



# WELCOME RODEO FANS!

## ATTEND THE BEST LITTLE RODEO ON EARTH JULY 10-11-12

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Today is the Big Day for the Big Annual Earth Amateur Rodeo to begin and anxiety is riding high. Folks around have been buying crepe paper, working on floats for the parade which, hopefully will be a real good parade.

The rodeo, goes without question as to whether it will be good or not. E-A-R-T-H always has the best rodeo in the country.

So, all you folks get ready to

attend the 3-day event. If you like rodeos, you'll love this one.

If you don't like rodeos, you're liable to come away with a change of heart.

Much work has gone into getting ready for the rodeo, bar-be-que and parade. So come on in Thursday at 5 p.m. and view the parade, eat bar-be-que and attend the performance.

See you there!

The big 31st Annual Earth Amateur Rodeo will kick off today (Thursday) with a big downtown parade beginning at 5 o'clock.

Theme for the parade will coincide with the Bi-Centennial of the U. S. A. Floats from various civic organizations are expected to depict the early American style of life and fashion designs.

Prizes will be presented to

parade winners in the various divisions. Trophies will be presented to winners of riding clubs. Prizes and trophies will be provided by the Chamber of Commerce.

Following the parade, a free bar-be-que dinner, with a vegetable and salad will be served in the F. F. A. Show Barn, located on the rodeo grounds. A ticket to the Thursday night

performance entitles ticket holder to the free bar-be-que. Serving will cease at 8:30 p.m.

Performances of the biggest little rodeo on Earth, will begin nightly at 9 o'clock Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The rodeo, noted for being one of the best in the country is expected to attract two or three thousand spectators.

Two specialty attractions

slated for rodeo fans is the rope race. This act is expected to be highly entertaining. The other special attraction is the businessmen's calf roping. The latter is expected to have a comical slant, as some businessmen have talents in other fields, but may be lacking in the field of rodeo performers.

Stock for the rodeo will be provided by L. S. Ward of Trinidad, Colorado.

Trophy buckles will be presented first place winners in each event.

Events will include, calf roping, bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, girl's barrel race, bull riding, team roping and a wild mare race.

There will also be a Junior roping division. These events will be performed by cowboys age 16 years and under.

Each event is expected to bring

in top cowboy performers from all over the country.

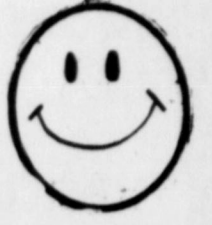
For an evening of entertainment, thrills and chills, the place to go is the Earth Rodeo. Tickets are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children.

Each performance will provide top entertainment for every member of the family. So be sure to attend the biggest event of the year in Earth, Texas, July 10-11-12.

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## Parade To Begin At 5 P.M. Today

The Annual Rodeo Parade will begin at 5 o'clock Thursday (today) July 10, in downtown Earth. The group will gather at the East end of town and will travel down Main Street and disperse at the old Gulf station West of Earth.

Checks will be presented for the best float, trophies for the best Riding Club, and best in the bicycle-mini-bike division age group will receive checks. In the float division, first place winner will be presented a check for \$30.00. Second place winner will receive a \$20.00 check and third place float will receive \$10.00.

Riding Clubs will receive trophies. In the Senior division, trophies will be presented to the first and second place winners. In the Junior division, only one trophy will be given.

The bicycle and mini-bike division will be divided into age groups. The nine years and older groups, and the under nine years old. Both groups will receive first and second place checks. First place in each of the two divisions will be presented \$5.00 and second place winners will receive \$2.00 each.

All trophies and checks will be presented by the local Chamber of Commerce.

## Rodeo Queen To Be Announced At Thursday Night Performance

Five talented young ladies competed in the local Rodeo Queen Contest Tuesday. Judges made their selection, and the winner will be announced at the Thursday night Rodeo.

The five contestants were Teresa Lively, Sherri Winders, Wendy Branscum, Pam Eagle all of Earth and Springlake and Debbie Spencer of Littlefield.

The contestants were judged by two talented judges from out of town.

The contestants met at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning at the rodeo arena in Earth, dressed in western clothing, an demonstrated their horsemanship

ability.

At 1 o'clock the girls met for a luncheon in the Homemaking Cottage, dressed in long dresses. Judges rated the girls for poise and personality.

Mrs. Linda James, chairman of the contest said the girls were judged by two of the best qualified judges in the country. She hoped that next year there would not be so many conflicting events, so that additional girls would have a chance to enter the contest.

An extra thrill to the big rodeo event, will be the announcement of the new '75-'76 Earth Rodeo Queen.

## Michigan Man Held In Death Of Ex-Earth Woman

OKEECHOBEE, Fla. - A 27 year old Michigan man has been arrested in connection with the death of Paula Diane Etheridge, 23, a former Earth resident, kidnapped June 30 from an Okeechobee laundry.

Arrested was David Delap, an Okeechobee resident on parole for unarmed robbery and assault to commit rape in Michigan. Delap is being held in the Okeechobee County Jail without bond.

Edward Chisholm, chief of detectives for the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office, said Delap voluntarily turned himself in to authorities here Monday night.

Delap took officers to a site approximately 25 miles from Okeechobee where the body was discovered early Tuesday. An autopsy has been ordered, Chisholm said.

"He gave us no reason for committing the murder," Chisholm said, "just that he was angry and upset."

Miss Etheridge was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Etheridge of Altus, Okla., and formerly of Earth.

Miss Etheridge was scheduled to be married July 26 to Ronald Lee Hayes of Okeechobee.

Chisholm said Miss Etheridge was kidnapped from the laundromat and apparently killed

shortly afterward.

It has not been determined how the young woman died, Chisholm said.

Witnesses at the laundry gave detectives a partial license tag number and description of the suspect. Delap was called to the sheriff's office for questioning, Chisholm said.

Services for Miss Etheridge was at noon Wednesday at the First Baptist Church in Okeechobee.

Officiating was the Rev. Richard Whipple, pastor of First Baptist Church. Funeral arrangements were handled by Suddreth Funeral Home in Okeechobee.

Funeral services will be at Altus, Oklahoma at 2:00 p.m. Friday, under direction of Timms Funeral Home there. Burial will be in Altus Cemetery.

Miss Etheridge was a junior high school teacher and a graduate of Western New Mexico University.

She was born in Altus. Survivors include her parents, three sisters, Mrs. Nell Whittle of Burke, Va., Mrs. Billie Robnett of Lubbock, and Sandra Sue of Altus; and grandmothers, Mrs. C. L. Etheridge of Altus and Mrs. F. E. Stephenson of San Antonio.



BILL CLAYTON

## Bill Clayton Named "Man Of The Year"

State Representative and Speaker of the House Bill Clayton, who for years has been an advocate of water conservation, has been named a "Man of the Year in Texas Agriculture" for 1975 by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association.

One of six Texans selected for the honor, Clayton was nominated by the county agents in District 2 (South Plains) of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The awards are presented annually to outstanding leaders in agriculture and related industries, said Dallas County Extension Agent Steve Wheelless, president of the state association. The awards also recognize the contributions made by these leaders to improving levels of living and economic growth in their communities, their countries, the state and nation.

Clayton will receive his award during the association's annual meeting August 3-5 in Lubbock. Clayton, who farms and ranches near Springlake in Lamb County, has been an acknowledged leader in water legislation. He has served as chairman of the standing Subcommittee on Water Conservation of the Natural Resources Committee and on the Conservation and Reclamation Committee as well as numerous interim water committees.

He has also chaired committees on aeronautics, counties and livestock since being elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1962. Clayton has held the Speaker's position since January.

He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Environmental Resources Conference, board member of the Texas Water Conservation Association, former executive director and present advisory board member of Water, Inc., former chairman of the Interstate Conference on Water Problems and member of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Water Resources Committee.

Other achievements include chairman of the 1975 National Legislative Conference and executive committee member of the Southern Legislative Conference. Clayton is a director of the Olton State Bank and is president of Springlake Enterprises as well as Texhold, Inc.

He and his wife, Delma, have two children.



Two wrongs can never make a right.

## School Board Agenda

Springlake-Earth school board of trustees will meet Monday, July 14 at 8:30 p.m. in the high school building to consider the following agenda:

1. Approval of minutes, July 10, 1975
2. Approval of bills
3. Evaluation and employment of personnel.
4. Procedure for selling buses
5. Preliminary budget work for 1975 and 1976
6. Review of academic curriculum and co-curricular education program.
7. Review school maintenance program
8. Budget progress report
9. Adjournment

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Robinson and family spent 4th of July as guests of other mother, Mrs. Jack Oakley and sisters, Shirley and Linda of Antion. The group enjoyed a family cookout in the backyard.



BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN---This young cowboy was part of the crew at the Rodeo Arena Tuesday getting things in readiness for the rodeo. Tip Townsend, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Townsend seems pretty much at home in the saddle.

## Arts And Crafts Bazaar At P.V. July 11-12

The Pleasant Valley Community is sponsoring an Arts and Crafts bazaar at the P.V. Community Building Friday and Saturday, July 11 and 12. Hours Friday will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The purpose of the bazaar is to raise funds for needed improvements on the Community Center. A 10% commission charge on all items sold will go into the improvement fund. Also refreshments will be sold both Friday and Saturday and proceeds used for the same cause.

Example of the many items exhibited in the bazaar will include, oil paintings, acrylic, tile also water color paintings and sketches.

There will be dolls, doll clothing and doll furniture.

Other items of crevel work include embroidery, crochet, needle point, quilting, weaving, decapouge, ceramic and china painting.

Also woodcraft, quilling, paper tote, Christmas decorations, household linens, jewelry, baked goods and cookies.

All homemade items will be sold during the two day event. All exhibitors should have their entries checked in Thurs-

day, July 10 between the hours of 4 to 8 p.m. Each item should be priced. Price tags must include what exhibitors themselves want for the item, plus the 10% fee charged for the selling of it. Also the tag must identify the displays name.

Pleasant Valley community

## Ball Game, Swim Party And Weiner Roast Set July 22

The Pee Wee Little League has scheduled a swimming party from 7 to 9 p.m. on July 22 at the city pool.

Following the swimming session a weiner roast will be held at the scout hut. The fee for the event will be \$2.00 per family, to eat and to swim.

Prior to the swimming meet, parents are to meet at the ball park at 5 p.m. to play a soft ballgame. During the game donations will be accepted to defray the expenses of this years Little League Program. They have some bills that need to be paid. All donations will be appreciated.

The public is invited and urged to be present and give their

folks always do everything 100%, so this may be the ideal time to shop for unique gifts and decorator items for Christmas.

Anyone interested in further information may call Reta Hawkins 965-2485, or Sue Holt 965-2842 or either Phyllis Angeley 965-2776 or Pat Angeley at 965-2768.

## Bookmobile In Area July 17-18

The Bookmobile will be in the Earth area on Thursday, July 17 and in the Pleasant Valley area the following day.

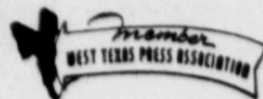
On Thursday the Bookmobile is scheduled to be in the city of Springlake from 10:30 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon. It will then roll in to Earth at 1:15 and remain until 3:45 p.m.

On Friday the library on wheels will be in Pleasant Valley from 11 a.m. to 12 o'clock noon, before moving on to Sudan.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fuller, Ricky and Tanya of Jal, New Mexico are here visiting his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown and Dicky, and her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Burton.

ATTEND CHURCH

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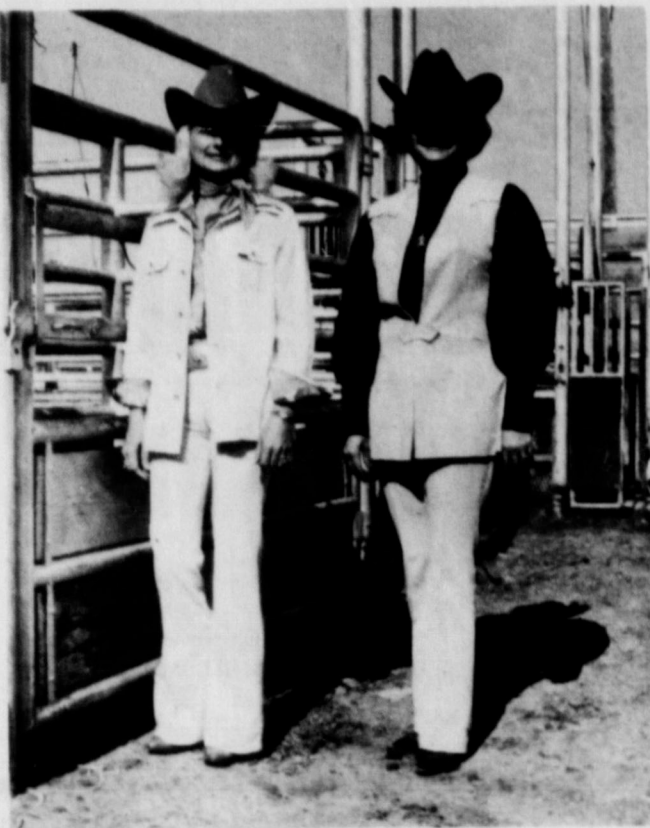
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LOVELY JUDGES... These two qualified ladies, talented in horsemanship, and poise, judged the local Rodeo Queen Contest. They are Lynette Davis of Lubbock and Wilma Tulgun of Clovis

## Legislature Abolishes County School Superintendent's Job

Governor Dolph Briscoe signed a bill last week that will result in the abolishment of the office County School Superintendent C. Roy Stevens in Lamb County and including most other counties that still maintain County School Superintendents offices. Wayne Peveto authored the bill which prohibits state support for County School Superintendents after the date, December 31, 1978, where no common school districts, or rural high school districts exist. The bill is finally passed was not exactly the original language used in Peveto's bill, but did get things rolling to rid the archaic offices where those

who had them had nothing to do. Next year Peveto plans to sponsor a bill that will abolish all County School Superintendents offices not terminated in House Bill 226. In addition to stopping the funds for most county school superintendents, the bill strips funds for ex-officio superintendents and county school board members as of December 31, 1978. C. Roy Stephens may, if he so desires, remain at his post until

POSADA CAR OVERTURNS FRIDAY-and driver is slightly injured.

## Springlake Cafe Burglarized

The Springlake Cafe was burglarized sometime between closing time at 10:30 p.m. Friday and 7 a.m. Saturday, according to Lamb County Sheriff E. D. McNeece and Deputy Sheriff Cooper of Littlefield, who investigated the crime. The discovery was made Saturday when Mrs. Murrell, owner of the cafe came down to open up. She immediately called

law officials in. Entry was gained by breaking out the plate glass window in the front of the cafe. Meat valued at \$40.00 was stolen along with \$9.00 worth of fish. The cigarette machine was damaged in an effort to get the money, but it was too difficult and was left unopened. No additional vandalism to the property was done.

## Baptist Men Circle July 12 On Calender

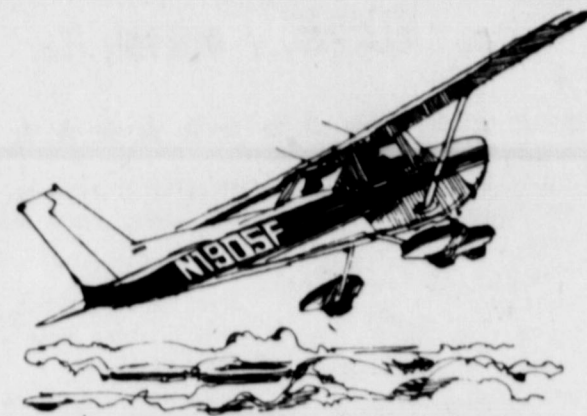
The monthly Baptist Brotherhood breakfast for men and boys is set for 7 a.m. Saturday, July 12 in the church fellowship hall. All men and boys are invited to attend this special breakfast session. Marshal Young, Dimmitt, Brotherhood director for First Baptist Church and worker with the Royal Ambassadors, will be guest speaker for the breakfast. Ted Borum said there would be no cards mailed out this week, but urged men to mark on their calendar 7 a.m. Saturday, July 12 and be sure to

## One Car Accident Friday In Earth

Richard Posada, 29 of Earth was slightly injured in a one car accident about 10 o'clock Friday night in Earth. The accident occurred on Highway 70 at the East intersection of Hite Park addition, and overturned in a box ditch.

Highway patrol officers Ray Cannon and Harry Keyes of Littlefield, stated that Posada driving the '63 model 4-door Plymouth East down Highway 70 lost control of the vehicle and it veered across the road and overturned in a box ditch. Posada was rushed to Medical Arts Hospital in Littlefield by the Earth ambulance where X-rays of his neck were made. A ticket was issued for driving without a license. A second ticket is pending, Patrolman Keyes explained.

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## Gover, Garza Named All Stars, Stovall Recognized

The Little League All-Star team was selected by the six coaches in the Little League Association on Thursday, July 3. The selections were made following the last game of the season played that night in Olton.

Members of the Earth team chosen as All-Stars are Michael Gover and Danny Garza. They will play in the All-Star Tournament on July 14 in Plainview. Jay Gover, coach for the one

Little League team in Earth said another of his team, Dusty Stovall was recognized July 3 for Sports Award.

Gover said, "My team never won a game," but he explained, "That doesn't mean they didn't try, because they played excellent ball, just couldn't make the highest score." He indicated, the one thing they did was to enjoy the sport and give it their best.

## Mrs. Drake Injured In Fall Monday

Mrs. R. L. Drake, 86, was injured Monday when she fell at her home here about 5:15 p.m. She was rushed by ambulance to the Amherst Hospital.

She was discovered to have received a broken right thigh bone and was in considerable pain.

The accident occurred when Mrs. Drake, who makes her home here with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Stovall, was playing with her

7 months old granddaughter Carla. As she raised her foot to step up from the split-level utility room into the kitchen, she failed to step high enough and fell with the baby in her arms. Mrs. Drake cradled the baby in her arms to protect her from injury.

Tuesday morning Mrs. Drake was taken by ambulance to the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock where she remains a patient.



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## Cattle - Auto Crash Friday Near Earth

Two young people miraculously escaped injury when the pickup they were driving crashed into some cattle on the highway Friday about 11:15 p.m. about 6 1/2 miles West of Earth.

Driver of the '73 Chevrolet pickup, Marshal Bennett Pool, of Muleshoe and his fiancée Vicki Watkins of Earth were returning home from a date, driving East on Highway 70 when several cows on the high-

way caused the wreck. Pool tried to avoid a collision, but all attempts failed.

Two cows and two calves were hit, of the four, two were killed. Several other head of cattle were also loose and on the highway, Pool said.

Highway Patrol Harry Keyes and Ray Cannon were called to the scene. Patrolman indicated there was no way Pool could have avoided the collision.

## Bulls Named New Chamber President, Fish Fry Set August 23

Officers and directors of the Earth Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture met Thursday morning, July 3 for a regular monthly session.

Plans for the annual Fish Fry were discussed at length. The date for the customer appreciation free Fish Fry is August 23 in the City Park.

Following the Fish Fry, the Earth Lions will sponsor a donkey ball game, in the park.

Chamber president, Wendell Clayton, resigned his position. Gary Bulls was named to replace Clayton as president. Norman

Hinchliffe was voted to take over as Vice-President of the Chambers. Clayton was placed as a director.

Other officers are, treasurer, Billy Moore, office secretary, Mrs. Alene Griffin.

Directors are Bill Scott, Wilton McDonald, Leon Dent, W. B. McMillian, Perry Martin, Doug Parish, Macky McCarty, Roger Haberer and Clayton.

### PARTY LINE

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown and Dicky were in Oklahoma City last week for Dicky's check-up at the Oklahoma Allergy Clinic. They also went to Manford, Oklahoma and visited Mr. and Mrs. Bobby D. Green and Steve. Dicky stayed with Steve for a couple of days while the Gene Brown's went to Tulsa and visited relatives and friends.



"A hair on the head is worth two in the brush."

## City Dads Discuss Purchase Of Caterpillar

Four members of the City Council were present at a regular monthly meeting Monday night. Mayor Protem, Doug Parish presided in the absence of Mayor Larry Tunnell.

The group discussed the cost of a used caterpillar which they felt the city needed for use at the city dump ground. They authorized Johnny Enloe to check on the price of a used one, before any meaningful decision could be made.

The group agreed to amend the contract with the State Department of Public Welfare, so

as to pay Social Security on all employees, instead of paying on the full time employees, only.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The June bills were reviewed and approved for payment.

Those present were Doug Parish, Aldermen Ralford Daniel, Glenn Bulls and W. B. McMillian, also city attorney Andy Strobel, city secretary Betty McAlpine, water superintendent Johnny Enloe and city marshal Alvin Pittman.

## Beginner Swimming Lessons To Begin July 14

Swimming lessons for beginners are slated to begin at the city pool on Monday, July 14 and continue through July 25. Classes will begin at 9:30 and continue until 10:30 a.m. each week day morning.

Cindy Dent and John Cleavinger will instruct the swimming classes.

The two stated that if enough children were interested in

learning to swim they would form two classes. A second class would begin at 10:30 and continue until 11:30 a.m. daily.

Each child will receive 10 lessons. All parents interested in having their children learn to swim should contact Cindy Dent or John Cleavinger at 257-3909 or 257-3723 or 986-2684.

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## EARTH RIDING CLUB MEMBERS RIDE IN MULESHOE PARADE

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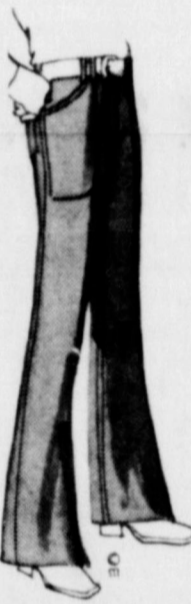
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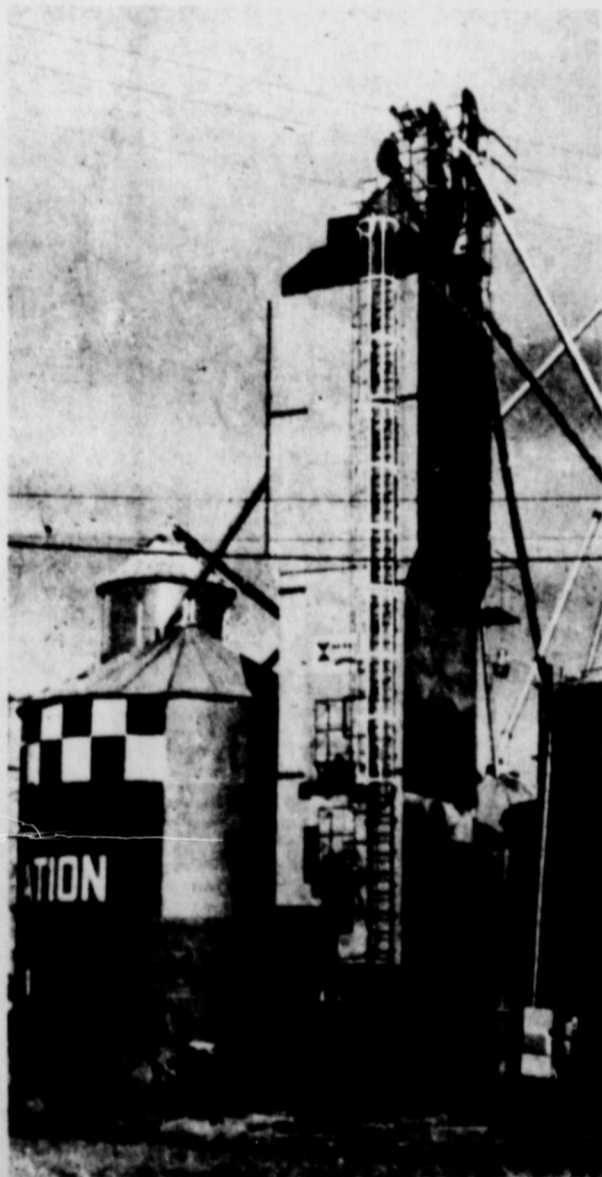
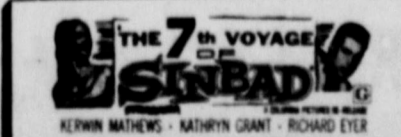
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## "The Crusaders" Delight Senior Citizens With Religious Program

"The Crusaders" a quartet from Muleshoe entertained members of the Senior Citizens Club here Thursday, at a monthly noon-day luncheon.

The delicious luncheon was enjoyed by all, but the religious singing program following the meal was delightful and was spiritually uplifting.

The quartet consisted of District Attorney Jack Young of Muleshoe, W. T. Watson, Marvin Lewis and Wayland Ethridge. Lewis accompanied the group on his steel guitar and Ethridge played the piano. Some of the songs they presented were "Open The Gates Of Heaven," "I Want to Stroll all Over Heaven," "Holy Hills of Heaven," "Heavens Word Come Down," "Amazing Grace," "I'll Meet You in the Morning," "The Lighthouse" and "I'm Living On Higher Ground."

Those attending included Mrs. Lena Grace Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butler, Mrs. Beula Coker, Mrs. Gladys Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Fanning, Mrs. Bonnie Haberer, Ted Bor-

um, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Axtell, Mrs. Florence Gover, Mrs. Cara Morgan, Miss Ruby Jones, Mrs. Ida Allen, Mrs. Dean Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hinson, J. O. Penley, Mrs. R. C. Hyde and our guests Marvin Lewis, W. T. Watson, Jack Young and Wayland Ethridge.

Following a brief business session the group adjourned. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 6 at noon in the Community Building.

### Notice

Beginners lessons only, will be taught by John Cleavinger and Cindy Dent at the city pool. Classes will be limited. If enough children sign up, there will be two classes. The first class at 9:30 to 10:30 a. m. and another at 10:30 to 11:30 a. m. There will be 10 lessons for each child for the next two weeks, beginning Monday, July 14-July 25, (five days weekly).

Anyone interested may reach Cindy or John at 257-3909 or 257-3723 or 936-2884.



MRS. DOUGLAS FREEMAN  
(nee Deborah Wilson)

## Wilson - Freeman United In In Marriage

Miss Deborah Wilson and Douglas Freeman, both of Lubbock were united in marriage at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, July 3 in the Sunnyside Baptist Church.

Rev. Marvin Durham, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, Lubbock performed the double ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Henshel Wilson of Sunnyside. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Freeman

of Earth.

The ceremony was performed before a formal arrangement of yellow candles in candelabras draped with baby's breath and greenery, accented with white and yellow daisies tied with yellow and mint green bows. The background of the setting was accented with large wedding bells.

Wedding music was played by Verna Sadler and accompanied by vocalist Willie Roy Meyers of Slaton who sang "My Sweet Lady" and "Color My World" accompanied by Cindy Sadler playing the flute, Wanda and Sherri Collins, aunt and cousin of the bride sang "The Wedding Prayer."

The bride given in marriage by her father and mother, wore a formal length gown of candlelight satin overlaid with sheer organza. Embroidered lace embellished with seed pearls trimmed the bodice collar, sheer organza sleeves, skirt and chapel train. A capulet of lace held the elbow length veil. She carried a bouquet of yellow roses, daisies surrounded by baby's breath over a lace covered Bible carried also by her mother and aunt as brides.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was Renee' Wilson of Levelland, sister-in-law of the bride. Bridesmaids were Daneen Wilson, sister of the bride and Vicky Freeman, sister of the groom. They wore floor length dresses of yellow dotted swiss with flocked daisies. They carried white baskets of white and yellow daisies. In their hair they wore yellow veils trimmed with yellow flowers.

Rena Epperson of Midland was

the flower girl.

Sherri Collins and Cindy McAlpine were the candlelighters. They wore floor length dresses of yellow dotted swiss.

David Hanson of Earth was the groom's best man. Groomsman were the groom's brothers, Brad of Lubbock and Eric Freeman of Earth.

The ring bearer was Scott Wilson of Ropesville. Lonnie Wilson of Levelland, Terry Hickman of Lubbock, Gary Nutt of Dimmitt and Johnny Smith of Earth were ushers.

The registrar's table was laid with white flocked chiffon. The centerpiece was a yellow candle arrangement. Lydia Smith of Earth registered the guests.

The wedding reception followed the ceremony. Silver candelabrum with a bouquet of white daisies, yellow and mint green carnations, a crystal punch bowl and a three-tiered cake decorated the table laid with a lace cloth over white satin.

Miniature yellow rose rice bags was distributed from white baskets to the guests by Deanna Starnes and Robbie Jay Epperson. The bride chose a jersey knit dress of beige and coral with matching accessories for their wedding trip to San Antonio.

The bride and groom are graduates of Springlake-Earth schools. She is employed at Park Hill & Steel of Lubbock. He is the manager of the Town Inn Phillip's Sixty-Six Station of Lubbock.

The couple will reside at 5416 50th Barcelona Apts. Lubbock.

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## Tops Members Discuss Projects For The Club

Members of the local TOPS Club met Thursday, July 3 at

5:30 p. m. in the Earth Medical Building in regular weekly session.

Six members answered the roll call.

Mrs. Beatrice Shirey was Queen of the Week, having lost the most weight. Mrs. Robert McCurry was runner-up.

The group discussed several money making projects for the club, but no real decisions were made on the project to use.

Those present were Mrs. W. R. Hucks, Mrs. Carl Perkins, Mrs. Ralph Rudd, Mrs. Robert McCurry, Mrs. Bill Robinson and Mrs. Shirey.

### Notice

Elder H. O. Ballard of Duncan, Oklahoma will preach at the Primitive Baptist Church in Muleshoe.

The Revival begins July 14 and will continue nightly through July 19. He will also preach the morning services Sunday, July 20.

Everyone is invited to attend.

### — NOTICE —

There will be a pre-nuptial shower honoring Miss Karen Armstrong, bride-elect of Donnie Swink on Saturday morning, July 19 from 10-11:30 a. m. in the home of Mrs. Roger Haberer.

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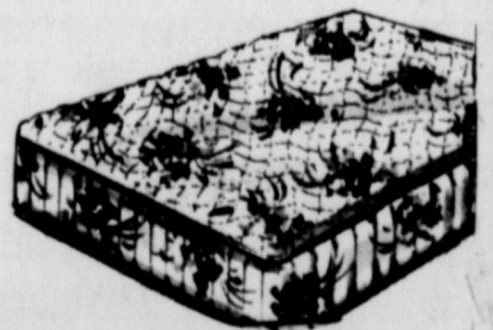
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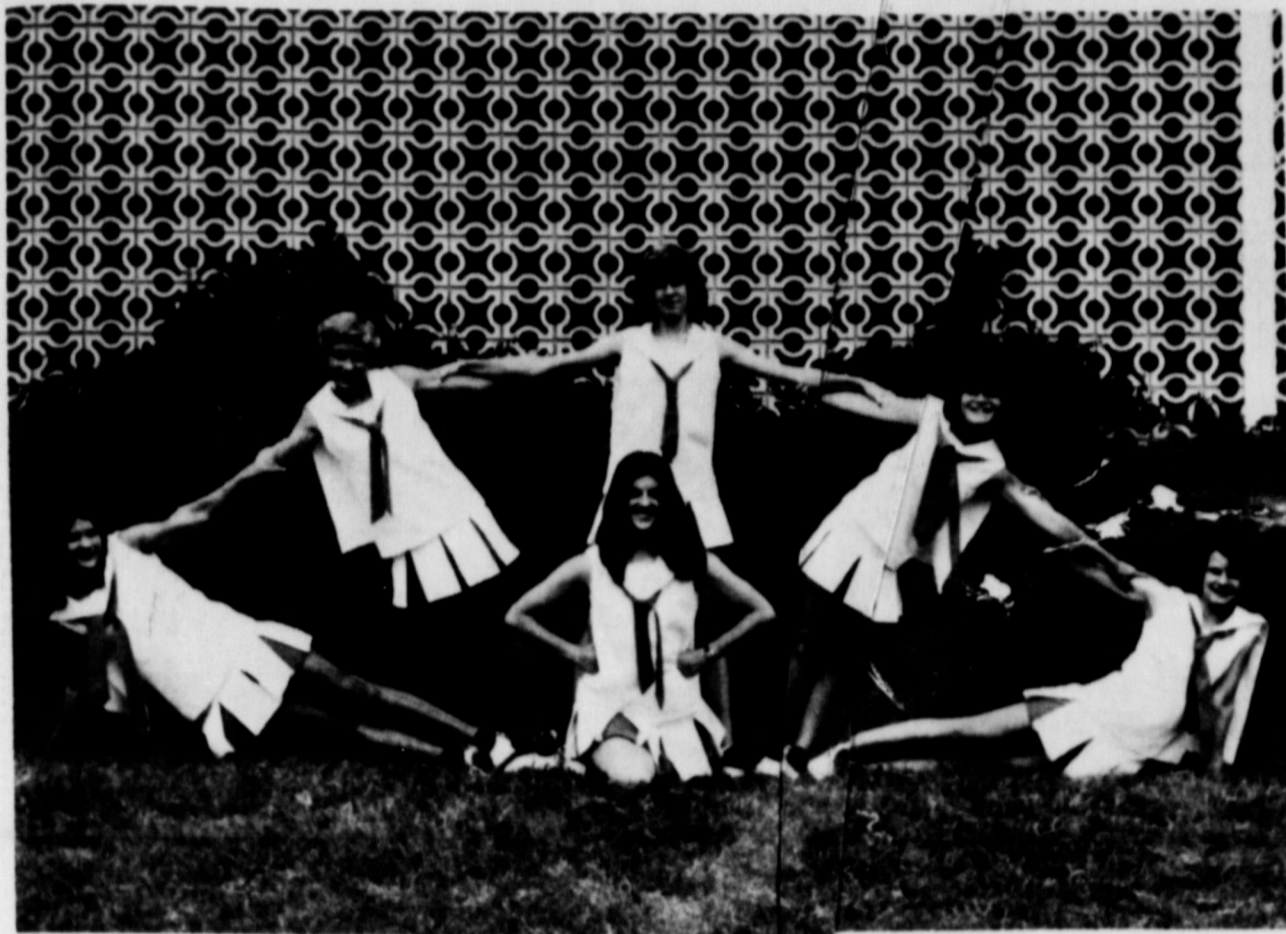
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### Cheerleaders Win Superior Ribbon And Spirt Stick

The Springlake-Earth cheerleaders returned recently from a five day cheerleading school held at Cisco Junior College.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sulser took the local group down. The group went down to really work, and their work resulted

in winning something everyday of the school.

Classes of singing, yells and pom-pom were held each morning. The afternoons were used for practice and recreation. The night sessions were used primarily for evaluation of the days work.

The night, Monday, they won "Outstanding Ribbon" and "Spirit Stick." The Spirit Stick is given for good attitude, personality, smile and all the qualities of a good cheerleader.

On Tuesday and Wednesday during the evaluation session, the group won "Excellent Ribbons."

Thursday night the evaluation session was omitted, but the group were awarded the "Spirit Stick."

On Friday at evaluation the group received the "Superior Ribbon" and were presented the "Spirit Stick" to bring home with them.

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### Hello World

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dean Bills of Dallas are the parents of a son born Friday, June 27 in a Dallas hospital.

The lad weighed 9 pounds 2 ounces and measured 21 inches tall. He was given the name Jeffrey Dean.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carlis Bills of Lubbock, formerly of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. James Williamson of Rochester, Mississippi.

Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ussery of Earth and Mrs. Glen Bills of Lubbock.



ELAINE HANSON

### Elaine Hanson Receives Degree

Margaret Elaine Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Hanson, Rt. 4, Muleshoe, received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing at West Texas State University in the 1975 Spring Commencement Ceremonies, held in the Civic Center Coliseum in Amarillo.

After a two weeks vacation in Galveston, Miss Hanson reported for duty as a nurse on the Medical-Surgical Staff of St. Anthony's Hospital, in Amarillo.

Miss Hanson is a 1971 graduate of Springlake-Earth High School.

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### Grand Representative From New Mexico Attends Rainbow Meet

Members of the Earth Rainbow girls met at 6 o'clock Monday evening in the Masonic Hall for a regular bi-monthly meeting. Christy Barlow served as Worthy Advisor with Mrs. Donald Kelley as Mother Advisor.

Mrs. Gayle Jones, Grand Representative from New Mexico to New South Wales, Australia was presented behind the bow and to the East to be presented grand honors and a hearty cheer.

Other guests present were Sharon Jones, Mr. R. W. Fanning and Mrs. C. C. Goodwin.

Following the introductions, minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A thank you note was read from the Grand visitor for the gift the Rainbow girls had given her. A thank you was also presented on behalf of the Senior students, for the gift and program recently given the Seniors. The third note of appreciation was read from Lubbock, for the "87 bundles of hose," presented the ladies to make pillows for the

Cisco, we can expect a top performing group of cheerleaders during the '75-76 school year.

Cheerleaders are Kelly Haydon, head cheerleader, Cindy Dent, Elaine Bills, L'Anna Sulser, Donna Smith and Kim Dent,

hospital. Mrs. Kelley presented a program on patriotism and presented each member with 9 booklets containing information on Presidents of the U. S. A., also a copy of the Constitution and other patriotism information.

The hall was decorated with patriotic posters depicting the bicentennial and patriotic happenings.

Elaine Bills was installed as Drill Leader. She also reported on party hosted by Fonda Goodwin on June 30.

The group decided for a project of charity they would visit Girls Town and present them with gifts of clothing, also buy hair spray and hose for them. They also extend an invitation to others to join them in giving gifts to the girls. Anyone wishing to donate good clothing to the girls may call Mrs. Donald Kelley or Brene Belew or any member of the Rainbow Girls and they will pick them up and take the gifts to the girls.

Many ideas for the rodeo float were discussed, and their decisions were made. They will be busy this week working on the float.

Kelly Wheatley and Christi Barlow received their indigo

color bar. Stephanie Parish received the red and orange color bar for service to the Rainbow organization and to others.

Mrs. Kelley reminded the group that it was again time to renew the Rainbow News. She explained that there would be only six issues this year, due to the high cost of paper and the increase in postage.

Stephanie Parish and Stephanie Tunnell are to present musical numbers at the next meeting which is slated July 21 at 6 p. m.

During refreshment time punch and cake was served. The group each signed get well cards to be sent to those who are ill.

Present for the meeting were, Christy Barlow, Kelly Wheatley, Fonda Goodwin, Stephanie Parish, Stephanie Tunnell, Gina

Wislan, Elaine Bills, Sharon and Gayle Jones.

A board meeting at 5:30 p. m. preceded the regular meeting.

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### Party Line

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sanders were in Brownfield Friday, Saturday and Sunday to be with her father J. W. Strickland who has been hospitalized for the past three weeks.

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### Methodist Youth Seminar Set For July 27-Aug 1

The annual Youth Seminar at the United Methodist Church is set to begin July 27 and continue through August 1. All youth in the Earth-Springlake area are invited to attend.

The theme for the seminar is "Clap Your Hands, Jesus is Lord." Many exciting social events have been planned for the week, as well as spiritual food and meaningful worship.

The week of events begins Sunday, July 27 with a drama entitled, "The Other Side of the Wall" presented by the youth and directed by Mrs. Wilton McDonald.

On Monday the theme is "Clap Your Hands, Jesus is Lord." The group of youth are set to leave the church at 7 p.m., each with their sack lunch, for the sandhills. A big picnic will be enjoyed with watermelons and Cokes furnished. Rev. Bill Watson, pastor will bring a study on the Beatitudes. Craig Holland will be on the program with "Moments of Worship." The group will return to the church at 10 p.m.

"Clap Your Hands, Jesus is Victory" is the program idea for Tuesday. The group will have the evening meal in the church fellowship hall. Following by a "sing song" session. At 8:30 p.m. Rev. Bill Couch, youth director at Plainview United Methodist Church will address the group. L'Anna Sulser will direct a game session and at 10 p.m. the evening will conclude with a closing moment of worship by Clint Dawson.

"Clap Your Hands, Jesus Meets All Your Needs" is the program title for Wednesday. The group is to meet at the fellowship hall for a "progressive supper." The meal begins with appetizers in the fellowship hall. At 7:30 they will go to the Bob Belew residence for salads. From there the group will go to the Dwayne

Jones' home for enchiladas. The dessert stop will be at the Norman Sulser residence for ice cream. At 9:30 the group will gather back at the church for worship services in the chapel. Mrs. Wilton McDonald and Mrs. W. O. Jones will meet with the group.

"Clap Your Hands, Jesus is Joy" will be the emphases for Thursday when the youth will all bring a pizza and meet in the fellowship hall. From there they will go to the swimming pool for a swim from 7 to 8:30 p.m. From there they will return to the church for a pizza supper in the fellowship hall. From 9:30 to 10 o'clock the group will view a gospel film entitled "Lost in a Crowd," the meeting will close with the benediction.

"Clap Your Hands, Jesus is Young," is the concluding pro-

### Energy Use of Automatic vs. Manual Defrost Freezers

With ever-increasing utility bills a major concern today, many consumers are asking how much more energy an automatic-defrost freezer uses than a manual-defrost model.

Several sources report that for the same usable freezer space in cubic feet, the automatic freezer costs about 30-45 percent more to operate," Lynn Arland, family resource

management specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, said this week.

But she pointed out that one advantage of an automatic-defrost model is that 100 percent of the available storage space is more easily maintained at zero degrees, compared to only about 80 percent for manual-defrost models.

"When this factor is considered in a comparison of operating costs, estimates indicate that automatic-defrost freezers cost only about 15 percent more," she said.

This difference in cooling power is caused by the placement of the refrigerated coils. Those in a manual-defrost freezer are located in the shelves and at the top of the box.

"But they are outside the food storage area in an automatic-defrost model. A fan circulates air over the cooling coils and throughout the freezer compartment to keep temperature within the box constant.

"Foods must be placed carefully in an automatic-defrost freezer to allow free circulation of cold air," she noted.

Miss Bourland said that these facts may provide consumers a cost-benefit comparison for making a choice to meet the family's particular needs.

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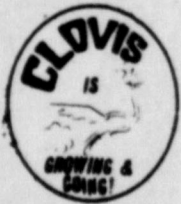


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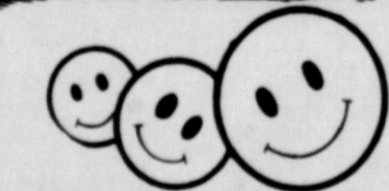
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## Older Citizens Face Consumer Problems

Older citizens often face special consumer problems. Recently, attorneys from our Consumer Protection Division participated in a statewide seminar that looked into the types of consumer problems that such senior citizens experience and analyzed methods of getting information about these problems to older citizens.

We found that retired persons sometimes find themselves caught in a double bind. Their income from Social Security, pension or retirement plans, savings, or investments may not be enough to maintain the same standard of living they previously enjoyed, yet it may be enough to tempt unscrupulous merchants into using various means to relieve them of it.

A national consumer center maintained by two organizations of retired persons reports that mail order offers are a major source of complaints from older persons, although mail order purchases can be a great convenience for them. Persons who may be housebound



COTTON PRODUCERS TEST "THE NATURAL"—Members of the executive committee of the Cotton Incorporated board of directors get an advance look at a new woven man's dress shirt containing 60 per cent cotton. The shirt, called "The Natural," will be available in retail stores by late summer. Fabric in the shirt conforms to Cotton Incorporated's "Natural Blend" specifications. "The Natural" shirt is made by the Manhattan Shirt Company, the third largest manufacturer of men's shirts in the United States.

The Cotton Incorporated board members, each of whom is a cotton producer, met recently at the company's marketing headquarters in New York City. Standing are Texans J. D. Smith (left) of Sudan and J. G. Dobbs of Grandview. Seated (left to right) are Texans L. C. Unfred of Tahoka, Herman Probst of Anson and Billy Whorton of Roscoe. Seated on the far right is Amos Bass of Durant, Oklahoma.

because of health problems or lack of transportation often find it easier to shop by mail for their own needs and for gifts. But it is true that millions of dollars are lost each year in fraudulent mail order offers.

Federal officials say that some mail order swindles are especially aimed at senior citizens. Unscrupulous merchants may try to sell them health cures, investment deals in land, stock or franchises; retirement homes, extra income plans; or other things by mail.

Our Consumer Protection attorneys advise persons who want to purchase through the mail to deal with a reputable, established mail order house that provides written guarantees on items. Check any claims for health cures or medical devices with a doctor before purchase. Check any investment offer first through a banker, attorney, broker or other knowledgeable person.

Always go to see any land or retirement home before purchasing, and have an attorney handle the details of the sales transaction so you to be sure papers are in order and that you will get the type of deal you expect.

Any extra income plans offered through the mail should be examined carefully. Never send money before receiving detailed information about such a plan. Many such offers require a sizeable investment of cash before you will be sent materials or instructions, and offer no assurance that you will make any money on your investment.

A better alternative might be to investigate local chapters of senior citizens groups to see if part-time employment bureaus are maintained for senior citizens who want to supplement their income. Typical positions are for family aides, seamstresses,

home repairmen or carpenters, typists, bookkeepers, gardeners, and landscaping experts.

Home improvement is another area in which older citizens are often gyped. We have found that many consumer complaints about home improvements or repairs result from not getting IN WRITING a description of the work to be performed.

Our attorneys urge senior citizens not to pay money in advance for such work. Most reputable individuals or firms require payment only after the job is completed according to specifications.

It's also very important to deal with established firms or persons with a good local reputation, since itinerant home improvement salesmen may not be around to make good on guarantees. We advise checking with the Better Business Bureau before agreeing to any home improvement project.

Our Consumer Protection Division has also received complaints from some older citizens alleging that some dance studios engage in various deceptive or misleading sales practices. Recently, we got a court injunction against dance studios which practiced "relay salesmanship," in which a team of salesmen pressured persons to buy dance lessons. The studios also engaged in several other deceptive practices.

In the Attorney General's "Practical Primer for the Texas Consumer," we urge that persons be careful about high fees for dance clubs, and suggest talking it over with a friend or relative before signing a contract.

Older persons with these or other consumer problems should contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division or their district or county attorney to report complaints.

### PARTY LINE

Auerilla Sanders spent Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Palo Duro Canyon as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Broflots whose home is in Palo Duro Canyon. On the 4th they attended the Canyon City Country Club for the big fireworks exhibition.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butter will be accompanied by their daughter Mrs. Shari Ivy and by Mrs. Johnny Haberer to Oklahoma City, Tuesday.

On Wednesday Mr. Butter has an appointment with his doctor. It is expected that on Thursday he will have cataracts removed from his eyes. They expect to return home Sunday.

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## Cotton Prices Outlook Mixed; Could Brighten

RALEIGH--A gradual increase in cotton consumption, coupled with a decline in production this year, continues to strengthen the U. S. cotton market.

"The impact of rebounding consumption and declining production will become a very significant factor in a price recovery," said David Cox, Cotton Incorporated vice president for economic research and development.

And with high world cotton carryover on August 1, export demand could also become a big factor in price movement, Cox said.

Cox's analysis is drawn from a survey of world cotton supply and demand conditions conducted by economists at Cotton Incorporated, the fiber company

of U. S. cotton producers.

"With the economy showing signs of recovery, increased cotton use should push prices gradually upwards in the months ahead," Cox said. "However, prices are likely to be tempered by the carryover on August 1, expected to be the largest in several years."

One unknown in the price picture is how foreign exporting countries will handle their large carryover, Cox said.

Foreign exporting nations hold a greater share of the world's carryover than normally have held in the past, and this year they failed to cut back plantings as sharply as been expected.

Foreign producers are expected to hold about 81 per cent of the world's carryover on August 1,

1975, with the United States holding about 19 per cent, about 81 per cent of the world's carryover on August 1, 1975, with the United States holding about 19 per cent.

By comparison, during the period 1967-72, foreign producers held an average of 70 per cent of the carryover, and the United States 30 per cent.

"If foreign exporting countries choose to dump their stock on the world market, U. S. exports will suffer," Cox explained. "Domestic cotton prices would also suffer, since they, in part, reflect export conditions."

The 1975-76 export outlook continues to brighten, however, as the noncommunist world begins to recover from the grips of the recession, Cox said. He projects U. S. exports at about 5.0 million bales in 1975-76, an increase of about 1.1 million bales over the figure for 1974-75.

"U. S. exports must compete



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## Nursing Home Business Booming

Years ago a nursing home was an old house at the end of the street, operated by an elderly couple who had space in that house for others to share.

But today's nursing home operations are a booming \$4 billion industry, Mrs. Vivian Blair, family life education-specialist, pointed out this week.

The specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, named urbanization and changing family patterns as contributing factors in this change.

"Licensing standards become more rigorous each year in an effort to upgrade the quality of nursing home care. In Texas, the licensing program has been in effect since 1970, and there are 958 licensed nursing homes in the state with 82,593 beds.

"The State Health Department's Nursing and Convalescent Homes Division is responsible for state licensing. Each nursing home must comply with

certain standards to qualify for participation in the state and federal assistance programs, including the State Welfare Department, federal medicare and medicaid programs."

The specialist explained that a nursing home is classified according to the care it offers. A "skilled nursing care" facility must have a registered nurse as its director of nursing and have licensed vocational nurses (LVNs) on duty at all shifts.

"A home rated 'intermediate care facility III' must have an LVN as its director of nursing with LVNs on duty during the daytime and evening shifts. There are 37,191 beds in this category in Texas," Mrs. Blair said.



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in world markets at world prices, and the industry must continue to promote U. S. cotton aggressively," he said.

Cox advised producers in all areas to pay close attention to the market and re-evaluate their plans, since conditions could change very rapidly. He noted that short staple cotton, which is now in relatively tight supply compared to stocks of other staple lengths, should become more abundant later. Medium length cotton, in ample supply now, will become scarcer later in the 1975-76 crop year.

The demand for short staple cotton continues to be strong, relative to the rest of the market, Cox said. "Denim products, made from the short staple cotton, are the hottest selling textile products at this time," he pointed out.

Supplies of short staple cotton are somewhat limited now, Cox said, but that situation is expected to change because of the large plantings in Texas and Oklahoma.

The converse is true for medium staple cotton, Cox said. Production will be down sharply, while demand is expected to make a gradual recovery. "Demand will grow as the domestic textile industry slowly recuperates from the recession," he explained. "Tighter supplies will be felt by the textile industry later in the year."

The Cotton Incorporated analysis of the current cotton outlook is published in the June 1975 "Cotton Summary."

TOTAL DIETARY fiber consumption during the past 100 years has decreased from about eight-five grams, a decrease of 37 per cent. About five-six grams is needed daily by the average person. Fresh and cooked fruits and whole-grain cereals and breads are good sources of fiber.

## Bicentennial Fashions Reflect Early American Design

By Dorothy Powell  
County Extension Agent

Interest in Bicentennial celebrations and activities is becoming more intense as 1976 approaches.

The effect is definitely seen in fashion, one of the most visible and sensitive indicators of current times, Mrs. Dorothy Powell, County Extension Agent, said this week.

Fashion forecasters from mills to manufacturers to retailers are strong on medium value, pure colors in the red, white and blue and 'calico' yellow and green.

Interesting fabric prints further depict the theme with country and historic scenes, artifacts and symbols.

Pattern companies are introducing appropriate patriot and early American designs.

Economists predict a boom in dollar sales, units and a strong consumer demand for clothing and textile items in preparation for Bicentennial happenings.

In considering activities appropriate for this celebration, also consider clothing and how it reflects the wearer's interests, the agent said.

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**SUNNYSIDE NEWS**

BY TEENY BOWDEN



125 were registered for the July 4th activities in the community Friday. Out of community guests included Mr. and Mrs. Larry Starnes, Deanna and Donna of Centerville, Nancy Alair Denton of Plano, Bubba Jones of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Moore and Nelda of Weatherford, Bridget Hampton of Pecos, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Fowlkes of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson of Levelland, Mrs. Myrtle Clayton of Springlake, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Artell, Bill Mann, Ann Kelley, Kyle Kelley and Karen Hulcy all of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gilbreath, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Tex Conard, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Marvin and Jennifer, and Jean Pfeiffer all of Dimmitt.

.05 inch of rain was recorded for the community Wednesday night and .20 inch early the 4th. There was over one half inch in the south part of the community Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Spencer and Mrs. V. E. Bearden met Mrs. Dorothy Bryant of Toledo, Oregon at the plane in Amarillo Tuesday. Mrs. Bryant will stay with her mother the rest of the month. Mr. and Mrs. Spencer were in Dallas Wednesday through Friday for his medical check-up.

Mrs. Eules Waggoner flew home Tuesday from Arkansas after a visit with Eules on his farm there. Delores met her plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Waggoner and children vacationed in the mountains of New Mexico in the Santa Fe area with her family last week-end and most of this week. Winston came home Tuesday, Mrs. Waggoner and the children Thursday night.

L. B. Bowden attended the hail suppression meeting in Earth Monday night.

Mrs. Terry Denton of Plano arrived Monday to spend a week or so with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Alair, brothers, Jimmy, Johnny and Eddie and her grandmother, Mrs. Rachel Elsea. Her husband joined her Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezell Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sadler and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler and girls attended

the Sadler reunion at Lake Breckenridge over the holiday week-end.

The Baptist Men met Tuesday morning for their monthly prayer breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Moore and Nelda of Weatherford arrived Friday to spend the week-end with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelan, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phelan of Fieldton visited with them Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Starnes, and girls of Centerville attended the wedding Thursday night. They spend Thursday night, Friday and Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelan.

The Baptist Women met Wednesday night for the general meeting with Mrs. Roy Phelan in charge.

Bubba Jones of Fort Worth arrived Friday afternoon to spend the week-end with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jones. He spent Saturday night with friends in Cotton Center.

Sandra Duke was home from Amarillo Thursday for the holiday week-end.

Shetri Collins of Ropesville spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Debbie Wilson to help her with the wedding preparation.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hall Jones and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and Daneen attended the Hall family reunion in Lubbock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and Daneen, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson and other members of the Epperson family had supper with the James Collins in Ropesville Saturday night.

Resa Carson was home Saturday night and Sunday from Lubbock Christian High School where she is attending summer school. She will graduate from high school there July 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. John Seiver and children spent July 4th in Hereford with her parents and their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner and children had a picnic lunch in Palo Duro Canyon with her

brought the special music. Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson of Ropesville spent Thursday night with them and attended the services in Abernathy with them Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson of Levelland spent the holiday week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and girls.

The church library summer reading program got under way Sunday and will end the last Sunday in August. Anyone in the community may participate in the program. We have books for all ages, fiction and biography as well as Bible helps and personal religion and others.

Vernon Orr fished at Red River, N. M. this week. Mr. Orr joined him Thursday afternoon for a few days vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ivey received word last Saturday morning that his sister-in-law in Abilene had passed away. They left last Sunday morning for the funeral services Sunday afternoon. They spent Sunday night in Kerrville where graveside rites were held Monday morning, and came home Monday night.

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family July 4th and got back in time to have the picnic supper here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson took Daneen and other Springlake-Earth students to Weatherford, Oklahoma Sunday where they will attend twirler camp.

Dina Jo Hampton attended a 4-H district horse show in Lubbock Tuesday.

Jeanne Haydon returned home Thursday night from a two week vacation at Stamford Lake with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Stine of Earth.

Tami and Christy Hutchins returned home Saturday after spending a week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hutchins of Portales.

The Sunday morning services were quite unique and impressive. After the song service Rev. Raymond Jones read several scriptures and made some comments concerning the Lord's Supper and then the Lord's Supper was observed. He read several scriptures on baptism followed by some comments and the invitation, and then the ordinance of baptism was observed. Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner and LaGlenda Wilson were baptized.

**New Warranty Law Affects Clothing**

Consumers can look forward to more explicit warranties from fiber manufacturers who offer warranty programs on their products, Claudia Mitzel, consumer information-clothing and textiles specialist, reported this week.

The new law, effective July 4, 1975, does not make warranties mandatory. It does set standards that manufacturers must follow if they offer warranties, the specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M-University System, said.

"For the consumer, clothing warranties are an excellent way of insuring a high standard of materials and workmanship. Warranties are found on many types of clothing and some household furnishings.

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**Landscape, A Good Investment**

Present-day investments deserve careful consideration, and you can't go wrong by investing in your home landscape.

That's the word from Everett Janne, a landscape horticulturist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Trees and shrubs around your home may be worth five or six times what you paid for them," says Janne.

Trees and shrubs that are adapted to their environment and properly placed in the landscape rapidly increase in value, notes the horticulturist with the Texas A&M University System.

"Before building a home, develop a good landscape plan or design," suggests Janne. "This means allowing money for landscaping in the total budget. At least 10 per cent of the cost of the house and lot should be allocated for landscaping. A landscape plan should feature simplicity, with plenty of space for trees and shrubs to grow and develop."

If a house is several years old, it is not too late to develop a landscape plan or to redesign an old plan, Janne points out. The first step is deciding whether areas of the yard are being used

to their fullest potential. "Design the outdoor living area to keep maintenance at a minimum. The area should be convenient to the living room or family room. Keep in mind the needs and interests of all family members when planning this area," advises the horticulturist.

Plan the outdoor work area so that it is easily accessible to the kitchen, utility room and garage. Consider space for clothes drying, a garbage rack, tool storage and a compost area.

For best results, Janne advises consulting a professional landscape architect to help with your landscaping. A library or bookstore also offers excellent references on home landscaping.

**PARTY LINE**

Andy Caroway of Jal, New Mexico, nephew of the Gene Brown's has been here visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown and Dicky.. Amarillo.

**PARTY LINE**

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Moore of Earth purchased the home of Mrs. Dorothy Washington, located on Elm Street. The couple moved into their home over the July 4th week-end. Mrs. Washington recently moved to Lubbock.

Sol Golman of Jacksonville, Florida was breakfast guest Tuesday in the Ted Haberer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Raemon Cole and Mrs. Alice Martin spent Friday at Lake Clarendon fishing.

Saturday the threesome went to Amarillo to attend a Masonic service where Ralph Martin, son of Mrs. Alice Martin and brother of Mrs. Cole was installed as Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge in Amarillo. They spent Saturday and Sunday as guests of Mrs. Cole's aunt, Mrs. Ethel Lewellyn of Amarillo.

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## Flowering Vines For Home Landscapes

One way to add color and variety to your home landscape is with annual flowering vines, says one expert in landscape horticulture.

"All that is needed to grow flowering vines is a wooden lattice, woven wire fencing or string to support the plants," says Everett Janne with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "These vines can be used to shade a porch or add color and interest to a particular area."

Among annual flowering vines that are attractive in home landscapes are morning glories, cathedral bells, moonflowers, nasturtiums, canary birds, gourds, cypress vines and black-eyed Susans.

The morning glory is colorful with white, blue or red flowers. It grows to a height of up to 15 feet.

Start the vines in four-inch pots and transplant them two or three weeks after the usual last frost date. Be sure they are planted in a well-drained, sunny location, emphasized Janne. "Don't plant morning glories in rich soil or use fertilizer, as

this will produce vigorous vines but few flowers," says the horticulturist with the Texas A&M University System.

Cathedral bells grow up to a height of 20 feet and produce bell-shaped, blue or violet flowers. "These vines are free of insect and disease problems and can be planted in either a sunny or shady spot," says Janne.

The moonflower vine is also tall-growing and produces large white fragrant flowers which open during the evening. It also has large heart-shaped leaves that provide a dense shade.

Nasturtiums are bushy vines that grow four-to-five feet tall and produce fragrant red or yellow flowers. They prefer a well-drained soil of low or average fertility.

The canary bird vine grows to a height of about eight feet and is closely related to the nasturtium.

Gourds produce few flowers but have colorful fruit. "The fruit ripens in late summer and can be used for fall and winter arrangements in your home," as notes Janne.

## Not Too Romantic

Infectious mononucleosis, often called just "Mono", is a widespread ailment that mostly affects teenagers and young adults and is often found among college students.

Mono is quite accurately called the "Kissing Disease," reports the Texas Medical Association. Physicians observed 20 years ago that the disease was spread primarily by prolonged, passionate kissing. A few cases seem to have been spread by the communal use of drinking utensils, and there have been sporadic cases following blood transfusions.

Despite legends to the contrary, mono is a benign disease. Among millions of cases, only a few rare fatalities have occurred. However, it is highly unpleasant, producing weakness, dizziness, fever, aching joints, swollen glands, skin rash and mental depression.

Although mono is one of the nastiest diseases around, it never causes permanent damage and almost never produces prolonged convalescence. Most patients are back in perfect health within two or three weeks. There is neither prevention or cure available, and the mainstay of treatment continues to be rest, fluids and mild pain relievers. Mono, a virus disease, is not easily communicable, usually requiring close, intimate contact. One attack usually produces lifetime immunity. If there is a "recurrence," the illness most likely is something else.

### PARTY LINE

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Lea and children of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Messer and children of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Messer of Midland and Marianne Messer of Lubbock were visitors in the M. W. Messer home over the 4th of July holidays.

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Summer and vacations go together, but accidents can be an unwelcome vacation traveler unless precautions are taken, warns the Texas Department of Health Resources.

The Texas climate has something to offer for all who seek recreational pursuits, from seashores and lakes to forests and rugged mountains.

In most cases, summer recreation is associated with water for swimming, boating, water skiing and fishing. While great for recreation, water poses a serious threat to the safety of young and old alike.

Last year, for example 725 persons drowned in water-related accidents in Texas, according to Parks and Wildlife Department figures.

Swimming accidents took the largest toll, 211 persons. Close behind were fishing accidents, accounting for 108 deaths. And boating, sailing, skiing and canoeing had a combined toll of 54 deaths.

Not all of these drownings involved swimmers and boaters. In far too many cases individuals fell from a place of presumed safety, such as a dock or river bank, into the water and drowned.

Children are most susceptible to this type of accident. A good safety rule is to put a life jacket on every child playing near the water, just in case of a sudden, unplanned dip. All boaters should wear life preservers for the same reason. A near-tragedy recently on a Central Texas lake dramatically emphasizes this necessity. A young woman in a ski boat lost her balance during an unexpected turn, fell against the side of the boat and tumbled overboard. The next thing she remembers was regaining consciousness back in the boat.

One hundred persons drowned last year in falls into the water. Deaths occurred in such things as lakes, creeks, drainage ditches, mop buckets and inflated plastic swimming pools. And, 16 bathtub deaths were recorded.

How can you help make your vacation trip a happy, safe one? First, make swimmers of yourself and your children. You can take lessons from such agencies as the Red Cross or private instructors.

Always swim in marked areas if possible, and never swim alone. If you get into trouble, your companion can toss you a life jacket or rope, or extend you a pole to help you reach safety. Never swim when chilled, over-tired or overheated. Stay out of or off the water if a thunderstorm threatens. Rough water and lightning take their toll. Three East Texas duck hunters drowned last winter when a sudden norther caught them on a lake.

Always supervise small children constantly. They need your protection. It only takes seconds for a tragedy to occur.

If you're a boater, make certain your boat is in perfect shape and meets state and safety regulations, which includes having a Coast Guard approved flotation device on board for each person. It's a life-saving practice to be wearing a flotation device. If your boat should capsize, it's a good idea to stay with it, chances are that it will float, says the Department of Health Resources.

When pulling skiers, boat drivers should be aware of swimmers, other boats and obstacles above and below the water. Don't be a show-off on the water. Life is too precious to lose. All

skiers should wear life preservers. Even good swimmers can be dazed by a hard fall while skiing, or be struck by a ski.

A good procedure is to have at least two persons in the ski boat, one to drive and the other one to watch the skier. Learn the arm signals prepared specifically for skiers, and use them. It's hard to hear above the noise of a motor, but a hand signal can get the message across. For instance, a skier who falls should raise an arm to signal he's okay. Raising a ski will make you visible to other boats in the area.

When a person is entering the water from a boat, being picked up or having a tow rope moved into position to grab, the motor should be in neutral. Whirling propeller blades can kill or maim.

If you're out in the sun for extended periods, be cautious about sunburn. Get a little sun each day, and don't overdo it. Large doses can make you quite ill. Babies may sunburn in just a few minutes if their tender skins are exposed to direct sun rays or reflected rays. Cover them as much as possible.

Summer is a time for fun, so plan in safety with each of your recreational pursuits. A little thought pays dividends, in lives and lack of accidents.

**Census Will  
Conduct Monthly  
Employment Survey**

Local representatives of the Bureau of the Census will interview a sample of households in this area during mid-July to obtain information on employment. The Bureau is part of the U. S. Department of Commerce's Social and Economic Statistics Administration.

Percy R. Millard, Director of the Bureau's Regional Office in Dallas, said that interviewers will visit homes also to obtain information about languages other than English spoken in the household and if more than one language is used.

These questions will be in addition to those asked regularly in the monthly survey. This survey, which the Bureau conducts each month for the U. S. Department of Labor, provides a continuous measure of employment and unemployment for the Nation. For example, the May survey showed that employment rate rose to 9.2 percent, while total employment expanded for the second straight month.

Information supplied by individuals participating in the survey is kept confidential by law and results are used only to compile statistical totals.

The interviewer who will visit households in this area is Rosemary McNeese of Amherst.

**SWPS Receives Award For  
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The Southwestern Public Service Company has received an "Award for Patriotic Service" for its participation in the US Savings Bond Program. At the conclusion of the 1975 campaign, more than 93 percent of Southwestern's employees were participating through the Payroll Savings Plan.

This is the highest percentage of participation of any company with over 1,000 employees in the public utilities industry for 1975.

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Service Company's 1,781 employees are enrolled in the Payroll Savings Plan and during the recently completed campaign, 281 "new" savers were added to the program.

The award was presented to Roy Tolk, chairman and president of SPS, by Leonard Cowden, treasury department representative. In accepting the award, Tolk said, "I'm tremendously proud of our employees and their response to the Savings Bond Program. It's typical of Southwesterners to come through

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as they did again this year." This is the seventh year that Southwestern Public Service Company employees have earned a Treasury Flag, given for 50 percent or more participation in the program.

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## Carrot Beetle Is Problem In High Plains

By Spencer Tanksley  
County Extension Agent  
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From previous studies, it appears that the carrot beetle is a regional problem in Texas, causing problems primarily in the Rolling and southern High Plains. Adult carrot beetles are similar in appearance to the common "June bug" or May-beetle except they are deep reddish brown to black in color and smaller.

Carrot beetles injure sunflowers by burrowing into the

soil and feeding on the roots of the host.

This insect progresses through four distinct developmental stages (egg, larva, pupa, and adult) as it develops from egg to adult. The Scarab family to which the carrot beetle belongs, contains many destructive members.

The larval stages generally referred to as white grubs, are typically the destructive forms. However, with the carrot beetle it is the adult which damages the sunflower crop, not the grub. In fact, the grubs feed

almost exclusively on decaying organic matter.

Carrot beetles occur throughout the United States and have been recorded as a pest of the following cultivated plants, carrots, parsnips, sugar beets, celery, sweet and Irish potatoes, corn, cotton, wheat, oats, sunflowers, tomatoes, peppers, cantaloupes and watermelons. Major non-cultivated hosts include the prairie sunflower, common sunflower, carelessweed, horseweed, sawleaf daisy, silverleaf nightshade and white rosinweed.

The beetle's life history, overwintered adults begin emerging from the soil in April. They feed and mate, with the females initiating their egg

laying in April.

Eggs are laid in sandy soil containing high levels of organic matter. Young larvae emerge from these eggs in approximately eleven days and spend the next 52 days feeding on organic matter in the soil. Full grown larvae transform into pupae and spend approximately 26 days in this developmental stage.

Pupae transform into adults and begin emerging once again from the soil in mid to late July. These adults enter the soil, feed on the roots of host plants where they may overwinter or until they leave to seek more favorable overwintering sites.

Adult carrot beetles are nocturnal, burrowing into the soil near plant stems at night. As beetles burrow, they push the excavated soil toward the surface to fill the entrance hole. Thus tiny circle mounds of soil particles are the only detectable signs of a carrot beetle infestation before plant symptoms occur.

Due to root pruning, plants take on a drought stressed appearance and eventually die. After feeding, the insects once again emerge from the soil leaving characteristic circular holes. Preliminary research data suggests two beetles per plant are required to severely damage plants one foot tall or less.

During the period from 1962 to 1972, the carrot beetle badly damaged or virtually destroyed all trial plantings on the High Plains, but the beetle has caused insignificant damage in the last two years in this area.

Many granular and spray formulations have been tested for their effectiveness against this pest, but regardless of the method of application (in furrow, band or broadcast) or rate, no insecticides have effectively protected sunflowers from carrot beetle attack.

Consistent failure of insecticides has prompted researchers to look at cultural and biological control methods as possible management tools.

Studies of cultural control methods have provided evidence but not proof that the beetle can be avoided by manipulation of planting dates. Studies on biological control have not progressed beyond identifying major predators and parasitoids.

Growers should realize before they plant that no insecticides are registered for use against the carrot beetle on sunflowers by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Light traps have been used both to survey the occurrence of the carrot beetle over the High Plains and to study the relative abundance of the beetle during the growing season. Ac-

ording to light trap data, some areas of the High Plains had relatively light adult activity during the summer of 1974.

Based on these light trap catches, it is felt that the potential for development of damaging infestations is lower in certain areas of the High Plains.

The areas considered as having the least potential for damaging infestations in 1975 are north and west of Lubbock; however, there is no way to be absolutely sure that the beetle will not be a problem in all areas where the crop is grown, since these data are for 1974 only.

In summary, sunflowers are a relatively new crop for Texas farmers, and researchers are still in the process of identifying the crop's major insect pests. Thus, research and extension entomologists are urging growers to avoid risking large amounts of land, labor and capital until they gain experience in producing the new crop.

## Market News Office Opens At Hereford

As vegetable crops make good progress in the Hereford-High Plains-Panhandle areas and begin to move to distant consumers, John C. White, commissioner of agriculture, Austin, announced the opening July 7 of the seasonal fruit and vegetable market news office at Hereford.

Moderate shipments of potatoes and onions will begin the first week in July, with heavier supplies available by mid-July. The first bi-weekly market report will be issued July 8, according to John D. Engle, federal-state market news reporter, Weslaco. Movement of West Texas commodities is expected to continue until October 15 or later.

Engle stated Bruce A. Rocky of Yuma, Ariz. will be in

charge of the Hereford office, at 104 East First Street.

In addition to potatoes and onions, as harvest progresses and supplies warrant, reports will cover cabbage, peppers, lettuce, carrots and cantaloups from the Pecos district as well as the Hereford area.

The market news service will be provided through cooperation of the Texas Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service.

The Hereford reporting office is a part of USDA's 21,000-mile leased wire system connecting market news offices, which cover most farm commodities. Prices in the Hereford area will be available in a matter of minutes to shippers, buyers, haulers or other inter-

ested persons in all parts of the country.

In addition to the leased wire service, latest market information may be obtained day or night by dialing the automatic answering service, Area Code 806, 364-0129. This market report will be updated three or four times daily, with a final summary of the day's trading around 5 p.m.

Those interested in receiving printed, mailed reports on fruits and vegetables can be placed on the mailing list by writing the Federal-State Market News Service, P.O. Box 1853, Hereford, Texas 79045.

Safe driving is sound economy, too, says the Tire Industry Safety Council. For longer tire life don't drive too fast; don't corner hard, aim away from chuck holes and other obstructions and avoid abrupt starts and stops.

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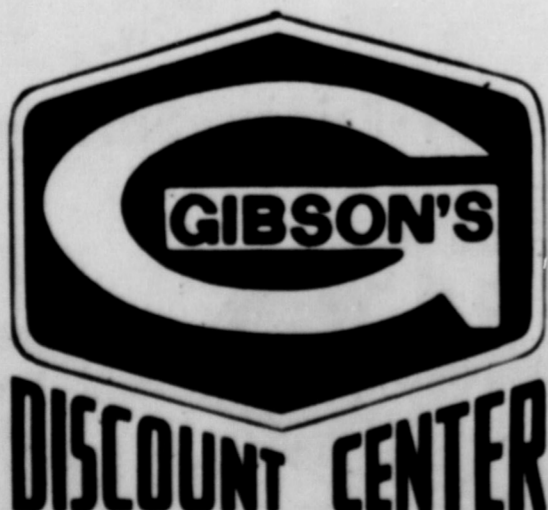
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## Tips For Home Canning And Food Preparation

There's a lot going for the individuals who can their own food. They save money, use up the bountiful produce from their home gardens and have tasty, nutritious food the year round.

But, says the State Health Department, home canning can be dangerous, even lethal, unless proven canning techniques

and recipes are followed to the letter.

With an upswing in the amount of home canning and freezing done in Texas, State Health Department officials are concerned about the possibility of food contamination, especially botulism.

Botulism is caused by a deadly

poison, a toxin, produced by a germ found abundantly in the soil. This germ is one of the spore-forming bacteria and is very resistant to normal heat and cold. It can grow without air, which makes it a sinister threat in home canning.

While the germ itself doesn't cause illness, the toxin it produces can be fatal to man. These bacteria are found nearly everywhere, and it's probable that nearly everyone has eaten them many times in their safe, inactive form on fresh food.

But, if these bacteria remain alive through the canning process and continue to live in an oxygen, free state, in a sealed airtight jar or can, they will manufacture the botulism toxin as a product of their metabolism.

That's why in canning it is so important to properly process food so that the food is cooked long enough and at a temperature high enough to kill the bacteria.

Three conditions are necessary for the botulism bacteria to grow. It must have an anaerobic environment (oxygen-free), have lots of moisture and have low acid. It's easy to see how a sealed jar could provide such an atmosphere.

Luckily, despite all the home canning done in Texas and the United States, the number of reported botulism cases are few in number. How many people are made ill by improperly processed foods due to other germs is anybody's guess.

Twenty outbreaks of foodborne botulism, involving 30 cases, were reported to the federal Center for Disease Control during 1974. There were seven deaths. In addition, five cases of wound botulism, caused by the bacteria getting into a wound, were reported.

Texas had only one of those 24 food cases, caused by home-canned chow-chow. And, it had one case of wound botulism.

Of the 24 cases of food botulism, the contaminated product was known in 16 cases. Of these, 15 were due to home canned products and one to a commercially canned beef stew.

The 1974 data, reports the Center for Disease Control, represents the largest number of foodborne botulism outbreaks reported by state health departments since 1935. This increase, says the CDC, probably reflects an increase in home canning and emphasizes the need for educating home canners in proper home canning methods.

Such information, says J. M. Doughty Jr., director of the State Health Department's Food and Drug Division, is readily available. It can be obtained from the United States Department of Agriculture, from Home Demonstration agents, from reliable cookbooks, and handbooks provided by manufacturers of canning equipment. Information also may be available at your local library.

Using the proper equipment and following recipes to the letter is extremely important. Sometimes it may be the proportions of sugar, vinegar or

lemon juice which provide protection against the growth of harmful bacteria. Use jars and sealing rings designed for home canning, and follow the manufacturer's instructions on sealing the jars.

If you're in doubt about any foodstuffs which you've just opened, don't be foolhardy enough to taste it. With botulism, there may be no odd taste or odor. But tasting the product, or even taking a long whiff of it, could be your downfall if botulism is concerned. "If in doubt, throw it out!" is the recommendation of the State Health Department.

There's another strong point in favor of the home canner, says Doughty. Boiling the food for a sufficient length of time before eating will kill the toxin. "The toxin is easily destroyed by boiling," he said. All home canned products should be boiled vigorously for three minutes with thorough stirring before serving.

### House Grows!

The Troy Blackburn home was mighty big Monday. In fact it was super huge.

The Blackburn's three daughters, Mrs. Robert Allen and children had been visiting her parents as well as Mr. and Mrs. Joe Blackwell of Kaiser Slaughter, Germany near the Rhein-

stein Air Force Base, where Joe serves as a captain. Joe only spent a couple of days and had to fly back. Mrs. Blackwell stayed on a couple of weeks with her parents. Also Bobby Jan Blackburn, their youngest daughter was home.

Monday morning Mrs. Joe Blackwell accompanied by Bobby Jan flew to Germany. The house that had been filled with fun and laughter was automatically big, big, big, with the silence of emptiness, according to daddy.

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## GI Bill Passes Ninth Anniversary

The current GI Bill, in effect since June 1, 1966, has passed its ninth anniversary, and the Veterans Administration has pronounced it in a thriving state of health.

Increased enrollments in each of the first four months of this year, peaking at a record 1.8 million, was cited as one sign of its viability.

April enrollments were nearly 17 percent above April a year ago and 2.2 percent above March. In fiscal year 1974, a record 2.4 million veterans and military service personnel used GI Bill benefits while nearly 5.7 million have used it since 1966.

VA Officials said an upsurge in enrollments this year followed enactment of the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974 (Dec. 3). The law increased educational assistance rates and otherwise liberalized benefits.

Higher participation rates have been compiled under the current GI Bill than under either of its two predecessors. Some 4.4 million of 7.5 million Vietnam era veterans have used it, giving them a 58.5 percent participation rate.

The rate was 43.4 percent under 13 years of the Korean Conflict (nearly 2.4 million of

5.5 million veterans) and 50.5 percent under the original World War II GI Bill (7.8 million out of 15.4 eligible.)

This despite the fact that Vietnam era veterans were the best-educated when they entered military service. About 90.6 percent had completed high school, compared to 71 percent for Korean Conflict veterans and 54.8 percent for World War II veterans.

As might be expected, a greater number of Vietnam era veterans used current GI Bill benefits for college education, nearly 32 percent compared to 22 percent for Korean Conflict veterans and only 14.4 percent for World War II veterans.

VA benefits paid World War II veterans ranged from \$50 to \$120 monthly, depending upon marital status and number of dependents. The agency also paid up to \$500 per year toward tuition, books, fees and other training costs.

Current GI Bill rates for a veteran going to school full time are \$270 monthly. A veteran with one dependent draws \$321 monthly, with two dependents \$366 monthly, and an additional \$82 monthly for each dependent over two.

## Virus Disease Bring Garden Woos

By Jim D. Kuykendall  
Asst. County Extension Agent

Many virus diseases occur in the home vegetable garden, and there is little that can be done to control them once they occur.

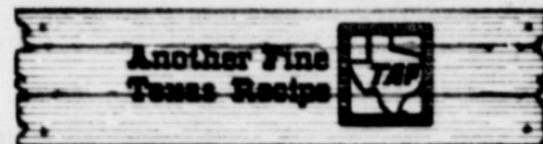
Although viruses attack many plants, those commonly afflicted include beans, tomatoes, peppers, potatoes, southern peas, squash, mustard and turnips, points out Jim Kuykendall, Assistant county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Viruses can be identified by mosaic of the leaves (mottled appearances), ring spots on the foliage and sometimes on the fruit, yellowing of the foliage along with possible bronzing and reddening, and stunting of plants.

Virus diseases in home vegetable gardens are primarily spread by insects, says Kuykendall. Aphids and leafhoppers are mainly responsible. Therefore, insect control is important to the prevention of virus diseases.



**EGG DIP AND FRESH VEGETABLES**—Served with a selection of raw summer vegetables, egg dip provides a healthful, nutritious snack or a light meal. For additional recipes, write Commissioner John C. White, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Tex. 78711.



### EGG DIP

6 hard-cooked eggs, sliced  
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1 drop hot pepper sauce  
Salt to taste  
3/8 cup mayonnaise

2 Tbsp. soft butter  
1/2 Tbsp. lemon juice  
1 tsp. Worcestershire  
1/2 tsp. liquid smoke  
1/4 tsp. pepper

Combine ingredients and beat until smooth. If mixture is too stiff, gradually add small amount of milk or cream until it becomes proper consistency for dip. As with any egg salad, personal taste will dictate the amount of seasoning used. Experiment with egg dip according to taste. Serve with raw summer-fresh Texas vegetables.

Virus diseases can also be spread by contaminated seeds, so the use of certified seed is important.

Weeds can also serve as hosts to viruses, so a year round weed control program is important to reducing virus infestations.

Proper attention to maintenance practices around the home garden, including the control of weeds and insects, will go a long way in reducing virus problems on vegetable crops, contends Kuykendall.

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"Place the dish in the oven along with a cup of water in a glass cup. Heat for 15-30 seconds. If the glassware in question has not become warm, it is suitable for microwave use," the specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, said.

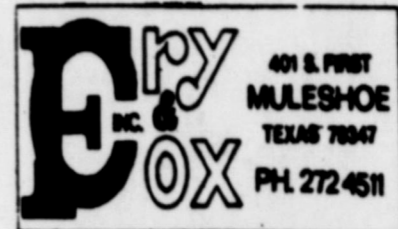
"If the glassware feels warm or hot, it is best not to use in a microwave oven as it will absorb the microwaves. The cup with the water may also feel warm but only because the heated water made it warm."

She explained that repeated usage of unsuitable glassware or pottery may damage the dish as well as slow the cooking process.

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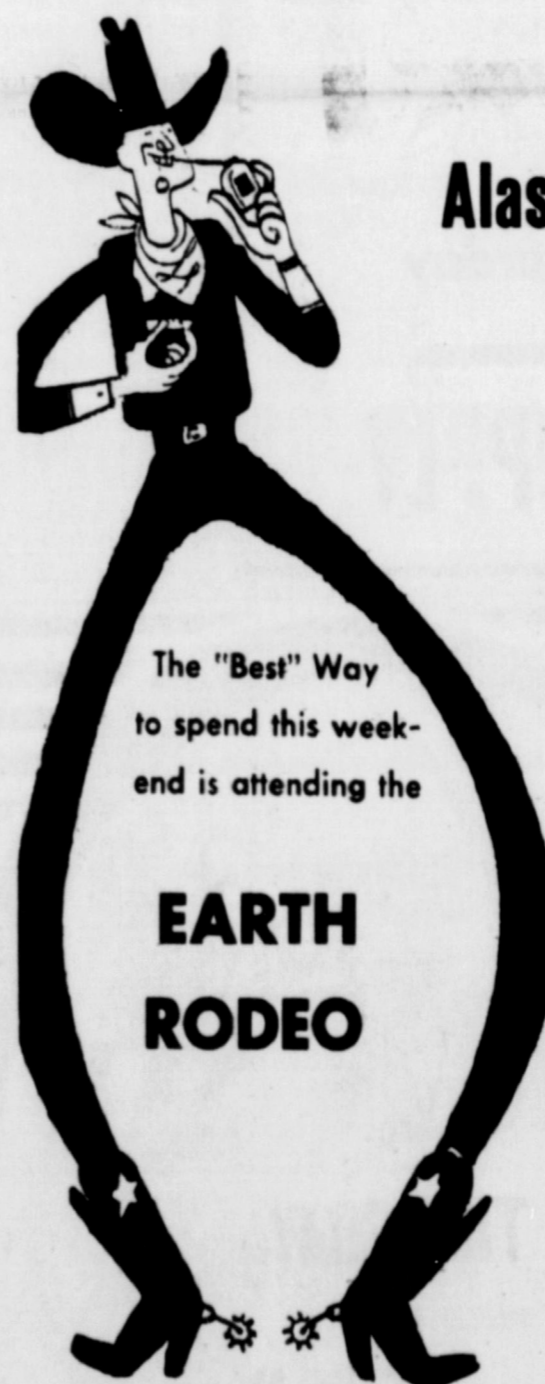
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## Winners Named In District 4-H Horse Show

LUBBOCK-Renee Robinett of Dawson County captured high individual honors during the 11th annual District 2 4-H Horse Show which concluded here Tuesday (July 1). K'Lynn Boyer, also of Dawson County, came in second, and Steve Palvado of Cochran County was third. In all, 20 4-H'ers qualified in the event to compete in the State 4-H Horse Show in Ft. Worth on July 23-26.

Some 198 contestants from 20 South Plains counties comprising District 2 of Texas Agricultural Extension Service competed in this year's show.

High point counties for the two-day contest were Dawson, placing first; Cochran, which was second; and Lubbock, third.

Ronee Thornton of Floyd County showed the grand champion mare of the show. Blake Shuttlesworth of Lubbock County had reserve champion. He also won first place in western pleasure.

Robin Robinett, sister of Renee who was high individual, showed the grand champion gelding, while Ginger Henderson of Floyd County came in with the reserve champion gelding.

Other top honors went to Bill Hodnett of Bailey County who was fourth high individual after winning a run-off in barrel racing and a second in pole bending, and Jimmy Henderson of Bailey County who placed first in the reining class and second in western horsemanship to capture fifth place individual honors.

A new event at the district level this year was judged roping. Winning in this event was Eddie Jo Pearson of Swisher County. Bill Murphy from Borden County won the pole bending class, while K'Lynn Boyer captured showmanship honors.

Another winner was Holly Knox of Lubbock, who won a first in western horsemanship.

The contest was broken down

into eight halter and six performance classes, plus roping. The six first place performance winners along with those showing the four top halter horses will compete at state.

Those who qualified to compete in the state horse show are as follows: Renee Robinett-Dawson County; K'Lynn Boyer, Dawson County; Steve Palvado-Cochran County; Bill Hodnett-Bailey County; Jimmy Henderson-Bailey County; Ronee Thornton-Floyd County; Ginger Henderson, Floyd County; Robin Robinett-Dawson County; Debbie Palvado-Cochran County; Stacey Barrington-Lubbock County; Blake Shuttlesworth-Lubbock County; Holly Knox-Lubbock County; Ben Murphy-Borden County; Ty McMurtry-Briscoe County; Jo Ann Whitehead-Cochran County; Jill Floyd-Dawson County; Eddie Joe Pearson-Swisher County; Missy Cooper-Lubbock County; Dana Franks-Terry County; and Suzette Fitzgerald-Briscoe County.

The following is a breakdown of the wins registered by the 4-H horsemen in their various classes:



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### HALTER CLASSES:

Class 1--Registered mare, any breed, five years of age and over; First, Ronee Thornton, Floyd County; second, Blake Shuttlesworth, Lubbock County; third, Jill Floyd, Dawson County.

Class 2--Registered mare, any breed, under five years of age; First, D'Ann Hall, Howard County; second, Mona Henderson, Floyd County; third Debe Longbotham, Scurry County.

Class 3--Grade mare, any breed, all ages; First, Shane Claunch, Bailey County; second, Joel Carter, Lynn County; third, Sharla Farmer, Bailey County.

Class 4--Champion and Reserve Champion mare; Champion, Ronee Thornton, Floyd County; Reserve Champion, Blake Shuttlesworth, Lubbock County.

Class 5--Registered gelding, any breed, five years of age and over; First, Robin Robinett, Dawson County; second, Ginger Henderson, Floyd County; third Mark Dewbre, Cochran County.

Class 6--Registered gelding, any breed, under five years of age; First, Zane Reagan, Briscoe County; second, Kay Jobe, Gaines County; third, Terry Parum, Gaines County.

Class 7--Grade gelding, any breed, all ages; First, Denise Dorman, Lynn County; second, Steve Palvado, Cochran County; third, Valerie Townley, Gaines County.

Class 8--Champion and Reserve Champion gelding; Champion, Robin Robinett, Dawson County; Reserve Champion, Ginger Henderson, Floyd County.

PERFORMANCE CLASSES:  
Class 9--Showmanship. First K'Lynn Boyer, Dawson County; second, Renee Robinett, Dawson County; third, Ginger Henderson, Floyd County.

Class 10--Western Pleasure. First, Blake Shuttlesworth, Lubbock County; second, Ronee Thornton, Floyd County; third, Sheila McNeely, Lynn County.

Class 11--Western Horsemanship: First, Holly Knox, Lubbock County; second, Jimmy Henderson, Bailey County; third, Renee Robinett, Dawson County.

Class 12--Reining: First, Jimmy

Henderson, Bailey County; second, Ty McMurtry, Briscoe County; third, Steve Palvado, Cochran County.

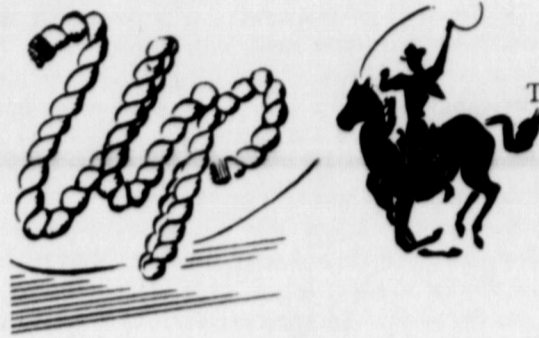
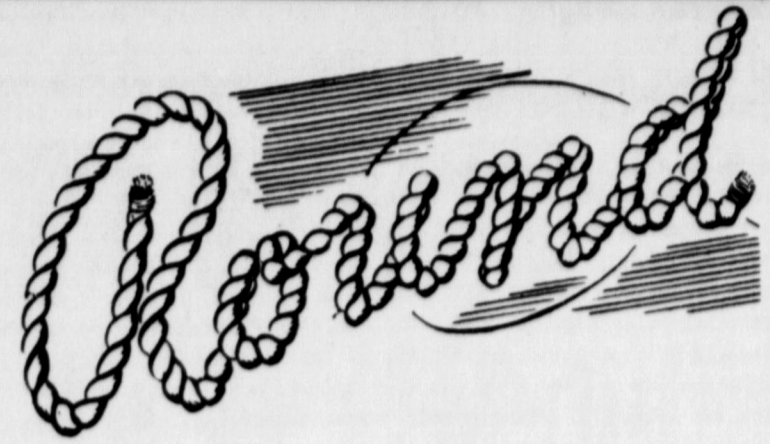
Class 13--Pole Bending: First, Ben Murphy, Borden County; second, Bill Hodnett, Bailey County; third, Suzette Fitzgerald, Briscoe County.

Class 14--Barrel Racing: First Bill Hodnett, Bailey County; second, Jo Ann Whitehead, Cochran County; third, Dana Franks, Terry County.

Roping, Judged--First, Eddie Joe Pearson, Swisher County; second, Steve Palvado, Cochran County; third, Bryan Boyd, Crosby County.

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## New Cotton Cushioning And Bedding Meets Fire Safety Standards

RALEIGH-A highly resilient cushioning and bedding material that can meet present and anticipated federal fire safety standards has been developed by researchers on behalf of U. S. cotton producers.

The new batting has been assigned the trademark, "Flex-Xel." It is made from cotton linters, cotton motes, a low grade byproduct of ginning and milling, and other textile wastes.

The batting was developed by Cotton Incorporated, the fiber company of U. S. cotton producers; Ramcon, Inc., a research and management company in Memphis; and the Norman W. Paschall Co., a buyer, seller, and processor of cotton and synthetics in Peachtree City, Ga.

"Flex-Xel" batting gives consumers protection from fire that polyurethane foam cannot give, according to Hal E. Brockmann, vice president for textile research and development for Cotton Incorporated.

Polyurethane foam currently dominates the cushioning and bedding materials market.

"Flex-Xel" batting meets current federal standards which stipulate that a mattress not smolder when a lighted cigarette is laid on it, explained Dr. Leonard Smith, associate director for fire retardance research for Cotton Incorporated.

"While foam can pass a cigarette test, it burns readily when exposed to an open flame," Smith said.

An open flame test is already included in California safety standards for upholstered furniture, Smith noted. And "Flex-Xel" cushioning can be treated to meet the standard.

"Flex-Xel" batting also makes better cushioning than foam or conventional, plain cotton," Brockmann said. "It is more resilient, and it provides more comfort."

Laboratory tests show that "Flex-Xel" cushioning is also durable.

"We have subjected the 'Flex-

Xel" batting to torture tests and it failed only when the pressure was so great that the springs broke," explained Dr. Smith.

"Flex-Xel" does not bottom-out or develop sag, as foam does after repeated use, Smith said. Success of the "Flex-Xel" batting will mean a comeback for cotton in the batting market, Brockmann declared.

Regular cotton batting has been losing out to foam batting because it could not pass federal flammability standards, was not as resilient as foam, and could not be molded, shaped, or tailored as easily as foam.

The new "Flex-Xel" batting can meet all these requirements at a lower cost than foam, Brockmann said. "Flex-Xel" batting can halt the displacement of cotton in these markets. It can turn the markets around and increase cotton consumption."

The three major markets at which "Flex-Xel" batting will be directed initially are mattresses and box springs, automotive and truck seats, and upholstered furniture, Brockmann said.

Production of the batting began in January. The first licensee is National Bedding and Furniture Industries of Memphis, a member of the Serta group of mattress and cushioning pro-

ducers, one of the three largest manufacturers of batting in the country.

Most of the current production is going into mattress insulator pads and toppers, with some going into upholstered furniture. The present three-garnett line being used by National Bedding and Furniture Industries is capable of producing 2 million pounds of "Flex-Xel" batting a year.

Annual "Flex-Xel" production of about 100 million pounds is anticipated by the end of 1976, according to Brockmann. Fibers in "Flex-Xel" batting are bonded together with a resin. Both thickness and density can be controlled. The batting can be molded, heat-set or laminated to fabrics, plastics or other materials, Smith said. It can also be used as insulation for heat, sound and impact.

"Flex-Xel" batting can be die-cut or molded into various shapes and configurations to suit particular tastes. This makes it versatile and easy for the manufacturer to use, he said. "Flex-Xel" products will be made by manufacturers licensed by Ramcon in behalf of Cotton Incorporated and the Norman W. Paschall Co.

The first public display of the product was at the National Association of Bedding Manufacturers Show in New Orleans in April.

Cotton Incorporated represents U. S. cotton growers with marketing operations in New York City and a research center at Raleigh, N. C.

## Terms For Fabricated Food Explained

Terms used to describe fabricated foods often confuse consumers.

Frances Reasonover, foods and nutrition specialist, explained that fabricated foods are those that have been designed, engineered or formulated from ingredients that may or may not include additives, vitamins and minerals.

This specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, offered help for consumers in telling the difference among these terms.

Restoration is adding selected nutrients to a food to restore nutrients lost through processing.

If enough Vitamin C were added to a frozen apple pie to bring the Vitamin C back to the original level of the apples, it could be called a restored food, Miss Reasonover explained. Fortification is adding selected nutrients not normally present in that particular food.

"If protein were added to the apple pie mentioned above, protein not being a natural nutrient to this food, it would be called fortification. Another example is adding Vitamin D to milk."

Enrichment is adding nutrients to a food so as to make that food conform to some special standard. Vitamins and minerals added to an ordinary flour to achieve the standard for enriched flour constitute flour enrichment, she said.

"Nutrition enhancement is adding nutrients to a food by fortification, enrichment or restoration. Nutrification is the same as nutritional enhancement.

"Nutritionally-modified foods have had nutrients added to them so that they contain food values at least equal to the natural foods they may replace in the diet.

"An example is textured vegetable protein made from soy with mineral and vitamins added so that it has all the nutrients of the meat it replaces in the diet," the specialist explained. Simulated foods are designed to completely replace some other food. They are made to look, taste and feel like the food they replace.

Meat analogs, made from plant proteins, are similar to the real meats they replace. Soy milk is designed to replace cow's milk.

"Synthetic foods are those made from materials generally thought of as nonfood sources. An imaginary example might be a product made from corn-cobs, with minerals and vitamins added for nutrition and sweetened for taste acceptance.

"Synthetically sweetened soft drinks and fruit drinks bear little relation to real fruit juices," she said.



The Chinese were the first known people to acquire more than one name. The Emperor Fushi decreed the use of family names, or surnames, about 2852 B.C., according to World Book Encyclopedia.

## Solve Decorating Woes Easily

By Dorothy Powell  
County Extension Agent

A wealth of free decorating ideas is available to any homemaker with a few minutes to spend, Mrs. Dorothy Powell County Extension Agent, said this week.

Model rooms in furnishings stores and pictures in popular magazines can help solve a particular problem or inspire a complete redecorating project.

They show ideas for furniture arrangement, color and pattern combinations, window treatments and placement of accessories, the agent said.

Notice how furniture is arranged for easy movement throughout the room.

Compare ideas for grouping furniture for comfortable conversation, television viewing or some other activity.

Consider where the focal point in the room is and whether something exists in your own home that could be shown to better advantage, she suggested.

Flipping through a magazine will reveal a variety of alternatives to any situation: Pictures don't have to be centered over the couch. How can collections be displayed? What are some possibilities for disguising defects such as radiator pipes, badly placed windows, air conditioners?



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## Chinese Hibiscus For Summer Beauty

Chinese hibiscus can provide plenty of summer color in the home landscape.

"This tropical or subtropical flowering plant is becoming more popular in Texas although winter injury limits its use," says Dr. William C. Welch, landscape horticulturist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Thus, hibiscus should be grown as an annual or container specimen in most of the state."

Hibiscus belong to the mallow family and are closely related to cotton, hollyhock, turk's cap, the mallows, shrub althea, confederate rose and okra. They boast glossy green foliage that varies considerably in size and texture among the many varieties. Flowers range from four to eight inches in diameter and may be double or single. Colors vary from white through pink, red, yellow, apricot and orange. Generally, single flowered hibiscus bloom more and offer a bigger show in the landscape, but doubles are sometimes preferred for their spectacular individual flowers, points out the Texas A&M University System specialist.

"Hibiscus flowers are popular for decorations," notes Welch. "They need not be placed in water to prevent wilting, which adds flexibility to their use. An objection is that flowers of most

varieties last only one day, especially during hot weather. Since the blossoms usually close at night, flowers for evening display should be pulled as soon as they are fully open in the morning and placed in the refrigerator until just before using."

If no leaves are pulled with the blossoms, picking does not damage plants or reduce the total amount of flowering, says the horticulturist.

Hibiscus prefer a sunny location and well-drained soil containing plenty organic matter and nutrients. Small monthly applications of a complete fertilizer through September are beneficial. Container grown plants will require more frequent applications.

"Hibiscus must have sufficient water for top bloom production. Watering should be done thoroughly and not too frequently," advises Welch.

Applications of a loose mulch such as pine straw or oak leaves around the base of the plant before cold weather sometimes prevents severe winter injury, says the horticulturist. However, certain varieties are more susceptible to cold damage than others. If greenhouse space is available, plants may be dug, placed in containers and replanted in the landscape after the danger of frost has passed.

## "Recycled", Sounds Better Than "Used"

"My husband and I are proud to announce that earlier this month we purchased a 'recycled' room air conditioner, not a 'used' one, but recycled," Mrs. Janice Carberry, family resource management specialist said.

By doing this, the specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, said she felt they were helping the environment by putting to use some of America's still good unused resources and not using new supplies of limited resources.

"But if we'd bought a 'used' unit, that would have meant it was second hand and people would have known that a new model was more than our pocketbook could afford.

"Of course that's true, but it's not something we'd write home to Mother or brag to the neighbors about," she said.

The psychology of this has made some staff members of the Federal Trade Commission think that many people will prefer "recycled" over "used." They have proposed a word change on used products being sold, recycled golf balls and tires, for example.

She said that by substituting the word "recycled" the stigma of buying some used products would be removed and the environmental concerns associated with recycling would be enhanced.

"They may have a point. There is a certain amount of pride in

using stationery 'made completely from recycled paper.' Not too many people will boast of wearing 'hand-me-down clothes,' but a rare bargain found at a garage sale and recycled into a fashionable tunic top' is the same song with a niftier tune," she said.

Mrs. Carberry cautioned consumers to make sure they have a real need for the recycled item and that it still works before buying.

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Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, July, Army Specialist Four Michael G. Montgomery, 21, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Montgomery and wife, Denise, live at Littlefield, participated in a field training exercise on the island of Hawaii. The training consisted of live fire exercises and airmobile operations.

He is a helicopter mechanic with the 25th Infantry Division here.

U. S. Forces, Korea, July, Army Private Eugene Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams of Littlefield, is assigned as a multichannel equipment operator in the 44th Air Defense Artillery.

## Harvest Vegetables On Time

By Jim D. Kuykendall  
Ast. County Extension Agent

After putting a lot of hard work into that vegetable garden, it's important to harvest crops at the proper time, points out Jim Kuykendall, Assistant county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Produce that is picked too soon can be either too tough or too tender and often lacks in flavor or substance. That which is harvested too late may also be tough, fibrous or squasy, depending on the crop. Once produce passes its peak of maturity, its flavor begins to decline.

Many vegetable crops should be harvested on a regular basis as they will mature over a period of time, explains Kuykendall. Certain crops such as okra, squash, tomatoes, beans and cucumbers can be harvested every two or three days.

Most vegetables can be easily picked or snapped off the stalk

or vine. However, care should be used not to damage the plants. It may be best to use a knife when harvesting certain crops such as okra and eggplants. Also, use care to avoid stepping on vines or breaking stems when harvesting vegetables.

Kuykendall advises harvesting vegetable crops when the foliage is dry to avoid spreading disease spores that may be present. Wilted plants should not be harvested since harvesting creates wounds which increase water loss from the plants.

Freshly harvested vegetables should be moved to a cool location and preferably placed in the refrigerator. They should be used as soon as possible, whether they are to be consumed as fresh or are for canning or freezing.

To get the most enjoyment from home grown vegetables, harvest them on time for a taste-satisfying delight, says Kuykendall.

## Study Shows Americans Shifting To Nonmetro Areas

WASHINGTON, Population grew faster in nonmetro than in metro counties from 1970 to 1973, reflecting a shift of people from cities to smaller communities, according to a report by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The study also reported that nonmetro employment increased twice as fast as metro employment between 1970 and

1973, explaining in part the change in population trends toward nonmetro areas.

While per capita personal income in the United States increased at an annual average rate of more than 8 percent in both metro and nonmetro areas from 1965 to 1972, the dollar amount of increase in metro counties (\$1,807) was greater than in nonmetro counties

(\$1,474).

Per capita personal income in metro areas in 1972 was \$4825, compared with \$3586 in non-metro areas.

Health care was better in metro areas than nonmetro areas, but educational attainment levels were about equal. The number of substandard housing units de-

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clined faster in nonmetro than metro areas, and new construction was accelerating in both areas in the early 1970's.

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## A List Of Things To Avoid

There are several things you should try to avoid this summer.

Ticks, chiggers, mosquitoes, flies, ants, snakes and poison ivy are among the many hazards encountered in the outdoors. One of the pests, or a combination, can help spoil a picnic or camping trip, says the Texas Department of Health Resources, formerly known as the Texas State Department of Health.

But aside from being pests which attach themselves to the skin of their victims, often producing infections, ticks can be the carriers of Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

Spotted fever is known by many names, such as "mountain fever," "bull fever," "black fever" or "blue disease."

But however designated, the only known natural transmission of this endemic, potentially severe, febrile disease is through the infective tick. This may be accomplished by contamination with crushed tissues or feces of the tick or, perhaps more com-

monly, by the actual biting attachment of this disease-carrying pest.

At least two deaths in Texas this year have been credited to Rocky Mountain spotted fever.

One victim was a 41-year-old Tyler man, who apparently picked up ticks in Van Zandt County while working with cattle.

A case was clinically diagnosed in a 17-year-old woman, who lived in a rural Cass County setting. Other suspected cases have been investigated.

Rocky Mountain spotted fever got its name because of early experiments with ticks in the Rocky Mountain area at the turn of the century. This has led to the misconception that it is found only in this region, but most cases have been reported from the eastern United States, Virginia and North Carolina had almost one-third of reported cases in 1974, according to the U. S. Public Health Service.

Most Texas cases reported to the Bureau of Communicable

Disease Services have been from the northeastern and southeastern areas of the state.

A number of different tick species are found in these areas, according to Paul V. Fournier of the Department's Medical Entomology Division. However, wrote Fournier in a Texas Health Bulletin article, only a few are thought to be involved in the direct transmission of this disease to man.

Investigations have shown that the three main culprits in Texas are the American dog tick (*Dermacentor variabilis*), the lone star tick (*Amblyomma americanum*) and the brown dog tick (*Rhipicephalus sanguineus*). Although the brown dog tick seldom attaches to man, it is thought that this tick may transmit the disease to canines, and then on to man by other ticks.

Ticks must pass through several stages of development. The basic life cycle includes: eggs, larvae, nymphs and adults. They feed only on blood, and most species must find new hosts (or reattach to the same host) several times during their life

cycle. The tick is well-adapted to survival, and some species may survive for more than a year without feeding, says Fournier.

It has long been known that the rickettsial pathogens of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever may be passed along from one generation to another through infected eggs. Therefore, any stage of an infected tick can transfer the disease to man.

Completely avoiding ticks would appear to be the ideal way to ward off infestation, but this is too impractical. Farmers, ranchers, foresters, nature lovers, virtually anyone who ventures into the out-of-doors, can expect to run into ticks at one time or another.

There are some precautions which can be taken, says Fournier. One of the easiest is to use commercial repellents, which also are effective against chiggers and mosquitoes. Since there is a connection between the length of tick attachment and severity of the disease, it would be well to remove all ticks just as soon as possible. A thorough inspection of the body should be made as soon as possible after returning from the outdoors. While there is no one recommended manner in removing ticks, use of tweezers is preferred over the fingers. The reason is that the disease can be transferred by crushing while removing it. This is especially true when removing engorged ticks from a pet.

The infectious agent in Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is the *Rickettsia rickettsii*, named after the man who pioneered some of the research into the disease.

Because of the rise of the disease in Texas, a tick surveillance program has been established through the Department of Health Resources. The program is in response to the need for determination of the species present in infested areas, and the testing of tick samples for rickettsial pathogens.

ate about 12 per cent per year, and average annual interest charges will be about 4.5 per cent of its new value. Repairs will run about 3.5 per cent and insurance costs will be from one to three per cent of the new cost. Thus, annual ownership costs will total 20-23 per cent.

The economist gives the example of a harvester costing \$22,000 at 20 per cent annual ownership cost. "The machine will cost \$4,400 per year. If you harvest 220 acres, the machine will cost \$20 per acre. Of course, don't forget to add fuel and labor costs. This final figure must then be compared with custom harvest costs."

The more acreage on which is used, the cheaper the cost per acre, until the machine reaches its practical use limit per year, adds Hayenga.

"The main advantages of owning your own machinery are convenience and timeliness," says the economist. "It's difficult to calculate the benefits of these factors, but it's necessary to decide the best investment for your operation."

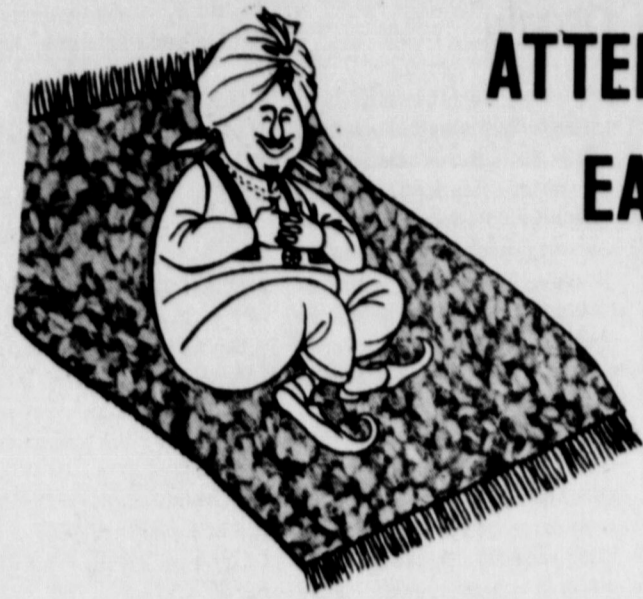
### Savings Bond Sales Up

May sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bonds amounting to \$28,352 in Lamb County were reported today by County Bond Chairman James T. Lee. Sales for the five-month period totaled \$86,004 for 86% of the 1975 sales goal of \$130,000.

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### Which Is Best To Own Or Hire Equipment

Some agricultural producers caught in the cost-price squeeze find hiring custom farm machinery operators may be cheaper than buying machinery.

That observation comes from Dr. Wayne Hayenga, economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Before deciding whether to buy or hire, Hayenga advises producers to look at a few factors. "To get an idea of the total yearly cost of owning your own machinery, figure costs such as depreciation, interest, repairs, taxes and insurance, the DIRT fixed costs. Divide this cost figure by the number of acres on which the machine would be used. This will be the fixed cost per acre," notes the Texas A&M University System economist.

Hayenga says a machine with an eight-year life will depreci-

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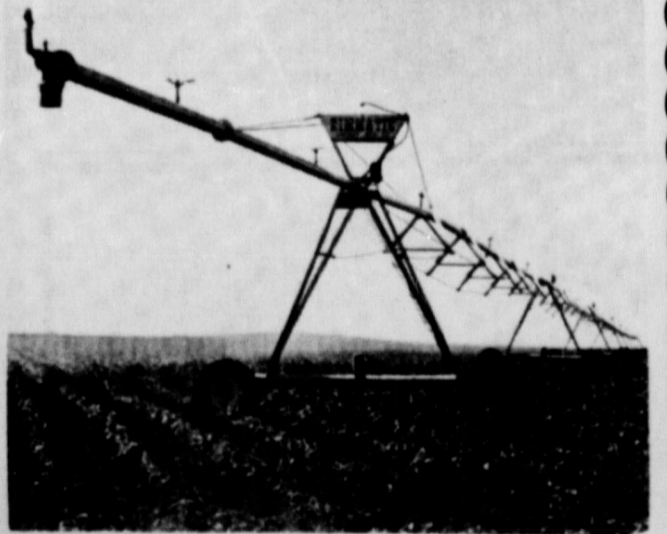
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## USDA Extends Deadline For Using Old Series Food Stamps

Food stamp recipients can use 50-cent, \$2 and old \$5 food stamps until August 13, the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced today.

USDA introduced a new food stamp series, \$1, \$5 and \$10, on March 1 with a deadline of June 30 for spending old series food stamps at authorized retail food stores and meal services. The deadline was extended to allow recipients who were issued old coupons in March, April and May adequate time to use them.

Grocers and meal services can redeem old coupons at commercial banks through September 30.

The change, which was effective July 1, 1975, will be published in the Federal Register of Wednesday, July 9.

## Traveling With Children Can Be Easy

Parents can help make vacation travel with young children a pleasure rather than a hassle, Mrs. Ilene Miller, family life education specialist, said this week.

"Whether the vacation involves a trip to the lake, Gulf coast, or a visit with relatives, chances are part of the traveling will be by automobile," the specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, noted. She suggested some ways for making travel with young children more enjoyable for everyone.

"Tell the children in advance about trip plans. Let them know where they will be going and what the family will be doing. If possible, involve the children in planning some of the activities for the trip."

Plan with the children for



DARK CLOUDS-are seen gathering and hovering over the area shortly before a shower.

travel time. Consider which of their favorite toys can be safely used in the car, what activities would they like to do,

## Parents Teach Nature Appreciation

Interested parents can find excellent opportunities to help their children enjoy and appreciate nature during spring-time outdoor activities, Mrs. Ilene Miller, family life education specialist, said this week.

"Many attitudes a child forms depend on examples his parents set. When parents respect living plants, trees and wildlife they see, then children learn that living things are valued and have a definite purpose," the specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service said.

Parents would do best to teach children to study insects, snakes and other wildlife from a distance, though. Wild creatures might bite, sting or cause injury if they are suddenly frightened by a curious child. But from a safe distance, wildlife can be safely studied and admired, the Texas A&M University System specialist pointed out.

"Through careful observation, a youngster can learn to recognize and appreciate the variety and adaptability he sees in nature."

"Accepting responsibility for keeping the environment clean and in its natural state for others

"Young children will be excited about plans for a trip. They may also become upset sooner and tire more easily. A good travel schedule should include plenty of short rest stops so children will not become too restless."

"Plan to stop for meals as close to your family's regular meal-time schedule as possible. Stop early enough to get the children clean and relaxed before supper and then into bed at about their normal bedtime," the specialist advised.

To complete vacation plans, include a first aid kit, thermos jug of water, nutritious snack foods and a dampened washcloth for clean-up, she advised.

to enjoy can be taught through examples and clear, simple explanation. Children need to know why they should look but not touch," she said.

They also need help in understanding the possible consequences of their actions if they do not follow a parent's guidance, she reminded.

"However, attempts to frighten a child so he will behave in a specific way won't help him understand his surroundings."

"Parents can best help children appreciate and respect nature by providing a variety of opportunities for the child to explore and learn more about his world. If a child knows how to respond in a certain situation and what to expect, then he will enjoy the experience more," she explained.

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PVT. JUAN M. ROBLEDO

Marine private Juan M. Robledo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eebio A. Robledo of Hart, was graduated from recruit training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

Physical conditioning, discipline and teamwork are emphasized during Marine recruit training.

Classes include instruction in close order drill, Marine Corps history, first aid, uniform re-

gulations and military customs and courtesies.

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KEITH A. PEASE

Camp Hovey, Korea, July, Keith A. Pease, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Pease of Muleshoe, was promoted to Army sergeant while serving as a supply sergeant with the 2nd Infantry Division here.

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PVT. GEORGE E. ELLINGTON  
Ft. Hood, Tex. July, Army Private George E. Ellington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl M. Ellington of Muleshoe, is assigned as an engineer in the 1st Cavalry Division here.

## A PARENT'S PRAYER

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Reduce, I pray, the meanness in me. And when I am out of sorts, help me, O Lord, to hold my tongue.

O heavenly Father, make me a better parent. Teach me to understand my children, to listen patiently to what they have to say, and to answer all their questions kindly. Keep me from interrupting them or contradicting them. Make me as courteous to them as I would have them be to me. Forbid that I should ever laugh at their mistakes, or resort to shame or ridicule when they displease me. May I never punish them for my own selfish satisfaction or to show my power.

Let me not tempt my child to lie or steal. And guide me hour by hour that I may demonstrate by all I say and do that honesty

Let me not rob them of the opportunity to wait on themselves and to make decisions. Bless me with the bigness to grant them all their reasonable requests, and the courage to deny them privileges I know will do them harm.

Make me fair and just and kind. And fit me, O Lord to be loved and respected and imitated by my children.  
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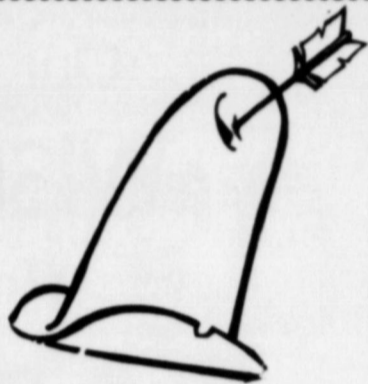
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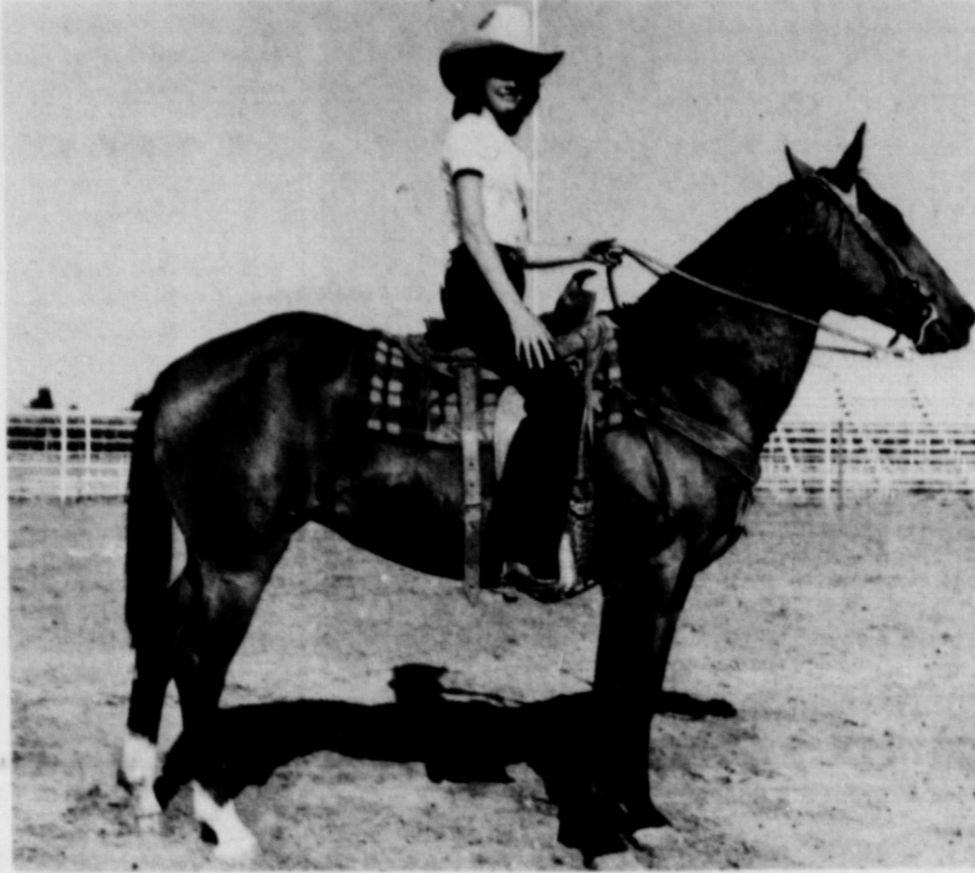
The blades and magnetic lid holder on can openers are two places consumers must be sure to clean regularly, one family resource management specialist reminded this week.

Mrs. Doris Myers with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, pointed out that cleaning the can opener is important lifted off the hinges for easier

cleaning," Mrs. Myers said, because germs breed on leftover food particles.

"Wipe the blades and magnet with a sudsy cloth after each use. Follow manufacturer's instructions and take the can opener apart often to scrub the blades with a brush. Rinse and dry well.

"Electric can openers must be disconnected before cleaning. Wall-mounted openers can be



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## SPS Completes Survey Of Industries In Area

The Area Development Department of Southwestern Public Service Company has completed a survey of industries in the area served by the electric company.

The first phase of the survey, completed in March, was made in all of the towns that SPS serves in Texas except Amarillo and Lubbock. The second phase of the survey covers these two metropolitan areas.

"The purpose of the survey is to assemble information that will aid in the design of programs to assist existing manufacturers expand their production facilities," commented Larry Milner, Area Development manager for SPS in Amarillo.

The survey, representing twenty-three communities on the North and South Plains, reveals that 52.4 percent of the existing industries responding to the survey plan future ex-

pansion. Forty-seven of the companies surveyed plan expansion within the next twelve months, while another sixty-one plan expansion in the next three years. During the next five years, twenty-five more companies plan expansion.

Employment expansion for the near future was projected in the range of forty-three percent. The survey covers general manufacturing, agri-related, and oil and gas related industries, with a total employee representation of more than

14,000. Of this number, about 9,000 are production workers, 1,000 are management employees and the remainder work in clerical or administrative jobs.

In discussing the survey, Milner said, "Some of the major problems faced by industry when planning expansion are labor supply, reduced sales, resources, financing, lack of technical information, transportation, building space, management and air pollution laws.

"Helping all the towns in our service area with new and existing industries is one of our primary functions. We feel that the information in this industrial survey will aid us in providing that help," Milner concluded.

## Self-Help Children's Clothing Build Confidence

Young children's clothes can be fun and functional, and at the same time help children develop social and physical skills, Beverly Rhoades, clothing specialist, said this week.

"Clothing that's easy to get on and off helps a child develop self-confidence and encourages independence in dressing.

"Learning to dress is not an easy task for a child, and he may become impatient if dressing takes too long, or if he must ask for help," the specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, said.

A self-help garment is one which the child can put on and take off with little or no help from an adult.

She explained that these features include easy to reach front openings; simple styles which are easy to manage; large buttons, fasteners or zippers with big rings or decorative pull tabs which are easy to manipulate and conveniently located.

"They should have adequate armholes, sleeves and necks which are large enough to get into easily; stretch fabrics; elastic waistbands and wristbands; and distinct front and back

openings or openings which have the front and back marked as with contrasting thread on the inside.

"Also left and right marks as in shoes and gloves; attached belts and sashes (avoid separate belts which often get twisted and are hard to handle, as well as sashes which tie in the back) and shoes which do not have to be tied, such as those without laces or with elastic laces that stretch when putting shoes on."

The specialist pointed out that self-help features also make clothes adaptable for frequent toileting.

### The Coal is There

Some 200 billion tons of coal are presently recoverable, according to Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton. He estimates that this is enough to last 350 years at the present rate of consumption. Moreover, he says, another trillion tons of coal are potentially recoverable after that.

There were 16 deaths per 100,000 workers in 1974, a new all-time low rate with 13,500 work-related fatalities, according to preliminary reports issued by the National Safety Council.

## Success of Feedlots Hinge on Economical Odor Control

"The success of future livestock and poultry feeding operations may depend on their ability to control odors economically," says Dr. John Sweeten with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "And the key to controlling odors hinges on the ability to measure them."

Researchers investigating odor control methods must first have a good method of measuring odors, contends the agricultural engineer specializing in livestock waste management. And, the legal process of regulating odors in Texas could also be simplified.

"Presently, odor nuisance complaints and litigation are based on emotional judgments and monetary damage claims rather than on scientific evidence that odors are intolerable," says the Texas A&M University System specialist. "By contrast, a reliable method of odor measurement would enable air pollution control agencies to establish

odor criteria. Such an odor intensity standard could benefit both livestock feeders and the public by possibly eliminating the expense of odor nuisance suits."

Through odor measurement, the actual need for an odor control program could be determined, says Sweeten. Another application of odor measurement would be to help determine how far new feedlots should be located outside of populated areas.

"We need to be able to predict odor intensities downwind from a feedlot under various design and operating conditions," points out the engineer.

He lists several ways of measuring odors.

One way is to measure the amount of "clean" air it takes to dilute odorous air so that odors can barely be detected. A portable air dilution device called a scentometer is helpful in en-

abling engineers to pinpoint the main source of feedlot odors.

Another approach is to measure concentrations of some of the 45 different odorous gases emitted from livestock manure. However, odorant concentrations do not necessarily reflect odor intensity as detected by the human nose.

"Control of odors from feedlots can only come about through increased research on odor measurement systems and odor abatement programs," contends Sweeten.

## Butterflies in Danger, Says Wildlife Service

Forty-one species of possibly endangered or threatened butterflies will be the subject of intensive studies by the Federal Government, 26 states, Cuba, Canada, and Mexico. The study is being requested by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to determine each butterfly's status.

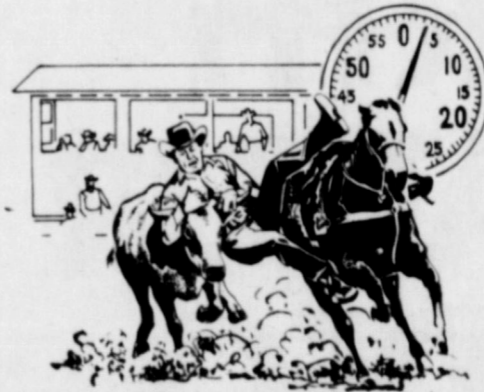
Most of the butterflies under consideration in the study owe their reduced population to two related problems—dependence on one primary food and land development.

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## Bicentennial Program To Aid Small Towns

Washington, D. C. --Do people living in the thousands of small towns across the country have any control over the future of their way of life, a way that has been the backbone of the nation throughout its history?

Can citizens of these small cities and towns take advantage of modern science and technology to plan for their future?

The belief they can is behind an ambitious Bicentennial project called "Century 3 Communities Program." The program has been granted national recognition by the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration.

C3CP, for short, will help communities design and build a "Community Early Warning System" to set long-term goals and build consensus around them. The programs will be backed by some of the technology and decision making tools developed by big government and business since World War II.

The tools range from a new kind of card file to a computer,

and from a community fair to cable television. Different approaches will be used in different communities according to their needs and resources.

Developed by The Institute, a non-profit organization with headquarters in Dickerson, Maryland, C3CP will involve 13 specific towns across the country during the Bicentennial era. Programs and procedures developed and proven in the original 13 communities will be available to any other interested locality.

What will participation in the program bring a community?

First, the C3CP staff will supply guidelines and technical assistance in designing the early warning system.

Second, the program will maintain experienced consultants on call for social problems.

Third, for communities that wish to adapt computers and other sophisticated technology to their own uses, the staff will help write and circulate proposals for funding from other

sources.

Communities will have to fund their own activities but will pay no money to the program's staff.

The 13 communities of less than 25,000 people will be selected by early 1976 and will officially kick off their local programs with community fairs July 4, 1976. The Institute will continue assisting in the efforts over a three-year period, at which time a community can choose to keep going on its own or not.

The Institute was founded in late 1971 to develop and disseminate practical techniques for small communities, small businesses, individuals and various organizations to help cope with social and technological change.

The first stage of C3CP was funded by the Bicentennial Council of the Thirteen Original States, the Franklin Mint Corporation, and the National Science Foundation. The Institute is actively seeking additional funding to help carry out



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## Mrs Martin Falls And Breaks Arm

Mrs. Alice Martin was dismissed from the South Plains Hospital in Amherst last Tuesday, after being hospitalized four days, following a fall.

The winner was announced at an awards banquet later that evening.

Recipes of the contestants' dishes are available to the public at no charge.

"Next year the contest moves back to the East Coast and Philadelphia for the Bicentennial, so anyone who wants to see a cook-off better do it in San Antonio this year," White said.

"And if you didn't enter this year, you might think about doing it, and maybe winning, in 1976," he said.

Mrs. Martin tripped over a telephone cord Friday. In falling, she broke her right arm just below her shoulder joint. She was allowed to return home Tuesday to recuperate and rest in bed.

The following day after being dismissed she was snapping beans. She had learned to pick up the beans with her left hand, transfer them to the hand in the sling for holding them secure, while her left hand did the snapping.

These people are called "The Salt of the Earth." To busy to be bored, to busy to question their rights, to busy to wonder whether they are happy or not. They're happy if they are able to get out of bed and work.

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## Cattle Price Outlook For Remainder Of '75

What's in store for cattlemen as far as prices are concerned for the remainder of 1975?

"Although there's optimism in some circles due to current stronger market prices and an increase in cattle feeding, it's a little early for cattlemen to begin cheering," contends Dr. Ed Uvacek, livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "In fact, producers may be in for another drop in market prices as the year moves along."

So Uvacek advises cattlemen to market or contract calves early and cull old cows as soon as possible.

What are the reasons for Uvacek's gloomy outlook? First of all, the supply of grain-fed beef should increase during the second half of the year. Fed cattle marketings are expected to be about 9 per cent larger during the last six months of 1975 than during the first half of the year.

Increased cow liquidations will also boost the total beef supply. Uvacek expects cow slaughter to increase 42 per cent during the last half of 1975 compared to the first six months of the year.

More beef will also result from large kills of non-fed steers and heifers and calves. Slaughter of non-fed steers and heifers is expected to be up 62 per cent during the last half of the year

the remainder of the program. Communities interested in participating in the program or wanting additional information should contact:

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while calf slaughter should be up almost 70 per cent, according to the Texas A&M University System Specialist.

"Cow-calf producers are loaded with calves that they will be marketing this summer and fall," points out Uvacek. "Many of them will be moving to feedlots, but the expected overflow is sure to bring feeder prices down."

"All this means a weaker cattle market during the remainder of this year," believes the specialist.

## Chicken Cooking Contest

AUSTIN-Not since the 'goose that laid the golden egg' has one bird been worth as much as the \$10,000 chicken that was cooked by the winner of the 1975 National Chicken Cooking Contest in the San Antonio Convention Center, July 9.

Besides the top prize of \$10,000, the runner-up earned \$4,000, third-place received \$3,000, fourth, \$2,000 and fifth place spot won \$1,000, according to Agriculture Commissioner John C. White.

The "Cook-Off," sponsored by the National Broiler Council, in conjunction with the Texas Department of Agriculture, got

under way at 9:30 a.m. with opening ceremonies featuring a "Parade of States." Immediately after the ceremonies, the contestants begin preparing two dishes for the panel of 13 judges, one to be judged for taste and the other for appear-

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### Insect-Disease Clinic On Vegetables, Ornamentals In Muleshoe July 11

A clinic to cover insect and disease aspects of ornamentals and vegetables will be held in Muleshoe, on Friday, July 11, at the Muleshoe State Bank Community Room. The clinic will start at 10:00 a. m. and run to 4:00 p. m.

The purpose of this clinic is to give home owners and local producers an opportunity to bring samples of either ornamentals or vegetable plants that have diseases, insects, and discoloration diagnosed by a team of area Extension Specialist. Any commercial producer who would like to visit with one of these specialist on any commercial insect or disease problem is welcome to come and do so.

The following Lubbock based specialist will be on hand to analyze and diagnose the problems: Dr. Robert McIntyre, Area Entomologist; Dr. Robert Berry, Area Plant Pathologist; and Dr. Roland Roberts, Area Vegetable Specialist.

This information is free and the public is encouraged to bring plants and visit with the specialists.

### USDA Seed Expert Offers Advice To Farmers And Seedmen

A seed expert with the U. S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) offers some advice to farmers and seedsmen in Texas about an amendment of the Federal Seed Act.

Clyde Edwards, chief seed law enforcement officer in USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), says an explanation of "Title 5" of the federal seed law may clear up some evident misunderstandings for farmers and local seedsmen who sell seed of certain varieties of cotton, lima bean, soybean and wheat. Special protection has been granted to the owners of these varieties under the Plant Variety Protection Act (PVPA).

At present, there are 66 varieties of cotton, lima bean, soybean, and wheat that are specially protected. The owners of these varieties are the holders of the certificates of protection issued for the varieties under the PVPA.

When the PVPA was signed into law in late 1970, the "Title 5" amendment was added to the Federal Seed Act. The main thrust of "Title 5", according to Edwards, is that specially protected varieties cannot be generally sold by variety name unless the seed is certified. Neither can the seed be legally sold under a different variety name.

Reports from AMS field offices indicate that some farmers and some seed dealers stand a good chance of getting into trouble through lack of knowledge about "Title 5."

"It seems they bought seed of some of the 66 varieties last year, planted and harvested it, and saved some of the seed. Now, they are planning to sell it by variety name as uncertified seed, which would be an illegal sale," Edwards explained.

As AMS learns of such instances, individual contacts are made, but this is a slow process. Edwards suggest that farmers and seedsmen in Texas can contact their State Department of Agriculture, or local County Extension Agent, to determine whether the varieties they have on hand are specially protected varieties and can be legally sold by variety name only as a class of certified seed.

With the approval of the owner of the varieties, seed of specially protected varieties can be sold as uncertified seed in most states if the seed is not represented by variety name, and is otherwise properly labeled.

For further information on the requirements of seed laws and the sale of specially protected seed, farmers and seedsmen should contact: Bill Staffel, Director, Seed Division, Texas Department of Agriculture, P. O. Box 12847, Capital Station, Austin, Texas 78711. Phone 512-475-2035.

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