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-by Dave-

Last Saturday the Panhandle had an election, and we were aware that what has become known as voter apathy is getting widespread, but we really didn't realize how widespread.

Over the entire 26 county district involved, less than 15 percent of the eligible voters took the time to cast a ballot. Now, you must also realize that the eligible voters do not represent true 100 percent of the voters, for there are also a number of folks who have never registered at all.

This is downright pitiful! Here in Sherman County we have usually voted on a better average than the rest of the area, and we did again. It was also a poor turnout, with a total of only 337 voters taking time to mark a ballot out of over 1,600 eligible.

Like we said, this is a pitiful exercise in figures. We would also like to point out that our older generation makes a lot better use of the ballot than younger folks.

For example, H.T. Galloway, who has been really sick lately and is only now recovering, got up to the Court House to cast his ballot. How many younger people would get away from their warm house to go vote...not very many.

But we are not mad at the younger folks, we will just make the observation that our older folks think a lot more of the voting privilege than the younger folks.

But, Saturday we elected a State Senator. He will serve this area until 1980 when the next regular election rolls around. He was elected by a small minority and gosh knows, the entire Panhandle is a minority where Texas is concerned anyway.

We will make this prediction and hope we are wrong. Come 20 years from now, that same bunch who doesn't take time to vote now, may not be able to vote at all...put that in your pipe and smoke it!

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This week the American Agriculture Farm Strike will go into effect. We are not able to report what will take place locally because the first day of the proposed Farm Strike is Wednesday, the day this issue is being printed, and we will not try to second guess what will take place.

In visiting with local American Agriculture leaders we have learned they plan an areawide rally at the Court House in Dumas with tractors from Stratford, Sunray, Dalhart and Gruver all meeting at Etter for a parade down Highway 287 into Dumas.

We have been told the tractors are to meet at Etter at 1:30 p.m. then proceed down 287 into Dumas for a 3 p.m. rally at the Court House. If the weather is bad then the rally will be held at the Dumas Community Building.

The nation's farmers are getting a lot of publicity on their Farm Strike but as yet the nation's leaders have not paid them much attention.

Who knows what the future will hold for the strike, we will just have to wait and see.

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Saturday night the Stratford Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a basketball game for benefit of the Chamber between local teams and the KVII TV All Stars. Also following this game Lasley Feedlot will play the KIXZ Radio team from Amarillo for the second game of the night.

The event is set to get underway at 8 p.m. in the high school gym and we hope it gets to play for a good audience.

The All Stars are 2-0 on their season and will be comprised of TV personalities from Channel 7 in Amarillo.

Bill Zortman informs us that they are looking forward to the game and being here and we trust it will be a fine contest.

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IN CLOSE ELECTION

## Price Downs Simpson For State Senator's Job

Former Congressman Bob Price, of Pampa, downed Bob Simpson of Amarillo, in last Saturday's Runoff Election for the 31st District State Senate seat to replace Max Sherman who resigned this past September.

Price led Simpson in Sherman County by a margin of 226 to 147 with a total of 337 voters taking

time to cast ballots. This is better than the district average of about 15 percent casting ballots, but not much.

Price led Simpson in all four precincts in Sherman County with 18-14 in favor in Precinct 1, 27-11 in Precinct 2; 35-10 in Precinct 3, and 142-111 in Precinct 4 and 4-1 in Absentee ballots.

Over the entire 31st District only 234 votes separated the two candidates and at noon Monday, Simpson said he would probably ask for a recount before the week was out.

Unofficial returns Monday showed Price out in front of Simpson by a total of 15,197 for Price and 14,963 for Simpson.

Price, a former Congressman from the 13th Congressional district, hails from Pampa. He served in the U.S. Congress until 1974 when he was defeated by Jack Hightower.

Simpson is from Amarillo and has served as a State Representative from that area.

There were a total of five candidates in the Special Election with Price and Simpson making the runoff which was held this past Saturday.

In making his statement concerning a possible recount, Simpson pointed out that the margin of apparent victory by Price "is less than one percent

and all you have to do is have five ballots in error in each of the 26 counties to make the difference."

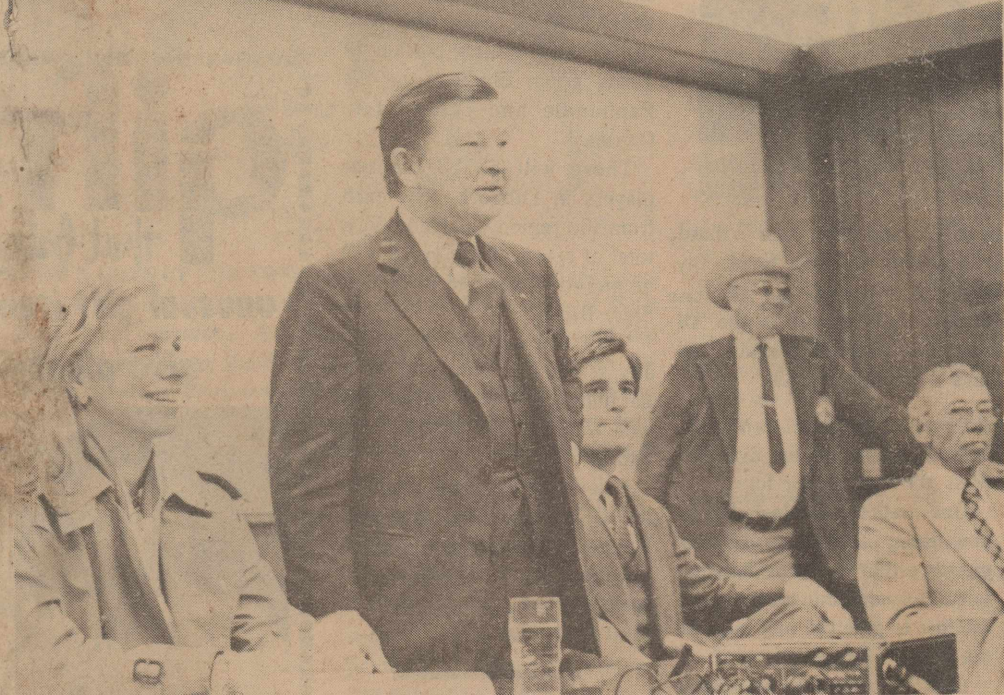
Official election canvasses will be reported this week by the various county commissioners over the district. If their canvasses hold up then Simpson said he will ask for a recount.

If a recount is made the Election Code calls for the canvass to be made by the governor, secretary of state plus one other person.

**TOWN TALK**

Phil D. Dettle and David Moore of Dallas spent several days here hunting pheasant and quail.

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**SENATOR TOWER VISITS**--Senator John Tower was a visitor last Thursday and is shown above with his wife, left, and local dignitaries at an informal event at the Farm Bureau Building. Shown with Senator and Mrs. Tower is Bob Latimer, Sheriff Clois Vaughn and O.H. Oquin. The Senator visited with residents for about an hour before continuing on a trip which hit 21 towns over a four day period in the Panhandle.

**TAKES OVER DEC. 15**

### Rusty Garrison Named Local Chamber Manager

Rusty Garrison has been named as the new manager of the Stratford Chamber of

Commerce. He will take over the office this week.

The announcement of Garrison as the new manager was made at the regular meeting of the Chamber Board this past week.

In other events, members of American Agriculture met with the board to explain their movement in view of their scheduled Farmers Strike which will begin this week.

A number of items were discussed and put on the agenda. The group will sponsor a retail merchant seminar to be held during January; minutes were read and approved; monthly bills were paid; Mrs. Lena Davis reported the Women's division had toured the Mini Mall following their regular luncheon last week.

In other business, Keith Waters reported on a recent meeting of the Junior Livestock Show Board and he requested that the chamber contact local businesses and individuals to be present to back the sale which will be held after the first of the year.

B.A. Donelson reported on work done by the Agriculture and Industrial Committee meetings which have been going on this past month. He reported some of their work looks very favorable for additional crops to be offered next year and that the

Chamber would be co sponsoring a meeting with the Sherman County Gas Users group for a seminar relating to gas leasing contracts. This meeting will be

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### Special Events Set By Local Churches

Special Musical Programs are slated for Sunday at local churches. Cantatas are on the program at the First United Methodist Church and the First Baptist Church Sunday evening beginning at 7 p.m. while members of the First Christian Church will hold their Christmas Carol and Candle ceremony beginning at 6:30 p.m.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

The First Christian Church will celebrate the Birth of Christ with scripture and song and the Lighting of Candles at 6:30 p.m.

Each worshiper will be given a candle which he will light at the climax of the service. Mrs. Frank Sutton will be in charge of the service. Scriptures will be read by Dale Schriber, Claud Allen and James Lowe and Mesdames Nina Fedric, Randy Williams, Claude Fedric and Melvin Mitts.



**SATURDAY WINNER**--Shirley Kirkham is shown with Bob Boardman of Cut Rate Grocery where she had dropped her winning ticket for Saturday's drawing which got her \$60 in Tip Top Bucks. This Saturday will be the last one at 3 p.m. on Saturday with the big final drawings coming on December 22 for a total of \$800.

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ELKS WIN SECOND PLACE

## Elkettes Take Guymon To Win PSU Tournament

Stratford's Elkettes out-defended the Guymon Tigerettes to claim the Girls Championship at the 1977 Panhandle State Tournament held this past weekend in Goodwell.

The Elkettes used outstanding defensive contributions of Guards Barrie Donelson, La-Ronda Stacy and Belinda Sladek to hold off the taller Guymon girls while Forwards Honey Hart, Lisa Albert, Brenda Hawkins and Patty Dietrich did their thing to win in the finals 40-30.

The Elks made a dash for their second Championship in a row, but came up one point short as they lost in the Boys

Championship to the Hooker Bulldogs 51-50.

The Elkettes opened with Felt, taking the contest easily 74-18, downed Texhoma on Friday night, 42-30, to advance to the finals.

Recapping the game, the Elkettes jumped out to lead Felt 22-4 at the end of the opener, held the Felt girls scoreless in the second while putting 18 more points through the hole to lead 40-4 at the half then eased home with the 74-18 win.

Lisa Albert was high scorer in the contest with 21 points, while Patty Dietrich got 16. **ELKS, ELKETTES BEGIN DISTRICT ACTION**

Both the Elks and Elkettes open District action this weekend as they begin the District 1A wars entertaining Gruver here Friday night and hit the road to Fritch next Tuesday night.

These two openers will be vital games to both the boys and girls as the closely fought District 1A title race begins.

The Elks were pre-season favorites to repeat as district winners while the Elkettes were picked fourth behind Gruver, Fritch and Phillips.

Hawkins hit for 12 and Barrie Donelson hit for 10.

Friday night the Elkettes led the Texhoma girls 12-2 at the end of the opener and jumped on out to lead 22-9 at the half. Texhoma then got their game together and held the Elkettes to eight points in the third while hitting for 14 to pull up to trail 30-23 at the end of the third, but the Elkettes got the range of the bucket again and went on to win 42-30.

Miss Albert was high with 18 while both Miss Hawkins and Miss Hart got 12 each in the contest.

Nikki Graebel led the losers with 14.

In Saturday night's finals, the Elkettes felt each other out in the first stanza with the Elkettes leading 9-6, going to the second stanza the Tigerettes stayed in the game via their free throws as the Elkettes led at the intermission 23-19. Guymon hit for only four buckets in the second stanza but stayed within striking distance at the foul line as they hit five of six.

Going into the third stanza the Elkettes again managed to stay out in front with eight [Continued On Page 2]

## Fire Hall, Election Top Commissioner's Calendar

Discussion of a proposed fire hall, special election canvass, and variances for the county jail highlighted Monday's regular meeting of the Sherman County Commissioners Court.

Representatives of the Stratford Volunteer Fire Department met with the Court to discuss a fire hall to be used for storage of equipment. After discussion

with the group, the Court asked that they return with several options to work toward and the Court and the City will try to work on a plan for some solution for the problem.

The group canvassed returns of Saturday's Special Senatorial election and found that Bob Price had received 226 votes and Bob Simpson, 147 votes, in the county.

The Court also instructed Judge W.S. Frizzell Jr. to request the necessary variances for the Sherman County Jail to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards to bring that facility up to date and to meet all the

other requirements of the state.

In other business, the Court instructed Judge Frizzell to be authorized to sign a representation letter for the county due to a request by Doshier, Pickens and Francis.

The Court approved the raising of filing fees for civil cases from \$5 to \$10 except on delinquent tax suits for the county and district court.

The group also talked about hospitalization coverage for the county employees and the Court ordered Marguerite Terrell and Linda Keener be named to investigate and report back to the court on whether or not there is a need for upgrading the coverage.

The Court also ordered the 1978 Budget be amended to permit the payment of costs for the special election, runoff election and possible recount costs dealing with the Senatorial Elections. This would amount to an increase of from \$1,000 to \$2,000 to be paid out of the General Fund.

The Court also passed several changes pertaining to the County Retirement System. The new amendment would pertain only to the portion paid by employees and not increase the cost to the county.

All members of the Court were present.

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### KVII All Stars To Battle On Saturday

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### Calendar of Events

**THURSDAY, December 15**  
2 p.m. Ladies Bridge, Country Club

**FRIDAY, December 16**  
4 p.m. Elks vs Gruver, here, JV Varsity G&B

Christmas Program, Kerrick  
**SATURDAY, December 17**  
11 a.m. Hawkins-Howard wedding, Stratford Assembly of God church.

7 p.m. Hokanson-McReynolds wedding, First U. Methodist church, Dumas

7 p.m. Country Club Christmas party

**SUNDAY, December 18**  
Attend Church

**MONDAY, December 19**  
Noon-Lions Club, Methodist Church

**TUESDAY, December 20**  
6 p.m. Men's Golf, Country Club

TRACKS

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Speaking of basketball, more bouquets to the Elkettes for winning another tourney championship, this weekend up at Panhandle State University.

The Elkettes will be going into District 1A competition this

weekend as they play Gruber here on Friday night, then over to Fritch the following Tuesday night.

The Elks won the runnerup trophy again last weekend losing out to Hooker by one point, 51-50. They will also be entering District play this

weekend and next week prior to the holidays.

We wish our teams the best as they begin their district clashes.

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We've been informed that the Christmas tree light thieves are at it again.

What would prompt a bunch of kids to swipe Christmas decorations is beyond us. We enjoy the beautiful Christmas lights and decorations which folks take time to put up at their homes, and to have them ripped off is just more than we can understand.

We will just say that anyone responsible is beneath contempt!

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This past weekend opened the 1977 pheasant hunting season. We wonder if the hunters got as many pheasants as the local restaurants got orders for two over easy!

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This has been a busy week and this one proves to be even more confused for Tracks et al. Our eldest is getting married this weekend and our regular schedule has been confused by all the "Go-Fer'ing" that we have had to do, seems everytime we get busy with the paper we had to Go Fer this or Go Fer that.

We have watched our friends and neighbors over the years in this same situation and have thought...that ain't gonna happen like that to me...but like the old saying...always speak sweet words, so they will taste good when you eat them!

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Weather has been dry and cold with down to zero one morning last week, but warming this week, but still no promise of any moisture which we really need. In fact, a good wet snow of about one to three feet deep is what we need to wet down the ground really good.

But, this would have the cattelman all shook up, so guess we will just take what comes.

Commodity prices Tuesday showed wheat selling for \$2.39 per bushel, grain sorghum at \$3.15 per cwt and corn \$2.08 per bushel on local markets.

CHAMBER

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held in January and will be for both tenants and landowners.

Plans for the annual banquet were discussed and the group

Receipts at the Texhoma Livestock Commission Company were 4519 cattle and calves. A very active market prevailed. Stocker calves on choice kind about steady with last week. Feeder steers 50 cents higher, plainer kind strong to \$1. higher. Feeder heifers 50 cents higher. Packer cows steady from \$23. to \$25. Cannors & cutters \$21. to \$23. Stock cows \$26. to \$28.50. Steer Calves 350# to 500# \$44. to \$47. Heifer calves 350# to 500# \$36. to \$38...Feeder steers from 600# to 800# \$39. to \$42.60. Feeder heifers from 600# to 750# \$34.00 to \$37.20. Next Thurs. Dec. 15, we have a special consignment of 22 registered bulls, 5 head of coming 2 year old heifers, and 3 older cows from the Miles Hereford Ranch in Beaver, Okla.

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AREA WINNER--Jay Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Willard, won first chair honors at Saturday's tryouts for area band. Jay Qualified tops among coronet players to tryout for the All State Band later in the year. He earned first chair honors in the All Region Band and now in the All Area band competing against all classifications of students from Class B through AAAA.

Miss Hart with 13, Miss Hawkins hit for five and Miss Dietrich hit for four. One statistic not included is how many times the Elkettes guards either stole the ball, or forced Guymon into turnovers at the line to give the ball back to the Elkettes forwards.

The Stratford Elks opened at Goodwill with Felt, downing them 54-36 after leading early 9-3, then trailing at the half 23-18. Then they came back in the third to lead 38-33, and went on to win 54-46. Donovan Ferguson led the Elks with 16 while Terry Bilbrey pumped in 10. Matt Vincent got eight, Noel Chesmer got seven, Toby Wisdom contributed six, Chet Everett hit for four and Mark Keener got three in the game. Hammock was high for the losers with 12.

Friday night the Elks downed Turpin 70-49 after leading early 22-20 and 35-28 at the half, the Elks pulled out to lead 49-37 at the end of the third and hit 21 in the final to win 70-49. Ferguson hit for 20 points in the game followed by Vincent, 16, and Bilbrey, 10. Other scorers included Everett and Wisdom with four each and

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Jay Willard Earns Honor At Canyon

Jay Willard, junior son of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Willard, earned a trip to Lubbock on January 21 to tryout for the All State Band, announced Band Director Gary Laramore.

Willard, who only recently won his third consecutive first chair honor in the Region I All Region Band as a coronet player, competed in Canyon Saturday against players from all over the Region in all classes and was awarded a first chair honor.

This honor earns him the chance to compete in January in Lubbock with players from over the entire western portion of Texas from El Paso to the Panhandle and eastward to Odessa.

There will be 28 coronet players in Lubbock, four each from the region involved and a total of seven of the group will be picked to advance to the All State Band.

"We are all very proud of Jay's distinct honor," said Laramore. "We all wish him well with his competition," he added.

Valerie Knight, senior daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Ray Knight, competed in the event playing a tenor saxophone and was chosen as a first alternate to the competition.

Keener with three. Donley was high for the losers with 16.

Saturday night the Elks trailed early 12-10, then went ahead at the half 25-23 but fell behind in the third, 38-25 and were down 11 points late before Noel Chesmer began hitting at the charity lane to keep the Elks alive. Hooker went into a stall but the Elks still managed to draw within one point only to lose 51-50 as the buzzer sounded.

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Band Concert Slated For Wednesday

Stratford High School and Junior High Music Departments will present their annual Christmas Concert in the high school gymnasium Wednesday beginning at 1 p.m., announced Gary Laramore, band director. Presentations will be made by members of the Junior High Band, High School Band and Stage Band.

The general public is invited to attend.

Following the concert, school will be out for the Christmas Holidays.

TOWN TALK

Stratford residents attending the National Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Childs, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Olson and Buster Whitlock. Also Joe P. Flores, Wendell Flores and Jeff Flores were in Oklahoma City for the rodeo.



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**D'Lynn Brown Leading Tech Women's Team**

Stratford's D'Lynn Brown is doing the same thing on the basketball court at Texas Tech as she did for the Stratford Elkettes for four seasons, proving to be an outstanding contestant for the Red Raider's women's basketball squad.

Miss Brown is tied with Karla Schuette of Slaton, as both young ladies are averaging 13 points per game over the 11-2 season.

In addition to averaging 13 points per game, Miss Brown is also the team's leading rebounder as she has averaged 15 carooms per contest.

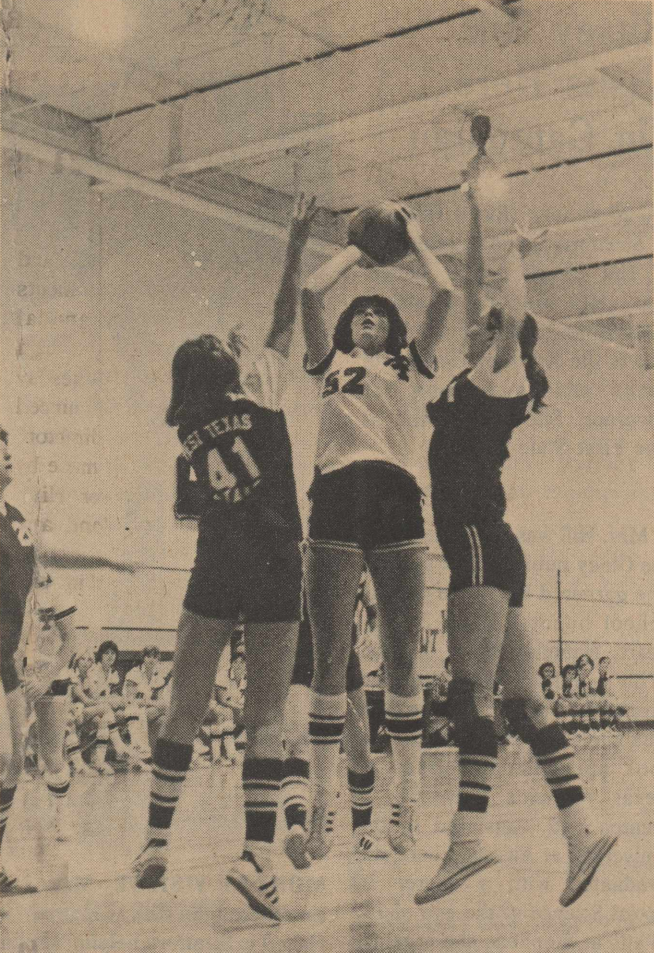
The Techs are averaging 77 points per game while their opponents are averaging 56 as they go into the Christmas break.

Season stats show that in addition to Miss Brown and Miss Schuette accounting for 13 points a game, other starters Rosemary Scott of Slaton is averaging 10 points; Marilyn Payton, Lubbock Cooper, is averaging nine and Cheryl Greer, Bridgeport, is contributing seven points per game.

The Tech team is averaging 38 to 40 percent from the field on their efforts and hitting percent from the free throw line.

The Tech team has two more games to wind down their fall season of action but will begin workouts again on January 4 and will meet North Texas State on January 11 for their first game of the second half of play.

Miss Brown is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Brown of Stratford.



**BROWN GOES UP FOR TWO--Stratford's D'Lynn Brown [52] goes up for a shot in Texas Tech's recent clash with the Buffs of West Texas State University. The Red Raiders soundly defeated the Buffs, 106-48. It was the first time in Texas Tech history for the women's team to score over 100 points. Although Tech's starting five, including Brown, only played for 10 minutes in the game, they nevertheless added 40 points to the score. Brown is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Brown.**

**Brad Everett Initiated By Alpha Chi**

Joseph Bradford Everett, a junior ag business and economics major, from Stratford was among 67 West Texas State University students recently

initiated into Alpha Chi, the national college honor scholarship society.

Alpha Chi is a coeducational society whose purpose is to promote academic excellence and exemplary character among college and university students and to honor those achieving such distinction.

Membership in the society is based on accomplishment, and is limited to those junior and senior students from every academic discipline who are in the upper ten percent of their class.

**PREP BASKETBALL  
JV Boys Win Third At Gruver Tourney**

Stratford JV Boys won third place in the Gruver JV Tournament over the weekend while the JV Girls lost out in Consolation Finals to River Road.

The JV Boys won their opener over Booker 51-31 with Frank Dietrich and John Bass hitting 14, each, Jeff Green hit for 11 and Don Reed got 8 in the game.

In their second game the JV Boys were beaten by Sunray 42-34 with Bass hitting 10, Dietrich getting 9, Reed hit 8, Tommy Guthrie hit five and Jim Everson hitting a pair.

The JV Girls lost their opener to Booker 29-15 with Kristi Doshier getting six, and Billie Harrison, Rene Hager, Debbie Abeyta and Shanna Summerour hitting two each.

In their second game the JV Girls came from behind to down Dalhart 28-21 with Abeyta hitting for 11 Carrie Riffe hit for six, Harrison and Doshier got five each and Emily McReynolds got one.

In the Consolation Finals the JV Girls led early but fell off the

pace in the second and were never able to stay with River Road as the River Road girls won 41-24. Abeyta got 10 while Doshier hit for five, Harrison and Susan Stokes got three each, Tammy Bilbrey got two and Marcia Burleson got a single.

In other action this week the JV Boys downed Hartley 58-36 last Tuesday night while the JV Girls lost 29-16.

The JV Boys were led by Bass with 18 while Reed got 8, Guthrie got 7, Dietrich and Everson got 6 each, Lee Riffe hit four, Blair Brown, Jeff Green, Daryl White and Kurt Wisdom got two each and Blair Frizzell got one.

The JV Girls scorers included Valerie Engelbrecht and Doshier with four each while Harrison, Bilbrey and Summerour got two each and Kim Clements got a single.

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The 7th and 8th Boys and Girls entertained Gruver last week with the Boys losing and the Girls winning their games.

The 7th Girls won their contest 32-9 with Lori Batis hitting 10, Michelle Steward, 6; Cara Brite, 5; Sheri Robertson, 4; Tanya Wilson, Kathy Payne and Kelley Dean got two each and Tina Vaughn got a single.

The 8th Girls won their game, 23-17 with Shawna Cummings leading with 9; Sona Hawkins, 8; ViAnne Ferguson, 4; Sally Ortiz, two.

The 7th Boys lost their game 22-15 with scores made by David White, 10; Jere Don Keener, three and Tony Hammersmith, two.

The 8th Boys lost their game by a score of 42-25 with scores



**HOMEMAKING II GIRLS in Child Development class are studying care of babies. Here Dora Escamilla, Lupe Escamilla, Debbie Artho and Stephanie Sewell go through the motions of bathing Kely Naugle, daughter of Howard & Valerie Naugle.**

including Craig Sladek, 13; Dean Mitts, four; Steve Albert, three; and Daren Knight and Lane Robertson, two each, and Chris Stanley, one.

**CROPS PRODUCTION MEETING SET**

A Crops Production meeting will be held Tuesday night, beginning at 7 p.m. at the County Barn, announced Jim Allison, county agent.

Dr. Carl Patrick, area entomologist, will discuss insects on corn, milo and wheat.

Dr. Frank Peter, area agronomist, will talk on disease control and latest research data on grains.

All area farmers are invited to attend.

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# Society News



**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED**--Mrs. Barbara Hawkins is announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Brenda Lee to Kerry Don Bell, son of Billy C. Bell also of Stratford. The wedding date is set for December 26.

## Covered Dish Event Set For OES

All Eastern Star members are invited to attend a covered dish supper at the home of Mrs. Mildred Ottinger on Tuesday, Dec. 20. Members are to come whenever they can between 5:30 and 6 p.m. as they will start eating at 6 p.m. "If they must

come later, please come right on," said the hostess.

The group will be honoring Mrs. Frances Walker of Amarillo who is this year's Deputy Grand Matron. She will be giving instructions at the regular meeting which begins in the Chapter Room at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Lola Beall, Worthy Matron, reminds all officers to wear their formals, and invites all local members to attend.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY PLANNED FOR COUNTRY CLUB

The Stratford Country Club will have their annual Christmas party at 7 p.m. Saturday, December 17.

Meat, drink, and bread will be furnished and each one is to bring a covered dish.

After dinner their will be dancing to a juke box. Admission fee is \$2 per person.

## Don Roper Wins Award For Sales

Don Lynn Roper, General Agent in Amarillo for the Franklin Life Insurance Company, Springfield, Illinois, has qualified for one of the Company's top sales awards, according to Franklin President William J. Alley, C.L.U.

Roper is a former resident of Stratford having attended schools here.

Alley said that Roper qualified for membership in Franklin's \$2/100 Million Club, comprising a select group of exceptional Company associates who sell two million dollars of life insurance protection within 100 consecutive calendar days.

A feature story concerning Roper's life industry achievements scheduled to be published in the December issue of the Franklin FIELD Magazine.



**ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED**--Mr. and Mrs. James C. Trewitt of Roswell, N. Mexico announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Terri Lynne to Brady Holmes Heil. Brady is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Heil. The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. January 7, 1978 at the Sally Port Inn in Roswell, N. Mex. Miss Trewitt and Heil are both in their junior year of study at West Texas State University.

## Kerrick News by Marylou McDaniel

Santa plans to be at Kerrick's annual Christmas program Friday, Dec. 16, at 7:30 p.m. There will be a program by Kerrick youth and treats for all.

The village of Kerrick has lots of beautiful decorations again this year. Check the homes of Ted Irlbeck, Franny Taylor, Warren Miller, Nita Taylor, and probably several others by the time you read this.

Pat and Bill Boren were in Oklahoma City Thursday thru Sunday for the Paint Horse Sale. It was miserably cold, they report!

Cindy Graham, Woodward, Ok. and Harold J. Evets, Yoder, Co., visited with their aunt, Franny Taylor, Sunday.

Marjorie and Dick Munden of Sacramento, Ca. plan to arrive Monday to spend the holidays

with her mother, Mrs. Virgie Mathews.

The Fred McDaniels attended a supper party Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kay Neiden at Booker. The seven couples are amateur radio operator friends. On their return home Sunday, another "ham" friend, Doc Muns of Colorado Springs was parked in front of their house with his motor home.

## Home Demo Club News

Elsie Pickens was hostess to the Happy Hour Dem. Club for their annual Christmas luncheon and gift exchange. There were 13 members and five guests present. After enjoying the food the club had gift exchange and revealed the secret pals and drew for the coming year.

The club voted to give the Lions Club \$25 to go on their Girlstown Fund.

The ladies will meet January 5 with Opal Springfield. They wish each and everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

## Bitsey Hill Visits Here On Campaign

Mrs. John (Bitsy) Hill was in Stratford Monday afternoon at The Stratford Star Office. Mrs. Hill was in Stratford campaigning for her husband who is the Attorney General of Texas and is running for Governor. She also visited at The First State Bank.



**MONDAY VISITOR**--Mrs. John Hill, wife of gubernatorial candidate John Hill, is shown Monday with Max Stephenson as she visited in Stratford helping her husband's campaign for the office of governor. Mrs. Hill went on to visit several other Panhandle towns during the day.

Mrs. Hill was graduated from the Olney public school system. She garnered her share of high school honors: Band Sweetheart, National Honor Society, Who's Who. She attended Stephens College, where she was named to the Dean's List, took specialized courses at Texas Women's University in Denton and transferred to the University at Austin, where she graduated with a degree in Social Science at the age of 19. While at Stephens she organized activities for "unwanted children" which included tutoring disadvantaged youngsters.

Bitsy met John Hill at the University. While he was in the Navy Bitsy returned to Olney and taught high school classes.

The Hill's were married in Olney in 1946. They returned to Austin and UT Law School. The couple have two children, Graham, born in 1949 and Martha, 1952.

In Austin, Bitsy is on the advisory board of the "Meals on Wheels" program which serves meals to senior citizens. In 1976 she was Travis County Chairman for the American Cancer Society drive.

## Menus HECE TAKES SKI TRIP TO COLORADO

**DEC. 19-21**  
**MONDAY**--Chili/Brown beans, cole slaw, corn bread, butter, apple cobbler, milk.

**TUESDAY**--Turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, hot rolls, butter, jello fruit salad, milk.

**WEDNESDAY**--Chicken salad sandwiches, lettuce, potato chips, ice cream bars.

**THURSDAY-FRIDAY**--Christmas Holidays.

HECE class of Stratford High School took a ski trip to Copper Mountain in Colorado this last weekend.

The group was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Williams. Class members attending were Connie Moore, Alta Robinson, Kay Lewis, Toni Luther, Bonnie Boardman, also Carl Luther and Jesse Boardman.

They left Friday night and returned Sunday night.

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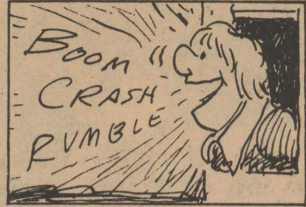
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# Ad Libs

by Shirley

December is the McReynolds' month. Our new daughter-in-law to be [Charlotte] had a birthday December 2, Tom's was the 5th, Pam's the 6th, David's the 8th, the wedding will be the 17th and my birthday is the 30th. But we try not to forget the real celebration which is Christ's birthday. While on the subject of Christmas it has always been a pet peeve of mine for someone to spell Christmas with an X. Seems they are taking Christ out of Christmas. And now days we need him more. \*\*\* Received a bulletin from Texas A&M University containing recipes for stuffing.

**CORBREAD STUFFING**  
(5-pound chicken)  
6 T. butter or other fat  
3/4 cup chopped celery  
1/4 cup chopped parsley  
1 small onion, chopped  
1 quart cornbread crumbs  
1/4 to 1/2 tsp. thyme  
1/2 to 1 tsp. salt



Many people have believed they could make rain by imitating thunder.

pepper to taste

Cook celery, parsley and onion for a few minutes in the melted fat. Add to the cornbread crumbs and dry seasonings and stir all together.

It is often desirable to make extra stuffing to bake outside the bird. To make extra stuffing: double the above recipe, fill the bird. Then to the remainder of the stuffing, add an egg and moisten with broth. Drop by spoonfuls into a greased pan, brown in a hot oven or fry in cakes and serve immediately with the fowl.

**SAVORY BREAD STUFFING**  
3 T. butter, margarine or poultry fat  
3/4 cup chopped celery  
3 T. chopped parsley  
2 T. chopped onion  
4 cups soft bread crumbs  
1/2 tsp. savory seasoning  
1/2 tsp. salt  
pepper as desired

Melt fat in a frypan. Add celery, parsley and onion. Cook until tender. Add fat and vegetables to bread crumbs. Add seasonings. Mix lightly, but well. Makes 4 cups stuffing.

**VARIATIONS:**

**Oyster stuffing:** Omit celery and reduce parsley and onion to one Tablespoon each. Add 1/2 pint oysters, heated in their own liquid and drained.

**Nut stuffing:** Omit parsley and savory seasoning and add 1/2 cup chopped nuts-meats-pecans, roasted almonds, filberts or cooked chestnuts.

**Cornbread stuffing:** Omit bread crumbs and savory seasoning. Add 1 quart (4 cups) cornbread crumbs and 1/4 to 1/2 tsp. thyme.

**Ed. Note:** When I make my dressing I use poultry seasoning to taste. It contains sage and other spices.



**PERFORMS FOR COLDWATER MANOR RESIDENTS**--This group of Velma Plunk's singing students sang for the Christmas party at Coldwater Manor last Tuesday. The Auxiliary Ladies sponsored the party and had a program and refreshments. Left to right, Shannon Blake, Erik Trotter, LaRita Jefferies, Dru Spurlock, Jennifer Terry, Gary B. Laramore, Amy Raymond, Cher Moore, Christina Luther, Monique Smith, Dee McWilliams, Garth Palmer. Mrs. Plunk accompanied the group on the piano.

## Cindy Stovall Qualifies For Teen Pageant

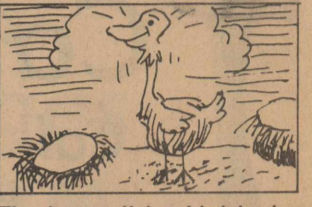


Miss Cindy Stovall age 17 daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stovall of Stratford has been selected to be a FINALIST in the 1978 Texas National Teen-Ager Pageant to be held at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas on June 2, 3 and 4th.

1978. The Miss Texas National Teen-Ager Pageant is the Official State Final to the Miss National Teen-Ager Pageant to be held in Atlanta, Georgia in August 1978. Rebecca Anne Graham of Roby, the 1977 Miss Texas National Teen-Ager will crown the new Queen. There will be contestants from all over the State competing for the title of Miss Texas National Teen-Ager. The reigning Miss National Teen-Ager is Lavelle Fann, Gadsden, Alabama. Each contestant Accepted will be requested to participate in the Volunteer Community Service Program of the National Teen-Ager Pageant. This program teaches teenagers to share and to participate in school and civic affairs. A Mini-Modeling Charm Course will be given during the weekend of the Pageant. Atlanta. \$10,000.00 in cash scholarships will be awarded at the National Pageant. Contestants will be judged on scholastic achievement-leadership, poise-personality and beauty. There is no swim suit or talent competition. Each contestant will recite a 100 word "ESSAY" on the subject, "WHAT'S RIGHT ABOUT AMERICA." Miss Stovall is being sponsored by Darco Welding, Plunk "66" Oil Co., Something Special and Don's Super Market. Her hobbies include twirling, writing, snow & water skiing. The winner of the Miss Texas National Teen-Ager Pageant will receive a cash scholarship, a scholarship to Barbizon School, other prizes and an all-expense paid trip to compete in the National Teen-Ager Pageant in

# at Coldwater Manor

Residents of Coldwater Manor and 110 SCOT members were entertained by Manor Friends Tuesday afternoon. It was a beautiful affair. Ellen Tilley, leader of Scout troop 15, made Christmas decorated napkin holders for centerpieces for our tables. Mrs. Carole Gibson, leader of Scout troop 122, brought us cookies baked and decorated by her troop. Mrs. Jewel Dovel brought cherry jelly and jam for the residents breakfast Sunday. Mrs. Joyce Dodson brought a large box of oranges and Mrs. Fern Gupton brought a delicious pumpkin cake. We thank all of you. Our residents enjoyed them. Sunday morning worship service was brought by Alfred White, Minister and the song service by Chuck Smith, both of Church of Christ. We wish to welcome Mrs. Mary L. Brown of Texline and Mrs. Dora Jones of Dumas who entered Coldwater Manor Monday. We are so happy to have them. Have a good week.



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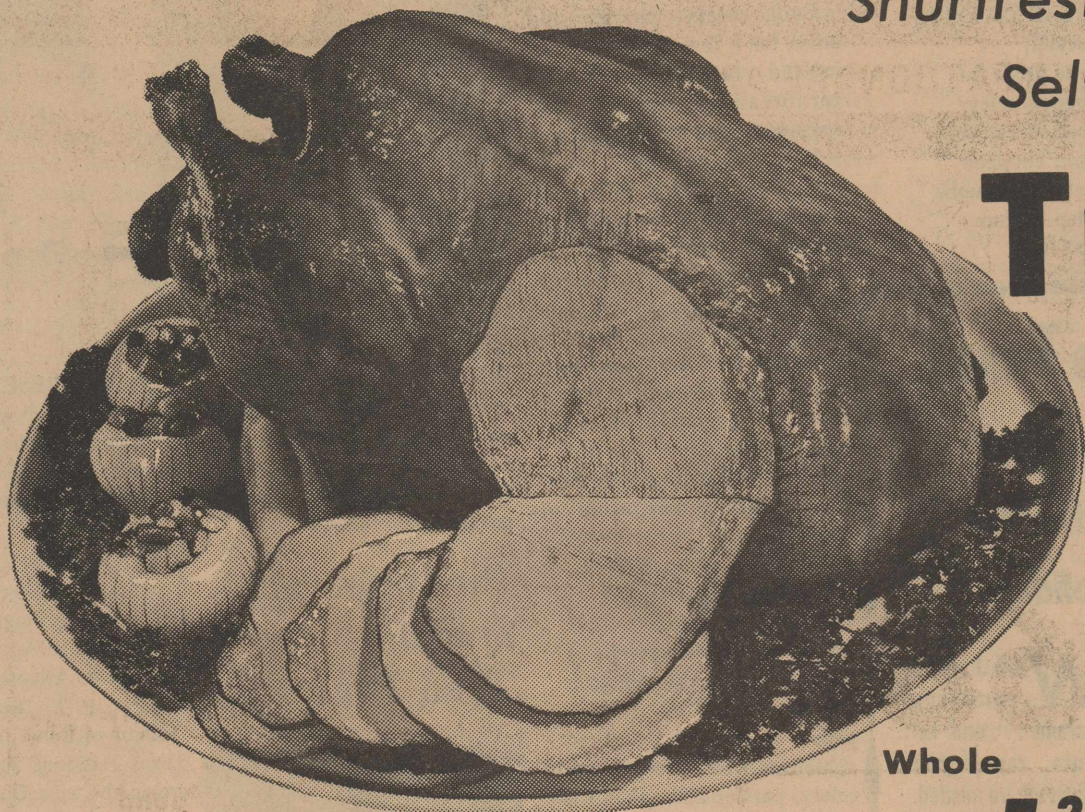
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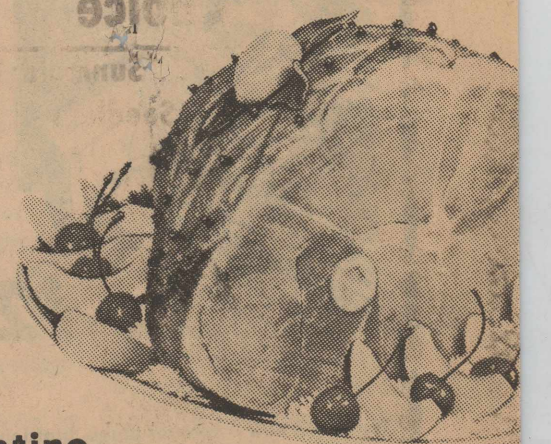


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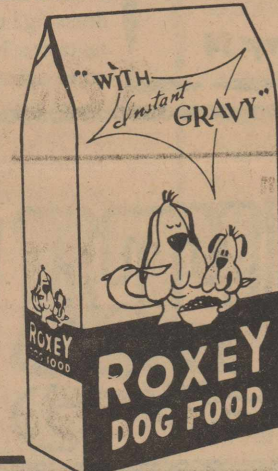


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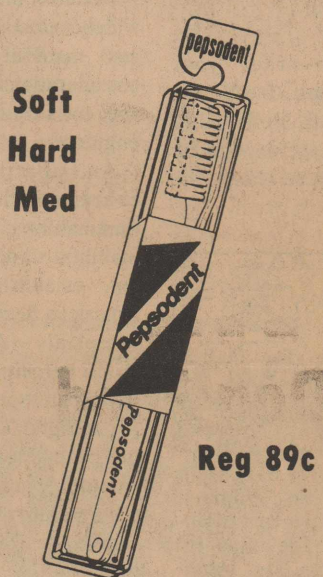


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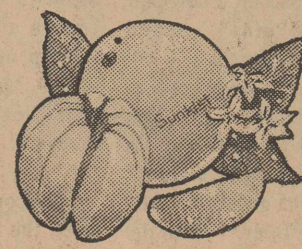
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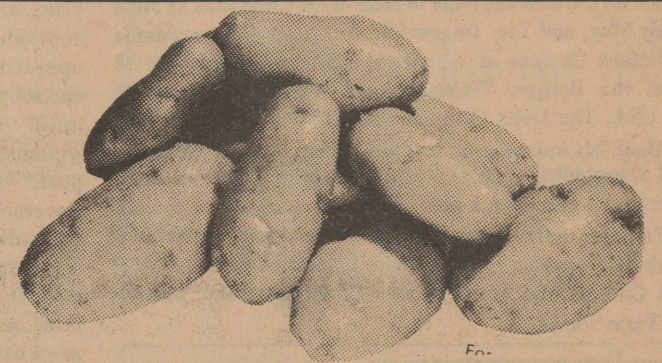
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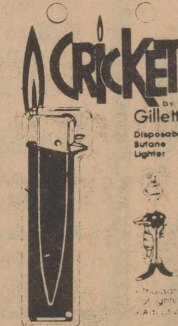
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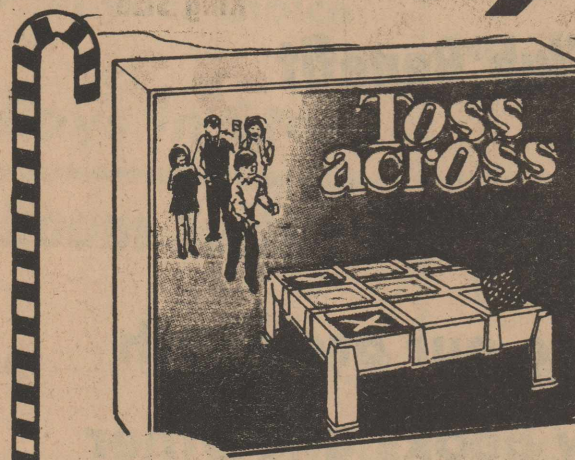
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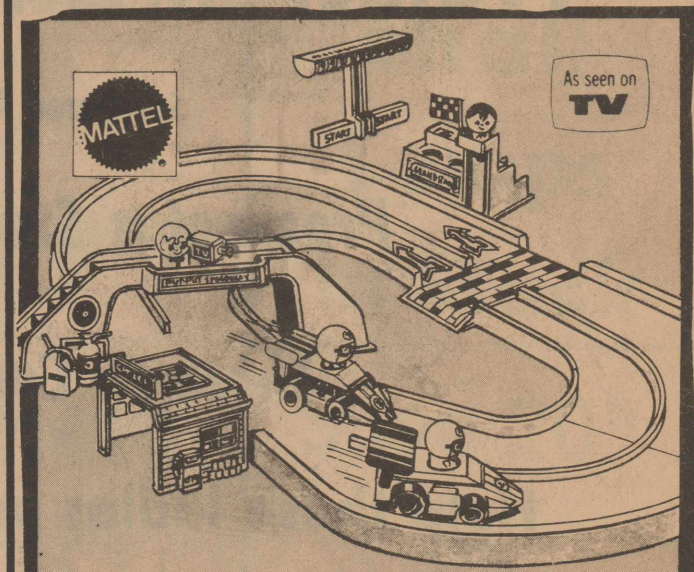


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**A CHRISTMAS DREAM--WILL IT COME TRUE?** --Deanna Connally tries on the coat she hopes to receive for Christmas as Julie Wells, Sandy May, and Tory Dagget look on. These four residents of the Whiteface Campus of Girlstown, USA are among the 98 residents of the Borger, Whiteface and Austin Campuses of Girlstown, USA. The Lions Clubs of District 2T-1 presently have underway their 9th Annual Coat and Shoe Campaign for Girlstown with a goal of providing each girl with a \$90 gift certificate to be used to purchase a new coat, a new pair of shoes and other needed clothing. You can make Deanna's Dream come true by sending your contribution payable to "Girlstown Christmas Fund" to your local Lions Club or Mail to: Girlstown Christmas Fund, Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

### Girlstown Fund Needs Contributions

"If you want to really get that 'Christmas Spirit', consider a contribution to the Girlstown Christmas Fund" said R.J. Hill, president of the Stratford Lions club as he announced his club's participation in the 9th annual lions district 2T-1 coat and shoe fund drive for Girlstown, USA. Each of the 98 girls located at the Borger, Whiteface and Austin campuses will be given a \$90 gift certificate to be used to purchase a new coat, a new pair of shoes and other needed clothing for Christmas.

"As we have discovered in years past, this will be the first time for some of these girls to pick out a new coat in a store"

said 2T-1 district governor Felix Ryals of White Deer. "With the help of the good people in the golden spread the Lions of District 2T-1 have been able to purchase this needed clothing for these girls for the past eight years, also we have been able to contribute to the girlstown operating fund and through special projects we were able to build a building on the whiteface campus during his past year" said the Lions Governor. Since the founding of Girlstown in March 1949 approximately 1600 girls have made their home on one of these three campuses. "Funds raised in excess of the amount needed for the gift certificates will be presented to Girlstown" said Nolan Grady, District 2T-1 Girlstown Chairman.

Co-Chairpersons for this year's Drive Are: Carolyn Newbold of the Amarillo Daily News, Janet Baxter of KFDA-TV, Roy McCoy of KAMR-TV, Bedford Forrest of KVII-TV and Royce Bodiford of KGNC Radio.

This contribution appeal goes out to all residents of the Panhandle and south plains. Checks should be made payable to "Girlstown Christmas Fund" and may be sent to your local Lions Club or mailed to: Box 67, Amarillo, Texas 79105.

## Griggs News

Need an idea for a Christmas gift? The Griggs Extension Homemakers still have their community cook-books for sale. Contact any club member.

Christmas programs in order for next week are Sunday Dec. 18, 7:00 p.m. at the Griggs Church of God, Wednesday Dec. 21, 7:00 p.m. at the Marella United Methodist Church and Thursday Dec. 22, 7:00 p.m. at the Plainview School. Mark these programs on your calendar and plan to attend them all.

The community is sorry to lose the Ray Caraway family. They have moved back to Tulsa to farm with Ray's dad.

Sunday dinner guests with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Warren were Ernest Warren of Coldwater Manor, Stratford, and Mrs. Julius Cox.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Twombly received word that their son Lewis and family of Montrose, got into the snow at Gunnison, but arrived home in time for Lewis to teach school Monday morning after spending Thanksgiving weekend here.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Hiner of Amarillo. They are the proud parents of a baby girl, Amy Sheree, born Dec. 7. She weighed 6 lb. 13 oz. and was 19" long. This was reported by proud great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Twombly.

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Bentley went to Laverne Saturday and visited Mr. and Mrs. Pete Bentley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Twombly visited Mrs. Blanche Johnson in Texhoma Saturday.

Several from the area enjoyed the performances of the National Finals Rodeo in Oklahoma City this past week.

Last Tuesday night was the County 4-H Tea. Leaders recognized from this community were Mr. and Mrs. Mace Pugh, Mr. and Mrs. Lane Sparkman, Richard Hitchings, and Loreta Henderson. The Plainview 4-H Club was presented a special club award for outstanding accomplishments in Environmental Awareness. The following members of the Plainview club were presented these awards at the tea. 1st year pin-Michael Henderson; Food and Nutrition special award-Linda Henderson, Field Crop and Environmental Awareness-Mike Sparkman, Wildlife Conservation and Citizenship-David Henderson, Handicraft and Field Crop-Howard Henderson; Wood Science-Jim Tevebaugh, Citizenship-Linda Henderson, Agricultural program and leadership-Todd Hitchings, Food & Nutrition, and Public Speaking-Dana Sparkman, Food & Nutrition-Michelle Asher, Achievement Award-Jess Tevebaugh, Dress Revue-Tracy Lusk, Recreation, Gardening, All-Around Girl at the Fair to Laurie Hitchings. They received their ribbons for participation in the Share the Fun.

Several from the area attended the PSU High school Basketball Tournament last week at Goodwell.

Don't forget-order your stationary items from the Plainview Good Fellowship Club. Help us make enough for a good project to help the school.



The first dining cars were in service on the Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad in 1863. They had no seats; passengers ate standing up or took their food back to their seats.

### Insulating Tips For Homes Announced

COLLEGE STATION--With energy costs high and another frigid winter expected, many consumers are insulating or re-insulating their homes, points out Dr. Bill Stewart, agricultural engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

He provides some information to assist consumers in purchasing an insulation product or enlisting a contractor's services. Available in a variety of forms, home insulation can be purchased in blankets, in batts, in a form which is bagged and ready to pour, and in a form which must be blown in place by a contractor using specially designed equipment.

Three basic types of products are most commonly used, according to Stewart, all having high insulating value if properly manufactured and installed:

--Mineral wool, which includes rock wool and fibrous glass. Both of these products can be poured or blown in place or purchased in blankets or batts with a foil or paper vapor barrier.

--Plastic foam/resin, which is made of polystyrene, polyurethane or urea formaldehyde can be purchased in pre-formed sheets or foamed in place by a contractor. Foam insulation can vary considerably in its final properties depending on the operator's skill, how various reactants are mixed, and the time allowed for "curing."

--Cellulosic insulation, made of any ground cellulose product such as recycled newspaper, can be poured or blown in place.

Because insulation can vary widely in quality as well as basic raw material source, several considerations are important to the consumer, contends the engineer.

An important performance characteristic to evaluate is flammability. Acceptable flammability standards for insulation, established through the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM), include flame spread, fuel contribution and smoke development rates. An acceptable product may still be flammable and should not be installed adjacent to high temperature surfaces such as recessed light fixtures or furnaces.

Materials which are flammable should be installed within a flame retardant enclosure such as gypsum board or metal. The plastic foams and cellulosic products present the greatest fire hazard and are available with fire retardant treatments. Urea formaldehyde foams are less flammable than other foamed products but may present some odor problems unless properly formulated and applied.

Stewart points out that findings by the Federal Trade Commission show that deception of consumers is most likely to occur in flammability claims, either by misrepresentation or by no reference to its unacceptable flammability, and thermal resistance claims, either through generalizations without providing "R" values or exaggerations of the "R" values.

An "R" value is a number indicating how much resistance insulation presents to heat flowing through it, explains the engineer. Generally, the higher the "R" value, the more effective the insulation. Consumers should pay only for a higher "R" value.

"A radical is a man with both feet firmly planted--in the air."  
F. D. Roosevelt

The current generally accepted maximum-design-standard "R" value per inch of thickness of insulation for the most commonly used insulating materials are mineral wool batts and blankets, 3.7; cellulose loose fill, 3.2 - 3.5; urea formaldehyde, 4.0; polystyrene (expanded), 4.2; and polyurethane, 6.25. Any claim of an "R" value above the maximum design should be highly suspect. To determine the "R" value of a material that has a thickness other than 1 inch, multiply the thickness (in inches) by the "R" value per inch.

To guard against careless or incompetent installation, which could result in a major reduction in "R" value, choose a reputable contractor. Stewart outlines these tips for selecting an insulation contractor:

--To find a contractor, ask your gas or electric utility company representative or your local builders, consult friends and neighbors, or look in the Yellow Pages under "Insulation Contractors."

--Obtain cost estimates from at least three different contractors or when available. Make sure you describe the job identically to each.

--Check a contractor's reliability with the local Better Business Bureau listed in the phone book, or with the state or local consumer affairs office.

--Ask a contractor for references including previous customers. Check them out.

--Check with local building authorities for guidance in purchasing an insulating material.

--Talk with a contractor in terms of "R" value.

--After selecting a contractor,

have a specific contract drawn up for the job.

--Any warranty for the insulation should be in writing and part of the contract.

If you plan to do your own insulation work, Stewart suggests the following safety precautions:

--Wear protective clothing, preferably long sleeves, long trousers, gloves, a hard hat to protect your head, and a disposable respirator marked for "dust" to avoid breathing small fibers.

--Don't place insulation near recessed electrical light fixtures, a furnace or similar heat-producing device.

--Don't place insulation over attic vents.

--To avoid locking in moisture and causing wall or ceiling rot, install insulation with any vapor barrier placed toward the living space.

--If adding new insulation over old, either purchase a product that has no vapor barrier, or slash the barrier at frequent intervals to allow moisture to escape.

--Remember, insulation is not intended as a fire wall. Added flame-retardants are intended to retard the burning of the product itself, not of an entire dwelling.

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Tuesday, Dec. 20

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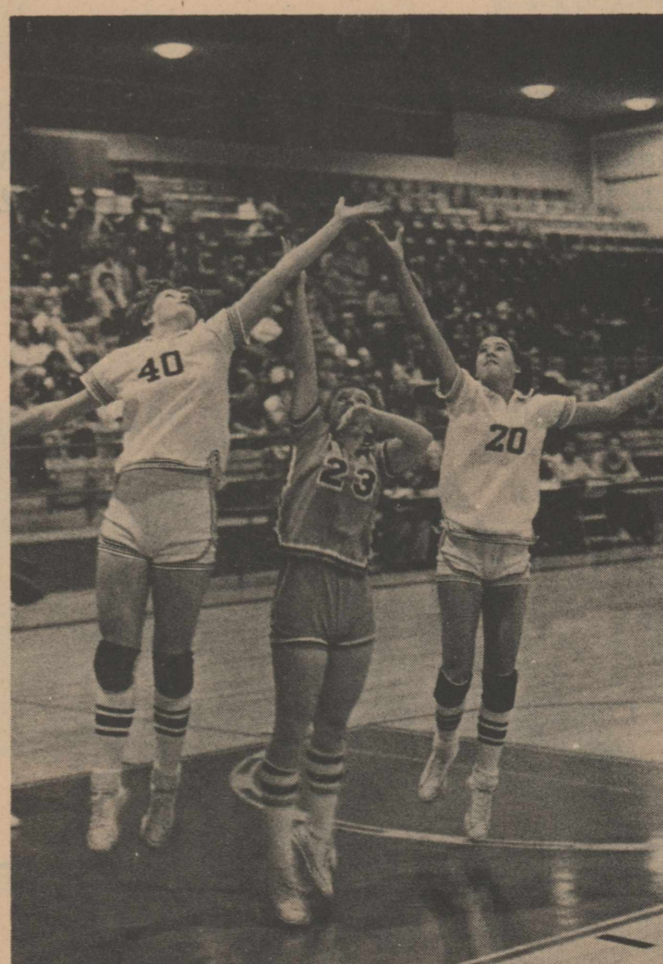
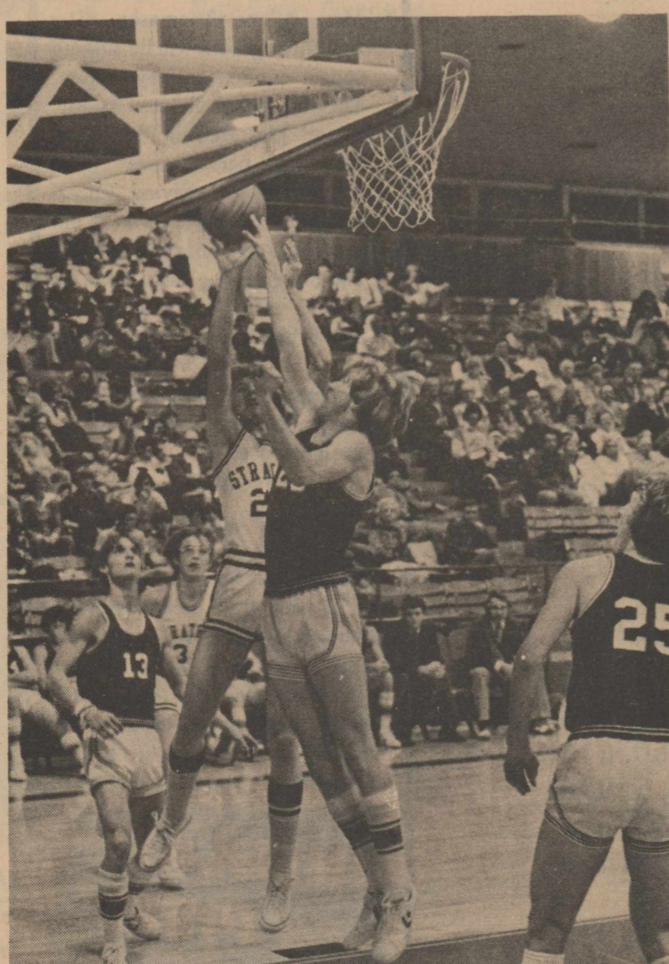
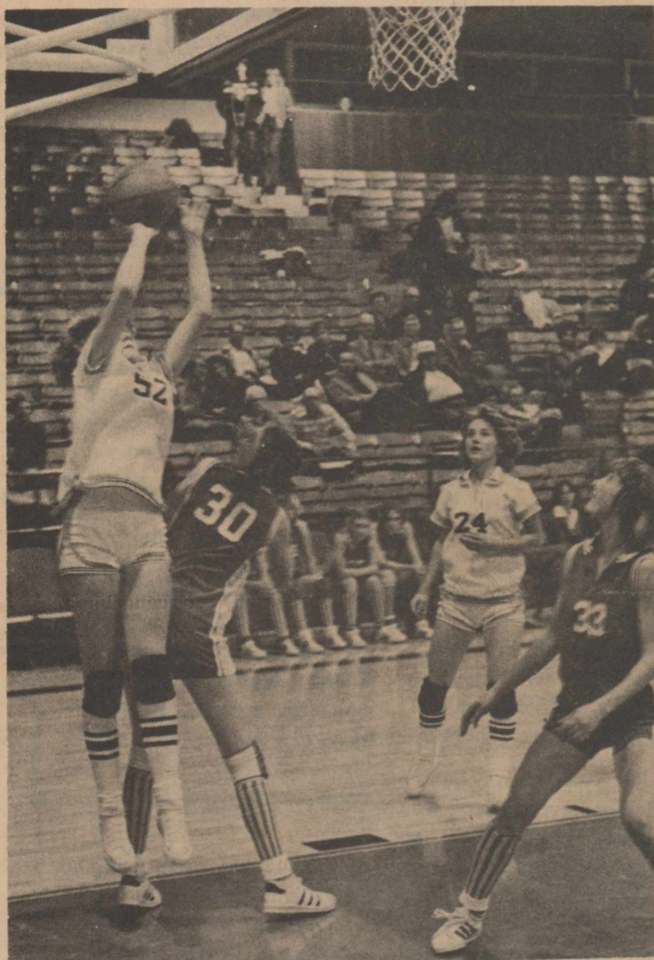
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# Tales of Texhoma

by Alla Jo Meyer

The Sorosis Club had its regular meeting, Wednesday noon for a luncheon meeting at Fast Eddie's Restaurant. Sue Graves was hostess and had asked A.Y. Ingham and his wife, Arilla to be guests for the meeting. A.Y. spoke on "Memories of Pearl Harbor." This was so appropriate, as Wednesday was the anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack.

A.Y.'s son, Jerry, who teaches history in the high school had his American History class present for the talk. Mrs. Ermil Chesser was also a guest for the day.

Members present besides Sue Graves were Erma Agent and Mesdames: Arden Dawson, Leon Field, Edgar Coons, L.J. Russell, Wallace Bridwell, Jay Hook, Jerry Ingham, Murray Hayworth, Federick Mason and Jesse Riffe.

The Gamma Theta Sorority went to Amarillo, Saturday to enjoy the day of shopping, visiting and dining. They

attended the Dinner Theatre and a "mellerdrummer" The Saga of Roaring Gulch." It was a lot of fun, as the audience booted the villain and encouraged the hero of the story. Seventeen couples, members with husbands and guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Bright from Florida attended the fun week-end trip.

The Methodist Women had their annual luncheon party and gift exchange last Tuesday afternoon. They had a gift exchange for their prayer partners, but names were not revealed. This was the last meeting of the year, so officers for 1978 were elected. They are: president- Shirley Smith, vice-president- Jeannie Freeman, secretary-Mary Freeman, treasurer-Opal Pugh and reporter- Barbara Palmer.

Pack meetings for Dens #1 and 2 were held Thursday evening with Den #1 taking the attendance award, about 24 persons being present. November's theme was "The American Indian", so Den #1 played four Indian games and Den #2 gave an Indian dance.

Those awarded the Bob Badge were: Cory Beasley, Mickey Huddleston and Christopher Ingham. Those receiving their Wolf Badge awards were Steve Wright and Robby Bouldin.

December theme for the scouts is "Do Your Best" and the boys will be doing some things for the senior citizens of the town.

NEWS BRIEFS: Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Johnson spent a week in St. Louis, recently where Dorothy had eye surgery...Dr. Vincent and Mrs. Molinari, have been visiting the Jack Pratts and other relatives in the Texhoma Area. Mrs. Molinari is the daughter of the Pratt's. Dr. Molinari has recently received his M.D. degree in Italy, and his residency in Yonkers, New York...The annual Birthday Party at the First Christian Church was a great success. 121 persons attended the dinner and entertainment, last Wednesday evening. \$550.10 was taken in the offering to be sent to the St. Louis Benevolent Society.....

After attending the basketball games, here, last week, I want to tell you that if you want a very enjoyable evening, turn off the TV and go watch the kids play a few games. You will enjoy the games, and besides, you will see friends and neighbors to visit in between games....Bessie Spradling had eye surgery, last Wednesday, returning to her home on Friday...John and Billie Bright of Florida have been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Robinson and her sister, Edna Simpson and her family. They spent

## Middle School

### Current Events



6TH GRADERS LEARN ABOUT ENERGY--While Brett Cummings is making the lights on the tree burn Brenda Hammersmith and Lisa Zak are looking on. The trio was involved in the project on Energy by the 6th grade classes.

about 5 days here, leaving last Tuesday... Dr. Steve Couch wants me to tell you that he sees patients, here, at 5:30 until all are seen on Mondays and from 1:00 p.m. until all patients are seen on Thursdays. He will not be in the office here, on Monday following Christmas-Dec. 26th.

Friday, December 16th the J.S. [Boss] Ingles will be celebrating their 69th Wedding Anniversary. There will be no special festivities, but I am sure they would enjoy cards from their friends. They were married in December of 1908 out of west of town at the home place. This was Mrs. Ingle's father's farm.

Last Friday, December 9, Mrs. Ingle had her 93rd birthday. Mr. Ingle will be 96 on Christmas Eve. Mr. Ingle still is active and interested in carving, and making objects from wood, tin and throw-away materials from his shop. Drive by his home and see the cute figures he has in his yard. Mrs. Dean Richards, daughter of the Ingles informs me that he has many carvings in the home. He likes to make wagons, horses, trucks, and stage coaches. He is now busy carving flower pots for Christmas presents. They have animals and plants carved into them.

The Christmas program at the school will be on Tuesday, 20th at 7:30, in the high school auditorium. The Red Devil Band will be performing under the direction of Sam Eiland; also the kindergarten, under the direction of Mrs. Scottie Hopson and Mrs. Allene Thomason. The first three grades will be singing songs together and by classes. They are being directed by Mr. Eiland. Mrs. Bernita Richards is directing a performance "What is Christmas," having Choral speaking by the 5th and 6th graders and songs by the 7th and 8th graders. This should be a very interesting program. You'd better plan on attending.

Virginia Templeton fell in her home, Monday morning, breaking her nose.

Saturday, Dec. 17th will be Santa Claus day in Texhoma. The jolly old fat man will be in front of the Chamber of Commerce office at 2:00 p.m. There will also be a turkey drawing following the candy treats, limiting one turkey per family. These turkeys are being donated by Texhoma merchants

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	Balance 1/1/77	Receipts	Disburse- ments	Balance 9/30/77
General Fund	\$ 27,349	\$ 241,279	\$ 232,589	\$ 36,039
Road District #1 Sinking Fund	12,812	761		13,573
Road District #2 Sinking Fund	44,119	40,212	30,319	54,012
Road District #3 Sinking Fund	76,911	37,517	49,302	65,126
Road District #4 Sinking Fund	16,464	581	6	17,039
Jail Construction Bonds Sinking Fund	62,063	2,512	1,188	63,387
Road Bond Sinking Fund	17,623	78,465	51,070	45,018
Road and Bridge Fund	175,953	221,567	156,152	241,368
Lateral Road Fund	46,997	17,718	4,269	60,446
Permanent Improvement Fund	8,964	25,869	28,835	5,998
Right of Way Fund	521,758	26,104		547,862
Federal Trust Fund	25,965	65,156	32,703	58,418
Road District #2 Construction Fund		253,696	126,944	126,752
Jury Fund	18,146	6,413	2,285	22,274
Special Fund	361,844		361,844	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,416,968</b>	<b>\$1,017,850</b>	<b>\$1,077,506</b>	<b>\$1,357,312</b>

**BALANCE CLASSIFIED BY DEPOSITORY**

Cash funds	\$	100
First State Bank of Stratford, Texas - demand deposits		160,212
First State Bank of Stratford, Texas - certificates of deposits		1,197,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,357,312</b>

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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS THE STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Sealed bids for an outside storage building for Coldwater Manor Convalescent Center in Stratford, Texas, will be accepted by Stratford Hospital District in the Council Chamber, Stratford City Hall, 520 North Third Street, Stratford, Texas, until 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 29, 1977.

Specifications and bidding documents may be secured on or after December 15, 1977 at Stratford City Hall, 520 North Third Street, Stratford, Texas. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 5:00 p.m., on December 29, 1977, at Stratford City Hall, 520 North Third Street, Stratford, Texas.

The Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive formalities and to accept the bid deemed to be most advantageous to the Hospital District.

#### STRATFORD HOSPITAL DISTRICT

By Walter Lasley  
49-2tc

#### LEGAL NOTICE A-401

THE STATE OF TEXAS) COUNTY OF SHERMAN)  
In the name and by the authority of the State of Texas Notice is hereby given as follows:

FRANCIS I. MARTIN, DECEASED, ADELA MARTIN, JOHN MARTIN, NANCY MARTIN, CARLOS MARTIN, J. WILFORD HILL, HELEN O. HILL, AND UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS, and any and all other persons, including adverse claimants, owning or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiff herein, for taxes, to-wit: Section 411-446 IT & NO, R.R. Co. Survey, Royalty Interest.00717, Section 33, 3T&NO, R.R. Co. Survey, Royalty Interest .001041, Section 85 3T & NO, R.R. Co. Survey, Royalty Interest .000520 Section 6, 2T & NO, R.R. Co. Survey, Royalty Interest .006255. Which said property is

delinquent to Plaintiff for taxes in the following amounts: \$17.31, exclusive of interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs, thereon, allowed by law up to an including the day of judgment herein.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by THE STATE OF TEXAS, ET AL., as Plaintiffs, against FRANCIS I. MARTIN, ET AL., as Defendants, by petition filed on the 30th day of November, 1977, in a certain suit styled THE STATE OF TEXAS, ET AL., V. FRANCIS I. MARTIN, ET AL. for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Sherman County, Texas 69th Judicial District, and file number of said suit is A-401, that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are

Stratford Independent School District and Sherman County Hospital District. Plaintiff and all other taxing units who may set up their claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, and in addition to the taxes all interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs allowed by law thereon up to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including plaintiff, defendants, and intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request thereof, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in said cause by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims

against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 16th day of January, A.D., 1978, (which is the return day of such citation), before the honorable District Court of Sherman County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, attorney's fees, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the plaintiff and the taxing units parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court in the City of Stratford, Sherman County, Texas, this 30th day of November, A.D., 1977.

M. W. Terrell  
Sherman County, Texas  
69th Judicial District  
(Published Dec. 8-15, 1977 in The Stratford Star)

## HELP WANTED

**Help Wanted**  
Apply in person only  
**Headquarters**  
**Restaurant**  
**9-10 a.m. - 4-5 p.m.**

WANTED--Bus drivers. Full time and part time. See E.L. Bass, Superintendent. Stratford Ind. School District.  
49-tfc

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19-tfc

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FOR SALE--2 bedroom brick home with finished basement, call 396-5673 or 396-2527.  
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FOR SALE--One bedroom house in Texhoma, newly remodeled. Call 827-7057.  
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11-tfc

## ATTENTION HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS

Fur buyer will be in Stratford at Headquarters Restaurant each Sunday from 7:00 till 7:30 beginning Dec. 10.

We buy green and dry furs of all kinds. Skin case all furs, (like opossums), not open up the middle. We also buy deer hides. Well handled furs bring TOP PRICES!  
Northwestern Fur Co.  
Colorado City, Texas  
46-3tp

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Dear Santa,  
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EDDIE WILLIAMS now local representative for WALLACE MONUMENT CO., Clarendon. Call Eddie at 396-5330.  
38-tfc

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44-8tc

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17-tfc

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46-4tp

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KING EQUIPMENT  
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27-tfc

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FOR SALE--Refrigerated air conditioner, 20,000 BTU, \$150. Utility Trailer w/sides \$150 after 5. 396-5991.  
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LOST NEAR POST OFFICE--Marine brass whistle, safety pin attached. Sentimental value. Turn in to Post Office or see Jewell Peterson for reward.  
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FOUND--Tiny tan and black male poodle type puppy. Jack Vincent 396-5388.  
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SPECIAL SERVICES ...from page 1 and Olinda Boardman at the piano.  
"We invite everyone to come and hear this inspiring message in song," said the Rev. Genoa Goad, pastor.

## METHODIST CHURCH

Specially for Shepherds, a Christmas Cantata by Ralph Carmichael, including special lighting effects, will be presented for the general public Sunday evening beginning at 7 p.m. by members of the Chancel Choir of the First United Methodist Church.  
The choir is under direction of Erwin Elms.  
Soloists who will be featured during the presentation include Mary Nell Miller, Boyd Spurlock, Marylou McDaniel, Gary Hudson, Jim Terry, Jerry Dyess, Fred Hughes, Ronny Engelbrecht, Joe Cluck, Millie Hacker and Elaine Cluck.

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Patty & Timmy Bryson  
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CARD of THANKS  
The family of Julius A. Cox has been deeply touched and is very grateful for the kindness and concern expressed by so many during the illness and death of our loved one. Thank you for the cards, visits, food, prayers and assistance. May God Bless you.  
Mrs. Julius A. Cox  
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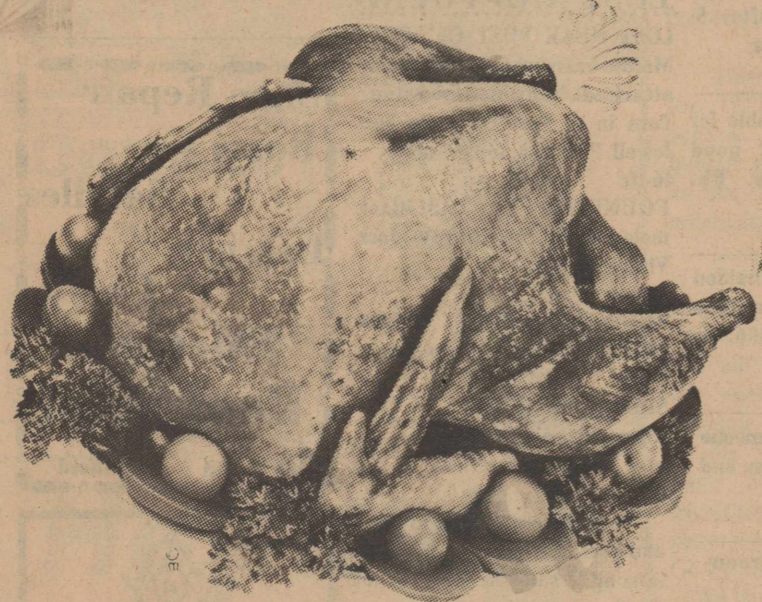
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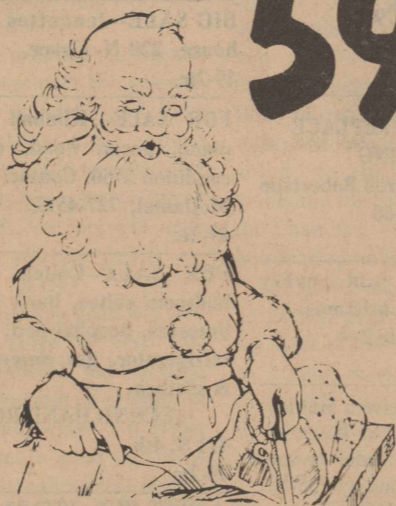


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