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City sales tax gets voters' OK

Morton now has a one percent city sales tax that will go into effect July 1, 1971 and three new aldermen as a result of Saturday's elections.

By a majority that came as a major surprise to most local observers and election speculators, the citizens of Morton gave the go-ahead to the city sales tax in a special election held Saturday, April 3. The winning majority was 118-79, a margin that was far wider than expected by various persons around the city who were polled for their opinion prior to the election. The pre-balling opinion appeared to be that the vote would be very close, with the probability that the proposition would fail, hence the surprise at the substantial majority.

According to state law, the tax cannot take effect until the beginning of the next quarter following the election, therefore the earliest it could begin is the beginning of the third quarter which falls on July 1.

The Morton City Council has three brand new aldermen with the seat in Place Three being won by H. W. (Toke) Hendon by a margin of 130-52 over Jerry Schaeffer who was running in Place Three also. Schaeffer was not shut out, however, as he received 58 write-in votes to win the seat in Place Four. Marshall Leitzell, who was unopposed in Place Five polled a total of 174 votes to win his seat at the council table. Wiley Hodge, present council member who dropped out of the race to leave Place Four vacant, received 51 write-in votes to make a contest of it with Schaeffer.

The new aldermen have varied occupations in Morton. Leitzell is owner-operator of Design Photographic Studio, Hendon is manager of Higgenbotham-Bartlett Lumber Company and Schaeffer is sales manager of Gwatney-Wells Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Agency.

The other five elections held at the same time varied widely as to interest and participation. The balloting for new city officers appeared to be somewhat higher than expected and the race for seats on the Whiteface, Bledsoe and Morton boards of education reflected a spirited rivalry and keen competition. The Whiteface race was especially hard-fought with ten persons receiving votes for the three regular 3-year terms and three vying for the special one-year term.

Winners of the regular terms and their total vote were: Olin Lewis, incumbent, 131; Ronny Grant, 101 and Roy Akin, 96. See SALES TAX, Page 6a



PROUD OF NEW RANK . . .

FIVE FORMER CUB SCOUTS stand at a rather rigid attention as they show off their new shoulder badges that identify them as Webelos (not Cubs, they'll have you know). The promotions took place at the annual Cub Scout Blue and Gold Awards Banquet held in Morton Schools cafeteria Tuesday night. Over 200 Cubs, parents, Cub leaders, and

den mothers and friends of scouting attended the event in which the boys are presented with the awards they have earned during the year. Front to rear above are John P. Mauldin, Mike Williams, Clint Oden, Terry Dupler, David Lamb and adult leader Elra Oden.



Ruthie Ann Smith

Ruthie Ann Smith succeeds to crown of 'Miss South Plains'

Morton girl has been crowned "Miss South Plains" in Levelland following the coronation of Miss Reessie Phillips, the former title holder who stepped down for reasons of love and marriage.

Ruthie Ann Smith, 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Smith of Morton, first runnerup in the Miss South Plains contest, received her crown late last week from the hands of Robert Allsup, executive director of the Miss South Plains Pageant. She is a 1970 graduate of Morton High School.

Reessie stepped down from her throne because, as Allsup put it, "She has been bitten by the Love Bug." Reessie faced the difficult choice of whether to follow her heart and get married or to follow her parents and remain as Miss South Plains. She needed to say her heart won out.

According to the by-laws of Miss South Plains the Girl may not have been married or cannot be married during the time that she is reigning as Miss South Plains.

The new Miss South Plains is currently attending South Plains College as a freshman. Ruthie has had four years of choir, three with the sextet and is presently singing with the SPC sextet. She is 5'5" has light brown hair green eyes and fair complexion. Her hobbies include singing, sewing and dancing. After she completes her schooling at Texas Tech, Ruthie plans to go to Texas Tech.

Ruthie has got a lot of work ahead of her according to Allsup. "There are less than 90 days for her to prepare for the Miss Texas Pageant. We will have to work hard to bet her ready but I think that we can do it. When Reessie was Miss South Plains we felt like we had a winner with her and we feel that we have a winner with Ruthie too."

★ Easter egg hunt

Boys and girls in ages 3-11 are invited to a giant Easter egg hunt to be held on the grounds of Radio Station KRAN beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 10. Cash prizes will be awarded to the two youngsters finding the most and the second most eggs in each of three age categories.

The age categories will be three through five years; six through eight years and nine through eleven years.

Tom Sneed, owner-operator of the Cochran County Egg Ranch will donate the eggs for the hunt.

Every child in the local area in the above age group is cordially invited to participate in this happy Easter event.

Last minute appeal for support of Easter Seal campaign made

Last minute appeal for support of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults and its program of services to the handicapped was issued today by Cochran County Judge Glenn Thompson, who is the Easter Seal Representative in Cochran County.

The Easter Seal Society provided treatment and services for over 21,000 physically handicapped children and adults in this last year, Mr. Thompson said, and the program needs to be expanded. Many people are going without services that would increase the productivity of their lives and make them happier. With increased growth of the Easter Seal Society, more and more of these people will be helped, he added.

The Society is carrying on a continuing program to seek out the disabled who are going without services and see that they receive the help they need. As Easter

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Scottish Rite holds Maundy dinner here

The South Plains Scottish Rite Association held a Maundy Thursday dinner at the Cochran County Activity Building April 1.

Bester Baird, Scottish Rite representative for Cochran County, was Master of ceremonies for the evening. Following the rite of Allegiance, Rev. Rex Mauldin presided over the invocation. A group of young ladies from Griltown provided musical entertainment for the dinner guests.

Baird introduced Chester Lewis, 33rd degree Mason from Levelland, as the guest that organized the Scottish Rite Association of this area and as head of the

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JUST MY SIZE . . .

SEEMED TO BE THE ATTITUDE of Greg Weaver, 4-year-old son of Morton High School Principal Fred Weaver, who looks on as the youngster shoots baskets at a backboard and basket that is better suited to the pee wee players than the regulation size most of them have to use. The basket above is set at six feet, which gives Greg a lot better chance to score while improving his shooting technique in the process. The adjustable basket, which may be set at eight and ten feet as the youngster grows, has been introduced in Morton by MHS basketball coach Ted Whillock and Weaver, each of whom has one in his driveway.

New Hours

The Morton Tribune offices will be closed on Wednesday afternoon beginning with Wednesday, April 14, 1971. The offices will close for the day at 12 noon on Wednesday and will be closed all day Saturday and Sunday.

Orville Tilger elected Lions Club president

Orville Tilger heads a new slate of officers selected in an election at the regular weekly luncheon meeting Wednesday.

Entering office with Tilger for the coming year are E. L. Reeler, first vice-president; W. M. Butler, second vice-president; Daryl Bennett, third vice-president; Lloyd Miller, secretary-treasurer; Harold Drennan, song leader; Jimmy St. Clair, lion tamer; Dr. Joe Dorsey, tail twister and Van Greene, crippled children's camp chairman.

New directors include C. E. Dolle, Roy Gentry and Lloyd Hiner. The Lions sweetheart and pianist is Sally Wheeler and the Lions queen is Becky Greene.

Local student receives music scholarship: tops talent show

Shelby Race, of Route 2, Morton, talented Morton High School senior, has received notification that he is the recipient of a college scholarship in music.

Shelby received a letter early this week from George E. Umberson, chairman of the Department of Music at West Texas State University, informing him that his recent audition at the university was highly impressive and that as a result he had been voted an applied music scholarship by the faculty committee. The scholarship exempts him from applied music fees of from \$55-75 per-semester and is renewable at the end of each term.

Shelby's scholarship came close on the heels of another event which demonstrated his musical talent to local area residents. He was first place winner in the Eddie Nicholson Talent Search contest held at the county activities building auditorium Saturday night. As a result of his placing first in the contest, he will appear on the Eddie Nicholson Television Show on KSEL, Channel 28 at 9:30 a.m. Friday, April 9. He will be competing for an opportunity to appear on the show in the quarter finals to select a winner

for the year among area contestants. His winning performance was a vocal rendition of "Bridge Over Troubled Waters." Second place winner in Saturday's contest was a musical combo named The Lost and Found of Levelland.



Shelby Race

Start 'em young: get it right

BY DAVID MURRAH

In the spring, a young man's fancy turns to love, but more often than not, it turns to basketball; or at least it does in Morton.

One doesn't have to drive very far across town to see a driveway full of aspiring basketball greats chunking the ball at the garage backboard or steel-supported basketball goal. It is this type of interest in the game that has helped give Morton the reputation of a basketball town, but head coach Ted Whillock pointed out recently that parents could be of even greater help by making a simple adjustment of the height of their youngster's outdoor goal.

Whillock indicated that a youngster, especially one who is between three and twelve, does much better in developing good shooting habits if he has a goal that is only as tall as a standard goal

is in relation to his size. For pre-school kids, a six-foot basket is sufficient.

An eight-foot basket should be used for children from grades one through grade six or seven. "Even if they're still shooting at an eight-foot basket as a freshman, it's not going to spoil their shooting ability," Whillock pointed out.

He emphasized that the shorter basket will not cause inaccuracy when the athlete begins using a ten-foot regulation basket.

The problem with the tall basket and small youngster is that the child will throw or chunk at the basket and develop habits that are hard to break. Secondly, because of the added difficulty, basketball as a backyard sport loses the interest of many youngsters before they have developed into capable ball players.

Yet, Whillock indicated that usually the top players in the sport today started at a very early age in developing good shoot-

ing techniques. Thus, driveway or backyard basketball does become an important part of a young boy's future career as

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★ Signup deadline

John Hall, executive director of the Morton ASCS office, reminds all Cochran county farmers that Friday, April 9, is the deadline for signing up for the 1971 set aside farm program.

Any latecomers who wish to and have not already signed up for the program are invited to drop in to the ASCS office and receive the necessary assistance in filling out the forms to join the program before the April 9 deadline.

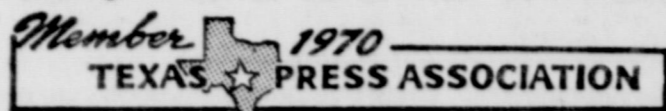
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We would like to express our deep gratitude to our friends in Morton for the food, flowers, cards and kind expressions of sympathy during the loss of our husband and daddy, Nile Weed. Each of you shall always hold a special place in our hearts.

Mrs. Nile Weed
Mr. and Mrs. Duke Merritt & Family
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Mr. and Mrs. Don Pond and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Truman Weed & Family
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Weed & Family
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Weed and Family

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank Father Greka, the pallbearers and our friends and neighbors for the flowers, cards, food, prayers and masses for our mother and grandmother, Mrs. Fannie Ruzicka. Each of you shall always hold a special place in our hearts.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beseda & Family
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ruzicka & boys
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ruzicka & Family
Mrs. Francis Lewis and girls
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Chandier & girls

CARD OF THANKS

Even though we have suffered a tremendous loss, we feel fortunate to live in this community and to have friends and neighbors to help share in our grief. Your flowers, cards, food, concern and prayers have meant so much to us. May God bless each of you.

The Family of Fred Z. Payne, Sr.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our many friends who have been so kind and helpful to us during the illness and death of our father and grandfather, Jeff Wilson Ball, of Brownfield. For your prayers, lovely floral offerings, food and each expression of sympathy, we want to say thank you and may God bless you for each kindness.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Kern
Mr. and Mrs. Loy Kern and Children
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Fralin and Children

Thirteen pieces in a "baker's" dozen" originated when King Louis of France warned all bakers who gave under measure that they would be beheaded.

Skating on ice is possible because the weight of the body melts the ice and the skater really is traveling on a film of water which freezes again as the weight is removed.



THE VERY FIRST TIME . . .

IT WAS A COMPLETELY NEW EXPERIENCE for Pat Browne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elsie Browne of Morton, as she cast her very first vote in the Morton city officers and sales tax elections Saturday. Pat is a student at West Texas State University and was home on spring vacation when she decided to try her hand at the polls. With seven elections taking place in the county the same day, she had ample opportunity to perfect her voting technique.

Lions International announces formation of 25,000th club

Lions International, the world's largest Humanitarian Service Club Organization announces the formation of their 25,000th club in Fred, Texas, on April 3, 1971.

International President Dr. Robert D. McCullough of Tulsa, Oklahoma called the history making event a milestone in service to mankind. He credited the continuous growth of Lions to men of good will from all walks of life and from all nations of the world with concern for their fellow men, determined to become involved.

Founded 54 years ago in Chicago, Illinois

out of the basic desire to serve the world in need, the Lions Club idea with its motto, "We Serve" soon spread around the world. There are now 937,000 members in 146 countries and geographic areas throughout the world. Aside from the many community service projects, Lions Clubs are best known for their activities in sight conservation and aid to the blind.

The 28 new members of the club will be formally inducted in a ceremony presided over by Dr. McCullough and the new club president, B. C. Buh will be presented the official charter certificate.

There are now 1,040 Lions Clubs in Texas with a total membership of 45,000 as International President every members. Five distinguished Texas Lions have served as International Presidents of the Association.

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State Capital NEWS

By VERN SANFORD

STIN, Tex. — Gov. Preston Smith called on President Nixon to declare Texas counties eligible for drought relief and requested initial allocation of \$5 million in federal aid.

The counties, said Smith, received more than 15 inches of accumulated rainfall in the past six months, creating a drought condition which adversely affects ranches, farms, dairies, businesses and employment throughout the entire state.

Smith said he would not call for emergency legislation from the state legislature because of the "extremely critical financial problem. State and health, employment, agriculture and other agencies, the Governor stated, are performing emergency disaster duties as usual.

Smith asked an initial allocation of \$5 million. In addition, he urged that the Department of Agriculture, Department of Labor, Health, Education and Small Business Administration representatives be assigned to counties to collaborate with state and local officials in inspections, cost estimates and other guidance.

Counties included in the request may be added, ranging from the South Texas to the top of the Panhandle, including Aransas, Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Blanco, Brooks, Burnet, Caldwell, Cameron, Carson, Childress, Coke, Comal, Cottle, DeWitt, Dickens, Duval, El Paso, Frio, Garza, Gillespie, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Jim Wells, Karnes, Kendall, Kennedy, Kerr, Kimble, Kinney, Krieger, Dimmit, LaSalle, Lipscomb, Live Oak, McMullen, Medina, Newland, Pottier, Reagan, San Patricio, Schleicher, Starr, Tarrant, Swisher, Val Verde, Webb, Willbarger, Zapata and Zavala.

WELFARE CUT AVERTED? — Gov. Barnes announced a way has been found to prevent the sharp cut on May 1 to needy families with dependent children.

Smith said the Welfare Department will transfer and spend for AFDC necessary sums not to exceed \$6.8 million for the rest of this fiscal year ending August 31.

Barnes said about \$5 million is available in a contingency fund of the Welfare Department, and an additional \$1 million or more will come from federal matching money.

A comptroller's office representative said there is no question but what funds can be used to avert the scheduled AFDC reduction. Welfare Board on March 22 ordered the May cut which would bring the average AFDC family grant down from \$118 a month to \$80 and eliminate some 4,500 families from the rolls entirely.

APPOINTMENTS — Governor Smith named T. Louis Austin Jr. of Dallas to Texas Board of Corrections, succeeding Walter Pfluger of San Angelo on the key agency which supervises the state prison system policy.

Smith reappointed Reagan Houston III of San Antonio as a member of the Board of Regents of Texas Woman's University and also named John Shivers of Austin and Mrs. Mariell Perry of Houston as new members of the TWU Board.

Douglas Bergman and Walter C. Todd of Dallas were reappointed to the Stephen F. Austin State University Board, and Robert C. Gray of Austin was added.

H. J. Shends Sr. of Lufkin will replace Arthur Temple Jr. of Diboll on the Board of Directors of the Neches River Conservation District.

COURTS SPEAK — Third Court of Civil Appeals here ruled that welfare applicants who are turned down by the Welfare Department for aid have no right to appeal to state courts since assistance is not a "vested property right."

Court of Criminal Appeals in a Coryell County case held that a district judge has no power to credit a prisoner's time in county jail while he is appealing his conviction toward his eventual prison sentence.

State Supreme Court concluded that a man who built a cabin on an otherwise unoccupied island in Galveston Bay and



SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY . . .

MR. AND MRS. L. Z. SCOGGINS will celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary with open house April 11 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at their home on the Maple highway. Scoggins and the former Vanita New were married May 17, 1946 in Memphis and moved to Morton in 1947. They have been engaged in farming since that time. Hosting the open house will be the couples daughters, Ginger and Jan. Others assisting will be their sisters, Miss Della Scoggins and Mrs. Howard Cahill and their nieces, Judy Logan and Rita Scoggins. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. They request no gifts.

camped there off-and-on for 10 years did not gain title to it by adverse possession. Court said possession must continue through a 10-year period to take title under adverse possession.

AG OPINIONS — A compact of water districts and river authorities may act for the state in getting \$40 million in federal funds which the state might otherwise lose for 1970-71, Atty. Gen. Crawford Martin has held.

In other recent opinions, Martin concluded that: An independent school district may solicit bids from class ring manufacturers and grant exclusive privilege to one such manufacturer to service voluntary student purchases of rings. Whether grant can extend for five years is a question before federal courts.

Section of a bill pertaining to abandonment of mineral estate without notice or Smith noted an increase of nine in fatal bearing is unconstitutional, but balance of legislation is not.

TRAFFIC TOLL — Governor Smith expressed "deep concern and disappointment" over the 1970 Texas traffic toll. It rises — a rise to 3500 in 1970 — over 1969 and an economic loss toll over \$1 billion.

Governor said his only encouragement is that, with nearly 500,000 more drivers and a billion more miles traveled over the preceding year, the official death rate per-mile-traveled remained the same as 1969. Smith pledged aid through news campaigns and called for public support of legislation, police concentration on traffic offenses and forceful treatment of violators by judges.

SCHOOL SANCTIONS URGED — Texas Classroom Teachers Association's professional rights and responsibilities commission will recommend to the TCTA executive board that sanctions be invoked against Crystal City Independent School District.

If sanctions are ordered, state and national accrediting agencies will be notified of unsatisfactory conditions for both students and teachers in the district. Teachers will be encouraged not to accept employment in the school system. Some eight or nine teachers will not be rehired there, according to a TCTA attorney after an investigation.

TRAVEL GUIDE OUT — Texas looks better than ever, boasts the new "Texas, Land of Contrast," travel guide just released by the Texas Highway Department. Combining tourist information about 371 cities and towns, the 200-page publication also lists state parks major lakes, national forests, national recreation areas, Big Bend National Park, Padre Island, and basic hunting and fishing facts.

Book will be distributed at highway department tourist bureaus and by mail in response to out-of-state inquiries. It contains nearly 4,000 items of tourist and travel information and 400 color photographs.

SHORT SNORTS — Tax bill is due to be reported back to the Senate State Affairs Committee by a sub-panel on the Legislature's Easter holidays.

House Redistricting Committee conducted a round of conferences with congressmen in Washington.

Senate quickly voted a resolution urging the pardon for Lt. William L. Calley Jr., sentenced to life imprisonment for the 1968 My Lai slayings.

House set up a general investigating committee and asked state agencies to aid in gathering data about the Sharpstown Bank collapse and the federal agency's enjoining of the National Bankers

Embry lead Tribe tennis team to third place finish in district

Keith Embry paced Morton High School's tennis team to third place in district 3-AA by taking first place honors in boys' singles at the conference tournament at Floydada Tuesday.

Embry will represent the district at the Region I meet after the Easter holidays.

The Indians qualified every member of the varsity squad last week by beating Littlefield in advancing to the finals of the district matches but only Embry was able to qualify for regional. Teri Harris fought her way into the finals of the girls' singles, but lost to Toni Bybee of Lockney in the final match. Teri won her opening round with Friona's Jennie

Thompson, 6-0, and 6-2, before losing, 2-6, and 3-6 in the finals.

Ducky Harris and DaLoma Sanders were dropped by Friona's team in girls' doubles. Floydada took first honors in that division.

Ted Thomas and Shelby Race were dropped by Lockney's boys team, 2-6, and 6-3. Lockney took the decision by defeating Floydada in the finals.

Embry rolled over Dimmitt's Paul Askey in advancing into the finals of his division. In his concluding match with Miles Davis of Floydada, Embry fell behind, 5-3, in the opening set, but rallied to outscore Davis, 4-0 and won the first set, 7-5. Embry then needed a 6-3 triumph to take the match and win the right to advance to regional later this month.

In the freshmen division, Morton's Ralph Mason put up a stiff fight against Mike Hatley of Floydada. After losing the first set 3-6, Mason and Hatley fought on even terms until Hatley finally eked out an 8-10 margin over the Morton frosh.

In freshmen boys' doubles, David Bertrera and Mark Fluitt lost a 2-1 match to Lockney.

In junior high play, Morton's Julie Cooper took second place honors by advancing to the finals with 6-1 and 6-3 wins over Earlene Graham of Friona. Julie fell, 4-6, and 0-6 in the finals to Cary Brown of Floydada.

Floydada captured the spring meet in tennis with 40 points. Lockney finished second ahead of Morton.

This season's tennis team made its best showing in recent years. Morton players have been coached by Tommy Thomson.

About local folks . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Darland, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Willis and Olin Ray attended the funeral for "Uncle" Charlie Wartus in Lipan Sunday.

Mrs. James St. Clair will accompany her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Mayland Abbe, to Houston Thursday to spend the Easter holidays with her other children, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Holland and Sherri Ann and Mr. and Mrs. John St. Clair. Mike is associated with Arthur Anderson, CPA Firm in Houston and John is studying at the Texas University Dental School. Mrs. John St. Clair is a senior student at the University of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coats accompanied 24 youth of First Missionary Baptist Church Friday evening to see the "The Cross and the Switchblade." They traveled to Lubbock in the Church Bus.

Mrs. W. L. Miller went to Lubbock Wednesday to spend the night with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Willis. From Lubbock she will go to Pampa to visit with another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Watson, for the Easter holidays. She will also enjoy visiting with a granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Don Eads (Anna Jo Watson) and young daughter, Sarah Elaine, of San Jose, Calif. Mrs. Miller plans to return home the early part of next week.

District W.M.A. of South Plains District will meet for an all day session April 12 in First Missionary Baptist Church in Morton. Delegates, guests, state and national workers are expected for the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mundhenke will travel to Houston over the Easter holidays to visit with their son who is in school there. They plan to visit with other relatives before returning to Morton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hodge, Sandy and Lisa plan to spend Easter Holidays at Tres Ritos, N.M. with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Carruth.

Mrs. Jim Beil and Mrs. Deryl Bennett accompanied a group of Junior High MYF from the First United Methodist Church to Lubbock Monday night to attend the movie "The Cross and the Switchblade."

Life Insurance Co. An early House vote is seen on the liquor-by-the-drink bill.

James R. Kane of Paris is new executive director of the Republican party of Texas.

Peter Roussel of Houston joined United Nations Ambassador George Bush's New York staff as a press information specialist.

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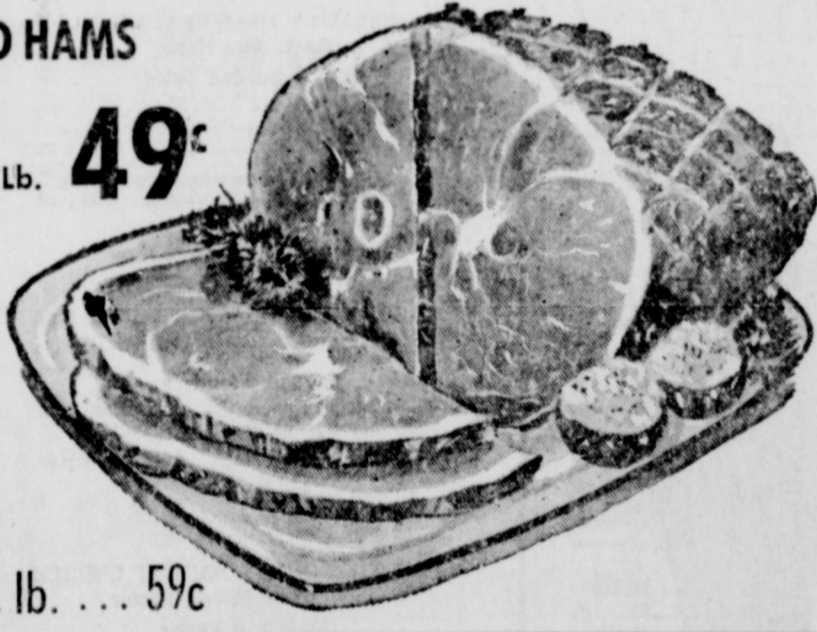
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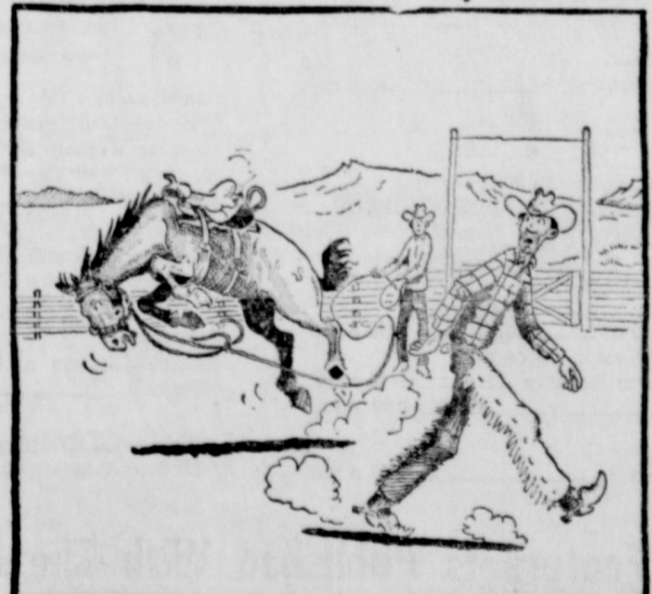
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LIONS CLUB SWEETHEARTS . . .

BECKY GREENE OF MORTON AND SAUNDRA SIMPSON of Three Way will represent their respective Lions Club in the District 212 Lions Queen Contest in Snyder April 23 and 24.

Background, proper handling of Easter eggs is revealed

Whether the chicken or egg came first, eggs have long been important to man, reports Dr. David Mellor, Extension poultry marketing specialist at Texas A&M University.

MJHS trackmen look good in Levelland meet but take fifth

Morton's seventh grade tracksters racked up 57 points, but finished fifth in a six team field last week at the Levelland track meet for area junior high teams.

Accident victim's funeral rites today

Services for Mrs. Maria Alicia Mancias will be held today at 10:00 a.m. in St. Ann's Catholic Church. The Rev. David Greka will officiate.



EXPLAINS EMERGENCY PROCEDURES . . .

THE MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES and Manpower in emergencies was the subject of a meeting held in the county activities building auditorium Monday night.

Service of Texas A&M University, lectured on all facets of tornado emergency activities. Community leaders attending the meeting included, left to right above, Whiteface Mayor Wendell Dunlap; Morton police chief Arthur Mason; Sheriff Hazel Hancock; Schnatterly, county judge Glenn Thompson; Morton fire chief Wiley Hodge and Morton Mayor Donnie Simpson.

Whiteface News

Button Sanders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Short Sanders, was a patient in Cochran Memorial Hospital last week.

Tops install officers, named Queen for 1970

Mrs. Odessa Daniel was named Lighter Later Top's Queen for 1970 and officers for 1971 were installed at a salad supper Friday at 8 p.m. in Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church.

Table with church name, pastor, and mass schedule for St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Table with church name, pastor, and service schedule for First Baptist Mexican Mission.

Table with church name, pastor, and service schedule for New Trinity Baptist Church.

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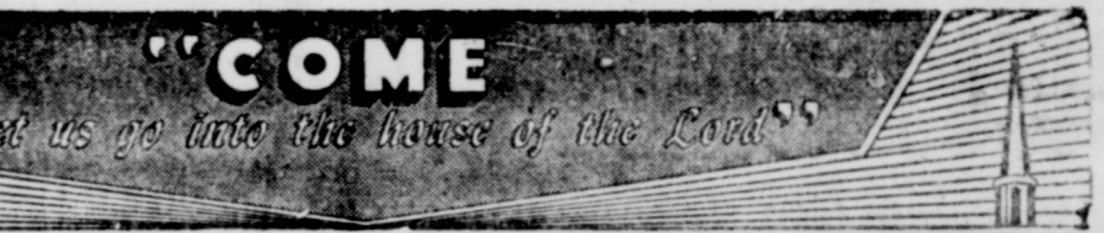


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Services in Amherst for Mrs. Edna Glover

Services for Mrs. Edna Irene Glover were held at 2:30 p.m. April 4 in the church of Christ in Amherst. Lenord H. H. officiated. Burial was in Amherst Cemetery under the direction of Payne Funeral Home. Mrs. Glover died April 1 in Amherst following a lengthy illness. She was born in Liberty, Indiana Sept. 17, 1892. Survivors include her husband, Curtis; daughter, Mrs. Helen Ketchel, Amherst; and formerly of Morton; 4 grandchildren, Mrs. R. L. Hoffman of Amherst, formerly of Morton, Mrs. Leon Glover, N.M., Stephen E. Ketchel, Wichita, Kansas, and Miss Ellen Ketchel, Portales, N.M. Pallbearers were: Harold Blackstock,

Roy Akin, Charles Jones, Kirby Hoffman, Kersy Oliphant, Homer Campbell, Marvin Wagner and George Tocley.

School menu

Monday, April 19 — Macaroni and cheese, buttered green beans, cole slaw, mixed fruit, hot rolls, milk.
 Tuesday, April 20 — Enchilada, Spanish rice, green salad, buttered honey, hot rolls, milk.
 Wednesday, April 21 — Baked meat loaf, buttered blackeyed peas, pineapple & carrot salad, raisin cookies, hot cornbread, milk.
 Thursday, April 22 — Sloppy joe on bun, vegetable hash, split peas, orange wedges, donuts, milk.
 Friday, April 23 — Salmon loaf, beet salad, pinto beans, pineapple cake, hot cornbread, chocolate milk.



A LITTLE LATE CRAMMING . . .

TWO MORTON STUDENTS, Barbara Brown and Janice Hall, were hard at work as they reviewed for the shorthand competition during the University Interscholastic League Literary Contests held in Littlefield Saturday. Mrs. Cheriroyne Inglis, MHS teacher, is pacing them through the drill. Some 322 students from eight District 3-AA schools were registered for the competition. In addition to Morton High School, they included Abernathy, Dimmitt, Floydada, Friona, Littlefield, Lockney and Olton.

Bula-Enochs news

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bayless were in Lubbock Tuesday. J. D. had a check-up on his arm and it is doing fine. They were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Adair, and also visited her sister, Mrs. Gracy Swanner and Jim in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Campbell drove to Amarillo last Sunday. Mrs. Campbell remained to be with her daughter, Mrs. Homer Pirkle, as her husband, Homer, underwent surgery on his back Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coats took a load of hogs to Lubbock Tuesday and visited their son, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Coats. They brought back a load of building material for her mother, Mrs. Alma Altman's house.

Mrs. Dennis Turney gave a Mary Kay Cosmetic party for Mrs. Marie Elliott Wednesday. Those present were, Mrs. Cliff Pyburn, and daughters, Mrs. Mary Autry, Mrs. Alma Altman, Mrs. Treva Autry and Mrs. Elliott.

There were visitors from Levelland, Lubbock, Morton, Muleshoe, Littlefield, Three Way, Bula, Hartis Camp, Portales, N.M., County Line, Dumas and Hereford, during the revival at the Enochs Baptist Church, March 28-April 4. Everyone enjoyed the revival and fellowship with Brother Jim Green. He was a former teacher at the Bula school and a member of the Enochs Baptist church when he surrendered to preach. There were 12 conversions, and 9 joined the church for baptism.

Miss Myriene Nichols of Lubbock spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. L. E.

Nichols and brother, Gary.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Coffman of Morton visited in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bayless, Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Clara Childers of Dumas spent the week with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. King and attended the revival at the Enochs Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Vaughn and sons of Hereford visited his grandmother, Mrs. George Fine, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Clem of Lubbock visited in the community Saturday afternoon and night with the J. W. Laytons and the J. D. Bayless.

Visitors at the Enochs Baptist Church Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davidson and children of Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Marie Elliott of County Line, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Nail of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Vaughn and sons of Hereford, David McDaniel of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. John Blackman and Mr. and Mrs. John Hubbard of Bula and Mrs. Calra Childers of Dumas.

Wednesday night was youth night at the revival services at the Enochs Baptist church. Following the preaching services, Mrs. Harold Layton had all the young people to go to their home for a social and pizza supper. Seventy attended.

Mrs. Ruzicka's rites held Friday in Morton

Services for Mrs. Fannie Ruzicka, 73, were held at 9:30 a.m. Friday in St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. David Grecka, pastor, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock under direction of Singleton Funeral Home.

Mrs. Ruzicka died about 6:45 p.m. Wednesday in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock following a two-month illness. A native of West, she moved to Morton in 1946 from Abbott.

Pallbearers were: Robert Greener, Johnny Silhan, Leonard Coleman, Clarence Dolle, Bill Ruzicka and Maloy Simmacher.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Joe Beseda of Morton, Mrs. R. B. Chandler and Mrs. Frances Lewis, both of Lubbock; two sons, Leo of Friona and Jerry of Morton; a brother, John Marek of Albuquerque, N.M.; three sisters, Philomena Marek, Mrs. Grace Hynek and Mrs. Annie Pavlicek, all of West; 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Hospital notes

Patients admitted to Cochran Memorial Hospital March 31 through April 6 were: Mrs. Benny Aragon and baby boy, Michael, Rita Spence, Yvette Cox, Dessie Leverett, Lee Ann Abbe, Jo Ann Thomson, Bicenta Mendoza, Kate Rossen, Gertude Hightower, Edith Ramsey, Jewel Arnold, Zarla Ray, Eric Truitt, Dale Richardson, Debbie Young, Addie Henry, Clara Ary, Virgil Coffman, Lennie Doyle, Lessie Carter, Gesila Jones, Kathy Turney, John Hernandez, Lois Latimer, Quinton Hill and Angie Matta.

Pink and Blue coffee honors Mrs. Alex Soliz

Mrs. Alex Soliz was honored with a Pink and Blue Coffee Saturday from 9 until 11 a.m. in the home of Mrs. Ruel Kelly.

Co-hostesses were: Mmes Ray Bridges, Donna Archer, Thelma Collins, Dale Merritt, Mark Harbin, Max Clark, Buddy Franks and Earl Bowers.

Special guests were Mrs. Ray Griffith and Mrs. Ralph Soliz.

A stork surrounded with pink and blue flowers centered the serving table. Approximately fifty guests attended.

Local student named to 3-AA all-star cast at play contest

Morton High School senior Sue Winder was named to the district 3-AA All-Star Cast Tuesday night after her performance at the conference contest held at Dimmitt. Only 12 of 42 contestants were selected for the honor.

Miss Winder played the part of an eccentric secretary named Miss Collins in the school's one-act play entry entitled,



Sue Winder

"Yes Means No" by Harriet Rogers.

Four other MHS seniors were featured in the play that drew praise and complimentary criticism from critic judge Larry LaGrave of Eastern New Mexico University.

Shelby Race was featured in the lead role as Teddy Lawson, son of business tycoon J. R. Lawson, played by Doug Evans.

Vicki Kennedy portrayed Edith Merrill, young Lawson's fiancée, and Garnett Taylor played businessman T. J. Morgan.

Becky Greene was in charge of makeup and Paul Blanton handled stage effects for the performance.

Friona High School took first place honors in the day-long contest held at Dimmitt High School. Second was host school Dimmitt, and third went to Floydada.

Play director David Murrah pointed out that the Morton cast did their finest job in the contest performance. "We prepared the play with this in mind, that it be entertaining to ourselves as a cast and director and not become a monotony," he said, "even though we might not win. Sure enough, we didn't win, but we had a lot of fun getting it ready." He emphasized that the students had worked for more than six weeks in preparing the play.

Morton's contest play as well as another act play will be presented together for the high school student body soon after the Easter holidays.

Services held Friday for Mrs. Sara Courtney

Services for Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Courtney, 94, were held Friday in the First Baptist Church. Jim Greene of Portales and the Rev. Ike Harris of Lubbock officiated.

Burial was in Morton Memorial Cemetery under direction of Singleton Funeral Home.

Mrs. Courtney, a Cochran County resident since 1934, died about 8:50 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, in Cochran Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Survivors include her husband, Ed; a daughter, Mrs. J. G. Eubank of Bovina; a son, W. K. of Morton; 12 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren and seven great-great-grandchildren.

H. T. Hale services Wednesday in Bledsoe

Services for Harvey Terrell Hale were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Bledsoe's First Baptist Church. The Rev. Herbert Row, pastor, officiated.

Burial was in Spur Cemetery directed by Singleton funeral home.

Hale, 70, a long-time Cochran County resident, died about noon Monday in Cochran Memorial Hospital. He was born in Stonewall County and moved to Cochran County in 1953 from Spur.

Survivors include his wife, Ada; a daughter, Mrs. Thelma McNutt of Lovington; a son, Leon of Lubbock; four brothers, Bill, Frank, Robert and Johnny, all of Spur; five sisters, including Mrs. Ruby Shaw of Dickens and Mrs. Geraldine Merriman of Lubbock; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Pvt. Tommy L. Davis completes Army course

Army Private Tommy L. Davis, 20, son of Mrs. Maurina Davis, Morton, recently completed an eight-week automatic weapons crewman course at Ft. Bliss, Texas. He received instruction in field communications, supply procedures, target selection and gunnery, and in the emplacement, operation and maintenance of various automatic weapons.

Pvt. Davis entered the Army in September 1970 and was last stationed at Ft. Ord, Calif.

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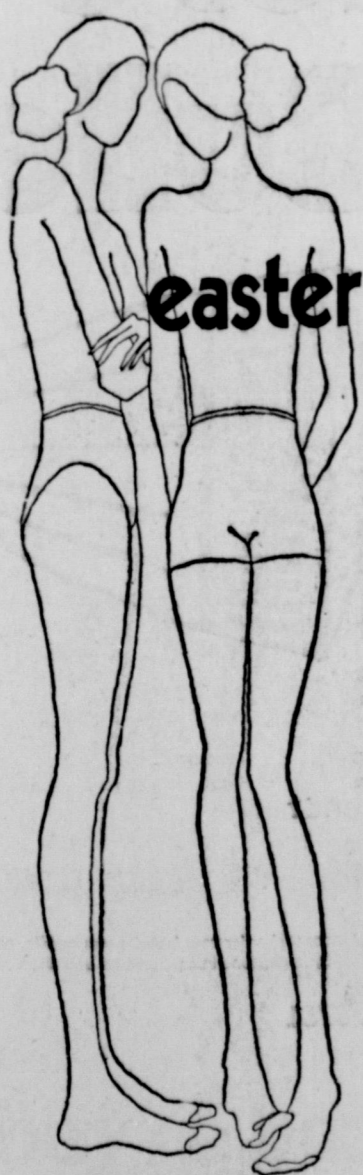
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SUSAN REYES, CELIA JANE Wilcox and Micheline Marina are three new entries in the 1971 Miss Cotton of Texas Contest. Susan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Polo Reyes, Celia Jane is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilcox

and Micheline is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Marina. All three are students at Morton High School. Judging will be held Friday, May 1, in the County Activity Building.

Rites for former CC official held Sunday in Lipan

Services for Charles M. Wartes, 83, were held in the First Baptist Church of Lipan at 3 p.m. Sunday. The Rev. Harry Harris officiated assisted by the Rev. L. E. White, Jr. and the Rev. J. L. Wideman.

Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery directed by Smith Funeral Home.

Wartes was a former resident of Crosby and Cochran County. He served as Justice of Peace and Deputy Sheriff for Cochran County for several years before moving to Lipan approximately twenty years ago. He was born March 4, 1878 in Gordon and died about noon Friday in Grandbury.

Survivors include his wife, Della; four sons, W. O. of Lubbock, T. A. of Brownfield, Grady and A. J., both of Lipan; a step-son, Virgil Stalling of Fort Worth; three daughters, Mrs. Lorene Lynn of Lubbock, Mrs. Irene Rush of Gladewater and Mrs. Aileen Key of Fort Worth; a sister, Mrs. C. B. Reusser of Slaton; 21 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

LeFleur Club makes selections for flower placement show

The LeFleur Garden Club met in the home of Mrs. Ray Griffith April 1 to discuss the 6th Annual Placement Flower Show and make advance selections.

Decor, color and backgrounds were observed and Mrs. Don Samford, flower show chairman, explained the rules to new members and discussed the horticulture division, as each member is expected to enter at least one horticulture specimen.

A workshop was set for May 7 at 8 p.m. in preparation for the show in Mrs. Griffith's home. Title for the show this year is "Happiness Is Spring" and will be held in the Griffith home May 8.

Mrs. Olin Darland gave a report of the District I Spring Convention held in Ama-

state meeting June 10-13. Report forms were handed out to be filled out and mailed.

Mrs. Stockard read a letter giving fourteen items which will be voted on at the state meeting. Program director, Gail Burrier, introduced Miss Flora McCorkle who gave a history of the Levelland School system.

The meeting ended with the singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma song.

The following attended: Maxine Adair, Mary Ann Asbill, Wanda Balch, Clara Bridges, Flora Bryant, Anne Bullis, Gail Burrier, Jimmie Campbell, Cornelia Couch, Irene Galvin, Lonora Jackson, Inez Knox, Bernice Rainsback, Dorothy Rose, Mabel Ann Sanders, Lois St. Clair, Marie Stockard, Freda Tubb, Frances Watkins, Inez Witte and Jeanett Young, and one guest, Mrs. Evelyn Smith of Morton.

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rillo March 23 and 24. She and three other members attended. Highlighting the program was a style show featuring "Style for the Senior Lady." Mrs. Spencer Whippo of Perryton presented the program on "Rocks and Driftwood" from her large and varied collection and was of much interest as Horticulture was the main feature for the year's theme. The next convention will be held in Lubbock.

Mrs. Samford, project chairman, gave a report on the museum grounds, named E. R. Fincher as custodian to begin duties April 1. A workday will be set in the near future to finish putting the grounds in order. She also stated that trees and shrubs on the courtyard lawn, planted in the fall, had been checked and some may have to be replaced. Mrs. Stamford announced the vacant stone window was re-decorated in a Spring theme as part of the community project and the project committee has received permission to set plantings in the flower boxes at the entrance of the cemetery with the pupils of the special education class helping as garden therapy.

Mrs. L. Z. Scoggins was hostess to nine members: Mmes Darland, J. Thomas, Griffith, Fincher, W. A. Woods, Roy Hill, Samford and Miss Leslye Wood.

Arrangement of the day was done in "French in Feeling" in colors ranging from pale yellow through orange red with a slight contrast on white tinted pale green and was arranged by the hostess.

April 8, the club will meet in the home of Mrs. Owen Egger for a combined program on "Tried and True Fertilizers" by Mrs. Fincher and "Destroying Weeds with a Blanket of Beauty-Ground Cover" by Mrs. Darland.

Sales tax . . .

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Unsuccessful bidders for the seats were Bobby Neal, 62; Lewis Rork, 47; D. Burris, 45; Eugene Bentley, 38; Rube Abney, 23, (write in); Jimmy Lynskey, 22 and Jerry Marks 22.

Winner of the special one-year term was E. E. Jennings, III with J. L. Schooler trailing at 72 and Fred Lassiter with 11 write in votes.

Don Lynskey, Bob Polvado and Dexter Nebhut were winners of the three regular three-year terms on the Morton Independent School District board of education and Truman Anglin won the special one-year seat with a total of 119 votes. John L. Fincannon, fourth candidate for the three regular terms polled 87 votes and was defeated. Anglin was unopposed and Lynskey, who is presently president of the board, won the right to succeed himself.

Lynskey received 116 votes, Nebhut received 129 and Polvado polled 110.

The Bledsoe election of school trustees showed keen competition with the final outcome in doubt until the end. Winners of the three regular three-year terms and their total vote are U. H. Funk, 38; Douglas Dunn, 46 and Edsol Young, 37. Unsuccessful candidates included Halie Adams, 26; Jack Gilliam, 13 and Kenneth Bilbry, 21.

The county school trustee election saw Ralph Burt elected as trustee at large with 53 votes; Danny Key winning the seat in Precinct Four with 11 votes and Lloyd R. Brown seated in Precinct Three with a total of 36 votes.

Voters returned Jack R. French to his seat on the Cochran Memorial Hospital District board of directors with 374 votes as director-at-large and Elmer Gardner to his seat in Precinct One with 142 votes. Neither seat had opposition.

Miss D'Anna Coats of Clovis spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coats.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Doug Rose of Austin arrived in Morton last Thursday for several days visiting with his mother, Mrs. Evelyn Seagler, and grandmother, Orie Ellington. Mrs. Seagler, Marlin Doug and wife, Lindy, spent the weekend at her cabin in Ruidoso. They will return to Austin today and Mrs. Seagler will accompany them and go on to Houston to spend Easter with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mattys.

Start'em . . .

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an athlete. Whillock offered proof of his theory of the abbreviated goal. In his neighborhood, there are several driveway basketball goals of the regulation 10-foot height, but the neighborhood kids all congregate around the eight-foot goal in his back yard. "This is where they like to play," he said, "because they can shoot and make it."

Whillock's two boys, Mike and Marty, already demonstrate quality basketball shooting whether at home or in the high school gym, further proof that the short goal helps, future Morton Indian basketball stars to develop properly.

Whillock also released the 1971-72 MHS basketball schedule. The Indians will play an identical district schedule as last season, and will face such top-rated teams as Levelland and Seagraves in non-conference action.

Also, the Indians will return once again to the Caprock Holiday Tournament and will attempt to capture that title that has narrowly eluded them for the last two tries. Morton will also play in two other tournaments, Denver City and Friona.

For the first time in two years, Whillock will enter basketball season next winter without having just finished the grueling duties of head football coach. He requested to be relieved of the duties of head football mentor last month, and the school administration reluctantly agreed, choosing first assistant Doug Reed as the new head football coach.

"I won't have any excuse now," said Whillock while musing on future prospects for next year's basketball season, but he probably won't need any. With two top starters returning from a highly-successful 28-4 year, and with only one losing season in his eight years as head basketball coach, the future looks promising. The Indians have captured one district title and have twice forced conference playoffs under Whillock's direction. The Indian basketball schedule for school year 1971-72 is as follows:

NOVEMBER

- 19, Dora, There, 6:15 MT;
- 23, Seagraves, There, 6:15 p.m.;
- 29, Seagraves, Here, 6:15 p.m.;
- 30, Ralls, There, 6:00 p.m..

DECEMBER

- 2, 3 and 4, Friona Tournament;
- 10, Farwell, Dome, 5:30 p.m.;
- 11, Portales, Dome, 5:30 p.m.;

- 14, Abernathy, There;
- 15, 17 and 18, Denver City Tournament;
- 20, Levelland, Here, 6:15 p.m.;
- 21, LCHS, Here, 6:15 p.m.;
- 28, 29 and 30, Caprock Tournament, Lubbock.

JANUARY

- 4, Floydada, Here;
- 7, Olton, Here;
- 11, Lockney, There;
- 14, Dimmitt, Here;
- 18, Littlefield, Here;
- 21, Friona, There;
- 25, Abernathy, Here;
- 28, Floydada, There

FEBRUARY

- 1, Olton, There;
- 4, Lockney, Here;
- 8, Dimmitt, There;
- 11, Littlefield, There;
- 15, Friona, Here.

All District Games Begin at 6:30.

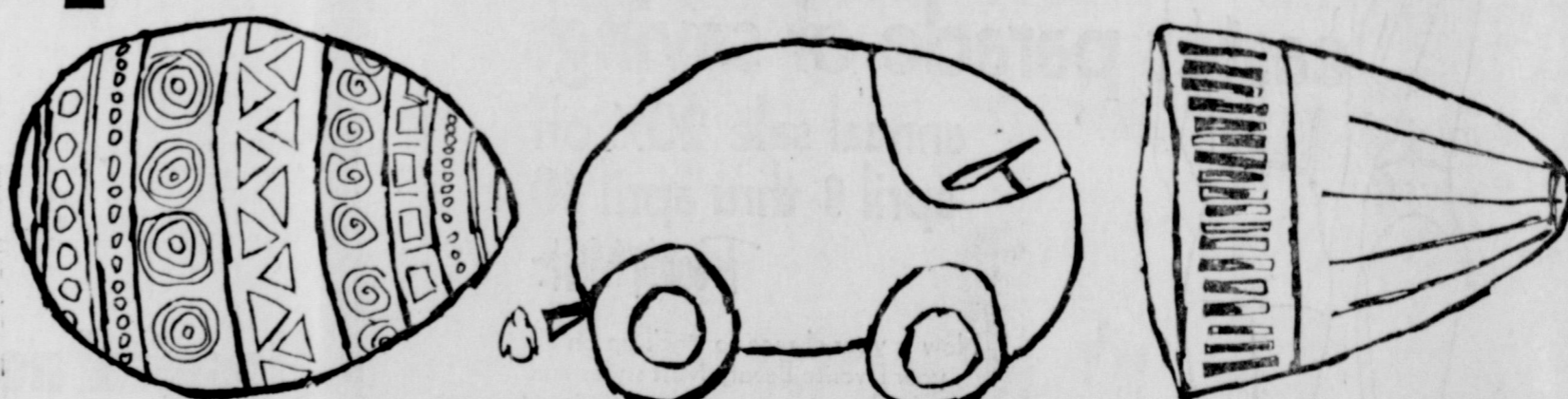
Mrs. Ledbetter hosts Delta Kappa Gammas

The Theta Epsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met in the home of Mrs. M. C. Ledbetter April 3.

The meeting was opened by President Marie Stockard; then turned over to the music director, Wanda Balch. Anne Bullis, Freda Tubb and Wanda Balch sang "His Name Is Wonderful." The entire group joined in singing "The Bells of St. Mary's" and "A Teacher's Life," a parody on "Funiculi, Funicula."

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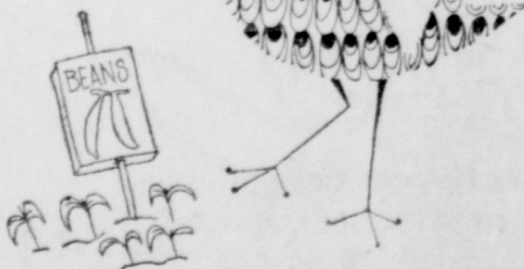
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Widespread soil damage seen present drought continues

Storms that have ravaged Texas present weeks may get worse before they get better, warns the head of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service. W. Graham, SCS state conservationist, says Texas dust storms have been alarming in intensity. "Acres damaged by wind erosion this year are already higher than any year since 1939," Graham reports. "If we don't get spread rains soon, wind erosion damage may reach mid-1950 levels."

Graham said the record-breaking drought is a major cause of the problem. Areas report winter rainfall to be the lowest since records were started. Weather last fall kept many farmers from planting cover crops, Graham said. "The drought has also reduced effectiveness of emergency tillage as some farmers rely on to prevent erosion. And high wind velocities from December to May blow season after season to accompany a severe drought."

Graham said the combination of drought, high winds and lack of cover was causing widespread land damage across a wide section of the state. The storms are also causing health problems for people with respiratory ailments. Reports from SCS tell of roads and streets blocked by sand and 6-foot drifts against houses. It's not just a farm problem. Sandy soil is being stripped bare for urban development, he says.

Some 2 million acres of land in Texas have been damaged by wind erosion this year, which is about the same as 1965, he says. The most wind erosion in the state occurred during the 1956 season when 2.7 million acres were damaged. Graham expressed concern that the 2

million figure for 1971 may double unless it rains soon.

He pointed out, however, that conservation programs pushed by his agency and by local soil and water conservation districts have been extremely valuable in curtailing wind damages this year. While the 2 million acre figure is high, it isn't close to the 15 million acres damaged during Dust Bowl days of the 1930's.

"It's remarkable how land covered with a good surface mulch of crop residue is being protected from wind erosion," Graham said. "Farms and ranches covered with conservation measures installed under the Great Plains Conservation Program are weathering the wind storms especially well."

Graham said that in the last 15 years some 500,000 acres of cropland subject to wind damage in Northwest Texas have been planted to protective grasses. Nearly a million acres of depleted rangeland have also been seeded. Better grassland management is holding down wind erosion on range and pasture land.

"But 2 million acres of land being damaged by wind this year is simply intolerable," Graham said, "especially when you realize it could have been prevented. It's easy to blame it all on the drought but that's only part of the cause. We've been urging people for years to do a better job of leaving crop residues on the soil surface. Many listen but some do not."

Graham said that when you have good moisture, as we have had in recent years, wind velocity drops. And emergency tillage works as a good standby measure. As a result, people get by without wind damage during good rainfall years in spite of the fact that their land may be bare. This lulls many farmers into complacency and they ignore sound conservation farming principles.

Three Way news

Mrs. Rayford Masten spent last Wednesday night with her daughter, Mrs. Billy Sokora, in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Huff from Levelland spent last Sunday with his parents, the Bud Huffs.

E. T. Batteas has been in Pampa the last two weeks with his brother who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lee and children spent Saturday in Lubbock with their son, Ronny, who is a student in college.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Garvin spent Sunday in Lubbock visiting their daughter and family, the James Gillentines.

Wade Pollard from Levelland is visiting his grandparents, the Rayford Mastens.

Mrs. Ronald Bruce and her mother, Mrs. Poe, were in Lubbock on business Friday.

The Three Way class had a car wash Saturday at Maple.

Last week was FHA Week at Three Way school. The FHA girls gave the FFA boys a supper Thursday night at the school cafeteria.

Marvin Long and Larry Travathan were supper guests Sunday night in the home of Mrs. P. L. Fort and Bonnie Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Huff and children spent the past week in Levelland visiting their son and wife, the Chester Huffs, and in Tahoka visiting his grandmother.

In the school election at Three Way Saturday Jack Hodnett was re-elected and Leon Dupler was elected for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle McCain from Grand Junction, Colorado spent Monday night with his nephew and family, the Nelson Carlisles.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Smith from Lovington, N.M. spent the week-end with the Nelson Carlisles. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Carlisle are sisters.

Father of Mortonite rites held Monday

Services for Jeff Wilson Ball, father of Mrs. Hadley Kern, of Morton were held Monday at 2:30 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church in Brownfield. The Rev. B. R. Howze of Big Spring and the Rev. J. S. Kirkpatrick of Midland officiated.

Burial was in Terry County Memorial Cemetery under direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Ball, 89, died about 2:10 p.m. Saturday at Ray's Hospitality Home in Lubbock. He had lived in Brownfield since 1925 and was a farmer and carpenter until he retired in 1963.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Kern, Miss Hazel Ball and Mrs. Alvia Morris both of Brownfield, and Mrs. Lest-Carrie Atkins of Columbus, Miss.; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.



GATHER AT SCOTTISH RITE SUPPER . . .

THE ABOVE GROUP had a leading role in the ceremonies as over seventy area Scottish Rite Masons and their wives held a Maundy Supper in the county activities building in Morton Thursday night. Left to right they include Chester Baird, who was in charge of preparations for the

event; Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Norman Miller, Norman Miller, KCCH and secretary of the Scottish Rite Bodies of El Paso who was the principal speaker; Fletcher Lewis, thirty third degree Mason from Levelland; Mrs. Al Sanders and Al Sanders, president of the Scottish Rite Association of Levelland.

ASCS Farm News

By John W. Hall

A change in the basis for adjustment of conserving bases has necessitated an extension for such appeal to the close of the program sign-up period, which is April 9. Therefore, if you have a conserving base for your farm and no longer require such acreage in your farming operations you may file an appeal for a downward adjustment through April 9.

If you would like to have your crops measured and staked before you plant or have your wheat acreage measured before you certify or have your cotton, set-aside and feed grain acres measured after they have come up, you can request this service at this time.

You must report your wheat acreage no later than May 3. The acreage reported must be accurate. An incorrect acreage report could cost part or all of your payment. If you do not have a wheat allotment, but want to substitute wheat that you may have planted now for feed grain you must also certify by May 3.

The county has received some more funds for the REAP Program and cost-sharing are being accepted. The County Committee will review applications and approve them in the order of the priority established for each practice. You must make application for assistance and should receive approval from the ASCS Committee before starting a practice in order to earn cost-sharing.

APRIL 9 is the closing date to sign up

to be eligible for program benefits. The programs are not automatic; you must sign up to participate to earn any program payments.

If you have a small grain cover on your set-aside acreage and desire to leave the cover beyond May 3 for cover you must report such acreage by May 3. Set aside acreage may be grazed through May 14 and should not be grazed again until October 15.

Easter seal . . .

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Seal Representative he is the person to contact for services from the Easter Seal Society.

The Easter Seal Society of Texas helps support 20 treatment facilities in Texas where crippled children and adults are treated, regardless of their ability to pay. Physical, occupational and speech therapy are offered to help the handicapped overcome their disabilities. A complete referral program to ensure equal rehabilitation services to every person in Texas is included in Easter Seal Society services.

The Easter Seal Appeal will close Sunday, April 11, and full support should be given the Easter Seal Society by every citizen of Cochran County, he added.

Scottish Rite . . .

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19th Degree Team, which coordinates activities for that team. Lewis, in turn, introduced the speaker of the evening, Norman Miller, KCCH and secretary of the Scottish Rite Bodies of El Paso.

Miller spoke on "Maundy Services." Following the talk he presented Baird and Lewis with 32nd Scottish Rite Pins for their work with the Scottish Rite Bodies.

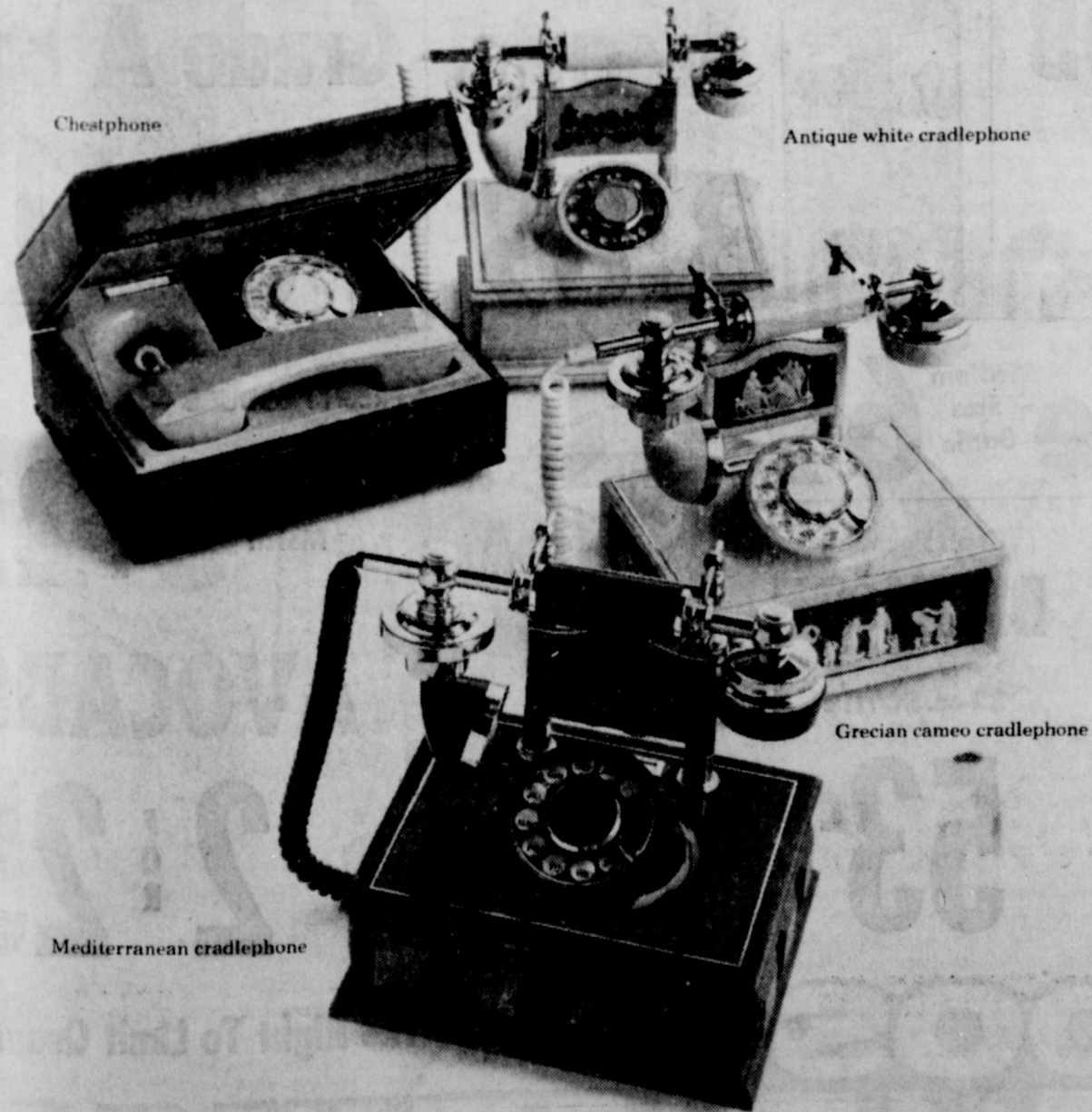
Approximately seventy guests attended the religious observance from Morton, Ropes, El Paso, Levelland, Sundown, Denver City and Muleshoe.

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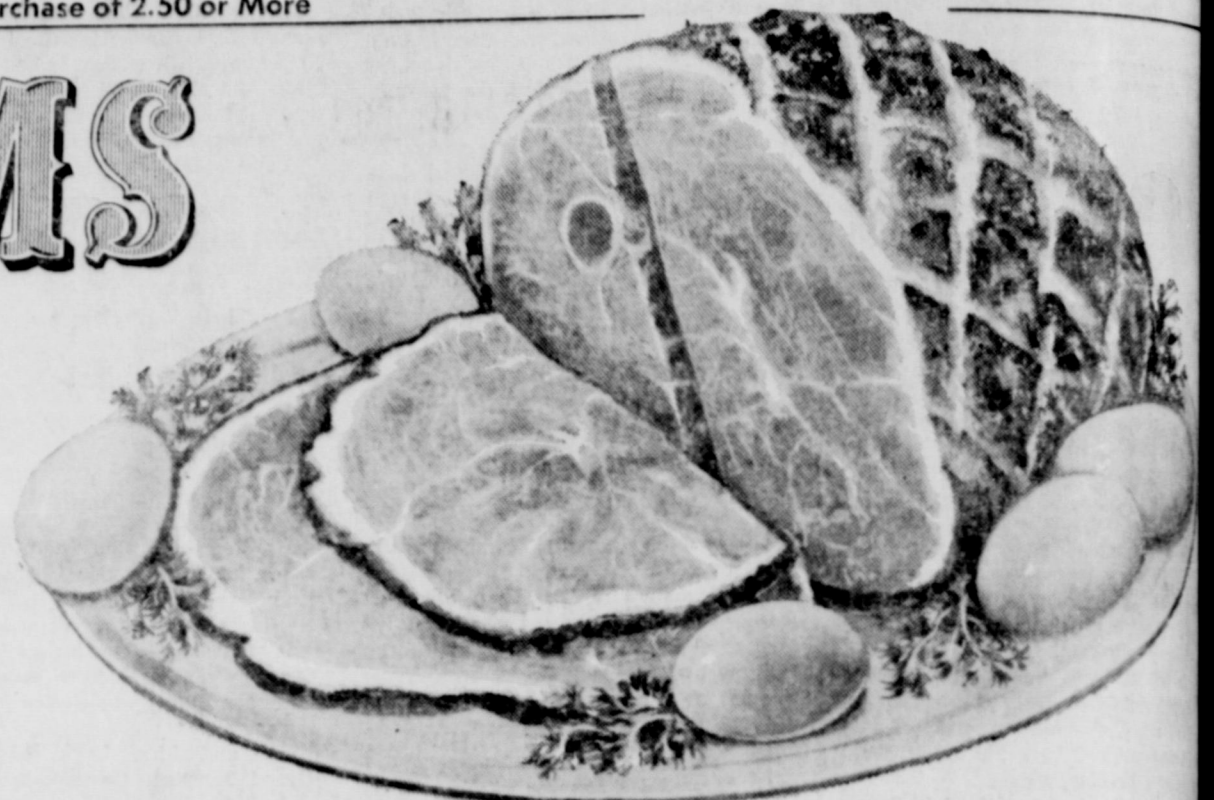
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