

Bogata Council Grants Rate Increase To CPS

The Bogata City Council, meeting in regular session Tuesday night, approved what was termed a "keep up with

inflation" rate increase for Community Public Service Company.

The increase would bring the

rate of return on money which the company has invested in the Bogata District, of which Bogata is a part, to 8.01 per

cent. The increase is geared to protect the small residential consumer, such as those on fixed income, by smaller increases for low kilowatt hour consumers.

The rate increase was presented to the council by local Bogata manager Galen Legate, and by James Hall and Danny Barren.

In other business, A. J. Stephenson brought before the council the problem of sanitation within the city caused by livestock and poultry, and said that drainage, which possibly may be raw sewage in the creek behind the Theford Homes is causing an odor. Stephenson is director of the homes. He said that most of the livestock and poultry kept within the city limits does not create a health problem, but that controls should be placed on the maintenance of livestock lots. The source of the drainage problem in the creek is to be checked by Tommy Williams, city employee.

Councilman Tommy Corbell, who is chairman of the solid waste committee of the council, said that he would investigate the possibility of getting help from the Army Reserve engineering unit in Paris to help with the Bogata City Dump as they did last week with the Bogata City Dump. The cost to the City of Bogata for covering their dump and digging a trench for future dumping was limited to the cost of the fuel consumed, about \$70.

C. R. Williams President Of Talco-Bogata Board

C. R. Williams of Bogata was elected president of the Talco-Bogata school board Tuesday night following the approval of the April 3 election results which named three new members to the board.

Williams, an incumbent, was elected to a one year term; Kenneth Jeffery and Gene Smith were elected to three year terms, and A. D. Stephenson was elected to a two year unexpired term.

Jerry Stansell was elected vice president of the board, and Stephenson was named secretary.

In major action taken by the Board, all auxiliary employees (secretaries, aides, cafeteria workers, bus drivers, janitors) presently employed were reemployed for the 1976-77 school year. Title I employees and those employed with Plan A funds, were hired contingent on funds being available for these programs. Also, Plan A teachers who are presently employed in the district were reemployed contingent on funds being available for this program.

In other matters pertaining to personnel, the resignation of Pam Raley as music and

language teacher in the Talco School was accepted.

Other action taken by the Board was as follows:

Approval was given to the Final Application for Foundation Funds to be received through the Texas Education Agency.

The following school policy was approved: "No unlicensed driver is permitted to drive or park a vehicle on school grounds at the Bogata or Talco Elementary Schools during school hours."

Board approval was given to the school district to join the Texas Association of Community Schools. The purpose of this organization is to present needs of community schools such as the Talco-Bogata Schools to the 65th Legislature which convenes in January, 1977.

A chain or gate is to be installed at the entry of the passage road through the Bogata Campus for safety reasons.

Approval was given to the sale of all old band uniforms belonging to the school district if this can be done.

Board meetings will be held

at 7:30 p.m. during Daylight Saving Time.

Jimmy Haynes, Jim Pirtle, and Jack Franklin were appointed to the Board of Equalization subject to their acceptance.

A vote of support and cooperation was given by the Board to proposed plans for a Classroom Teachers Organization in the school district.

Opinions were expressed concerning the need for a double tennis court on the Rivercrest Campus with the superintendent and principal to furnish cost estimates and possible financing plans for the proposed project.

In final action, the various financial reports of the school district were approved as presented. Tentative plans call for the Board to meet in special session sometime in the next few weeks to interview and/or employ applicants for the various coaching and teaching vacancies in the district.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, May 4, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. at Rivercrest with the public cordially invited to attend.



DIGGING OUT—The 952 Engineering Co. of the Army Reserve, Paris, covered the Bogata City Dump, then dug this giant trench for future dumping. The project was completed in one weekend, and the cost to the City of Bogata was limited to the fuel used by the equipment. (Staff Photo).

Area 4-H Horse Show Held

By Weldon G. Riggs
Franklin County
Extension Agent

The first in a series of five 4-H sponsored Horse Shows in the North-East Texas area was held Saturday, April 10, in Mt. Vernon. A total of 37 entrants from eight counties partici-

pated in the successful show, states Weldon G. Riggs, Franklin County Extension Agent. This first show was a worry to the leaders and agents involved in the five county show series as this is the first time a series of shows have been tried in the area.

Future shows will be held in Wood, Hopkins, Lamar, and Titus Counties the second Saturday each month until August. 4-H members will be competing for high point awards to be presented at the conclusion of the series. Each county sponsoring a show is presenting a high point trophy to the county winning the most points at each show.

Winners in the Franklin County Show in each division are listed below. Wood County received a total of 84 points and was awarded the high point trophy.

Junior Division Winners

Grade Mares (all ages)—first, Timothy Skidmore; second, Ryan Taylor; third, Dan Poe; fourth, Rebecca Cates.

Registered Mares (under 5 years)—first, Charity Rice; second, Holly Bennett.

Registered Mares (over 5 years)—first, Sharon Taylor; second, Tarena Daniel.

Grade Geldings (all ages)—first, Mark Francis; second, Jenny Angelo; third, Dana Morrow.

Registered Geldings (under 5 years)—first, Trena Wisdom; second, Renee Wirt.

Reining—first, Renee Wirt; second, Dan Poe.

Western Pleasure—first, Re-

nee Wirt; second, Shawn Taylor; third, Charity Rice; fourth, Dan Poe; fifth, Tarena Daniel; sixth, Timothy Skidmore.

Pole Bending—first, Ryan Taylor; second, Jan Matthews; third, Dan Poe; fourth, Cathleen Gandy.

Barrel Racing—first, Jan Matthews; second, Ryan Taylor; third, Rhonda Barker; fourth, Tarena Daniel; fifth, Cathleen Gandy; sixth, Dan Poe.

Senior Division Winners

Grade Mares (all ages) — first, Dawn Bennett; second, Bret Skidmore; third, David Cates.

Registered Mares (under 5 years)—first, Carla Poe.

Registered Mares (over 5 years)—first, Johnette Gandy.

Grade Geldings (all ages)—first, Nancy Reid.

Registered Geldings (under 5 years)—first, Dennis Jones.

Registered Geldings (over 5 years)—first, Pam Taylor.

Reining—first, Trena Wisdom; second, Dennis Jones; third, Carla Poe.

Western Pleasure—first, Carla Poe; second, Dennis Jones; third, Vicki Carrell; fourth, David Cates; fifth, LaDoyce Godfrey.

Pole Bending—first, Jenny Angelo; second, Joe Francis; third, Pam Taylor; fourth, David Cates; fifth, LaDoyce Godfrey; sixth, David Cates.

Junior and Senior Showmanship—first, Dennis Jones; second, Shawn Taylor; third, Trena Wisdom; fourth, Charity Rice; fifth, Nancy Reid; sixth, Holly Bennett.

Adult Division Winners

Reining—first, Ricky Hillburn; second, Sharon Watson.

Western Pleasure—first, Sue Barker; second, Betty Poe; third, Dan Poe; 4th, Ricky Hillburn; fifth, Sharon Watson; sixth, Lanny Lockaby.

Pole Bending—first, Sharon Watson; second, Ricky Hillburn; third, Lanny Lockaby; fourth, Tim Johnson.

Barrel Racing—first, Cathy Lawrence; second, Tim Johnson; third, Ricky Hillburn; fourth, Sharon Watson; fifth, Lanny Lockaby.

Eighth Grade Wins District Track

The Rebel eighth grade won the district track title for the second year in a row Thursday, April 8. Last year as seventh graders they won four track meets, including the district crown. This year their record was nearly perfect again as they only lost one track meet and that was to a 4A school. This year's eighth graders have broken 10 out of the 13 records for eighth grade track at Rivercrest.

The Rebels won the district meet this year with 121 points; second was North Lamar with 93 points; and third was Quitman with 88 points. Fourth was Rains with 56 points; fifth was Wimbrow with 53 points; sixth was Commerce with 51 points; and Mount Vernon was seventh with 32 points.

First place winners were Keith House in the pole vault with a vault of 8'6"; Jimmy Via in the 440 run in 57.7; and the 60 yard high hurdles with a time of 8.4 and Via also won the high jump with a jump of 5'4".

Second place winners were Greg Norman in the long jump with a jump of 18'3", 60 yard high hurdle in 8.6, high jump with a jump of 5'4" and the 100 yard low hurdles with a time of 13.4. Billy Scales also won

second in the discus with a throw of 127'9".

Third place winners were Billy Scales in the 100 yard dash with a time of 11.3, and Alvin Jordan in the shot put with a throw of 42'7".

Fourth place winners were Billy Scales, Roger Galloway, Jimmy Via and Greg Norman in the 880 yard relay with a time of 1:46.5; Joe Vickers in the 880 run with a time of 2:20.0; Billy Scales in the 220 dash with a time of 26.4; and Roger Galloway in the high jump with a jump of 5'0".

Fifth place winners were Roger Galloway in the 100 yard low hurdles with a time of 14.3; David Birchfield in the 1320 run with a time of 3:54.7; and Dale Jean in the pole vault with a vault of 7'6".

Sixth place winners were Neil Mankins, David Birchfield, Charles Savage, and Roger Galloway in the 440 relay with a time of 52.0; Charles Savage in the 1320 run with a time of 3:57.1; and Alvin Jordan in the discus with a throw of 106'10".

Seventh place winners were Billy Scales, Roger Galloway, Jimmy Via and Greg Norman in the 880 yard relay with a time of 1:46.5; Joe Vickers in the 880 run with a time of 2:20.0; Billy Scales in the 220 dash with a time of 26.4; and Roger Galloway in the high jump with a jump of 5'0".

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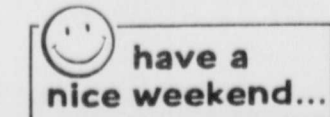
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Cecil's Grocery Sold To Stephens And Drury

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Cecil announced last week that Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Stephens and Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Drury have purchased their grocery store and the name will be changed from "Cecil's Grocery" to "The Store." New owners took charge Monday.

Tommy and Riba Cecil, after 19 years, plan to rest awhile before making further plans. The Cecils came to Talco from Greenville in 1957 when they in partnership with Mrs. Cecil's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pirtle, bought the business from Mr. and Mrs. Renford Sikes. After four years, the Pirtles sold their interest in the store to the Cecils and went to Bogata.

Cecil, a native of Greenville and Mrs. Cecil, a native of Johnstown, have one son, Steve Cecil, who is employed at the Texas Employment Office in Mount Pleasant. He plans to return to East Texas State University this summer to further his education.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Stephens came to Talco from Lawton, Oklahoma where he was in the insurance business. They have one daughter, Trish, who is a freshman at ETSU in Commerce.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Drury came from Kerrville, Texas where he owned a distributorship. They have one son, Bill,

who will be a junior at Rivercrest next year.

Stephens, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Stephens, is a former Talco and Mount Pleasant resident.

Drury, a native of Dallas attended ETSU where he met Mrs. Drury.

Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Drury are the former Francis and Janice Gieger, daughters of the late Goffery and Rose Gieger of Talco.

Mrs. Lorena McFerrin, long time employee in the meat market is retiring.

Denise Ward To Compete In Regional Golf, Discus, Shot Put

Denise Ward, a senior at Rivercrest High School, will represent District 15AA at the Girls Regional Golf meet to be held in Arlington April 21 and 22. Miss Ward won first place in district competition held at Cypress Creek Country Club on Lake Cypress Springs last Wednesday.

Miss Ward, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ward of Bogata, is a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, Future Homemakers of America, and Allied Youth. During the 75-76 season she has also participated in UIL volleyball, basketball, track and tennis. She will represent the district in regional competition in discus and shot put.

Others representing Rivercrest in the district meet were Kathy Brooks, who placed third, and Jo Ann Stubblefield, who placed seventh.

CECIL'S GROCERY—Mrs. Tommy (Reba) Cecil, center, and her husband, not pictured, have sold their grocery store in Talco to Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Drury, left, and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Stephens, right. (Staff Photo).

Hospital News

David A. Stephens is a patient in the Titus County Memorial Hospital.

Tom Barthel has been dismissed from the St. Michael's Hospital in Texarkana.

R. H. Harper is home after surgery in the Wilson N. Jones Hospital in Sherman, Texas.

Mrs. Minnie Bond has been dismissed from the Mount Pleasant Hospital and Clinic.

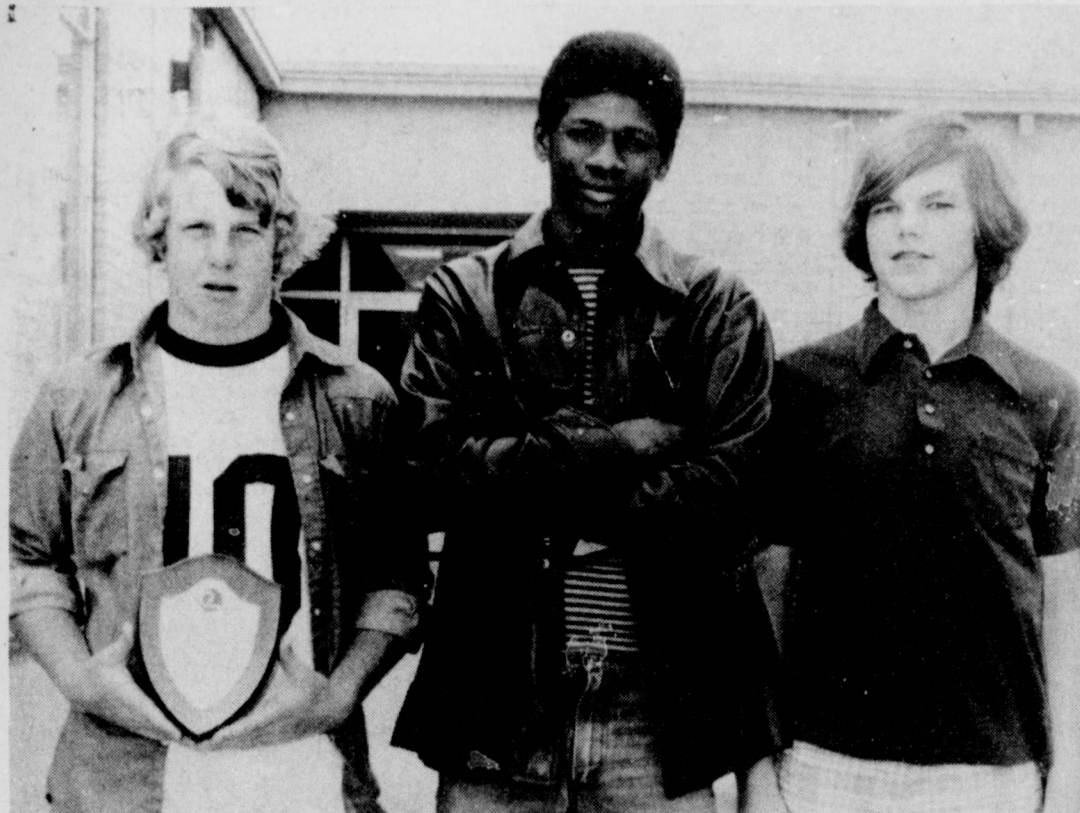


DENISE WARD and Betty Fulbright will represent Rivercrest and District 15AA in the regional track meet in Arlington April 21. Miss Ward won first in district discus and shot put, and Miss Fulbright won second in the 60 yard dash. Miss Ward will also compete in the regional golf meet in Arlington April 20, 21 and 22. (Staff Photo).

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Tax Office To Close

The Talco-Bogata School District Tax Office will be closed Thursday, Friday, Monday and Tuesday, April 15, 16, 19 and 20, according to Richard Garrison, Tax Assessor-Collector.



LAND JUDGING—Taking second place in Land Judging in the Soil Conservation Service field day March 30 was this Rivercrest FFA team composed of Steve Alford, Marlon Savage and Edward Deaton. The team was coached by Pete Taylor. (Staff Photo).

CB Club To Sponsor Political Rally

According to Mrs. Irene Backus of Clarksville the 7-11 Transceivers C. B. Club of Clarksville is sponsoring a political rally at the American Legion Park in Clarksville April 17 at 6:30. This is for all candidates in the First Congressional District as well as local candidates. Each candidate will be allowed 10 minutes time.

An Old Fashioned Pie Auction will be held and the public is invited to attend.

SCHOOL Lunch Menu

Bogata, Talco and
Rivercrest
April 21 through
April 23, 1976

WEDNESDAY
Hot dogs with chili
Pinto beans
Cole slaw
Peach cobbler

THURSDAY
Chicken fried steak
English peas
Mashed potatoes
Hot rolls
Banana pudding
Milk

FRIDAY
Hamburgers
Seasoned beans
Lettuce and tomato salad
Ice cream
Milk

Johnstown News

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Green and daughter of Tyler were weekend visitors of her father, R. C. Hinson and family.

Mrs. Myrtle Black was dismissed Sunday from McCuiston Hospital where she underwent surgery on her eyes.

Bill Black of Odessa is visiting this week with his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Black.

Mrs. Oma Gantlin spent the weekend in Mount Pleasant with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crabtree.

Mrs. John Sales was dismissed Tuesday from Red River County Hospital where she has been a patient the past week.

Mrs. E. V. Pirtle was among a group from Bogata, Talco and Mount Pleasant to attend the Grand Ole Opry at Nashville, Tennessee over the weekend.

Visiting during the week with Mr. and Mrs. John Sales and Jo were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sales of Bisbee, Arizona and their daughter, Mrs. Roy Weeks of Dallas.

Mrs. Junior Black of Fort Worth and Mrs. Laura Ford of Commerce visited Tuesday night in the home of their father and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Wicks.

Dave Baxter is a patient at the Red River Haven Nursing Home.

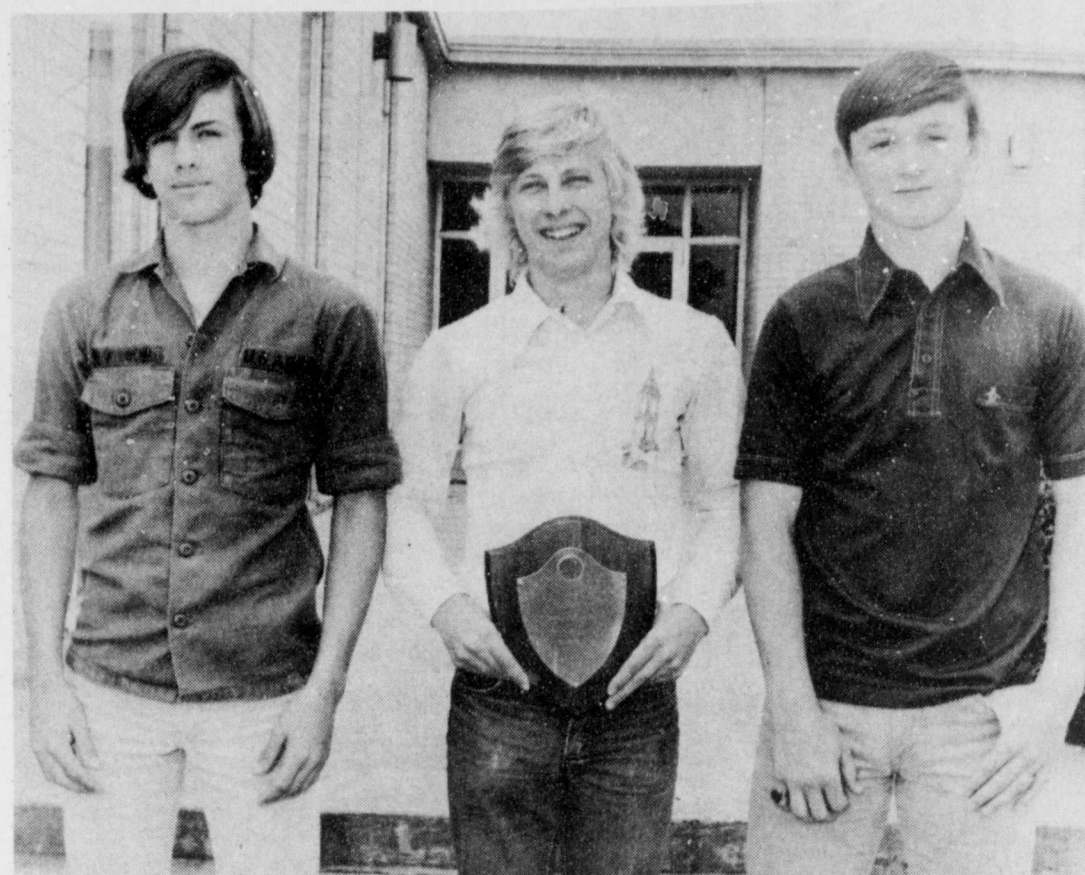
Visiting over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Wicks was his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Spivey and son of Jacksonville.

John Hervey and son, Kenneth, of Burkburnett, Texas visited with his brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hervey and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hervey.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hawkins were in Longview Sunday visiting with his sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. (Chick) Dryden. Mrs. Dryden has been a patient in a Longview hospital but was reported to be at home and doing fine.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hervey were John Hervey and Kenneth Hervey of Burkburnett, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hervey, Mr. and Mrs. Butch Hervey and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Hervey and daughter and Mrs. Jean Jones of Talco.

Those from here that are in the hospital this week are Mrs.



GRASS AND LEGUME—Winning first place in the Grass and Legume contest at

Bull Pine Ranch were Doug Easterling, Greg Guest and Kip Stansell, all members of

the Rivercrest FFA, and coached by Craig Ingram. (Staff Photo).



WOODLAND TEAM—Rivercrest's Diego Navia, Jeff Vaughan and Eddie Belcher won first place in the Woodland judging contest at Bull Pine Ranch last week. Belcher also won a plaque for high individual score in Woodland judging. Pete Taylor of the Rivercrest Vo-Ag staff was their instructor. (Staff Photo).

Rebelettes Fourth In District Track Meet

The Rivercrest Rebellette track team placed fourth in the District 15AA track meet held in Commerce last Thursday.

Denise Ward, who took first in the shot and first in the discus, and Betty Fulbright, who took second in the 60 yard dash, will represent the Rebellettes at the Regional meet in Arlington on Saturday, April 24.

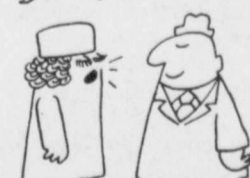
Dave Baxter and Eugene Staples.

April Hudson of Talco was an overnight guest Friday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pirtle.

Gene Hawkins, Jim and E. V. Pirtle enjoyed a camping trip Thursday and Friday on Sulphur River.

have a
nice weekend...

Be a good listener



**RE-ELECT
Hubert Martin**



**COUNTY
COMMISSIONER**
Precinct THREE For
Second Term, Democratic
Primary, May 1, 1976
(Paid for by
Hubert Martin)

Food Origins

Provolone is a light, yellow and semihard cheese that originated in Italy. Although no one knows when the first chocolate bar was invented, Italian chocolate makers were selling rolls of chocolate as far back as the 18th century. The word "sausage" is derived from the Latin "salsus," meaning salted.



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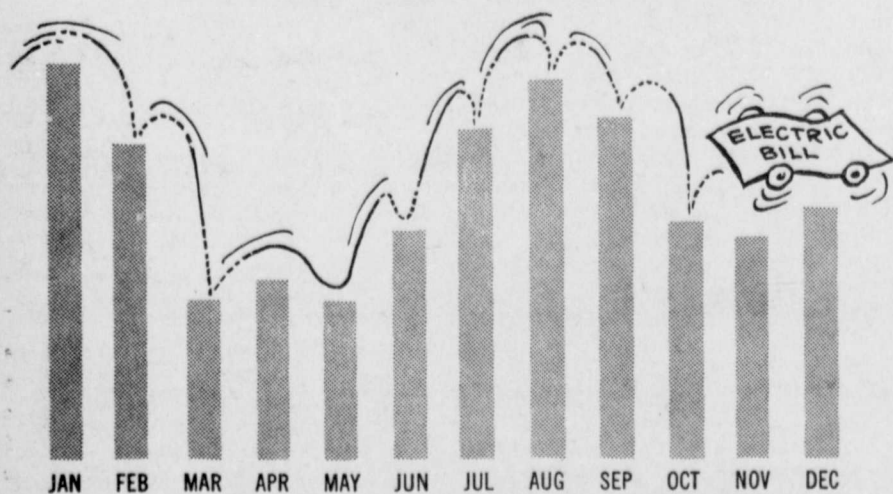
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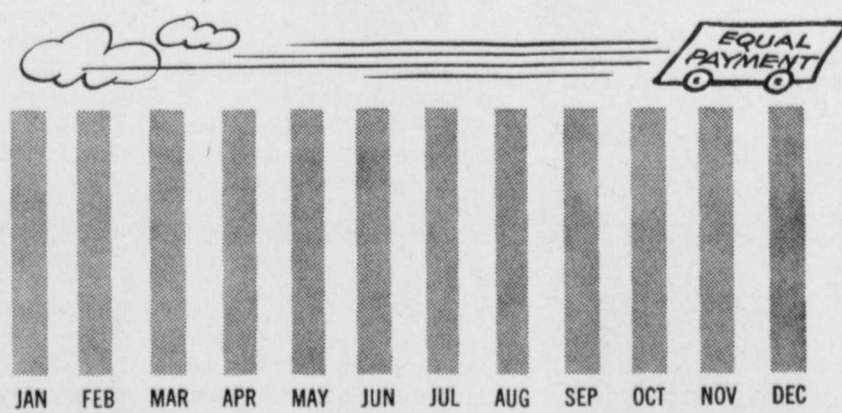


**Say goodbye to
seesawing electric bills...**



Usually when temperatures vary from season to season — rising high during some months and dipping during others — this causes your utility bill to do the same. The Equal Payment Plan offered by Community Public Service Company can level your bills so that planning a monthly budget can be easier and more accurate. Under this plan, you still pay for the actual amount of electric service you use, but your total bill for the year is estimated and divided into 12 equal monthly payments for your budgeting

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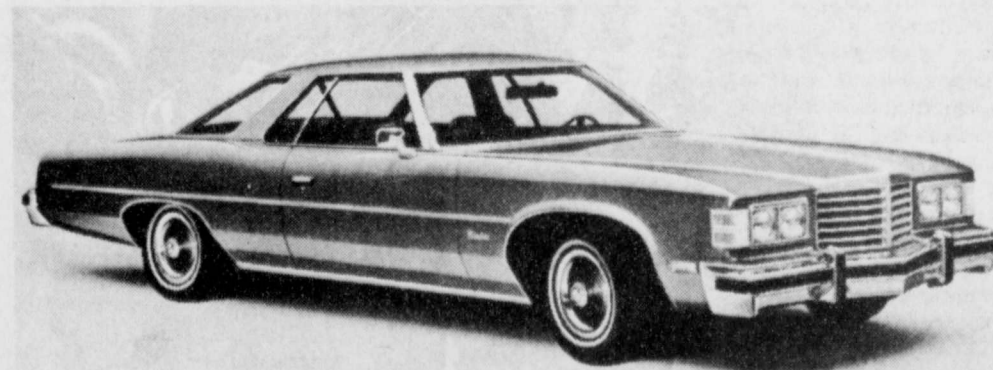
convenience. Your bill will show the charge for actual usage each month. If we find that you've used more or less electricity than we first estimated, we will contact you and adjustments will be made. If you are interested in the Equal Payment Plan, call Community Public Service Company soon.

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BIG JOB—An embankment between the dumping area at the Deport City Dump and Highway 271 was built over the weekend by these units of the 952 Engineering Co. of the Army Reserve based in Paris. The reserve soldiers meet one weekend a month, and completed this project for the City of Deport. Other projects which have received help from the Paris Army Reserve engineering unit was Woodall Little League Park, the game management area on Pat Mayse, and different projects at Paris Junior College. The Sargeant in charge of the Deport project was Mike Inniss of Paris. (Staff Photo).

Baseball Schedule

Rivercrest
April 15 Through
April 23, 1976

April 22, Rains, 4:30, Here. +
+ Indicates Conference games.

Municipal Airport Funds Available

The Texas Aeronautics Commission (TAC) will begin studying requests from Texas cities and counties seeking state funds through the Texas Airport Aid Program for fiscal year 1977. The legislature has appropriated \$1 million for the new program and the TAC has begun formulation of the 1977 program, prior to September 1, 1976 starting date, in order to expedite planning and funding.

Charles Murphy, TAC Executive Director said priority will be given to those communities prepared to proceed with their projects on a state and local basis since the federal Airport Development Aid Program (ADAP) has been delayed since last June. Murphy said every effort will be made to expedite construction on approved projects to assure their completion within the same fiscal year.

Requests for aid are invited from any community, and communities with FY 1976 requests for federal-state-local funding already on file with the TAC may revise their requests in light of the ADAP delay, or confirm by letter that their applications are still valid under the original terms.

The legislature requires that the TAC limit its grants to a maximum of \$50,000 and to communities of less than 75,000 population. All state grants are made on a 50-50 state-local matching basis. If the airport project is to be financed on a federal-state-local basis, the TAC will participate with 50 percent of the local share. Since state funds are limited, communities are encouraged to

Bogata Native Bequests \$17,000 To Cancer Society



MRS. HETTIE NORDON

Circle Eight Has Meeting

The Circle Eight Communicators C. B. Club met at Hagansport Community Center at 7:30 p.m. for a regular meeting. Blue Goose called the meeting to order with secretary pro-tem, Wonder Woman, reading the minutes of the previous meeting.

The Club gave a donation to the Anderson Boy, who lost all his clothes and furniture in a fire at Talco Saturday, April 3.

There were several visitors at the Club meeting. Those present were Candy Cane, D. D., Salesman, Big Olds, also Mr. and Mrs. Dozier from Lewisville, Texas. The door prize was won by Moma Red Horse with the lucky number being drawn by Camelot. A special program was presented by Boogie Baby, who played and sang country and western songs. Those joining the Club were D. D., Salesman, Big Olds, Poor Boy and Yellow Canary.

The Club voted for the next

make early application. The necessary forms will be furnished upon request and the TAC staff will answer any questions regarding the program.

The Red River County Unit of the American Cancer Society has recently learned of a bequest to the American Cancer Society in the amount of \$17,209.98. The bequest was made by the late Hettie S. Nordon.

Mrs. Nordon, who was born in Red River County, was the daughter of Amos and Laura Super. She lived in Bogata with her family until she attended college. She received a degree from Kidd-Keys College in Sherman, and then resided in Dallas for some years. When she returned to Bogata, she managed the family's land and livestock.

The money, which has been transmitted to the division office in Austin, will be used for cancer research, service and rehabilitation to cancer patients, and public education.

Seventh Grade Sixth In JRR

Rivercrest finished sixth in the seventh grade division junior Rebel Relays at Rivercrest April 2.

First places went to Johnny Birchfield in the 880 yard run with a time of 2:24.2 for a meet record, and to Nicky Eudy in the 60 yard hurdles with a time of 9.1 for a meet record, and a time of 13.0 and a meet record in the 100 yard low hurdles. Eudy was third in the 440 yard dash with a time of 59.2 and Birchfield was fourth with a time of 63.0. The Rebel seventh grade 880 yard relay team was sixth with a time of 1:55.6. Charles Davis was second in the discus with a throw of 108'. Darl Williams made a 78'2" throw for sixth place in the discus. Ronnie Rolan was fourth in pole vault.

In ninth grade competition, David Mullins was third in the 880 yard run with 2:18.9 and Keith Mankins was fifth with 2:21.7. Ricky Franks was fifth in the 330 yard intermediate hurdles with 47.7 and Moore was sixth with 47.8. Terry Williams was second in the 440 yard dash with a time of 54.7, and the 440 yard relay team finished fifth with a time of 48.9.

Ricky Franks took second in the 120 yard high hurdles with a time of 17.8, and Eddie Belcher finished third in the mile run with 5:21.1.

Nicky Brown was second in the high jump, clearing 5'4". Richard Vickers tied for fourth place with Johnson of Comopickton, clearing 10'.

District 15AA Meet Set At Rivercrest

The 15AA District track meet will be held at Rivercrest Thursday, April 22, with all eight teams in the district participating, according to Rivercrest coach Bobby Dobbs.

There will be separate divisions for freshmen and varsity competition. The field events will begin at 9:15 a.m., with the track events beginning at 11:30. Finals will begin at 3:00 p.m.

Six Talco Residents On Bus Tour

By Mrs. Ivy Smith

Six Talco residents, Vivian Westbrook, Ida Welch, Chloe Stephenson, Ivy Smith and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foster returned home Sunday night after accompanying 34 other area residents on a chartered bus three day tour to Nashville, Tennessee. They left Bogata at 5:30 a.m. Friday and after stopping in Texarkana for two other passengers they enjoyed a beautiful scenic trip of over 600 miles and arrived in Nashville at 8:30 p.m. where they had reservations at the Downtowner Motel for the two day stay. After touring downtown Nashville Saturday morning where they viewed the Country Music Hall of Fame and some of the outstanding homes of Stars they spent two hours at the historical "Her-

mitage," touring the home of Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the United States, standing today just as it stood when he left it over one hundred years ago. The beautiful gardens, the Chapel, the smokehouse where the meat was cured and hung, the beautiful old carriage used by "Old Hickory, the Museum and many other historical things all of which was enhanced by the beautiful blooming dogwood, wistaria trees, and the violin shaped drive leading to the Mansion.

Saturday afternoon they attended The Grand Ole Opry Matinee where they made many pictures of the stars, including several comical acts of Roy Acuff. Also admiring the profusion of tulips, Dogwood, Azalias and other colorful

flowers in bloom. Some of the group remained to tour Opry Land while others enjoyed various other attractions that night. Also in the group was another chartered bus of 38 Clarksville area residents.

After leaving Nashville for home Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. they enjoyed a Sunday School service on the bus. The devotional was given by Mrs. Delia Allen of Clarksville and prayers were by Miss Tom Underwood and Mrs. Ann Cody of Bogata. Mrs. Bess Pope of Bogata led the group in singing religious hymns. The busses stopped for rests, refreshments and souvenirs at Little Rock, Arkansas and Memphis, Tennessee.

Thanks to the sponsors, Mrs. Molee Huddleston and Mrs. Dede Lassiter of Bogata, also

Mrs. Sharon Martin Elected President Of Talco PTO

These officers were elected by the Parent-Teachers Organization when it met Tuesday.

President, Mrs. Sharon Martin; vice president, Mrs. Judy Easley; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Carol Sue Whitney; reporter, Mrs. Barbara Brown.

A work day was set for next Monday and Tuesday to paint play ground equipment at the Talco school. Everyone is invited to participate, especially members of the PTO.

the good bus driver and the nice weather, the trip was just about perfect.

Entry Form

Bogata Frontier

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Form 64p (State) (3-76)

State Bank No. 836

Consolidated Report of Condition of "The Talco State Bank"

of Talco in the State of Texas and Domestic Subsidiaries at the close of business on March 31, 1976.

BALANCE SHEET				ASSETS			Sch.	Item	Col.	Mil.	Thou.	
1.	Cash and due from banks	C	7								728	1
2.	U.S. Treasury securities	B	1	E							393	2
3.	Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	B	2	E							125	3
4.	Obligations of States and political subdivisions	B	3	E							424	4
5.	Other bonds, notes, and debentures	B	4	E							None	5
6.	Corporate stock										None	6
7.	Trading account securities										None	7
8.	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell	D	4								300	8
9.	a. Loans, Total (excluding unearned income)	A	10					2	660			9a
	b. Less: Reserve for possible loan losses								None			b
	c. Loans, Net									2	660	c
10.	Direct lease financing										None	10
11.	Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises										36	11
12.	Real estate owned other than bank premises										None	12
13.	Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies										None	13
14.	Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding										None	14
15.	Other assets	G	7								25	15
16.	TOTAL ASSETS (sum of items 1 thru 15)									4	691	16
				LIABILITIES			Sch.	Item	Col.	Mil.	Thou.	
17.	Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	F	1f	A						1	526	17
18.	Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	F	1f	B+C						2	139	18
19.	Deposits of United States Government	F	2	A+B+C							5	19
20.	Deposits of States and political subdivisions	F	3	A+B+C							512	20
21.	Deposits of foreign governments and official institutions	F	4	A+B+C							None	21
22.	Deposits of commercial banks	F	5+6	A+B+C							20	22
23.	Certified and officers' checks	F	7	A							29	23
24.	TOTAL DEPOSITS (sum of items 17 thru 23)									4	231	24
	a. Total demand deposits	F	8	A				1	737			a
	b. Total time and savings deposits	F	8	B+C				2	494			b
25.	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	E	4								None	25
26.	Other liabilities for borrowed money										None	26
27.	Mortgage indebtedness										None	27
28.	Acceptances executed by or for account of this bank and outstanding										None	28
29.	Other liabilities	H	9								107	29
30.	TOTAL LIABILITIES (excluding subordinated notes and debentures)									4	338	30
31.	Subordinated notes and debentures										None	31
				EQUITY CAPITAL								
32.	Preferred stock	a.	No. shares outstanding								None	32
33.	Common stock	a.	No. shares authorized								10,000	33
		b.	No. shares outstanding								10,000	34
34.	Surplus										100	34
35.	Undivided profits										100	35
36.	Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves										53	36
37.	TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 32 thru 36)										353	37
38.	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY CAPITAL (sum of items 30, 31, and 37)									4	691	38

MEMORANDA

1.	Average for 15 or 30 calendar days ending with call date:		435	1a
a.	Cash and due from banks (corresponds to item 1 above)		347	b
b.	Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell (corresponds to item 8 above)		2	c
c.	Total loans (corresponds to item 9a above)		124	d
d.	Time deposits of \$100,000 or more (corresponds to Memoranda items 3a plus 3b below)		4	e
e.	Total deposits (corresponds to item 24 above)		206	f
f.	Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase (corresponds to item 25 above)		None	g
g.	Other liabilities for borrowed money (corresponds to item 26 above)		None	h
2.	Standby letters of credit outstanding		None	2
3.	Time deposits of \$100,000 or more:			
a.	Time certificates of deposit in denominations of \$100,000 or more		124	3a
b.	Other time deposits in amounts of \$100,000 or more		None	b

Ronnie Logan, Vice President & Cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that this report of condition is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: *Ronnie Logan* { Directors.

State of Texas County of Titus, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of April, 1976
and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
My commission expires June, 1977 *Abraham H. Bess* Notary Public.

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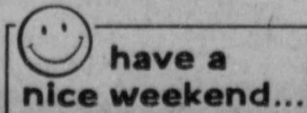
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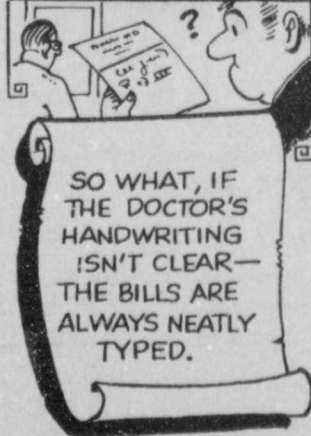
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OBITUARIES

Raymond Wilson

Raymond Moore Wilson, 63, a former Bogata resident died Sunday, March 28, 1976, in Corning, California. Funeral services were held in Paradise, California at the Chapel of the Pines, with burial there.

Wilson was born in Bogata April 14, 1912, the son of John and Bonnie (Ragsdill) Wilson. He was retired from the U. S. Navy.

Survivors include his widow, the former Mildred Whiteman; two sons and one daughter; one brother, J. C. Wilson of Irving; five sisters, Vera McLendon of Dallas, Leopold Lambert of Douglasville, Carmen Whiteman of Clarksville, Nell Wilson of San Diego, California and Dorothy Petty of Irving; and nine grandchildren.

Grady Burnett

Grady Burnett, well known business man and civic participant, died suddenly Saturday morning, April 10, 1976, at 1:30 a.m. in Titus County Memorial Hospital from a heart attack.

Burnett was born in Sulphur, Oklahoma, on January 9, 1905 but had resided in Mount Pleasant for many years.

At the time of his death Burnett was associated with the local Shell Oil Company. He was a member of the First Baptist Church where he was Director of Adult IV Sunday School Department and chairman of ushers.

He was a veteran of World War II spending two years in England; former member of the Kiwanis Club and currently a Rotarian.

Always friendly to those he met, he enjoyed working in his garden, and was very generous with his vegetables, sharing with his friends.

Burnett served on the City Council from 1964-1968.

He was married to Ida Vaughan Hunt for the past 17 years. Besides his widow, he leaves a step-daughter, Alice Faye Hunt Laeger of Hemingford, Nebraska; and two step-grandchildren, Frank Wilson and Sherri Wilson.

Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Grady Ward of Mount Pleasant and Mrs. Marshall Sikes of Talco; two brothers, Cecil and Roy Burnett, both of Mount Pleasant.

Services were held at Bates-Cooper-Weems Chapel Sunday, April 11, at 4:00 p.m. with burial in the Forest Lawn Memorial Park. The Rev. Curtis Crofton of the First Baptist Church and the Rev. Paul Campbell of Highland Park Baptist Church officiated.

Mrs. C. D. Couch

Mrs. W. C. Jeffery received word Sunday of the death of her sister, Mrs. C. D. Couch, 78, of Nashville, Arkansas in a Texarkana Hospital following surgery on Friday. Funeral services were held Monday, April 12, 1976 in Nashville with burial there.

Among the survivors are one daughter, one son, and several grandchildren.

Attending services from this area were her sister, Mrs. Jeffery, and these nieces and nephews, Kenneth Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Couch, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wilkerson and Mr. and Mrs. Odes Porterfield.

Mrs. Willie Helms

Mrs. Willie Jane Helms, 82, of Mount Pleasant, died in the McCuiston Regional Medical Center Monday, April 5, 1976.

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Lindenman Chapel in the Clarksville Funeral Home. Burial was made in Bluff Cemetery. Bennie Cogburn officiated.

Mrs. Helms was born in Tennessee October 29, 1891. She was a member of the Baptist Church. She was the former Miss Willie Argo.

Survivors include three sons, Earl Tony of Detroit, Norris and Preston Helms, both of Bagwell; four daughters, Mrs. Jess Newsome, Mrs. Robert Smith, Mrs. John Chumley, all of Detroit, and Mrs. G. W. Chance of Henderson; a number of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

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If you are scouting around for a project, why not work with your local Boy Scout or Girl Scout groups?

CARD OF THANKS

Thank you for the cards, flowers and visits. Special thanks to Dr. Phillips and Dr. Glover. Verta Lynn

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks to the many friends and relatives for the visits, cards, flowers, food and most of all the prayers during the loss of our loved one, Mrs. Etta Easterling. May God bless each and everyone. Her family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Easterling and family, Mrs. Rosa Lee Ottinger and family and Steve Ottinger.

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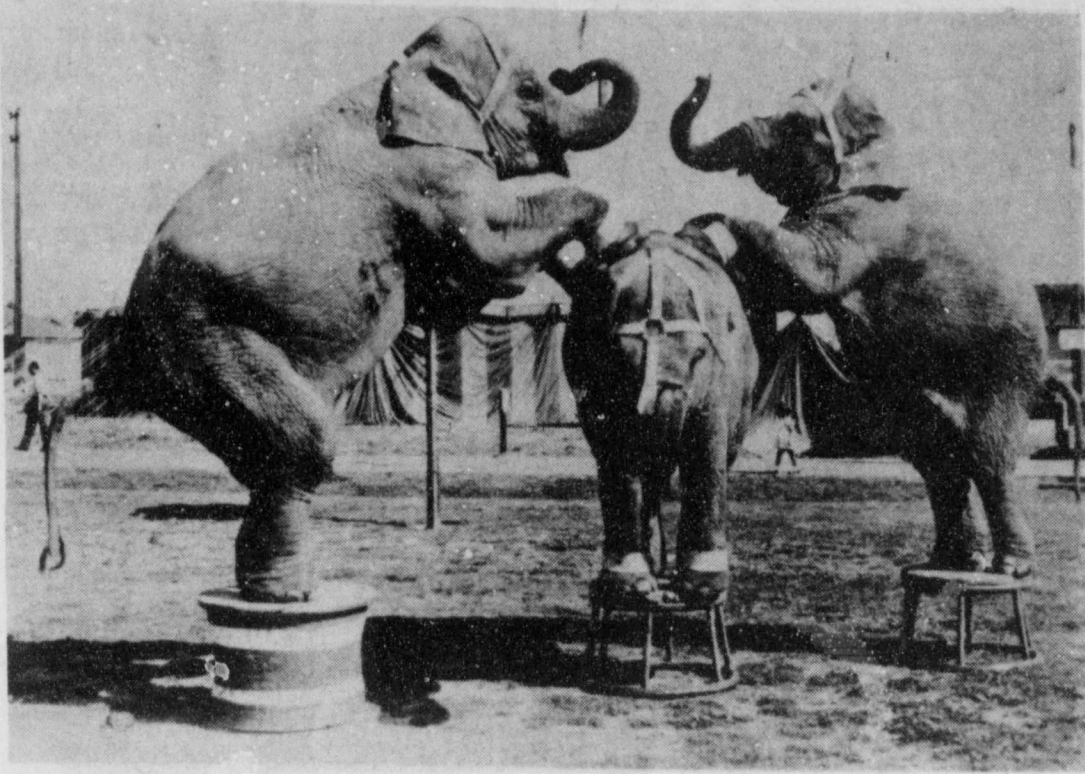
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Carson & Barnes five ring tent circus when it appears in Paris April 23.

During the second and third weeks of July in 1975, about all the major papers in the U.S.A., along with the French L'Espresso, De Nice, The German Abendeutybg, The Arabian Al Baidad, The Calcutta Jungantar, The Tokio Times, The Bangkok Daily News, The Hong Kong Ching Po daily and many other papers, radio and TV stations through out the world carried stories about Isla and Lilly, the five and six year old baby elephants that took off from the Carson and Barnes Circus winter quarters in Hugo, Oklahoma, and eluded the hundreds of would be elephant hunters on horseback, airplane, helicopters, motor bikes, boats and on foot in the lake and timber area east of Hugo for over two weeks.

The circus offered a sizable reward to anyone that could direct or point out the elephants to any of the circus personnel. Finding them was only part of the problem. The animals were spotted, the reward was paid, but, before the trainer could get them under control, they decided to take out to a near by island. Then they wandered from lake shore to island and back again for another week before being spotted again even though there had been hundreds of people on the hunt.

While Hugo is cowboy country, you still don't rope a 1500 pound elephant and bulldog it like a steer. The solution seemed to be to get a chain around one leg and the other end tied to a tree. Since no one volunteered to put the chain around the leg, it was decided to use a tranquilizer gun and hoped to knock them out long enough to fasten the chain. The gun was obtained, the person that pulled the trigger immediately became a self proclaimed hero and billed himself as Oklahoma's only elephant hunter. Anyway, they were brought under control and returned to the circus. In a short time they were in the center ring again with Traci, the third member of the act. No one will ever know whether Isla and Lilly imagined they were back in their native Burma or just having fun in the Hugo, Oklahoma lake area. They are part of the Hugo herd of elephants (over twenty-five) that will be seen in the Carson & Barnes five ring tent circus when it appears in Paris Friday, April 23. Shows will be at 4:30 and 8 p.m. on N.E. Loop. The show is sponsored by the Jaycees.

May had 68 different vegetables growing and doing well.

The site you choose for your garden is all important. It should be well well drained on a good soil that is not shaded by large trees. Do not choose a site that is too large, you can grow all you and your family need on a small plot. Properly cared for a small plot will provide for you and you will have plenty to eat fresh, to can and freeze plus surplus for your friends. The site should not be on a steep slope that is likely to erode. Slopes should be terraced or at least formed on the contour. Site preparation is also important, it should be worked in the fall disking or tucking the litter into the soil. Fall is also the time to apply well rotted manures (better still if composted). If you have missed this last fall you can make a successful garden even late in the spring. Your soil is all important a fertile soil in which the conditions are optimum for the growth of soil organisms. A fertile soil is a living soil. The soil micro-organisms are the "chefs" that feed the plant, the doctors that give us healthy plants. They are the "bridge" over which minerals get into the plants. These organisms live on organic matter.

The best insect and disease control is to select plants that are resistant to these pests. Plants grown on well-balanced fertile soils are less likely to be harmed by disease and insects. If insects or disease do become a problem, use insecticides that have been approved and are not harmful to humans. Use only according to directions.

Flowers also are an added attraction for your garden. They attract bees and helpful insects. Lady bugs are the gardeners best friend.

Soil Conservation Service technicians assisting the Red River Co. S&WCD can help you with your soils or erosion problems. They know the best plants for your particular soil. Erosion problems are their specialties. There are hundreds of books on how to grow a garden. The Extension Service and others all helpful information and materials. Grow a garden and have fun doing it.



Three Cheers For New Life And Faith

By David W. Griffin

Even though we are threatened and scared, we prayerfully give thanks to God in Christ because through the Risen Lord, a new birth of hope and strength is ours by faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Easter, 1976, is about to dawn. Before it does, though, let us open a letter from "Rock, Jesus Christ's agent, to the migrant Christians scattered through Florida, Georgia, Oklahoma, Texas, and (the rest of God's world)." I Peter 1:1 Cotton Patch Version. How happy we can be that Christ, working through Peter, (or Rock), has caused this letter to arrive at such a time. In it we find a needed message. Miraculously, it is the same message sent to God's children two thousand years ago. Those people, living in what we know today as Turkey, were also scared and threatened as they faced organized persecution. We can all be thankful that Peter began the letter with joyful praise to God. With so many negative factors and forces facing us, we need a reason and a time for expressing real, prayerful thanks to God. As one translation puts the feeling, "Three cheers for the Father-God of our Lord Jesus Christ!" But how can we possibly express thanks or praise, much less three cheers? We celebrate 200 years of

freedom and continuing revolution called The United States of America, but we wonder where to go from here. Worse than that, we wonder if we can go anywhere from here. Taxes go up; prices go up. All kinds of crime, including white lies, burglary, murder, and criminal control of public officials, grow unchecked. Fifty per cent of all marriages end in divorce. Before these and the wide variety of other problems, large and small we stand sometimes scared, certainly threatened; wondering whether to weep or throw up our hands or crawl into a hole or fight.

The answer is not traditionally found in any one of these options. The answer is found in the One "who in his great mercy gave us new birth into a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." I Peter 1:3 NEB. Our only real source of strength is Jesus Christ and the power of his Resurrection. Bad as the situation may be, we have no better time than the present to praise God. He who was once seemingly remote we now know as intimately and personally concerned with the saving of our souls—of our lives.

Our Lord offers for all the world to see a proof of his vital and continuing concern for our welfare. That proof is His gift of new birth. By His mercy we are

given a new birth; we are born into a living hope. The massive pouring out of God's power through Christ in the resurrection reaches even into our lives. The certainty of His resurrection which we feel by faith brings to us a certainty that we can and do know our own experience of resurrection. Through the very special gift of faith, we are born anew as inheritors of "rich blessings" and of "a heavenly inheritance incorruptible." We are born into a "family unbroken—a spiritual family set up especially for you who are sheltered by God's power." So it is that all may find and know a hope that is continually fresh and alive. God's gift of hopeful assurance brings gladness, JOY; true delight through faith.

One author has paraphrased the concluding message of Peter's letter as follows: Though you have not seen Christ, you love him and joyfully believe in him and your joy is a foretaste of your final salvation." The Cotton Patch Version phrases verses 8 and 9 in this way, "You are indescribably happy with One whom you've never seen but still love, whom you've never caught a glimpse of, but still have faith to live by. As a result of a faith like that you'll find the answer to your deepest needs." Amen!! Three cheers!!! Praise be!!!!

Grow A Home Garden

So you want to grow a garden? If so you have made a wise decision. One that will result in hours of pleasure watching things grow. Growing a home garden is also healthy and profitable. The soils of Red

River County Soil and Water Conservation District are well suited to growing vegetables. Corn, peas, tomatoes, squash, okra, cabbage, beans, melons, carrots, lettuce, mustard greens, turnips and greens,

potatoes, both Irish and sweet, egg plants and many other of your choice. In fact you can make a career of growing the different varieties of field peas that grow in this area. One garden that was checked last

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Rivercrest Junior High Girls Second In District Track Meet

The Rivercrest junior high girls track team placed second at the district meet April 8, 1976 at Commerce. The girls missed first place by four points.

Running fourth in the 440 yard dash was Sonya Moore, followed by Jeannie Edge in fifth place and Donna Kay Hines in seventh place. Janice Bivins was fifth in the 220 yard dash. Annette Harris was first in the 60 yard dash, and Jean Bivins came in sixth.

In the 80 yard hurdles, Margaret Hines was second, followed by Suzanne Taylor in third place and Sarah Scales in seventh place. Sonya Moore was sixth in the 100 yard dash. Ruth Hale was third in the 880 yard dash and Brenda Crow came in fourth.

Annette Harris took first place in all three of the jumping events at the district meet, including long jump, triple jump and high jump. Margaret Hines came in third in the long jump, Jeannie Edge came in sixth in the triple jump and Janice Bivins came in second in the high jump. Margaret Hines placed third in the high jump.

In other field events, Staci Brooks was fifth in the discus and Janice Savage was fourth in shot put.

The 440 yard relay team placed fourth, and is composed of Jean Bivins, Janice Bivins, Margaret Hines and Suzanne

Kathy Brooks Elected FHA President

Kathy Brooks of Bogata was elected president of the Rivercrest FHA at the April 8, 1976 meeting in the Rivercrest auditorium.

Other officers elected were Kathy Pirtle, first vice president; Jo Ann Stubblefield, second vice president; Gail Ward, third vice president; Mari Gage, fourth vice president; Mona Roberts, fifth vice president; Rena Barganski, secretary; Carolyn Carroll, treasurer; Donna Hancock, parliamentarian; Deborah Cain, sergeant at arms; and Rebecca Taylor, historian.

The awards banquet will be held May 4, 1976. Members were asked to sign a list in the homemaking room to bring food. The group decided to play games for entertainment. Those interested in being on the entertainment committee were asked to contact fourth vice president, Carolyn Carroll.

The approaching Bike-A-Thon was also discussed. It is to be held Saturday, May 15, 1976. It is to be held for the March of Dimes and the entire school is invited to participate in the

Taylor. The 880 yard relay team placed third, and is composed of Margaret Hines, Janice Bivins, Suzanne Taylor and Annette Harris. The mile relay placed second, and is composed of Jeanie Edge, Donna Kay Hines, Brenda Crow and Sonya Moore.

Sunrise Service Set In Bogata

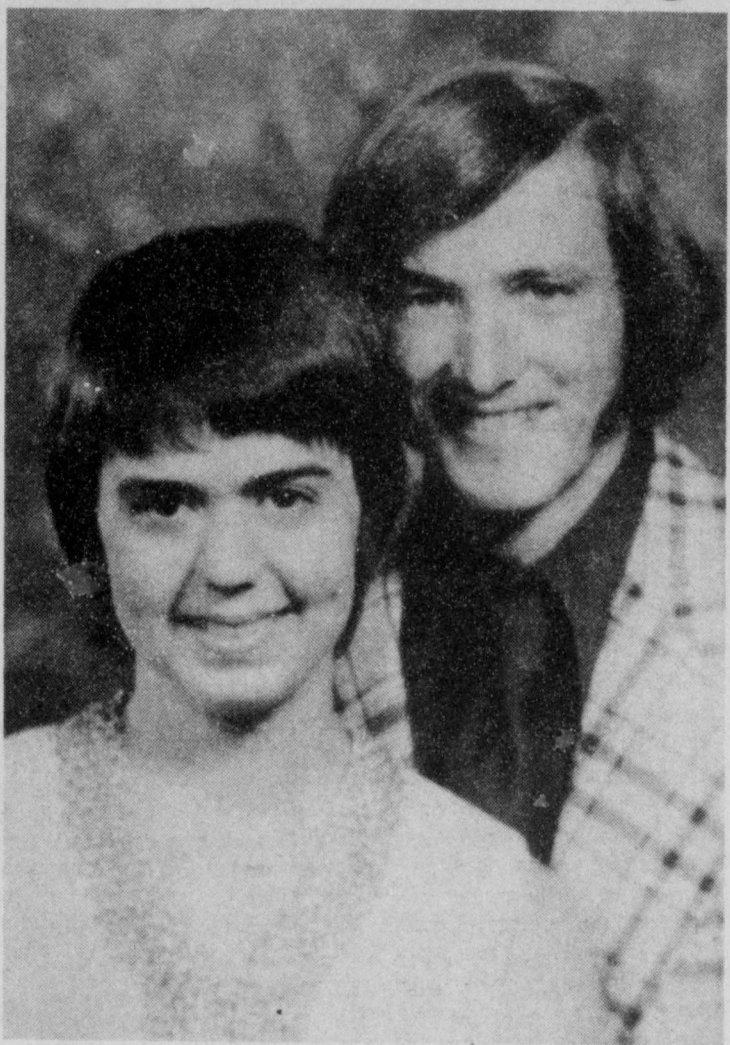
The Bogata Rodeo Arena will be the setting for the Easter Sunrise service April 18 at 8:30 a.m. The Rev. Bob Posey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will be worship leader with the Rev. David Griffin, Methodist pastor, bringing the message. A song service will also be held.

The public is invited to attend.

The Methodist chancel choir will present their Easter cantata at 7:00 p.m. Friday, April 16 at the First United Methodist Church. A "Service of Darkness" is the title of the Cantata. Bridgette Griffin is choir director.

Maundy Thursday Communion is set for 7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 15 at Cuthand United Methodist Church.

Hanna, Bell To Exchange Vows



TERRI HANNA AND MIKE BELL

Talco Personals

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Fail on Saturday were his nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tyus from Halcom City and J. W. Tyus and his wife from White Settlement. The two couples took Mr. and Mrs. Fail out for lunch then they enjoyed a visit with their cousin, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Fail.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kyle Leake and family of Elizabethton, Tennessee arrived here Sunday night to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Leake.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilman Clark and daughter, Angel, of Mount Pleasant were recent visitors in the home of Mrs. W. W. Belcher.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burgin and family of Mount Pleasant

were Sunday dinner guests in the home of his mother, Mrs. Ella Burgin.

Everett Sims of Houston visited his mother, Mrs. Mary Smith recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jones left for their home in Morecroft, Wyoming Friday after visiting here with his sister, Mrs. R. G. Hood and family and his brother, Cliff Jones and family. They also visited in Mount Pleasant with his father, Charlie Jones and Mrs. Jones and in Little Rock, Arkansas with his brothers, Lee and Thurman Jones and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Forsythe and family were in Texarkana during the weekend to visit his sons, Edwin and Mack Forsythe and their families.

Mrs. Bobby Beene and children, Mrs. Ray Parsons and Kim, of Talco, and Mrs. Roger Weatherall and daughter of Bogata were in West Texas this week visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ritchecherson and children of Dallas were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Clemmons and boys.

Mrs. Jewell Butler moved during the weekend from her home at 201 McLean to the Housing project on Wilson Street.

Here Wednesday night to visit the Rev. and Mrs. Barney Treece and family and to attend revival services at the First Baptist Church were his mother, Mrs. B. R. Treece of Shongaloo, Louisiana and his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Treece and daughter of Spring Hill, Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kuhl were in Shreveport during the weekend to visit her uncle, Skeet Horn in the VA Hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hood visited her nephew, Billy Don Jones in the Franklin County Hospital at Mount Vernon. Jones broke his leg when the horse he was riding fell on him Friday. The Hoods went on to Willsboro where they visited Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gieger of Talco accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cook of Arlington have returned to their homes after a three weeks visit in Poway, California with their son, James (Buddy) Gieger Jr. and family, who is with the Navy at San Diego, California. The two couples also visited their uncle, Frank Bullard, in Banning, California. Mr. and Mrs. Gieger also visited relatives in Fort Worth before returning home Thursday.

Saturday guests in the home of Mrs. B. L. Walls were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Sanderson of Paris, Mrs. Lillie Sandel and Mrs. Lewis Brown both of Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Dub Logan of Mount Pleasant were Saturday night visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Logan. They also attended revival services at the First Baptist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Teffeller and little son of Texarkana were Sunday dinner guests in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Waldum.

The Directors of the Talco State Bank met Monday evening in the Community room of the Talco State Bank.

The children of Mrs. C. W. Pittman honored her with a dinner in honor of her 82nd birthday Sunday. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Austin of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Hulen Westerman of Mansfield, Louisiana; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pittman, Mount Pleasant; and Mr. and Mrs. Regin Howell of Longview; Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Pittman, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Strahan, Mrs. Linda Eudy and children, Mrs. Verveth Wyatt and Mr. Pittman, all of Talco.

Robert Sikes of Mount Pleasant spent Monday with his grandmother, Mrs. Marshall Sikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Worthy spent Sunday boating on Monticello Lake.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones and family were Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. Earl Shaddix of Daingerfield, her nephew, Greg Johnson of New Boston, and her sister, Mrs. Doris Burks of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kaufman and daughter, Lanett, of Carrizo Springs are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Reed.

Mrs. Charles Nicholes of Fort Worth, aunt of Jerry Jones, who is a patient in the Harris Hospital, is reported to be unimproved.

Church of Christ minister, Tom Barthel, was released from the St. Michael's Hospital in Texarkana Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Case spent the weekend at Lake Cypress Springs.

COFFEE Facts & Fancies

Americans drink an astounding 140 billion cups of coffee a year, making it unquestionably our most popular beverage.

According to legend, coffee was discovered by shepherds in the ancient Ethiopian village of Kaffa around 600 A.D. Whether this is true or not, coffee was being enjoyed by Arab traders by the mid-1500s.

Modern coffee-making technology has transformed brewing into a science—with delicious results. One electric drip filter coffeemaker, the Norelco Dial-A-Brew 12 Cupper, works by regulating the flow of heated water through the coffee so it isn't too fast or too slow. It makes from 6 to 12 cups and satisfies individual wants for dark, medium or light coffee.



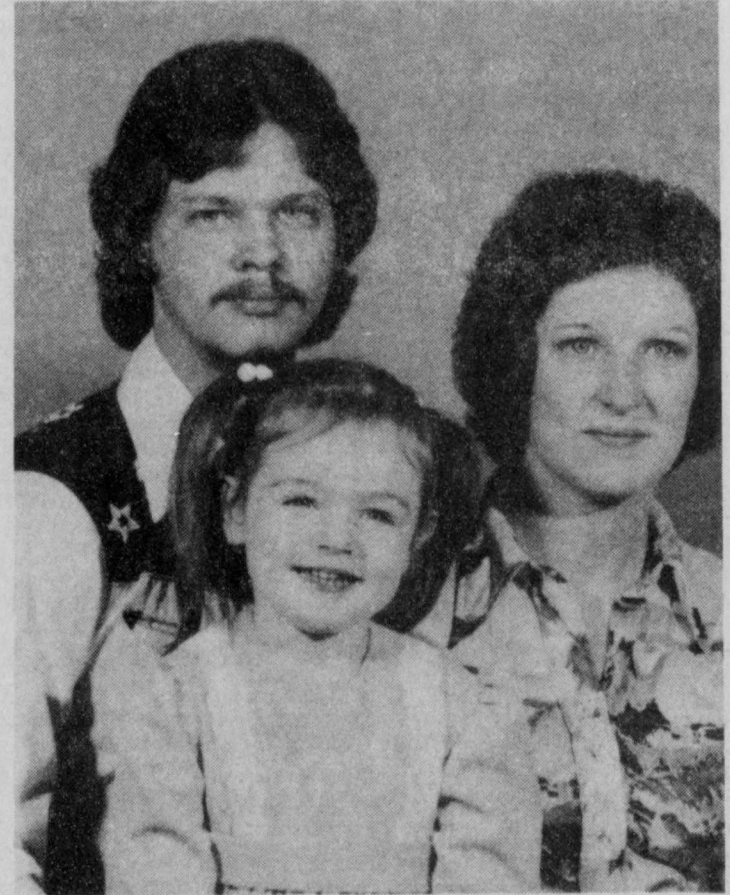
This is quite an advance from Revolutionary times when coffee beans were freshened with egg shells!

Pam Weatherford, Brad Guest Exchange Vows

MS. Pam Weatherford and Mr. Brad Guest were united in holy matrimony Friday night, April 2, in the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Harold Cason, with Rev. John Whitt officiating.

Nuptial vows were spoken in front of a glowing fireplace



Mr. and Mrs. Brad Guest And Daughter



That scientific term "astronaut" is rather romantic in the original Greek. *Aston* means star and *nautes* sailor, so an "astronaut" is one who sails among the stars.

flanked with green fern. Six blue tapers held in glass candelabras were placed on the mantel with large blue bows placed on the corners of the fireplace. Votive candles were used throughout the house.

The bride escorted by her daughter, Heather, wore a street length dress made of blue knit. She carried a nosegay of four white carnations and long blue streamers.

Mrs. Howard Ezell, Jr. attended the bride as matron of honor and Greg Guest, brother of the groom, served the groom as best man.

The reception was held upstairs in the game room. The bride's table was laid with a blue table cloth overlaid with a beige lace cloth. The wedding cake, topped with the traditional bride and groom, held lush white flowers bordered with tiny blue flowers. The table held as its centerpiece, two dozen silk red roses intertwined with baby's breath placed inside a carnival glass com-

Rice bags were made of white net, tied with blue ribbon. Distributing the rice bags were Rachelle Cason and Heather Weatherford.

Attending the wedding were family and close friends of the couple.

After a brief honeymoon, the couple will be at home in the Daphne Community.

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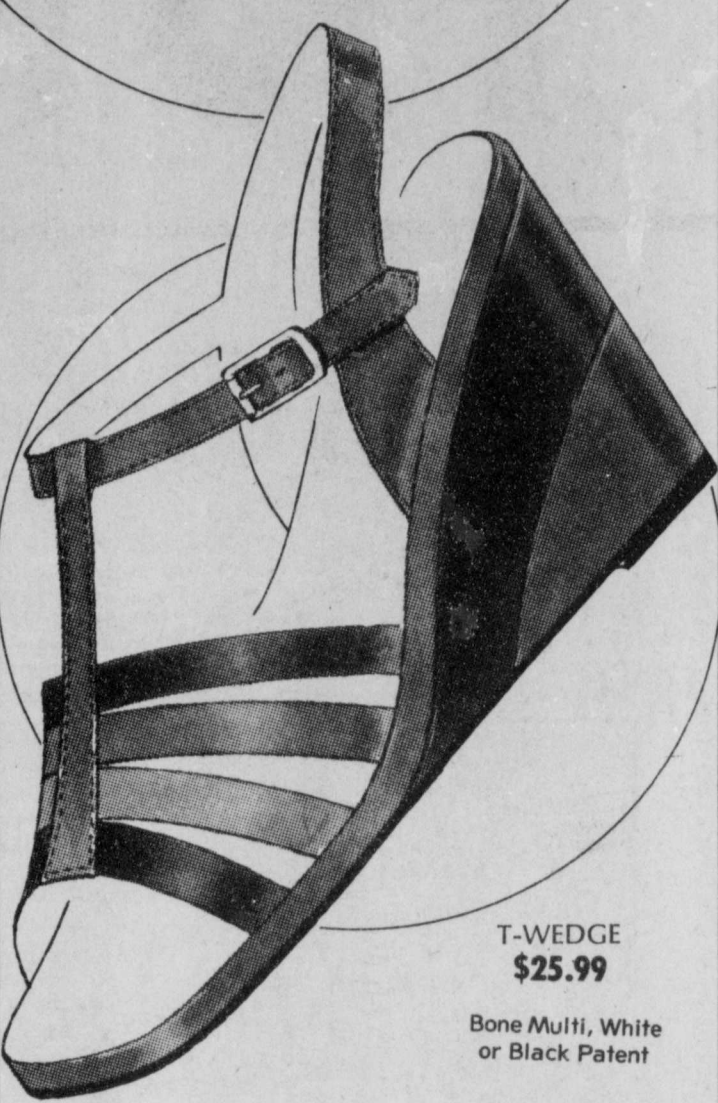
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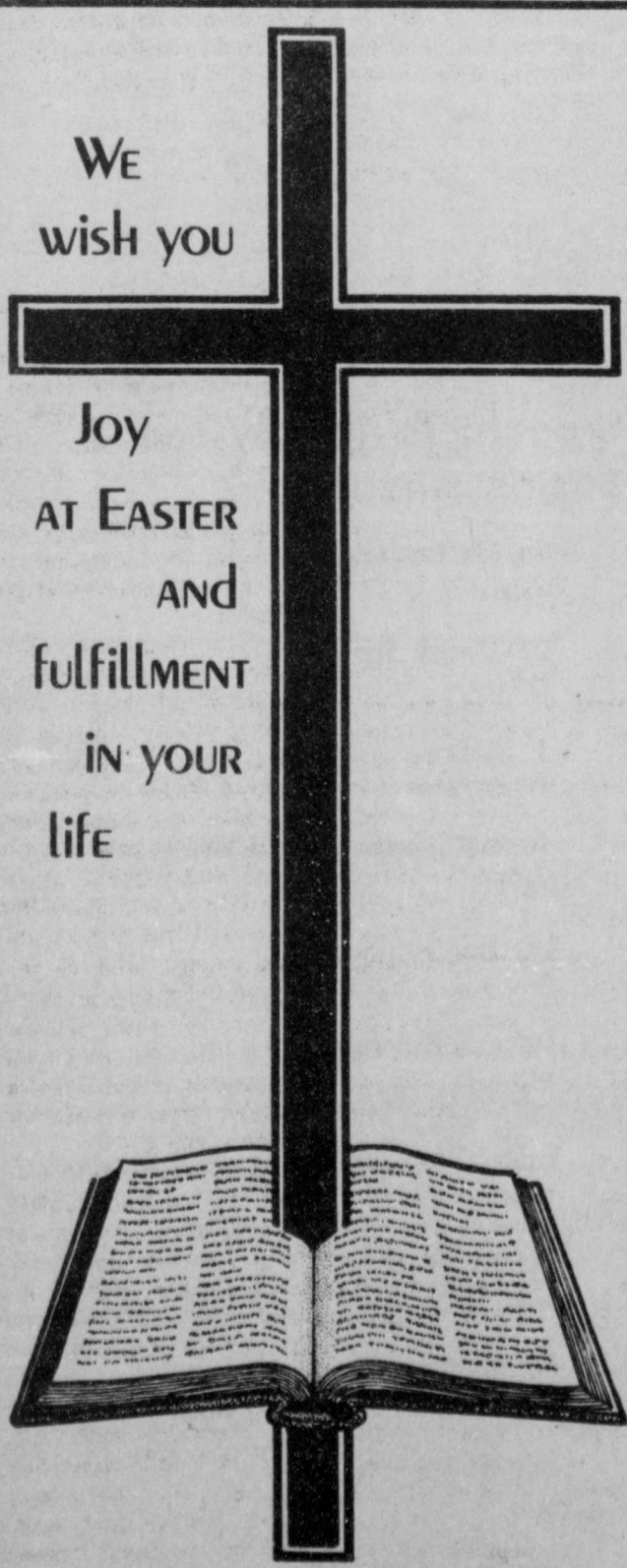
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FORUM

LAFF of the WEEK



"Mr. Smith, did you put a life-saver in my wedding ring tray?"

CANCER ANSWER LINE

American Cancer Society
M. D. Anderson Hospital
and Tumor Institute

Rehabilitation Programs Aiding Cancer Patients

"Major advances made in modern cancer treatment will go to waste if the patient can not be returned to his family and community," says Dr. Albert E. Gunn, director of the Rehabilitation Center at M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in Houston.

Dr. Gunn's statement reflects a growing emphasis in cancer care throughout the country — that of rehabilitating the cancer patient and helping him return to his place in society.

The need is obvious. While cancer is no longer the hopeless disease it was once thought, perhaps no other disease in modern times remains as feared. Despite major progress in the last ten years, many people falsely believe that cancer and death are the same.

Contrary to this line of outdated thinking, the American Cancer Society currently estimates that about 225,000 Americans will be saved from cancer this year and returned to society to lead productive lives. Rehabilitation programs for the cancer patient will play a major part in the treated patient's readjustment from the role of cancer patient to that of active citizen.

It is important to remember, says Dr. Gunn, that cancer rehabilitation does not simply mean physical therapy as a follow-up to treatment. Instead, it represents a broad process of adjustment that takes into account the whole person and all of his needs — physical, spiritual, psychological and vocational.

family, will be well along the way toward psychological and physical adjustment at the time the patient is dismissed from the hospital.

Rehabilitation services offered at M. D. Anderson and many other major cancer centers throughout the country include physical and occupational therapy, social services and psychological counseling.

For patients who have undergone surgery to the head and neck region, rehabilitation is available through speech therapists and dentists equipped with complete reconstructive capabilities.

Serving the individual's total needs also involves nutritional training, chaplaincy services and vocational rehabilitation to aid those patients looking for employment.

"Since cancer is now thought of in many instances as a chronic disease — that is, as controllable — the cancer patient should have the same opportunities for employment that other people with chronic diseases like diabetes and heart disease have," explains Dr. Gunn.

In recent years much progress has been made, not only in the area of vocational training, but in the entire cancer rehabilitation field as well. Growing and improving rehabilitation programs throughout the country represent a positive addition to improved cancer treatment and patient care.

Do you have further questions? Call your local unit of the American Cancer Society or write: Cancer Information Service, The University of Texas, M. D. Anderson Hospital & Tumor Institute, Texas Medical Center, Houston, 77030.



The Consumer Alert

by John L. Hill
Attorney General

AUSTIN—Sometimes it seems as many people suffer from "spring swindles" as from "spring fever." Our Crime Prevention Division lawyers have noted reports of persons who have lost large amounts of cash recently to tricksters who may use methods ranging from the old, classic con games such as the "pigeon drop" to new techniques such as the "bank examiner's" play.

Our attorneys, the Better Business Bureau, and law enforcement officials say that such swindles are often directed at senior citizens. Con artists have taken some older persons for thousands of dollars of their life savings through such schemes. But college students, too, have recently been swindled out of funds by such operators.

The "pigeon drop" swindle generally involves a person pretending to have found a large sum of money on a busy street or in a shopping center. The person approaches the selected "mark" asking for advice on what to do with the money, and offers to share the cash. To show "good faith" they agree to put up matching amounts, and the "mark" withdraws money from his bank. They agree to let a third party, usually the con artist's "attorney," hold the funds until a specified time when they will divide them.

Of course, the con artist and his "attorney" are working the pigeon drop scheme together, and the "mark" never sees his money again.

Another method used by swindlers is to call a person and pretend to be a "bank examiner" or an official of the Internal Revenue Service requesting help in uncovering a bank employee who is stealing money. The "mark" is asked to withdraw from the bank

funds which are to be picked up by the bank's delivery person and returned to the bank for deposit, after the "examiner" marks the bills in order to trap the dishonest employee. The "mark" is told his money will be returned after the thief is caught, but it's usually gone for good.

Our attorneys and other experts suggest that you avoid an expensive lesson by taking some simple precautions: Never withdraw cash to put good faith or earnest money in the hands of a stranger. If a deal requires earnest money from two parties, have a title company or bank trust department hold it.

You should always get a cashier's check when withdrawing large sums of money from a savings or bank account, too. Demands for cash instead of a cashier's check should be suspect.

And remember, you're very unlikely to get something for nothing, so don't let greed cloud your judgment. When considering a cash deal, make investigations yourself; don't rely on the word or the honesty of a person who is related to or recommended by the other party to the deal.

You should never allow yourself to be pressured into making a quick decision regarding a cash settlement on a business deal. And you should never take the word of a stranger regarding such a transaction, no matter how convincing his story is.

If you suspect you have been approached by a con artist attempting to pull these or similar swindles, call the police or your bank's security department immediately. You may not only save your own money, but prevent the swindlers from conning other persons as well.

For And About Teenagers

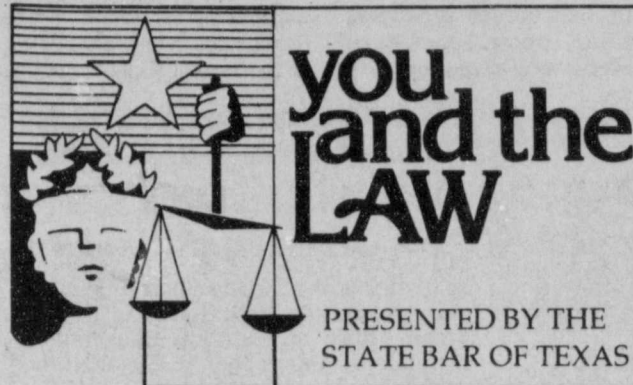


THIS WEEK'S LETTER: I love this guy who is 17. The trouble is he doesn't seem to notice me or any other girls. My mother told me he probably isn't ready for a girl-friend. Could this be true? He acts real shy when he's around me and he hardly talks to me. I wonder if it's worth the trouble liking him—not knowing whether he likes me or not. I believe that a guy must make the first move. Maybe that's old-fashioned but that's the way I feel, and besides, I'm a little shy too.

OUR REPLY: It could be true that your shy-friend isn't ready for a girlfriend.

He's probably not acting at all. The fact is he's probably shy. So what? You've said you're shy, too. There's nothing wrong with being shy. It is a fairly common occurrence. Instead of wondering whether he likes you or not, why don't you ask him? If you're going to be "old-fashioned" and wait for him to make the first move, you might have picked the wrong guy. Sounds like he's waiting, too. Why not try it the new way—just to see if it works.

(Because of the volume of mail, requests for personal replies cannot be accommodated. Editorial panel selects for weekly use, letter which best represents questions and/or comments from readers. FOR AND ABOUT TEENAGERS, BOX 639, FRANKFORT, KY 40601.)



Q: I may have to move before my lease expires. Can my landlord sue me for the remainder of the rent due under the lease?

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Q: I am applying for a mortgage to buy a home. Am I required to purchase homeowners insurance?

A: You will be required by your mortgage company to maintain certain minimum coverages on the property to protect the mortgage company's interest in the property. Although the mortgage company may require certain financial standards of the company from which you purchase insurance, the mortgage company cannot require that you purchase the insurance from a certain agent or a certain company; nor may the mortgage company require that you purchase homeowners insurance. The mortgage company, however, may require fire and extended coverage insurance on the property.

Q: If I buy a new mobile home, am I entitled to receive a warranty from the seller?

A: Yes. A new state law requires that new mobile homes and all appliances in the home must be covered by a one-year warranty delivered to you in writing by the seller at the time you sign the contract of sale. The warranty also requires the seller to correct any defects within a reasonable time after notification by you. If you have a consumer complaint concerning mobile homes or their warranties, you may contact the Labor Division of the Texas Attorney General's Office, P.O. Box 12548, Austin, 78711.

Q: If my savings account has a survivorship clause naming my wife as the beneficiary, does the savings account need to be included in our wills?

A: If the savings account provides a valid right of survivorship, the funds pass directly to the surviving spouse regardless of the language of the will. However, there are several factors which determine whether a right of survivorship is valid. These factors include such questions as whether the savings account is in a bank or a savings and loan association, and whether the savings account deposits are community property.

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

Texas Taxes



By BOB BULLOCK, State Comptroller

It's time to do something about the soaring costs of utilities for residential users. Only by making a fundamental change in rate structures can the consumer be granted any real relief from skyrocketing gas and electric bills.

Although it has recently been suggested that the answer is to reduce taxes on natural gas and hope that the savings to the producers may be passed along to utility companies and ultimately to consumers, that proposal just doesn't make sense.

In the unlikely event that any savings would be passed on to the consumer, the average residential user might be saved a dollar a month on gas and electric bills.

And we would be robbing Peter to pay Paul in the sense that the Legislature would probably have to raise some other tax to make up for the loss of revenue that would result.

What we should do is pass legislation to require equalization of utility rates.

Right now the big users of gas and electricity get a big break from both private and public utility companies. Gas and electric rate structures discriminate against the low-volume user—the average homeowner or apartment dweller.

Presently, the more gas or electricity a consumer uses the lower the rate paid per unit. Big business, big industry, and big houses use tremendous amounts of gas and electricity, and the

average residential consumer is forced by discriminatory rate structures to help pay their utility bills.

Equalizing utility rates would have two desirable effects—significantly lowering utility bills for the average homeowner and apartment dweller and encouraging conservation of energy by making every user in a given area pay at the same rate for gas and electricity, no matter how much is used.

As I told the Ways and Means Committee of the Texas House of Representatives, which is considering the proposed reduction in the natural gas severance tax rate, it is also unfair that citizens of other states can pay lower rates for our gas than Texas users.

We need to increase taxes on gas that goes out of state so that the people of Texas can benefit more substantially from our own natural resources. Taxes passed on to residents of other states are taxes Texans don't have to pay.

But let's not kid ourselves or deceive Texas' taxpaying utility consumers. It won't mean much if anything in terms of their bills. It would bring the State of Texas more tax income from out-of-state users who are presently getting a cheap ride on our gas.

Present discriminatory utility rate structures should be changed by legislative action.



The Speaker Reports



by Bill Clayton

AUSTIN—There is no question but that the major challenge to our state government now and in the immediate future is producing the best solution possible to the natural gas dilemma.

The leaders of Texas government are committed to move against the problem together, but it would be foolish to make plans in haste and to affect a cure that would kill the patient.

The spade work must be done and the organization of ideas complete before we move. Therefore, speed is important, but haste might negate useful and lasting considerations. Because we want to have all the cards on the table when we begin the showdown, I have expanded the House investigation into a third area.

A subcommittee of the House State Affairs Committee, and chaired by State Rep. Tom Uher of Bay City, has begun a 60-day investigation into the feasibility of shifting natural gas utilities jurisdiction from the Texas Railroad Commission to the new State Utilities Commission.

I have asked for the report from the subcommittee by June 1 because that is also the day we are to be given the reports and findings of the House Ways and Means Committee and the House Energy Resources Committee

into other important areas of concern.

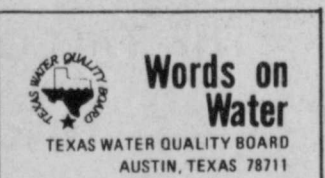
On June 1, I anticipate that we will have enough information into all major aspects of the natural gas situation to initiate some concrete proposals.

The House is making a major effort to get at the heart of the situation. Other state agencies and officials are likewise using their individual talents and expertise to develop information which will allow us to then make the hard decision.

I think the decision that must be made will be made in due course. That decision, of course, must be what is best for the people of Texas.

It would seem that we gravitate from one crisis situation to another, but the colorful history of Texas will bear out that we have always met the challenge and become an even greater state for having matched those crises—which in their time were just as real as the soaring cost of gas which we now face.

We didn't get in the fix overnight and we won't get out any quicker. And, furthermore, let's not look for a return of the "good old days" and cheap and plentiful energy. Unless some miracle is forthcoming, control—not licking higher gas prices—is the best we can expect.



GUADALUPE MTS.—ALIVE WITH SPRINGS

"Cool, clear water . . ." as the song goes, is valued property, not only for the cowboy singing the tune, but for everyone who cares about the waters of the state.

And in Texas we're lucky. Out of the 80,000 miles of rivers and streams in the state, 83 percent of those with set standards meet those standards and almost all are suitable for swimming and fishing.

But, in West Texas, the mountains are the big recreational calling card. Southwest of Carlsbad, New Mexico, just on this side of the Texas border, Guadalupe Mountain National Park might be just the area you're looking for to get away from the phone, cars and everything but nature in its raw state.

Although the land is semi-arid, a vast network of underground springs surface at various points in the park and provide watering holes for the park's animals.

Don't be surprised if you see elk, mule deer, gray fox, coyote, 200 species of birds, bobcat, cougar, 20 species of reptiles or an occasional black bear. Guadalupe remains one of the truly unusual combinations of animal and plant

life in this rugged section of the state, once an inland sea.

Springs in the eastern section of the park were selected for the study: Manzanita Spring, Frijole Springs, Smith Springs, Choza Spring, Upper Pine Spring (or Bear Spring) and Guadalupe Spring.

Each was found to be distinctive in its flora and fauna. Manzanita Spring, chief watering hole for animals in the park, is the most improved of the six, with a 100-foot-wide man-made pond into which Manzanita flows as does Smith Spring, which is piped from its origin to the pond. With the highest dissolved oxygen level of the springs studied, the presence of Green Sunfish, Yellow Belly Sunfish and Blue Gill, along with frogs and tadpoles is not surprising, even though the tank is spring fed.

After lab analysis was completed on samplings from three different dates (June, July and October of 1975), the six springs all were declared to be free from contamination of any kind. In fact, the water from all six meets the Public Drinking Water Standards with only minute traces of heavy metals appearing in the lab report.

These springs, first mentioned in recorded history 400 years ago, played a vital part in the lives of Texans in the Indian and Spanish eras of the state. And you still can enjoy them today, but watch out for that "occasional black bear."

Inflation In Food Prices Expected To Stall

Larger food supplies in prospect for 1976 may help stall the rapid inflation in food prices which marked 1973 and 1974 and persisted to a lesser extent last year. In fact, some experts predict that we may see food price rises close to the late 60's and early 70's.

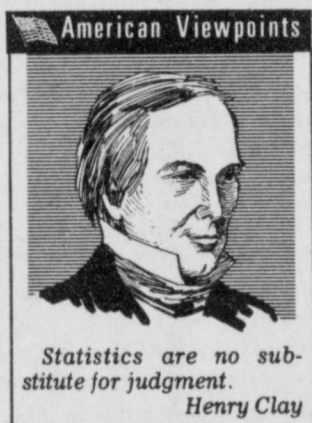
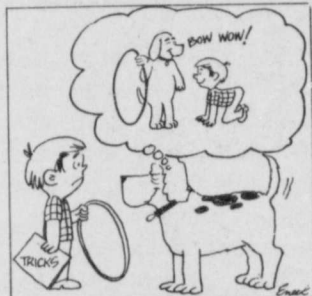
Food prices are expected to rise about one percent per quarter during the first half of 1976 and average approximately six percent above 1975 prices. Food prices for the second half of 1976 will be dependent on weather and crop conditions of the 1976 growing season and by the speed of recovery of the U. S. economy. Large U. S. and world crops; further gains in livestock related foods, and modern economic growth would tend to slow the rise in food costs.

If the U. S. economy continues on the upswing, the demand for agricultural products should pick up in 1976. Real disposable incomes may rise around four percent this year compared to only a small gain in 1975 and a two percent drop in 1974.

It appears that the domestic food supply will be larger at least through summer. Abundant 1975 crops will boost supplies through most of 1976, especially grains, processed vegetables, fresh fruits, sugar and oil crops. It also appears that this winter's fresh vegetable production will be above a year ago, while canned and frozen vegetable supplies are the largest in four years. The 1976 citrus crop is slightly below last year's, yet it is still larger when compared to the last several years. Wheat production for 1976 will likely fall below last year's, however because of heavy carryover, wheat supplies may remain near the 1975-76 level.

As a result of more favorable feeding margins for livestock producers, we should see more cattle in feedlots, a turnaround

in hog production, increased broiler chick placements and stepped-up feeding of concentrates to dairy cows. Therefore, the production of beef, broiler, eggs, milk and turkeys is expected to increase this year. Pork production will remain tight through early 1976, producers have increased farrowings and by the second half of the year, pork supplies are expected to be a tenth above year earlier levels. Production of broilers, eggs, milk and turkeys should continue to increase as the year progresses.



Cattle herds declined in 1975 ending the expansion which lasted for approximately nine years. This downturn makes the longterm prospects of the cattle industry look brighter. The extensive culling of cattle came when pork output was way down, thus reducing the price depressing impacts of record beef supplies. Herd culling coupled with increased feedlot demands should improve returns to cow-calf operators later this year and on into 1977.

It appears that grain-fed beef will be moving back into the picture in 1976. Last year, high grain prices caused producers to market more cows and grass-fed beef. Promotions and

educational efforts encouraged consumers to purchase the grass-fed beef. However, economic signals that in 1976 consumers will be switching back to grain-fed beef.

Because of the large production of cow beef in 1975, retail hamburger prices dropped 10 percent below 1974 prices. This was the lowest level since 1972. During this same period however, choice beef prices were moving higher. The expected shift from slaughtering of grass-fed to grain-fed beef will likely result in hamburger prices higher relative to choice beef prices.

Although dependent on a number of factors, the rise in food prices in 1976 should not be at the levels of previous years.

your week ahead

BY DR. A.W. DAMIS

Forecast Period: April 18 to April 24



ARIES
Mar. 21-Apr. 19

No matter how tempting a new proposition might seem...don't shift horses in mid-stream. Stay on course with your long term plans, things will materialize this week.

TAURUS
Apr. 20-May 20

This week, especially, consider yourself as a personality—aside from all others. Don't align your opinions with the beliefs of your associates. Your chart shows—highly productive ideas.

GEMINI
May 21-June 20

Keep your schedule open, there's a promise you won't fulfill. Meaning? All commitments and obligations should be kept to a minimum...failure to deliver, could be costly.

MOONCHILD
June 21-July 22

Many under your sign contemplate joining a group. It would be a good idea to "think about it" until reports reach you about the time, effort and cost involved.

LEO
July 23-Aug. 22

Stop looking for hidden motives and rationalizations. Most members of your sign might be very suspicious, this week. Accept things at face value temporarily.

VIRGO
Aug. 23-Sept. 22

You're not a student of the theory that everyone tells the truth. Nevertheless, you might be duped by a fast talker who promised you the "whole" world.

LIBRA
Sept. 23-Oct. 22

This week, especially, you'll find the other sex, rather, hard to understand. But, when you get right down to it...it's your attitude that is at fault.

SCORPIO
Oct. 23-Nov. 21

You're going to learn a practical lesson in Psychology. Something you've planned, and believe is scheduled for someone else—will, in turn, backfire!

SAGITTARIUS
Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Carelessness, someone else's, that is, might cause your job, task or project to bog down. The point? Don't lose your temper; pick up the pieces and keep going.

CAPRICORN
Dec. 22-Jan. 19

The experience you've gained, concerning the opposite sex, has been too long in the past—to be of any value now! Your present relationship requires a new approach.

AQUARIUS
Jan. 20-Feb. 18

The indecisiveness of someone in authority might be the reason for your being overlooked at you job or project. Look around for an opportunity you might hear about.

PISCES
Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Bluntly, it's not a good time to buy. Many under your sign are prone to deception. Please, please steer clear of any "get rich schemes."

PERSONALITY PROFILE

For your Sun Sign Analysis, send the day, month, year and place of birth, plus \$1.00 for postage and handling to Dr. Andrew W. Damis, P. O. Box 12766, St. Petersburg, Florida 33733.

Baby Sitters Must Register With Public Welfare

Baby sitters who offer regular child care in their homes are required by a new state law to meet minimum standards and register with the State Department of Public Welfare (DPW) according to officials here.

The registration portion of the Child Care Licensing Act, which went into effect January 1, is actually more lenient than the previous law which required babysitters to be licensed and to submit to quarterly inspection, says Dave Wright, local DPW licensing representative. Registration differs from licensing in that it allows child care providers to certify themselves.

Under the new provisions, persons who care for up to six children, not including their own, are responsible for contacting a DPW licensing representative and requesting registration forms and copies of the minimum standards. These standards require health and fire inspections, immunizations for the children and a health card for the operator. Civil as well as criminal penalties can be assessed for failure to register.

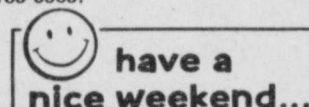
A unique feature of the registration process is its reliance on parents, rather

than representatives of the state to insure that minimum standards are being met, a DPW spokesman said. Parents who regularly leave children with babysitters must be acquainted with the standards, available without cost through the sitter, and are responsible for checking to make sure the standards are being maintained.

"Registration is as much education as it is regulatory," said Brenda Peel, head of day care licensing in the north and east Texas area. "We simply want to bring parents and child care providers up to date on what constitutes a healthy environment for children to grow and learn in."

According to Mrs. Peel, the last ten years have seen a sharp rise in the number of working mothers and a corresponding increase in the demand for day care. "A lot of people have gotten into the day care business without the benefit of the latest knowledge in child development," says Mrs. Peel.

Anyone needing information on any facet of the new standards should contact Wright at 400-4th Street, Paris or call 214-785-5563.



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	1976	1975
Loans and Discounts	\$2,659,837.65	\$2,444,656.64
U. S. Securities	517,666.50	468,012.50
Other Bonds and Warrants	424,432.91	393,354.73
Federal Funds Sold	300,000.00	300,000.00
Banking House	24,603.58	4,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	11,191.25	11,617.00
Other Real Estate	3.00	3.00
Other Assets	25,252.54	28,109.99
CASH	728,052.85	528,939.90
TOTAL	\$4,691,040.28	\$4,178,693.76

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	100,000.00	100,000.00
Undivided Profits	100,000.00	126,021.35
Reserves	73,050.44	22,584.91
Unearned Interest Collected	86,682.89	63,738.60
DEPOSITS	4,231,306.95	3,766,348.90
TOTAL	\$4,691,040.28	\$4,178,693.76