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To Receive cattle soon: The giant cattle feeding operation, known as the Hansford Feedyards, Inc., will be receiving cattle in the near future, according to local owners. Located 2 1/2 miles NNE of Spearman, the beef producing firm will be able to eventually handle 60,000 head of cattle. Shown above in the ground breaking ceremonies at the site in June, are left to right; Carl Archer, Mrs. John R. Collard Sr., Dan Archer, Johnnie C. Lee, and Lloyd Buzzard.

## County Registers About One-Half Eligible Voters

With only a few weeks to go before the January 31 deadline, Hansford county tax assessor-collector's office has registered about one half of the eligible county voters.

The registration total stood this week at 1679. Several had sent in the computerized registration forms with their taxes just before the end of the year.

Everyone must register to vote in any election for 1970. If you have not done so, go by the county court house before January 31 and get your name on file.

## Ray Troser Announces Candidacy



I wish to take this opportunity to announce my candidacy in this year's Democratic primary for State Representative from the 79th legislative district in the Texas Legislature.

I was born in Perryton, Texas at which time my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Corwin Troser, lived in the rural community of Huntton, which is five miles west of Booker.

In January of 1951 we moved to Higgins, where I now reside.

I attended grade school and high school in Higgins, being salutatorian of both my eighth grade graduating class and my high school graduating class. I also held a class office in all but one year of public school. I was selected by the faculty of my high school to attend the Citizenship Seminar sponsored by the Texas Farm Bureau. It was at this seminar that I studied the danger of various threats to our American system of government, such as international Communism and Socialism and different kinds of internal revolutions.

In 1963 I was one of twelve regional winners in the Fort Worth Soil Conservation essay contest. As a high school senior I was named to the All-District basketball team and was named the outstanding athlete of the year and athletic king.

I attended Texas Technological College, Clarendon College and Sam Houston State University, studying government and history.

My wife is the former Rita Louise Reed of Sidney, Texas. We have a daughter, Renee, who is one year old.

I am a member of the Methodist Church.

Ray Troser

## Hiway Dept. OK's Signal Light For 'Crazy Corner'

For years the City of Spearman along with various other interested citizens and commercial firms located across the tracks on the Gruver highway have seen the necessity for a traffic signal at the 5-way intersection on highway 15, and this week these labors at last seem to be paying off.

At various times during the past several years the City has called for a traffic count at this "crazy corner" but highway engineers could not agree that a stop and go signal was needed.

Last October another traffic count was made, and just this week a letter came from

Charles W. Smith, District Engineer Texas Highway Department, to city Mayor D. E. Hackley. The letter reads:

Subject: Installation of a Stop and Go Traffic Signal at the Intersection of State Highway 15, State Highway 207, Farm to Market Road 759, and Archer Street in Spearman.

"This office has received approval from our Austin office for the installation of a multi-dial synchronous driven fixed time signal at the above location.

"We will initiate plan work on this project as soon as possible in order that we might let a contract for this work in the near future. This installa-

tion has been approved with the understanding that Archer Street will be made a "One-Way" from the intersection. It is felt this must be done in order to provide a workable signal system at this location.

City Manager Darce Foshee said the red and green signal lights would hang where the present caution signals are now and will be timed on 60-second intervals. Foshee said the State department estimated it would be from 3 to 6 months before the lights could be installed for the equipment must be manufactured.

## Bank Assets, Deposits Reach New Record High

For the fourth consecutive year, total assets and total deposits in the First State Bank of Spearman have set new record highs, according to statements of condition figures published this week by the financial institution.

The comparison shows that citizens of this area went into 1970 with the best financial record in history.

Deposits at the close of business December 31, 1969 were listed at \$12,363,326.45 over more than \$300,000 over October's statement. This compares with deposits at the end of 1968 \$12,058,278.67; at the end of 1967 \$11,036,965.87 and at the end of 1966 \$10,203,924.15.

The accumulated wealth on hand in the First State Bank is attributed as a general rule to good harvests, but banking officials say that this year's deposits are the results of "just good general county-wide business."

Also higher than the past few years figures was the loans and discounts which total at the end of 1969 \$7,976,767.64 as compared to 1968 \$7,782,498.16 as compared to 1967 \$7,281,719.28 and in 1966 \$6,970,675.41. The record high loans came primarily from the abundance of cattle now grazing the plentiful wheat pasture throughout the county.

Resources and liabilities in the First State Bank total \$14,249,604.69.

The local financial institution is entering its 53rd year of service to area customers.

## 1969 Building Totals \$295,760.

Building permits in Spearman during 1969 totaled \$295,760.00.

Five permits for new homes were issued for a grand total of \$181,500.00 for an average of \$30,250.00 per home. The largest home permit, in fact the largest building permit for the year, was a \$40,000 permit for the residence located at 1100 Bernice St. Other new homes were constructed at 713 Lee Drive, 1107 Bernice, and three in the 1100 block of Wilmet Drive. Residential category was the largest.

Permits issued for moved in homes total \$15,700.00 which helped to alleviate the city's housing shortage. More are still badly needed. These

figures relate only to five houses. However, two more were transported to the city but no cost figures were listed on the building permit sheets.

City residents remodeled their homes, built on garages and added other rooms to the tune of \$40,000.00 during the past year.

Total warehouse and commercial addition permits for the year totaled \$5,809.00.

Two other permits for new commercial construction were issued during the year, \$10,000 for a new Baker-Taylor office building, \$12,051.00 for a school bus barn and a \$30,000.00 permit for the Catholic Church Parish Hall.

## Sales Tax For 2 Qtrs. Tops Years Estimate

City officials were pleasantly "shocked" this week when the second check arrived from the State department for city sales tax collected during the quarter ending September.

Sales tax collected in the city for April, May and June totaled \$12,079.02. The check received for July-September quarter amounted to \$14,232.12.

"It looks great," City Mgr. Foshee said. "We had conservatively estimated our year's

income from the city sales tax to be about \$25,000, and we have gone over this figure in just two quarters." Foshee said that city officials now felt the sales tax figure would certainly top the \$50,000 mark.

The biggest business of the year is done during October, during this quarter will be received sometime in March. "It will be interesting to see what this check will amount to," he said.

An extra \$50,000 in City tills for this year will be of great benefit and will enable the City to purchase new machinery when needed rather than borrow the money and pay interest on it. It will also help various facilities such as Library, Memorial building, City youth program, swimming pool, and Parks. Streets will receive more attention as will the Fire Department and the city's street lighting program.

## Rites Held For Burrell Infant

Funeral services for the infant son of Sgt. and Mrs. Ronny Burrell of Fayetteville, N. Carolina were held December 28 at 2 p. m. The Burrell's son was born December 24 in Walmack Army Hospital at Fayetteville.

The Rev. Dudley Bristow, pastor of the Lela Baptist Church of Shamrock, Texas, officiated at the service held in the Richerson Chapel in Shamrock. Interment was in the Shamrock Cemetery.

Grandparents of the infant are Mr. and Mrs. Kiff E. White of Spearman and Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Burrell of Perryton.

## Water Dist. Election Set For January 13

J. W. Buchanan, manager of the North Plains Water Conservation District, announces this week that an election will be held on January 13 within the Ground Water Conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River, to name new Precinct Directors and two County Committeemen from each county composing the District. Those elected will serve a two year term.

Legal notices for this election, submitted by the President and Secretary of the District, gave the date for the election for January 14. According to Buchanan, this date was wrong and elections will be held January 13th, 1970 at the following polling places:

Precinct 1, Ochiltree county. Polling place, Ochiltree County Court House.

Precinct No. 2, Hansford and Hutchinson counties. Polling places: Hansford Court House and Pringle school house.

Precinct No. 3, Sherman County. Polling Place, Sherman County Court House.

Printed on the ballots for the place of Precinct Directors will be Roy Stollings of Ochiltree County; N. F. Renner

for Hansford and Hutchinson counties and Luther Browder for Sherman county.

County Committeemen appearing on the ballots will be Edgar Cook, Dan Manning & Dian Slaughter for Ochiltree County. Dee Jackson, Robert C. Ferguson and Everett Vandenburg for Hansford County. Butler Kirk, Thane McCloy and Noble Watson for Hutchinson county. H. H. Caraway, Arlyn Haile and Walter Lailey for Sherman County. Two will be elected for each county.

All resident qualified tax-paying voters of Ground Water Conservation District No. 2 are urged to vote.

Presiding judge at the Hansford Court house will be Joe Day. Assistant Judge will be Melfe Washington. Mrs. B. J. Garrett and Johnny P. Vernon will be clerks.

Tuesday, January 13 is the date for the annual election.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Brinkley were in Spearman for Christmas. Wesley is now in Mississippi working during the holiday from Tech in Lubbock and Donna is still visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Boyd.

## Frigid Blast Drops Temps

Last year went into the weather books as the hottest summer on record and the way old man winter brought in the new year, early 1970 just might be another record.

The temperature since January 1 has not climbed above the 44 degree mark for high and has dipped as much as 3 degrees for a low.

Wind-whipped snow blasted into the Panhandle early Monday morning dropping visibility to near zero. Although daytime temperatures stood at 37 degrees, 30-mile an hour winds caused the chill factor to be 25 degrees below zero.

Snow in the Spearman area filtered down until about noon when the sun came from behind the cloud cover. U. S. Weather observer Mrs. H. P. Cates measured only a trace of moisture from the snow.

The temperature chart for the month reads as follows:

Jan. 1	38	15
Jan. 2	40	9
Jan. 3	40	6
Jan. 4	44	9
Jan. 5	37	8
Jan. 6	38	3

## Presbyterians Seeking New Church Pastor

Rev. Lewis Koerselman, who has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church here for the past 34 years, resigned this position recently to accept pastorates of two small churches located in Eskridge and Americus, Kansas. Rev. and Mrs. Koerselman moved to Americus a week ago. His last Sunday to serve the local church was December 28.

The congregation of the church is seeking a new pastor and a committee has been organized and charged with this responsibility.

Until a new pastor can be found, Rev. John Otey, pastor of the Trinity Presbyterian Church of Perryton, will be filling the pulpit here for 9 a. m. services.

## Bill Massie Accepts Position With Huber Corp.

Bill Massie, who has been here the past seven years serving Baker & Taylor Drilling Company as the Personnel Director, has resigned this position to accept similar employment with the J. M. Huber Corporation.

Upon completion of a special 6-weeks training period with J. M. Huber Corp. at Borger, Mr. Massie will move to Baytown, Texas where he will take over the position of personnel director at the plant there.

Mrs. Massie and their two children Mark and Jayne, will join her husband in Baytown as soon as the school term concludes.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH PASTOR RESIGNS

Rev. Dayle Schnelle, pastor of the First Christian Church for the past 34 years, has resigned his pastorate here. His last Sunday to fill the pulpit will be January 18.

Rev. Schnelle will move to Alvin, Texas where he will pastor the First Christian Church, a new church in a rapidly growing community serving suburban areas of Galveston and Houston.

Rev. and Mrs. Schnelle's son David, will enroll in the United Electronics Institute at Oklahoma City on January 12 for a two-year term.

Rev. Schnelle said Mr. Ed Mundy would be in charge of finding an interim pastor until the church committee could secure a new minister for the Spearman church.

## Green Beret Visits Home

Spec/4 James (Skipper) Robinson, son of Mrs. Dickie Robinson of Spearman, was home for about 10 days during Christmas. Skipper is in the Green Berets and stationed now for training at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He will soon be sent to San Antonio for further training.

Mrs. Rhoda Overton spent Christmas in the home of her daughter Nancy and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Thompson and children in Utopia, Texas. Nancy and her son Stephen brought Mrs. Overton home and stayed a while to visit in Spearman.

## Lynxettes and C Team Only Survivors In Big Week of Basketball for Spearman

The Spearman Lynxettes continued their quest for the state championship, as they blasted the Dalhart Dollies 71 to 42 at Dalhart Tuesday night.

The Spearman boys lost to Canyon in a heart-breaker 55-51. The fine AAA Canyon team just out-lasted the Lynx.

The Spearman B boys lost to Canyon 44 to 33. The Freshman boys lost to Pampa 49-32, but the C team boys of Coach Wilson paced by Matt Lair laced the Canyon team 55-40.

There will be no games at home this week-end. The varsity teams go to Clarendon January 9th. The 7, 8, 9th grades also play away this week-end.

MARKETS	
Wheat	\$1.34
Milo	\$1.92
Corn	\$1.23
Oats	\$ .70
Barley	\$1.00
Soybeans	\$2.11



Accepts Job With Spearman School

Mr. Ronnie Wood has been employed by the school as the new assistant business manager. Mr. and Mrs. Wood moved to Spearman from Pampa where he was director of personnel for the city of Pampa for the past 2 years. Ronnie is a West Texas State graduate, class of 1967. The fine young couple have one boy Kerry, 3 years old. They will reside at 1111 Barkley Street, Spearman.

commissioners court here has not seen fit to do this because of the relatively small need for this type of a food program to the poor, Judge Lee said.

Under the commodity distribution plan, the counties receive from the USDA surplus foodstuffs such as beans, flour, cheese and milk and distribute these to people who qualify.

Judge Morris of Perryton said that while he was county judge of Wheeler County several years ago, he administered this type of program and that it required considerable work and expense on the part of the county to handle this free food. He said that at that time the eligible list for receiving this free government food included everybody receiving Social Security checks, all on state old age assistance, and everybody that received any type of county, state or welfare assistance. Hansford County people can see how the program would work.

The food stamp system is somewhat different. People who qualify are able to go to the food office and buy stamps at a reduced rate. This rate varies from county to county, but a qualifying person could buy \$40 worth of food stamps for \$20. He takes these stamps to any grocery store and uses them just like cash to buy groceries. The grocer then turns in the stamps and gets a check in this amount.

The ruling by the federal judge in Dallas came as a result of suits brought in 19 Texas counties by persons demanding free government food and that these counties be made to take part in the program.

It follows published reports for more than a year to the effect that the federal government was going to force every county in Texas to have a government free food distributive program.

Federal administrators of the program are disturbed because for the past several years over \$1 billion in funds that have been appropriated for the commodity distribution program were returned unused to the federal treasury.

The federal food program used to be called the "surplus commodity" program but over the past several years has come to include more than foodstuffs declared surplus. The government buys up vast quantities of canned

goods from canneries and its agents are active in the commodity market, purchasing vegetables, meats, cheese and other items not considered surplus.

Since the emphasis upon the "hunger program" became effective about a year ago, the federal program designed to give food to everybody that needs it has gone into high gear.

Hansford County, as one of the 16 Panhandle counties without the food program, is fortunate that the welfare problem has never been great, and the cost of welfare has never been much of an item in the county budget.

Located off a major east-west highway, Spearman does not get many transients that desperately need help, as does Shamrock, for example, which is located on I-40 or US 66.

The welfare program in Hansford County consists primarily of an allocation of

funds for food and medicine, sometimes clothing and fuel for a needy family.

The way welfare works in Hansford County today is that a family hit with sickness, death, or misfortune, can apply to the county judge for help.

If he approves the request, he signs an order which calls for groceries, fuel, or medicine. These are accepted by local merchants and are paid by the county when presented to the treasurer each month.

It may be that this system will be changed to the standard formula for distributing federal government foodstuffs. But this remains to be seen.

Until the county commissioners and judge become convinced that there is a real demand for the program and that Hansford county has enough needy persons to warrant it, it appears that there will be much foot dragging, if not downright refusal.



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**U S D A ANNOUNCES FOOD STAMP PROGRAM EXPANSION**

Following President Nixon's signing of the Agriculture Appropriations Act providing \$610 million for the Food Stamp Program, Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin today announced a major expansion of the program to take full advantage of the increased funds available for this fiscal year.

"These increased funds will enable us to make significant improvements in the program," he said, "and to make major advances in our urgent drive to end hunger in the United States."

Secretary Hardin outlined the broad framework of a 4-point program of actions to be taken to improve the operation of the Food Stamp Program.

1. Coupon allotments under the program will be changed to assure that low-income participating families will be able to purchase a more nutritionally adequate diet. This critically important step will be accomplished by providing each participating family enough food coupons to pay for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's "economy diet," adjusted to compensate for current increases in the level of retail food prices.

Coupon allotments will be set at a uniform level nationally, eliminating the separate schedules now used for the North and South. For a family of four this will amount to \$106, compared with a current minimum of \$58. Every participating family will get a stamp bonus, greater than or at least equal to the bonus for which it is now eligible. Bonuses to low income families will more than double in many cases.

2. The amount that a family must pay for its stamp allotment will be reduced as far as possible within the law's present requirement that this payment must not be less than a family's normal food expenditure. The Department has restudied the relationship of purchase requirements to normal food expenditures, and has concluded that present payment schedules can and should be reduced substantially. Secretary Hardin emphasized that the reform legislation requested by the President will allow even further reductions in charges for stamps, when it is passed.

3. The Department's Food and Nutrition Service

will make every effort to expand the program to many new areas, including those now participating in the Commodity Distribution Program which wish to change to food stamps.

Emphasis is being put on efforts to reach the 307 counties in the country which do not now have either family food program to help their needy. Secretary Hardin said he hopes that local officials in those areas will recognize what an excellent opportunity they now have to make a food program available.

4. "Outreach" efforts will be accelerated in counties and cities that are currently in the Food Stamp Program, to acquaint them with these major improvements in the program in order to increase the participation level among those eligible to take part.

The exact details of the plans for expansion and new payment schedules are now being worked out and will be announced shortly, Secretary Hardin said. The plans for program expansion will be detailed to cooperating state agencies as soon as they are in final form. These state officials then will get the word to local officials in well over 1500 participating counties and cities, in the effort

to bring as many persons as possible into the Food Stamp Program.

Secretary Hardin emphasized that these are significant -- but only interim -- changes.

"To carry out our full plans," he said, "we need to make further improvements in the program. The additional legislation that we need has been proposed to the Congress. We are taking these interim steps, while we await final passage of the additional modifications that we need to enable the Food Stamp Program to deliver on its full potential for helping to wipe out hunger in the United States."

**What If We Don't?**

**County Is Faced With Food Program Ruling**

Hansford County is one of 109 counties, and 16 in the Texas Panhandle without either a food stamp program or federal commodity distribution plan, and because of this fact the commissioners court faces a big problem at their next meeting, Monday.

U. S. District Judge W. M. Taylor in Dallas Tuesday ordered the U. S. Department of Agriculture to begin one of the two "food for the poor" programs by March 5, 1970, in the Texas counties which do

not have these plans in effect. Judge Lee stated Tuesday of this week, that the county has received numerous letters from government officials concerning this program. The commissioners court will take up the problem at their next meeting Monday. Judge Lee stated that the program would surely cost local taxpayers more money, and that the county will have to have a cold storage place, plus someone to administer the program. The potatoes come in 100 lb.


sacks, and so do the beans, butter, milk, and etc., are powdered and the meat is in cans. Of course, local officials have had correspondence with various USDA officials about the commodity program and the stamp plan. Judge Lee's impression is that the federal government would require the county to furnish warehouse space, cold storage space, office space, and pay salaries of the personnel required to administer the program. The

**Pinochle Club Met January 3**

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cummings hosted the Saturday January 3rd meeting of the local Pinochle Club in their home. The Cummings served a dinner featuring enchiladas as the main course. Attending were guests Mr. and Mrs. Dan Desimone and members, Messrs. and Mmes. James Cummings, Earl Goodheart, Fendorf Schubert, Jim Nicholson and the hosts.

# MASSAD'S ANNUAL Clearance SALE

Sale Begins Thursday Jan. 8

 <p><b>LADIES BLOUSES</b> Choice Of any Fall Blouse To Clear <b>1/3 OFF</b></p>	<p><b>LADIES SHOES</b> CHOICE OF ALL FALL SHOES TO CLEAR TOWN COUNTRY, PARADISE KITTEN, HUSH PUPPIES, CONNIES &amp; JACQUELINE</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; font-size: small;"> <tr> <td>\$ 9.00</td> <td>Value \$6.00</td> <td>\$15.00</td> <td>Value \$10.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$10.00</td> <td>" \$6.67</td> <td>\$16.00</td> <td>" \$10.67</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$11.00</td> <td>" \$7.34</td> <td>\$17.00</td> <td>" \$11.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$12.00</td> <td>" \$8.00</td> <td>\$18.00</td> <td>" \$12.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$13.00</td> <td>" \$8.67</td> <td>\$20.00</td> <td>" \$13.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$14.00</td> <td>" \$9.34</td> <td>\$21.00</td> <td>" \$14.00</td> </tr> </table>	\$ 9.00	Value \$6.00	\$15.00	Value \$10.00	\$10.00	" \$6.67	\$16.00	" \$10.67	\$11.00	" \$7.34	\$17.00	" \$11.34	\$12.00	" \$8.00	\$18.00	" \$12.00	\$13.00	" \$8.67	\$20.00	" \$13.34	\$14.00	" \$9.34	\$21.00	" \$14.00	 <p><b>LADIES DRESSES</b> TO CLEAR <b>2/3 TO 1/3 OFF</b> Choice of our entire Stock of Fall Dresses Many to choose from Cottons, Woolens &amp; Double Knits</p>	 <p><b>LADIES PANT SUITS</b> CHOICE OF ANY TO CLEAR <b>1/3 OFF</b></p>
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12 at 2 p. m. in the school cafeteria. The first program will be "Decency in Sex Education" presented by Mrs. William Paxton of Amarillo. The second program will be January 19, "Operation Drug Alert" presented by the Guyton Kiwanis Club. On January 26 Judge Guy Hazlet will have the program with the general topic "Problems Young People Face". Mrs. F. N. Hills of Pampa will bring the program February 2.

These meetings are planned for a study to run approximately two hours each and those desiring a PTA certificate must attend all four meetings for a total of eight hours.

### Author To Be Guest On Local T V Stations

Amarillo television and radio stations have scheduled Mrs. Jenna V. Ownbey as program guest next Tuesday and Wednesday for the purpose of reviewing her latest two books. One, entitled CLOUD MOODS, is a book of poetry. The other, FATE'S BREW, is a book of eerie short stories.

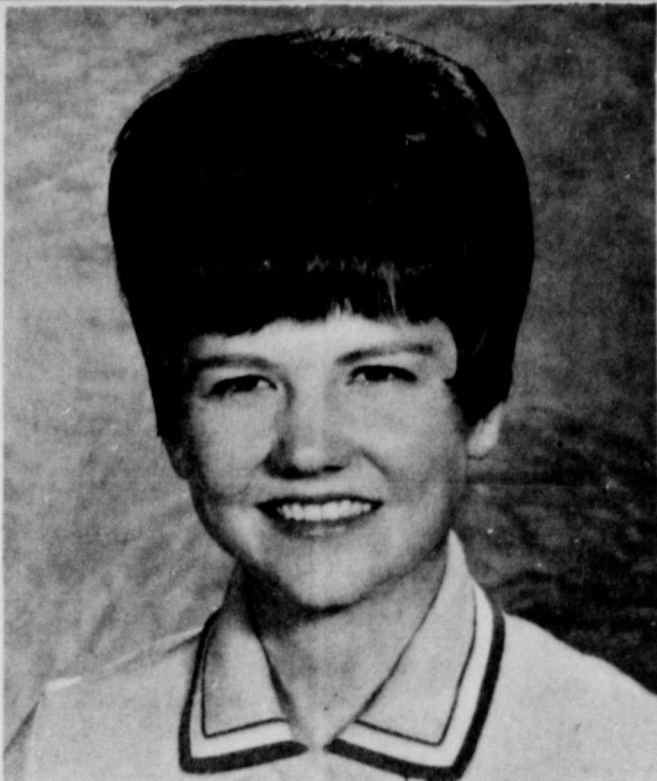
These two new books, published by the Naylor Company of San Antonio, Texas, are the latest of four such publications by Mrs. Ownbey.

On Tuesday, January 13, Mrs. Ownbey will be a guest on the Logan Show at 10 a. m. on Channel 7.

On Wednesday, January 14, she will appear on the Betty Carnahan Coffee Time show on channel 10. On this same date, at 12:30 she will appear on Bill Sexton's Guest Book program on channel 4 and on the Royce Bodiford Farm program at 12:30 over KGNC Radio station.

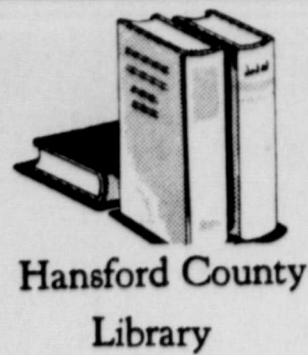
On Thursday January 15, from 11:30 to 2:30 p. m. Blackburn's Downtown store will stage an autograph party for Mrs. Ownbey featuring STAR MOODS, CLOUD MOODS, the two volumes of poetry and FATE'S BREW, a book of short stories.

Mrs. Ownbey has recently moved to Amarillo to make her home.



### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. John Trindle announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Janice to Larry Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Holt, also of Spearman. Both are senior students at West Texas State University where Janice is a member of the Student Education Association; Kappa Delta Pi, honorary education society; and Alpha Chi, national honorary society and Larry is a member of Alpha Chi, national honorary society. The couple plan to be married March 21 in the First United Methodist Church of Spearman.



**Hansford County Library**

Library Hours:  
Monday thru Friday, 10-12 a. m. 2-6 p. m.  
Thursday evening 7-9 p. m.  
Saturday, 9 a. m. thru 1 p. m.

New books in the library include Valley of the Shadow (western) by Brian Garfield; A Swinger of Birches (non-fiction), biography of Robert Frost by Sidney Cox; Angell Pearl & Little God (fiction) by Winston Graham; The LS Brand (non-fiction) Dulcie Sullivan. This is about this country when it was new and there were no fences; Sea Horizons (non-fiction) by August Grivvin, about oceanography; The Burning of the Njal (non-fiction) by Henry Treece, about the Vikings.

On the reference and magazine shelf-The Christian Science Monitor, The National Observer, The New York Sunday Times, and back copies of the Wall Street Journal.

### Must Keep Record For Tax Deduction

If you didn't eat your black-eyed peas and hog jawl at 10 seconds after midnight December 31-January 1, you may find it worth while to go back and make a couple of resolves: one of the best resolves that you can start right off with a bang is that you will keep all of your records so that you can take all those income tax deductions and get that refund that you didn't have the records to support this year. On the other hand, it may be just as important to make a mid-January resolution to not let the groundhog catch you asleep on February 2 with all of your tax records and none of your tax forms filled out. Based on your past performance you may need to make a back-up resolution that on February 2, that if the groundhog discovers you out in the cold bright sunshine without your tax return completed and filed, that you will scurry back to your records and not let the Ides of April bring the final gloom and doom down upon you at 11:59 p. m. April 15. You can avoid a whole lot of useless resolving and unnecessary muttering by simply getting those records, reading the instructions for those pretty new red, white and blue forms, and filing your form 1040 now.



### NEW ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ruttmann, Ralls, proudly announce the arrival of Rashell Danese in Methodist Hospital, Lubbock, on Jan. 3, 1970, 5:37 p. m. Little Rashell weighed in at 7 lbs. 8 1/2 oz. and measured 21 inches.

Grandparents are Mrs. Edith Womble of Morse, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Satterwhite of Ardmore, Okla.

Mrs. Ruttmann is a former teacher in the Spearman schools and Mr. Ruttmann is Crosby County Farm Bureau service agent.

Mrs. Jeff Noell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sheets, spent the time of her father's hospitalization in Spearman and Perryton. During Christmas holidays, her husband came and she returned home with him as Bruce is now home and doing well.

### January Wedding Date Set

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis E. Bell of Borger announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Vicki Diane, to William D. Blackburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blackburn of Spearman. Vows will be exchanged January 27 at the First Christian Church in Borger.

### OES Ceremonies Are Scheduled

The Spearman Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star met Friday evening January 2 in the Masonic Lodge Hall. Presiding officer was Worthy Matron Thelma Scott.

The meeting was opened in regular ritualistic form with 13 officers, 4 Pro Tems and 6 members present. Letters were read from Ruby Rhea, the chapters adopted aunt living in the OES Home at Arlington.

Initiation ceremonies will be held at the regular meeting of the Eastern Star February 6. Practice sessions for the ceremonies will be held the evening of February 3 at 7:30.

Worthy Matron Thelma Scott presented a list of articles needed in the Masonic Lodge kitchen, a shower for the kitchen will soon be held by members.

Refreshments were served in the dining room to those attending the meeting.

### GRUVER PTA ANNOUNCES PROGRAMS

The Parent and Family Life Committee of the Gruver PTA announces their annual study beginning Monday, January

### Lackeys Host New Years Party

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Lackey entertained guests in their home for a New Year's Eve party. Games of dominoes, bridge, chess, "Crazy Eight", and ping pong were enjoyed by those attending the party.

Snacks, cake and punch were served during the evening to Mr. and Mrs. Don McLain, Mr. and Mrs. Don DeArmond, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Renner, Mr. and Mrs. Don Cates by the hosts.

Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Jones were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Morrison and son Bill of Pampa. They were here from Christmas Eve until Friday. Guests in the home for Christmas weekend were Don's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Jones of Pampa.

### holt news

Those enjoying New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Holt and Larry were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Slyter and family of Peabody, Kans. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Holt and daughter, Mrs. Berda Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holt and Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Holt.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Jenkins of Amarillo were host to a New Year's dinner. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Wally Pearson, Mike Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kendricks and family and Kathy Jenkins of Amarillo, Mrs. Myrtle Stephens of Borger, Mrs. Bertha Jenkins, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Jenkins.

New Year's dinner guests of Maude Rosson were Mr. and Mrs. Ceril Batton of Spearman, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Reger, Debra and Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pendergraft.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Griffin of Erick, Okla. are spending the winter with Vernie Rosson of Spearman.

Mrs. Bertha Jenkins Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tevebaugh of Claude, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tevebaugh of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Jenkins and Kathy Jenkins of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Jenkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Moore of WTSU of Canyon visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moore, during the holidays.

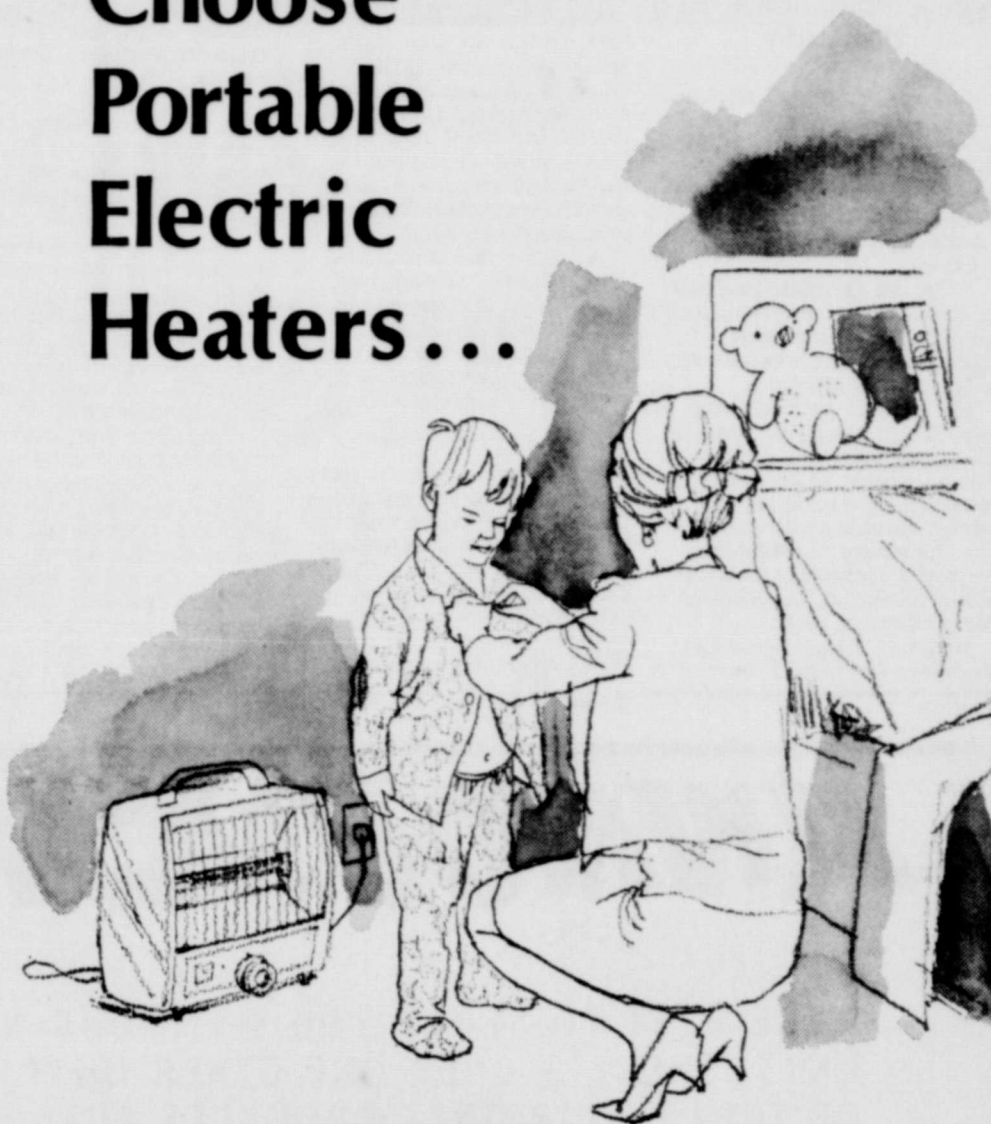
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gray of Ulysses, Kansas and Mr. and Mrs. Pepper Sears of Dodge City, Kans., Mr. and Mrs. Owen Pendergraft were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ottaway of Tyrone, Okla. Mr. Sears is in the service and will be leaving the states soon for Germany.

Miss. Whitson Perryton Teacher

Miss Frances Whitson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Whitson of rural Spearman, has completed her educational training at WTSU and has accepted a position with the Perryton school system.

Miss Whitson, who completed her college work in 3 1/2 years, will teach in the elementary school in Perryton beginning the second semester.

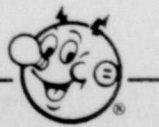
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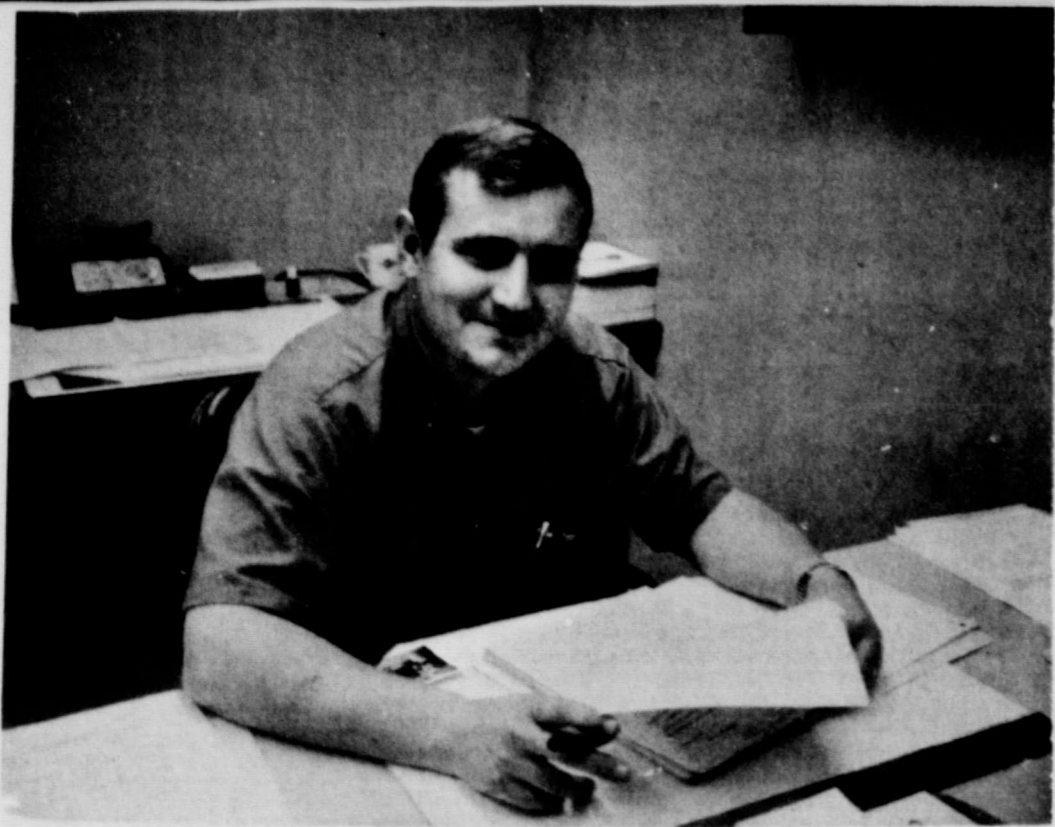


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Drilling Co. Names New Director

Larry Sexton was named Personnel and Safety Director for Baker & Taylor recently. Larry has been with Baker & Taylor for 15 months and was assistant personnel and safety director. Larry is replacing Bill Massie who has accepted a similar job with J. M. Huber Corp. The Sextons have two children Melissa 2 and Melinda 1. They moved to Spearman from Happy, Texas.

**Jarvis Witt**  
Obituary

Jarvis Witt, 56, of Wichita Falls, a former member of the economics faculty at Texas Tech, who died following surgery December 28, was buried Dec. 30 at 10 a.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock.

Witt, an associate professor at Midwestern University, had gone to Lubbock to visit friends and to be treated for a circulatory disorder.

He enrolled at Tech after WW II and was a full time faculty member from 1955 to 1964, leaving as an assistant professor of economics to work toward a doctorate at the University of Michigan. He was a lecturer in economics at Michigan. He went to Midwestern in 1968.

While at Tech, he was an associate director of the Bu-

business Research Bureau from 1956 to 1957.

Witt was born at Weatherford, Okla. but grew up in Spearman, living in the home of an uncle, Mr. and Mrs. W. Jarvis. He entered the Marine Corps as a private in World War II, served in the Pacific area, won a battlefield commission and was discharged as a major.

A brother Steven of Oroville, Calif., an aunt Mrs. C. R. Pierle of Canyon and several cousins survive.

Officiating at the memorial service was Dr. Kline Nall, professor of English at Tech.

War veterans who are totally and permanently disabled from service-connected causes can now receive outpatient care at VA hospital clinics for conditions not connected with their military service as well as for service-connected conditions.

**REDUCE YOUR TAXES WITH GOOD RECORDS**

Good records can save tax dollars at income tax filing time for Northern Texas taxpayers.

Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue in Northern Texas, said good records help you get all the deductions and credits you are entitled to.

A good system for keeping records is to label envelopes or folders according to the types of income and deductions you have, Mr. Campbell said. Bills and receipts should be put in the appropriate folder as they are paid.

Taxpayers who itemize their deductions on Form 1040 must have available canceled checks, receipts, statements, and other data to support the claimed deductions.

Mr. Campbell said that, in addition to saving tax dollars, good recordkeeping makes preparation of the tax return a much easier task.

**MOST TEENAGERS "TURNED OFF" IF APPROACHED ABOUT CHURCH**

**SURFSIDE BEACH--**Eleven Texas college students who mixed surf, sand, music and coffee with Christian missions have concluded what one described as the "most unusual and dynamic summer" of his life.

The students, who served as summer missionaries appointed by the Division of Student Work of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, sang each night at Surfside Beach, near Freeport and Lake Jackson, in a coffee house known as "The Anchor." Overflow crowds averaged 255 teenagers per night.

The youngsters who frequented The Anchor were mostly surfers from throughout Texas and all over the United States. The majority were not Christians. Some had been on drugs. Some were boys who have hitchhiked from beach to beach--wanderers without a home.

The summer missionaries, who billed themselves as the "Hang Ten," entertained their listeners with folk, rock, country and spiritual music and told them about the "greatest thing" that ever happened to them.

That "greatest thing," the young missionaries said, was confrontation with a man--Jesus Christ.

Most of these teenagers would have been turned off if we'd talked about church," said Winn Crenshaw of Richardson, a 22-year-old student at Stephen F. Austin College in Nacogdoches. "You couldn't get them excited about the institutional church, but when it came to talking about the man--Jesus--they would listen."

By night the "Hang Ten" mixed music with talk about that man. By day, they assisted in Bible classes for younger children and made friends on the beach with the surf and vacation set.

"The best compliment we had all summer," says 20-year-old Linda Maedke of Longview, a student at Stephen F. Austin, was being told we were "in the groove." That really meant something coming from those kids. Most of them have no purpose. They're trying to run away

from something. It impressed them that we could meet our problems head on yet stay 'in the groove,'" Linda said.

Linda Bliss, 20, of Dallas, a student at Howard Payne College in Brownwood, summed up the secret to the group's success--success measured in the numbers of teenagers who returned to The Anchor night after night and the number who took seriously the talk and music about Christ.

"You have to win a person's friendship--show you like him simply for what he is," Linda explains. "One boy, who had really given us a hard time, asked one day, 'Why do you keep putting up with me? I've been rude. I've cut you down, I've made cracks while you were singing and you keep coming back and you're my friends, no matter what.'"

That boy, who had wondered the beach to chase away his loneliness, became a Christian and walked the aisle at First Baptist Church in Lake Jackson, which sponsored The Anchor, to tell the pastor, James Mahoney.

The boy was dressed in a T-shirt and cut-offs but the people in Lake Jackson didn't care. Many of them had sat in the "senior surfers' corner" at The Anchor, night after night and marvelled at the crowds of teenagers who jammed it.

The Hang Ten group was just one of a number of student summer mission projects which blanketed Texas and a number of foreign countries this summer under the sponsorship of Baptist Student Unions on Texas College campuses.

Their activities included work with Negroes, Latin Americans and International students. One group even toured the state presenting Christian dramas.

However, the Hang Ten was probably the most unique project in the history of Texas Baptist student summer missions, reaching a group that student missionaries have never reached before.

Hang Ten members be-

sides Crenshaw, Miss Bliss and Miss Maedke were Miss Vicki Lynn Dean, 19, of Nederland, a student at Lamar State College of Technology in Beaumont; Miss Meredith Ann Wook, 20, of Weslaco, a student at Texas A & I University in Kings-

ville; Jerry Bob Tuck, 20, of Wichita Falls, a student at Midwestern University; Miss Sandy Jean Hudson, 21, of Beaumont, a student at Sam Houston State College in Huntsville; Miss Susan Cope, 21, of Brownfield, a student at Baylor University

in Waco; Rodney Craig, 20, of Baytown, a student at Howard Payne College in Brownwood; Mike Combs, 20, of Groves, a student at Lamar Tech in Groves; and Alvie Allison, 20, of Carbon, a student at Tarleton State in Stephenville.



**RUBELLA (German or "3-day" measles)**  
**REGISTRATION FORM**  
Read carefully, complete all items.

9 A. M. FEBRUARY 11th  
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All children ages 1 through 10 years should receive the vaccine. However, due to a limited supply of vaccine, only children ages 5 through 10 years will be given the vaccine.

**WHICH CHILDREN SHOULD NOT RECEIVE RUBELLA VACCINE:**

Children who have already received rubella vaccine.  
Children sick with high fever on the day of the immunization program.  
Children who are sensitive to chicken or duck, chicken or duck eggs and feathers, or neomycin.  
Children who are being treated for cancer or leukemia.

IF A CHILD IS UNDER A DOCTOR'S CARE AT THE TIME OF THE CLINIC CONSULT HIM BEFOREHAND.

PARENT OR GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Names of Children to be Immunized	Age

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INSTALLATION BANQUET, JANUARY 19th

NEW CHAMBER PRESIDENT--Kent Guthrie was elected to head the Spearman Chamber of Commerce at a regular meeting held Monday night. Guthrie, who owns and operates Spearman Super Service, will be installed at the annual chamber banquet set for January 19. Vice president for the coming year will be Doug Connelly. Mrs. Max Baggerly has been named secretary.



LTJG James R. Walker, MSC, USNR receives congratulations from Capt. Cornelius Moul, USN, Commander, Newport, Rhode Island Naval Schools Command. LTJG Walker graduated with Nurse and Medical Service Corps Office Indoctrination Class Nov. 14, 1969.

**Walker Is Therapist At Naval Hospital**

LTJG James R. Walker, MSC, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall W. Walker of 211 Loneta Drive is serving on the staff of the Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, California as an occupational therapist. He is married to the former Bobbie Mayers of San Antonio. Mr. Walker is an alumnus of Spearman High School and graduated this year from Colorado State University with a major in occupational therapy. During his last eleven months of school he participated in the Navy's student professional training program. Applicants selected for this program are appointed in the grade of ensign and receive full pay and allowances while completing their professional training. Lt. JG Walker was formerly an enlisted Air Force Airman and holds an expert aircraft control rating. In 1968 he was selected as Colorado Airman of the Year and also was the second runner up in the National Airman of the Year contest.

Prior to reporting to Camp Pendleton he completed an intensive officer indoctrination at the Naval Schools Command, Newport, Rhode Island.

**Roddy M. Woodson Helps To Sponsor VICA Chapter**

WACO, TEXAS--The first Texas charter for a post-secondary chapter of the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) was issued this month at the James Connally Campus of the Texas State Technical Institute.

Sixteen Beta Gamma Tau members received the charter through Ted L. Babb, a TSTI faculty advisor. The club is composed of students majoring in building materials, construction technology and building construction technology programs.

Roddy M. Woodson is a second year student majoring in building materials. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Wilkerson of 722 E. 2nd St. of Spearman.

George Garland, state VICA director for post-secondary institutions, said the James Connally Campus chapter was "taking the first step in extending advantages of this organization's activities to Texas vocational students beyond high school."

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Weaver visited their son John and family in Midland December 20 and 21.

**Mrs Steinkoenig Injured In Wreck**

Mrs. Janelle Steinkoenig, a Borger school teacher is recuperating this week from cuts and bruises received when her car ran off the road and plunged into the bottom of a creek bed just south of Borger.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Jess Wormble of Spearman.

The accident happened January 1 when she ran off the road and her car sailed nearly 80 feet through the air before slamming hard against the bottom of Dixon creek 7 miles south of Borger. The car then traveled approximately 49 feet before coming to rest with its nose crunched against the creek bank. The vehicle was a total loss.

Mrs. Steinkoenig told officers she remained in the car for about an hour and a half. Passing motorists didn't see the car in the deep creek bottom. Both front doors were jammed and Mrs. Steinkoenig crawled through one of the back doors and up the steep embankment where she was later found by passing motorists and taken to the Borger Hospital.

She was treated for facial lacerations and a cut on her leg and remained hospitalized for several days for observation.

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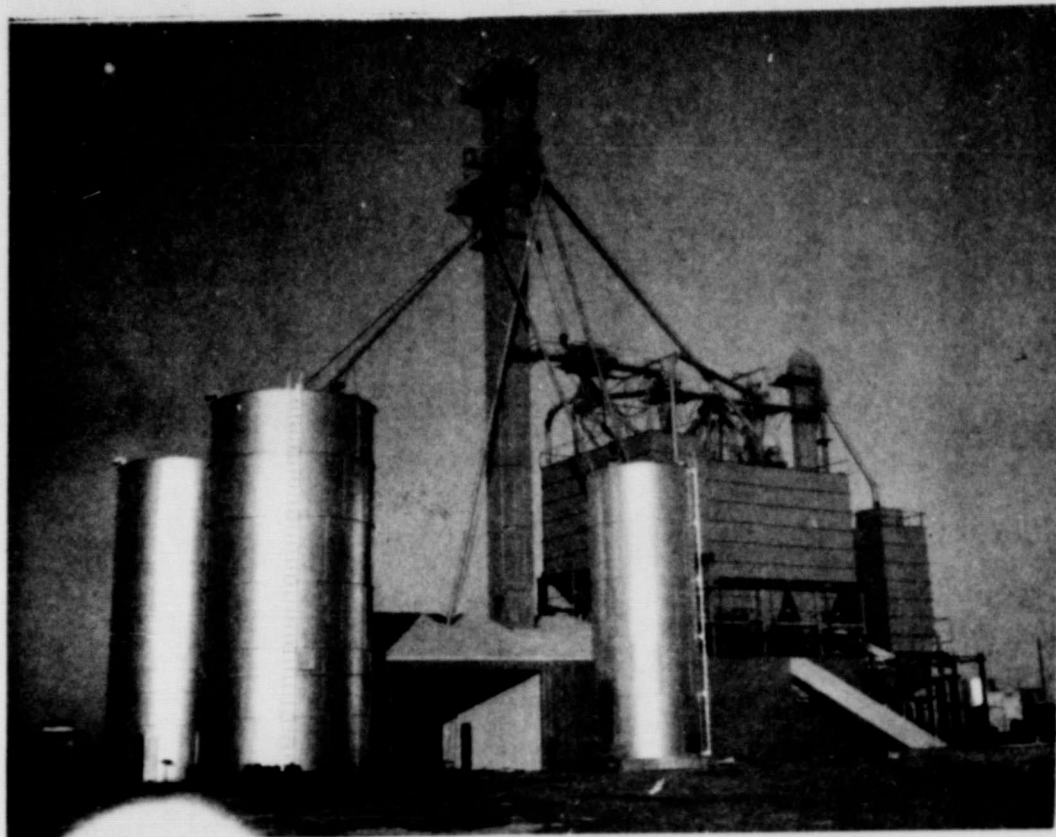
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Owners will receive motor vehicle registration applications by mail early in January. This three-part form is the key to convenience.

In previous years, the vehicle owner had to hunt up his certificate of title and last year's license receipt and take them to the tax office or a substation. Often, he found himself at the end of a long, slow-moving line.

The lines should be much shorter this year.

Here's how easy it is: If a motorist goes to the county tax office or a substation, all he need take is the three part form--the motor vehicle registration application--that came in the mail. And the registration fee, of course.

If he should find a line, chances are it will be shorter and fast-moving than any he remembered from previous years.

All he needs do is to present the renewal application and pay the fee. The clerk will validate the application with the new license numbers and return part of the form as a receipt.

Another part of the form is retained for the county's records and the third is sent to the Motor Vehicle Division of the Texas Highway Department in Austin.

The registration "season" begins at county tax offices and substations on February 1. The vehicle owner can regis-

ter his vehicle in person until April 1.

Easy-to-follow instructions are printed on the three-part form. The Highway Department asks that the owner leave the form intact and that he not separate the three parts.

The new system is the product of many months of planning and work. The system began taking shape in 1967 with the installation of the first computer equipment by the Highway Department.

At one stage, 500 inmates of the Texas Department of Corrections were engaged in matching records and converting the records into a format suitable to be put into computers.

The new system gives Texas one of the most modern and efficient systems for maintaining accurate and up-to-date records on motor vehicles in the world.

The big beneficiary, however, is the vehicle owner who will realize extra convenience and big savings in time.

### Savings Bonds Interest Raised To Five Percent

DALLAS--President Nixon has approved legislation raising the interest rate on U. S. Savings Bonds to 5 per cent, if held to maturity.

When queried about the new Savings Bonds terms, Rex Brack, Texas Chairman for U. S. Savings Bonds, stated--

"The new rate of 5 per cent to maturity applies to all outstanding Series E and H Bonds sold on or after June 1, 1969. The higher rate also applies

to older Bonds. Beginning with the first semi-annual interest period starting on or after June 1, 1969, rates on outstanding E and H Bonds will be increased to yield 5 per cent when held to maturity of extended maturity. These outstanding Bonds will also benefit by an improved interim schedule should they be redeemed earlier. Therefore, there would be no advantage in redeeming outstanding Bonds to purchase new Bonds."

Chairman Brack pointed out that the dollar limit on annual purchases of E Bonds by an individual has been reduced to \$5,000 purchase price. Previously, the annual limit was \$20,000, face amount. The annual limit on H Bonds has also been reduced to \$5,000--from the previous \$30,000. However, in computing this limit, Bonds registered in the names of coowners may be applied to the holdings of either or apportioned between them.

Further, the nontaxable exchanges of Series E Bonds for current-income H Bonds will not be counted against these new annual limits.

The original maturity of the Series E Bonds has been shortened from 7 years to 5 years, 10 months. H Bonds will continue to mature in 10 years.

"Freedom Shares"--sold in combination with E Bonds since May 1, 1967--will be removed from sale effective June 30, 1970.

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ONE OF COUNTY'S OLDEST CITIZENS HAS HAD VERY INTERESTING LIFE

Essie Pearl Thompson was born January 4th, 1877 in Covington, Kentucky in the county of Kenton near the Ohio border. Her parents were Anna Maria and Thomas Fox Benson. She had one brother, Perry, who was eleven months old when Essie Pearl was born. When Essie Pearl was two years old a baby sister arrived which was named Beatrice Kay. When Essie was the age of five (in 1882), Thomas Benson moved from Kentucky to Kansas with his small family. They traveled on a train, and Essie Pearl remembers the excitement of the long trip as well as the dirt and soot that settled on them in the passenger coach of the train because they traveled with the windows down. The family settled in Emporia, Kansas, but tragedy struck when Essie Pearl's mother who had been in poor health died the following year, when Essie Pearl was only six years old (in 1883).

Since Mr. Benson had a job with the railroad building storm fences into Oklahoma, Texas, and Kansas, he was unable to care for his three small children, and he left them with his neighbors while he was gone.

Essie Pearl was left with some people who decided to leave Emporia taking Essie Pearl with them and not leaving word with anyone where they were moving. Essie Pearl remembers this as a terrible time in her life as the couple who had her were unkind. She was forced to beg for food along the way. People felt sorry for a small girl who would come begging for food and were often generous to her. She was taken to Kansas City and continued to have sad experiences with these people. She remembers going out by the railroad tracks to pick up coal for their fuel and was once reprimanded and frightened by a man who was watching her. A neighbor who lived near these people began to get suspicious of them because of their treatment of Essie Pearl. One day the neighbor stopped Essie Pearl and asked if the couple were really her parents. Essie Pearl told her they were not and that her home was in Emporia, Kansas, and who her father was. The kind neighbor sent a letter to Emporia. The message reached her father who soon made the trip to Kansas City to pick up his little girl.

After this sad experience, Essie Pearl was left with some wonderful people named Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Hughes. The Hughes family was from England. They had no children, and Essie Pearl was loved and treated as one of their own. Mr. Benson remarried in a few years, (after the death of Essie Pearl's mother and young sister, Beatrice Kay) but Essie Pearl continued to make her home with the Hughes family until she was 22 years old. Mr. Benson and his second wife had one daughter giving Essie Pearl a half-sister. Her name was Mamie. Essie Pearl visited them often.

Essie Pearl lived in various places in Kansas with the Hughes family. She started to school at the age of seven and completed her formal schooling at the age of 14 in Kingman, Kansas. After this in 1891, the Hughes family moved to Grand Valley, Oklahoma in Beaver County to find better farming land. In 1897, Essie Pearl was introduced to Charles Joseph Thompson who had recently moved from Kentucky to the Texas Panhandle.

Charles was visiting an uncle, Jack Thompson, who ran a hotel in Beaver, Oklahoma. Essie Pearl was quite taken with this young man, but it was not until she left the Hughes family in Oklahoma and moved to Texas two years later (in 1899) that their courtship really began. Essie Pearl went to work for the Tylers at the Tyler Ranch (in January, 1899) located in Hansford County, Texas, as he was called, was working at a nearby ranch for Wallace McKay. Their acquaintance blossomed into a romance and they were married a few months later on June 25, 1900, in the home of Wallace McKay. The Judge of Hansford County, Guy McKay, performed the ceremony.

The young married couple continued to work for the McKays. They moved to Old Hansford and lived in the Smith Dugout. Here their first daughter, Elvira, arrived prematurely on January 16, 1901. She only weighed 4 pounds and Essie Pearl worked constantly for several weeks to keep her alive. Elvira soon became a healthy baby with all their tender loving care.

In September of 1901, Charles, Essie Pearl, and the small baby girl left Old Hansford and moved to Farwell Draw (four miles east and north of what is now Gruver, Texas). Mr. Thompson had decided to farm for himself and bought the land from the Donaldsons. Their new home was a half-dugout. This was to be their home for the next forty years where they labored and loved and reared their 8 daughters and 1 son.

Essie Pearl remembers many happy times during these years in spite of many hardships. Like all the early pioneers, supplies were bought in large quantities because of the far distance from the towns and the mode of transportation, horse and wagon. Charlie Thompson purchased most of their supplies from Old Hansford and from Guymon, Okla. Sometimes Essie Pearl would make the trip to Guymon with him taking the children along too. She recalls the two day trip, often spending the night with the Hitchers on the way back, and comments on the Hitch family's hospitality.

The first mail the Thompson family received was from Old Hansford, but as several years passed, a Star Route from Guymon, Okla., to Hansford County, Texas was started which brought the mail to them. Charlie Thompson was the first to bid on the route to carry the mail, and Rob Thompson, his brother, carried the mail while Charlie took care of the cattle they had in partnership.

The Thompson children attended schools at Kimball and at the 2-7 school. Other families who attended Kimball were the Hugheses, Nolners, Tomlinsons, Gores, and Staffords. Some who attended 2-7 with them were the Becks and Wilmeths. Two teachers recalled by the family were Grace Bennett (Winder) and Hazel Wright (Morton). The children rode some 7 miles in an open wagon through the cold of the winter as well as the warmer months. They often recalled the teacher warming their cold hands by rubbing them. Some of the disasters which happened to the Thompson family which still are remembered quite vividly by Essie Pearl are

the terrible blizzards and prairie fires. One blizzard in 1911 killed almost all of their cattle and left them in desperate circumstances financially. A terrible hail storm that hit in 1907 is also remembered as it killed their cattle and destroyed their crops. The worst prairie fire remembered was in 1919. Mr. Thompson plowed a fire guard around their place and also set back-fires all around to stop the fire when it reached their home. By working night and day, the Thompsons managed to save their home and out-buildings. Many of their neighbors lost everything, however.

The Thompson family is often remembered for their love and talent for music. Essie Pearl loved to play the Reed Organ and sing hymns. As a girl, she had played and sung in church. Charles built and played a banjo. Several of the children learned to play guitars, especially Charlie, their son. All the children were blessed with good singing voices and a loved to

sing. Many friends and relatives can remember the good times and entertainment when the family was all together. Essie Pearl still loves to sit at the piano and chord and sing church hymns when she has an opportunity. At family reunions she encourages all of the children and grandchildren to sing, then she happily joins the singing group.

Tragedy struck the Thompson family in 1923, when Ruth Hancock, their second daughter died of pneumonia leaving a baby daughter, Odessa. Essie Pearl took the baby to rear with her own young children Dollie and Rose. The baby was called "Teensie" because she was so tiny. But again the family grieved when little Teensie contracted the disease of infantile paralysis and died in 1927 only 4 short years after the mother had passed away. As the years have passed, Essie Pearl lost two more of her children; Mildred Gore died of cancer in 1946, Charlie,

her only son, died of a heart attack in 1967.

The family had few modern conveniences as the children were growing up. In spite of these handicaps, Essie Pearl managed to charm all who knew her with her warm hospitality and good meals she served. She acted as mid-wife for some of the neighbors in the community. She loves to recall delicing some of the Henry Ralston children.

It wasn't until the year 1940, when Essie Pearl and Charles Thompson gave up the home place on Farwell Draw and moved to the Tomlinson farm in the Kimball community that they had their first electricity. They had used coal oil for lighting and cow chips and coal for heating purposes for many years. Friends and relatives of Mrs. Essie Pearl Thompson gathered Sunday afternoon in the Gruver Methodist Church fellowship hall, to help her celebrate her 93rd birthday.

Mrs. Thompson, who has lived in this community since she was 22 years old, is well known and loved by all. She has had a very interesting life. Six of her nine children still live. They are: Elvira Tomlinson, who lives in the Kimball community; Ethel Johnson, Knuige, Okla.; Beulah Steffen, Hardesty, Okla.; Joe Girouard, Pampa, Tex.; Rose Bratton, Gruver; Dollie Hensen, Wichita, Kansas. She also has 63 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

In 1944, her husband Charles Thompson, passed away. She lived on the farm until 1966 when she moved into Gruver and lives in a small house in the backyard of a granddaughter. She continues to be active and independent and maintains a marvelous outlook on life.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Goodheart and children spent the holidays in Kansas with both their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ott and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Goodheart.

### School Lunch Menus

- MONDAY, JANUARY 12  
Meat Loaf  
Mashed Potatoes  
Seasoned Green Peas  
Carrot Sticks  
Banana Cake  
Bread-Milk  
High School Meat Choice  
Swiss Steaks
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 13  
Barbecued Beef  
Seasoned Pinto Beans  
Cabbage-Pickle Relish Slaw  
Strawberry Shortcake  
Batterbread-Milk  
High School Meat Choice  
Sliced Franks with Sauce
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14  
Seasoned Beef on Bun  
Buttered Whole Kernel Corn

- Seasoned Green Beans  
Mandarin Orange Salad  
Cocoanut Bars-Milk  
High School Meat Choice  
Ham Salad Sandwich  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 15  
Fried Chicken  
Buttered Potatoes  
Blackeyed Peas with Bacon  
Combination Salad-French  
Dressing  
Chocolate Pudding  
Bread-Milk  
High School Meat Choice  
Tuna Sandwich  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 16  
Hot Dogs-Chili Sauce or  
Pimiento Cheese Sandwich  
Potato Gems-Catsup  
Seasoned Beans  
Chopped Onions  
Dill Pickle Slices  
Cherry Cobbler  
Milk

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Weaver spent Christmas with their son Robert Weaver and his wife in Colleyville. They saw the Lynette; play their first game in the Duncanville tournament.

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**HAWAIIAN PUNCH** 46-Oz. Can **32¢**

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**PURE EGG Prince Noodles** 16-Oz. Pkg. **49¢**

**U.S. NO. 1 RUSSET POTATOES**  
10-lb. bag **59¢**

**CHILI BEANS** WITH AUSTEX OR WOLF 15-Oz. Can **36¢**

**PORK AND BEANS** VAN CAMP'S No. 2 Can **20¢**

**ELBO MACARONI** PRINCE LONG SPAGHETTI OR 3-Lb. Pkg. **77¢**

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**MEADOWDALE CREAMERY BUTTER** 1-Lb. Qtrs. **78¢**

**CAMELOT COLBY LONGHORN CHEESE** 10-Oz. Pkg. **63¢**

**CAMELOT SLICED BURGER CHEESE** 6-Oz. Pkg. **39¢**

**FAIRMONT CHOCOLATE MILK** 1-Qt. Ctn. **28¢**

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**MEADOWDALE VEGETABLE SALE**  
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**PATIO ENCHILADAS OR MEXICAN DINNERS** 12-Oz. Pkg. **49¢**

**SARA LEE HONEY BUNS** 9-Oz. Pkg. **29¢**

# New Dates For Tournaments

New dates for the Interscholastic League District, Bi-District, Regional, and State play offs have been set this year. The games will be played 2 weeks earlier for class A and AA girls. Regional games at Lubbock will be played Feb. 21st. Last year it was March 8th. The girls district must be completed by February 17th. The girls state tournament will be played February 26, 27 and 28th at Austin. The boys District A, AA and AAA must have a winner certified by February 21st. Boys bi-district is February 23, 24. The regional tourney at Lubbock will be February 28th. The state tournament is March 6th-7th. The Class B and AAAA games will be held one week later.

The district is beginning to shape up into a regular shoot-out in the boys division 1-AA this year. Spearman and Phillips have had a rather easy time leading the district the past two years, but the picture is different this year. The Lynx and Hawks will have to contend with Dalhart, Panhandle, and Stinnett. The Dalhart Wolves almost downed the outstanding Sunray team last week. The Panhandle Panthers blasted Adrian recently. And, Stinnett is always tough. The other district contender Boys Ranch is another dark-horse that could throw the district into a tie.

Local fans still shudder at the Stinnett-Spearman game at Stinnett last year, when the Rattlers lost to the Lynx by 1 point in the last 2 seconds. If the Rattlers had won the game, the Lynx would have lost the district. Schell stole the ball for a layup to win the game.

The Spearman girls, who barely squeaked by the Stratford champion Elkettes at home Friday night, are expected to have an easy walk thru the district; but, bi-district play could get challenging for this fine team. The SWAAU

champions could go all the way without a defeat this year. Fans are warned to start getting ready for the girls bi-district game, hardly a month away.

## Castor Bean Research To Be Continued

Funds will be available again for castor bean research in the Texas Plains during 1970, according to Agriculture Commissioner, John C. White and State Representative, Ralph Wayne of Plainview.

The joint announcement was made recently from Austin following a study of the appropriations bill passed by the Legislature this past summer. The amount will exceed \$25,000, it was announced.

The High Plains Research Foundation, Halfway, is recipient of these funds, Rep. Wayne announced. This is the third year the research foundation has received state funds for castor research.

Rep. Wayne praised Commissioner White and the Texas Department of Agriculture for their continued support of this project in the High Plains area.

"Purpose of the study is to develop castor beans into a meaningful cash crop for High Plains farmers. The bean is used extensively for oil products and can become an important addition to the state agricultural scheme", Wayne said.

A second goal of the research is to learn effective means of controlling the production so that it will leave a "clean field" for another crop the following season. "Castor beans can be a good crop in the field

one year and then a nuisance the next if the land is planted to cotton or feed," Commissioner White pointed out. "So we have to determine the most efficient and economical ways to grow it -- and a good method of killing it".

Rep. Wayne noted that research also will be towards the usage of both "growth and control" chemicals, developing new uses for the bean, a study of best planting and harvesting periods, and a strengthening of castor bean varieties. "Field work is conducted by Texas Department of Agriculture on a year-around basis. Information compiled will be of great benefit to the entire state", Wayne said.

# Social Security Checks 15% Larger In April

Social security beneficiaries need not apply for the 15 percent benefit increase just signed into law by President Nixon. "Every one of the 25 million men, women and children now on the benefit rolls will receive the increase automatically," Robert M. Ball, Commissioner of Social Security, said today. "The first regular check in the new amount," Commissioner Ball said, "will arrive April 3, the usual day for delivery of benefit checks covering payments for the month of March." A separate check in the amount of the benefit increase for the months of January and February will reach beneficiaries later in April, probably in the week of April 20.

Refiguring the benefit amounts of the 25 million men, women and children now on the benefit rolls is a tremendous task, Commissioner Ball pointed out, and it must be done without disrupting the regular benefit payment cycle.

About one out of every eight Americans is now receiving a social security check each month, Commissioner Ball said. As of the end of December, these monthly payments totaled \$2.2 billion and the monthly total will go up by \$345 million to more than \$2.5 billion as the 15 percent benefit increase becomes effective. The average retirement benefit of \$100 a month will rise to \$116 per month; a couple 65 or older receiving the average couple's benefit of \$170, will have their benefit increased to \$196; the average benefit for a family made up of a disabled worker, wife and one or more children will go up from \$237 to \$273; and average payments for a widow and two or more children will rise from \$254 to \$292.

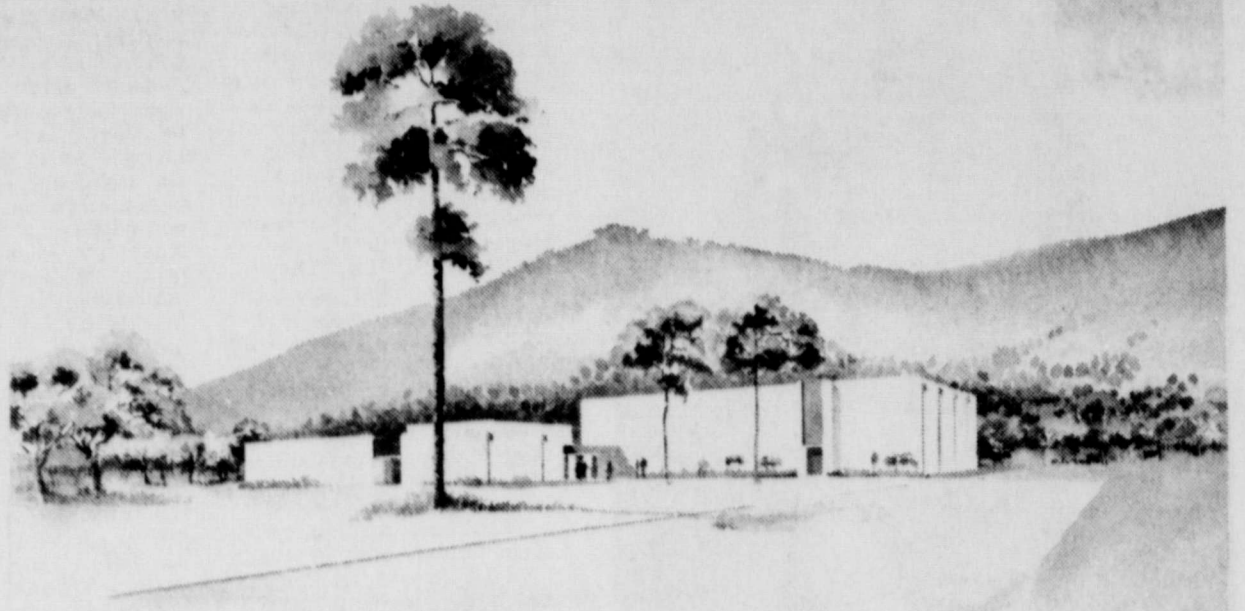
## GUN CONTROL ACT CHANGE EASES AMMO

DALLAS-It is no longer necessary for dealers to keep records of certain ammunition sales, B. Frank White, Regional Commissioner for the Southwest Region, Internal Revenue Service, said today. Newly enacted legislation eliminates the need for dealers to keep records on sales of shotgun ammunition, ammunition suitable only for use in rifles, and component parts of these types of ammunition. Purchases of ammunition interchangeable between rifles and handguns, such as .22 caliber rimfire ammunition, continue to be subject to the recordkeeping requirements. Previously, the gun control act of 1968, required records for all ammunition sales.

Mr. White stressed, however, that no other aspect of the act, which is administered by the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division of the IRS, was changed by the legislation.

Persons engaged in selling ammunition still are required to be licensed under the act.

Anyone under 21 years of age cannot purchase handgun ammunition. However, individuals at least 18 can buy rifle and shotgun ammunition. Dealers must still require purchasers to identify themselves if there is doubt about their age.



HEALTH and EDUCATION SERVICES BUILDING MEDINA CHILDRENS HOME MEDINA, TEXAS

## MOODY FOUNDATION APPROVES GRANT FOR MEDINA CHILDRENS HOME BUILDING

The Board of Trustees of The Moody Foundation of Galveston, Texas, has approved a grant of \$100,000 to be applied to the cost of construction of an all-purpose building at Medina Children's Home which will be named The Moody Health and Education Services Building. The Foundation trustees, in awarding the grant, set forth the following conditions: 1. Medina Home must raise the balance of the money required. 2. The facility must not cost less than \$219,000 as originally proposed. 3. The construction must begin within eighteen months of the date the grant was approved.

Randall Nichols, former police officer with the City of Spearman, resigned this position here about two years ago and he and his wife moved to Medina Children's home where they now are employed in the care and supervision of homeless children. This fulfills a lifetime dream of Mr. and Mrs. Nichols.

The Medina Home Board of Directors has accepted the challenge of raising the balance of money required and is beginning its drive toward the goal of raising \$119,000. Medina Home is a home for adolescent boys and girls supported by the Churches of Christ and other interested individuals located in the beautiful hill country between Kerrville and Medina, Texas. It was founded in September

of 1958 after the community of Medina purchased a 326.1 acre ranch to be used as a children's home. The idea of beginning this home originated in the Medina Rotary Club and then spread throughout the entire community. After the property was purchased it was turned over to the elders of the Kerville Church of Christ who then appointed a Board of Directors, obtained a license from the State Department of Public Welfare, and opened the home's doors to adolescent boys and girls.

Since that time the Board of Directors has grown to 15 men and has a 27-man Public Relations and Development Board working under its supervision to promote Medina Home and help carry out the long-range program of expansion.

Within 11 years the assets have grown to over \$575,000 which include six group-care cottages and three mother-child-care cottages, employee housing, recreational areas, an administration building, feed barn, other buildings and vehicles of transportation. The total number of children cared for at Medina Home is nearly 100, and presently eight students are enrolled in Christian colleges.

Phase I of the expansion program begun in 1965 was completed in 1968 adding \$350,000 in assets. Phase II of the expansion program began this year and will end in 1972 after adding \$450,000 in assets. Plans call for building two group-care cottages for 20 more children, two mother-child-care cottages for two families (one of which has been completed), two houses for personnel, and a Health and Education Services Building. Two new buses will be purchased (one has already been bought) in addition to the hiring of additional personnel and the initiation of a retirement and hospitalization program for the employees which has already begun.

crafts, textiles painting, and beginner's art.

This building will contain a combination gymnasium-auditorium for use as a recreational facility and assembly hall that can be used for worship and where children can use their talents in entertaining. We will also be able to bring in outside entertainment and special programs.

There will be enough room to adequately store meats and perishable items in a large walk-in deep freeze.

This building will house our commissary of groceries and clothing.

A committee has been appointed, including the superintendent of the Home, Dempsey Simpson, to work on this project.

The VA's program to provide on-the-spot orientation and counseling to combat troops in Vietnam reached the one million mark in November.

A veteran who must complete high school training in order to qualify for higher education may receive an educational allowance which will not be charged against his basic educational entitlement.

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# What is RUBELLA ?

Rubella (German or 3-day measles) is a common childhood illness. It is an entirely different disease than "red measles". The measles immunizations that have been given during the past few years give no protection against rubella.

### Why immunize against rubella ?

The danger of rubella is in the defects it may cause to an unborn child if the mother catches rubella during early pregnancy. Some of the defects are cataracts, heart disease, deafness, blindness, cerebral palsy and mental retardation. The last major epidemic occurred in 1964 resulting in 30,000 miscarriages or stillbirths, and 20,000 infants born with severe defects. It is estimated that the care and education of these 20,000 defective children, to age 18, will surpass three billion dollars (\$3,000,000,000) figured on present-day cost.

### Who spreads rubella ?

School-age children are the most likely to catch and spread the disease. Unprotected, expectant mothers can acquire the disease from them.

### Who should receive the vaccine ?

To insure immunity, it is recommended all children, ages one thru ten, receive the vaccine.

### Who should not receive the vaccine ?

Those persons who: Have already received the vaccine; are sensitive to chicken or duck eggs or feathers; or neonatal; are being treated by a physician; are pregnant or might become pregnant during the next three months; have received a live virus vaccination, i.e., smallpox, polio, measles within the past four weeks.

### Why immunize children when it is the expectant mothers who need protection ?

Since it is not known what effects the vaccine might have on an unborn child it is best not to immunize women who are pregnant or might become pregnant during the next three months. With enough children being immunized against rubella the threat to expectant mothers is greatly reduced.

### Should women of child-bearing age be immunized ?

The family physician can determine by HI tests whether or not a woman is protected against rubella, and can decide whether it is advisable for her to receive the vaccine.

### Is it possible to predict when a rubella epidemic may strike ?

Yes. The number of cases peak every six to nine years. With the last major epidemic occurring in 1964 we might expect another epidemic between 1970 and 1973.

### How was the vaccine developed

In 1961, the rubella virus was discovered by two groups of U.S. scientists. The task then was to use this live virus to make a safe and effective vaccine. A vaccine was developed in 1965, thoroughly tested, and licensed in 1969.

### How effective is the vaccine

Several countries throughout the world have used the vaccine resulting in a 90 per cent immunity three weeks after inoculation, and the immunized persons were incapable of spreading the disease.

### Does the vaccine cause a reaction

Children who have been given live rubella virus vaccine have had essentially no complications whatever.



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