage, whenever acquired.

These four proposals, I believe, will go a long way toward relieving some of the pre-

sent Social Security Act inequities. The fact that Social Security is America's most important domestic program at the federal level makes it all the more important that it be as fair as possible to each and every person.

Under present provisions of the act, a widower must be able to show that half of his support was derived from his wife's earnings in order to qualify for survivors benefits on her Social Security record. The law presumes that a widow received half her support from her husband's earnings, and no such proof is required.

Considering the number of wives who are presently working and contributing substantially to their family's income, it is no longer appropriate to presume that a widow derived half of her support from her husband while placing the burden of proof on the husband under similar circumstances.

Another change is needed in Social Security regulations to permit the payment of benefits to a married couple on their combined earnings record. Under the present law, in most cases, a working wife winds up drawing on the account of her husband and derives little or no benefit from her own contributions -- often over a period of many years. This practice fails to consider the total of combined funds paid into the system by a working couple. My proposal would allow married couples to combine their Social Security credits and draw higher benefits. This seems only fair, since both paid into the account while working.

Certainly, these four proposals which I have just introduced earlier is being considered by a conference committee, and hopefully will be given final approval in the near future. This proposal would

raise the outside earnings ceiling to \$3,000, and lower the age limit from 72 to 70 after which no deduction would be made at all for these earnings.

In addition, there are numerous other meritorious proposals to improve Social Security pending in the Congress.

The most insurmountable problem for us, of course, is the cost of Social Security to the middle-income family. Because this burden has become heavy on many of our working people, I believe that any effort at this time to increase Social Security taxes would be most unwelcome. For this reason, I am asking the Senate Finance Committee to consider some of these proposals to remedy inequities before considering any plan to expand the

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Jet-Puff Marshmallows 4 10-oz. Bags \$1

Piggly Wiggly
Frozen Topping 3 10-oz. Ctns. \$1

Lucky Leaf, Cherry
Pie Filling 22-oz. Size 79¢

Sugary Sam, Sweet
Potatoes 30-oz. Size 57¢

Pillsbury, Bundt
Cake Mix 23 1/2-oz. Size \$1.01

Pillsbury Buttermilk or Sweetmilk
Canned Biscuits 7 8-oz. Cans \$1

Pepperidge Farm, Frozen, 4 Varieties
Crumb Cobbler 22-oz. 89¢

PIGGLY WIGGLY

Piggly Wiggly, Cream or Whole Kernel Golden Corn or Cut
Green Beans 5 \$1
16-oz. Cans

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