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Practitioner Workshop Planned

A workshop designed especially for practitioners who help farmers and ranchers prepare their tax returns will be held December 15-16 in Pampa.

The two-day workshop will emphasize new developments and problem areas for professionals who prepare tax forms. It will consist of lectures, examples, problems and discussion explained by IRS representatives from their Dallas office. Dr. Ray Sammons, area economist-management with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, is the local coordinator.

The short course will be held in the Courthouse Annex meeting room, East Highway 152 east of the National Guard Armory. The workshop begins at 9 a.m. and continues until 5 p.m. each day.

Because enrollment is limited, it is necessary to pre-register. Sammons said. Registration forms are available at local county Extension Agents' offices or by calling Sammons at 806/59-5401, Amarillo. The form and registration fee must be mailed a week prior to the workshop at Sammons 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West, Amarillo, TX 79016.

STI Winter Registration Dec. 5

Registration for the Winter Quarter at Texas State Technical Institute is Monday, December 5. Registration will take place at the Campus Activity Center from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The following programs will be taking applications for admission: Auto Body Repair, Auto Mechanics Technology, Boot and Shoe Operations, Construction Technology, Cosmetology, Diesel Truck Mechanics, Interior Design Technology, Livestock and Ranch Operations, Meat Processing and Marketing, Professional Truck Operations, Printing Technology, Saddle and Tack Making, Technical Office Training and Welding and Fabrication. Students unable to make formal registration December 5th may register late up until December 21st in the Admissions Office in the Technology Building.

Alligators cannot swallow unless completely submerged.



Children! 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.

Jr. High Band Audition For All-region Band

Seven members of the junior-high band auditioned for the junior high all-region band last Monday at White Deer. Two eighth graders, Cindy Glass and Terri Glass, made the band. Terri made sixth chair clarinet, while Cindy made seventh chair flute.

Trying out from McLean were Todd Allison, Cindy Glass, Terri Glass, Stacy Smith, Bryan Smitherman, Frank Todd and Teresa Woods.

In last week's article about high school all-region band auditions, Jamie Glass and Rhonda Woods were not listed as trying out. The Tiger Rag staff apologizes.

Harvard University founded in 1636, is the oldest college in the United States.

Memphis Cotton Office Report

Trading was light again this week with the volume of current ginings being offered for sale remaining relatively small. Demand was strong for cotton stapling 33 and longer with mixed lots selling for 4.00 to 47.00 cents per pound, mostly 44.00 to 46.00 cents. Demand for cotton stapling 32 and shorter was light to moderate with most mixed lots bringing 41.00 to 43.00 cents. Growers continued to receive an average of \$62 per ton for cottonseed.

About 25,900 samples were classed at Memphis for the week ending Friday, November 25. This brings the season's total to 69,000 compared to 50,700 as of this date last year.

White grades made up 38 percent of the samples classed while light spotted grade accounted for 62 percent. The predominant grades were 32 with 38 percent, 42 with 27 percent and 31 with 20 percent. Major staple lengths were 32 with 52 percent and 31 with 21 percent. Micronaire readings were in the desirable range of 3.5 - 4.9 on 89 percent milled below this range. Average pressley for the week was 84,000 pounds per square inch.

Mildred Prince To Demonstrate Holiday Recipes

Mrs. Mildred Prince, Home Service Advisor with Southwestern Public Service will be at the McLean Senior Center next Thursday December 8 at 10:30 for a Festive Food Demonstration. She will be demonstrating a variety of holiday recipes from the new Festive Food recipe booklet for the audience to sample. The demonstration will be featuring small electric appliances. Everyone is invited to attend.

Visiting with May Chilton over the holidays were Johnny and Bonnie Chilton and Ralph and Pat Chilton all of Hale Center, Renea and Larry Searcy and son Josh of Kress, La June and Dwayne Blackshear and Steve and Debbie Henning and children, all of Albuquerque N.M.

Most poisonous of all snakes is the King Cobra.



The public is invited to hear the Ozarks quartet at the First Baptist Church, Sunday night December 4th at 7 p.m. The Ozarks Quartet has the reputation of being one of the top gospel quartets. Everyone is invited to come and hear them.

Irene Pakan Gets Certification For Her Work

Mrs. Irene Pakan of McLean received a certificate of commendation for her outstanding work on behalf of Mental Health, announced Shirley K. Camfield, President of the Mental Health Association in Texas.

As a chairperson for the May Mental Health drive in McLean, Mrs. Pakan raised the largest amount of money, \$544.28 for communities with a population between 1,501 and 2,000.

The drive benefited the Mental Health Association a voluntary citizens' advocacy group dedicated to informing the public about mental health and mental illness, while helping the mentally disturbed and their families.

A member of the Mental Health Association, Rosalynn Carter, is presently the Honorary Chair of the President's Commission on Mental Health.

The Commission has held hearings throughout the country this past year. The preliminary report recommends that more federal money be allocated for research in the mental health field. The Mental Health Association agrees with this recommendation since some of the greatest advances for treating mental problems in the past decade has come from drug research.

Pine trees are less likely to be struck by lightning because their resin interferes with their conducting of electricity.

Tigers-Tigerettes Play Clarendon

Last Tuesday night the McLean Tigers and Tigerettes played host to three Clarendon teams.

In the first game Coach Yakubosky's B team girls were narrowly defeated by a score of 24-21. Jill Trew was high scorer with eleven points, closed trailed by Ann Skipper with nine points.

The varsity girls were overcome by the fast-moving Clarendon girls who topped them by a score of 63-52. Melinda Hunt ripped the nets for 29 points while Joy Rhine fired in fifteen.

The varsity boys played the Broncos a close first half but lack of depth by the Tigers helped Clarendon dominate in the final half. The final score was 83-51. High point man for the Tigers was Sam Haynes with 18 points followed by Randy Kennedy with 13.

Absentee Run-off Vote Underway

Absentee voting for the run-off election between Bob Price of Pampa and State Rep Bob Simpson of Amarillo for the 31st State Senatorial District seat vacated by Max Sherman, will be Nov. 30-Dec. 6.

Voting will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday during the voting period, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3 in the County Clerks Office in Pampa.

The election date was set for Dec. 10 by Gov. Dolph Briscoe earlier this month.

None of the candidates received a majority of the votes in the Nov. 8 state senate election but Price, a former U. S. representative and Simpson were the top contenders over Jim Brandon, Mel Phillips, and Burk Whittenburg, all of Amarillo.

Price is a Republican and Simpson is a Democrat.

Sherman, a Democrat, vacated the seat to become president of West Texas State University.

Educational Opportunities Available

"Most people familiar with Scouting know that the three programs of the Boy Scouts of America offer tremendous educational opportunities for young people--but I wonder how many realize that it has a full-blown educational program for adult too."

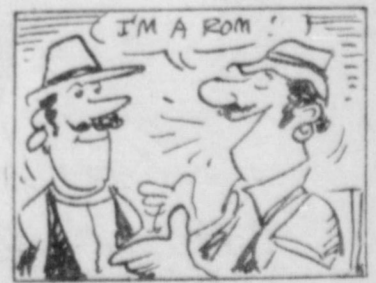
Warren Fatheree, President of the Adobe Walls Council, made that statement while announcing that the council is now signing up volunteer Scout leaders for week-long training conferences at the Philmont High Adventure Base, Cimarron, New Mexico, next summer.

"While all of these courses are oriented toward Scouting programs many are useful in other areas, too," Fatheree declared. "For example district and council administration conferences provide instruction in management principles and finance and public relations training are specialties that can be applied in many ways."

Fatheree said more information about Scout training opportunities can be obtained at the Adobe Walls Council office, P. O. Box 2479, Pampa, Texas 79065.

ACCIDENT CONTROL-- Falls are exceeded only by motor vehicle accidents in the annual toll of accidental deaths in the U.S. Be sure of your footing, keep walk areas clear of debris and loose rugs, and use only approved climbing devices, advises the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

License number 100 is always reserved for the President's car.



Gypsies speak a language called Romany, which comes from their word for man--"rom."

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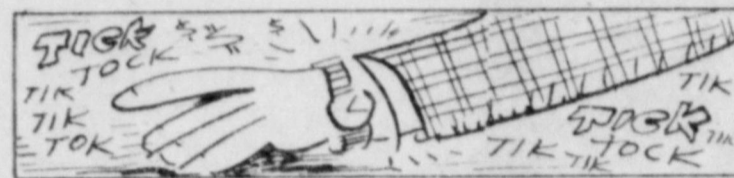
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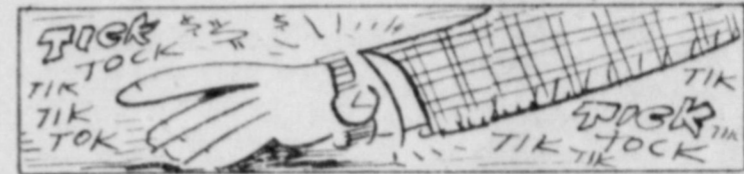
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10 YEARS AGO
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70 YEARS AGO
 Mr. and Mrs. Don Trew of Alanreed are the parents of a son, Donald Dean, born Friday night, Nov. 22 at Highland General Hospital in Pampa. Moisture in McLean for the year is recorded at 34.01 inches.

3 YEARS AGO
 Marilyn Marlow, daughter of Mrs. George Haynes of Fort Worth, and J. Dan Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Cooper of Tucumcari, N.M. were married Sat. Nov. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Brown had been married fifty years Wednesday, Nov. 27.

3 YEARS AGO
 Carl A. Dwyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dwyer of McLean, and now a student at Texas Technological College at Lubbock, has been named in "Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities."

Winter weather remained in the McLean area most of the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gray entertained with a reception at their home, Thursday afternoon, November 20 for about 75 guests to honor Mrs. Gray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Johnston on

their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

40 YEARS AGO
 All applications for city taxes have been raised 50% for the current year.

According to R. H. Wilson, special agent, the census report shows that 1,557 bales of cotton were ginned in Gray County from the year 1977.

50 YEARS AGO
 A new oil test is to be made on the Rowland about 2 1/4 miles from McLean.

F. R. Day, who lives north of town, sold a 32-pound gobbler to a local cafe Wednesday for \$9.10.

REDUCING CONSUMER PRODUCT HAZARDS--

Spurred by the Consumer Product Safety Act, manufacturers now must not only make sure that products are free of hazards encountered during their normal intended use, but must also be free of hazards encountered during reasonable foreseeable misuse. A though manufacturers are trying to produce hazard free products, consumers also have a responsibility to buy the right product for the intended use says a safety engineer with the Texas Extension Service.

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NEWS

*** County ***
Agricultural Agent
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Pesticide Certification
 Area farmers and ranchers will have one last opportunity to become "certified" as a private applicator for restricted use pesticides by attending a meeting at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6 in Pampa at the Courthouse Annex meeting room.

Farm operators that have not obtained a certificate as a certified private applicator should plan to attend. Attendance will enable farmers to be certified as a private applicator for restricted pesticides by the Texas Department of Agriculture after completing an application form.

The program will consist of a series of slide-tape sets which reviews pesticide use and safe-ture measures.

Current federal law requires that "restricted use" pesticides must be applied or supervised by certified pesticide applicators, either private or commercial.

M-44 Certification
 Persons interested in becoming "certified" in the use of the "M-44" for coyote control need to attend a meeting at 7 p.m., Dec. 8 in the Courthouse Annex meeting room Pampa.

The program will be conducted by the Texas Department of Agriculture for people who want to use the M-44 in coyote control. As I understand those "Certification" is necessary before you can purchase M-44 units or ammunition from the manufacturers.

The M-44 is a patented spring-operated device used with a toxicant to control coyotes. A fetid or "rotten" bait is used with the device to attract the coyote.

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World Situation and Outlook for Grains
 The prospects of near-record world grain production in 1977 appear to have changed further in light of continuing assessments of the effects of adverse weather during the harvest and periods immediately preceding the harvest in some of the major wheat

and coarse grain producing countries. In recent weeks the estimate of the 1977 crop output in the USSR has been reduced to 194 million metric tons—19 million tons below the Soviet's planned target of 213 million metric tons and about 21 million tons below USDA's earlier estimate.

With the start of the wheat harvesting season in the Southern Hemisphere, it also appears that final grain production in Australia and Argentina will be far below forecasts made earlier and even below mid-October estimates. The 1977 total world wheat, coarse grain, and rice production is now forecast at 1,17 million metric tons, almost 19 million tons below the mid-October estimates and 2 percent less than the 1,444 million tons initially projected for the 1977-78 season in mid-July. The current production, if realized, also will be 2 percent under the record wheat, coarse grains, and rice harvest of 1,447 million tons achieved in 1976.

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We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors for their thoughtfulness in many ways during the loss of our sister Lelia Roberts.

Beatrice Street
 Neville & Ruby Back
 Willie & Olita Harris
 Scott & Charlie Shurley
 Richard Back

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Just want say a word of Thanks for all the prayer, cards and flowers, also gifts. While my stay in Saint Anthony Hospital. Also, when I came back to McLean Hospital. Also for help to find some one to stay with me in my home. May God bless back every one of you. Wonderful to be home again.

Mrs. Lela Alderson

CORRECTION

David Barton, received his Bobcat Badge at the last pack meeting. Robert Swaner is a Boy Scout not a Cub Scout.

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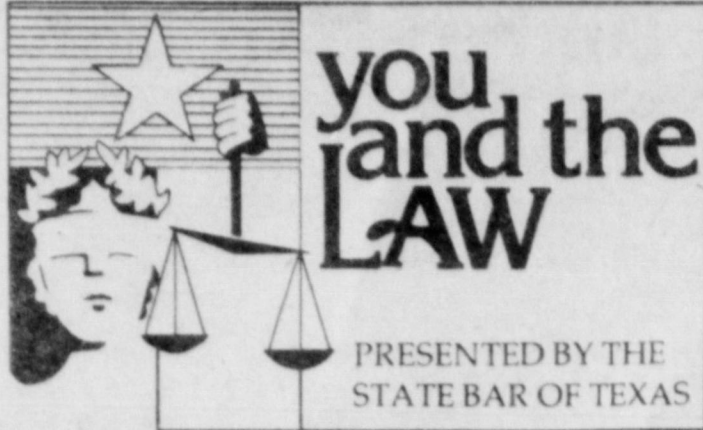
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A: If your living together did not constitute a common-law marriage, then the use of the bank account would be determined by the intent of the man and woman. If the intent was to share the bank account funds equally, the person withdrawing all of the funds may be liable for half of the amount withdrawn. If the wedding rings were a gift, the woman would be free to keep them unless the gift was conditioned on performance of the marriage ceremony.

Q: Before my husband and I recently separated, he

asked me to sign a blank income tax return; I refused. I told him I would sign a completed form, but the deadline has passed and I haven't received it. Could he have filed the return without my signature?

A: The Internal Revenue Service cannot process a joint tax return with only one signature. You should contact IRS to learn whether a joint return has been filed in your name. If it has been filed, IRS will explain how to correct the situation. If no return has been filed, you should file a return to avoid penalties for failure to file.

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A: State law requires you to return your tenant's security deposit, after subtracting for unpaid rent, repairs or other deductions allowed under the lease, within 30 days. However, if your tenant owed rent when she moved, an itemized accounting of deductions is not required. The tenant also remains liable for the rent due for the remainder of the lease, but this liability is reduced by the amount of any rent collected if the property is leased again.

Send your questions to "You and the Law," State Bar of Texas, P.O. Box 12487, Austin, 78711. Answers may appear in columns in hypothetical terms; personal answers not possible.

Waterfowl Finding Little Water

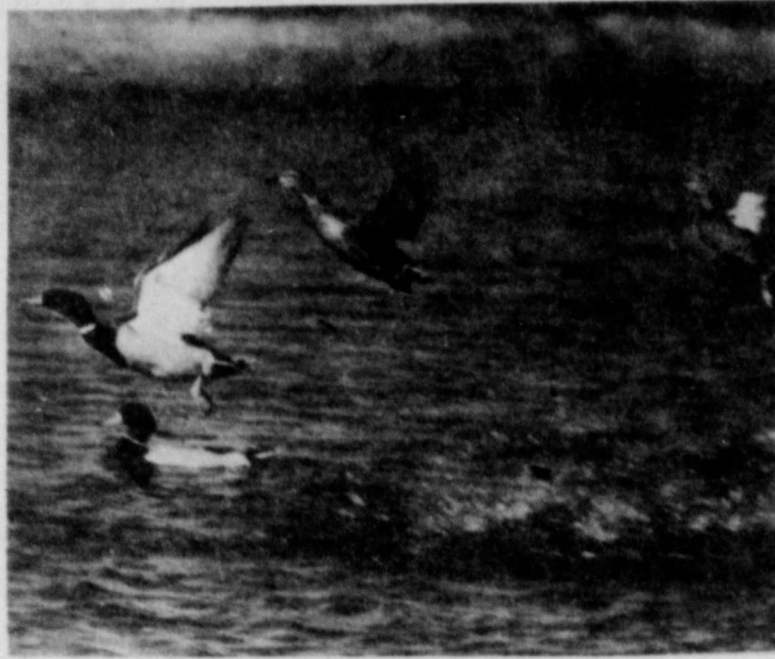
Both Panhandle waterfowl hunters and ducks and geese are finding dry playa lakes as northwest Texas continues to have dry weather with available water fast becoming mud holes.

"Many of the ducks that usually winter in the Panhandle are moving on south or are concentrating on dwindling playa lakes where hunting pressure is increasing," said Max Traweck, waterfowl biologist.

"Normally, the Panhandle records from one to two million ducks but the lakes that had water

in August are drying up and weather forecasts do not predict any favorable forecast for substantial rains to help the situation," Traweck continued.

One lake in Castro county was estimated to have from 30,000 to 75,000 ducks stretching from shore to shore. Hunters should be especially careful when hunting where large concentrations of waterfowl are



POPULAR MALLARD -- the mallard duck is perhaps the most popular species of waterfowl to be hunted during the 1977-78 season that will continue through Jan. 22 1978. A hunter can legally bag five mallard drakes under the current 100-point system. Check the duck pamphlet for more information. (photo by P&WD)

Market Report

Fruits and pork offer several good values to Texas grocery market shoppers this week, according to Mrs. Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System.

Most economical choices are grapefruit, oranges tangelos, tangerines, cranberries, apples grapes, bananas, and pears.

Best buys are potatoes, dry yellow onions, carrots, cooking greens, cabbage, broc-

crowded as a misplaced shot could put the hunter's take of ducks well over the daily limit.

Goose populations are near normal as the short-grass prairie geese utilize the feeding areas of the Panhandle. These sub-species of Canadian geese do not winter any farther south in Texas and normally will not go to the Gulf coast even if there is little water in the Panhandle.

The larger reservoirs such as Meredith, Greenbelt and McKenzie will show gains in the overall waterfowl population as more playa lakes become dry this winter.

Duck and goose seasons continue through Jan. 22 1978 with a daily bag limit varying from one to ten for ducks and from two to five for geese. Hunters will find more information in the Texas duck guide available at license vendors and all P&WD offices.

TEXAS PRODUCERS DISLIKE FOOD POLICY -- Texas farmers and ranchers generally disfavor both the foreign and domestic food policy of the U.S., according to a survey by a marketing and policy economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Most favor a reduction in the food stamp program and a tightening foreign food

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