



COACH ROLAND MURRAY

Roland Murray New Head Coach For S-E

Roland Murray, Varsity Assistant Coach at New Deal for the past two years has been secured as Athletic Director and Head Coach at Springlake-Earth School.

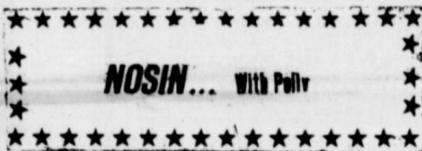
Murray will replace Tom Phelps, who resigned his position here to become track coach at Lubbock.

Murray has called a meeting of the Wolverine Varsity football team for Thursday, June 17 (tonight) at 8:00 p.m. at the fieldhouse. The meeting is a get acquainted meeting. Coach Murray is anxious to

meet the squad and to get to know his boys.

Coach Murray is a '67 graduate of Abernathy High School and received his BS degree in Physical Education from North Texas State at Denton in 1970. Murray was coach for two years at Horace Mann Junior High in Amarillo and in Memphis High School for a year. The past two years were at New Deal. The New Deal team went to State quarter finals.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray and children will be moving to the community in the near future.



The idea that discipline is old fashioned and that each person should be allowed to "do their own thing" has in my estimation caused much grief and sorrow in this world. Indeed the thought must have been originated by Satan himself.

Let's begin at the beginning, mans material welfare is based on civilization.

Civilization is based on law and order.

Law and order is based on discipline.

Discipline is of two types, that which is IMPOSED and that which is SELF-IMPOSED.

Discipline must be imposed on children to form the personal habits that make good character.

It must also be imposed on adults who do not impose it on themselves.

feel responsible for molding good character in their children, and disgusted police authorities whose hands have been tied. At the same time these who have stressed this belief all along, insisted on "doing their thing" regardless of the rights of others.

The crime rate has become higher and higher. Respect for the principles and institutions underlying the American civilization has never been so low.

During this 200 birthday year of our nation it might be the ideal time to take stock of the kind of citizens we really are, where we are going, and what we believe, using the Bible as our gauge. Surely we will discover DISCIPLINE must prevail to keep America from sinking.

NOSIN

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Nothing is opened more times by mistake than the mouth.

NOSIN

REMEMBER: Your EARTH can improve the world.

June 24 Issue To Be Printed Saturday

The June 24 issue of the News-Sun will be printed Saturday morning, June 19 in order to close the office for a week and allow the staff a vacation.

We ask your assistance in getting your news and ad copy in early in order that we can get the issue ready for printing Saturday morning.

The issue will be mailed out on the regular publication date at 8:00 a.m. Thursday, June 24. May we thank you in advance for your kindness in assisting us to get this issue of your paper out a little early.

"ROCKIN CHAIR SINGER"

Eddie Nicholson To Present Program At Baptist Church Sunday

The "Rockin Chair Singer," Eddie Nicholson, noted for his talent of bringing back memories of the by gone days of childhood among folks of middle age or over, will bring a program Sunday, June 20 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Earth.

"Folks Ain't A-Livin' No More, Just Existin'" says Nicholson who has put together a program, a unique musical program tastefully designed for the whole family, depicting a typical evening get-together for an early American farm family (after milkin' time.)

He has skillfully blended old gospel songs and hymns you haven't heard in many-a-year (if ever.) Included is a sprinkling of scripture. He also has true-to-life 'home-spun' stories, asking Americans to slow down and 'smell the roses', spend

more time with the youngins', adopt simple life style, get back to some old fashioned ways of doin' things, things that make for strong families, strong churches, a stronger nation.

Folks over 35 reminisce till it hurts, youth are amazed, amused, impressed with how things were 'way back then,' the approach is sincere and down-to-earth.

Audiences find themselves laughing, crying, singing, re-evaluating priorities, while Eddy does the entire program from his old rockin' chair. It's an unforgettable experience that's being talked about everywhere.

HOW IT CAME ABOUT

Born and raised in the hills of Tennessee, proud of his heri-



EDDIE NICHOLSON

tage and simple beginning, Eddy was singing and entertaining early in life. At 15 he was music director of his church. At 16 he had his own weekly radio program. By 19 he had written and published the song "Try Jesus, Man of Galilee" which sold over one million copies of sheet music.

Four years seemed too long to spend in college, so he did it in three, graduating Cum Laude from Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tennessee.

The next 19 years were devoted to singing for 'preacher buddy' friends in churches of all sizes, leaky tents, stadiums, jails, parking lots, nursing homes or wherever he was invited.

At 40, opportunity knocked in television and the Eddy Nicholson Show ran for two years on an ABC outlet in Texas

where he now lives. Then, at 45, a strange challenge slipped in the back door. Just for fun, and to keep the old vocal chords loose, Nicholson put together a 23 minute program entitled "Folks Ain't A-Livin' No More, Just Existin'."

At the drop of a hat Eddy will don his overalls, sit in a rocking chair and do this program for civic clubs, churches and benefits.

Eddy has recently appeared on "Hee-Haw." In March he was in Jacksonville, Florida at the Layman's Crusade with Paul Harvey, Dale Evans, The Anita Bryant Singers, Martin Luther King, Sr., and others.

Be sure you don't miss the great program at the First Baptist Church, June 20 at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.



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Queen Contest Set July 6

Hear ye! Hear ye! All beauties in Lamb County who are high school students are invited to enter a Rodeo Queen Contest scheduled for July 6 in Earth. Deadline for contestants to enter the contest is June 29. Entries must be sent to contest chairman Mrs. Jearl James at Star Route 1, Earth.

Contestants will be judged on horsemanship, poise and personality. They will be judged in denim, plain shirt and hat with sponsor's name on band. First judging will occur at 9 a.m. on July 6 at the rodeo arena. The second judging will be at a luncheon for contestants at 1 p.m. in the Homemaking Cottage. This event will require contestants to be attired in Sunday apparel.

To assist girls in getting ready for the event, a Coke party will be held at 3 p.m. on July 5 in the Bee Hive Mall in Earth.

Contestants are required to have a business sponsor who will pay the \$5 entry fee and be responsible for mount, float or something for the queen to ride in the parade.

Contestants are required to at-

tend the rodeo all three performances to participate in the Grand Entry.

The girl selected as Rodeo Queen will represent Earth Roping Club at all functions. She will receive a belt buckle and 8 x 10 photo of herself. First and Second runner up will receive charms.

FREE AND STRONG

"We can remember the past with flags and parades and fireworks as President Adams envisioned in the first summer of our independence, but to honor the past, we must hand this magnificent experiment in self-government on to future generations, free and strong."

—Gerald R. Ford

IN THE ECONOMIC BOOM YEAR OF 1966, the rate of inflation rose to 4 per cent and short-term interest rates peaked at 6 per cent. In 1969-70—the next business-cycle peak—inflation topped 5 per cent and interest rates reached 9 per cent. In 1974, inflation and interest rates both peaked at over 12 per cent—and the nation plunged into the worst recession, with the worst unemployment, since the Depression years of the 1930s.



EARTH LIONS CLUB OFFICERS... for 1976 were installed Tuesday night. Left to right standing, outgoing Lion Boss Wilton McDonald, Ray Phifer, director; Donald Street, tall twister, Larry McMillan, lion tamer; Jimmy Huckaby, director; Jerry

Been, 1st vice president; Perry Martin, 3rd vice president and Ross Middleton, secretary. Seated Bill Hogue, incoming district 2T2 Governor, installing officer; Leon Noack, Deputy District Governor and Lion Boss, Brian Hamilton.

Brian Hamilton New Earth Lion Boss

Brian Hamilton was installed as Lion Boss of the Earth Lions during installation services Tuesday night in the Earth Community Hall. Bill Hogue, Plainview, incoming District Governor of 2T2 was installing officer.

Other officers installed during the evening were Jerry Been, 1st vice president, Tom Lively, 2nd vice president and Perry Martin, 3rd vice president. Donald Street was installed tall twister of the local club and Larry McMillan, lion tamer. Others included Ross Middleton who was installed as secretary for the club with Ross Brock as treasurer.

Directors installed for one year terms were Eldon Parish and Jimmy Huckaby. Those installed for two year terms were Ray Phifer and Kem Bock.

Incoming Deputy District Governor, Leon Noack, Olton, presented "Star of Texas"

awards to Wilton McDonald and Ross Middleton for sponsoring new members during the year. The awards read "Star Texas Award 75-76 District 2T2 Membership, Excellence in Lionism."

Larry Anderson, Lubbock, a representative of Khiva Temple of Lubbock presented the program. He showed a true film of a two year old boy born without arms. The lad was taught to bring food to his mouth with his toes. The film showed the lad later being fitted with artificial arms at Khiva Orthopedic Hospital in St. Louis. The lad was made to wear shoes during the period of learning to use his first arms.

Guests present for the installation were Mrs. Noack, also Lion Queen Kim Jones, and Springlake Lion Boss Eudell Baucum and Mrs. Baucum. Also installing officer District Governor Bill Hogue and Deputy District Governor Leon Noack and the

Earth Lionesses. Approximately 50 people were present for the installation service.

Business Spending For Pollution Control To Soar This Year

U.S. business plans to spend \$9.46 billion on pollution control in 1976, nearly a third of the total needed to bring existing facilities up to current standards.

Compared with business spending in 1975, the funds earmarked for air, water and solid waste pollution control represent an increase of 23 per cent.



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THE SIGNS ON THE FOUR APPROACHES... to town have been painted. Paula Verden, winner in the slogan contest, the slogan that appears on the sign, is shown looking at the finished product.

TOPS 217 Present Comical Skit

Eight members of TOPS Club 217 weighed in at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon for a regular meeting. They gathered at the old Earth Oil & Gas Station in downtown Earth.

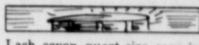
The group was led by Mrs. W. B. Hucks. They repeated the TOPS Pledge and sang the TOPS Song.

Roll call was answered with their "weight loss or gain."

Mrs. Carl Perkins was Queen of the Week having lost the most weight. Mrs. W. B. Hucks was runner-up.

All members present participated in a comical skit entitled "Excuses."

Those present were Mrs. Hucks, Mrs. Gerald Inglis, Mrs. Irvin Ott, Mrs. James Packard, Mrs. Carl Perkins, Mrs. Ralph Rudd, Mrs. J. E. Shirey and Mrs. M. H. Been.



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DIGNITARIES... At the head table at the annual Lions installation and ladies night, left to right Brian Hamilton, W. E. McDonald, Bill Hogue, Leon Noack and Mrs. Noack.

Funeral Today For L.B. Hammond Of Springlake

Louis Basil Hammond, 75, of Springlake died about noon Tuesday, June 15 of an apparent heart attack. He was rushed to Littlefield Hospital and Clinic by a Littlefield ambulance and was pronounced dead on arrival. Hammond and his granddaughter Jackie Burk were just sitting down to have lunch together at his home, when he was stricken and dropped from his chair. Funeral services are set for 2:30 p.m. Thursday (today) at

the First Baptist Church in Springlake. Rev. Glen Smith, pastor, will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Jimmy Fullenwider, Darrell Carr, Howard McClure, B. L. Skinner, A. L. Conner and Robert Conner.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Parson Funeral home. Interment will be in the Earth Memorial Cemetery.

A former resident of Hitchita, Oklahoma, Hammond was a

cotton ginnee.

Survivors include three children. Mrs. Estelle Hamm of Chicada, Oklahoma; Mrs. Christine O. McNamara of Springlake and Cleo Nolan Hammond of Los Angeles, California; one sister, Effie of Council Hill, Oklahoma; two brothers, R. D. Hammond of Hitchita and Clifton Hammond of Ada, Oklahoma; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Be Entertained, Attend Gospel Concert - Talent Show

Saturday, June 19 is the date set for the Gospel Concert and Talent Contest in the Springlake-Earth High School auditorium. The talent show is

slated to begin at 6:30 p.m. with the concert to follow at 8 p.m.

Admission will be \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children.

Entry fee for the talent show is \$5 per person, not to exceed \$20 per group. Entry forms may be picked up at the News-Sun office, at Waggoners Farm Store, Sunnyside, or you may call Hershel Wilson 846-2401.

First, second and third place trophies will be presented to the three winners. In addition to the trophy, the first place winner will receive free studio time to record a song at Don Caldwell Studios in Lubbock. The concert which is expected

to please the audience will feature such great entertainment as "The Crusaders", The Young Disciples, "also" Hershel Wilson and the Singing Disciples."

The event is sponsored by the Sunnyside Lions.

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Horsemanship Clinic Hold Monday

Bill Hedrick, Post, a lady who has been experienced in horse-manship, conducted a clinic at the Earth Rodeo Arena on Monday afternoon from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. 20 local 4-H Horse Club members participated in the clinic.

Mrs. Herick had members to mount their horses and participate in various events. She gave tips on showing and halter, western pleasure, reining, barrel riding and poles.

The fee for participating in the clinic was \$5 per entry. Those participating included Cory Koontz, Jeff Chisum, Carla Taylor, Carmen Taylor, Dina Jo Hampton, Cheryl Clayton, Susan Clayton, Dawn Branscum, Wendy Branscum, Carrie Dawn Been, Jeri Paige Been, Loretta James, Cliff James, Mitzel Dutton, Ricky Dutton, Danny Randolph, Darcy Randolph, Shawndi Geissler, Petra Lewis and Lexie Fennell.

Youth And Sub-committee Meets In Littlefield

The 4-H Youth and Sub-Committee made up of adults and youth from the county, met Tuesday night at the District Courtroom in Littlefield.

The committee discussed:

1. The total youth situation in the county.
2. The current 4-H program in relation to needs and interest of youth in the county.
3. Ways to develop the 4-H

youth section of county program.

4. Ways of working with extension agents.

Those attending from Earth were Petra Lewis, Michael Graham and Mrs. Lexie Branscum.

4-H COUNTY COUNCIL MEETS

The 4-H County Council also met at the same time and made plans for rally day to be held in mid-July.

Members of the council from Earth attending the meeting were Cary Sawyer, Tommy Graham and Dawn Branscum.

Earth Students On WTSU Honor Roll

WTSU--Approximately 15 percent of the West Texas State University student body has been named to Honor Rolls for the spring semester.

Two hundred and one students whose grade averages were 3.85 or better on a 4.0 scale were placed on both the President's Honor Roll and the Dean's Honor Roll.

The Dean's Honor Roll also lists 787 students whose grade point averages were 3.25 to 3.84.

Rebecca A. Pittman and Joe A. Rivas from Earth were named to the Dean's Honor Roll. Miss Pittman is a sophomore elementary education major; Rivas is a senior mathematics major.

Local 4-H'ers Compete In Horse Show

The Bailey County Open 4-H Horse Show was held Saturday, June 12 at the Muleshoe Roping Arena. The Judge was Ken Cook of Lubbock.

Halter, showmanship, western pleasure, western horsemanship, reining, pole bending, barrel racing and flag race were the classes that contestants participated in.

Those participating in the show from Earth were Loretta and Clifford James, Carrie Dawn and Jeri Paige Been, Wendy and Dawn Branscum, Vonda and Sharmin Stephens, Shawndi Geissler, Dina Jo Hampton, Carla and Carmen Taylor and Susan Clayton.

Several trophies were won by local individuals.

PARTY LINE

Mrs. Marie Ross returned from Llano where she spent a most enjoyable week. She attended the homecoming and reunion of the high school graduates.

Funeral Services Held Saturday For H.S. Sanders

Funeral services for Homer S. Sanders, 87, resident of Earth for the past 18 years, were Saturday, June 12 at 3:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Earth. Rev. Bill Watson officiated. Masonic graveside rites were held in the Bailey County Memorial Park in Muleshoe.

Mr. Sanders died Thursday about 3 o'clock in the afternoon in Highland Hospital in Lubbock where he had been a patient for the past 15 days. He was admitted after falling and breaking his leg. His fall was a result of small heart attacks suffered during the day prior to admittance.

He was a member of the Methodist Church for 62 years. Sanders attended Texas A&M University and was a member of the class of 1912 and a member of Texas A&M Farmer Students Association. He was also

a member of the Earth Masonic Lodge, the Floydada Texas Blue Lodge, Khiva Shrine Temple in Amarillo and Santa Fe Consistory, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Sanders had been in the lumber business in Northwest Texas for 54 years. He owned and operated H. S. Sanders Lumber in Muleshoe and Earth. He retired from active management of the Earth firm in 1968 on account of ill health. His daughter, Aurelia has operated the business since that time.

He is survived by his wife, Jessie Lee, one daughter Aurelia of the home; one son, Homer S. Sanders, Jr., of Amarillo, one brother, L. W. Sanders of Palo Alto, California and one grandson, Mike Sanders of Houston.

Pallbearers were Roy Taylor, Margareto Herrera, Surman Clark, Tommy Alair, Johnny Murrell and Kenneth Sawyer.



H. S. SANDERS

Interment was in the Bailey County Memorial Park in Muleshoe, under the direction of Parson, Ellis, Singleton Funeral Home of Earth.

Mrs. Bob Robinson and children were in Anton Thursday helping Mrs. Robinson's grandmother move.

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TOPS 891 Has Meeting

TOPS Club 891 met Wednesday at the old Earth Oil & Gas building for a regular weekly meeting.

Mrs. Johnny Murrell led the group in the TOPS Pledge and in singing the TOPS Song. Mrs. James Herriage was Queen for the Week having lost the most weight.

The meeting was dismissed with the Serenity Prayer. There was no program as the group wanted to clean up the meeting room.

Those present were Mrs. T. V. Murrell, Mrs. Fred Clayton, Mrs. Henry Randolph, Mrs. Bud Jones, Mrs. James Herriage and Mrs. Florence Gover.



PIANO STUDENTS... Played in an ensemble number at the Texas Music Teachers Convention this week. Students participating are back row, left to right, Jill Turner, Stacy Campbell, Cindy Hambley, Keva Roming, Sheila Jordan and Sharla Henry. Front row, includes, Mrs. Jimmy Craft, Scott Campbell, Sherri Henry, Michelle Agee and Merri Hausmann.

Ten Piano Students Participate In Austin Program

Ten piano students went to Austin Saturday, June 12 and played in an ensemble number at the Texas Music Teachers Convention held June 12 through the 15.

Students participating were Sheila Jordan, Merri Hausmann, Jill Turner, Cindy Hambley, Sharla and Sherri Henry, Keva Roming, Michelle Agee, Scott and Stacy Campbell. They are students of Mrs. Jean Craft, Mrs. Sam Damron and Mrs. Dale Jahay.

The program was entitled the "Texas Composer Program" and featured selections written by Texas Composers. The number the Muleshoe Music Teachers Association selected for the above students to present on the program was "The Comedian," written by Alfred Teltschik of Houston. It was written as a piano duo and was performed on ten pianos with Mrs. Jean Craft directing this group. All students were dressed in clown suits to perform this number.

Students participating in the Austin program were selected by contest held locally, earlier in the year. Requirements were that students pass the state theory test on their school grade level. Accompanying pupils to Austin were teachers, Mrs. Jimmie

Craft and Mrs. Sam Damron. Also parents and other family members including, Dr. and Mrs. Hambley, Mrs. Earl Jordan and Mark, Mrs. Larry Hausmann, Mrs. Tim Campbell, Mrs. Royce Turner, Mrs. John Neil Agee, Mrs. Ben Roming, Mrs. Kenneth Henry and Jimmie Craft.

The Convention activities were held at the University of Texas Music building and the LBJ Library.



Mr. and Mrs. Connie Eagle of Artesia, New Mexico are the parents of a son born June 14 at 10:30 a.m. in Roswell, New Mexico.

The lad weighed 10 pounds 8 ounces. He has two big sisters to play with, they are Toni and Jami.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Eagle of Earth and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brown of Littlefield.

Party Line

Mrs. Carl Gregory of Clara, Oklahoma was here from Thursday to Sunday with her daughter Mrs. Jerry Carpenter, who had surgery recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Anderson spent the week-end in Glorieta, New Mexico. They visited their daughter Kathleen who is working in the Baptist Encampment there. They returned home Monday.

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Brene Belew Installed As Worthy Advisor

Brene Belew, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Belew was installed as Worthy Advisor of Earth Assembly #156 Thursday, June 3, at 8 p.m. at the Earth Lodge Hall.

The welcome address was given by Mrs. Pat Jordan, Mother Advisor, who also introduced the installing officers. They were as follows: installing officer, Mrs. Doug Lewis; installing Marshall, Mrs. Kenny Hamilton; installing Chaplain, Mrs. Richard Bills; installing Recorder, Miss Georgia Bahlman; and installing Musician, Mrs. Larry Tunnell.

Miss Gale Jones, of the New Mexico Grand Assembly, Grand Representative from New Mexico to South New Wales was presented to the East and given Grand Honors. She was seated in the East.

The following Rainbow Girls were installed: Worthy Advisor, Brene Belew; Charity, Elaine



NEW OFFICERS OF THE EARTH RAINBOW CHAPTER... These lovely ladies were installed at a recent installation service. Brene Belew (center) was installed as Worthy Advisor. Left of the podium are Stephanie Tunnell, Sheila Jordan, Elaine Bills, Joletta Schoenenberger and Gail Jones. On the right are Rhonda Weaver, Stephanie Parish, Jana Pittman, Donice Taylor, Mrs. Earl Jordan and Sharon Jones.

Bills; Faith, Sharon Jones; Chaplain, Stephanie Parish; Drill Leader, Donice Taylor; Religion, Joletta Schoenenberger; Immortality, Rhonda Weaver; Fidelity, Jana Pittman; Service, Sheila Jordan; Musician, Stephanie Tunnell and Choir Director, Merri Hausmann.

Miss Belew chose "Nature" as the theme for her term and selected the colors green and yellow as her favorite colors.

Mrs. Cecil Slover sang the song chosen for the term "Reach Out To Jesus" and Mrs. E. C. Hudson presented a poem entitled "The Rainbow Party." This poem was used by Mrs. Hudson's daughter, Mrs. Jeri (Hudson) Byrnes, 25 years ago when she served Earth Assembly as Worthy Advisor.

Miss Elaine Bills read the chosen scripture from Isaiah 42:5.

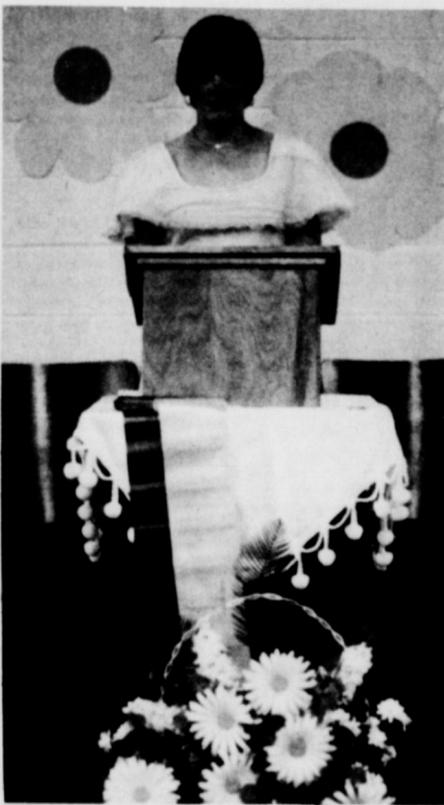
Miss Belew's parents were presented behind the bow and to the East where she presented them with flowers.

Others recognized were the new Worthy Advisor's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Belew and Mrs. Blanche Ramseur, also Miss Belew's two brothers, Biff and Bart. Her sponsors for the term are Mrs. Donald Clayton, Mrs. J. A. Littleton, Jr., and Mrs. Donald Kelley.

The benediction in song, "There is a Quiet Understanding" was presented by Miss Brene Belew and her mother, Mrs. Bob Belew. They were accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Larry Tunnell.

Following the benediction and the retiring drill, refreshments of cake, punch, nuts and mints

were served to over 50 guests and Rainbow members. The hall and dining room were



WORTHY ADVISOR, BRENE BELEW

were served to over 50 guests and Rainbow members. The hall and dining room were

beautifully decorated in the Worthy Advisor's chosen colors of green and yellow. On the East wall were three large yellow daisies and the word "Nature" was done in yellow. These represented the Worthy Advisor's chosen flower and her theme. In front of the East pedestal were wide bands of green and yellow ribbons extending from the table to the floor. Also a beautiful large bouquet of white daisies accented with yellow bow. Other baskets of daisies enhanced the piano, the recorder's desk and each of the pedestals, in the North, South and West. On the 7 color stations were lovely flowers in white flower pots

Jamie Washington Feted With Shower

Miss Jamie Washington of Friona, bride-elect of C. L. Myers, was honored Saturday, June 12 with a shower in the lovely home of Mrs. Dolan Fennell of Springlake.

The serving table was decorated with a blue floral centerpiece. The guests were served donuts, coffee and spiced tea.

Mrs. Faye Washington of Lubbock, Mrs. Clayton Myers of Muleshoe and the honoree were presented corsages made of roses and kitchen gadgets.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Lonnie Ballard of California, Mrs. Mae Washington of Tulsa, Mrs. Alicia Gregory and daughters of Stanton, Dorothy Washington and Laura Fennell of Lubbock, LaCretia Kelley of Farwell and Linda Givens and Lori of Olton.

Hostesses included: Mrs. Bill Perkins, Mrs. James Packard, Mrs. Harlon Watson, Mrs. N. O. Drake, Mrs. Donald Clayton, Mrs. Don Randolph, Mrs. Kathy West, Mrs. Gayle Jones, Mrs. Delbert Sprayberry, Mrs. Sandy Kootz, Mrs. Howard McClure, Mrs. F. W. Bearden, Mrs. Don-

aid Kelley, Mrs. Myrtle Clayton and Mrs. Ed Dawson. Also Mrs. James Busby, Mrs. Sam Barden, Mrs. Les Watson, Mrs. J. R. Banks, Mrs. B. V. Padon, Mrs. Bob Armstrong, Mrs. Roger Haberer, Mrs. Thurman Lewis, Mrs. Neva Dell Busby, Mrs. Marvin Sandens, Mrs. J. I. Coker, Mrs. Laura Fennell, Mrs. John Bridges, Mrs. Jearl James and Mrs. W.

B. McMillan. Others included Mrs. P. A. Washington, Mrs. Bob Boone, Mrs. Davie Haberer, Mrs. Weldon Barton, Mrs. Jerry Carpenter, Mrs. Gayland Stephens, Mrs. Pete O'Hair, Mrs. Ross Middleton, Mrs. Leon Foster, Mrs. Ricky Byers, Mrs. Ross Brock, Mrs. Danny Byers, Mrs. Jack Angeley, Mrs. Jerry Been and Mrs. Dolan Fennell.

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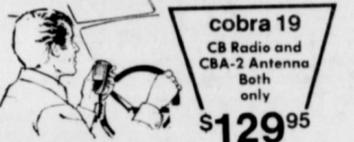
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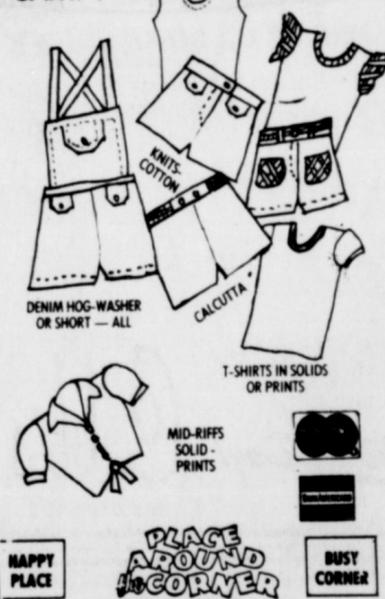
By: MACKY McCARTY CITIZENS STATE BANK

One of the things happening among some of the country's top economists today is a move back to basics under the complicated sounding title, "microeconomics." Applying some of the principles of the "new" approach does prove useful in understanding some of the old economic cliches such as "spend money at home." Let's look at a town through a "micro" view. Call the town Supersmall... only five people: Aaron, Bertha, Charles, Dorothy and Edith. Economically the town is stable until Aaron receives ten dollars as a Christmas gift. He buys groceries sold by Bertha, who buys a new dress made by Dorothy, who buys a new battery for a car from Charles, who buys a special home-cooked meal from Edith, who puts the money in her savings account, which will be used by the bank for a loan to Aaron, who will buy from Charles... etc... etc. At any point, if one of the people involved in the chain had spent the money out of town, all other economic benefits would have been lost. As things stand, the ten dollars could easily improve the economy of Supersmall by ten to twenty times the original value. Even though super-simplified, the "micro" look at a town's economy is very accurate. Think about it the next time you buy.

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HD Club Has Program On Macrame

The Springlake Home Demonstration Club met Thursday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hollingsworth in Springlake.

President Mrs. Keith Boone, presided over the meeting. Roll call was answered by giving the answer to the question, "What would I do with the time if I were given an extra hour each day?" Most members were inclined to reply with, "I would rest up."

Mrs. A. Hollingsworth gave a devotional entitled, "Think About This."

Mrs. Bruce Higgins presented a program on the art of making macrame pot hangers. During the session Mrs. T. V. Murrell, Mrs. Bob Boone and Mrs. Keith

Boone started making their pot hangers under Mrs. Higgins supervision.

Refreshments of individual salad, chips, dips, nuts, vanilla wafer loaf cake, coffee, Cokes and tea were served to three guests. Mrs. Ernest Baker, Machille and Malanie Boone and members Mrs. K. Boone, Mrs. Bob Boone, Mrs. Ed Biles, Mrs. Herman Cooper, Mrs. Marvel Caruthers, Mrs. R. W. Fanning, Mrs. Bruce Higgins, Mrs. A. Hollingsworth, Myrtle Steinbock, Mrs. T. V. Murrell, Mrs. Leon Foster, and Mrs. Hilbert Wisian.

The next meeting will be in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Murrell.



BOBBI KIRBY

Kirby-Wooten Vows Exchanged

The First Baptist Church of Dimmitt was the scene of the June 5 wedding of Miss Bobbi Kirby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Kirby of Dimmitt and Dudley Wooten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wooten of the Flagg Community south of Dimmitt.

Miss Kirby, given in marriage by her father, was attired in a formal length gown of white dacron crepe designed by Mrs. E. V. Hargrove of Dimmitt. The dress was trimmed in dacron lace at the neck and cuffs and fashioned with a high midriff of lace. Her tiered veil of illusion fell from a Juliet cap and was bordered with lace and sequins. She carried a bouquet of gardenias, stephanotis, and

babies breath attached to a white Bible, which was a gift from Mrs. Jerry Cluck. For something old she wore a wedding band belonging to her maternal grandmother, something new was a diamond pendant, a gift from the groom; something borrowed was a bracelet belonging to her paternal grandmother, and something blue was the traditional garter.

Serving as Matron of Honor was Mrs. Keri Jack, sister of the bride. Bridesmaid was Miss Joyce Wooten, sister of the groom. The attendants were attired in formal length gowns of red, white and blue calico print dacron.

Miss Tommy Calhoun and Kent Kirby lit candles held in spiral candelabras surrounded by white gladiolas, red carnations and babies breath. Miss Calhoun was dressed in red dacron crepe.

Organist Lisa Hall furnished wedding music and accompanied Mrs. Zella Ellison who sang "Whither Thou Goest," before the ceremony and after the couple had lit the unity candle at the close of the ceremony, she sang, "True Love Lasts Forever." Both wore red dacron crepe gowns. Miss Melody Dowell played piano selections during the reception.

Best Man was Kurt Wales and Groomsman was Rick Wright, both of Dimmitt.

Ushers were Galen Jack of Priona, Kelton Cates of Binger,

Goodman Family Reunion

The Goodman reunion was held June 6 at the Earth Community Center. There were 34 present. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parish of Lubbock were hosts for the event.

A short business meeting was conducted and a special prayer was voiced for Virginia Dare Haught and Bobbett Marshall. All present enjoyed playing Quizzo and fellowship one with another.

Those present were Robert and Audrey Parish of Lubbock, Marie Ross of Earth, Edwin Warwick of Hawthorne, California, Mr. and Mrs. George Reddinger of Olton, Gus Parish, Earth; J. O. Bass, III, Olton, Jennifer Warwick of Covina, California; Stephanie Parish, Earth; Debbie Gibson, San Juan, New Mexico; Mrs. James Riddle of Plainview; Mrs. Melvin Parish, Ronnie and Susan, Cindy Parish, Angela Parish, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Parish, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Parish, all of Earth; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gibson, San Juan, New

Mexico; Brenda, Franklin Gibson, San Juan, New Mexico; Robbie Parish and Kyle, Mark and Cindy Joy Parish, Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Parish, Sammy Parish and Kathy Wright.

Edwin Warwick and Marie Ross will be hostesses next year.

Card of Thanks

Words cannot express our thanks for your prayers and concern during my hospital stay and recuperation. All of the calls, cards and flowers have helped to brighten each and every day. Friends such as you will never be forgotten.

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Connie Dear Participated In Youth Lecture

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dies, chapel services, chorus and recreational activities. Speakers included Bobby Hise of Albuquerque, N. M.; Barrie Cox, Amarillo; John Paul Blankenship and Carl Cope, both of Lubbock and John Rice, Hale Center.

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presented Mrs. Burum with a miniature birthday cake with hollow candles filled with money.

The dining table was covered with lovely beige linen outwork cloth and decorated with a beautiful green candle surrounded with a daisy floral ring. Various cakes, fruit salad, fruit punch and coffee were served to all attending.

Those present were Mrs. Laverne Vaughn, Mrs. L. H. Gallo-way, Mrs. Clarence Kelley, Mrs. Wayne Rutherford, Mrs. Bonnie Haberer, Mrs. Hensel Hulcy, Mrs. Donald Kelley,

Mrs. Davy Haberer and son Mark, Mrs. Earl Kellar, Mrs. Sue O'Hair, Mrs. Ruby Hodge, Mrs. Gerald Inglis, Mrs. Ted Haberer, Mrs. Tom Lively and Mrs. J. E. Shirley.

Also Mrs. Venona Lee, Mrs. Frank Butter, Mrs. Lucille Campbell, Mrs. Ray Kelley, Mrs. G. L. Runyon, Mrs. Shanks Ivy, Mrs. Billy Pittman, Mrs. Ros Middleton, Mrs. Gene Tunnell, Mrs. Lillian Hamilton, Mrs. Kevin Anderson, Mrs. Melvin Chisum, Mrs. Maude Stout and hostesses Mrs. Bill Anderson, Mrs. Paul Wood and Mrs. O'Hair.

Young Homemakers Entertain Husbands

Seven members of the local Texas Young Homemakers Club entertained their husbands with a cook-out in the Springlake City Park at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, June 12. The group enjoyed potato salad, hamburgers and delicious ice cream. After eating the group enjoyed

games of volleyball. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Byers, Mr. and Mrs. David Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. Kent Parish, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Waggoner, Mr. and Mrs. Don Haberer and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Busby.

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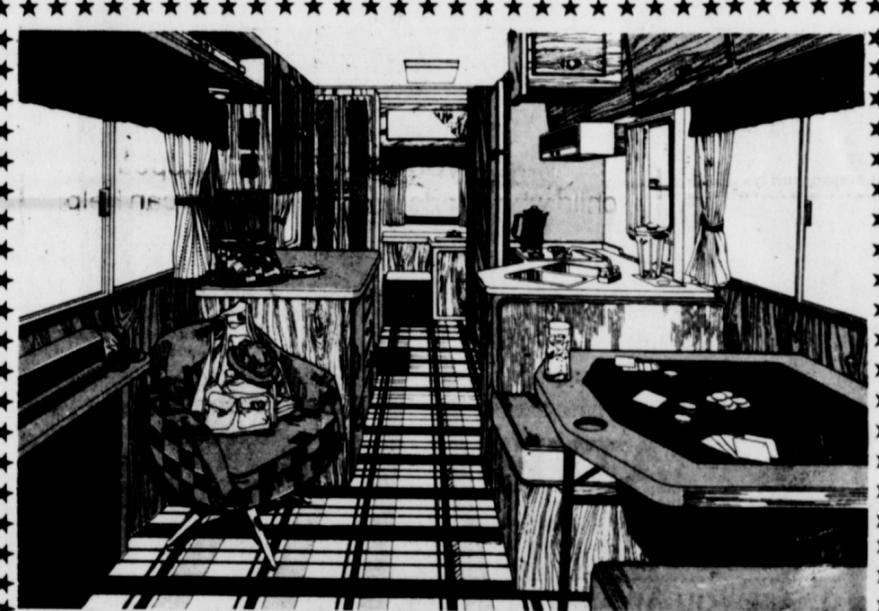
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Following supper, the president, Mrs. Bessie Cearley presided over the business meeting. The budget for next year was presented by Mrs. Norman Sulser and approved by the group. The slate of new officers was presented and approved. Some new projects and emphasis were discussed, such as new interest groups to be organized, craft classes to be encouraged to begin work for the fall bazaar under the leadership of Mrs. Cecil Curtis, Mrs. Lena Grace Griffin and Mrs. Beedie Welch. Following this, Mrs. Gladys Parish presented a study "A Na-



UMW MEMBERS... Enjoyed salads and fellowship Monday night. Left to right, Mrs. Ed Dawson, Mrs. Beulah Newton, Mrs. Cecil Curtis, Mrs. R. A. Axtell and Mrs. William P. Holland, Jr.



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Those present beside these hostesses were Mrs. Bessie Cearley, Mrs. Norman Sulser, Mrs. Ed Dawson, Mrs. Beulah Newton, Mrs. Cecil Curtis, Mrs. R. A. Axtell, Mrs. Lillian Holland, Mrs. Bill Watson, Mrs. Lena Grace Griffin, Miss Ruby Jones, Mrs. Gladys Parish and Mrs. Adria Welch.

Bykota SS Class Has Salad Supper

The Bykota Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church in Earth had their monthly salad supper Monday evening in the church fellowship hall.

Mrs. Clarence Kelley presented a devotional taken from Corinthians. A discussion on various beliefs and occults followed. The group dismissed with a sentence prayer.

Those present were Mrs. Troy Blackburn, Mrs. Paul Wood, Mrs. Herman Galloway, Mrs. Clarence Kelley, Mrs. Bud Jones and Mrs. Leon Foster.

The next meeting will be July 12 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Foster. This meeting will include husbands. Dinner will be served on tables in the back yard.

Ura Ginn of Amarillo visited Mrs. Beulah Newton this weekend. The twosome visited Mrs. Hazel Ginn in Central Plains Hospital on Saturday afternoon and visited a cousin in Seagraves Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth Schaefer is still in Littlefield Hospital recuperating from surgery and inflammation of the pancreas. Her condition is good. She expects to be released about June 22.



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By TEENY BOWDEN



Mrs. Ricky Byers hosted the Earth Young Homemakers to a cookout last Friday. New officers were elected. Mrs. Byers was elected president. Mrs. Jimmy Waggoner and Mr. and Mrs. Barry Pittman were among those attending.

Hershel Wilson provided the program for the Order of the Eastern Star Installation of officers in Dimmitt last Saturday night. He sang "Statue of Liberty" and "Fill My Cup Lord." Mrs. Wilson was installed as organist at the meeting Tuesday night since she was not able

to make the installation service. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sadler and family and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Lunsford and family of Dimmitt left Saturday morning to fish a few days at Lake Breckenridge. Mr. and Mrs. Travis Cowles and family of Amarillo, and friends from Dallas were expected to meet them there.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake King, Karl and Brenda, and Tim Dawson of Hereford and Mrs. Charlene Blair of California were guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Sadler. (Continued on page 10)

Vacation Bible School Commencement Exercises Friday night brought to an end a successful Bible School. 79 were enrolled with an average attendance of 70. Also 60 perfect attendance certificates and ribbons were given to pupils and faculty.

Farm Bureau meeting in Dimmitt Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gunderson and girls of Roseburg, Oregon arrived Friday to spend a week or two with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Duke and the Robert Duke family in Dimmitt.

L. B. Bowden visited in Littlefield Tuesday afternoon with the Atmospheric, Inc. meteorologist and the pilots hired by Better Weather, Inc. to confirm that on the 2nd through the 5th and on the 7th they were seeding for rain. They showed him the radar charts and other records of their procedure during the period. They will continue to seed for rain when they are not having to suppress hail.

Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler and Mrs. L. B. Bowden worked with auxiliary duties at Plains Memorial Hospital in Dimmitt Monday afternoon. Mrs. John Gilbreath worked last Friday morning and the 27th.

Mrs. Curtis Pruitt and her granddaughter, Dawn Merriott of Lamesa spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ivey.

One inch of rain was recorded for the community Monday although amounts up to 3.40 was received in the northeast part of the community. Sunnyside proper had 3.20.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Newton and their granddaughter, Tessie Newton of Odessa visited Friday night with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dean Carson and Deakon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holbrooks returned home Thursday evening from a 17 day vacation in eight states. They attended the Grand Ole Opry and made several tours in Nashville, visited with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ramey, Adrian and Jody, in Jonesboro, Indiana, with friends in Iowa, the Gateway to the West Arch in St. Louis, Missouri, and the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma, as well as many other places of interest in all the states visited. They also were in rain so heavy it stopped all traffic as they crossed the Mississippi River.

Lee Bradley was honored with a birthday cook-out at the home of Mrs. Lillian Carson last Tuesday night.

Joel and Justin Bradley were honored with a birthday party in their home after the Bible School Commencement Friday night. They were two years old. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Bradley of Dimmitt, Mrs. Lillian Carson and Resa, Bruce Blain of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. David Sadler, Melody and Karla, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Cox, Brandon and Cinnamon, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson and family, and Cindy Sadler. They enjoyed cake and coffee together.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Sadler, Mrs. Gerald Graham, Mrs. Ray Joe Riley and Mrs. J. Paul Waggoner met with representatives from several different communities at the city hall in Dimmitt Thursday night to make plans for the July 9th county-wide Bicentennial Cook-out on Running Water Draw. Since there will be so many July 4th activities this special year there will not be the regular Community July 4th Homecoming this year. Remember the clean-up, paint-up project for the community building this Thursday, Friday and Saturday. If enough help maybe we can finish on Thursday.

Jerri Kay Clark won 1st place in barrel-racing at the Terry County 4-H Horse Show in Brownfield last Saturday for the Dimmitt Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson, Daneen, Susan Sadler, Tammy Ross and Greg George were in Abernathy Thursday afternoon for a Singing Disciples rehearsal in preparation for the Gospel Concert to be sponsored by the Sunnyside Lion's Club at the Springlake-Earth School Saturday night at 8:00 p. m. After the rehearsal, the local group went to Lubbock for a swimming party.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray Hampton and family returned home Tuesday from a weeks vacation in the mountains at Mora, N. M. They were side swiped by a pick-up which had a blowout as they went to Mora. No one was injured but the car was heavily damaged. Since they were in two vehicles they went ahead with their vacation.

Resa Carson came home from Denver last Tuesday for the summer. She has visited with several friends in Lubbock last week and this week.

Mrs. Jean Cogburn and son Gary of Lubbock visited Tuesday through Thursday with Mrs. Lillian Carson.

Gale Sadler presided at the

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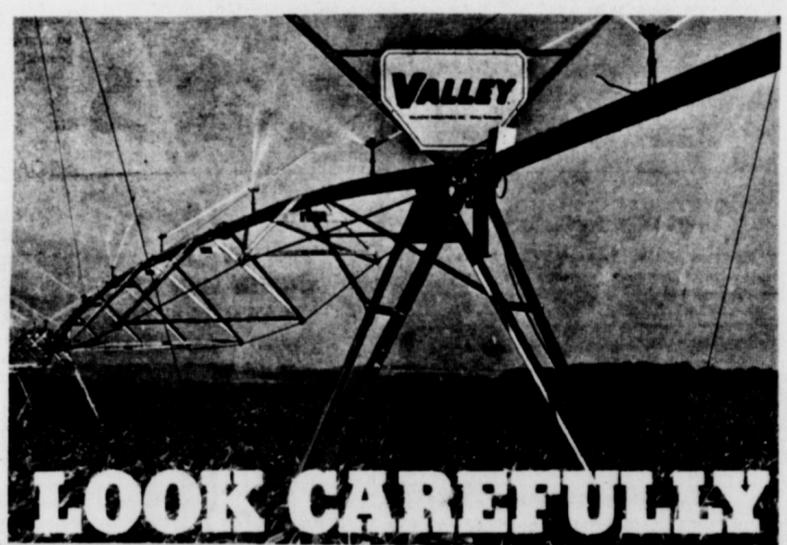


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SUNNYSIDE NEWS

Melody and Karla at the VBS Commencement Friday night. Mrs. King and Mrs. Blair also visited with them one afternoon this week. She is an aunt of Mrs. Sadler.

Mrs. Winston Waggoner worked with the Kindergarten I children in VBS this week at Bedford Street Church of Christ in Dimmitt.

Mrs. Hershel Wilson visited in Ropesville last Saturday and Saturday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Epperson and her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Epperson and boys of Crane who were on their way to Dallas where Kevin was admitted to the childrens hospital for more kidney tests.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Waggoner, Holly and Gay visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Her- rington of Farwell Sunday afternoon.

Remember community meet- ing Monday night. It will be an important meeting as a report will be given on the county committee's plans for the July Jubilee and a site on Running Water Draw selected. Meet at 8:00 p.m. Bring cookies.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Wag- goner had supper Thursday night with Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Hill in Dimmitt.

Swimming Can Cause Ear Pain

Most people are aware of swim- ming dangers such as drowning. But there is one problem they may hear little about, especially if they have it, ear infections. Swimming can cause ear in- fections marked by hearing loss, pain, ringing in the ears and more. The Texas Medical Association (TMA) says.

An Atlanta, Georgia, study shows swimmers are five times as likely to get ear infections as non-swimmers. Danger of infection increases if people swim in polluted waters or waters above 85 degrees Fahrenheit.

One of the main bacteria sus- pected of causing ear infections was found in 75 percent of non- polluted swimming waters above 85 degrees Fahrenheit. About 45 percent of swimming waters between about 60 and 85 de- grees had the bacteria. Less than 35 percent of waters with temperatures below 60 degrees contained the bacteria.

The bacteria, pseudomonas aeruginosa, is not easily killed by chlorine so swimming pool waters also may cause ear prob- lems. In fact, data shows swimming pools may have more of the bacteria than other non- polluted swimming waters. The study stressed that this particular bacteria is not a proven cause of ear infections but it is highly suspect. Other bacteria also are associated with outer ear infections.

An easy way to avoid some ear infections is to thoroughly dry the ears after swimming. If some water is lodged in the ear, often plating the ear on a warm rock or a heating pad will cause the water to drain out, TMA says. Drugstore variety ear plugs may provide some pro- tection but are not totally ef- fective. One home remedy in-

volves mixing 1 teaspoon of white vinegar with 4 ounces of rubbing alcohol. Put a few drops in each ear, only if someone does not have an ear disease. A physician can drain an ear, prescribe medicine to kill in- fection or relieve pain if there is a more serious problem.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Middleton of Earth and Miss Polly Jean Middleton of Tulsa, Oklahoma spent the week-end in Midland as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Middleton and daughters, Kerl Denise and Amber Sue.

Rev. and Mrs. Matthew Mc- Bryde of Wells, Texas spent Thursday afternoon visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ross Middleton. Rev. McBryde is pastor of a Baptist Church in Wells. He is a nep- hew of the Ross Middletons.

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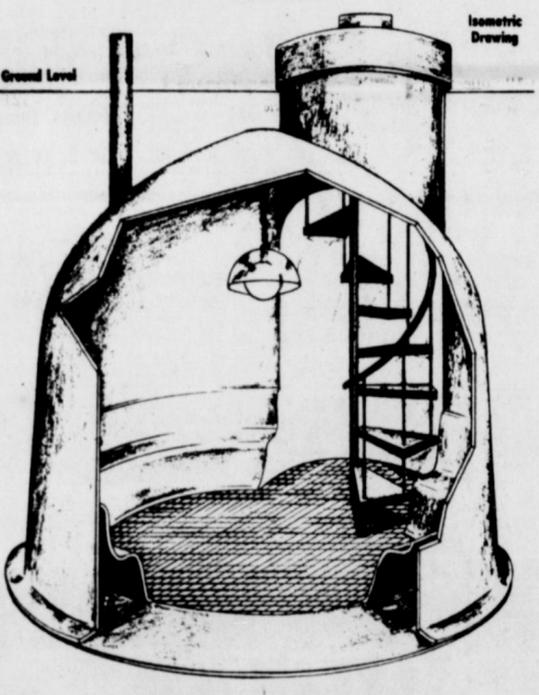
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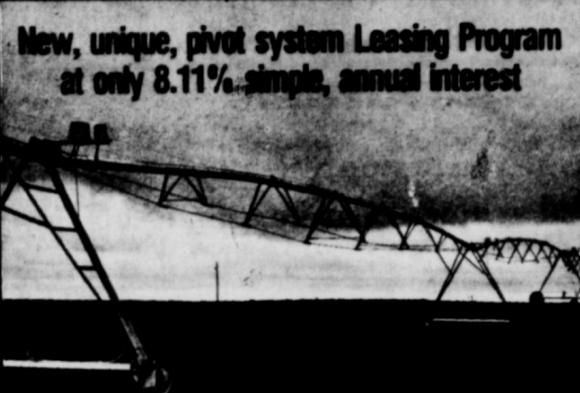


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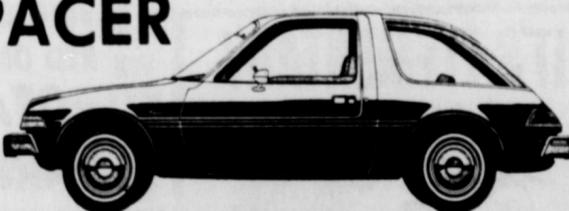
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Jobs To Be Eliminated In State Highway-Transportation

Some 600 jobs in the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation will probably be eliminated by September 1, 1976, Engineer-Director Luther DeBerry said today.

The new cutbacks follow earlier layoffs last fall in the department's efforts to shape leveling-off revenues to meet rising costs of highway work. Since September 1, 1975, some 2,250 jobs have been eliminated.

"Our dollar simply buys significantly less actual highway construction and maintenance than it did a few years back. That means fewer projects and fewer projects mean fewer employees," DeBerry said.

The number of department employees has been declining since a 1972 peak when many Interstate Highway construction projects were underway. For some time, not all vacancies created by retirements or resignations were filled. Last year, however, layoffs were required to balance obligations against revenues.

Statewide, the department's work force has dropped from about 20,000 persons in 1972 to 14,850 by September 1, 1976, DeBerry said it may be necessary to eliminate 800 other jobs next year unless additional revenues are made available to offset inflation.

If this cutback is necessary, jobs will be trimmed across the range of department positions, including professional as well

as non-professional workers. Funds for highway development are derived chiefly from state and federal taxes associated with the use of a motor vehicle. During the 1960s, the growth in vehicle ownership and in motor fuel tax collections was sufficient to offset effects of inflation.

In the early 1970s, however, inflation reached double-digit proportions, while revenues available to the department continued at about the same rates and, later, the rate of growth began to decline.

Meanwhile, costs soared for highway construction and maintenance. It took \$3.22 in 1974, for example, to accomplish the same highway construction that cost \$1 in 1964.

"It is ironic that we must reduce our forces, laying off experienced people when a huge backlog of work remains to be done," DeBerry said. "However, resources now and in the future simply will not be adequate to meet other than the highest priority needs."

A statewide study is now being conducted by the department and a private consulting firm to determine needs and priorities.

In addition to personnel cutbacks, the department has instituted a wide range of cost-cutting moves.

DeBerry said the inflation revenues squeeze is not peculiar to Texas; many other states are experiencing the same difficulties.

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Consumers should beware of the "missing heir locator" letter, it's a growing form of fraud, Mrs. Dorothy Powell, County Extension agent, notes.

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cents for a stamp and write the Texas Ranger or chief protection agency in the county where the estate is located and learn if the estate exists and who is executor, she said.

She pointed out that if fraud is involved, consumers should send the letter they received, and describe steps they've taken, to the Chief Postal Inspector, U. S. Postal Service, Washington, D. C. 20260.

Party Line

Mrs. Della Dutton, mother of James Dutton of Earth is in the South Plains Hospital in Amherst and is reported to be in serious condition.

Mrs. Jerry Carpenter had major surgery June 8 in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. She was dismissed Sunday and is now recuperating at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cummings of the Earth-Springlake community and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cummings of Amarillo, returned Friday from a 12 day vacation. They went to Appleton, Wisconsin to visit Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Norton and boys. Mrs. Norton is the Howard Cummings daughter and sister to Bob Cummings. They vacationed along the way stopping to see points of interest and scenic places.



MEMBERS OF UMW... Discuss the fall bazaar Monday night. Left to right, Mrs. Cecil Curtis, Mrs. J. A. Littleton, Jr., Mrs. Bessie Cearley, Mrs. Norman Sulser and Mrs. Gladys Parish.

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