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Firemen Attend Training School

The Firemen's Training School in Abilene on Monday and Tuesday of last week was attended by local members. Troy Templin and Gary Maricle were instructors and Cecil Craig also attended the school.

Local firemen are planning to go to Eldorado next Saturday for the Hill Country's Fall Convention. All firemen and firemen's wives are ured to attendpart of the day if it is not possible to stay all day. There will be food, games and entertainment. Teams from the various volunteer fire departments will compete in the SIX MAN HOOK-UP TEAM and in water polo-for both men and women. Trophies will be awarded to winners. Sterling's teams have won many trophies in the past.

Each property owner in Sterling City benefits from the work of the department. They are rated by points and each point brings down the fire insurance rate in the city. The greatest service is putting out fires in the city and on ranchlands over the county.

Sterling City will be host to the spring convention here next April.

SWCD Election Here October 6

There will be an election of a director for subdivision 5 of the North Concho River Soil and Water Conservation District at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, October 6. The election will be held at the City Park following a Dutch Treat barbecue lunch at noon by the Sterling City Future Farmers of America chapter.

A range tour of the S. K. Horwood Santa Fe Ranch will follow the election.

Subdivision 5 is the portion of the district in Sterling County lying south of the North Concho River to its intersection with Lacy Draw, then south of Lacy Dray to the Glasscock County line.

All landowners within the above named area, who have attained the age of 21 years and reside within the North Concho River SWCD are eligible voters and also eligible to serve as a director. Husband and wife are both eligible to vote.

Reynolds Foster has served as director of subdivision 5 for the past five years. All eligible voters are encouraged to attend. Everybody who would like a good barbecue lunch catered by the Sterling FFA and make the range tour on the Horwood ranch are welcomed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crossler of Ingram, Texas have been here visiting their son, Tom Crossler. and wife. They also came after Tom's grandmother, Mrs. Lucy Poshepny of Ingram who had been here visiting the Tom Crosslers.

EDDIE JONES HAS SINUS OPERATION

Eddie Jones underwent a sinus operation in the San Angelo Clinic-Hospital last week. Following the operation, it was decided to have him undergo more extensive treatment on the infected area.

In case of fire. phone 8-4771.

Home Demonstration Club Meets Oct. 15

The Sterling County Home Demonstration Club will meet in the clubroom of the community center on Monday, October 15 at 1:30. This is a change of days—from the regular second Monday.

Mrs. John Willingham of San Angelo will bring a program on drying of flowers, and flower arrangements. She is president of the Senisa Garden Club of San Angelo.

Everyone is invited to attend, said Mrs. Clinton Hodges.

MCT Begins Neil Simon Comedy

LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS

Simon is the maic word! You know it's a hit and a cinch to be an entertaining evening if it's a show by Neil Simon. LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS, his ninth big hit in a row, opened on Broadway in December, 1969, and ran nearly two years to sell-out audiences. Midland Community Theatre's production of LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS will be on stage at Theatre Center from October 5 through October 20.

Critics received this play with delight, calling it not only his funniest, but his most human comedy. In the cast at MCT Bill Shaner, well-known to area theatre-goers for many past performances, most recent being in '1776' and THE CRUCIBLE, will play Barney Cashman. Barney's three girls will be Jan Klenmann, Pat Lambie and Mary Frances Floyd, last seen on MCT's stage in THE WOMEN, CACTUS FLOWER, and PLAZA SUITE, respectively.

The play is extraordinarily funny and yet also endearing. Simon is as witty as ever—perhaps wittier—but this is a comedy that will linger with you even when the laughs it gave you have turned into an appreciative memory.

RED HOT LOVERS is about a mild man who yearns for one big fling in his middle-aged. tranquil and faithful married life. Behind the laughs lies Simon's most serious play. yet probably his funniest.

Time magazine said—While it may seem like a strange thing to say, the only forebear of Neil Simon would be someone like Moliere. This kind of playwright who peppers the society's precepts with stinging humor.

LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS is funny, has loads of laughs and contains more cogent comment on the human condition than Simon's earlier works. It is definitely one of the most shimmering pearls on his string of hits. The show will be designed and directed by Tom Mikotowicz and stage managed by Marilyn Busby.

Reservations may be made by calling or writing Midland Community Theatre. The box office is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone 682-2544 or write Box 4847, Midland.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank all my friends for the cards, visits, gifts, etc. while I was hospitalized. A real special thanks to Dr. Swann and the hospital staff.

MRS. IVER MERCER

LIONS CLUB

The Lions Club met at noon in the community center for the regular weekly luncheon meeting. The prize went to John Williams.

Talk of holding a raffle as a money raiser took some time. A set of golf clubs, cart and bag, or a gun will probably be voted on for the money raiser.

A committee to ready the old Christmas light decorations was named by president Ross Foster. He named C. A. Tucker, S. M. Bailey, Albert McGinnes and H. L. Bailey.

HOSPITAL NOTES

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

Frank Rodriguez Marcus Estrada Mrs. Jim Butler W. D. Parker Mrs Pauline Burns

Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week were;
Mark Chumley
Mrs. Iver Mercer

Mrs. Iver Mercer Mrs. Mary Sue Hays Tomas Fuentes Clyde Reynolds

Patients in the Sterling County Nursing Home on Thursday morning of this week were;

Mrs. Ida Brown Mrs. Jim Duke Jim Duke Mrs. Lucy Norman Mrs. Lilly Revell B. O. Bailey Larkin Longshore W. J. Williams Earnest Turner Mrs. J. E. Bynum Mrs. Larkin Longshore Mrs John Lane Mrs. Robbie Grace Noble Read J. B. Ratliff Mrs. Minnie Pinson Roy Morgan Mrs. Henrietta Long Mrs. Noble Read J. B. Stites Mrs. Susie Finnegan Mrs. O. M. Cole Mrs. Eula Clegg

Baseball Association Elects Officers

The Sterling Baseball Association met last Tuesday night and elected new officers as follows:

Jim Cantrell, president Bobby Dodds, vice-president Bobby Myrick. secy-treasurer Herb Edwards, reporter.

In addition to election of officers, a work day was set for this Saturday. October 6 to move the Forsan ball park equipment to Sterling City. A group of seven men will meet at the Truck Stop Saturday morning at 7 a.m. and leave for Forsan. Anyone else interested in helping the Sterling Little League may do so by joining this group to Forsan.

Present at the meeting, in addition to the four officers were Bob Browne, Andy Daniels, Rance Hord, Hugh Lackey, Gary Maricle, Clifford Stephens. Troy Templin and Frank Stewart.

The association will meet again next Tuesday night, October 9, at 8 p.m. in the community center. This association is a community minded association and parents in the community are urged to please circle Oct. 9 on their calendars and attend.

Eagles to Garden City Tonight at 8

SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM MENUS

(All Type A lunches served with 1/2 pint milk, bread and butter.)

LUNCHES

Steak Fingers
Green Beans
Corn
Brownies
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9
Bar B Que on Bun
Pinto Beans

MONDAY. OCTOBER 6

Potato Salad
Cake
WEDNESDAY. OCTOBER 10
Hamburgers
Lettuce
Tomatoes

French Fries Cookies THURSDAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11
Pizza
Cole Slaw

Blackeyed Peas
Peach Crisp
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12
Roast and Gravy
Potatoes
Sweet Peas
Gingerbread
BREAKFASTS
MONDAY. OCTOBER 6
Pancakes

Apricots
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9
Doughnuts
Peaches

Oatmeal
Orange Juice
Biscuits
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11

WEDNESDAY. OCTOBER 10

Cinnamon Rolls
Pears
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12
Scrambled Eggs
Orange Juice
Biscuits

Noratadata Club

The Noratadata Club met in clubroom of the community center Thursday evening of last week with Mrs. Finis Westbrook as hostess.

Mrs. Worth Durham presided during the business session. The club voted to enter the Community Improvement Contest and to pay dues of \$8.00 for this year only to offset the tax need for the Federation's Clubhouse in Austin.

The program on Friends was presented by Mrs. Bill Watts.

Following the dinner, bridge was played and the following members were present: Mmes. Henry Bauer,, D. Kirk Hopkins, James Thompson, Finis Westbrook, Chesley McDonald. Danny Stewart, Reynolds Foster, B. R. Bynum, Worth Durham, Nan Davis of San Angelo, Bill Watts. I. W. Terry, Mildred Emery, T. F. Foster, Jr.. Bobby Dodds. Ross Foster, Hubert Williams, Foster S. Price, Jim Davis and Dayton Barrett.

CARD OF THANKS

To all my good friends—thank you for the visits, cards and gifts you sent me while I was in the hospital. A real big thanks to the hospital workers and to Dr. Swann for their care.

MRS. MATTIE MEYER

Call in your news items to the News-Record. 378-3251.

BEAT LOOP 36--14 LAST FRIDAY

The winning Sterling City Eagles football boys journey to Garden City tonight at 8 to engage the Bearkats in a conference game. The Eagles, under coaches Dan Slaughter and Milford Wiley, have a season's record of 4 wins and no losses. The have won handily over Klondike, Cotton Ccenter, Three Way and Loop.

Here last Friday night the Eagles won over Loop 36-14.

But at halftime Loop was in the lead by 14-12. The Eagles came back to win by the final score of 36-14.

Russell Davis and Ken Peel each scored twice for the Eagles. It is hoped that a large crowd of local fans will go to Garden City tonight. The game is the closest away from home game of the season.

Social Security Tips

Social security checks should be cashed within a reasonable time to prevent loss or theft, even though there's no time limit on cashing them, according to social security officials here.

'If your check is lost or stolen, get in touch with your nearest social security office at once,' a spokesman said. 'The check can be replaced, but it takes time. Handle your check carefully when you get it and you won't have to wait while it's being replaced.'

Social security pays over \$4 billion a month in benefit checks to almost 29 million people—eligible retired and disabled workers and their families and families of deceased workers who worked long enough under social security.

For further information contact the Social Security office at 3000 W. Harris Avenue, San Angelo. Texas 76901 or call 949-4608.

OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY IN HAWAII

Recently Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Sparkman of Boerne, Texas, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Joy Wilkerson of Garden City, and another daughter and family, Mrs. Beth Powell, husband and sons. Craig and Powell of San Antonio, visited Mrs. Powell's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Russell and Jimmy.

The group flew to Hawaii and were met in Honolulu by the Russells. They visited places of interest over the islands.

in Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. Sparkman celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with a dinner at Makaha Inn. The Sparkmans, who lived lived and ranched in Glasscock and Sterling Counties for many years, recommend that everyone celebrate their 60th anniversary in Hawaii.

YOU ARE Invited. Attend the high school pep rallies each Friday in the school gym.

Eagle Pep Squad Leaders

News Items—if you have a worthy news item, call it in to the paper. 378-3251.



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D.P.S. Recruiting Men and Women

MIDLAND — Major E. K. Browning, Jr., Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety's 49 County West Texas Region, announced that an intensive effort is being made to recruit men and women.

Major Browning stated this is the first time since the Department was created in 1935 that applications are being accepted from women for the position of Patrolman.

Major Browning said the Department has been successful in recruiting persons from minority groups to the position of Patrolman. Efforts to recruit from these groups are continuing.

All persons making application for the position of Patrolman must be between 20 and 35 years of age, between 68 and 76 inches in height, must weigh not less than two pounds nor more than $3\frac{1}{2}$ pounds per inch of height, and visual acuity no worse than 20/40 correctable to 20/20. A person must be of good moral character, excellent physical condition and must have a minimum of 30 semester hours of college credit.

Persons selected as recruits will be assigned to Austin for an 18-week training school at the Homer Garrison, Jr. Law Enforcement Academy. Successful graduates will be assigned to either the Highway Patrol Service, License and Weight Service, Motor Vehicle Inspection Service or the Driver License Service, according to the needs of the DPS and consideration of personal preference.

The salary during training will be \$600 per month. Room and board while at the Academy will be approximately \$55 per month.

When a person is commissioned as a Patrolman, his salary will increase to \$743 per month. Patrolmen also receive longevity pay after five years of service, a monthly uniform cleaning allowance and travel expenses when away from their home stations.

Recruits must furnish their own uniforms which consist of khaki shirts and pants, black shoes, belt and tie. When commissioned as a Patrolman. uniforms, vehicles, weapons, ammunition and related equipment are furnished.

Group life and hospitalization are paid for the employee, and dependent coverage is available at reasonable rates. Patrolmen participate in the Employees Retirement System of Texas, as well as Social Security. Vacation, holidays and sick leave are provided.

Browning said interested men and women should contact any DPS office or Patrolman for an application. After completing the application, it should be presented to the DPS office either in Midland, Abilene, San Angelo or El Paso for the examinations.

ADOPTION OR ABORTION?

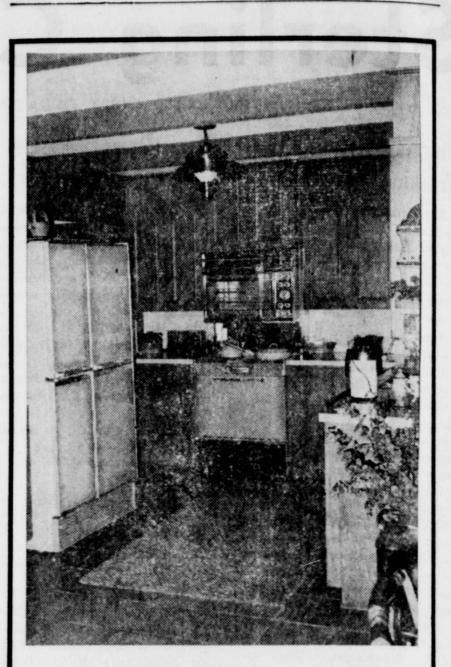
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Aug. 24-Scrimmage Garden City 6 p.m. H Aug. 31-Scrimmage Garden City 6 p.m. T Sept. 7-Klondike 8 p.m. T Sept. 14-Cotton Center 6 p.m.H Sept. 21-Three Way 8 p.m. T Sept. 28—Loop 8 p.m. H Oct. 5-Garden City 8 p.m. T Oct. 12-Open Oct. 19-Wellman 8 p.m. H Oct. 26-Dawson 8 p.n., T Nov. 2-Smyer (Homecoming) 7 p.m. H Nov. 9-Whitharral 7 p.m. T Nov. 16-Borden Cnty. 7 p.m. H

Game Seasons Set

(All district games.)

STERLING COUNTY GAME SEASON AND LIMITS 1973-1974

DOVE—Sept. 1—Oct..14; Jan 5—Jan. 20 (10 per day and 20 possession.)

JAVELINA—Sept. 1—Jan. 31; (2 per season) TEAL—Sept. 15—Sept. 23 (4

per day)
ANTELOPE—Sept. 29—Oct 7;
(1 per season with permit)

DEER—Oct. 10-Oct. 31, Archery season, either sex. Nov. 17—Jan. 1 (2 deer eith-

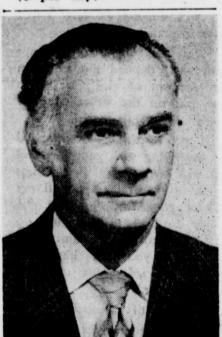
er sex)
TURKEY—Oct. 1—Oct. 31 Archery season, either sex. Nov.
17—Jan. 1 (2 turkey, either

QUAIL—Nov. 17—Feb. 15, 12 per day, 36 possession.

DUCKS, COOTS—Oct 25—Nov. 25; Dec. 8—Jan. 20. (100 points per day)

Jan. 27 (3 per day, 6 possession.)

GEESE AND BRANT—Oct. 29
—Nov. 25; Dec. 8—Jan. 20
(5 per day)



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Spotlight on HEALTH

PROFILE OF A COLD VICTIM

What are your chances of catching cold? According to a booklet on the subject, they're especially good if you're female, live in a large city in the western or northeastern part of the U.S., and are the mother of a child under 6 years of age. Young children are, the greatest coldspreaders. Your chances are further enhanced if you're going through a period of stress and strain. "Contentment preserves one even from catching a cold," the great philosopher, Neitzsche once

The booklet, which discusses the common cold, is distributed by Winthrop Laboratories, the makers of Neo-Synephrine nose drops and nasal spray that are widely used in the U.S. and abroad.

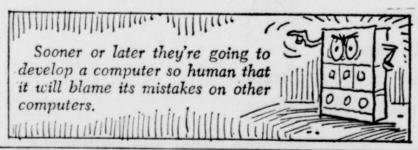
Keeping up one's resistance helps to avoid the common cold, according to the publication, which advises getting sufficient fresh air and exercise, well-balanced meals, and as much sleep as possible in a well-ventilated bedroom. In cold weather areas, an extra hour a night is recommended.

Early stages of the common cold are the most contagious. Every sneeze fills the air with thousands of virus-laden drop ats. To help prevent spreading a cold to the rest of the family, to friends and to co-workers, everyone should have his own glass, cup, silverware and towels. Hands should be washed thoroughly and often, preferably with a liquid antibacterial skin cleanser. pHisoHex is the one that is used in most U.S. hospitals to help prevent spread of infections. Particularly during the cold season, it is wise to keep a handwashing preparation in the kitchen, as well as in the bathroom.



cautions are taken. However, the Winthrop booklet also states that it is not completely possible to avoid a cold. Just breathing the air that someone with a cold has merely talked into offers the possibility of infecting a healthy person.

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Behind the 8-Ball



By the editor.

Postmaster and Mrs. W. R. Brooks returned home Sunday from a thirty day vacation trip that took them to the National Postmasters' Convention in New York City and on in to the New England States and Canada for sightseeing.

8—BALL

Mrs. Don Griffin and her son, John, will leave next week for a trip to Venezuela. Last year the Griffins won a trade trip to the Canary Islands. This year the son will go with Mrs. Griffin and Don will stay home. The trip is for two persons.

8—BALL
County Judge Roland Lowe
attended the State County Judges
and Commissioners' Convention
in El Paso the first part of this
week. Mrs. Lowe accompanied
him.

8-BALL

Our apologies to everyone at the State Highway Department here. Due to a combination of circumstances, we failed to get in a news release about the open house at the department—set up for last Friday. There is something that gets caught and does not make the paper nearly every week, and we always hate it. But circumstances make it so that we just have to stumble along with what we can handle. 8—BALL

Memo to C.F. in Midland. I really DO believe in women's lib. More all the time.

If you dont believe it, just

ask me. 8—BALL

For any embarassment I might have caused you, just overlook it on the grounds above.

8—BALL

Ruben Rodriguez it now taking care of the golf course under

a work program deal.

8—Ball

The Arthur Barlemanns are

The Arthur Barlemanns are attending the National Convention of County Agents in Baltimore this week.

8—BALL

A group of locals helped out at the Boys Ranch benefit roping and Art Show at the O S Ranch near Post last weekend. We don't know all who attended but Raymond Thomas Foster and Jim Davis helped with the barbecue. Tom McGill donated a dog that was auctioned off for \$200 for the Boys Ranch.

8—BALL

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For Social Security

The San Angelo Social Security Office is now taking applications for supplemental security income payments, a Federal program scheduled to start in 1974 that will establish an income floor for people in financial need who are 65 or over, or blind, or disabled, according to J.M. Talbot, social security manager.

But, people already getting State old age assistance or State aid because they are blind or disabled don't have to apply, he said. They'll be geting more information later this year about how the program will help them.

"The first monthly payments under the Federal program will be made in January, 1974," Mr. Talbot said. "Until then, State and local public assistance offices will continue to make payments in the usual way."

People not getting public assistance now who think they may be eligible for the new Federal payments should call or write social security to find out if they should apply, according to J.M. Talbot.

"Federal supplemental security income payments will be made by the Social Security Administration," Mr. Talbot said. "But the program will be financed by Federal general revenues—not by social security contributions from workers and employers. It's not the same as social security."

The aim of the new program is to provide supplemental payments in cases of need so that people 65 or over, or blind, or disabled will have a basic cash income of at least \$130 a month for one person and \$195 a month for a couple.

"This doesn't mean that every eligible person or couple will be getting that much from the Federal Government every month," Mr. Talbot said. "The amount of the Federal payment any person gets will depend on how much other income he has."

"Eligibility for Federal payments will depend not only on the amount of income people have but on the value of their assets," Mr. Talbot said.

"If you're single—or married but not living with your husband or wife—you can own things worth up to \$1500 and still get Federal payments," he said. "A couple can own things worth up to \$2250 and get payments. Not everything you own has to be counted toward your total assets, however."

"A home of reasonable value will not be counted as an asset," Mr. Talbot said. Personal effects and household goods won't count in most cases. Insurance policies or a car may not affect eligibility either, but it will depend on their value.

Certain income will be disreded in deciding on an application for supplemental security income. The first \$20 a month of income generally won't affect the Federal payment at all, Mr. Talbot said. "In addition, people who are working part time should know that the first \$65 a month of earnings won't be included in counting their income and only half of the rest of their additional earnings will be counted, he said.

Apart from earnings, other income above the first \$20 a month generally will reduce the Federal payment. This includes social security checks, veterans payments, workmen's compensation, pensions, annuities. and gifts, Mr. Talbot said. And. if you live in someone else's household, your basic Federal payment will be reduced by one-third before other income that may affect your payment is deducted.

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