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AROUND
THE
COUNTY



ARTHUR BARLEMANN, JR. COUNTY AGENT

Congratulations are extended to the twelve Sterling County girls and three adult leaders who participated in the County Food Show held Saturday in the community center. This was the first food show held in the county.

The 4-H Club girls who participated were Theresa Blum, Patti Bynum, Tonja Colvert, Brenda Davidson, Deborah Davidson, Amy Hodges Becky Hodges, Suzy Humble, Jennifer Lackey, Mary Lou Mendez, Deborah Lynn Miller, and Melinda Terry. Adult leaders who participated and who have been working with the girls for the past several months were Mrs. Billy Ralph Bynum, Mrs. Clinton Hodges, and Mrs. Larry Miller.

Mrs. Fay Roe, home demonstration agent of Coke County and Miss Diane Durrett home demonstration agent in training in Coke County, were the judges. Miss Durrett will be moving to Schleicher County as home demonstration agent in the near future. The judges were most complimentary of the girls and leaders for their accomplishments in their first year.

The end of another year is near and this means that it will soon be time to make an accounting to the Internal Revenue Service for the financial aspects of the year. To aid agricultural producers, the IRS has just released the 1972 issue of the FARMER'S TAX GUIDE, INCOME AND SELF EMPLOYMENT TAX. This may not be a topic of interest during the holiday season ahead, but copies of the guide are available in the county agent's office. You may have one by coming by the office or calling for one.

The guide contains much helpful information whether you figure your own tax return or have it done. The latest regulations are included in the guide along with much other useful information for the agricultural producer.

The Regional Pecan Show is being held in Midland's Dellwood Shopping Center this weekend. Dates for the show are December 16 through the 18th. John Brock will have several entries in the show.

Entries in the Regional Show are winners from the county pecan shows in the area. Winners in the regional show, of which there are three in the state, are sent to the State Pecan Show which will be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Texas Pecan Growers Association next summer.

Accidents never take a holiday—not even at Christmas. Fire safety deserves special attention during the holidays when additional fire hazards are created with combustible decorations, trees, lighting sets and gift wrappings.

Check your light sets for loose connections, broken sockets, and frayed insulation. Use lights on artificial trees only if the tree has the Underwriters Laboratory label approving such use. Light bulbs made in the United States are usually safest; some of the imported bulbs may have hot spots capable of starting a fire.

Living trees should have water. They may be placed in one of the commercially available stands or one of

Home Demonstration Club Met Dec. 6

The Sterling County Home Demonstration Club met on December 6, and everyone answered with a Christmas idea.

Mrs. John Willingham of San Angelo presented a program on how Christmas decorations can be made at home. She displayed some very lovely decorations.

The president, Mrs. Charlie Davis served refreshments.

There were nineteen present including seven new members—being Mrs. Bill Humble, Mrs. Stan Horwood, Mrs. Danny Slaughter, Mrs. Bob Browne, and Misses Maggie and Ruth Reynolds and Mrs. Joseph Blaneck.

The next meeting will be on January 10 with a program by Mrs. Faye Roe, the Coke County Home Demonstration Agent.

FFA Meeting

The local chapter of the Future Farmers of America met Monday night at 7:15. Entrees for the Fort Worth and Houston Livestock Shows were made.

Initiation ceremonies were conducted at the meeting. The freshmen were initiated into the chapter on the 14th.

The FFA is selling trouble lights at 4.75 and they work off a 12v battery. They also still have a few vests left at 8.50.

Reporter Skeete Foster

FHA Meeting

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The S. K. Horwood home was the scene of the Future Homemakers of America Christmas party on Monday December 13 at 7 p.m. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served by Lisa Horwood and Juanita Munoz.

The FHA has set Tuesday, December 21 to go to the Nursing Home and sing some Christmas carols to the residents.

NEED home for 4 black puppies. Chihuahua-Daschound mixture. See or call the Milford Wileys. (FREE.)

your design with a water reservoir. This should be kept filled during the holiday season to prevent the tree from drying out. Diagonal cuts on the base of the tree will provide more area for the tree to take up this water; you would be surprised how much water a tree will take up.

Gather up the gift wrappings as soon as possible to prevent fires started by sparks from the fireplace or other sources. Never leave the house for any time with the tree lights burning. This is one of the big sources of fires during the holiday season and no one wants their holidays ruined by fire. Fires are pretty in the fireplace but never are pretty when its your home or someone else's that's burning. Someone once said a long time ago that "Fire was a good servant but a poor master."

HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY!

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week include:

Mrs. Larkin Longshore
John Reed
Mrs. Spencer Jackson
H. L. Hildebrand
Clyde Reynolds
Mrs. O. V. O'Bannon
Mrs. James Watkins

Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week include:

Mrs. I. B. Langford
Patients in the Sterling County Nursing Home on Thursday morning of this week were:
Mrs. Cliff Carpenter
Mrs. Lucy Norman
Lonnie McCarty
Mrs. Lilly Revell
Mrs. Henry Merrell
B. O. Bailey
Mud Allen
Larkin Longshore
Mrs. Allie Foster
Earnest Turner
Mrs. J. E. Bynum
Estes Orange

Hospital Board Expresses Appreciation

At a regular meeting of the Board of directors of Sterling County Hospital and Nursing Home, it was unanimously agreed to publicly express the appreciation of the board to the many people of Sterling County and surrounding area for their interest, work, and cooperation in making possible the nursing home and hospital for the convenience and comfort of those needing such services.

To the taxpayers, the Commissioners' Court, those who gave so generously of funds for extra conveniences, those who worked in selecting furnishings and extra items of comfort, and all of those who participated in the official open house, we express this gratitude.

It is our sincere desire that this addition to Sterling County be an asset to the community, and to this end, we shall endeavor to operate in the years to come. We are looking forward to your continued support and participation in the years to come.

Sincerely,
H.L. Hildebrand, chrmn.
Worth B. Durham, secy.
E.L. Bailey, vice-chrmn.
Wm. J. Swann, M. D.
Foster S. Price
Robert S. Foster

Nursing Home News

The patients are enjoying flowers received for open house and are grateful to Mrs. John F. Boyd, The First National Bank, the H. L. Baileys, the H.L. Hildebrands, Estah's Flowers, Bill Meyers Appliances, Shirley Floral and the J. C. Swann family for these arrangements.

Mrs. Lucy Norman had as her guests this past weekend her daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Parker of Freeport, Texas.

Mrs. Horace F. Donaldson was in charge of decorating the nursing home for Christmas. Four trees are decorated, felt wreaths are on each door and candy jars adorned as Santa Claus are on the dining room tables. Other decorations are throughout the building. Mrs. James Salvato and Mrs. Rance Hord made angels for the hospital doors.

Mrs. Bill R. Bynum is in charge of the Xmas party for the residents, and will be assisted by the FHA girls and other volunteers. The party is scheduled for December 21 at four p.m. and any gifts that you have for the patients may be left at any time.

We are grateful to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hinshaw for the beautiful nativity scene that they made and gave for the

BASKETBALL NOTES

Boys Win Consolation Trophy at Garden City Tournament

The Sterling City boys team won the consolation trophy at the Garden City tournament last week end, by defeating Westbrook 69 to 63 in the final.

Coach Milford Wiley's boys lost their first game to Sands 69 to 51. Then they won over Water Valley 67 to 49 to advance to the consolation finals.

The girls team lost their first game to Sands 44 to 25. Then they won over Water Valley 44 to 37, but lost the consolation final to Westbrook 44 to 37.

Playing boys games here on Tuesday night, the A team beat Grandfalls 66 to 46. High for the locals were—Clark Kilpatrick with 17, Ray Escobar 11, Ken Peel 8, Bill Bautista 8, Skeete Foster 8, Allen Price 6, David Gaston 4, Chris Gartman 2, Tommy Bynum 1 and Dean Johnson 1.

High man for Grandfalls was R. Sanchez with 14.

The B boys won 43 to 23.

High for Sterling was Tony Munoz with 17, Dwayne Davis 12, Don Alexander 4, Jim Terry 5, Russell Davis 2, Darow Atkins 2 and Jesse Lujan 1.

High for Grandfalls was Walker with 13.

Sterling is entered in the Robert Lee Tournament this weekend.

Junior High Girls Defeat Lakeview

Coach Wanda Foster's Junior High basketball girls defeated Lakeview Junior High here Thursday evening of last week 37 to 11. Carol Jones led the locals scoring with 21. Phyllis Johnson made 8, Melinda Terry 6 and Cindy Mendez 2.

The girls are not scheduled to play again until after the Christmas holidays when boys and girls both will play Water Valley here on January 6.

LIONS CLUB

There were three guests at the Lions Club luncheon Wednesday noon. They were Andrew Coronado, Jack Shelley of San Angelo and Montie Stokes of Big Spring.

The prize went to Ross Foster.

The club voted to pay the expenses on repair of the town's Christmas lights and decorations.

The Rev. Charles Tucker conducted a quiz on Christmas Bible facts.

Candidate for UT Degree

Drew Taylor Durham, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Worth Durham of Sterling City is a candidate for a B.A. degree in the humanities at the University of Texas at Austin. There are 150 candidates for degrees in the humanities at the end of the fall semester, December 22. There will be no public graduation exercises.

Candidate for Degree at Texas Tech

Debbie Reed, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Neal J. Reed, is a candidate for a B.A. degree at Texas Tech University on December 23. She is majoring in English, doing practicing teaching now at Lubbock Monterrey High School.

living room.

The gift shop has a large assortment of gifts now and invites everyone to do some Xmas shopping while visiting in the home.

Truman C. Davis, 60, Dies in Roswell

Funeral Services To Be Here Saturday at 10 A. M.

Truman C. (Cutter) Davis, 60, died at 11 p.m. Wednesday in St. Mary's Hospital in Roswell, New Mexico following an extended illness.

Funeral services will be held here at 10 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church. Officiating will be the pastor, Rev. Andy Daniels and Methodist pastor, Rev. Harold Orr. The body will lie in state at the Ross Funeral Home until the hour for the service.

Mr. Davis was born January 6, 1911 in Sterling County, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Davis. He was married to Bena E. Glass in Mertzon January 10, 1941 and lived here until they moved to Roswell four years ago.

He is survived by his wife; two brothers, Roy C. Davis of Canyon and Walter R. Davis of Oklahoma City; and four sisters, Mrs. V.O. Jackson of Belton, Mrs. R. D. Allen and Mrs. H. M. Kuttler, both of San Angelo, and Mrs. Earl Hughes of Lamesa.

Mrs. Cassie McCollum Buried Here Sunday

Mrs. Cassie Elizabeth McCollum, long time resident of Sterling City, died Friday, December 10 in Shamrock, Texas. Mrs. McCollum had lived there with her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Neese, for several years.

Mrs. McCollum was born Cassie Elizabeth Sherrod on August 12, 1886 in Brownwood and moved to Sterling County in 1888 where she and James McCollum were married October 21, 1906. He preceded her in death in 1945.

Mrs. McCollum was a charter member of the Sterling Church of Christ.

She is survived by an only daughter, Mrs. J.A. Neese of Shamrock; one sister, Mrs. Ireba House of Midland; one granddaughter, Mrs. Stephe Perkins of Grand Prairie and one grandson, John Allen Neese of Dallas.

Funeral services were held in Shamrock with W. Ralph Weinhold, minister of the Church of Christ, officiating. Interment was in Montvale Cemetery with graveside services conducted by Pat Brooks and the young people's class of the local Church of Christ.

Pallbearers were Jim Butler Howard Davee, T.J. Finnegan, Cotton Frizzell, O. T. Jones and Jack Peel.

Robison Funeral Home of Shamrock and Ross Funeral Directors directed the services.

Epsilon Zeta Club Christmas Party

The Epsilon Zeta Club held their Christmas party Tuesday December 14 in the community center. Hostesses were Mrs. Charlie Davis, Mrs. Troy Templin, Mrs. Milford Wiley and Mrs. Danny Slaughter. A buffet style dinner was served and gifts were exchanged.

Bridge bingo was won by Troy Templin and Larry Saunders. Crazy bridge was won by Mrs. Lynn Rich and Mrs. Louis Watson.

Present were Mrs. Tom Crossler, Mrs. Juanita Johnson, Mrs. Jodie Blaneck, Mrs. Adele Fleming, Mrs. Lynn Rich, Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Fincher, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Roger, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Hopkins,

Christmas Program at School Monday

At Six o'Clock

Mrs. Mildred Mitchell, music teacher at the school, will present a Christmas musical pageant at the school auditorium next Monday night at six o'clock. Pupils from the kindergarten through the sixth grade will be in the program.

Title of the pageant is "A Star in the Night" and deals with the first Christmas.

Everyone is welcome to attend the play.

Baptist Christmas Program Sunday

The church Christmas program at the First Baptist Church will be held this Sunday night at 6:00 p.m. The program will be put on by the Sunday School. The regular church training at 6 p.m. and evening worship at 7 will not be held due to the Christmas program.

There will be refreshments and fellowship following the program. Everyone is invited to attend.

Fire Department Christmas Party December 20

The annual Sterling Volunteer Fire Department's Santa visit and Christmas party will be held at the fire house here at 7 p.m. on the night of December 20, it has been announced.

Stockings of goodies will be given out to the children and cookies and drinks will be served to all. The department has ordered 220 Christmas stockings for the kids.

All persons of the community are invited, but all ladies who come are asked to bring two dozen cookies, please. This means any lady, not necessarily wives of firemen.

Noratadata Club Has Christmas Dinner Party

The Noratadata Club held the annual Christmas dinner party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Barrett last week. Hostesses were Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. James Thompson, Mrs. Bill Watts and Mrs. Mildred Emery.


Husbands of members were guests. Present were Mr. and Mrs. D. Kirk Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Dodds, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Durham, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Stan Horwood, Mr. and Mrs. Foster S. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Bynum, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brooks, Mrs. Nan Davis, Mrs. Edwina Cope, Bill Watts, James Thompson and Dayton Barrett.

Toll Telephone Line Out Briefly Tuesday

The telephone toll line in Sterling was out for about 25 minutes right after noon on Tuesday. Reports indicated that blown fuse caused the interruption.

In case of fire, phone 8-4771

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Social Security Tips CHECK YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY RECORD

"How do I know my work under social security is being credited to my record, and how do I find out about it? This is one of the questions most frequently asked," says J. M. Talbot, social security manager.

In explaining the process involved in reporting social security, Mr. Talbot said, "When you work for wages, your employer deducts social security tax from your paycheck each pay day. At the end of each calendar quarter, he submits your name and number with payment for these taxes to Internal Revenue. Internal Revenue forwards copies to social security's main office in Baltimore, Maryland. Your wages are then posted to your record. The same process is followed for a self-employed person except that his earnings are recorded yearly."

Mr. Talbot states that the possibility of an error being made in the process does exist. He recommends that you request a statement of your earnings at least every three years.

All you have to do to secure the statement is to send a post card request available at your social security office to Baltimore, Maryland. If the reply you receive is incorrect in any way, contact the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue (P. O. Box 3808) in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

Each calendar quarter, the Social Security Administration receives employer reports of earnings showing incorrect social security numbers of employees, according to J.M. Talbot, social security manager. These incorrect reports, in many cases, happen when a girl has married but does not have her name changed on social security records.

Mr. Talbot stated that when a girl marries, she should complete a 'Request for Change in Social Security Record' form. After completing the form and returning it to the social security office with her old card, she will be issued a new social security card with the same number but showing the new name.

If the name and number reported by an employer do not match the name and number on file with the Social Security Administration, the earnings might not get to the proper account. This could result in a later loss of social security benefits or in a smaller benefit being paid.

"Did you know that if you operate any type of agricultural business, the hired workers you have in that business may be covered by social security?" J. M. Talbot, social security manager, asks.

Any employee who works and earns \$150 or more for one employer during any year or works at least 20 days on a time basis for an agriculture business, is covered by social security. Even part-time employees could meet the earnings or work test. You, as their employer, would be liable to withhold social security tax from the employee's check, match that tax yourself, and report the earnings at the end of the year.

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In case of fire, dial 8-4771

STERLING JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

- 11-29—Garden City H 6:30
- 12-2-4 Grape Creek Tournam.
- 12-6—Robert Lee H 6:00
- 12-9—Lakeview (girls) H 6:30
- 1-6—Water Valley H 6:30
- 1-10—Lakeview girls H 6:00
- 1-13—Garden City T 6:30
- 1-27-29—Robert Lee Tournam.
- 2-3—Water Valley T 6:30
- 2-7—Robert Lee T 6:00
- 2-10-12—Sterling City Tourn.

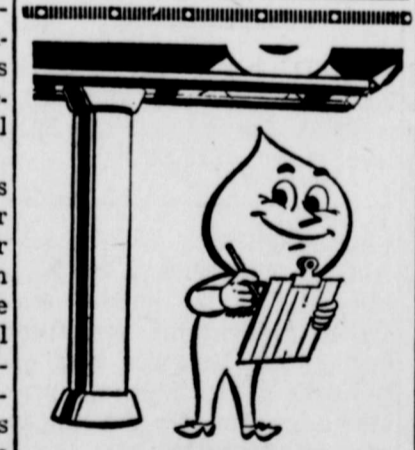
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NOTICE—The Volunteer Service League meets every second Monday at 7 p.m. at the Sterling County Hospital and Nursing Home. Please arrange to be present.

1971-72 OFFICIAL SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR STERLING
FIRST SEMESTER—Monday, August 23—Tuesday, December 21 (inclusive)
SECOND SEMESTER—Monday, January 3—Wednesday, May 24 (inclusive)

HOLIDAYS

- Monday, September 6—Labor Day
 - Thursday & Friday, Nov. 25 and 26—Thanksgiving
 - December 22—January 2—Christmas (inclusive)
 - March 30—April 4—Easter (inclusive)
- TEACHER WORK DAYS**
Student Attendance Not Required
- August 16—August 20 (inclusive)
 - October 25—TSTA Monday
 - December 22—Teacher Work Day. Wednesday
 - January 17. Monday
 - March 10. Friday
 - May 25. Thursday
- Baccalaureate—Sunday May 21
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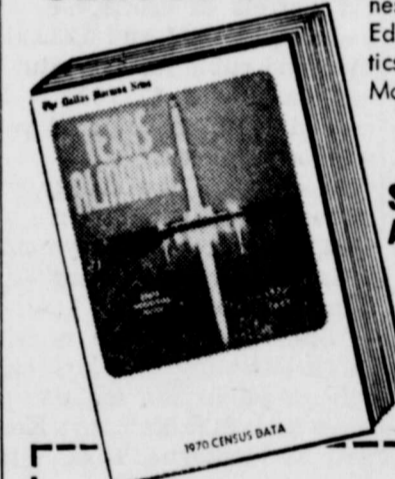
STERLING CITY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL 1971-72

Date	Opponent	Boys	Girls	Place	Time
Nov. 23	Miles	A&B	A	T	5:00
Nov. 30	Miles	A&B	A	H	5:00
Dec. 2-4	Forsan Tourn.	A	A	T	
Dec. 7	Mertzton	A&B	A	H	5:00
Dec. 9-11	Garden City Tour.	A	A	T	
Dec. 16-18	Robt. Lee Tourn.	A	A	T	
Dec. 28	Wall	A&B	A	H	5:00
Dec. 30	Wall	A&B	A	T	5:00
*Jan. 4	Bronte	A&B	A	T	5:00
*Jan. 7	Water Valley	A&B	A	H	5:00
*Jan. 11	Forsan	A&B	A	H	5:00
*Jan. 14	Garden City	A&B	A	T	5:00
*Jan. 18	Blackwell	A&B	A	T	5:00
*Jan. 21	Bronte	A&B	A	H	5:00
*Jan. 25	Water Valley	A&B	A	T	5:00
*Jan. 28	Forsan	A&B	A	T	5:00
*Feb. 1	Garden City	A&B	A	H	5:00
*Feb. 4	Blackwell	A&B	A	H	5:00

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Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27 day of February, 1970.

The file number of said suit being No. 736.

The names of the parties in said suit are: Medina Castenda as Plaintiff, and Doroteo Castenda as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows: to wit: Suit for Divorce.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved

Issued this the 9th day of November A.D., 1971.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Sterling City, Texas, this the 9th day of November A. D., 1971.

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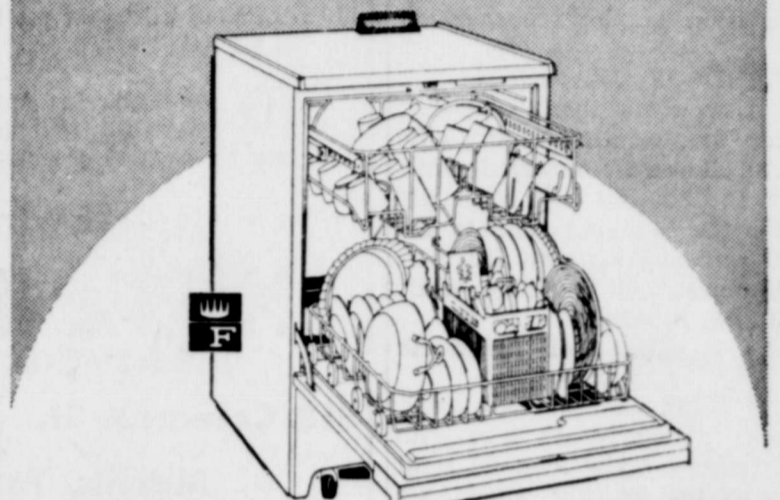
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This is the fourth child of the Drennans; they have three daughters, Cheryl Ann, Sherri Lynn and Lisa Jo.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Drennan of Sterling and Luther Sparks of Robert Lee.

Bobby Clanton, basketball coach at Clint, visited with relatives last weekend during the Garden City tournament. He married Barba Dunn, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Dunn of Sterling City. His team won third in the boys division of the tournament.

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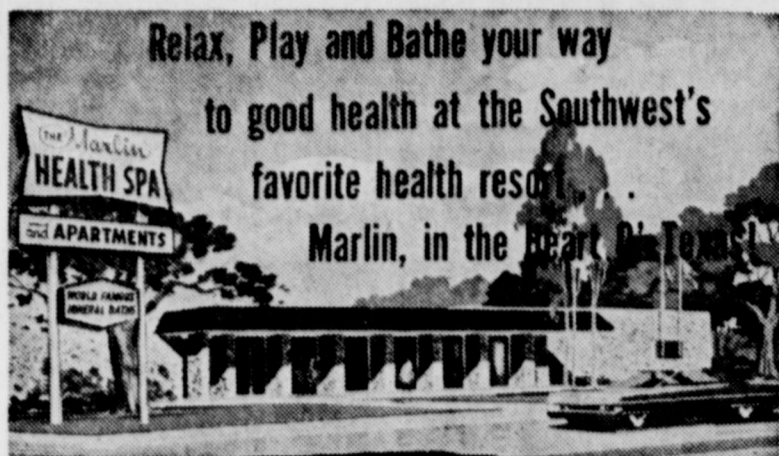
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If you were baptized before age 5, you'll be asked to find out if there is a record. If there is, it is all the proof of your age you'll need.

If you have no birth or baptismal record, the people working in the social security office will be happy to suggest some other possibilities. Some examples are an old family Bible, school records, and federal census records.

You may not recall now, but when you bought your marriage license you gave your age. You may also have some old insurance policies about the house. The list of proofs to try is quite long. When you file your claim, it helps if you have already fund the oldest thing you can that shows your age. Usually, the older the record the better it is for proving your age. It will help the people at the social security office pay your benefits sooner if you think ahead on your age.

Many times a telephone call before you visit the social security office will help. You may be able to file your claim by phone. Contact the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue (P. O. Box 3808) in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area. Persons who are unable to meet with him are encouraged to call the office in San Angelo at 949-4608.

WHO MUST FILE SOCIAL SECURITY EARNINGS REPORT

Most social security beneficiaries who earned over \$1680 in 1970 are required to file a report of their earnings with the Social Security Administration by April 15, 1971. This report is in addition to any Federal or State tax return, and it must be filed with the Social Security Administration, according to J. M. Talbot, social security manager.

Beneficiaries who were 72 years old in all months of last year are not required to file the annual report of earnings. Disabled beneficiaries should report immediately if they become self-employed or take a job. All other beneficiaries, including families of disabled persons, are under the retirement test and must report their earnings annually.

The purpose of social security benefits is to replace earnings lost due to retirement, death, or disability. If an individual continues to earn a substantial amount—\$1680 or more—some adjustment is made in the amount of his benefits. One dollar for every two dollars earned between \$1680 and \$2880 is withheld. If an individual earns over \$2880, he gives up a dollar for each dollar earned over \$2880 regardless of the amount of yearly earnings. A beneficiary is entitled to his full social security check for any month in which he does not earn over \$140 and is not self-employed. The annual report will allow us to determine whether or not additional benefits are payable.

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Oil Production Significant Here

Petroleum production continues to play a significant role in the economy of Sterling County with a direct input of \$7,377,608 last year.

According to the latest compilation of Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Assn., the county in 1970 produced 1,999,879 barrels of crude oil valued at \$6,599,601 and 5,328,816 thousand cubic feet of natural gas valued at \$788,007. It ranked 112th in value of petroleum produced.

In addition, the county received the stimulation of \$922,201 in royalty payments to landowners and others with mineral interests.

"Sterling was one of 187 Texas counties that had petroleum production valued at more than \$125,000", says Kenneth E. Montague, Texas Mid-Continent president.

Its ability to produce helped Texas meet a record demand with record production of both oil and gas in 1970. This demand has again diminished Texas petroleum reserves as additions failed to offset withdrawals. In Texas, we only drilled 8,114 wells, the smallest number since 1946.

Texas state government benefited from the county's petroleum, receiving \$303,582 in production taxes on crude oil and \$58,351 on natural gas.

Drilling expenditures in the county totaled \$3,871,213 with \$2,338,214 being lost on dry holes. Drillers completed 10 oil wells, 1 gas well and 17 dry holes. Eight wildcats were drilled with seven of them dry.

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LIONS CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S CAMP

Members of Lions Clubs throughout Texas this month are pausing to pay recognition to their camp for crippled children which has given over 12 thousand handicapped youngsters a new dimension since it was opened in 1953.

The camp, located at Kerrville in the Hill Country of Central Texas, is free to crippled, blind, deaf or mute children from the ages of seven through sixteen. The 17 permanent buildings and other improvements dotting the 504-hill-side acres represent an investment of more than \$700,000.

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