

Clerk - Carrier Exams Slated

Elmer J. Reed, Jr., Sectional Center Manager / Postmaster, Lubbock, Texas has announced that the Clerk-Carrier Examination for the Childress Area will be open from February 23 through March 9, 1981 in the following Post Offices: Childress, Chillicothe, Clarendon, Crowell, Matador, Memphis, Paducah, Quanah, Quitaque, Roaring Springs, Silverton and Turkey.

Persons who are interested may fill out application blanks at any of the Post Offices listed in this announcement. Starting salary is \$9.05 per hour. Further details may be obtained from the Post Offices listed.

Buck Payne, 63 Buried Tuesday

Funeral services for Hancel Elector (Buck) Payne, 63, were conducted at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Quitaque. Officiating were the Rev. Mike Grebenik, pastor, and the Rev. Royce Denton, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Silverton. Burial was in Rest Haven Cemetery at Quitaque, with arrangements directed by the Quitaque Funeral Home.

Mr. Payne died at 10:00 p.m. Sunday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Payne was born in Turkey on May 1, 1917. At the age of one year, he moved with his parents to a farm southwest of Quitaque between the Los Lingos and Quitaque Rivers. As a child he attended the Grey Mule and Quitaque schools.

He worked on a ranch in New Mexico and later was employed by the government at Fort Wingate.

Payne and Miss Henrietta (Skeet) W. Beckworth were married August 28, 1941 at Portales, New Mexico. They farmed at Portales for a year before moving back to Quitaque to farm the home place. In 1953 the family moved to Silverton and he worked as a ginner. In 1966, they moved to Arkansas, returning in 1968 to the home eight miles southeast of Silverton where they engaged in farming until ill health forced his retirement.

Mr. Payne was a member of the Fairmont Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Cecil Payne, in 1980.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Lonnie Payne of Quitaque and Earl Payne of Clarendon; a daughter, Mrs. Donna Green of Clarendon; three brothers, O. C. Payne, Ray Payne and Warren Payne, all of Quitaque; four sisters, Mrs. Olivia Stockton and Mrs. Lillie Reagan, both of Quitaque, Mrs. Frances Martin of Portales, New Mexico and Mrs. Eva Lee Wings of Carlsbad, New Mexico, and 11 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were nephews, Jimmy Stockton, Freddie Stockton, Junior Payne, Stan Payne, Henry Payne and Joe David Payne.

Honorary pallbearers, also nephews, were Jerry Payne, Darrell Payne, Lynn Payne, Gene Payne, Danny Payne, Gary Payne and Bennie Reagan.

Nellie D. Amason Buried At Canyon

Funeral services for Nellie Day Amason, 84, were conducted Wednesday, February 18, at the Schooler-Gordon Funeral Chapel in Canyon. The Rev. Ken Cargle, pastor of the First Christian Church in Canyon, officiated.

Burial was in Dreamland Cemetery at Canyon.

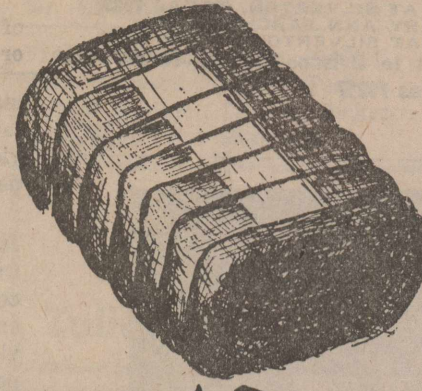
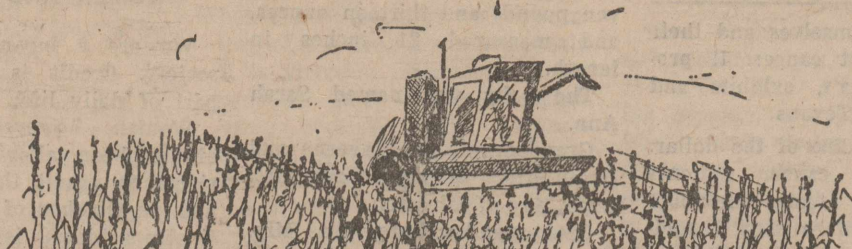
Mrs. Amason died Monday, February 16.

Mrs. Amason was born in Granbury. She lived in Silverton for 45 years and moved to Canyon in 1945. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Canyon.

Survivors include a daughter, Ann Hair of Canyon; two sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Evans of San Rafael, California and Mrs. Irene Iby of San Marcos, California; a brother, T. O. Patton of Perryton; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was the aunt of James Patton of Silverton.

Attending the funeral from

Silverton: Home of Scenic Lake Mackenzie



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Two West Texas State University senior elementary education majors experience the duty of hanging out wash in a cold Texas Panhandle wind. Kim Mayfield (left), daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Ed Hutsell of Silverton, and Donna Kendall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kendall of Hereford, joined other students from a WTSU education class at the sod house constructed near the

WTSU Nance Ranch. The sod house, designed and built by T. Lindsay Baker of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, is furnished with authentic turn-of-the-century furnishings.

Young Farmers To Have Consignment Sale Here March 28

Silverton Young Farmers' annual consignment sale will be held on Saturday, March 28, at Wood Memorial Arena. For consignments, call Alton Riddell, 847-2528; G. W. Chappell, 847-

2681, or Wayne Stephens, 847-2616.

If the consignment is to be listed on the sale bill, it must be received by March 8.

Auctioneers will be Dulin and Reagan.

Taxes To Eat Up Most Of The State Employee Raises

State Comptroller Bob Bullock Tuesday said social security and income taxes will eat up most of the 5.1 percent pay raise state employees expect in February paychecks.

"There will be a lot of disappointed employees at the end of the month," Bullock said of the emergency pay raise approved by the Legislature.

"For most employees, the so-called raise amounts to little more than a dollar a day."

Bullock said "most of our professional people—like my auditors—will be insulted."

Bullock pointed out that the paycheck of a "typical" auditor, with a spouse and two children, will show a net gain of \$41.98 on a net monthly salary of \$1,055.96.

The situation is even worse for the 60,000 employees who are so lowly paid that they will get a flat \$50 raise instead of the 5.1 percent increase.

"A typical employee in the \$50 category will take home \$1.17 a day more," Bullock said.

Silverton were Mr. and Mrs. James Patton, Mrs. Nannie Bomar, Mrs. Jessie Bomar, Mrs. Iris Burson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Burson.

"Vials Of Life" Now Available Here

Distribution of the "Vial of Life" capsules will begin in the Silverton area Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

Volunteer workers will meet in the basement of the courthouse. Anyone who would like to assist with this work is invited to attend.

If you would like to have this vial of life-saving information placed in your refrigerator in your home, please contact Mrs. J. D. Nance or Mrs. Charles Sarchet.

Mrs. Ashel McDaniel spent the weekend at home after having been undergoing tests at Central Plains Hospital in Plainview for more than a week. She returned to the hospital Monday afternoon and underwent surgery there Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie McDaniel of Hale Center, Mrs. Annie Mae Smith of Quitaque, Mrs. Maebelle Francis, J. D. and Lois Nance, Joe and Ruby McWaters were among those at the hospital with Mr. McDaniel and his daughters, Mrs. Jon LaBaume of Floydada and Mrs. Gary Hunt of Clarendon, during the surgery.

Mr. McDaniel reported to the Briscoe County News Wednesday morning that his wife came through the surgery fine even though it was a little more complicated than her doctor had expected it would be.

Mrs. McDaniel is recuperating in Room 308.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee McKenney and three foster children of Carlsbad, New Mexico spent the weekend with Mrs. P. H. McKenney.

es, Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering and Home Economics.

FBLA Members Attend Workshop

Eighteen members of the Silverton chapter of Future Business Leaders of America attended a workshop at West Texas State University February 19. The District XVI contests were held in the Student Activity Center.

Susie Tipton won second and Elsa Ramirez won third in the shorthand contest. Also competing in this event were Sally Northcutt and Brenda Boling.

In accounting, Russell Couch won third place. Also taking part in this competition were Scott Bowman, Penny Cogdell, Shelly Harris and Roger Cantwell.

In the job interview contest, Dani Whitfill placed fourth. Also entered in this event were Stacy Robertson and Vicki McJimsey.

In clerk typing I, Judy Northcutt won third. Also competing in this event were Jeni Denton and Jan Reynolds.

In clerk typing II, Lupe Garcia won third. Also competing was Katy Francis.

In the poster contest, Stacy Robertson and Dani Whitfill teamed up to win first place.

Cynthia Edwards won the Miss F.B.L.A. contest and was elected District XVI Secretary.

Jan Reynolds was elected District XVI Reporter.

Both of these were charged with the duties of their offices in a candlelight ceremony.

Attending with the students were Mrs. O. C. Rampley, sponsor, and guests Debbie Weak and Sandy Harris.

Jan Reynolds, District XVI Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Strange spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grant and baby at Corsicana. Mrs. Grant and James Brady returned with them to spend this week visiting in Silverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kitchens were in Quitaque Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Bessie (Tippis) Nall.

\$16.3 Million In Farm Product Sales Reported For County In 1978

The market value of agricultural products sold by the 287 farms in Briscoe County amounted to \$16.3 million for 1978 or an average of \$56,704 each, up from \$12.3 million in 1974 with an accompanying increase in production costs, according to a preliminary report of the 1978 Census of Agriculture released recently by the Bureau of Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.

A breakdown of the county's total agricultural sales for 1978 followed by that for 1974, is as follows: Crops, \$11.5 million compared with \$8.7 million; livestock, poultry, and their products, \$4.7 and \$3.6 million.

While the value of gross sales rose, the farmers' costs also climbed since 1974. For example, expenditures for fertilizer in 1978 were \$920,000 compared to \$726,000; costs of gasoline, diesel and other petroleum products were \$2 million compared with \$1.1 million. Farm energy costs of all types totaled \$2.5 million for 1978. The estimated market value of machinery and equipment per farm increased from \$32,731 to \$59,043.

Of the total farms in the county, 44 had gross sales of \$100,000 or more and 64 had sales of under \$10,000. Farms operated by individuals or families represented 87 percent of the total. Some 73 percent of the operators owned all or part of the land they operated.

In 1978 the average age of

SHARE-THE-FUN GROUP NEEDS OLD WIGS

The Senior 4-H Share-the-Fun group is in need of four or five old wigs. These will not be returnable, because the kids need to be able to cut and spray paint them for their skit.

If you have a wig or wigs that you would donate to this group, please contact the Extension Office or Mrs. Lynn Frizzell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Garrison and Mr. and Mrs. Don Garrison attended the fortieth wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Horace McDonald in Quitaque Sunday.

Owls Close Season With Loss To Valley

The Owls lost their post-season tournament game to Valley Tuesday night at Clarendon College by the score of 53-47, and most fans are of the opinion that if the two teams played again, the Owls might be the winners.

Turnovers in the third quarter hurt the Owls' chances for a victory over Valley. The teams had been tied at halftime, but the Owls fell behind 40-27 in the third frame. They outscored the Patriots in the fourth quarter to lose by only six points.

Shane Reagan led the offense for the Owls by scoring 19 points. Russell Couch also caged in double figures with 12 points to his credit. Other scoring was by Brandon Jarrett, five; Scott Bowman, four; Mark Patton, three, and Casey Bean, two points.

Owls 10 19 27 47
Valley 13 19 40 53

Last Thursday night, the Owls defeated Groom in the first round of the post-season tournament 49-41 in a game played in Silverton. Russell Couch led the scoring in this one with 18 points, while Brandon Jarrett added 11 counters. Adding points to the score were Mark Patton, six; Shane Reagan and Casey Bean, five points each; Jimmy Stone and Blaine Eddleman, two points each.

Owls 10 22 32 49
Groom 5 21 33 41

The Patriots will have a play-off game with Claude Friday night, and since the Mustangs would have to beat Valley twice to take away their district championship, it is expected that the Patriots will place a basketball district trophy on the shelf beside their football district trophy this year. The Lady Patriots won their playoff and a district championship of their own by beating Hedley 49-35 last Friday night, and won their bi-district game from Mobeetie 56-26 Tuesday night.

farm operators was 49.3 years. Since 1974 the proportion of operators listing farming as their principal occupation changed from 87 percent to 82 percent.

Data in the reports for acreage and inventories for 1978 and 1974 are generally comparable; however, improved coverage in 1978, especially of smaller farms, should be taken into consideration in making direct comparisons of farm counts. Dollar values have not been adjusted for changes in price levels.

Other results of the census show the 287 farms counted in 1978 had an average size of 1,692 acres. For 1974, 293 farms were counted with an average size of 1,412 acres. The land in farms totaled 485,581 acres in 1978 and 413,838 acres in 1974. Crops were harvested from 104,911 acres in 1978 and 98,514 acres in 1974. Land irrigated increased from 47,205 acres in 1974 to 48,006 acres in 1978.

The inventory of cattle and calves was changed from 22,972 in 1974 to 21,794 in 1978; the number of hogs and pigs changed from 1,098 to 753. The number of sheep and lambs changed from 234 to 1,486.

Acreages of crops harvested in 1978 and 1974 were as follows: corn for grain, 1,791 acres vs. 2,393 acres; wheat, 16,089 acres vs. 28,385 acres; sorghum for grain, 9,610 acres vs. 25,847 acres; soybeans, 3,854 acres vs. 2,146 acres; cotton, 65,591 acres vs. 36,209 acres.

Production of cotton for 1978 was 34,100 bales compared to 16,800 bales in 1974.

The figures are for farms qualifying under the definition: Any place from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold, or normally would have been sold, during the census year.

The agriculture census was conducted in 1979 to obtain data on the nation's farm production and sales for calendar year 1978. Information from the farm census, the 21st of a series which began in 1840, will be used by federal, state and county agencies, agricultural colleges, agricultural and business groups, and farmers to help make a variety of decisions about agricultural programs and policies.

Methodist Men To Sponsor Revival

Methodist Men in the First United Methodist Church in Silverton will sponsor a Laymen's Revival here March 5-8.

Guest speakers will include Jim Hawthorne on Thursday night and Kenneth Wyatt on Saturday night.

Special music will be provided by Wes Putnam Saturday night and Jim Fullingim Sunday morning.

Many of the local men and women will give testimonies and devotionals during the weekend. Services will be at 7:30 o'clock each night and at the regular 11:00 a.m. service Sunday.

All members and friends of the church are invited to come and enjoy these special services.

AEROBIC EXERCISE CLASS TO BE DIVIDED

The Aerobic Exercise Class is going to be divided into two classes. The first will be from 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. and the second class is from 8:00 until 10:00 p.m.

The class meets on Tuesdays in the school gym. You may attend whichever class you prefer.

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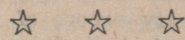
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JANIE DENTON

RICK COOPER



Couple To Marry Here May 17

Rev. and Mrs. Royce Denton announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Janie, to Rick Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Newell Cooper of Bridgeport, West Virginia. The marriage will take place Sunday afternoon, May 17,

1981, at 2:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Silvertown.

Friends are invited to share this occasion.

Both Miss Denton and her fiancé will graduate from Wayland Baptist College in May.

Educational Programs Available

From The American Cancer Society

Programs designed for prevention and early detection of cancer are available to civic, service and social clubs and organizations, and employee groups from the American Cancer Society. These programs can be presented in homes and neighborhood meeting places.

Youth audiences of all age levels are being reached with teaching materials through the public schools. These educational programs are being provided through Mrs. Margie Pinkerton, school nurse, who is a volunteer for the Briscoe County ACS unit.

In addition, screenings can be held periodically in the community. Some of these are breast and uterine, colo-rectal, oral and skin. There is also a "Helping Smokers Quit" program.

The sites covered in the educational programs are breast, lung, uterus, oral, skin, colo-rectal, and general programs on health checkups.

Last year the American Cancer Society reached almost 160,000 people in the Panhandle with

life-saving messages about cancer. If you would like to schedule a program for your club, please contact Mrs. Mary Ann Sarchet, 823-2333.

Jack Robertson serves as chairman of the service and rehabilitation committee for the Briscoe County ACS unit. Equipment available for loan to cancer patients includes hospital beds and side rails, wheel chairs, commode chairs, walkers and crutches. Comfort items include dressings, lotions, surgical tape, surgical jelly, sheepskins, room deodorizers, talcum powder, bed pans, fracture pans, nemesis basins, urinals, ostomy supplies, laryngectomy bibs and others.

Rehabilitation is available through Reach to Recovery for mastectomy patients, esophageal speech lessons for laryngectomies, ostomy visitation, and other support programs.

A memorial program is operated the year around by the American Cancer Society. A memorial contribution is thought of in three meaningful ways: (1) as a way of remembering those who were taken by cancer; (2) as a way to strike back at the disease by providing much needed funds for cancer research and education, and for services to cancer patients; (3) as a way to honor the living—a Gift of Life.

Mrs. Peggy Fleming, 823-2348, Box 98, Silvertown, Texas 79257, is the chairman of memorials for the Briscoe County ACS unit.

For every \$1.00 contributed by Texans to fight cancer, \$1.14 is spent in Texas. This is due to increased research allocations to Texas by the National Society. Eleven major Texas hospitals, medical schools and universities share the 38c which is allocated for research out of every dollar given in Texas. This is shared by Baylor College of Medicine, Houston; Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas; University of Texas, Austin; M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, Houston; University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston; University of Texas School of Medicine, San Antonio; University of Texas Southwestern Medical School, Dallas; University of Texas School of Medicine, Houston; Texas A&M University College of Medicine, College Station; North Texas State University, Denton, and Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine, Denton.

Professional education, fellowships and services account for 13c of every dollar donated. This keeps physicians informed of recent developments in treatment of cancer providing fellowships and professional conferences for physicians, dentists and nurses.

Public education receives 24c of the dollar. This works to inform Texans of Cancer's Seven Warning Signals so that they

MISS AGUILAR IS HONORED AT SHOWER

Miss Erma Aguilar, bride-elect of Eloy Reyna, was guest of honor at a miscellaneous shower

may guard themselves and their families against cancer. It provides free films, exhibits and pamphlets for Texans.

Service uses 22c of the dollar. This provides cancer patients with comfort items, sickroom equipment, information, guidance and rehabilitation. It provides cancer detection through periodic screening programs for specific sites for the public.

Program development and administration uses 6c of each dollar donated.

Eleven cents of each dollar is used to provide Crusade materials for over 363 unit campaigns which reach more than three million Texas families during the April Crusade. It is also for developing memorial, legacy and special project programs.

It is estimated that 41,000 new cases of cancer will be discovered during 1981. In a county the size of Briscoe, it is estimated that there are 27 who are alive and cured of cancer; 15 who will be under medical care for cancer during 1981; five who will become victims of cancer in 1981; 10 who will have new cases of cancer detected in 1981; three who will be saved from cancer in 1981; 750 who will eventually develop cancer, and 492 who will eventually die of cancer if present rates continue.

These are terrible statistics, especially when you consider that cancer strikes at any age. It kills more children three to fourteen years of age than any other disease. Some, but not all, cancers can be prevented. Call 823-2333 today if you would like to book a program on cancer detection for your club.

* New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin May are parents of a daughter born February 19 at Hi-Plains Hospital in Hale Center. She weighed seven pounds and thirteen ounces, and measured 21 inches in length.

The baby was named Sarah Ann.

Grandparents are Laverne and Helen Allen of Snyder and Mrs. Loyd May of Silvertown.

Great-grandmothers are Mrs. Katie E. Bailey of Plainview and Mrs. L. C. Allen of Waurika, Oklahoma.

BIRTHDAY DINNER HELD IN AMARILLO

Jane Lusk and her daughter, Chris, were hostesses for a birthday dinner for their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Tone Brooks, at their home in Amarillo Sunday, February 22.

Guests included Todd Glover of Amarillo, Don Ellsworth of Boyce City, Oklahoma, Tom, Esther, Phillip and Mark Brooks of Borger, and the honoree.

from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. Saturday, February 21 in the Pioneer Room at the First State Bank in Silvertown.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. Polly Jarrett, and presented to the honoree and her mother, Mrs. Manuel Aguilar, and to the mother of the future bridegroom, Mrs. Eloisa Reyna.

Alice Maciel registered the guests. Mary Patino and Enda Reyna served refreshments.

Special guests were Ama Conover and two children from Bellmoore, New Jersey.

Hostesses for the pre-nuptial occasion were Mmes. Polly Jarrett, Flo Fitzgerald, Patsy Fitzgerald, Shirley Durham, Betty Stephens, Alice Grabbe and Venita Chappell.

LINES FROM Y N D A

Lynda Fogerson
 Briscoe County Extension Agent
WOMEN AND CREDIT

We are a buy-now, pay-later society. Credit is an accepted part of daily life.

Women, however, have not always been allowed the same rights to credit that men have had. In October of 1975, women finally achieved legal credit equality with the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, which provides access to credit regardless of sex or marital status.

That doesn't mean that women are automatically granted credit in their own name—they still must prove their credit-worthiness.

Hester Is Chairman Of C.F. Spring Event

Ron Hester has accepted the chairmanship of the 1981 Cystic Fibrosis Spring Special Event to be held in Silvertown.

Proceeds from the fund-raising event will support the research, education and care programs of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Cystic Fibrosis (CF), the number one genetic killer of children, is an inherited, incurable disease affecting the lungs and digestive system of its young victims. CF claims three lives every day.

Approximately one in every 20 Americans is a symptomless carrier of the recessive CF gene. At present there is no test to identify these 10 million people who might pass on the gene or the disease to their children.

Children born with CF today have a 50 percent chance of reaching their 19th birthday.

Under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act:

—Women can now obtain credit in their own names.

—Single women will not lose their credit standing when they marry.

—Married women will not lose their credit rating when widowed or divorced.

—Alimony, child support and separate maintenance must be considered as other income.

—Mortgagers must consider a

wife's income, part-time or otherwise, when evaluating a couple's credit-worthiness.

—Creditors can't ask any questions regarding a couple's child-bearing plans.

—Creditors must tell you the reason for denying credit.

I have a credit letter series of five letters that were written by an Extension Family Resource Management Specialist. These are available at no cost by calling my office, 823-2343.

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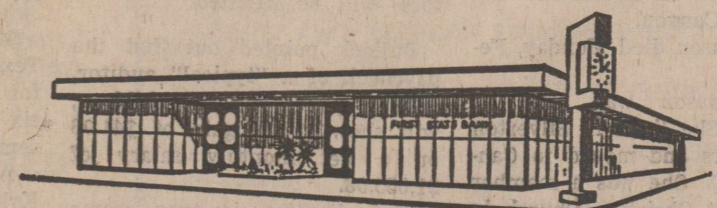
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The legislative process is moving rather slowly because of the failure to suspend a Constitutional rule that states the first thirty days of the session shall be devoted to introduction of bill; the second thirty days to hearing these bills in Committees.

The Constitution also states this rule can be suspended by an affirmative vote of four-fifths of its members. Another exception is any bills the Governor designates as emergency legislation.

For many decades, these rules were suspended without opposition. But this year there were about 45 leaders in opposition to the speaker that voted not to suspend. This means, in effect, no bills will be heard in Com-

mittee for thirty days and none voted on before the first 60 days. When the motion failed, Speaker Clayton said that was fine with him—less bad bills would be passed.

NOW, what is happening? . . . The Governor is introducing a number of the bills of his own under the emergency designation and designating other bills for Conservatives as emergency legislation that are being heard. At the same time, the liberal State Representatives that killed the suspension of the rules cannot get their legislation before the legislature.

Last week I asked an aide to Governor Clements to designate a bill I had co-signed with Representative Heatly as an emergency bill. This bill would refund hundreds of thousands of dollars to the various counties of the State. Because of legal technicalities, this money has been tied up for the last two years. Governor Clements complied and I feel this will result in a substantial refund to the 10 counties in Legislative District 66.

Ross Perot, E. D. S., Dallas, has been meeting with a number of sponsors and co-sponsors of

FARABEE SPONSORS WAR-ON-DRUGS BILL

Senator Ray Farabee of Wichita Falls has filed two bills developed by H. Ross Perot and the Texans' War on Drugs Committee. The filing of the bills was announced February 4 at a Capitol news conference.

Senator Farabee said, "The bills we filed Wednesday are

legislation that has been developed by a lay committee on crime. All of his legislation has to do with the control of drugs. I am among these sponsors. The controversial wire tap bill is not in the five bills that State Chairman of the Drug Committee, Ross Perot, is sponsoring.

Governor Clements plans to have one on wire tap and other criminal matters.

If you want information on the status of a bill call 1-800-252-9693.

Should you need to visit with me about any matter call Pam-pa 655-3552 and tell my secretary. My secretary will notify me and I will call you from our Austin office. My Austin phone is 512-475-3883.

aimed at stopping the multi-million dollar drug trafficking

which is taking place all over Texas, all of the time."

Senate Bill 393 will provide for stiffer penalties for drug traffickers dealing in large quantities of illegal drugs. This is designed to facilitate the apprehension of the large scale operators of the drug trade. Currently it is virtually impossible to apprehend these major conspirators because they operate through a chain of subordinate dealers. This bill clearly defines the offenses of trafficking in addictive drugs and marijuana and the offense of financing or investment of funds derived from illegal trafficking. It also provides the means for the State to confiscate funds obtained in illegal drug sales. Persons convicted of dealing in large amounts of drugs will actually serve jail sentences.

The other bill, S.B. 394, requires triplicate prescriptions for such drugs as morphine, amphetamines, methamphetamines and methaqualone (Quaaludes). Three copies of such prescriptions will be made, one going to the prescribing physician, one to the pharmacist, and one to the Department of Public Safety. A strict system of security will be programmed into the DPS computer where prescription records are stored to protect legitimate patients. Perot points out that this procedure is currently in effect on four states, where it has substantially eliminated prescription forgeries and significantly reduced the diversion of legal, but commonly abused prescription drugs to the illegal market.

Three other bills are included in the Texans' War on Drugs package. Senator Bill Meier of Euleus is sponsoring a bill calling for a mandatory five-year minimum sentence for any drug dealer 21 years old or over convicted of selling to anyone 17 or younger and a bill requiring revocation of the license of any doctor, dentist, veterinarian or pharmacist convicted of a drug-related felony.

Senator Grant Jones of Abilene has filed the "head shop" bill, outlawing the manufacture, distribution, sale and possession

Club Hears Program On Art of Quilting

The Progressive Homemakers met Monday night, February 23, at the City Hall. A very interesting program was given by Ora Isbell, Marie Boling and Stella Davis on quilting. The ladies demonstrated putting the quilt in the quilting frame and how to get started. Everyone answered roll call by showing a quilt of her own. There were many beautiful and interesting quilts to see.

After the program, hostesses Kathy Kingery, Kella Thomas and Jonetta Ziegler served refreshments to Sue Martin, Marsha Brunson, Beverly Minyard, Teresa Reid, Bena Hester, Reba Self, Roy Reed, Ramona Martin, Anita Ramsey, Sheryl Breedlove, Debbie Weeks and the ladies who presented the program.

Roy Reed presided over a business meeting in which Bena Hester outlined the work schedule for the concession stand at the Young Farmers Consignment Sale on March 28. Members are asked to see Bena for their work time.

YOUNG FARMERS HAVE BUSINESS MEETING

Silverton Young Farmers met Thursday, February 12, at the Silverton School Vocational Agriculture Department with Bill Reid presiding.

Freddie Cordell, a representative from the Cordell Rodeo Company, discussed furnishing rodeo stock for the Briscoe County annual celebration.

Ace Bolt and Nut Company's Doris M. Flynt displayed her company's bolt assortments and various products.

The members discussed the upcoming awards banquet which will honor the outstanding 4-H boy and girl, outstanding FFA member, outstanding Young Farmer and associate member, and outstanding agribusinessman.

The annual Young Farmer consignment sale to be held on March 28 was discussed. For consignments call Alton Riddell, G. W. Chappell or Wayne Stephens.

Those attending the meeting were Bill Reid, Rodney Bullock,

of drug paraphernalia.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sarchet spent the weekend in Lubbock to be at the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Skelton, who

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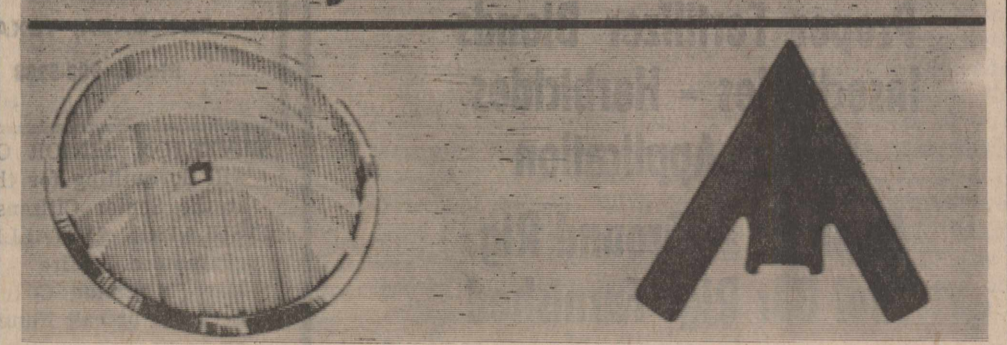
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