



New Fire Station Evidences Community Pride; Concern



INSIDE VIEW-- of the new fire station Department, loads fire fighting equipment into an equipment truck, making it service-ready. Jim Bob Smith, a member of Abernathy Volunteer Fire

--(Staff photo)

by Lori Hopson

Everyone's heard about the "good old days" when people were willing to "lend a helping hand" to better their community--when all a man had to do was ask, and his neighbors were there, offering their hands and often their backs, to help out a friend--when a town grew because each and every one of its citizens was willing to give of his or her time and effort to make progress possible.

Well, the days of the good old fashioned barn-raising party may be over, but there are still communities growing and prospering today because of the efforts of concerned citizens who are willing to get out and work toward making their city a better place in which to live.

One of those cities is Abernathy, Texas, and a prime example of the hard work that made the "good old days" so good is the new fire station which will soon be serving the town.

The new facility, which will provide for the city's present needs and for those of the future, is a product of cooperation between city government itself and private, concerned citizens. Not only will it house all of the fire department's fire fighting equipment, but it will also include a service and maintenance area, a meeting room and living facilities to be used in the event that Abernathy ever acquires a non-volunteer fire-fighting organization.

Realizing that the old facility was incapable of meeting the needs of the growing town, members of the volunteer fire department began discussing the idea of replacing it with a newer, more modern station. They approached the city council with the idea, where it met with official approval.

The idea began developing into a reality when the city of Abernathy contracted with TUSHA Building, Inc. of Lubbock to pour the foundation and erect the steel of the building in March of 1974. But the real work began when the contractor was almost finished and members of the fire department began spending their spare hours, whether it was one or several hundred, in fitting out the building for its designated purpose.

Using their afternoon, evenings, and even weekends, members of the fire department voluntarily became everything from carpenters and plumbers to electrical engineers in completing the interior of the building. In addition to paneling the walls and installing tile and wiring, the firemen also erected the petition in the building which now separates the actual fire equipment from meeting and living areas, and installed the steel sheeting which will help in the maintenance and cleaning of fire equipment.

The fitting out of a basement emergency operations center, still in progress, is

also a part of their work, and the transfer of civil defense equipment from the old fire station to the new facility is just another part of the volunteer labor involved.

During severe weather conditions, the emergency operations center will have radio and telephone contact with area and local city officials, sheriff's departments, the department of Public Safety, and the weather bureau in Lubbock.

Another facet of the volunteer work is the relocation of underground fuel storage tanks, which were originally located on the building site itself.

Total cost to the city of Abernathy for the building was under \$44,000, a figure considerably lower than that of comparable facilities in other cities, due to the volunteer work involved. It has even been estimated that had a building contractor carried out the labor of completing the interior, the cost might have been up to twice as much.

Last Rites Held For Jack Waters Sr.

Services for Jack C. Waters Sr., 76, of Abernathy, were held April 3rd at First Baptist Church. The Rev. Murry Brewer, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Abernathy Oddfellow Cemetery.

Chambers Funeral Home handled arrangements for Waters, who died at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Methodist Hospital following a lengthy illness.

A native of Eastland County, Waters had been a Skellytown resident until 1963, when he moved to Abernathy. He was a retired employee of Northern Natural Gas Co. He had been a division superintendent. He was a member of the Skellytown Masonic Lodge No. 1391 and had 32nd degree membership in the Guthrie Lodge. He was also a member of the Khiva Shrine at Amarillo.

Waters married the former Bernie Wilson at Deer Creek in 1922.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Herbert Rapine of Abernathy; a son Jack Jr. of Lubbock; four grandchildren, Jack Waters III, Christine Leigh Waters, Dennis Rapine and Debra Ann Rapine; and two great-grandchildren, Jack Waters IV and Shannie Nichole Waters.

Storm Damages???

We hear through the grapevine that more damage was done by waxy citizens than by either the high winds or hail in Monday's severe weather.

Local citizens suffered everything from sprained ankles to minor lacerations in their rush to storm cellars, according to rumors from the Abernathy Medical Center. One person was even injured by a car door, which flew open as the driver headed for shelter!

Social Security Representative Here Thru 15th

The social security representative from the Mainview social security office will be working in the City Hall of Abernathy from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 15. Anyone who needs assistance with a social security or Medicare claim, application for social security number, or information about any part of social security may see him.

If more convenient, contact your social security office at 1401-B West 5th Street. A telephone call may save you a trip. Our number is 293-4371.

Mrs. Dorman Allen underwent surgery Wednesday in Hi-Plains Hospital, Hale Center.

FIREMEN RESPOND TO AREA CALL

Members of the Abernathy Volunteer Fire Department responded to two calls early this week.

The first call came early Monday morning (around 5 a.m.) when a truck caught fire four miles north of Abernathy on U. S. 87.

Firemen were called about 11:15 p.m. Tuesday to extinguish a fire at the old Gilliland place about seven miles northwest of Abernathy. The blaze, consuming a pile of cedar posts, weeds, etc., was extinguished before reaching a nearby barn.

March 30 in Hi Plains Hospital, Hale Center. Her name is Phonda Elaine. She weighed 4 pounds 12 1/2 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hufaker are the proud parents of a son, Roddy Don weighing 6 pounds 13 1/2 ounces. He was born April 4 in St. Mary's Hospital, Lubbock.

Turnout Moderate In Elections

In Saturday's city and school elections, Mayor J. Pete Thompson, running unopposed, received 181 out of a possible 182 votes, with only one eligible voter abstaining.

Waymon Jones and incumbent Clifton Newton with 147 and 106 votes respectively were elected to fill positions on the city council, where Alderman Bobby Cunningham declined to file for re-election. Sammie Hurrey was also a contender in this race with a total of 75 votes.

Holdover aldermen are Larry Griffin, J. L. Miller and W. D. Sanders.

In the only contested race in the New Deal community, Clarence Phillips was elected to place five on that city council, with a 48 to 15 margin over opponent Shelton Viney, Clayton Teeter, John McNew and John Tovar were re-elected to their positions in that governing body.

Richard Howard, of the County Line community, and

incumbent Dave Pinson were elected to the Abernathy Independent School District board of trustees, with 120 and 128 votes respectively, in a medium-turnout election, which attracted a total of 250 voters.

Other contenders in this race were Jim Bob Smith with 105 votes, Don McKenzie, and Max Garza Jr. Holdover members of the board are Loran West, Billie Hornstra, Lon Carmickle, Joe Orwalt and Bob Riley.

City Sales Taxes To Be Rebated Monthly

Comptroller Bob Bullock announced Friday that monthly rebates of city sales taxes will start April 15.

"Nothing stands in our way now but the U. S. Postal service," Bullock said.

This first-ever monthly payment will replace the old quarterly payment system which had been in effect since the city sales tax was passed in 1967.

Bullock said that junking the quarterly system "means we've quit burying the cities' money in the backyard in front for three months at a time."

"Now it will be interesting to see what the cities do with it," Bullock said. "Like Franklin said, a dollar invested is a dollar earned--or at least seven per cent.

Payments to 800 towns and cities which have the one per cent tax total more than \$200 million a year.

The April 15 payments will cover taxes collected by the Comptroller between Feb. 17, the cutoff date for the last payment, and April 4. Future monthly payments will be made at mid-month, Bullock said.

Bullock said that cities can expect every third month's check to be larger than the other two, reflecting the peak of quarterly tax payments sent by merchants.

"When you're talking about money, haste ends waste," Bullock observed.

BRIEF:

Mr. and Mrs. Finis Jennings of Muleshoe were weekend visitors here in the home of their son and family, Rev. and Mrs. Al Jennings.



INTERIOR-- The meeting room and kitchen area of the new Fire Station, constructed and now being "finished out" with volunteer labor, shows preparations being made to install the oven and sink. Open door at right is entrance to the living quarters area.

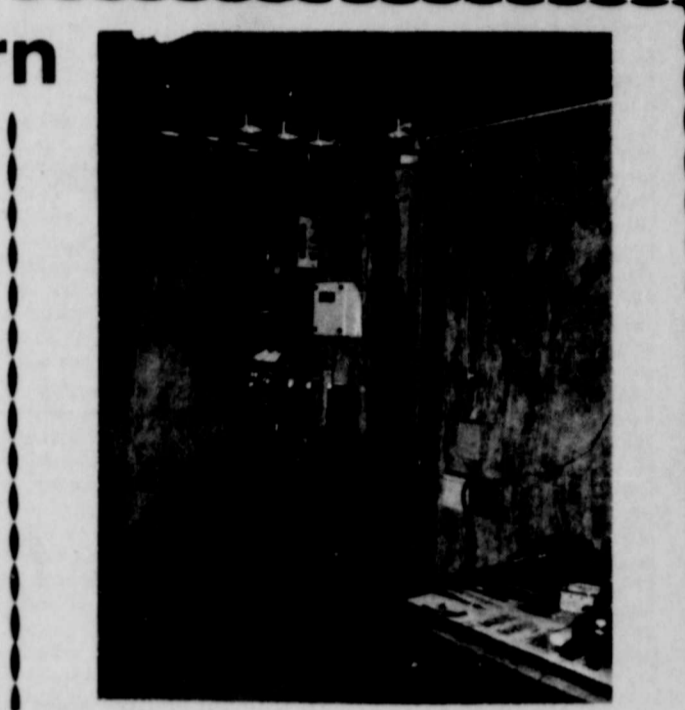
Abernathy Women Invited To Brunch

Abernathy women are invited to attend a Brunch Friday, April 15, as guests of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce Women's Division, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Plainview Country Club. They will view a fashion show, with the current Miss Texas and other notables modeling. Special entertainment will be provided by the models.

Door Prizes will be given. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, April 16. For reservations, call the Chamber of Commerce office, (806) 296-7434.



Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Edward Sanders are the parents of a daughter born



EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT-- Controls are being installed in the basement of the new Fire Station in preparation for a Civil Defense Control center.

LOCAL FUNDING ASSIGNMENTS IS TOPIC ON SCHOOL BOARD AGENDA

The study of legislative bills with emphasis given to local assignments and the local economic index was a major item on the agenda in Monday's meeting of the Abernathy Independent School District board of trustees.

Correspondence was read from Commissioner of Education M. L. Brockette and from Governor Dolph Briscoe, stating that local fund assignments would be made on 100 percent market values regardless of any legislative action. The value assigned to the Abernathy school district is slightly over the three-million dollar mark.

With the assignment of this value, the local fund assignment is increased by over \$200,000. This means that Abernathy becomes a budget-balanced school, eligible only for per-capita and transportation money from the state.

Other items on the agenda included a canvas of Saturday's election results, with the election of Dave Pinson and Richard Howard declared official. They will be sworn into office in the board's May meeting.

Trustees also checked and approved the board's budget for the month, checked budget progress through March 31, and examined the school tax collection report, which shows 96.82 percent of all taxes as being paid to date.

The board also examined and accepted the enrollment report, which showed a total of 1197 students enrolled for the year, and accepted health and luncheon reports. A report on the girls' basketball showed Abernathy's share of tournament revenues as \$769.00.

Larry Aldridge was officially elected as head coach by the board, with Jerry Beasley named as first assistant, and Mmes. Aldridge and Beasley accepted as secondary teachers, while resignations were accepted from three faculty members.

Resignations were accepted from Jan Cryer, assistant girls' basketball coach, Ilene Oudega, bilingual teacher, and early childhood sponsor Kay Hall.

C of C Banquet Next Thursday

Scheduled for 8:00 p.m., April 17, the Chamber of Commerce banquet will feature Dr. Charles W. Jarvis as guest speaker. Tickets are now on sale for the event at \$5.00 each, and may be purchased from chamber members, according to ticket chairman Morris Stevens, and only 300 of the tickets are available.

Jarvis, who will offer the message for the event, is a dentist who has successfully switched careers several times. His formula for a talk is giving the audience "what it wants"--85% humor and 15% message.

the approval of Dr. Delwin Webb as the board's representative to the District 17 education service center, and of Dr. Webb and Billie Harrison as delegates to the regional school board workshop set for April 16.

Approval of a request by the Future Homemakers organization to hold its parent appreciation banquet at South Park Inn in Lubbock, and of the summer basketball clinics for this year was also a part of the agenda.

The summer basketball program will be under the direction of local coaches and will include programs for both boys and girls. Announcements will be made at a later date as to time and place for the registration program.

Trustees attending the meeting were L. J. West, president, Billie Harrison, Joe Lovelace, Bob Riley, Joe Orwalt, Lon Carmickle, Dave Pinson, Earl Carter, business manager, Dr. Delwin Webb and Richard Howard newly elected board member.

Consumers Fuel Sets Date For Annual Meeting

April 22 has been set as the date for the annual stockholders meeting of Abernathy Consumers Fuel Association, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Business for the meeting will include a report on the past year's operations by association auditor Jack Moss of Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert and Moss Certified Public Accountants.

Other business will include a report by manager Dub Royal, and the election of two directors to fill the positions soon to be vacated by Harold Thomas and Dan Fondy.

Dividend checks for 1974 business will also be distributed and stockholders are invited to bring their families to the dinner meeting.

AHS GIRLS TAKE DISTRICT TRACK CROWN TUESDAY

The girls high school track team entered the District Track Meet Tuesday and came home with first place. Dianne Lewis is the girls track coach.

Following are the girls and the events they entered in.

Discus, 1st pl. Velda Blevins, 4th pl. Shari Fondy, 5th Cindy Connell.

Shot Put, 3rd pl. Jan Phillips, 4th pl. Cheryl Rogers.

Triple Jump, 1st pl. Barbara Barton, 2nd Cheryl Rogers and 5th Becky Aibers.

Long Jump, 1st pl. Barbara Barton, 4th Cindy Allen, High Jump, 1st pl. Jane Goheen, 3rd pl. Penny Thompson and 4th Jan Phillips.

Hurdles 3rd pl. Susanavenport.

First and second places will go to regional at Odessa April 18th and 19th.

Will Your Child Be Hungry In 1985?

By Jean Thompson
For Independent Cattlemen's Association
T. A. Cunningham, President

continued from last week

This is the road the administration takes us down in importing meat when American beef producers are having to sell their cattle for less than it takes to raise them. The government imposed stringent and very costly inspection regulations on domestic meats which increased its costs to consumers. Then they allow foreign meats imported which have been neither subjected to the standards of quality nor the additional expenses these regulations place on our own meat. This is perfidy to both the consumer and the producer for, certainly, foreign meats are liable to all the ills of our own. There is a sharp contrast here to the actions of the European Economic Community. When beef prices plummeted, they stopped all imports immediately to protect their food producers. They know what hunger is and are not taking any chances on being dependent on foreign governments for food.

When the scarcity of fossil fuel has America on the torture rack and famine is stalking the earth, red meat production is this country's "ace in the hole" for food. There are almost 900 million acres in the United States which are too rough or too dry to produce food fit for human consumption. These do grow grass and browse which ruminant animals can convert into food for humans, fiber to clothe them and leather to shoe them. Beef has every amino acid the body needs — the amount and quality of protein no other one food can provide. The beef, lamb, and other life essentials grown on this vast acreage is produced with relatively small amounts of fossil fuel

and no fertilizer. Where it takes 30 acres to pasture one cow, a small ranch sounds like a vast land holding, contributing to the myths about ranchers. Using a few examples of exploitation and abuse of private land, the news media has made sensational stories of bad, rich, old ranchers living in idle luxury while exploiting all resources for his greedy gain — tarring all ranchers with the taint of a few and leaving urban America with the impression it would be morally justified to rid the country of such scourges. Most urbanites are unaware of the existence of that mass of hardworking, conscientious, small food producers who were grappling with the practical problems of conservation and environment when "ecology" was just a word in the dictionary to the rest of the nation. Without realizing they are contributing to the destruction of one of the most vital sources of their food, sincere urban people join in abetting the theoretical environmental and ecological witch hunts.

Now the plague of false information has infiltrated top echelons of government. Cowmen gasped in disbelief when a high official said it takes 8 pounds of grain to produce 1 pound of beef. The truth is 75% or more of all feed consumed by cattle is grass, forage and by-products which are completely inedible to humans. It takes 3 pounds of grain to produce a pound of grain-finished beef and highly nutritious, very palatable baby beef can be produced with almost negligible amount of grain. The dangers to America's food supplies of governmental policies based on fallacious misinformation are incalculable. Only an

informed public concerned enough to take positive action to protect their source of food can put a stop to this.

Looking at what has been done to the beef producers, other food producers wonder who will be next. There is no way of knowing what way-out theory or fallacy will be governmentally imposed on them. Many can no longer see risking their financial investments and future to the triple jeopardy of weather catastrophes, economic juggernauts, and the governmental boondoggling of political expediency of the moment — they are quietly leaving the field. National Geographic, September, 1974, has a realistic account of Iowa farmers — they were vanishing at the rate of 70 per day in 1973. Young people with the genetic stamina, temperament, and desire to follow their generations of forefathers in producing food are leaving their heritage to pursue less plagued vocations.

There is macabre irony in President Ford's telling grain producers to grow all they can. That's what the President told beef producers two years ago. They did produce it and even though the government disrupted beef markets and contributed to the problems in other ways, there was complete indifference about what producers could do with this surplus food produced at governmental request. Grain growers laughingly conjecture about whether they will be foolish enough to fall into the same trap. Food producers respected and accepted without question all adverse consequences of the supply and demand factor essential to free enterprise until they realized foreign governments are being allowed to control and exploit our food markets, i.e. Japan buying our grain to trade for cheap oil, while our own government makes no effort to benefit our lagging economy with the potential value of our food productivity.

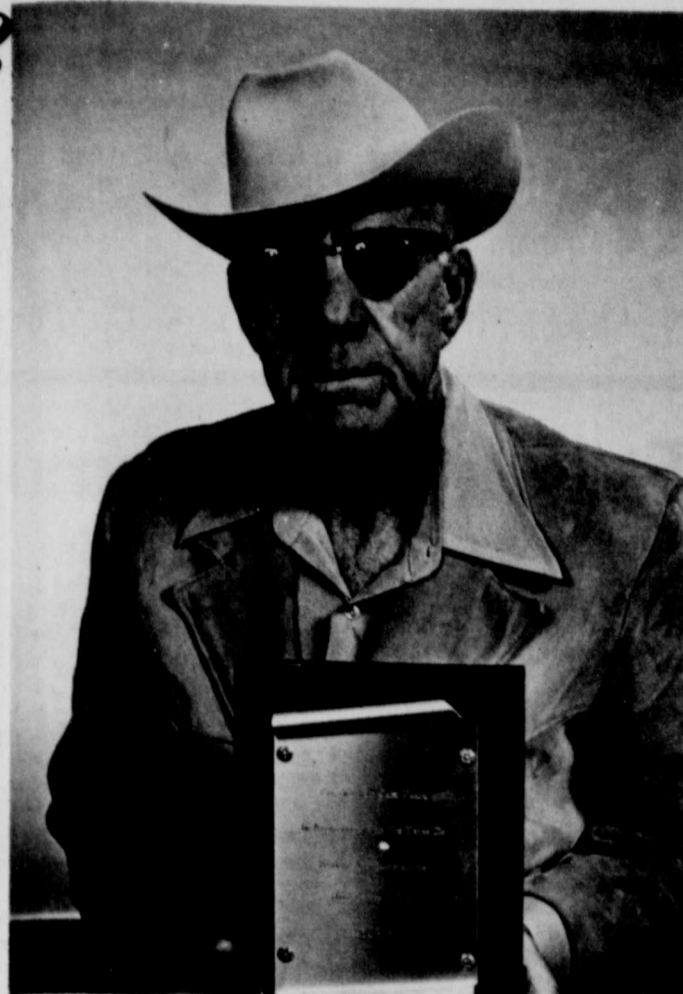
America's farmers and ranchers cannot control international politics or establish order and efficiency in food marketing and distribution systems. These are governmental functions. Food producers cannot feed a hungry world alone. Responsible government action to insure marketing and distribution systems equitable to our farmers and ranchers is essential, too. Without these, asking them to risk over-production by growing all they can is asking them to produce their own destruction and destroy

America's source of food at the same time.

It is incredible that this situation can exist in a world where 700 million people are already facing starvation and the world population is increasing at the rate of 70 million per year. The millennial good growing weather the world has enjoyed for thirty years has ended and wide spread droughts have devastated vast areas that had been productive.

Yet, our government continues to play games with the most highly productive food producers the world has ever known. They can only be saved by a loud demand from the 98% of Americans who are bating without raising.

"Jawboning" won't grow food — if it isn't turned a complete aboutface to protect our nation's food producers at home and promote its value abroad to procure oil and other raw materials we need, our politicians and bureaucrats may well make Samson with his jawbone of an ass look like Tinker Belle.



JACK EASON

Piano Students In Festival

Some piano students of Mrs. Verlon Barron competed in a piano festival April 4 at the Garden and Arts Center in Lubbock.

The ones that competed were Don Barron, Donna Horne, Clinton Barrick, Regina Powell, Cindy Riddell, and Gaylen Stewart.

JACK EASON RECEIVES AWARD

Jack Eason, long-time supporter of local and area junior livestock exhibitors, was recently presented a wall plaque with scroll by the Hale Center FFA Chapter as an expression of appreciation for many years of support of

the chapter.

FFA chapter advisor Gary Bizell explained: "Jack has been a generous contributor to FFA projects during the passing years and is a strong supporter of the annual Junior Livestock Show as well as area stock shows."

"He also supported our chapter with encouragement that inspired the boys to greater effort and his friendship and ever-ready assistance were deeply appreciated."

When he received the award, Eason, Commissioner of Precinct 3, said "I feel deeply honored. To me it is an outstanding recognition I greatly appreciate. It has always been a pleasure and privilege to have a small part in supporting activities of our boys and girls because they are priceless assets to our community."

DEFENSIVE DRIVING WEEK PROCLAIMED

April 6-12 has been designated as Defensive Driving Week, announced the Texas Safety Association, and in the proclamation by Governor Dolph Briscoe, individual drivers are urged to help make Texas a safer place to live and drive.

In proclaiming the special week for Texas to coincide with National Defensive Driving Week, Governor Briscoe asked drivers for "maximum participation in driver improvement training."

"Traffic accidents take a terrible toll in human life, injury and property damage throughout Texas, resulting in over 3,000 lives and over 120,000 injuries this past year," said the Governor's proclamation.

Defensive Driving Week was originated by the National Safety Council in 1972 to call drivers' attention to the magnitude of the traffic accident problem and to induce motorists to help solve the problem by improving their own driving. The National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course helps drivers better their performance behind the wheel, according to the Texas Safety Association.

Texas drivers who complete the course are entitled to a 10% discount on auto insurance premiums, in addition to becoming better drivers.

The Defensive Driving Course, says the Texas Safety Association, uses films and other visual teaching materials to train the average driver in the same crash avoidance techniques professional drivers use. The course is designed to teach drivers to recognize tip-offs to developing traffic accident situations and to take evasive action to prevent collisions.

There are about 500 Defensive Driving Course training agencies over Texas, according to the Texas Safety Association, and since the program began in the State,

Mr. and Mrs. Al Marcy have returned from a trip to Florida.

TENNIS TEAMS HEAD FOR DISTRICT MEET

Abernathy High School's tennis teams will travel to Tulla for their district meets this week, with the girls' teams rallying today, and the boys' teams bidding for district honors next Wednesday.

Jon Clobert placed second in boys' singles for the team in the finals at the April 4-5 meet in Amarillo, where Kelly Tooker and John Hill reached the semi-finals in boys' doubles competition.

Students Win Honors In UIL Competition

Abernathy students came home with third place honors in district University Interscholastic League competition held April 3 in Tulla, according to one UIL sponsor.

The local team also landed three students on the District All-Star cast in the one-act play competition, for what sponsor Gary Stalcup called a record for the city.

Named to the all-star cast for their performances in "Neighbors", a one-act play by Zona Gale, were Carla James as Grandma, Elaine Hamilton as Mrs. Abel, and Dorothy Chambers as Mrs. Moran.

In other competition, first place winners were Susie Davenport in number sense, Missy Webb in ninth-grade girls oral reading and Leslie Jackson in high school prose interpretation.

Second place winners included Teresa Stewart in ready writing, Lee Knight in ninth-grade boys oral reading and Judy Valdez in spelling.

Claiming third place honors was Rhonda Webb in the spelling event. A first, second or third place finish in the district competition qualifies students to go on to regional competition in Odessa, scheduled for April 19.

Other students placing in district UIL competition were Mitch Wade for science, Kelly Tooker for number sense and Brenda Bowen for ready writing.

BRIEF: Mrs. Bill Wyatt of Spur visited her mother Mrs. Lillie Mae Wilson last week.



Little Dribblers

LITTLE DRIBBLERS WIN SECOND PLACE IN IDALOU STATE MEET

The Little Dribblers All Star Team gave an outstanding performance at the West Texas State Playoff Tournament at Idalou last week. They defeated Crosbyton Thursday afternoon 47-36, Friday afternoon they smashed Smyer 49-33, Saturday morning at 8:00 o'clock they met defeat for the first time at the hands of Denver City 33-29, at 2:15 p.m. they came back to win over Crosbyton, again, 39-31, advancing them to the tournament finals Saturday night to meet Denver City once more. The All Stars proved worthy of their title in that proud battle, even though they were outscored 46-41.

The coaches who devoted much extra time and effort to help the boys make such an outstanding record for their first year were Robert Cook, J.A. Peterson and Carl Irbeck.

The boys who worked so hard to establish this outstanding record are: Roger Cragg, Micah Griffin, Tommy Gunn, Gordon Haven, Cletus Irbeck, Billy Nunn, Roger Ray, Mark Riddell, Brian Smith, and Bryan Stallings.

The support of the people of the community was indeed superb and a great help to the boys.

The trophies won at the Regional Tournament and at the State Playoff are on display at Struve Hardware and Dry Goods.

Girls' Little Dribblers Start Play Tuesday Night

Girls' Little Dribblers basketball games start Tuesday, April 15 at the Abernathy Jr. High school gym. Games will start at 6 p.m. Tuesday and Friday nights through April 25. Then games are scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, April 28, 29, Friday, May 2, Tuesday May 6, then finish up on Thursday and Friday nights, May 8 and 9.

MAY 8
6:00 p.m. Blue vs. Green
7:00 p.m. Royal vs. Yellow
8:00 p.m. Grey vs. Red
9:00 p.m. Brown vs. Purple

MAY 9
6:00 p.m. Maroon vs. Maroon
7:00 p.m. Brown vs. Grey
8:00 p.m. Royal vs. Purple
9:00 p.m. Yellow vs. Red

GAME SCHEDULE

APRIL 15
6:00 p.m. Orange vs. Blue
7:00 p.m. Brown vs. Gray
8:00 p.m. Royal vs. Purple
9:00 p.m. Yellow vs. Red

APRIL 18
6:00 p.m. Maroon vs. Green
7:00 p.m. Grey vs. Royal
8:00 p.m. Brown vs. Red
9:00 p.m. Purple vs. Yellow

APRIL 22
6:00 p.m. Orange vs. Green
7:00 p.m. Royal vs. Yellow
8:00 p.m. Grey vs. Red
9:00 p.m. Brown vs. Purple

APRIL 25
6:00 p.m. Blue vs. Green
7:00 p.m. Brown vs. Yellow
8:00 p.m. Grey vs. Purple
9:00 p.m. Royal vs. Red

APRIL 28
6:00 p.m. Orange vs. Maroon
7:00 p.m. Brown vs. Royal
8:00 p.m. Grey vs. Yellow
9:00 p.m. Purple vs. Red

APRIL 29
6:00 p.m. Maroon vs. Blue
7:00 p.m. Brown vs. Grey
8:00 p.m. Royal vs. Purple
9:00 p.m. Yellow vs. Red

MAY 2
6:00 p.m. Maroon vs. Green
7:00 p.m. Grey vs. Royal
8:00 p.m. Brown vs. Red
9:00 p.m. Purple vs. Yellow

MAY 6
6:00 p.m. Orange vs. Blue
7:00 p.m. Brown vs. Yellow
8:00 p.m. Royal vs. Red
9:00 p.m. Grey vs. Purple

Girls Track Team Places In Amarillo

Abernathy Girls copped third place honors out of 41 teams entered in the Amarillo Invitational Track Meet held April 4 and 5, with a team total of 41 points.

Barbara Barton credited herself with second place finishes in the broad jump and triple jump events, and Velda Blivins landed the third place slot in the discus event.

Third place honors were also won by the mile relay team, consisting of Rosa Cuevas, Sheila Mathis, Cheryl Rogers and Debbie Knox, and by the 880 yard relay team which included Rhonda Burgess, Denise Knox, and Misses Cuevas and Mathis.

A fourth place award went to Debbie Knox in the 440 yard dash, and to Susie Davenport in the 80 yard hurdles.

BRIEF: Andre and Vicki Anderson, children of Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson visited here during Easter. Andre is a student at TSTI at Amarillo.

Vicki received her BA in Physcology at Texas Tech in December and at present lives in Abilene.

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FOOD BUYING AND PRESERVING FOODS IN THE HOME IS TOPIC

Are you interested in stretching your shrinking food dollar? This is a subject area that touches every person these days. The Extension Service will begin a mailout series in the next few weeks, states Mrs. Wynon Mayes, County Extension Agent, that will be of benefit to any person enrolled. The two subject matters to be covered by the mailouts are FOOD BUYING and PRESERVING FOOD AT HOME. You may enroll for one, or both, of these mail-out series simply by calling Mrs. Mayes at the Extension Office, 296-7466. The series of mailouts are free to any person that is enrolled.

In the Food Buying series we will have some timely, money-saving ideas, states Mrs. Mayes. In this six-part series there will be comments on family foods needs, meal planning, convenience foods

and the food shopping plan itself.

Subjects covered in the PRESERVING FOOD AT HOME series will be freezing, canning, preserving, making jams and jellies as well as pickle and relishes.

All this is needed to enroll is your name, address and home telephone number. It is very important that you contact the office as quickly as possible if you are interested.



Calling someone "bald as a coot" is to compare him to the bald coot of Europe, an aquatic bird whose bill extends well up its forehead.



Anna Karen Childress

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Childress, of 205 S. Ave. D, announce the engagement of their daughter, Anna Karen to Robert Kirk Rigler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rigler of Plainview.

The couple plans to be married July 26 in the First Assembly of God Church. Miss Childress, a 1973 graduate of Abernathy High School is a science-education major at Texas Tech. Rigler, who was graduated from Plainview High School in 1973 is an agronomy major at Texas Tech.

West Texas FCA Retreat Slated April 25 - 27

Plans for the third Annual West Texas FCA retreat are being completed. The retreat is sponsored by the Lubbock Adult Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. The event, scheduled for April 25, 26 and 27 will be held at the Plains Baptist Campgrounds, south of Floydada. Over 200 high school and junior high school athletes from over West Texas are expected to be on hand to take part in the various activities.

The Athletes will hear a number of outstanding Christian athletes and coaches from the pro and college ranks. Steve Sloan, Texas Tech head football coach is due to be the opening speaker Friday night. Others on the program include Harvey Martin of the Dallas Cowboys, Ted Koy of the Buffalo Bills, Will Cureton of the Cleveland Browns and Donald Rives of the Chicago Bears. Barry Wood, college minister at

the First Baptist Church in Lubbock, is set to be the speaker of the closing session Sunday morning. members of the Texas Tech and West Texas State FCA Huddle groups will serve as huddle leaders for the high schoolers, leading their huddles in athletic competition and Bible study. High school and junior high coaches and athletes throughout West Texas who would like to attend are urged to contact Tommy Stone at Lubbock High School, 2004 - 19th. Telephone 744-9981 or 797-4502.

Mrs. Ed Crow Named Chairperson For Mental Health Unit

Mrs. Ed Crow has been named Mental Health Campaign Chairperson for Abernathy.

As campaign chairperson, Mrs. Crow will organize Bell-ringer workers to go house-to-house during May, Mental Health Month.

All proceeds from the campaign will benefit the Texas Association for Mental Health, a voluntary citizens' organization.

The Mental Health Association is a nationwide association dedicated to informing the public about mental health and mental illness, while working to improve services for the emotionally or mentally disturbed.

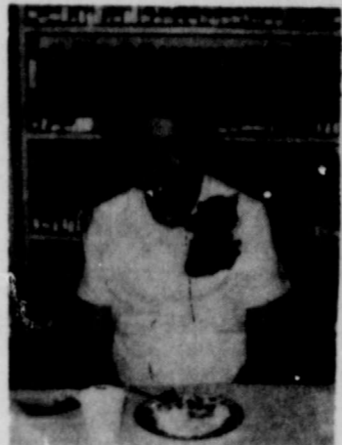
"Mental illness affects one out of ten people," said Tom I. Caldwell, President of TAMH.

In Texas, then, over 1.1 million people will need services for mental or emotional problems sometime in their lives.

One of the primary goals of the Mental Health Association is to see that people are served in their own communities, when they need help.

In the past, the Mental Health Association was instrumental in getting legislation passed to provide for community mental health centers throughout the state.

The Mental Health Association receives no government funds. In fact, it is the citizens' "watchdog" group. As such, the association must rely on public support to continue its work on behalf of the mentally ill.



Nannie Belle Ritchey

Miss Ritchey Honored At Party

Friends and fellow employees of Nannie Belle Ritchey welcomed her home last Thursday with a party in her honor at city hall.

Miss Ritchey recently returned from a one-month stay in Dallas, where she underwent corneal transplant surgery.

Serving as night dispatcher for the city police department, and as city librarian, Miss Ritchey has been employed with the city of Abernathy for the past eleven years.

Sunshine Group To Meet April 17

President Floyd Shipman president of the Sunshine Group urges everyone to attend the meeting April 17th at the City Hall club room. They will be showing the video tape that Charles Bowen made at the meeting last month when they celebrated their third year as a group.

STYLE SHOW SET FOR APRIL 15th

The Abernathy Country Garden Club is sponsoring a style show Tuesday April 15th at 2:30 p.m. in the New Junior High Auditorium at Abernathy.

The latest fashions from Charlene's Dress Shop of Lubbock will be modeled by local talent.

Everyone is invited. ADMISSION FREE.

Don Bell of Littlefield, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Bell is leading the singing at a revival at the Kress United Methodist Church this week. Speaker is Dr. Hubert Thompson.

G S P A RECOMMENDS REDUCED PLANTINGS

"Grain producers who cannot afford to sell their grain for \$2 per 100 pounds this fall should consider cutting acreage, finding alternate crops or contracting at higher prices either through cash contracting or hedging their crop," according to Elbert Harp, executive director of Grain Sorghum Producers Association.

"The \$2 is not a prediction," Harp explained, "but it is a possibility if a normal crop is produced on the acreage now intended for grain production and the proposed changes in the government farm program are not enacted into law."

The March sorghum acreage intention as released by USDA shows an overall increase of 6 percent above 1974. With an average yield, this could be a total grain sorghum crop of 900 million to one billion bushels, on top of a possible record yield of corn.

This total production of grain would be geared to maximum consumption at record levels in both domestic and export markets. With cattle on feed less than 60 percent of a year ago and hog numbers down by more than 15 percent, there is little real evidence that consumption will be running at record levels, Harp explained.

The GSPA executive pointed out his concern that prices will drop at harvest time. "We could go from our present grain deficit to a surplus almost overnight," he said, adding that the sur-

plus stocks could cause grain to drop back to government loan levels or to the previously mentioned \$2 level.

Harp said, "We have no assurance that grain prices will not drop to loan levels, as they did for cotton. Two years ago cotton prices were 60 to 80 cents per pound, but last fall they crashed back to loan levels of 16 to 20 cents per pound."

A survey conducted recently by Grain Sorghum Producers Association of members throughout the sorghum belt indicated farmers are ready and willing to cut back at least 25 percent on their production this year. Of the survey cards returned, more than 93 percent supported the cutback in acreage. Of those who did not support a cutback, most of them said it was too late—they had already planted.

With reduced plantings to keep supply in balance with demand, Harp said prices are more than likely to remain strong.

"Unless consumption levels re-establish themselves at previous record levels, or we have another short crop, there is a real possibility that farmers can buy grain this fall cheaper than they can produce it," Harp said.

Twenty-two Attend Hobby Club Meeting

The Abernathy Hobby Club met April 3rd at 2:30 P.M. in the City Club room. There were 20 members and two visitors present.

After a short business meeting the program committee consisting of Sue McAllister and Buena Linecum took over. Sue McAllister showed two different types of pictures telling how she finished the frames. The first was rubbed with chalk then shoe polish was applied with a powder puff. The second frame was covered with lace then painted white, then colored with shoe polish.

She also showed an Elmer's glue bottle covered with colored foil paper to put eye glasses in, windmill made from a coat hanger, wire and vienna can. Necklaces made out of molded glasses with decals added, the chains were crocheted. Antique china eggs made from paper mache, tissue paper and designed wrapping paper. Christmas balls made from foam balls decorated with Christmas cards, then dipped in wax.

Buena Linecum showed a calico cat and gingham dog, antiques board with windmill made from cement nails, ming tree made from 300 wires and put on driftwood, a small picture of straw flowers, kitchen decoration to hang filled with spices to make kitchen smell good, cat on mouse trap and a rat and cats made from fake fur.

Refreshments of cake, coffee and punch were served by the hostesses Frances Howard, Jean Flud and Viola Henson to the following members: Juanita Bell, Dorothy Boggs, Lalah Brewster, Dyvona Davis, Glenna Downs, Kathryn Enger, Vida Judkins, Ruby Knox, Buena Linecum, Sug McAllister, Thelma McCaugh, Faye Pope, Wilma Pope, Ollie Selke, Dorothy Shipman, Vera Vaughn, Buelah Woods, and the two visitors; Mrs. Lucy Cook from Idalou and Mrs. Sandra Gatner.

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May this letter serve as official notice of the 45th Annual Meeting of Consumers Fuel Association, of Abernathy, Texas.

Place: Abernathy School Cafeteria
Date: April 22, 1975
Time: 7:30 PM

There will be a report on the past year's operation by our auditor, Jack Moss, who is with the firm of Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert and Moss, Certified Public Accountants. The manager will give his report and there will be an election of two directors. The terms of Harold Thomas and Dan Fondy expire at this time. Dividend checks for 1974 business will be distributed at the meeting.

This will be a dinner meeting. Please bring your family and enjoy a good meal.

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IRS Extends Toll-Free Phone Service Tax Help

Mainview, Texas--With income tax filing season coming to a close, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has announced that it will extend its toll-free telephone tax help hours to accommodate the expected crush of last-minute filers.

A. W. McCasless, district director of IRS operations in North Texas, said today that during the final two weeks of filing season Texas taxpayers will have an extra 21 and a half hours in which they can phone the IRS toll-free for answers to their tax questions.

Saturday, April 12, the toll-free lines will be in operation from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 15, the last day for filing returns, tax experts will be on hand to answer questions by phone until 9 p.m. The IRS' regular business hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, will remain the same in addition to the extended hours.

Taxpayers can reach the IRS toll-free by dialing 800-492-4830 from anywhere in North Texas. This year's tax return must be post-marked no later than midnight, April 15, 1975.

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Local Chamber Honored At Lubbock Meet

Chamber of Commerce president Dave Cavitt and mayor Pete Thompson headed a group of local chamber members when they attended the March 20 meeting of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce held in the KoKo Palace ballroom.

The meeting was sponsored by employees of Continental Airlines and was led by Continental Airlines vice-president Charles Bucks, an Abernathy native.

Abernathy was the neighboring town being honored by the businessmen of Lubbock, who expressed their appreciation by awarding a friendship plaque to the local chamber and the citizens of this area.

The plaque is now on display in the window of Hoppy's Shop.

City Officials Attend Lubbock Workshop

"Planning for natural disasters" was the topic of a workshop for city and county officials held April 2 in Lubbock.

Larry Fields, Abernathy city manager; Nathan Hopson, director of public works; and chief of police Frank Russell were among those who attended the workshop, which stressed the importance of being prepared for natural disasters.

The workshop, which dealt mainly with tornadoes since they are the main problem in this area, presented four major topics of study.

The first of these was "what are the legal obligations of elected officials?" followed by discussion on the question "How do you plan for disaster?" and "What resources are available to government planners?" The final topic presented was "Can we protect people from tornadoes?"

BASEBALL FIELDS BEING REPAIRED FOR SEASON

Officers, coaches and parents interested in the Abernathy Baseball Association have been spending their Saturday afternoons preparing the local Little League baseball park for the upcoming season.

Work is being done on the fields, and also on the concession building, fences, etc.

"If anyone wants to help, we can find a spot to put them to work," stated one of the local baseball association officers.

BRIEFS

Lola Doss is to be released from Highland Hospital, Lubbock later this week.



ABERNATHY WOMAN RECEIVES AWARD—Jeryl Cox, lower right, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Cox of 809 14th, Abernathy, received the business administration award at Wayland Baptist College, Mainview, during a recent Awards Chapel. The 1971 graduate of Abernathy High School is a member of Alpha Mu Gamma and serves as the treasurer of Alpha Chi at Wayland. With Miss Cox are other winners: Jeff Pool Mainview, philosophy award; Larry Keltz, Mainview, psychology award; and Carol Gene Bradley, law enforcement award.

1975 Pioneer Round-up Slated May 3rd

The Mainview Business and Professional Women's Club has announced Saturday, May 3 as the date for the 1975 Pioneer Round-up. This will be the 47th year the club has sponsored this event, according to Mrs. Bula McGowen, President of the sponsoring club.

The Pioneer Round-Up was started as a method of honoring pioneers of this area. This continues to be one of the purposes of the event, but in addition, it has become an entertainment feature for people of all ages in Mainview, Hale County and surrounding areas.

Mrs. McGowen has appointed committee for the Round-Up and chairman of

each committee is as follows: Ruth Renegar, Program; Adella Drew, Reception; Mildred Tucker, Tickets; Georgette Masso, Parade; Lou Ella Scavrough, Float; Opal Strother, Food; Lillian Hollister, Serving; Betty Worley, Registration; Verne Shields, Concessions; Helen Pemberton, Square Dance; Mavis Bas and Sara Crader Harrington, Country Store; Deal McGowen, Door and Jo Ann Clements, Publicity.

The Pioneer Round-Up on Saturday night will be held in the Hale County Agriculture Center on the south edge of Mainview. The reception will be held in the meeting room at the Center and pioneers will gather for this at 10:00 a. m. on Saturday morning.

The traditional Round-Up parade will roll at 2:30 p. m.

The Saturday evening's program will begin at 6:00 when the chuck wagon supper will be served in the large assembly room at the Agriculture Center and the program to follow.

A square dance will conclude the day's activities.

All local and area people are invited to this Pioneer Round-Up to honor those pioneers who came to this country many, many years ago.

Good news from far away is like cold water to the thirsty. Pro. 25:25.

My God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Phil. 4:19

TEXAS TALK

by Harold Thompson

Here are some agricultural terms you may have wondered about:

INDIGENOUS — a classification of plants which indicates they are native to the geographic area in which they are found.

EXOTIC — opposite of indigenous, plants being grown in areas where they were not previously found. Most crops in the United States are exotic.

FORAGE — fresh or preserved plant material used as feed for animals.

SILAGE — forage preserved by partial fermentation. Usually in a container such as a silo.

HAYLAGE — dry silage.

SOILAGE — sometimes called "green chop", it is a crop grown and then fed to animals immediately after harvesting.

TRAP CROP — plants grown to attract particular parasites or insects.

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Gas Co. Officials Say: Natural Irrigation Gas Plentiful

Pioneer Natural Gas Company irrigation customers should have no gas supply problems this year. K.B. "Tex" Watson, Pioneer president, told a group of irrigation farmers meeting in Hereford Mar. 14.

"The Federal Power Commission ruling, changing the priority on natural gas for irrigation from Category 2 to Category 3, should not effect our customers. However, it is a dangerous precedent and all effort should be made by citizens of West Texas to try to have the ruling reversed. The change in classification should be of concern to all citizens, because the agricultural activities of this area

are important to every citizen, not just the farmer," Watson said.

In his discussion with the farmers, Watson said that last year Pioneer provided a record amount of gas for irrigation during July and August. He pointed out that since new gas acquisitions by the company during 1974 exceeded gas sales for the year should assure the irrigation farmer in Pioneer's service area that he can plan for adequate watering this year.

Watson went on to say he anticipated that the cost of gas to the customer will continue to rise because of the higher cost in the field. Pioneer is paying more for

new gas than the average it receives from any class of customer. He said that the latest forecast indicated that the increases would amount to approximately one and one-half to two cents per MCF a month during 1975. Watson concluded his discussion with the farmers by saying that Pioneer

Natural Gas Company is in an excellent position with regard to gas supply for the farmer, as well as for the domestic consumer and industrial use. "Without additional intervention and regulation, we feel that Pioneer will have the gas energy we need today and in the future," Watson said.

7TH GRADE GIRLS WIN DISTRICT TRACK EVENT; 8TH GRADE GIRLS PLACE THIRD

The 7th grade girls went to Floydada Tuesday to participate in the District Track Meet. They won 1st place in district with a total of 188 points.

Following are the girls and the events they were entered in.

80 yd. hurdles, Jana Trolinder, 1st pl.; Senee Chance 3rd pl.

60 yd. dash, Becky Smith 3rd pl.; Senee Chance 4th pl.

100 yd. dash, Vicki Britton, 1st pl.; Becky Smith, 3rd pl.

220 run Beverly McNeal, 2nd pl.; Debra Cooper 3rd pl.; Jana Trolinder, 5th pl.

440, Jo Ann Stone, 1st pl.; Cindy Davis 3rd pl.

660 run, Patricia Cooper, 6th pl.

440 relay, JoAnn Stone, Cindy Riddell, Senee Chance and Vicki Britton, 2nd pl.

880 relay, Jana Trolinder, Cindy Riddell, Debra Cooper, and Beverly McNeal.

Mile relay, Sonja Norton, Cindy Davis, Vicki Britton and Jo Ann Stone.

Triple Jump, Vicki Britton, 1st pl.

Long Jump, Vicki Britton, 1st pl.; Cindy Riddell, 4th pl.

High Jump, Debra Cooper, 1st pl.; Nanette Peterson, 3rd pl.

Shot Put Beverly McNeal, 3rd pl.; Isabel Torres, 4th pl.

Discus, Beverly McNeal, Irene Castellon, 5th pl.

8th grade girls district track results as follows: They won third in district.

80 yd. hurdles, Kori Heard, 2nd pl.; Jana Smith, 6th pl.

100 dash, Linda Adkisson, 5th pl.; Cindy Gragg, 6th pl.

220 run, Glenda Cooper, 5th pl.

440, Brenda Johnson, 1st pl.; Sylvia Mansanales, 5th pl.

660, Beverly Taylor, 4th pl.

Jill Havens, 6th pl.

440 relay, Cindy Gragg, Lisa Wolf, Linda Adkisson and Jana Smith, 3rd pl.

880 relay, Rhonda Arthur, Sylvia Cuevas, Brenda Johnson and Glenda Cooper, 3rd pl.

Mile relay, 3rd, Debra Vineyard, Glenda Cooper, Sylvia Mansanales and Brenda Johnson.

Triple Jump, Sylvia Cuevas, Linda Adkisson, 3rd pl.

Long jump, Sylvia Cuevas, 2nd pl.

High Jump, Linda Adkisson, 1st pl.

Shot Put Sylvia Mansanales, 4th pl.

Discus, Jill Havens, 6th pl.

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STORM SHELTER RULES LISTED

REGULATIONS ON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL AS A STORM SHELTER

I. The weather warning and observation plan for the city of Abernathy provides three types of warnings:

1. Tornado Watch--the area roped off by Kansas City to warn of the possibility that tornadoes could occur in this area for a certain time period.

2. Tornado Warning--this warning is given by the National Weather Service when a tornado is sighted and confirmed and is a threat to an immediate area or city.

3. Hail Warning--this warning is given when hail is possible for a given area or city.

II. Mr. Davenport and Mr. Bowen as members of the Abernathy Civil Defense Team will be stationed at the Junior High School and will open the building when a tornado

warning is issued. Other administrators will have a key and their names and phone numbers will be listed with the Civil Defense officers in case of emergency.

The building will be opened only for a warning--when a tornado is sighted or confirmed by members of the Civil Defense working with the National Weather Service and is a threat to the immediate area or city.

Regulations:

A. Only the downstairs area will be opened.

B. Classrooms will not be opened until the corridor and small area is full--approximately 300 persons.
 C. The administrative area will be opened for radio, communications, and for stockroom facilities and will be OFF LIMITS to the general public.
 D. NO PETS will be allowed under any circumstances.
 E. Smoking will be permitted only in designated areas.
 F. Food will not be taken

into carpeted areas.
 G. All occupants will be subject to rules and regulations of regular Civil Defense authorities.
 H. The school and school authorities will not be liable for the safety or protection of an individual or his possessions.
 I. Occupants entering the downstairs area will be expected to remain there during the warning period.
 J. All persons are expected to park in designated areas leaving the street clear, and enter the shelter at the

east entrance.
 K. It is advisable for occupants to bring battery operated lights. The building is equipped with minimum emergency lights in the event there is a total electric failure.
 CITIZENS ARE URGED TO COME TO THE DESIGNATED PARKING AREA DURING ANY CONCERN OF A WATCH PERIOD; HOWEVER, THE BUILDING WILL NOT BE OPENED UNTIL THERE IS AN ACTUAL WARNING.
 If a warning comes during school hours, adults will be admitted after all children are in areas of safety.



NEW FIRE STATION-- Exterior view of the new 70 x 90 ft. Fire Station next to the Abernathy City Hall.-- (Staff Photo)

Inflation Hits Farmer, Too
 When prices are inflated by 12%, the cost of new farm machinery doubles every five years.

U.S. Leads In Food Aid
 Since World War II, more than four-fifths of all the world's food aid has come from the United States.

David Rodriguez is a patient in Hi-Plains Hospital, Hale Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Grindstaff and children visited his parents and relatives in De Kalb and Oklahoma last weekend.

Miss Patsy Tucker spent the spring vacation in Chillicothe with her mother and brother.

"BIG ED" TO SPEAK AT AREA CHURCH

Ed Wilkes, "Big Ed" of Lubbock Radio Station KFYO, will be the guest speaker at the mid-week service at the Lakeview Methodist Church Wednesday, April 16. Services will begin at 8 p. m. The public is extended a cordial invitation to attend.

Now glory be to God who by his mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts or hopes. Eph. 3:20

Don't be misled; remember that you can't ignore God and get away with it; a man will always reap just the kind of crop he sows! Gal. 6:7

Colorful End May Await Fire Ants

Fluorescent dyes may prove to be the death of the imported fire ant.

This dangerous insect -- a hazard to farmers, animals, and crops -- has brought quarantine restrictions in six southern states.

Previous control efforts have relied largely on insecticides, but some of these are now under attack as environmental hazards.

Now a Mississippi State University scientist has come up with a novel approach for controlling the ants.

In lab tests, Biochemist James Heitz feeds the ants a diet of fluorescent dyes mixed with a sugar solution. When the ants are subsequently exposed to light, the dyes are transformed into toxic substances that kill the insects in less than four hours.

The exact mechanism of how the light and dye act isn't clear, but scientists believe the combination results in lethal photo-oxidation.

The imported fire ant is believed to have arrived in this country from South America in about 1919.

Besides attacking humans and wildlife, it builds huge mounds that interfere with farm machinery operations. Fire ant populations have been reported in parts of Arkansas, Florida, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas.

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Annual Stockholders Meeting



To All Stockholders:

The Annual Meeting of the Abernathy Farmers Co-operative Gins will be held April 15, 1975 at 8:00 P. M. The meeting will be held in the High School Cafeteria. Our meal for the evening will be prepared and served by the ladies of the cafeteria.

Business to be transacted will be election of three directors and annual audit report.

All Cotton prizes will be given. Tickets for prizes will be given to those who are in attendance.

Remember, this is our Annual Meeting. Come and take part. It is very important that you support your Co-operative.

See you on April 15, 1975, 8:00 p. m.

Sincerely,

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 President

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How High The Hog... New Grading Changes... Chickens, Eggs, Turkeys.

While hog production in Texas and the nation goes down, the price outlook for hog producers is going up. At the national pork congress meeting in the midwest a few weeks ago, some of the more optimistic producers were talking about \$50 hogs by summer; others were talking in the range of \$42 to \$45 range.

In comparison with the rest of agriculture, it does appear that the outlook for hogs is brightest. All of the discussions about the hog outlook may bring on an inrush of the "in-and-out" hog producer. He jumps in the market when it is good; when it goes bad, he gets out.

Meanwhile, the number of hogs and pigs on Texas farms as of March 1 is the smallest since 1966. They number 800,000. The current inventory is 18 per cent below a year earlier. Hogs and pigs kept for breeding are estimated at 120,000, 10 per cent below a year ago.

In Texas, hog producers intend to farrow 40,000 sows from now through May. This is down 20 per cent from a year ago.

Nationwide, hog and pig numbers are down 17 per cent from a year ago and 15 per cent from two years ago. Intentions to farrow are down 17 per cent from the June-August period 1974 and are down 20 per cent from two years ago.

The hog industry is gearing promotion programs to get more people to eat pork. Consumption of pork during the past two years has about stabilized.

BEEF GRADING changes go into effect April 14. Basically, they are designed to give the consumer more lean and the producer less cost in this production of beef.

About 4,500 comments from individuals and organizations were received by the U.S. Department of Agriculture relating to the proposed changes. After studying all of them, USDA decided to put its changes into effect without any modification.

Most livestock organizations approved the proposed changes, although some did want specific changes made. Federal and state meat specialists contend that the new changes will result in benefits for both consumers and producers.

POULTRY PRODUCERS in Texas have increased egg-type chicks, but have reduced broiler chicks and turkey poult, the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes.

Egg-type hatch of chicks is up 19 per cent from last year. Broiler chick hatch is down 11 per cent from a year ago. Turkey poult hatch is down four per cent.

Egg production is down five per cent from last year and eight per cent from a month ago. Layers on hand were down 13 per cent from a year earlier but were one per cent above February of last year.

CATTLE, HOG, AND LAMB sales were down in Texas during February. There were 335,000 cattle and calves marketed through auctions which is 21 per cent below a year ago and 31 per cent below a month ago.

February sales of hogs were down two per cent from a year ago and 15 per cent under a month ago.

Sheep and lamb sales totaled 36,000 compared with 57,000 a year ago and 52,000 a month ago.

Sales of goats in Texas were down 17 per cent below a year ago and nine per cent from a month ago.

COTTON TALKS

FROM PLAINS COTTON GROWERS, INC.

April 17 is the date set for the 1975 Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. Annual Meeting, beginning at 2:00 p. m. at Lubbock's South Park Inn. Over 500 PCG members and guest are expected to be on hand for the 25-county cotton producer organization's 18th annual gathering.

Emphasis at the meeting will be on cotton markets, with the "first team" from the staff of Cotton Incorporated on the program. Cotton Incorporated is the national cotton producer's research, product development and marketing company with offices in Raleigh, North Carolina, and New York City.

Also, 1975-76 PCG directors, elected over the past several weeks at meetings in individual counties, will be confirmed by the membership and the new directors will convene at 6:00 p. m. following the membership program to elect 1975-76 officers. PCG has two directors from each of its counties, elected on alternate years.

Current PCG officers include Don Marble of South Plains, President; W. B. Criswell of Idalou, Vice President; and Lloyd Cline of Lamesa, Secretary-Treasurer. Immediate Past President Ray Riley of Hart is Chairman of the Board.

Dukes Wooten, Cotton Incorporated President, will have remarks on "Cotton's Total Marketing Thrust" and will introduce others of his staff who will treat cotton's current and pending market position, new cotton products being developed, and the techniques being used by C.L. to market those products.

Speakers will include Dave Cox, C. L. Director of Supply & Demand; Hal Brockman, Director of Textile Research & Development; and Don Kleckner, Vice President for C. L. Marketing Services.

Don Marble will present the president's annual report and PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson will give the annual report from the PCG staff.

"Marble are the only thing that can keep us in business for the long-term" Marble said in urging attendance, "and we owe it to ourselves to learn all we can about the efforts being made to expand those markets and to cooperate with those efforts in every way."

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THOUGHTS FROM WITHIN

by Vicki

The following article was shared with me by a friend, and the ones we have shared it with enjoyed it and felt like it really has a lesson for everyone in this hustle and bustle time we live in. We felt like we should share it with you our friends.

MEDITATION
"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment."

A PARABLE
And there once lived a woman whose name was Martha, and her century was the 20th.

She did live a busy life, and many were her friends as well as her things. Martha did go here and there most all of day and part of the night. A worker she was, a real worker. Martha worked for her Church, and she worked for her Community, and she worked for her family.

And Martha's Church prospered and grew, and Martha's Community prospered and grew, and Martha's Family prospered and grew.

And one day her Church and her Community and her Family decided that Martha deserved special honor for her hard work, her unselfishness, her thoughtfulness of others.

So they did elect Martha "Typical Woman of the Twentieth Century", and from then on, even greater became her busy-ness.

Then Martha, one day, at the height of her busy-ness, was called to meet her Maker. And Martha did say to her Maker "Lord, I have come."

And her Maker did answer "Depart from me, Martha, for I never knew you."

And Martha then did begin to answer her Maker thus "But Lord, I know you. I am a member of your church, baptized and confirmed in it. I went every Sunday to its services. I gave generously, of my time and my money to it."

"And what about all the work I did for the community and for my family? That was work for you, wasn't it? Look, I believe in You, I prayed to You, I gave thanks to You, I know You, Lord."

And Martha's Maker did answer "No, Martha, you don't know Me. You never knew Me. You never really opened your soul and invited just Me, alone, into it. You never once gathered all of

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your scattered, disintegrated thoughts and gave them completely and utterly to Me. You never even sat still, perfectly still, long enough to gaze into My Face and know what it looks like. You have spoken at Me about Me often Martha, but you have never really spoken to Me.

"You don't even know what is the sound of My Voice, because you never quieted the tumult in your life long enough to hear it."

"Martha, I followed you, I called you, I pleaded with you to know Me--to make Me your dearest, your most intimate Friend--to let our Companionship begin and grow and mature in that other world."

"But I could never reach you, Martha! I could never get into that mind of yours because it was so utterly full of that world's thoughts--not evil thoughts, but simply and entirely and completely thoughts of that world, those people, those things."

"I waited years and years hoping to find an entrance through your affections--your heart, Martha! I meet so many people through their hearts, but yours was so full of other people, fine people--and you should have loved them. If only you could have learned to love Me more than them. It has to be more, Martha."

"And your soul, Martha. I tried there hardest of all. But yours was so busy, Martha--so very busy. Even in your youth it had started to shrivel and die a little."

"If only you could have stopped along the way, and given it a little real nourishment--even 15 minutes a day of stillness and aloneness, when I might have been able to make you hear Me and see Me."

"But Martha, I could not find even one minute of stillness in your soul."

"Or if you had continued the daily Bible reading of your young girlhood, I could have used the WORD to enter into your soul and meet you."

"If only you had sat down, Martha. If only you had been alone awhile, Martha. If only you had stopped working, talking, moving--if only you had looked at Me--Martha--really looked at Me--I could have come to you, set with you, talked to you, stayed with you. I could have known you, Martha, and your soul could have known Me--the real, living Me--and not just the world's picture of Me!"

"Oh, Martha, I must say it to you 'Depart from Me for I never knew you.'"

And at these words Martha did cry out "But Lord, first, please, let me go back and tell my daughter about this. Let me just warn her to sit down and be still awhile before it's too late for her, too."

And Martha's Maker did answer "No, Martha. Each woman must make her own silences, her own stillnesses, if she really wishes Me to enter and know her. You cannot command or beg your daughter into doing this. She must make this choice herself--alone."

"Good-bye, Martha!"
This meditation was written by Dorothy Stout, Missionary to Japan, and was first given to the Annual Meeting of Episcopal Church-Women in October, 1959.

Bond Sales Reach 29%

In releasing Treasury figures, County Savings Bonds Chairman J. A. "Doc" Potts, announced today that sales of Series E and H United States Bonds in Hale County during February totaled \$51,333. Sales for the first two months of 1975 were \$91,011 for 29% of the 1975 sales goal of \$315,000.

Texasans purchased \$20,283, 108 in Savings Bonds during the month. Year-to-date sales totaled \$43,473, 714 for 18.5% of the yearly sales goal of \$234.3 million.

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Growers Intend To Plant 10 Million Acres Cotton

Growers intend to plant 10,000,000 acres of all cotton in 1975, 9.9 million to upland and 67,200 to American Pima, according to the USDA's Crop Reporting Board. If realized, this acreage will be down 29 percent from the 14.0 million acres planted in 1974 and the lowest since 1967.

Texas and Oklahoma upland growers intend to plant 4.7 million acres, five percent more than was

intended January 1 but 20 percent less than 1974 plantings. Planting has started in southern areas of Texas.

In the Delta states, growers plan to seed 3.0 million acres, three percent more than January 1 intentions but 36 percent less than 1974.

Growers in Arizona, California and New Mexico expect to plant 1.4 million acres, up five percent from January 1 but down 24 percent from 1974.

In the Southeast, expected plantings totaled 785,000 acres, unchanged from January 1 but 48 percent below 1974 plantings.

American Pima producers intend to plant 67,200 acres, 18 percent below 1974.

What's Cooking

At School

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TUESDAY--Corn dogs, mustard, Buttered English peas, French fries, Fruit goodie, 1/2 pt. milk.
(Or vegetable soup, Fruit goodie & 1/2 pt. milk.)

WEDNESDAY--Green Enchilada Casserole, Pinto beans w/ tomatoes & onions, Peach halves with cottage cheese, Cinnamon rolls, 1/2 pt. milk.
(Or Vegetable beef soup, Cinnamon rolls & 1/2 pt. milk.)

THURSDAY--Turkey sandwich, Waldorf salad, Sweet potatoes, Apple cobbler, 1/2 pt. milk.
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FRIDAY--Hamburger w/ lettuce, onions & pickles, French fries, Peanut butter cake with icing, 1/2 pt. milk.
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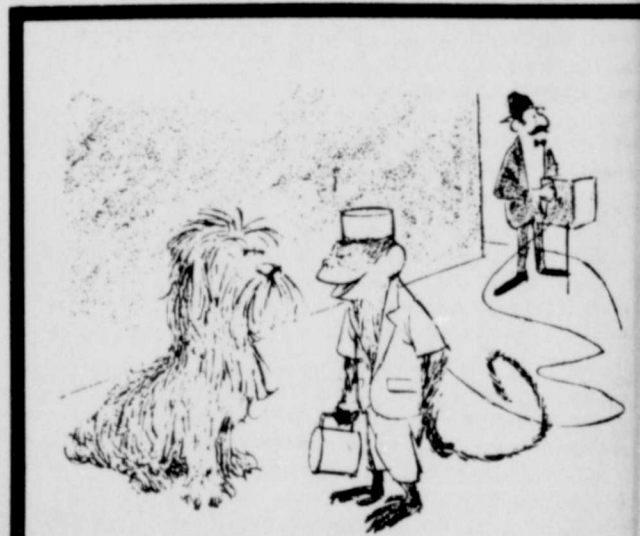
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