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Fifteen Cents

Dangerous Gas Failure Strikes Morton



STUDENT ACTIVITIES--The entire Morton High School student Council was pictured as they met in regular session recently. Members and officers seated from left include: Joel Coffman, Melinda Hunter, Annette Willingham, Lisa Gerik, Mary Jo Hudson, Robbie Gattis, Wyn Crone, Diana Wehler, Malcolm Coleman and Nola Bowley. Standing, from left, Melanie Polvado, Debbie

Polvado, Patti Waters, Mitzi Scoggins, Tobie Jerden, Donna Cox, Jenna Key, David Ramby, Rusty Lamar, Steve Polvado, Kevin Silhan and Henry Marina. Mary Jo Hudson is President; Robbie Gattis is Vice President; Annette Willingham is Treasurer and Lisa Gerik is Secretary. All others are members of the council representing each of the four high school classes.

Volunteer's Efforts Avert Possible Tragedy

The citizens of Morton had an opportunity to experience the hardships that accompany a complete failure of a vital utility Sunday night--and found it most unpleasant.

The natural gas pipeline recently installed and put into operation here malfunctioned due to a faulty main valve and cut off all gas supplies to the city.

The first alarm was called into the sheriff's office at 9:32 p.m., according to the dispatcher's log and from that time on, the alarm was sounded hot and heavy. The city utilities department was immediately notified and quickly determined that it was a total failure.

Volunteers were called for and within minutes over 100 persons were on hand to render any assistance called for. The call was not long in coming as teams were formed by those in charge and the monumental task of shutting off the gas valves at every residence and place of business in the city was underway.

And it was cold! Heavily bundled volunteers would check and shut off as many meters as they could without freezing and then head for the nearest shelter for a warm up and a hot cup of coffee. By 1:30-2 a.m., utilities supervisor Maurice Lewallen judged that all meters had been closed and announced that the



SIGN OF A BOUNTIFUL HARVEST--The Cochran County Grain Company elevator in Morton was just about as full as it could get when this photo was snapped a couple of weeks ago--one sign of a bountiful harvest on the Plains. The feed grain harvest in the county is complete and the cotton crop is more than two thirds in the gins. The grain crop is reported to be average or above, but the cotton harvest has been revised sharply downward.

Bands, Choir Set Yule Concert

The Morton School bands and choir, will present their winter concert Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Cochran County Auditorium.

Performing will be the 6th grade band, Jr. High band, Morton High School Stage band, High School band, the High School choir and the "Tranquility". The program will include "Echoes d'Noel" and "Little Drummer Boy" by the 6th grade band. "Christmas Parade", "Still, Still, Still", "March from Scipio" and "The Lighter Side of Christmas" by the Junior High Band.

The "Tranquility" will sing "America Our Heritage", "A Holly, Jolly Christmas", "White

Christmas" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic".

"The Horse", "Traces" and "Moonlight Serenade" will be presented by the Stage Band, and the MHS Band will present "Battle Hymn of the Republic", "A Christmas Festival", "Cumana" and "God of Our Fathers".

The High School Choir selections are "Born to be Free", "Carol of the Bells", "I Can't Help Falling in Love" and "Holly and the Ivy".

Adult tickets are \$1, and student tickets are 50 cents.

Crone Outlines

Christmas Post

Office Services

"Consistent with local customer needs, post office window and collection service will continue during the Christmas period as usual or be increased," Postmaster Murray L. Crone said today.

Crone said the Postal Service intends to clear from its offices by Wednesday, December 24, all Christmas mail available in time to meet year round service standards.

On Tuesday, December 23, and Wednesday, December 24, all post offices will be open for normal window and lock box services.

On Christmas Day, all offices will be closed so that as many postal employees as possible may spend the holiday with their families. However, special delivery and collection services will be provided. Post office lobbies will be open in many cities for mail deposit, access to lock boxes and purchase of stamps from self-service machines.

Seniors Party

The Senior Citizens will hold their annual Christmas party at 11:30 a.m. today in the County Activity Building.

Ladies are asked to bring a gift for a lady and men are asked to bring a man's gift.

Post Mortons

By Bill Sayers

First the good part--The gas failure that struck Morton Sunday night was a very serious and precarious situation that could easily have resulted in tragedy of monumental proportions. The reason that it did not was due directly to the fast reaction of a dedicated and alert citizenry.

Within minutes after the alarm was given, large numbers of our men were on the spot and ready to perform any task asked of them in overcoming the deadly gas problem--and boy, if you are not one of them, you can't know how cold and miserable it is.

Band Calendars

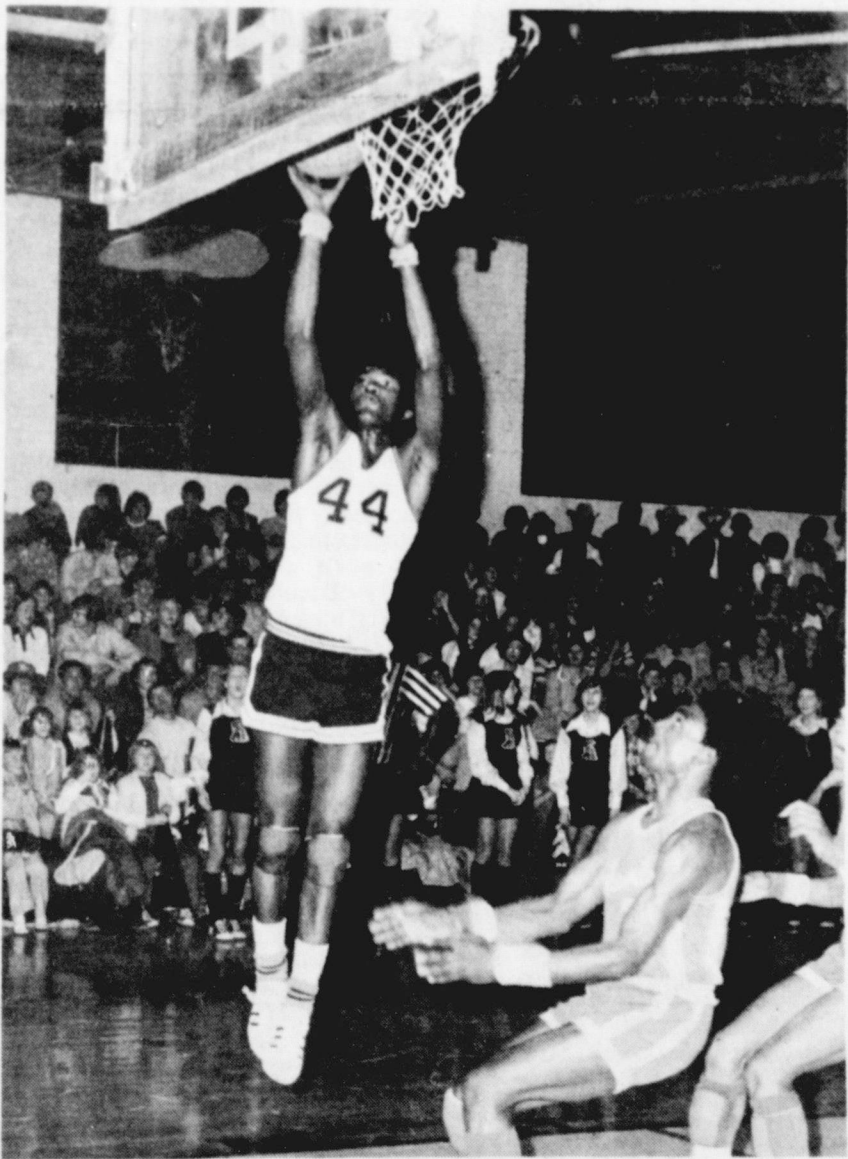
The Morton High School Band Calendars have arrived and are in the process of being delivered. Anyone who does not receive their calendar, please call Mrs. Christene Polvado, 46-5053.

Tribe Tops Estacado Matadors

The Morton Indians cut another notch in their tomahawks and advanced another mile down the warpath that leads toward the

state title with an impressive 67-45 win over the Estacado Matadors Tuesday night.

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GRISBY GANGS UP on two or three Estacado Matadors as he goes in for an easy layup during action in the Morton victory Tuesday on the home court. The Tribe corralled the Matadors by 77-55 to bring their season record to 8-1. Their next action will be against Lamesa in The Reese Air Force Base tournament, with tipoff time set for 10:30 a.m. Thursday.



HONEST, COACH, I DIDN'T MAKE THAT BOO BOO, says Mike Williams, No. 42. I swear it wasn't me, says Fouec Grisby, No. 44, raising his hands, even as Rusty Lamar, No. 32 crosses his heart and disclaims responsibility. This could be the imagined conversation during a time out conference between Coach Ted Whillock and his charges as they were en route to a 67-45 victory over the Estacado Matadors Tuesday night. Whatever the players had to say, it is a dead cinch that "Silent Ted" didn't raise his voice.

Presentation To Britain Of United Front Was Very Important To Colonies

COURTESY EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY
By Dr. Donald Whisenbunt

Two hundred years ago this week, the leaders of the American resistance to Great Britain recognized that one of their greatest needs was to present a united front. If any colony were to act alone to deal with England or to take a different course of action, the British would properly interpret this as a sign of weakness in the colonial front that they should use to their advantage.

Therefore, in addition to raising an army, cultivating

foreign friendships, and developing a temporary form of

government, these American leaders had to be constantly alert to any independent action by an individual colony.

During December 1775 a threat to the unity came from New Jersey. The citizens of that colony were not attempting to

independently reconcile themselves with Britain; instead they debated the possibility of sending a stronger petition to King George since he refused to acknowledge earlier ones or to recognize the Continental Congress as an official body.

When word reached the Continental Congress about the anticipated action in New Jersey, three delegates were sent immediately to Burlington to meet with the assembly was meeting. John Dickinson of Pennsylvania, John Jay of New York, and George Wythe of Virginia met with the New Jersey Assembly to express the concern of Congress and the need for unity.

Apparently, the New Jersey Assembly was somewhat embarrassed about the hasty action and may well have feared that others would consider a new petition as an effort supported by

Loyalists to destroy continental union.

The records are somewhat silent on the exact developments in Burlington, but the desired result was achieved. The new petition was not sent, and the latest threat to disharmony ended.

In the meantime, in Spanish Texas livestock raising had become a major activity of the missions. During the early part of the eighteenth century most of the ranching activities were conducted by the missions.

In the missions livestock were valuable for several reasons.

The animals -- including sheep, goats, mules and horses, in addition to cattle -- provided much of the wealth of the Church. The Indian neophytes, in addition to their religious training, were taught to care for ranch animals and to use the products the animals produced.

In Texas the Franciscan missionaries were the ones primarily responsible for establishing the ranching industry. Without doubt, they added to the wealth of their own order, but at the same time they contributed an economic activity that would benefit untold millions of future Texans.



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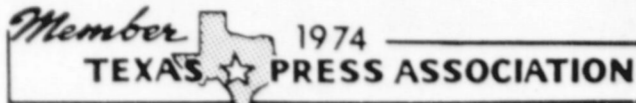
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CARD OF THANKS: I would like to thank all of you who came to see me and for the beautiful flowers, cards, letters and your prayers, that helped me so much while I was in the hospital.
Catherine Ray and family

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor,
This letter is concerning Mr. Middleton's dismissal from Jr. High School. On behalf of myself I hope Mr. Middleton comes back to his principal occupation as Jr. high principal.

Maybe Mr. Middleton made a few mistakes but tell me who doesn't. I don't know every detail about the matter but I think a few people are being unfair to him. He's a human being and has a heart and no matter what's happening surely the people should know that he also has feelings.

There are lots of school kids who hope Mr. Middleton will be back, and I find nothing wrong in kids having their own opinion said to the teachers, but to a certain point of saying it with respect and having manners. Kids have a right to be heard without the faculty getting upset with them.

Nothing is impossible, so I'm sure things can come to understandings so again I say I hope Mr. Middleton will get his job back.

Monty Merritt, Rickey Tanner, Adrian Salas, Reynaldo Garcia, Susan Bowley, Marleen Trejo, Dawn Seigler, Robin Fred, Nelda Flores, Toni Sabala.

P.S. I asked a lot of other kids if they wanted Jim Middleton back in school, they said yes, but were afraid to sign this paper for fear of their parents.

Corn Acreage Expected To Increase On Plains

With the 1975 bumper corn crop harvested, some Texas High Plains producers are looking forward to next year's plantings with an eye to increasing their acreages. A Texas Agricultural Extension Service economist says despite the odds against a repeat of this year's record crop, corn acreage will increase.

"Everything fell into place for corn producers on the High Plains last season," says Marvin Sartin, area Extension Service farm management economist. "Rainfall was about right, which saved irrigation costs and boosted yields. Prices were good, and harvesting weather was excellent."

"We expect the upward trend in corn production to continue, but on a more modest scale than in the past."

"This season, we had about one million acres in corn production in a 42-county area. This compares to 700,000 acres in 1974, most of which was grown for grain and the other for silage. In 1965, we had only 50,000 acres in corn, and practically all of it for silage."

Sartin says the 42-county High Plains corn producing area in 1973 had 60 percent of the acreage and 80 percent of total corn grain production in Texas. With practically all the 42-county area under irrigation, yields of 130 bushels per acre outclassed the remainder of the Texas acreage, most of which is grown without irrigation, averaging 45 bushels per acre.

Some unfavorable factors, though, may cause farmers to steer away from corn in favor of sorghum, Sartin believes.

"For one thing, producers with marginal resources such as water may expect higher corn yields than their resources can produce. In many situations were low yields can be expected if rainfall is not extremely timely, a 6,000-pound sorghum crop would decidedly be favored under presently assumed input prices."

"Costs of pumping and availability of sufficient irrigation water will have to be carefully considered because corn requires about 25 acre inches of water for full production in an average season. Last year producers grew bumper crops with the benefits of unusually timely rainfall. Unlike sorghum and wheat, corn does not perform well under limited irrigation."

"The availability and price of fertilizer will also enter into the picture," he adds, "especially since a 150-bushel corn crop requires about 200 pounds of nitrogen per acre."

"Fortunately, some fertilizer supplies have stabilized considerably during the past year. Current prices of fertilizer probably will not be a deterrent to corn planting intentions as long as corn price prospects and projections remain around today's current price levels."

Dr. Frank C. Petr, area Extension Service agronomist at Amarillo, gives several reasons for the popularity of corn on the High Plains in addition to current favorable market prices.

"Corn is well adapted to the soils and climate of the High Plains and responds abundantly to proper irrigation, fertilizer and management inputs," he says. "And much of the equipment required for corn production with the exception of the corn harvesting head is also used for production of grain sorghum, making it possible for producers to grow both crops using virtually the same equipment."

Petr says there are relatively few production hazards that are devastating to the crop.

Hail, for instance, generally damages only a small percentage of the total crop. Heavy hail damage at critical growth stages, when the growing point is above ground level until pollination is complete, can destroy a crop, resulting in replanting. Hail occurring after the seed has been set is less damaging since the corn plant may be nearly defoliated at that stage and still produce a respectable yield.

Another hazard is the corn borer insect pest. Eating his way to the base of corn stalks, he weakens the plant causing it to fall. Fortunately, southwestern corn borer infestations have only

minor effects on total grain yields, says Petr. Farmers can partially control the insect by well-timed spray program or by discing corn stubble to destroy overwintering larvae.

Sartin says the economic hazards probably play the greatest role in dictating corn planting intentions. Inflation drives up variable input costs such as seed, fertilizer, insecticide, herbicide, labor, harvesting, hauling and grading. Fixed costs, such as tractors and machines, labor and land rental also are way up.

For a 130-bushel corn yield of 6,000 pounds of sorghum, Sartin figures that variable costs per acre total about \$189 for corn and \$140 for sorghum. This amounts to \$2.60 per 100-weight of grain for corn compared to \$2.33 for sorghum. But because of increased yields and higher prices assumed for corn, income above variable costs is about \$136 for corn and \$115 for sorghum.

The competitiveness of the two crops, Sartin says, depends on the individual resource situation on each farm.

Ultimately, the type of farming operation and available local resources will dictate how much corn is grown as opposed to sorghum. But Petr and Sartin both agree that modest expansion of corn production will continue on the High Plains until the predicted depletion of underground water makes necessary a turn to more drought-tolerant crops. Producers with marginal water resources, that time may have already come.

White River Lake Stocked With Blue Catfish By TPWD

Over 9,300 blue catfish were stocked in White River Lake near Crosbyton by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department with expectations of trophy fish in the near future.

The November stocking of these four-to-six inch fish is continuing program of the TPWD to control the over population of rough fish such as carp and shiners in many Texas lakes.

"The blues" were transported from the Department's Shelby fish hatchery near Houston and put into White River reservoir by department personnel.

"These catfish are considered a stream fish in most areas of Texas," said Roy Bamberg, Abilene fishery biologist, "and the fish could use the running waters of White River itself if they have plenty of runoff next spring."

Other stockings of blue catfish in Texas waters have produced trophy fish over 40 pounds in weight.

It is expected that these new stocked fish will attain average size soon due to the large concentrations of rough fish in White River Lake.

The current release of blue catfish should furnish even more recreation opportunities for anglers in the upcoming 1976 fishing season.

Henry Was No Ford

Today's cotton industry would be quite different if two devices patented by a Mobile, Ala., cotton broker and merchant had proved successful.

In 1855, George G. Henry designed a machine with which he hoped both to pick and spin cotton into yarn on Southern farms. The device attracted much attention, reports the National Cotton Council, but Henry was unable to build a workable machine.

Two years later, he patented and offered for sale a combination gin and spinning machine which he called a "mechanical marvel."

It won a silver medal at the American Institute's annual fair in New York in 1857, but the Civil War prevented much use of the machine. Little interest was shown in Henry's device after the war, as Southern farmers began textile mill development.

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Morton Girls Take Two Top-Sided Wins In Week

Morton's young and relatively experienced varsity girls basketball team had two victories last week as they came up against teams who are also beginning their basketball programs. On Friday night, the girls traveled to Seminole to come out on top 70-47. On Tuesday afternoon, Morton topped over Plains 66-11.

ahead at the half by only 2 points, 31-29, but Morton outscored Seminole 23 points in the 4th quarter. Susan Cadenhead led all scorers with 31 points. Doris Joyce had 22 points, and Deborah Young had 17. In rebounds, Deborah Young had 7 with Doris Joyce, Lisa Gerik, and Raylene Wells each having 6. The team hit 79 percent



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It then becomes necessary for the licensed nurse to double check the prescription against the physician's orders which she has. Again, it is re-checked by the Registered Nurse Consultant and the Pharmaceutical Consultant at least once a month. Mr. Rodney Frain, the pharmaceutical consultant for Roberts Memorial Nursing Home of Morton, must review the Homes medication administration monthly, checking all medications for accuracy of label and further determining if there have been any errors in administration. He must certify as to the safety and accuracy of the control drug records. He consults with the charge nursing staff concerning these things as well as conducting in-service training classes on such subjects as new drugs and drug actions, re-actions, and interactions. Finally, the charge nurse observes for side effects and the success or failure of the treatment as desired by the doctor. Should a resident refuse his medication, it must be recorded on the chart indicating why it was refused. If the patient is given a medication ordered only as needed, it must be noted as to why it was given, when it was given, and what results were obtained. All in all, it is not difficult to see that modern, quality drug therapy is indeed a very scientific process.

from the free throw line. Tuesday, Morton girls met Plains on the home court with three girls scoring in double figures. Deborah Young had 17 points, Susan Cadenhead had 11 and Kellye Kennedy had 10. Even though Morton's varsity team did not play the entire game, Plains could not start rolling and had a scoreless 1st and 3rd quarters with Morton winning 66-11. The Girls Varsity will see action at the O'Donnell Tournament when they meet the winner of the Wilson-Lorenzo game at 6:45 p.m. Friday.

Fertile Farm Fact
The first use of a concentrated fertilizer on cotton in the United States came in 1846, when David Dickson of Hancock County, Ga., applied Peruvian guano to his crop.

Pre-skyscraper Cotton
Cotton was grown in Los Angeles more than a century ago. Matthew Keller, an 1866 resident, planted an 80-acre crop in an area lying north of what is now Jefferson Street and west of Figueroa.

Double-Duty Fence
The first mechanical stripping of cotton was done in northwest Texas in 1914 with a section of picket fence.

Americans Eating Less But Enjoying It More

Americans are eating less, and it's a good bet that high food prices have something to do with that fact. "Overall, retail food prices will probably be up about 9 percent this year," points out Dr. Russell McDonald, an economist in marketing for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "Of course, that increase is considerably less than in 1974 when retail food prices rose about 12 percent."

"Most of the drop in consumption is showing up in animal-related food products," notes the Texas A&M University System economist. "This is due to the fact that prices for fed beef, pork and poultry have been higher. Supplies of these products were restricted due to last year's drought and high-priced feed crops." "What can consumers expect during the first half of 1976?" "Food prices will likely average about 7 per cent more than this year," estimates McDonald, "due to a strengthening in domestic demand and increased marketing costs." Whether or not per capita food consumption will continue to decline in 1976 remains to be seen. "Americans are definitely becoming more cost conscious of food items and are paying more attention to their eating habits. These and other factors may entice many to 'push away from the dinner table' just a little sooner," notes the economist.

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Extension Experts Scoffs A 'Ban The Bacon' Scare

A swine specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service says that all the excitement about an alleged cancer causing chemical agent in bacon is blown totally out of proportion and is based on misleading information.

Dr. Gilbert Hollis, an area Extension Service specialist based in Lubbock, says the uproar started when a news wire story carried on Sunday, Oct. 19, 1975 quoted Dr. Donald Houston, assistant deputy administrator of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

"We will probably require certain actions by the industry," the quote said "within a specified period to remove nitrosamines from bacon or take some action so that the product as we now know it will not be available."

Houston had replied to a reporter's questions referring to a television show which linked a chemical agent in bacon with cancer.

Hollis says that consumers need to understand the clear facts about bacon rather than believe innuendos and unfounded implications.

The American Meat Institute, he says, has worked closely with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Food and Drug Administration ever since any hints of cancer related problems were presented. Because nitrosamines were found in fish meal treated with nitrite about five years ago, investigation was begun of meats cured with nitrites and nitrates.

The problem, Hollis says, is that nitrite is used in curing bacon to inhibit the growth of organisms that cause botulism. Nitrites also play an essential role, he says, in fixing color, providing a distinct cured flavor and preventing rancidity.

USDA-approved levels of nitrite in bacon can result in formation of very minute amounts of nitrosopyrrolidine

after cooking, considered to be a carcinogen to experimental animals. Hollis says that lowering amounts of nitrite in bacon could reduce the probability of formation of these nitrosamines but would also increase the probability of botulism, a type of food poisoning that can result in rapid paralysis and even death.

Commercial average levels of nitrosamines in bacon are about 10 parts per billion, equal to one penny out of 10 million dollars.

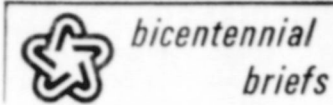
Hollis says this amount is so small that danger is virtually non-existent. "Through eating, drinking and breathing we take in thousands of microorganisms every day that could cause us harm. You can't live in a totally sterile environment," he adds.

Additional research has been underway to determine a safe process which will consistently produce non-detectable levels of nitrosamines, Hollis says.

Studies in Germany, for instance, show that after 600 days (a normal life span of rats) of feeding 3.0 milligrams per kilogram of body weight per day to rats, liver tumors developed while no tumors were found in rats fed 1.0 milligrams.

According to the American Meat Institute, for an average 150-pound person to run any risk of nitrosamine having the same effect as in rats, he would have to consume 46,000 pounds of bacon a day every day of his life or consume as much bacon daily as 100 people eat in a lifetime.

"That is a pretty small risk," Hollis says.



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"The big business of exporting agricultural commodities provided jobs directly or indirectly for an estimated 1.2 million people," notes Dr. Russell McDonald.

Half a million of these jobs were held by farmers — about 14 per cent of all farmers in the United States.

Jobs in the nonfarm sector that stem from agricultural exports included some 50,000 in food processing, 300,000 in trade and transportation, 100,000 in manufacturing and 200,000 in other services.

"A total of 5 per cent of the U.S. work force was involved in some way in the agricultural export picture in 1974," adds the economist with the Texas A&M University System. "Four per cent were producing food and related products and just under one per cent of the non-agricultural labor force was producing goods and services needed for agricultural exports."

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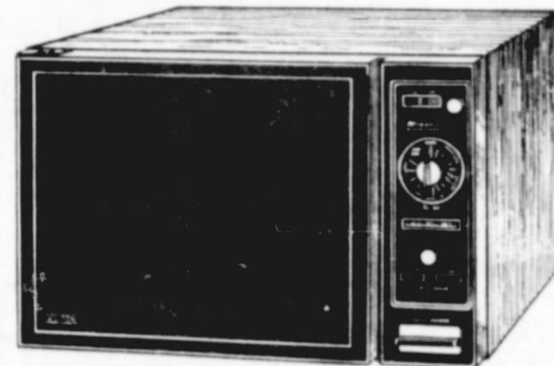


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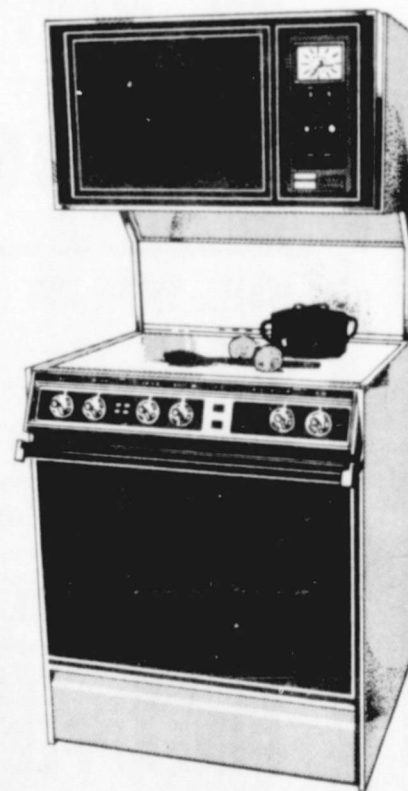
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Each of the 50,000 men and women leaving military service every month can expect at least one letter from the Veterans Administration within six months of their separation date, said Jack Coker, VA Regional Director, noted recently.

Upon notification by the Department of Defense of termination of active duty under conditions other than dishonorable, the VA tells the veteran of his eligibility for benefits.

The veteran is urged to contact the nearest VA regional office or representative of a veterans' service organization for complete application procedures.

Separate communications are sent to veterans providing them with GI Loan Certificates of Eligibility for homes, condominiums and mobile homes and also information on insurance and educational programs.

Six months after release from the military, veterans receive a follow-up VA letter, again reviewing the veterans' benefits timetable. Particular emphasis is given to those benefits which require application within a year of separation.

The benefits timetable includes: Register with local state

employment service office. Veterans have up to one year to apply for unemployment compensation, but applications filed after a long period of unemployment could result in a lower rate of unemployment compensation.

—Within 10 days, if previously registered with Selective Service, report address through local board.

—Within 90 days, (up to one year if totally disabled) convert Servicemen's Group Life Insurance to five-year Veterans Group Life Insurance.

—Within one year from date of notice of VA rating on disability, apply to VA for special National Service Life Insurance based on service-connected disability, if

applicable.

—Within one year, apply to VA for dental care.

—As soon as possible, apply to VA for GI education or training, which must be completed within 10 years of separation from military service.

There are no time limits for veterans to:

—Apply for GI loan guaranty to buy, build or improve a home.

—File claim with VA for compensation for service-connected disabilities or disease, or apply for hospital care.

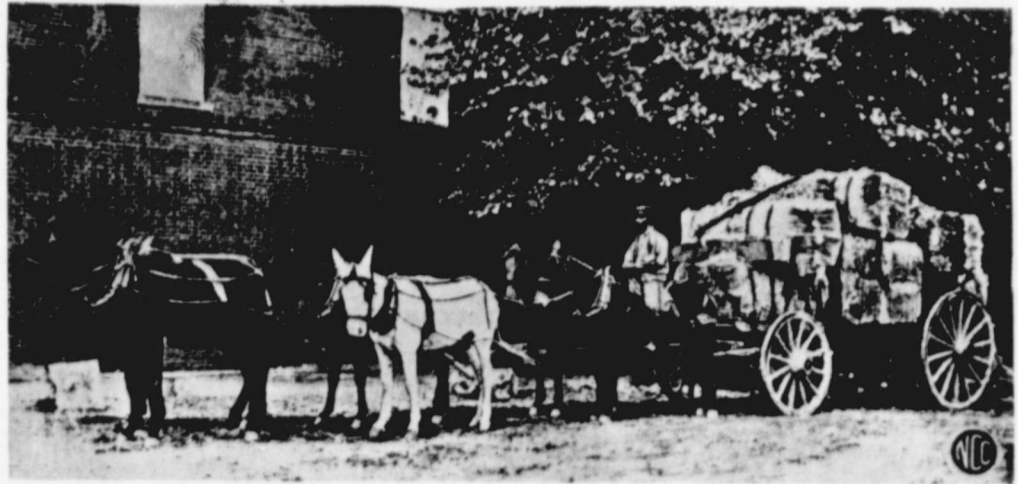
—Seek assistance from local state employment offices in finding work or entering Labor Department job-training programs.

Lady Bird Will Participate In Ranching Center Opening

Mrs. Lady Bird Johnson, widow of the late President Lyndon B. Johnson, will participate in the dedication of the Ranching Heritage Center next July 2 at Texas Tech University.

Dr. Grover E. Murray, Texas Tech President, made the announcement.

The formal opening of the Center, July 2-5, 1976, is an official Bicentennial event. The 12-acre outdoor exhibit of



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authentic ranch structures depicts the history of ranching in the American West. Its completion date is set for July 1, but already more than 50,000 have visited the Center on Sunday afternoon tours and special occasions.

Mrs. Johnson's dedicatory remarks will follow the arrival at the Center of a trail herd of Longhorns. The symbolic trail drive — probably the nation's last — is scheduled to start in San Antonio June 27, arriving at the Ranching Heritage Center July 2. Trail boss is Charlie Schreiner III of the YO Ranch at Kerrville, and he is supplying the Longhorns from his herd.

Dale Robertson, of television and motion picture fame, will be master of ceremonies for the dedication. Robertson has had a continuing interest in the Center, and he is the narrator for a recent film depicting the Center's role in historic preservation.

Dr. Murray said that Mrs.

Johnson visited the Center earlier this fall and expressed interest in its goal of interpreting the development of American ranching for future generations.

President Johnson came from a ranching family and for many years the President and Mrs. Johnson operated the LBJ Ranch, raising Herefords, in Gillespie

County. In addition to her knowledge of ranching, Mrs. Johnson is an avid reader of history and has shown a great appreciation for historic preservation. Her interest in higher education is illustrated by her membership on the Board of Regents of the University of Texas System.

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What's the solution to this tragedy?

"Pet owners are chiefly to

blame," contends Dr. James Armstrong, veterinarian with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "They let their pets stray so they often become lost. But the worst part is that pet owners take no precaution against accidental breeding of their animals."

To avoid accidental breeding, owners should either keep their animals confined or should have them neutered, advises the Texas A&M University System veterinarian. Special attention should be given to spraying female pets.

"Spraying is a surgical operation performed by a veterinarian that takes away the female's ability to reproduce," points out Armstrong. "Unfortunately, the average pet owner is often unwilling to spend the time and money necessary to have this operation performed."

An alternative to the spraying operation may exist in a birth control pill that is now being developed.

"Of course, some pet owners don't want to spray their animals because they want to show their children the miracle of life," notes the veterinarian. "But there is another side of life that is tragic — life snuffed out in a tangled mess under the wheels of a car. Or starving animals wandering along roadsides frantically looking for something to eat. Or the 13 million dead animals hauled out of animal shelters each year."

"Pets need love and affection and they belong in a good home. Unless owners take the responsibility to keep their pets from straying and breeding accidentally, the grim statistics will continue to grow," emphasizes Armstrong.

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ANSWERline: Try a positive approach. Point out that he can gain real peace of mind by hearing those words: "I've checked you out and you are in fine health." Remind him that a regular checkup gives his physician a good basis for sound preventive health care. You might note that today we can save one-out-of-three lives from cancer but we could save one out of two if people had checkups that make early detection and treatment possible. By the way, after 40, both you and your husband should have a "procto" regularly. That's one way to detecting a very common kind of cancer, bowel cancer, when it is most curable. If all argument fails, you might think of giving him a checkup as a birthday present — after all, good health is the best gift!

Question: "Is unusual bleeding always a sign of cancer?"
ANSWERline: No. But, unusual bleeding is a signal that something is wrong and when it occurs, a physician should be consulted as soon as possible.

A retired businessman writes: "There are a lot of people who think that they can cure cancer with old herbal medicines or diet or exercise or whatever. I know that their methods aren't strictly legal, but what harm can they do after all?"

ANSWERline: Unproven methods of cancer diagnosis and treatment can cost lives. If a cancer patient delays proper treatment for an unproven one, valuable time is lost because cancer is most curable when treated early, and if a cancer patient stops a proven treatment for an unknown, his chances of cure go downhill. Cancer is too serious a matter for anyone to deal with but the professional with access to the best science can offer.

A fashion model asks: "Should all moles be removed? I have a 'beauty spot' near my mouth. It is kind of a trademark, but I worry about cancer."
ANSWERline: Hang on to that trademark because all moles don't automatically have to be removed. However, you should be alert to any change in your mole's size or color. If you notice anything, check with your physician.

A teacher asks: "How can I get the facts about cancer in our particular state for a class project?"
ANSWERline: Your local American Cancer Society Unit has a booklet entitled "Cancer Facts & Figures" that will be quite a help. It is free of charge.

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Russians Planning Grain Sorghum Feeding Projects

"We do not know your grain sorghum, but we should!" was the response of Boris Runov, the Soviet Union's deputy agricultural minister, as he and members of a five-man U.S. grain sorghum trade team made tentative plans for demonstration feeding projects in Russia.

The meeting with top Russian agricultural leaders climaxed a three-week seminar tour of Europe and Russia by the team, representing the U.S. Feed Grains Council, Grain Sorghum Producers Association and the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board.

Runov told team leader Elbert Harp, GSPA-TGSPB executive director, that his people "would like to cooperate with you in demonstration work with poultry and pork to illustrate the value of grain sorghum."

The grain sorghum promotion team is the first official market development team to be permitted into the Soviet Union. The invitation from Runov followed a visit last year by him and his top aides to the Lubbock area where they studied sorghum production and utilization.

Team members included Harp; Jack King, GSPA-TGSPB research director; Dr. Lloyd Rooney, cereal chemist from Texas A&M University; John Baumgardner, animal science professor from Texas Tech University and Dr. Halvor Kolshus, U.S. Feed Grains Council European director. While in Moscow, the team

conducted a five-hour seminar designed to acquaint the top Russian agricultural leaders with the nutritional feeding value of sorghum. The talks, highlighted by slide presentations, covered the origin of sorghum, hybrid development, chemical characteristics of the kernel, feeding value of sorghum compared to corn and price comparisons.

Harp pointed out that because grain sorghum is not included in the recent US-USSR grain pact there are no sales restrictions. "Russia can buy all the sorghum it needs without prior approval of our government," Harp said. "But now they are reluctant to buy sorghum because they know so little about it."

"The Russian grain crop is reported to be at disastrous levels this year, which creates an unusually strong need for them to import more grain," Harp said. "This should be a good opportunity for grain sorghum sales in the future."

The team's visit to Russia arranged by U.S. agricultural attache Roger Neetz, is a part of GSPA-TGSPB's continuing market development program carried out overseas through the U.S. Feed Grains Council. In addition to the Moscow seminar programs were presented in nine European countries including Poland and Yugoslavia.

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- [1] 100cc Super Rat Hodaka
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- [2] 100 Hodaka
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- [1] 125cc Tyran
- [3] 250cc Cooper

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- [1] 450cc Maico
- [1] 125cc Penton
- [1] 125cc Super Combat

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- [1] 1971 450cc Honda
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- [1] 1971 Mini Trail Honda
- [1] 1971 Steen's
- [1] 1970 CT 90 Honda
- [1] 1971 SL 70 Honda
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- [1] 1973 Hodaka 125cc Combat
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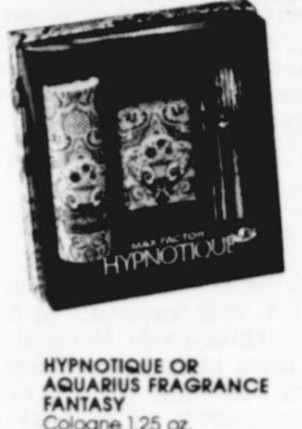
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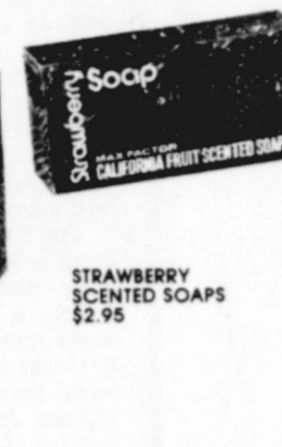
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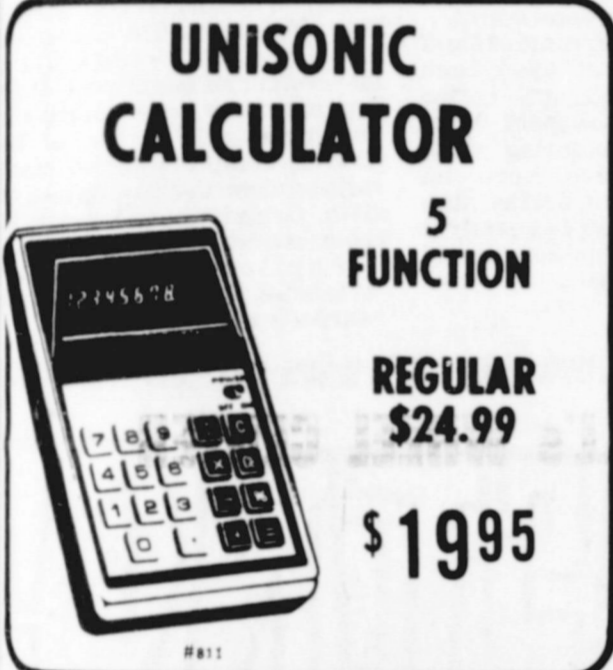


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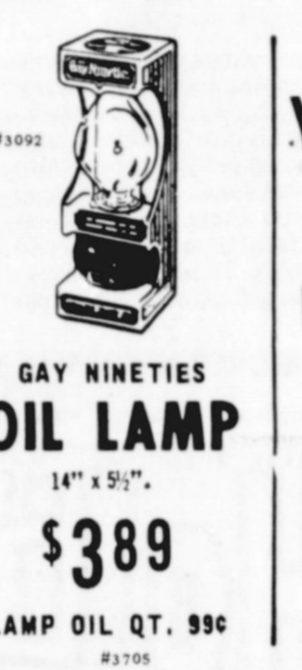
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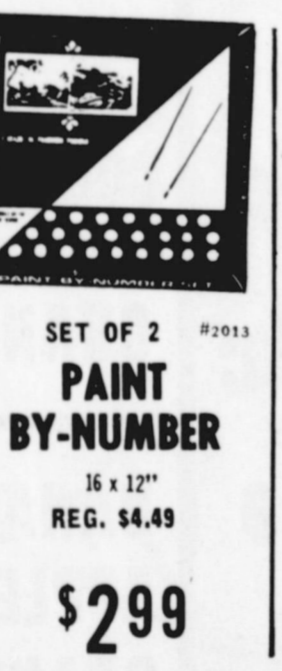


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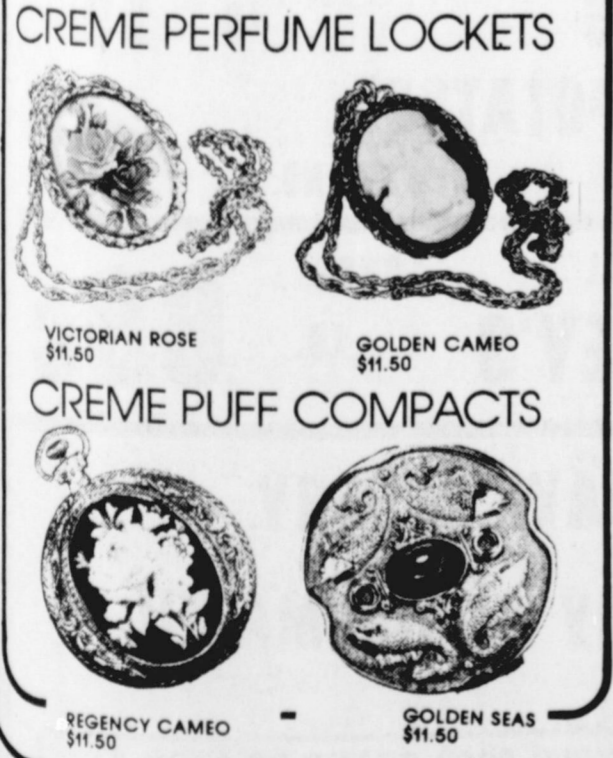
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LARGEST CHRISTMAS
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GAS
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main valve was back in running order and the decision making process was in operation to decide when to turn the meters back on.

At 2:32 a.m. Mayor Marshall Leitzell and Lewallen gave the go-ahead to begin the equally long process of turning them back on. The method to be used was to knock on every residence door, and if they receive the resident's permission to turn the gas back

on. They were strictly briefed not to turn on the meter if no one responded to their knocking. This was to assure that they would not be flooding a house with gas when no pilot light was in operation.

This method was almost completely successful, with only one or two reports of near tragedy. There were no reported injuries or deaths due to the gas failure, which in itself must be considered a near miracle.

Yes, the citizens received the opportunity to feel the discomforts of an energy failure,

but on the good side they also received the opportunity to see their fellow citizens in action against a sudden and unexpected disaster—and that is a part of which we can all be proud. Morton will be much better prepared as a result, if such a disaster should occur in the future.

City Manager Elra Oden explained to the Tribune Wednesday that the valve failure was caused by moisture accumulating in it and freezing it shut. Experts from Pioneer Natural Gas Company of Lubbock have been in Morton the first part of the week to demonstrate ways of preventing this happening again. Oden said a dryer, to remove and prevent moisture from accumulating in the valve has been installed as of Wednesday and should preclude the re-occurrence of this problem.

Oden also states that the backup gas line that is supposed to furnish gas automatically upon failure of the primary line is now re-connected and in operation. The backup line was not connected to the primary line due to technical difficulties involved in the installation of the new pipeline, Oden concluded.

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The win brings their season record to 8-1, with their only loss to AAAA Wichita Falls Hirschi, and gave them good momentum for entering the Reese Air Force Base tournament Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The game was impressive, but only in terms of the margin of victory by the Indians. Their sluggish play and ragged ball handling in the first half was glaringly apparent and had many of their fans wondering where that championship calibre team had gone.

The first half ended in a 16-16 deadlock, with Mike Williams high scorer with only seven points, a level he usually attains each quarter. The entire first half was a near comedy of errors, with turnovers being the rule rather than the exception.

Whillock must have made some major adjustments during halftime, as the Tribe came out in the third period a 'runnin' and a 'gunnin' and ended the period with a seven point lead. They kept up the pressure through the final period and finally ran the score to an impressive 22 point victory. The Tribe got a little help when

the Matadors big gun Ronnie Phenix fouled out with six minutes left in the game.

The cold shooting Matadors hit only 16 of 58 field shots, with their high point men being Gerald Lewis with 11 and Phenix with 10. The Indians hit on 27 of 67 field shots and 13 of 21 free throws to account for their total of 67.

Mike Williams had an excellent second half making him high point man with 9 of 27 field shots and 7 of 10 free throws for 25 points. He also corralled a season high of 17 rebounds.

Loyd Joyce was second in the scoring column with 4 of 8 field shots and 1 of 2 free throws for nine. Troy Patton and Rusty Lamar tied with eight points each and the others followed in order: Lonnie Harrison, 7; Grisby 4; Ricky/Lewis 4; and Kenneth Standmire 2.

The Morton Junior Varsity downed the Estacado JV by 77-57. Next action for the Indians will begin with a tipoff against the Lamesa Golden Tornadoes, 1974 AAA Champs, in the Reese Air Force Base tournament at 10:30 this morning.

The Tribe is scheduled to play two AAA teams and two AAAA teams in the tourney and will be vying for the President's Cup.

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dedication and performance of our citizens on behalf of their community that they accomplished that night. It was an outstanding example, going into our bicentennial year, that the grass roots, pioneer spirit of our American heritage of living, loving and working together is not only still alive, but growing stronger.

We extend our sincere congratulations and admiration to each and every one of you.

Now for the bad part—Will this happen again tomorrow night? Can it happen again? What is being done to assure that this very dangerous situation will not occur in the future.

We were informed that both the city manager and Supervisor of Utilities were out of town when we tried to contact them early in the week, and strongly suspect they were busy obtaining the answers to the above questions. We are hopeful and confident that they are, because a threat like that imposed Sunday night would be

Cotton Grower Prices Advance
\$7.50-\$15 Per Bale During Week

Grower prices were \$ 7.50 to \$15.00 per bale higher during the week ending December 12, according to Clifford Wharton, in charge of the Levelland Cotton Classing Office. Farmers sold mixed new crop lots of mostly grades 41, 32 and 42, staples 29 through 31, mikes 3.3 through 4.9 for 46.30 to 47.50 cents per pound. Mixed lots of mostly grades 41, 51, 32, 42 and 52; staples 28 through 30, mikes 3.2 and lower brought 37.75 to 39.40 cents.

The USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service reported trading was active and growers offered new crop cotton in moderate volume. Demand was good, Wharton said.

Prices paid growers for cottonseed ranged from 75-110 dollars per ton, mostly 75-85 dollars.

Grades 41 and 42 were the predominate grades classed this week. Grade 41 accounted for 14 percent; and grade 42, 56 percent. Bark reductions were assigned to nine percent of the samples classed.

Staples 28, 29, and 30 were the predominate lengths. Staple 28 amounted to 19 percent; 29, 44

percent; and 30, 28 percent. Mike readings 3.5 through 4.9 amounted to three percent of the total. Mike group 3.3 through 3.4 accounted for five percent; 3.4 through 3.2 range 28 percent; mike 2.7 through 2.9, 41 percent; and mike 2.6 and below, 23 percent.

Pressley tests indicated breaking strengths at Levelland averaged 86,000 pounds per square inch.

About 18,000 samples were classed by the Levelland Classing Office during the week ending December 12. This seasons total stands at 57,000 samples compared to 56,000 on the same date a year ago. Harvest slowed Friday because of fog and high humidity.

TPWD Announces
Fish Application
Deadline January 1

An increase in fish requests for stocking private ponds has prompted the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to set the fish application deadline for Jan. 1, 1976.

Private landowners had until June to make requests in 1975 for catfish and sunfish and the P&WD had no way of projecting how many fish would be needed.

An earlier deadline of Jan. 1 will help program the demand for all species of fish to be stocked in both private and public waters.

Over 2.7 million fish were delivered for stocking in private waters during 1974-75 with 1.3 million largemouth bass, 970,000 catfish and 400,000 sunfish being produced on the department's 400 acres of hatchery ponds.

The three species consisting of bass, channel catfish and sunfish are free of charge but a landowner can qualify only if the pond has never been stocked with the requested species, or the pond has completely dried up and refilled since the last request, or all the fish have been removed by chemicals since the last request.

Application cards are available from all Texas game wardens and P&WD offices.

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Looking Back

25 Years Ago
The engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Wilma Jean Gandy to Rolly W. (Jug) Hill Jr., has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vallie Gandy.

Miss Jo Ann Lackey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Lackey, will participate in the Sun Carnival at El Paso as a member of the ENMU 70 piece marching band.

Excitement reigned on the Clark Hill farm ten miles east of town late Tuesday when Claud Cook and his son killed a wild cat.

We hear that General MacArthur has told American troops that they will be home by Christmas.

Approximately 60 students will take part in the Christmas Pageant to be presented next Wednesday night in the new gym. There will be no admission charge. "The Christmas Story" will be narrated by Melton Jennings. The Choral Club will sing Christmas Carols while members of the Speech class

act out pantomime scenes. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dansforth and Glenn Reeves will direct the program.

Development of the first simple and inexpensive device to measure the extent of exposure of individuals to atomic radiation capable of mass production to meet both military and possible civil defense needs is announced by the Department of the Army.

15 Years Ago
A substantially correct cotton ginning estimate for Cochran County this week put the number of bales ginned at slightly over 40,000 with around 5,000 bales yet to be ginned from the 1960 crop.

Morton's total school enrollment has hit an all time high at the end of the second six weeks period, it was announced this week by Supt. John Barnes. The total being 1,132 for the second six weeks.

Employees of Cochran County who office in the Court House, have come up with a new twist for

their annual Christmas party. The employees drew names of residents at Gristown, U.S.A., and this year will buy their presents for the girls of the home.

The engagement of Miss Jacquelyn Outlaw and David L. Tankersley was announced at a coffee given Saturday, Nov. 26, by the bride-elect's mother at the home of Mrs. Gage Knox.

The eighth grade chorus of Morton Junior High School will present "Christmas In Song" Monday, Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the County Activity Auditorium. Admission is free.

Freddie Thompson of Morton is one of 29 football players at McMurry College in Abilene named as letterman by Coach Grant Teaff.

The annual "canned goods" benefit show will be presented at the Rose Theatre at 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 17, it was announced this week by Ray Keith Monaghan, president of the Morton Jaycees.

No two snowflakes, diamonds and fingerprints are alike.

Whiteface News

by Jean Bates

Buttons Sanders, bride-elect of Jan Moses, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday, December 13 in the Whiteface Community Center. Honored guest was Mary Sanders, mother of the bride-elect. Hostesses served refreshments to several guests. Many useful and lovely gifts were received.

The F.H.A. Chapter had their Christmas party Thursday. They met after school and exchanged gag gifts and then went to Levelland and ate pizza.

Visiting with Dessie Bowden over the weekend was her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Maze from Steamboat Springs, Colorado, Mary Lou Martin, and grandson, Rick and Sundai Swinney of Lubbock, granddaughter, Cathy Hearn, and two children of Littlefield and Dessie's sister-in-law, Naomi Cooner of Olton.

Don Martin had surgery in Methodist Hospital last Monday.

The Whiteface Girl Scouts are having a bake sale December 20 at the Hamilton 7 to 11 Store in Whiteface. Come and buy some home baked goodies for Christmas.

Both boys and girls basketball teams were in a tournament at Ropes December 11, 12 and 13. Neither team placed.

Henry Galvin came home Friday from Methodist Hospital where he underwent surgery.

The American Legion and Women's Auxilliary enjoyed a Christmas party in the home of George and Lillian Martin Monday night. Several members enjoyed Bingo and refreshments.

A Christmas party was held in the Fellowship Hall of the Methodist Church Wednesday

night. A covered dish supper was enjoyed by church members and guests. Sam Rankin was honored for this many years of devoted services on the upkeep and repairs to the church building. The group sang Christmas carols to finish an enjoyable evening.

Hospital News

Patients admitted to Cochran Memorial Hospital from December 9 through December 15 were: Annie Lollar, Marshall Hawkins, Nati Cabrera, Sarah Dyer, Jimmy Ruth Wesley, Bobby Holliday, Virgil Coffman, Renee Lowe, Annette Miller, Larry Jackson, Ruben Bihl, Lucille Wynn and Gail Joyce.

MORTON MENU

Monday, December 22, 1975
Beef stew, sliced peaches, chocolate cake, cornbread, milk
Tuesday, December 23, 1975
Cornbuds with mustard, Ranch Style beans, tomatoes, apple, cornbread, milk.

To stretch a meal, add grated potatoes and leftover vegetables, such as peas and baked beans, along with liquid from canned vegetables to a can of pea soup.

- ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH**
Whiteface
Pastor, Rev. Jim Myers
Sunday Services—
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Midweek Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
- ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Pastor Nicholas Schneiders C.P.
Mass Schedule:
Sunday 9:00-11:15 a.m.
Weekdays 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday Evenings 8:30 p.m.
First Fridays each Month 8:00 a.m.
8:30 p.m.
Sunday School 10:00-11:00 a.m.
- NEW TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**
3rd and Jackson
Sundays—
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Second and Fourth Sundays 11:00 a.m.
H.M.S. 4:00 p.m.
Wednesdays—
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST MEXICAN MISSION**
Sundays—
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays—
Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, ENOCHS**
Rev. Charley Shaw
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 7:00 p.m.
Evening Services 8:00 p.m.
- BLEDSOE BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. Henry Rhynes
Sunday Service 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 8:00 p.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**
S.W. 2nd and Taylor
C.R. Mansfield, Preacher
Sundays—
Bible Class 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesdays—
Midweek Bible Class 8:00 p.m.

- CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST**
Rev. Johnny Evans, Pastor
719 N.E. 3rd
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Night Service 6 p.m.
- FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**
Royce Womack, Pastor
411 West Taylor
Sundays—
Church School Session 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship Service 10:55 a.m.
Evening Fellowship Program 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
- WHITEFACE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Elmer Evans, Minister
300 Tyler Street
Sundays—
Bible Classes for all ages 10:00 a.m.
Worship and Communion 10:55 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday—
Bible Study & Prayer 8:00 p.m.
- UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, ENOCHS**
Rev. Robert Stone, Pastor
Services held 1st and 3rd Sundays
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
Evening Services 7:00 p.m.
4th Wednesday-Fellowship 7:00 p.m.

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Rev. Hugh Montgomery
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Morning Services 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Services 7:00 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH WHITEFACE**
Harold Harrison, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Church Training 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**
Paul McClung, Pastor
202 S.E. First
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Morning Service KRAN 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
- UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, BULA**
Rev. Robert Stone, Pastor
Services 2nd and 4th Sundays
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Service 11:00 a.m.
Evening Service 7:00 p.m.
- THREE WAY BAPTIST CHURCH**
Rev. Jack Dewitt
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Evening Services 7:00 p.m.
- ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH MORTON**
Rev. G. Frank Estes
Sundays—
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
C.A. Service 6:00 p.m.
Evangelistic Service 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays—
Wednesday Services 7:30 p.m.
- FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**
Main and Taylor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Training Service 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:45 p.m.
- W.M.A. Circles**
Monday—
Night Circle 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday—
W.M.A. 2:00 p.m.
G.M.A. 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday—
Midweek Service 7:30 p.m.
Edna Bullard 9:30 a.m.
- Rev. Phil Knott**
- EAST SIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Bill Driscoll, Minister
704 East Taylor
Sundays—
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.
- WEDNESDAYS—**
Midweek Service 8:00 p.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST, MAPLE**
Dannie Mize, Preacher
Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Night Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Services 8:30 p.m.

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Farm-facts

A Weekly Report Of Agri-Business News

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

Up and Down Again... A Better Prospects Brighten.

Farm costs are up, farm prices are down. That's the summary of the latest agricultural price report from Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service.

Parity is now down to 73; a month ago it was 76, as was the case a year ago. Only two commodities—oats and mohair—are above parity.

Meanwhile, prices paid by farmers showed a six per cent increase compared to a year ago. Lower prices for livestock feed were noted, but higher prices were paid by farmers for clothing and motor vehicles.

High prices showed a big increase, averaging \$47.60 for November, which is \$7.20 under a month ago. Parity for hogs is \$8.50.

In other categories of livestock, beef cattle averaged \$1.20, up \$1.50 from a month ago and still more than 50 per cent above parity ratios. Calves averaged \$26.60 compared with parity at \$68.90. Sheep prices are only a dime below parity, averaging \$15.90.

Most crop prices are under levels of a month ago. Wheat averaged \$3.54 per bushel, which is 50 cents under a month ago and more than a dollar below parity. Grain sorghum averaged \$4.04; oats 42 cents under a month ago and \$1.16 below parity. Cotton price average in Texas, at 43 cents, is under a month ago and about half of the parity level.

Eggs showed an increase of 10 cents per dozen from a month ago; mohair was about 25 cents above parity; oats were 25 cents a bushel above parity.

All this points up to one fact of agricultural life: while prices farmers receive decline, the cost of food to the consumer is continuing to increase.

STILL A GOOD BUY FOR CHRISTMAS this year is Texas

farm produced food. One of the good buys you should consider now is citrus. The quality of grapefruit coming out of the Rio Grande Valley continues to be excellent. Another good suggestion is Texas pecans, now being harvested throughout the state.

MEANWHILE, WHEAT AND OAT FIELDS generally were making satisfactory progress, but a rain is needed to push them along; some areas report grain fields dying due to lack of moisture.

The only major crop yet to be harvested in the state this year is cotton. Harvesting of that commodity is more than 50 per cent complete.

PROSPECTS FOR A GOOD COTTON YEAR in 1976 are now shaping up, according to a number of economists and forecasters.

They point up the fact that demand for cotton is increasing while the supply is down.

The textile industry is reviving from its doldrums and it is anticipated that cotton will be a popular fabric in the coming fashion season.

Costs of producing cotton for some inputs are expected to be about steady in 1976 compared to this year.

Putting it all together, the forecasters say cotton has a bright prospect for 1976. A year ago, cotton was being relegated to extinction by some of its critics. But cotton has always managed to survive each crisis it has encountered in years past.

Cotton is proving again to be popular as well as durable. It should continue to be a major factor in Texas agriculture for years to come.

HELLO, OLD BEANS!

Don't cook two different packages of dry beans together. Older beans take longer to cook than fresher ones, and a mixed batch will cook unevenly.

Enochs-Bula News

By Mrs. J.D. Bayless

Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Snitker, accompanied by her brother, the Ike Shults of Denver City, attended the funeral services of an uncle, Ollie Deshong, at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Baptist Church in Wichita Falls. They spent Thursday night with Mr. and Mrs. Shults before returning home Friday.

We would like to express our sympathy to Mrs. W.M. Bryant and family as they lost their loved one. W.M. Bryant, of Littlefield after a lengthy illness.

Ernest Ellison of Lubbock and his son, Mr. and Mrs. Zane Ellison and family of Muleshoe, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton and son, Robert, and Bryan Roberts were all guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Layton Sunday.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Bayless Tuesday afternoon till Thursday was his niece, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnson from Modesta, Calif. This was the first time they had visited since 1950. Wednesday they all visited Roy Bayless in Muleshoe and Mrs. Billie Bayless and girls came and visited also.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parr and family of Lubbock spent Saturday night with her mother, Mrs. Winnie Byars.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Layton and Carl Hall enjoyed an early Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burris where they exchanged gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wheeler from Arabia arrived Saturday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Price.

Funeral services for Mrs. Jodie Maxwell were held at 2 p.m. Monday in the Sudan Church of Christ. She is survived by her husband, Fred; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Withrow; two brothers, Jeff and Jarrod of the home; three sisters, Mrs. Sherry Smith of Hurst, Mrs. Cindy Price of Plains and Miss Jackie Withrow of Muleshoe.

The Bula R.A.'s spent last weekend at the Baptist Plains Assembly encampment. Missionary, Gerald Pinkton, from Indonesia was guest speaker. The boys attending were Billy Tiller, Donald Black, Lewis Peacock, Bernie Davila, Timothy Roberts, Lupe Reel, Alex Montz and their counselor, Rev. Eddie Riley.

The Bula community Christmas party will be held December 21, at the Baptist Church.

Mrs. C.A. Williams and Mrs. Pearl Walden spent Tuesday night with the Lowell Waldens at Earth.

Bro. and Mrs. Eddie Riley were supper guests of the Llonas Association Thursday night in Muleshoe.

Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Layton went to Kermit Friday where he had some dental work done.

Jodie and Glyn Snitker of Hart spent Saturday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Snitker.

Mrs. Johnny Cox was honored with a birthday supper by her children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Angel and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nichols. Fifteen relatives were present for the occasion.

Nearly everyone in our area are through harvesting their

SPC Registration

Set January 8-9

Registration for the 1976 spring semester at South Plains College is scheduled Jan. 8-9. Registration times will be from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1:30 to 4 p.m. on both Thursday and Friday, Jan. 8-9. Evening registration will be from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Jan. 8.

A spring bulletin containing information on courses offered, tuition, fees and a college calendar is now available in the office of the Registrar, located in the SPC Administration Building.

cotton due to the beautiful fall weather.

Fred Shaw from Hanford, California and Mrs. Oia McClindaon of Morton were guests in the home of his brother, Rev. and Mrs. Charlie Shaw, Sunday and attended services at the Baptist Church.

Spending Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cox was his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hearrell, and family from Cleburn.

Those attending Mrs. Sarah Brown's funeral services last week were Mrs. Andrew Petree, Mrs. Edna McClellan, Mrs. Alma Altman and Mrs. Kenneth Coats.

A baby shower was given for Julia Brooke Sinclair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Sinclair, at the home of Mrs. L.G. Fred at 2 p.m. Wednesday. Mrs. Harold Pollard helped her daughter, Gwen, open gifts. Refreshments of punch, coffee, cake, nuts and mints were served to 12 guests.

For more information, contact the office of Jerry Barton, registrar at (806) 894-4921.

Miss Ramsey

Rites Held

Here Monday

Services for Miss Elza Ramsey were held at 2:30 p.m. Monday in Singleton Funeral Chapel. The Rev. Paul McClung, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiated.

Burial was in Littlefield Cemetery.

Miss Ramsey, 82, died at 6 a.m. Sunday in Cochran Memorial Hospital.

Born near Tallahassee, Fla., she had lived here since 1949. She owned and operated the Morton Hotel.

Miss Ramsey is survived by several nieces and nephews.

'Mechanical Marvels' Seem Slow Today

Those early-day cotton gins were rightfully considered mechanical marvels in their time. They turned out two or three bales a day—considerably more than the 50 pounds of lint that could be separated by hand in the pre-gin era, but considerably less than the 35 bales that can be produced in an hour at some of today's "super" gins.

Because of the time it took to gin a farmer's cotton, he was given a receipt for the cotton he left to be ginned. These receipts were frequently used as currency, being passed from person to person to settle accounts or pay for new supplies.

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GIRLS RESULTS THIS WEEK

Friday, December 12

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BOYS RESULTS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

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BOYS

Nov. 21	Wichita Falls High	There
Nov. 22	Wichita Falls Hershi	There
Nov. 25	Estacado (Lubbock)	There
Dec. 2	Snyder	There
Dec. 4-5-6	Hereford Tournament	There
Dec. 9	Levelland	There
Dec. 16	Estacado	Here
Dec. 18-19-20	Reese AFB Tournament	Here
Dec. 29-30-31	Caprock Holiday Tourney	Here
Jan. 2	Snyder	Here
Jan. 3	Portales	Here
Jan. 6	Levelland	Here
Jan. 9	Seagraves	Here
Jan. 13	Portales	Here
Jan. 16	Dimmitt	There
Jan. 20	Friona	Here
Jan. 23	Littlefield	Here
Jan. 27	Open	Here
Jan. 30	Olton	There
Feb. 3	Dimmitt	Here
Feb. 6	Friona	There
Feb. 10	Littlefield	There
Feb. 13	Open	There
Feb. 17	Olton	Here

GIRLS

Nov. 18	Bledsoe	There	6:30
Nov. 24	Seminole	There	7:00
Nov. 25	Levelland	Here	4:30
Dec. 2	Canyon	There	5:00
Dec. 4-5-6	Meadow Tourney	There	5:00
Dec. 9	Levelland	There	5:00
Dec. 11-12-13	Floydada Tourney	There	5:00
Dec. 18-19-20	O'Donnel Tourney	There	5:00
Jan. 6	Levelland	Here	4:00
Jan. 9	Olton	Here	4:00
Jan. 13	Canyon	Here	5:30
Jan. 16	Dimmitt	Here	4:00
Jan. 20	Friona	Here	4:00
Jan. 23	Littlefield	Here	4:00
Jan. 27	Muleshoe	Here	6:30
Jan. 30	Olton	There	4:00
Feb. 3	Dimmitt	Here	4:00
Feb. 6	Friona	There	4:00
Feb. 10	Littlefield	There	4:00

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Look Who's New

Randi Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Coy A. Merritt of Vacaville, California. Randi weighed 9 pounds and 6 ounces and was born December 7, at 3 a.m. and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Merritt of Morton and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans of Vacaville, California.

Charles Raymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Hoffman of Whiteface. Charles arrived December 8 at 2:19 p.m. in Amherst Hospital and weighed 6 pounds.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hoffman of Ballinger and Alva D. Kitchel of Boston, Ind. His great-grandmother is Mrs. Laura Hoffman of Paint Rock, Texas.

Amy Diane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Neal of Whiteface. Amy arrived December 8 at 2:24 p.m. at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock and weighed 8 pounds and 5 1/2 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Ramp of Port Isabell and Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Neal of Whiteface.

Kristopher Lynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Jones. He arrived December 14 at 10:28 a.m. in Clovis Memorial Hospital and weighed 7 pounds and 6 1/2 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coats of Morton and Mr. and Mrs. David Moreland of Clovis. Paternal great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. O.E. Coats of Morton. His maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Alma Altman of Enochs.

Emlea Smith Jr. Club Holds 'Mini' Action

"Going once, going twice, sold to the highest bidder," said Mrs. Jimmy Roddy, as she auctioneered the Emlea Smith Jr. Study Club's Christmas Mini-Auction, held December 11, in the home of Mrs. Loy Kern. Each member brought her favorite recipe and a homemade craft to be auctioned. The money made from the auction goes to several local charities.

Mrs. Jimmy St. Clair brought the business meeting to order and Mrs. J.W. Tyson led the Club

Collect. Mrs. Roddy gave the treasurer's report and Mrs. Bill Foust read the club correspondence.

Mrs. Charles Marina gave a department report on Arts. She explained that music has been around since prehistoric man. She then played some Arabian music.

Mrs. Rick Coffman gave a department report on Conservation. She told of the 3 R's-Recycle, Reuse, Restore. She told how we were living in a "throw away" society. She

demonstrated to members how to make wallpaper, place mats, and

coasters from brown paper bags; a Christmas tree from an egg carton; a Christmas card house that holds gifts; and envelopes from old magazines. Each one present selected an item from a trash can and recycled it into a useful article.

Members brought a toiletry item to be presented to Roberts' Nursing home and a child's gift for the "Toys for Tots" program.

It was announced that the club will do the Christmas greeting page again this year. Chairwomen are Mrs. Ray Luper and Mrs. Willie Cheek.

Mrs. Ray O'Brien gave a Federation Report. She told members of a movement to use tax dollars to promote the Equal Rights Amendment and urged everyone present to write their Congressman their views.

"Happy Birthday" was sung to Mrs. Gene Cox.

The next meeting will be held in the Gold Room in the First State Bank, at 7:45 p.m. Thursday, January 8. The program will be "Child Abuse." The meeting will be open to the public.

Members present were: Mmes: Bill Welch, Kern, Brad Johnson, St. Clair, Roy Jones, Bill Foust, Coffman, Cox, Tyson, O'Brien, Roddy, Kenn Williams, Glenn Thomason, and Ed Pruitt.

Guests attending were: Mmes: Donnie Dewbre, Dwayne Kuhler, Glynn Price, Billy Smart, Dusty Bailey, Bernardo Garcia, Jimmy Mullinax, and Elaine Linley.

Enochs Club Holds

Christmas Party

The Enochs Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday, December 9, for their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Alma Altman.

Members exchanged gifts and also made gifts to be taken to the residents of Roberts Nursing Home.

Attending were: Mmes. Wilma Petree, Zelma Fred, Virginia Davila, Elmita Key, Winnie Byars and Bonnie Long.

Thursday afternoon members visited the nursing home. They sang a selection of carols accompanied by Mrs. Doris Huff on the piano. Santa Claus, Harold Tant, presented the gifts from the club to the residents of the home.

Services Pending

For Mrs. Knotts

Services for Mrs. Vera Knott, 56, of Orange, mother of the Rev. Phil Knott of Morton, are pending in Orange.

Mrs. Knott died Tuesday in Groves Hospital after a brief illness.

She is survived by her husband, a daughter and two sons.

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1 can (18 ounces) pineapple juice
1 bottle (12 ounces) club soda, chilled
1 bottle (12 ounces) gingerale, chilled

Arrange cherries in the bottom of a one-quart ring mold. Carefully spoon pineapple chunks, undrained, over cherries. Freeze until firm.

When ready to serve, decorate punch bowl with laurel. Pour in juices and soda. Unmold ring by dipping in hot water. Float in grape drink mixture. Makes about 3 quarts.

SEASONS GREETINGS

May we express our feeling and say.
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First Row [bottom] — Janine Butler, Nina Cartwright, Rose Taylor, Kathy Claborn, Jan Currington, Paula Guajardo, Margaret Keen, Florene Israel, Cindra McDermott, Millie Rush, Carolyn Jumper, Nancy Stafford — Juneta Mitchell, Eva Williams, Doyce Cooper, Donna Spurlock, Linda Lamb, Jean Kent, Margaret Crank, Sharon Humphreys, Nancy Barnett, Mary Hodges, Patti Wright, Elizabeth Musser, Donna Bradley, Dee Ann Kemp, Vicki Dennis, Delores Mendez, Edwanna Wade, Louise Smith, Debbie Bradford, Nelda Hill, Barbara Abney, Bernice Nesbitt, Aline Rogers, Ginger Webb. Third Row — Jim Lindly, Thad McDonnell, Arthur Castillo, R.S. Reid, Ray Thornton, Homer Johnson, Randall Riley, Eddie Crawley, Santa Claus and Frank Watts.

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The Texas Department of Health Resources has embarked on an enlarged program of bringing better health to babies, small children, new and expectant mothers through proper nutrition.

The Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program is operating in 24 locations within the state with improved nutrition and health as its goal. An additional five other local programs will be implemented soon.

The WIC Program is sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture. It is administered in Texas through Dr. Connie R. Yerwood's Maternal and Child Health Division in the Department of Health Resources.

For the current year, Texas is operating under a \$20.8 million budget with an authorized case load of 75,168 persons a month. Approximately 60 to 65 per cent of those receiving supplemental food are located in the Rio Grande Valley.

The goal of the program is to have healthier infants, mothers and children, and the nutritional aspects of health are being emphasized. Trained nutritionists counsel with all participants. Lack of physical and mental attainments of nutritionally deprived youngsters has drawn the increasing attention of public health officials in the past few years.

The WIC Program works hand in hand with approved clinics throughout the state. Pregnant and lactating women, infants and children under age five are eligible to participate in an authorized program if they live in a low income area served by an approved clinic, if they are receiving reduced-cost medical services and are determined by a competent professional on the staff to be at nutritional risk.

The supplemental foods include milk products, cheese, eggs, iron fortified cereals, vitamin C enriched fruit and vegetable juices and iron-fortified infant formula. Changes in allowable foods may be forthcoming, but these changes apparently will be subject to state approval.

History of the year and a half old program indicates measureable nutritional and medical impact on participants.

A survey of Texas projects indicated greatly improved blood values of participants. It was found that those in the program were taking greater advantage of health services both for mother and their offsprings. And, the frequency of missed appointments for clinic services had sharply dropped. A more in-depth clinical evaluation will be conducted in the future to further document the nutritional impact of the Texas program.

The program isn't designed to meet the total food requirements of those involved. It does,

however, supplement normal diets with nutritious, body-building foods.

Operation of the food program has been computerized by the Department of Health Resources, reports T.L. Johnson, administrator for the Program.

Through local projects, the participants are given computer cards which they use to make purchases at approximately 600 participating grocery stores throughout Texas.

The grocers redeem the cards for the supplemental foods and return the cards to the Department. Monthly computer printouts are made on all the cards by the Department. The printouts not only show the total charges against the Program but also show the price paid for each item, such as a quart of milk. Each local project also receives a printout relating to its own participants.

"Say a project has 10 participating grocers," said Johnson. "They can check to see what each grocer charges for the different items. If one appears to be out of line on any charge for a particular item, the grocer can be notified."

The 24 Texas WIC programs and their sponsors include:

Austin-Travis County Health Department, Austin; Community Action Resource Services, Inc., Texarkana; Cameron County Health Department, San Benito; Catholic Charities Family Services, Harlingen and Raymondville; C & Y Project, Driscoll Foundation Children's Hospital, Corpus Christi; C & Y Project, UT Health Science Center, Dallas; Coastal Bend Migrant Council, Inc., Corpus Christi; Community Action Council of South Texas, Rio Grande City; Denison-Sherman-Grayson County Health Department, Sherman;

Also, Galveston County Coordinated Community Clinics, LaMarque; Hidalgo County Health Department, Edinburg, Weslaco and Pharr; Laredo-Webb County Health Department, Laredo; Lubbock Well Baby Clinic, Lubbock; Montgomery County Health Department, Conroe; Southwest Migrant Association, San Antonio; UT Health Science Center, Houston; Community Council of Bee County, Beeville; Centro de Salud, Crystal City; City of Dallas Health Department, Dallas;

Also, South Plains Health Provider Organization, Plainview, Crosbyton and Lubbock; Wichita Falls City-County Health Department, Wichita Falls; Waco-McLennan County Health Department, Waco; Walker County Health Department, Huntsville; and the Maverick County Child Health Care Center, Eagle Pass.

Approved for the Program are: Fort Worth City Health Department, Fort Worth; Houston Maternity and Infant Care Project, Houston; South Plains Community Action Association, Inc., Levelland;

Three Way News

by Mrs. H.W. Garvin

Three Way High School boys teams played Elida, N.M. Tuesday night on the home court with Three Way winning both games. The high school teams played in the Whitharral tournament over the weekend with Three Way boys losing and Three Way girls winning third place.

Mrs. James Gillentine and son, Jimmy, of Lubbock visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Garvin Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D.S. Fowler made a business trip to Lubbock Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D.A. Williams and son spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Tyson.

Mr. Don Lowe and Mrs. Jack Furgeson spent the day in Lubbock Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Garvin were dinner guests in the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fox, Sunday in Clovis, N.M.

Rena Lowe was a patient in Cochran Memorial Hospital the past week.

Bill Hodnett entered Methodist Hospital Monday and will undergo ear surgery Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Fleming from Brownfield visited the George Tysons, Garvin Longs and H.W. Garvins Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fowler and son and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fowler and children from Lubbock spent Sunday visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D.S. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Furgeson visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Green in Tulia Sunday.

Bill Jones of Lubbock preached Sunday at the Three Way Baptist Church.

The gins in the community are almost finished with the cotton crop.

Jaclyn Claye

has her say

DEAR JACLYN CLAYE: My problem to put it bluntly, is that I hate people. This is not an attitude that was developed recently, but it is the product of a long association and examination of my fellow man. The problem becomes even more complex when during the Christmas season the phony warmth begins and I find myself invited to parties I don't wish to attend by people who either bore or disappoint me in other ways. There is little that you can do in response to this letter, but I do wish you would print it in your column because I am sure there are thousands like me who might otherwise feel that they are strange and this is a note of

encouragement. I am of the opinion that the human race is God's worst experiment and you can Scrooge me all you wish but I delight in not being so simple minded as not to see the human race exactly as it is. And I will proudly sign my name, THEO TERRAILLON.

DEAR THEO: You are entitled to your opinion, but I think the following letter is really going to bend your mind.

DEAR JACLYN CLAYE: I read you all the time. I am the eldest of ten members of what is called an underprivileged family. We live in the poorest part of the city and

my father who is uneducated makes very little money and I have always worked in order to help. I just want you to print this letter. I have been working at a store at the cash register and I am responsible for the money. On a Saturday when banks are closed I took delivery of some supplies. When the day was over my register was almost \$300.00 out. This is more money than I earn part-time in a month. I was absolutely sick. With Christmas coming the money was intended for some gifts and things. I was expected to work until the difference was made up, which meant no Christmas or extras. Well, about three days later a delivery man came to the door and asked to see me. He told me that in checking his receipts he had found that I had overpaid him by \$287.63 and he had come to return the overpayment. And best of all Jaclyn, he isn't rich, just honest. Please print this letter and he will know who he is. Signed, CORLISS.

DEAR JACLYN CLAYE: I'm writing you because there could be something wrong with me although I don't really think so. You see, I can turn the sound off when people are saying something disagreeable to me. I can do it at school, at home or even at athletic events. Honestly Jaclyn, under these circumstances I can keep looking at the person and their lips are moving, but there is no sound coming out. I have always been able to do this and I have asked around but apparently no one else does it. And that's why I am writing to you. Have you ever received a letter from anyone else like this? If you have, please let me know. Signed, TERRI K.

DEAR TERRI: Nope. Your's is a first. Although I have often wished I had the same capacity. I can see no real danger here unless your unique talent is associated with some kind of anxiety. If it's simply your way of getting some peace and quiet, I see no problem. If however, you have other serious idiosyncrasies, see your doctor.

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Nitrogen Fertilizer Cutback Not To Hurt Texas Farmer

Nitrogen fertilizer production in the United States will be reduced about 4 per cent this winter, but Texas farmers should not be affected too much by the cutback.

That's the contention of Dr. Russell McDonald, an economist in marketing for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. He points out that the delivery of natural gas (the feedstock for

ammonia used for nitrogen fertilizer) to ammonia plants will be curtailed as the winter season approaches. Current estimates are that the curtailment will total about 670,000 tons for the 12-month period ending March 1, 1976. Of course, severe winter conditions might further reduce the volume of natural gas going to ammonia plants.

"The expected curtailment of natural gas for ammonia production is almost double the curtailment during the year ending March 1, 1975," notes the Texas A&M University System specialist.

The 670,000 tons of natural gas that are expected to be curtailed means a reduction of 550,000 tons of ammonia for nitrogen fertilizer. Half of this reduction is scheduled for the period of January-March next year, a time when the need for fertilizer production increases sharply to meet demands for the spring planting season.

"The greatest cutback in ammonia production will be in the Corn Belt where nearly 180,000 tons of nitrogen may be lost due to the curtailment of natural gas deliveries," says McDonald.

The voice of Lubbock-based Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. was added to that of other cotton and general farm organizations favoring a producer referendum on funding of increased research and market development for U.S. cotton on December 16.

PCG President, W.B. Criswell of Idalou, presented PCG views in Washington at hearings before the Cotton Subcommittee of the House Committee on Agriculture. Committee Chairman David Bowen of Mississippi called the hearings for December 16 and 17 to obtain testimony on his bill to authorize a cotton producer vote on increased financing for Cotton Incorporated.

CI is the producer's national research and market development company set up under the Cotton Research and Promotion Act of 1966.

Criswell, reflecting the wishes of the PCG board, told the

"The northeastern part of the United States and the Appalachian region will also suffer, as ammonia production is expected to be down about 25 per cent from that of a year ago."

subcommittee that PCG wants "legislation that will permit producers to decide whether they want more research and market development of the kind they have been getting from Cotton Incorporated, and whether they want to pay for it."

The PCG official emphasized that any increased producer contributions should be as a percentage of bale value, not a fixed dollar amount. Such a system, he explained, will help to equalize CI revenue in high and low production years, and will tend to increase the number of dollars available to CI as inflation erodes each dollar's buying power. Also, he said, "It is much more equitable to ask each producer to pay a Percentage of his cotton's value than to ask him for a fixed dollar amount on each bale whether the bale sells for \$150 or \$300."

Producers have voluntarily supported CI activities since 1966 at the rate of \$1 per bale. This amount was supplemented in early years of the program by \$10 million a year and later by \$3 million a year from Commodity Credit Corporation funds. However, the \$3 million from

CCC in 1975 is expected to be the last appropriated.

In addition to this loss of CCC funds, inflation has substantially cut the number and size of programs that can be carried out by CI with money from producers at \$1 per bale.

Chairman Bowen's proposal, made at the request of industry leaders, would permit a producer referendum in which each grower would have the opportunity to vote for or against an increase in his voluntary contribution to CI. The current \$1 rate is set by law and legislation authorizing a referendum, plus passage of the referendum, is required before it can be changed.

Under Bowen's bill as now written, producers would vote on whether to invest up to one per cent of the gross value of their production each year in addition to their current \$1 payment. Passage of the referendum would require either (1) a two-thirds majority of the producers voting or (2) a favorable vote from producers who grow two-thirds of the cotton produced, provided those producers also constitute a simple majority of all producers.

If the referendum passed, the percentage of gross bale value to be paid by producers would be set, not to exceed one per cent by the Cotton Board with approval from the Secretary of Agriculture. The Cotton Board is made up of cotton producers appointed by the Secretary for nominations made by cotton interest organizations.



About Local Folks

Mrs. Dannie Daniels returned from Austin where she has been taking care of a new grandson for the past two weeks.

Mr. A.T. Hays of Clovis, N.M. and his daughter, Mrs. Myrtist Hays, of Sacramento, Calif. are visitors in the home of their mother and aunt, Mrs. Hume Hays, last week. Their mother, Mrs. J.M. Austin, of Fort Worth where Benny will be serving with the armed forces.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Harrison and daughter, Ruthie, of Oklahoma City will be guests in their parent's home, Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Harrison, during the Christmas holidays. Their daughter, La Critia, student at Texas Tech, will join them here.

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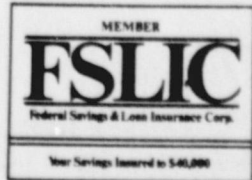
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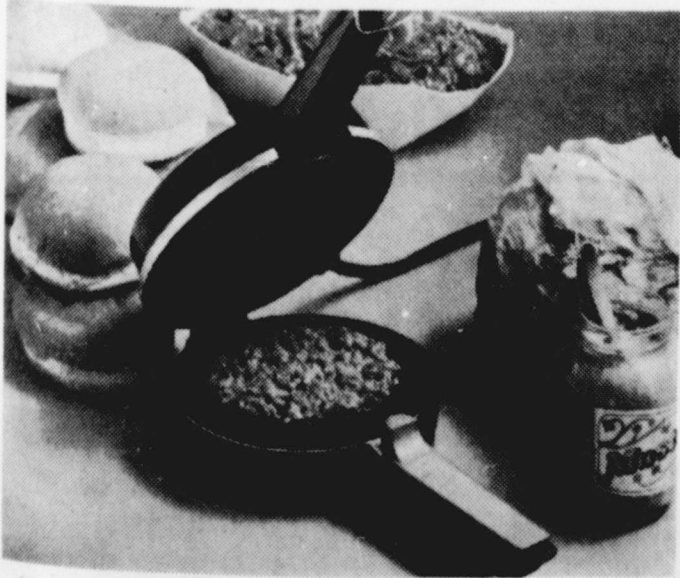
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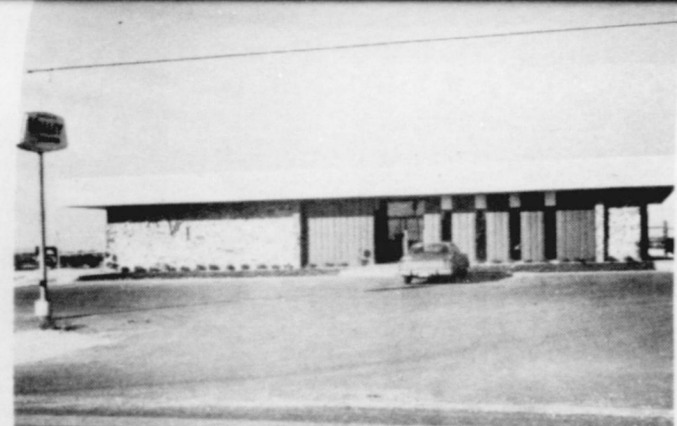
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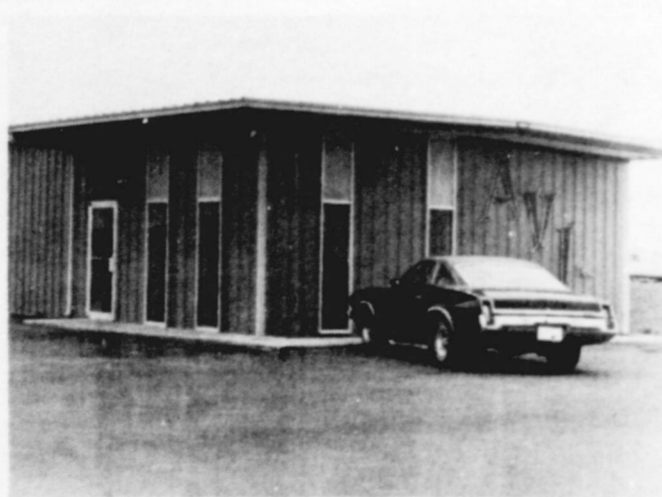


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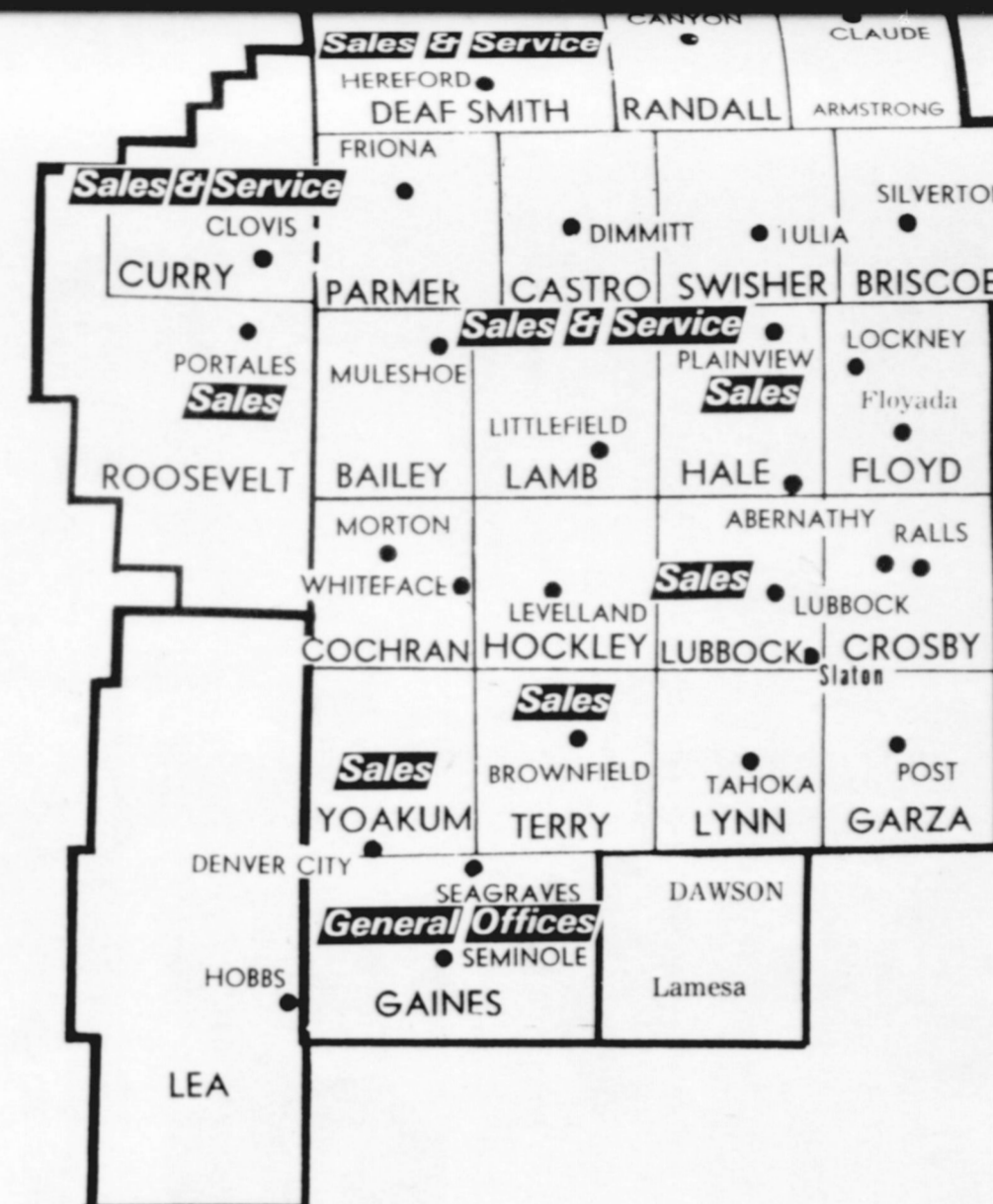


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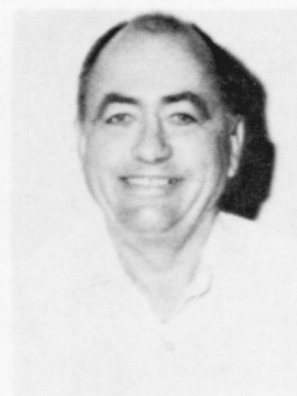
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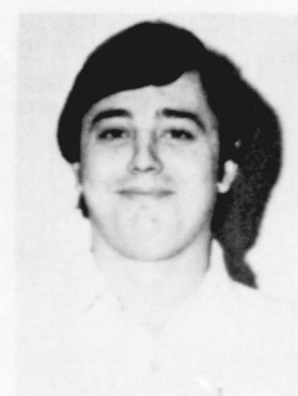


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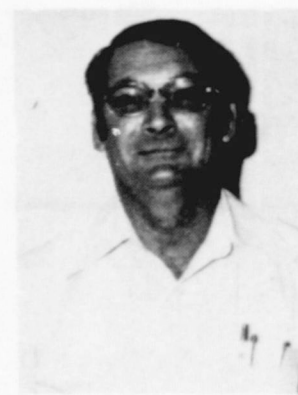
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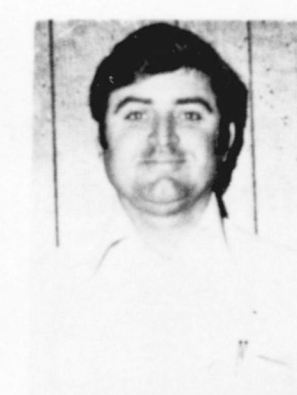
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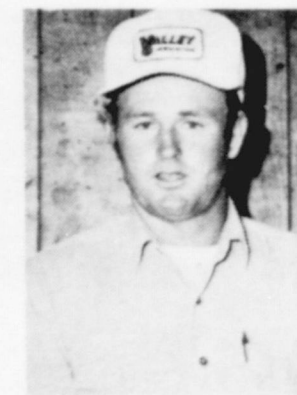
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Clovis



Dickie Martin
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Raymon Mendoza
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Muleshoe



Bobby Tucker
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Lubbock



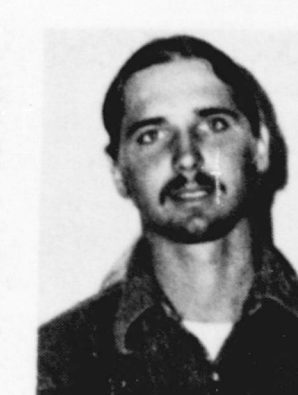
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