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Lula Duncan, 84 Former Resident Buried In McLean

Funeral services for Mrs. Lula Duncan, 84, of Lefors, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First United Methodist Church with Rev. James Merrell officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery by Lamb Funeral Home.

Born in Atalla, Ala., she died Saturday in Fort Worth. Mrs. Duncan moved to McLean in 1930 from Arkansas and to Lefors in 1970. She married E. T. Duncan Dec. 1, 1913 at Parks, Ark. He died in 1970. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include seven daughters, Mrs. Fern Cabe of Pampa, Mrs. Frieda Waddle of Fort Worth, Mrs. Flora Dale of Lake Charles, La., Mrs. Eith Mae Merrell of Lawton, Okla., Mrs. Edna Dale Collie of Dumas, Mrs. Bonnie Stewart of Fort Worth and Mrs. Peggy Estes of Amarillo; and one son, B. V. Duncan of Latum, N.M.; one sister, Mrs. Eck Frost of Parks; 19 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.



EDNA MERRELL

Edna Merrell Is McLean's New Reading Teacher

The McLean Elementary school has a new reading teacher. Her name is Edna Merrell and she teaches remedial reading and math in Title I program.

Mrs. Merrell was born in Georgia but has spent most of her life in Texas. She graduated from McMurry College in Abilene with a B.S. in Elementary Education with a kindergarten endorsement. She has recently done graduate studies in Special Education at West Texas State University.

She is married to Rev. James E. Merrell, pastor of the United Methodist Churches at McLean and Heald. Mr and Mrs. Merrell have three sons and one daughter.

Mrs. Merrell said, "I feel fortunate to be a part of a good school system and enjoy teaching in McLean Elementary school very much."

Hightower says optimistic on wheat program

Congressman Jack Hightower recently expressed guarded optimism that the final rules for wheat set aside have been changed enough for farmers in the 13th Congressional District to afford to participate in the program.

Producers will be allowed to graze set-aside acreage with the final cattle pull-off date being set by the State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committees to coincide with the normal time cattle are removed from wheat acres to be harvested.

In addition to approved cover and practices in the rules, ASC state committees may recommend other practices or cover which will effectively protect the diverted acres from wind and water erosion.

The John Coopers Former Residents Donate Land

A section of irrigated Nevada farm land valued at \$324,000 has been donated to Southwestern Seminary by John and Vida Cooper of Tucumcari, N.M., former residents of McLean.

The 640 acres located in Diamond Valley, Eureka County, Nevada was made through the Baptist Foundation of Texas Provision of the gift reserves a life estate for the Coopers.

At the end of the life estate, proceeds from the land's sale are expected to become a part of the seminary's permanent endowment with the establishment of an instructional chair.

In announcing the gift, Seminary President Robert E. Naylor said, "The seminary is indebted to the Cooper family for this unselfish gift. The influence and benefit will bless every student generation as long as the seminary exists."

John Cooper has been called a master in the grocery business. A veteran groceryman for 50 years, he pioneered many marketing innovations in the Southwest such as the "self-service" concept and refrigerated display counters. He saw the business develop from the cracker-barrel to modern processed and packaged foods.

The Coopers have five children. One of their sons, Dan, is a graduate of Southwestern and pastor of the First church Shawnee, Okla. He currently serves on the seminary's board of trustees. Benny is owner and manager of Cooper Thriftway in Canyon, Texas. A daughter Ann, is married to Wayne Wood who is pastor of the Woodhaven church Garland, Tex. Wood is also a graduate of Southwestern Seminary.

A third son, Joe, is owner and manager of Cooper's Market in Tucumcari. A second daughter Ruth, is married to D.L. Harguess who is a Church of Christ minister in Friona, Tex.

John and Vida Cooper have been active over the years in community service organizations and their church. He is past president of the Tucumcari Chamber of Commerce.

In reflecting on their lives the Coopers noted, "We consider the Lord our partner and master. We couldn't have made it ourselves . . . the good

Linda Fay Ross Funeral Services Held Today

Funeral services for Mrs. Linda Fay Ross, 33, who died Monday in Alanreed, were held at 2 p.m. Thursday in Lamb Funeral Home in McLean with Rev. R. L. Leeder of Alanreed officiating. Burial was in the Alanreed Cemetery.

Mrs. Ross was born in Fort Sumner, N.M., and moved to Alanreed from there in 1974. She married Don Ross in Clovis, N.M. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Soldatna, Alaska. She served as a WAC in the U.S. Army in 1965 and was a member of the VFW Auxiliary in McLean, the Disabled American Veterans, the American Legion and the Pampa Moose Lodge.

She is survived by her husband; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Jenkins of Honolulu, Hawaii; a sister, Diane Jenkins of Honolulu; a brother Jerry Jenkins of Anchorage, Alaska; and grandparents, Mrs. H. L. Cantrell of Amarillo, Mrs. Lela Wilmuth of Fort Sumner and G. M. Jenkins of Dallas.

High School Choir To Have Annual Christmas Program

This year the McLean High School Choir will be singing in the annual Christmas program under the direction of Mr. Mike Lee the choir will be performing five numbers, including Silver Bells, Winter Wonderland, Silent Night, Oh Holy Night and The Twelve Days of Christmas--Hawaiian Style. Jeanette Brown will be the accompanist with solos by Leslie Cunningham, Trudy Stewart and LaDonna Keeton.

The choir, this year consists of seven members. They are Margie Bode, Jeanette Brown, Leslie Cunningham, LaDonna Keeton, Phyllis Marsh, Gay Smith and Trudy Stewart.

Lord just had his arm around us. That is our life."

The gift is an important part of the seminary's 'Eight by Eighty' campaign," according to John Seelg vice president for administrative affairs. The campaign is an effort of the Fort Worth seminary to raise \$8 million by 1980 for endowment and capital improvements.

Santa Comes To McLean Dec. 17

"Santa Claus is coming to town." He'll arrive Saturday, Dec. 17 on Main street at 2 p.m. and will hand out candy to the boys and girls. Then, Santa will be at the Pot Pourri Shop for several minutes where he will talk with the children and pass out more treats.

Aviation Meeting Planned Dec. 15

There will be a aviation Education meeting on Dec. 15 at the Optimist Club building at 601 East Craven at Pampa.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and go until 9 p.m. On the program will be talks on FSS Weather Briefing, Avionics in cold weather and pre-flight inspection.

There will be something for everyone who wants to attend. For further information, call Jack Hood in Pampa.

Former Resident Dies In Oklahoma

Funeral services were held on Tuesday November 15 in Jumbo Okla. for William Worth Lowe of Antlers Okla. Mr. Lowe was a long time resident of McLean.

Lowe was born on Dec. 18, 1911 in Jumbo, Okla. and died on Nov. 12. He was a retired farmer and cattleman.

He is survived by his wife, Capitola Lowe of the home; seven sons, Guy of Kimbel, Nebraska, Jerry of Choctaw, Okla., Terry of Dallas, Steve of London, England, Dan of Henderson Kentucky, Ted of Dallas, and Bill of Austin; four daughters Wynona Smith of Concord, Mass., Linda Mayden of Childress, Brinda Smith of Indianapolis, Indiana and Nancy Hendrix of Carrollton; one brother, Varnie Lowe of McLean and two half-brothers Dee of Bend, Oregon and James of Redmond, Oregon and a half-sister, Mary Varcon of Bend, Oregon and his mother Mrs. Lummie Pruitt of McLean and twenty-two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in Jumbo Church with Rev. Clay Roland officiating. Interment was in the Jumbo Cemetery under the direction of the Mills and Coffey Funeral Home in Antlers, Oklahoma.

Run-off Election Set For Saturday

A run-off election, between Bob Simpson and Bob Price will be held Saturday, Dec. 10 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Building on Main Street.

Price and Simpson are seeking the senate seat vacated by Max Sherman.

In Alanreed the election will be held at the Alanreed School. Those residing in Glenn Wood, Skillet and White Fish in Donley county may vote at the James Hefley home southeast of town.

Boys Ranch Annual Drive Is Underway

The annual drive to outfit all of the 370 boys of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch with new suits began.

Purchasing new suits for the boys with donations of \$35.00 is a favorite way for many friends of the Ranch to help at Christmas time.

"His first suit is something a boy never forgets," Virgil Patterson, Ranch President, said, "We want to make it a happy Christmas, not only for the boys now living at the Ranch, but also for new boys who will be coming to us during the coming year."

Amarillo department stores cooperate with the Christmas Suit Fund by giving special discounts on boys' suits. Other boys will receive gift packages of clothing that will include shirts, ties, jackets, trousers or other articles needed by them.

"A new suit or clothing package is the best Christmas gift any of our boys will receive," Mr. Patterson said, "It is a year-round reminder of those who really care."

Donations to the Christmas Suit Fund may be mailed to the Boys Ranch Office, P.O. Box 1890 Amarillo, Tx 79174 or be taken to the office at 600 West Street in Amarillo.

ACCIDENT CONTROL

Before decorating the holiday tree, check all electrical decorations for frayed, cracked or worn insulation and inspect the plug for possible damage. Be sure not to overload electrical circuits, and disconnect tree lights before leaving the house or retiring for the night cautions the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.



Santa Needs Your Letters

Children of the area are invited to write their letters to Santa Claus to be published in the McLean News' annual Christmas edition Dec. 22.

Santa has indicated that things are in full swing at the shops at the North Pole in preparation for the annual visit, but he needs to know what all the boys and girls want for Christmas. So he asked them to turn in their letters to the McLean News.

All letters should be received by Monday Dec. 19 in order that they may be published. Children are urged to begin now writing their letters to Santa. They may get their parents or teachers to help write the letters and bring or mail them to the McLean News, Box H McLean, Texas.

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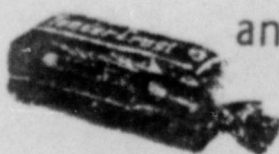
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Citrus, vegetables and some meat cuts offer good values in Texas grocery markets-- and the pecan crop is large.

reports Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service The Texas A&M University System.

To figure the most economical buy, remember that two pounds of nuts in the shell will yield one pound (about four cups) of unshelled nuts, she says.

Also, look for shells free from cracks, holes or scars. Shells well-filled so kernels do not rattle are a good-quality sign. Shelled nuts should be plump and meaty with a crisp fresh taste and

fresh ones will snap when broken.

Items with the most economical prices are grapefruit, oranges, tangerines, tangelos, apples, cranberries, grapes and bananas.

Best values include sweet potatoes, cooking greens, turnips, hard-shell squash, carrots, rutabagas, dry yellow onions, celery, cauliflower, broccoli and potatoes.

Turkey parts from large size birds are good values, but egg prices likely will ease upward nearer the holidays.

For egg economy if there is less than a seven-cent price spread between one size and the next larger size in the same grade, the larger size offers more for the money.

Good values include chuck roasts and steaks, round and rib steaks, ground beef and liver.

The pork picture looks good with selections from Boston butts, chops, roasts and liver. Smoked features include hams, picnics, bacon and sausage.

To retain pecan freshness keep them in a cool dry place in an air tight container. They keep longer in the shell. If she led they keep longer whole and unsalted in vacuum cans.

Stay warm this winter by dressing in thin layers of wool clothing which provide insulation against cold weather. As the temperature warms during the day, remove layers as necessary.



Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Drum observed their Golden Anniversary Sunday, October 30, 1977 in their home at Green Forest Ark.

The celebration was an open house given by their daughters, Mary Sue McClellan of Grand Prairie, Texas, Martha Gregg, Grand Prairie, Texas and June Dunnam of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Drum were married October 25, 1927 at Stinnett, Texas. They lived at Kellerville from 1935 to 1967 when they moved to Green Forest.

The couple has three daughters, seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Figsby of Wheeler are the parents of a son born Nov. 28 weighing 6 lbs. 8 oz. He is named Billy Glaze and has a sister Kisha. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Billy J. Bailey of McLean and Francis Shelton of Stinnett, Betty Jo Campbell of McLean and Harlen Figsby of Utah. Great-grandmothers are Lena Bailey and Buna Gudge of McLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Sid Lands of Jal, N.M. and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Thomas of Ozona proudly announce the arrival of their grandson, Sidney Thomas who was born Nov. 21 and weighed 7 lbs. 4 ozs. The baby is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Butch Lands, who live at Pecos.

Mr. and Mrs. David Brown proudly announce the birth of a son, David Seth, born November 22, 1977 weighing 6 pounds 8 ounces.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vincent of Lefors and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brown of McLean. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Henry of Chillicothe, and a great-grandmother, Mrs. M. E. Brown of McLean. He has one great-great-grandmother, Mrs. Katie Vincent of Pampa.

ALAN REED BASKETBALL SCHEDULE
Dec. 12-Wheeler Christian Academy-Here 6:00
Dec. 15 Lela-Here-6:30
Jan. 5-Lela-Here-6:30
Jan. 9- Wheeler Christian Academy-Here-6:00
Jan. 19, 20, 21-Alanreed Invitational tournament
Jan. 23-Wheeler Christian Academy-Here-6:00
Jan. 30-Wheeler Christian Academy-Here-6:00

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Coming up in the December issue will be articles on duck banding, fish records, crowded parks and Christmas guns. In January topics such as deer feeding, backpacking, hypothermia and winter fishing will be explored.

Now is the time to subscribe you and your friends to the magazine as it will normally take six weeks for processing.

Texas Is Ranked No. 1 Nationally

Comptroller Bob Bullock presented Texans with a Christmas present 49 of her states wish they had--the Number 1 national ranking.

"I'm not talking about football, although we're Number 1 there 'oo," Bullock said. "What I'm referring to is that Texas holds the title for having the best overall business climate in the United States."

The Comptroller backed up his announcement by releasing a new report published by his office entitled "Texas Means Business!"

The report compares Texas with other states in terms of taxation, government spending and other economic factors. "Texas is the only major state with neither a corporate nor a personal income tax," Bullock said. "And most of our other taxes are either lower than the national average or the lowest period."

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FBLA Visit Clarendon College

The McLean Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America went to Clarendon College for their installation ceremony of the Phi Beta Lambda, college division of FBLA. The national treasurer of PBL was guest speaker. Twenty-eight members of PBL were installed. The FBLA's next meeting will be December 12 when they go caroling.

Jr. High Teams Play At Groom

The McLean Jr. High Cubs and Cubettes traveled to Groom last Monday night. Although all three teams lost Coach Dorsett commented that the B team girls played one of their best ball games.

The B team Cubettes lost with a score of 17-21. Stacy Smith was high point with 7 points and Jamie Bowen was close behind with 6 points.

The A team Cubettes lost by a wide margin of 7-30. The high point player was Susie Billingsley with three points.

The A team Cubs stayed close behind the Groom Cubs through the whole game but the final score was 21-35. Billy Joe Skipper was high point player with eight points.

Tigerettes Suffer Two Losses In Wheeler Tournament

The McLean Tigerettes sustained two losses in the Wheeler tournament last weekend.

In the first game they were narrowly defeated by the Canadian netters by a score of 54-47. Melinda was the high scorer for the Tigerettes, dropping twenty-four points into the bucket. Billie Lowery also had a great game as she fired in fifteen.

In their second game the Tigerettes couldn't quite get untracked as the ladies from Shamrock prevailed by a score of 58-32. Melinda Hunt was again the high scorer for the Tigerettes with 18 points. Miss Hunt was also named to the all-tournament team.

Tigers Play In Wheeler Tournament

The McLean Tigers played in the Wheeler Tournament last weekend Dec. 1, 2, and 3. In the first game the Tigers played the Canadian Wildcats and lost 63-49. The Wildcats built up a commanding lead and at halftime they were ahead 34-16. The Tigers got the shots but couldn't put them in. Sam Haynes was high with 30 points.

In the Tigers' second game they played Mobeetie and lost 70-57. The game was close until the last quarter as the Tigers were only behind 34-30 at the half. Sam Haynes was high pointer with 22 points, followed by Randy Suggs with 18 and Tom Eck with 1 point.

Clarendon won the tournament, beating Canadian 50-47 in the finals. Sam Haynes was named to the all tournament team.

Varsity Teams Play Adrian Matadors

Both varsity teams were defeated by the Adrian Matadors last Tuesday night at the McLean gym. This moved the Tigers' record to 1-7, while the Tigerettes are 0-7 on the year.

The Tigerettes were narrowly defeated 40-38 by the Matadors. The score was close all the way but the Tigerettes could never keep a lead. At the end of the first quarter, the score was 6-7, the Tigerettes leading by one point and at the half, it was 16-15 in favor of Adrian and they held on to their narrow lead till the end. High pointers for McLean were Billie Lowery and Melinda Hunt with 16 markers each.

The Tigers were stomped by a score of 71-23. They were within ten points at the end of the first quarter the score being 14-4 but never could get going as the score at half-time was 38-8 and at the end of the third quarter, 59-13. Leading in points for the Tigers was Sam Haynes with 17.

Columbus died at Valladolid, Spain 1506.

Snakes sleep with their eyes open because they have no eyelids.

Xs and Os

by Bill Coward

There is a group of students I would like to call attention to this week. They have been working hard everyday for the past two weeks and the progress they have made is noticeable. The elementary choir will be presenting their annual Christmas program on Monday December 19 at 6:30 p.m. These children, under the direction of Mrs. Bobbie Stalls and Mrs. Janet Glass are preparing a fine entertaining program the whole family will enjoy.

Congratulations to Melinda Hunt and Sammy Don Haynes for making the All Tournament team at the Wheeler Tournament. This week the McLean teams will be entered in the Samnorwood Tournament. The girls play Wellington Thursday, at 7:00 p.m. Followed by the boys playing Wellington at 8:30. Next Tuesday, McLean opens district play against Mobeetie here at 6:30 p.m. Let me urge you to come out and support the teams in McLean.

If you have visited the concession stands during any of the ball games you have helped support the F.H.A. and F.F.A. programs in McLean High School. These students and sponsors, Mrs. Mary Lou Glass for F.H.A. and Mr. Jarrell Russell for F.F.A. are raising money to support many of the fine projects they are involved in.

Everyone is beginning to get in the Christmas Spirit in the McLean Schools. Rooms are being decorated, Christmas trees are going up and the students are already talking about holiday plans. This is a contagious time of the year for me. It seems that no matter how down I may feel, the spirit, the joyfulness the students have just rub off on me and I get in a good mood again. I'm glad it's Christmas this year. I hope that as

we enter this season we remember the true meaning of the season. I need to remind myself that there are those who are less fortunate than I am and that I should share with them. The joy of the season can be felt as much in giving as in receiving. The Bible says, "Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due when it is in your power."

If anyone knows where we could get about ten empty 55 gallon drums and five telephone poles, we need them for our off-season program. If you do, contact me at home or school and we can arrange to get them picked up.

To learn to forgive is something I feel I could improve on. One thing that caught my eye the other day was written by Helen Ferguson. It reads; "Never abuse those who abuse you bear them no malice and theirs will disappear."

Lions Have Farmers Ranchers Night

About twenty farmers and ranchers were guests of several Lions last Monday evening, which afforded a good turn out despite the cold weather. Mr. Joe Van Zandt, County Agricultural Agent, was the chief speaker. His talk centered on Texas A&M its history and its relationship to farmers and ranchers today. Mr. Van Zandt is available to local ranchers and farmers Tuesday afternoon at the McLean News office.

Special out of town visitor was Mr. Tom Harkess from the Lakewood, Colorado Lions Club.

December 17 the Lions will have their Christmas program. This will be ladies night (the program will be at 7 p.m. in the McLean Jr. High Cafeteria). Each couple is asked to bring some toilet article. This will be forwarded as a gift to Girls Town.

Iceland is ruled by the King of Denmark.

Light The Way For A Safe Holiday

Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety announced a special program to involve every Texan in an effort to reduce traffic accidents and fatalities during the Christmas and New Year holiday periods.

In the program, which is called "Light the Way for a Safe Holiday" motorists will be urged to drive with their low-beam headlights turned on in the daytime as well as night during the Christmas and New Year weekends.

"It is our belief that most motorists do not intentionally violate the law and need only to be reminded that holiday periods and more dangerous."

"We fee the 'Light the Way' program, particularly with widespread participation on the part of drivers, will serve as a very mean-

ingful reminder to others to drive safely," Speir said.

A similar effort called "Drive Lighted and Live" was conducted in Texas about 15 years ago with the active support of the state's newspapers and broadcast industry.

Speir said DPS Troopers will burn the headlights on their patrol cars during the period from 6 p.m. Friday December 23 through midnight Monday, December 26, and again from 6 pm Friday December 30 through midnight Monday, January 2.

"I urge every Texan to join us and help 'Light the way for a safe holiday' in Texas," the DPS director added.

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That man is Bob Price of Pampa.

TAXES A fiscal conservative, Bob Price has called for an immediate tax cut for all Texas citizens, followed by a decrease in unnecessary State spending.

BUSINESS AND JOBS A successful small businessman, Bob Price has called for positive steps to maintain a sound business environment in the Panhandle, assuring more jobs, more job opportunities and better wages for workers.

FARMING AND RANCHING A Panhandle rancher and farmer, Bob Price stands for 100% of parity, and for special programs to assure adequate supply—at reasonable rates—of oil and natural gas for irrigation and other farm and ranch needs.

SENIOR CITIZENS Bob Price has strongly urged an increase in Homestead Exemptions for our Senior Citizens, thus decreasing the tax burden they face on fixed incomes.

EDUCATION Bob Price thinks it's time to return control of our schools to our hands—and get the Federal Government out of the local school business.

Bob Price of Pampa. For eight years, he fought for our needs as our United States Congressman. Now, he's ready to serve us in Austin. Bob Price—the proven voice of the Texas Panhandle who will speak with authority, with experience, as our State Senator!

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Last Saturday night the McLean Veterinary Clinic was broken into.
Basketball season is well on its way for the year with several games having been played.
John S. Pakan son of Mr. and Mrs. Miro Pakan, won four first place honors in the 1967 U. S. Army Reserve Corps Rifle-pistol (Championship Matches at For Carson).
20 YEARS AGO
The McLean Tigerettes were defeated Tuesday night by White Deer 69-60 in a game played at White Deer.

Kermit last week.
50 YEARS AGO
A deal has been consummated whereby Claude Lester takes over the filling station business of the McLean Motor Co.
The Rogers Service Station was given a coat of stucco at the front of the building this week and will be painted and otherwise improved.
Miss Ruth Clark and Mr. Elmer Ware were married at Lefors Wed. of last week. Judge T.M. Wolfe performing the ceremony.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Turner will honor their parents on their Golden Wedding Anniversary Sunday December 8.

Poachers Pay Dearly For Too Early Deer

Texas is having another buffalo hunt this year.

The crisp days of fall are the signal for outdoor enjoyment to most hunters... and for wanton laughter of wildlife to a few others.

30 YEARS AGO
The interest of M. L. Putman in the McLean Food Store was bought last weekend by Mr. and Mrs. Lafe Smallwood it has been announced.

Game wardens of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department caught three men in South Texas recently who not only were killing deer before the season opened, but also were sawing off the antlers and leaving carcasses to rot in the brush.

The building for the McLean Community hospital was to be moved in this week.

District law enforcement supervisor John Caudle of Laredo was hiding in the brush near a road where there had been some suspected poaching activity when three men drove up. Two got out, and the truck drove on. The pair walked a short distance and one of them fired at a deer. Caudle waited until the poachers had sawed the antlers off the buck and were returning to the road, an then arrested them.

McLean's two theaters, the Avalon and the Lone Star, were sold this week by Paul Pusion.

The third man was arrested as he drove back to the point where he had left his partners.

40 YEARS AGO
The need of better telephone service and the loss of subscribers was the principal subject discussed a 3-hour meeting of the chamber of commerce held Monday night.

The trio admitted killing six deer. The carcasses of two were recovered and donated to charitable organizations.

The beauty and amateur contest held at the high school Tuesday evening pleased a large crowd.

The men were charged with two counts each of failure to keep edible portions of wild deer, three counts each of hunting in closed season and one count each of possession of deer in closed season. The fines and court costs came to \$700 for the three.

The National Cafe owned by Smith and Massey, is the newest addition to the business life of McLean.

Allen Wilson was in

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Children should be seen and not hurt this Christmas by new toys says the Texas Department of Health.

A few months, or a year or two in a child's development can make quite a difference in his ability to cope with toys. "That's the reason manufacturers are required to place precautionary labeling on toys," says Harold Ray, director of the Department's Product Safety Division.

"Consumers should look for the warning label on a toy which states that the toy isn't recommended for a child under a certain age," he said. "If such a label warns that the toy is too advanced for your child look for something else that fits the child."

Ray said a testing process is being used which can help parents determine the right toys for their children. The United States Consumer Product Safety Commission has regulations for the use and abuse testing of toys. These regulations provide tests for impact, bite, flexure, torque, tension and compression—all simulating the normal and reasonably foreseeable use, damage and abuse of toys, games and other playthings.

The testing is done using different age levels of children for whom the toys are intended. These age levels are 18 months and less, more than 18 months but not more than 36 months, and 36 months to not more than eight years of age.

What can you as an individual do to prevent a mis-match of a toy and a child this holiday season?

First, be aware of how the toy is built, says Ray. "Parents should avoid toys with the obvious hazards such as sharp points, rough or unfinished surfaces, small, detachable parts that may be swallowed; and brittle plastic, plastic or glass that breaks easily and leaves sharp edges that cut," he said.

"Other things to watch out for include poorly constructed toys with sharp spikes or pins that are exposed when pulled apart; by a curious child and toys with triggers, gears, or other parts activated by a spring or motor that may pinch fingers or catch hair."

Ray said there is a safety regulation for

electrically operated toys. The regulation specifies maximum temperatures for these toys and requires reliable electrical construction. Electrical toys must bear warning labels stating they are not recommended for children under a certain age. For toys containing heating elements, the manufacturer may not indicate that the toy is recommended for children under eight.

Some 5,000 new toys enter the market place each year. The holiday season will find more than 150,000 different kinds of toys for sale in an estimated one million retail outlets. Despite the efforts of toy manufacturers, retailers, state and federal inspectors and different governmental agencies, it is impossible to inspect every toy.

But it is possible for parents, relatives and older sisters and brothers to check every new toy bought and every old toy around the house for hazards.

There are some specific things you can do while thinking toy safety. These suggestions include:

- * Buy toys that suit the skills and abilities of children. Avoid toys that are too complex for young children. No small child should play with electrical toys or those which can produce burning temperatures.

- * For toys likely to end up in little mouths, look for labels that give age recommendations or safety information such as "Not Recommended for Children Under Three" or "Non-Toxic."

- * Watch out for toys that have sharp edges, small parts or sharp points.

- * Avoid toys that make very loud noises which can damage hearing as well as propelled objects that can injure eyes.

- * Explain to the child how to use toys properly and safely.

- * Always try to supervise young children while they play.

- * Insist that children put their toys away so they don't get broken, and so that no one trips or falls on them.

To report a product hazard or a product-related injury, write to the Product Safety Division, Texas Department of Health, 1100 West 49th Street, Austin 78756.

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The McLean Masonic Lodge regular meeting is the 2nd Thursday at 7:30. Practice nights are 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. 47-tfc

Public Notices

NOTICE OF ELECTION
To the Registered Voters of the County of Gray Texas:
Notice is hereby given that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1977 for voting in the RUN-OFF ELECTION TO FILL VACANCY IN STATE SENATORIAL DISTRICT 31.
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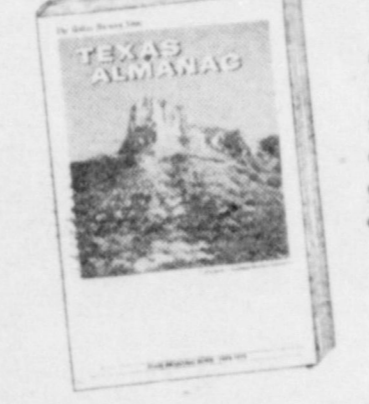
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I wish to thank the doctors, nurses and the hospital staff for all they did for me while I was in the hospital. I also thank the ones for the calls made in my welfare, the visits, flowers and the kindness shown me. May God bless each one of you.
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INCOME TAX MEETINGS

An Income Tax School will be held December 12 in Pampa at the Court-house Annex meeting room. For the convenience of the general public, two meetings will be held at 1:30 and 7:00 p.m. Dr. Fay Sammons, Area Extension Economist-Management from Amarillo will discuss general income tax regulations and recent tax law changes. Also, Joe Dickey, CPA, from Pampa, will be present to assist in answering questions as there will be a question answer session.

The information presented should be of interest to everyone whether you are a farmer, salaried worker, or retired. Everyone is invited to attend either session which will last about two hours.

MARKETING ALTERNATIVES & FARM BILL

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is conducting an In-Depth meeting on Marketing Alternatives starting at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 14 in Amarillo at the Research & Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd., West. The discussion on marketing alternatives will continue December 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

At 7:00 p.m. December 14, a meeting to discuss the new farm bill and program will be conducted.

Speakers for those meetings will be Dr. Bill Black and Dr. Ron Knutson, Extension Economists in Marketing and Policy. Both of these men are very knowledgeable and respected. The topics will give those attending some food for thought for future marketing directions in farm marketing. Several new ideas will be discussed.

All farm operators are invited to attend and benefit from this in-depth program which will attempt to get at some of the problems facing agriculture.

Call my office, 669-7429, if you have any questions about these meetings.

CROP IRRIGATIONS

During our recent Crop Marketing Shortcourse, Dr. Fay Sammons dis-

cussed how many irrigations should be applied to irrigated crops that are already planted. He used wheat as an example to show that under average conditions, irrigated wheat in Gray County should probably receive around 3 or 4 irrigations. This was also based on the assumption that the wheat was a ready planted and fertilized and we weren't concerned with whether we should be raising irrigated wheat.

We hear a lot of talk about watering wheat only once or twice, but he had some pretty convincing figures to show that maximum returns should be normal crop growing conditions.

The same thing pretty well applied to sorghum irrigations as well. These conditions would apply where water was not a limiting factor in productions.

FARM POPULATION DROPS

The U.S. farm population now stands at 8.3 million people about 15 percent below the 1970 level and 600,000 fewer than a year ago.

The number of farm residents leveled off somewhat in the early 1970's with only an annual decline of 1.2 percent. But, since 1974, the average annual rate of loss has accelerated to 5.8 percent.

Even with this recent acceleration, however, the rate of decline over the past seven years has been only 2.7 percent annually much lower than the 4.8 percent annual rate from 1960 to 1970.

While the farm population continues to drop, there has been a recent resurgence in the entire rural population. The population is non-metro areas, now growing faster than the metro population, climbed 6.6 percent from 1970 to 1975 compared to the metro growth of 4.1 percent.

The South lost more farm residents than any other region in 1976 and has lost almost a fourth of its farm residents since 1970. With 2.9 million farm people, the South ranks second in farm population to the North Central Region's 3.8 million.

The West bucked the trend, showing an increase of 50,000 farm residents since 1970.

About one person out of every 26 or 3.9 percent of the U.S. total population had a farm residence in 1976. When the number of U.S. farm residents reached its

Lions Participate In Girlstown Drive

"If you want to really get that 'Christmas Spirit' consider a contribution to the Girlstown Christmas Fund" said Wilson Boyd president of the McLean Lions Club as he announced his club's participation in the 9th annual Lions District 2T-1 Coat and Shoe Fund Drive for Girlstown, USA. Each of the 98 girls located at the Berger, Whiteface and Austin campuses will be given a \$90 gift certificate to be used to purchase a new coat, a new pair of shoes and other needed clothing for Christmas.

"As we have discovered in years past this will be the first time for some of these girls to pick out a new coat in a store" said 2T-1 District Governor Felix Ryals of White Deer.

"With the help of the good people in the Golden Spread the Lions of District 2T-1 have been able to purchase this needed clothing for these girls for the past eight years.

Also we have been able to contribute to the Girlstown Operating Fund and through special projects we were able to build a building on the Whiteface campus during this past year" said the Lions Governor Sice the founding of Girlstown in March 1949 approximately 1600 girls have made their home on one of these three campuses. "Funds raised in excess of the amount needed for the gift certificates will be presented to Girlstown" said Nolan Grady, District 2T-1 Girlstown Chairman.

Co-chairpersons for this year's drive are: Carolyn Newbold of the Amarillo Daily News, Janet Baxter of KFDA-TV, Roy McCoy of KAMR-TV, Bedford Forrest of KVII-TV and Royce Bodiford of KGNC Radio.

This contribution appeal goes out to all residents of the Panhandle and South Plains. Checks should be made payable to "Girlstown Christmas Fund" and may be sent to your local Lions Club or mailed to: Box 67 Amarillo Texas 79105.

For a short period from 1835 to 1837 the United States government was out of debt.

peak in 1916 about one person in three lived on a farm.

Cotton Trading Increases This Week At Memphis

Trading increased slightly this week with a higher volume of current ginnings being offered for sale. Demand was strong for cotton stapling 33 and longer with mixed lots selling for 45.00 to 47.00 cents per pound. Demand for cotton stapling 32 and shorter was moderate with most mixed lots bringing 41.00 to 44.00 cents. Growers continued to receive an average of \$67 per ton for cottonseed.

About 32,000 samples were classed at Memphis for the week ending Friday, December 7. This brings the season's total to 102,000 compared to 83,000 as of this date last year.

White grades accounted for 37 percent of the samples classed while light spotted grades made up 68 percent. The predominant grades were 32 with 44 percent, 42 with 23 percent, 31 with 17 percent and 41 with 13 percent. Staple 32 was the major length with 58 percent followed by staple 31 with 25 percent. Micronaire readings were in the desirable range of 3.5-4.9 on 90 percent of the samples tested with five pe-

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