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## Rebelettes Win First In Prairiland Tournament

The Prairiland Varsity boys and the Rivercrest Rebelettes were the victors of the 1975 Prairiland Basketball tournament last week. In the boys division, North Lamar finished second, Clarksville, third, and West Lamar won consolation. Cooper was second in the girls division, Prairiland third, and the Prairiland junior varsity won consolation.

Named to the all tournament boy's team were Mark Allen, West Lamar; Tom Ray, Prairiland; Kenneth Robinson, North Lamar; Jackie McPeters, Clarksville; and Tommy Dowdy, Prairiland. In the girls division Elisha Dugger, Rivercrest; DeAnn Preas, Cooper, and Sherry Gibson, Prairiland junior varsity were named all tournament guards. All tournament forwards were Velma Savage, Rivercrest; Merita Martin, Prairiland; and JoAnn Brackeen, Cooper.

The Rebelettes defeated the North Lamar junior varsity 69 to 23 in their opening game, with Velma Savage leading the scoring with 11 field goals for 22 points. Brenda Baird made five field goals and two free throws for 12 points, and Kathy Pirtle made five field goals for 10 points. High for North Lamar was T. Darnell with nine points.

On Friday the Rebelettes defeated the Prairiland Patriots 47 to 32, with Denise Ward, Elisha Dugger and Terri Savage cited as outstanding defensive players for the Rebelettes. Leading the scoring was Velma Savage with 11 field goals and four free throws for 26 points. LeeAnn House made six field goals and two free throws for 14 points. High for Prairiland were Beverly Blackburn and Merita Martin with 12 points each.

A close victory over Cooper gave the Rebelettes the first place trophy, with the final score 40 to 38. High scorer for Rivercrest was Velma Savage with nine field goals and one free throw for 19 points. Juanita Fulbright had six field goals and two free throws for 14 points. High for Cooper was JoAnn Brackeen with 23 points.

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goals and three free throws for 19 points. Bill Montgomery made five field goals and three free throws for 13 points, and Larry Taylor made five field goals and two free throws for 12 points. High for Denison was Charlie Jenkins with 20 points. The Rebels trailed by 20 points at the half, and led by two points at the end of the third quarter.

The Rebels were dropped to the consolation bracket when they were defeated by Paris Friday 81 to 59. High for the Rebels was Rape with 16 points, followed by Taylor with 14 and Bill Montgomery with 12. Owen Davis was also in the double figures with 10 points. High for Paris was Bob Friday with 43 points. Paris' shooting percentage was 71 percent from

the field, and Friday was 20 for 25 from the field.

The final game of the tourney found the Rebels being defeated by Greenville 49 to 42. High for the Rebels were Rape with 12 and Davis with 12. Bill Montgomery made nine points. High for Greenville was Wade Carmichael with 15 points. Rape was named to the all tournament team.

Basketball action earlier in the week found the Rebels winning over Paris on December 9 77 to 75. High was Davis with 26 points, followed by Montgomery with 20 and Taylor with 11. High for Paris were Wallace and Friday with 24 points each. The Rebel junior varsity lost to Paris 48 to 38. Nicky Brown made 11 points for the Rebels.

Monday night the Rebels were defeated by Sulphur Springs 61 to 53, with Rape leading the scoring with nine field goals for 18 points. Davis had 18 points and Clyde Brown made eight. High for Sulphur Springs were Alan Lewis and Jimmy Davis with 20 points. The Rebels led by four points at the end of the third quarter. Sulphur Springs tied the game with 2:30 left in the game.

**JV TOURNEY**  
The Rebel junior varsity boys won the consolation championship of the Commerce junior varsity tournament. The boys lost to Commerce in the opening game 65-60 in overtime. The Rebels then defeated Rains 57 to 45 and Winsboro 70 to 40. Nicky Brown was named to the all-tournament team.

## Bogata Book Club Hosted By Mrs. Gordon Allen

The Bogata Book Club met Thursday evening, December 11, at the home of Mrs. Gordon Allen, with Mrs. Joe Choate and Mrs. A. D. Stephenson as co-hostesses, for the annual Christmas program and tree. The home was decorated in the Christmas motif and gifts were exchanged from a silver tree.

Mrs. John Parrish, president, presided. Mrs. G. H. McCluer led the group when they repeated the collect and pledge to the flag. Mrs. Parrish read a quotation from Abraham Lincoln and presented members of the program. Mrs. Noel Myers gave a Christmas Story, read by Mrs. McCluer, Mrs. Weldon D. Smith had Christmas music given by Mrs. David Griffin, Mrs. Iva Hooker sang a Christmas song and the program closed with a Christmas poem, given by Mrs. A. L. Vaughan. The club dismissal was repeated in unison.

During the social hour the hostesses served a sandwich and desert plate to 17 members and one guest, Mrs. David Griffin. Secret pals were revealed and names drawn for another year. A Christmas card was signed to be sent to Mrs. J. W. Howison in Llano.

## Rivercrest Young Homemakers Enjoy Christmas

Rivercrest Young Homemakers had their husbands as guests December 15 when they had their Christmas party and Mexican supper. Presents were exchanged and bingo was played. John Brooks won the black out prize.

## BIRTHS

The son born December 9 at Titus County Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Don Roach has been named Isaac Lee. He weighed 8 lbs. 1/2 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Roach and Mrs. I. T. Stephenson, and great-grandfather is Lee Roach.



CHRISTMONS on the United Methodist Church tree in Bogata were hand made by the children and members of the church. Pictured are Danny White, Judy Gray, DeAnn Stephenson, Marty Ward, Trenton Couch, Marsha Moore, Marty Burns, and Jamey Dodd on the first row; Melissa Warren, Deanna Varner, Chad Legate, Donna Sessums, Adana Moore, Kenneth Kelly and Keith Kelly on the second row; Sam Dodd, Donita Lewis, Russell Rozell, Jennifer Gray, Kathy White, RaNeil Burns and Lee Warren on the third row. (Staff Photo)

## McMakin Is Nurse Of Year

Mrs. Peggy McMakin, a native of Bogata, has been named as 1975 Nurse of the Year for Oklahoma by the Oklahoma State Nurses Association. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam T. Jones, 1421 Sperry, Paris.

Director of nursing at Central State Griffin Memorial Hospital in Norman, Mrs. McMakin was selected for the honor for her current nursing performance, activity in behalf of nursing organization, community service and potential for growth.

As director of nursing at the Norman hospital, a position she held since 1971, Mrs. McMakin is responsible for more than 700 employees, including nursing education and housekeeping services. She is also over nursing services for the community mental health centers in McAlester, Norman and Lawton, several satellite clinics and drug and alcohol

programs in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Active in the work of the Oklahoma State Nurses Association, Mrs. McMakin is presently first vice president of its board of directors and heads the association's Council on Practice.

Oklahoma Gov. David Boren recently appointed her to the Task Force of the Oklahoma Health Planning Commission. She had earlier received a governor's appointment to the Oklahoma State Nursing Home Board. She has been an evening student at the University of Oklahoma the past two years.

She is a graduate of Bogata schools and graduated from Wilson N. Jones Hospital School of Nursing in Sherman, Texas has worked at several Texas hospitals, at University Hospital in Oklahoma City, Tampa, Florida General Hospital and Norman Municipal Hospital.

She has one daughter, Dalene, a senior nursing student at Oklahoma University.

**Red River Savings Bonds At 83% Of Goal**

United States Savings Bond sales in Red River County totaled \$8,248 during the month of October. Sales for the ten-month period were \$124,343 which represents 83 percent of the 1975 sales goal for the county, according to County Bond Chairman Ben E. Black.

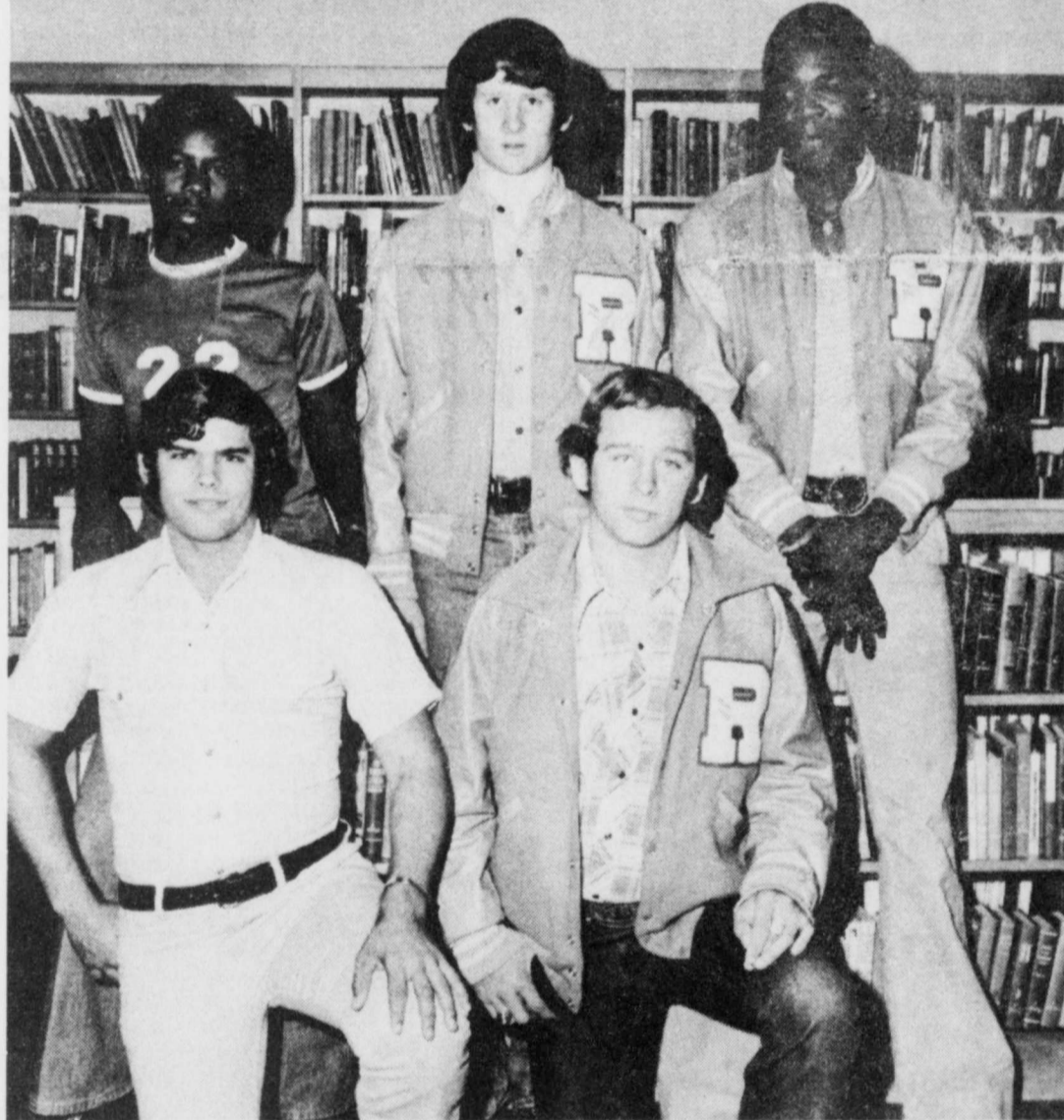
October sales in Texas totaled \$20,266,476 compared to sales of \$21,154,479 during the same period of 1974. Total sales for the January-October 1975 period were \$201,801,647, representing 86 percent of the \$236.8 million goal for the year.

## Bogata Boys Win Consolation

The Bogata Junior High boys were in the Talco Basketball Tournament the past weekend and won consolation. On Thursday, December 11, they went against Blossom with a loss of 34 to 48. High scorers were Billy Scales, 17; Casey Jeffery, eight; and Dale Jean, six. For Blossom S. Crawford made 15 P. Allen, 10.

On Friday they met Detroit with a victory of 45 to 43. High scorers were Billy Scales, 27; Alvin Jordan, 11; and Dale Jean four. R. Gary scored 19 and D. Cooper, 18, for Detroit. Saturdays opponent was Avery with a score of 33 to 29 in favor of Bogata. High scorers were Alvin Jordan, 18; Billy Scales, 12; and Detroit's were Beal, 12, and Bunch, eight.

The last game was the consolation game and this put Bogata six wins and three losses for the season. They will start district play Thursday, December 18, at 6:30 against Avery at Bogata.



ALL DISTRICT—Five students brought All District honors to Rivercrest this year in football. They are Randy Carroll, second team offensive line; Randy Belcher, defensive linebacker; Sammy Ellis, offensive back; Larry Taylor, honorable mention, defensive halfback; and Bill Montgomery, first team offensive line and honorable mention on defensive line. (Staff Photo)

## TSCRA Files Suit Against USDA

FORT WORTH, TEXAS—An injunction to prevent the USDA from imposing its threat of embargo of Texas breeding cattle was brought into federal district court in Austin by the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association Friday. The suit, naming as defendants Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz, APHIS Administrator F. J. Mulhern, and Deputy Administrator J. M. Hejl, and Paul Becton, in charge of Brucellosis for APHIS, seeks to obtain an injunction restraining the order to cut off federal brucellosis funds as well as to implement the embargo, according to TSCRA President Hilmar G. Moore.

The suit charges that the USDA has failed to meet requirements in not filing an environmental impact statement on the proposed embargo with the Environmental Protection Agency. Such a statement, required by law, entails a lengthy review and a hearing with an eventual ruling by the courts.

TSCRA is suing for "declaratory relief and preliminary and permanent injunctive relief from the provisions and requirements of the Brucellosis Eradication Program of the United States Department of Agriculture." The suit claims that the proposed action of embargoing Texas cattle and with-holding

funds for brucellosis control will significantly affect the quality of human environment within the meaning of the National Environmental Policy Act. The resulting increase of cattle numbers from such an embargo and the increase of the disease caused by withdrawal of funds and personnel would have an impact on the quality of the state's air, grasslands, soil and water resources, the suit claims.

In requesting an environmental impact statement, the TSCRA is in general repeating its request of the past two years that a high-level, impartial feasibility study of brucellosis and its combatting efforts be initiated by Congress.

The threat of an embargo of Texas cattle resulted from the Texas Animal Health Commission's refusal to adopt USDA's new restrictive measures in the brucellosis program. The TSCRA, long an opponent of the "over-kill" aspects of the federal regulations, actively supported the commission's stand taken at the September 4 TAHC meeting in Austin. Hilmar Moore gave testimony of strong opposition to the adoption of USDA's ever tightening regulations at the hearing which preceded the TAHC's decision.

One of the most damaging elements of the proposed

embargo is the financial effect imposed on purebred operations, states the TSCRA. Major stock shows in Texas, which annually draw thousands of head of cattle to be exhibited and sold, would be vastly curtailed under an embargo. Purebred sales of all kinds would be threatened, since out-of-state buying would be significantly reduced. The timing of the proposed embargo does not allow purebred herds time enough to achieve a qualified status through continuous testing that would allow out-of-state shipment during early 1976, the TSCRA claims.

Lack of confidence in the federal brucellosis eradication program has long hurt the effectiveness of these efforts. Cattlemen claim the blood test is often inaccurate and certainly over-condemnatory so that many thousands of healthy cattle have been sent to slaughter needlessly. The traceback system which identifies the herd of origin of those cattle reacting positive on the test often takes many months, making it impossible for ranchers to identify which other cattle of his might have been exposed. Also plagued by long delays have been the indemnity payments.

The TSCRA also questioned USDA's right to restrict shipment from those Texas counties which have reached certified free status. "The law states that any state or political subdivision thereof which complies with USDA's uniform methods and rules must be recognized as such," said Moore. "A county is a political subdivision and we have many in the state which have cleaned up brucellosis according to the regulations." Moore also pointed to new "breakthroughs" from the scientific community that are on the horizon, promising a much more practical and medically sound program to deal with the disease. Swift implementation of these new processes and developments would be a much wiser plan of action for USDA, he said, than the expensive machinery to control an embargo between states.

**Immunization Planned January 6 In Clarksville**

An immunization clinic for pre-school children has been scheduled in Clarksville at the Chamber of Commerce from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 6.

These clinics are open to all children at least two months of age through school age. The children attending the clinics must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

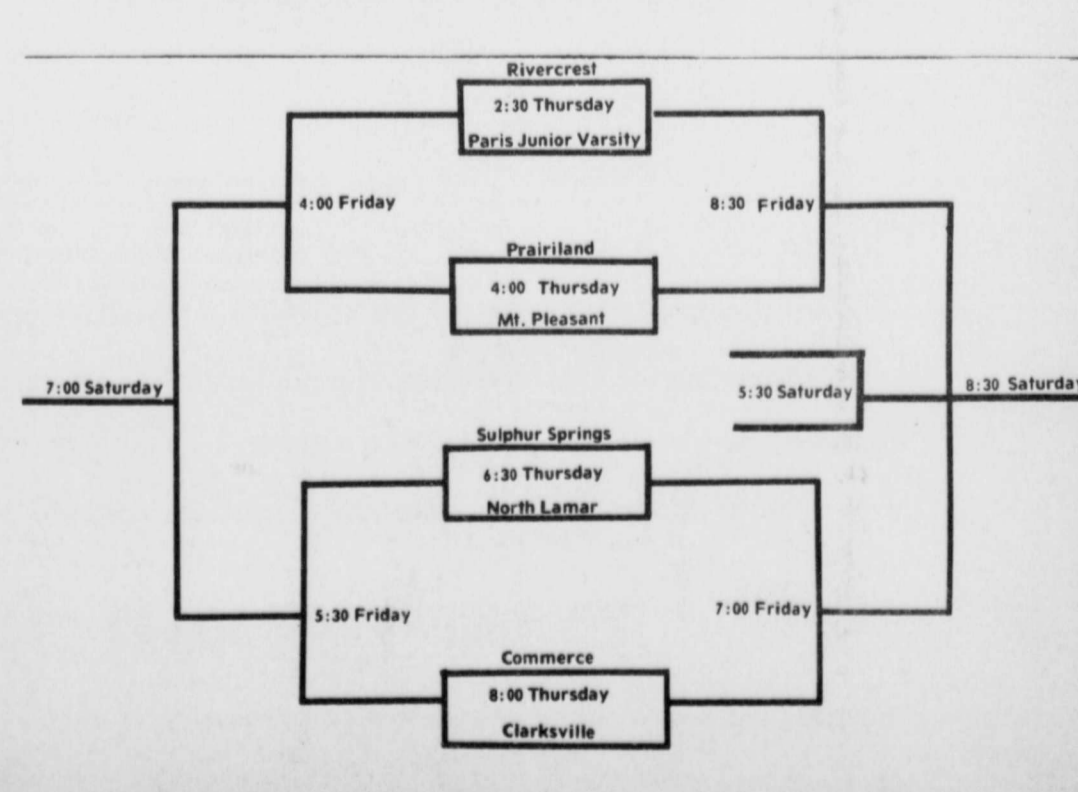
## Newspapers To Publish Early

The Depot Times, Bogata Times and Talco News will publish one day early Christmas week and New Years week due to the holiday on Thursday.

The deadline for advertising copy and news copy for the Thursday, December 25 paper will be Monday, December 22. Papers will be put in the Post Office on Tuesday night, December 23.

The deadline for advertising and news copy for the January 1 issue will be Monday, December 29. Papers for this week will also be placed in the Post Office on Tuesday night. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

## Tenth Annual Rivercrest Invitational Tournament



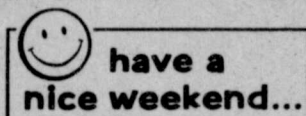


STUDENTS OF THE MONTH selected during October at Rivercrest were Denise Ward and Randy Belcher. Miss Ward is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ward, president of the FHA, parliamentarian of the National Honor Society, a member of the Allied Youth and Future Teachers organizations. She is a member of the Rebellette basketball, volleyball and tennis teams, and was selected all-tournament guard at the North Lamar Tournament. Belcher is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Belcher of Bogata, is president of the FFA, was FFA beau in 1975 and was named to the second team all

district football team, defense. (Staff Photo).

**BIRTHS**

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Darnell, Paris, have named their daughter born December 8 at St. Joseph's Hospital Misty Dawn. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Anthony, Paris, and Mr. and Mrs. Wess Williams of Lewisville. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Zelma Wilson of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Burks and Mr. and Mrs. Bart Cannon of Blossom.



**Redfish Stocking Canceled For Year**

The planned experimental stocking of saltwater redfish in a chain of freshwater lakes around the state has been canceled, at least for this year, according to Parks and Wildlife Department officials.

Sufficient quantities of redfish fry failed to survive in rearing ponds and the fish simply were not available to carry out initial plans.

With a breakthrough in the artificial rearing of redfish, P&WD fishery biologists felt their longtime dream of stocking freshwater lakes with the saltwater fish would finally become a reality.

Redfish at the National Marine Fisheries Service laboratory in Port Aransas were induced to spawn under artificial conditions for the first time and six fish produced more than 70 million eggs in a few weeks this summer.

Fishery biologists already knew that redfish grow rapidly in freshwater but had been unable to stock them in inland lakes because of a lack of sufficient quantities of small redfish.

Large numbers of redfish fry were transferred from the lab in Port Aransas to rearing ponds at the P&WD Palacios Marine Fisheries Station where they were to be kept for 30 days before being shipped to inland lakes.

Fishery biologists made plans to experimentally stock the redfish in a chain of lakes around the state in order to determine the most suitable habitat and the news went out that redfish were on their way to inland lakes.

Jacksonville, Athens, Cypress Springs and Striker were among the lakes in Northeast Texas scheduled to receive experimental stockings of the fish.

But when the ponds at Palacios were drained to collect the 1/4-inch fingerling redfish for shipping, instead of having hundreds-of-thousands, there were fewer than 20,000.

Fishery biologists, disappointed with the production, immediately began studies to determine the cause of the poor survival rates.

"This is strictly an experimental program," said Lonnie Peters, inland fisheries director, "and our marine fisheries people were really disappointed that production wasn't better."

"Without the fish, we couldn't carry out our plans but there's a possibility that we will succeed next year."

The majority of lakes scheduled to receive redfish had to be skipped but a few lakes did receive some of the fish. Lake Striker was the only

body of water in Northeast Texas to receive fish this year.

**Mary Jane Lowry In Who's Who**



MARY JANE LOWRY

Mrs. Wilford (Mary Jane) Lowry of Blossom is to be included in the 1975-76 edition of Who's Who in Texas Education. Mrs. Lowry was born in Bogata, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. DeBerry, and attended Bogata schools.

She taught her first year at Minter in 1946-47, and in 1947 married Wilford Lowry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirb Lowry of Bogata.

In 1967 she joined the staff at the Blossom school as a remedial reading teacher, and three years later has been a teacher's aide in the remedial program and for the past two years in Plan A. Mr. and Mrs. Lowry have one daughter, Janie, the wife of Michael Ballard of Celeste, and a granddaughter, Gennifer Kaye.

Mrs. Lowry attended Paris Junior College, North Texas University and East Texas State College. She has had poems and articles published in the Texas Outlook, The Baptist Standard, The Hunter's Horn, The Indian Arrow, and local newspapers. In 1973 a volume of her poetry was published, "Glimpses of Glory."

She is a member of the First Baptist Church in Blossom, where she teaches the young adult women's Sunday School Class.

**The Pill**

More than 10 million women, representing about 20 per cent of the women of child-bearing age in this country, are currently using the "pill."



**Beef Division Of Farm Bureau Meets**

Beef Division of Farm Bureau met December 9, 1975 with good attendance by the members and visitors. Topic of the meeting was Brucellosis and Dr. P. A. Pickerrill, with the U.S.D.A. in Austin, was the guest speaker. Ways to control and eradicate the disease were explained. Questions were asked and answered to most everyone's satisfaction. Pete Pearce and Roy Marris gave a report on the Brucellosis meeting at the Texas Farm Bureau State Convention.

Out of town visitors included Dr. Jim Davis, U.S.D.A., Greenville; Clyde Willis, T.A.H., Sulphur Springs; Dwayne Leonard, Federal Inspector, Texarkana; Joe Bloodworth, T.A.H., Detroit; and Bob Christopherson, T.A.H., Detroit.

**ALL TOURNAMENT—Denise Ward was named to the All Tournament team at North Lamar as a guard following the annual North Lamar tournament December 6. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ward of Bogata. (Staff Photo).**

**Mr. and Mrs. Mack Mitchell Honored 50th Anniversary**

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Mitchell will be honored by their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glen White December 28 from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell. Friends and relatives are invited. Mack Mitchell and Emmie Selman of Rugby were married December 25, 1925 by the Rev. J. L. Roden, pastor of the Fulbright Baptist Church at the parsonage. They have lived near Bogata all their married life and Mitchell all his life.

**Johntown News**

Mrs. Hubert Horn was hostess to a Christmas party luncheon December 9 honoring the nurses on the 3 to 11 shift at Red River Haven Nursing Home. Fourteen guests attended and gifts were exchanged from a decorated Christmas tree.

Several from here are deer hunting this week near Fredricksburg, Texas. They are Jim and Eunice Pirtle, Dale House, Drue Pirtle, Harvey Jean, Rev. J. C. Hancock, Gene Hawkins and Bobby Ross of Talco.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Horn and Mrs. Nell Rhodes attended a Christmas party December 9 at the American Legion Hall in Clarksville for the LVN Association Division No. 17.

Bobby Hervey and boys of Garland were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hervey. Visiting Sunday in their home was Mrs. Gene Jones of Talco.

S. C. Jenkins of Corpus Christi visited Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hawkins. He also visited with Mrs. Lucy Jenkins in Miro Community.

Mrs. Ray Alford and children of Mount Vernon were dinner guests Sunday of her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Black.

Mrs. Edd Childres and Mrs. Francis Foster attended a Brunch December 12 at the National Guard Armory building in Mount Pleasant

**Fruits, Vegetables**

Refrigerate most fresh fruits and vegetables if possible. Keep bananas, hard apples, citrus fruits and melons at a cool room temperature. After canned fruits and vegetables are open, cover and keep in refrigerator. It's safe to keep them in their original cans. Keep potatoes, sweet potatoes, hard-rind squash and dry onions in a dark, cool place where air can circulate around them. Do not keep under the sink because it is too warm and damp there.

**Talco Personals**

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Holland attended the All Region Band Concert at Texas High School in Texarkana last Sunday where their granddaughter, Robin Ramey of Mount Pleasant, was a participant on the piccolo.

Mrs. Mary Helen Blalock subscribes to the Talco Times for the Weldon Dyke family and Warren Anschutz family for Christmas.

Mrs. Lorene Rhodes and Elizabeth of Omaha visited Mr. and Mrs. John Northam in the Golden Years Lodge recently.

Mrs. Opal Morris sends the Talco Times to her four sons for Christmas. They are Andy Morris, Mount Pleasant; Darrell Morris, Mount Pleasant; Billy Morris, Abilene; and Gerald B. Morris, Grafton, North Carolina.

Mrs. Alma Lowry of Bogata spent Sunday through Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Vivian Westbrook.

Here visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Weatherall until after the Christmas holidays are Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Whipple of Aztec, New Mexico. Mrs. Whipple is Mrs. Weatherall's sister.

Mrs. John D. Wright is a patient in the McCuiston Hospital in Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Barthel, Michelle and Doyle and Mrs. E. W. Burks were dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Johnny Crane in Hagarsport Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Martin sends Christmas greetings to their daughter, Mrs. Kenneth O. Williams of Slidell, Louisiana by a one year subscription to the Talco Times.

Brad and April Burgin of Mount Pleasant visited their grandmother, Mrs. Ella Burgin, over the weekend.

Mrs. O. D. Welch attended open house at the new KIMP-KPXI Radio Station in Mount Pleasant last Sunday.

Mrs. Dan Seay left Sunday for Plano to be with her daughter, Mrs. Mack McLemore, who entered a Fort Worth hospital Monday where she was scheduled for surgery Tuesday.

Mrs. Ella Burgin left Tuesday for Daingerfield where she will spend a few days with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Burgin.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Miller and children of Greenville have been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller.

Mrs. Ben Hill, Mrs. Joe Hunter and Mrs. Opal Hunter, all of Clarksville, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Hill's niece, Mrs. Jewell Butler.

Mrs. Dan Seay subscribes to the Talco Times for her daughter, Mrs. Mack McLemore of Plano. Mrs. Nadine Caldwell and Mrs. Lucy McClung were in

Garland during the weekend to visit Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Dodd and son, Chad.

Calvary Baptist Church plans special services next Sunday night with the Christmas Story being told with Carols sung. A fellowship will follow in the church fellowship hall. The young people will go caroling Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Brown sends Christmas greetings to the J. C. Stewarts of Palestine by a one year subscription to the Talco Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Welch of Pasadena will receive a one year subscription to the Talco Times for Christmas from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Welch.

The young people of the First Baptist Church will present a special Christmas program at First Baptist Church Sunday night followed by caroling and a Christmas party.

Renewing their subscriptions to Talco Times through the Talco office are Larry Slaughter, Wynn's Press Clipping Bureau, Livingston, New Jersey; V. C. Blalock, G. B. Byram and Manuel Blalock, all of Willson; P. H. O'Keefe, Cecil Stockton, Mrs. O. B. Hopwood, James Hearron, Edgar Easterling, Jewell Butler, Ollie Reid, Mrs. Dan Seay, Mrs. W. W. Belcher, Farris Brown, Lena Luttrell, L. F. Fail, Carl McKelvey and W. E. Welch, all of Talco.

**Millers Entertain Everready Sunday**

**School Class**

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Miller entertained the Ever-ready Sunday School class of the United Methodist Church with a Christmas party in their home at Talco Monday night. Everyone brought a covered dish and a gift. After the meal, the gifts were handed out and Dr. Miller played a very interesting recording of the Life of Matthew.

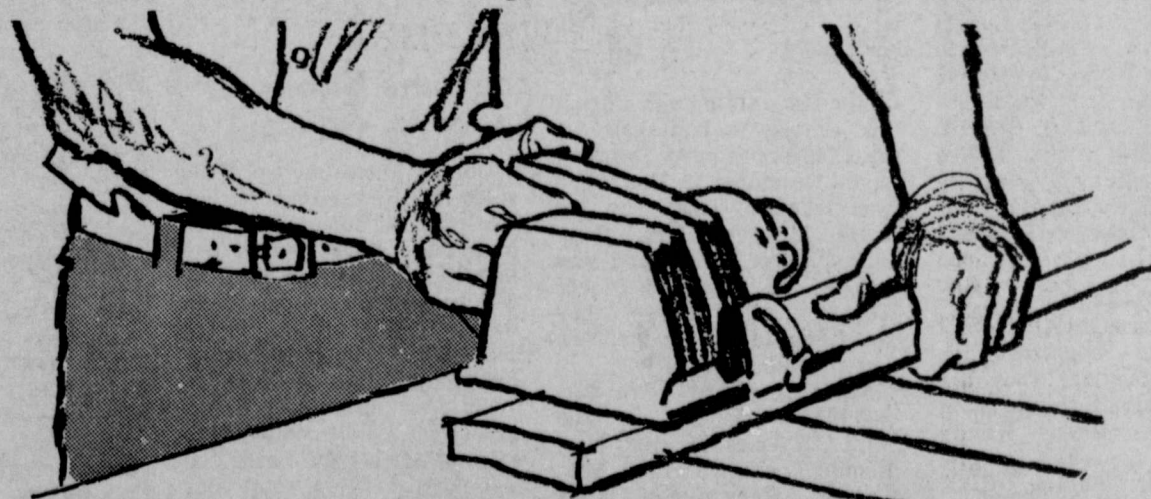
Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Britt Lassiter, Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Barnard, Mr. and Mrs. Casey Watts, the Rev. and Mrs. David Griffin and Wesley.

Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Fruija of Talco, Mrs. Marion Whitten, Mrs. Bess Pope, Miss Tom Underwood, Mrs. Paul Hill, Mrs. Frances Rozell, Miss Jodie Craddock. The class presented Dr. Miller with a book, "The Treasure Chest" as a Christmas gift.

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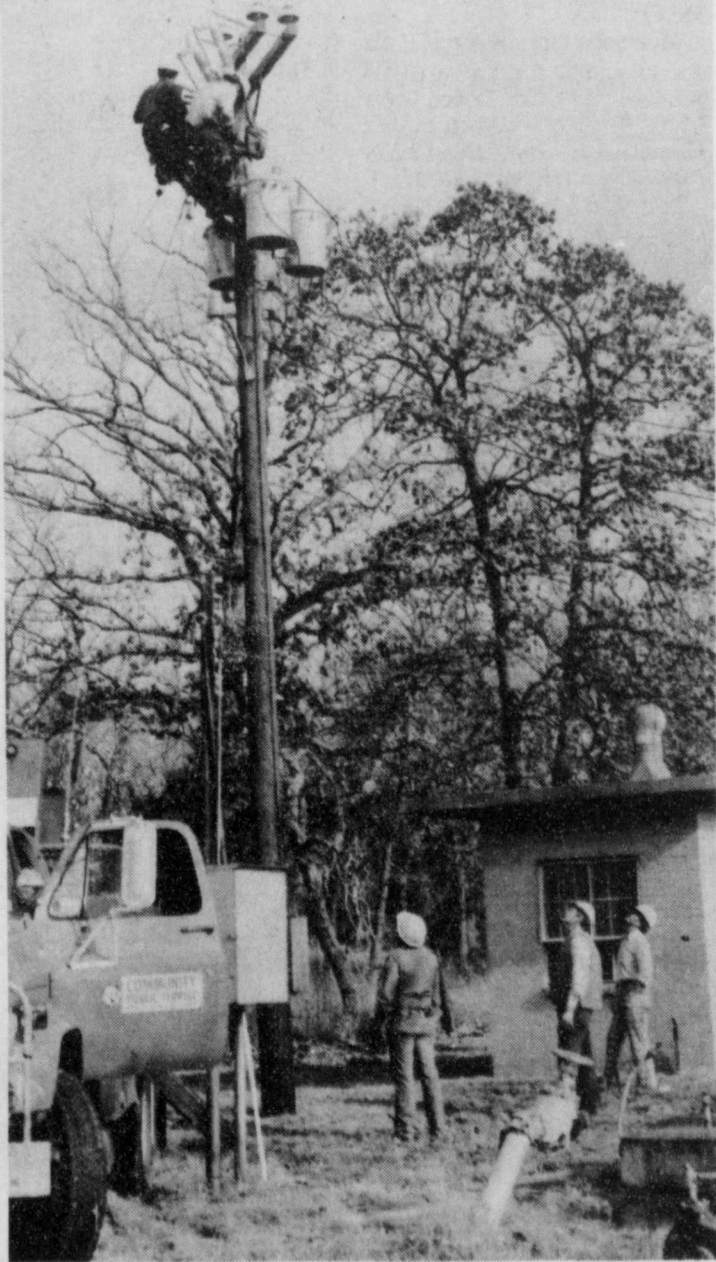
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band should have a "procto" regularly. That's one way to detecting a very common kind of cancer, bowel cancer, when it is most curable. If all argument fails, you might think of giving him a checkup as a birthday present -- after all, good health is the best gift!

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R. S. (Rip) Loftis

OVERTON—R. S. (Rip) Loftis, 52, District Extension Agent-Agriculture for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, died Monday, December 15, 1975 at Medical Center Hospital, Tyler, after a lengthy illness. Funeral services were to be at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, December 17, at the First United Methodist Church, Overton. Burial followed with Masonic graveside services at the Odd Fellow Cemetery, Farmersville, Texas.

Loftis joined the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in 1948 and served as county agent in Cooke, Dallas and Fannin Counties. He served briefly as a ranch manager in Red River County from 1953 to 1956 and returned to the Extension Service in 1956 as agent in rural development. He later served as area resource development specialist for Extension District 5. In 1963, he was named District Extension Agent-Agriculture for the 19 counties in District 5 with headquarters in Mount Pleasant. He transferred to Overton in 1967 with the opening of the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Overton. As District Extension Agent, he supervised the work of County Extension Agents-Agriculture in the 19 Northeast Texas Counties. He also served as coordinator for the Build East Texas economic growth program.

A native of Collin County, Loftis graduated from Josephine High School and received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from Texas A&M University. He also did additional study at East Texas State University, University of Wisconsin, North Carolina State University and George Washington University. He served as an officer in the U. S. Navy from 1942-1945. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, First United Methodist Church of Overton, and numerous professional organizations and fraternities.

Loftis is survived by his wife Billie and four daughters, Mrs. John Frampton and Mrs. Barry Wilson, both of Richardson, Mrs. James Underwood, Jr., Clovis, New Mexico and Mrs. Jay Riley, Terrell. Also surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Loftis, Farmersville, and three grandchildren.

All County Extension Agents-Agriculture in Extension District 5 will serve as honorary pallbearers. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Pearson Funeral Home, Overton.

James C. Smith  
James Cecil Smith, 77, of Bogata, died at his home Wednesday afternoon, December 10, 1975. He was a retired construction worker.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday at Bogata United Methodist Church with the Rev. David Griffin officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery, under the direction of Bogata Funeral Home.

Active pallbearers were A. D. Stephenson, Clarence Barnett, Galen Legate, Maxie Lewis, Dean Ward, Gerry Screws, Jim Igo, and Jack Baber. Honorary pallbearers were Leonard Kisner, Curtis Wilkerson, John Lee, Britt Lassiter, Roy Tillman and Travis Morgan.

Smith was born March 26, 1898, in Detroit, a son of James W. and Louise (Aycock) Smith. He had been a resident of Bogata most of his life. He married the former Miss Josie Marie Moore on November 29, 1927, in Bogata.

Survivors include his widow; one daughter, Mrs. George (Jimmie Lou) Pope of Bogata and two grandchildren, Andy Jones and Cathy Jones, both of Bogata; and two step-grandchildren, Ralph Pope, New York City and Frank

OBITUARIES

Pope, Sulphur Springs. Out of town relatives at the Smith service were Mrs. G. C. Ellette and Mrs. John Wyatt of Texarkana, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Travillion and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Slaton of Clarksville, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ragland, Daingerfield, Juarez Jordan, Paris, Hack Baker of Winnboro and Jim Igo, Athens, Oklahoma.

Mrs. A. G. Coleman

Mrs. A. G. (Mattie Stone) Coleman, widow of the Rev. A. G. Coleman, and former resident of Paris, died Saturday in McKinney where she had resided several years.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at Turrentine - Jackson - Morrow Funeral Home in McKinney. Graveside services were at 2:30 p.m. Monday at Evergreen Cemetery in Paris with Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home in charge of local arrangements.

Mrs. Coleman was born in Clardy in 1886, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stone.

She is survived by two sons, Bill Coleman of Ocala, Florida and Marvin Coleman of Anchorage, Alaska; three daughters, Mrs. Joe W. McKnight of Dallas, Mrs. Margie Dunn of McKinney and

Mrs. Tom Dunn of Pampa; four brothers, Wiley, Rant and Hershel Stone, of Clardy, and Mike Stone of Paris; and one sister, Miss Delia Stone of Pleasant Grove Nursing Home, Paris.

Mrs. Frances Pauline Brown

Mrs. Frances Pauline Brown died December 12, 1975 in Wadley Hospital, Texarkana. She was born in Titus County on October 4, 1926, and resided in Talco.

Mrs. Brown leaves her husband, Jesse L. Brown; two daughters, Shirley Zimmerman of Hooks and Pamela Douglas of Texarkana; one son, David Brown of Hooks; her mother, Mrs. Mattie Brown of Mount Pleasant and three grandchildren.

Also surviving are three sisters, Bobbie Temples and Geraldine Goss, both of Mount Pleasant, and Sue Evans of Tyler; two brothers, Douglas Brown of Tyler and Johnny Mac Brown of Mount Pleasant. Services were held Sunday at 2:00 p.m. in Smith-Bates Chapel with Alvin Blalock officiating. Burial was in the Gladewater Cemetery.

S. W. Blassingame

J. N. Lee and Mrs. Leon Tuck and Helen were in Fort Worth Wednesday for the funeral of Sid W. Blassingame, who died Tuesday. Services were held at Greenwood Chapel at 3:30 p.m. with burial in Greenwood Memorial Park.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Yvette L. Whitten of Paris; two sons, Cecil Blassingame of Duncanville and Hershel Blassingame of Fort Worth; brother-in-laws, to Leon Tuck and J. N. Lee.

Mrs. Robert Earl Sims

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Swaim, Mrs. Josie Fennell and Buster Smiley were in Mount Pleasant Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Robert Earl Sims who died Sunday.

Services were held in Smith-Bates Chapel with burial in Forestlawn Cemetery. Survivors include her husband, a former Bogata resident.

Mrs. Charles Ray

F. L. Branson has received word of the death of his sister, Mrs. Charles Ray of Dubuque, Iowa, December 10. Funeral and burial were there. He was unable to attend.

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**Good Neighbors Hold Christmas Luncheon**

The Fulbright Good Neighbors Club met December 11 at the Community Center for its annual Christmas covered dish luncheon. Christmas carols were led by Mrs. Earl Legate, Mrs. Worth Baker and Mrs. Stella Ridens with Mrs. Johnnie Kerbow at the piano. Mrs. Gladys Wright, Mrs. Roy Legate and the Rev. C. H. Hoover read Christmas poems. Mrs. Clyde Mitchell gave the devotional on love and faith. Sunshine sisters were revealed by exchanging gifts. New sister's names were drawn for the coming year. Thirteen members were present with three visitors, Roy Legate, Brother Hoover and Mrs. Billy Nicklos of Texarkana.

MEMBERS of the Dorcas Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church of Talco are pictured. Seated, front row, Mrs. Lorena McFerrin and Mrs. J. J. Forsythe. Second row, Mrs. Vivian Westbrook (behind her) Mrs. Alma Lowry, Mrs. Ewing Horn and Mrs. Mary Welch. Standing, left to right, Mrs. Ney Blackburn, Mrs. Naome Fitch, Mrs. R. G. Hood, Mrs. Loyd Gauntt and Mrs. Leo Roberts. (Staff Photo).

**Rugby Birthday Club Honors Two**

Mrs. Carl Wood and Mrs. Wayne Alsbrook were honored Saturday, December 13, when the Rugby Birthday Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Wood and held their annual Christmas party. A covered dish supper was served and gifts exchanged. Husbands were invited guests.

Members and husbands attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Alsbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Alsbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Swaim, Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Vaughan, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fortner and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smelser.

**Golden Agers Have Christmas Dinner**

Gifts were exchanged and a Christmas dinner served when the Golden Agers met Wednesday, December 10 with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Geese.

The Rev. David Walker, pastor of United Methodist Church, gave the devotional on "Advent Mood." Fourteen were present.

**Youth, Adult Connected To Burglaries**

A Paris man has been placed under bond and a juvenile has been turned over to Lamar County Juvenile authorities in connection with house burglaries in Deport and Blossom and a burglary of a Paris News reporter's vehicle. James Edward Mims, 17, 1540-10th NW, Paris, was

placed under \$7,500 bond by Justice of Peace Chester Oakes in connection with a felony burglary charge stemming from the incidents. The youth, 16, was referred to juvenile authorities. A third man is being sought, police said Monday. Officers say they have recovered four tool boxes and a

chain saw reported stolen December 4 from the C. G. Renfro residence in Deport. Also recovered was a 25 mm camera, a battery set and a scanner system stolen from the car of George Kimbrough, 2036 W. Sherman, Paris News assistant managing editor. Kimbrough's vehicle was parked in the 400 block of Lamar Avenue when the items were stolen December 3. A citizens' band radio and scanner, stolen from the D. W. Smith Blossom residence December 4, have not been recovered, officers said Monday.

**December Crop Estimate Declines**

The 1975 cotton crop estimate took its expected plunge downward December 1 and most of the half-million bale drop was carved out of the Texas High Plains production forecast. The estimated production for Texas announced by the USDA Crop and Livestock Reporting Service will be 2,450,000 bales. That's a 350,000 bale decrease from the November 1 estimate and most of that was reduced in Crop Reporting Districts 1N and 1S which cover the High Plains area.

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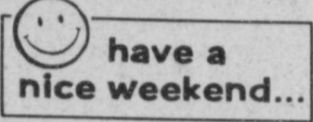
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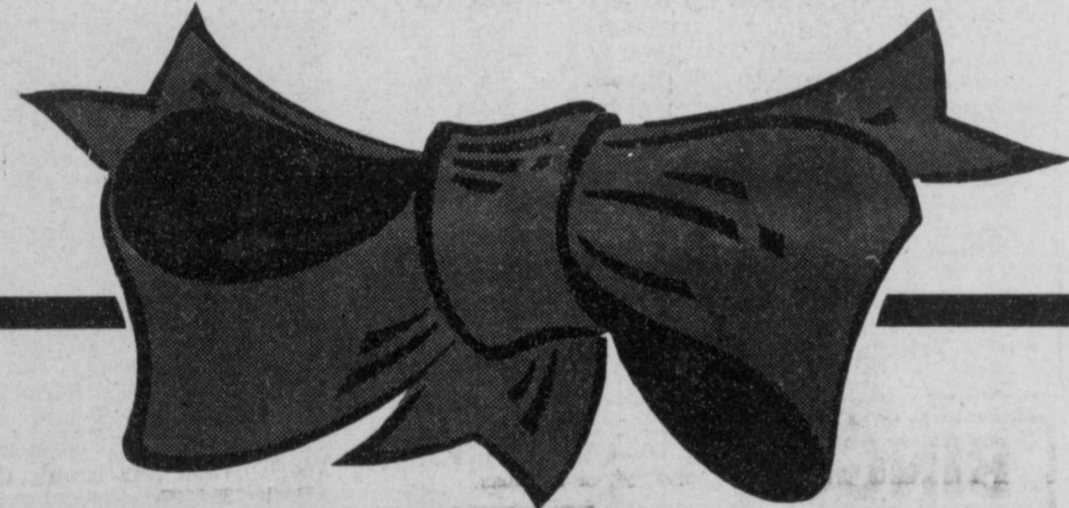
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### Eastern Star Deputy Grand Matron Visits Talco

Deputy Grand Matron, Mrs. Jessie Freeman, of District 1, section 9, Order of the Eastern Star, made her official visit to Talco Chapter when it met Tuesday night for its regular meeting and annual Christmas party. She was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Connelly Clark of New Boston. Worthy Matron, Lottie Via introduced the honored guest and presented her with a money corsage in behalf of the entire Chapter in appreciation of her most informative instructions and her greetings from the Worthy Grand Matron.

Mrs. Via was recognized for her birthday and presented a gift from her secret pal, V. L. Taylor. She was also presented a Christmas gift from the Chapter by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jerry Ann Via.

After the singing of several Christmas carols, Mrs. Via read a Christmas poem before closing to adjourn to the dining room where a glittering tree held a gift for everyone

present and red velvet Christmas cake and green sherbert punch were served by Mrs. John F. Cook, Mrs. Robert Giddens and Mrs. Via.

### Hospital News

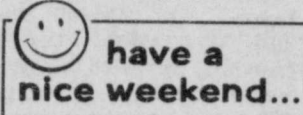
R. A. Benham was a patient at McCuiston Hospital in Paris part of last week.

Mrs. Ralph Harbison entered Baylor Hospital in Dallas Tuesday for tests.

Virgil Faulkner of Odessa, who was burned October 13 in the El Paso Gas Co. explosion in Goldsmith, is improving, but is still in the burn Center in an Austin hospital. Faulkner is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fortner of Odessa.

Paul Wilson was dismissed from a Dallas hospital last week.

Raymond Mayes is in a Dallas hospital.



have a nice weekend...



CANDY GETS ATTENTION — Christi Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Elliott, seems to be a

wee bit of a hurry as she takes candy from Santa's hand. (Staff Photo).

### Cranberries Great In Christmas Recipes

Shiny, plump cranberries add sparkle to holiday celebrations as ingredients in punch, turkey stuffing, fruit salads and desserts, Miss Angela Dickey, County Extension Agent, says.

Americans have loved cranberries since the first Thanksgiving feast when Indians gave the bright red berries to the Pilgrims.

Cranberries, harvested during fall and winter, are readily available all year frozen, canned, in jellies, whole or in juice form with or without added sugar.

Recipes for many festive cranberry desserts are

**Cranberry Crunch**  
1 cup uncooked rolled oats, 1/2 cup flour, 1 cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup butter or margarine, 2 cups

cranberry sauce (Whole or jellied), 1 quart vanilla ice cream.

Mix oats, flour and brown sugar. Cut in butter or margarine until crumbly. Place half of this mixture in an 8-inch by 8-inch greased cake pan. Cover with cranberry sauce. Top with remainder of mixture. Bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees F. Serve hot in squares topped with scoops of vanilla ice cream. Serves 6 to 8.

**Hot'n Spicy Cranberry Wassail**  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg, 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon, 1 pound can clear cranberry sauce, 1 1/2 cups water, 1/4 teaspoon allspice, 3 tablespoons tea, 2 1/2 cups boiling water, 3/4 cup sugar, 1/2 cup orange juice, 1/4 cup lemon juice.

Tie nutmeg, cinnamon, allspice and tea in a cloth bag. Put into 2 1/2 cups boiling water. Cover and steep five minutes. Beat cranberry sauce with mixer and heat with 1 1/2 cups water. Remove spice bag from steeped tea. Add sugar, hot cranberry liquid, orange and lemon juice. Serve hot. Serves 8 to 10.

**Cranberry Eggnog**  
4 cups cranberries, 4 cups water, 3/4 cup sugar, 6 eggs, 1 pint heavy cream, ground cloves.

Cook cranberries in water until skins pop open. Strain and chill. Separate eggs, beat yolks until frothy; add 1/2 cup of sugar and beat until smooth and creamy. Beat whites until they form soft peaks; add remaining sugar and beat until smooth and shiny. Fold yolks into whites; pour in cream and juice. Mix well. Sprinkle with cloves if desired. Serves 8 to 10.

**Lemonade-Cranberry Punch**  
4 pints cranberry juice, 4 6-ounce cans frozen lemonade concentrate, 1/2 teaspoon salt, cinnamon sticks, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/2 teaspoon allspice, 4 cups water.

Combine ingredients and simmer gently for 15 minutes. Pour into punch bowl and serve in mugs with cinnamon sticks. Yield: 1 gallon.

**Cranberry Salad**  
1 quart cranberries, 1 1/2 cups sugar, 2 tablespoons granulated gelatin, 1 cup diced, unpeeled apples, 1/2 cup orange juice, 1 cup finely chopped celery, 1 cup chopped nuts.

Grind cranberries, using fine blade; add sugar, mix and let stand for at least 1 hour stirring occasionally. Soften the gelatin in the orange juice for 5 minutes; then stir over hot

water until dissolved. Mix gelatin mixture with cranberries, celery, apples and nuts. (Miniature marshmallows also can be added.) Place ingredients in individual molds or flat dish, which have been rinsed in cold water. Chill in refrigerator until set. Unmold (or in dish cut in squares) and serve on crisp lettuce leaf, with mayonnaise (if desired).

**Cranberry Quick Bread**  
2 cups flour, 1 teaspoon baking soda, 1 teaspoon salt, 3/4 cup sugar, 1 egg, 1 cup halves or coarsely chopped raw cranberries, one third cup orange juice, 3 tablespoons white vinegar plus water to make two thirds cup, 1 teaspoon grated orange rind, 1/4 cup melted shortening, 1 cup chopped nuts.

Sift together flour, soda, salt and sugar into mixing bowl. Beat egg; add liquids, orange rind and melted shortening. Add all at once to flour mixture; stir until flour is just dampened. Add cranberries and nuts; stir just enough to blend well. Turn into greased 8 1/2-inch by 4 1/2-inch by 2 1/2-inch loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees F. for 60 to 70 minutes. Remove from pan; cool several hours or over night before slicing.

### NOTICE

To the citizens of Precinct 3 of Titus County. May I use this means to announce my candidacy for re-election to the office of Commissioner, Precinct 3.

Should you see fit to return me to the office of Commissioner, I will continue to work to the best of my ability to perform the duties of such office to the benefit of all our citizens. In that regard, I will continue to work for better health facilities, better recreational facilities, and better roads for the citizens of this County.

It is common knowledge inflation is making it more difficult to perform the duties of such office within funds available. However, I promise you, if re-elected, to provide the maximum amount of service for every tax dollar spent.

In behalf of my candidacy for the office of Commissioner, I humbly solicit your vote and influence.

Sincerely,  
**Hubert Martin**  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

P.S. If elected this term I will not seek this job again. Thanks.

Pol. Ad Pd. Hubert Martin 11-30-75

### More Riddles

Why couldn't the pony talk? He was a little horse (hoarse) you dummy.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

TODAY'S ANSWER

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5 Humbled  
11 The Pequod's skipper  
12 Record holder  
13 Geometric ratio  
14 Balsam or Milder  
15 Young sheep  
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17 French king  
18 Prospective  
20 Snare  
21 Affectionate name for Marshal Foch  
22 Nota —  
23 Cry of the unsated  
24 They shall be first  
25 Bombast  
26 Levantine ketch  
27 Bard's "before"  
28 Wine storage area  
30 — de deux  
31 Eggs  
32 Coddler  
34 Off ship  
36 From a distance

**DOWN**

1 Malt kiln  
2 Sitting Bull, for one  
3 Retire (4 wds.)  
4 The "Rail-splitter"  
5 Eritrean capital  
6 Harsh sound in old songs  
7 Chalice  
8 Fancy; hanker after (4 wds.)  
9 Obvious  
10 Signify  
16 Fall guy  
19 Pungent  
22 Bucket  
23 Type of cherry  
24 Refrain in old songs  
25 Food  
26 Stringent  
28 Deep pink  
29 Vaquero's rope  
33 Three, to card players  
35 Danube tributary  
36 Statute

### Westbrook Is Hostess Of Dorcas Class

Mrs. Vivian Westbrook was hostess to the Dorcas Class of the First Baptist Church, Talco, Monday evening when members met for their annual Christmas party. The home was decorated throughout with Christmas decorations.

After games of bingo gifts were presented to the class teacher, Mrs. E. W. Welch, and to the assistant teacher, Mrs. Ney Blackburn. Members exchanged gifts from a decorated Christmas tree and secret pal names were revealed.

### New Number Available For Telephone Repair

Beginning January 1, 1976 all General Telephone Company customers in the Talco exchange in need of telephone repair service should call 1-855-9517, according to Jo Anne Reed, Division Manager. There is no charge for calling this number. This new number for repair service will appear in the new Talco telephone directory scheduled for delivery about January 1, 1976.

Repair service will be in operation week days from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Nights, weekends and holidays customers are requested to call during normal working hours. If an emergency exists or an urgent repair report, the customer can call the Operator.

An additional service to customers is a toll free number for the Business Office, Mrs. Reed said. The number is 1-855-6575 and the Business Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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### Pasture Grasses Can Be Deadly In The Fall

In the fall of the year, two pasture problems, nitrate and cyanide poisoning, may be the cause of cattle deaths, warns Dr. Jim Wilson, member of the Texas Veterinary Medical Association Public Information Committee. Prevention is the best solution, and every cattleman should know what to do in predicting and avoiding potential nitrate and cyanide problems.

Nitrate poisoning, also known as oat pasture poisoning, is caused by toxic levels of nitrates accumulating in rapidly growing ryegrasses, pastures recently top-dressed with nitrogen fertilizers and water run-off from such pastures, oat hay and stubble, corn stalks, sweet potato vines, careless weed, lambsquarters, ragweed, and nightshades.

However, special conditions are usually necessary for these plants to become toxic - environmental conditions such as three or four cloudy days, frost, drought, 4-D spraying on pastures, and trampling.

Other factors that cause the sudden slowing or rapid increase of plant growth or sudden increase in palatability. Accumulation is usually greater in the plant stalks than the leaves, fruit or grain.

Symptoms of nitrate poisoning, which are sudden and progress rapidly, are stomach pain, diarrhea, difficult breathing, muscle tremors, wobbling, collapse, head turned back in the flank, and death without struggle.

The blood will be a chocolate brown, the gums will have a grayish-blue coloration, and in cases where the animal has eaten fertilizer, the intestines will be raw and bloody.

Unless treated, animals will die in three to four hours after the first symptoms.

Similarly, cyanide is a potent, rapid-acting poison that

Wrong Information "Where did you get that horrible black eye?" asked the fellow-employee. "My girlfriend gave it to me," was the shallow reply. "I thought she was out of town for the weekend." "So did I!"

### ★ THIS MONTH ★ 200 YEARS AGO

**December 1775: A Bitter Loss**

In one of the first disastrous defeats suffered by the newly formed colonists' forces, the combined strategies of Gen. Montgomery and Col. Benedict Arnold failed to subdue the British at Quebec. A harsh winter and the ultimate death of Gen. Montgomery in battle, forced the retreat of the remaining American forces. Out of this defeat, Canada remained in British control for the duration of the war.

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