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## Scout Council Slates Recognition Banquet Jan. 25th

### Ropes Students Make Dean's List At Texas Tech

Deans of the colleges at Texas Tech University have released their honor lists for the fall semester.

To be eligible for the dean's honor list, students must have a grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

The following students from Ropesville were recognized for their academic achievements during the fall semester:

Kirk Lewis, Stanley Shockley, David Carpenter, and John Synatschk.

The academic colleges and schools at Texas Tech include Agricultural Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Home Economics and the Graduate School.

The fall enrollment at Texas Tech was approximately 22,000.

### Home Town Tales

by Mack Stanley

When Tony Carnall first came to town to work for Doc Quince in the drug store, it took only five minutes for them to reach a verbal agreement on a working contract.

Doc said, "I'll give you \$3.00 a day."

Tony thought about that for a while, smiled, and then said: "I'll take \$3.00 a day."

That was the beginning of a satisfactory arrangement that lasted for fifteen years. Doc paid Tony \$3.00 a day and Tony took another \$3.00 a day Doc didn't know anything about.

My Uncle Oscar says his wife is a real good cook but she keeps house kinda like a blacksmith who drinks a lot on the job.

The jury down at the county courthouse had just filed out to deliberate.

The young defendant was charged with larceny. He had been convicted twice before on felony charges. He knew a third conviction would be very rough.

The spectators all filed out of their section for a breath of air. The young defendant got up from the defense council's table and walked dazedly through the little gate into the people's section and sat down. He looked worried sick. He seemed to know this time he was headed for prison for a long stay. Unconsciously, he lit a cigarette.

An old man, one of the courthouse regulars, as a spectator came in. He was very much up on all the courthouse rules, but had not been present for any part of this particular case and didn't realize the boy's predicament. He walked over and laid a grandfatherly hand on his shoulder.

"You'd better put that cigarette out son. You could get in a whole lot of trouble smoking in here like that."

### Frenship Kittens Defeat Levelland, 65-29, Drop Tuesday's Game to Post, 67-62

The Frenship Kittens started hot and stayed that way as they defeated Levelland Friday night, 65 to 29. It was 23 to 10 after the first quarter and 44 to 16 at the half. Jacque Howard led the scoring with 20 points while Janice McKinney added 17 and Cissy Beaver contributed 15. Sheryl Hart led the defense with 11 rebounds and 3 recoveries.

As a team, the Kittens pulled down 43 rebounds as they played one of their best games of the year.

The going wasn't so good Tuesday night against the Post Does, as the Kittens lost 67 to 62.

They were behind 17 to 9 after the first quarter and 39 to 24 at the half. The Kittens caught fire in the third quarter however and outscored Post 22 to 12 to pull within 5 points. Both teams scored 16 points in the fourth quarter to make the final score 67 to 62 in favor of Post.

Cissy Beaver scored 25 points to lead the scoring and Janice McKinney contributed 23 points, 7 rebounds and 4 recoveries to the effort. Kathy Laney led the defense with 8 rebounds and 1 recovery.

The Kittens are now 10 -12 for the year and 1 -3 in district play. They take on Tahoka Friday night and Roosevelt here next Tuesday.

Col. Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, will be guest speaker at the annual Scout Recognition Banquet, sponsored by the South Plains Scout Council.

The banquet is set for 6:45 p.m., Jan. 25 at the Big Texan Steak Ranch, Monterey Shopping Center, Lubbock.

Speir, who joined the DPS in 1941, is an active participant in the Boy Scout program and has received the coveted Silver Beaver Award, the highest award which can be presented to an adult scout leader. He has served as president of the Capitol Area Scout Council and all three of his sons are active in scouting.

Highligh of the banquet program will be recognition of outstanding adult scout leaders

### Hockley County Immunization Clinic Moves Location

The monthly Immunization Clinic for Hockley County will be held in the Health Unit, 1212 Houston Street, Levelland (old South Plains Hospital building), on Wednesday, January 22, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The immunizations offered will be Polio, Measles, Rubella, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, and Tetanus.

### Hockley County 4-H Food Show Set January 25th

Interested 4H'ers will focus on typical foods in the Southwest when the Hockley County 4H Food Show gets underway January 25th with approximately 55 competing in senior and junior divisions.

Following the "Southwest Foods" theme, local youth will prepare main dishes, side dishes, breads and desserts, or snacks and beverages as they choose one of the four entry classes for competition.

Food entry exhibits will be on display for the public from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Senior and Junior division competition is set for 2:30 p.m. at South Plains College Sundown Room, in Levelland.

Youth ages 14 -19 will compete in the senior division, while the junior division contest involves ages 9 -13, or younger. A Pee-Wee Division will involve age 8 and under. "Both the senior and junior divisions will offer a first, second and third place ribbon in each of the four entry classes," explained Linda Pittman, County Extension Agent for Hockley County.

"Because our foods program emphasizes nutrition, contestants will be asked to demonstrate knowledge of nutrition, meal planning, food buying and meal service as well as the ability to prepare food," she added.

Hockley County 4-H Food Show is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

### Adverse Weather Conditions in 1974 Carries Over in 1975 Cotton Seed

(First of a two part series)

A series of crippling factors during the 1974 cotton season have combined with a severely short crop yield to cast shadows over hopeful prospects for next year, according to an area economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Marvin Sartin, area specialist here, says that cottonseed products and cotton planting seed definitely will be affected by the problems that befell the 1974 season.

"Farmers are becoming increasingly aware of the adverse effects of cool, wet weather this past fall," says Sartin. "Yield and quality of all crops deteriorated as a result."

"Cotton producers know these conditions dictate relative immaturity of the fiber, and probably expected lower than normal micronaire readings.

"Because the plants were not killed by a freeze until after the normal frost date, some of the late -set bolls matured enough to go into the stripper basket. The fiber in these late bolls was made during unseasonably cool and cloudy conditions, and were very low in micronaire. Mixing this immature cotton with the better quality that matured earlier in the year resulted in low micronaire classification," Sartin explains.

An additional problem for the cotton industry resulting from this situation is poor seed quality, he adds. Immature bolls caught in the stripper contained small, light seed which will not be fit for planting and not worth much for processing. The more mature bolls, especially those that have been open during much of the rain, may have seed that have deteriorated in ability to germinate.

"Combining these factors with the very small cotton crop on the Plains this year means a definite reduction in cotton seed products and in cotton planting seed for 1975," the economist reports. "Additionally, the seed that is bagged could well be lower than normal quality. Reduced supply and high prices for cottonseed

products indicate rising planting seed prices for next year."

Sartin says that grain suffered less than cotton during the prolonged wet weather.

"Some milo shattered, and some sprouting in the head was reported. However, overall the grain crop withstood the situation."

Corn producers probably incurred the worst problems, he adds. Much of the corn fell that was not harvested before the wet conditions set in. Reports indicated this fallen corn was effectively picked up with combine attachments, and yield losses were held to a minimum.

"Most area seed producers did not harvest before the rains, and production of hybrid grain sorghum seed may suffer proportionally more than grain production," Sartin predicts. "Problems of seed swelling with the moisture, shrinking as they dry, and subsequently shattering were reported from certain areas. Reduced total production and probable lower quality in those seed produced will provide substance for price increases for grain sorghum seed. Also, some particular hybrids may be in fairly short supply."

He adds that although little corn seed is produced in this area, the adverse season in the corn belt will likely have about the same effect on the availability of corn seed. Producers can expect price increases and possibly less choice than usual.

"Potential repercussions of these problems for 1975 suggest that seed prices, along with most farm inputs, will be going up. Even more serious may be the shortage of particular varieties and the quality of the seed produced this year," the economist warns.

"A possible alternative for farmers is to obtain 1973 seed where possible. This seed was generally high quality, and insuring your supply of the preferred varieties or hybrids could be a very positive step for next year. Farmers who normally catch their own cottonseed and



Col. Wilson Speir

and presentation of the Silver Beaver awards.

A special honoree will be Frank Runkles, who retired early this year after 28 years of service to the South Plains Council as Camp Ranger. Runkles is also founder of the Nakona Lodge, Order of the Arrow.

Tickets for the banquet may be purchased from any South Plains District Scout executive or from the South Plains Scout Office in Lubbock.

who did not carry over seed from last year might investigate purchasing seed of determinable quality as their own production may not be very good this year.

"Above all else," Sartin concludes, "remember that strong vigorous seed are important in establishing a good early stand. The yield potential of your crop is determined by the seed that are planted. Do not sacrifice on seed. Plant the best that you can get." (Next: Are Seed Prices Too High? The second of this two part story will deal with risks involved in buying cheap seed.)

### Frenship FFA Club Attends Show

The Frenship FFA Club was represented at the Odessa Livestock Show by Benton Easter, Brent Drenan, Jerry Harvey, Kyle Hoodenpyle, and Diane Hitt, with their lambs.

There were 320 lambs which were divided into four classes with approximately 80 lambs per class.

Placing lambs were Benton Easter, 8th place; Brent Drenan, 10th place; Jerry Harvey, 19th place. Benton Easter's lamb was the only one to make the sale at \$1.05 per pound.

### Youth Crusade at Nazarene Church

There will be a Youth Crusade in the Ropes Church of the Nazarene, January 24, 25 and 26, featuring the Gospel News Singers from Trinity Nazarene Church of Abilene.

Rev. Robert Adams will be doing the preaching. Evening services will begin at 7:30 p.m. Sunday services will be at the regular time.

Everyone is invited to attend these special services.

# Ropesville Area News

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Harris and baby of Colorado City spent Friday night in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray McMillan and Kathy of Merryville, La., recently visited in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Smith.

Libby Thomas daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield left for San Antonio last Wednesday to visit in the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Roberts. On Sunday she flew to Oklahoma City where she attends college.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Durham spent last weekend in Jaurez, Mexico.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert Adams and Brent visited relatives in Abilene Friday and Saturday. While there he united in marriage

Miss Melanie Miller and Gary Brown in First Church of the Nazarene of Abilene.

Mrs. Betty Jane Moore visited in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Briggs last Tuesday.

Mrs. Floyd Bridwell had surgery recently in Brownfield General Hospital. She is at home now.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Carter moved to Winsboro, Texas, last Friday. We regret to see them leave the Ropes community, but wish them happiness in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Young of Lubbock visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Young, Sunday.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Estell Arant Sunday were her grandson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Jonas and children.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hall and children of Littlefield.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ream and Monica recently moved to Camp Rio Blanco, the Girl Scout Camp at

Crosbyton. They are caretakers of the camp. They will be missed by their many friends of the Ropes Community, and we wish them all the happiness that life has to offer in their new home.

For \$1.75 and 10 percent discount on insurance, sign up for defensive driving course offered by the Dept. of Public Safety. This will take 3 nights a week, up to 8 hours. If interested contact Marshall Cox.

## Ropes School Lunch Menu

**Monday, January 20**  
Fried Chicken and Gravy  
Baked Beans, Tossed Salad  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Rolls, Butter  
Cobbler Pie, Milk

**Tuesday, January 21**  
Pigs in Blanket, Mustard Pinto Beans, Buttered Corn  
Mexican Corn Bread  
Peaches, Milk

**Wednesday, January 22**  
Meat Patties, Gravy  
Creamed Potatoes  
Blackeye Peas  
Rolls, Butter  
Rice Krispie Cookies, Choc. Milk

**Thursday, January 23**  
Steak Fingers, Catsup  
French Fries, English Peas  
Rolls, Butter  
Red Jello, Milk

**Friday, January 24**  
Hamburger on Bun  
Corn Chips, Bean Dip  
Onion, Tomato, Lettuce, Pickle  
Ice Cream Cup, Milk

# SPORTS

by Joe Kelly

Friday afternoon, on the way home from a day spent in beating the bushes for the Federation of Independent Business, I stopped off for a friendly visit with everyone's favorite weekly newspaper publisher, Norman "The Forman" Williamson.

"Say," he said with his usually brilliant opening gambit, "Mr. Mac, R.B. McAlister, called me today. Wanted to talk with me about your column last week. Seems as to how he thinks maybe, just maybe, you might have received some wrong information."

That's one of the hazards of being a newspaperman, or even just writing a column. It's amazing how often the writer, by hook or crook, gets the wrong information.

Over a 38 year span, I've (1) misquoted someone, (2) failed to tell it the way it was, (3) been given erroneous information, (4) been accused of 'yellow journalism', (5) picked on someone, (6) been prejudiced, (7) failed to give someone praise deserved, and (8) all of the above and many more.

I've also learned that, over the years, where there's smoke, generally there's fire. Thus, "The lady doth protest too much, methinks," Shakespeare is quoted in one of his plays.

Therefore, being an honest man, I'll accept the word of a gentleman that: (1) Bill McAlister went above and beyond the call of duty in going to Nashville, Tenn., to talk Steve Sloan into coming to Tech, and (2) to talk about the coach's show being on Channel 28.

The trouble, of course, in printing anything like the above is that there are always readers who missed the previous column and so they say, "what the heck is that all about?"

So, you have to recap why you're writing as you are and that keeps the entire episode alive. In brief, before the Cotton Bowl game, a friend told me that the "always reliable" Avalanche - Journal had run a story on Page 1 to the effect that McAlister had gone to Nashville to talk Sloan into not coming to Tech.

I thought it extremely odd behavior for a Lubbock man to do such a thing and other writers in Dallas, those who regularly cover conference games, were most outspoken in their opinions.

When I returned, I read the story in question. There was no question in my mind that such action was implied. Then came the call that said the story was a canard, that McAlister went to convince the new Tech coach to take the job, later called him after he had announced that he was staying at Vandy, convinced him to change his mind.

At the same time, a confidential, reliable informant said that another purpose of the trip was to warn Sloan about J.T. King, Tech's athletic director, and for Sloan to hold out for the AD job.

All of that falls in the category of what my Dad used to tell me when I was a kid: "Son, always tell the truth, but don't tell everything you know."

So, I'm willing to accept the version that the trip to Tennessee was to convince Sloan to come to Tech, but that there were other matters brought up at the same time.

At any rate, Steve Sloan is now the Tech football coach, he's picked most of his staff, recruiting is the main goal now and there's nothing left except for spring training, which ought to be interesting, to say the least.

I wish, of course, that Tech fans would wipe the slate clean, bury their opinions on J.T. King and Jim Carlen—good or bad—and get behind Steve Sloan. We'll never have a successful program here until power struggles, criticism, petty jealousies, false vanity-pride and everything like that is forgotten. Get behind Tech and support the program.

All hail the Steelers, the new world champions of football. They did it with a pair of lines that controlled both offense and defense, with Terry Bradshaw's cool operation and Franco Harris' smashing runs.

I had thought that the Vikings, seeking the title for the third time, would be in command, especially with Fran Tarkenton, the master, running the offense. But the Steelers gave him and the Vikings a bad afternoon.

It was a good game, although defensive battles can be, and usually are, on the dull side. This time defense made for a sparkling game. The threat of the sudden strike, like the home run in baseball, was always there. And the hitting was so intense you couldn't get bored.

In the long run, the Steelers simply had the better team. They failed on a couple of field goals early, but after that they arose to the occasion. I liked the game, think most people did.

The Red Raiders had Houston Monday night, have only a "warmup" game with Oklahoma Baptist Saturday, before entering conference warfare. And they open against Arkansas in the hills, no easy task.

Actually, this Raider squad has been impressive. It has learned to play without Rick Bullock and found out that Mark Davis can fill in adequately. The guard play is improving. There is poise on the club. And it shoots well, while having patience.

I'll predict right now that Tech will be in the final 1-2 in the final league standings—and well might win it.

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# STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Lyndell Williams  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

**Austin**—The 64th Legislature whipped into action Tuesday, Jan. 14, faced with a heavy agenda which lawmakers must strain to complete by the June 2 adjournment deadline.

Blessed with a revenue surplus estimated at well over the \$1 billion mark, legislators may still have a hard time avoiding new taxes due to record spending demands.

Most costly proposals of all deal with overhauling the public school finance formulas, regarded as a must job for the legislature this year.

Price tag on school finance reform ranges up to \$2.7 billion for the next two years. While a more modest version probably will be adopted, any approach will take a big chunk of the available revenues.

Election of the new House speaker—Rep. Bill Clayton of Springlake—was the first major order of business for the session.

Only 30 new members took the oath of office in the House, only four in the Senate.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe is pushing for \$394 million in emergency appropriations to raise state employees pay by 10 percent immediately, provide stopgap school aid and increase retirement benefits.

Matters which legislators will wrangle over during the next 140 days include constitutional revision, creation of a public utilities commission, election law reform, launching a presidential primary, environmental matters, prison and hospital reforms and property tax overhaul.

**Commission Spurned**—A Senate consumer affairs subcommittee balked (on a two to one tie vote) at recommending a statewide public utility commission.

Sens. Betty Andujar of Fort Worth and Bill Meier of Euless voted against the proposal, while Sens. Ron Clower of Garland and

Lloyd Doggett of Austin supported it.

Clower and Doggett immediately pre-filed a bill to set up the commission, as Clower warned the committee vote demonstrates stormy days ahead in the legislature over the issue.

**Appointments**—Governor Briscoe named State Rep. John H. Poerner of Hondo executive director of the Committee on Aging effective February 28.

Other recent appointments by Briscoe include Norman L. Utter of Corpus Christi as 214th district judge, Gerald Alton of Lufkin as 159th district attorney and Herman Smith of Hurst as chairman of a special advisory council on housing.

Dorothy Davidson was named to head the new Texas Education Agency department of general education as an associate commissioner.

**Inquiry Set**—Atty. Gen. John Hill announced he will ask District Judge James R. Meyers of Austin to convene a court of inquiry, probably next summer, into the 1974 Huntsville prison siege.

Hill delayed plans for the inquiry until after trials on criminal charges resulting from the July-August hostage seizure and shootout led by onetime narcotics kingpin Fred Gomez Carrasco.

One of Carrasco's confederates is set for trial next month, and trial of others accused of smuggling guns into the prison is expected to follow. Hill said judges strongly urged him not to call the court of inquiry until the trials have been completed.

The Attorney General said it is doubtful the probe can begin in Meyers' court before mid summer.

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**Courts Speak**—The Texas Supreme Court held parents of a Brewster County youth shot to death while allegedly stealing a battery from a car have a right to trial of a wrongful death suit against the man who killed him.

The Third Court of Civil Appeals held a woman whose only surviving son was killed in a Hays County car-train collision is entitled to \$15,850 damages. A jury verdict had held the 75 year old woman should recover \$25,000.

**Sales Taxes Reported**—Texas cities received more than \$62 million in municipal sales and use tax allocations for the last reported quarter.

Of the total, Houston received \$12.5 million, Dallas, \$7.8 million, San Antonio, \$3.9 million, Fort Worth \$2.6 million; and Austin and El Paso, \$1.9 million each during the quarter.

New Comptroller Bob Bullock resumed release of the data without charge to news media. The comptroller's office last year discontinued distribution of the reports.

**Water Reports Accepted**—Governor Briscoe accepted a short range action program for guiding water development submitted him by a 32 member task force.

At the same time, he emphasized need to find a way to bring water to deficit areas from outside the state.

The program calls for \$1.7 billion worth of projects (many already underway) to meet Texas

water needs and set priorities. It advises local management of ground water resources and endorses water importations for long range needs.

Briscoe called on members of the task force to stay on the job and help implement the plan.

**A.G. Opinions**—Jurisdiction over minors 14-17 years old for fish and game law violations is in juvenile courts, Attorney General Hill held.

Where minors are taken into court, they must be released promptly to parents on promise to bring them to court to request.

In another opinion, Hill said the State General Land Office may pay for operation and maintenance of its airplane and two automobiles from the travel item of the current appropriations act.

### Short Snorts

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## Annie Johnson Has Birthday Coffee Saturday

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A beautiful birthday cake, iced in white and decorated with lovely yellow roses was delivered to her by her son Lonnie Johnson, for the affair.

Those present to help her celebrate were Mrs. Henry Mahoney, Mrs. Jewell Evans, Mrs. Lawrence Williams, Mrs. Sue Corley, Mrs. Edna Findt and Peggy Lawson. Also present was Mrs. Johnson's grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Johnson.

The only reply Mrs. Johnson would give on her age was "I'm the age Jack Benny always was."

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# 1974 Ag Receipts Down

The record books will show 1974 as a "not so good" agricultural year in Texas but there were some bright spots, according to current estimates of agricultural cash receipts by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Our estimates show that cash receipts from agriculture will be down about \$900 million to \$5.6 billion in 1974 compared to the record \$6.5 billion in 1973," points out Charles Baker, Extension Service economist.

"The big drop, to nobody's surprise, is in total cash receipts from livestock. Here our estimated cash receipts total about \$2.5 billion, down more than \$1.1 billion from 1973. The drop in cash receipts from beef accounts for almost all of this decrease."

Cash receipts from poultry and poultry products are estimated down more than \$100 million.

Baker's figures show more than \$3 billion in total cash receipts from all crops, an increase of more than \$200 million over 1973 totals. Feed grains, corn and sorghum, account for most of this increase. Higher receipts are also estimated for rice, soybeans, peanuts,

pecans, flax, sugarcane, sugar beets and hay while cotton took the sharpest plunge as far as crop receipts are concerned. Cash receipts from wheat are also down.

Agriculturally related income is estimated up more than \$175 million over 1973. This includes cash receipts from timber, fish farming, hunting and fishing, horses and other types of farm based recreational activities, points out Baker.

"As everybody knows by now, the plunge in cattle prices is the main reason for the big drop in cash receipts from livestock," explains Baker. "On the crop side, cotton was hammered by both low prices and terrible weather conditions."

What does 1975 hold in store for Texas agriculture?

"Much depends on the overall economy of this country and the market situation for agricultural commodities," says Baker. "Crop production should be up except for cotton. Livestock production should also continue at high levels although pork and poultry production may be down some."

those participating. There is a great need for Emergency Medical Technicians in the surrounding areas and purpose of the school is to graduate as many students as possible.

Upon graduation of these participants from the EMT program, Shallowater will be eligible for a stand-by ambulance service which is a much needed necessity for the community.

One other person, Richard Hopson, has already completed the course, which is paid by the city of Shallowater.

## Shallowater United Methodist Women Meet Monday

The semi monthly meeting of the United Methodist Women was held Monday night, January 13, at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor, with Mrs. R.R. Warren as hostess.

Mrs. Warren, vice president, presided over the short business meeting in the absence of the president, Mrs. C.M. Thomas.

Mrs. B.H. Thomas Jr., presented the pledge service, using the theme, "To Be Alive In Mission."

The new year books were presented to those attending by Mrs. Raymond Mackey. The books were dedicated to Mrs. Luther Vaughn in honor of her faithfulness and dedication to her work in the United Methodist Women's service throughout her years of membership. As an example of her faithfulness all UMW members should strive to follow. Mrs. Vaughn is among the first members of the Shallowater Wesleyan Service Guild and served as Guild president in 1952 and has served faithfully in many other offices and committees.

In the dedication of the books, Mrs. Louis McMenamy read a poem "Hear I Am, Oh God", written especially in honor of Mrs. Vaughn, by Mrs. Blanch Brady.

In closing the service, Mrs. Vaughn was presented a membership pin by the guild.

Next meeting of the members will be Monday, January 27, at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor.

## Farm Credit Outlook Noted

A banker's view of the farm credit outlook was presented to the National Agricultural Outlook Conference by Rex G. Plowman, chairman of ABA's Agricultural Bankers Division.

He said farmers who have some degree of diversification are in a reasonably good position to ride out current problems, adding: "The same applies to banks if they have good diversification among their clientele."

Plowman conceded that some banks which have concentrated on financing livestock, dairy, cotton or other depressed segments "are having liquidity problems." Some of them, he observed, will not be able to carry over a substantial part of last year's loans and have resources to meet another year's demand.

Plowman suggested that almost all foreseeable problems can be met by using existing banking techniques. "Participation and



Anybody for a slump, grunt, flummery or pan dowdy? These traditional New England desserts may sound funny today, but everyone can love those luscious concoctions of juicy fruits and hot biscuit toppings. In old-time cookery slumps and grunts were boiled, while flummeries and pan dowdies were baked. This modern-day version of a pan dowdy uses canned red tart cherries to delight both the traditionalists and modernists.

### CHERRY PAN DOWDY

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| Filling                |   |
| 1 cup granulated sugar | 2 No. 303 cans red tart pitted cherries |
| 1/4 cup cornstarch     | 1/2 tablespoon lemon juice              |
| dash salt              | 1/4 teaspoon almond flavoring           |
| 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon  | 2 tablespoons butter or margarine       |
| 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg    | few drops red food coloring             |

Combine sugar, cornstarch, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg; add to cherries and juice in a saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thick. Remove from heat and add lemon juice, almond flavoring, butter and food coloring. Pour into greased 8 x 8 x 2 inch baking dish.

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| Topping            |                     |
| 2 cups biscuit mix | 1/4 cup sugar       |
| 2/3 cup milk       | 1 teaspoon cinnamon |

Stir biscuit mix and milk together just until blended. Drop by tablespoonfuls into mixture of sugar and cinnamon. Place biscuits on top of cherry filling and bake in a 400° F. oven about 30 minutes. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

## Husband of Floye Gosch Dies

Funeral services for Joseph Clarence Gosch, 57, of 4307 46th St. in Lubbock were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Howell - Doran Funeral Home Chapel in San Saba. Burial was in the San Saba cemetery under the direction of Howell - Doran Funeral Home.

Gosch was dead on arrival at West Texas Hospital at 10:10 p.m. Sunday. He was the husband of Floye Gosch, vice president of the First State Bank of Shallowater.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Judy Guinn of Minneapolis, Minn.; a son, Clarence of Slaton; his mother, Mrs. Willie Gosch of San Saba; one sister, Mrs. Gloria Sparkman of San Antonio and two grandchildren.

## Services Held for Mr. and Mrs. McKay

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Andrew McKay, ages 64 and 55, a brother and sister-in-law to Jesse McKay and Mrs. Esther Lynch of Shallowater, were found dead in the snow on an isolated dirt road near their New Deal home Sunday night.

The gruesome murder of the couple was discovered about three miles northwest of New Deal by three teenagers enroute home from Abernathy. Both had been shot in the head, presumably by a

shotgun blast.

Justice of the Peace Wayne LeCroy ordered autopsies on the couple.

Funeral Services for the couple were held today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. at Arnett Benson Church in Lubbock.

Rev. James McGuire, former pastor, officiated assisted by Rev. Billy Burk, pastor of the church. Burial was in City of Lubbock Cemetery under direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

The couple is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Charles H. Johnson of Champain, Ill.; a son, Andres K. McKay, serving with the U.S. Navy in Florida; and six grandchildren.

Other survivors of McKay includes a sister, Mrs. B.D. Coffman of Route 2, Lubbock, besides the Shallowater relatives.

Mrs. McKay is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Marie Smith of Clarksville, Ark.; and Mrs. Lavanda Dawson of Wichita Falls, six brothers, Melvin Morrison of Phillips, Lee Morrison of Crowley, Millard Morrison of Daingerfield, Seaborn Reppond and John Reppond both of Vernon.

## Four to Attend EMT School

Four persons from Shallowater have been accepted to attend the spring semester of the Emergency Medical Technicians School at the Lubbock Christian College.

Classes will begin today (Thursday) at 6 p.m. The courses will be conducted each Thursday night in Room 201 of the Maddox Pugh Education Building. Classes will last for 4 hours each week.

Participating from Shallowater will be Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Epperson, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Rackler.

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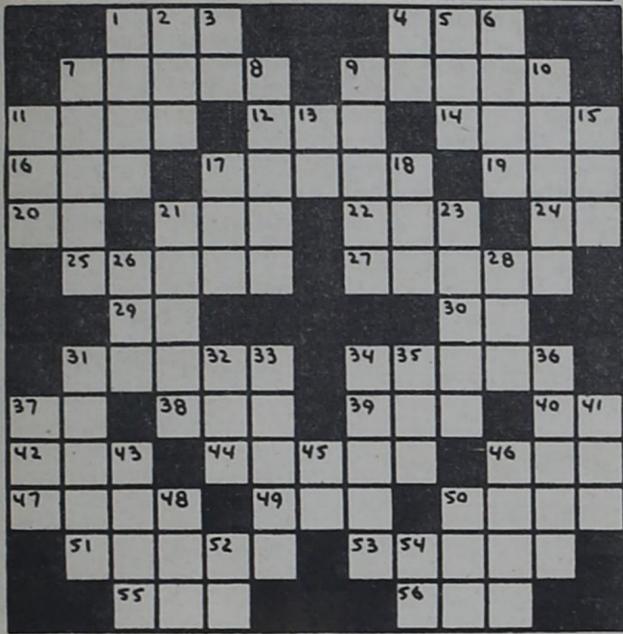
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  - 7 - Liable
  - 9 - Tropical bird
  - 11 - Musical combo
  - 12 - ... Grande
  - 14 - A rank
  - 16 - Man's name
  - 17 - Inconsequential
  - 18 - Hawaiian garland
  - 20 - Pronoun
  - 21 - Circle segment
  - 22 - Lamprey
  - 23 - Perform
  - 25 - Automaton
  - 27 - Resting places
  - 29 - Pronoun
  - 30 - Exist
  - 31 - Elementary substance
  - 34 - Casts off
  - 37 - College degree
  - 38 - Take legal action
  - 39 - Bosom buddy
  - 40 - Greek letter
  - 42 - Knock
  - 44 - Gold unit
  - 46 - Public conveyance
  - 47 - Quite soon
  - 49 - To err
  - 50 - Damage

- 51 - Vex
  - 53 - Bias
  - 55 - Social event
  - 56 - Reverential fear
- DOWN**
- 1 - Expanse
  - 2 - Place of rest
  - 3 - Printer's unit
  - 4 - Exclamation
  - 5 - Performance
  - 6 - Armor
  - 7 - Finer
  - 8 - Construct
  - 9 - Tourist's retreat
  - 10 - Obtrusive plants
  - 11 - Obscure

- 13 - Pronoun
- 15 - "... Bravo"
- 17 - Golf teacher
- 18 - Affirmative vote
- 21 - Encourages
- 23 - Defamation
- 26 - Be obligated
- 28 - Color
- 31 - Intended
- 32 - Diving bird
- 33 - Rent
- 34 - Extends over
- 35 - Headpiece
- 36 - Increase of effort
- 37 - Time period
- 41 - Tenet
- 43 - Bard
- 45 - Small U. S. state (abb.)
- 46 - Something that ruins
- 48 - Scottish "no"
- 50 - Equine command
- 52 - Samarium (chem.)
- 54 - Musical note



**Rays of Hope**  
by Pat Stanton

"For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guide: Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace and ensue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers; but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil." (1 Peter 3:10-12).

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The writer of these verses states that there are definite steps to be taken if you want success, peace of mind, and security. He says that we have to watch our tongue and only let pure and positive words of faith come forth. He also says that we must quit lying with our lips.

The apostle Peter goes on to say that we must avoid and shun evil and do only good things. Also we are told to run after peace and to be very successful in this art.

Peter says in the tenth verse that the Lord will watch over our lives with his protection and will

hear our prayers if we do the suggestions in the two preceding verses.

In these evil days that we are surrounded with, I would firmly suggest that we follow the Christian discipline that is taught in the Holy Bible. It will save your physical life plus your spiritual nature.

**Ostomate Group To Meet**

The Lubbock Ostomy Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, January 21, in the Staff Meeting Room of St. Mary of the Plains Hospital.

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The National Honor Society of Ropes High School has adopted a new project, Student of the Month. Each month they will select one outstanding boy and girl.

In December they selected Chelle McSpadden and Dennis Perkins. Chelle is a member of the basketball team and N.H.S. Chelle is a senior. Dennis is a member of the Ropes High School Band and N.H.S. and F.T.A. He is a senior.

The students of the month for January are Kayla Odom and Ricky Streety. Kayla is a senior and a member of the Ropes Varsity Basketball team. She is in F.H.A., F.T.A. and N.H.S. She is also a member of the Ropes band. Ricky is a junior and on the varsity basketball team, a member of N.H.S. and also plays in the stage band.

### Band Members Make All Region

Ropes High School band members took all honors at the All Region tryouts held at LCC on January 11th. Ropes had 8 members to try out and all 8 made it.

They are: Karen Arp, Cornet, 4th; Kim Lemon, Cornet, 15th chair; Kayla Odom, Clarinet, 4th; Sue Tonn, Saxophone, 3rd; Debbie Johnson, Saxophone, 4th; Wess Cox, Tuba, 5th chair; Monte Moore, Baritone, 5th chair; and Gary Means, Tenor Sax, 2nd chair.

#### Depends

Every man has times when he believes in dictatorship, provided he could be it.

—Times, Roanoke

### Ropes Future Homemakers Meet

The Ropes FHA Chapter met January 7th to discuss the FHA area meeting, FHA banquet, and nominate an FHA Beau.

The area meeting is to be held February 28 thru March 1, 1975. Also at this time, February 8th was the date decided upon for the FHA banquet to be held at Underwoods Cafeteria. Elected as FHA Beau was freshman, Kim Lemon; also nominated was Jerry White.

It was decided that in order to attend the state meeting, the members, consisting of two juniors, achieve two levels of encounter.

Also the future homemakers will sponsor their second major money making project, which will be a Tupperware Party, to be held on Monday, January 20 in the homemaking department, at 7:30 p.m. Those interested are urged to attend.

### Services Held for V. A. Bethany

Services for V.A. Bethany, 61, of Wilsonville, Ore., were at 2:30 p.m. Friday in First United Methodist Church of Ropesville with the Rev. Hubert Bratcher, retired Methodist minister of Lubbock, officiating.

Burial was in Ropesville Cemetery under direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

Bethany died Monday in a hospital in Portland, Ore., following a lengthy illness.

A native of Baytown, he was a former resident of Ropesville and had lived on the West Coast for the past 27 years. He was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Mae Keese of Midland and Mrs. Ruby Sturdivant of Globe, Arizona; and one brother, W.R. of Route 9, Lubbock.

### Frenship Varsity Boys Loose 2 This Week

Friday, Jan. 10th the varsity boys played Denver City and lost 65 to 52. High point was Bob Woodward with 22, followed by Vernon McKinney with 10 points.

Tuesday, Jan. 14 at Frenship they lost to Post with a score of 57 to 52. High point was Bob Woodward with 14 and David Welch with 14, followed by Eddie Prather with 10 points.

### Frenship Junior High Basketball

The 7th grade girls won consolation in the Levelland Tournament. They defeated Lorenzo 24 to 11, with Mary Patterson scoring 11 points, Sherry Calvin, and Rhonda Trull, 4 points each. They won 21 to 14 over Cooper with Marry Patterson scoring 14 points, Sherry Calvin, 3 points, Rhonda Trull and Dana Dowgar, 2 points. Mona Robinson had 7 rebounds.

Jan. 13 the girls lost to Slaton, 26 to 19. Mary Patterson had 18 points and Angela Gaston 9 rebounds.

The 9th grade girls won second place in the Levelland Tournament. They won over Levelland 47 to 16. Jeananne Jones scoring 31 points, Sylvia Zarate, 12 points, and Sandy Gilliam 9 rebounds.

In the game with Lorenzo, which Frenship won 40 to 27, Jeananne Jones scored 29 points and Sylvia Zarate, 9 points. The girls lost to Slaton 55 to 44 with Jeananne Jones scoring 28 points, Sylvia Zarate, 16 points and Janis Gaston 12 rebounds.

The 7th grade boys beat Slaton Monday 36 to 20. Byron Bitner, 20 points; Jeff Joiner, 9 points, Jeff Parrack, 3 points; Eddie Washington, 3 points; Will Ritchey, 1 point. They will play

in the Christ the King Tournament, Jan. 16, 17, 18; and Monday, Jan. 20 travel to Rosevent.

The 8th grade boys played in the Tahoka Tournament Jan. 9, 10, 11 and beat Cooper 22 to 19. Vernell McKinney scored 14 points, Tommy Gant, 3 points; Larry Allen, 2 points; Steve Harkness, 2 points and Jody Godwin, 1 point.

In their second game they lost to O'Donnell 32 to 22, and lost to Slaton in the third game 39 to 33.

They will also be playing the Christ the King Tournament this week.

### Freshman Boys Defeat Slaton

The Frenship Freshman boys defeated Slaton 61 to 49 at Slaton Monday night. It was the overall best team effort of the year.

John Biddle led the scoring with 20 points and Loyd Strong with 17 points and Lee Rickey with 14 points. Doug Townsend and Sam Godwin had a good defensive game.

The next game is January 20 at Rosevelt.

### Frenship Junior Varsity Results

The Frenship junior varsity boys lost to Denver City Friday night with a 69 to 32 score. High point was Weldon Brooks with 10 points. They will be playing Thursday, Jan. 16 in the Littlefield Tournament.

The Frenship JV Kittens failed in their comeback bid by 2 points Tuesday night, falling to Post 36 to 34. The Kittens fell behind early and trailed by twelve points at the end of the first quarter.

The lead was cut to 6 by halftime and then to 5 at the end of the three periods of play. With a little over 5 minutes to play the Kittens went ahead by 3 points on

two free throws by Sherri Pittman, but could not hold on for the win.

Leading scorers for the JV Kittens were Pittman with 16, Kay Witt with 13 and Jenny Hilton and Ofelia Pena with 3 and 2 points respectively.

Defensive leaders in the game were Janet Hadley who had 7 rebounds, Rita Stigus, Sheryl Harkness and Tina Olenik.

### Frenship School Lunch Menu

Monday, January 20

Green Enchilada Casserole  
Tossed Salad, Red Beans  
Hot Rolls, Butter  
Banana Coblér, Milk

Tuesday, January 21

Sloppy Joes  
Versa Tators, Spinach  
Strawberry Jello with Whipped Cream, Milk

Wednesday, January 22

Turkey and Gravy  
Dressing, Cranberries  
Green Beans, Sweet Potatoes  
Hot Rolls, Butter, Milk

Thursday, January 23

Corndog with Mustard  
Lima Beans, Tator Tots  
Apple Pie, Milk

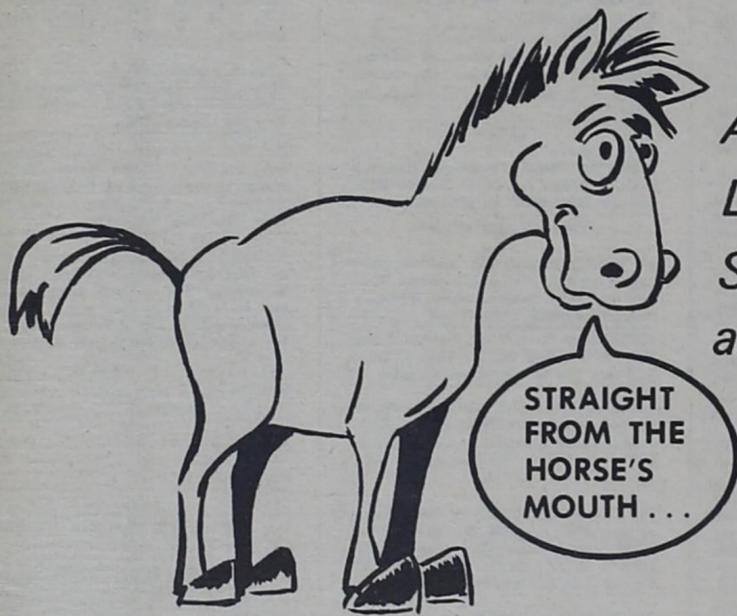
Friday, January 24

Chicken Noodle Soup, Crackers  
French Fries  
Peach Half with pink coconut  
Batter Sweet Bread, Milk

### Frenship Young Homemakers Meet Thursday

The Frenship Young Homemakers met Thursday, January 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the homemaking cottage.

The program was brought by M. Grady Jones, about decorating with plants and a demonstration was presented on terrariums and their care. Mr. Jones is from Plant Emporium in Lubbock.



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