

We hope everyone enjoyed a Merry Christmas, at least as much as we did around our tree.

Natrually, we were suffering from "houseitis" this week-...that is caused from a combination of too much food, too much sitting and too close quarters with the kiddoes!

But, with the beautiful snow most of our youngsters took off Christmas with the Hart Clan and together they sledded around over the snow up by the Beaver River.

We believe Lieu Hoang got enough snow to last him ..late Christmas Day Lieu was still standing over the floor furnace trying to warm up or thaw out!

Poor Lieu had never seen snow at all until his trip to Texas, and believe you me, he got plenty Christmas Day! The kids were riding on a big sled pulled by a pickup and every time they hit a drift of snow it went up and over the front of the sled and guess where the kids put Lieu!

The gas shortage didn't keep Stratfordites from traveling this Christmas. A survey of downtown gas stations on Christmas showed no stations open at all locally. In fact, we understand there were few stations open at all in this part of the Panhandle. We are sure this made problems for folks on the road. We would imagine that on Christmas Day itself most folks going, at least we hope so.

We saw an article dealing with the gas shortage in Wes Izzard's column recently which sponsors the project each year this year," said Mrs. Pronger. gave an entire list of things to for benefit of the library and "Without your continued supdo to save gasoline.

For those who may have whip the gas shortage....

1. Remove anti-pollution devic es (saves 20 percent).

2. Tune engine for optimum performance (saves 15 percent). 3. Over inflate tires by three pounds (saves 10 percent).

4. Drive at steady 50 mph maximum (saves 15 percent(. 5. Avoid jackrabbit starts and stops (10 percent saving). 6. Do not use air conditioner (15 percent saving).

7. Do not use vehicle for short trips (saves 15 (percent(. percent savings(.

21 gallon tank you would need to basis. remove 5 gallons of fuel each week to avoid excessive gasoline donations for Project Christmas included in last week's paper. in vehicle.

listened to the Band Concert the \$1,727.82 was provided for use Bryant. other day at school?

We would've given a pretty to have had a camera fixed on Gary Laramore's face at the end of the final song played by the high school band. For those of you not familiar with proceedings at these events, the students mostly hit a sour note or two then give the band directors their Christmas presents. Well, Bill Surface had received his present, and this was the last song played by the high school band. Apparently Mr. Laramore wasn't too familiar with what to expect for on the final six bars of the song Jode Lasley was to hit a certain note on the chimes. She had been missing the note in practice so Laramore glared over her way and waved his arm with gusto as her time came...nothing happened..from our vantage point it looked as if Gary was going to fall plumb off the podium...naturally he got a present out of the deal, but when Jode missed that note he almost went through the floor!

XXXX Well, we hope each of y'all will have a good holiday. We would remind you that next week The Star will be a day late again due to New Years Day holiday. Please call all your visitors to us by Wednesday.

After next week we will get back on our regular schedule. See ya' next year!



FOURTH GRADE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM---Members of Mrs. This photo above was taken during the dress rehearsal on Thursday Lorraine Mehner's Fourth Grade Music Classes presented their afternoon prior to the end of school for the Christmas Holidays. annual program last week at the Mary Allen Elementary School.

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Project Christmas Card Total Up To \$1,012

provided another \$1,012 for use on record in the 11-year-history for improving the facilities of of the project was in 1968 the Sherman County Library, when only \$ 468 was collected. were already where they were announced Mrs. Jimmie Pronger, president, Prospectus each family, organization and

over the past 11 years over \$10,000 has been made be an impossible task," she missed the list we would include available for purchase of new added it for your information on how to books and other materials to improve the library through Study Club took on the library as Project Christmas Card.

asked to donate the amount of money they would normally spend to send Christmas Cards to friends locally and this list of donors is then published in the Christmas Edition of The Stratford Star. The First State Bank of Stratford has a special fund for this use each year and provides the list of donors for use in this special greeting.

Last year the project totalled 8. Install CIC ignition system (5 \$827 so this year's total is up from a year earlier and above Total savings add up to 105 the average figure which the percent. Therefore if you have a project provides on an annual

The largest single year of Card was back in 1962, the first The donors include Mr. and year the project was in Say, how many of you all operation, when a total of

Project Christmas Card has of the library. The lowest figure

"We certainly wish to thank individual who made Project The Prospectus Study Club Christmas Card a success again port each year the Project would

Members of the Prospectus a civic project several years ago and through their work and devotion the building housing the facility was made a reality. Over the years the Project Christmas Card, proceeds from several area wide musical programs and other work by club members resulted in the building being constructed. Since the building has been

built, the club has not deserted the library but follow through each year in such projets as the Christmas Card and other endeavors to continue to improve the facilities offered by the Sherman County Library.

Three additions to the Project Christmas Card fund were made too late to be Sam Wohlford and Mrs. W. O.

Former Resident Dies In Trailer House Fire

A 56-year old Dumas woman The Rev. C.N. "Shad" Rue.

resident, Mrs. Aleene Trayler, Home. was pronounced dead on arrival about 11:50 p.m. Tuesday.

her flaming bedroom.

The house was not burned to the ground, but firemen said the structure was a total loss by the time the fire units extinguished the blaze at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday. A spokesman at Dumas Fire Department said officials had tentatively determined the cause of the fire to be caused by smoking in bed.

Mrs. Trayler was the former owner of the Flower Box, a retail flower shop in Dumas, before moving to Stratford 12 years

She moved back to Dumas after her husband, Raymond, said Rev. Peery. died in March.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday in the home of his son, Dr. Thomas Calvary Baptist Church.

was killed shortly before pastor of Paramount Baptist midnight Tuesday when a fire Church in Amarillo officiated at broke out in her home at 1602 the funeral. Burial was in the and Channing. Northlawn Memorial Gardens A former Sherman County Cemetery by Morrison Funeral

Survivors include two daugat Dumas Memorial Hospital ters, Mrs. Jim Reed of Amarillo and Ms. Gene Brewer of Firemen found her six feet Dipping Springs; a brother, from the front door where she Raymond Hale of Canadian; had apparently crawled from three sisters and five grandchildren.

METHODISTS PLAN WATCH NIGHT SERVICE

Members of the First United Methodist Church are invited to participate in a New Years Watch Night Service in the sanctuary of the church beginning at 11:30 p.m., New Years Eve, announced the Rev. J. Frank Peery, pastor.

The servi ce will continue from 11:30 p.m. until midnight. All residents of the community are invited to participate, finals slated for Saturday night.

Lavake, in Arlington, Texas.



VISITING SANTA CLAUS---These little friends took time Friday to visit Santa at The First State Bank of Stratford as Old St. Nick took time from last minute toy-manufacturing to visit. Shown abov e, left to right, Shawna Dettle, Martin Dettle and Gared McBryde.

43rd Annual Tourney Slated Jan. 3-4-5

Mrs. V. O. Lasley, Mr. and Mrs. their 43rd Annual Stratford and were pre-season picks to be Invitational Basketball Tournament to take place next IAA girls competition. Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the high school gym, announced Supt. E. L. Bass this

Teams from Phillips, Hartley, Sunray, Texline, Dalhart, Booker, Hereford and Stratford will be represented in the tourneythis year. Missing will be Texhoma, Boise City, Gruver

Texhoma and Boise City teams were prevented from competing this year because of a state school ruling providing that their students have to complete a full week of school prior to entering any basketball tourney. Because of the dates of the Stratford Tourney this year teams from our Oklahoma neighbors were kept from entering. Channing and Gruver coaches chose not to return to

the tourney this year. Newcomers to the tourney include Phillips, Booker and the Hereford JV team.

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 had good records this year and be out to win top honors in the

The Stratford Elkettes will be shooting for an unprecedented 13th consecutive tourney Tom Lavake is staying in the title in the girl's division. The top opposition for the Elkettes will be the Phillips girls who

Stratford will play host for have a rapidly improving team the darkhorse team in District

> Action in the tourney will begin Thursday morning at 11:30 a.m. when Sunray Bobcats tie up with the Hereford JV team and will continue with the finals which will be held on

> Girls Championship will begin at 7:30 p.m. Saturday followed by Boys Championship

> Last year the Stratford Elks and Elkettes won top honors in the tourney, the first time both Stratford teams had won their respective divisins since 1963. The Elks went on to win District 1AA and Bi-District 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 charges will be out for their 13th consecutive tourney championship, the longest winning streak in the history of the 43 year old

Consolation Finals for girls will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. with the Boys Consolation at

AREA WIDE STUDY

Nursing Home Approval Given Hospital District

Hospital Distric t to begin 30-bed units," he added. working toward providing resconvalescent home were appmeeting of the board last week.

Panhandle Regional Health Council of Amarillo, and Ed Melin, executive manager of the health council of Amarillo met with members of the hospital

board that results of a survey of Foran were asked to provide the Melin and Foran. the Panhandle area revealed that Sherman County needed at least a 30-bed unit for such a

"Actually the figures show that Sherman County is short some 27 beds," Melin stated,". However, economic figures

Christmas Turns White In Stratford

Stratford enjoyed a White Christmas as a frontal system dumped three to five inches of fresh snow over the area on Christmas Eve.

The snowfall began on Monday and continued most of the day quitting about 10 a.m. Luc kily, the wind accompanying the snow was light to moderate with little drifting

Travelers did have a hard time north of Stratford as Highway 287 north of Boise City, Okla.., was closed on up into Colorado and the wind was blowing hard enough to drop visibility in the country down to little or nothing at times. Temperatures on Christmas morning were down to around 9 degrees in Stratford but the sun came out resulting in a beautiful

Most children enjoyed the snow and despite the white blankets, the new bikes got a real workout all day. Very little melting took place

despite the sunshine on Christmas day and another frontal system was predicted for the weekend.

The white snow resulted in a beautiful Christmas Day, although area cattlemen had little love for the white covering. Luckily, no severe problems resulted to cattle on pastures from this particular system.

Calendar of Events

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30 ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE MONDAY, DECEMBER 31 7:30 p.m. Covered Dish Buffet at Country Club 11:30 p.m. Watch Night Service at Methodist Church TUESDAY, JANUARY 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR

Members of the Sherman for such facilities. idents of the district with a County Hospital Board told Melin and Foran that their County Hospital Board will meet roved at a specially called voters had decided back in April with Melin and an administrator in a straw vote that would be of a similar project to provide Bill Foran, president of the interested in providing such a facility and this request grew to costs etc. of such a facility. out of the results of that straw

Melin told members of the Health Council, Melin and Carroll Wisdom along with

Necessary forms for applic- have shown that nursing home board with actual budgets of ation of the Sherman County facilities are best constructed in 30-bed facilities, costs of constructions and sample plans

At a future date the Sherman needed information pertaining

Those present at the meeting included Walter Lasley, Phillip After discussing how the bed Bain, Max Stephenson, Mrs. need for this area is arrived at Dave McReynolds, Dr. Claude by the Panhandle Regional Harlow, Rudy Renfer and

TEXHOMA HERE SATURDAY **Elkettes Win District Opener Over Dalhart**

were off for the holidays as this in the game. issue goes to press.

will meet the Texhoma Red 18-17 at the half. They came Devils in games to be played back in the third to hit for 14 here on Saturday night. The JV boys and girls will also be back lead and won by one point in action on Saturday night and 40-39. this will be the only action until

Canyon and Spearman while the Steve Keever got a pair. Elks stand 3;6 for the season.

teams played Texhoma where the Elkettes won their contest 52-48 and the Elks won in a thriller 40-39. Later the Elkettes non-district c ontest 50-46. travelled to Dalhart in a District 1AA game which they won 61-27 while the Elks played Hartley and lost 50-46.

stanza then were down 26-16 at 50-46. abandon in the third scoring 16 points while holding Texhoma to 8 and pulled to within two points 34-32. In the final quarter the Elkettes outscored 20-14 and won the game narrowly 52-48.

D''lynn Brown was high scorer for the Elkettes with 22 points followed by Cindy Stokes pair in the game. with 18, Phyllis Miller hit for 12. Miss Huddleston was high scorer in the c ontest for Texhoma hitting a total of 28

On Thursday the Elkettes travelled to Dalhart for their district opener. The Elkettes the third hitting for 12 while 31 Dalhart got 8 and led 36-25 at the end of the stanza. In the fourth quarter the Elkettes hit for 13 of 16 charity shots for a total of 25 points to win 61-27.

Miss Stokes led the scoring with 23 points followed by Miss Brown with 15, Miss Miller with the habitat of pheasant and 14 while Vicki Bell got 5 and other wildlife. Debbie Crawford and Gina Bass high for Dalhart with 10 points. Scouts haul it off for you. The Elks won their closely

Stratford's Elkettes won fought contest over the Red their first District 1AA game Devils last week 40-39 led by last week over Dalhart 61-27 and Steve Barrett who got 11 points

The Elks led 11-10 at the end Both the Elks and Elkettes of the first stanza but trailed while allowing 11 to own a 31-29

Mark Beaty got 10 in the contest with Rick Howard The Elkettes stand 12-2 for hitting 7 and Willie Mungia got the season with losses to 4, Darrell Dosher hit for 6 and

Freeman was high for the This past week the Varsity game for Texhoma with 14

On Thursday the Elks went to Hartley where they lost a

The Elks lead early 14-12 and saw the game knotted at 26-all at the half. In the third the Elks jumped out in front 40-31 Recapping action in these but then were able to hit for only games the Elkettes were down two field goals and two of eight 12-10 at the end of the first possible charity shots to lose

Dosher and Beaty tied with 10 points each for the Elks while Norman Smith was high for Hartley with 14 points.

Other Elks hitting the ring included Howard and Lyndal Lewis with 6 each while Steve Williams, Keener and Mungia got 4 each. Gary Ferguson got a

Boy Scouts Will Pick Up Trees

Boy Scout Troop 38 will lead at the first 15-8 and 24-17 at pick up old Christmas trees the half. They continued to hit in again this year on Decemb er

> If you would like to have your tree removed, please place it on your front lawn and the Scouts will pick it up on December 31

selected spots to help enhance Rather than burn that tree

The trees are taken to

got a pair each. Johnson was and pollute the air---let the



BEST DECORATIONS WINNERS Three businesses and three individuals were named for Best Decorated by the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce this year. Making the presentation of checks above is Mrs. Martha Mitts of The First State Bank of Stratford. Shown left to right, Bobbie Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dyess Cummings, Anna Knight, LaVelle Haggard, Marillyn Albert, Mrs. Rex Palmer and Penny Bennett and spent Christmas in Hereford Lane Johnson. Three best commercial winners were Bumble Bee, Tip Top Hobby Shop and with Glenda's mother, Mrs. Southwestern Public Service. Individual home winners are H. C. Bennett, Jerry Johnson and Rex



LOWERY ORGAN WINNER Lewie Brannan gets a handshake and a new Lowery Organ from the Cut Rate of Stratford at a drawing held at 4 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Mrs. Brannan looks on as Willie Price congratulates Lewie.

TATE CAPITAL

AUSTIN, Tex. - Acting in a a fuel-saving measure. Legislature voted to grant the be set by the commission as highways.

aimed at bringing the state into stered largely on legislative reconformity with anticipated luctance to delegate more au-

stand to lose up to \$240 mil- and resistance to being "orlion in highway building funds dered around" by Congress. from the federal government if Some legislators also wanted it does not order a new speed to get Briscoe to submit other limit approved by Congress as measures to the pre-Christmas

quickie special session called A reduction to 55 miles per by Gov. Dolph Briscoe, the hour - the limit expected to State Highway Commission would save a million gallons of power to reduce speed on Tex- gasoline a day, Briscoe told the

Legislature. The temporary measure is Opposition to the bill centhority (speed limits have been Briscoe said Texas would set by law) to state agencies

While they were at work, senators approved resolution by Sen. Peyton McKnight of Tyler calling on Congress to eliminate price controls on materials used in producing oil and gas.

The resolution further asked the oil depletion allowance be restored to 27.5 per cent, from the present 22 per cent. It also requested lifting of auto emission controls in certain areas.

Lawmakers will be back January 8 to begin their consitutional convention.

ALLOWABLE PRODUCTION WILL OPEN AGAIN - For the collect county funds. 22nd straight month, Texas Railroad Commission set the oil production allowable at 100

Exceptions again were made for January production in East of North Texas State University Texas and Kelly Snyder fields (86 per cent) and Tom O'Connor Field (70 per cent).

quested a record 4,131,810 barrels a day during January. That is 106,111 more than the December figure.

Commission Chairman Jim Langdon, with an unhappy look at the energy shortage, warned of dark days ahead.

COURTS SPEAK Supreme Court held a judge under a new law can denv a legislator-lawyer delay of a trial when he has been hired within 10 days of the trial date.

* A Dallas robbery conviction was reversed because of improper argument by a prosecutor to the jury, in a new Court of Criminal Appeals ruling.

* The Court of Criminal Appeals reversed a conviction of a Dallas man for heroin possession and remanded the case for new trial after finding the jury should have been informed evidence was circumstantial.

* An Austin district court enjoined three Austin men and businesses from deceptive promotion of a Lake Falcon resort site area in Tamaulipas, Mexico.

AG OPINIONS - The state does not have to provide rent free space for the press in the capitol but can, on an equal basis, furnish such space to keep the public informed, Atty. Gen. John Hill held.

In other recent opinions, Hill concluded:

Security guards protecting the premises of another, who have a right to control the premises, can carry handguns, but armored vehicle guards cannot.

County auditors have discretion to prescribe the manner and time of deposits to the county treasurer by officers who

APPOINTMENTS - Gov. Briscoe named Kenneth May of Lubbock and E. E. Stuessy of Austin to the board of regents

Other recent appointments by the governor included James Neal Martin of San Antonio Major crude purchasers re- to the Texas Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; Mrs. Blake Sparenberg of Austin to the state board of canvassers; Robert Hardy of Huntsville and A. W. Cullum III of Dallas to Trinity River Authority; Richard N. Countiss of Spearman as district judge of the 84th district; and Forrest C. Allen of Corpus Christi and W. C. Miller of Dallas to the Texas Real Estate Commission.

Nicholas Murphy is new legal counsel for the Texas Water approved for services to old Quality Board.

BIG SURPLUS PREDICTED -State Comptroller Robert S. Calvert now predicts a \$315 million surplus in the state's general fund by the end of the 1974-75 biennium.

That's six times more than lawmakers had on hand at the start of this biennium.

The prediction raised hopes that the next legislative session, like the last, may be able to avoid new taxes.

The comptroller's office said soaring prices of oil and gas (on which resources taxes are based) improve the revenue picture. The increased income from oil and gas taxation will more than offset the drop in gasoline taxes, according to Kenneth Huff, head of the comptroller's department research and statistics division.

MARIJUANA PRISONERS MAY GO FREE - Up to 400 convicted under the old felony marijuana possession statute may be freed soon at request of the governor.

A new law makes possession of up to four ounces of marijuana a misdemeanor, punishable by a maximum of one year in jail or \$2,000 fine. Old law makes possession of any amount a felony, carrying a prison term of two years to life. The old law was the hardest on marijuana in the nation.

> XIT A&M CLUB **MEETING FRIDAY**

Members of the XIT A&M Club and their wives will have their Christmas Meeting at the Hic kory Inn in Dalhart Friday night, announced Gary Finch, chairman.

All students attending Texas A&M are invited to attend.



one of God's answers to loneliness. "It is not good that man should be alone," said God at the very beginning of creation, as He created Eve.



ber these words from the Bible: "He who walks with wise men become wise; but the companion of fools shall

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SHORT SNORTS

Representatives test-hopped the re-arranged House chamber during the special session. It is set up for both representatives and senators (181 in all) during the constitutional convention.

A drive to recruit 50,000 new Boy Scouts in Texas has been exceeded.

Grants of federal funds totalling more than \$2 million were people in five areas of the state.

Three state senators are running for congress - Nelson Wolff and Glenn Kothmann of San Antonio (21st district) and Jack Hightower of Vernon (13th district).

Sen. Max Sherman of Amarillo, 38, is new president pro tempore of the state senate.

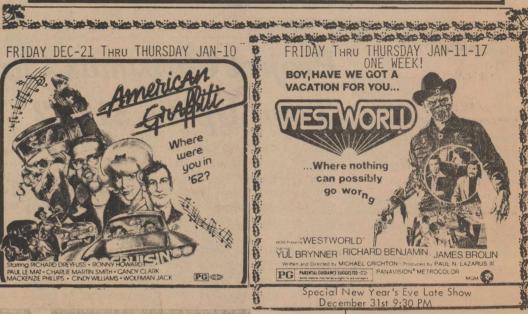
The Department of Public Safety is unable to predict traffic patterns due to the energy crisis.

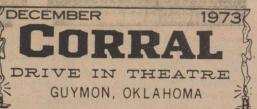
Guests of Mrs. Jim Brown over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brown and Ellen of and Kim of Bartlesville, Okla.



Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Bus BOXES FOR NEEDY---Members of the Stratford Order of Eastern Brown of Fresno, Calif.; NS Star passed out boxes for the area needy during Christmas this and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Knapp year. Shown abov e with some of the boxes are Hoss and Robbie

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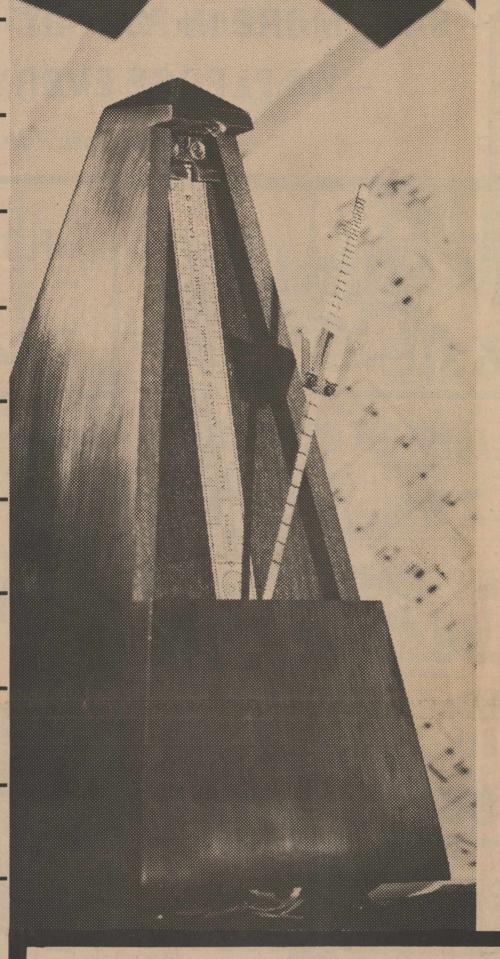
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"Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."

The Church is God's appointed agency in this 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 God



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CHURCH OF CHRIST

Third at Chestnut Streets Sunday Bible School......10:00a.m. Morning Worship......10:55a.m. Ladies Bible Class(Tuesday)......9:30a.m. Wednesday Bible Classes.....8:00p.m. Minister Bob Beaty

FIRST BAPTIST

Third at Fulton Streets Sunday School......10:00a.m. Morning Worship.....ll:00a.m. Church Training......6;00p.m. Evening Worship......7:00p.m. Wednesday Services......7:30p.m. Rev. Bruce Mitchell

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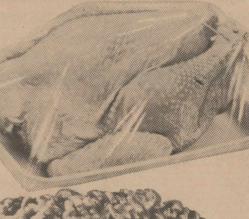
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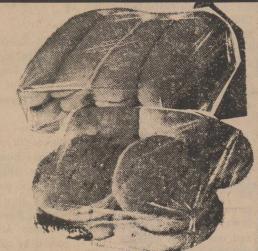
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The prospective bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Brown of Stratford.

The vows are to be exc hanged February 24 in the Church of Christ.

Janice and David are both students at Texas State guest, Vera Pronger. Technical Institute in Amarillo.

Eight Students Win Honors

Eight students at Stratford High School received Certific ates of Acceptance for poetry which are to be published in the semi-annual anthology "young America Sings"

The seniors who received certificates are Van Brandes, Cathy Powers, John Vigil, Serferino Escamila, John Walden and Terry Brooks.

The two juniors receiving certificates are Christy Husmann and Natalie Engelbrecht.

These poems are published by the Natioal Poetry Press in Los Angeles, California.

Christmas dinner with the Bill holidays. Pendletons.

Garden Club **Holds Annual** Yule Event

The Stratford Garden Club met in regular session December 13 in the home of Mrs. Harold Roberts for their Christmas Program. The Robert's home and the refreshments were beautifully done in keeping with the Christmas

Mrs. Oma Ellison was in charge of the program with guest speaker, Mrs. Vera Pronger. Mrs. Pronger reviewed the book, "The Homecoming", by Earl Hammer, Jr. It was a very interesting review and our thanks to Vera for a wonderful review of this most enjoyable Christmas story.

Attending the meeting were Mesdames; Roy Peterson, R. C. Buckles, Frank Peery, N.W. Hudson, Earl Riffe, Peach Smith, Eunice Buster, Nora Ramey, J. H. Wiginton, Oma Ellison, W. O. Bryant, F. B. Mullins, Harold Roberts, and

The next meeting of the club will be January 10 in the home of Mrs. Herman Wiginton with Mrs. Vern Reynolds as program

The Newt Crabtree family had their holiday dinner with Jimmy and Glennanna Craig in Amarillo on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wells and family and Ralph and Minnie Hampton had dinner with the Newt Crabtrees Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oran Howell Mr. Scott last week. and family of Faith, South ***** Dakota, former Stratford residents, were visiting with the Kenneth Hodges and other friends over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Salsbury ****** Alma Hall of Amarillo was a of Vici, Okla. and the Jay holidays. They enjoyed sharing Harold Bennetts over the at Dumas.



.... Santa made his annual visit to Kerrick Community Friday night following a program of readings and songs by the youth and a play by

.About 90 persons were present to receive a large sack of goodies from Santa.

.On the program with readings, poems or solos were Kerry and Joe Bill Boren, Kelley, Randy, Melvin Irlbeck, Suzanne Almquist who were joined by all the young people for a chorus.

"A Holiday Tempest", a walk-on play, was given by Pat Boren, Marylou McDaniel, Hank Rogers and Jerry

.Mrs. Bill Boren was in charge of the program. on telephone service. The tax Accompaniest was Mrs. Ralph

.Soft drinks were served courtesty of Kerrick Farm

. Holiday visitors with the Don Moons are their son, Eddie, his wife, Janet and son, Greg of ghter, Donna Jean of Victoria, Texas and daughter, Barbara, a student at West Texas. Mrs. O.A. Hurt, mother of Mrs. Moon, is also here from Inman,

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Minchew and sons of Fort Worth stopped for lunch with his sister, Mrs. Bob Scott and

Arriving for the holidays Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Munden of Sacramento, Calif. They are guests of her mother, Mrs. Virgie Mathews.

Mrs. Minna McDaniel spent visitor in the home of her sister, Carson family of Boise City, Christmas with her daughter Mrs. F. B. Mullins over the Okla. were visiting with the and family, the Duane Smiths,

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O.E.S. DEPUTY VISITS STRATFORD---Mrs. Gladys Kirkwood, Worthy Matron, welcomes Mrs. Ellen Dunn, Deputy Grand Matron, Dist. 2, Sec. 2, as she is about to alight From the Eastern Star newly installed chairlift. The lift was installed to assist those members who cannot climb stairs.

Phone Bills Go Down In January

Telephone bills will reflect a one per cent decrease for the second year beginning in

The reduction is the second scheduled step to eliminate the Federal Excise Tax paid by telephone customers and collected by telephone companies was reduced during 1973 from 10 per cent to 9 per cent and will be reduced to 8 per cent during

The Federal Telephone Excise Tax was first passed as a "temporary" tax during the Korean Conflict in 1953. It was an easy tax to assess, even LeagueCity, Texas, their dau- easier for the government to collect-since telephone companies did the collecting for the government free of charge.

Despite continuing efforts to remove the tax, felt by many to be unfair, it has continued since the end of the Korean Conflict.

The tax is levied on both local telephone service and long distance calls.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Aduddell of Monte Vista, Colo. are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Aduddell and other relatives over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Coy Hargrove and family of Dumas spent Schristmas Day visiting the Howard Whites and other friends and relatives.

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Salad Supper Fetes Mrs. Ellen Dunn

.Stratford Chapter 960, Order ings and instructins from the salad supper held in honor of Mrs. Ellen Dunn, Deputy Grand Dunn is a member of Amarillo #787. She was accompanied by Mrs. Kathryn Sadler, Worthy Matron of A. E. Shirley #986. Another visitor at the meeting was Mrs. Elizabeth Cronic, Felicity #387, Nomad, Illinois.

of the Eastern Star, enjoyed a Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Thelma Joyce Alsup.

Two families were selected Matron, Dist. 2, Sec. 2. Mrs. as Christmas projects for the

The Chapter now has a chair lift installed in the north stairway of the Masonic Hall for use of Masons and Eastern Stars. This is to assist anyone who has difficulty in climbing Mrs. Dunn brought greet- stairs. It will also help to carry loads up stairs.



WOOL CONTEST ENTRY---Annette Flores won third in the Make It With Wool Contest held recently in Lubbock. She is shown here with her entry. Annette represented the Clover 4-H Club of Sherman County.

Dr. Stanley Ullom and family of Lubboc k and Mr. and Mrs. James Ullom of Canadian were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Devine on Saturday.

Visitors in the Kenneth Kendrick home over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Cagle Kendrick and sons from Las Cruces, N.M.

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Next Friday will be our last sale in 1973. We expect 2,000 or more cattle for that occasion. Advise us as soon as possible if you have cattle that you want to Perryton with grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Gates and family visited with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Charles Friday was a good day for a Gates in Spur over the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Butler, Jr. and family of Cody, Wyo. are Some representative sales visiting Mrs. E. W. Butler and

recovering from surgery.

Bessie Hodges is in the Dumas Memorial Hospital at this time undergoing treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Dyess and boys spent Christmas in





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Letters To Santa

of last week's issue by a dumb Elf, we hope Santa and the beauty salon, a record player, a heliport, a Big Chief tablet, youngsters will forgive us). Dear Santa,

be very good since we've seen bring all these, one or two will

much but he would like to have a you. table size pool table, tool set, belting boxers and a high speed pinball machine.

I would like to have a Barbie

pool and a country camper. boys and girls all over the world bring a package to Morris, my even if some have been a little kitty.

bad. See you next year. Love, Christine and Russel *** Brooks.

airplane that flies like Uncle Mike's. I want you to stay all

Christmas tree up. I love you Neal Smith

night with me. We have our

Dear Santa, I have been a super good *** girl--well, a pretty good girl and am waiting (I'm not so good at waiting tho') for you to come. My little brother, Martin, has been good, too, except

(ED NOTE The following sometimes he teases me. Dear Santa Claus, Santa Claus Letters were left out Anyway, I want you to bring me a quick-curl Barbie and her flashlight, a diamond ring, and a trampoline. Martin wants a Our names are Christine and choo-choo train, a weebles boat. Russel Brooks. We have tried to and a BIG tricycle. If you can't do, cause I know you have lots of My brother and I don't want other kids waiting for you. I love

I have been a good boy. doll and clothes, a Barbie fun Please bring me a Tonka dump truck and Crane and I would like Please don't forget the other to have an Inch Worm. Please

Love Cory Cluck

Dear Santa,

I want a sweet cookie that makes cakes, a purple bike with I want a volley ball and an a basket and flowers on it like Toni's, and a trampoline. I have tried to be a good girl this year, but sometimes it is kind of hard to be good. I will try harder to be the first grade. good next year. I will save you some milk and cookies. I Love ***

Mechele Borth

I have tried to be a good boy. Please brimg me a mini bike. Love, Byron

Please bring me a semi, a gentle horse, a fisher-price some school clothes, a pair of coveralls, a new pair of boots.

Please bring my sister a soft cuddley teddy bear, she is 1 1/2 months old. I am five years old and I have

been as good a boy as five can Sincerely, David Shelley

Dear Santa

I have been a good girl. I would like a Barbie friend ship, electric tooth brush, roller skates and a Big Barbie head for Christmas. I would like a real rudolph too. Quinten my brother would like a farm set. and anything else.

Bring Mom some poodle perfume and pop some men

Piper Bennett PS Leave the gifts in our stockings in the kitchen. I am in

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Gillis and daughter of Lamar are here visiting the H.L. McMahens, Phillip Bains, Kenneth Kendricks and other friends over the Christmas holidays.

Fourth Graders Present Stars Over Christmas

The fourth grade classes under the direction of Mrs. Lorraine Mehner, held their annual Christmas program entitled, "Stars Over Christmas", Thursday night in the Mary Allen Elementary School.

Fourth grade teachers who were also responsible for the fine efforts of the fourth grades were Oleen Judd, Charylene Smith and LaNelle Waldrop.

The welcome was given by Jennifer Wells. The choir sang "Caroling, Caroling" to open the program. Members of the choir included: Tony Borth, Shawna Cummings, IrmaGarza, Tamara Hager, Leah Oakley, Billye Kyle, Melodye Roberson, Jennifer Wells, Joyce Melton, Elva Trevino, Holly Sanley, Paul Artho, James Boughan, Bobby Dosher, Earl Judkins, Daron Knight, Dean Mitts, David Poll. Oscar Rendon, Barton Spurlock, Marvin Williams, Guy Garcia and Obidio Gomez.

Carol Chesher, Carrie Brown, Margarita Saenz, Elva Olivas, Lana Adams and Leslie Flores sang separate parts of the song, "The First Star".

The skit Christmasday, was presented by the following fourth graders: Christine Brooks, Sona Hawkins, Donna Morris, Neff Dettle, Vincente

WISHES O ALL OUR ADERS!

! Looks like a great performer.

Here's hoping your New Year gets rave reviews!

All of us are wishing you much success, good

Martinez, David Rhea, Lane Robertson and Glenda Williams. Dean Mitts sang the solo "Holiday Trail".

The next presentation was the skit, "Old Fashioned American Christmas". Lane Johnson, Shelley Summerour, Karen Lundberg, Paige Branham, Kim Newburn, Sherwin Burton, Gary Blain, Harland Judkins, Curtiss Keener, Bryan Wright and Nora Rendon presented this skit. "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" was sung by Lane

The third skit, "A Medieval Christmas", included this group of youngsters; Nancy Beavers, Millie Kautz, Sally Ortiz, Betty Saloga, Laura Lee Stoltman, Lori Thomas, Lea Anna Waters, Doug Artho, Joe Bill Boren. Barry Durham, Elmofortenberry, Damon Lyles, Craig Sladek, Jerry Vaughn, Mike Timpson and Pixie Stevens. Soloists singing "Good King Wenceslas" were Sally Ortiz, Craig Sladek, Millie Kautz. Jerry Vaughn and Joe Bill

Characters in the skit, Christmas in 13th Century Italy" were Buddy Schertler, Randy Irlbeck, Rodney Roberson, Sherrie Baker, Debbie Hodges, CHerie Brown, Rose

What's New At Your School. . . .



both boys and girls are enrolled divorce and marital problems unit on preparation for in Mrs. Barbara Bowman's which affect the family, such as successful relationships as a Home and Family Living Class. alcoholism, drug addition, single person. The individual in This class is offered in mental illness and personality the community is involved in conjunction with the regular problems. For these reasons marriage, parenthood, coping homemaking classes that Mrs. Bowman teaches in the stratford High School. When this picture family living extremely relevant structure. The interrelationship was taken, the class was in today's curriculm. Thus of culture and the family, and preparing to take part in a family living is a subject of basic the impact of change on the discussion that envolved all importance to both sexes in family are also included in the

phases of family living. Because our entire society is society. built around the family as its most basic unit, each individual must learn to function effect- and self in the community, consumers, children in the ively as a family member. Additional aspects of love family food for the family,

mary Trevino ViAnn Ferguson, Rusty Harbour, Doy Grantham, James Armstrong, Adrian Ortega and Ricky Duran. Daron Knight sang, "Mary's Little Boy Child".

Mary was played by Paige Branham, Joseph by Chris Stanley; Bethlehem Star by Leslie Flores and soloist was Carrie Brown in the final presentation entitled "The First Christmas"

Stage Managers were Steve Albert and Damon Lyles and the spotlight controllers were Chris Stanley and Ricky Duran.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frizzell and Blair spent Christmas with Lt. and Mrs. Gary Hooker of Tucson, Ariz.

This group that includes family breakdown through marriage are included with a learning to relate to others more with family stresses and crises intelligently makes the study of and interacting within the social relation with their roles in our study of self in the community.

This course should also Home and Family Living include the following topics: emphasizes self in the future family as managers and However, current periodicals relationships and preparation clothing the family and housing emphasize our concern with for successful relationships in the family.

> Hazel Harris left last Friday counties: three each in Oldham, Clay and Lubboc k; two each in to spend the Christmas holidays Floyd, Hale, Lamb, Wise; and with her brother, Cal Harris, in Raton, N.M. one each in Garza, Stonewall, Young, Lipscomb, Parmer,

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Turner and son from Greeley, Colo. are here spending the holidays with Mrs. H. B. Turner.

Randall, Swisher, and Wil- *** Mr. and Mrs. Gail Collins and family of Roach, Mssouri are here for the holidays visiting with the Curtis Collins, Dennis Phelps and Rex Palmers.

> Mrs. JamesBurleson nee LuAnn Plunk and husband, James were here for the holidays visiting friends and

Five Wrecks Reported By **DPS** Units

The Texas Highway Patrol investigated five accidents on rural highways in Sherman County during the month of November, according to Sergeant C. E. Henderson, Highway Patrol supervisor of

These crashes resulted in no persons killed and eight persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for this county during the first ll months of 1973 shows a total of 49 accidents resulting in seven persons killed and 39 persons injured.

The rural traffic accident summary for the 60 counties of the Lubbock Department of Public Safety Region for November, 1973, shows a total of 606 accidents resulting in 25 persons killed and 349 persons injured as compared to November, 1972, with 504 accidents resulting in 14 persons killed and 265 persons injured. This was 22 more accidents, 11 more fatalities, and 84 more injured in 1973 at the same period of time.

The 25 traffic deaths for the month of Novemb er, 1973, occurred in the following

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SEVENTH GRADE GIRLS TEAM---Members of this year's Seventh Grade Girls Basketball team are shown above. Front row, left to right, LaRenda BLain, Evelyn Tims, Kelly Irlbeck, Areace Bain, Tammy Borth, Glenna Beaty, LaRhonda Stacy, Janna Wylie, Jacque Chesher, Kennetha Melton, Melissa Ellison, Pat Vigil, Stephanie Riffe, Jimmie Sue Shields, Back row, D'Lynn Brown and Melinda Zaricor and Vicki Bell, assistant coaches, Cindy Stovall, Patti Stokes, Jeanne Ann Keener, Coach P.D. Fletcher, Valerie Mitts, Barrie Donelson, Brenda Sutterfield, Kristi Buckles, Shelly Howard, Tammy Wilson.

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VATION DISTRICT NO. 2, NORTH OF THE CANADIAN **RIVER IN TEXAS:**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held within and for GROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 2, NORTH OF THE CANADIAN RIVER IN TEXAS, on the 8th day of January, 1974, at the polling places hereinafter set out, within said District, in accordance with a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said

District, as follows, to-wit: "BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Ground Water Conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River:

That an election shall be held within and for said Ground Water Conservation District No 2, North of the Canadian River (hereinafter referred to as "The District") on the 8th day of January, 1974, in the election precincts hereinafter set forth and at the polling places hereinafter set forth, all within said Districts, at which election there shall be submitted to the qualified resident taxpaying voters of said District the election of one (1) precinct Director for Precincts One (1), Two (2), and Three (3) of the District, and the election of three County Committeemen from each county composing the District, for a two-year term.

Upon each of the ballots used at said election shall be placed the names of the candidates for Precinct Director to be elected as follows:

Director's Precinct No. 1--Territory within the District which is situated in each of the following counties: LIPSCOMB Polling Place: Sherman County and OCHILTREE Roy Stollings Courthouse

Director's Precinct No. 2 Territory within the District Billington which is situated in each of the following counties: HANSFORD Lowe Director's Precinct No. 3-- Mrs. Ira Devine Territory within the District which is situated in each of the Luther Browder

candidates for County Commitas follows:

LIPSCOMB COUNTY Chris Miller, Jr Gene Born HANSFORD COUNTY Dee Jackson Robert Ferguson **Everett Vanderburg** SHERMAN Duane Schafer H.H. Caraway Walter Lasley **OCHILTREE COUNTY** Dan Manning Edgar Cooke Dean Slaughter **HUTCHINSON COUNTY**

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Blank spaces shall be left in ATTEST: order that the names of other Robert Thompson persons may be written in. Each Secretary person (Voter) residing in (Published Dec. 13-20-27-1973) Directors' Precincts Nos. 1,2, and 3; as set forth above, shall Voter resides. All voters may 52-tfc vote for the candidate of their - - - - - choice by placing an "X" in the square beside the name or by scratching or marking out all other names in that race and leaving the name of such Director on the ballot. All voters desiring to cast a vote for a candidate whose name is not on the ballot may do so by writing the name of the person in the blank space provided on the ballot and by placing an "X" in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all other candidates appearing on the ballot for Precinct Director. Each person residing in the counties composing the District, as set forth above, shall vote for three (3) County Committeemen for the county in which the voter resides. Each person may vote for the candidates of his choice by placing an "X" in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all other names in that race and

leaving the name of the County Committeemen on the ballot. All persons desiring to cast a vote for a candidate whose name LEGAL NOTICE is not on the ballot, may do so by TO THE RESIDENT QUALI- writing the name of that person FIED TAXPAYING VOTERS OF in the blank space provided on GROUND WATER CONSER- the ballot and by placing an "X" in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all but three (3) candidates appearing or written

> in on the ballot. The area comprising the District is hereby divided into the following election precincts, to include all or that part of the county designated which lies within the District, such election to be held at the polling places indicated and conducted by the following election officers: **ELECTION PRECINCT NO 1**

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Presiding Judge: J.H. Kershaw Assistant Judge: Harry Reimer Clerks: John Mayfield.

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HANSFORD COUNTY Polling Place: Hansford County Courthouse

Presiding Judge: Joe Day Assistant Judge: John P.

Clerks: Mrs. B.J. Garnett Merle Washington **ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 2**

Polling Place: Hutchinson County Pringle Schoolhouse

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Assistant Judge: Loy Hiller Clerks Mrs. E.R. Robertson **ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 3**

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That such election shall be following counties: SHERMAN held and conducted and returns made to the Board of Directors of the District, in accordance Upon each of the ballots with the general election laws of used at said election shall be Texas, except as same are placed the names of the modified by the provisions of Chapter 25, Acts of the 39th teemen to be elected for certain Legislature of Texas of 1925, counties included in the District, together with all amendments and additions thereto.

That the President and Secretary of the District shall give notice of this election by causing a substantial copy of this resolution or notice containing the same to be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation published in the bounds of the District, the first publication to be not less than twenty-one (21) nor more than thirty-five (35) days prior to the date of the election.

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The Church of Christ, Fire Department, and Girl Scouts all brought gifts of food. Oakley Floral sent a lovely Poinsetta on Christmas. Christmas carolers Presiding Judge: Eugene came by, the neighbors have been wonderful and the whole town is certainly something you can all be proud of.

Millie had another heart attack on Christmas day and because of the promptness and efficiency of your wonderful ambulance service, she is resting comfortably in the Dumas Memorial Hospital. Thanks to the whole town for

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are on the brink of decay because of this apathetic feeling toward our instution of Government. At present I feel we are on the brink of not 1 but 3 great recessions. First an economic recession, second a recession of our nations energy, hope that constrains us toward and third and most important a political recession.

.. I feel that a political recession is the most dangerous. We can live without a great amount of monatery wealth, we can live without a great amount of energy to run our Lincolns and Cadalics, but we cannot live freely without our political and Governmental system. If these instutions continue to recede at their present rate it could severely limit or destroy the Democracy that so many Americans have fought, bled and died for. This recession could destroy those members of our congress and Senate who have fought for the freedoms that keep America a Democracy.

.In 1973 the state of Texas held a referendom on constitutional amendments, out of ; the registered voting age populatin only 550,000 turned out to cast their vote for the laws which we live under.

.The up coming year 1974 is again an election year candidates are filing daily for political office. Let us in this election year turn back the time to the days where elections were not only a priviledge, and a duty, return to the enthusiasm of campaign speeches, bands, and political rallies. Let us rescue our institutions of politics, before it's to late.

Stratford to register and vote in the up coming elections.

.If we lose our Democracy because of the attitude of apathy we are as guilty of overthrowing it as those who would overthrow it by force, violence or oppressive government.

flag poised like an Eagle against the clear blue sky. Then picture America without that Flag. .Get involved now. Vote!! And we can save it. Charlie Cozart





next summer? Will we experi-

probably will be short of gasoline. The conditions that have caused the shortages this sum mer cannot be radically changed before next summer. All our refineries are running essentially at capacity and we will not solve the problem until we get more refineries built. It will take several years to build enough refineries to overcome the shortage. • Mr. Davis was principal au-

thor of the National Petroleum Council's "U.S. Energy Outlook" prepared for the U.S.

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LETTER TO EDITOR

DearEditor,

.In this day and age of fast moving transportation, electroniccommunication, and world wide contact, it seems as though everyone should be interested in faith, hope, and love, the the world and their nation. However at this time I find a great deal of apathy among the nations peoples. .We the people of America

.The next time you go to the

Director, Energy Economics Gulf Oil Corporation



ence a gasoline shortage equal to or greater than the 1973 "While it's not inevitable, we

Interior Department.

Religious Reflections LOYCE BROWN

The greatest of these three, scriptures declare, is love. Thick about what love is and you find it immeasurable, indescribable, undefined. Think about the adjectives used to describe it: 'patient, 'kind', 'longsuffering' 'not proud' and here, in this scripture (I Cor. 13':13) as 'the GREATEST'! What a supreme, spritual substance Love must be to be described as 'greater' than the faith that saves us; and the all Christian Endeavour! It is even equated with God in I John 4:8. I remember what an impact that definition (God Is Love) had on my childish mind! All of our experiences with Love are sweet, tender, and beautiful aren't they? Love, in any of its aspects, is much to be desired. It is a wonderful thing to be possessed by' and it is offered freely to all people. Rev. 22: 7 God, who is love, Himself, day 'twill bind in One.. All

Soil Conservation by bill sladek News

Every Acre a Productive Acre: Can you tell me how this will continue to be productive with all of the top soil being removed. This, in some degree, is happening to every farm in the county. I know some of the Q. I am 63 and married. I have irrigated farmers will argue this point, but it's not in the form of wind erosion, then possibly water erosion. In working with L.G. "Bur" BLake this week he was quick to point out that his sediment pit on his tailwater system had filled up in one year but were also a pleasure. Let us happening throughout the covered by social security and District.

be up in arms about pollution. Government, and Democrac y noses too high in the air and can security number, your birth or .I urge every citizen of from some smoke stack. Others of your 1972-W-2 or income tax being emptied into our favorite trout stream. Why not consider what we are doing in polluting our lakes, rivers, and yes even our neighbors fields with silt regardless of whether it is caused by wind or water. We really don't want to think about Post Office look up and see the a question of this nature for if we did we would be in for a shock of our lives. In discussing this situation

one individual pointed out that after having a chest X ray the doctor asked if he were in the plains country during the dirty thirties. Seems that they can detect damage done to the lungs of young people having lived in this country during that period. I feel that our technology is such that farmers can control erosion much better than we cold have in the thirties, but I really wonder what would happen if we did have extended dry seasons. The short duration storm of the 12th of this month had considerable dust in the air and it wasn't all coming from Dallam County or from Colorado. What will you do to control wind erosion on your farm this year?

offers himself freely to be possessed. He said that he would 'come in and abide' with the Whosoevers. An insurance

advertisement reads, "If you love somebody, you want to protect them. "That's true. Deep Security is an integral part of the Love-Act Christians feel as they are held, even borne in 'His Everlasting Arms'! Like John, we "lie in His Bosom''!....so to speak. One way we can know, the Bible says, that we have passed from 'death unto life' is by the love we hold for our brethren. I say 'hold' becuase I'm convinced that Love, like faith and hope, possesses' us. It is a beautiful sight to see God's Love flowing freely through human channels! Love quickens, shields, protects, and causes warm-glow thriving; It educates and soothes..inspires all strivings. Love heals; OUTDOES itself in kindly radiation. Perhaps some

Social Security News

Nations! Show Love!

worked intermittently the past 20 years. My husband is 62 and plans to continue working until he is 65. Do I have to wait until he retires to get social security benefits? A. No. You may collect monthly

checks now on your own with silt. This we know is earnings if your work was you earned enough credits to THe entire county seems to qualify. Get in touch with your social security office to apply. Too many of us seem to have our Be sure to bring your social only see the smoke billowing baptismal certificate and a copy return if you had earnings in

Q. I retired and began receiving my social security benefits at age 62. I will be 65 in a few months. Is it true that I will be automatically enrolled in Medi-A. Yes, you will be automatically enrolled for both the

hospital and medical insurance parts of Medicare. Your Medicare card will be mailed to you shortly before the month you become 65. No action on your part is necessary. The medical insurance premium will be deducted from your monthly social security check. You can refuse the medical insurance coverage if you do not want to pay the premiums. There is no premium for the hospital insurance coverage.



Director, Energy Economics



trols imposed by the Cost of Living Council played in the gasoline and fuel oil shortage?" "Just as in the case of our

environmental laws, the basic reasons for the energy crisis go back much further in time than the Cost of Living Council's existence. However, the Cost of Living Council's rules have aggravated the energy crisis. For example, the U.S. refineries have to have foreign crude to operate on if they're going to operate at capacity and we must import foreign products nowadays if we're going to have enough product. Cost of Living Council rules under Phases One, Two and Three, did not always permit the recovery of the additional cost of imported crude and products. Thus, a refiner was faced with the prospect of either operating his refinery at a loss or else running it at less than capacity. Hopefully, Phase Four has eliminated this • Mr. Davis was principal au-

thor of the National Petroleum Council's "U.S. Energy Out-

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