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AROUND
THE
COUNTY
by



ARTHUR BARLEMANN, JR. COUNTY AGENT

The sale at the San Antonio Livestock Show last Friday was quite good on the steers and lambs that the Sterling County 4-H Club members sold. Floor price announced at the beginning of the sale was \$58.50 per hundred on the steers and \$57 per hundred on the lambs.

Lisa Horwood's reserve champion Brangus steer sold by the dollar, as do the champions at the county show. She got \$1,050 for the steer which was bought by the Hawkinson Tire Company of San Antonio. After the sale, the tire company owners came to the stall to meet Lisa and get their picture taken with the steer. The steer weighed 935.

The fourth place lightweight Brangus steer shown by Larry Horwood sold for 61c per pound. We were unable to get the name of the buyer doing the sale. This steer weighed 885.

Lonnie Horwood's twelfth place medium weight Hereford steer sold for 59c per pound, and again we were unable to get the name of the buyer. It weighed 975.

Larry Horwood also sold the sixteenth place medium weight Charolais steer for 59c per pound. Weight was 1,045.

The eighteenth place medium weight Hereford steer sold by Scott Davis brought 61c per pound. It weighed 950.

Amy Hodges' third place heavyweight finewool lamb sold for 70c in the lamb sale. The forty-seventh place lamb in the same class was also sold by Amy; it brought 80c a pound.

The Sterling County 4-H Club members sold livestock for a total of \$3,529.90 in the sale. They also earned \$446 in prize money for themselves. In addition, the club earned \$20 for winning first place in the neatness award division in the Junior Breeding Sheep Show. One steer was sifted and sold for an additional \$477.75, the one steer that failed to place was brought home and nine non-placing lambs were brought home.

Lisa Horwood, Carol Jones, and Charles Blaneck got lots of exercise in taking the animals through the sale ring Friday morning and afternoon. Their help is appreciated as there was a shortage of girls and boys to take the animals through.

Charles also showed his two Charolais heifers in the Junior Charolais show Thursday morning. This was a very good show and Charles managed to be the first in each of the two classes that didn't get a ribbon.

It is a pleasure to note that the Hereford and Charolais steers shown by Larry and Lonnie were bred by their father, S.K. Horwood, and the Hereford steer shown by Scott Davis was bred by Billy Ralph Bynum. Both of the Brangus steers were bred by the Kiowa Cattle Company of Mertzon, just across the Middle Concho River in Irion County.

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

Change of Date on Firemen's Convention

The Hill Country Volunteer Firemen's Convention in Sterling City will be on April 6 instead of the 13th.

The HCVF officers held a meeting Sunday afternoon in Eden. They said the By-Laws provide for changing the date so as not to come the day before Easter.

Tom Asbill has been appointed chaplain to the fill out the year, succeeding Rev. Andy Daniels, who moved.

Seven firemen and three of their wives, attended the Eden meeting Sunday.

SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM MENUS

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

LUNCHES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Fish Portions
Macaroni and Tomatoes
Green Beans
Cookies

THURSDAY, FEBRUAR 28

Chili Dogs
Corn

Potato Chips

Apple Crisp

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Hamburgers

Lettuce

French Fries

Banana Pudding

BREAKFASTS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Scrambled Eggs

Plums

Biscuits

THURSDAY, FEBRUAR 28

Doughnuts

Pears

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Pancakes

Apricots

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Texas Highway Department will conduct an informal meeting in the City Auditorium, City Hall, San Angelo, Texas on March 27, 1974, at 7:00 P.M.

The purpose of this public meeting will be to gain general knowledge and information to be used in a feasibility study for extending Interstate Highway 27 from Lubbock, Texas, in a southerly direction to intersect with Interstate Highway 20 and proceeding further to intersect with Interstate 10. All interested individuals and groups are requested to be present at this meeting and be prepared to express opinions and submit pertinent data and information, both oral and written, that could have a bearing on the feasibility study.

No School Today

LATE BULLETIN—Due to so many being absent at the Sterling school.—there will be no school today, Friday. Seventy were absent Thursday, and weather is bad. The two holidays for students next week, should see the end of the problem.

School Trustee Election April 6

The Sterling School Board has set April 6 as the school trustee election for Sterling.

Anyone wishing to run for a spot on the local school board must file with County Judge Roland Lowe by March 6. So far two have filed for the two places that are coming up for voting. They include incumbent C. J. Copeland and one new one—Bill Davis. There is no cost for filing but candidates must file by March 6.

School board president for 21 years, Reynolds Foster, is not to run for reelection this year. He feels that he has served his time on the board and the last of his children graduated last year.

DAUGHTER TO MR. AND MRS. RUEBEN RODRIGUEZ

A daughter, named Janice, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rodriguez here on February 14. She weighed eight pounds and five ounces.

This is the second child of the couple—they have a little girl named Norma.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cipriano Amador and Mr. and Mrs. Raul Rodriguez.

DAUGHTER TO MR. AND MRS. LARRY BLACKBURN

A daughter, named Linda Lee, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Blackburn in Ruidoso, New Mexico on January 19. She weighed six pounds and nine ounces.

This is the second child of the Blackburns. They have another daughter, Laura. Papa Larry is with the Cole Enterprises in Ruidoso.

TSGRA Auxiliary

The Sterling Auxiliary to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association held its first meeting of the year at the community center Wednesday with Mrs. Phil Cole presiding. Mrs. Wayland Drennan was elected secretary-treasurer for the coming year. It was decided that meetings would be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:30 a.m.

Projects and ideas were discussed and all auxiliary members were urged to bring ideas for promotion of wool to the next meeting.

A reminder that the directors and members of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers will meet in San Angelo February 23 for the tri-annual meeting. The Houston Harte Center on the Angelo State University campus is the site for the day-long meeting.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and committee meetings will start at 9:30 a.m.

A 'no-host' meal will be served at the center, followed by the general session beginning at 1:30 p.m. The Young Ranchers Committee will meet immediately following the morning committee meetings. All area young ranchers are urged to attend.

Reports on predator control, animal health, research, marketing and promotion will be given.

The Women's Auxiliary to the TSGRA will have an informal coffee prior to their general meeting. All auxiliary and association members are urged to attend all the meetings.

March 4-8 Is Public School Week

The week of March 4—8, 1974 has been set aside for school visitation throughout Texas and the nation.

Parents and other visitors are especially welcome to visit and see the local school in action. Perhaps a meal at the school lunchroom would be one way to be with your child and his classmates.

Your child's teacher may be able to inform you of any special program or such during the week.

Many students will be at the San Angelo Fat Stock Show from both high school and elementary school representing the 4-H and FFA clubs.

MONDAY AND TUESDAY TEACHERS WORK DAYS

No School for the Kids

Next Monday and Tuesday, February 25 and 26 will be teachers work days, said James Thompson, superintendent, this week. The teachers will all go to Bronte for the sessions.

The school children will get holidays from classroom work.

HOSPITAL NOTES

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

Mrs. Elvira Arizola and infant son

Billy Boyd Allen

Mrs. Henry Bauer

Mrs. George W. Demere

Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week were;

Mrs. M. C. Hendry

Susie Cole

Abel Moreno

Mrs. Loyd Murrell

Charlie Bright

Rita Gaitan

Mrs. Reuben Rodriguez and infant daughter

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

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. Mabel Martin

Mrs. Blanche Copeland

STERLING BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

The Sterling Baseball Association will have a meeting in the community center Tuesday, Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m.

All members and parents are invited to the meeting. Last Saturday construction was started on the new ball park fence. Now you can see, more or less, the outline of the park. We feel the park is going to be a fantastic addition to the city's recreation facilities and wish to solicit more support from the parents and players who will soon be receiving benefits of playing on a fine ball field.

LIONS CLUB

The Sterling City Lions Club met at noon Wednesday in the community center for the regular weekly luncheon. Frank Pierce and Mike Kissco were guests.

President Ross Foster told of the April 2 date that the club is sponsoring a magic show at the school auditorium.

It was announced that the annual club rummage or garage sale would be held in April.

The living eye bank program was discussed. It was decided to get the eye bank chairman from Big Spring to come down and further explain how one can leave his eyes upon death. This will be done.

County agent Arthur Barlemann told of 6 cows being lost to rabies in the past few days in the St. Lawrence community. He advised ranchers that live in the west and southwest part of the county to be on the lookout for rabid animals.

Mrs. Marvin Foster's Father Dies

Floyd Craig of Sweetwater, the father of Mrs. Marvin Foster of Sterling City, was buried in the Blackwell Cemetery Monday of this week. He had died in the Simmons Memorial Hospital in Sweetwater Saturday.

He was born July 17, 1913 in Blackwell. He was a rancher and married to Mary Jay May July 30, 1971 in Sweetwater.

Survivors include the wife of Sweetwater; three daughters, Mrs. Max Lee and Mrs. Anelda Scruggs, both of Nolan, and Mrs. Marvin Foster of Sterling City; a brother, Ira Craig of Blackwell; two step-daughters, Mrs. Terry Franks of Richard! son and Mrs. Nelson Solsbery of Lohn; a step-son, Jay May of Chicago, Ill, and 13 grandchildren.



WILLIAM E. YOUNG

Church of Christ Meeting Mar. 25-28

William E. Young of Denver, Colorado will be the visiting preacher at the local Church of Christ meeting March 25-28.

Sunday hours for services are 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Weekdays time will be 8:00 p.m., said local minister R. V. Hamilton.

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NEW TEXAS ALMANAC 1974-75 Almanacs

THE PEOPLE OF TEXAS, a study of the many nationalities and ethnic groups that have combined to make up the state's population, is one of many new features in the 704 pages of the 1974-75 Texas Almanac, published by A. H. Belo Corporation, publishers of The Dallas Morning News.

The article is by R. Henderson Shuffler, executive director of the University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures at San Antonio.

Texans have always come in assorted sizes, shapes and colors, with a wide variety of mother tongues and hereditary customs and traditions, Shuffler writes. He has capsuled this variety of cultures in the special Almanac feature.

The new edition also contains a comprehensive history of the livestock feeding industry in Texas, which now leads the nation in numbers of cattle fattened in feedlots. The article was written by Sam A. Thomas Jr., manager of agricultural development for Southwestern Public Service Company of Amarillo.

Two reports are of special interest to ecologists. One is a list of endangered plants and animals in the state, prepared by the Texas Organization for Endangered Species. The other is a list of state agencies responsible for pollution control.

Election results, listings of county, municipal and state officials, amendments to the Texas Constitution, appointive boards and commissions, officials of state and regional civic and trade organizations and many other listings are expected to make this edition widely used as a reference for offices, schools, public agencies and homes.

A new Texas map, in color, with major highways, distances and other information supplements 254 county maps, updated from maps prepared by the Texas Highway Department.

The county maps are published with information about each Texas county supplied by chambers of commerce, county agricultural agents and others.

Tourism and recreation are featured, with listings of state and national parks.

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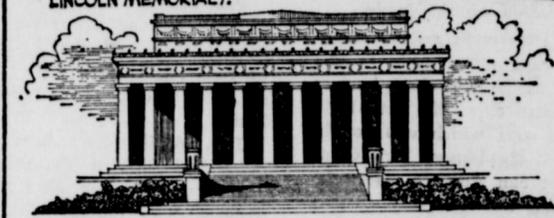
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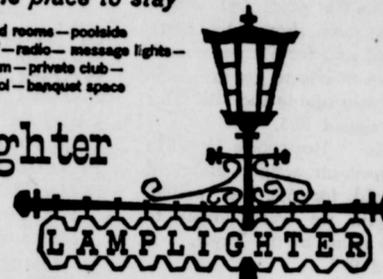


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For County Commissioner, Precinct 4:

DANNY STEWART

For County Judge—

ROLAND L. LOWE

For County Commissioner, Precinct 2:

CLINTON HODGES

For Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1—

E. R. EDWARDS

For County and District Clerk—
W. W. DURHAM

For State Legislature, 63rd District:

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3. The materials, equipment and methods to be used in conducting the operation within this area of approximately 3500 square miles include a 3 cm radar system, cloud seeding aircraft, and the application of silver iodide ice nuclei, hygroscopic nuclei or other nuclei considered appropriate to the artificial nucleation of clouds or weather systems.

4. The person in charge of this program shall be Thomas J. Henderson, Atmospherics Incorporated, Fresno, California.

5. The program will be operational during the period from April 15, 1974 to October 15, 1974.

6. Any persons who feel they may be affected in some adverse way by this program may file a complaint to the Texas Water Development Board, P. O. Box 13087, Capitol Station, Austin,

Hill Country Firemen Convention Set

HERE APRIL 13

The Sterling Volunteer Fire Department has enough local support and encouragement that caused them to ask for the Spring Convention of the Hill Country Volunteer Firemen to meet in Sterling City on April 6.

The invitation has been accepted and plans are being made to entertain about 300 visitors here from the towns involved.

The local department thinks its success depends on the public spirited persons of Sterling all lending a helping hand.

Fire chief Troy Templin has appointed the following committees to begin work on the details.

Refreshments — John Brock and Tom Asbill

Registration — Mrs. Gwen Templin and girls from high school typing class, Troy Templin, Dan Glass and Mrs. Dub Fincher

Ladies Luncheon—Ladies Auxiliary

Welcome—Roland Lowe
Entertainment— (at business meeting)—Ladies Auxiliary

School Committee— (Arrange to use part of school building)
—Ross Foster, Roland Lowe and Dan Glass

Door Prize Committee— Dub Fincher and Jim Cantrell
Fire-Fighter Races — Gary Maricle, Cecil Craig, Dub Fincher, Troy Templin and Clifford Stephens, Leslie Cole and Trine Medina

Barbecue—for registered delegates) — Roy Martin, John Blair, Glenn Schneider, Tom Cleveland and Howard Cudd
Tea, Sugar, Ice—Dan Glass
Dance Committee — Delmar Radde, im Bob Clark and Cecil Craig

Trophy Committee — Troy Templin, Arthur Barleemann and D. Kirk Hopkins.

AUXILIARY PLANS

The SVFD Auxiliary met on February 5 to plan for the ladies luncheon for the spring convention.

Officers of the auxiliary are—
Alys Fincher, president
Virginia Stephens, vice-pres.
Gwen Templin, secy.-treas.
Orie Medina, parliamentarian
Lois Maricle, historian
Pearl Bowen, reporter
Virgie Craig, chaplain

The auxiliary racing team will set the pace for all competing teams.

To Show at Houston Stock Show

Several members of the area junior showers of livestock are showing stock at the 1974 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. They are:

Sterling City FFA — Ronny Hord, Renea Hord, Benny Radde, Benny and Delmar Radde, Jr., Jeff Copeland, Michael Lackey, Lee Fleming, Ross Hord, Vicotr Probandt, Jeff Cantrell, Dwayne Davis, Randy Hord, Carl Igo, Sheri Foster, Craig Foster, and Melinda Terry.

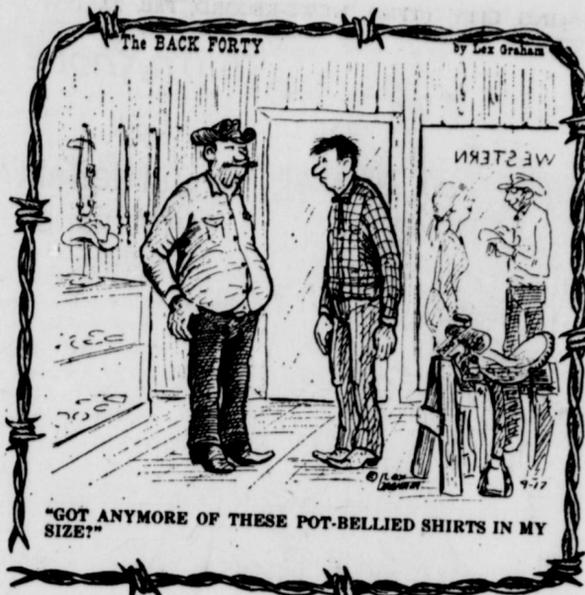
Sterling County 4-H Club—
Charles Blanek, Delmar Raded, Jr., Mary Pauline Radde., Amy Hodges, Becky Hodges and Wesley Hodges.

The show opens February 20 and runs through March 3.

Michael Lackey of Sterling City will participate in the calf scramble at the Saturday night, March 2 performance.

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(Signed) Thomas J. Henderson,
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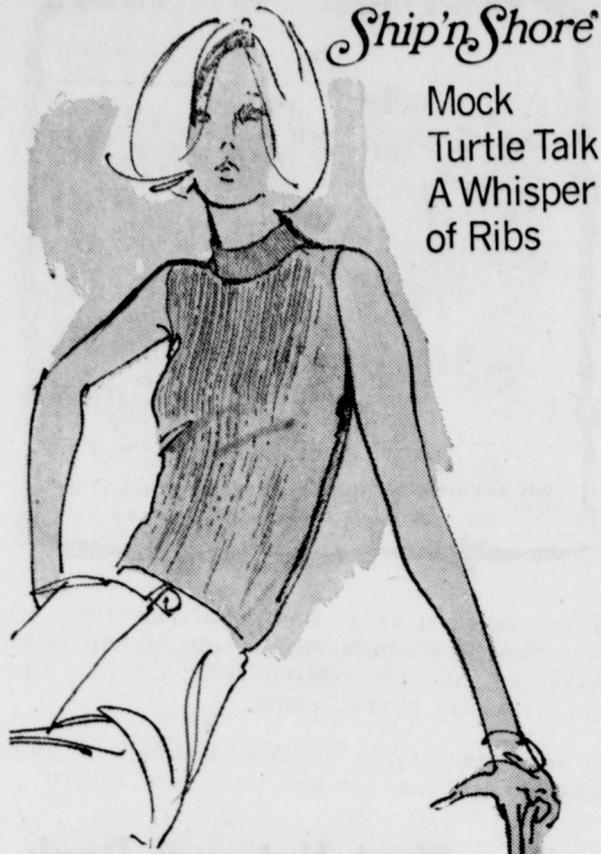
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Behind the 8-Ball



By the editor.

30 YEARS HERE—WOW

Thirty years ago this month (February) I came over from Mertzson (where I had been editing the Mertzson Star) and bought the Sterling City News-Record from Uncle Bill Kellis.

The business community here has changed quite a bit. Wow.

I. B. Langford was running the Cosden Station and had a small cafe in it. Clell Ainsworth had the Texaco Station in the building now used by Henry Bauer. R. P. Brown had his wholesale Texaco office in the same building with Clell.

The Griffin Motor Co. building was vacant, with Rogers Hefley waiting to get cars after the war's end.

The Hitchin Post building was vacant and Loyd and Ethel Murrell was running the Sinclair Station where the empty Shell Station now is.

The old bank building was a two-story affair, with the top offices vacant. (Pat Kellis did have a law office rented up in it, but was hardly ever there.)

In the bank, W.L. Foster was president. J. S. Cole was the cashier and H. L. Hildebrand and Hal Knight were the only 2 employees other than Cole. (Unless you count John Cass as janitor.)

Next was the West Texas Utilities Co. office with Tom Onstott as manager and Archie Marie Revell as bookkeeper.

Then (I think) was the post office with Anna Lee Johnson as postmaster and her father, Homer Pearce, as clerk.

Next in line was the Palace Theater, run by Mr. and Mrs. Horace Donalson. It did a big thriving business seven days a week. (Afternoons only on Sundays.)

G. H. Cannon was running the pool hall and only closed it the latter part of last year.

Next was Sharp & Bailey Dry Goods, now Brooks Dry Goods, and the J.M. Hornbuckle Grocery. Then came the popular and always busy Bailey Bros. Men's Store. A little ice cream parlor was in the now Vanity Beauty Shop building and Henry Murrell had the City Barber Shop. (Now Andrew Coronado's.)

The open break was there and then Oscar Findt had the City Cafe, run by him and his family. In the next building Homer Pearce had an electric shop and the Rev. O. M. Cole kept it open during Homer's post office hours. In the next building west was the Cole Bros. grocery store, run by Frank Cole. Then on the corner, the old grocery store was being run by Jake Randolph. He was a brother of Virgie Garrett.

Shorty Williams was operating the State Hotel (but he died in a week after I came). Clyde Davis had the drug store. (A little later he took Orrie Deal in as a partner.) Up in the Brock Grocery building, Mr. Longshore had a feed store. The Fred Allen Town Hall (in that station just west of Brock's) was closed—and had just closed due to voting out of legal beer sales.)

M. C. Mitchell had a big feed store on that empty corner. (It later burned down.)

Roland Lowe was running the Hardware store, Sue Nelson was the bookkeeper and Jim McCarty was the other employee. Ben Atwell had a large old two-story building west of the Lowe Hardware where he did blacksmithing and welding. I

think Joe Emery was in the old bakery building (or soon was and Martin Reed had the wool warehouse and feed store.

An old Christian Church was on the corner west from the feed store and then—way up to the corner where the Conoco Station now is—Will Meyer had a station, a grocery store and a cafe, all in one. The Texaco Truck Stop was a small station and I think it was vacant at the time. But it opened soon.

Dr. Swann had his office in the back part of the drug store.

The South Texas Lumber Co. did a thriving business on the same corner and I think a guy named Bomar was manager.

The old News-Record was almost where it now is—just two lots closer then to the hardware store. It was in the old original building (later sold to Nick and Lula Gonzales).

The Santa Fe railway run up here every other day and we got rail freight, railway express and the Western Union operated. Horace Donalson was the agent in charge soon after I got here. (D. Hall was still here when I first came.)

8—BALL

In the courthouse, Chapple Murrell was county judge, Vern Davis was sheriff with W. W. Durham as deputy. Prebble Durham was county clerk, but she was about to resign to get married to Roy Morgan. O. M. Cole was county treasurer. The county commissioners were Roy Foster, Herbert Cope, L. R. Knight and W. N. Reed.

Up at school Jim Hale was school superintendent. (O. T. Jones was on leave in war work in Lincoln, Neb.)

8—BALL

Sam Simmons had a windmill business, Ronald Lowe had a funeral home in connection with his hardware, and D.C. Durham had an abstract and insurance business. R. P. Davis had a barber shop in the Muniz pool building and Mickey McGuire had a beauty shop in the back of his shop.

8—BALL

The only now standing church—were the Baptist and Methodist—the others are all new in that they've been built since then—the Church of Christ, the Presbyterian, the St. Paschal Catholic and the La Hermosa Baptist.

New business buildings include the drive in, the Texaco station, the motel, the bank was completely remodelled as well as the utilities company building, the Masonic building (Brooks), the Zettler restaurant, the post office and paper shop.

Also new are the two stations on the very west end, the dairy hut, the self service station and the Gulf and Texaco stations.

The school was rebuilt, the hospital and nursing home was built, the highway through the town widened, and many other improvements have been made.

8—BALL

Most small towns have undergone changes, maybe even more than Sterling. We have incorporated into a city, have city water and a natural gas system. The phones are now dial. A volunteer fire department plays a big part here. The state highway department moved from down by the bridge and out to the place now occupied. (Jim Butler was foreman when I came.) The engineering department built a building and office with H. L. Bailey as engineer in charge—he still is.

8—BALL

Changes come and go. Things change yearly or slowly and it does not seem so much of a change until the years roll by.

8—Ball

Cars are better. Highways are better. Homes are better. The businesses are better. The old



MICHAEL H. EZZELL

Ezzell Out for 63rd Legislative Seat

Michael H. Ezzell, 29, has announced that he will be a candidate for State Representative, 63rd district, subject to action of the Democratic Primary, May 4, 1974.

He was born May 24, 1944 in Wharton. Was reared in Calhoun in Port Lavaca County.

Ezzell is married to the former Betty Sorrells of Big Spring and they have two children, Michael, age 2½ and Marla, age four months.

Ezzell is a member of the Church of Christ and preaches for the Church of Christ, Fluvanna, Texas. He is the resident elementary counselor on the Snyder schools.

He graduated from Calhoun High School in 1962, got a B.S. degree from ACC in 1966, got a MEd from ACC in 1969 and is doing post graduate work at Texas Tech.

The candidate is president-elect of the Snyder Rotary Club, a past president of the Scurry county unit TSTA, is treasurer of District XIV TSTA, is the treasurer of Scurry County Association for Retarded Children, and has served 3 years as president of board of directors of Scurry County Schools Federal Credit Union.

Ezzell is a life member of TS TA, a life member of NEA, a member of American Personnel & Guidance Association and is a member of Classroom Teachers Association.

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order changeth — and giveth away to the new. (That's from the Bible, I think). Truly a panorama or review of history passes us by—slowly but surely.

8—BALL

You know I can't figure out Nixon's change. For his first term and the first part of this one, he shut down on many, many programs that had been set up by Congress. He just about halved (or even less) so many government program appropriations that one just expected some of 'em to die. The courts decreed that some of them had to continue as has been set up (when a suit was filed in courts), BUT now, he is opening the floodgates for all of 'em. What came over Dicky. Is he getting concerned for the country—or himself?