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The Stanton Reporter

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VARIETY Christmas Lighting Winner

By NEAL ESTES

This is the week in the year when things come to a climax that resembles a practically complete shutdown. People have and they are ready to "take Christmas" and celebrate the true spirit of the season by reflecting on the past year and at the same time planning for the year ahead. Many are framing resolutions for 1970 and many of the resolutions will be founded on the idea of being a better person, one dedicated to the cause of really helping put Christ back in Christmas.

With the close of the holiday shopping season on December 24, merchants started thinking about inventories. A lot of merchandise must be counted, tallied, listed, and accounted for in the next few days. By the inventory method most merchants can tell just about how well they made out in 1969 profit wise.

Every family in Martin County should be subscribing to the official county newspaper. There is a weekly message ready for the public every Thursday and a good resolution for the New Year would be to make a point to get the paper for your family and see that your neighbor has a copy too. Now is a good time to acknowledge the new and renewals sent in by those giving the paper for Christmas presents. Just as in years past, a lot of people responded to our earlier suggestion that the price of a subscription to the hometown newspaper was well worth the giving. It is our wish that these new subscribers enjoy the paper throughout the next twelve months.

Now is a good time to get your advertising copy ready for the next issue of the paper. The Stanton Reporter will handle many New Year messages next week and the paper promises to be a real newsy one with detailed descriptions of local holiday gatherings and news of those loved ones who visited in the community during Christmas.

Stanton Stores To Close For Christmas

The Retail Merchants Committee of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, announced this week that Stanton stores will be closed for Christmas, Thursday. Christmas is one of the six holidays the entire membership of the Chamber of Commerce voted on to close. City and county offices will close December 24 through December 26. Government offices will be closed December 25, and the post office will be opened December 26, for the public. R. O. Anderson, president of the First National Bank, announced the bank will be closed for Christmas, but will open for business on Friday.

Santa Letters To Be Forwarded

All the letters to Santa Claus received by The Stanton Reporter after this week's paper is printed, will be forwarded to Santa's North Pole headquarters by special delivery in time for Santa to read, before he leaves for Martin County. All the children who mailed their letters too late to be published, can be assured that Santa will receive the notes.

Dollar Day Slated For January 5

January 5, the first Monday in January, 1970, will get the local merchants off on the right foot for the New Year, and at the same time offer outstanding bargain to the shoppers.

Be in Stanton on the first Monday of the first month of the New Year to pick up packages of merchandise appropriately priced for the season.

The next issue of the Ole Reliable will carry advertisements announcing some of the values to be offered for sale in the county hub on Dollar Day.

Dollar Day is sponsored by the Martin County Chamber of Commerce is the oldest day to be observed on the calendar of community events ever sponsored by the chamber.

O. B. Harrison Joins Stallings Tax Service

O. B. Harrison, joins Stallings Tax Service, as a tax consultant, and accountant. Harrison is a member of the National Association of Tax Consultants, and has had many years of experience in accounting. For a number of years he operated his own business as a tax consultant in Nocona, Texas. He has recently retired from his position as registrar with La Salle Extension University, after 22 years in the accounting section. He holds a degree in accounting from Ardmore School of Commerce, Ardmore, Oklahoma. Harrison and his wife, Gladys, own their home at 510 West 4th Street, Stanton, after moving to Stanton in May, from Las Cruces, New Mexico. They are both members of the Church of Christ, Stanton.

Wichita Resources Stakes Site In Martin County

Wichita Resources, Inc. of Midland, staked site for No. 1 Olga Quattlebaum as a 9,500-foot venture in the Sale Ranch sector of the Martin County portion of the Spraberry Trend Area. Location is 2 1/2 miles southwest of Lenora, and 1,320 feet from south and west lines of section 43, block 36- T-2-N, T&P survey. Getty Oil Co. of Midland, scheduled No. 2 Elma Slaughter, as a 1/2-mile south step-out to 8,790-foot Dean production in the Sulphur Draw region of Martin County, eight miles north of Tarzan. Drill site is 1,707 feet from south, and 933 feet from east lines of section 122 block 36, T-3-N, T&P survey. Proposed goal is 8,100 feet.

Ann Haggard Named Favorite

Ann Haggard was recently elected by the freshman class at Howard County Junior College, as class favorite. Her picture will appear in the Favorite Section of the 1970 (Continued on back page)



CANCER DELEGATES: Tom Ed Angel, president of the Martin County Cancer Society Unit, is shown with Greg Westerfield, field representative from Midland, at the 25th Annual Cancer Society meeting held in Houston recently. Delegates from throughout the state attended the meeting, that featured outstanding medical authorities.

181 Interested Persons Attend Cap Rock Party

The annual Christmas party for employees and their families of Cap Rock Electric and Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperatives was held December 12, in the Willie Wirehand Room of the Cap Rock Electric building. A dinner of turkey and dressing, with all the trimmings was served to the 181 persons attending. James D. Elland, assistant

manager, served as master of ceremonies, and gave the welcome and introduced guests. Rev. W. H. Uhlman of the First Baptist Church, gave the invocation. The program for the evening was presented by H. Dan Johnston of Lubbock, on magic. Following the program, new employees hired during the year of 1969, was introduced

by Elland. Manager O. B. Bryan, presented service pins to the cooperative employees. Receiving ten year pins were: Tom Ed Angel, bookkeeper; Billy Ray Allred, service lineman; Lois Powell, cashier, and D. A. Stanley, service lineman. James D. Elland, received a service pin for 20 years. Rev. Richard Payne of the First United Methodist Church, gave the benediction.

DPS Schedules Operation Motorcide

The director of the Texas Department of Public Safety today estimated that traffic crashes in Texas over the Christmas and New Year holiday periods, may claim as many as 98 lives.

Colonel Wilson E. Speir said 54 deaths are expected in the Christmas period beginning at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve to midnight Sunday, December 28. It also is estimated 33 traffic deaths will occur during the New Year holidays from 6 a.m. New Year's Eve to midnight Sunday, January 4.

"We urge each individual driver to accept the challenge of proving our estimates are

too high," Speir said. "Many holiday accidents can be prevented if Texans will drive safely and realize that no one is immune to a traffic crash."

Speir also announced that the Department of Public Safety will place all available patrolmen on the highways during the holidays to enforce the law and aid motorists. He said a special "Operation Motorcide" would be in effect over both holiday periods, during which periodic tabulations of traffic fatalities will be made and given the widest possible dissemination in order to focus public attention to the added dangers involved in holiday travel.

Stanton, Klondike Teams Divide Cage Double Bill

The Buffs entertain Lubbock Dunbar in a practice game Friday night. Boys A game:

Stanton (62) — Rusty Hicks 7-2-17; Dicky Mims, 3-3-9; Alan Gregston 3-0-6; Dennis Jones 2-1-5; Jackie Swanson 3-2-8; Frank Barnhill 7-7-21; Bill Pardue 1-0-2; Glen Ray 4-1-9. Totals 26-10-62.

Klondike (48) — Stevens 4-1-9; Dunbar 2-2-6; Etheridge 1-7-9; C. Stevens 5-1-11; Roberts 0-9-9; Lopez 1-2-4. Totals 13-22-48.

Stanton (42) — Sandy Chandler 7-7-21; Doris Howard 4-3-11; Debra Holloway 1-0-2; Jana Hall 4-0-8. Totals 16-10-42.

Klondike (51) — Debra Bradford 1-10-12; Jove Wilcox (Continued on back page)

November Was Damp And Cool In Martin County

November, which included snow on three days, was damp and cold in the area.

The monthly summary from the U. S. Weather Bureau at Terminal said a trace of snow fell on Nov. 2, and again on Nov. 27, while 1.3 inches covered the ground on Nov. 28, in the Permian Basin.

There also was a trace of sleet recorded on Nov. 27, along with the snow.

The mercury dropped below the freezing mark on eight days last month with the lowest reading a frigid 28 degrees on Nov. 19.

There were eight rainy days during November, with precipitation measured at .85 of an inch. The greatest 24-hour precipitation was .27 of an inch on Nov. 26 and 27.

Rainfall so far this year now stands at 13.34 inches, which is 2.76 inches above normal.

The thermometer failed to get any higher than 81 during the month. The maximum temperature was recorded on Nov. 11.

The average maximum temperature was 63.7 degrees, 2.6 degrees below normal. The average minimum temperature was 39.1 degrees, 4 of a degree above normal.

The average monthly temperature of 51.4 degrees, was 1.1 degree below normal.

Skies were clear on 13 days while six days had partly cloudy skies. Skies were overcast on 11 days. There was heavy fog on four days.

The average wind was out of the south at 8.9 miles per hour. The highest wind was 31 miles per hour out of the north-northeast.

Jack Ellington Rites To Be Held December 24

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m., at the First Presbyterian Church of Midland, for Jack T. Ellington, 62, former Midland police chief, and circulation manager of The Midland Reporter-Telgram, for the past 16 years.

Ellington died Monday night at his home in Midland, of an apparent heart seizure.

Ellington joined the newspaper in 1951. Prior to his stint with the Midland police force, he was a policeman in Odessa.

Ellington was a director of the Texas Circulation Managers Association, and a member of the International Association of Circulation Managers.

He was a native of Paris, Texas.

Survivors include his widow, and two sisters.

Martin County Registers 690 Voters For 1970

Voter registration for Martin County is progressing normal, according to the Martin County tax assessor office. The office reports 690 voters have registered to be eligible for the upcoming city, county, and state elections in 1970.

January 31, 1970, deadline for registration is drawing near. Requirements for registering are:

1. Citizen of the United States.
2. Over 21 years of age on the day of the election.
3. Resident of the state for at least six months immediately preceding election day.
4. Resident of the county for at least six months immediately preceding election day — required for voting in local election, but not required for voting in statewide issues.

New Semester Starts Jan. 5

Stanton school children will return to school on Monday, January 5, after a long Christmas holiday period, and will begin the second semester of the school term.

Stanton High School principal, J. R. Dillard, announced students have already pre-registered for their next semester classes this week, prior to (Continued on back page)

per cent fill in the spotted category. Four per cent were reduced in grade because of bark.

Staple lengths were consistent with last week. Three per cent were 28; 23 per cent, 29; 45 per cent, 30; 12 per cent, 31; 8 per cent, 32; 5 per cent, 33, and 4 per cent were longer than 33.

Micronaire readings were: 1 per cent, 2.7 - 2.9; 3 per cent, 3.0 - 3.2; 3 per cent, 2.3 - 3.4; 89 per cent, 3.5 - 4.9, and 3 per cent, 5.0-5.2.

Pressley or strength readings were good, with 75 per cent reading 80,000 PSI (pounds per square inch) and better.

The Consumer and Marketing Service, Abilene, reports average gross prices, based on limited information available, for some predominant quantities are: 4129 brought 18.70c; 4239 brought 19.30c; 3229 brought 19.00c; 3230 brought 18.55c; 4229 brought 18.30c; and 4230 brought 18.85c.

their prize of a 1969 China Christmas plate, from Stanton Walgreen Drug.

The judges viewed the entries Monday night, and judged the contestants on artistic merit, originality, ingenuity, and general appearance of the display. Cecil Bridges escorted the judges in the viewing of the homes.

Following the selection of the winners, the judges were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Elland, for coffee and cake.

Chamber secretary, Mrs. F. C. Wheeler, announced the entries in the contest were the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Houston, 510 W. First, Mr. and Tom Ed Angel, 508 W. Second; Mr. and Mrs. James Jones, 705 St. Francis; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Reid Millhollon Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Cox, 800 E. Broadway; Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Scott, 1009 St. Peter; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blocker, 805 W. 5th; Mr. and Mrs. Troy Ray, 508 Carrol, and Mr. and Mrs. Paige Elland, 400 West Second.

New Auto Registration Explained By Saunders

Martin County drivers will find registering their motor vehicles for 1970 easier than ever before, thanks to a new registration system devised by the Texas Highway Department, reports Dan Saunders, tax-assessor and collector.

The department expects more than seven million vehicles to be registered during the year, revealed Saunders, and there will be several new wrinkles.

First, license plates will have a new color scheme — light blue on a reflective white background.

Second, for the first time, motor vehicle registration renewal applications will be mailed to every vehicle owner in Texas during January. The registration period begins February 1, Saunders said.

The renewal application will arrive in the mail in a slender envelope marked, "Important — This is Your License Plate Renewal Application."

"If he decides to go the county tax office or a substitution, he will find shorter waiting lines. With the application, the clerk will need only to receive the fee, affix to the application a sticker showing the registration number, and other date and hand over the 1970 plates, the tax-assessor reports.

"When the registration period begins, the vehicle owner need only take the application — and the fee — to the county tax office. Or he can order his plates by mail," Saunders explained.

"With the application, he will no longer need to present his certificate of title, or last year's registration receipt," said Saunders.

Although owners can register their vehicle in person until April 1, there is a March 1 cutoff date for mail registration. This allows 30 days for delivery before 1970 plates must be displayed on vehicles. (Continued on back page)

Grandparents Practical About Gifts

Grandparents are practical. They want Christmas presents such as gift certificates, staples, and postage stamps.

They don't want more bric-a-brac to catch dust.

Gift certificates could be for a local restaurant, the movies, or the beauty parlors, suggests Minnie Bell, extension specialist for aging. She says the elderly often do not have extra money for such things.

If they get money as a gift, they might save it, but a person can make a "mad purchase" with a gift certificate, she adds.

Miss Bell, a specialist at Texas A&M University has other suggestions: send staples, for the kitchen, or a case of assorted soups and small boxes of crackers, or gourmet foods, sauces, as sauces cheeses, and fruits.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa:

I would like a Johnny Lightning set, a snow sled, and a Billy Blastoff Robot.

Please remember my sister, Lisa, and all the boys and girls everywhere.

Thank you for all the toys each Christmas.

Don't forget your surprise in my stocking.

Love,
Chris Yater.

Dear Santa Claus:

I think I have been a real good boy this year, mama might disagree, but I sure have tried to be good.

I would like to "fancy" helicopter that lights up and turns around. I'll have to have batteries for it, too.

There are other things that I want, but I'll just leave it up to you. How is Mrs. Claus this year? I hope fine.

I have two brother, Jimmy, 12 years old, and Eddie who is nine years old. I am, as you know, going to be four in March. Please don't forget everybody over the world. I would like them all to have a Merry Christmas. I hope you will be able to take time out to have one too.

I'll leave some little snack for you on the 24th.

I love you so much.
Christopher P. Bryan.

Dear Santa:

I would like a train for Christmas, and a few surprises. Please don't forget my brothers, Jimmy and Chris.

Love,
Eddie Bryan.

ell, Mrs. Billy Rudd was welcomed as a new member, and gifts were exchanged.

Kindergarten Has Christmas Party Dec. 19

The kindergarten classes of Mrs. Gracelyn Snell, presented a special Christmas program for their parents at the Christmas party held at the First United Methodist Church, December 19.

"The Christmas Story" was presented by the four and five year old boys and girls. The remainder of the party was devoted to gift exchanging, carol singing, and refreshments.

The children attending were John Jones, Eric Haner, Lewis Parker, Daryl Snell, Joe Ortiz, Brian Bowlin, Jill Simpson, Lee Anna Dunn, Bryan Hale, Della Brown, Brigitte Haner, Jonama Cox, Martin Straub, Dawn Kelly, Lori Burnett, George Lewis, Michelle Fisher, Rasandrea Marquez, Tony Mapp, Roger Stanley, Joanna Barber, Georgeann Herzog, and Gregory Graves.

Mrs. Snell is assisted by Mrs. Nolan Parker, in teaching of the children.

Political Calendar

DEMOCRATIC:
For State Representative
District 73:
E. L. SHORT
DEMOCRATIC:
For Martin County Judge:
ROY KOONCE

Give a pot plant instead of cut flowers—it will keep.

Or give something the grandchildren have made, or a framed picture of the family.

Tickets to a good play is a unique gift. Include money for hotel and travel is necessary, Miss Bell suggests.

Owners Urged To Destroy Old Credit Cards

Cut and destroy unwanted credit cards, advises Linda Jacobsen, extension home management specialist at Texas A&M University.

This eliminates keeping track of them and running the risk of a stolen card. By keeping the credit card, you have accepted the terms under which it was issued, even though no formal agreement was made.

Unsolicited credit cards may arrive through the mail from many sources: banks, oil companies, or department stores.

Gift Boosts Chapel Fund At Hospital

All-Faith Chapel Fund for Big Spring State Hospital got a healthy boost recently with the receipt of a gift of \$25,000 from the J. E. and L. E. Mabee Foundation, Inc of Tulsa, Okla.

The gift came as a result of a request made by Frank Hayford of Midland, president of the All-Faith Chapel, Inc. The Mabee gift raises the chapel fund to almost \$100,000.

A goal of \$200,000 has been set to finance the construction of a building which would provide not only a place to worship for all faiths, but also include offices for chaplain, and ministerial counseling.

The state does not appropriate money for such construction, but many hospitals for mental health in Texas have built them through private contributions.

Dr. Preston Harrison, superintendent of the Big Spring hospital said, "The religious element is most vital in providing restoration of the whole person."

Upon receiving the gift, Hayford said, "This give up new energy and we feel that other fine gifts are coming our way soon."

Persons wishing to aid in establishing the chapel, may contact All-Faith Chapel, Inc., Big Spring State Hospital, P. O. Box 231, Big Spring, 79720.

Stanton Study Club

The Stanton Study Club met recently in the home of Mrs. Bob Cox, for its annual Christmas party.

Mrs. Cox presented a group of Christmas readings. Carols were led by Mrs. Glenn L. Brown, accompanied by Dr. Sue Fisher.

Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully decorated tree. Favors of Christmas ornaments were given to each one present. These had been made by Mrs. Cox and her children.

A box of gifts were prepared for the Big Spring State Hospital from the club. This is an annual project of the club.

Refreshments were served from a lovely Christmas stable to the following: Mrs. C. F. Huling, Mrs. George Dawson, Mrs. J. O. Stuard, Mrs. Lawton Ware, Mrs. Glenn L. Brown, Mrs. S. W. Wheeler, Mrs. Alex Haggard, Dr. Sue Fisher, and Mrs. Bob Cox.

Contributions Tax Deductible

Contributions of funds, either as gifts or memorials to the American Cancer Society, are received throughout the year. All of these contributions are tax deductible. These funds are used to support the society's three-fold attack on cancer through research, education, and service.

Mrs. John Roueche, treasurer of the local cancer unit, has stated that everyone is invited to consider contributions at this season of the year, and that this is an opportunity to contribute to the ultimate victory over the dread disease of cancer.

Oswald's Widow Loses Ruling On Possessions

The federal government will pay the widow of Lee Harvey Oswald for personal possessions held by the killer of President Kennedy at the time Jack Ruby murdered him at the market value of the items at the time Oswald died. No profit will be allowed.

The items include a diary kept by Oswald when he was living in Russia.

The items do not include the rifle allegedly used to kill Kennedy or a .38 calibre pistol allegedly used in the slaying of Dallas police officer J. D. Tippett the same day.

The federal court ruling came in connection with a \$500,000 suit filed by Marina Oswald, now Mrs. Lee Porter, former wife of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Chief Judge Joe Ewing Estes of Dallas, handed down the decision. Judge Estes made the ruling for William West, a Dallas attorney appointed to determine the values of the items.

West said Thursday that since Congress passed a law ordering that all the items seized during the Warren Commission investigation be kept by the government, Mrs. Porter was entitled to compensation.

He said the ruling by the judge was necessary because many of the books, papers and clothes had been damaged by chemicals used in making tests by law enforcement agents.

He said also expert witnesses had agreed that the value of many documents had been decreased because they had been published in the Warren Commission report.

Estes ruled, West said, that Mrs. Porter could not recover for the damage done to the items by the tests or for the lessening of value because of publication. She could only recover for the value of items as of the day they were seized, Nov. 1, 1966.

Veterans Administration

The Veterans Administration announced today a record number of veterans and servicemen, are now in training programs under the newest GI Bill.

An even larger enrollment is expected next month when many schools beginning their second semesters.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs Donald E. Johnson, said that as of November 30, there were more than 736,000 participants in training programs of all types. This includes trainees in programs at the college level, below college level, and on-the-job training.

According to Johnson, November's enrollment figure represents an increase of 36 percent over the same period last year, when enrollees totaled 542,000.

So far, 1,551,000 trainees have taken advantage of educational benefits provided under the latest GI Bill since it went into effect June 1, 1966.

A breakdown of trainees by categories, includes 65,000 pursuing on-the-job training, 239,000 in program below college level, and 432,000 in programs at the college level.

The VA chief added that the increased participation in training programs can be attributed in part to the agency's continuing "Total Outreach" program.

Under this program, veterans and servicemen are informed about benefits available to them, and are encouraged to apply.

VA contact representatives provide this service at military installations in Vietnam and the United States, as well as at VA hospitals, VA offices, and Veterans Administration Centers throughout the United States. In addition to these personal contacts, VA letters are sent to all recently discharge veterans.

"MAN OF THE PEOPLE"

Andrew Jackson was the first "man of the people" who entered the White House. Previous U.S. presidents had been aristocrats in birth, breeding, education, and environment.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Santa has a message for his reindeer...
"Be quick, step lively, it's Christmas!" And because it's Christmas, we have a message for you, and for all our wonderful customers and friends. We'd like to wish you every joy of the season, with much thanks for the joy of serving you.

Happy New Year Everyone!

Dwain Henson
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Costey

Stanton Food Market

Garden Club News

A choir composed of fourth grade girls, presented a program for the Stanton Garden Club on December 16, at the home of Mrs. Guy Elland. The choir included Amy Hazlewood, Rene Koonce, Shelly Church, Julie Curry, Tami Trimble, Lisa Angel, Paigia Lou Elland, Leann Biggs, Tracey Williams, and Carolyn Hopper.

Mrs. Glenn Brown presented a program on plants in the Holy Land.

Hot punch and assorted sandwiches were served to Mrs. W. T. Wells, Helen Dawson, Mrs. Huling Mrs. Ray Kelly, Mrs. W. W. Clements, Hattie Estes, Mrs. Oma Womack, Mrs. Arthur Wilson, Mrs. Glenn Brown, Mrs. L. C. Hazlewood, Mrs. Harry Haislip, and Mrs. Elland.

Read The Stanton Reporter for the latest news from your home county!

Pvt. Scurlark Completes Basic Course

Private Willie B. Scurlark, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren C. Scurlark, Stanton, graduated recently from eight weeks of basic training at the U. S. Army Training Center (Air Defense), Fort Bliss, Texas.

He was assigned to C Company, 1 Battalion, 3 Basic Combat Training Brigade.

During the eight week course he studied basic technical of first aid, hand-to-hand combat, bayonet training, drill and ceremonies, and he also qualified with the M-14 automatic training rifle.

HD Club News

The Christmas story read by Mrs. A. H. Tate, was featured at the Christmas party of the Grady Home Demonstration Club, held in the home of Mrs. Charles Mitch-

Greetings

Thanks for your most generous good will. To you and yours we wish a Merry Christmas.

Stanton Variety Store

Mrs. L. E. Thomas

Classified Ads

Comings and Goings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lodge Notices A-1
Stanton Chapter No. 409 O.E.S., first Tuesday night of each month.

EXA RASURE
Worthy Matron
LUICA PICKETT,
Secretary

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the many kindnesses, and expressions of sympathy extended us during the illness and the loss of our beloved sister, Mrs. Mamie Tom.
Greta Mae Connell,
John Connell,
Maurice Connell.

WOMAN'S COLUMN

Child Care G-2

Baby Sitting, all day or by the hour. Sue Land, 708 N. College, 756-2430. 12-49-3tc

MERCHANDISE

Appliances K-1

Have your GIFTS and PARTY FAVORS personalized with monogramming. We do it in all COLORS, NAPKINS, BILLFOLDS, STATIONERY and MATCHES. STANTON DRUG STORE.

Acres For Sale M-1

80 acres, allotment, on pavement, five miles east of Stanton.

LOANS

Mid-City Credit Co.
Stanton Supply Finance
LO 3-1377 756-3422
Midland-Odessa Stanton

ton, Call B. R. Seidenburger, St. Lawrence Route, Garden City, Texas. Phone 354-2114. 12-52-2tc

REAL ESTATE

Farm & Ranches M-2

Out voted 2 to 1. Brothers say sell. You want to buy farm? Lets get together. This farm is in Martin County. Labors 12 and 13, League 264. Kent County School Land, James T. Crumley, 4616 Erie, 695-2325. Midland. 9-37-tnc

Three bedroom, two bath, brick - veneer home for sale. Low interest rate. Contact Patze Eiland, at Eiland Insurance, or call 756-3481. 10-9-40-tnc

Three bedroom house for sale. 505 Carrol. Call 756-3691. 11-48-tnc

For sale repo. by finance company, 3 bedroom house and two lots located across railroad on St. Boniface. Reasonable offer entertained for quick sale. Will furnish a warranty deed to property. Call collect Area Code 214 337-4761 Dallas. 12-51-1tc

Houses For Sale M-4

Three bedroom, two bath, den, large living - dining area, New carpet, fresh paint. Detached garage and workshop. 602 St. Francis, James D. Eiland. 8-36-tnc

Choice location in town, three bedroom, two full baths, carpet, den, utility room, fenced yard, carport. Call Big Spring, 267-7219 or 267-6565. appointment only. 12-51-tnc

Read the Ole Reliable for the latest hometown news!

YOUR SOUTHWESTERN LIFE INSURANCE
J. Woodford Sale
756-3472 Stanton



By BRENDA HANER

Martin County residents will be opening their homes during the Christmas holiday period to relatives, old friends, and acquaintance from throughout the state. Christmas is traditionally a time of the year that families reunite for the yule time festivities.

The Eugene Atchison household will be one good example of a family Christmas when the Atchison's children join their parents on December 25. Sgt. Dwight Atchison has returned from Germany, from a three year tour of duty and is now stationed in San Antonio, with his wife, Sandra, and children, Michael, Marilyn, and Dwayne. Also expected for Christmas, will be Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fieldens, of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Atchison, Jim Tommy Lee, and Cindy, of Carlsbad, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Pat McMillan, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Atchison, of McAllen; P. M. Herren, Raymond Herren, and Hal Herren, of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hanson, and sons, Gary, and Lance, will be visiting relatives and friends in Stamford and Haskle during the holidays.

Melrae Angel, freshman at Baylor, will be home for the holidays, and will join a family Christmas at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Angel. Family members expected at the Angel home, include Mr. and Mrs. Tom Angel, Lisa Beth, and Bryan; Mr.

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and Mrs. Charles Pierce, Carletta, Branche, Laurabeth, and Stella Don, and Zanna Angel.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Pinkerton, are expecting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Nutt, from Houston, for Christmas.

Another collegian home from the campus, is Gayland Pitman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pitman of Courtney.

The Tull Ray Louder home will be filled with family members as their "Aggie son," Jim will be home from Texas A&M. Also, Mrs. Louder's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. Ranly, and Dwayne. Also expected for Christmas, will be Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fieldens, of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Atchison, Jim Tommy Lee, and Cindy, of Carlsbad, New Mexico; Mr. and Mrs. Pat McMillan, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Atchison, of McAllen; P. M. Herren, Raymond Herren, and Hal Herren, of Midland.

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Guests from Cisco, will be in Stanton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Deitaker. Expected are Mr. and Mrs. Glen Deitaker, and Kenneth.

The highway between Stanton and Dallas, may be traveled by several Martin County residents, as Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gibson report they will be heading up Dallas way to visit Mrs. Gibson's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Howard, and her mother, Mrs. Rosa Hamilton.

Heading down from the Dallas area, will be Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Tucker of Stephenville.

who are expected guests of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Flanagan, Curtis, Elizabeth, and Leah.

—C&G—

Porr Tom Turkey won't have a chance as the Burnell Howard family joins the J. G. Notgrass family reunion dinner on Christmas day in Midland. Mr. and Mrs. Howard, Doris, Lois, Curt, and Gordon, will gather at the home of Mrs. Howard's mother, Mrs. J. G. Notgrass, with the remaining seven Notgrass brothers and sisters, and the families.

Also, attending the reunion, will be Mr. and Mrs. David Howard. Howard is presently on leave from the U. S. Army, is stationed in Virginia.

—C&G—

The James Hough children will have an extra treat this Christmas, because their grand mother is visiting with them. Mrs. Queen A. Dowd, of Kerrville, will spend Christmas with grandsons, Bruce, Tommy, and Joe, and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hough.

—C&G—

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Sherrod and Julie will be hosts in

their Garden City home, Mrs. Sherrod's parents and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Haggard, Janice, Jackie and Ann, a Howard County Junior College.

—C&G—

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williamson are busy getting their grandchildren's gifts wrapped and under the tree before they arrive from Euless and Odessa. Heading to Stanton, will be Mr. and Mrs. James Williamson, Sam and Belinda, of Euless, and Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Williamson, Mark, Sandra, and Dawn, of Odessa.

—C&G—

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Thrallkill will be joining their daughters and their families in Kermit for Christmas. Playing host to the reunion, will be Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Scott, Jr., Kenny and Robert of Kermit. Also attending will be Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stribling, and Stacey, of Odessa.

—C&G—

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Reagor, Julie and Vicki, will spend Christmas in the hill country of Texas, visiting parents in Llano, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Reagor, and in Austin, with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson.

—C&G—

Four generations of the

Every family were reunited recently in the home of Mrs. Lottie Avery of Stanton. Attending the gathering, was Mr. and Mrs. Howard Avery, of Big Lake; Mr. and Mrs. David Avery, of Maryland, and the newest Avery family member, Greg three months old.

—C&G—

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hopper, and daughters, Lisa, and Carolyn, will spend Christmas with Mrs. Hopper's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rees of Westbrook.

—C&G—

The children of Mrs. Lottie Avery, will join their mother for a traditional Christmas Eve, and will spend Christmas Day in Odessa, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Wilhite.

—C&G—

Charles B. Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Lewis, will be home during the holidays, after his release from his tour of duty with the service in Okinawa.

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By NEAL ESTES

For many years the Stanton Walgreen Drug has been bringing a calendar and weather chart into Martin County from the Chattanooga, Tennessee Medicine Company. Have you picked your calendar up yet? If not why not go by the drug store operated by the GLENN BROWNS and get your calendar today. Oh yes, get your almanac too. They have both for their friends and customers.

The medicine company calendar reveals birthdays of two real great Americans who lived many years ago, but both men contributed a lot to the country before passing on. ROBERT E. LEE was born on January 19 His famed general of the Confederate Army, STONEWALL JACKSON, observed January 21 as his birthday. By-the-way, the annual chamber of commerce banquet will be held on LEE'S birthday this year. The distinguished son of the sovereign state of Virginia, was a graduate of West Point and after the war between the states became the president of Washington & Lee University, Lexington, Virginia. The late GEN. DWIGHT EISENHOWER described LEE as the greatest military genius of all time.

The nicest thing you can do to mark that loved ones visit in your home during the Christmas holiday is report the news of the visit to the local paper. Telephone 756-3344 and any member of the staff will take your news item.

Christmas Day will not escape a football broadcast. The Blue-Gray game is scheduled to start at 3:30 p.m. and it will be on the tube. Wise women will get all the conversation out of the male members of the household before the contest gets underway. The two hours or more it will take to air the game will be classified as "off limits" for anything but first downs and touchdowns.

Dollar Day with come on Monday, January 5, 1970. Start the New Year off right by getting the Dollar Dry shopping habit in Stanton during the coming year. Ads revealing many bargains for January 5 will appear in the next issue of the newspaper. Be sure and read the ads and make a list before you visit the store of your choice.

A new state law makes it mandatory for all candidates to pay their announcement fees in advance. Those desiring to seek public office in this county will be advised of the political rates at the time they visit the office to place the official statement in the county paper.

Martin County merchants will lock up tight to observe Thursday, December 25, Christmas Day and most of the stores will close on New Years Day. But retail firms will resume business as usual on Friday, December 26. The staff of this newspaper will be mighty busy running an inventory and assembling news and advertising for the New Year's issue on Friday. It might be humorously added here, that December 26, is considered "Exchange Day" in some of the local stores because invariably some shirts, etc., will have to be changed for the right sizes following Christmas.

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The 10-year extension and broadening of the Great Plains Conservation Program in legislation recently enacted by Congress, can mean a doubling of the needed soil and water conservation work on Texas farm and ranch lands, State Conservationist Clyde W. Graham, of the USDA Soil Conservation Service, said today.

The law extending the program, which was launched in 1957 to give landowners in the Great Plains help in building greater stability in farming and ranching enterprises, was signed by the President on November 19, 1969. The program had been scheduled to end December 31, 1971, but has now been extended to 1981.

The legislation authorizes an additional \$150 million in federal funds for cost-sharing of conservation measures.

In addition to cost-sharing regular soil and water conservation work, the broadened program will provide for the enhancement of fish, wildlife, and recreation resources on farms and ranches where it will improve the economic condition of landowners. It will also provide assistance on agriculture-related pollution problems in keeping with the program's overall objectives.

It also authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into contracts on land not generally considered to be agricultural, but where erosion is so serious that conservation work is needed to protect farm or ranch holdings.

Graham pointed out that the law brings the responsibility of soil and water conservation districts more sharply into focus, stipulating that "approved conservation plans developed in cooperation with soil and water conservation district in which their lands are situated shall form a basis for contracts."

The state conservationist described the Great Plains Conservation Program as a most useful tool for soil and water conservation districts in their effort to get greater resource and economic stability established in a region recognized for its agricultural risk. "The success of this program can be assigned to the willingness of landowners to enter into formal contracts with the Secretary of Agriculture to move ahead faster toward completing the conservation job on their entire units," Graham said. "This often includes an agreement to shift cropland to grass where the cropland is incapable of sustained, safe production. The whole idea of the Great Plains Conservation Program is to enable the landowner to make needed changes in his cropping and grazing system, to change the use of his land as indicated by soil information, and to install needed soil and water conservation treatment measures."

"Nearly 500,000 acres of cropland have been planted to grass in Texas under the program," Graham said. He pointed out that an inventory of conservation need show that 571,000 additional acres in the 99 Great Plains counties in Texas need to be returned to permanent vegetation.

State Conservationist Graham said the latest checkup by SCS shows 34,662 farmers and ranchers in 424 counties in the 10 Great Plains states have entered the program with holdings covering over 62 million acres. More than one-third of the number have finished all needed conservation work. Federal money obligated for cost-sharing in the program has amounted to nearly \$121 million, with about \$29 million still to be paid as owners go ahead with their work.

In Texas, 10,908 farmers and ranchers have signed contracts covering 13.7 million acres, and obligating \$37 million in cost-share funds. Nearly 1,200 Texas farmers and

ranchers have applications on file to take part in the program.

The seeding of unsuitable cropland to grass, development of water resources, reduction of the soil erosion hazard through various conservation techniques, control of invading brush on rangeland, improvement of irrigation system to use available water most efficiently, and better grassland manager, are among steps taken by landowners in the program to create resistance to drought and other emergencies, and thereby reduce suffering and financial stress once common in the Plains. Plains farmers and ranchers have returned nearly two million acres of hazardous cropland to grassland uses in the program.

Graham said that although the program in Texas has reduced dust storms on the Plains, the job is far from complete. He said a recent survey showed that only 15 percent of all needed conservation work on the Plains has been done.

Poinsettia Care Outlined

Poinsettias, favorite Christmas flowers, demand careful attention to survive the entire holiday season.

Poinsettias are grown during Christmas for the red and green colored bracts, says Everett E. Janne, extension landscape horticulturist at Texas A&M University. New varieties with pink or white bracts are now available.

New Semester

(Continued from page 1) Mid-term tests were held this week, prior to the 12-day Christmas holiday.

Ann . . .

(Continued on back page) college annual, "The Jayhawker."

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Haggard, Star Route, Stanton, Miss Haggard is a graduate of Flower Grove High School in Ackerly. She is presently a cheerleader at Howard County Junior College.

PERSONALS

Cindy Pickett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pickett, will be home during the Christmas holidays, from McMurry College. The Pickett's other daughter, Mrs. Don Williams, and daughter, Robin, will be home for Christmas.

Beta Sigma Phi Activities

Xi Theta Nu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, held its annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. Bob Cox. Dinner was served to members and guests attending. Plans was announced to send a Christmas box of gifts to patients at the Big Spring State Hospital. The next meeting will be held in the home of Mrs. Gerald Hanson.

The members of Mu Lambda Chapter Number 4091 of Beta Sigma Phi, met Monday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the Cap Rock room for their annual Christmas party. The families of the members were the special guests. Each one enjoyed oodles of sandwiches, chips and dips, cake, pie, cup cakes, cold drinks, and coffee.

Carol Smith read the poem "The Night Before Christmas." Then Phi Pal, and family gifts were exchanged.

Domines, forty-two, and games were played. Lots of fun, food, and fellowship was enjoyed by everyone. Mrs. Nettie Byrd, and Mrs. Gerry Bellesheim were the

1969 Hurricane Season Among The Most Violent

The most violent hurricane season in 16 years ended, after blowing a multitude of new records into weather history.

Thirteen tropical cyclones, from Anna to Martha, whipped up, the most since 1953,

when there were 14, the National Hurricane Center reported in a post-season summary. Only nine of the 1953 storms became hurricanes.

Ten storms burgeoned into hurricanes this year, the largest array in 19 years. There were 11 hurricanes in 1950.

Camille, which struck Mississippi, and other Gulf Coast areas, was the most damaging storm of record, Hurricane Center Director Robert Simpson reported. Camille caused losses estimated at more than \$1.4 billion, Simpson said. Lives lost totaled 258, and 68 other persons are missing, he added. The property losses slightly exceeded those inflicted by Betsy in 1965.

EDITORIAL—

Conservative, That's All

Rejection by the Senate of the United States of the nomination of Judge Clement F. Haynsworth of North Carolina as a U. S. Supreme Court justice was a sad, sorry, disgusting incident with which the Senate will have to live for a long time.

Senator Birch Bayh, D-Ind., who led the successful fight against nomination, and the 54 other senators, including Democrat Ralph Yarborough of Texas, who joined Bayh, certainly must feel proud of themselves on their efforts to destroy the reputation of a respected federal judge. And guess who joined in voting against this gentleman . . . yes, Edward Kennedy and Thomas J. Dodd, of course.

Actually, Senator Bayh should have disqualified himself in this particular controversy since it has been painted out that he received campaign contributions of approximately \$70,000 from the AFL-CIO "political arm" and more than that from local unions in Indiana during his 1968 re-election campaign.

Organized labor went all out in opposing Judge Haynsworth, and Bayh undoubtedly was ordered to lead the fight against the judge. That tells the story.

It is a shame that this cruel injustice has happened to innocent man, whose service in court would have restored proper balance.

Although his opponents hurled any number of trumped-up charges against him, the only real thing they could come up with was that he happened to be a conservative Southerner. This, of course, was unbearable to the liberal members of both Republican and Democratic parties.

Senator John Tower, R-Texas, blamed Haynsworth's defeat on the Senate judging him on his conservative judicial philosophy rather than on his qualifications for the high bench.

"Judge Haynsworth had great qualifications and I have always supported the nominees on the basis of qualifications rather than philosophy," Tower said.

Tower, incidentally, suggested President Nixon would do well to nominate Senator John Stennis, D-Miss., for the court vacancy.

The Texas senator said Stennis would be "an excellent nominee, one who is a strict constructionist and a person with an impeccable background."

"If he doesn't get confirmed, then we will certainly know that ideological considerations are primary in determining whether philosophy is a qualification to set on the Supreme Court. Quite candidly, is Stennis as nominated, he would be confirmed. I think he would be a great addition to the court."

President Nixon said he regretted the senate action and that he especially deplored the nature of the attacks made on "this distinguished man . . . whose integrity is unimpeachable, his ability unquestioned."

Judge Haynsworth was kind, considerate and generous in his comments concerning the ordeal of the last two months.

"The resolution is an unhappy one for me," he said, "but for our country's sake I hope the rebate will prove to have been a cleansing agent which will smooth the way for the President's next and later nominees."

Haynsworth said the Senate decision forced him to consider resigning from the federal appeals court bench, and a vast majority of Americans undoubtedly hope that he will do just that. This is a case in which many Americans would apologize for the unjust, unwarranted action of their Senate.

Meanwhile, the "righteous" Senate might consider ethical conduct and standards among some of its own members. —The Reporter-Telegram

Stanton . . .

(Continued from page 1) her 6-12-24; Elizabeth Kerne 3-9-14. Totals 10-31-51. Stanton 7 19 34 42 Klondike 17 25 28 51

hostess for the party. Members present were: Carol Anderson, Polly Atchison, Nettie Byrd, Gerry Bellesheim, Shirley Clay, Faye Graves, Robbie Graves, Maxine Kelly, Gene Nowlin, Dorothy Smith, Peggy Sorley, Bonnie Faye Sorley, Judy Thompson, and Crystal Webb.

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