



Saved By Citizens

Pageant Not Always Miss Gatesville

As winter fades into spring and thoughts turn from the rugged sports of football and basketball, to a more dainty contest - the 1969 Miss Gatesville Pageant.

The Miss Coryell County Pageant, fore-runner of the Miss Gatesville Pageant, was sponsored by the Gatesville Jaycees until 1966, when the local organization decided to give up the franchise due to lack of entries.

In order to save the franchise for this area, Mrs. Jimmy Healer, Mrs. Bob Thrasher, and Don Duncan, then manager of the Miss Abilene Pageant, contacted Bob Salter, local attorney for help.

Salter convinced the Gatesville Chamber of Commerce to sponsor the 1966 Miss Gatesville Pageant, and put up the money for the franchise, said Betty Thrasher, member of the local pageant corporation.

Within three weeks, Mrs. Healer, Duncan, and several interested Gatesvilleites organized, developed, and presented the first Miss Gatesville Pageant. That year Sue Ann Yows reigned as Miss Gatesville and became the state talent award winner and one of the "Top Ten" finalists at the Miss Texas Pageant, that year.

Her chaperone in Fort Worth was Mrs. Thrasher and Jerry Bell served as her manager. Instrumental in franchising the Miss Gatesville Pageant were Dawson Cooper and Bob Cummings, who saw the need for a Miss Gatesville Corporation, Mrs. Thrasher said.

Following the 1967 Miss Gatesville Pageant in which Renee Manning was chosen to represent the city in Fort Worth, the corporation began to take shape.

Gatesville businessmen were invited to join the corporation, which meets monthly to discuss how the pageant can be improved and to organize steps toward that improvement. The franchise includes seven counties and according to Mrs. Thrasher is one of the largest in the state.

In order to produce a pageant of the caliber of the local one, work begins early in January, when members of the corporation travel to area colleges in search of contestants for the contest, five months in the future. The girls are interviewed, auditioned and notified of their acceptance. Local girls interested in competing for the title submit applications and are interviewed and auditioned also.

As the pageant begins to take shape, corporation members and interested citizens tackle the many obstacles included with the production of the pageant - the show itself must be blocked, musicians acquired, special entertainment planned, sets made, program books printed, and public relations completed.

Added to the problems of production, scholarship money must be collected and judges for the contest must be secured.

When pageant weekend rolls around, the girls arrive Friday, and are introduced to their chaperones, and begin a day full of rehearsals.

Saturday, the Junior Division contestants honors Pepsi Cola Bottling Company at a Pepsi Party where they meet and talk with the judges. Senior Division girls are honored at a luncheon presented by the Pepsi.

Boone Completes Radio School

FT. GORDON, Ga. --Private First Class Michael Boone, 21, son of Me and Mrs. Richard T. Boone, Route 1, Gatesville, Texas, completed a 21-week field radio repair course at the Army Southeastern Signal School, Fort Gordon, Georgia, March 7.

During his training, he learned electrical fundamentals and was trained to service and repair different types of radio transmitters and receivers. Instruction was also given in the operation of testing equipment, ranging from tube testers to signal generators and frequency meters.

Pvt. Boone, whose wife, Donna, lives at 2814 Northwest 20th Street, Fort Worth, Texas, entered the Army in Jan. 1968, completed basic training at Fort Polk, La., and was last stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

He was graduated from Abilene Texas, High School in 1964 and was employed as a machinist by Stevens Incorporated, Fort Worth, Texas, before entering the Army.

Five Area Men Called For Induction

Texas Local Board No. 23, serving Hamilton and Coryell counties, has received induction call for five (5) men and physical examination call for twenty two (22) men to report May 19, 1968.

The following men reported for induction April 3rd, 1968: Kenneth Wayne Karasek, Pottsville; James Edward Draper, Route 1, Gatesville; Robert Peat West, Carlton; Roy Albert Reinert, Pottsville; and Michael Kenneth Herrin, Hamilton.

There were 19 men reporting for physical examinations on April 3, 1968.

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- Mrs. Lunar Chandler
- Mrs. Harold Fitch
- Mrs. C. C. Fling
- Mrs. Hilda Richter
- Mrs. Oley Beard Sr.
- Mrs. E. C. Franks
- Mrs. E. G. Kingsbury
- Mrs. V. O. Pendleton
- Mrs. G. C. Rhoads
- Mrs. Phillip Murray
- Mrs. H. C. Schloeman
- Mrs. Johnny Sims
- Mrs. Alfred Richter
- Mrs. Nancy Smith
- Mrs. Ada Stewart
- Mrs. Ira Swindall
- Mrs. J. T. Thompson
- Mrs. Kate Turner
- Mrs. W. E. Swift
- Miss Ruth Britton
- Mr. Silas Collins
- Mr. John Farney
- Mr. Vaughn Haley
- Mr. Herman Bragewitz
- Mr. H. B. Floyd
- Mr. J. J. Glaze
- Mr. Auther Maxwell
- Mr. Walter McHargen
- Mr. William Nunley



Easter Little Miss Wylanta Taylor finds a surprise around every turn as she searches for the children's delight -- Easter Eggs, left by the Easter Bunny, Sunday.

Wichita Falls Man Arrested Saturday

A Wichita Falls man, 22, using a well planned and executed "short change routine," added to Easter shopping confusion in Gatesville, Saturday.

The man, arrested by Sheriff's Deputy Lonnie Dossey, Saturday afternoon in front of the Western Auto Store, had worked his short change routine at Dixon's Drive-In and at Cotton Davidson Sinclair Station, before coming to downtown Gatesville.

At Dixon's Drive-In the very complicated routine confused Mr. Dixon momentarily, but Dixon called the Sheriff's office five minutes later.

Bill Eckert, attendant, at the Davidson station, became suspicious of the man following a one dollar purchase. The man asked Eckert to give him a five dollar bill for some ones. Eckert gave the man a five but the man only gave Eckert four ones. Having already put the five in his billfold, he offered to add Eckert six one's with the four he had already given him for a ten dollar bill.

Eckert followed the man to the corner of Main and Seventh and then called the Sheriff's office.

The man was arrested and charged with two counts of short changing in Justice of the Peace Stony Hamcock's court. The man plead guilty to the charges and was fined \$100 on each count. He is presently in Coryell County jail.

Baby F Innn Born

Baby boy born to Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Fling, April 6 at 6:32 p.m., Gatesville.

Coryell Art Show To Be Sponsored By Federation April 25

A county wide Art Show will be sponsored by The Morris Federation, on April 25 and 26, in the W. T. Hix Building, on the Southeast corner of the square, on Friday, April 25. The hours will be from 12 noon until 8 p.m. on Saturday the 26; the hours will be from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Everyone having pictures to exhibit or sell, please contact Miss Letta Bennett at 401 Fenimore Street, Gatesville, chairman of Art Exhibit.

All pictures to be exhibited must be brought to the building on Thursday, April 24, from 2 to 5 p.m. or Friday, April 25 from 8 to 9 a.m.

After the exhibit, all pictures must be removed on Saturday between 2 to 5 p.m.

We urge everyone in our county who does painting to enter their pictures.

There is no charge for the show.

Governors Industrial Expansion Awards Announced

Big things sometimes come in small packages. A good example of this came with Gov. Preston Smith's announcement of the winners of the annual Governor's Industrial Expansion Awards for 1968.

The small community of Waskom on the East Texas border joined such cities as San Antonio and such industries as Texas Instruments, Inc. and LTV Aerospace Corp. by producing one of five winners in the Texas Industrial Commission judging.

Waskom has a population of 1,300 and its winning industry makes up about one-third of the total.

But, that is really the reason for the annual awards--honoring industries' growth within the community.

"This is the one time each year we honor existing industry for expanding," Gov. Smith said in announcing the five winners. "The headlines usually go to the new industry coming into town.

"But, the truth is that 80 percent of Texas' industrial growth comes from industrial expansion. It is only fitting we set aside a time to honor this large part of our economic growth."

Fabricated Steel Products Division of Universal Oil Products was Waskom's winning entry. Others are Kelly-Springfield Tire Co. of Tyler, Swearingen Aircraft of San Antonio, Texas Instruments of Sherman and LTV Aerospace Corp. of Grand Prairie.

"This represents a fine cross-section of Texas industry," Gov. Smith said. "The Texas Industrial Commission selects the winners primarily on the economic impact the expansion had on the community. This is a big help to places like Waskom."

The five winners will be honored May 7 at Austin's Municipal Auditorium at the Governor's Conference on Industrial Expansion.

Before Gov. Smith presents the awards, the story of each industry and its growth within the community will be told in a film-and-slide presentation.

FabSteel of Waskom, for example, invested \$212 per capita of local population in Waskom during the year and has a payroll of \$2.3 million. FabSteel spent \$2 million during the year within the community for goods and services and added 18 percent to plant employment.

Texas Instruments, Inc. created 2,305 new jobs in Sherman during last year and

CTRPC To Formulate Regional Law Program

The Executive Committee of the Central Texas Law Enforcement Council met in Killeen, Friday, March 28, to review the work copy of the Regional Law Enforcement Plan and to purpose a budget for utilization of planning funds to cover law enforcement planning in the six-county planning area of the Central Texas Regional Planning Commission.

Attending the meeting called by chairman, Gordon C. Cass of Lampasas included officers and directors consisting of representatives from the counties of Bell, Coryell, Hamilton, Lampasas, Milam and Mills. Those present at the meeting in addition to chairman Cass included vice-chairman, Jack Tarver of Temple; and assistant vice-chairman Mayor Bob Miller of Gatesville; directors present were James Dixon of Coryell County; Jack Tarver, Bell County; and Judge Herman Standifer, Hamilton County; Milam and Mills counties had no representative present.

Each county representative reviewed his county plan and the plans of the cities, colleges and schools within his county. While the Regional Law Enforcement work plan is only a preliminary plan, much additional information must go into this plan from local governments including cities, counties, colleges and high school in order to have a final overall effective Regional Law Enforcement Plan.

The committee proposed a total regional law enforcement planning budget of \$8,333. A \$7,500 planning grant has been received from the criminal justice council, office of the Governor and a 10 percent watching fund is to be provided by the Central Texas Regional Planning Commission.

In order to complete the final phase of the law enforcement plans due in the criminal justice office by May 1, 1969, college students from Central Texas College are to be used as research analysts. Students attending Central Texas College that have hometowns in counties within the six-county planning area are to go to their home counties and towns to work with county judges, county attorneys, district attorneys, sheriffs departments, city managers, city police, colleges, high schools and junior high schools, to obtain statistical information and data necessary to complete the final phase of the Regional Law Enforcement plan.

Central Texas College will also provide assistance in completion of the plans including

programming and facility program planning to consider the feasibility of Central Texas College facilities and faculty to become the regional law enforcement training center.

A consultant, Mr. Joe Carroll of Temple, an attorney and a graduate of the FBI academy has been hired for 1 1/2 months to help in the final coordination and completion of the regional plans.

A proposal was made by Steve

Gardner, president of the Student Council of Central Texas College whereby the young people of the region would join together in planning, conducting seminars and coordinating youth activities at the Areas of Adult-Youth Communication; law enforcement problems at the youth level and regional youth recreational facilities. This regional youth council to

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HORNETTES WIN MAIDEN RELAYS

The GHS Hornette Track team swept to a victory in the Maiden Relays at Comanche, Thursday. They scored a total of 118 points to easily outdistance the field.

The speedy Hornets won all three of the relay events. The first place 440 yard relay team consisted of Corliss Worthy, Carla Pfeffer, Debbie Pruitt, and Paula Petty. The winning

880 yard relay team included Pfeffer, Worthy, Pruitt, and Barbara Patterson. The mile relay team, which also won, was made up of Donna Dickerman, Margo Veazey, Sharon Hightower, and Tonya Price.

Donna Dickerman placed first in the 440 yard dash and Margo Veazey captured second, Paula Petty finished fifth in both the 220 yard dash and 100 yard dash. Corliss Worthy placed fourth in the 60 yard dash, fifth in the high jump, and third in the broad jump. June Chambers won the shot put while Peggy Easley came in third. Chambers placed second in the discus.

This was the first competition of the year for the Gatesville girls who missed several earlier meets due to illness, bad weather, etc.

Today the Hornets will face a real test as they compete in the District 7-A relays at Midway. The Hornets have been district champions for the past four years, and will be defending their crown against teams from Midway, Connally, Robinson, and Copperas Cove.

GHS Band Banquet Held Friday Night

The Gatesville HIGH School Band held their annual banquet in the high school cafeteria and girls gym, Friday night. The banquet was for band members and their dates and a few honored guests.

Mike Dixon, band president, opened the festivities with a short speech of introduction and welcome. Gatesville school superintendent, L. C. McKemie delivered the invocation.

Everyone then enjoyed a catered meal from Underwood's of Brownwood. The meal featured barbecued chicken, potato salad, ranch style beans, and as a special treat, fortune cookies.

After the meal, Mike Dixon and Ramona Thorp presented a review of the year's band activities, stressing the humorous incidents. Band director, Jim Burton then made a speech and displayed the new uniforms which the band will be wearing next year. Mike and Ramona concluded by reading the comical last will and statements of the graduating seniors.

The "Soul Society" played for a dance in the girls gym after the meal and speeches.

White Hall Baptist Church To Hold Revival

The White Hall Baptist Church has planned a revival for April 10, 11, and 12. The three day revival will begin each evening at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Jack Washington, a student at Baylor University, will preach the revival. He is planning to do missionary work following graduation this June.

A Sunday noon, "Dinner on the Ground", meal has been planned. Everyone is invited to attend the worship series and attend the dinner, Sunday.

ANNUAL HORSE SHOW ATTRACTS MILLION DOLLAR FIELD

Horses with total value over a million dollars, were in Gatesville over the weekend for the 14th annual Coryell County Horse Show.

The two-day show featured two separate shows for quarter horse and appaloosa, and a non-registered show class. Judging of the quarter horse division began on Friday. Horses are judged in five categories; at halter, reining, roping, racing and cutting competition.

Judge for the quarter horse show was Weldon McConel.

On Saturday judging focused on Appaloosa show with approximately horses competing for top honors. Judging the show was Mr. McConel under the same five categories used in the quarter horse show.

Officials for the two-day event were Amos Comar, chairman of the quarter horse show; Roland Burke, chairman of the Appaloosa show; and Mrs. Fay Oglesby, secretary for both shows.

Prizes for both shows will be trophies for the highpoint horse and the grand champion, stallion, mare, and gelding. Rosettes will be awarded to reserve champion in each category. Cash prizes will also be awarded to winners.

Following the Appaloosa

competition, Saturday afternoon a non-registered show was held with Joe Bob Williams as show chairman. Trophies and ribbons were awarded in both halter and pleasure classes.

Results of the Quarter horse, Appaloosa, non-registered show are:

GRAND CHAMPION STALLION - The Wild Card owned by Bryan and Peggy Reeves, Duncanville.

RESERVE CHAMPIONSTALLION - Rustler - Charger owned by Glory Bee Ranch, Leander, Texas.

GRAND CHAMPION MARES Red Dogs Cowgirl, owned by Mrs. Blanche O'Conner, Marham.

RESERVE CHAMPION MARE Princess Prissy, owned by Pepper Martin, San Antonio, Texas.

GRAND CHAMPION GELDING - Dandy's Joker, owned by Orville Patterson, Azle, Texas.

RESERVE CHAMPION GELDING - Poco Chubby, owned by Harold R. Pock, Stephenville.

WESTERN PLEASURE - (17 years and under); Humdinger's Valentine, owned by Liz Zaner of Dallas.

BARRELS - (17 years and under); Liz Zaner of Dallas.

OPEN BARREL RACE - Zantonan Joe, owned by Garry

Freeman of Copperas Cove.

JR. REIN AND SR. REIN - Pistol's Miss Seminole, owned by W. E. Baird, of Seminole.

JR. AND SR. ROPING - Rustler's - Charger, owned by the Glory Bee Ranch, Leander.

JR. WESTERN PLEASURE - The Wild Cards, owned by Bryan and Peggy Reeves, Duncanville.

SR. WESTERN PLEASURE - Joker's Leader, owned by Blanche O'Conner of Marham.

JR. CUTTING - Tie for first and second, Wrangler McCREED C - C. Ranch, Irving; and Tina Dodger, Lewis Moore of Midland.

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Oglesby Baptists To Hold Youth Revival April 11, 12, 13

Youth Lead Revival at the First Baptist Church at Oglesby, April 11, 12, and 13.

Evening worship each night will be at 7:30 p.m. Bro. Dwayne Martin, pastor of the Purmeia Baptist Church, will conduct the services. Wayne Shirley of Gatesville will lead the singing.

Everyone is invited to attend all services.



Pageant Corporation member, Mrs. Bob Thrasher goes over part of the pageant show with Corporation president, Curtis Logan, at a recent meeting. The Pageant slated for May will be one of Texas finest local shows.

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Lloyd Allen to Edward Chaney et ux Lot 11, Block 4, Big Valley Ranchettes Addn., \$17,500.

Killien Savings and Loan to Floyd D. Allen Lot 12, Block "E", Westview addn., Copperas Cove, Texas, \$1,200.

Robert L. Voss et ux to Robert N. Culbert et ux Lot 7, Block 1, Parkview addn., Copperas Cove, Texas, \$10,000.

Clayton Joe Gotcher et al to Gilberta Gatcher Lot 2, Block 2, Crestview Heights Addn., Copperas Cove, Texas, \$10, and other consideration.

Elton Kattner to Daisy Kattner, Lot 4, Block 13, S. P. Gilmore Addn., Copperas Cove, \$10 and other consideration.

Charles H. Hatter et ux to Fort Worth Mortgage Corp., Lot 30, Block 8, Mountaintop Addn., Copperas Cove, \$12,600.

Herman C. White et ux to Billy R. Vinson et ux Lot 1 Block 10, Mountaintop Addn., Copperas Cove, \$20,550.

Donald L. Frisber et ux to Wayne Andrew Gruszka et ux Lot 17, Block 5, Mountaintop Addn., Copperas Cove, \$500.

Floyd D. Allen to Don L. Blair et ux Lot 6, Block 4, Copperas Cove Heights Addn., Copperas Cove, \$12,650.

O. J. Sharp et al to Oliver Hoggett et ux A. Arocha Sur., Coryell County, \$3,250.

David C. Keenan et ux to Alvin D. Matula et ux Lot 2, Block 1, Copperas Cove, \$2,710.

Dewald Lumber Company, to J. R. Dewald et ux Wash H. Davis Sur., Coryell County, \$10 and other consideration.

Dewald Lumber Inc. to Louis W. Dewald et ux Wash H. Davis Sur., Coryell County, \$10 and other consideration.

CARD OF THANKS

"The family of Johnnie B. Michael wishes to thank all of you for your thoughtful kindness in our time of sorrow. We extend our deepest appreciation to each of you for your words of comfort and your many thoughtful deeds."

Mrs. Estelle Michael
Mr. and Mrs. Joel Paul Michael
and family
Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Michael

MARRIAGE LICENSES

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James Lee Rycyk and Miss Shirley Dean Massingill,
Arvil Wayne Andrews and Miss Frances Ann Smith,
Gary Don Carothers and Miss Susan Jane Fry.

NEW CARS REGISTERED

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Wilton Wright, Gatesville, '69 Chevy Pick up,
Homer Baize Gatesville, 169 Chevy Pick up,
Coryell County Prec. 3, Gatesville, '69 Chevy Pick up,
Josephine Scott, Gatesville, '69 Plymouth Fury,
Elton F. Muegge, Gatesville, '69 Ford,
James K. Sadler, Gatesville, '69 Chevy,
J. J. Tabors, Gatesville, '69 GMC Pick up,
Elton B. Quicksall, Gatesville, '69 Ford,
W. C. Manning, Gatesville, '69 Ford Pick up,
J. D. Robinson, Oglesby, '69 Chevy Pick up,
Tom Parrish, Pearl, '69 GMC Pick up,
Mrs. Margaret Shoultz, Gatesville, '69 GMC Pick up,
Billy Pollard, Gatesville, '69 Pontiac.

West Promoted to Airman First Class

DENVER - Robert E. West III, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. West Jr., 1005 Pidcock Street, Gatesville, Texas, has been promoted to airman first class in the U. S. Air Force.

Airman West is presently a student at the Air Training Command's Lowry Technical Training Center.

A graduate of Gatesville High School, he attended Southwest Texas State College; Temple Junior College and the University of Texas.

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SR. CUTTING - tie for first and second; Poco Chubby, Harold Pock, STEPHENVILLE; Royal Snip, Garland Appaloosa Ranch, of Fort Worth.

STALLIONS - (Grand) Bars Top Secret, Jana Foster Jones, Lorenzo, Texas; (Reserve), Hickory King Joe, A. E. Euerdene James, Hamilton, Texas.

MARES - (Grand) Honey K. Bar, Fulton Queen Sabe Ranch, Lubbock, Texas; (Reserve), Bob Don Bob, Kathy Bell, Dallas.

GELDING - (Grand) Poco Scooter Red, Melvin Reid, Brownwood, Texas; (Reserve), Royal Deal, Joe Mize, Midlothian, Texas.



Pageant Meeting

A typical Pageant Corporation meeting will find directors of the annual pageant discussing the many phases of the show. Pictured above are left to right, Mrs. Barbara Brown, Mrs. Betty Thrasher, Curtis Logan, Jerry Bell, Bob Coward, Joe Barton and Billy Saitow. Barton, production manager for this year's program, displays one of the costumes the contestants will wear in the show.

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boosted its plant payroll by 350 percent. The expansion also helped reduce an unemployment rate of five percent to 1.8 percent at the start of 1969.

Kelly-Springfield Tire Co. of Tyler underwent the largest expansion in the history of the 75-year-old concern at any of its national locations. The \$10 million expansion doubled the size of the facility and boosted the company payroll by 45.8 percent to \$7 million annually.

LTV Aerospace invested over \$520 per capita in Grand Prairie with its \$24 million expansion program, and added 6,000 new employees to give the facility an annual payroll of \$182 million.

Swearingin Aircraft of San Antonio is a home-grown plant. It started as a hangar shop and has grown to become the city's largest manufacturing employer.

During 1968, Swearingin increased its employee total by 183 percent, its payroll by 60 percent and its total expenditures for goods and services within San Antonio by 121 percent.

Sam Beam Speakes to Faith Sunday School Class

Faith Sunday school class met in Graves Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church for their monthly business and social meeting, on April 2.

Mrs. M. B. Martin, president, presided during the business session. The hymn, "Old Rugged Cross", was sung and led by Mr. Sam Beam III accompanied by Mrs. Ernest Blankenship at the piano. Mrs. B. E. McCoy led in Prayer. Minutes of the last meeting were approved and reports of the class secretary, the love fund chairman, and group captains were given. Mr. Beam brought a thought-provoking devotional, "How Does Man Know That the Cross is the Answer?"

Mrs. Walter Diddy, captain of group three was assisted by Mrs. Maude Fletcher, Mrs. D. R. Boone and Mrs. Ernest Blankenship as hostesses for the social hour. Easter decorations were placed on the tables and at vantage points about the room. A covered dish luncheon was served to Mesdames Ernest Blankenship, John Bone, D. R. Boone, A. D. Chesnut, Miles Davis, Walter Diddy, Charles Liljeblad, Waldine Martin, B. E. McCoy, J. R. Post, A. T. Rogers, Feno Straw, Edward Taylor, William Wiegand and Misses Bertha and Effie Neeley and the teacher, Miss Ruth Yongue. Guests were Mr. Sam Beam III, Cullie Christian and Beverly Floyd. The group was dismissed when they joined hands and sang, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

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si Cola bottling Company. At the luncheon the senior girls meet with judges and the judge interviews them following the luncheon. After interviews are completed, the girls rehearse once more for the contest and return to their "homes" to prepare for the pageant.

When Miss Gatesville has been selected, she signs the official contracts and begins her journey to another plateau--Miss Texas Pageant.

The corporation treasures past queens and gives them prominent parts in the pageant each year, said Mrs. Thrasher.

"Heidi Skelton Trewitt, Miss Coryell County 1964; Mecca Gann Kennon, Miss Coryell County 1965; Sue Ann Yows, Miss Gatesville 1966; Renee Manning Benson, Miss Gatesville 1967; and Gina Balch, Miss Gatesville 1968, will be on hand to make the 1969 Miss Gatesville Pageant the best ever!" said Mrs. Thrasher.

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be supported by the Central Texas Regional Planning Commission and Central Texas Law Enforcement Council will encourage youth in local colleges, high schools, and junior high schools and city youth covults to participate in the program.

Under the omnibus crimes control and safe streets act of 1968, prior to June 1969, one million dollars will be spent at local levels by the state of Texas through the criminal justice council. The final amount of action money to be spent on regional and local levels will be determined by the criminal justice council with emphasis being placed on the effectiveness of local and regional law enforcement plans submitted to the state.

Prior to 1970, 7 1/2 million dollars will be spent on action money at local levels for improvement of law enforcement activities.

State Fair of Texas to Open Spring Jubilee April 12

The State Fair of Texas, on April 12, will open its first annual Spring Jubilee. As part of the activities in State Fair Park we will hold an Invitational Stage Band Contest which will commence at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, April 12. Your Stage Band has been recommended as one of the best in Texas.

Location will be on what is known during the Fair as the Mobil Stage. This stage will be known as Jubilee Stage and will have the acoustical shell which belongs to the Dallas Symphony Orchestra during the Jubilee. In the event of inclement weather, the State Fair Music Hall will be used. One thousand chairs will be placed

in front of the Jubilee Stage the 3A and 4A; For the best seats for the audience, Three prizes will be awarded; and for the best overall show For the best stage band in band from both classes.

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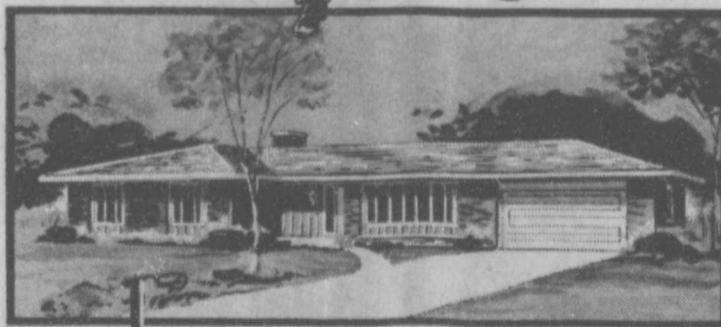


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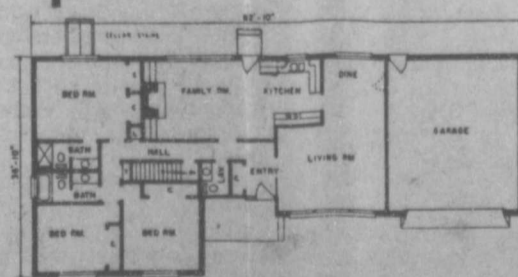
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Highlights and Sidelights

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Gov. Smith's Tax Program Fares Well

Gov. Preston Smith's first-state tax program fared unexpectedly well in its initial legislative test.

Anguished cries were raised at a House Revenue and Tax Committee hearing by beer, cigarette, coin-operated laundry and cable television interests at sections of a \$175 million revenue bill directly affecting them.

Of the four, however, the coin laundries appeared to make the most impression on the Committee.

Surprisingly, not a witness appeared against Smith's proposal, contained in a separate bill to place a \$10 state surtax on moving traffic violations.

Also, it was a surprise that regular laundry, cleaning, dyeing, parking, repair and machinery rental concerns remained silent.

Extending the sales tax to include them would raise an additional \$37.8 million during the next two years.

Cigarette distributors claimed that the \$71 million bite they would suffer, if the per-pack tax is raised another four cents to a total of 15 cents, would drive away smokers and might result in a loss of state revenue.

Beer industry spokesmen centered their attack on the fact that they already pay \$4.30 a barrel in state taxes, which is far more than most big beer-producing states charge.

Coin-operated laundries argued they had no way to collect a sales tax in their washing machines' nickel, dime and quarter slots and therefore would have to have their machines revamped, at great cost, to take pennies.

Cable TV spokesman made no impression at all with their argument of discrimination.

Smith's proposed one-half of one percent chemical products tax is expected to draw heavy fire from that industry in an April 16 hearing.

Floor vote on the tax bill is expected to be delayed about three weeks.

WELFARE DEMANDS GROW

Texas will be asked again and again, if necessary--to increase or do away with the constitutional ceiling on state public - assistance grants to the needy, commonly called "welfare".

And they'll get their chance sooner than they think. Speaker Gus Mutscher and Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes have agreed to ask the Legislature to call a special election for Aug. 5 to vote on at least five proposed constitutional amendments.

In addition to expressing their views on increasing welfare funds, voters would give their views on providing death and disability benefits to volunteer firemen; the 3.5 billion Texas Water Plan; removing the constitutional interest-rate maximum on five types of bonds; and authorizing \$200 million more in bonds to finance the Texas Opportunity Plan of college-student loans.

Prime emergency is in the "welfare" situation. Texas' program of minimal assistance to families with dependent children is growing thinner and thinner because of the constitutional spending limit of \$60 million.

Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) now gets \$6.15 million of that \$60 million. But grants to individual families are going down because of increases in the number of families applying.

These increases are due to court decisions broadening the program; a Medicaid requirement that applicants for that program be on welfare; and poverty workers informing poor people of their right to AFDC.

In September, the Department of Public Welfare had to cut maximum grants for a family with four or more dependent children from \$135 a month to \$123. Another cut scheduled for May will reduce the benefits paid 8,243 families and will eliminate from the program another 2,470.

In 1967, the Legislature proposed raising the ceiling from \$60 million to \$75 million, but the voters defeated the proposition.

COURTS SPEAK

Court of Criminal Appeals upheld use by police of a "reverse polarization trap" device for tracing obscene telephone calls in a Jefferson County case. A one year jail sentence and a \$1,000 fine were affirmed.

Supreme Court, overturning lower courts, awarded \$70,000 and interest to the City of Fort Worth in a suit against a former land agent and title company. Agent was accused of getting city clearance of price to be paid for land purchased, then settling with the seller for a lesser amount and pocketing the difference.

APPOINTMENTS

DeWitt C. Greer, who retired last year as chief highway engineer and was appointed to the Texas Highway Commission by Governor Smith, has been named chairman.

Mrs. Anne B. Marley of Austin "Texas" new poet laureate. Mrs. Robby Koons Mitchell will take over the job next year.

Joe Burkett Jr. of Kerrville took the oath of office as a member of the Liquor Control Board.

E. G. Schuhart of Dalhart has been designated a member of Texas Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee.

Smith named 43 to membership on Interstate Oil Compact Commission Committees and announced creation of a 12-member Governor's Advisory Council on Lifetime Sports.

Latter will promote such sports as tennis, badminton, archery, golf and bowling.

AG OPINIONS

Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin refused to reconsider his earlier opinion holding no income from leasing of state-owned submerged land can be diverted to current school spending.

Reps. Ben Atwell of Dallas and Don Cavness of Austin asked him to change his mind.

Martin held that Texas A & I University of Kingsville can establish upperdivision (Junior-Senior) facilities in Laredo without special legislation.

D. P. S. DIVERSIFIES

Department of Public Safety has announced that it is expanding its two-machine helicopter force to seven, with some help from a federal law-enforcement grant.

These five new 'copters will be based in the Lubbock, Dallas and Austin areas and will be used for all types of law-enforcement activity, including mercy missions, traffic surveys, riot control and normal pursuit of accused felons.

PARK DEVELOPMENT

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department signed a sales contract to buy an additional 892 acres for Dinosaur Valley State Park, west of Glen Rose in Somervell County.

Purchase will bring the park to 1,274 acres. Total cost is \$281,925. Park will be the first site purchased with funds from the \$75 million park bond issue approved by voters in November of 1967.

Dinosaur tracks made in the area 100 million years ago and fossil evidence of life on earth as far back as the Cretaceous period are contained in the area. National Registry of Natural Landmarks of the Department of Interior includes the listing of Dinosaur Valley Park.

CONSTITUTIONAL COSTS

An argument often offered by a legislator trying to defeat a proposed constitutional amendment is the "high cost" of advertising it to enlighten voters.

According to records in the office of the Secretary of State, the total cost of advertising 14 constitutional amendments proposed to Texas voters on the 1968 general election ballot in 243 newspapers was \$247,346. That averages out at only \$17,667 per amendment, or \$72.70 per newspaper.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRESS

Legislative pace slowed last week as lawmakers devoted Monday to eulogizing the late President Eisenhower, and took off at mid-week for an Easter holiday.

Highlight of the week was final passage of the \$3.5 billion water revenue bond constitutional amendment which will go on the statewide election ballot August 5 along with several other proposals.

House also approved a resolution for an August vote on removing obsolete provisions from the State's constitution. Later, representatives passed a bill to create a University of Texas at Dallas.

Senate again took the workload prize. Among 45 bills it passed in a single day was a controversial measure to restore union bargaining rights of city bus company employees when taken under municipal control.

Senate also advanced key measures to implement water development plans, voted to raise retirement benefits of elective state officials 50 percent and provided procedures for prosecution of corporations as water-air polluters.

Governor Smith signed into law numerous measures, including state aid for relocating property owners displaced by highway right-of-way buying, expanding home-state tuition benefits for dependents of military personnel and establishing a separate commission for vocational rehabilitation services.

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This is a good rule to follow if Johnsongrass invades your pasture, according to one Extension agronomist with Texas A & M University.

Johnsongrass is comparable to many of the cultivated grasses grown for forage or hay and livestock can utilize it as well," he continued.
If the Johnsongrass is to be baled it should be cut in the "boot" stage, or right before seed heads form.

It is important to keep in mind, the agronomist said, to keep Johnsongrass under control and not allow it to enter cultivated row crops.

MISCELLANEOUS
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An application of fertilizer according to soil tests will help it grow rapidly and maintain nutrients.
Chemicals can be used to control other undesirable plants in the hay field. Although other herbicides have been registered for use in pastures, 2,4-D is still Texas' favorite for control of broad-leaf weeds. About a pound of the chemical in 15 to 20 gallons of water per acre will give effective weed control and not harm the Johnsongrass.
A reapplication of fertilizer following each cutting, or about every six weeks when grazing, will make for high quality feed.
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UNUSUAL TO SAY THE LEAST - Dr. and Mrs. Otis Ray enjoyed a lovely most unusual flower arrangement, of red anthurium during the holidays.

Mrs. Ray displayed the arrangement in Dr. Ray's office on Saturday, so many of you may have been fortunate enough to have seen the lovely flowers.

Mrs. Ray's sister, who is a missionary in Hawaii sent this thoughtful gift from Wahiawa, Hawaii, where the flower grows profusely.

Red is one of the Japanese favorite colors and signifies love. I'm very grateful to Mrs. Ray for sharing this bit of information with us.

BON VOYAGE - Mrs. Francis Caruth and Mrs. William Culvert will be leaving for a tour of the Orient, April 9 through May 2. They will travel in connection with Poe-Board travel agency plan out of Dallas.

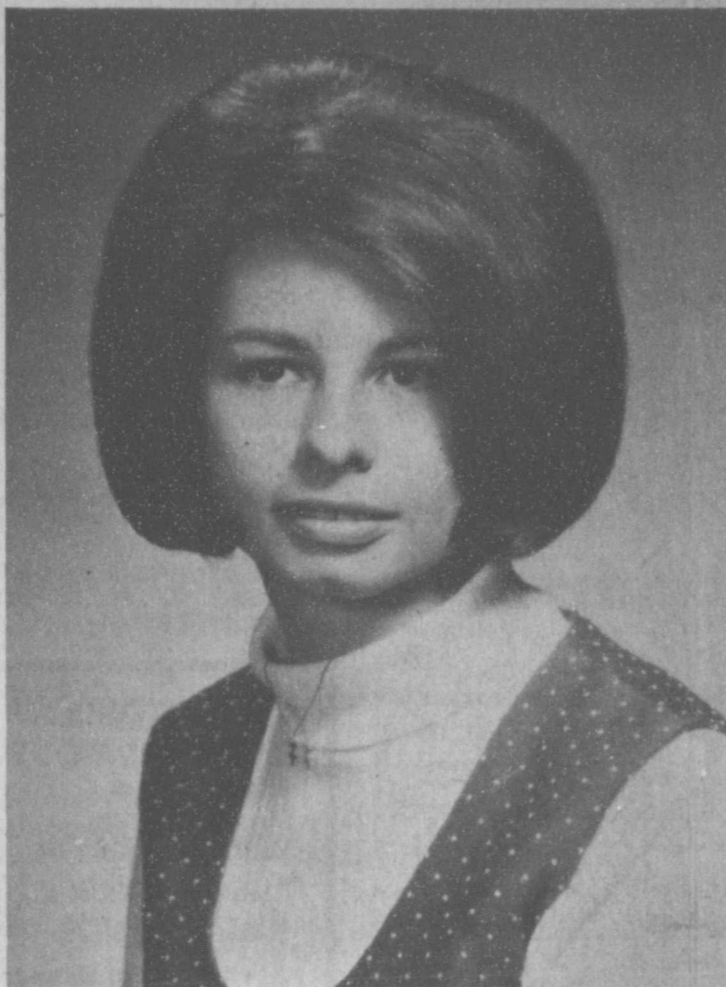
VACATION CUT SHORT - It's too bad the Gatesville students have missed many days of school this winter, chalked up to sickness. Now, they will be making part of this loss up by giving up a day of their Easter vacation. Just keep in mind there could have been no extra holidays at all. Better luck next year!

SPEAKING OF STUDENTS - with all the new faces around, I've come to realize college students are home enjoying the holidays too. We hope they will have fun and a good rest. Here are but a few, John and Ruth Ann Wilhelm, John Anderson, University of Texas; Linda Cohagan, University of Houston; Diann Lipsey, Baylor University and our own Sally Jones from Texas Tech.

JACK OF ALL TRADES - My! What a big help Sally has been, especially to me in my new job. There's only one thing wrong, she should have been twins. Everytime I look around she is helping with the paper, caring out flowers or baby sitting with nieces and nephews. But, with all this she still managed a trip to Waco to do some Spring shopping.

OH MERCY, PETS! Friends of ours gave Bobby a bunny rabbit for a gift last weekend. Not having a pet at our house, I thought this a nice gesture on their part. Little did I realize this soft cuddly ball of fur required so much attention. In the first place, we didn't have a cage. Last Monday night this turned into a family project, until 8:00 p.m. Then there were water and feeding bowls to be purchased. Food and salt were a necessity. But, to make this task more unpleasant, it takes the whole family to keep him rounded up when we let him out for exercise.

We're also suppose to have a kitten to arrive at our house this week and had made promises of adding a dog. How do you get out of these things? Second thought, I guess it's worth the trouble in the long run.



Mr. and Mrs. Glenn C. Stover announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Glenda Kay, to Robert J. Bobalik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bobalik of Highlands.

Miss Stover is a 1967 graduate of Gatesville High School and is currently a sophomore at Texas Tech. Mr. Bobalik is a 1965 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown and will graduate from Texas Tech in June with a Bachelor of Science degree in Textile Engineering.

The wedding will be May 31 at 7 p.m., in the First United Methodist Church. All friends and relatives are cordially invited.

GIFTS GALORE - April brings many birthdays as well as showers. Birthstones and flowers are among the things you might consider if you're buying a gift.

The birthstone for this month is the diamond (a girl's best friend), but not many of us give diamonds for gifts.

Maybe daisies or sweetpeas would be your choice, for they are the flowers of this month. And who doesn't love flowers?



Above is pictured the pleasant immaculately kept house and yard of Mr. and Mrs. James Saunders, 1207 Bridge Street. This is a cool green frame home, trimmed with white shutters and door. At the base of the porch is honeysuckle and

white and yellow dutch iris. Ligustrum shrubs are at the sides of the porch. To further enhance this lovely setting is the white latticed yard furniture and the topiary tree in a red-wood planter.

REAL HANDY - no sooner had Jeb Saunders arrived home from Baylor University, mother had him busy in the yard. His parents are real happy about having him home for a few days. But with all this work, I wonder how Jeb feels about being home. No, truly, I know for a fact it was strictly on a volunteer basis.

HAPPY, HAPPY, HAPPY - were all the children at the egg hunt sponsored by the First Baptist Church for the younger Sunday school departments, last Thursday. It turned out to be a beautiful spring day, couldn't have been more perfect. The children had fun playing and being together and of course, mothers enjoyed visiting and comparing children.

One of the things the boys loved and are not likely to forget soon, was splashing in the water, catching crayfish.

STATE FAIR, HERE THEY COME - James Burton, school band director and the stage band will be journeying to Dallas next Saturday, April 12 to take part in the Invitational Stage Band Contest at the State Fair. This is a real honor and we're all proud of our hand and the good job Mr. Burton is doing.

FLORIDA - Billy Palmer was one of many who spent the Easter holidays out of town. He flew to Tampa, Florida, to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Carley and daughter, Sandra, formerly of Gatesville.

I know Billy as well as Sandra enjoyed this visit.

PICTURE FOLDER - I believe there is a new wild flower picture folder, designed to show tourists that Texas has many beautiful wild flowers. You might check with the Highway Department, to see if it is available. This is a useful little folder to help identify many of the most common and colorful plants.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAVID SCHLOEMAN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY - David Schloeman was honored on his sixth birthday, Saturday, April 5 with a party given by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schloeman, on Highway 84 west. An Easter theme was used in decorating the cake and carried out in paper napkins. The cake was a white confection with white frosting in the shape of a bunny face, with features of yellow icing. Around the sides were pink and yellow spring flowers. This was on the top tier of a double tiered cake plate. Under this was honeycomb baby chickens and eggs perched in grass. An egg hunt was enjoyed by all. Easter baskets and the eggs found by each were favors. Those present other than the honoree were Danny Patrick, Mike and Mark Healer, Billy Bob Williams, John Edwards, Bobby Vidler, Davis Edwards, Beverly Floyd, Mindy Morse, Gena Arnold, and Lisa Thompson.

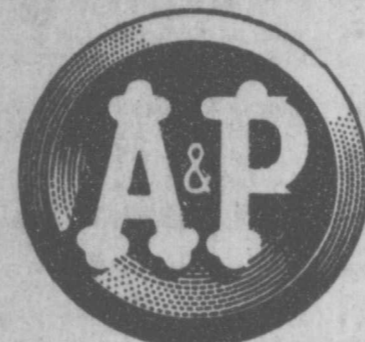


Mrs. Cora Mae Warren, bookkeeper for Community Public Service Company at Gatesville, was honored at a service award dinner held at the National Guard Armory in Clifton, March 28. C. P. Coston of Clifton, Central Texas division manager for Community, is shown as he congratulates Mrs. Warren and presents to her a gold disc with two one-point diamonds for 15 years of service.

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