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THE  
COUNTY  
by



ARTHUR BARLEMANN, JR. COUNTY AGENT

## Cattle Testing Here Completed Thursday

Testing of cattle for recertification under the brucellosis modified certified plan test was completed on Thursday. The testing crews will have tested 60 head of cattle in herds on 14 ranches in the county.

No reactors or suspect animals had been found the first two days of testing, Tuesday and Wednesday. About 160 head were to be tested on Thursday.

It was not necessary to test cattle on every ranch this time. The county was required to test 519 head to be eligible for recertification but extra cattle were being tested to insure having enough cattle tested. There have been occasions when some cattle have been eliminated for some reason, thus the extra number being tested.

The cooperation of everyone was excellent and appreciated by the testing crew, according to Arthur Barlemann, Jr. the county agent. No large herds were tested at any location and this made extra driving and moving and setting up equipment. In spite of this, the testing was accomplished in a short time.

The county will be granted a new certificate if everything is in order when checked in Austin and Washington. The new certificate will be good for three years when granted.

## Win with Fire Prevention Posters

Six grade school children in the fourth and fifth grades won prize money in fire prevention poster contests here. The money for prizes was donated by the Sterling Volunteer Fire Department. The posters will be entered in further state competition, it was said.

Fifth graders winning were Debra McClure \$3, Diane Gaston \$2, and Judy Copeland \$1. 3rd and 4th grade winners were Judy Brock \$3, Roy Rodriguez \$2 and Hilda Rodriguez \$1.

## Dump Ground Improved

The county had the dump ground improved this week; metal fence posts were put on the pasture side fence and the fire guard was scraped. Luke Hallmark was in charge of the work. Refuse was scrapped up neater and a general improvement is noted.

Luke suggests that persons using the dump be careful of rattlesnakes. Said he killed 2 big ones while working down there.

the bidder who designates a building suitable to the Department's needs and agrees to improve it according to departmental specifications and then lease it to the Department for a basic period of 10 years, with options to renew the lease for an additional 10 years.

The Department's capital investment will be limited substantially to postal equipment. The building will remain under private ownership, with the owner paying local real estate taxes.

Bidding documents will be available on or about March 20 and may be obtained from V. E. Bell, Real Estate Officer, P. O. Box 1386, Lubbock, Texas, 79408. He will supply bidding forms, specifications, lease provisions and other information.

Bids must be submitted to Mr. Bell by May 5, 1967.

## One-Act Play Here Thursday Night

The high school cast of the one-act play will present the play for the public here at 8 p.m. next Thursday night, March 30 at the school auditorium. The play is scenes from "The Diary of Anne Frank." Mrs. Lynn Glass is director of the play this year.

No admission will be made next Thursday night, but donations will be accepted due to some expenses incurred.

The play will be presented in district competition in Robert Lee April 4, said the director.

Appearing in the play will be Chris Frizzell, Ann Lawson, Johnny Copeland, Lynn Alexander, Elaine Price, Debbie Reed, Jay Clark, Charlotte Foster and Gary Foster. Crew members are Susan Mixon, Wayland Foster and Frank Price.

The public is cordially invited to come see the production.

## Notice, Little League and Parents

Jack Peel has called for a meeting of all Little Leaguers and their parents for next Thursday, March 30, 7:30 at the community center. He said it was very important for all interested persons to be present to work up the organization.

He and Jim Davis met with the organizing group of Little League at Robert Lee early this week, and joined that league.

Boys eligible are ages eight to 13. The 14th birthday cannot come before July 31, he said.

## MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION FOR CANCER MONTH

WHEREAS, the right to a life free from pain, free from fear, has long been recognized as a desirable heritage for each human being; and

WHEREAS, the constant concern of the government and of the leaders of this community has been protection of that right for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the great volunteer action of the American Cancer Society is dedicated to bring awareness of the hope about cancer to every home in our community; and

WHEREAS, knowing the hope, knowing the warning signals, and acting on this knowledge, will prevent half the current needless deaths from cancer;

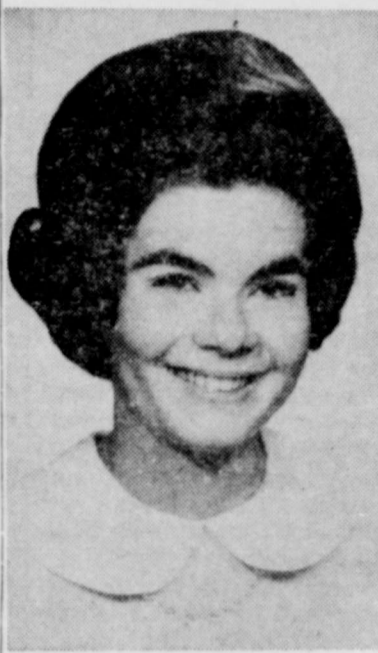
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, LEE R. REED, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF STERLING CITY, do hereby salute and commend the Sterling County Unit of the American Cancer Society and urge each citizen of this day to contribute generously to the Crusade Against Cancer. Let us all give—that others may live.

Signed this day, March 13, 1967 at Sterling City, Texas.  
Lee Reed, Signature

## Memorial Books Placed in School Library

In memory of Dan Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. Otis A. Crook have presented to the school library "Six Thousand Miles of Fence" a realistic history of the XIT Ranch, by Cordis Sloan Duke whose husband was the last XIT general manager to run cattle, and Joe Frantz of the History Department of the University of Texas, known for "Gail Borden: Dairyman to a Nation," which won the Texas Institute of Letters Carr P. Collins Award for the best Texas Book of 1951 and for "The American Cowboy; The Myth and the Reality," of which he is co-author. The school is grateful for this interesting, documented work about an area of the state near us.

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MISS WILLENE GLASS

## Glass-Boger Engagement Told

Mr. and Mrs. David Glass of Sterling City announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Willene Key, to Mr. Allen Dickson Boger, Jr. of Austin. The marriage will take place at First Presbyterian Church, Sterling City on June 24.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dickson Boger of Vernon.

Miss Glass is a graduate of Sterling City High School and a graduate of Texas Christian University, where she was a member of Delta Delta Delta, national social sorority.

Mr. Boger is a graduate of Vernon High School and has a B.S. degree from the University of Texas and he is now working on his master's degree there. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity, and Tau Beta Pi honorary engineering fraternity, and Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity.

## Noratadata Club Meetings

Mrs. Reynolds Foster was hostess when the Noratadata Club met on March 16 at the community center clubroom.

Mrs. Stan Horwood was on the program with "What Role Have I played in This World?" There were nineteen members present and two guests, being Mrs. William Foster and Mrs. Bill J. Cole.

On March 21 the club had a dinner party honoring the members husbands. An Easter dinner party was held in the home of Mrs. Stan Horwood, and hostesses were Horwood, Mrs. Bill R. Bynum, and Mrs. Winn McClure.

Seventeen couples enjoyed the evening of bridge.

## FHA Girls Attend Area Meeting

Members of the Sterling City FHA were part of the 2400 members who attended the Area II meeting held Mar. 18 at Ector High School in Odessa. The theme of the meeting was "21 Years—More Progress Ahead." The new officers were installed and Mrs. Ross Foster was one of three people in the area who were granted honorary membership in FHA. Beverly Brooks was the voting delegate from the local chapter.

Special entertainment was given by Nick Androvitch, a foreign student from Turkey, and by Steven Stinson and the Tijuana Brass Band from Big Spring.

Members attending were Ann Lawson, Elaine Price, Debbie Reed, Beverly Brooks, Sharon Currington, Lelah Estes, Betty Collier, Pam McEntire, Jayne Cope, Kaye Applin, Bethany Wells, Charlotte Foster and Carolyn Cole. Sponsor Mrs. Early Barton attended. Transportation was furnished by Mrs. J. I. Cope and Mrs. Amos Lawson and Vicki. Also in attendance was Jeanie McDonald, former Area II president.

## 645 Get T B Tests Here Monday

### Track Boys at Grandfalls Meet

Coach J. R. Dillard took the Sterling High School track boys to the Grandfalls track meet last Saturday. He took Jimmy Applin, Alex Sedillo, Esau Vargas, Jack Thornton and Randy Peel.

Jimmy Applin placed fourth in the 880 run and the mile relay team placed third. In the relay team are Applin, Sedillo, Vargas and Thornton.

In Sterling Wednesday afternoon Sands track team was on hand for a meet. The Sterling boys outscored the Sands boys in all running events except the mile run and the 440 sprint relay, said Dillard.

On Friday and Saturday of this week Dillard will take the track boys to the San Angelo track meet. He said that any one who would like to see a some good track events—be there. The Angelo boys are good in 4A events and McCamey has some good boys in class 3A.

The Sterling mile relay team shows real promise for an upcoming team and much is expected of them. The locals chalked up the mile in 3:40.5 here Wednesday.

### MYF TO SERVE CHICKEN SUPPER APRIL 8

The Junior High Methodist Youth Fellowship will plan and prepare a meal of barbecued chicken with all the trimmings on Saturday, April 8 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the community center.

Rev. Phil Robberson, pastor of the church, made this announcement this week, and he said more detailed facts of the supper would be made in the next two issues of the paper.

645 persons showed up at the Sterling County Hospital Monday evening for the TB patch tests. The testing was sponsored by the Noratadata Club here. Helping were the personnel at the hospital and other locals, and personnel of the Tom Green County T. B. Association assisted.

The club had bought 600 of the little testing units (cost 20c each) and when they ran out, the Tom Green County workers on hand, stepped in and used 45 of their patch-type tests. Reading was to be Thursday night (the night the paper is printed).

The club president, Mrs. Billy Ralph Bynum and other of the club officials expressed their pleasure at the good turn-out here.

## SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM MENUS

TUESDAY, MARCH 28

- Sausage
- Pinto Beans
- Buttered Spinach
- Sweet Relish
- Cornbread Muffins
- Cookies

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

- Roast Beef
- Buttered Sweet Potatoes
- Vegetable Salad
- Rolls
- Jello, Cookies

THURSDAY, MARCH 30

- Steak Fingers
- Buttered Potatoes
- String Beans
- Lettuce & Tomato Salad
- Rolls
- Pound Cake Muffins

FRIDAY, MARCH 31

- Creamed Turkey
- Baked Potato
- Buttered Peas
- Fruit Salad
- Rolls
- German Chocolate Cake



MRS. BART DITTO, JR.

## ALEXANDER-DITTO WEDDING LAST SATURDAY IN SAN ANGELO

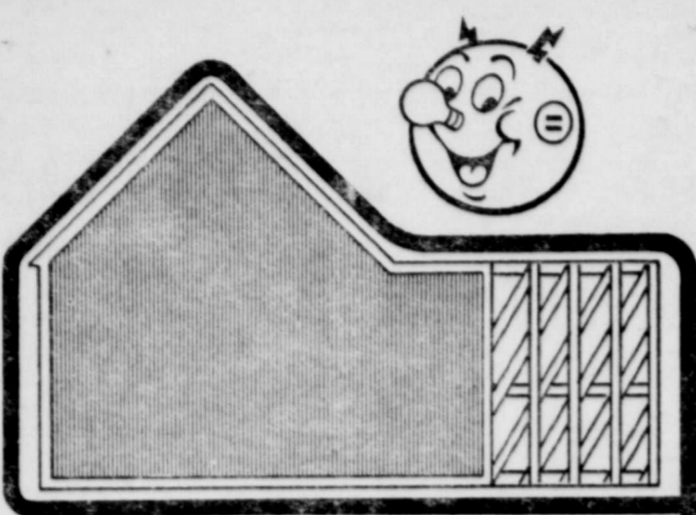
Miss Mahrea Louise Alexander and Walter Barton Dittto Jr. exchanged wedding vows last Saturday in St. Margaret's Catholic Church. The Rev. Thomas Seibt of Sacred Heart Catholic Church officiated. The wedding was attended by members of the families and relatives of the two.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Alexander of Sterling City. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ditto of San Angelo. The bride was attended by

her sister, Miss Lynn Alexander. The bridegroom's father served as best man. The wedding reception was in the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Graddy, aunt and uncle of the bride.

The couple will live at 432 Cauley Lane. The bride is a graduate of Sterling City High School and has been attending Angelo State College.


The bridegroom was graduated from San Angelo Central High School and is currently a sophomore at ASC.



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### Cancer Crusade

With the appointment of Mrs. Chesley McDonald as Crusade Chairman and Mrs. Danny Stewart, Mrs. Dayton Barrett, Mrs. Claude Collins, and Mrs. Tom Crossler as Residential Chairmen, the 1967 Crusade Against Cancer will get underway in Sterling County soon.

In addition to the urgent goals of getting information about cancer into every household in the county, and raising the funds needed to continue cancer control activities throughout the state, volunteers for the ACS will have a new and important assignment.

The Cancer Education Survey will be conducted in Texas for the first time this year; an estimated 600,000 replies will be collected from households in every section of the state.

Here in Sterling County, the Survey will be carried out by Crusaders during the House-to-House drive. After householders have been given the list of cancer's seven warning signals, they will be asked to fill out a brief, confidential form, asking questions about their own health practices. The completed forms can then be mailed back in the envelope provided and will be counted by volunteers in the District Cancer Society offices.

"This is really a two-fold project," Dr. Swann of the Sterling County Unit Board of Directors has explained. "Not only do many householders need to be reminded through this survey of the need for regular health examinations, but the answers will also guide the Texas Division ACS in planning the most needed and successful educational programs possible."

Mrs. McDonald, Crusade Chairman, has seconded the enthusiasm of her fellow volunteers about the Survey. She will be giving something tangible to our neighbors in this project," she has said, "because we're giving them a chance to help us understand what the greatest needs are in programs to reach all sections of the population."

In line with the American Cancer Society's vigorous campaign against smoking, volunteers are seeking to discover how many people in each community smoke, how many have stopped smoking in the last year, and what the ages are in each group.

A follow-up survey will be conducted during 1968 to compare progress made through the Society's year-round programs of films, exhibits, pamphlets and speakers.

"A survey of this size would be impossible by a health organization were it not for the tremendous cooperation of volunteers," Mrs. Danny Stewart, Residential Chairman, has commented. "The cost of the Survey, as it will be carried out in each of Texas' 254 counties, will only amount to the cost of printing. All other services are rendered free by interested citizens in each community."

The goal for the 1967 Crusade in Texas is two million dollars, roughly a dollar for each Texan now living who will have cancer, if present trends continue.

The climate is hopeful, however, since one-half of all cancer victims could be cured, through early diagnosis and prompt treatment. To emphasize the vital need for regular, complete health examinations, the Crusade this year will seek to reach home in the community.

Volunteers wishing to join in the Crusade and Survey are invited to telephone Mrs. McDonald at 8-2872 for more information.

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### City Election April 4

There will be a city election here on Tuesday, April 4 for the purpose of electing three city councilmen. This will be the regular city election.

Councilman Fred Hodges is lead, Hugh Harzke is moving to Brady, and Harvey Glass' term of office is up. City secretary Mrs. H.F. Donalson.

Two men have filed and are to have their names printed on the ballots. They are Harvey Glass (for reelection) and A. C. (Skipper) Lively. A third name will have to be written in by voters, it was said.

### SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION HERE APRIL 1

There will be a school trustee or board election here on Saturday, April 1. Three members have terms expiring. They are Stan Horwood, Bill C. Humble and Roy Morgan.

Filing for the spots on the ballots are Horwood and Humble—and Clinton Hodges.

Roy Morgan did not want to be considered for reelection and did not file. Hodges is on the ticket in the third spot.

Other members of the local board are Chesley McDonald, Finis Westbrook, Reynolds W. Foster, and John Copeland.

Mrs. Lee Augustine will be judge of the election and the election will be held in the district courtroom of the local courthouse.

### Six Flags to Open on April 29

Six Flags Over Texas will begin its 1967 season on Saturday, April 29.

The announcement came from Angus G. Wynne, Jr., President of Great Southwest Corporation, owner-operator of the famed 115-acre, historical theme entertainment park located midway between Dallas and Fort Worth.

During the Spring, Six Flags Over Texas will be open on Fridays from 5:00 p.m. to 11 p.m. and on Saturday and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Starting May 26 and continuing through Labor Day, the Park will be open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Following Labor Day and until the season closes October 29, Six Flags will operate on Saturdays and Sundays only from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Run-A-Way Mine Train ride, key project in the \$1 million expansion of the Boom Town Section of the Park which was begun last season, has been completed over the winter months. The ride, one of the most exciting ever developed, was introduced to visitors on a limited basis near the end of last season, while work continued on the project.

An attendance milestone will also be reached during the forthcoming season, as Six Flags anticipates welcoming its ten-millionth visitor sometime during the month of August. The Park, which opened in 1961 has already counted over 8.5 million visitors.

### 1967 Football STERLING CITY EAGLES

- Sept. 8—Woodson There 7:30
- Sept. 15—Rocksprings Here at 7:30
- Sept. 22—Union (Brownfield) Here at 8:00
- Sept. 29—Miles There 8:00
- Oct. 6—Three-Way There at 7:30
- Oct. 13—Wall Here 7:30
- Oct. 20—Garden City Here at 7:30
- Oct. 27—Sands Here at 7:30
- Nov. 3—Gail There at 7:30
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- Nov. 17—Open

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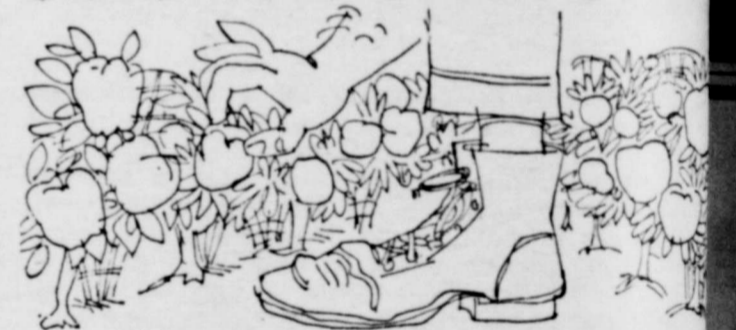
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**Protect Your Children Against Measles, Says The AMA**

CHICAGO—Now is the time to have your children immunized against measles if they have not already received this protection, says the American Medical Association.

Many parents are surprised to learn how dangerous this common childhood disease really is.

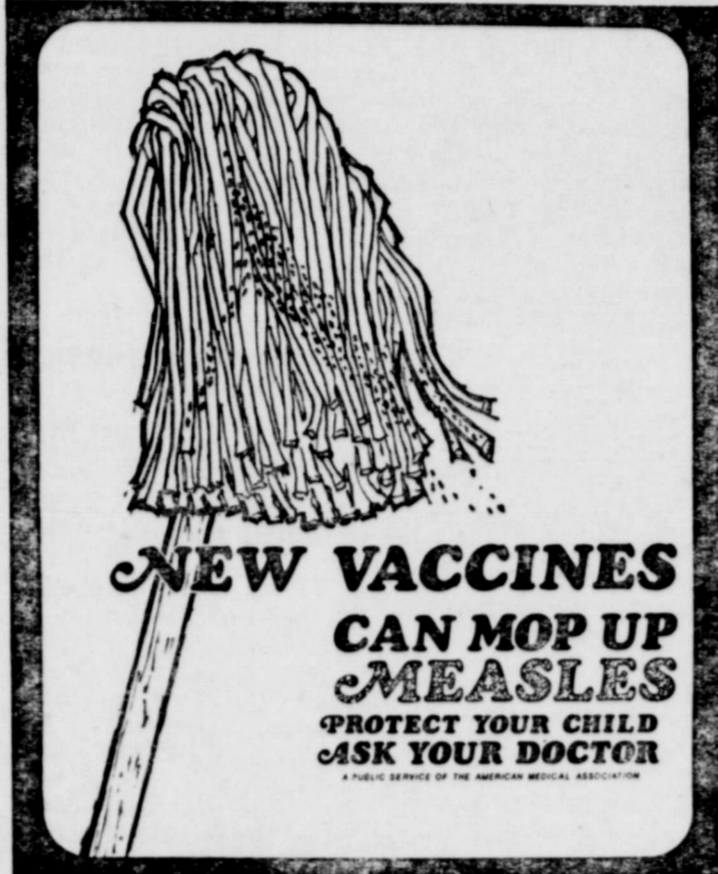
An estimated 250 American children died from measles in 1966. More than 150 suffered measles encephalitis, sometimes called sleeping sickness, or brain fever. Encephalitis frequently leaves children with permanent disabilities, including mental retardation, deafness, and blindness.

Future tragedies can be prevented, because safe and effective measles vaccines are now available. In the past four years, these vaccines have helped cut the measles death rate in half.

It's possible that measles could be eradicated in the near future if more parents protected their children with immunization.

The AMA recommends that every infant be vaccinated when he is about one year old. All children over this age who have not been vaccinated and who have not had measles, should be immunized now.

It is especially important that children in nurseries, kindergartens, and the first two grades of elementary school receive measles immunization. These young-



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**Behind the 8-Ball**

By the editor.

A few years ago while vacationing in Gulfport, Mississippi we (my family) walked into the dining room of the Markham Hotel for breakfast. I, as usual, was wearing one of Bailey Bros. western straw hats. I wore it plumb into the dining room and then began looking for a hat rack. Seeing none, I just laid it on the floor beside our table. I noticed a grandmotherly looking grey-haired woman looking at me like she wanted to tell me something or the other. Before we got through, she got up and came over to our table. She said she really wanted to point out a hat rack to me—but mostly she had a thought "that surely Roy Rogers of the movies was walking in—when she saw the hat". She talked pleasantly for a few minutes, asking us where we were from, etc. She said her husband was a retired army colonel, and they lived at Pass Christian (not far from there.) (She gave it the local pronunciation of Pass Christ-tee-ann.)

We spent several days in that gulf city and went on as far east to the Bellingrath Gardens (south of Mobile) before quitting the coast. We went through Spanish museums, old Confederate museums, Jeff Davis' old home at Biloxi, old plantation homes—and all points of interest in that area. We watched a fishing shrimp boat unload. They had a belt conveyor bringing the shrimp out of the boat into a building, and persons on each side of the belt would sort the shrimp as to size and discard the little fish and unwanted objects. (That was at Gulfport.)

In the Markham Hotel dining room one of the dishes featured in their buffet was barbecued shrimp. They took the little bitty shrimp and barbecued them in a sauce.

They were good. We had a hotel swimming pool or the whole ocean to swim in. The long beach (forty miles or so) had been made with clean white sand dredged up from the ocean floor. The highway went right along the seacoast. Miles and miles of hotels, old home, new homes, etc., with an ocean front.

While on that trip that summer—we stopped at the state capitol building in Baton Rouge and ate lunch in the state cafeteria in the basement of the tallest capitol building in the U.S. Then we went into the Senate Chamber where the senators were arguing on a bill. It was lots of fun. Senators can be cut-ups at times.

On that trip I tried to eat sea food every meal except, of course breakfasts. We had choices of all kinds along the coast and up as far as Baton Rouge. There was a chain—more or less—of sea food restaurants—called Don's Sea Foods, that served all kinds of sea foods. They had large crowds of diners and served good food.

In New Orleans we had a time down in the old French quarter, Jackson Square, a park with a statue of Andrew Jackson who won the battle of New Orleans against the British in the War of 1812. The old St. Louis Catholic Cathedral just off the square was worth going through, as well as the old cemeteries. There they have the graves above the ground—due to the fact that one strikes water three to six feet below the surface. They have these above ground vaults—and bodies are treated with the reverse of preservatives—so as to be nothing left in a year—(that's the law there) and the vault is then ready for another body—or burial.

Canal Street runs right on down to the Mississippi in the old part of town—the French Quarter, and the old United States Mint building. The old buildings are occupied and, by law, cannot be changed or modernized. Two famous res-

taurants, Antoine's and The Court of the Three Sisters—are well known. Cabarets, night clubs, bars, etc flourish down there and a lot of the French motif or influence is seen.

In New Orleans the Tulane Medical School is right beside the big charity hospital and nearly all big buildings and bridges are proclaimed as being "built under the administration of a Long—like Huey or Earl or another".

The Longs had an impact in Louisiana—of that there is no doubt.

**8-BALL**

While making our way to the coast, we stopped at Houston to see the sights. After doing a little sightseeing right in the town, we went out to the San Jacinto battleground—we got a free ferry ride across the Bayou. The battleship Texas was moored here and is a real tourist attraction. I took a slide picture or two on a ship going out of the Port of Houston in the intracoastal canal, and the name of it was "The Sulphur Queen." Later that summer it went down off the coast of Florida without a trace. It carried molten sulphur.

**8-BALL**

There's a lot to be seen and visited in Texas. The pine forests of East Texas, the Big Bend National Park, Padre Island National Seashore, the older cities like San Antonio, El Paso, etc are interesting to spend time in. The state parks like Palo Duro, Fort Griffin (where they keep the Longhorns), Fort Davis, and the recreational parks, all could keep a body busy for a long time. The city of Austin with the capitol, the university and its many parks, is always worth a trip.

**8-BALL**

The old places should be preserved—for the future generations. I kinda hate to see cities like Santa Fe, N. M. get so darned modernized in the downtown areas that you don't even care about stopping there anymore. The old houses, old churches, old curio shops and museums, and the artists colonies that show off their works, etc—all are well worth going to see.

The wonders of nature in the west, the old monuments and museums and homes of the east, the beauty of the sea—coasts and the forests—all have a place in our country.

**8-BALL**

For summer trips that are so close that a day can be used for some of them include Fort Davis' McDonald Observatory, the Sonora and the Carlsbad Caverns, Palo Duro Park, and some I'm bound to be overlooking.

Juarez is just across the Rio Grande at El Paso, over into New Mexico is Ruidoso and Cloudcroft, and lots of other historic and scenic places that are worth a trip. People can see more nowadays with a good car and good roads and highways than ever before.

**8-BALL**

People could spend an entire vacation in San Antonio and see lots. There's the Alamo, the cradle of Texas liberty, the old missions (lots of 'em), the Witte Museum and Breckridge Park and zoo at the city zoo, the old La Villita, the old governor's palace in San Antonio, and the various military installations, the old area of town plus the new.

And next year there will be the Hemis-Fair down there. It'll be sort of a World's Fair and Exposition.

**8-BALL**

Enough of this "travelogue" type of thing. Guess the spring like weather has set my travelling mechanism in motion—or something.

**8-BALL**

School will be out today—and Monday for the Easter Holidays. It's about as early (Easter) this year as it can possibly be. Or at least, so I read somewhere.

Hope all the freezing weather is behind us.

**8-BALL**

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**AS IT LOOKS FROM HERE**

By Omar Burleson, Member of Congress, 17th District

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Edward P. Hoyt, writer on health matters, has recently authored a publication entitled, "Our Hospital Crisis."

In the opinion of Mr. Hoyt the United States is among the most medically deprived nations in the world today. We ordinarily think we have the best care of any place on earth but from what this author says fifteen other countries have more hospital space and at least eight others lower infant mortality rate than we do. Mr. Hoyt's contention is that in view of our size and place among the World's Nations, we are entitled to better hospital care than we are receiving.

Statistics otherwise available tend to support Hoyt's point of view. Although hospitals in the United States housed 1,700,000 beds in 1965 only 700,000 of these were readily available to general hospital patients.

In 1966 with the passage of Medicare, the situation became even more acute as more people became eligible for hospital and nursing home care. Since World War II neither the number of hospitals nor the number of beds has risen in proportion to the costs which reached \$12 billion in 1965 and continues to rise at the rate of ten percent per year.

Researchers on the subject also question the quality of American hospitals. Patients, assuming there is room for them to begin with, are harassed with red tape, subjected to incompetent care and unnecessary surgery in many instances according to reports. Mr. Hoyt says that many received padded bills, were alternately bullied and ignored and generally not taken care of.

Incidentally, in Washington, D.C. and other cities complaints are loud and long about facilities for emergency care. This is the room or section of the hospital to which victims of accidents, sudden illness, etc. are taken. The complaint is that they are so cluttered up with patients who are really not in an "emergency" state that the real victims are unable to be admitted. It seems many are gotten into the hospital by their doctors classing them as "emergency" patients.

Like about everything else, there is another side to the coin. Writer Hoy gives credit to first rate hospitals. "Our Hospital Crisis" is not merely a condemnation of the hospital system. It is, however, written from the patient's point of view but problems of the hospitals are recognized and taken into consideration.

Today the costs of building a new hospital or adding on to an existing one is extremely costly. Equipment becomes obsolete before it is paid for and qualified hospital help is not cheap. From all indications many hospital administrators believe that new approaches are needed for solving present day problems of hospitals. In many places, forward-looking administrators are doing something about it and improvements should soon come about.

Such things as efficient ambulance service is necessary if patients requiring emergency services are to survive. Here again is another bottleneck, not directly a part of the hospital operation but one which must improve if indeed there is a crisis. Ambulance opera-

**LIONS CLUB**

Guests at the Lions Club luncheon Wednesday noon in the community center included Mike Kissco of San Angelo, Fred McCabe of Robert Lee and little Danny Daniels. The prize went to Danny Daniels.

President Kirk Hopkins announced the District II-A convention to be held in Midland on April 7 and 8. The club has an entry in the Queen's Contest, being Debbie Reed.

A committee was named to see about piping water into the little concession house at the Little League park.

**MRS. MERTON FERGUSON'S MOTHER DIES**

Mrs. O. W. (Fronia) Sosebee, mother of Mrs. Merton Ferguson died last Friday in Anson General Hospital after an illness resulting from a previous stroke.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon in the Anson Church of Christ, with Dale King, minister of Oliver Street Church of Christ in Stamford, officiating. He was assisted by Lloyd E. Ash, the local minister. Burial was at Rose Hill Cemetery, Merkel, Texas, under the direction of the Lawrence Funeral Home.

She was born Fronia Roberta Callaway, Jan., 1887 in Hill County, and moved to Jones County with her family as a child, settling in the Noodle Community. Her father, E. J. Callaway, and a brother, W. C. Callaway, were pioneer ministers of the Church of Christ, of which Mrs. Sosebee was a long time member.

She was married to Mr. Sosebee in Sept., 1903. Mr. Sosebee died September, 1945 after which time Mrs. Sosebee made her home at Anson.

Survivors include nine daughters: Mrs. Cecil Hawk, Mrs. Clinton Woodlock, Mrs. J. Frank Woodward and Mrs. John W. Jarratt, all of Lubbock, Mrs. W.O. Satterwhite and Mrs. Alton Goodrich, both of Midland, Mrs. Arlie Brothers of Paducah, Mrs. Louise McGinnis of Anson and Mrs. Merton Ferguson of Sterling City; one son, O.C. (Pat) Sosebee, died in August, 1962 and is survived by his wife, Irene Sosebee of Walnut, Mississippi. Also surviving are one brother, Dock Callaway, and one sister, Mrs. A. J. Barbee, Sr. both of Anson; 18 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

**IN SOCIAL CLUB AT ACC**

Abilene—Jeanie McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McDonald, has been named to Gata social club at Abilene Christian College.

To obtain membership in a social club a student must be classified as a sophomore, have a 2.0 grade point average and have attended ACC at least one semester.

A 1966 graduate of Sterling City High School, Miss McDonald is a sophomore education major. She is a freshman class senator.

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tors have been brought under the Fair Labor Standards Act which is causing many operations by funeral homes and other special services to be discontinued. No question: that the most efficient service should include a physician, qualified attendant, proper medical supplies and a central dispatch service, all of which cost money and the overhead goes on whether used or not.

If reports are accurate, another problem related to health is the inefficiency of many private laboratories. Reports indicate that the number of mistaken laboratory findings have been alarming. This is another subject, but one of deep concern to the overall well being of medical care.

All these things are part of a problem which must be faced if the tremendous increase in medical and health services is to be properly met.

**NEW LEGISLATION TO HELP STERLING COUNTY FAMILIES OBTAIN HOUSING**

The U. S. Departments of Agriculture's Farmers Home Administration is better equipped to handle the housing credit needs of low and moderate income Sterling County families as a result of legislation recently signed into law, according to Patrick F. Sullivan, Farmers Home Administration county supervisor.

Sullivan said the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act, signed last month by President Johnson, makes it possible for a broader range of Sterling County families to qualify for housing loan authorities of the Farmers Home Administration.

The new legislation Sullivan continued, makes more mortgage credit available to low and moderate income families in Sterling County by increasing the level of activity of the Agency's rural housing loan program.

Here are some of the other changes in the rural housing loan program administered by the Farmers Home Administration:

—Many Sterling County who had to go the long route of planning, contracting and building a house can now buy newly constructed buildings. Before the new legislation, these families could only purchase previously occupied buildings.

—Qualified low-income families can now obtain housing credit from Farmers Home Administration on the basis of a cosigner. Previously, only those rural persons 62 years and older qualified for this assistance.

—The new legislation increases from \$1,000 to \$1,500 the maximum amount of assistance the agency can make for emergency repairs or improvements to owner-occupied rural housing or farm service buildings. This credit is not designed to upgrade a building but only to remove hazards to the health and the safety of the family and the community.

—Rural families on the verge of losing their homes through foreclosure may save their homes if a sound basis can be developed by the Farmers Home Administration to refinance their debts.

—Financial assistance can be given to construct rental housing for low and moderate income rural families of all age groups. Previously, rental housing financed by FHA had to be occupied by rural people 62 years and older.

Loans by the Farmers Home Administration are made to Sterling County applicants who are unable to obtain credit they need from private lenders at reasonable rates and terms.

Applications for Farmers Home Administration rural housing loans may be made at the Tom Green County Office, 5107 West Twohigh Building, San Angelo, Texas.

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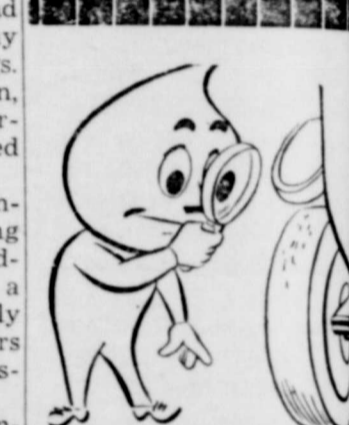
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