County school unit consolidation is proposed

Governor's Committee on Public ol Education is recommending that on, Whiteface, and Bledsoe School rict be consolidated into one countydistrict.

recommendation was received by on School Superintendent Bobby Tralast week.

onsolidation of the district hinges upon Texas Legislature's approval and eng action.

the legislature does implement the mmendation, the State Board of Edun would set up a committee of Coch-County citizens, as a study committee, approve the consolidation. The come would also recommend whether

Whiteface High School students and Bledsoe High School students would attend classes in Morton, or a possible alternate

Final target date of implementing the county-wide consolidation, under the governor's committee's recommendations, is September of 1971.

Information was not available Wednesday in Morton pertaining to possible tax increases and fiscal operation of the unitized school district, should it become mandatory. However, the financial data is expected to be available soon.

Basically, what the governor's committee is recommending is consolidation of school districts in the state to provide district. However, within a single county, where 2,600 students are not available, the one-unit district can be formed with 1,600 students.

The governor's committee plan is regarded by state lawmakers and schoolmen as a highly controversial one because of its proposed shake-up of present school districts and revision of school finance formulas.

Morton School Supt. Travis emphasized that the recommended plan, and Cochran County consolidation, cannot be implemented without legislative approval. Austin news sources said that indications there are that the recommendations of

sledding in the legislature. The committee plan is one proposed

as a method of making Texas schools better and more efficient. It would limit 219 of the state's 254 counties to one school district. General rule would be that all operating 12-grade systems should be either county-wide in size or contain, at least, 2,600 students in average daily attendance.

Exceptions would be sparsely-populated areas stretching over a county, or larger area, with fewer than 1,600 students. Morton's school district has less than 1,000 students, and Whiteface and Bled-

soe have even fewer.

The governor's committee recommended that the legislature adopt its proposed district maps for further study by local county-wide committees charged with approving the new pattern or recommending something better to suit their own area

Under the plan, the number of Texas school districts would be slashed from 1.218 to 354. All but 19 of the 622 districts now with fewer than 500 pupils would be eliminated. There would be 35 multi-district counties (those of larger poplations) with two to 13 districts. Each of these latter counties would have fewer school districts than it does now.

The governor's committee's recommen-

was sure to spark speculation and, likely, controversy.

School Supt. Travis in Morton declined to speculate or to comment at length on the recommendation which could affect local schools.

He emphasized that the entire plan is subject to action of the state legislature. Should the legislature approve the committee's plan of district revampment, the State Board of Education, as part of the mechanics of working out details, would set up a committee of people within the county to approve the plan, or suggest an alternate plan, and recommend regarding location of the school.

Chamber banquet set or Saturday, Jan. 11

ans have been finalized for the an-Morton Area Chamber of Commerce quet to be held Saturday, January 11, 30 p.m. The event will be he ld in the

on school cafeteria. lint Fromby, president of the Texas ciation of Broadcasters, will be guest

Highlight of the evening's activities will the naming of the "Citizen of the Year," standing Farm Family" and "Out-



Clint Formby

Banquet speaker is active in many areas

Clint Formby, guest speaker for the Morton Area Chamber of Commerce annual banquet Saturday night, is a native of McAdoo, Texas, and now resides in managing director of Radio Station KPAN.

Formby is currently serving as President of the Texas Association of Broadcasters. He is married to the former Margaret

Clark of Van Horn, Texas, and the Formbys have four children, three sons and a daughter. Formby received his BA degree in government, with a journalismspeech minor, from Texas Tech, and he also attended the University of Tennessee and the University of Basel, Switzerland.

His military service included service in the European Theatre in World War II as a member of the U. S. Army. Business interests other than the Hereford radio station include ownership of radio station KLVT in Levelland and

KACT in Andrews. Formby has been honored by being ected Citizen of the Year in 1964 in Hereford, and he is also past president of the Hereford Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Jaycees and United Fund.

In addition, he served as president of Texas Tech Ex Students Association in and was Lieutenant Governor of Kiwanis International in 1962. He was also member of the National Association of Broadcasters Radio Advertising Code pard from 1964-68, and was named to Outstanding Civic Leaders of America in

Formby also is a board member of West Texas Chamber of Commerce is a member of the west Texas Chamber Speakers Bureau.

prise award has also been scheduled, but

all information about this presentation is

top secret. Also during the evening, officers for the 1969 chamber year will take over duties. Ray Griffith, partner in Griffith Implement, Morton John Deere dealership. will assume the post of president of the Morton Area Chamber of Commerce Budd Fountain will take over as vice president, and Marshall Leitzell is new treasurer. Mrs. Luke Hargrove, secretary of the chamber the past year, was re-elected

to her post. Incoming directors include six holdover directors, and six who were newly elected. Those who take office for the first time are Fountain, Leitzell, Billy Weems, Jerry Iley, Roy McClung, and Woody Combs. Holdover directors include Griffith, Mrs. Hargrove, George Burkett, Mrs. James St. Clair, Wylie Weems, and Orville Tilger, past president of the chamber.

Retiring directors, who have served two years on the board are Bob Robinson, James Walker, Harold Ogle, Mrs. Bob Richards, Tommy Hawkins, and Vic Jackson. Officers for the past year, who are relinquishing their duties at the banquet include Orville Tilger, president; Ray Griffith, vice president; and Vic Jackson, treasurer. Mrs. Hargrove does not retire from her secretarial duties, but carries on for the new administration.

Overall chairman for the banquet is Chamber manager Leon Kessler. Roy Mc-Clung is food chairman, and the meal is being catered by the ladies of the Assembly of God Church, Budd Fountain is serving as chairman of ticket sales, while Orville Tilger is arranging for en-

See BANQUET, Page 2a

Several occurrances reported to Sheriff

A resident of the Morton area, Reynaldo Banda, appeared before Justice of the Peace, Joe Gipson, on charges of assault with intent to murder his father. Banda pleaded not guilty and his bond was set at \$3,000. He is to face the grand jury for the preceding charge.

Later that same day, Tuesday, January 7, Banda appeared before County Judge J. A. Love on the charge of aggravated assault. This charge was for breaking his mother's arm. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail and fined. It was reported by Sheriff Hazel Hancock that the incident evolved from a family feud.

On Tuesday morning, January 7, District Judge M. C. Ledbetter called to report a 1969 Mercury parked in front of his home. The Mercury was said to be a car stolen from Odessa Monday, and at the present time the name of the thief is not known

Another theft reported in the area was that of some irrigation pipe stolen some time Sunday, January 5, from the Ernest Ruthardt farm near Morton, Missing were 90 joints of 4 inch by 30 ft.pipe, 55 joints of 4 in. by 40 ft. pipe, and 50 joints of 5 in. by 30 ft. mainline.

Also reported Sunday to the Morton Sheriff's Department was the attempted breaking and entering of the Morton Junior High School. It was evident that the burglar was not successful in entering the principals office but did damage the door at an estimated damage of \$30.

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Morton, Texas, Thursday, January 9, 1969



Up for graps . . .

TICKETS FOR THE annual Chamber of Commerce banquet Saturday night are going fast, and chamber manager Leon Kessler, left, and out-going chamber president, Orville Tilger, reach for additional tickets from Budd Fountain, seated, ticket chairman. The banquet will be held in the school auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

★ Let's all go!

Morton Indians host Levelland Tuesday night, and the Student Council has designated the evening as "Packthe-House" night. Tuesday's game is the last non-conference game as district play begins the following Friday.

All area residents are invited to join the student body of Morton High in supporting the Indians and attending Tuesday night's game.

The B game is scheduled at 6:15 followed by the varsity game at 7:30.

Parents warned about vandalism by weapons

A warning to paren received .22 rifles or B-B guns for Christmas was issued today by Morton Police Chief Charley Ellis.

Two cases of vandalism with guns were reported this week to Chief Ellis. One involved an unoccupied residence at 306 SW 6th, where several windows were reported shot out. A truck parked west of Morton also reportedly had its windows shot out.

Chief Ellis warned that parents of youngsters responsible for the vandalism are liable for damages incurred.

A. E. Sanders elected head of fire dept.

A. E. Sanders was elected president of Morton Volunteer Fire Department at the regular meeting of the department Monday night.

Wiley Hodge was named fire chief, and Herman Bedwell assistant chief at the same meeting

Other officers elected were Roy D. Hill, vice president; Elzie Browne, secretary-treasurer; Amos Taylor, hose captain: Mac Freed assistant hose cantain: Rex Crawford, pumper; Kenneth Williams, assistant pumper; Danny Hill, mascot; and Wayne Gilliam, trustee.

Two new members, A. M. (Bill) Mapes and Eddie Ray, were accepted into the department at the meeting.

Water District has annual election soon

The High Plains Underground Water Conservation Water District is holding its annual election of District Directors and County Committeemen on Tuesday, January 14. In Cochran County the nominees for County Committeemen are G. W. Lyons of Morton and Kenneth Kennedy of

Another issue to be voted upon will be the annexation of Crosby County into the

The polling place in Cochran County

Morton to end non-district schedule Tuesday larger schools last weekend, slipping by

by DAVID MURRAH

If you traveled to Plains Tuesday night to see Morton play, you probably didn't see any basketball because the game was postponed at Plains' request until Thursday night. Game time for the B game is 6:15 at Plains, with the varisty game immediately following.

Friday night, the Indians return to the friendly confines of the home gym as they host Littlefield in a rematch of the four-overtime encounter played at Littlefield earlier in the season. The Wildcats

will be seeking their second win of the

Morton will close out its non-conference slate Tuesday night at home in another battle with a strong AAA school as the Levelland Loboes come to Indian land. A special effort is being made by Morton students to have a full house for the Tuesday game. Next Friday, district play begins at Denver City. The Mustangs are the district favorites, having turned in

impressive victories thus far this season. The Indians held their own against the the Seminole Indians 48-45 last Friday, and barely losing to the tough Brownfield Cubs, 54-52 in an overtime thriller. The win and the loss left the Indians with a 10-8 season record.

Second half cold snaps in both games hurt the Indian attack, and the visitors from Seminole just nearly overcame a 10 point halftime deficit as the hometown Indians could manage only three points during the final period, those coming on See INDIANS, Page 2a

will be the Activities Building in Morton.

Babson's Reports, Inc., takes look at U. S. situation for 1969

President Nixon will take over in January in a continuing national and international "state of siege." His major legacy from the outgoing Administration will be etnam, a militarily resurgent Russia, inflation, and a dollar that is not yet

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"out of the woods." Much of the difficulty in which the United States finds itself today, both at ne and abroad, can be laid squarely the doorstep of a terrible error in national policy. The great mistake was belief that we could fight a war in theast Asia and conduct "business as ial" elsewhere. The result was an imting in motion of a massive inflationary wave. The effects of both tragedies will continue to scourge our people with social divisiveness and economic inequalities for an untold length of time.

RECESSION POCKETS - Peace will not come in Vietnam like the dropping of a curtain. The incoming Administration does not intend to surrender. Hence, the path to peace will be tortuous and, at times, seem without end. But, even though fighting may flare now and then, the consumption of the hardware of death will

This will apply particularly to standard items that are burned up rapidly during heavy and widespread attack and counterattack. As a result, Babson's Reports looks for those concerns and areas that have been heavily committed to the making of bombs, shells, small arms, light ammo, etc., to suffer a slump in business volume and employment as the year wears along.

BOOM SPOTS, TOO - But, if we may need fewer bombs and less TNT, we shall surely have a lot of work to do in order to catch up in modern weaponry. Vietnam, we have been neglecting our defense posture elsewhere - especially the application of the most up-to-date research and development. 1969 will not feel the full impact of the coming arms catchup; but it will see a strong beginning. Emphasis will be on silent submarines, lasers for use with both offensive and defensive weaponry, much more highly sophisticated computerized control of short- and long-range missiles, deployment of the latest ABM system, greater versatility and mobility in battlefield nuclear "artillery," a completely new tank fighters and bombers, etc. It will all add up to greater spending on new armament than to real saving on cutbacks in the older types. Note, too, that the stress will be on expensive technological devices requiring highly skilled management and

SPACE REVIVAL - We have made great strides in space penetration - despite our occupation with the jungles and swamps of Southeast Asia. Yet, our progress has lacked the impetus of the early years after Sputnik. Just now, recurring Russia will score a significant "space spectacular" - probably sometime soon. Should this be the case, we foresee a new surge of spending on more massive boosters and on more refined vehicles both manned and unmanned. Again, observe that the big need will be for skilled men and highly complicated machines.

RUSSIA RESURGENT - The Russian Bear is no longer emitting friendly grunts of detente. Thoroughly aroused by nearrevolution on his very doorstep - and

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CARD OF THANKS -

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We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Essie Zealer and M rs. Lillie Newsom for conducting our Christmas program. A'so to those who sent flowers, foods, gifts, and the decorating of our Home and Christmas Tree. Also the groups that expressed their joy and happiness by caroling and singing our precious Christmas songs.

It was greatly appreciated by patients and staff of Roberts Memorial Nursing

Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Fleming were visited New Year's day by his brother Carrol from Post, also his wife and son. On Saturday, December 28, they were visited by his mother, Mrs. Ernest Bobbitt from

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on January 13, 1969, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. in the Commissioners Court Room of Cochran County, Texas, situated in the Courthouse thereof, the Commissioners Court of Cochran County, Texas, will consider increasing the salaries paid by Cochran County, Texas, to the following elective officials in accordance with the following schedule

			AMOUNT OF
OFFICER	1968 SALARY	1969 SALARY	INCREASE
County Attorney	\$7,080.00	\$7,380.00	\$300.00
County Clerk	7,080.00	7,380.00	300.00
Tax Assessor		7,560.00	300.00
Sheriff	7,080.00	7,380.00	300.00
Treasurer	7,080.00	7,380.00	300.00
Commissioner, Precinct 1*	5,700.00	6,300.00	600.00
Commissioner, Precinct 2*	5,700.00	6,300.00	600.00
Commissioner, Precinct 3*	5,700.00	6,300.00	600.00
Commissioner, Precinct 4*	5,700.00	6,300.00	600.00
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These raises are exclusive of travel allowance paid in addition to the said salary.

This notice shall be published in the Morton Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation in Cochran County, Texas, one a week for two (2) consecutive weeks prior to January 13, 1969, and is issued pursuant to Art. 3883i V.A.T.C.S., and the Order of the Commissioner Court of Cochran County, Texas, heretofore entered upon the minutes of said Court. Said salaries are based on an annual basis as provided by law.

> J. A. LOVE, County Judge Cochran County, Texas

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Indians

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charity tosses. Morton hit better than 50 per cent the opening half against Seminole, but watched the lead dwindle as the visiting Indians forced turnovers and bad

Against Brownfield Saturday night, the Indian cold streak came during the third period. Leading 24-21 at halftime, Morton hit only one field goal and five free throws during the third quarter to fall behind 34-31.

A last quarter surge by Morton pulled the Indians within two, and a last second tip-in by Byron Willis tied the score as time ran out, forcing the game into an overtime. During the extra minutes, Brownfield picked up the lead on free

throws and won 54-52. In Friday night's game, Indian scoring was low individually. Wayne Thompson hit 11, M. C. Collins, 10, and Byron Willis, 9. Willis led Morton scoring against Brownfield with 21 points while Wayne Thompson had 14. Morton hit 38 per cent against

Morton's B team also split victories last week, romping over Brownfield 55-39 Saturday, but lost to the Seminole B squad

George Pritchett was high for Morton with 15 against Seminole, and had 17 against Brownfield, However, it was Elton Patton who took scoring honors against the Cubs with 18.

In other games this week, Morton's seventh and eighth grades took victoris from Muleshoe Monday night at home, but the freshmen dropped a 77-50 loss to

the Mules in the finale of the triple header. Thursday night, the seventh and eighth grades travel to Brownfield for 5:30 contests, and the freshmen will host Brownfield at Morton in a 4:30 game.

Mrs. T. W. Roberts, Mrs. Cherolyne Inglis and son Farley, and Mrs. Roberts' two granddaughters from Pampa, spent Christmas in San Diego, California with Mrs. Roberts' son, Vern J. Roberts and family.

First Baby for 1969 born here January 2

The First Baby of the year, 6 lbs., 12 oz. Alice Faye Bennett, was born at 5:15 p.m. January 2 in the Cochran Memorial Hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bennett of 316 N. W. 5th in Morton.

The father is a farm laborer and is presently employed by Owen Egger. The mother is a housewife. The grandfather of the new baby is Henry Young of Wichita

Alice Faye was very fortunate in being the first baby since she will receive many helpful gifts from some of the Mor-

Merchants presenting the baby and her family with gifts were: Lackey's Food Store, Rose Auto and Appliance, Flower and Gift Shop, Ben Franklin Variety Store, Ramby Drug, St. Clair Department Store, Truett's Food Store, Luper Tire and Supply, New York Store, Wiley's Enco Service Station, Morton Tribune, and City

NOTICE -

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF COCHRAN

Taken u p by Dan Valentine and estrayed before H. J. Knox, Justice of The Peace, Precinct of the Peace, Precinct No. 2,

Cochran County, Texas. The following described animal, to be known estray viz: 1 Hereford Cow about 10 years old and branded J-1 and O

Flying "U" on right hip. The owner of said stock is requested to come forward prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office,

this 1st day of October, A.D. 1968. Lessye Silvers County Clerk, Cochran County,

By Eunice Maym Deputy Published in Morton Tribune January 9, 16, and 23, 1969.

Report of cotton classing is released

The Cotton Classing Offices of the USDA in this area classed 67,000 samples of new crop cotton last week ending Friday, January 3, 1969. This brought the total for the entire season to 1,441,000. One million forty five thousand (1,045,000) samples had been classed on the South Plains this time last year.

Predominant grades were Middling Light Spotted, Strict Low Middling Light Spotted, Low Middling Light Spotted, Middling Spotted, and Strict Low Middling Spotted. These five (5) grades represented 85 per cent of the total classed.

The average staple length from the South Plains area last week was 31/32 of an inch.

Micronaire readings by percentages were: 3.5 - 4.9, 22 per cent; 3.3 - 3.4, 15 per cent; 3.0 - 3.2, 28 per cent; 2.7 -2.9, 22 per cent; and 2.6 and below, 13 per cent.

The average Pressley tests, which is the breaking strength of the fibers, for the Lubbock area was 81,000 pounds per square inch, for the Lamesa area was 81,000 pounds, and for the Brownfield area was 82,000 pounds

Prices reported to the Consumer and Marketing Service of the USDA at Lubbock ranged from \$2.00 to \$10.50 per bale over the Government loan value for White grades and \$6.00 to \$12.75 per bale over the loan for Light Spotted grades, and \$12.20 to \$12.30 per bale over the loan

Banquet

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tertainment at the banquet. Decorations are under the direction of Jerry Iley. A crowd of approximately 200 is expected for the banquet. Tickets for the affair are on sale at the chamber of commerce office, and may also be obtained from Fountain.

for Spotted grades in the 3.5 to 49 cronaire range. Average cottonseed prices paid to m ducers was \$49.00 per ton.

Teacher-aide training offered at Levelland

A teacher-aide training program will initiated at South Plains College this sumer beginning June 2.

A person receiving training in this p Kat gram will be qualified for a teachers in t in a public school.

Levelland schools have indicated amount of the starting salary will based on whether or not a person and received the special training or its to

A person having a high school diply Thu will qualify for the training.

Those interested in taking this con N.N. are asked to contact the office of Charles Hays, Director of Special Services at a college. Additional information may a be obtained by contacting the office,

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ren from Corpus Christi spent the holidays

Reginald B. Self left San Francisco De-

cember 11 for Thailand for a tour of duty

with the Air Force. His wife, the former

Janice Toombs, is staying with her par-

The Gib Dupler family and the Bill Dup-

ler family from Maple, the Clifford Dup-

lers from Morton, and the Carl Duplers

from Pep spent Christmas day with their

Mrs. M. C. Roberts family spent Christ-

mas Day at Grady, N. M., visiting their

son and family, the Will Roberts family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dupler and children

spent Christmas in Hobbs, N.M., visiting

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Wheeler spent

Monday night and Tuesday in Lovington,

N. M., with their son, Jimmy and family.

California to visit their daughter and hus-

The Jack Fergesons left Thursday for

Mrs. E. T. Betteas left Thursday for

Denton to visit her daughter, Mr. and

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Garvin spent Christmas Day in Littlefielid visiting with

their daugheer and family, Rev. and Mrs.

James Gillentine and family. Also visiting

in the Gillentine home were Ima Bebbitt

their son and family, the Larry Duplers.

mother, Mrs. Minnie Dupler,

band, the Jimmy Greens

Mrs. John Harris.

with their parents, the Cecil Lindseys.

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and Mrs. Gerald Moore and daughtarsha Ann of Las Vegas, N.M., in the home of her brother, Mr. rs. C. C. Snitker New Years day, guests during the holidays were ons, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Snitker amily and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley and daughters, of Roswell, N.M.

Justine Breashear and daughters. and Teresa of Plainview, visited home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant Tuesday night and Wednesheir son Duane Bryant of Clayton, also visited his parents, the Bry-

G. R. Newman was a patient in rton Memorial Hospital Sunday till

and Mrs. Edd Autry were in Clovis, Sunday to visit their daughter, Mr. Mrs. Jack Jackson and family, and Mrs. Joe Milsap spent New day in Borger, with her brother,

and Mrs. Hugh Anderson. and Mrs. Duane Clem went to Lub January 1, to meet her son, R. V. n who arrived by plane at 3:00 from Vietnam.

George Autry spent several days Cochran Memorial Hospital last

and Mrs. Gene Autry and family to Morton, last week. Gene has n Enochs community the most of

Mrs. Joe Clark underwent major surgery Thursday at the Littlefield hospital. Her mother Mrs. J. O. Dane is caring for her children, Donnie and Anita.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Byars New Years day were her brothers, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Rowler, Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Earl Rowler and son Billie, three nieces, Sharon, Penny, and Lara Hull, and Mr. and Mrs. Mavel Bridges and son all of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Payne and Selvia of Ector, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Waters and son of Hale Center. Also her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Nichols and daughter Reta from Tucson, Ariz., Tom Byars of Lub-

bock and Elton Byars of Enochs. Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McGennis and daughter, Gaynell of Lubbock, stopped fo r a hert visit with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hall Wednesday, enrout home from California where they visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Dick. They also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Hall at Phoenix, Ariz.,

A Bridal shower honoring Mrs. Charles Seagler of Burkburnett, was given in the home of Mrs. Guy Sanders, Tuesday December 31, from 3-5 p.m. Registering the guests was Mrs. A. M. McBee.

The serving table was laid with white lace over green, centered with a three tiered wedding cake made of towels and wash cloths of green and gold, decorated

with gold crepe paper ca rnations, and a silver coffee and teapots.

Refreshments of coffee, tea, and cake were served to those present. The hostesses gift was a bed spread and a bath mat set. Those serving as hostesses were Mesdames A. M. McBee, Herbert Greener, Keith Price, Tom Bogard, Ray Spence, Guy Sanders, Clyde Price, Alma Altman, Edd Autry, A. P. Fred, R. E. Jones, George Autry, and R. P. McCall.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hall and family were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Speck at Muleshoe, Tuesday night, and watched the old year out and the New Year in.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seagler of Burkburnett were guests in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Seagler last Monday and Tuesday,

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Thomas are at home after spending some time with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kessler and family at Morton, helping out while their daughter had the flu. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wallace went to

Colorado City, recently to get her mother, Mrs. Sam Cooker. She is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Bill Hood in Lubbock at the present. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McCall and children, Deborah, J. C. and Mark from Harlingen

were weekend guests in the home of his

brothers, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. McCall and

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. McCall. On Sunday night Mr. and Mrs. G. H. McCall and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. McCall, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. McCall and Rondy, Mr. and Mrs. LaDon McCall and family and Mr. and Mrs. Burley Roberts

and family, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Medlin and son, Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Rowden and Mr. and Mrs. Robert George and family in Lubbock.

Visiting in the R. P. McCall home recently were Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Moudy and son Rickey from Liberal, Kansas. Mrs. Moundy is a sister of Mrs. McCall.

Claud Bass was admitted to the veterans hospital in Big Springs last week. Weekend guests in the Harold Layton home were his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Mize and son Sterling of Crosbyton.

Mrs. George Autry accompanied by her father, Glynn Thompson of Morton flew to Houston, Saturday where she will be admitted to a hospital for tests.

H. B. King has been in Dumas, for several days on busines

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vaughn and family spent the weekend with his grandmothe Mrs. George Fine. They also attended church at the Enochs Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Edd Ary went to Albuquerque, N. M. Friday on business. They returned home Sunday.

Look who's new

Mr. and Mrs. Troy Tyson of 503 East Grant are the proud parents of a new baby girl. The baby was born Saturday, December 22 in Littlefield Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs, 1 oz. and was named

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Tyson of Maple and Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Skaggs of Morton.

News from Threeway Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Lindsey and child-

ing and son from Post.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Davis family spent Christmas in Anson with his parents, The Jerry Gilliam family, who have farmed in the community, moved to An-

The Truman Kelleys from Amarillo and the Travis Kelleys from Morton visited Christmas day with their parents, the Fred Kelleys.

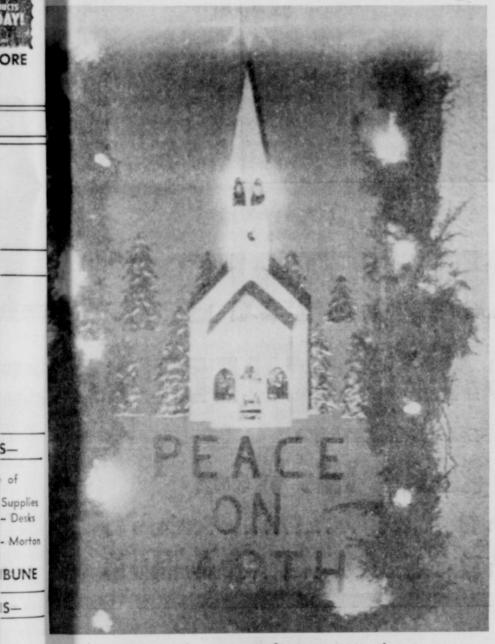
Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Robinson and children from Haskell spent Christmas with her father, John Tyson, also in the Tyson home were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Tyson and son from Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Kelley and family from Amarillo, the Caton Tyson family and R. L. Davis family

Mrs. P. L. Fort's children were home for the holidays. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Meek and children from Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Adams and girls from Morton, the Carrel Fort family

from Three Way and others. Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Durham and children from Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Williams and son from Sudan were with their parents the George Tysons, on

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bowers and Patti returned Saturday from Baytown where they have been visiting their daughter and fam-

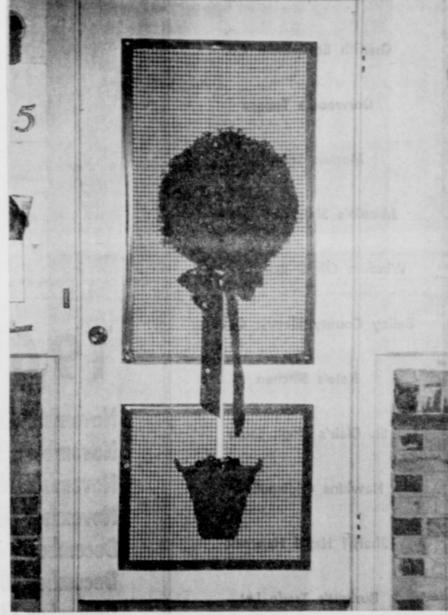
Winners in Christmas Lighting Contest, sponsored by Cochran Co. Garden Club



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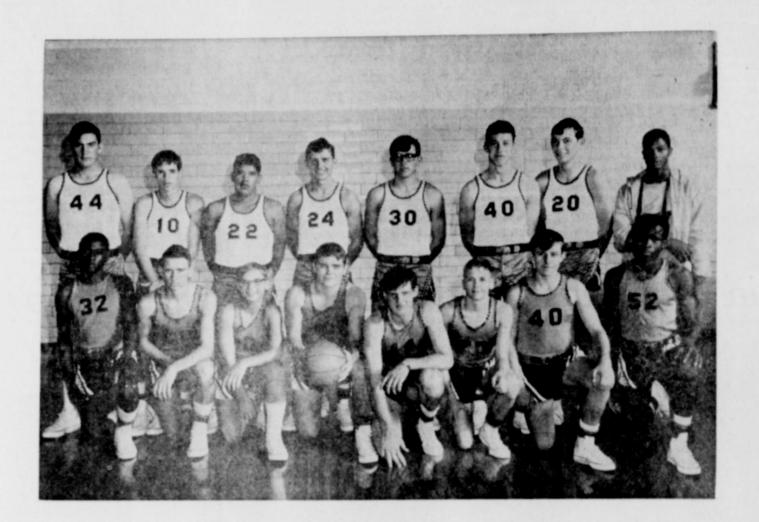
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November 22 — Stanton	here
November 23 Farwell	there
November 26 Plains	here
November 30 — Littlefield	here
December 2 — Seagraves	here
December 10 — LCHS	
December 13 - Stanton	there
December 17 — Levelland	there
December 19-21 — Denver City tourna	ment
December 26-28 — Caprock tournamen	t
January 3 — Seminole	here
January 4 — Brownfield	there
January 7 — Plains	
January 10 — Littlefield	
January 14 — Levelland	
January 17 — Denver City	
January 21 — Post	
January 24 — Tahoka	
January 28 — Frenship	
January 31 — Idalou	
February 4 — Denver City	here
February 7 — Post	here
February 11 — Tahoka	there
February 14 — Frenship	here
February 18 — Idalou	there

Results This Week

Morton 48	 	Seminole 45
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Hospital notes

Julian Prieto, Morton, admitted January 1, died January 5.

H. W. Garvin, Morton, admitted January 2, remaining, medical.

George Burkett, Morton, admitted January 2, dismissed January 6, medical.

Maudie Parker, Hobbs, New Mexico, admitted January 2, remaining, medical.

Mrs. Loy Kern, Morton, admitted January, 2, dismissed January 6, medical.

Rachael Kern, Morton, admitted January 2, dismissed January 6, medical.

Douglas Kern, Morton, admitted January 2, dismissed January 6, medical.

Mrs. Don Pearson, Morton, admitted

January 6, remaining, medical.

Georgia Newberry, Lingo, New Mexico,
admitted January 2, dismissed January
5, medical.

Danny Tankersley, Morton, admitted January 2, dismissed January 6, medical.

Alice Jaye Bennett and Baby Girl admitted January 2, dismissed January 4,

Morton's First Baby.

Bob L. Stokes, Causey, New Mexico,
admitted January 2, dismissed January 6,
medical.

Linda Sue Courter, Morton, admitted January 3, dismissed January 4, medical.

C. L. Acru, Morton, admitted January 3, dismissed January 7, medical.

Margaret Hendon, Morton, admitted January 4, remaining, surgical.

Golden Sullivan, Pep, admitted January

remaining, medical.
 H. Barker, Morton, admitted January
 dismissed January 5, medical.

Maudie Crout Brown, Morton, admitted January 4, remaining, medical. Frank Soliz, Morton, admitted January

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4, remaining, medical.
Wanda Quick, Morton, admitted Jan-

uary 4, dismissed January 6, medical.
Francis Ruzicka, Morton, admitted January 4, remaining, medical.
Cherolyne Inglis, Morton, admitted January 4, admitted January 4, remaining medical.

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Mrs. J. W. Nichols, Morton, admitted

January 4, dismissed January 6, medical.

Quinton Hill, Morton, admit ted Janu ary
4, remaining, medical.
Juan Rodriquiz, Sr., Morton, admitted
January 5, dismissed January 6, medical.
Alfred Herocher, Morton, admitted January 5, remaining, medical.

Janice Ann Roberts, Morton, admitted January 5, dismissed January 6. Chester Clyde Huff, Baileyboro, admittd January 5, remaining medical.

Mrs. Casimiro Zapata and baby boy admitted January 5 dismissed January 7.

Harodi Blackstock, Morton, admitted Jan 5, remaining medical.

Emma Fraco Benejos, Morton, admitted January 5, remaining medical. Willie Holland, Morton, admitted January

remaining, medical.
 Leslie Blackstock, Morton, admitted January 6, remaining, medical.

T. I. Hammonds, Morton, admitted January 6, remaining, medical.

Mrs. Walter Taylor, Morton, admitted January 6, remaining, medical.

Carol Sue Wilson, Morton, admitted January 6, dismissed January 7, medical

uary 6, dismissed January 7, medical.

Minnie M. Childs, Morton, admitted January 6, remaining, medical.

Ruby Jeter, Morton, admitted January

6, remaining, medical.

John F. Cooper, Morton, admitted De-

cember 31, remaining, medical. Sandra Cruz, Maple, admitted December 30, remaining, medical.

Thelma Sullivan, Morton, admitted December 28, remaining, medical. Ethel L. Cooper, Morton, admitted De-

cember 25, remaining, medical.

Mrs. Carl Ray, Morton, admitted December 9, remaining, accident.

Mrs. Ernest Hawkins and baby boy,

admitted January 6, remaining.
Willard Henry, Morton, admitted January 7, remaining, medical.

Tax Man Sam sez:

The Statistics of Income indicate that many taxpayers who are over 65 years of age do not claim the extra exemption allowed them for age, Occasionally you hear of the little lady who didn't want the computer to know that she was that old - but this can't be the real answer. A good "guesstimate" would be most of us feel so young (except when we want to fuss about feeling so old) that we forget all about being over 65, especially when we are in a rush to file our income tax return. In case you forgot about having slipped past the 65 year mark last year, the Internal Revenue Service will still give you credit, adjust your tax bill, and send you a refund, if you tell them about it. (Simply send IRS a 1040X). On that 1968 tax return, take a memory pill and remember your age and go ahead and fill out your return.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Weaver of Lloydminister, Alberta, Canada, are guests in the home of Mrs. T. W. Roberts and are also visiting other relatives here.

January 31 deadline for farmers to file Social Security returns

Farmers have until January 31 to file reports on the Social Security taxes withheld from their employee wages, Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue for Northern Texas, said

The reports should be filed on Form 943, Employer's Annual Tax Return for Agricultural Employees,

Mr. Campbell said that any farmer who pays an employee cash wages of \$150 or more a year must withhold Social Security taxes. Taxes must also be withheld on wages under \$150 for any person hired 20 days or more a year.

For tax purposes, a farm employer includes anyone who furnishes and pays workers to perform agricultural labor on his behalf or for someone else. Mr. Campbell said a "crew leader" is an employer under this definition.

The 1968 tax rate is 8.8 percent of the first \$7,800 of taxable wages paid a farm employee. Half the tax is paid by the farmer and the other half by the employee.

Farmers should remember to give W-2 wage and tax statement to every worker they pay \$600 or more a year. Employees paid less than \$600 should receive a statement covering their Social Security taxes Mr. Campbell said.

More detailed information is available in IRS Publication 51, "Agricultural Employer's Social Security Tax Guide." Send a post card to Supply, Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 1738, Dallas, Texas 75221, for a free copy.

Helping Hands meet in Nursing Home

The Helping Hands met Monday, January 6, at Roberts Memorial Nursing Home. Mrs. Johnnie Moore acted as president for Mrs. Bertha Roberts who was unable to attend.

It was pointed out by Mrs. Pearl Kobs that each patient should have only the required amount of clothing and personal belongings in his or her room and closet; and that the family of each patient would be notified to that effect.

Ater the members contributed to the flower fund, the meeting adjourned.

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* Photographer

The Morton Tribune would like to take this opportunity to welcome Byron Lee Willis back to the staff. Willis was hired as a photographer and will be happy to take any and all pictures desired for the Tribune.

Homecoming events underway at SPC

Annual homecoming events began at South Plains College Wednesday night, Jan. 8, with a bonfire and pep rally in preparation for the game with Lubbock Christian College Thursday night.

The spirit club of the college, the Flaming Spurs, will provide wood for the bonfire and will be on hand to promote spirit. The band and Tex-Anns, in full uniform, will be present for the rally just east of Lamar Hall.

Alumni attending the homecoming will register in Texan Dome beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, prior to game time. Highlighting activities will be the crowning of the Queen before the game. The name of the queen has been kept secret and will not be revealed until the coronation. Finalists are: Gayla Olson, Glenda Light, Gwen Brasell, Lorene Hulse and Linda Packard. They will be presented charms and long stemmed roses. The queen will receive a trophy.

The Tex-Anns will present a superb performance at half-time with several routines and jazz numbers.

Don Telford of Lubbock will play for the dance following the game in the Student Union Building. Refreshments will also be served during the dance time. Those planning to attend the homecoming ceremony are urged to come early as the LCC-Texan game is expected to

Morton phones out of order Friday

If you tried to use your phone Friday night, January 3, and received no answer of any kind, it will ease your mind to know that it was not in your phone. It was reported that a pole south of Morton broke and tore down line wire causing Morton, Levelland, and Maple circuits to be out of operation from 6:15 until 11:45.

Conservation District News

From the Office of BUDD FOUNTAIN

PLANNING RANGE PROPER USE

Range proper use is grazing ranglands at an intensity that will result in an adequate cover for soil protection and maintain or improve the quantity and the quality of desirable vegetation. It is achieved by grazing the most desired grass in a manner that will insure its maximum growth requirements. That is, through management, the plant will be permitted to function to a normal degree in its development processes.

For a plant to remain healthy, it needs to reach near full development each year. This will insure a good root system, adequate green foiliage for manufacturing plant food, seed for reproduction, and needed translocation and storage of food reserves. These processes result in latent growth buds being developed in the crown, generally in the fall, ready for early growth the next spring. To the extent this growth cycle of plants can continue uninterrupted from year to year, the individual plant, the plant community, or a range will produce and be maintained at or near its potential.

By the simple process of observing habits, it is easy to tell within a pasture, the range site livestock prefer to graze on and the grass they like best. Grazing animals, like human beings, have very distinct preference as to the food they select in their diets. These perferences are for those that plants are most nutritious, palatable and serve their body requirements. Generally, the preferenc is very definitely in favor of a single site and a single species which is identified as the key to grazing use of the pasture.

Planning for range proper use is to devise a system of grazing whereby, through manipulation and management of livestock, the needs for plant growth are provided. To achieve these objectives the four basic principals of range management must be put into effect where ever needed.

They are: 1. the proper season of use, 2. proper distribution of grazing, 3, the right kind of livestock, and 4. the proper degree of grazing use.

To further explain these principles and consider them in range management, the first on a simply means using the range or part of a range at the season animals graze, by their choice, the plants that are there. The choice for a particular season may be for a most desirable plant and at another season it may be a very inferior type of plant.

Distribution of grazing to make proper use of all kinds of plants according to livestock preferences can be greatly influenced and essentially controlled by good range and livestock management facilities. Solutions to grazing problems may require additional fencing, very strict seasonal use, salt and water locations or stock trails to get stock to use otherwise lightly grazed areas.

Grazing habits of various kinds of livestock as well as variations in the kinds of range forage they prefer are extremely important in a grazing plan that will insure good range management.

The above principles of range management are of prime importance and provide, when properly related to the range, a practical means of achieving the most important of all management objectives—the proper degree of grazing use of the range.

When "Range Proper Use" is included in a conservation plan, it simply means that the grazing use made of a range will at the end of the grazing period, be within the limitations of plant growth requirements. But it does not reflect how this will be accomplished. It is the grazing plan, that provides the guidance as to how the growth requirement objectives will be achieved. To plan and achieve range proper use may require few or many of the recognized range management priociples and practices. Some are essential while others are alternatives.

For any range management plan to be sound and feasible, it must reflect these elements: how much the range will be grazed; when it will be grazed; the kind of livestock to use it; provision for uniformly using all the range; and the unit of measure for evaluating the use made of the range.

Any and all known rangeland treatment

and management practices are important at one place or another. They are all designed to contribute to the one common objective for all range land, "RANGE PROPER USE."

Mrs. Key honored with birthday party

Mrs. A. S. Key was made very happy Sunday, January 5, when her children living in this area feted here with a surprise birthday party honoring her 84th birthday anniversary.

Family members had gathered in her home while she attended the morning services at the First Methodist Chruch, where she is a very faithful member, to make party arrangements, and surprise her upon her return home.

Mrs. Key's favorite color of pink was predominant in the table decorations where a lace cloth was used over a pink underlay.

A lovely artificial flower arrangement featuring pink carnations was used as a centerpiece. An elaborate cake baked and decorated by a daughter, Mrs. Leon Nash, bore the greeting, "Happy 84th Birthday" and was served from one end of the table. The cake was a two tier fresh cocoanut cake, iced with white and pink coconut and designed with pink carnations made of icing amid green leaves.

The pink fruit punch was served from a small punch bowl by the honoree's attending granddaughters. Crystal-like snack sets were used for the serving of the birthday cake, punch, coffee, ice cream and mixed nuts at 2:30 in the afternoon.

Mrs. Key is the mother of eight children, five of whom were able to attend the celebration. Present with their wives and husbands were: Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Key, Morton, Mrs. Leon Nash, Floyd, New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jackson, Portales, New Mexico, Kova Nell Key of the home, and Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Payton of Hobbs, New Mexico.

Other children unable to attend are: Mrs. Robert L. Main, Albuquerque, New Mexico, Harald L. Key, Pasco, Washington, and Malcolm G. of Eastland.

Only five of her 20 grandchildren were present and five of her 12 great-grandchildren. These included: Mr. and Mrs. Robbie Key and children, Morton, Mrs. Lester Dupler, Whiteface, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vines and Shannon of Portales, Elayne Nash, Floyd and Key Payton, Hobbs, New Mexico.

Other highlights of the occasion was the opening of the gifts and telephone greetings from the two absent sons.

Jury selected for court here Monday

A jury was selected Monday for the case of Sun Oil Co. vs. Earnest Whitaker, et al.

The jury members are: Victor Jackson, Roy Akin, Daniel Rozell, Ross B. Shaw, George Williams, Earl Stowe, Lee Stephens, Joe Adali Salas, Hughes Smith, Mrs. Leonard Gainer, Glynn Price, and Vernon Sublett.

New Year's Day guests in the Pfeiffer Ramby home were their daughters, and their families. Mrs. John Owen and Todd and Lori, of Irving, and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ketchum of Fort Worth; Mrs. Ramby's mother, Mrs. Ethel Montgomery, of Sacramento, California; Maj. and Mrs. Bruce Simnacher and three children of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Mrs. Simnacher is a sister of Mrs. Ramby's and they were home on leave before departure January 15 for a three year assignment in the Panama Canal Zone. Major Simnacher is a career officer in the U. S. Army. Also visiting were parents of Major Simnacher, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simnacher of Muleshoe, and Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Bickel of Muleshoe, cousins of Mrs. Montgomery's and Mrs. Montgomery's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Moore, and son Frank, of Amarillo.

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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Rex Mauldin, Minister 411 West Taylor

hurch School Session _ 9:45 a.m Worship Service __ 10:55 a.m. Fellowship Program _ 5:00 p.m. vangelism _____ 6:00 p.m Each First Monday Official Board Meeting ... _ 8:00 p.m Each First Monday Commission Membership on 7:00 p.m. and Fourth Monday

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH Fred Thomas, Pastor 202 S.E. First

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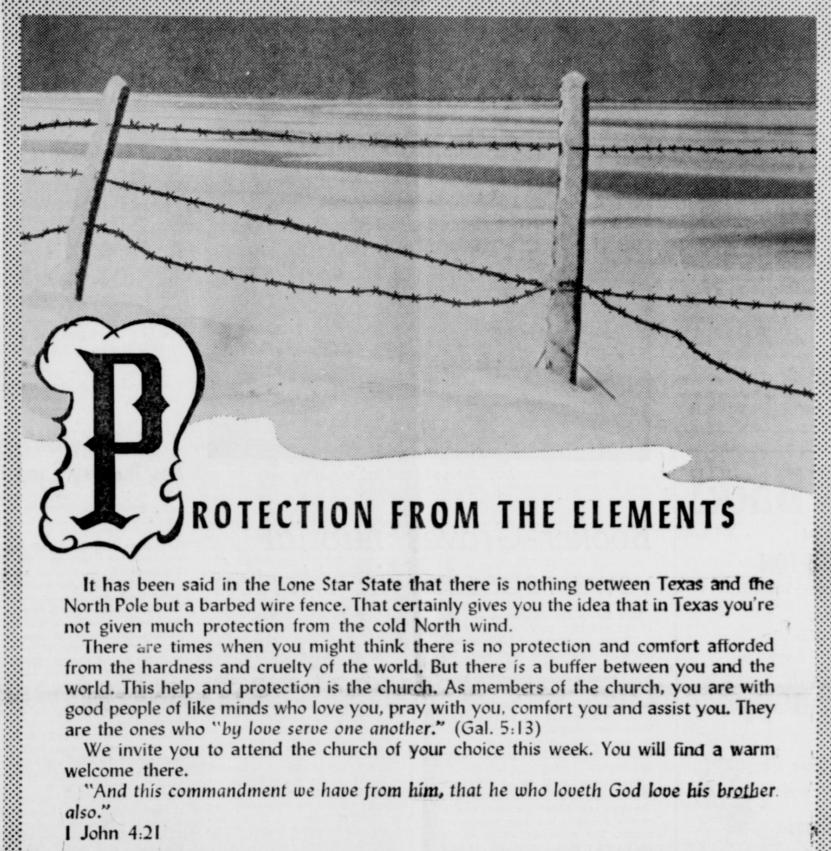
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> EAST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST Cecil Williams, Minister 704 East Taylor

Sundays-10:00 a.m Bible Study __ 10:45 a.m. Worship Song Practice _ 6:30 p.m. _ 7:00 p.m. Monday Ladies Bible Class 4:15 p.m. Vednesdays-Midweek Service 7:30 p.m.



It has been said in the Lone Star State that there is nothing between Texas and the North Pole but a barbed wire fence. That certainly gives you the idea that in Texas you're not given much protection from the cold North wind.

There are times when you might think there is no protection and comfort afforded from the hardness and cruelty of the world. But there is a buffer between you and the world. This help and protection is the church. As members of the church, you are with good people of like minds who love you, pray with you, comfort you and assist you. They are the ones who "by love serve one another." (Gal. 5:13)

We invite you to attend the church of your choice this week. You will find a warm welcome there.

"And this commandment we have from him, that he who loveth God love his brother. also."

I John 4:21

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God,



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Mass Schedule-Sunday ___ 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. _____ 7:30 p.m. Monday __ 7:30 a.m. Tuesday Wednesday _____ 7:30 p.m. Thursday 7:30 a.m Friday (1st of Month) 7:30 p.m. Friday (2nd, 3rd & 4th) 7:30 a.m. _ 8:00 a.m. Saturday ____ Sunday-Catechism Class. 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. Confessions-Sunday Half hour before Mass. Baptisms: ____ 12 noon Sunday and by appointment

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Elma L. Slaughter Study Club meets in McGee home

in the home of Mrs. John L. McGee January 2 at 7:30 in the evening. The club was called to order by President Mrs. C. E. Dolle and the roll was called. Invocation and introduction of guest speaker was given by Mrs. Leonard Coleman.

The guest, Father Stanley Croechiala from St. Phillips Catholic Church of Pep, attended grade and high school in New York, graduated from St. Johns College in Upstate, New York, attended Catholic University in Washington and was ordained at National Shrine in Washington, D. C. February 10, 1938. He has written 33 books that have been published and are used as text books of the history of the Southwest. He has also published 90 pamplets and paper back books of town history of towns in the Southwest. He also enjoys painting and Indian culture.

Father Stanley spoke on Comparative Religion and Ecumenicism. Religions are a lot alike in the aspect that all Christians believe in God and we are all trying to attain Heaven in our own way. Ecumen cism stresses the idea of all Christians being able to get to Heaven. The idea of different religious people all being in Heaven together makes us think we should try to get along on Earth. Caristian Unity, said Father Stanley, would do more than anything else to draw people together as good American Citize

The birth-control pill and the Catholic view, said Father Stanley, was not a matter for the Priest to say yes or no. coordered and each individual has to use his own conscience with a feeling of obligation to do what is right and good.

Father discussed the issue of married Priests, why the Mass has been said in Latin, and why the Priest said Mass with his back to the people. The changes in the Catholic Church today are coming about

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He used a lake as an example-anyone living near a lake must have seen it clear and blue but sometimes the water all looks muddy. He said this was natures way of clearing the water-every so often it turns over and in a matter of days or a week the water becomes clear and blue again. The Catholic Church, he said, was going through a period of cleaning itself through the Spirit of Ecumenicism and in a period of years everything would settle and become clear and peaceful, just as the lake does. He said we must have changes in the Church because the world changes. Changes not in the essence of the Mass and Sacraments but changes to make these more understandable to all.

The next meeting will be January 16 in the home of Mrs. Dean Jackson. Refreshments were served to guest Father Crocchiala, Mrs. C. E. Dolle, Cadenhead, Coleman, Oden, Browne, Jackson, Gardner. Spott and the hostess.

Busy Sewing Club met in Cooper home

The Busy Finger Sewing Club met in the home of Mrs. G. F. Cooper at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, January 2. There were several of the members missing due to the recent outbreak of colds and flu.

After the business meeting was over, the hostess served cake, strawberries, coffee, and spiced tea to Mesdames, Henry Bedwell, J. S. Boydston, L. W. Barrett, Rolly Hill, Clayton Stokes, Walter Taylor, and G. F. Cooper.

The next meeting will be in the Rolly Hill home. Mrs. Boydston will help serve and will be one of the hostesses January



Mrs. John Richard Baker

Booker-Graves nuptial vows repeated in Morton

Miss Sharon Janiece Graves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Graves of 309 S. W. 3rd Street Morton, and John Richard Booker, of Hobbs, New Mexico and son of Mrs. Edyth Booker of Levelland and John Edward Booker of Hobbs, New Mexico, were married December 22 at 3:00 p.m. in the First Baptist Church in Morton. The bride's father, pastor of the Hicks Chapel Baptist Church, pronounced the vows. Bobby D. Graves, brother of the bride and from Hurst, gave her away

Mrs. Booker's dress was of white satin peau de soie accented with Alceon lace. The dress was delicately uplifted into an empire line and had long petal point bride wore a black cameo that has been

in her family for over 150 years. The church was arranged in an array of ferns and white candles, lighted before the ceremony. The attendants to the bride wore orange floor-length acetate dresses. The crowns were of a matching net and fell delicately about their shoulders.

Mrs. Shirley Shelton of Smithfield, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Maid of honor was Miss Dena Smith of Morton and bridesmaids were Miss Rhonda Shelton of Ft. Worth, niece of the bride; Miss Vicki Booker of Hobbs, New Mexico, sister of the groom; and Miss Sharon Booker of Levelland, sister of the groom.

Best man selected for the occasion was Barry Dyer of Hobbs, N. M. Groomsmen were Phil Graves, brother of the bride; Dick Graves of Lubbock, brother of the bride; Eddie Trimmer of Amarillo; and Temple Kern of Levelland.

Guests were seated by Harold Shelton and Mike Shelton, both of Smithfield. Miss Alice Marina served as flower girl while Henry Marina served as ring

Organist was Larry Don Wiley of Levelland, cousin of the bridegroom. Soloist was Phil Vogel, Minister of Music for the First Baptist Church in Morton. A reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Connie Gray at 202 East

Garfield after the ceremony. After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico, the new residence of the couple will be 105 14th Street, Canyon, Texas.

Hobby Club meets for Christmas party here

The Friendly Circle Hobby Club met in the home of Mrs. L. Z. Scoggins recently for the annual Christmas party.

Games were led by Mrs. Floyd Rowland after which Mrs. Elmer Gardner, club president, presided in a short business meeting. Plans were made for an outing in Lubbock to Cactus Alley, Pier I Imports and other places of interest. After the vsit to Cacutis Alley, the club will officially be disbanned.

The club voted to send \$15.00 to Girlstown as they have been making a donation each year.

Secret Pals were revealed, gifts exchanged, and Mrs. Clayton Stokes demonstrated how to make wool flowers. Refreshments were enjoyed by seven members and two guests. Those attending were Mesdames E. Gardener, C. C. Benham, C. Stokes, F. Rowland, Horace Gardener, Weldon Wynn and hostess. Guests were Mrs. Gene Gardener and Miss Ginger Scoggins.

David Murrah and son Jerel of Morton visited for a few days recently with Murrah's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Murrah in Gruver. They also spent four days with friends in the Fort Worth, Dallas area during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Ina West was visited recently by her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Parrack from Hereford.

Former beautician for Morton succumbs

Dulcie Ann Edwards, the former Dulcie Ann Campbell, 53, died December 23 in her home at 8852 Murietta Avenue in Van Nuys, California, where she had resided for the past 15 years. Burial was in Van Nuys Cemetery December 27.

Mrs. Edwards had learned only a few months ago of a bad heart, and had started back to work for a few hours each day after resting for two months. She once operated what was called Ann's Beauty Shop on the north side of the square of Morton in 1937 and 1938, Many will remember her father, the late L. A. Campbell who had resided in Enochs, Littlefield, and Morton after moving to the area from Oklahoma in 1927.

She is survived by her husband, A. J Edwards; two sisters, Omas Petree of Purcell, Oklahoma, and Lola Hammond of Tyler; and one nephew, Gene Petree of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

April wedding set for Janes-Abbott

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Janes of Sundown have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Carolyn Janes,t to Tommy Abbott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Abbott of

Miss Jones is a 1968 graduate of Sundown High School and attends South Plains

The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Whiteface High School and South Plains College and is presently employed with Texaco.

The couple plans to exchange vows in April in the First Baptist Church of

Y. M. Study Club has January 2 meet

in the home of Mrs. Dexter Nebbut, Mrs. Max Clark presided over the business

Following the business, Mrs. Deryl Bennett conducted a quiz. Then Mrs. Robbie Key brought the program entitled, "Invitation to Life Through Awareness of Patriotism." Patriotism means love of country. The term patriotism comes from the Latin word pater, meaning father. Patriotism includes admiration and even love for the father land and for the customs and traditions of the country. Again, patriotism implies a feeling of oneness and membership in the nation. It also means attachment to the land and the people, as well as devotion to the welfare of

Love of country must be accompanied by willingness to serve one's country. Such service included obedience to law, voting in every election, willingness to serve in the military forces.

Members present were Mesdames Deryl Bennett, Max Clark, Leonard Groves, Robbie Key, Kenneth McMasters, Fred Weaver, Billy Weems, Jerry Winder, and the hostess, Mrs. Nebhut.

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LaNelda Romans

LaNelaa Romans to wed Lonnie Hamilton

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Romans Morton wish to announce the engage and approaching marriage of their day er, LaNelda, to Lonnie Hamilton, so Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hamilton of Mono LaNelda is a graduate of Morton H School and is presently employed at

First State Bank. Lonnie is a graduate of Morton He School and also a graduate of Sou Plains College in Levelland. He is press tly a junior at Texas Tech and is empl part-time for the U. S. Post Office

The couple plan to wed April 4.

Methodist to hear Rev. Robb, evangelist

the First United Methodist Church ton this Sunday evening at 6:00 p outstanding program has been pla featuring Rev. Ed Robb, Conference E gelist as speaker.

Rev. Robb has held city-wide rev in many towns in this region inclu Denver City and Levelland, He wil speaking on his recent two weeks evan listic services held in Sumatra in S East Asia.

A choir composed of boys and girls Grades 1 through 6 will bring spe

Immediately after the service in Fel ship Hall a Family Night supper wil held. The public is extended a co invitation to hear this outstanding m

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Phillips, residents the Morton area, were transferred week to Seminole. Phillips was emply as a Yardman for Cities Service Oil

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Dawson and fan visited Saturday in Cotton Center his sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Wall and Dale. Dale is home from Vietn



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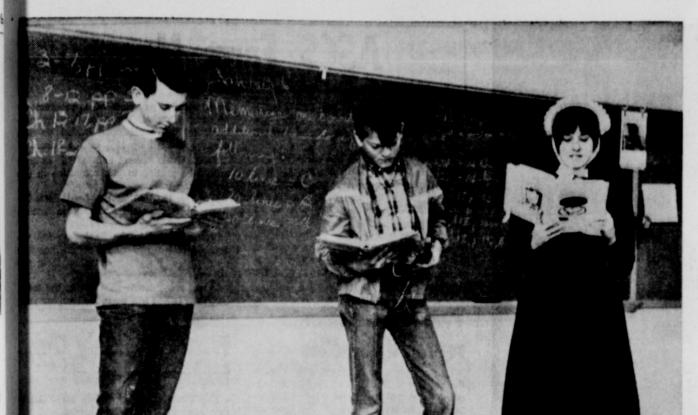
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STUDENTS OF ENGLISH LITERATURE II are rehearsing for "The King and I." Shown above are Steve Crockett, Mike

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Cochran County land owner dies in Okla.

Services for Luther C. Taylor, 63, of 1730 West Evergreen, Durant, Oklahoma, were held in December in the First Baptist Church of Durant with Dr. J. M. Gaskin officiating.

Taylor died December 24 in a local hospital of an apparent heart attack.

Born in Bryan County Oklahoma, Taylor had a long teaching career in Eastern Oklahoma and at the time of his death was administrator for the new Sam Rayburn Independent School near Boham. He had also held the office of Farm and Home Administrator in Bryan County. Taylor was a frequent visitor in Morton and was an extensive land owner in Cochran and Bailey Countys.

The Taylors and the Hardy Rhynes of Morton, were married in a double wedding ceremony. They celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary August 13, 1968.

Survivors include his wife, Virena, sister of Mrs. Hardy Rhyne; two sons, Terry Taylor of Houston and Joe Taylor of Durant. Oklahoma; three brothers; three sis-

ters; and three grandchildren,

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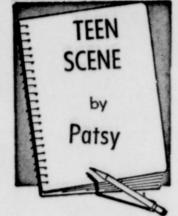


INSIDE THE TEEPEE

An Inside Look At Morton High School

The Morton (Tex.) Tribune, Thursday, January 9, 1969

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Hi there! Ugh — we're back in school and it's almost semester-tests time. It I make it through this next week without losing my mind, it'll be a miracle! But, a two-day testing period is set up this year so that we don't have to go to school all day; just the periods we have tests. Sounds like a pretty good deal to me!

Our varsity basketball team made two good showings last week, Friday and Saturday nights. Friday night they defeated the Seminole Indians, and Saturday night lost to the Brownfield Cubs by only 2 points with an overtime. The game that was scheduled Tuesday night at Plains has been postponed until tonight, so ya'll come! Then Friday (tomorrow) night, we go to Littlefield to take on the LHS Wildcats. BEAT UM INDIANS!

Not much has been going on around MHS in the past week — we're in the midst of that after-holiday drag. The PSAT scores came in Monday. This test was taken earlier by the juniors and some seniors. It is offered each year by the College Entrance Examination Board.

Also, the Speech department has launched its study of drama with the acting of a "soap opera" written by a team of the students. The serial started Monday and will terminate tomorrow, as the cast performs the entire story before some of the student body. All this is taking place in the speech room on a very small stage, but the class is really enjoying doing it. The melodrama, "Beyond the Guidelines," centers around Dr. David Douglas, portrayed by J. Wayne McDermett, and his futile love life.

Other characters in the story are Elizabeth Douglas (Patsy Collins), Dr. Douglas' crippled wife; Melissa Douglas (Linda Nettles), their 13-year-old daughter; Jane Browning (Donna Williams), Elizabeth's personal nurse; and Bob Tarver (Curtis Griffith), Elizabeth's drunk brother.

Also Dr. Matthew Benson (Danny Williams), good friend of Dr. Douglas'; Lance Reed (Jerry Steed), playboy intern; Mildred Watson (Janella Nebhut), nurse and Elizabeth's best friend; and Stephanie Mason (Carol Freeland), pretty interior decorator who is redecorating the Douglas' apartment.

The writers of the serial are: Vivian McDaniel, Deborah Miller, Dorothy Spencer, Karen Fred, Barbara Bramblett and Karen Rozell.

The Speech class also plans to put on a play for the elementary and one for the high school, plus working on other plays in class for their own experience.

Thus ends another exciting episode in the life of the MHS teens. Tune in next week, same time, same place, for more "Teen Scene by Patsy." (Now don't you think that was a novel ending???) Know your teacher . . .

The teachers of the week are Mrs. Glenn Thompson and Mrs. Ted Whillock. Mrs. Whillock, a graduate of East Texas State University, also received her Masters from East Texas State.

This is Mrs. Whillocks ninth year to

Mrs. Ted Whillock

Services conducted for Julian Prieto

Julian Prieto, 82, died at 1:00 a.m. Monday in Cochran Memorial Hospital

following a lengthy illness.

Funeral mass was celebrated at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in St. Ann's Catholic Church. Celebrant was David Grecka, pastor. Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Singleton Funeral Home.

Prieto, who was a native of Mexico moved to Morton from Kennedy.

Survivors include four sons, Timmothy, Juan and Angel all of Morton, and Doreteo of Whiteface; six daughters, Mrs. Dominga Sanchez of Illinois, Virginia Preito of Matamoros, Mexico, Mrs. Maria Rodriquez of San Antonio, Mrs. Romana Castada of Tahoka, Mrs. Olivia Tobar of Kennedy and Mrs. Avelina Jasso of Crosbyton; 96 grandchildren and 33 greatgrandchildren.

Missionary family to visit in area church

Paul and Mickey Robinson, a Missionary family for the North American Baptist Association to Nicaragua, will be with the First Missionary Baptist Church in Morton, January 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Mickey is the daughter of Mrs. Jack Bullard. Many will remember the late Rev. Jack Bullard, former pastor of the Church.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

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Mrs. Glenn Thompson

Mrs. Whillock has two sons, Marty, age and Mike, 5. In her spare time, Mrs. Whillock enjoys

teaches English, P. E. and Reading at

The Whillocks reside at 301 East Hardg.

horse back riding and knitting.

Mrs. Thompson, a graduate of Texas Tech, has taught at Morton for 19 years. She has done post graduate work at Tech.

Mrs. Thompson enjoys grandchildren,

George Autry of Enochs and a son, R. E. of Roswell, New Mexico.

The Thompsons reside at 610 East Lin-

gardening and sewing in her spare t ime.

Mrs. Thompson has one daughter, Mrs.

Semester tests to be given at Morton High

The week of January 12 has been designated as Semester Test week for Morton High School.

The tests will be administered on Wednesday and Thursday of that week.

Only four out of the six classes will meet each day and only three tests will be given each day. If a student does not have a test scheduled, he may go home until his next class.

The only requirement is that the student can not loiter on the school grounds or downtown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Gathright left December 23 for Amarillo where they spent a night and part of a day with his two sisters. They then went on to Oklahoma for two days where they visited his brother. Their Christmas dinner was on the weekend after Christmas in Hurst with all of their children. While they were there the children gave a surprise birthday for their mother. They returned home January 3.

Three way news

by MRS. H. W. GARVIN

There was a farewell party held in the T. D. Davis home Tuesday night honoring Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carlisle who moved to Littlefield recently.

Bonnie Long fell in the home of her sister, Mrs. H. O. Huff and suffered a very bad broken arm. She was taken to Methodist Hospital in Lubbock.

E. B. Julian was a patient in West Plains Hospital the past week. Also Mrs. Perry Lynskey was a patient in West Plains Hospital in Muleshoe.

The Jack Furgesons returned home from California after a visit with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Green. Also the Jake Burketts returned from a visit in California with relatives. H. W. Garvin was admitted Thursday

morning to Cochran Memorial Hospital for treatment. Mr. and Mrs. George Wheeler and boys from Muleshoe visited their parents, the

Johnnie Wheelers Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Troy Tyson from Morton were dinner guests in the Roy Oxford

home Thursday evening.

Lynn Davis returned to his aunt and uncle's home, the R. L. Davises after spending the Christmas holidays with his

parents in Farmington, New Mexico.

LaNita Powell and Rhonda Dupler attended the C. Y. C. meeting at the Catholic Church in Morton Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Powell attended th wrestling matches in Littlefield Saturday

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Babson's Reports

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the gateway to his heartland - by the Czech stirrings for freedom in the summer of 1968, he will not risk any "repeat performance" in 1969. It will be the "hard line" for the Kremlin throughout the coming year; and the Nixon Administration will be shoved off balance many a time. Most ominous is the powerful strengthening of the Soviet Mediterranean fleet; for there it is in direct contact with American and other NATO warships. Once more, it will be a case of urgent defense needs taking precedence over pressing social demands. The issue of "guns or butter" will persist throughout 1969. Too much attention to either or both could well lead to a price-wage spiral in our economy - with all the threat of a deflationary plunge thereafter.

INFLATION - 1968 will go down in

economics histories as "the year of the great boo-boo." Early it was recognized that the economy was overheating - that a cooling off was necessary to prevent runaway price boosts and the inevitable aftermath of recession. The government opted for a fiscal "wet blanket" to smother the inflationary fires - and belatedly the sur-tax on personal and corporate ncomes was enacted, effective mid-1968. But the boom rolled on - confounding both the Federal Reserve - the country's money managers - and the President's Council of Economic Advisers. What happened? Two things: (1) The Fed thought the surtax would cause "overkill" in business, so opened the money spigots wider - stimulating buying just when the tax was supposed to depress it; (2) Mr. and Mrs. J. Q. Public sharply cut their rate of savings and went on a buying binge

MORE TO COME - So, here we are: Months after the "tax to kill inflation," prices of goods and services are still spiraling upward. This, of course, goads the workingman to support his labor boss when he demands outsize hikes in pay and benefits. Even though the Fed now gives signs of having moved to lessen the money rise from gusher rate to a more gentle flow, the floods of prior months will continue to seep through business and financial channels - at least during the early part of 1969.

- augmenting their fling with big gobs

of borrowed money.

Our staff here at Babson's Reports looks for "more of the same" during the first half of the year: Higher price tags, further wage raises in excess of productivity gains, continued up-pressure on costs all around, and the inexorable fattening of the tax burden - not alone from the perennial upsweep of state and local levies, but also from the substantial step-rate in social security charges. Indeed inflation is still incubating. The virus is virulent. The antitoxin is known. But the political medicos that will administer it have not

NUMBER ONE PROBLEM - Mr. Nixon knows that inflation is the one force that can destroy this nation - financially, morally, even militarily. He also knows that to move aggressively against it could plunge the U.S. into a depression. The former. It seems likely, then, that he will move slowly against the incubus of perpetually climbing costs and prices. Fortunately, the incoming President has the advantage of the anti-inflationary moves made in the late days of President Johnson's tenure. We expect that he will move cautiously to augment these. As a result, we look for no spectacular attack on the country's number one enemy in the opening days of Nixon's office. That means there will be further portents of inflation early next year - later in 1969 you can look for many signs of a topping off, even maybe some deflationary signals.

STRONG START - Unlike a year earlier - when the dollar was under world suspicion and attack - the "good ole buck" will start 1969 with a halo over it. The big bad wolf - President de Gaulle of France - who led an all-out offensive against the dollar in 1967 and early 1968 is now pretty "dead" insofar as any lethal threat to it in 1969 is concerned. His own franc had to have a good many blowout patches applied at the end of 1968 to keep

It is not that the dollar has gained any real fundamental strength in recent months; rather it is that the pound and the franc got so weak that, by contrast, the dollar gained stature, Excellent cooperation with the U.S. by Germany has caused the deficit in our international payments to all but disappear. Then, too, our nation did move toward fiscal restraint when it enacted the surtax. Finally, with the pound sick and the franc tottering, the other stable currency areas such as the German, Swiss, and Dutch just did not have sufficient size and room to accommodate all those financial refugees who might have been seeking shelter.

ONLY TEMPORARY? - But it is too early yet to crow. Our dollar may still fall victim to a recurrence of the persistent weakness in our international payments position that has marked our relationship with the rest of the Free World for 90% of the last two decades. Actually, the final-half 1968 strength in our balance of payments has not been the result of an improvement in our trade or payments position. Its good health then was more apparent than real - resulting from financial transactions, capital movements toward our shores - some of them flights

from the currency ills of Europe, some for speculation in our stock markets, some "deals" between our Treasury and Germany to keep the mark from getting too strong and the dollar too weak.

Barring cataclysmic developments on the military front, the dollar should occasion us no great concern in 1969. However, the Babson prediction still stands - that the dollar may be living on probation, even on borrowed time, if the new Administration lets prices and costs run wild - or even if it cracks down too hard on inflation, touching off a recession. The things it must do: (1) Keep the federal budget close to balance; (2) persuade the money managers to maintain a moderate, not too stimulating increase in the money stock; (3) crack down on speculative excesses; (4) curb the underlying causes of our deficits in international payments - namely, faltering exports, soaring imports, non-competitive (with nations abroad) prices and costs (which are the faults of both business and management leaders).

The dollar is now in the "eye" of a tremendous national and international inflationary hurricane. Its respite will be but temporary. To bring it through the "other side" in late 1969 or 1970 will be a Herculean task for the new Administration. Indeed, Mr. Nixon and his advisers will have to do a veritable "tightrope act" above the Scylla of inflation on the one side and the Charybdis of disinflation on the other, 1969 will witness the first scenes

NEW PEAKS - The momentum built by rising business volumes and production will surely carry the usual measurements of Gross National Product and the Federal Reserve Index of Production onto new all-time high ground in the year 1969. But that is not the whole story. What you want to know is what the rate of gain will be and what the shape of the year, businesswise, will look like.

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT - Total dollar value of all goods and services finished 1968 on a strong note - at nearly a \$20-billion gain. That is only slightly less than the best 1968 quarter of \$22 billion. Prospects now favor a good further boost in the first 1969 quarter - perhaps equivalent to the \$18-billion advance of the third 1968 stretch. The second quarter of next year may slip a bit from the first; but the upcoming half year will show a climb in dollar values perhaps only \$3-\$4-billion below the great bulge of a year earlier. Assuming no dropping of the surtax, we look for a lesser rate of gain in the final 1969 half - another big year, but tapering as it wears along. Over all, expect a GNP upthrust over 1968 of close to 7% (about \$60 billion).

PHYSICAL VOLUME - Physical output is not expected to match the dollar value of increase in 1969 - not surprising, as more than half of the looked-for improvement will result from higher prices. Assuming the Federal Reserve Index of Production averages around 165 for 1968, we can project about a 4-point climb in the year ahead. But again, we think the best will be seen early in 1969.

CAPITAL OUTLAYS - Despite a continuing depressed rate of plant utilization, business managers are projecting increased budgets for new plant and equipment. Look for a strong start - perhaps as high as an 8% increase - to be followed by a slower rate of gain as the year ages. For all of 1969, a 4% betterment would seem about the best to expect.

PROFITS - Total corporate profits in the first half of 1969 will out-distance those of the year-earlier period - they may even equal the strong final six months of 1968. Here again, however, squeezed by inflationary costs and somewhat less boisterous demand, we look for a downdrift in profitability before 1969 has advanced too far.

MONEY COSTLY - The first half of 1969 may experience some moderate easing in short-term interest rates. This will be occasioned by lessened federal demand for loans - as the budget moves from deficit to surplus and the Treasury has no need to borrow. Most of the easing, however, will show up in the Treasury 90-day bill rate, Long-term money may experience some temporary downjiggle - but, over all, Babson's Reports is not expecting any sustained slide-off from the most costly credit of the century. Also, as Uncle Sam comes back into the bond market later in the year, rates should again stiffen.

MORTGAGE COSTS - No real relief is in sight here. Availability and rate may be somewhat more favorable in the first half of 1969 than in the last, No incentive to postpone building or buying

BUSINESS LOANS - If the Treasury bill rate declines in the first half - as we expect - there will be much talk of lower costs for business loans. Here again, we feel that any easing will be tiny and temporary.

COMMON STOCKS - The buy-stocksto-protect-against-inflation "bug" has bitten deeply. Most investors are convinced that a stock-buying formula is the best antidote for soaring living costs. New common-stock-oriented institutions are being formed "a mile a minute." Foreign investors are flocking back to U.S. securities markets. And corporate sales and earnings trends are supporting the con-

victions of the multiplying herds of bulls. On pure momentum alone, we anticipate new all-time highs in the Dow Industrials, as well as in the more comprehensive averages, during the forepart of 1969. If



8th Grade Pep Squad strikes again . . .

ALTHOUGH NOT the most organized or uniform, these girls still have plenty to yell about when the Junior High Indians play at home. Pictured above are Mary Photo by Byron Lee Willis McCasland, Nikki Merrill and LaNita Combs.

such does occur, however, we shall have our "fingers crossed" about the course of stocks during the time after mid-year - especially if market "fireworks" become particularly brilliant in the early 1969 days. Under these circumstances, cautious selecting may pay bigger dividends in 1969 than "playing the field."

FARM EQUIPMENTS - One group that has hardly gotten off the ground in 1968 has been the agricultural machinery makers. Some good long-range values exist here in some issues.

CONGLOMERATES - The big multipleactivity companies have certainly failed to shine in the year now closing. Some issues may hold low risk for investors with

CHEMICALS - This once-favorite of securities fans has again passed a year in the market doldrums. Some indications of a turn-in-the-making are beginning to appear. We feel there is not too much risk in old-line concerns.

CONTAINERS - Another group that does not seem to have exhausted its investment potential is the containers though they are not as cheap as they were a year ago.

FERTILIZERS - After a long and painful stretch of being "put through the wringer," there are now some signs that moderately more profitable days may lie ahead for the plant-food makers.

LIFE INSURANCE - Hailed five years ago as "the greatest" for appreciation, life company stocks overshot their dynamic possibilities and were disdained by speculators for several years. In 1968, however, life stocks - with management becoming much more aggressive in diversifying - again began to stir.

ELECTRIC UTILITIES - Electric power stocks, one of the soundest growth areas, are showing signs of emerging from the investment pall that has enshrouded them for some time. They offer both income and growth.

BONDS - With stocks all the rage, bond buyers among individuals have become "scarcer than hens' teeth." Yet bonds are selling at the lowest prices and the highest income yields of this century yes, in many cases, for a full 100 years. We state emphatically: If the inflation prospects are as sure-fire, as pervasive, and as unpreventable as many would have us believe, we doubt that the ownership of common stocks will provide a truly safe passage through the inevitable maelstrom that will follow in inflation's wake. If the storm comes, high-quality bonds may ride it out better than stocks. If it does not come, 61/2%, 7%, and even higher incomes from senior securities will furnish food and shelter to those dependent upon savings - and afford something left over with which to "feed" inflation.

FOR BIG INCOME - If current high return is your major need - retired or supplemental - top-quality corporate issues of recent flotation are your best bet. Returns here run from 61/2% to 7% for the "cream."

INCOME PLUS PROFIT - Those who can take somewhat less currently, but with equal certainty of income, should pick up best-grade deep discount bonds. Middle-term maturities - say 8 to 12 years - give you fairly high current re-

turn - and a capital gain if held to pay-

FOR THE AFFLUENT - Never have tax-exempt bonds been so attractive. Follow the general rules laid down above. Buy the new, long-term exempts of best quality - if the best in income right now is your need. If saving for the future, however, there are plenty of near-and middle-term maturities available in nontaxables that will save on your annual tax bill and give you a capital gain at

CONVERTIBLES? - At a time such as now, after stocks have had a long and sizable runup, we at Babson's Reports, Inc. are not attracted to convertible bonds - feeling that, in most cases, the cost of the call on the common has become inflated. Convertibles are most attractive after a stock market shake-out - when uncertainty exists and when you are not paying too much above the investment worth of the bond for a call on the

RISKS TO RISE - The nation is not in the days of hope - the honeymoon of the electorate with the new Administration. But the "changing of the guard" at the White House is not likely to be accomplished without causing uncertainties. With business and the stock market bowling along toward new highs, the risks of change lean toward increasing exposure as the euphoria of early post-election comes to full bloom.

As we peer into 1969, the staff of Babson's Reports, Inc., foresees new advances on both the economic and the financial fronts. But we also are convinced that as the year lengthens, risks for businessmen and investors will likewise increase. Temper your optimism with cau-

Two local farmers join elite group

Joe Roberts of Morton, with an excellent irrigated yield of 7,211.32 pounds of sorghum per acre, and Bobby Neal of Whiteface, with a dryland yield of 4,041.09 pounds of sorghum per acre, have been entered in the 1968 DeKalb Sorghum Mast-

Roberts' yield came from a field of De-Kalb F-65. His entry was mechanically harvested and verif ied by an impartial third party.

To attain his yield, Roberts used such progressive management practices as fertilizing according to yield goal, planting in narrow rows and controlling weeds and He planted 27.6-inch rows at a seeding

rate of 8 pounds per acre. His fertilizer application included 112 pounds of nitrogen, 76 pounds of phosphate, and 16 pounds of potash. Weeds were controlled with Propazine and one cultivation. Neal's yield came from a field of De-

Kalb E-57. His entry was mechanically

harvested and verified by an impartial

third party. To attain his yield, Neal used such progressive management practices as fertilizing according to yield goal and controlling weeds and insects.

He planted 40-inch rows at a seeding rate of 4 pounds per acre. His fertilizer application included 50 pounds of nitrogen. Weeds were controlled with three cultiva-

ASCS Farm News

By John W. Hall

The signup date for the 1969 Cotton, Feed Grain and Wheat Programs will begin February 3rd and continue through March 21st.

The 1969 program is the same as 1968 except that barley, including malting barley, will be considered a feed grain. To participate in the program it will be necessary for you to sign an intention to participate during the period February 3rd through March 21, 1969. To participate, you must divert 20% of the base with n diverted acre payment for this acreage. You may divert an additional 30% of the

Two auto accidents reported to police

Two accidents were reported in Morton the past week. The first of the two occurred on S. W. 5th Street and West Washington on Saturday, January 4. The first car involved was a 1962 4-door Ford driven by M. C. Collins of 410 S. W. 5th Street. The reported speed was only 10 m.p.n. An estimated cost of damage to the ve-

The second car involved was a 1960 Cadillac hearse driven by Ralph Edward Russell of 710 Avenue G in Denver City. The reported damage of his car was around \$200.

Another accident reported was directly in front of Doss Thriftway at 4:10 January 3. Connie T. Campbell was driving a 1967 Chevrolet Sedan when she collided with a 1967 Ford coupe driven by Maudie Brown. Estimated damage to Mrs. Campbell's car was \$350.00 and the damage done to Mrs. Brown's car was \$350.00.

base with a payment of approximately 54 cents a bushel. The price support pay ment is 29.68 cents per bushel on the

acreage planted up 50% of the base. Feed Grain base and yield notice should be mailed to you sometime in the

next three weeks. January 15, 1969 is the final date to filing application for new farm cotton

March 8, 1969 is the final date for a cepting release of farm cotton acres allotment and for accepting requests to reapportioned cotton allotment.

If you have cotton to place in the loan the ASCS Office will write the loan for yo

Whiteface Study Club has regular meet

The Whiteface Study Club met Thun day, January 2, in the high school.

A business meeting was conducted lowed by the program, Mrs. Vern Bee presented the program with a commenta on Shakespeare and a film on Shake peare's famous "Macbeth."

Following the program, coffee, pure and snacks were served by hostess, M J. W. Smith to members; Miss Fred Bourland, Mines, Louise Lucas, Elm Evans, Marvin Lasater, Billy Wall, Ma shall Cooper, Carroll Lanier, Royce El Vern Beebe, Gaylon Baldwin, Max Dicke son, John Fietz.

The County Commissioners court wil hold its regular meeting on Monday,

Wednesday, Jan. 15



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