

VARSITY ACTION

Elkettes Win PSU Tournney, Elks Nosed Out By Hooker

Stratford's Elkettes won the Panhandle State Tournament this past weekend and last Tuesday night turned in their best performance of the season winning their first District 1A game over Canadian.

The Elks were idle last Tuesday night then came on to win second place at PSU in tourney action at Goodwell over the weekend.

Recapping action Tuesday night, the Elkettes took on the highly touted Canadian girls and wound up with a 78-57 victory.

The final score was no indication of the game as the Canadian girls, led by sharpshooting Teresa Williams led at the end of the first stanza 20-19 as both team swapped the lead.

In the second stanza, the Elkettes pulled out to hit for 20 points while the Elkettes Guards Dalene Prescott, Barrie Donelson and Janice Messer played near flawless execution and held Williams to two field goals and a pair of charity shots compared to five field goals in the opener.

D'Lynn Brown carried the bulk of scoring responsibilities for the Elkettes in the first half hitting 13 points in the first stanza and 12 points in the second stanza.

The Elkettes went in at the half owning a 39-33 bulge. They came out in the third stanza and Vicki Bell's outside shooting opened up the game as she hit for five consecutive field goals outside the top of the key as Canadian guards doubleteamed Miss Brown. The Elkettes hit for 22 points in that third stanza while the guards allowed only 14 for Canadian to combine for a 61-47 third quarter lead. During that vital third stanza, Elkettes

Guards Misses Prescott, Messer and Donelson combined for a total of six turnovers to thwart Canadian scoring efforts.

In the final stanza the Elkettes continued to hit, scoring 17 points, while Canadian hit for only 10 for the final score of 78-57.

Miss Brown led the scoring in the game with 41 points while Miss Bell hit for 20. Miss Hawkins got 16 and Patty Dietrich got a single. Canadian was led by Miss Williams with 30 while Miss Berry got 16 and Miss Cullender got 11.

The Elkettes travel to Sunray Tuesday night as this paper is being printed for their second District 1A game of the season.

PSU ACTION
The Elks opened their action at Panhandle State Tourney against Texhoma and were lucky to come out with a 54-53 victory.

The Elks led early 11-9, opened it up to 30-20 at the half and 41-34 at the end of three then turned colden than a Panhandle norther in the final quarter while Texhoma got hotter than an East Dallas special and closer to within one point as the buzzer sounded.

The Red Devils had two opportunities to win the game at the charity lane late in the

action, but missed and the Elks won 54-53.

Wayne Garoutte led the Elks against Texhoma with 19 points followed by Joel Hart with 13 and two players in double figures. Joe Albert, Darrell Doshier and Leonard Duncan all came in with 6 each and Will Allen got 4 in the game. S. Pugh was high for Texhoma with 17 while Evans got 10.

In Friday's game the Elks turned in one of their best performances winning 75-68. The Elks opened cold and trailed 17-13 after the first stanza, then got two consecutive quarters of 21 points each and 20 in the final while allowing Turpin 18, 17 and 16 points in that order.

Wayne Garoutte led the Elks with 13 field goals and hit four of five at the line for 30 points for high point honors in the contest. Doshier hit for 15 points and Albert hit for 12 for three with double figures. Blazer was high for the losers with 21 points.

In Saturday night's final game the Elks met Hooker Bulldogs, a sharp shooting aggregation who beat them out a year ago at PSU.

Hooker hadn't lost their eye for the bucket as they finished with four players hitting in double figures while the Elks at times seemed not able to make two points with a pencil.

Hooker jumped into an early lead owning a 22-14 first stanza lead and were never headed. The Bulldogs led 40-28 at the half and 50-38 at the end of three. The Elks pulled to within eight points at one time, but fell off the pace and lost by a score of 68-53.

Joe Albert led the Elks with 13 points while Doshier hit for 12 and Garoutte hit for 10. Hooker's Brown led the scoring hitting 20 points while Kilgore, Rawlings and Haney all hit for 12 each.

The Elkettes used victories over Guyton, Texhoma and Gruver to earn their Girls

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Two Winners In Friday Drawing

Two lucky winners were present at last Friday's drawing, sponsored by the Retail Merchant's Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, to take home a total of \$75 in Tip Top Bucks.

Socono Lazcano won \$60 and was registered in B&W Feed and Mineral and Marcella McBryde won \$15 and was registered at Cut Rate Grocery. Mrs. Alfa Folsom's name was called for the \$100 but was not present to win.

This Friday will end the weekly drawings with amounts of \$125, \$15 and \$10 to be given away right before the Grand Prize Trip Drawing in front of the Chamber of Commerce at 5:15 p.m.

Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17 6:30 p.m. UMW Buffet at Janet Riffe's

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18 4 p.m. A.B boys and girls vs Gruver here

7-9 p.m. Late shopping for your convenience

judging of Christmas Home Decorations

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19 1:15 p.m. Christmas Concert in the high school gym

2 p.m. Schools out for Christmas holidays

5:15 p.m. Drawing for trip to Disney World

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21 ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22 7-9 p.m. Late Christmas shopping at Stratford merchants



BASKETBALL ROYALTY--Darrell Doshier and Jeanne Engelbrecht were crowned 1975-76 Basketball King and Queen at SHS last week. Shown left to right, front row, Deena Wells, King Darrell and Queen Jeanne, John Bass. Back row, left to right, Vicki Bell and Wayne Garoutte, D'Lynn Brown and Will Allen, Leon Payne and Patty Dietrich, Joel Hart and Len Garoutte.

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Christian Church Slates Cantata On Sunday Morn

The Choir of First Christian Church will present a Christmas Cantata this Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m. The Cantata is "The Music of Bethlehem" by Fred B. Holton. It features special arrangements of our favorite Christmas music. The Cantata will take the place of the Adult Sermon during Morning Worship.

Mrs. Don Gurley is the Director of the Choir. Mrs. Frank Sutton is the Organist. Mrs. John Knight and Frank Sutton will be soloists. Duets will be sung by Mrs. Knight and Mrs. John Lavake, and by Frank Sutton and Edward Whitson. Additional members of the Choir are Mrs. Donald Borth, Mrs. W.D. Brannan, Mrs. Ray Hauser, Mrs. Orland Lasley, Mrs. Bill Lowe, Mrs. Don

Woolsey, Herb Folsom and Gail McDaniel.

A Christmas Sharing Service will be held at First Christian Church Sunday night at 6 p.m. Mrs. Gail McDaniel, Mrs. Frank Sutton and Mrs. Don Gurley are in charge of the Service. Several people have been invited to share what Christmas means to them. They are Mrs. Garland Bardwell, Robert Bolster, Mrs. W.O. Bryant, Mrs. Claude Nelson Fedric, Mrs. Herb Folsom, Harold Oquin, Dale Schriber, Don Woolsey and David Harker. A sandwich supper will be served in the Fellowship Hall following the Worship Service.

An Old-Fashioned Christmas Eve Program will be held at First Christian Church Wednesday, December 24, at 6 p.m. The Theme of the Program is "Gift of God." Mrs. Johnny West is the Director. Mrs. Ray Hauser and Mrs. Kenny Palmer are Assistant Directors. Miss Kristi Buckles is the Pianist.

Scott Buckles will read Scripture. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Vaughn and family will light the Advent Wreath. Candelighters will be Diane Vaughn, Jan Phelps, Frank Dietrich and Neff Dettle. Special Music will be provided by Patti Dietrich, Teena Vaughn, Roger Wells and Jack Michael West. Mrs. Dorless Wells will give a Christmas Reading. Rodney Oquin will lead in prayer.

The Toddlers Class will sing songs and say pieces. Mrs. Randy Williams will assist them. They are Renne Allen, Heather Brannan, Garth Palmer, Monique Smith, Stephanie Sellers, and Don Borth.

Beginners and Primaries participating are Jeana Beth

NEXT EDITION PUBLISHED EARLY

The next issue of The Stratford Star will be our annual Christmas Edition.

In order to be sure all issues get in the mail, and to accommodate printing schedules, we will have a Monday noon deadline for this issue and the following.

We urge everyone who may have news items to turn in for next week to please let us know as soon as possible for we will observe the Monday noon deadline.

Crawford, Jenny Fedric, Jack Michael West, Neal Smith, Chris Borth, Shawna Borth, Tonya Billingsley, Ron Oquin, Jan Phelps and Gara Garoutte. Juniors are Mike Billingsley, Zenith Burton, Joe Harker, Kristin Oquin, Tucker Garoutte and Monica Dettle.

Sunshiners are Tamara Hager, Neff Dettle, Debbie Hodges, Dan Harker, Linda Kay Whitson, Sherwin Burton and Dean Mitts.

Junior Highs are D'Aun Oquin, Renee Hager, Roger Allen and Frank Dietrich. Valerie Mitts and Whit McDaniel will portray Mary and Joseph. Christmas Carols and songs will be sung by all. Santa Claus will visit the Program with treats for all the children.

The public is cordially invited to share in all of these activities.

Dalhart Couple Injured Friday In Accident

A Dalhart couple were involved in a grinding auto crash at the intersection of 3rd and Poplar (Hwy 287) about 2:20 p.m. Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Claude L. Taylor of the Sedan Rt, Dalhart, was rushed to Coon Memorial Hospital as a result of the crash. Her husband was not thought to be hurt seriously in the wreck.

The Dalhart couple, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, were headed west in a 1972 Torino Ford and apparently went through the stop sign at the intersection and were hit by a southbound Mead Bread truck driven by Jeffrey Carter of Dumas.

Carter told investigating officer Ed Sanders that he never had a chance to use his brakes but tried to swerve to miss the auto but caught it amidstships crushing the left side of the vehicle and it ended up in the

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SCHOOL DISMISSED FRIDAY FOR HOLIDAY SEASON

Stratford Schools will close at 2 p.m. Friday and will be closed for the Christmas and New Year holidays.

The schools will open again for regular sessions on January 5.

Disney World Drawing Set For Friday

This Friday at 5:15 p.m. in front of the Chamber of Commerce, a grand prize winner will be named after 19 weeks of weekly drawings leading up to the Grand Prize Trip For 2 to Disney World in Florida.

The grand prize trip winner will leave Stratford and fly to Amarillo by private aircraft on January 11 with departure to Dallas on Braniff Airlines. They will be flown to Orlando, Fla. via Delta Airlines.

Room accommodations will be at the Contemporary Resort Hotel in Disney World. The trip will include accommodations and round trip transfers between the Orlando airport and the hotel.

Included in the grand prize is spending money; 3 admissions to Magic Kingdom Thorne Park with 18 admissions to Magic Kingdom attractions; a tour of Cape Kennedy including NASA Space Center and a Polynesian Luau at the Polynesian Resort Hotel. Transportation will be included with a Hertz Rent-A-Car and one lunch at the "Top of the World" in the Contemporary Hotel will round out the trip.

The winners will return home by Delta and Braniff Airlines into Amarillo and by private aircraft into Stratford.

The trip is made possible through the Retail Merchant's Committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Band Concert At School On Friday

Members of the Stratford Elk Band, Stage Band and Junior High Bands will participate in the annual Christmas Concert in the gymnasium beginning at 1:15 p.m. Friday, announced Gary Laramore, band director, and Steve Ragsdale, junior high director.

The general public is cordially invited to attend.

The Junior High Band will present two numbers, **Chicago Underground** and **White Christmas**.

Stage Band will play **Funky Turtle** and **Johnny's Theme**.

The Elk Band will close the Christmas Concert with **British Eighth March**, **Moscalco Day Mexico** and **Carols for Christmas**.



It just doesn't seem that Christmas is really upon us, we recall as a youngster it didn't roll around nearly this often...it just couldn't be possible!

But, there are many things that roll around more often than they used to do it would seem.

Guess we are just getting little older, we would say that our hair is turning grey, but honestly it is mostly suffering from a case of "Fallout" a lot more than turning grey.

The last couple of weeks of running here and there has really made us aware of the fact that we ain't quite as young as we used to be. Used to we could go to all the ballgames, sneak in a couple days of pheasant hunting on the weekend and never miss a lick, it just ain't thataway anymore.

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With the time of year, we would remind folks of Project Christmas Card, sponsored again by members of the Prospectus Study Club of Stratford. This is a continuing project of the club for benefit of the Sherman County Library.

The funds are used to keep the library furnished with the many odds and ends not covered by the budget. We would urge everyone to get their donations turned into Martha Mitts over at the bank as quickly as possible. The deadline this year will be next Monday in order to assure that your name will be included on the Project Christmas Card advertisement we will be carrying in our Christmas Edition.

This fund has provided the library with over \$10,000 in monies since it began back in 1963 and the study club was also constructing for efforts to reconstructing the library building.

We believe this to be a fine cause for our community and know you will want to share in this effort again this year.

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The Pet Rock craze is taking over where St. Bernards, Poodles and Weenie Dogs left off it seems.

Debbie Wells, daughter of North Plains Savings & Loan local manager Joe Wells, is an owner of a Pet Rock and we believe folks have spent most of the week laughing at reading the little book which comes with the rock concerning the "care and training" of a Pet Rock.

R.J. Hill said the other day he noticed a strange rock out in his front yard, came into the house and mentioned the new rock and his son Keith was quick to point out that it was probably a Pet Rock which followed the dog home.

At any rate, R.J. has a lost Pet Rock up at his house, so if your pet rock has strayed away you may see R.J., identify the rock and it will be returned.

He says it really hasn't been too much trouble to keep, and it minds real well, so if nobody claims it he may just keep it!

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This next week will be our Christmas Edition, and in order to get the paper out in the mail prior to Christmas we will be

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WINS WEEKLY DRAWING--Socono Lazcano is shown as she receives \$60 in Tip Top Bucks from Kenny Palmer of B&W Feed and Mineral, where she had registered for the drawing. Marcella McBryde also won \$10 in the contest but was not available when the photo was made.

OBITUARIES

James C. Higgins

James C. (Pat) Higgins, 50, died Thursday. Graveside rites were held at 3 p.m. Friday at Llano Cemetery of Amarillo with the Fred Howard, pastor of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, officiating.

Arrangements were by Blackburn Shaw Memorial Chapel, Memorial Chapel.

Mr. Higgins was a native of Amarillo and had been a resident of Amarillo for 42 years, before moving to San Antonio eight years ago. He owned the Popcorn Corner in Sunset Center.

Surviving are one son, Jimmy Higgins of Tulsa; one daughter, Miss Linda Jo Higgins of Lubbock; one brother, Dr. M.C. of Beaumont; and one sister, Mrs. Francher Upshaw Jr. of Amarillo.

MRS. Gussie Green

Services for Mrs. Gussie Maye Green, 72, were held at 2 p.m. Monday at Blackburn Shaw Memorial Chapel with Dr. Winfred Moore, pastor, First Baptist Church of Amarillo, officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery.

Mrs. Green died Saturday. She was born in Amarillo and was a member of Amarillo First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Marion B. Green of Amarillo; two sisters, Mrs. Jesse Walker of Dallas and Mrs. Scyble Nuthmann of Rockhill, Conn.; two brothers, Sam Walker and B.B. Walker, both of Amarillo; two granddaughters and sisters-in-law, Lucy Kelp, Ola Green and Cela Green, of Stratford.

Glen Heath

Glen Heath of Texhoma, 81, died Monday.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the First United Methodist Church of Texhoma with the Rev. Marvin Polson officiating. Burial was in the Texhoma Cemetery by Dawson-Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Heath was a native of Wellesville, Kan. and moved to the Texhoma area in 1914. He

worked in the hardware business until 1942. He went into farming at that time and retired in 1966.

He was a veteran of World War II and was the major of Texhoma for several years during the 1930's. He was a member of the Texhoma American Legion.

He was married to Gertie Nelson in Clovis, New Mexico in 1945.

Survivors include the widow; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Frank Sutton of Stratford and Mrs. Frank Berry, Jr. of Texhoma; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Blazier Infant

Billy Mac Blazier, the one-day old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Blazier, died Monday.

Graveside rites were held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Stratford Cemetery with the Rev. Joe Cariker, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hart, officiating. Burial was by Morrison Funeral Directors.

Surviving are the parents; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Blazier of Cactus and Marjorie Martin of Lockney; and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Roebuck of Rapelue, Mont. and Mr. and Mrs. Johns Cox of Lockney.

TOWN TALK

Chris Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Baker, was hospitalized last week to undergo tests.

BASKETBALL

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Championship Trophy at the 51st Annual PSU Invitational Tourney at Goodwell.

Coach Sam Britte's girls opened action against Guymon with a 55-34 win led by D'Lynn Brown with 32 points in the game.

The Elkettes led all the way 16-9, 34-15 then in the second half the bench was emptied and all players saw action on both ends of the court as the Elkettes won 55-34.

Other scorers included Vicki Bell and Brenda Hawkins with 8 each, Bitsey Chesmer with 4, LaRonda Stacy with 2 and Patty Dietrich with one. Forman was high for the losers with 17.

Friday the Elkettes played Texhoma and won that contest 46-34 with Miss Brown hitting 34 points.

The Elkettes led all the way 16-8, 25-16, 33-25 and won 56-34. Miss Brown hit for 34 with Miss Hawkins getting 10 and Miss Bell a pair. Stiles was high for Texhoma with 15 while Miss Worley hit for 10 and Miss Polson got 9.

In the finals Saturday night, the Elkettes downed Gruver 52-45 with Miss Brown hitting for 33 points. Miss Hawkins came in with 12 and Miss Bell got 7. Smith was high for the losers with 22 points.

Gruver led early 13-12 but trailed at halftime 30-22 and then the Elkettes led 40-32 at the end of three and won the championship 52-45.

The Elkettes JV team overtook Canadian last Tuesday early in the second half to win 50-31.

Stratford led in the first 8-6 with even scoring on both parts to end the second 18-17.

Len Garoutte and Honey Hart both scored in double figures to overtake the Wildcats in the third 32-25. Stratford added 18 in the fourth compared to Canadian's 6 to win the game by 19 points.

Len Garoutte paced the JV girls with 18 followed by Honey Hart with 16. Patty Pool added 8 and Jana Wiley put in 5. Wakefield was high for Canadian with 15.

7,8 GRADE BASKETBALL

Stratford's seventh and eighth grade basketball teams played in Fritch Tuesday night winning 2 out of 4 games.

In seventh grade girls action, Fritch led in the first 8-3; and went in at the half 16-9. Fritch

continued to hold their lead into the fourth 22-13 and won the game 30-19. Barnes was high scorer for Fritch with 22 points while Emily McReynolds put up 9 for the losers. Renee Hager scored 6 and Melaney Howard and Valerie Engelbrecht both got 2.

Stratford's seventh grade boys outplayed Fritch throughout the game and came away with a 18-12 win over Sanford-Fritch.

Stratford led 7-4; 11-6; 13-10 and won by 6 points. Frank Dietrich and Jim Owen Everson both put up 6 for the winners with Riffe, Coble and Riggs all adding 2. Cunningham was high for Fritch with 6.

The eighth grade girls were overpowered by Fritch with Fritch leading 15-12, 28-20, 34-26 and winning 48-35.

Lisa Albert put in 25 points for Stratford while Jonetta Hawkins added 8. Fritch had three scoring in double figures, Durr and Tucker with 12 each and Trollinger with 22.

Sanford-Fritch's eighth grade boys got a good start ending the first 13-4, but Stratford added 11 points in the second compared to 2 for Fritch to tie it up at the half 15-15. Stratford poured it on in the second half ending the third 25-19 and winning 32-26.

Matt Vincent was high for the winners with 13 followed by Bass, Reed and Powers with 6 each and Hawkins adding 1. Price was high for Fritch with 8.

Royalty Gets Crown At Tuesday Game

The 1975-76 Basketball King and Queen for Stratford High School were crowned between the JV and Varsity Girl's Games last Tuesday night. Darrell Doshier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerrell Doshier and a senior varsity basketball player, was crowned as king while Jeannie Engelbrecht, daughter of Alvin and Doreen Engelbrecht and a junior Elkettes squad member, was named Basketball Queen.

Crown bearers included Deena Wells, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wells, and John Bass, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Bass.

Other nominees for Basketball King included Joel Hart, son of Mr. and Mrs. William

Hart; Leon Payne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Payne; Wayne Garoutte; son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garoutte; and Will Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen.

Nominees for Basketball Queen included Vicki Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Bell; D'Lynn Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M.H. Brown; Len Garoutte, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garoutte and Patty Dietrich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Dietrich.

TRACKS

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trying to get it out a wee bit early.

We hope that if you have anything for next week's issue please give us a hollar as quickly as possible.

In addition, if you have a youngster around your home who hasn't written his, or her, Letter to Santa please get it to us before Monday noon so we will be able to get it printed in the Christmas paper.

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An overheard remark... "the world was a lot better off in the old days when we only depended upon the Arabs for a few throw rugs and a box or two of sun cured dates!

Along the same line of

thought...there is now a new perfume on the market called "Evening in Arabia" and smells just like gasoline.

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Weather turned right cool over the weekend, and we missed out on a snow storm which was supposed to have dropped in on us Saturday and Sunday.

However, the weather has been cool of a morning, but still warming up right smart in the afternoons.

Commodity prices Tuesday on local markets showed wheat selling for from \$3.30 to \$3.33 per bushel, grain sorghum at from \$3.85 to \$3.90 per cwt, and corn at from \$2.44 to \$2.45 per bushel.

DALHART COUPLE

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yard of the Gary Laramore residence on the southwest corner of the intersection.

Several eyewitnesses were parked at the corner and said the west bound vehicle never stopped for the stop sign and that the bread truck never had a chance to apply his brakes.

Both the occupants of the Ford were rushed to the Stratford Clinic for treatment and Mrs. Taylor was then

rushed on to Dalhart's Coon Memorial Hospital for treatment for her injuries. She had gone into the windshield with her head and was also suffering injuries to her right side.

Carter was not injured in the crash. The Ford was a total loss and the bread truck suffered heavy damage to the right front end.

Good Day In Texhoma For Sale

Last Thursday was a good day for a cattle auction in Texhoma with 4029 cattle and calves sold through the arena. Buyers were in attendance from several states to absorb the offering.

Some representative sales were as follows: 17 WF and Blk WF Steer Calves Av. Wt. 403# at \$41.10 per cwt.; 92 Blk Steers Av. Wt. 721# at \$42.00 per cwt.; 85 WF and Hrd WF Heifers av. Wt. 645# at \$36.30 per cwt.

Thursday will be our last cattle auction in 1975. The selling will begin at 9 a.m. and we are expecting 2500 to 3000 cattle of various classes.

Dial 769-4419 for TECO for all your electrical needs including new installation or repair, we also sell and service heating and air-condition. Charles Harbour, Don Jackson and Rick Wallace. Phone 769-4419 or after 5 call 396-2139.

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Santa Claus will be here Friday Get Your Photo With Santa 9a.m. - 5:30 p.m. We will close at noon Dec 24 and Open for business Dec. 26 The First State Bank of Stratford STRATFORD, TEXAS 79084

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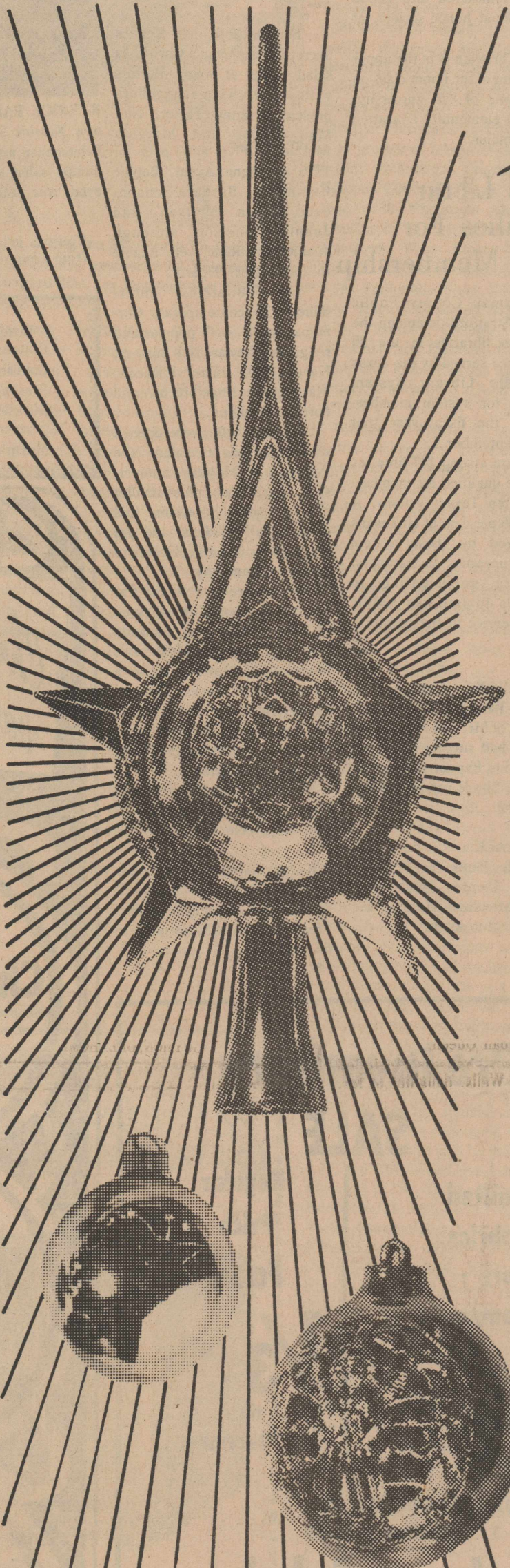
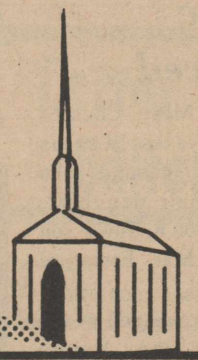
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SPECIALS FOR THE WEEK Thursday Porkette, gravy, green salad, onion rings Texas toast & honey \$2.00 Friday Cottage cheese w/peaches, served with crackers \$1.47 Saturday Hamburger & small drink 99c Sunday Ham sandwich, & small drink & small sundae \$1.61 (We will close at 2 p.m. Dec. 24 Open Again Dec. 26 (We Open Sundays at 11:30 a.m.)) Dairy Queen Phone 396-2433 Hwy 54 at Main in Stratford Phone 396-2433 Register For Free Meal Every Week!

"Thou wilt shew me the path of life:
in thy presence is fulness of joy..."

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HERE IS THE PATH



the Star

CHRISTMAS tree ornaments are made to resemble snow, unusual patterns of ice, and frost; however, the most beautiful ornament and symbol is the star for the top of the tree. This is to remind us of that wonderful day when the child Jesus was born in a manger and the star shown the way... "for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him." Let the star on the tree remind you to attend church and worship him too.

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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North Wall at Third Street
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday Services 8:00 p.m.
Rev. J.M. Ashley

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Third at Chestnut Street
Sunday Bible School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.
Ladies Bible Class (Tuesday) 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Classes 8:00 p.m.
Minister Bob Beaty

FIRST BAPTIST
Third at Fulton Streets
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Church Training 6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Services 7:30 p.m.
Rev. Bruce Mitchell

The Churches of Stratford

Welcome Your Family

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
Main at Sixth Street
Church School 9:40 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Youth Activities 5:30 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
Rev. Cecil Hardaway

FIRST CHRISTIAN
North Main at Fifth Streets
Church School 9:50 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice 8:00 p.m.
Rev. David Harker

INDEPENDENT BAPTIST
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church Services 11 a.m.
Wednesday Nites 7:30 p.m.
Sunday Nite 7:00 p.m.
Training Union 6:00 p.m.
Elder Earnest Vanover

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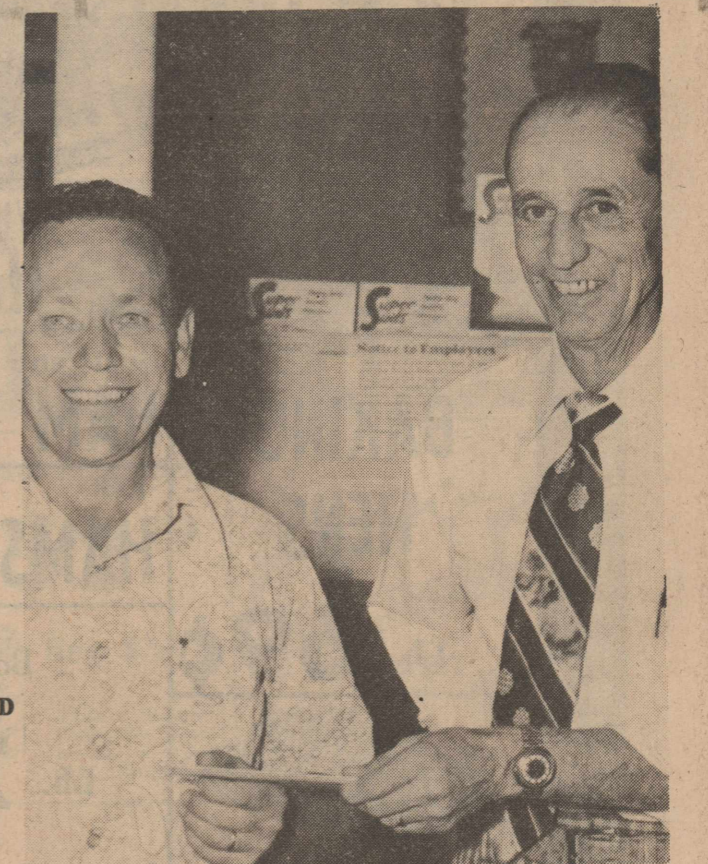
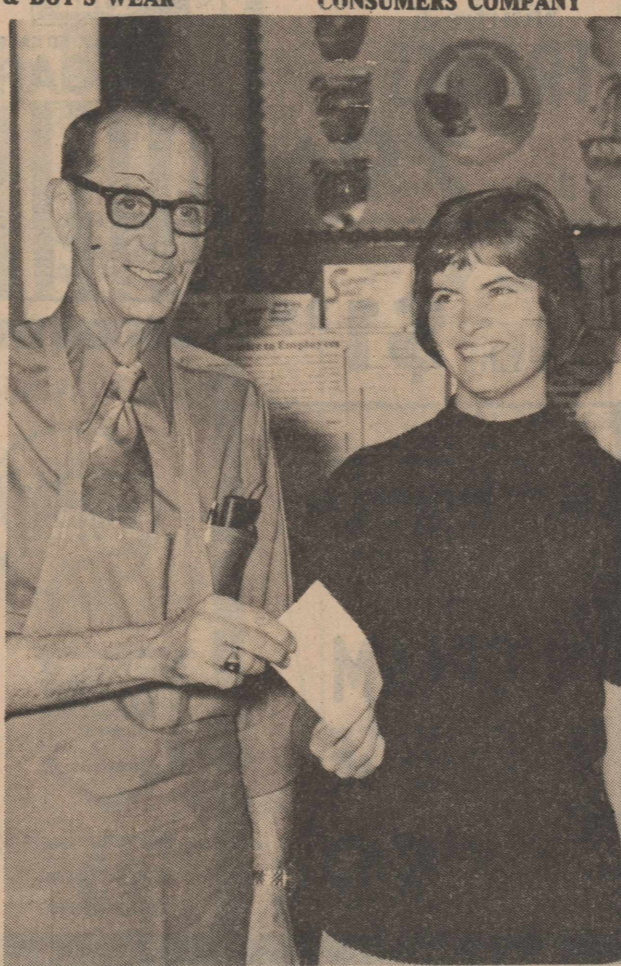
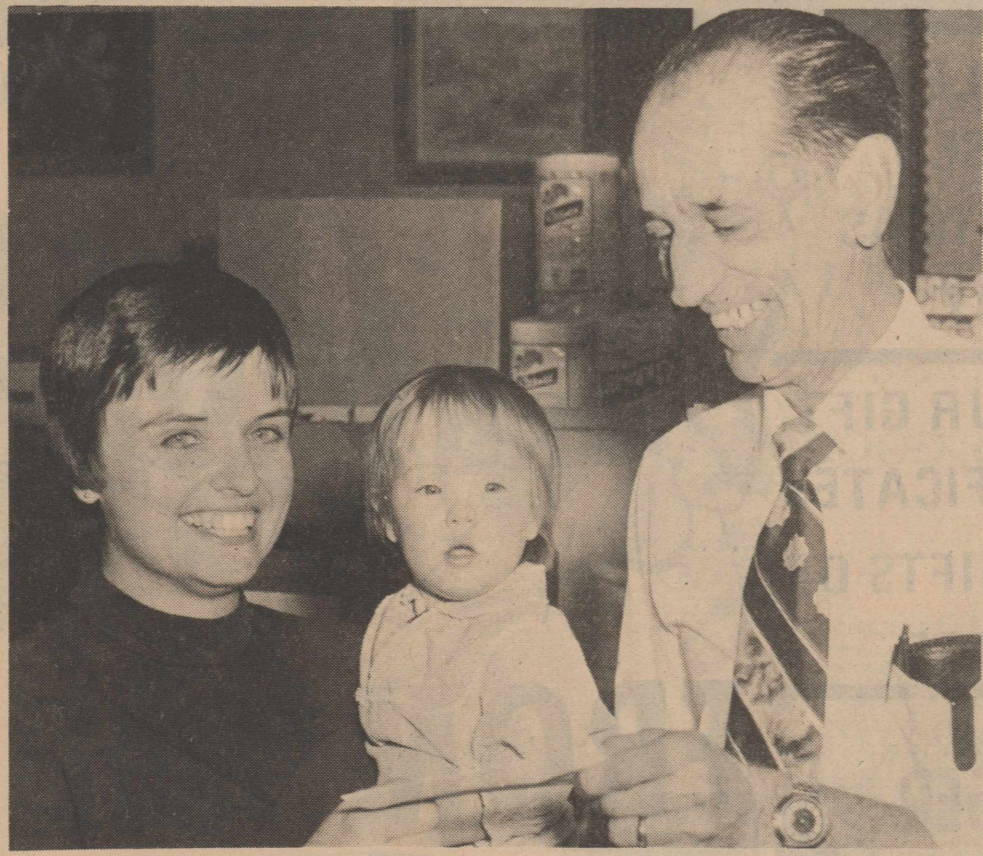
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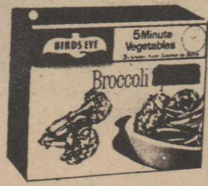
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Banquet Apple, Peach, Cherry
FRUIT PIES 20 Oz. Each **59¢**



Birdseye Chopped
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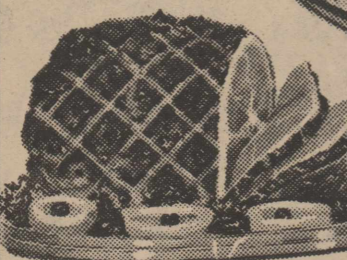
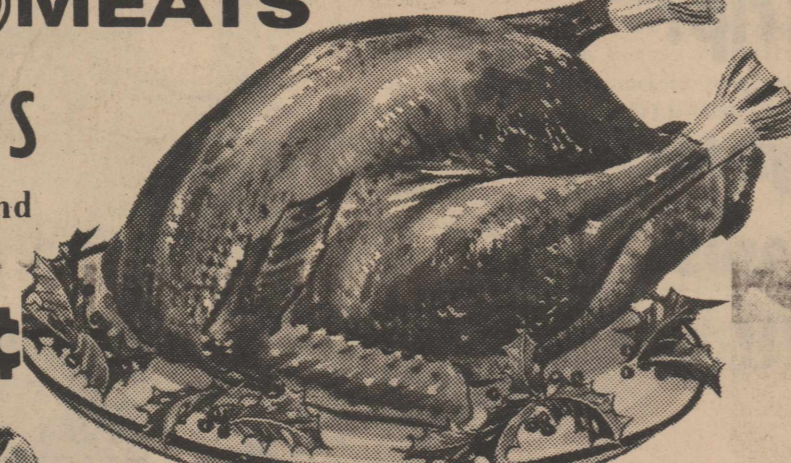
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PUMPKIN 303 Can **3 for 89¢**



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FRUIT COCKTAIL 303 Can **2 for 79¢**



TOP GRADE MEATS
Shurfresh
TURKEYS 16 Lb. and Under **Lb. 65¢**



Whole
HAMS Lb. **\$1.49**

BAKING HENS

Lb. **69¢**



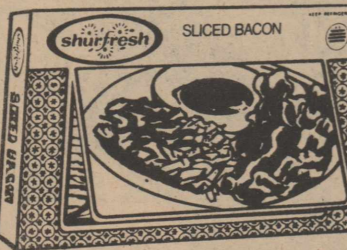
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HAMS Lb. **\$1.99**

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PEANUTS Dry Roasted 12 Oz. Jar **77¢**



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ICE CREAM Round Ctn. 1/2 Gal. **\$1.19**



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Schillings
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MARGARINE 1 Lb. **68¢**



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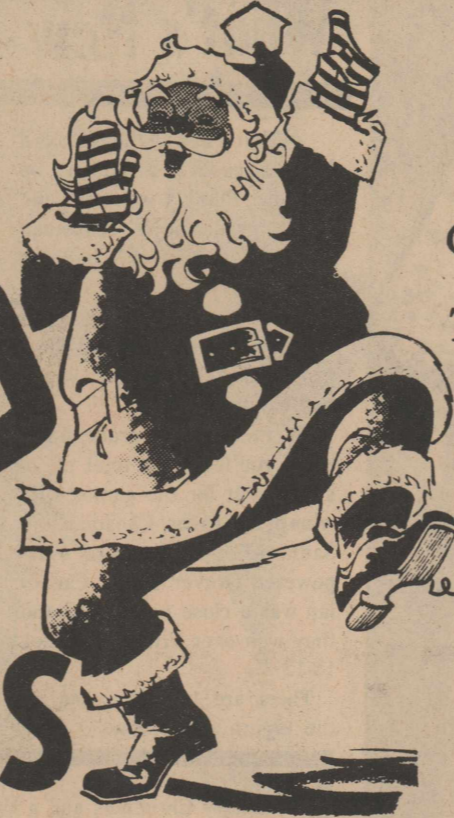
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CHRISTMAS SUPERMARKETS



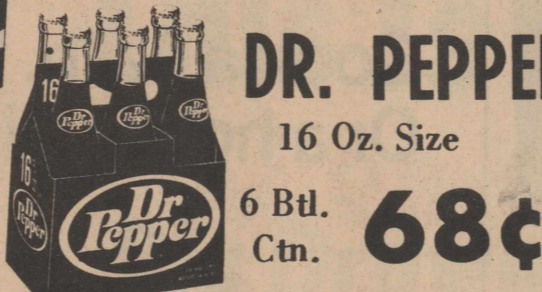
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS, OLD AND NEW,
WE EXTEND OUR WISH FOR A VERY MERRY
CHRISTMAS - AND AT THIS TIME WE'D LIKE
TO SAY, "THANK YOU" FOR BEING SUCH
GOOD CUSTOMERS.

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Christmas Everyone!



COCA COLA OR
DR. PEPPER



16 Oz. Size
6 Btl.
Ctn. **68¢**



Ocean Spray Fresh
CRANBERRIES

1 Pound Pkg. **47¢**

Green Pascal
CELERY

Stalk Each **37¢**

Golden Ripe
BANANAS

Lb. **19¢**

Portales Sweet
POTATOES

4 Pounds **\$1**



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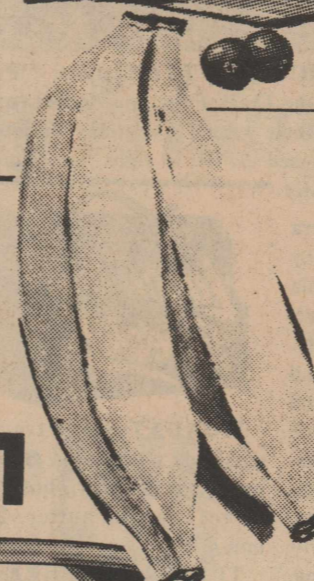


4 Oz. Can **2 for 79¢**

Plains
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**WHIPPING
CREAM**

Bordens in
Sunray $\frac{1}{2}$ Pt. **3 for \$1**



Russet
All Purpose

10 Lb. Bag. **79¢**



Automatic Dishwashing Detergent

CASCADE

50 Oz. Box
\$1.29

Fisher's Raw
PEANUTS

12 Oz. Pkg. **49¢**



Crisco
SHORTENING

3 Lb. Can
\$1.49

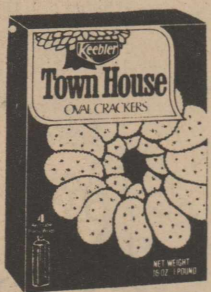


Miracle Whip
**SALAD
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48 Oz. Jar
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MIX

Keeblers
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CRACKERS



12 Oz.
68¢



Alabam Girl
Sweet

PICKLES

16 Oz. Jar
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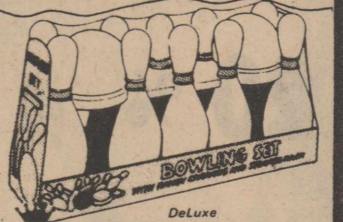
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Crest Mint 2 Pac
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Each

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Long stemmed Dutch
tulips...hand selected
quality. 1 1/2 x 1 1/2-in.
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12's **59¢**



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Music Club Entertained For Holidays

Once again Stratford's Federated Music Club was welcomed to the lovely, country home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Engelbrecht for their annual Christmas Buffet.

Guests for the buffet on Friday night were Music Club members and their husbands and the Ministerial Alliance.

Mrs. Inita Chesher told the history of the hymn of the month, "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Mrs. O.J. Ingham, Mrs. L.G. Blake, Mrs. Doug Reese, Mrs. Doug McBryde and Mrs. Boyd Spurlock, accompanied by Mrs. Ronald Engelbrecht, led in the singing of Christmas carols.

Mr. Gary Laramore told the Christmas Story, which is so meaningful to all of us.

A group from Amarillo called "The Psycho-Ceramics" (better known as the Crack Pots) entertained and they were hysterical. It was certainly a joy to have them as our entertainment. The group was composed of Bob Clouch, Jack Lancaster and Sox Murdock, all of Amarillo.

Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ingham, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Laramore, Steve Ragsdale, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Gail McDaniel, Mr. and



Mrs. Bob Boardman, Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Hardaway, Mr. and Mrs. Don Ray Knight, Martha

ENTERTAINS FOR MUSIC CLUB EVENT--The "Psycho-Ceramics," better known as the Crack Pots, entertained recently for Stratford Music Club at their annual Christmas Buffet. The group from Amarillo is composed of, left to right, Sox Murdock, Bob Clouch and Jack Lancaster.

Harrison, Kathellen King, Vera Pronger, Mr. and Mrs. Floy Yates, Evelyn Cooper, Luella Johnson, Lorraine Mehner, Mr. and Mrs. Burr Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gurley, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Durr, Mr. and Mrs. Doug McBryde, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Boren, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pleyer, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDaniel, Lela Moon, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Moon, Mrs. R.C. Buckles, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny West, Mr. and Mrs. H.T. Galloway, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Chesher, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Spurlock, Jon, Ronna Jo and MariK Engelbrecht, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clouch, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lancaster and Mr. and Mrs. Sox Murdock.



MONDAY--Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, creamed gravy, w/k corn, hot rolls, butter, peanut butter, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY--Chili/ brown beans, cole slaw/ apples, crackers, doughnuts, milk.

WEDNESDAY--Hamburgers cheese, onions, lettuce salad, pickle slices, french fries, onions, catsup, peach cobbler, milk.

THURSDAY & FRIDAY Teacher work days.

What's New In School.....

What's new in the Stratford Middle School is a rundown on Dwayne Plunk's seventh and eighth grade boy's basketball teams. If you haven't had the opportunity to see these youngsters play ball, you might take the time to go by and see a group of really eager young ball-handlers.

On the seventh grade boy's team you'll find a total of 20 suiting out for the games with wins over Gruver, Canadian and Sanford-Fritch. Stratford overpowered Gruver 34-25; Canadian was a close one, 18-17 and they won over Fritch this week 18-12.

There are 16 suiting out on the eighth grade Boys' team

and they've won over Fritch while Gruver and Canadian both managed to beat them.

This week's win over Fritch came with a 32-26 victory while Gruver won 28-19 and Canadian overpowered them 22-14.

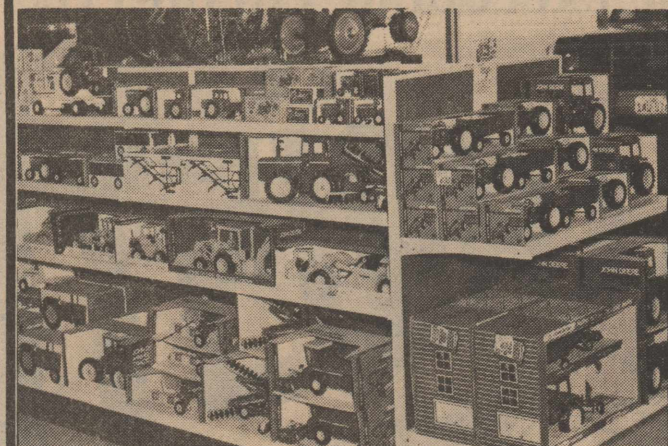


When buying green grapes, look for ones with a yellowish cast or straw color with a tinge of amber. They're the sweetest.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our friends.

The Raymond Dyess's

Toys-Toys-Toys

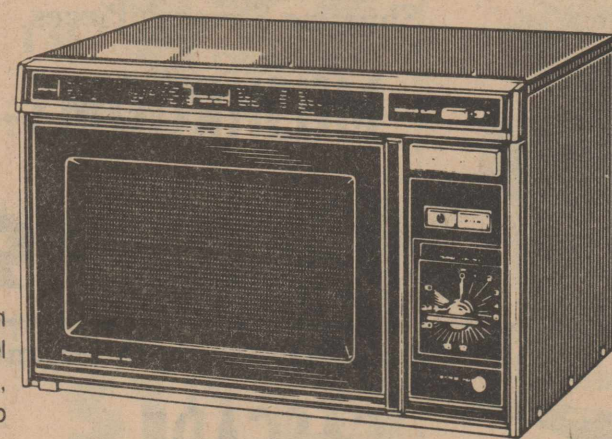


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Cook a 22 lb. turkey in under 2 1/2 hours. Or a hot dog in 30 seconds.



Panasonic
NE-6710
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Panasonic's NE-6710 has an extra large 1.25 cu. ft. oven that lets you cook those big meals. Its stainless steel interior cleans up with ease. For correct cooking times, refer to the handy illuminated recipe guide on the top panel, or to the 144-page color cookbook (included). Just set the timer and press the "Cook" button. A pleasant bell signals the end of cooking, and the oven shuts itself off automatically. Great for defrosting, too. For big meals or small, Panasonic's NE-6710 does it all.

\$499⁹⁵

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for last minute GIFTS!

Sale Begins Wednesday!

Shop Early For these bargains

Gowns and Robes

20% off

Long or Short

Juniors or Missy

Dresses

1/4 off

Two Big Sale Racks

30% off

Birthstone Necklaces

Reg \$32 only \$20

at **JA's** in Stratford

Hurry! Hurry!

Project Christmas Card

Sponsored by Prospectus Study Club

Help Your Community by helping provide funds for books and furnishings for the Sherman County Library



Members of the Prospectus Study Club are asking that you give the amount of money you would spend for local Christmas cards to ---PROJECT CHRISTMAS CARD --- This money will be used for books and furnishings at the Library Building. The money will be accepted at The First State Bank of Stratford and your name will appear in the Christmas

Edition of The Stratford Star.

STUCO TO HOLD XMAS DANCE FRIDAY

The Student Council of Stratford High School will hold its Formal Christmas Ball this Friday night from 9 p.m. to midnight in the old gym.

Music will be by "Billy and the Kids" with high school student admission to be \$2.50 per person.

OCTOBER BOND SALES

United States Savings Bond sales in Sherman County totaled \$865 during the month of October. Sales for the ten-month period were \$29,735 which represents 42 percent of the 1975 sales goal for the county, according to County Bond Chairman W.S. Frizzell Jr.

October sales in Texas totaled \$20,266,476 compared to sales of \$21,154,479 during the same period of 1974. Total sales for the January-October 1975 period were \$201,801,647, representing 86 percent of the \$236.8 million goal for the year.

Griggs News

The following annual Christmas programs will be presented in this community: The Griggs Church of God on Sunday Evening Dec. 21 at 7:30 the Plainview school on Monday evening 22, at 7:00 and the Marella United Methodist church on Tuesday evening at 7:00.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Elliott and family attended a Basketball tournament at Elkhart Kans. alst weekend and also went to a flea market.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cox of Clayton visited in the Julius A. Cox home Sunday afternoon.

The Dayle Oylers went to Denver Tuesday to visit their daughter and family the Don Bruns and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Asher and children visited Mrs. Anne Pulliam of Stratford Friday and the Fred Browns of Boise City

Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warren enjoyed the National Rodeo Finals at Okla. City last week end and also visited friends in Stillwater. Julie Warren stayed with the Howard Warrens and Jennifer Warren stayed with Maurice Motts of Guymon while their parents were gone.

A large crowd attended the Christmas Cantata "Gild News World" presented at the Keyes United Methodist Church Sunday evening. Refreshments were served afterward in the newly remodeled recreation hall. This same cantata will be presented in the Boise City Methodist church next Sunday Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Twombly called in the Steward Fansher home last week. They also visited Mrs. Katherine Moulton who has undergone surgery on her hip and is in the Hi-Plains Baptist hospital in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Wayne Barber and Brent Bush of Clarendon, Texas were guests of the Dayle Ferguson last weekend, also Mrs. Oneta Hoover of Booker and Miss Nancy Fry called in the afternoon Sunday.

Mrs. Earl Elliott has gone to Camp Polk Louisiana to visit her new grandson, Trevor Scott Gibson and her daughter Patty and husband.

Sherril Hoover is visiting her parents of Earl Elliotts for a couple weeks while Mr. Hoover who is in the Air Force is taking some special training in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hitchings shopped in Amarillo and spent the night with the Herbert Hitchings in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gib Petteplace and family of Amarillo spent Sunday visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Twombly.

Mr. Ray Baker and Ron Boyd called in the Laurence Wells home Tuesday evening. The Wells shopped in Amarillo Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Boalin and Tom of Elkhart, Kans. were hosts to the Lane Sparkman family Sunday. Mrs. Sparkman and her mother Mrs. Vern Moore of Elkhart shopped in Dumas Thursday.

Cook of Week



COOK OF THE WEEK-Mrs. James (Gail) Presley is shown with daughters, Juanita, who is 4 years old, and one-year old Teresa in the living room of their home on North Fulton Chestnut. The Presleys have lived in Stratford for the past six years and are members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Parttime Librarian

Mrs. James (Gail) Presley is the mother of two daughters, works part-time at the Sherman County Library and is our cook for this week.

Gail is the assistant Librarian at our local Library and hails from Terrell, Texas. She is a graduate of Terrell High School in 1968.

The Presleys have lived in Stratford for the past six years and are members of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

They have two daughters, Juanita, who is four years old, and Teresa, who is one year old. James is employed by the Texas Highway Department.

Our cook enjoys sewing and gardening. Her recipes include a quick roll recipe, Apple Nut Dessert and a delicious sounding recipe for squash.

- SIXTY MINUTE ROLLS**
 2 pkg. dry yeast
 sugar
 4 T. shortening
 1 beaten egg
 1/2 c. warm water
 1 c. milk
 2 t. salt
 4 1/2 c. flour
 Dissolve yeast in 1/2 c. warm

degrees for 12-15 minutes. Makes two dozen.

- APPLE NUT DESSERT**
 Heat oven to 400 degrees. Mix in 2 qu: t bowl
 1 c. sugar
 2 t. baking powder
 3/ c. sifted flour
 1 T. shortening
 ADD 1/2 c. pet milk
 1 t. vanilla
STIR IN: 1/2 c. chopped nuts
 3 c. diced apples

Spread in greased 9 inch pan and mix with fork until crumbly
 2 T. brown sugar, 1/3 c. flour, 2 T. butter. Sprinkle over apple mixture and bake at 30-35 minutes until top is golden brown.

- SKILLET SQUASH AU GRATIN**
 1/4 c. butter or margarine
 4 c. thinly sliced summer squash or zucchini
 1 onion, sliced
 1 t. salt
 dash pepper
 1/4 c. water or 2 sliced peeled tomatoes
 1/2 c. graded cheddar cheese
 soy sauce [optional]

Melt butter in skillet; add squash, onion, salt, pepper, water and cook, covered, for 10-15 minutes or until tender. Sprinkle with cheese and soy sauce if desired. Makes four generous servings.

Boys Ranch Christmas Drive Begins

The annual drive to provide the 370 boys at Cal Farley's Boys Ranch with a new suit or clothing package began today.

Providing new clothing for the boys through the Christmas Suit Fund has become a favorite way of Christmas giving for friends of the boys who contribute \$35.00 for this purpose. Special discounts by Amarillo merchants and differences in prices of clothing for younger and

older boys make the average cost of \$35.00 possible. The suits replace those that have been worn out or outgrown, and in many cases, they are the first new suits some boys have ever owned. The older boys get to select their own clothing in Amarillo stores, and the suits will be worn by graduating seniors next spring." Virgil Patterson, Ranch President, said. Contributions to the Boys Ranch Christmas Suit Fund may be mailed to the Boys Ranch office, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, Texas, 79174, or taken to the office at 600 West 11th Street in Amarillo.

WIN FREE! WORLD'S LARGEST TOY FILLED CHRISTMAS STOCKING!

Colossal Christmas Stocking is filled to the brim with exciting toys for girls and boys!

Drawing
 Dec 19 at
 5:15 p.m.

Must Be Present To Win

Register at
Western Auto Store

The all-seed specialist

Pre-Season Truck Load Sale

Save Now...buy at 1975 Guaranteed Prices

295 PLANTER UNIT

Your local International Harvester dealer announces his pre-season truck load sale on the Model 295 Planter. Buy now and receive 1975 guaranteed prices for next year's requirements in addition to taking advantage of the current 10% investment credit.

Whatever your crop, the International® 295 Planter can probably be equipped to handle it. Plus you get flawless spacing, uniform depth, and the reliability that's so important in planting equipment.

King Equipment

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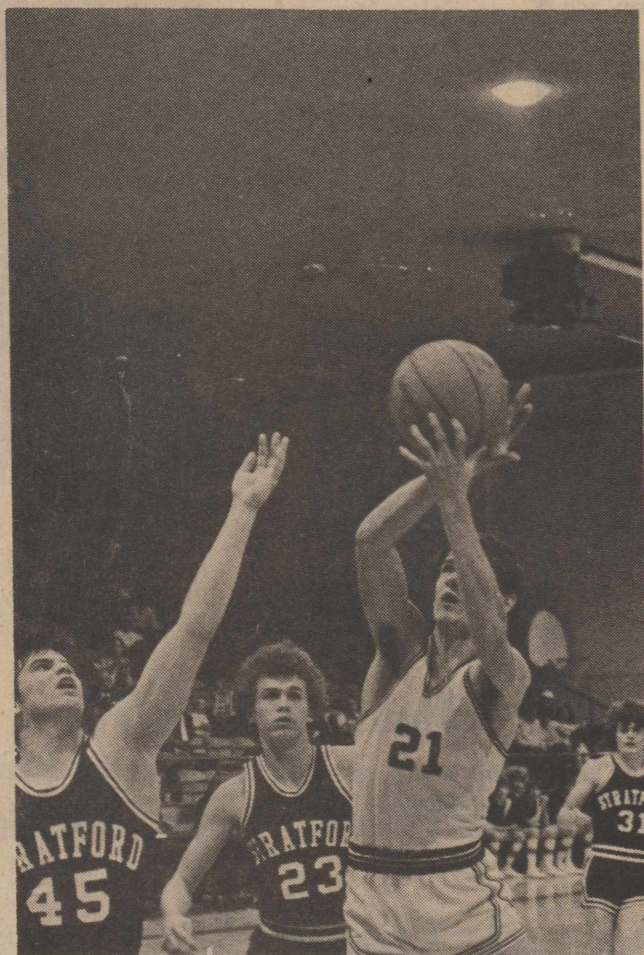
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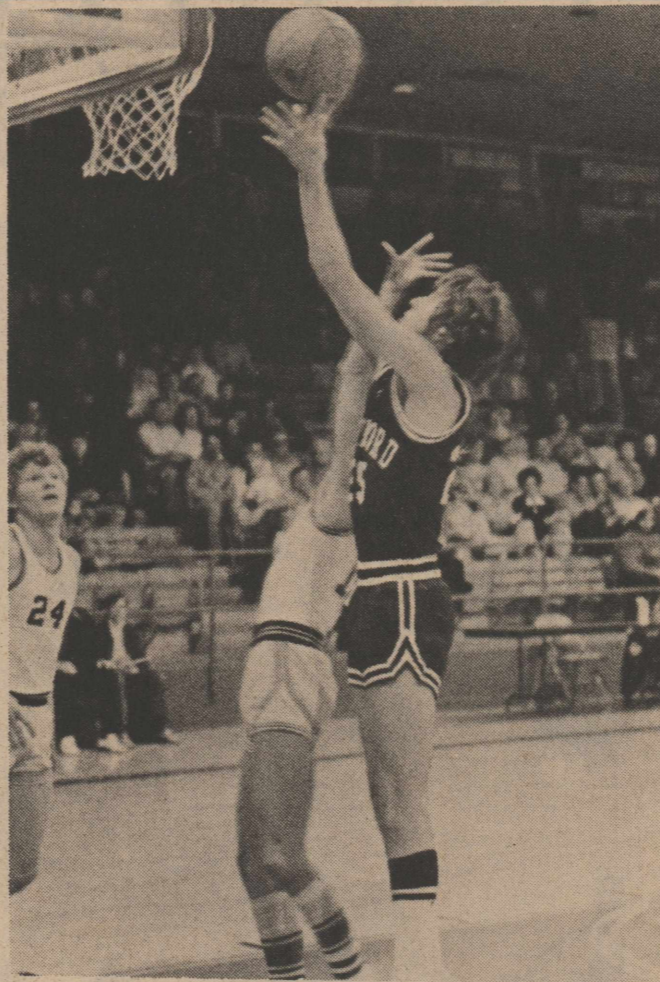
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WATCH IT BOYS--Elks Leonard Duncan, 45, Joe Albert, with an assist by Darrell Doshier, 31, put pressure on a Hooker shooter in the boys finals Saturday night.

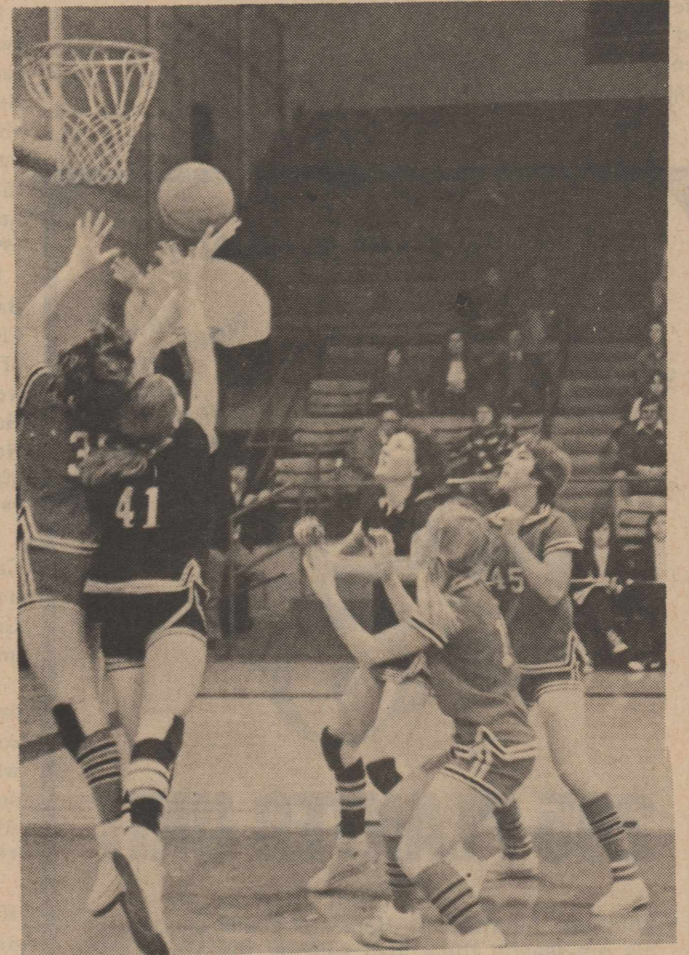


GET HIGH BARRIE--Barrie Donelson gets up for a tie ball in the finals Saturday night as Dalene Prescott and Janice Messer guard the goal in left foreground.

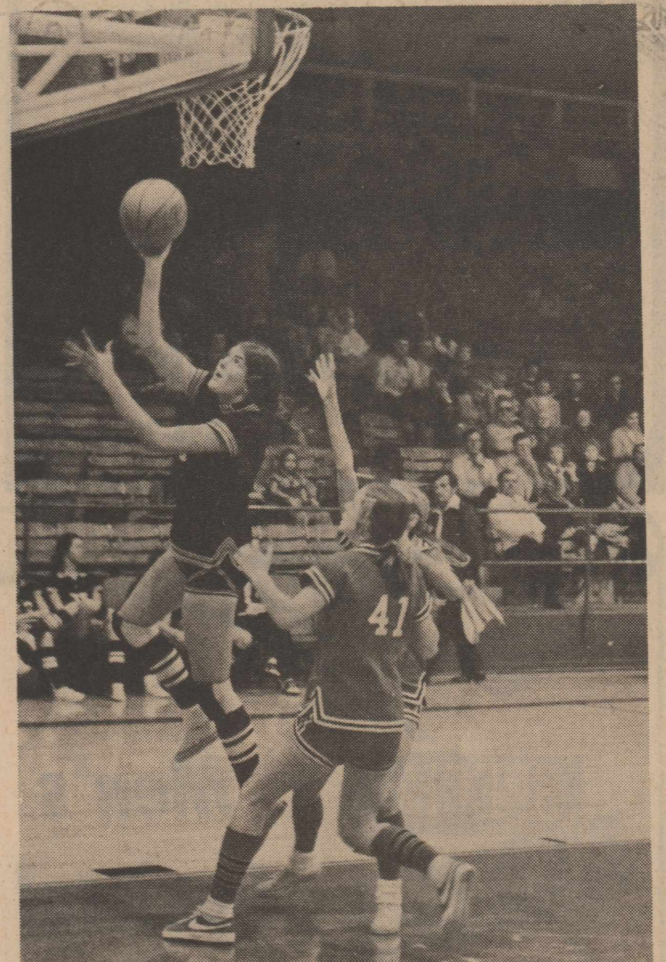


PUT HER IN WAYNE--Elk Wayne Garoutte gets high for a bucket and two points in the boys finals at the PSU Tourney Saturday night. Hooker beat out the Elks who wound up in runner-up spot at the tournament.

**Come to the games
and help us
Boost Our
Teams
This Year**



BATTLE UNDER BUCKET--Elkette Guard Barrie Donelson, 41, gets up with a Gruver forward battling for the rebound as Janice Messer looks on with two Gruver forwards.



AN EASY LAYUP--D'Lynn Brown turns the corner and goes up for a layup in the finals of the PSU Tournament Saturday night. The Elkettes downed Gruver in a hardfought battle for the tourney girl's title.

Dec. 18, Thursday

Varsity & JV Boys & Girls vs Gruver, Here, 4 p.m.

Monday, Jan 5

Varsity Boys & Girls JV Boys vs White Deer, Here, 5:30

7-8 Boys & Girls vs Sunray, There, 4 p.m.

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COOKING SCHOOL--A group of ladies are shown looking on during the Microwave Cooking School held Friday morning at the Farm Bureau Building. The school was sponsored by Western Auto, Bostons, Woolseys, Southwestern Public Service and The Stratford Star. Joy Stephenson of SWPS was in charge of the event.

Yucca Council Expands Office In Guymon

Yucca Girl Scout Council will be expanding their office facilities on West Airport Road, Guymon, to meet the needs of the members throughout their jurisdiction. The new metal building addition will be a 20 x 40 foot extension, joining the

present structure on the north. This addition will furnish additional office and storage space.

Dr. W.F. Dunaway has donated a generous amount for this addition, to help perpetuate the Dr. and Mrs. W.F. Dunaway Yucca Youth Trust Fund which he founded in 1964. The original building was constructed at that time. This is a perpetual Youth Trust, established for the youth of Guymon and surrounding communities and is to be used

by the Yucca Girl Scout Council as long as it is in existence.

Yucca Girl Scout Council serves parts of five state and fourteen counties. Since the building is in a non-profit trust, a fund raising plan is necessary to raise the additional money required. Therefore, the Yucca Council Finance Committee is making it possible for all those in the Council jurisdiction to make a tax deductible donation by contributing the cost of one or more square feet. The cost of one square foot is \$20. Donations may be sent to the Council office, Box 70, Guymon, Oklahoma.

The President of the Council is Mrs. Robert Cole and the Executive Director is Mrs. Hugh Harman. Members of the Finance Committee are: Mr. E.R. Bell, Stratford, Texas, Chairman; Bob Nelson, Goodwell, Okla., H.C. Hitch, Jr., Guymon, Oklahoma, Gene Cudd, Spearman, Texas, Joe Bock, Boise City, Okla., Jim Widmer, Liberal, Kansas and Leonard Wieland, Perryton, Texas.

PSU Beef Test Shows Record Levels

Panhandle State University Performance Test bulls continue to gain at record levels after 56-days on test. Fifty-five senior bulls posted a 4.36 lb. average daily gain (ADG), and seventy four junior bulls gained 3.68 lbs. for an overall ADG of 3.97 lbs. on the 129 head.

In groups of 5-head of senior bulls; Andrews Herefords, Olney, TX led at 4.37 lbs. ADG, followed by Kramer Herefords, Hugoton, KS at 4.33, and Messner Herefords at 4.07.

In groups of 5-head of junior bulls; Schroder Charolais, Campo, CO at 4.27 was first, followed by Phil Light Angus, Liberal, KS at 4.24; Brandshaw Herefords, Wray, Co. at 3.99; Circle L Angus, Hugoton, KS at 3.96; Panhandle State University, Angus, Goodwell, OK at 3.75; Thrasher, Crismon, and Lide Charolais, Texhoma, OK at 3.64, and River Canyon Ranch Angus, Trinidad, Co at 3.48 lbs. ADG.

Groups of 4-head of senior bulls were led by Parcel Herefords, Coldwater, KS at 4.83 followed by Sell Herefords, Booker, TX at 4.70; Andrews Herefords at 4.54; Smith Polled Herefords, Richfield, KS at 4.44; Crall Herefords, Weatherford, OK at 4.08; and Ferguson Angus, Woodward, OK at 3.77. With 3-head groups was Benton and Bill Thomason, Alva, Ok with 4.54 lbs. ADG.

Junior pens of 4-head were led by Gene-ial House Herefords, Leedey, OK at 3.75, followed by Burrows Polled Herefords, Clayton, N.M. at 3.72; F. Coen Polled Herefords, Elkhart, KS at 3.52; Blau Herefords, Follett, TX at 3.28 lbs. ADG. With 3-head groups were: Lefors Herefords, Pampa, TX at 3.68; PSU at 3.68; D. Coen, Elkhart, KS 3.21, and Circle J Angus, Haviland, KS at 2.82 lbs. ADG. Consigner with less than three head included: Van Vacter, Carter, Ok at 4.71; V.R. Ranches, Balko, OK at 4.71; R&R Ranches, Coldwater, KS at 4.28; Bright, Trinidad, Co at 4.21 and Little Robe Angus, Higgins, TX at 3.75 lbs. ADG.

Top-performing individual senior bulls were consigned by Andrews Hereford at 5.75, 4.82, 4.79, and 4.68; Parcel Herefords at 5.62, 5.39; Smith Polled Herefords at 5.62, 4.75; Van Vacter Herefords at 5.43; Sell Herefords at 4.84; V.R. Herefords at 4.79; LeFors Herefords at 4.69, and Crall Herefords at 4.68 lbs. ADG.

Top-performing individual Junior bulls consigned by Phil Light Angus at 5.32, 4.29; Bradshaw Herefords at 5.01, 4.18; Circle Angus at 4.96, 4.11; Schroder Charolais at 4.75, 4.41, 4.18; PSU Herefords at 4.27; Gene-ial House Herefords at 4.25; Burrows Polled Herefords at 4.18; Thrasher Charolais at 4.18, 4.07; Fast Herefords, Guymon, OK at 4.09; and River Canyon Angus at 4.07 lbs. ADG.

At the conclusion of 140 days on tests, bulls will be fertility checked and the top indexing 100 head offered for sale at public auction Tuesday, March 9, 1976. The public is invited to inspect the bulls at any time and attend the sale.

Gift-Giving Ideas

If you're looking for a gift that will shed a new light on your child's interests, the answer may be a stereo viewer. A youngster can now see



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Bankers Set For Look At Ag Finance

COLLEGE STATION--Texas bankers, who have a big stake in the future of agriculture in this state, will be taking a close look at the future of agricultural financing during a weeklong program here in February.

The 24th Texas Farm and Ranch Credit School for Commercial Bankers, the annual meeting of the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Section, Texas Bankers Association, and an Agricultural Credit Workshop are expected to attract a large number of bankers who will delve into the expectations of agricultural finance as the third 100 years of this country gets underway.

All activities are set for February 9-13 in the Rudder Conference Center on the campus of Texas A&M.

The first day of the general session will deal with the changing environments relating to politics, marketing and financing, points out Dr. Wayne Hayenga, program chairman and economist in management for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Concurrent sessions on loans for crops and machinery, dairies, cow-calf operations and feedlots will highlight the morning program of the second day. A special session will also be held for bank directors and will deal with their legal responsibilities and expectations.

Discussions on the role and responsibilities of bank examiners will conclude the second afternoon session.

The outlook for key agricultural commodities--livestock, cotton and grain--will be analyzed during the third morning of the school. A concluding talk will deal with "The Money Market and Outlook."

The special In-Depth Agricultural Credit Workshop will begin on the afternoon of February 11 and will conclude the morning of February 13. Actual work sessions will deal with preparing financial statements, analyzing and reconciling farm records, and preparing cash flow projections.

Blanche's Blabs
by Blanche Soules

Everybody look-- put this date on your calendar-January 6, 1975 10:00 a.m. This is the day the County Home Economics Agents will be presenting "Fashion Focus." You all have plenty to be looking forward to but I wanted you to start thinking about this program on new fabrics, hem finishes, and designer techniques I will be presenting at Lou's Fabrics Shop in Stratford, Texas at 10:00 a.m. and 5:15 p.m. on January 6. These two shows will be all there can be as all the materials must be here only a limited time. Everyone is invited to attend so bring a friend and come on and see what's in "Fashion Focus" for you.

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Thanksgiving has come and gone, and we are startled into planning and preparing for Christmas. We've successfully avoided the tempting displays of candies and nuts--until now.

Baking for the various festivities almost always includes candies, cakes cookies and puddings chocked full of nuts. The grocery shelves are full of package upon package of nuts. We have more kinds, forms and sizes of nuts from which to choose in December than during any other month of the year.

You may be wondering whether to buy nuts in the shell or to buy the nut meats, around the holiday season.

When comparing costs, the chopped nuts are usually less expensive than whole kernels. If the nuts are to be chopped anyway, this could be a good place to save money and labor. Of course, if the nuts are going to garnish cookies or cakes, then you probably want the halves.

There are several things to look for to make sure you are buying the highest quality nut available. Nuts in the shell should be clean and free from cracks, holes or scars. Also the shell nuts should be well filled so the kernels do not rattle.

The inside of the kernel should be clean, white and

clear. A dingy gray color means oiliness and possible rancidity.

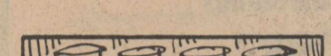
Nuts contain a high percentage of fat which will become rancid when stored at room temperature or in the light. The nuts should be kept in the refrigerator between 32 and 40 degrees F. It's best to store the nuts in the main section of the refrigerator.

Since air also hastens the onset of spoilage it is best to avoid opening vacuum packed containers long before the nuts are to be used. It's also good to remember that salted nuts do not store as well as unsalted ones, since salt encourages the onset of rancidity.

Nuts add a delicious touch to main dishes, salads, desserts and relishes. Christmas cookies depend on nuts for their special goodness. Nuts are also wonderful for snacks. A full nut bowl adds a warm touch to a living room or a family room. Nuts can also be used in creative ways to put on a wreath with greens.



Jesse James loved chili so much that he refused to rob a bank in McKinney, Texas, because that's where his favorite chili parlor was located.



Children under 9 need the equivalent of two to three 8-ounce glasses of milk each day. Teenagers need four or more.

Letter to Editor

Dear Dave:

This afternoon I witnessed an incident that really upsets me. There was a mob of pheasant hunters south of town on U.S. 287 that were dragging a cable between two pickups to flush the birds from a cut over maize field. It may not be illegal, I'm not sure, but it strikes me as being highly unsportsman-like.

It is easy to see why this would only add to the list of complaints that the anti-hunting advocates have against all of the hunters in the whole country. This type of action, to me at least, recalls the stories of the market hunters who slaughtered millions of ducks and geese earlier in our nation's history.

If any of the people involved in this incident read this, let me assure them that I am a hunter. However, I prefer to give my quarry a sporting chance. If such hunters are in need of meat badly enough to resort to such practices, I will gladly loan them the money to buy some chicks and feed so that they can raise some table meat. If, however, they are only hunting to pass some time and spend some times outdoors, may I suggest that they walk on their two hind legs and flush the birds themselves. It would be infinitely more challenging and the exercise wouldn't do any harm, I'm sure. Sincerely, Steve Baskin

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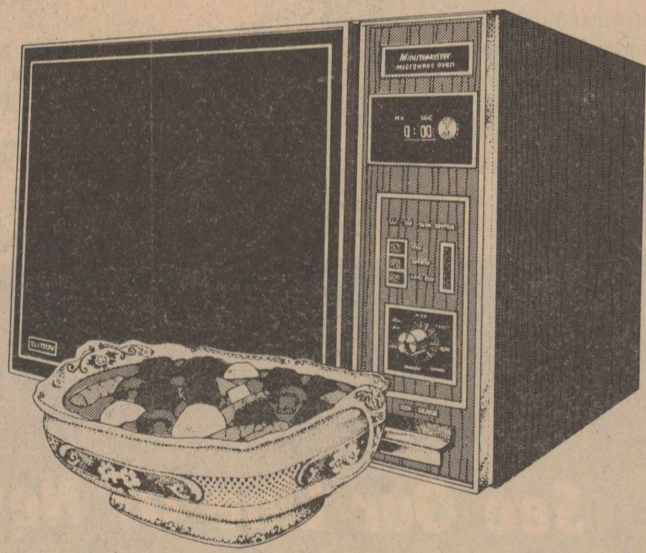
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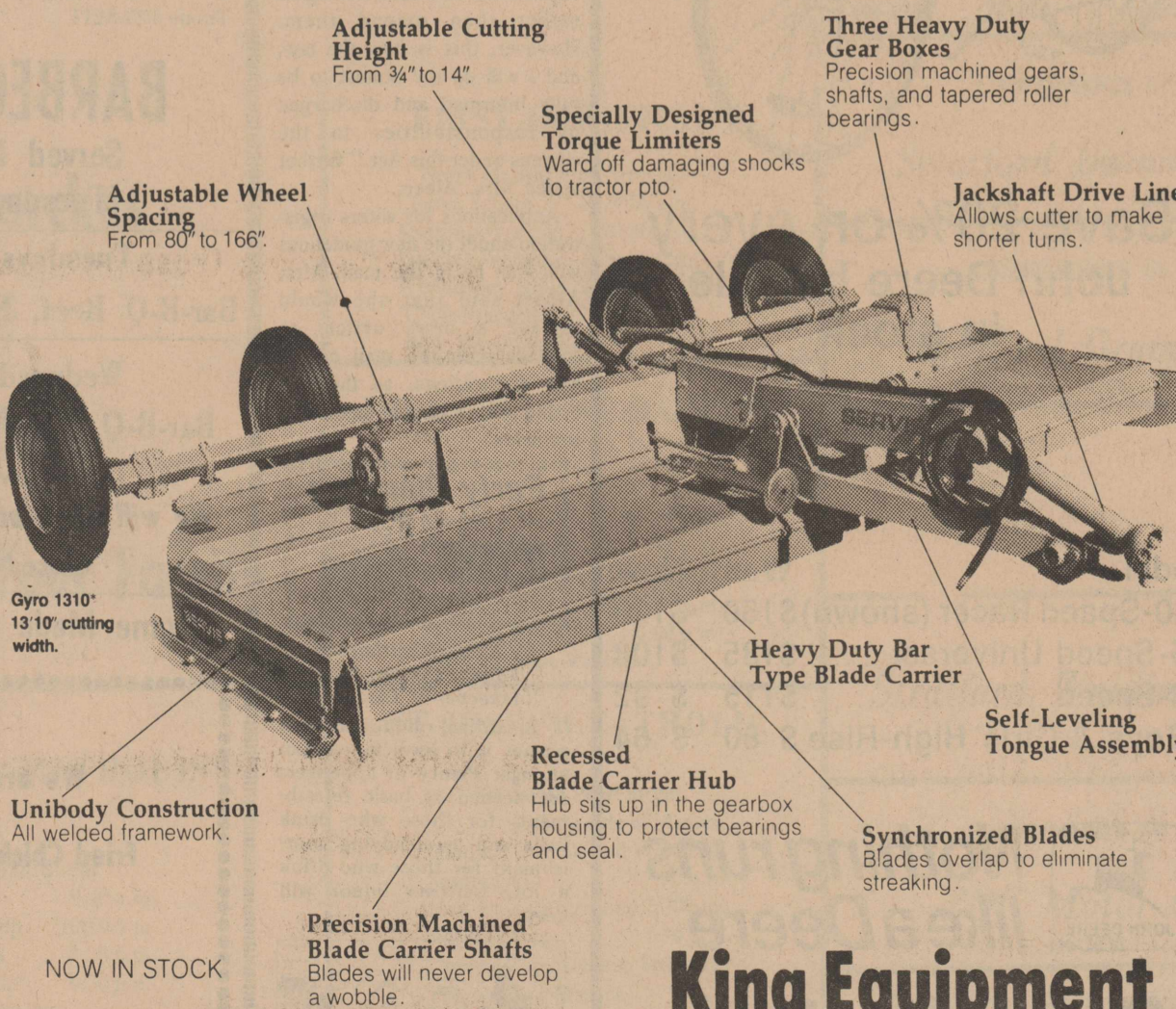
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MOCK WEDDING--Members of Dorothy Halle's Home & Family Living Class at SHS held a wedding Monday and this is the scene during the final part of the ceremony at which time Vicki Bell and Johnny Slover were the couple who tied the knot. Left to right, Bitsey Chesmer, Dalene Prescott, Miss Bell, Wayne Garoutte, Slover, Darrell Doshier, Jeff Wiley, Waide Messer and the rest of the class watched.

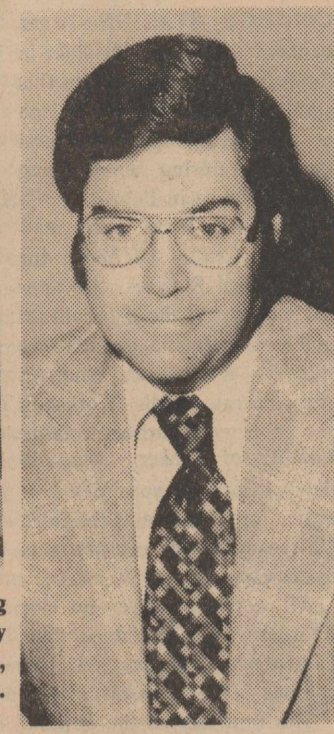
TOWN TALK

Mr. and Mrs. John Lavake and grandchildren, Philip and Laura, returned home last Friday from a vacation in Hawaii. They visited Jerry Walden and toured the island of Maui.

TOWN TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Childs, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Trotter and Buster Whitlock were in Oklahoma City over the weekend for the National Finals Rodeo.

Metcalf Announces Candidacy For District Judge



Judge M. P. (Mike) Metcalf of Dumas, District Judge for the 69th Judicial District, has announced that he will seek election to the office of District Judge of the 69th Judicial District for the balance of the current unexpired term.

Tax Collector Attends State Law Session

Marilyn Albert, Sherman County Tax Assessor-Collector, was in Austin Wednesday to attend a meeting with representatives of the Justice Department who presented requirements for the voters of Texas. The Congress recently extended the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 to cover the State of Texas and Every one of the more than 3,500 political subdivisions of the state.

The 64th Legislature of Texas during 1975 enacted Senate Bill # 300 which was designed to improve voters registration in Texas and to make registration more convenient for all. Under the extension of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 to cover the State of Texas and everyone of the more than 3,500 political subdivisions of the state.

The 64th Legislature of Texas during 1975 enacted Senate Bill # 300 which was designed to improve voters registration in Texas and to make registration more convenient for all. Under the extension of the federal Voting Rights Act every action, no matter how small, must be approved by the Justice Department. This includes such mundane things as moving the voters registration office from one floor of the building to another, changes in election precincts, etc.; all things which formerly were controlled by local government. Failure to comply has and can result in court orders overturning elections conducted after changes were made, if those changes were not approved before they were implemented.

Mrs. Albert stated that she regretted that Representative Hightower, Senator Bentsen and Senator Tower, all of Texas saw fit to vote to extend the Voting Rights Act to Texas. "In my opinion Texas voters were among some of the better "protected" voters in the United States and that federal supervision will limit our rights rather than extend them. However, this is now the law, and I will do my utmost to be fully informed and discharged by responsibilities to the citizens under this Act," further stated Mrs. Albert.

Applications for voters registration under the new guidelines will soon be in the mail. Mrs. Albert said that she would release a news article to coincide with the mail out of new applications, as there is bound to be a certain amount of confusion.

Party Planning



TIPS
By Klaus Schattleiner, Former Holiday Inn "Innkeeper of The Year"

A cardinal rule for cocktail parties is to have more than enough. Plenty of appetizers are needed as basic refreshments for those who drink little and as steady nourishment for those who drink a lot. Leftover liquor will keep.



formally announce my candidacy in the 1976 elections."

Judge Metcalf has been active in civic and professional work. He served as vice president of the 69th judicial district bar association, is a member of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association, the National District Attorneys Association, the Texas Bar Association and the American Bar Association. His civic work has included being a board member and treasurer of the YMCA in Dumas, a member of the United Good Neighbors and Rotary International. Judge Metcalf is presently a deacon of the First Christian Church and chairman of the board of the Dumas Family Service Center. Judge Metcalf is married to the former Linda Shepard from Arlington, and the couple have two children, Amy and Chris.

Make Sure Drivers License Address Correct

The Texas Department of Public Safety advises that all Texas drivers should examine their Texas drivers license to verify that the address on their license is correct. If his address is incorrect, it will be necessary to contact the local Drivers License Office as soon as possible. It is a misdemeanor offense for not changing your address within 10 days after moving. This particular law is going to be enforced more strictly in the future. The procedure for changing an address on a license is to have a duplicate license made with a new picture and a one dollar fee.

The Drivers License Law, V.C.S. 66876, Sec. 20, states that whenever any person after applying for or receiving an Operator's, Commercial Operator's or Chauffeur's license shall move from the address named in such application or in the license issued to him or when the name of the licensee is changed by marriage or otherwise, such person shall within ten (10) days thereafter notify the Department in writing of his old and new addresses or of such former and new names, of the number of any license then held by him, and such person shall apply for a duplicate license as set out in Section 14.

Section 14 states that in the event that an Operator's Commercial Operator's or Chauffeur's license issued under the provisions of this Act is lost, destroyed or there is a change in pertinent information, the person to whom the same was issued may obtain a duplicate or correction thereof upon furnishing proof satisfactory to the Department that such permit or license was lost or destroyed or upon the supplying of the required information which has changed, together with proof acceptable to the Department supporting such change, and upon the payment of a fee of one dollar.

Santa Fe To Make Improvements

Santa Fe Industries, Inc., plans to spend \$233 million for capital improvements during 1976. John S. Reed, chairman and chief executive officer, announced today. This compares with estimated expenditures of \$245 million in 1975.

Santa Fe Railway, the principal members of the Transportation group, will spend about \$125 million next year compared with \$176 million in 1975. The decrease is due to reduced equipment needs as a result of the large expenditures for locomotives and cars over the last few years, Reed said. He added that Santa Fe's program for improvement to roadway and structures, which totals about \$53 million, is 6 percent higher than the 1975 expenditures.

The Natural Resources group expects to spend \$73 million, compared with \$50 million in 1975. Over \$62 million is programmed for oil and mineral exploration and development including acquisition of new leases. More than \$10 million has been budgeted for forest products operations, including improvements to Kirby Lumber Corp.'s sawmill, construction of a railroad tie mill and a new retail outlet in the Houston area for Walker Kurth Lumber Co.

In the Real Estate group, about \$10.7 million in expenditures are planned compared with \$5.3 million in 1975. Additional land will be acquired for industrial development purposes, and existing property

will be improved by addition of roads and utilities. There will be miscellaneous additions to a number of current projects; and development of a rock crushing facility in Arizona by Robert E. McKee, Inc., to provide railway track ballast.

Major items in the railway's plans include 1,922 new freight cars; 100 new 40-foot trailers for TOFC operations; rebuilding or conversion of 29 diesel locomotive units; installation of 460 miles of continuous welded rail; completion of a \$50 million computerized yard at Barstow, Calif.

Expenditures for other transportation operations are expected to be about \$24 million, compared with \$13 million in 1975. Major expenditures will be made to accommodate expanding pipeline traffic. They include installation of new pumping stations and connections to new customers on both Gulf Central and Chaparral pipelines, and expansion of anhydrous ammonia refrigerated storage capacity for Gulf Central Storage and Terminal Co.



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Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Parvin
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TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED TAXPAYING VOTERS OF GROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 2, NORTH OF THE CANADIAN RIVER IN TEXAS. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an election will be held within and for GROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NO. 2, NORTH OF THE CANADIAN RIVER IN TEXAS, on the 17th day of January, 1976, at the polling places hereinafter set out, within said District in accordance with a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of said District, as follows, to-wit:

"BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of ground Water Conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River: 1. That an election shall be held within and for said Ground Water Conservation District No. 2, North of the Canadian River (hereafter referred to as "The District") on the 17th day of January, 1976, in the election precincts hereinafter set forth and at the polling places hereinafter set forth, all within said District, at which election there shall be submitted to the qualified resident taxpaying voters of said District the election of one (1) Precinct Director for Precincts One (1), Two (2) and Three (3) of the District, and the election of two County Committeemen from each county composing the District, for a two year term. 11. Upon each of the ballots used in said election shall be placed the names of the candidates for Precinct Director to be elected as follows

Director's Precinct No 1-- Territory within the District which is situated in each of the following counties: OCHILTREE and LIPSCOMB Roy Stollings.

Director's Precinct No. 2-- Territory within the District which is situated in each of the following counties HANSFORD AND HUTCHINSON N.F. Renner.

Director's Precinct No 3. Territory within the District which is situated in SHERMAN COUNTY: Luther Browder III. Upon each of the ballots used at said election shall be placed the names of the candidates for County Committeemen to be elected for each county composing the District as follows:

OCHILTREE COUNTY
Bill Pletcher
Johnny Daniels

HANSFORD COUNTY
Ned Turner
Frank Pitman

HUTCHINSON COUNTY
Milford Lambright
Nolan Holt

SHERMAN COUNTY
Horce Sneed
Neal Spurlock

LIPSCOMB COUNTY
Roland Wheat
Dan Sell
Garner Schoenhalz

IV. Blank spaces shall be left in order that the names of other persons may be written in Each person (voter) residing in Director's Precincts Nos. 1, 2 and 3, as set forth above, shall vote for only one Director, namely for Director for the Director's Precinct in which the voter resides. All voters may vote for the candidate of their choice by placing an "X" in the square beside the name or by scratching or marking out all other names in that race and leaving the name of such Director on the ballot. All voters desiring to cast a vote for a candidate whose name is not on the ballot may do so by writing the name of the person in the blank space provided on the ballot and by placing an "X" in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all other candidates appearing on the ballot for Precinct Director. Each person residing in the

counties composing the District, as set forth above, shall vote for two (2) County Committeemen for the county in which the voter resides. Each person may vote for the candidates of his choice by placing an "X" in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all other names in that race and leaving the name of the County Committeemen on the ballot. All persons desiring to cast a vote for a candidate whose name is not on the ballot, may do so by writing the name of that person in the blank space provided on the ballot and by placing an "X" in the square beside the name, or by scratching or marking out all but two candidates appearing or written in on the ballot.

V. The area comprising the District is hereby divided into the following election precincts, to include all or that part of the county designated which lies within the district, such election to be held at the polling places indicated and conducted by the following election officers:

ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 1 OCHILTREE COUNTY
Polling Place: Ochiltree County Courthouse, Perryton, Texas
Presiding Judge: J.H. Kershaw
Assistant Judge: Harry Reimer
Clerk: Ann Ellis
Clerk: Cecil Lecht

ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 1-LIPSCOMB COUNTY
Polling Place: Lipscomb County Courthouse, Lipscomb, Texas
Presiding Judge: Bob Albin
Assistant Judge: Earnest King
Clerk: Mrs. Ruth Ella May
Clerk: Mrs. Mark Rogers

ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 2-HANSFORD COUNTY
Polling Place: Hansford County Courthouse, Spearman, Texas
Presiding Judge: Joe Day
Assistant Judge: John P. Vernon
Clerk: Mrs. B.J. Garnett
Clerk: Merle Washington

ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 2-HUTCHINSON COUNTY
Polling Place: Pringle School House
Presiding Judge: Eugene Weeks
Assistant Judge: Loy Hiller
Clerk: Mrs. E.R. Robertson
Clerk: Dean Lieb

ELECTION PRECINCT NO. 3-SHERMAN COUNTY
Polling Place: Sherman County Courthouse, Stratford, Texas
Presiding Judge: Mrs. Joe Billington
Assistant Judge: Mrs. W.J. Lowe
Clerk: Mrs. Ernest Cummings
Clerk: Mrs. Ira Devine

VI That such election shall be held and conducted and returns made to the Board of Directors of the District, in accordance with the general election laws of Texas, except as same are modified by the provisions of Chapter 25, Acts of the 39th Legislature of Texas of 1925, together with all amendments and additions thereto.

VII. That the President and Secretary of the District shall give notice of this election by causing a substantial copy of this resolution or notice containing the same to be published once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a newspaper or newspapers of general circulation published in the bounds of the District, the first publication to be not less than twenty-one (21) nor more than thirty-five (35) days prior to the date of the election.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 1st day December, 1975.
/s/ Gaston Wells
President, Board of Directors
ATTENST: /s/ Robert Thompson
Secretary
(Published Dec. 18-25-Jan 1, 1976.)

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HELP WANTED--Part or full time. Apply at the Dairy Queen. 18-tfc

HELP WANTED--waitresses and dishwashers, morning or evening shift, apply in person at The Hindquarters, Hwy 54 in Stratford. 49-3tc

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WANTED--Land Listings--Irrigated, dry or grass. HAMBLY REAL ESTATE, Hwy 287, Dumas, TX. Office 935-5651. Res. 935-3566. 48-tfc

FORMER EARL GAROUTTE HOME for sale, contact G.R. Garrison. 40-tfc

FOR SALE--Three bedroom house, nice. Roy Lusk Real Estate, Nell Wall, Stratford 396-5588. 40-tfc

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FOR SALE--12x65 Three Bedroom Mobile Home on 2 1/2 lots. Call 396-5355. 45-tfc

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- 12-2 Ray Brandvik-75 Ford-Bill Harris
- 12-3 Jerry Blazier 72 Chev. Blake's Used Cars
- 12-3 Robert Gilmore-73 Chev. Panhandle Chev.
- 12-3 Mrs. Billy McBee 72 Buick-W.D. McBee
- 12-4 Raymond Wiley 67 Chev. Jerrell Doshier
- 12-4 Enrique Duran 75 Chev. Duncan Chev.
- 12-4 Freddy Hughes 76 Chev. Duncan Chev.
- 12-4 N.D. Carter 76 Ford Owens Ford
- 12-4 Beaver Cattle Co. 74 Ford. J.C. OBrien
- 12-4 Johnny Crownover-75 Chev. Hudburg Jones Chev.
- 12-5 Gail McDaniel 75 Chev. Duncan Chev.
- 12-8 Keith Burrow-70 Plymouth-Miller Motors
- 12-8 Quirk and Lasley-75 GMC Farm Service, Inc.
- 12-8 Michelle Hicks-72 Chev. Duncan Chev.
- 12-8 Sherman Implement-76 Ford-Corral Ford
- 12-8 James Helms-69 Dodge Jerry's Ford Sales

AUTO REGISTRATIONS

- 12-1-75 C.G. Adcock-75 Mercury-Scardello Ford
- 12-1-75 Beaver's Fertilizer '38 Ford Beaver Hamilton
- 12-1-75 Beaver's Fertilizer 46 Lincoln, Beaver Hamilton
- 12-1-75 J.W. Flores 76 GMC Moore Imp.
- 12-1-75 Ernest Ellison 76 Chev. Duncan Chev.
- 12-2-75 Oma Ellison 76 Chev. Duncan Chev.
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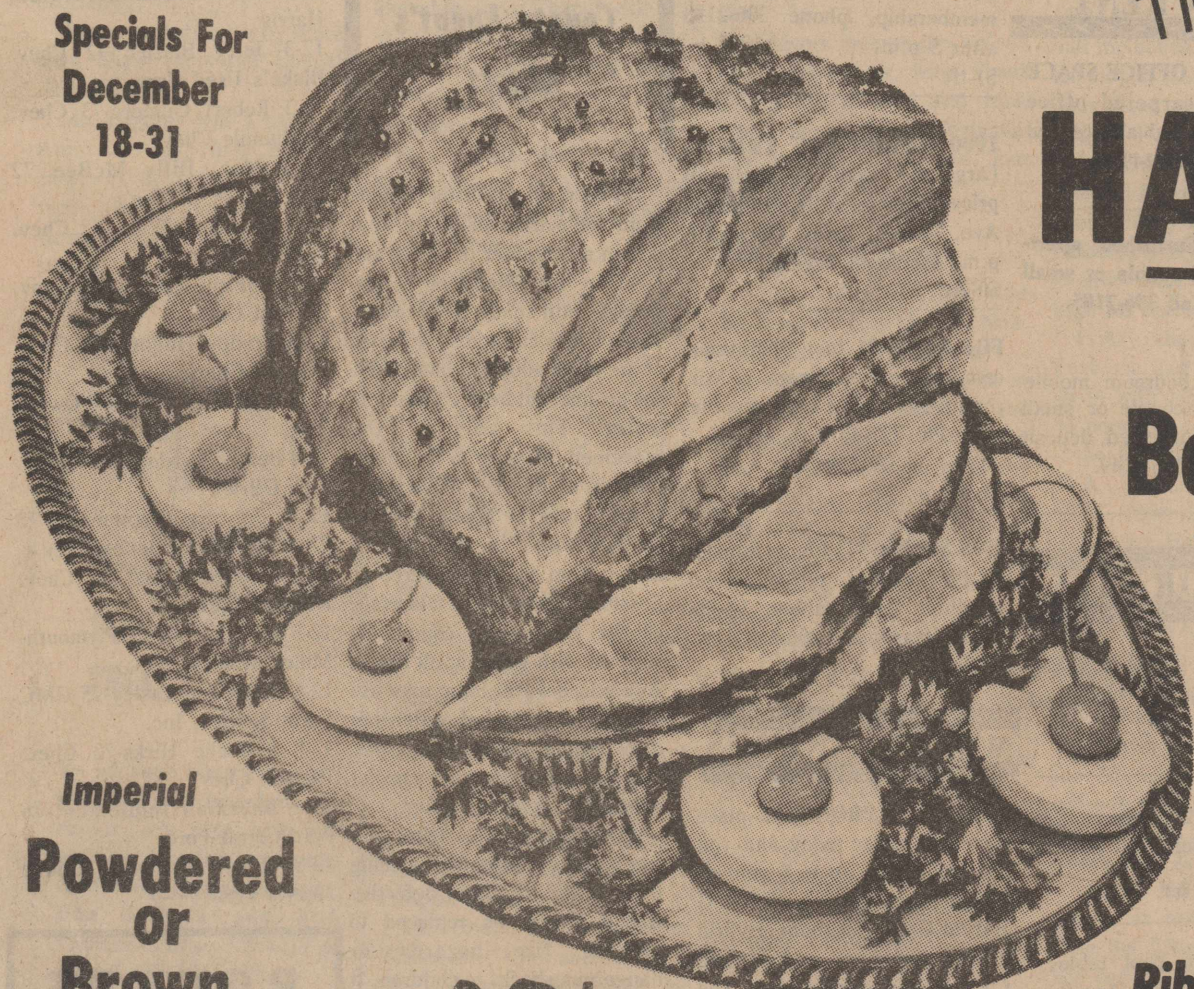


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Oleo lb 69¢

9 oz Ctn
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YAMS
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