

Daylight Saving Time is upon us again, and we don't know how our readers feel about this decision, but quite frankly we are about at the point to where we don't care which way the government goes with the time, just leave the danged clock alone one way or the

At any rate, don't forget to turn your clock ahead one hour Saturday night then you will be in step with the rest of the world upon arising.

Simply stated, we will all lose one hour of sleep Saturday

Our local schools will not be changing their time of operation at least not until after the school trustees meet next week. Some schools have changed from 8:30 until 9:30, but there is a lot of confusion which will take place both ways, so we shall have to wait and see what their decision will be. We do know one important one will be what the other schools in our district do. If one changes and the others do not, it will really foul up all extra-curricula sporting events schedules and coordina-

We realize that if the schools change and begin at 9:30 and momma has to go to work at 8 a.m. this is also a problem. We are glad it is the decisions of the trustees to make, and not ours! XXXX

Somebody turned on the snow machine and forgot to turn it off. Seems like it has been snowing all year long.. reckon it really has if we just sat down and counted the days.

We have been lucky that there has been little or no wind or we would realy have a mess.

Again, cannot recall so much snow and so little accumulation. There is enough to get one's feet good and cold, we realize that, so reckon that is a'plenty.

The Stratford Basketball Tourney is uncoming this weekend and we would encourage everyone to come up to the gym and observe some good games this weekend.

Some of the familiar schools are missing due to one reason or the other but we have some new ones in attendance. So, don't miss a single game. The Phillips and Booker girls will be here and both are good teams so plan to make your presence known and support the Elks and Elkettes this weekend.

Some local folks are sponsoring the organization of an Older past the danger point. Using Texans organization for benefit of our local senior citizens.

We know many of our older residents will be interested in this new undertaking and we wish the new effort a sincere

they would enjoy the opportunity to get out and visit with some of their friends and perhaps play some checkers, dominoes or whatever or just chat, all on a regular basis.

This is the idea behind this extensive damage. new effort, to provide this opportunity and a place for our unscheduled landing, Mr. and older friends to enjoy them- Mrs. Grady Mullican were selves.

Let's remember we all owe this group quite a bit, most of which cannot be measured in just dollars and cents. They are the ones that made it possible for us to be here in the first place. They had the fortitude to move out here and pioneer this country and we owe them a

So, we hope this effort gets off the ground and is successful. More details on this in the near

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We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. We have gotten so mixed up on just what day it really is we shall be half of 1974 getting straightened out again. This is our last paper to be published late because of the holidays so next week we shall be back on schedule again (providing it quits snowing). XXXX

We got a note from

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CHRISTMAS CARD SCENE--The Tommy Taylor residence on Third Street in Stratford took a Christmas Card atmosphere with the snowfall of this past week. The contrast of the newly fallen snow plus the evergreens made a picture no black and white film can capture.



KIDS WILL BE KIDS--When the snow really began to fall Sunday night our kiddoes got out the sleds, reckon they thought it would all be gone by morning. Shown above, kneeling, Lieu Hoang, Patti Pool and Honey Hart. Standing, Tom, Emily and David McReynolds.

brought them on back to

Stratford were relatives were

field on the Buckles Estate

about 100 yards east of

Highway 287 just south of the

Lautz Elevator. The Pummils

got back home to Muleshoe later

Sunday night. The craft was

taken to Bell Helicopter in

Amarillo for repairs on Monday.

Daylite Saving

Time Begins

On Sunday

All citizens are warned to

be sure and observe the

Daylight Saving Time which will

go into effect at some unearthly

that can never figure out exactly

which way to turn the clock and

perhaps the government will

leave the time alone for a while

At any rate, upon going to

bed Saturday night just turn the

clock ahead one hour and you

Supt. E.L. BAss informed The

will be opening and closing the

will meet next Monday night

and make a formal ruling on

whether or not the school hours

will be changed. Until that

announcement is made the

schools will be beginning at 8:30

a.m. and closing at 3:30 and

Bass stated that he realized

this will work a hardship on bus

students, but until the board

same hours will be observed.

are pending.

businesses.

goes off the next morning.

We are like so many others

hour early Sunday morning.

The craft came to rest in the

informed of the mishap

Helicopter Landing Creates Confusion

pilot narrowly averted what Mullicans picked up Dr. nament could've been a tragedy by Pummill and his family and quick thinking late Sunday evening when he had to dead-stick land a helicopter near

the Lautz elevator about 4 p.m. Dr. Charles Pummill, his wife and one child, had been visiting with relatives at the Whorton Ranch west of Stratford on Sunday and were headed for Tradewinds Airport in Amarillo in the small private helicopter when they experienced mechanical difficulty.

The governor on the rotor of the craft apparently gave way, allowing the rpms to build up quick thinking, Dr. Pummill cut the throttle back but nothing happened and he cut the motor off allowing the craft to settle

toward the ground. As he appraoched the ground he cut the motor back in and just We've had many indicate as they settled down a guest of wind pushed the main rotor blades into the ground making

the final landing a little rough. Fortunately, none of the occupants were hurt in any way but the small craft suffered

As the craft came to its driving along on Highway 287

GEORGE HARKINS GETS ECOLOGY AWARD

The Texas State Health Department has awarded its official certificate of competency for the oldest ecology oriented profession in Texas to George Harkins of Stratford, Texas.

Harkins is employed by Southern Union Gas Co. To practice water ecology in Texas, he has been taught effective ways for producing safe drinking water and treatments to make wastewater into clean streams for public use.

Because of this training, through the Texas Water Utilities Association, the largest water and wastewater training in the U.S., there are cleaner streams and better operated facilities here than any other section of the country.

TOWN TALK

Maud N. Grover of Hooker is visiting her sister, Orel N.

Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3 A Muleshoe physician and just adjacent to the site. The 11:30 a.m. Stratford Tour-

Legion Hall FRIDAY, JANUARY 4 10 a.m. Stratford Tournament

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5 10 a.m. Stratford Tournament 7:30 p.m. Finals of Stratford Tournament

7:30 p.m. Couples Bridge at Country Club SUNDAY, JANUARY 6 ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

4 p.m. Older Texan Meeting at Methodist Church MONDAY, JANUARY 7 5 p.m. 7 and 8 girls vs Dalhart

5 p.m. 7,8 and 9 boys vs Dalhart

7 p.m. Lions Club TUESDAY, JANUARY 8 4 p.m. A and B boys and girls vs Phillips here

Older Texan **Group To Meet**

A group of concerned residents will be meeting Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church Parlor to make plans for organizing an older Texans will be correct when the alarm group in this area.

The group is asking help from all area clubs and organizations Star that the Stratford Schools who may be interested in same time as normal next making this organization a reality. One representative from Monday morning. The trustees all clubs and organizations will be contacted concerning the Sunday meeting.

A spokesman for the new organization said they knew that the Older Texans in Sherman County would be interested in 3:45 p.m. in the afternoon same some organized recreation and the opportunity to visit at least once each month.

As it is now planned, the Older Texan group will be open for membership for all citizens makes its ruling next week the 55 years of age or older.

Sunday's meeting will be for Sunray schools have already announced they will not make the purpose of seeing if the any change in their hours and various clubs may be interested other schools announcements in helping provide transportation and entertainment for the The change to go back to older Texans.

Daylight Saving Time was An organizational meeting for announced last month by the all senior citizens, 55 years or Congress in order to save older, will be held at the energy for lights in schools and Sherman County Barn on January 24 at 2 p.m.

FILING DEADLINE FEB. 4

Several County Offices Up Before Voters In '74

Several county and area is Justice of Peace for Precinct by voters this year and the final in both the Democratic and serving as County Treasurer. Republican Primary will be February 4.

Locally, the offices of County Judge, Commissioners in Prein Precincts 3 and 4, County and District Clerk and County Treasurer, will be up for election this year.

Currently these officers are held by W.S. [Bill] Frizzell Jr., as Sherman County Judge; Bob Ferguson is Commissioner for Precinct 2 and S.J. [Seki] Lavake is Commissioner for Precinct 4: Bob Marshall is Justice of Peace for Precinct 4

offices will be open for elections 3; Mrs. Marguerite Terrell is serving as County & District deadline for Primary Elections Clerk and Madge Lowe is The Primary Elections are in

charge of Mrs. Pat Johnson, who is Sherman County Democratic Chairman, and Mrs. cincts 2 and 4, Justice of Peace Frances Watson, Republican County Chairman. Anyone interested in filing as

a candidate for any of these offices must file with one of these ladies before midnight on Monday, February 4.

Commissioner Lavake contacted The Star this past weekend and informed this newspaper that he will not seek reelection to his office this year. The Star has learned that E.A. while J.W. Dawkins of Texhoma Hamilton has already filed as a

A check with Weatherman

The 18.93 inches is above the

The "monsoon" this past

year fell during July when a

total of 6.02 inches of moisture

was recorded and the lightest

amounts were recorded in

January with only .09 inches of

Taking the year monthly is as

follows: January .09; February

.78; March 3.98; April .83; May

1.20; June .18; July 6.02;

August 1.78; September 2.49;

October .11; November .20 and

This week Sneed reports a

total of five inches of snow with

33 inches of muchly needed

moisture total for the past week.

Stratford received 20.99 inches

Looking back at 1972,

The wettest year on record

was back in 1941 when Stratford

received a whopping 30.67

inches of moisture and the

driest year on record was in

1956 with a total of 8.68 inches.

things, the lowest temperature

officially recorded in Stratford

was back in February 7, 1933,

when the mercury dropped to a

For those interested in such

average which is only 16.55

inches annually.

December 1.26.

of moisture.

candidate and will run as a Commissioner for Precinct 4.

Judge Frizzell informed The Star that he would be making a public statement within the next week or so concerning his she would be seeking another by Bob Price of Pampa. term as County & District Clerk and will make a public

statement soon. Mrs. Madge Lowe is currently serving as County Treasurer but seek another term in that office. couldn't be reached on

On the district level, the office Democrat in the Primary of State Representative for this Election for the office of area is held by Dean Cobb of Dumas and no public statement has been made by him as yet.

Jack Hightower of Vernon announced during December that he would be seeking the intentions. Mrs. Marguerite office of Congressman for the Terrell did inform The Star that 13th District, an office now held

Down on the state level, the office of Governor of Texas will be up for election and Governor Dolph Briscoe is expected to

Many more statewide offices Wednesday as to her intentions will be up for election this year and Justice of Peace Bob and all local residents are that Marshall of Precinct 4 was also may be interested in seeking out of touch Wednesday and his any of the offices are urged to intentions are not known to us at remember the filing deadline of

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Tip Top Town in Texas

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New Year Begins On A Cold Note

STRATFORD, SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS 79084

The year of 1973 ended as it week feeding herds on pastures began, on a cold and snowy and chopping water tanks to note, as a frontal system found a give livestock a needed drink of home over this area for most of water. the week plunging temperatures Mown to one degree below zero Horace Sneed in Stratford on December 31 and the highest revealed that during 1973 temperature this past several Stratford officially received a days have been 28 degrees on total of 18.92 inches of moisture. the last day of the year

Snowfall began over the area Sunday evening, continued all through the night then the sun came out late Monday and helped melt off some of the

During the evening Monday snow began again and continued all through New Years Day and at presstime snow was still falling over the local area.

Area roads were passable, but snow packed in rural areas and slippery. As this issue goes to press road crews were continuing the job they had done for the past four days, working the snow plows to keep the roads passable.

Sheriff Clois Vaughn and Highway Patrolman Bob Steward reported road conditions poor on most of the local roads but passable although there are icy spots on the main highways in the area.

A check with area residents Wednesday morning indicated that probably about five to six inches of snow blanketed most of this part of the Panhandle due

Bill Gillenwaters of Cimarron Feeders in the Oklahoma Panhandle reported they had from five to six inches of snow on the ground in their area. He said that roads up to Kerrick were in good shape but were icy and snow packed from Kerrick on to their feedlot and

northward toward Keyes. Area cattlemen looked skyward with worried eyes as the snow threatened their livestock. So far the snow had fallen pretty well without much drifting, but being so light and fluffy it threatened to drift with any wind at all. Cattlemen were busy this

TOWN TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Pittman and family of Gilmer, Texas, returned home Saturday after spending Christmas here with their parents.

TOWN TALK

Paul Hudson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hudson, has been in High Plains Baptist Hospital and is now home.

43rd ANNUAL

Action Begins Here In Basketball Tourney

Stratford will be hosting their 43rd annual Stratford Invitational Basketball Tournament on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Action will start with a game between Sunray and the Hereford JV at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday and continue with Stratford girls playing their first game against Booker at 7:30 p.m. that day. The first game for the Stratford boys will be played at 9 p.m. on Thursday against Booker.

Teams from Phillips, Hartley, Sunray, Texline, Dalhart, Booker, Hereford and Stratford will be playing in the tourney this year. Teams missing will be Texhoma, Boise City, Gruver and Channing.

Top seeded teams in the tourney will be the Stratford Elkettes in the girls division and the Dalhart Wolves in the boys division. Both these teams have good records this year and will be out to win top honors in the finals on Saturday night.

The Stratford Elkettes will be shooting for an unprecedented 13th consecutive tourney title in the girl's division. The top opposition for the Elkettes will be phillips, who have a rapidly improving team and were pre-season picks to be the darkhorse team in District 1AA girls competition.

The finals of the tourney will begin at 7:30 p.m. for the girls on Saturday and the boys will follow at 9 p.m.

Last year was the first time both Stratford teams had won top honors in the tourney since 1963. The Elks went on to win District 1AA honors last year and Coach Sam Brite was named Coach of the Year by the

Amarillo Globe News. The Elks downed Gruver 26-22 in a ball control type of offense in the finals last year while the Elkettes won over Texhoma 52-39.

Coach P.D. Fletcher's girls will be out for their 13th consecutive tourney championship, the longest winning streak in the history of the 43 year old tourney.

Consolation finals for the girls will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. with the boys consolation held at 2:30 p.m.

TOWN TALK

Mrs. Donald Borth and Mrs. W.F. Dingler spent the week end in Kiowa, Kan. and Seiling, Okia.

The Jerry Johnsons and Philip Bains flew to Jacksonville for the Gator Bowl and got weathered in in New Orleans on New Year's Eve.

TOWN TALK

Orel N. Martin had as holiday visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Phil D. Dettle of Dallas. They also visited with the Gary Dettles, Jack Dettles and teve



DOWNED HELICOPTER-Dr. Charles Pummill of Muleshoe, his wife and one child were riding in this helicopter when it had to be "dead-sticked" in for an emergency landing late Sunday afternoon. This photo was taken early Monday morning. No injuries to any of the occupants although the craft was heavily damaged.

OBITUARIES

Tom Walker

W.T. (Tom) Walker, father of Mary Lovett of Stratford, died of an apparent heart attack on Friday, December 14, in Belen, N.M.

Mr. Walker was born in Clarke County, Alabama, August 7, 1893.

He made is home in Stratford in the 1950's and was a member of the First Baptist Church at the time of his death.

Survivors include two children, Mary Lovett of Stratford and W.1. Tomm) Walker Jr., of Belen.. Also five brothers and two sisters along with four grandchildren, four greatgranchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was buried at Terace Grove Cemetery in Belen on

Those attending the funeral from Stratford included Mr. and Mrs. George Lovett and Michael, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Lovett, Mr. and Mrs. Garey Folley of Amarillo, Lola Ward of Stratford One brother Harold E. Walker of Amarillo and three of his children, David Walker, "Judge" Keener the other day Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Walker.

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Dave McReynolds CLASSIFIED & LEGAL RATES New Years Eve is it? A charge of 10 cents per word for the first insertion, 5 cents we got disappointed this year. per word for second insertion Tech was the only team that won payable in advance. If billed a that we were pulling for. We advance, \$1. Monthly rates upset us too much, but still upon request. This newspaper is playing away from home. a member of the National Press

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Marcus Parker

Amarillo Independent School Chapel in Amarillo.

The Rev. Frank Ferrell, pastor of Pleasant Valley Llano Cemetery.

December 25 in the Francis Hospital.

He was a lifelong resident of

Survivors include two daughters: Sharon Kay Caytan of Amarillo and Nancy Parker of Boise City, Okla.; four sisters; Mrs. Claude Whitaker; Mrs. V.L. Sharp and Peggy Jo Parker all of Amarillo and Mrs. Garland Bardwell of Stratford; two brothers: .Leslie Parker of Stratford and Tommie Parker of

TRACKS ... from page 1

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Walker and from Juarez. He mentioned that gas prices down there were up to 64 cents per gallon. This will make a hole in any tourist's traveling before long!

Speaking of tourists, we understand that the Phillip Bains and Jerry Johnsons flew down to the Gator Bowl to see The Stratford Star will be Tech win over Tennessee. On weather-bound in New Orleans.

Now, it isn't just anybody that can arrange to get "weather-Editor & Publisher bound" in old New Orleans on

On the subject of bowl games charge of 25 cents will be added. have to admit the fact that the Minimum charge, paid in T-Sips got clobbered didn't upon request or see table on down deep we hate to see any Classified Page, Display rates Southwest team defeated when

This year we have made a Association, Texas Press, West deal with Horace Sneed to Texas and Panhandle Press furnish us with highs, lows and

THE BIGGEST THING

Shamrock Oil **Hikes Price** Of Product

Diamond Shamrock Oil and Gas Company has issued new Funeral services for Mar- Crude Oil Price Bulletin #4 cus Lafayette Parker, Jr., 62, a effective as of December 19, retired custodian for the 1973 raising the price of "old oil" \$1 per barrel in the Texas District, were held December and Oklahoma Panhandle, 27, 1973 at 10:30 a.m. in the Southeastern Colorado and N.S. Griggs and Sons Pioneer Southwestern Kansas. The \$1 per barrel increase is in line with the Cost of Living Council regulations allowing such an Christian Church officiated at | increase in the price of "old oil" the funeral. Burial was in the or government regulated oil. Diamond Shamrock's increase is Mr. Parker died at 5:15 p.m. from \$4.20 per barrel to \$5.20 per barrel for 40 gravity crude oil in all areas in which it purchases except in Kansas where the increase is from \$4.25 per barrel to \$5.25 per barrel. Diamond Shamrock currently purchases approximately 50,000

barrels per day in these areas. Diamond Shamrock also announces that new and released crude oil or unregulated oil will be purchased at the top price of \$8.50 per barrel for 40 gravity effective November 1,

Also effective as of November 16. 1973-all stripper leases or those leases producing ten (10) barrels per day per well or less have been declared exempt from Cost of Living Council regulations and these barrels will also be purchased at top \$8.50 per barrel price for 40 gravity oil.

The Company also announced paid for crude oil in its the game. purchasing area.

column each week. We hope this fills the need of some of our

December 31, High 28, Low minus 1,2 inches of snow with

January 1, High, 23, Low 1 above, 1/2 inches of snow with .09 inches of moisture.

January 2, High 11, low 7 above, half inch snow with .03 moisture. Commodity prices Wednes-

for \$5.01 per bushel, grain sorghum at \$4.05 per cwt and corn selling for \$2.63 per bushel

AGAINST TEXHOMA

Local Cage Teams Win Four Games

Saturday night at the high bucket in the last stanza with 18 school gymnasium.

The Elks won their game 55-38 while the Elkettes downed their opponents 69-62. The Elk points. JV downed Texhoma JV 52-44 and the Elkette JV won by a score of 39-26.

The Elks played a "Come from behind' game in their contest trailing 15-6 at the end of the first stanza, but came alive in the second quarter to go in at the half trailing by only one point 27-26.

The Elks came out determined in the third quarter and allowed Texhoma only one field goal while they hit for four field goals and two charity shots to lead 36-29 and coasted on to win

Mark Beaty lead the Elk scoring with 15 points and was high pointer in the contest. Johnson of Texhoma was high for the losers with 10 points.

Other Elks hitting the bucket included Willie Mungia with 11, Steve Barrett and Darrell Dosher got 8 each while Steve Williams hit for 6. Rick Howard got 5 and Steve Keener hit for a

The Elkettes nosed by the that it has been and intends to winning 69-62 lead by Cindy bounced back to lead 20-13 at remain competitive with prices Stokes who hit for 25 points in the half. They lead 27-21 at the

The Elkettes led in the first with a 39-26 advantage.

Stratford's basketball stanza the Elkettes hit for 16 teams won four games in allowing only 13 and lead 51-44 contests with Texhoma last and continued to bomb the

> Huddleston for Texhoma was high for the losers with 23

Other Stratford scorers included D'Lynn Brown with 24 points and Phyllis Miller with

The Elk JV team played catch-up in their contest getting off to a slow start but pulled it out at the end of win 52-44. The Elk JV trailed 12-8 at the

end of the first and 28-22 at the half. They came back strong in the third hitting 28 allowing only six points to gain the lead 40-34 then went on to win 52-44.

Joel Hart was high scorer for the winners with 16 points followed by Will Allen with 13. Other scorers for the blue and white included Tom Ewers with 6, Gene Henry with 5, Leon Payne and Bill Stroud with 4 each and Don Harris with a pair. Pugh was high for the losers with 18 points.

The Elkette JV won their game 39-26 lead by Rhonda Fortenberry who hit for 17 points as did Miss Worley for Texhoma who hit 17 for the

The Elkette JV were down Texhoma girls in their contest 10-8 at the end of the first but end of three and coasted home

stanza 17-10 but Texhoma Kim Cotney hit for 8 points pulled to within four points as for the winners followed by the halftime score stood in favor Jeanne Engelbrecht with 4 and of Stratford 35-31. In the fourth Barrie Donelson with a pair.

SWPS Announces \$25 Million In Improvements

More than \$266 million will Scheduled for completion in be invested in new equipment mid-1974 is a 256,000 kilowatt day noon showed wheat selling and improvements during the until at Jones Station near next five years by Southwestern Lubbock. This will bring the Public Service Company, Roy total capability of this plant to Tolk, chairman and president of 512,000 kilowatts and it will the electric company, ann- become the largest of South-

be installed during the 5-year "In the latter part of the period will increase the 5-year period, projections call capability of the system by for another coal-fired generatalmost 1-million kilowatts, ing to be built, probably in the bringing the total capability to north part of the company's approximately 3-million kil- service area. It will be in the

stations included in this 5-year requirements at that time." program is the addition to the Tolk said.

western's 10 interconnected New generating facilities to generating stations.

350-450 thousand kilowatt One of the new generating range, depending on the load

Nichols Plant, northeast of "In order to assure a clean Amarillo, Construction has just environment when using coal as recently started and completion the primary fuel, it is necessary is scheduled for June of 1976. It to spend an additional 30-perwill have a capability of 350,000 cent of the coast of the unit for kilowatts and will use coal as its equipment to prevent objectionprimary fuel. Long-term con- able products of combustion tracts with the Atlantic Richfield from reaching the atmosphere. Company have been negotiated The installation of both for low-sulphur coal from electrostatic precipitators and Wyoming, thus assuring an stack gas scrubbers will insure entirely adequate supply of this that we equal or exceed applicable stack gas emmision

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71PS FOR OUTDOOR

..... by Vern Sanford

Ever take binoculars with you on a seek.

big game—but very few use them while fishing, unless it be in the Gulf of Mexico. Even there the use is rare.

We highly recommend binoculars to anglers—even if they have keen eyes and can spot fish feeding, see a school of minnows swimming, or shad jumping-from quite some distance away. Most of us can use that extra boost that binoculars give to vision while fishing, even more than in hunting.

In hunting you look for the animal itself, but in fishing you're seeking "signs" of fish—evidence that they are in the area even though out of your sight. You look for movement as activities of the live food that fish Try 'em-you'll like 'em.

fishing trip? No, I don't mean a hunt-ing trip—I mean fishing.

Birds circling are a definite sign of food directly below them. Quite often Most everybody takes a pair of bi- it proves to be a school of whites noculars when hunting deer and other chasing shad, but black bass can be located the same way.

> A heron standing statue-still in the shallow waters of a gulf bay, close to shore or perched atop a submerged rock in deep water, means (if it stays there any length of time) that there are small fish nearby. And where small fish are, big fish soon will become feeding time.

> A reliable dealer can guide you in selecting the right binoculars. Mainly it's a matter of personal preference as to quality, power and weight.

> One thing for sure—a sharp pair of

binoculars can, quite often, increase on the water, or of the water, as well your fishing success immeasurably.

tion project that is a part of the confidence in the future of our

5-year program and currently contry in spite of the problems

under way, is a 230,000 volt we are facing at the present

transmission line from the Tuco time. Our area is growing and

interchange, north of Abernathy the new industrial announce-

to Nichols Station, northeast of ments made during 1973 are of

Amarillo. This new line will great significance. We have

provide a second 230,000 volt always planned for the future in

line for the interconnected order to meet our customers

transmission system and make needs. We are still planning-

the movement of power between and we intend to see that our

major generating stations and customers continue to have the

the areas of greateast use more kind of dependable electric

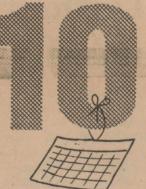
standards," Tolk said.

'Southwestern's peak load for 1973 was 1,758,000 kilowatts and that is expected to climb to 2,392,000 kilowatts by 1978. The addition of these new generating facilities will more than take care of that increase," Tolk

Conservation of the area's water supply will continue to be a prime consideration at Southwestern Public Service Comapny's electric generating stations. When the two units now under construction are completed, they will save, on the average day, 14,000,000 gallons of potable water through the use of sewage effluent. That's the equivalent of the daily water needs of a city of 100,000 people.

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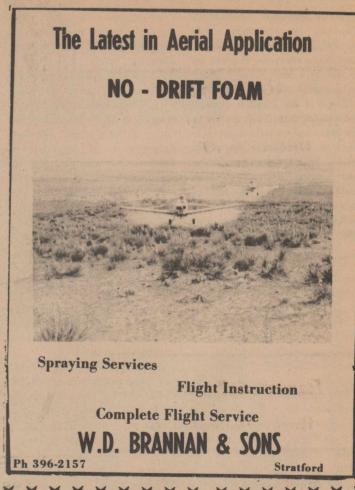
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efficient, reliable and economi- service they have had in the cal. This project is also past-even better," Tolk scheduled for completion in concluded. mid-1974. Looking toward the future, Southwestern Public Service Company is continuing its efforts to help make the generation of electricity by An Indian hawk cuckoo nuclear fusion a reality through is called the brain-fever its membership in the Texas

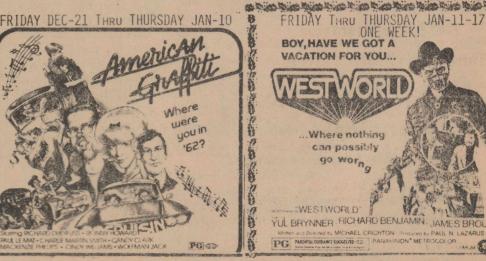
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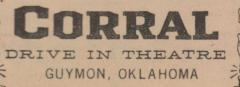
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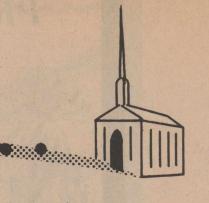




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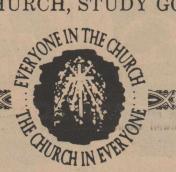
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Psalm 119, 105

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world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of

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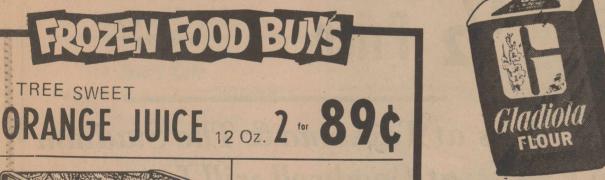
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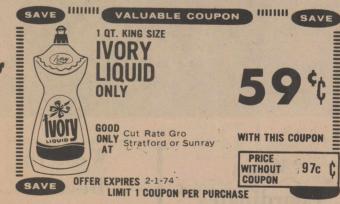
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The program will feature "A Visit To South Viet Nam" with American Field Service Exchange Student Lieu Hoang giving a slide presentation. He will be accompanied by his American mother, Mrs. Dave McReynolds.

will be Lieu's first cion since coming to Stratford to live this year.

The Clover Club met Dec. 29 and was called to order by weighed in at 7 lb. and 6 oz. Merlene Williams.

We read about and discussed Hobbies and the possibality of a

The Club enjoyed several of Stratford.

games and refreshments. another Record Workshop to get Amarillo ready for the upcoming County

The next meeting will be Jan 12, the County Barn at 2 p.m. Try to be there

Mr. and Mrs. Bill R. Steinberger of Pampa are the proud parents of a son, Billy Dane, born December 19, 1973. Billy weighed in at 9 lbs.

Billy has two sisters; Paula and Dee Dee and one brother,

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown of Amarillo and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Steinberger of Stratford.

Great grandparents include Mrs. Ruby Garoutte of Stratford, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brown of Amarillo and Mrs. Shrive of Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kenney of Fort Worth are proud to announce the arrival of a son, Christopher Winn, on December 12, 1973. Christopher

The Keeney's have one other son. Kerby, age 3 years. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Steinberger

Paternal grandparents are The Club voted to have Mr. and Mrs. Leo Keeney of

> Great grandparents include Mrs. Ruby Garoutte of stratford and Mrs. Incy Mills of Dumas.



Removing chewing gum from fabrics is not as sticky a problem as it might seem. Put the garment (even a shoe) in a plastic bag and let it freeze. Then the gum will come right off with a flick of the fingernail.



Chocolate stains are hard to remove unless you use glycerin (available at drugstores). Rub it thoroughly into the fabric and wash with plain water. If it doesn't come out completely the first time additional applications will do the trick.

TOWN TALK

Michael Eilert and Monique Eschave of Houston spent Christmas here with his sister Mrs. Phil D. Dettle, in the home of Orel N. Martin.

Diego spent a week in Stratford ribbon with friends and relatives.



THE STRATFORD STAR

RECENT BRIDE HONORED--Mrs. James R. Burleson, nee Luann Plunk, was honored during the holidays with a shower in her honor at the home of Mrs. Tommy Taylor. Shown above is Ann Burleson, Mrs. James E. Burleson, the honoree and the honoree's mother, Mrs. Maurine Plunk.

Recent Bride **Honored At** Shower Here

Mrs. James Burleson nee Luann Plunk was honored with a post-nuptial shower in the home of Mrs. Tommy Taylor Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. Mrs. Joyce McBryde presided

at the guest book. Cake, coffee and tea were served from a table hosting a cloth of floorlength white lace centered with a cloud of silver which encircled red carnations, leather leaf and baby's breath lighted dusted with silver. Two silver candlelabras with white candles flanked the bouquet.

Silver appointments were used. The corsages were of red Andrea E. Dettle of San carnations tied with silver

Out of town guests were Mrs. James Burleson and Ann from Lubbock, Texas.



The Taylor family gathered at the Kerrick Community Center Christmas Day for dinner, visiting and games.

Present were Mrs. Joe Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Taylor, Brenda Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taylor, Bill Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Walker Taylor, Mrs.

Virgie Mathews, all of Kerrick. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Munden of Sacramento, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Dixon Jr. and Shelley Dixon of Kansas: Kevin Hill, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Buck Hart, Debbie and Mrs. Christi Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Kav Dunlap, Mrs. Opal Blancett, all of Boise City: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wells, Terry Wells and Joyce Wells, Griggs.

Stratfordites present were Mr. and Mrs. Poe Keener, Ralph, Mark and Jerry Keener, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cummings, Shawna, Brett and Shelia Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stoval, Cindy Stoval, Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Hill, Keith Hill, and Kirby Hill, Oklahoma City.

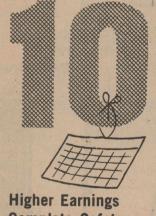
Patti McDaniel returned to Denver Sunday after a holiday visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDaniel. She was accompanied by Brenda Taylor who will spend a few days with her. Mike McDaniel returned to Denver on the 26th.

Stopping for a visit with her aunt and uncle, the Pete Taylors, were Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Domnick of Florida.

Ronnie Schertler of Oklahoma City was a holiday visitor in the home of the Bill Taylors.

Guests in the Keyes, Okla., one of the Robert Fry family Christmas Day included Mrs. Nina Elms, her finance Jack

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WHATS NEW

Kevin Scott, Richardson is the Christmas package at the Jody Richardson home in Stratford.

Kevin Scott was born on Christmas Day to Mr. and Mrs. Jody Richardson of Stratford The youngster is the first child of the couple and weighed 7 lb 11 oz and was 20 and one-half inches long

He was born at Amarillo's High Plains Baptist Hospital and is now at home with his

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Hotchkiss of Floydada and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R.B. Richardson of Canyon

TOWN TALK

Belle Cummings and Evelyn Harding spent the holidays with the Clinton Ragsdales in Lovington, N.M. and returned home for Christmas dinner with the Donald Palmers in Pampa. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ragsdale and daughter from Tennessee where he is stationed with the Marines were in Lovington for the holidays also.

Toni Reno, Karen Bain and Phyllis Oquin traveled to Dallas for the Dallas-Minnesota game and returned home the middle

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kirkwood and Eunice Buster returned from El Paso Monday and brought their 7 yr. old grandson, Robert, for a visit. They had been visiting the Bill Kirkwoods and the John Kirkwood in El Paso.

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PROGRESS

Mrs. Charles L. Diller, of the groom, and Mark Diller, Gruver, Texas, to Kenneth Lynn brother of the bride. The ushers Slough, eldest son of Mr. and were Richard Diller and Tom Mrs. Gene Slough of Darrou- Diller, brothers of the bride. zett. Texas, was solemnized The bride's mother wore a with a Nuptial Mass Friday, burgundy double knit jacket December 21, at four o'clock in dress with brown accessories. St. Joseph's Church. The Rev. Mrs. Slough wore a royal blue Richard Never performed the double knit dress with light blue ceremony, assisted by Rev. accessories. Kolb from Guymon.

The bride, who was escorted ceremony a reception was held by her father, wore a white in the Farm Bureau Building, crepe gown with a court train after which a supper was held and a chapel veil of twille. She for out-of-town guests. The carried a bouquet of frosted pink couple left for a week in South carnations with flocked pine. Fork, Colo,

Mrs. C.J. Unrush, sister of Miss Diller is a graduate of the bride of Dalhart, was the Texhoma High School and bride's matron of honor. She Panhandle State College. She is wore a maroon velvet and light a member of Lambda Sigma pink crepe dress and carried Tau. bridesmaids were Miss Jerry Jo Darouzett High School and Tilson and Mary Elaine Panhandle State College with a Husmann. They wore dresses of BS degree in agronomy. He is campaigns. velvet and crepe in royal blue presently employed with the and light blue and puple and Dimmitt Agri Industries as ilac, and carried frosted pink manager of the Nazareth

Mr. Jim Collinsworth served make their home.

Chamber Collum

With the beginning of a new year, one of the most discussed topics is taxes. A very important tax to be considered is the ad-valoreum tax system. At the present time a revised constitution for the State of Texas is being prepared to be presented to the Citizens of Texas at the polls where it will either be accepted or rejected. The basis for the ad-valoreum system is outlined in the Texas Constitution. While many people may feel that their taxes are too high, and some with justification, there are many others that realize that the tax assessment in Stratford is much more realistic and possible to live with, than that in many other cities, including those in our area. So that is a definate advantage to encourage businesses to locate in our city.

The tax assessed on your property is based on a percentage of the market or real value. Each taxing jurisdiction, County, School and City have a different percentage of valuation. When your assessed value has been determined, you then pay a certain rate for each \$100.00 of assessed value. According to Texas Law, you are taxed on property you hold on The marriage of Miss Alice as best man. The groomsmen January 1st of each year. As an Ann Diller, daughter of Mr. and were Larry Slough, brother of individual or a business, you are required to render your taxes to

each taxing jurisdiction.

While the ad-valoreum tax field can be complicated, it also is very interesting and for a concise and factual discussion of the tax structure one VIP (Very Informed Person(is .Leslie Dodson, Tax Assessor for the Stratford Independent School District. Les has been attending courses working for his certified Tax Assessor Certificate. These courses require several years to complete and at the present time Les has completed all five courses, lacking only his final appraisal and test.

Verna Cross, Tax Assessor for the City of Stratford, has completed three of the required

While in the Sherman County Tax Office, various employees have attended these tax schools, and Eugene Sadler, assessor plans to do so in the future.

Ad-Valoreum taxes pay for one very important item--Civilization. In that catagory falls Religion, education, public welfare, local government, law and order and untold more.

A small price to pay, indeed, for our fine town, our schools, our places of worship.

Columns in the near future will be concerned with a look at local businesses and people.

THINK BIG! THINK STRATFORD!!



AUSTIN, Tex. - Richard M. Nixon would complete his term of office as president and Governor Dolph Briscoe would have a second term if Texas newspaper editors and publishers had their way.

Texas newspaper publishers polled last week by this column frosted pink carnations. The Mr. Slough is a graduate of voted on the questions about President Nixon, Governor Briscoe and the 1976 presidential

They voted 72 yea and 36 nay on the question "should President Nixon complete his term in office as president." division, where the couple will The vote was 79 yea and 24 no on the question "should Governor Briscoe be elected to

Leading the choices for Democratic nominee for president in 1976 was Henry Jackson. He received 26 ballots with others in order Bentsen, 15; Wallace and Kennedy, 9; Baker, 5; Humphrey and Muskie 2; Lindsay, Byrd, 1.

Republican nominees and the votes were: Leader Connally with 43 votes and Ford with 11; Reagan, 10; Percy, 3; Goldwater and Nixon 2; Bush,

CONVENTION SET - Physical formation file. plans for the 1974 Texas Constitutional Convention, the first ton study concluded better in 99 years, are complete.

The Convention will open in the House of Representatives chamber at the state capitol January 8, with the 181 state legislators as delegates. Speaker Price Daniel Jr. is assured of election as presiding officer.

Desks and chairs are arranged in a semi-circular pattern, with all delegates facing the podium. Seating was assigned by random drawing. Writing tables replace the historic desks on the House floor, and new chairs which are replicas of those used by delegates to the 1875 convention have taken the place of familiar high-backed swivel chairs.

A new voting machine has been installed for the delegates, with two boards registering "aye," "nay" or "not voting" for all 181 delegates.

Proposed convention committees include finance, local government, education, legislative, judiciary, general provisions, executive, rights, suffrage, amendments and separation of powers and style and drafting.

SUPERPORT PLANS CON-TINUE - A Texas Offshore Terminal Commission member has recommended an onshore superport facility on Galveston

The Commission staff earlier suggested a \$400 million, state financed deepwater port 30 miles south of Freeport in the Gulf. Pete Miller of Galveston, the commission vice-chairman, put forward the alternative recommendation, with a cost pegged at between \$400 million and \$482 million.

Representatives of 13 oil companies said the Freeport project should be constructed and operated by private indus-

The Commission in Houston began a review of recommendations and was expected to continue here January 4 or January 7. Three public hearings are planned after the final report

SPEEDLIMIT HEARING SLATED - A public hearing is set for January 8 on the new statewide speed limit authorized by the legislature in its recent special session.

Texas Highway Commission

will conduct the hearing in the highway building auditorium, 11th and Brazos Streets, Austin. Written or oral testimony will be accepted from any interested

The new act gives the Commission authority to lower the speed limit for 15 months as a fuel-saving measure and to preserve federal aid. A 55 miles per hour limit is expected to be fixed.

Enforcement probably won't begin until late January or early February. Any order entered by the Commission will not take effect for eight days, during which the Governor will have an opportunity to review and veto if he chooses. About two weeks will be required to post new signs.

COURTS SPEAK - A federal district judge at Brownsville ordered the state to pay \$131,248 to Platoro Ltd., an Indiana salvage firm, for recovery of treasure from Spanish galleons off Padre Island.

After 21 months, records of former House Speaker Gus Mutscher's conviction for conspiracy to accept a bribe in the Sharpstown scandals has reached the Court of Criminal Ap-

A Houston district court enjoined Reichold Chemicals Inc. from violating Texas Water Quality Board rules and assessed

Atty. Gen. John Hill won temporary restraining orders directing two amusement ma- son County. Connor succeeds chine companies to cease operations in Austin, Amarillo, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, election. Houston, San Antonio and Wichita Falls.

LOAN APPROVED - U.S. Sen. John G. Tower announced approval of a \$2.2 million Rural Electrification Administration loan to the Sam Houston Electric Cooperative in East Texas.

The loan, supplemented by National Rural Utilities Cooper ative Finance Corporation, will provide for 478 miles of distribution lines to serve 4,500 additional consumers and fo improvements.

The Sam Houston Coop serves Polk, Angelina, Hardin Jasper, Liberty, Montgomery, San Jacinto, Trinity, Tyler and Walker Counties

INSURANCE CHANGES UR-GED - A management consulting firm has recommended changes in organization and procedures of the State Board

of Insurance. One of the key recommendations called for creation of a Tower, Rockefellar and Laird, 1. centralized complaints and in-

The Booz, Allen and Hamil-



CHRISTMAS IN MEXICO--The Leonard Duncan family travelled to Acapulco for the Christmas holidays. Shown above, left to right, Howard Naugle, Valerie Duncan, Leonard Duncan, Kristi Summerour and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Duncan.

management of the existing staff could avoid need for payroll and space increases over the next three years. However, the consultants rated the Texas tutions for mental health and board among the top regulatory agencies of its type in the

APPOINTMENTS - Gov. Briscivil penalties totalling \$24,000. coe named William H. Connor Jr. of Georgetown 26th district attorney, serving William-J. R. Owen, who resigned, and will serve until the next general

> Briscoe appointed George Casseb of San Antonio to the John F. Kennedy Memorial

SHORT SNORTS

Investigators found no evidence that 41 deaths at insitmental retardation were due to over-use of drugs. Medical records at some of the MH/MR facilities were found inadequate,

A University of Texas professor advised the House Energy Crisis Committee that heat from the earth's crust may be capable of supplying 13.5 percent of U.S. energy needs by

Tourism promoters fear the gasoline shortage has brought persons eligibility for aid.

to a jarring halt the skyrocketing growth of Texas travel attractions. Tourist Development Agency sliced its January newspaper advertising schedule.

Fifty hospital, special school, university health center and eleemosynary institution administrators received \$487,603 in settlements from an antitrust suit against antibiotic manufacturers.

Gov. Briscoe has urged President Nixon to order a change in new federal food stamp regulation which he says would cost more than 100,000 Texas aged, blind and disabled

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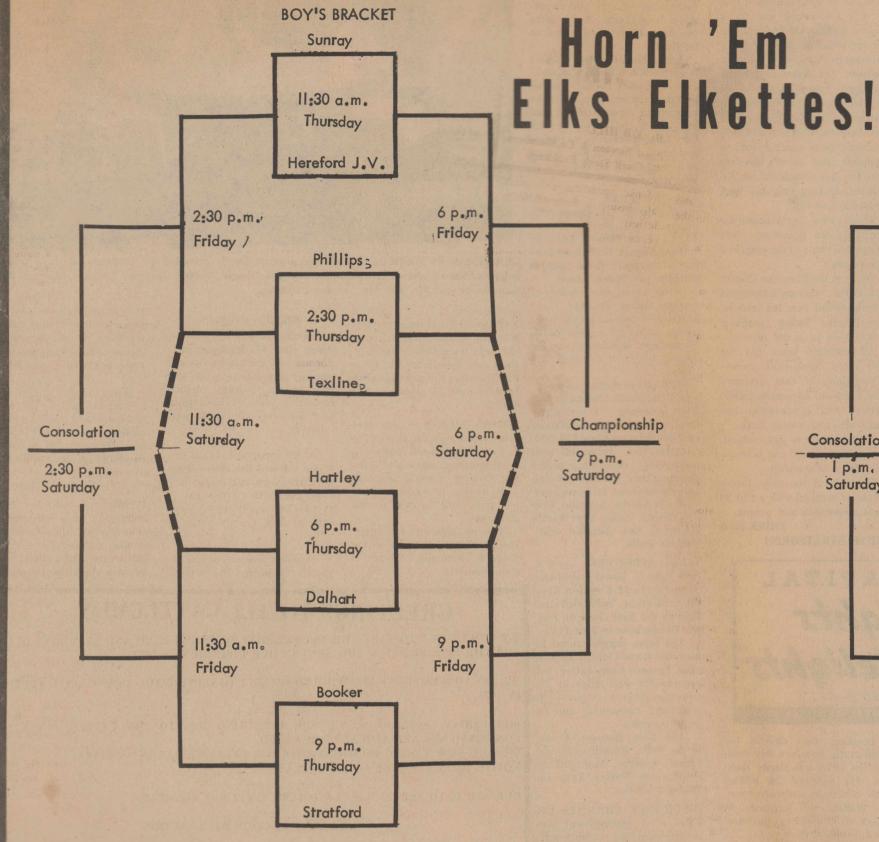


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2710 acres of land. During the past 6 years these land owners have installed approximately \$26,000.00 conservation work. Half of this amount cost is shared through the Great Plains Program. This does not include non cost shared irems that were applied with assistance from other sources. Some \$10,000 was spent on range seeding, installing grassed waterways and diversions for the protection of good nat land. Over \$8,000 or 25 percent of all funds was spent on the safe disposal of water through stable outlets. These outlets are composed of 23 acres of grassed waterways. In addition 1650 feet of diversions have been constructed and cropland has been converted to grass on 18 acres. Other practices installed on these expiring contracts were reorganization of irrigation of origation systems, land leveling. Livestock wells and water storage facilities, Irrigation Tailwater Recovery Systems and the construction of fences to protect grassland.

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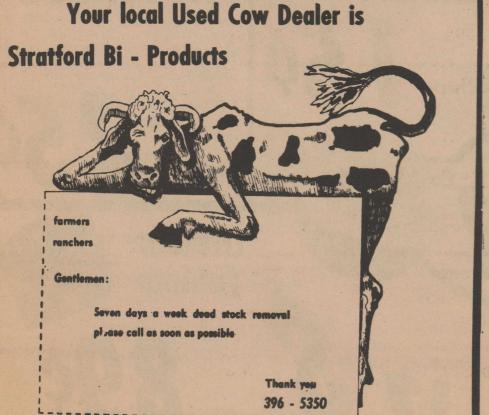
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His Holy Name!" everywhere. Job 38:22 mentions employed in 1974 than in 1973. "the treasures of it" Spiritaully, I'm dreaming of the white time sequence of the Mideast war is a Corinthians, 2:9)





January is named for the

By BOB HILL Lentz, Newton & Co.Members, New York Stock Exchange defense spending will practically insure a Federal budget

god Janus who had eyes in the back of his head as well as the front, so that he could see the past as he viewed the future. In looking back at 1973, I'm not sure our nervous systems could stand another 12 months like hose we have just completed. orecasting these days is the

ariables and uncertainties which can completely cancel out "Back are my steps on any forecast. Even though the silver sod. Thin blows my frosty Arab leaders are finding houses, hills and lakes are barrassed by the embargo and frosted like a wedding cake!" I the fact that economic blackmail heard a little boy say that, my will inevitably fail, I will assume memory, at a School Christmas that the oil embargo against the Program. And I thought "What U.S. will not be lifted until well

Most economists predict a

Experts have been making

unspeakable gift (John 3:16(is. numerous articles about the and all that is within me. Bless ployment in 1974 due to the energy emergency (emergency Even as I write, my pencil sounds better than crisis(. You marks are like "Black steps on should be in for a nice surprise. Silvery Sod" the white paper, Unemployment rates will very purchased by the ream in likely decline in 1974 due to the Amarillo, being the clean, white need for additional workers to snow! Snow is such a satisfy further increases in pure-looking, beautifying demands while plants are edifying substance! It gently running at full capacity. falls, symbolizing Peace. the Morcover, we should begin moisture its frozen crystal seeing a slowdown in the rate of lovliness conceals turns winter growth of the labor force in grass green! It creates wonder 1974. This is why there will and delight in children probably be more people

A major economic con-

when my eternal host-father charge in the attitude of may show me that. (John 14:3 I Congress toward defense spending. Defense spending should jump sharply throughout calcudar 1974. This is good news for defense contractors for two reasons. First, the Isaeli hardware lost in the war will have to be replaced, presumable from U.S. producers. Second, the Administration can now make a strong case that the U.S. has slipped in terms of sophisticated military hardware. Defense spending, which has been relatively flat in recent years, will take a rise in calendar 1974, further reducing the possibility of a recession.

Since corporate profits will drop next year, an increase in



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deficit in 1974. This will accentuate the Treasury's financing job in 1974. This means that short-term interest rates will stay at this level or slightly lower next year.

Mideast conflict emphasizes the vulnerability of oil supplies from the rabian countries. It is reasonable to assume that eventually crude oil will again be imported from the Arabian states, but that the price of such crude will be substantially higher over a period of time. Such price rises practically guarantee increases in fuel prices and a further push to inflation. Inflation rates in consumer prices will be accellerated as a result of shortages of fuel. This postpones the time when rates of inflation will decline appreciably. The shortage of oil will also weaken the demand for consumer durables, particularly next Spring.

You should expect the Dow Jones Industrial Average to establish a base at 750-800 level because the market has now adequately discounted the economic uncertainties confronting the nation. 1974 will be a rising stock market year for basic industry stocks. Autos, banks, insurance, steels and telephone stocks will be above average performers.

TEXHOMA LIVESTOCK

The receipts at the Texhoma Livestock Commission Co. last Friday were 1568 cattle and calves. The market was very active thru out on all classes of

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Max Sherman Pro Tem Of Senate

State Senator Max Sher-Texas Senate was unanimously elected during the opening day of the special session after being nominated by a fellow North Texas legislator, Senator Jack Hightower of Vernon.

In making the nomination Senator Hightower praised Sherman for the strong contributions to the Senate that have made him such a strong leader and so highly respected by his colleagues and constituents.

Sherman, a 38 year old Panhandle native from Borger is currently serving as chairman of the Finance and Jurisprudence

The position of President Pro Tempore is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a Senator by his colleagues. The President Pro Tempore presides over the Senate in the absence of the Lt. Governor and is next in line to succession to the Governorship in the absence of the Governor and the Lt. Gov.

Senator Sherman was joined during the swearing in ceremonies by his wife Gene, who is also a native of Borger, his son Lynn, Age 10; and his daughter Holly, who is 9 years



"What steps can the average consumer take to help alleviate

the U.S. energy crisis?" Well, he can cut down on his fuel consumption, but this is only a small part of it. For instance, he could turn off the lights when he's not using them and he can avoid unnecessary trips in his automobile. But the more important thing for him to do is to let his legislator know that he wants laws that will foster the de velopment and use of U.S. resources. This is the more important thing.

J.W. Dillard To Resign At Phillips

J.W. Dillard, President of man of Amarillo was elected by Frank Phillips College in his fellow Senate members to Borger, Texas, and the man who serve as President Pro Tempore started the college and was its of the Senate during the first administrative officer, has called session of the 63rd notified the Board of Regents of Legislature. Sherman, who is the college that he will retire serving his second term in the from the presidency on Aug. 31,

Dillard has headed Frank Phillips College for twenty-six years. He was the administrative Dean from Jan. 15th, 1948 until 1955, and has been president of the college since

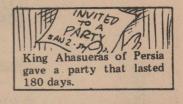
He organized and started the college, made the first budget, selected the first administrative officers and the first faculty, and planned the first curriculum for the official opening of the doors for the reception of students in Sept. 1948. He points with pride to the outstanding record made the Senate Natural Resources by Frank Phillips College, its committee and is a member of academic excellence, the beautiful sixty acre campus and its recognition in higher education in the nation. He expresses much satisifaction in the great record made by its graduates.

Dillard offers his sincere thanks to all for their support during his many years at Frank Phillips, and wishes phenominal success to his successor and to

At the time of his retirement in 1975 he will have served twenty-seven and one-half years as head of Frank Phillips and forty-four years in Texas Panhandle schools.

He plans after retirement that he and Mrs. Dillard will enroll in the University of Arizona at Tucson to study art and Spanish, play a great deal of golf, spend more time with his grandchildren, and work hard supporting plans for the future of Borger. They maintain their home at 1105 College Avenue.

Dillard states that his notification of retirement at this time will give the Board of Regents eighteen months to select and orientate a new president.



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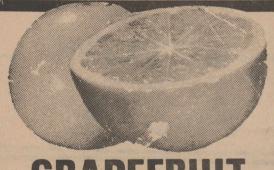
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