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LESS FUEL NEEDED?

Milder Winter Is Now Forecasted

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the bitter breath of deepest winter nears, there is good news for residents of the nation's most populous areas who worry that unseasonable cold might deplete home heating supplies.

The National Weather Service forecasts a 60 per cent chance that temperatures on the East and West coasts will be above normal this year.

Only in the Great Plains and the Upper Mississippi Valley do the forecasters assign a 60 per cent chance that temperatures will be below normal.

Elsewhere, the weather experts are giving even odds — a 50-50 chance — that temperatures might be either higher or lower than normal.

At the Federal Energy Administration, where planners must ponder what long cold spells might do to energy reserves, there is more good news.

If the nation has a normal winter, there will be no shortages of petroleum distillates, those crude oil products that keep furnances roaring, the energy administration says.

If temperatures drop below normal, what FEA analysts call their "high demand option," there might be a 2 per cent shortage of distillates. But slight increases in petroleum imports or minimal conservation could make up the difference.

For residual petroleum products, such as the oils burned by electrical generating plants, a normal winter might bring a one-half per cent shortage. But even with a severe winter only a 1 per cent shortage is expected.

These shortages also could be made up by adjustments in imports or conservation measures.

For those who use natural gas to heat homes, there is little danger of shortages, even if temperatures are more severe than the National Weather Service predicts.

The first natural gas customers to lose service will be the utilities' large "interruptable" customers, such as industries that use gas in manufacturing processes.

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White Yule Hopes Fade

By The Associated Press

Texas Panhandle residents shivered in a saw-toothed norther today although prospects for a white Christmas faded. At the same time southern areas of the state sweltered in unseasonable heat.

Official observers cancelled travel warnings for the Panhandle. They explained that a storm moving across the nation a bit father north weakened unexpectedly and there no longer was danger of hazardous snow accumulations.

Early morning temperatures nevertheless plunged as low as 15 degrees above zero at Dalhart, 21 at Perryton, 22 at Amarillo and 29 at Lubbock in the Panhandle-Plains sector, and 32 at Marfa in the West Texas mountains.

At the same hour readings remained in the 70s at many points downstate, staying as high as 74 at Lufkin in East Texas.

South winds herded clouds over much of South and East Texas, and there was scattered rain or drizzle at such widely separated points as Austin and Wichita Falls.

Excessive humidity cloacked warmer portions of the state, and patches of dense fog formed before dawn around Beaumont, Dallas, Fort Worth and Abilene. Visibility shrank below one-half miles in places.

Forecasts called for clouds to linger over most of the state as the latest cold front moved from Southwest and Central Texas toward the south and east. Increasing rain was predicted as the frontal system pushed into East Texas.

NO SNOW

No white Christmas for Big Spring, but it'll be cold enough. High today, near 50. Low tonight, low 20s. High Wednesday, mid 40s. Northerly wind 20-30 miles per hour this afternoon diminishing to 10-20 m.p.h. tonight.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

CANCER VICTIM — Heidi Biggs, 14, poses in front of the Christmas tree in her home with her new puppy, Shybox. The tree went up early and gifts were given early because it is not known how long Heidi, who is suffering from a rare form of cancer, will live. The girl, reconciled to her death in a matter of weeks or months, says only that "I am ready whenever God wants me."

Frantic Deer Gets Help In Flight

MONA, Utah (AP) — A female deer apparently fleeing dogs crashed through a thermal pane window in a home here. It then skidded across the living room floor while the occupants trimmed their Christmas tree, leaped through another window and dashed into the woods.

Dr. John G. Steele, a physician-surgeon, said he was standing in his living room looking out the window when he saw the doe running toward his home.

Steel said he began waving his arms as the animal came closer, but that the deer leaped through the window and just missed him and his wife, Thelma, by inches.

"The animal skidded on the ice on top of our swimming pool, clambered to its feet, leaped another fence and headed toward the western hills," Steele said.

He said the doe, about two-thirds grown, did not appear to be injured.

Man Who Dislikes Being Alone To Host 'Friends'

BRANDON, S.D. (AP) — A Brandon restaurant owner who loathes the thought of being alone on Christmas is preparing free Christmas Eve meals for anyone who otherwise might have to spend the evening alone.

"I hated the thought of being alone on Christmas Eve so I came up with the idea of asking all the lonely people to come to my place for a free meal," said Larry DeThury of Sioux Falls. DeThury plans to treat whomever shows up at his restaurant Christmas Eve with a choice of turkey or fish — and a healthy portion of companionship.

DeThury has given his regular help the night off and plans to prepare and serve the free Christmas Eve meals himself. But, he said, "If anyone wants to roll up their sleeves and help they will be welcome to do so."

DeThury said he is not giving out the free meals for commercial gain, but because he didn't want to spend the evening alone.

With Pet Comes An Onus

DENVER (AP) — The lovable puppies given as Christmas presents by thousands of Americans often turn into major headaches by New Year's Day, says the American Humane Association.

"Pets are frequently impulse gifts," said Milt Searle, director of the association's animal protective services. "But a gift pet cannot be quietly and politely disposed of later like a purple necktie."

Searle estimated that more than 250,000 pets will be given as gifts this Christmas and that 25,000 will be returned shortly after the first of the year. He said Christmas is the peak season for giving pets — puppies and kittens are the most popular — and business soars at pet shops and animal shelters.

But Searle said many gift-givers make hasty decisions without considering licenses, vaccinations or the care needed for a pet.

"The feeling is that Dad had a puppy when he was little. He wants his 3-year-old son to have one, even though the son isn't old enough yet to accept the responsibility," said Clifford Pike, director of the Colorado Humane Society.

"Then after the holidays, the children forget all about it and no one accepts the responsibility."

James P. Gionfriddo, assistant manager of the Denver Dumb Friends League animal shelter, said animal "adoptions" have been running at a rate of about 50 a day this week. The average rate is about 15 adoptions per day.

"Everybody wants to give his friend or his children a puppy for Christmas," Gionfriddo said. "The problem is that parents think it would be neat for the children to play with the puppy and learn responsibility. In many cases, it turns into a fiasco."

Sheriff Given An Ultimatum

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Times Herald said today that Sheriff Clarence Jones has been told to resign or he will become a prime target in January at a court of inquiry into his office's bail bond practices.

The newspaper said Jones and his lawyer have been warned by persons the newspaper did not name that unless Jones resigns soon the sheriff not only will be closely scrutinized in the inquiry, but a suit to remove him from office may be filed.

Jones said he has received no such warnings nor does he plan to quit.

The court of inquiry is to continue its probe next month of more than $3 million in uncollected bond forfeitures.

New York Gets Nixon Money

NEW YORK (AP) - Former President Richard M. Nixon has paid the state of New York $11,544.17 in taxes, penalties and interest owed from the 1969 sale of his Fifth Avenue co-op.

The Tax Commission said Monday that full payment of Nixon's delinquent state taxes was received Dec. 17 and that "we found no evidence of fraud or criminal negligence on the part of former President Nixon.

Last April, the Congressional Joint Committee on Internal Revenue asserted that Nixon was ineligible to claim a $142,192 capital gain on the sale of the apartment because he had reinvested profits from the sale in his San Clemente, Calif., estate.

San Clemente was not Nixon's principal residence at the time, the committee decided, thus making the tax deduction invalid.

NO HERALD WEDNESDAY

In keeping with a custom of long standing, there will be no Herald Wednesday. This is in order that members of the Herald family can spend the day in the bosom of their own families. Publication resumes as usual with Thursday afternoon's issue.

British MP Surfaces

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — A member of the British Parliament who disappeared five weeks ago in Florida was arrested today in Australia on a charge of entering the country illegally, police said.

Detective Chief Supt. Mick Patterson said that 49-year-old John Thomson Stonehouse admitted entering the country on a false passport and would probably go before a court on Christmas Day.

The detective gave no explanation for Stonehouse's disappearance.

Police sources said Stonehouse had been traveling under the name of Markham and was arrested in a seaside suburb of Melbourne on a tip from Interpol, the international police organization.

Patterson said Stonehouse entered Australia at Perth airport on Dec. 10, 20 days after he disappeared in Miami Beach, Fla.

"Stonehouse has been frequenting Melbourne post office and receiving information from England. He may have been trying to get out of Australia," the detective said.

Stonehouse has been a Labor party member of the House of Commons since 1957 and was aviation minister and then minister of posts and telecommunications in Prime Minister Harold Wilson's 1964-70 Labor government. He was on a business trip to the United States when he disappeared on Nov. 20 after telling friends at his Miami Beach hotel he was going for a swim.

Stonehouse's wife, Barbara, told newsmen in London repeatedly that she believed her husband had drowned. But the Miami police refused to close the file on the case because the body had not been recovered.

British newspapers speculated that Stonehouse had been killed by the Mafia when a body encased in concrete was found near the beach on which he was supposed to have taken his last swim. But investigation proved that the body wasn't his.

Two British newspapers reported that a Czechoslovak agent who defected six years ago, Maj. Josef Frolik, claimed Stonehouse was a spy for the Communists. But Wilson told the House of Commons last week that Frolik's story was investigated at the time and no evidence was found to support his allegations.

There was also newspaper speculation in Britain that Stonehouse had gone underground because of reverses in international business deals he was trying to swing, including trade contracts with Bangladesh and a contract to sell Romanian cement to Nigeria. His wife denied this.

BS Native Is Top Skelly VP

A Big Spring man, Robert Nall Miller, 46, has been elevated to executive vice president of Skelly Oil Company in a shift of positons occasioned by resignation of Harold E. Berg as president.

James E. Hara was elected to succeed Hara as Skelly's chief executive officer, and Miller was named to succeed Hara who has served as executive vice president since 1963. Miller has been group vice president for exploration and production. Paul J. Vaanen will succeed to Miller's former positon.

Born in Big Spring, Miller graduated from Big Spring High School where he was an honor student and football star, was among the first to enroll in Howard College when it opened in 1946. He took his BS degree in petroleum engineering in 1950 at the University of Texas and began his career with Getty Oil Compnay in 1950 as an engineer trainee at Hobbs, N.M., and later served as district engineer before being named the company's Mid-continent division manager of engineering at Houston in 1968. He became a Getty Oil executive assistant in 1969, and was elected president of Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc. in 1970.



ROBERT N. MILLER

Miller serves on the board of directors for Skelly Oil Company, Nuclear Fuel Services, Inc., the Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association and the Tulsa Metropolitan YMCA. He is a member of the American Petroleum Institute and the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical & Petroleum Engineers, and serves on the advisory board to the College of Engineering and Physical Sciences at the University of Tulsa. He is a registered professional engineer in Texas and Oklahoma.

He and his wife, the former Dorothy Lou Kennedy, Big Spring, have two daughters, Bobbie and Stacy, and one son, John Earl Miller. Miller also has a brother, John P. Miller, likewise a native of Big Spring, who is a top executive for GE in Ohio.

Generosity Over Christmas Need

If families are individuals are overlooked here this Christmas, it will because those wanting to help didn't know about the need.

The Salvation Army, which has been a clearing house for Christmas rememberances, reported Tuesday morning that virtually all of the 150 families on its list of families needing help, had been served.

"But we are open until noon today to receive last-minute applications," said Capt. L. Z. Sullivan, in charge of the crops here.

OVER EXPECTATIONS

Funds give this year far exceeded expectations, he said, while the number of families applying for Christmas assistance was down. The corps had counted on 200 families. The total Christmas fund was around $10,000, of which about half came in one anonymous gift. Kettles, manned by service club members, gathered in over a thousand dollars, a figure exceeded by the Herald's Christmas Cheer fund appeal.

Women of the Salvation Army made the hospitals and rest home, concentrating particularly on the smaller nursing units.

Families were given a supply of canned goods, thanks to the generosity of children in the various schools.

"They did such a marvelous job," said Capt. Sullivan, "that we may have some left for our winter relief."

TOYS, TOO

In addition to these, the families were given a grocery order from which they can obtain their turkey or other meat and the trimmings for a big Christmas dinner. Children were given a selection of toys — one third of them new. The supply of good used toys was excellent, and Tuesday morning more continued to come in.

The lower need for Christmas help, plus the extraordinary generosity here were in sharp contract to many areas of the nation where the Salvation Army was going in the hole to meet Christmas demands, said Capt. Sullivan.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

WOULD DISPELL IMAGE
Father Thomas Higgins

Priest Dealing In Pat Hands

LOS ANGELES (AP) — From the chapel to the classroom to the blackjack table, Father Thomas Higgins, a Jesuit priest, carries his message to the people.

Higgins, 42, is assistant chaplain and professor at Loyola Marymount University in suburban Westchester. During the summer months he works as a blackjack dealer in Las Vegas.

In a recent interview at the university, Higgins said: "You can't preach Christ if your experience is entirely different from that of other people.

"If priests were cab drivers or bus drivers or if they took different jobs, they would be much more all kinds of people."

He has lived in hotels where rooms rent for $3 for two nights and where, he says: "It seemed like I was the only guy without a tattoo."

"I learned a lot about myself," the priest said. "I want to expand my horizons. I never want to stop growing."

Higgins worked the graveyard shift at the Royal Inn Casino. His customers sometimes would get his good counsel, although they seldom found out that the man behind the red satin tie was a priest.

"Sometimes I tell people: You're drunk. Why don't you go home. You're going to drop your whole load,'" Higgins said.

Higgins says that he does not fit the popular image of a Jesuit priest. But that does not seem to bother him.

"The image of priests and nuns are that they are detached and aloof," he said. "If you're detached and aloof, what good are you?"

Business Is Brisk In Area

Local merchants agreed that Christmas sales were up this year from last year and several of the group claimed that for some reason, customers bought the most at the last minute.

One ladies ready to wear store manager stated, "Sales were very, very excellent. We couldn't hope for better. We seem to be completely cut away from the national economy."

Another downtown department store manager claimed. "Our sales went quite well. Customers seemed to wait a little later to shop this year and were more selective in their shopping habits. However, in the end, they purchased the better items."

This waiting period was also felt at two of the main discount stores in the city. They reported that Monday, Dec. 23 was the biggest day.

"For some reason, customers simply swarmed into the stores Monday. This brought our shopping season up above that of last year. Boy, Monday was really a humdinger," spokesmen added.

A car dearler reported that at his dealership, "Big cars are outselling little cars for Christmas. I don't know why — they just know they are. Our Christmas sales were above expectations."

A furniture store manager added, "We saw no slack in business. Our gift items moved real well. We had a lot of late customers and they are still coming in today."

A local pawnbroker said few were pawning and few were buying at his store this year.

"They (sales) were really up until the 10th of October," he commented. "Since then, they've been dwindling away."

"REALLY TERRIFIC"

"Been really terrific," one jeweler said. "Most of them bought early."

A man handling appliance sales at a downtown store commented: "We've had about the usual."

"Well, it's been a little bit tough," one large downtown store manager said. "The sales came a little bit late" because of Thanksgiving being a week later.

CHEER FUND NEAR $1,600

The Christmas Cheer Fund had just about run its course Tuesday noon with the total nearing $1,600.

Among the lastest to share in this compassionate guesture are Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Floore Fort Worth, $10; Mrs. Arch Carson, in memory of Mrs. Tommie Biggs, $10; Mr. and Mrs. Alden Ryan, $25; and an anonymous friends, $20. The Herald expresses its deep appreciation to all who so maginificently responded to this appeal, and to those who supported it with their prayers. The amount stands at $1580.88.

On Earth, Peace, Good Will

In accordance with a Christmas Eve custom of many years' standing. The Herald carries the glorious story of peace on earth and good will toward men as contained in the first 14 verses of the Gospel, according to St. Luke.

And it came to pass in those days that there went out a decree from Caesar Agustus, that all the world should be taxed.

And all went to be taxed, everyone into his own city.

And Joseph also went from Galilee, out of the city of David which is Bethlehem.

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child.

And so it was, that, while they were there the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manager; because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there are in the same country, shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone around about them; and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: Fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidiings of great joy, which shall be to all the people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour, Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manager.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying:

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

My Answer

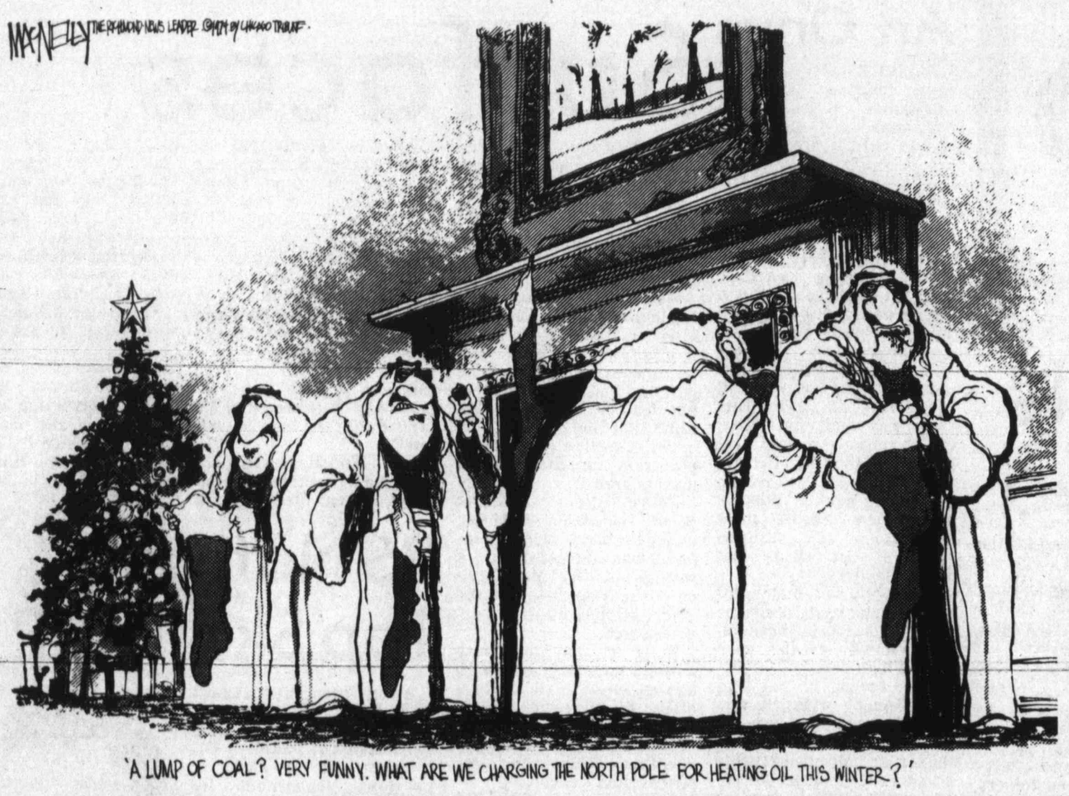
Billy Graham

Frankly, I'm dissatisfied with my Christian faith. I don't seem to take much pleasure in it and I find it difficult to share it with others. What can I do? G.P.

There's nothing more pathetic than a Christian who has no spark of love about him and little divine joy within him. He may even become a deterrent to those considering a Biblical faith.

Paul had good advice in Colossians 3:16: "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you . . . counsel one another." Recently, a friend wrote me from England saying that at a minister's seminar, one asked this embarrassing question, "Gentlemen, when did we last speak of the Lord?" He reported that conviction on this matter produced new freedom and profound new joy.

To be dissatisfied with the practice of your faith is a good first step to renewal. The pleasure of the Christian life comes when we bring it into everyday life — and speak often of Christ in normal conversation. You try it, and see what happens! Almost any subject will admit of a spiritual application, and you'll discover the world of the spirit becomes much more real and revelant.





Unhappy Sounds

Around The Rim

Jo Bright

Have you heard the other sounds of Christmas? Not the sleight bells or chimes or caroling — but the voices that are sometimes unhappy.

"I'M NOT GOING to buy any more gifts this year than I have to."

"I don't care about it anymore because it's just gotten too commercial."

"Well, we're just not going to send cards this year."

"Oh, it's getting to where I hate Christmas."

How often, as we grow older, we hear at least one of those phrases from friends or acquaintances. During the past few years, even the past few days, I think I've heard them all.

Not from children, of course. They still keep the faith. It is only the elders who have lived and loved long enough to associate sadness with Christmas.

The dread of the day is real — touchingly so — for all the lonely people. Feigned indifference does not conceal the pain and poignant memories of Christmas past, when they were a part of loving families; when there were children to waken and watch with pride and pleasure.

IN ANY NEIGHBORHOOD there are the olderly ladies or bent old men who live along in modest little houses. For some, there are married sons or daughters far away who may "possibly" come home" this year. For others, there is no one — anywhere.

In the hospitals, Christmas Eve will come and, perhaps another baby will be born. Yet, down the hall, someone's beloved is dying and will never see the gifts.

A middle-aged veteran, hiding bitterness, will murmer "thank you" to the lady who lays a gift on the robe that covers his broken body. It now takes more bravery for him to live than it did to chance the dying.

The hopeless man in the worn coat will hate the pride that somehow angers him as he stands in line to receive the basket that others provide for his family.

A young man and wife, not old enough for such sorrow, will cling to each other, grieving at the grave of their firstborn, who died in the early days of December.

Yes, these, too are Christmas stories.

Yet there is hope of joy. From compassion — and love — came the world's first Christmas gift.



Buckley-Javits

William F. Buckley, Jr.

The political writers, or some of them in any case, are attempting to feed, and then feast off, a monstrous feud between the senior and junior senators from New York State which, in fact, is a molehill. An instructive molehill, inasmuch as it illuminates both the temptation to inflate political differences, and the effects of such an inflation. Specifically, the question is: who will inherit the position of chairman of the Republican Conference in the United States Senate, a position of exiguous importance, being vacated by Sen. Norris Cotton of New Hampshire, who is retiring.

1. SEN. JAVITS decided that he will run for the vacant position. He accompanied his statement with the usual business about how the Republican Party has to become more progressive in order to attract more voters.

2. Mr. Richard Rosenbaum who is the Republican state chairman of New York, telephoned Sen. James Buckley and asked whether he will support Sen. Javits. Mr. Buckley informed Mr. Rosenbaum that he is not given to announcing his position on leadership votes ahead of time; that he understood and sympathized with that part of Mr. Rosenbaum's enthusiasm for the candidacy of Sen. Javits that flows from state pride, and will weigh that factor before making up his mind.

3. MR. ROSENBAUM decided to apply a little pressure, which is not the quickest road to the affections of the sainted junior senator from New York, and traveled to Washington to lobby for Sen. Javits, which activity resulted in a number of telephone calls to Sen. Buckley's office urging him to vote for his fellow New Yorker.

4. Sen. Carl Curtis from Nebraska at this point announced his candidacy for the vacant chairmanship. Now Sen. Curtis's Republicanism makes Sen. Javits sound a little to the left of Mother Bloor. Sen. Buckley, meanwhile, in his own post mortems on the Republican disaster of last November, had been suggesting that the Party should take a vigorous tack to the right, i.e., in the direction of Sen. Curtis' politics, rather than Sen. Javits's.

5. This combination of events prompted Sen. Buckley to put an end t the lobbying for his own vote by fellow New Yorkers, by declaring, simply, that he would support Sen. Curtis.

6. NOW THIS did not surprise Sen. Javits in the least. Indeed, it is a well-kept secret that he and Sen. Buckley get along very well. They respect one another's differences rather than affect that such differences do not exist. Indeed, some of Sen. Buckley's best friends are Democrats, Sen. Javits accordingly issued a simple and dignified statement saying that he understood his colleague's preference for Sen. Curtis given their idological consanguinity; and that his feeling were not hurt in the least.

7. But any resolution so amicable of a situation that could be fanned into a vendetta, did not satisfy the political writers. When last heard from, one of them, writing for the New York Daily News, under the blazing headline, "Buckley Javits Spat A New Blow To Punchy GOP," reported that Sen. Buckley's decision, "despite frantic efforts by state party leaders to hold the lid down and mute the resulting controversy", had caused "county leaders (to) react sharply, registering surprise, chagrin, disappointment, and downright anger."

THIS WAS downright surprising to both senators from New York, who now find themselves embroiled in a feud for which they have no particular appetite.

However, politics is such a dreary business, the writers must, one supposes, be forgiven the melodramatization of the news. But for the sake of clarity, I report the situation as it evolved, performing yet another public service.



Shift By Shah

Robert Novak

WASHINGTON — The ominous and surprisingly abrupt turn toward a harder pro-Arab line against Israel by the Shah of Iran, a Mideast power with oil riches and U. S.-supplied arms, is causing high-level consternation inside President Ford'a national security apparatus.

UNTIL NOW THE LEADER of the Mideast's most populous and powerful country had dealt with Israel on special, almost intimate terms. But the shah's latest announcement last weekend warned that the special relationship may be coming to an end.

This unwanted new byproduct of the continuing Arab-Israeli deadlock means that Iran, a virtual ally of the West in the 1973 oil crisis, could be its enemy in a new embargo in 1975. What adds to nervousness in Washington is Iran's new military prowess resulting from the Shah's heavy use of oil money to buy American arms.

"THERE ARE ONLY TWO way," the Shah told the Middle East Economic Survey, published in Beirut. "Either Israel accepts the implementation of the United Nations resolutions, or ther is no alternative to war. Of course, this time it will be our war."

The Shah's interview was largely ignored in the American press, but an unusually complete transcript was rushed to high officials here via official cable from Beirut. While devoid of overtly nasty anti-Israeli rhetoric, it raises serious alarms considering the multi-billion-dollar American arms sales to Teheran and Washington's plicy of depending on Iran for Western defense of the oil-rich Persian Gulf and northern approaches to the Soviet Union.

FOR EXAMPLE, the interview made a major point of the Shah's visit to Cairo next month, his first since he was crown prince in distant pre-Nasser days. "I think highly of what President Sadat has done for the Arab cause in general and the Palestinian cause in particular," he said. "My forthcoming visit is an expression of this esteem."

He credited President Anwar Sadat with working toward a peaceful settlement with Israel, but added that "regrettably the Israelis have not responded to him." He then put the blame squarely on "the Americans for failing to press Israel to withdraw from occupied Arab territories.

FACED WITH sputtering border warfare against the militant Arab state of Iraq and a chilly, arm's-length relationship with Saudi Arabia, the Shah is clearly intent on shoring up the position of Iran — Moslem but non-Arab — in the Arab world. Experts here view this as a dangerous new element in hardening cohesiveness of the Moslem world on the Israeli issue.

What is ominous about the Shah's words at this critical juncture in the Arab-Israeli deadlock is their hint of drastic change in oil policy, toward both Israel and the West, if war breaks out again.

IN OCTOBER 1973, when Egypt and Syria attacked Israel to recover lands seized in the 1967 war, Iran refused to go along with the embargo by Arab oil states imposing a blockade. Indeed, Iranian oil helped fuel Israel's successful counterattacks which drove both Egypt and Syria even deeper into their own territories.

His words that "this time it will be our war" hint that Iran would join its oil-producing Moslem neighbors and deny oil to Israel and perhaps the entire Western world in the next war. The implication is clear — time is running out in the Mid-East.



An Extreme Contrast

John Cunniff

NEW YORK (AP) — As it seems so often to happen in industrial society, Christmas this year brings together in extreme contrast the stories of rich and poor, peace and conflict, security and human tragedy.

For 6 million jobless workers Santa's bag will hang limp as an empty sack. Most of them are blue-collar workers, a good many possessing meager skills. White-collar jobs are beginning to be affected, but most executives are still immune.

The economy is pitching downward. Buying power is 6.2 per cent below a year ago, the steepest one-year decline on record. Economic activity is sluggish, consumers unresponsive.

Inflation continues, with the increases in food prices especially sharp — an annual rate of more than 16 per cent. One item, sugar, suddenly has become a luxury. Consumer prices in general are more than 12 per cent higher than a year ago.

It doesn't take a set of government statistics to prove this. Experienced pollsters long have noticed that ordinary people sense the news far in advance of government reports. The statistics are mere verification.

Meanwhile, another characteristic of Americans provides strength for times such as these, and that is a sense of expectancy, which is more than hope. It is a feeling that things can be overcome, that the valley leads to the mountain.

Looking across the valley there can be seen the possibility of an improving economy by midyear, with more jobs, relatively stable prices, greater buying power. Housing also should improve as mortgage money becomes plentiful.

In a sense the current recession is a correction of an earlier peak, one that blew its top in an explosion of excesses, public and private. When the debris is cleared, even before, the rebuilding can begin.

Americans have a right to expect, however, that the next ascent doesn't lead to the precipitous calamity that now surrounds them, in some respects the worst recession since the 1930s.

Perhaps the peaks and valleys cannot be eliminated, but certainly they can be blunted by firm leadership and wise ecnomic policies. Few economists will deny that.

It is something to hope for on Christmas or any other day; something to be delivered by responsible leaders, not a gift but a right.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

Having run through 36 governments in a little over 30 years, Italy hasn't exactly been the epitome of unity, but when it comes to art, the Italians are unanimous in their opinion that it is worth saving.

Thus it isn't at all incongruous that while the economy and government are in a shambles, Italians should be proceeding with plans to save the Leaning Tower of Pisa, which has leaned about as far as it can without becoming the Lying Tower.

Newsweek magazine reports that two Japanese engineering firms will pump cement and chemicals into the soil around the 800-year-old oddity to keep it from toppling. They cost: about $5.5 million.

It's too bad that something similar can't be done with Italian government. But when a nation that will go to such lengths to save its art heritage isn't beyond hope.

In fact, that may be Italy's secret to survival — TILSA TRIBUNE



No Special Diet

Dr. G. C. Thosteson

Dear Doctor: Please tell me what foods I cannot eat. I was told I have hiatus hernia. — V.G.

You should avoid highly spiced foods and alcohol, which will increase stomach acidity and in turn irritate the hernia.

There really is no special diet for hiatal hernia patients. The important thing is to avoid any heavy meal or meals late at night.

Limit night snacks to something harmless — like milk and crackers.

Antacid may be used about an hour after eating to counteract any acidity.

If there is an ulcer in the hernia sac (burning and bleeding would be the symptoms of this), then an ulcer-type diet of small, blan frequent feedings is used.

You might want to read my booklet, "Hiatal Hernia and Eight Ways to Combat It," for which send 25 cents in a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope to me in care of the Big Spring Herald.

Obesity can aggravate the hernia so, if you need to, lose weight.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: I am 62 years old and have nver been married.

I got to know a very nice man and we would like to get married. I am worried because I don't think I could have marriage relations as I am very small. Do you think anything could be done to remedy this? — P.R.

You may be placing undue emphasis on an unproven condition.

I suggest you be checked by a doctor. You should have a pelvic examination anyway.

You probably are more normal than you think.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Some time ago I read in your column about the bad effects of excessive consumption of licorice, but I can't remember just what. Can it cause certain diseases or aggravate some condition one already has? — R.H.

Too much licorice can cause a condition called pseudo-aldosteronism. This is featured by a loss of potassium (an essential element in the body's chemical balance), high blood pressure, headache, and heart irregulatiry.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: My husband, in his 50s, has been having blood in his semen the last few months.

The doctor checked his prostate and found nothing wrong. He told him not to worry about it, but we do.

Isn't unusual bleeding the symptom of something wrong? What is your opioion ? — Mrs. E.J.M.

Unusual bleeding usually means something is wrong, but sometimes it is difficult to pin down.

His having been checked and found okay is important.

One point: you should be checked youself to maek sure you are not the source of the blood because of some disorder of the cervix or vagina.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: My daughter, 8, had an extremely bad case of chickenpox, and even though she didn't pick any of the scabs and they eventually fell off by themselves, they left small scars, mostly around her chin.

Is there anything that can be done to help fade the scars? Any lotion or creme? — Mrs. L. B.

You ask about "fading" the scars, so I presume that they are quite recent. The color will fade out by itself, although the scar itself can remain, but be less visible.

Dermabrasion by a dermatologist or plastic surgeon can get rid of superficial scars but probably will not entirely obliterate scars as deep as those from chickenpox. This should not be attempted at her age but might be considered later.

Much little is preventable. Write to Dr. Thosteson in care of the Big Spring Herald for a copy of his booklet, "How to Take CAre of Your Heart." Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 25 cents.

To learn the major categories of prostate trouble — symptoms, treatment, how to speed recovery — read Dr. Thosteson's booklet, "The Pesky Prostate." For a copy write to him in care of the Big Spring Herald, enclosing a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 25 cents.

To dind out what causes high blood pressure and what can be done to treat it, send for a copy of "Controlling Your Blood Pressure (Hypertension)" by Dr. Thosteson. Write to him in care of the Big Spring Herald, enclosing a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and 25 cents.

Belated Results

By JAY SHARBUTT
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Dear Santa: I know it is Christmas Eve and you are a mite busy, but I'd like to get in some last minute requests for me and my fellow television viewers:

So please:

—Take away Kojak's lollipop, because nobody can understand him when he's chewing on it.

—GIVE ARCHIE Bunker a lollipop so nobody can understand him when he's chewing on it.

—Give "Upstairs, Downstairs" an escalator clause.

—Make the local newscaster write a 10,000-word essay on why he should never say "we'll have more news in a moment" after a four-minute film story about the Bulgaria Day parade downtown.

—Make network correspondents write a 5,000-word essay on why they should never say, "No one here really knows," or, "No exact estimate can ever be made" or "What all this means is ..."

—Have Eric Sevareid come on one night and say, "I really don't know what to make of it."

—MAKE MATTHEW, my youngest nephew, write a 100-word essay on why he is late handing in his 500-word essay on why programs should be banned from all children's commercials on TV. Yes, that's right.

—Make the guys in "Movin' On" put the truck in reverse while going forward at 90 miles an hour. It might cut fuel consumption.

—Ban all pro football games from TV for a year. If you can't do that, at least get rid of the commentators for a year and just play "The Nutcracker Suite" during the action.

—Don't give Cher Bono an identical twin, because her new show would become a case of Cher and Cher alike.

—HOPEFULLY, make interviewers ask NBC's Edwin Newman viable questions so as to get optimum imput on the thrust of his new book, "Strictly Speaking: Will America Be the Death of English?"

—Give Kung Fu a new kung to hang over his door. After all, not everyone is worth a kung's transom.

The networks are taking little note of Christmas until late tonight, when CBS shows a Christmas celebration by Benedictine monks in Vermont, NBC presents a Christmas service from the Vatican and ABC airs a holiday show, taped last week at the Rockefeller Center ice-skating rink and hosted by former Fun City mayor John Lindsay.

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A Devotion For Today . . .

"You will find a babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." (Luke 2:12 RSV)

PRAYER: Father, save us from getting so uptight that we fail to recognize evidences of Your Spirit. Amen.

Color Cartoons Tell About Life Of Christ

COPENHAGEN (AP) — A pioneering animation technique and an unorthodox financial deal with a Swedish backer have launched a Danish film editor and film cutter into a mammoth project — telling the story of Jesus Christ from birth to resurrection in a series of color cartoons.

The cartoon is primarily meant for the youngest grades in schools all over the Christian world, but will be offered to television stations as well.

It is a three-year, $100,000 project, and it is largely a one-woman operation with Mrs. Ida Schneekloth, 50, filling the multiple role of script writer, director, stage manager, producer, camerman, film cutter and editor in a modest, rented studio here.



In her version of the life of Jesus Christ all characters including Christ are cardboard figures — tens of thousands of them — animated in a technique that is neither traditional cartoon nor traditional puppet film, but rather a kind of filmed children's toy theater.

UNANSWERED NEED

The project is Mrs. Schneekloth's own brainchild, born out of a sense that there was an unanswered need for a film telling young children the whole, true-to-the-Bible life-story of Jesus — and out of a conviction that it would be next to impossible for anyone but a uniquely gifted director to do it in a real movie.

"No actor who believes in Christ could play him and be objective about it, and a non-believer certainly could not," explains Mrs. Schneekloth, herself a believer.

The project, to be completed by 1976, involves ten films of 10-15 minutes each. The first three installments include: a child is born, the crossroads (passion and crucifixion) and the resurrection.

In Mrs. Schneekloth's technique a film camera is placed in front of a three-dimensional toy theater with one-dimensional characters cut in heavy cardboard.

The filming is in one-frame shots, and the animation effect comes from replacing, between shots, a character with an identical character which is only slightly changed into the next phase of the movement desired.

MANY FIGURES

This means that to film one character going through just one relatively simple movement calls for the use of a succession of more than a dozen cardboard figures. Even if many figures may be used more than once for different scenes Mrs. Schneekloth expects to use tens of thousands of figures.

Mrs. Schneekloth, who worked as a film cutter for Danish and Swedish television stations for 20 years, had to overcome some skepticism about her idea.

But she took it to Czechoslovakia and to Antonin Horak, the father of the Czech puppet film tradition. He considered it workable and offered a few pieces of advice. Now she plans to patent her technique world-wide.

GETS CLASS RING — Kenneth Chandler, injured in 1969 in a football accident at Garden City, was presented his class ring by Eddie Cole, local Jaycee president, Monday. Chandler received his Associate Arts degree from Victoria College through the Texas Jaycee Education and Training Center at Gonzales.

Student Comes Long Way Back From Grid Injury

Kenneth Chandler of Garden City received his Associate of Arts degree from Victoria College through the Texas Jaycee Education and Training Center at Gonzales.

He met this week with the local Big Spring Jaycees and was presented a senior ring by Eddie Cole, Jaycee president for the local club.

Chandler became a severly-handicapped young man back in November of 1969 when he was a 16-year-old sophomore at Garden City High. He rammed head first in to a 200-pounder during a game with Wellman, and when he went down he couldn't get back up.

He was motionless. His neck was broken and at first he wasn't expected to live.

Today, he is extremely alert and active, one of many physically-handicapped persons who is completing his college education through the program at Gonzales.

Says Chandler, "We want to become self-sustaining, dignified members of society."

Jack Woodley, head coach at Forsan was Kenneth's coach when the accident occurred. He recalled last year, "Kenneth is top notch. I don't think there's another kid in the world that could go through what he has and have his attitude. I can't say enough to describe my feelings for him"

Sterling Man Is Wreck Victim

STERLING CITY — Jose Felix Rojas, 62, of Sterling City was killed about three miles south of Eden about 6:30 a.m., Monday, apparently when his car veered into an overturned truck.

Mike Rojas, 15, son of the victim, and James L. Bradley, 51, a truck driver from Colorado City, were treated for injuries at Concho County Hospital in Eden and released.

Bradley's truck had jackknifed after hitting a slick spot on US 83.

Public Records

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Edward Charles Mehlhaff, 23, and Miss Sharon Lee Andrews, 22.

James Franklin Grizzard, 55, and Mrs. Dorothy Thalma Blount, 42.

Robert Earl Robinson, 25, and Miss Debra Ann Linney, 22, Stanton.

Thomas Andrew Paeth, 34, and Mrs. Susan Ann Kenneman, 24.

Samuel Munoz, 20, and Miss Sylvia Trevino Jordan, 14.

Jim Edward Alexander, 27, and Miss Susan Elrod, 28.

James Lee Jones, 25, and Miss Mary Carolyn Rollins, 23.

Joseph Lawrence Mathis, 18 and Miss Glenda Sue Addy, 18.

Herbert Bronk Jobes, 23, and Miss Sandra Kay Bellew, 20.

Michael Jay Nelson, 31, and Miss Alise Sue Dunbar, 20.

William Carl Eggleston, 21, and Miss Janet Lee Bronaugh, 18.

Jaber Marquez Hernandez, 22, and Miss Josefa Moreno Dominquez, 17.

Stephen Thomas Genton, 23, and Miss Teresa Lynn Griffin, 21.

Darwin Griffith, 24 and Mrs. Carletta La Rue Bishop, 18.

Martin King Norwood, 35, and Mrs. Rhonda Jo West, 22.

Eliseo Bodillo Gamboa, 17 and Miss Lois Jean Barrier, 17.

Stanley Kendall Smith, 20, Ackerly, and Miss Deana Ann Holcomb, 19, Stanton.

COUNTY COURT ORDERS

Paul Arthur Bedwell, DWI, fined $50 plus costs and sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated for six months.

Vondel Obris Wood, DWI, fined $50 plus costs and sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated for six months.

James Shelby Simmons vs. Texas Department of Public Safety. Plaintiff's petition denied, judgment given to defendant authorizing suspension of Simmon's Texas Operators license for thirty days.

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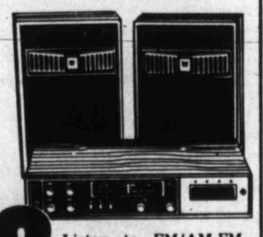
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Miss Phyllis Wynn Weds Tommy Best

Miss Phyllis Faye Wynn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip A. Wynn, Coahoma, became the bride of Tommy Alan Best, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carol W. Best, Noodle, in a Monday evening ceremony in the Church of Christ, Coahoma.

Ralph Beistle, minister, officiated before an altar centered with an arched candelabrum. Branched candelabra, adorned with boxwood greenery, flanked arched candelabra holding white tapers.

Wedding music was provided by a choral group from Abilene Christian College.

The bride's dress was floor-length of white chiffon over peau de soie, fashioned with an empire waistline, high collar and cuffs trimmed in lace. The lace motif was continued on the trim of her long veil, which was held by a headpiece of matching lace.

The bride's flowers arranged in a crescent bouquet were pink carnations and burgundy roses with holly foliage.

The maid of honor was Miss Terri Long, Juneau, Alaska, and bridesmaids were Miss Mischa Read Coahoma and Miss Peggy Marrs, Matador.

Their floor-length empire dresses were fashioned of polyester jersey. Miss Long's dress was pink, while the bridesmaids were dressed in burgundy. They carried pink muffs topped with pink carnations, miniature burgundy roses and holly foliage.

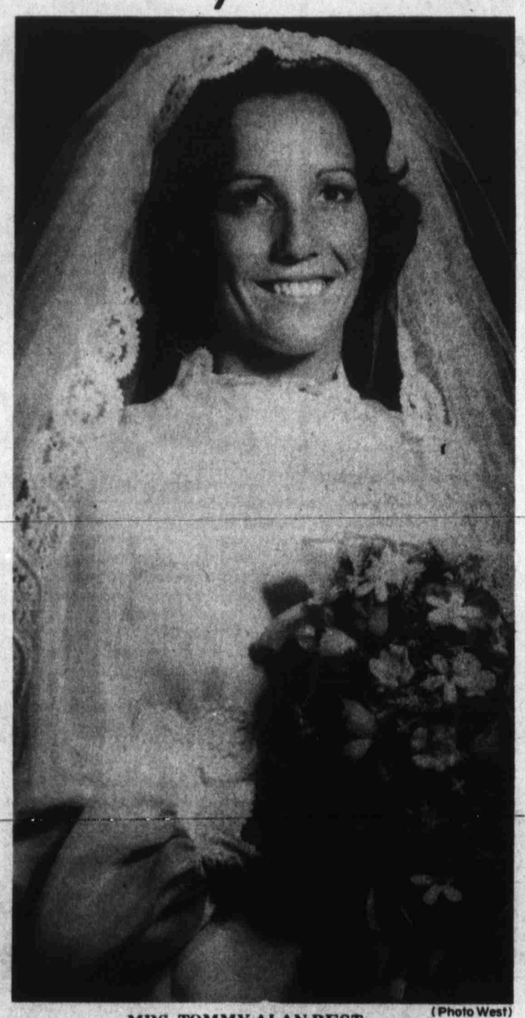
Steven Best, brother of the bridegroom, was best man, and Gary Best, another brother, and Marvin Wynn, brother of the bride, were groomsmen. Ushers were Mike Burk and Tim Tindol.

Sharon Tindol and Vicky Buchanan distributed rice bags.

The couple will be at home at 859 Ave. F, Abilene, where they are students at Abilene Christian College. They planned a wedding trip to South Texas.

The bride is a graduate of Coahoma High School and is a senior at ACC majoring in physical education and speech. She is a member of Delta Theta Social club and is employed at Abilene State School.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Noodle High School, is a senior at ACC. He is a member of Sigma Tau Epsilon Club and is employed at Vernon Fletcher Automotive Abilene. He is an industrial education major.



MRS. TOMMY ALAN BEST (Photo West)

A reception, hosted by the parents of the bride, was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Read.

Guests were registered by Miss Sally Echols and Miss Val Rae Best.

The refreshment table was covered with a Chantilly lace cloth. Silver candelabra held pink tapers, and appointments were of silver and crystal.

Serving were Mrs. Tony Kite, Lubbock; Miss June Sterling, Vincent; Miss Becky Lucas, Roscoe; Miss Debra Buchanan, Miss Darla Buchanan, both of Lubbock; and Miss Nannette Burk, Floydada.

Out-of-town relatives attending, other than the bridegroom's parents, were Mrs. Vada Harris, grandmother of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. Newell Burk, all of Floydada; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cunningham, Lubbock.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the bridegroom's parents at Coker's Restaurant in Big Spring.

Holiday Guests At Westbrook

WESTBROOK (SC) — Mr. and Mrs. Anson Henderson spent the weekend in the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Max Richards, and attended a Christmas program at Klondike Baptist Church. Their granddaughter, Melinda Richards, had a part in the program. Guests in the Henderson home earlier in the week were his sisters, Mrs. Violet West and Mrs. Ruth Crabtree of Angleton.

The C. E. Rannes are spending the weekend in Lufkin with their daughter and family, the Royce Feasters. Feaster underwent back surgery in Memorial Hospital there Tuesday.

The Tommy Sloanes of West Texas Boys' Ranch, San Angelo, spent the weekend with her parents, the W. A. Bells.

Holiday guests of the Tom Moores will be their daughter and family of Utah.

The Lonnie Hoyle family of California is spending the holidays with their parents, the J. K. Williamsons of Westbrook and the Robert Halls of Colorado City. Also, they will visit the Howard Williamsons of Nacogdoches.

Miss Sandy Anderson, Angelo State College, is home for the holidays and plans to do student teaching in Westbrook School after Christmas.

Bridesmaid Luncheon On Monday

Mrs. Grady Tindol and Mrs. Paul Allen were hostesses at a bridesmaids' luncheon Monday for Miss Phyllis Wynn and her attendants. The affair was held in the Tindol home where decorations of pink angels with burgundy ribbon and cedar trim.

A buffet luncheon was served from a table covered with a white, lace-trimmed cloth and centered with an arrangement of pink poinsettias and angel figurines. Place cards were in the form of tiny angels.

Out-of-town guests were Miss Peggy Marrs, Matador; Miss Terri Long, Juneau, Alaska; Miss Becky Lucas, Roscoe; Miss Nannette Burk and Mrs. Vada Harris, Floydada; Mrs. Carol Best, Noodle; Miss Debra Buchanan, and Miss Linda Kite, Miss Darla Buchanan, all of Lubbock and Miss Carolyn Graves, Miss Lynda Jackson and Miss Beth Davis all of Abilene. Others were Miss Mischa Read, Miss Sally Echols, Miss June Sterling, Miss Jennie Kohanek and junior bridesmaids, Miss Sharon Tindol and Miss Vicky Buchanan.

Rook Club Has Holiday Luncheon

Rook Club members were guests at a Christmas luncheon Friday in the home of Mrs. S. R. Nobles, 405 Washington Blvd., and new officers were elected during a brief business session conducted by Mrs. Felton Smith, retiring president.

The new leaders are Mrs. C. R. Moad, president; Mrs. Harwood Keith, vice president; Mrs. J. P. Allen, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Hugh Duncan, reporter.

Holiday decorations were placed throughout the home, and Secret Pals were revealed as gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree.

Three tables were in play for the games, with Mrs. C. E. Shive winning high score. The next meeting will be Jan. 17 in the Shive home, 1311 Scurry.

Travelers Leave For Holidays

FORSAN (SC) — Traveling to Hobbs, N.M. to spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. James Miles and Mrs. T. A. Rankin will be the J. W. Overtons and the families of J. L. Overton and Tom Evans.

Mrs. J. H. Cardwell will spend Christmas in Odessa with her daughter and family, the T. D. Breithaupts. The group will go to San Antonio to visit the Paul Garones.

The Arthur Bartons and their son and daughter-in-law, the Van Bartons, were in Georgetown recently to attend funeral services for Arthur Barton's mother, Mrs. C. A. Barton.

Mrs. R. G. Strom and granddaughter, Melissan Strom, San Angelo, were recent guests of Mrs. Strom's mother, Mrs. H. H. Story.

Guests of the G. L. Monroneys and the Bob Cowleys are Mrs. Monroney's brother and wife, the Paul McCoys, Villa Grove, Ill., and Mrs. Monroney's niece and husband, the J. C. Brahls, Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. E. S. Lewis, Lubbock, formerly of Forsan, is a guest of her daughter and family, the Paige Clevengers.

The Danny Henry family of Paducah are visiting his parents, the T. T. Henrys.

The Don Murphys and her parents, the Paul Kennedys, plan to spend the holidays in Crane with the M. E. Petrees and the James Kennedys.

Child Born To Local Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Raymond McNally, 1602 Mesquite, announce the birth of a daughter, Sandra Jean, at 3:55 p.m., Dec. 23 in Medical Center Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 pounds, 14½ ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Eber B. Atkins Jr., Middletown, N.Y., and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McNally, also of Middletown. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Aletha Atkins, Middletown, and Mr. and Mrs. William Brasted, Otisville, N.Y.

The couple has one other child, a daughter, Catherine Patricia, 2.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

LAST CHRISTMAS — Juanita Tucker, 67, the postmistress of Christmas, Fla., is retiring after 42 years of sorting tons of mail from thousands of Americans who, each year, send their Christmas cards to this small Central Florida town for its unique postmark.

This Will Be Her 'Last Christmas'

CHRISTMAS, Fla. (AP) — For 42 years, Juanita Tucker has stamped this tiny town's very special postmark on millions of holiday cards and packages. But the postmistress of Christmas says this year will be her last.

"It's been a wonderful experience, doing things for people," says Mrs. Tucker, who will retire soon. "It's been a good way to get into the Christmas spirit."

Although this central Florida community has just 900 residents, the Christmas post office mails more than 300,000 greeting cards and packages each year sent from all over the nation by people who want the town's postmark on their correspondence.

"It's been busy but it's been fun," says Mrs. Tucker, 67. "The real crush comes from about Dec. 10 to about a week before the big day. I look forward to seeing the same people stop by to deposit their Christmas mail.

"They've come from all over the state. Some people have been stopping here on their way south for 20 or 30 years now," she says. "We also get a lot of it by mail from people who've heard of the town and want the postmark."

Stamps sold for two cents when President Herbert Hoover appointed Mrs. Tucker in 1932 to the job her mother-in-law had held since 1914. "We were just a little village of about 250 then," Mrs. Tucker says.

But the idea of sending mail with a Christmas postmark continued to grow in popularity "until I had to call in extra help. My husband, Cecil, helps and I have two clerks over the season. But I do most of it myself. Always have."

Now Mrs. Tucker says she will relax, tending her "peace garden" across the street from the post office. She plans some traveling and visits with her children and grandchildren.

The postmistress of Christmas has never resented the extra holiday work, however. "Most of these folks have become friends. And we renew our friendship each year," she says. "I always look forward to Christmas."

Gifts Received By Pastor

WESTBROOK (SC) — Mrs. P. E. Clawson was hostess last week for a meeting of the Homemakers Class, First Baptist Church. Mrs. Gene Farley, a guest, presented the devotion.

Gifts were presented to the pastor, the Rev. Gene Farley, and his family, as well as to the teachers, Mrs. Paul Byrd and Mrs. Kay Morris. Mrs. A. B. Anderson, president, presided as plans were discussed to buy carpet for the class room. Guests were the Farleys, their sons, Robert and William, and Mrs. D. A. Oglesby.

Church Class Provides Gifts

The Young Adult Missionary Circle of Bakers Chapel, A. M. E. Church, presented handbags to women residents of Unit 6, Big Spring State Hospital, during the annual Christmas party at the hospital Dec. 17.

President of the missionary circle is Mrs. Nathan Green, who is also a nurse on Unit 6. Members of the class who made the handbags are Miss Genell Minter, Mrs. Ellen Smith, Mrs. Floyd Green Jr., Mrs. Irene Moreland and Mrs. Eloise Jackson.



Dear Abby

Her House is Haunted By First Wife's Image

DEAR ABBY: I am in a desperate state of mind and am ready to throw in the towel.

I married a widower 14 months ago. He doesn't drink or smoke and is a strict church-goer. (This is my first marriage. I was a schoolteacher.) He has three children from 12 to 19. The older one is at college, and the two at home are really good kids and I love them.

My problem is my husband. He promised me that after we were married, I could do the house over any way I liked it. Now he says we can't afford it. I know we can. He has $44,000 in the bank. (He showed me his bankbook before we were married.)

He still has all his wife's hospital equipment in the house, and there is a lot of it because she was an invalid for many years. It is so depressing for me to have to see it and dust it every day. I had to cry and plead before he gave his first wife's clothes away. He still has pictures of her all over the house, but I don't say anything. After all, she is the children's mother.

How long should I give him to get rid of the old reminders of her and let me buy a new bedroom set?

LIVING WITH MEMORIES

DEAR LIVING: Give him until the 4th of July. And if he doesn't make good his promise — fireworks!

DEAR ABBY: I am sitting here with a broken heart. Two months ago my cousin came to us begging us to adopt her two-year-old illegitimate child. She knew we couldn't have our own and couldn't find one to adopt. It was like God had answered our prayers so we jumped at the chance. We even signed some papers to be sure everything was done legally.

We took this child into our home and learned to love him, then two months later this cousin shows up with a lawyer saying she wants the boy back. Her lawyer said she signed the first papers in front of a notary public instead of a judge, so it wasn't legal, and the deal is off.

What should we do?

BROKENHEARTED

DEAR BROKEN: Do YOU have a lawyer? If not, you should have. However, consider this: If by some miracle the court awards you the child, she could make life for you and the boy very uncomfortable. Think it over. Perhaps everything does work out for the best.

CONFIDENTIAL TO THOSE WHO SMOKE AND WISH THEY DIDN'T: Give yourself (and those who love you) a priceless Christmas present, and quit smoking — cold turkey! Some of my best friends have done it, and so can you. God love you, and have a merry Christmas.

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(Photo By Danny Valdes)

NO ROOM AT THE INN — Christmas was, in the beginning, a religious holiday and remains that way with a multitude of Christians around the world. This unusual nativity scene was created on the lawn on the VA Hospital here, for the enjoyment of patients, the personnel of the hospital and visitors alike.

Bad Guys Losing

ORANGE, Calif. (AP) — Crime may be increasing elsewhere, but in this sunny suburb of Los Angeles the bad guys are losing ground, squashed by an unusually zealous police force.

What secret weapon is behind this year's 16.28 per cent dive in Orange's crime rate?

Any local officer knows. It's money.

Since January, the city has been rewarding its policemen with pay raises for each drop in the crime rate. The bonus increases have meant as much as $80 a month added to base pay.

"It's working indeed," says police Chief Merrill V. Duncan who reports receiving hundreds of letters from departments across the county and abroad inquiring about the innovative program.

The program's success is dramatic compared with the two cities that border Orange. Santa Ana's crime rate has jumped 17.1 per cent in the past year. Anaheim has had 17.6 per cent more crime.

NO PLANS

Neither city plans to adopt Orange's wage incentive program, unique in the nation. Duncan says that because of the program from officers from other departments are showing interest in transfers to Orange.

"We're attracting experienced men," the chief says. "There's a waiting list of people wanting to come on the force."

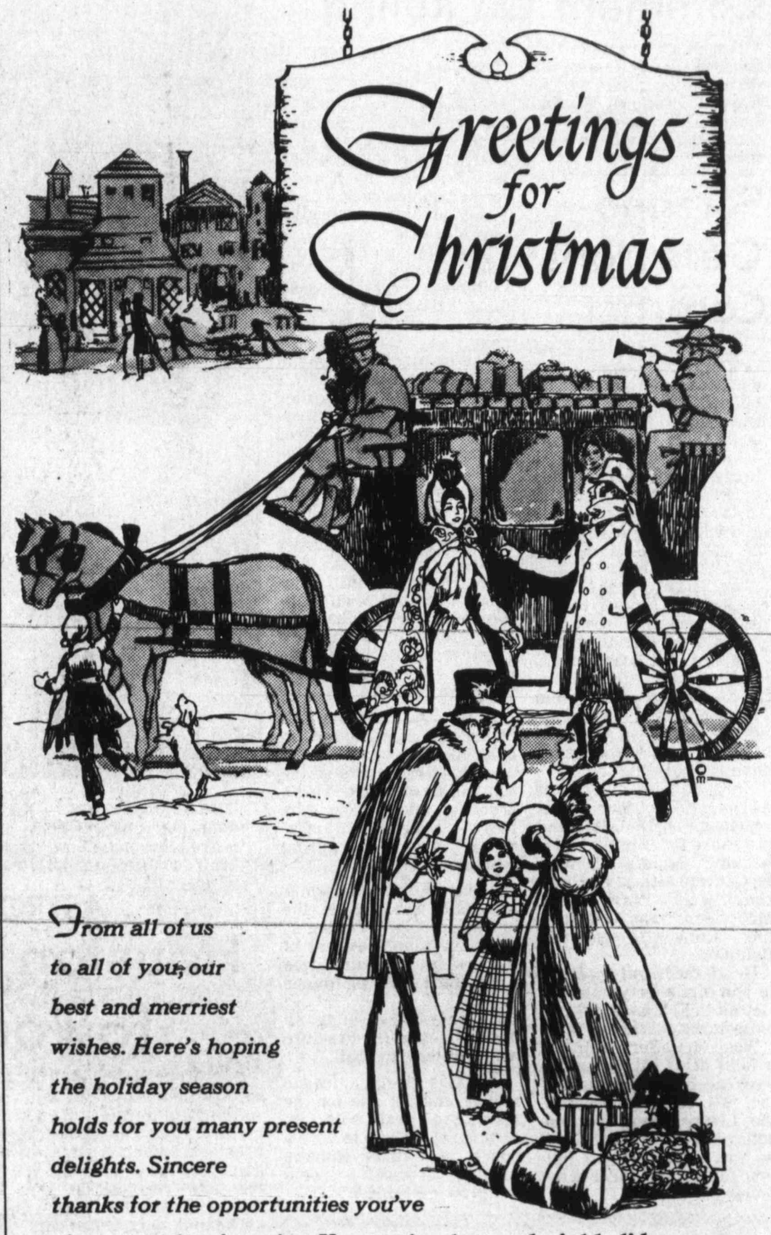
"In a dishonest department there would be cheating," Duncan says. "This is not a dishonest department. I depend on the integrity of our system."

The wage incentive program was born during bargaining with the city over police salaries in 1973.

"They kept telling us how they were the best police force around," says city spokesman Gifford Miller. "We wanted them to prove it."

So the city decided to add one per cent to salaries for every three per cent reduction in rape, robbery, burglary and auto theft — the most prevalent crimes in this middle class community.

With the motivation of increased pay, policemen have devised many preventive measures.



From all of us to all of you, our best and merriest wishes. Here's hoping the holiday season holds for you many present delights. Sincere thanks for the opportunities you've given us to be of service. Have a simply wonderful holiday.

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It's Merry Christmas Year Round For Girl

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — "Merry Christmas" is a cheery seasonal greeting when the telephone is answered at the Fiscal Control office at Mather Air Force Base.

But in July? or in March?

That's when people are inclined to reply "Are you kidding?" or "Yes, of course, and may I speak to the Easter bunny?"

It's all in the day's work for Miss Merry Chere Christmas, secretary for the Fiscal Control Branch. What's more, the attractive 25-year-old woman never gets tired of explaining that, yes, her name really is Merry Christmas, and, yes, it's spelled the christmasy way, and, no, she doesn't mind if you think it's funny.

"I'm used to it now," she says. "No one believes it at first and I take a lot of teasing, but in a way it's a lot of fun, too."

Nothing seems to spoil the fun of the lass with the dark blonde hair and the big green eyes as she enjoys golf or movies or horsebackriding with friends. Her hobby is modeling fashions for department stores — but not during the Christmas season. After Dec. 1 she's too busy living up to her name.

Actually, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Christmas had chosen the name "Star Cheree" for their daughter when she was born in Vernon, Tex., in early January 1949. It was the family physician, the late Dr. A. C. Rogers, who delivered the baby and filled in the birth certificate with the seasonal appellation.

Yuletide was always a favorite time of year for the merry miss as she attended high school in Canyon, Tex., a year of college in Amarillo, Tex., and secretarial school in Sacramento. Each change meant now friends to be added to her Christmas card list until she finally resorted to having her name printed on more than 200 greeting cards.

This year she started writing her Christmas cards in September.

"I try to send a card, at least, to every person who writes to me," says Miss Christmas, whose fame has spread all over the world. "Of course, I want to say something special to each of those I've been writing to all year, and that's what takes the most time."

How has the opening of such a window on the world changed the life of this lively California secretary?

"I've learned a lot about the world," she says, "about politics and education and ways of living I've never even dreamed about. There's a teacher in Malaysia who writes to me regularly and a doctor in the Philippines who is coming to visit me this year, and dozens of others who are trying out their English on me or who just want a friend."

And what about those marriage proposals? What will it take to persuade Merry Christmas to change her name?"

"Well, I've seriously thought about marriage a couple times, but I was raised the old-fashioned way and I guess I'm looking for an old-fashioned type of person who thinks like I do. I really like the traditional things — like Christmas.

72 Killed In Crash

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Two Americans were reported among 72 persons killed in the crash Sunday of a Venezuelan airliner four minutes after it took off from Maturin for Caracas, a spokesman for the airline said today. There were no survivors.

Avensa, the airline that was operating the DC9 jet, earlier had said 77 were aboard the plane, but then revised the figure downward to 66 passengers and a crew of 6.

The spokesman said the dead Americans were Paul Rice and William Richard, who boarded the plane in Maturin. No other information was available on them.

"There may have been other foreigners among the passengers, but we cannot now say how many nor supply any identities," the spokesman said.

The bodies of the victims were reported scattered over a wide area. The recovery teams that continued to collect the remains today reported it would be difficult to identify the dead because they were badly burned.

Jackson Stays

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — Sen. Henry Jackson, D-Wash., will spend Christmas at Madigan Army Medical Center where he is recovering from a kidney stone operation.

Police Reserve Aids The Needy

The Police Reserve Association helped five needy families at Christmas for the eighth straight year.

Ronnie Smith, reserve president, said they obtained names of needy families from the county welfare. They spend $25 for presents for each member of the family and also provided $35 for food.

Smith stated, this really is a community project because "so many of the merchants during the year help our projects, carnivals and children's shows."

"I just wish that everybody who helped us could see the joy of the families when they receive their Christmas presents," Smith added.

Siamese Twins Due Trip Home

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Clara and Altagracia Rodriguez, the 16-month-old separated Siamese twins from the Dominican Republic, are scheduled to return home Jan. 3 after spending Christmas with the family who brought them here for the successful surgery.

The twins left the hospital last week after recovering from an intestinal virus. They are staying with Diana Zimnock of suburban Warrington who arranged for the surgery.



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NFL Execs Won't Comment On Ruling

Dropping a live mouse in a roomful of debutantes, and dropping the question of Joe Kapp to National Football League owners accomplishes about the same thing.

They scatter in all directions.

Only a handful of NFL executives are willing to guess the possible ramifications of the U.S. District Court suit brought in San Francisco by Kapp, a former quarterback who refused to sign a standard player contract.

Most say "no comment," refer questions to NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle for a "no comment," or just aren't available for comment.

The upshot of the Kapp suit was to strike down the NFL's reserve clause, the so-called Rozelle Rule — both contained in the standard player contract — and parts of the player draft.

The reserve clause binds a player to the team with which he has a contract for one year after that contract expires. The Rozelle rule says Team A must compensate Team B when Team A picks up a player that used to play for Team B. If the two teams can't decide on the amount of compensation, Pete Rozelle does.

If there was one thing NFL higher-ups could agree on other than "no comment," it was that the results of the suit will be appealed. That's probably one reason why they're reluctant to offer more than a grunting reaction.

Richard Gordon, a former astronaut who orbited the moon and splashed down as executive vice president of the New Orleans Saints, was one of the few willing to open up.

He called the ruling "a basic attack on the structure of professional football.

"This is really a league matter and not one for the teams to deal with individually. I'd hate to have a bunch of Catfish Hunters running around — we'd really be in trouble."

Forzano Gets Lions Contract

DETROIT (AP) — A job Rick Forzano took at a time of great sorrow now is his for the next three years, and he hopes they'll be happy ones for the Detroit Lions.

Forzano was given a threeyear contract Monday to coach the National Football League team, a job he assumed in August after the sudden death of Don McCafferty in July.

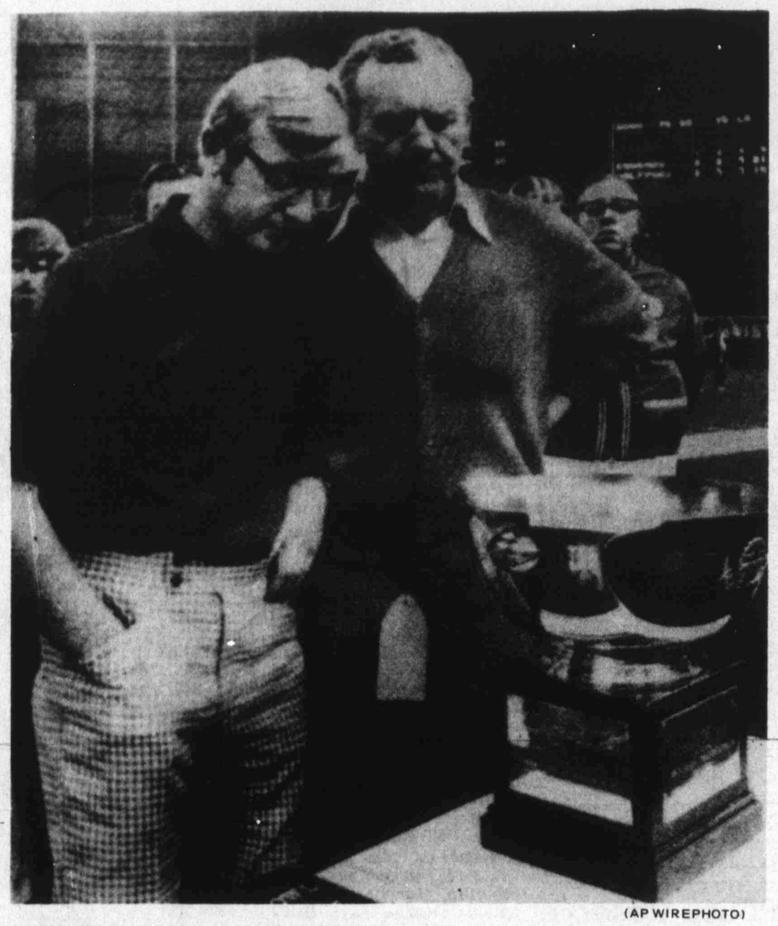
The likeable ex-Navy coach guided the club to a 7-7 record this past season.

"I'm thrilled and honored to be the Lions' head coach," Forzano said. "The Lions have a fine organization and I'm happy they have confidence in me. My goal is to bring the owners and fans a championship."

Forzano, a native of Akron, Ohio, has been coaching in both college and pro ranks for 19 seasons. He became aquainted with McCafferty with he was head coach at Navy and McCafferty was coaching the Colts in nearby Baltimore.

He left the Naval Academy to join McCafferty's staff in Detroit in February, 1973, as an assistant coach.

When McCafferty suffered a fatal heart attack on the weekend before the start of the 1974 exhibition season, the Lions named Forzano acting coach. Five days later he was given the job full-time for the remainder of the 1974 season.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

THAT LONG LOOK — North Carolina State University's head football coach Lou Holtz, left, and University of Houston head football coach Bill Yoeman look over the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl trophy that they planed to a tie for. The game ended in a 31-31 tie. Yoeman awarded the trophy to North Carolina State after the game.

ASTRO-BLUEBONNET BOWL

Houston, NC State Explode To Fourth Quarter Tie

HOUSTON (AP) — The second smallest crowd into Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl history and a national television audience saw two games for the price of one in the 16th renewal at the Astrodome Monday night.

The first game lasted until early in the fourth quarter and ended with North Carolina State and Houston tied 17-17.

Then the fireworks started and before the final gun sounded with the score still deadlocked at 31-31, four touchdowns were scored and the Astrodome's $1 million scoreboard—which lights up with each score—may never be the same.

After a humdrum first half, the Cougars started the excitement with two rapidfire fourth quarter touchdowns that gave them a 31-17 lead with 7:55 left in the game.

Houston's Eddie Foster disappeared behind the North Carolina State secondary and emerged with a bowl record 73-yard touchdown pass play from quarterback Bubba McGallion to ignite the volley before a disappointing crowd of 35,122.

On the Pack's ensuing series, Joe Rust returned an interception 42 yards to set up a five-yard touchdown run by fullback John Housman, the game's outstanding back, who rushed 134 yards on 21 carries.

That gave the Cougars a 31-17 lead but the Pack came back scoring two touchdowns in 1:21 to knot the game at 31-all with 2:17 to play.

First, Tommy London rammed nine yards and a pass for the two-point conversion failed. Moments later, after Wolfpack special teamer Louis Alcamo recovered an on-sides kick, quarterback Dave Buckey jumped one yard for a touchdown.

North Carolina State, an underdog despite its No. 13 national ranking, still remained two points behind. Stan Fritts, a second team AP All-American, took care of that with a bullish run for the two-point conversion.

Despite thrilling rallies by both teams, neither dressing room was overjoyed.

"It's too bad you can't play off a tie bowl game," a disappointed NCS Coach Lou Holtz said. "Both teams feel like they lost it."

Dave Buckey, who engineered the Wolfpack revival in the final minutes said the tie "leaves a bad taste in your mouth."

The Wolfpack, which almost matched the massive offensive power of the Cougars, took a 10-3 halftime lead on a 37-yard field goal by John Huff and Roland Hooks' 11-yard touchdown run. Lennard Coplin's 21-yard field goal accounted for Houston's first half scoring.

The Cougars actually started revving up in the third quarter when they took the second half kickoff and marched 75 yards for a one-yard touchdown by Houseman to tie the score at 10-10.

North Carolina State regained the lead for the final time on a seven-yard pass from Dave Buckey to Fritts in the third quarter and Houston matched that with Marshall Johnson's 10-yard run early in the fourth quarter.

Housman shared post-game honors with Cougars defensive end Mack Mitchell, named outstanding lineman.

Finley Accused Of Perjury In Hearings

AHOSKIE, N.C. (AP) — Last week's historic arbitration decision that made a free agent out of Catfish Hunter may have made a liar out of Oakland A's owner Charles O. Finley.

Hunter, the American League's Cy Young Award winner, held court with four teams Monday, and there were reports that he would have a verdict for the baseball world within 10 days.

While everthing is coming up roses for Hunter, his former owner has been getting stuck with the the thorns.

Not only has he lost his ace right-hander, who contributed heavily to the Oakland A's three straight world championships, but he has been accused of perjuring himself in last month's arbitration hearing.

Dick Moss, general counsel for the major league baseball players association, said Monday that Finley didn't tell the truth when he appeared before an impartial arbitrator in New York. Moss said Finley's own handwriting supplied the evidence of the perjury.

Moss said that Finley introduced Hunter's contract into evidence in Alameda, Calif., County Court in his bid to force Hunter back into his fold. According to Moss, the contract contains Finley's handwritten notes which reveal that the A's owner understood his obligations to Hunter.

Finley had contended to the arbitration panel of arbitrator Peter Seitz, Marvin Miller, executive director of the players association, and John Gaherin, chief negotiator for the baseball owners, that he didn't understand what was expected of him. Hunter's contract called for a deferred payment of $50,000 and it was Finley's failure to make payment in the stipulated manner that resulted in Hunter's liberation.

Moss said he was turning the matter over to the New York district attorney and baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn.

Meanwhile, Hunter held his fourth day of conferences with various baseball executives in his lawyer's office on Main St., in the heart of this peaceful little North Carolina town.

One of his lawyers, Joe Flythe, part of the firm of Cherry, Cherry and Flythe, said that appointments are scheduled for Friday an Saturday after a three-day break for Christmas. Then, "we'll narrow the field down considerably." The attorney estimated that Hunter's choice of one of the 20 teams interested in him could come as early as next Tuesday.

The New York Yankees, for the second time, the Montreal Expos, the Atlanta Braves and the Minnesota Twins all came to town Monday and raised the list of teams making personal appeals to Hunter to 13.

Marquette Falls From Top Twenty

By The Associated Press

Marquette's fortunes slipped last week as Al McGuire's troops lost twice and tumbled out of The Associated Press' Top Ten in today's weekly college basketball poll.

The highly regarded Warriors, who had a solid grip on sixth place a week ago, lost it when they lost 65-58 to unranked Pittsburgh and 80-69 to fourth-ranked Louisville. Marquette fell to 14th, replaced in the Top Ten by Arizona, which jumped from 13th to 10th.

The first five teams, headed by defending national champion North Carolina State, retained their positions. The Wolfpack, 6-0 with last week's 95-79 victory over Davidson, earned 25 of the 40 first-place votes by a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters for 812 points.

Runnerup Indiana, 7-0, scored convincing triumphs of 71-53 over Creighton and 97-60 over Nebraska and picked up 15 first-place votes and 766 votes. UCLA's Bruins, outlasting Memphis State 113-94 and rallying to turn back Notre Dame 85-72, held third with one firstplace vote and 690 points.

Louisville and fifth-ranked Maryland also got one first-place vote apiece with the Cardinals well entrenched in fourth place with 614 points to the 497 for the Terrapins.

Southern California's Trojans pulled out victories over Houston, Vanderbilt and New Mexico, raising their record to 7-0 and moving up one spot to sixth with 406 points. Alabama also moved up a place to seventh, getting the two remaining first place votes and 393 points.

North Carolina jumped over Pennsylvania into eighth with 309 votes, 40 more than the ninth-rated Quakers. Then came Arizona, rounding out the Top Ten with 208 points.

In the Second Ten, South Carolina vaulted three spots to 11th with 194 points and Providence vaulted up four to 12th with 101. Notre Dame slipped down one to 13th with 86 points, six more than Marquette and seven more than Purdue, which held 15th.

Memphis State dropped from 11th to 16th place, Kentucky jumped from 20th to 17th, Oklahoma dropped down one to 18th, Oregon remained No. 19 and Rutgers joined the select circle in 20th place. Kansas, 18th a week ago, didn't play last week but the Jayhawks still slipped from the list.

The Associated Press Top Twenty college basketball teams, with first-place votes in parentheses, season records, through games of Dec. 21, and total points. Points tabulated on basis of 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8-etc.:

1.N.C. St.	(25)	6-0	812
2.Indiana	(15)	7-0	766
3.UCLA	(1)	6-0	690
4.Louisville	(1)	4-0	614
5.Maryland	(1)	6-0	497
6.S. Calif.		7-0	406
7.Alabama	(2)	4-0	393
8.N. Carolina		4-1	309
9.Penn		6-0	269
10.Arizona		7-0	208
11.S. Carolina		4-1	194
12.Providence		5-0	101
13.Notre Dame		4-2	86
14.Marquette		3-2	80
15.Purdue		5-1	79
16.Memphis St.		6-1	78
17.Kentucky		5-1	76
18.Oklahoma		5-1	60
19.Oregon		4-0	45
20.Rutgers		7-1	23

Others receiving votes, listed alphabetically: Arizona State, Bradley, Canisius, DePaul, Kansas, LaSalle, Long Beach State, Manhattan, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon State, Penn State, Pitt, Tennessee, Texas-El Paso, Tulsa, Vanderbilt.

Lamesa Tourney Begins

LAMESA — Eight of the best AAA basketball teams in West Texas will be entered in the 4th Annual Lamesa Invitational Basketball Tournament beginning Friday, with the unbeated Lamesa Golden Tornadoes defending their own title.

Playing in the tourney, which begins at 1:30 p.m. Friday and continues through Saturday night, are Lovington, N.M., Lamesa, Kermit, Fort Stockton, Lakeview, Brownfield, Pecos and Levelland.

A little spice has been added to the tournament at Lamesa Coach O. W. Follis, in his 29th year as coach of the Tornados, needs only two wins to reach the 700 victory mark at LHS. He has won 698 games and lost 171.

Starr Named Packer Coach

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Bart Starr, storied quarterback of the 1960s, stood in the wings today as the Green Bay Packers prepared what was assumed to be an announcement he would be the National Football League club's new coach.

Packer officials who called the 9:30 a.m., EST, conference declined to confirm they decided days ago to offer the tandem posts of coach and general manager to the retired All-Pro standout.

Starr, 40, and defensive coach Dave Hanner were reported to be the only two candidates interviewed for the jobs which Dan Devine vacated a week ago to become coach at Notre Dame.

Club President Dominic Olejniczak and the Executive Committee conferred Monday with Starr, reportedly to iron out details of a contract offered to him Saturday.

Hanner had said he would be interested only in coaching, but would like to serve as an assistant to Starr.

College Scores

By The Associated Press

EAST
Iona 72, Wagner 69

SOUTH
Kentucky 100, Kansas 83
Alabama 77, Virginia Tech 73
Nebraska 81, Vanderbilt 66
Georgetown, D.C. 79, East. Ky. 69
Ohio U. 73, S. Florida 63

MIDWEST
Cent. Michigan 88, Indiana St. 77
Cleveland St. 76, Chicago Loyola 73
Michigan St. 72, Detroit 69
Ohio St. 75, Georgia Tech 66
St. Louis 77, Drake 71
Ball St. 91, Butler 74
Okla. City 79, Arkansas 77

SOUTHWEST
Texas 63, Northwestern 59
Pan American 85, Lamar 77

FAR WEST
New Mexico St. 93, Samford 58
Oregon 116, Villanova 77
Pepperdine 105, Moorhead St. 75
San Diego St. 60, W. Michigan 58
Stanford 80, Florida 70
Nevada-Reno 104, UC-Davis 64
Portland St. 88, Montana 69
Fullerton St. 61, Los Angeles St. 55

C-City Star On Fiesta Bowl Team

COLORADO CITY — When the Oklahoma State Cowboys take on Brigham Young University in the Fiesta Bowl in Phoenix, Ariz. Saturday, Colorado City's Carl Devorce will anchor the beefy Cowboy defensive line as they try to stop the rugged BYU offense.

Devorce, 6-1, 261 pounds, an All-State in football at Colorado City High School and son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Devorce, assistant police chief, will be playing nose guard, where he was named to the second team All Big Eight.

He led all down linemen in tackles with 79 this year and trapped opposing backs seven times for 44 yards losses.

Oklahoma State will be making their first bowl appearance in 16 years.

Texas A&I Rates Third, College Poll

By The Associated Press

Central Michigan football Coach Roy Kramer said he expected some recognition after winning the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' championship. Maybe No. 1 in The Associated Press' final college division poll s enough for him.

"It's sure some Christmas present," said Kramer. "I'm greatly proud of the great group of young men who had such a tremendous season for us."

Kramer was in Ormando Beach, Fla., to watch his son, Steve, play linebacker for Miami of Ohio in the Tangerine Bowl last weekend. Miami won 21-10.

Central Michigan, 12-1, received 32 first-place votes in balloting of sports writers and broadcasters for a total of 658 points after beating Delaware 54-14 in the NAIA championship. Second in the final poll was Louisiana Tech, 10-1, with 477 points — but not a single first-place vote.

'That victory plus this recognition really caps off a great season for us," he said. "I'm particularly pleased because I think the poll at the end of the season is the one that really means something. The others come and go and they're hard to keep up with, but the one at the end of the season is the one that's important."

Rounding out the top five were Texas A&I, 13-0, with 461 points and two first-place votes, Delaware, 12-2, 460 points, and Boise State, 10-2, 401 points.

Kramer said senior players Mike Franckowiak of Grand Rapids, Mich., a quarterback, and middle guard Rick Newsome, of Trenton, Mich., were two of the reasons for his team's success.

"Franckowiak is an old triple threat football player," Kramer said. "He passed for more than 1,000 yards and gained 500 yards rushing, broke school records for field goals, punted for a 39-yard average, broke the school record for extra points and was our kickoff man — all in the same season."

Kramer said Newsome had an outstanding season, sacking the quarterback an average of three times a game.

Nevada-Las Vegas, 12-1, was sixth with 381 points, followed by No. 7 Grambling, 11-1, 322; No. 8 Western Carolina, 9-1, 241; No. 9 Tennessee State, 8-2, 180; No. 10 Texas-Lutheran, 110, 171; No. 11 Henderson State, 11-2, 135; No. 12 Youngstown State, 8-2, 118; No. 13 Slippery Rock, 9-1-1, 90; No. 14 Alcorn, 9-2, 87, and No. 15 Elon, 10-2, 85.

The Associated Press' final 1974 Top Fifteen college division football teams, with first-place votes in parentheses, season records and total points. Points tabulated on basis of 20-18-16-14-12-10-9-8-etc.:

1.Cent. Mich.	(32)	12-1-0	658
2.La. Tech		10-1-0	477
3.Texas A&I	(2)	13-0-0	461
4.Delaware		12-2-0	460
5.Boise State		10-2-0	401
6.Nev.-L.Vegas		12-1-0	381
7.Grambling		11-1-0	322
8.W. Carolina		9-1-0	241
9.Tennessee St.		8-2-0	180
10.Tex-Lutheran		11-0-0	171
11.Henderson St.		11-2-0	135
12.Youngstown St.		8-2-0	118
13.Slippery Rock		9-1-1	90
14.Alcorn		9-2-0	87
15.Elon		10-2-0	85



More or Lesh

By CLARK LESHER

To set the record straight, hoping the typewriter keys will not goof me up again, Ken Stabler wears the uniform of an Oakland Raider and not of a Cincinnati Bengal as it appeared in Sunday's column.

One item that slipped my mind in Charley Johnson's Friday interview is that he has never been fined for a team rule infraction. This covers a period of 14 years in the professional football ranks.

Charley said he was "happy to be home." He trips into Big Spring more or less unannounced three to four times a year. Since graduating from Big Spring High in the '50's, Charley says the town has changed a lot.

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Two letters have been received in boasting football coaches for honors.

Texas A&I is pushing its head coach, Gil Steinke for Senior College Coach of the Year. Steinke's team won the NAIA Division I national championship.
shed 13-0-0 this fall after posting a 2-8-0 record in 1973, making the Javelina turnaround the BEST by a college team this season.

Steinke now has a 157-61-4 career record, one of the best in the nation.

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Through the promotion services of the Cuero Chamber of Commerce, its citizens would like to recommend William "Buster" Gilbreath for Texas High School Coach of the Year.

Under the leadership of Gilbreath, the Gobblers have not lost a zone game in four years and currently own the longest string of victories in Class 3-A competition —30 consecutive games.

Gilbreath's Gobblers are the first 3-A team in UIL history to garner undefeated, back-to-back state titles, winning this year's championship at Kyle Field over Gainesville, 19-7.

Since 1969, Gilbreath has compiled a record of 62-13-2 and in the last four years, the Gobblers have lost just two games, one in 1971 and one in 1972.

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Received my Class B All-State ballot from the Abilene Reporter News.

Forsan with a terrific 8-2 showing in 1974, failed to land a single candidate on the nomination Big Sandy, the state titlist and Bronte of 3B share the load with seven and six candidates respectively.

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One Class B state nominee that especially caught my eye is Jayton's Mark Fincher. He's a junior, 5-10, 168-pounder.

Fincher rushed for 2,260 yards including 2,000 yards as a sophomore and was a member of the All-South Plains backfield and All-Area on the Reporter-News Class B team. He also landed on the All-District team two straight years.

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Baylor is the first team in Southwest Conference history to lose all its games one season and win the championship the next. And, the Bears are the second team in 60 years of SWC play to go from undisputed last place in league standings to undisputed first place in a single season.

Baylor was truly a second half team this season . . . outscoring the combined opposition 143 to 82. In the third quarter, the Bruins outscored the combined foes, 69-26. Final period of play found Baylor ahead 74-56 with 21 of those enemy points coming at the hands of top-ranked Oklahoma.

Baylor Score By Quarters

Opponents	38	62	26	56—182
Baylor	38	51	69	74—232

Four on the Bear squad had fathers play football at Baylor. They include: SE Tommy Davidson, (QB Cotton Davidson); kicker David Hicks, (QB Ray Hicks); QBs Neal and John effrey, (HB James Jeffrey); and DE Allen Stone, (Guard Chuck Stone).

Baylor meets perennial powerhouse Penn State in the New Year's Day Cotton Bowl classic in Dallas. The game will be broadcast Wednesday, Jan. 1 beginning at 1 p.m. CST.

Lindsey Nelson will call the play by play and John Sauer and Jane Chastain wisl be the analysts and commentators.

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Jan. 5 marks the season premiere for the Sunday version of "ABC's Wide World of Sports." The event for that date will be an exclusive, home TV showing of the World Heavyweight title fight between Muhammad Ali and George Foreman.

Air-time for this event is 3:30-5:00., CST.

NOW LIVES IN ANDREWS

Borden Girl Is First Lady Basketball Official

Those fellows in the striped shirts who are busy officiating West Texas basketball games usually hardly merit more that a single glance. But one basketball referee, 23 year old Charlotte Toombs, is not a fellow and does catch a lot of glances.

Miss Toombs, daughter of Borden County Judge Glen Toombs, is a newcomer in officiating in the Permian Basin area, but she broke into the game in the South Plains area of the state. She's no women's libber, she just likes basketball.

"I've loved the sport since I was young." states the Texas Tech graduate who is now a reading teacher in the game."

The 23-year-old beauty is no novice to the basketball officiating scene. A certified member of the Soutwest Basketball Officials Association since 1971, Charlotte began her officiating career while working toward a degree in English at Texas Tech University.

"When I was at Tech, I talked to Gerald Myers (head Red Raider basketball coach) about refereeing. He encouraged me to go through with the idea so I studied and took the test."

FIRST IN TEXAS

Charlotte passed the test and became a certified SBOA official. . .and the first female referee in Texas.

But becoming an official and getting games to officiate are two different things and a woman trying to break into a job heretofore limited to men wasn't easy. . .at first.

"I had some problems. When I first started, the secretary of the association felt West Texas was not ready for a woman. I couldn't get any games (to referee)."

The problem didn't last long.

"A newspaper woman in Lubbock knew about my situation and wrote a feature on me.

"The newspaper article (which ran nationwide) got me started. After the story ran, I had 18 offers from schools to call games that very night."

The first game Charlotte called was at Lubbock's Reese Air Force Base and by the end of the season, she had called 51 games.

The exploits of the female referee in West Texas continued to draw national recognition.

"I read the newspapers and I couldn't believe it was really me," Charlotte said.

COACHES PRAISE

The reactions of Charlotte's officiating from coaches, spectators, players and fellow referees seem to follow a familiar pattern; at first speculation followed by praise.

"when the players come out on the floor they usually open their mouths and drop their teeth Charlotte reveals. "But after the game I feel like I've had their respect.

"The crowds and the fans are really nice; more so than if a man was out there."

According to Charlotte, coaches have been complimentary of her calling. "I've never had a coach come up and tell me that he was displeased with the way I called the game."

MEN DON'T KNOW

Male officials who work with Charlotte generally don't know what to expect at first. "They're all real nice. They're kind of leery working with me. . .they wonder what it's going to be like. I've had quite a good report after my first two years (from the Lubbock SBOA). They've had constructive criticism. . .which I appreciate. . .and also praise for me.

"I guess they feel I do a good job because if they couldn't work a game for some reason they'd call me and ask me to fill in for them."

Although not affiliated with any local chapter since moving into the Andrews school system. Charlotte officiated her first varsity game in the area Nov. 11.

Though temporarily sidelined wiht an illness that necessitated minor surgery in Lubbock Monday, she plans to transfer her SBOA membership from the Lubbock Chapter to the Odessa Chapter.

Story Is Chilling

THE THING AT THE DOOR. By Henry Slesar. Random House, 181 Pages. $5.95.

When Gail Gunnerson was 6 her mother died — a suicide. That night, as Gail lay in her bed, the door of her room saw a Thing standing there — a sight awful enough to send her to the mental hospital for a few years.

Now it is 20 years later, strange things are happening at the creaky old Gunnerson house where Gail Lives alone with a housekeeper, and Gail starts to think that she is going mad. And that she might, like her mother, take her own life. Two men try to save her. One is a psychiatrist, Dr. Joel Vanner. The other a young man who loves her, Steve Tyner.

In solid, workmanlike prose that moves along just swiftly enough to keep the reader interested but not too fast to give the plot away too soon, Henry Slesar has fashioned a rather interesting novel of suspense in "The Thing at the Door," And, unlike some novels of this type, Slesar doesn't resort to the unreal to make his story more horrifying but less real. All of the hinges on which his plot turns are plausible, although it must be said that some are a bit rusty and squeak a little.

In addition, the villain is made out to be such a nice guy at the beginning of the book that it's somewhat difficult to discover what a rotter he really is as the plot thickens. But this is hardly a major roadblock to enjoying a lightweight novel meant to be read in an empty house, late at night, with only the light of the fire to see by. And then, perhaps, the door slowly will open . . .

Phil Thomas
AP Books Editor

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TRIMMING THE TREE — Kathy Meek places one of many ornaments she made out of salt dough for their family tree, which this year held all handmade and homemade ornaments at the Paul Meek home.

Paul Meek Family Has Unique Tree

At the Paul Meek home, 2801 Crestline, there is a very unusual and beautiful Christmas tree.

Kathy Meek, second of four daughters in the home, had a little bit of trouble convincing the family that she was going to decorate the tree with ornaments out of salt dough and tempera paint.

A little skeptical, they asked to see them first. Kathy dug a recipe out of a magazine, made the salt dough and shaped it into Christmas trees, Santa Clauses, snowmen, angels, peppermint sticks, candles, sleighs and stars. She then painted them in bright colors and to some of the bells added the names of individual members of the family.

"I think that may have sold them," she laughed. Her mother got interested in the project and added light green velvet bows with a touch of holly. They then converted an old candle into an angel for the top of the tree.

In the traditional of early American Christmases, the tree is completely decorated with homemade and handmade ornaments.

And they're perfectly willing to compare their tree with any in the city. A little originality, a little bit of salt dough and some paint, along with the patience to make the ornaments and anybody can decorate their tree in the same manner.

It's Kathy's way of telling her family, "Merry Christmas."

MISHAPS

1803 State: Kathryn Merrick, 1802 State, Mable Morrison, 2804 Navajo, 9:04 p.m. Tuesday.

300 S. Birdwell: Warren Stanton, Hallman AFB, and vehicle that left the scene, 11:59 p.m. Tuesday.

2nd and Main: Festus McElreath, 2502 Broadway, Betty E. Castro, 400 NE 9th, 3:55 p.m. Tuesday.

17th and Gregg: (Four vehicles) Aleene Baker Snelson, 3903 Hamilton, Paul Leighton Prather, 603 Bucknell, Shyrlee Ward Reid, Box. 81. Coahoma, Rickey Van Adams, 1504 Chicksaw, 4:01 p.m. Tuesday.

N. Lamesa Drive: Valentin Lopez Quintera, 900 block N. Lamesa, Ramon S. Garza, 900 block of N. Lamesa, 7:12 p.m. Tuesday

Highland Shopping Center: Terry Jack Hanley, 101 Gunter, Amelia Majors, 1802 Alabama, 7:45 p.m. Tuesday.

4th and Goliad: Annie Wolf, 1401 Virginia, Charles Pringle, 2713 Larry, 11:50 a.m. Tuesday.

1907 Birdwell: Sherole Hodnett, Coahoma, Floyd Moss, 1207 Ridgerroad, 12:43 p.m. Tuesday.

Ties Knot To Escape Pen Hitch

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Levy Manning walked from the lockup into wedlock and escaped a five-year hitch in the Virginia State Penitentiary.

Flanked by a deputy sheriff, Levy, 33, and Gladys Manning, 30, his common-law wife of 15 years, legally tied the knot on the courthouse steps Friday.

Manning pleaded guilty Oct. 31 of trying to kill William Pitt, 22, who had tried to court his wife. Testimony showed that the shooting was only the latest excharge of gunfire in a longstanding feud between the two men.

Judge Robert S. Wahab Jr. gave Manning a five-year suspended prison term provided he stays out of town for the next five years.

Manning agreed to live in a rural community outside Rocky Mount, N.C. But Wahab saw one hitch in the arrangement.

He said if the Mannings and their 10-year-old daughter were allowed to move as part of the arrangement, he would be condoning their common-law relationship.

So, during a recess in Thursday's court proceedings, Manning took Gladys to a nearby lockup room and proposed to her.

Sextuplet Bill Astronomical

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — The hospital bill for Jolene Rene Lange, sole survivor of the Lange sextuplets, increases daily and officials at Santa Clara Valley Medical Center say it could reach $60,000.

No formal bill has been compiled yet for the round-the-clock care given Jolene. Her four brothers and a sister died of respiratory complications stemming from their premature birth on Dec. 8.

Jolene was the first born, and doctors say they believe that is a major reason she survived.

The delivery cost was $570, dismissed by the hospital as a good will gesture to Charlotte Lange and her husband, Alvin, a $12,500-a-year armored car driver.

Daily costs ran $500-a-day per child for the eight days. By then, with Jolene the only survivor, hospitalization costs had passed $20,000.

Day-night nursing, testing, constant checks and monitors of vital signs, assorted life support machinery and associated care went into that charge.

Jolene will probably receive at least another 75 days of specialized hospital care and that could come to another $20,000 to $40,000, officials said.

Closer Contact Goal Of Cons

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The legislature's Joint Committee on Prison Reform has recommended a liberalized visitation policy and a new system for evaluating inmates for parole.

Actions came in spurts Monday as the committee skipped over controversial portions of its report but got in occasional fights over fairly minor segments.

Most recommendations were addressed directly to the Texas Department of Corrections and would not require action by the legislature to put them into practice.

CLOSER CONTACT

In essence, the committee asked the prison system to allow inmates closer contact with their families in place of the present separation by wire mesh and glass during visits. It said the number of visitors an inmate can receive should not be limited, nor should the length of visits except "in accordance with regular institutional schedules, consistent with security."

And, the committee said, "the possibility of conjugal visits should be explored."

REWARD

The committee said the State Board of Pardons and Paroles should not use the warden's evaluation of an inmate as a reason for denying parole. It asked its staff to reword a section enabling pardons board hearing officers and inmate counselors to decide whether to parole a prisoner, with the three-man board acting only to hear appeals and break ties.

All inmates, including those who serve their full sentences, should undergo some form of "mandatory supervision" by parole officers upon release, the committee said.

Witnesses before the committee have said one weakness of the present system is that inmates who serve their sentences go into the outside world with no control and are, therefore, more likely to commit crimes again and return to prison.

POLITICAL BELIEFS

Sen. Walter Mengden, R-Houston, won removal of a provision against discrimination against prisoners because of political beliefs.

"If political beliefs means Black Panthers or other revolutionaries that advocated violent overthrow of the established government of America, ... this is one of the most critical problems facing the prison system today," Mengden said.

"The Black Panthers do not advocate overthrow of the American government. When people are incarcerated they are still subject to humane treatment. The principle of democracy should prevail, along with their political beliefs," retorted Rep. Mickey Leland, D-Houston, committee vice-chairman.

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Christmas Cheer At County Jail

For the eight confined in Howard County Jail, there will be a traditional Christmas turkey dinner but no presents — probaby.

Sheriff A. N. Standard said the traditional meal had been served to prisoners for the last decade or more. This year, all eight prisoners (and possibly others) will be dividing a 17-pound bird.

Standard said policy usually does not permit presents to be given to inmates since this creates many problems.



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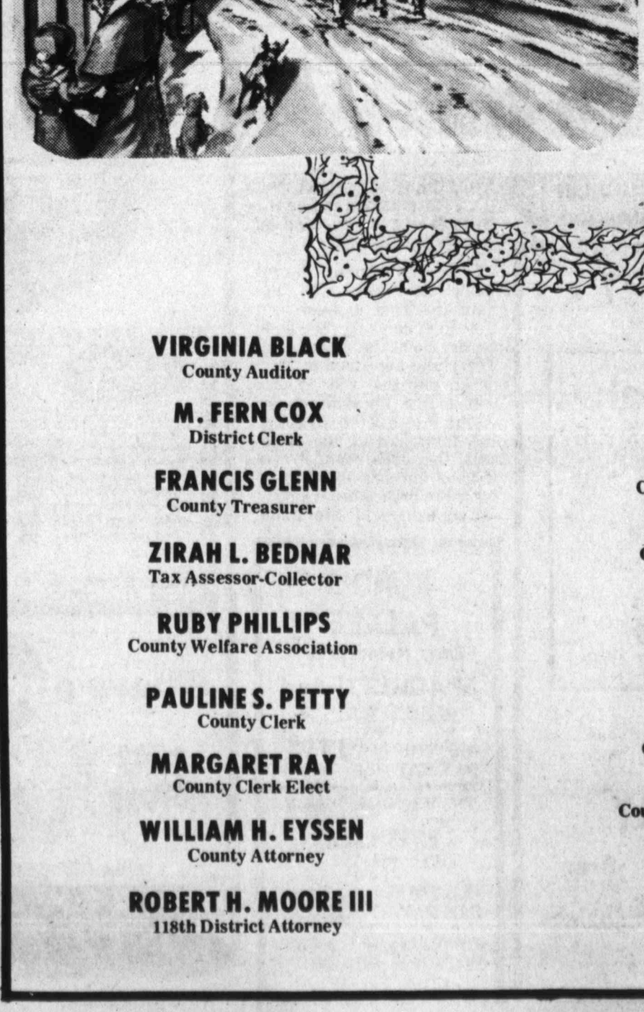
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Sabers Rattle On Eve Of Christ's Birthday

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Three Arab armies were on the alert today to repel Israeli attacks as Moslems began celebrating their holiest days of the year.

Al Adha, the four-day Feast of the Sacrifice ending the Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca, coincided with the Christmas celebration west of the Jordan river in Bethlehem. Israeli troops put an unusually tight security net around the town where Christ was born in an attempt to prevent attacks by Palestinian terrorists.

Meanwhile, Israeli jets shrieked over south Lebanon and broke the sound barrier over Beirut. Lebanese Premier Rashid Solh put the armed forces and other security units on the alert to repel invaders. But antiaircraft gunners around Beirut did not shoot at the Israeli jets high overhead.

Olive farmers along the Israeli border reported an unusually large number of ground patrols on the other side of the fence.

Palestinian refugee camps in Lebanon also were placed on the alert after the Palestinian guerrilla command reported Israeli naval movements off the coast.

Reports from Damascus said the Syrian government had declared a "maximum alert." The Beirut newspaper L'Orientle Jour reported leaves for all officers and soldiers were canceled for the holiday season, and there had been a partial callup of reserves.

Tension on the Syrian-Israeli border has been high since the beginning of December. The Syrian government has said it believes Israel will start a fifth Aab-Israeli war by attacking Syrian forces along the Golan Heights, possibly with a flanking move through southern Lebanon.

Egypt was also reported braced for an Israeli strike on the Sinai front before the visit to Cairo next month by Soviet Communist party chief Leonid I. Brezhnev. The Beirut newspaper As Safir said the Egyptian army has been in a state of "semi-alert" for more than a month.

King Hussein of Jordan canceled all official festivities in his country "because of the present circumstances through which the Arab world is passing." He asked the Jordanians to confine their holiday activities to prayer.

THEFTS

Marion Snelson, 3903 Hamilton, reported outdoor Christmas lights stolen; value $15.

Mrs. Paul Darrow, 609 W. 17th reported theft of water cans and water jug; value $23.

Washington Elementary burglarized. Missing were Cokes, baseball bats and gloves and two cassette recorders.

Ponderosa Apartments reported dryer broken into with $5 missing; damage $40.

John Shiflett reported tools and boots stolen from his car.



ANNOUNCES U.S. STEEL PRICE ROLLBACK — E. B. Speer, board chairman of U.S. Steel, said Monday that the corporation will roll back its new price hikes by about 20 per cent and pledged to try and hold the lid on prices for the next six months. The price reduction means the over-all increse will be about 4 per cent.

Many Businesses Reduce Bonuses

NEW YORK (AP) — In a year of recession and layoffs, Christmas bonuses for employes are fewer and generally smaller than they were a year ago.

The Bureau of National Affairs, a private business information service in Washington, says a survey of 136 firms shows that only 13 per cent are paying Christmas bonuses this year, compared with 25 per cent when the firms were last surveyed six years ago.

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry in New York City reports that 36 companies in its annual survey of 400 New York metropolitan area companies have discontinued Christmas bonuses this year.

Among the 122 firms in the survey still giving bonuses this year, more than 60 per cent have switched since last year from giving as a bonus a percentage of annual salary to giving a lump sum bonus.

The Bureau of National affairs also reported that 58 per cent of the companies now forbid employes from accepting gifts from other firms with which they do business.

Wall Street, despite its many losses this year, is giving some of the biggest bonuses.

Dillon Read & Co. is paying bonuses of up to 100 per cent of annual salary. Two investment banking firms, including Lehmann and others, benefiting from a big year in bond trading, say without disclosing specifics that they upped bonuses for many employes.

Other firms hard hit by the bear market trimmed their year-end bonuses. L.F. Rothschild & Co. said it cut its giving to four weeks salary from a five-and-a-half week bonus last year. Sanford C. Bernstein & Co. said it eliminated Christmas bonuses to employes.

Companies which recorded big profits this year are mixed about bonus giving. Oil companies, which usually boost salary rather than give bonuses, are raising wages 6-8 per cent for nonunion employes for competitive reasons, they say. Amstar Corp., a sugar refiner, said it has never given a Christmas bonus and will not give one this year.

Madison Avenue advertising firms, traditional bonus givers, but among the companies usually first hit by a recession, are paying out the same bonuses as last year in spite of profit declines of 30 per cent or more this year.

Zumwalt Mum

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. (AP) — Retired Chief of Naval Operations Elmo Zumwalt Jr. says he has no firm plans to run as a Democrat against Sen. William L. Scott, R-Va., in 1978.

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DEATHS

Mrs. Hendricks

Funeral for Mrs. Marbelle Hendricks, 81, who died Sunday in a local nursing home, was conducted at 10:30 a.m., today in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel, with Chaplain Lee Butler officiating. Burial followed in Trinity Memorial Park.

Pallbearers were Howard Dodd, Robert Garcia, Joey Lucas, Owen Johnston, Johnny Rangel and Carroll Osburn.

Oleva Arnett

LAMESA — Services for Mrs. Oleva Arnett, 72, of Lubbock will be at 2 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church of Lamesa with the Rev. Lyman Wood, pastor of Oakwood United Methodist church in Lubdock, officiating.

Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park under direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Mrs. Arnett died about 9 p.m. Sunday in Granville C. Morton Cancer and Research Hospital in Dallas after a lengthy illness.

She had been a resident of Lamesa for 50 years before moving to Lubbock six years ago.

Survivors include her husband, Cicero; two sons, J. C. Arnett of Raton, N.M., and Otis Arnett of Lubbock; a brother, Ben Randall of Lamesa; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

R. C. Shankels

SAN DIEGO — Richard C. Shankels, brother-in-law of Mrs. Dewitt Reid, of Big Spring, died Sunday in a San Diego hospital following a lengthy illness. He often visited in Big Spring. Funeral services are Tuesday noon in San Diego.

Survivors include his wife, Virgie; four children, Patricia Bradsaw, Oklahoma City; Caleta Vincent, San Diego, Donald and Ronnie Shankles, both of San Diego and eight grandchildren.

FHA Loan Rates Given

A brand new emergency loan program will be made available to local farmers to reimburse them for expenses they were out this season due to the drougth, according to Gerald Crunk of the Farmers Home Administration.

The loan has been approved due to the dougth in the spring and early summer months, where many crops planted failed and some were not even planted.

The loans will bear 5 per cent interest and must be adequately secured, according to Crunk. These will be available to the six or seven hundred farmers in the county, since all were affected by the dougth.

Better Days Loom For Handicapped

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Scientists expect in two years to perfect a wheelchair that will allow paralyzed people to guide the chair with their own voice commands, a top U.S. Veterans Administration official said here at a conference on rehabilitation medicine.

"Scientists are putting the finishing touches on an electronic system that would respond to the characteristics of a particular word with a specific switching circuit," said the official, Anthony Staros, director of the Veterans Administration prosthetic center in New York.

Staros said that quadriplegics, people who can move only their heads, can operate a powered wheelchair by using their chin or blowing and sipping on a tube. Such movements give signals to the chair's guidance system.

Staros said paralyzed people can now control television, radio and lights by puff and sip signals "but the next step is to use voice commands like 'radio on' or 'radio off.'"

He reported that the Veterans Administration and The National Aeronautics and Space Administration have embarked on a major campaign to increase the independence and mobility of paraplegics.

"For the patient with a little bit of upper limb movement, we think we can increase his range of mobility by redesigning the automobile," he said.

"Instead of using conventional controls like a steering wheel, brake and accelerator we're going to use a "joystick' which does everything. Therefore, a person with just a little control can get away from his confined environment and possibly increase his vocational potential."

Staros said the VA already has an automobile van with a powered elevator so the handicapped person can lift himself and his wheelchair into the driver's seat.

"We don't have a good joystick yet but NASA used a good joystick on the lunar rover module and we're going to try to adopt that," he said. "It's practically here . . . we really see major changes."

Staros said there are also new advances in prosthetics, especially the use of signals from muscles to control artificial hands. He said this is "well advanced and being used clinically" in the United States and Europe.

"Another big thing explored is to improve the appearance and feel of prosthetic arms," he said. "We're using plastics to replicate the feel of a hand and putting a synthetic skin-like plastic over a foam-like structure."

Staros said researchers were also shifting from metal structures to space-age plastics as the basis for artificial limbs.

Peace On Tax Contract, Too

The long hassle concerning a tax appraisal service for local goernmental units ended in harmony on Christmas Eve when the city council gave its final approval to the contract in a unanimous vote here this morning.

They named the city finance director as the city's member of the board, with the city attorney to serve as alternate. Councilman Eddie Acri oppossed this vote, stating that he could approve the finance director but thought the alternate should be an elected official.

In other action, the council approved federal highway projects within the city including an overlay on Scurry from 2nd to 15th. The council have requested additional work on Scurry, but no funds have yet been approved by the highway department past 15th.

Council members also approved highway funds for Eleventh Place with the next phase to be from Abrams to Gregg.

The council heard a report on the Texas Utility Advisory Council. Acri, who serves on this group said, "All cities are not as fortunate as we are. Our city manager, Harry Nagel, is familiar with utility companies but many are not. This group proposes to hire experts to assist cities needing help."

Nagel also recommended that the city become a member of the group, and the council concurred unanimously.

The council then went into executive session to conduct its annual review of the city manager. All council members were present including Mayor Wade Chaote, Harold Hall, Mrs. Polly Mays, Charles Tompkins and Acri.

Vidor Plane Crash Is Fatal To Three Men

VIDOR, Tex. (AP) — Investigators rummaged through Christmas presents and wreckage today in an effort to determine the cause of a plane crash which killed three North Carolina men on their way to Houston.

The occupants of the four-seat single-engine Bonanza aircraft died Monday afternoon when the plane plunged into a swampy wooded area about six miles north of this Southeast Texas town.

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) identified the victims as Joseph T. Dameron, 59, of Salisbury, believed to have been the pilot; Frank Lee Dameron, 25, of Tabor City, and John Dewitt Dameron, 19, also of Salisbury.

DPS spokesmen Jim Robinson said the two younger men were believed to be sons of Joseph Dameron.

Robinson said the Jefferson County Airport at Nederland lost radio contact with the plane about 2:02 p.m. The pilot had radioed he was having some kind of trouble with the plane.

State Patrolman James Wade said the pilot apparently tried to land in a fire line clearing about 40 yards from the crash site. The plane appeared to have nosed into the trees. There was no fire. The bodies were within 10 feet of the fuselage.

A newsman at the scene said the area was strewn with a number of brightly colored Christmas packages.

Robinson said the plane left Jackson, Miss., after a refueling stop Monday.

Employes at the nearby Champion Paper Co. plant located the wreckage about 5 p.m.

"At about 3:30 p.m., I head a plane overhead," said Jack Smith, an employe of the paper company. "Then I heard trees popping and snapping. There was no explosion or smoke coming up, but I knew the plane went down."

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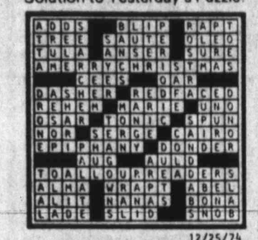
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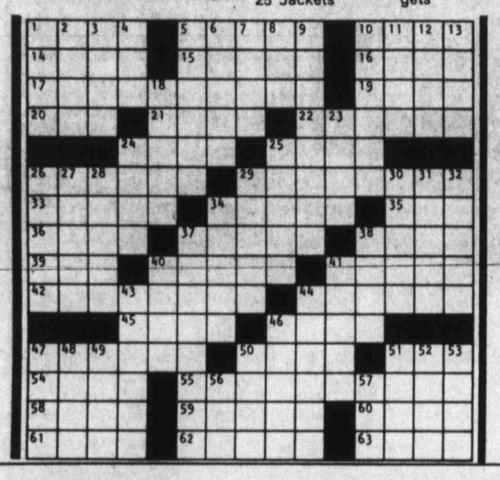
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47 Untimely cry
48 Frost
49 Debatable
50 Quote
51 Stare at, as at toys
52 Otherwise
53 Convene
56 Feller of trees
57 What dad gets

Solution to Yesterday's Puzzle:



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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: BERTH RUMMY MURMUR PLUNGE
Answer: *Made at Christmastime* — MERRY

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Chimney Sweeps Surprise

DENVER, Colo. (AP) — "People don't believe it sometimes when we come to their door with our soot-covered faces, long hair, black capes and top hat."

Greg Marklin is a chimney sweep. He and his partner, dressed like characters from a Charles Dickens' novel, knock the soot from the inside of chimneys using chains, brushes and lots of climbing and squeezing — the method used for centuries of chimney cleaning.

They charge $30 for cleaning a family's fireplace and chimney.

"We really enjoy wearing the capes and hats — the traditional chimney sweeps' outfit," Marklin says. "We do it to turn ourselves on, and we turn on lots of our customers too."

Marklin's partner, John Graham, says they're chimney sweeps "so we can just have lots of laughs and a good time. People like to touch us — I guess they've seen Mary Poppins and know it's supposed to be good luck."

"But sometimes people think we're just a comedy act," Marklin says. "Sure, we try to have fun and make other people have a good time, and sometimes we tell little kids we're Santa's elves coming to clean out the chimney before he comes on Christmas.

"But really we're very serious. We work hard and do a good job and have pride in our work."

Graham says that being a sweep is a dangerous job:

"We work in all kinds of weather, and you should see some of the roofs we have to climb. There are 101 diseases sweeps die of, and in the Old World sweeps had the shortest life spans of any profession.



(Photo By Danny Valdes)

SERVICING A VEHICLE — Peggy Carey, listed as a garage person on the city employment list, is busy changing the oil on one of the city vehicles here Monday. She worked at a local truckstop prior to going to work for the city.

New City Employe Credits Father With Experience

Peggy Carey, 20, is a newly employed garage person at the city garage. Prior to that, she worked at a local truckstop.

Prior to that she rode a lot with a truck driving Dad "going on down that road." From her Dad, she learned to gas up vehicles, change the oil, put in filiters, change the plugs, etc.

When asked what she like doing best at the city garage where she might be called "a female grease monkey", she said, I'd rather change oil than just fill up the tanks. I like something where I can use a wrench.

She carries an oily rag in the back hip pocket, "just like the guys" and the foreman of the city garage, Gerald Clark says, "She makes the fellows hustle a little more. They hate to be outdone by a little bitty girl."

Peggy is working under the CEDA program, a federal manpower program that involves equal opportunities.

"Everything's been real equal for me," Peggy said, "I think if you can handle the job, there's no problem. And I learned about vehicles and motors when I was little."

Peggy has a daughter, Tammie, who is five months old. When asked if she wanted her daughter to grow up and be a mechanic, she answereed, "I want her to grow up and be happy — and do whatever she is best at."

Jaycees Help Moreno Family

Local Jaycees, as their Christmas projects, provided some clothing for the Earnest Moreno family, who suffered a fire in their home last week, according to Eddie Cole, Jaycee president.

They also took food to an elderly couple and provided through the help of Newsom's both Christmas dinner and gifts for a local family that has ten children ranging in age from 14 months to 18 years.

Avant Garde Productions In New York Vary Greatly

NEW YORK (AP) — Snakes, ancient Greek chants, a man playing a woman, and rousing rock sound — they're adding zest to the season's Off-Off-Broadway productions.

While British imports and nostalgic plays dominate broadway experimental efforts by new writers and revamped productions of classics are drawing growing audiences to the arrets, basements, ex-cinemas, churches and concrete-floor ware houses that house OOB.

Between Broadway and Off-Off-Broadway, the zone known as plain Off-Broadway continues to exist. But rising costs, increasing union demands and the steadfast gaze of critics have created a hit-flop syndrome.

NEW ZONE

Too small in seating capacity for unions to be interested and only occasionally visited by reviewers, OOB has become the new zone for thespic daring, testing and sometimes vanity indulgence.

The Off-Off-Broadway Alliance lists 120 mini playhouses. Audience potential is suggested by the 77,000 names which 30 of the theaters have accumulated on mailing lists.

"Of course they don't make money," says Roger Cunningham, the Alliance's promotions development director. "There's no way to realize any income from box office receipts. But we can say there's more box office activity now than there was five years ago."

Ticket prices are mostly about $3, and some groups rely on donations at the door. Many participate in a voucher program sponsored by the theater Development Fund under which subscribers buy tickets with coupons that TDF, a private organization, redeems at face value.

Cunningham reports that when the plan started two years ago only 60 per cent of the vouchers were redeemed. Last year 95 per cent were turned in, "and this time 60 per cent have already been redeemed, and we're not halfway into the season."

The New York State Arts Council aids most with mosdest grants.

Most of the groups have workshops, training young writers and actors. One such company is the noted La Mama Experimental Theater Club. This fall, to open a new annex, La Mama presented a unique triology of three Greek tragedies.

SERBAN DIRECTOR

"Medea," "The Trojan Woman" and "Electra" were conceived and directed by a young Rumanian, Andrei Serban, with music composed by Elizabeth Swados. Serban chose to present the plays in the original Greek, with bits of Latin, Aztec, Mayan and other languages tossed in along the way.

Miss Swados, a young American composer, wound the music around the keening, chanting dialogue of the actors telling the ancient stories of Euripedes. Sound rather than words is supposed to convey the meaning of what's being said to an English-speaking audience.

In "Medea," opposing forces chant at each other from raised platforms at opposite ends of the barn-like theater while the audience sits on either side.

For "Trojan Women" the audience is invited to stand and follow the action as it moved along two narrow galleries lining the walls. Members of the chorus move among spectators, gently channeling them toward the next scene.

For "Electra," the audience is seated in the galleries and, the company takes over the huge central theater space. A live snake is part of the cast.

In a different setting, snakes were on stage with the cast of "Holy Ghost," a drama by Romulus Linney, presented by the Sun Theater Company at the Garrick Theater.

TEST FAITH

An abandoned nightclub on a southern highway is peopled with members of a church who test their faith by "taking up serpents," based on their interpretation of the Bible. The conflicts that brought people into the sect enforce the realism of Linney's characters. Linney, in his 30s, has written four other Off-Off-Broadway plays.

Megan Terry, who wrote "Viet-Rock," brought two black comedies to the Theater Genesis of St. Mark's In-the-Bowery. "The Pioneer" presented the battle between mother and teen-age daughter as a struggle to destroy independence and character. Drag performer Harvey Fierstein played the mother to general disbelief.

In "Pro Game," three-teen age sons and their mother watch television, discuss sports and sex. Again, Fierstein is the mother. Miss Terry, once a favorite of feminists, has not elevated her stature with these plays.

At the Theater of the Riverside Church, Canadian playwrite David French presented "Leaving Home" for its American premiere. The family conflict drama set in Toronto in the 50s pits an angry, failed father against his rebellious son. The play sometimes vibrates with truth and at other times, with melodrama.

The Riverside theater last season presented Miguel Pinero's "Short Eyes," a prison drama that won the Critics Circle prize and later transferred to Lincoln Center. This year's program continues to focus on new playwrights.

The Theater at St. Clement's Church also has offered now plays this season, including the New York premiere of "Enter A Free Man" by Tom Stoppard, author of "Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead."

Informer Will Get $45,000

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An informer in the Los Angeles check fraud case says he will receive $45,000 from the city for helping uncover a complex scheme to bilk the city treasury of millions.

Michael Raymond, an ex-convict who said he has worked with the U.S. Senate permanent investigations subcommittee since 1971, testified Monday that he had initially asked Senate investigators for $125,000 to help officials crack a scheme that has netted swindlers $810,000.

Raymond, of New York City, was the primary prosecution witness at a preliminary hearing for Bernard R. Howard and Morton B. Freeman. The two are charged with forgery, attempted grand theft, conspiracy to commit grand theft and conspiracy to commit forgery.

Raymond said he negotiated the $45,000 with Capt. Clayton Anderson, chief of the district attorney's intelligence section. Deputy Dist. Atty. Stephen Trott said the payment to Raymond was made from a special fund with joint authorization of Mayor Thomas Bradley and Police chief Edward M. Davis.

Raymond was paid $22,500 on Dec. 7 when Howard and Freeman were arrested after he turned over three bogus city checks totaling nearly $2.5 million. The remainder of the money is to be paid him after he concludes his testimony.

Raymond said the people who planned the complex check fraud may try to bilk the city out of an additional $4 million to $5 million in February.

The checks that Raymond turned over to authorities last Dec. 7 were never cashed.

A total of 18 city checks were stolen from the city last March. Nine were recovered uncashed; eight others are still missing.

One check for $902,125 was "laundered" through several domestic and foreign banks and eventually cashed in Amsterdam. Authorities said a Lebanese national, Aime Nassif, withdrew $810,000 of the money but avoided a police trap by not returning for the remainder.

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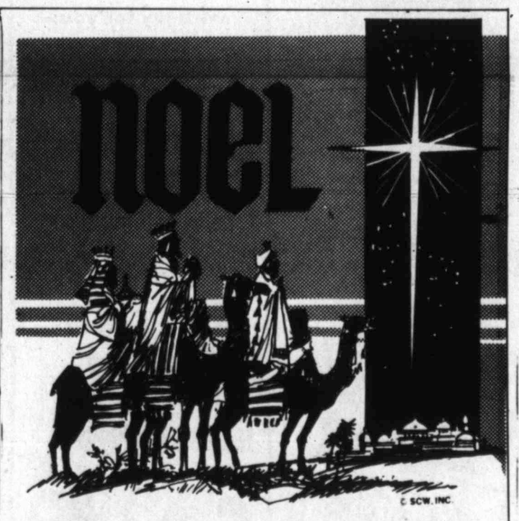


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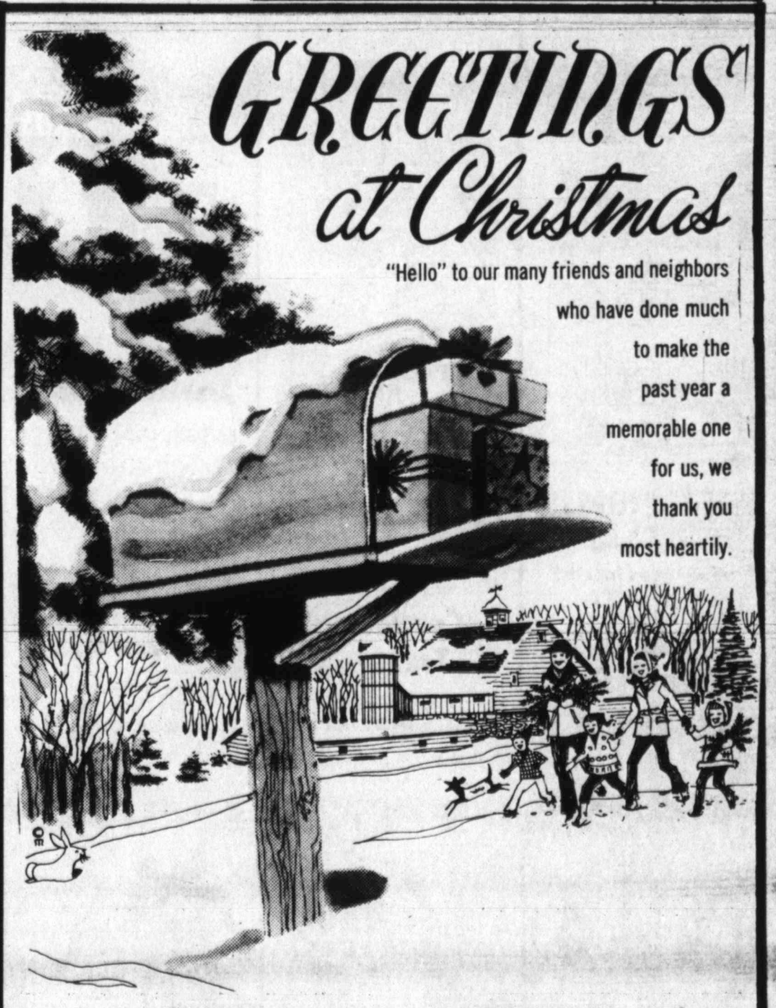
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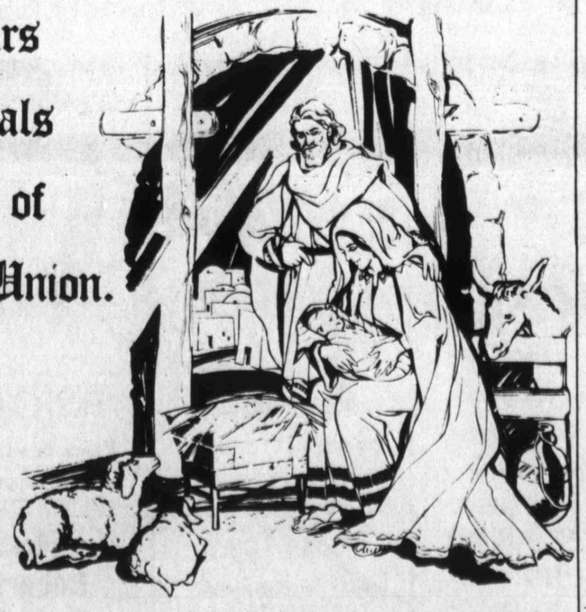
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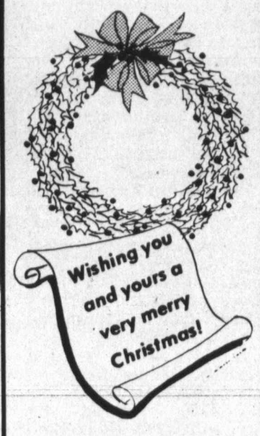
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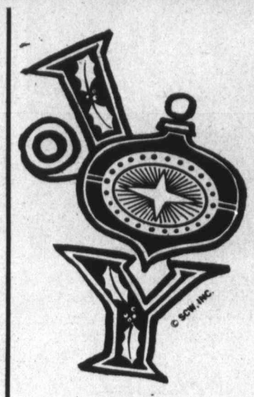
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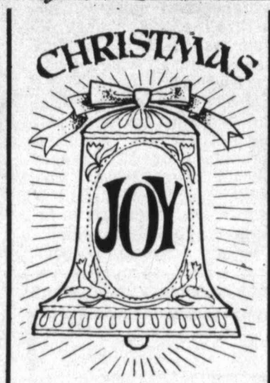


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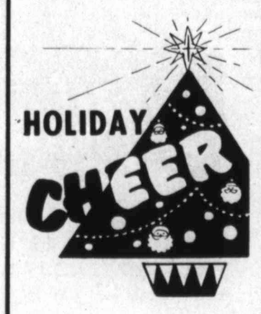
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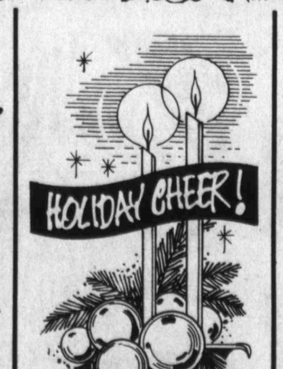
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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This should be a very happy day for you. Stay on the practical level in helping others, especially the needy. Don't overdress.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You have fine, practical ideas this Christmas Day that can bring much pleasure to others. Get together with family and friends.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Although busy entertaining or being entertained, plan the future more wisely than in the past. Assist one who is in dire trouble.

CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Ideal day to show good friends in some tangible way how much you think of them. Evening is fine for entertainment.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) After family reunion, be sure to see those friends you want to remember on this day. Take time to plan a brighter and happier future.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make as many new contacts as you can with persons whose background of experience is unlike yours. Express happiness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) By living the Golden Rule you can be helpful to others. Keep busy at what you have to do and make this a very happy day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Fine day for being with those you love and expressing the true spirit of Christmas. Take time to serve the unfortunate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Your day to really be of service to others and to gain the blessings that come your way. Have a worthwhile time tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Being happy in the company of family, relatives and friends is the best way to spend this day. Think constructively.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Rid yourself oa any possible tensions and make this a most memorable day. Show friends that you are a thoughtful person.

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USE HERALD WANT ADS

Some Texas Ranchers Map Direct Beef Sales

CLARKSVILLE, Tex. (AP) — Some Texas ranchers say they will begin direct sale of processed beef from packing houses to consumers after the first of the year.

Lee Perkins of the Independent Beef Producers of America said Wednesday his group has lined up two packing houses, one in Northeast Texas and one in the Panhandle, to handle the processing for direct sales.

Perkins said the group already has sold about 100 feedlot cattle direct to customers in the past 10 days. He said the cattle were sold whole and processed according to customer specifications at the Northeast Texas plant.

Perkins and R.L. Moore, IBPA president, said earlier that by sending beef from ranches direct to packing houses and then to consumer distribution points, it would eliminate middlemen costs.

They said the consumer would buy the meat cut and frozen.

National Farmers Organization leaders said Tuesday in Tennessee that they have lined up a packing plant to process ground beef for sale directly to consumers in the Nashville marketing area.

Cancer Source

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Not only cigarettes but the manner in which they are lighted may be a source of cancer, a University of Missouri-Columbia physician says.

Dr. Carl J. Marienfeld, director of the university's environmental health surveillance center, said he has identified several suspected cancer-causing agents which emanate from book-type, wax-impregnated matches and wick-type lighters when ignited.

He said respiratory cancer associated with cancer "may be due, in part at least, to the lighting of the cigarette rather than to only the tobacco it contains."

He made his observations in the December issue of Perspectives in Biology and Medicine, a publication of the University of Chicago.

He said soot is given off "in considerable amounts" by waximpregnated matches and by burning petroleum products in lighters.

Resolution Set For Final Nod

The final reading of the resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a contract with Howard County Junior College for tax appraisal service will be heard in a city council meeting at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

This will be the final approval needed for the much-discussed combined tax appraisal contract between Big Spring, Big Spring Independent School District, Howard College and Howard County.

Other items on the agenda include the emergency reading of resolutions adopting changes on orders by the State Highway Commission in regard to financing Big Spring projects. The council asked for approval of paving of Scurry Street all the way to FM 700 rather that just 15th Street.

The council will appoint a member and an alternate member to the tax appraisal board, discuss joining the Texas Utility Advisory Council and go into closed executive session for the annual evaluation of the city manager.

Disbarment Suit Filed

BROWNSVILLE, Tex. (AP) — A South Texas district of the State Bar Association has filed suit to take away the law license of Cameron County Dist. Atty. Fred Galindo.

The disbarment suit, filed in state district court here Friday, accused Galindo of six counts of dishonorable conduct described as being so dishonorable as to warrant the action.

Galindo is also named in four counts alleging he misapplied or misused money when he was an attorney before taking office, and in two counts of lying under oath to a bar association grievance committee.

The money involved in the complaints ranged from $150 to $876.

Galindo still has two years remaining on his first term as district attorney.

No hearing date was set immediately by District Court Judge Myrlin O. Johnson.

Just before he took office in 1970, a district court jury found Galindo innocent on a felony charge of theft by bailee in connection with money a client had been awarded in a court case.

Although he was acquitted, the bar association gave Galindo a 30-day suspension, which ended the day before he became district attorney.

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

On the 14th Day of November, 1974 the City of Coahoma met on its regular meeting night and voted to discontinue the policy of making water taps outside of the Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1.

SIGNED:
JACK CAUBLE
Mayor
ATTEST:
INA STOUT
City Secretary

December 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, & 27, 1974

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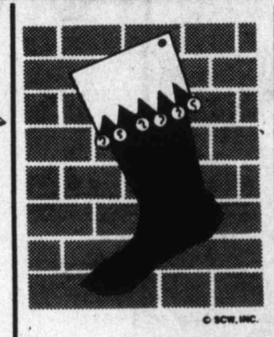
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BIG SPRING HERALD



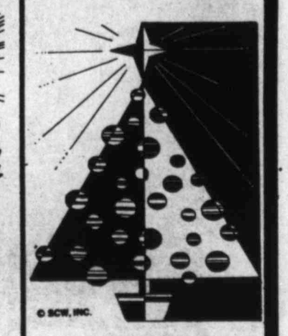
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TO ALL
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PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN OF UDALLS

First Political Team Of Brothers Since Kennedys

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Interior Secretary Stewart Udall has taken over full-time management of the presidential campaign of his brother, Rep. Morris Udall of Arizona.

The Udalls thus become the first national political team of brothers since Robert Kennedy managed John F. Kennedy's presidential campaign.

Stewart Udall said in an interview he decided last week to "at least in this important opening phase serve as my brother's campaign manager."

Morris Udall became the first Democrat to announce for president Nov. 23 when he opened his New Hampshire office.

LEAN CAMPAIGN

"As I size it up, now that this extra year has been added to the campaign, it's a contest of long-distance runners," said Stewart Udall, a long-distance jogger.

"I think that we're going to try and run a lean campaign, which I think fits long-distance running. You'll see the pace of it, very solid and very steady, building our base gradually," he said.

Stewart Udall was a three-term congressman from Arizona when Kennedy chose him as interior secretary in 1960. He stayed eight years, through the Lyndon Johnson presidency.

In 1969, he founded an international environmental consulting firm, Overview, and is chairman of the board.

RANK OUTSIDE

Udall said his brother's presidential campaign is "far ahead of what any of us might have predicted two months ago.

"I think he's in the front rank of the leading contenders and four months ago he was thought of as a rank outsider," Udall said.

A Capitol Hill headquarters will be set up soon, Stewart Udall said, complete with regional desks and schedulers and a host of volunteers.

Udall said an over-all budget was being prepared for systemmatic building of a national organization, with core groups probably being sent to key states early in the spring. He said his brother has a broad appeal, including in the South, and said "this will be one of his main strengths — he's a liberal who can run a truly national campaign."

Udall said he anticipates the brother relationship to be a bonus.

"The Kennedys proved to my satisfaction, at least, that a brother combination offers a lot of strength in every way," Udall said.

Not only is there an intimacy of knowledge about each other, he said, but "people talking to a brother know he's close to the candidate, almost an alter ego.

"People will feel that if they're talking to me, they're talking to him," Udall said.

"They know I'm going to be utterly honest with them." In effect, he said, "It doubles the amount of executive energy you can put into it."

THEFTS

Dennie Lizette, 2611 Cindy said antenna for CB radio removed from his vehicle while parked at Trinity Lutheran Church. Value: $25.

VANDALISM

Jiffy Car Wash, 807 W. 4th, reported six windows broken. Damage estimated close to $80.

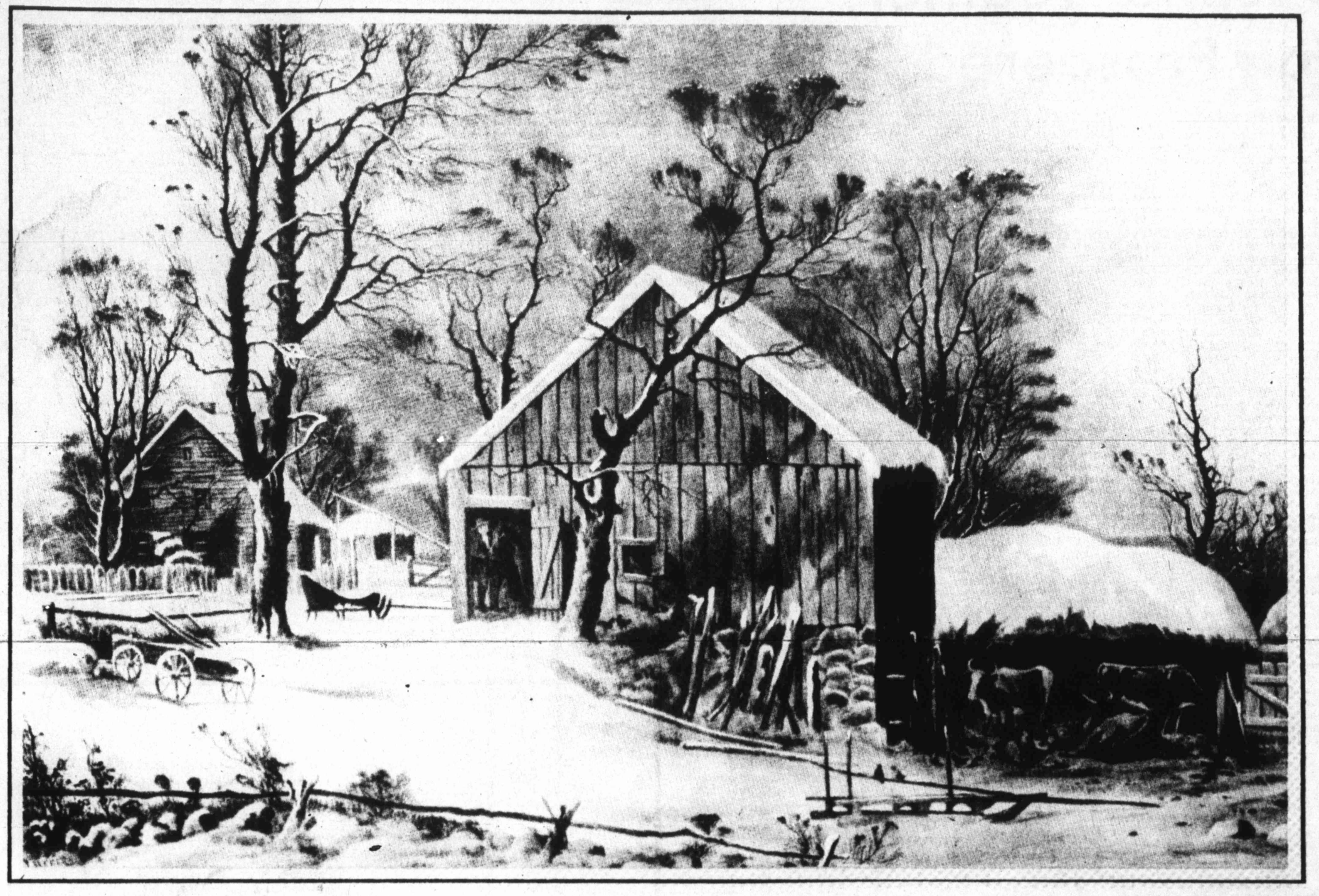
Texan Booked After Murder

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A Houston, Tex. man has been arrested and booked for investigation of murder in the death of his girl friend at a motel, police said.

Officers said Charles Calvin, 27, was arrested after the body of Doris M. Jones, 25, was found in the Y-Tell Motel late Saturday night. They said she had been beaten and shot in the forehead. Witnesses told police they heard the couple arguing in the motel room.

The two had come to Los Angeles only hours earlier from Houston, police said.





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Sherrill Farmer of Big spring Police Department was listed among law enforcement officers due to graduate from the FBI Academy in Virginia.

11. The State National Bank announced the retirement of Fred Haller, after 39 years, 20 as head of the loan department; over 100 persons attended the annual picnic for Big Spring State Hospital patients sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Club; Price Construction Co. was awarded the paving bid, and Bettie-Womack a sewer extension bid by the city council; the Evening Lions Club held its traditional barbecue to kick-off the local high school football season.

12. W. S. (Dub) Pearson was elected executive committee chairman of the newly-formed Century Club for promotion of Webb AFB; Big Spring Assembly 60, Order of Rainbow for Girls, honored Zina Johnston; the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission board gave favorable action to FAA grant to Howard County Airport at a cost of $73,500 for an emergency fire and rescue vehicle and shelter for the vehicle.

13. Brig. Gen. (Ret.) Edwin J. White Jr., formerly stationed at Webb AFB, returned to be graduation speaker for Class 75-02, which included pilots from Vietnam, Iran and Guatemala; Announcement was made of the sale of KBYG Radio to Tentex Broadcasting Inc., with Jim Baum to remain as station manager; Gerald Miller, who was lauded for guiding the resurrection of the Howard County Fair, announced his resignation from the Soil Conservation Service here to enter business in Seguin; Westbrook Rural School District opened bids on $400,000 in bonds to finance remodeling of the school and construction of a new auditorium.

15. Karyl Thames, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thames, began her reign as Big Spring High School Band Queen; four teenagers were apprehended after allegedly snatching the purse of 77-year-old Mrs. G. F. Sholte; Glenn Cantrell, board president, a 35-year service Cap Rock Electric plaque to Edgar Phillips, vice president; a medical survey of the Permian Basin by the regional planning council showed Big Spring and Howard County with the most hospitals and the most doctors per population of the entire area; police searched for an arsonist who attempted to burn Berea Baptist Church; Robert Stripling was named chairman of the board for First Federal Savings and Loan Association; the VA Hospital hired 13 new staff members including Dr. Thomas Peyton Walton III, new chief of surgical services; New Christian Church, 21st and Nolan, dedicated.

16. Ironically, the city's dry spell ended with rain as Howard County Fair prepared to open its gates at 6 p.m.; county commissioners authorized purchase of three high-frequency law enforcement radios at $700 each and also spent over $6,000 on cyclone fence at the fair grounds; Mrs. Joyce Lambert was robbed by an armed bandit at a local 7-11 Store.

17. Shrine Circus was the main drawing card at the Fair despite rain; the first group of medical students (among them Billy Johansen, Big Spring) from Texas Tech Universtiy School of Medicine began their month-long training at the VA Hospital; a 15-year-old youth admitted setting a fire at the east end of Highland Shopping Center; Stan and Stacy Parker, both of Knott 4-H Club, won grand champion and reserved champion honors respectively for entries in the 29th annual barrow show.

18. The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed the conviction and life sentence of Witmer Jean Ballard in the death of Glasscock County rancher Stephen Currie four years ago; Howard County experienced another night of rain, pushing the three-day total to near three inches; a steering committee of the Chamber of Commerce launched plans to celebrate the nation's bicentennial with Mrs. Janelle Davis and Mrs. Jerry Avery as co-chairmen.

19. Robert Massengale, finance director, announced a city sales tax check for $152,345.31 for the quarter, up 22 per cent; acceptance of a City Council proposal that the county help finance the police juvenile division would be illegal said County Attorney W. H. Eyssen Jr.; rain continued to fall in the county, upping totals as much as 6.1 in Forsan and a flash flood warning was issued; a consortium composed of Howard, Midland and Odessa colleges was awarded a grant of $26,500 for program for senior citizens; the city tax rate at Lamesa was boosted to $1.36 per $200 evaluation; Dick Nichols came out the winner at the first National Sand Washer Pitching Tournament held in conjunction with Howard County Fair; enrollment in summer programs at the YMCA broke all records with a total of 1,513; the American legion Post 355 presented life memberships to two veteran workers, J. G. Littlejohn and R. R. McKinney.

20. Howard County residents exprienced a surprising continuation of rain which was into its sixth day, hurting attendance but not dampening spirits at the county fair; a sulphur smoke bomb was hurled in the window of the corporation courtroom; Martin County 4-H girls, Susan Holcomb, Tana Yates and Diane Armstrong took top honors in the steer show; the Associated Press filed suit against Howard County Broadcasting Inc., owner of Radio Station KBYG, for news services and seeking a total of $5,116; Jimmy Mathis, city manager at Stanton, tore up his letter of resignation and decided to remain on the job; American GI Forum held regional meeting here.

22. A young woman was reportedly run off the road and assaulted by a 16-year-old youth who was arrested shortly a few miles north of town; an elderly local man, James Samuel Walker, 79, was struck and killed by a train in the T&P yard; seven persons were arrested after a 15-man free for all in front of the Tap Room downtown.

23. Five local women returned from Amarillo where they were delages to the Texas Home Demonstration Association's state meeting; Gus Ochotorena Jr., Howard County JP, was named the first chairman of the Western Region, american GI Forum.

25. Ralph McLaughlin, Chamber of Commerce president, was named nominee to be governor of Rotary International District 573; the start of construction on the first phase of a major enlargement of Security State Bank was announced by President, J. D. Nelson; Dr. Preston Harrison, superintendent of Big Spring State Hospital prepared to head a delegation of 10 hospital staffers to the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association in Denver; city councilmen adopted a new budget with tax to be the same.

26. Runoff into major area reservoirs appeared to be about over after a week of rain, with the net catch being around 43,000 acre feet; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Duff of Edmunds, Wash., added another to the collection of Caylor reproductions at Heritage Museum; Bob Cox of Martin County was named president of Cap Rock Co-op; a new dividend record was set by the Webb AFB Federal Credit Union.

27. Webb AFB announced plans to display the T-37 at the Odessa Jaycee Air Show Sunday at Ector County Airport; curtain went up on the Big Spring High School's production of "Lil Abner."

29. The Unitd Way campaign was short of its goal but workers were hoping to bring it to a successful conclusion by Nov. 1; W. L. Wilson Jr., was inducted as president of the West Texas Association of Soil and Water Conservation district directors.

30. The Mitchell County Fair and reunion got underway; at Heritage Museum, workers helped prepare an exhibit of art, sculpture, Indian jewelry, pottery and basketry; the USDA reported that cotton production in Howard County would plummet to 20,000 from last year's almost 95,000 (a figure many thought twice too high).

OCTOBER

1. Lake Spence got 30,000 acre-feet water and Thomas 5,000 from September rains; Judge A. G. Mitchell predicted 16-17 miles of paving before winter, eight miles paved to date at cost $65,000, $2,000 more than budgeted; building permits reached $7,468,105 compared to $2,838,497 same period in '73; Toots Mansfield was gored by steer while practicing roping; Leland Wallace averaged $660 for Hereford bulls, $438 for cows at production sale; City of Big Spring threatened with class action suit in regard to overtime pay for city employes.

2. Jaycees won Area IC meeting at Sweetwater and won numerous awards; three Big Spring High seniors, Robert Bradbury, Robert D. Bradshaw and Carla G. Walker, commended by National Merit Scholarship Corp; C. V. Riordon organized Young Demos Club.

3. Mayor Wade Choate proclaimed Friday, Oct. 4, as "Pickle Day" in conjunction with BSHS Homecoming that honored Joe and Jake Pickle as inductees in Hall of Fame; Mrs. Jerry Avery co-chairman of Bi-Centennial urged Lions Clubs to join in project.

4. CRMWD set record budget of $5,962,782, up 15 per cent over '73; City administration requested wage and hour check in Big Spring by regional officers; Art Hyman, new Lone Star District Scout executive assumed duties here.

5. Pickle brothers (Joe and Cong. Jake) inducted in BSHS Hall of Fame; Johnny Hodges, pioneer grocer and businessman died after long illness.

6. United Way reached halfway mark of the $121,777 projected budget.

7. Mrs. Truett Thomas became first Gold Star Mother from Big Spring to be elected to a national office from Texas; Alex Perryman Jones, 73, retired army officer, found dead, locked in house with nude Japanese wife, who was admitted to hospital at Webb AFB; Lee Pounds, 19, became eighth traffic fatality.

8. P-TA Council urged city to look at child welfare.

9. Miss Marie Hall elected to board of State National Bank; Tom Fowler No. 1-D Morgan, appeared to be strong producer in Morgan Ranch Fusselman field.

10. Papers were served on Judge A. G. Mitchell with notice of tax suit filed in US District Court, Abilene, against Howard County, City of Big Spring and Big Spring Independent School District by Flato Realty Investment Co., owners of Permian Bldg.; schools to joined nation in "records cleanup"; a "Job Fair" was planned by Industrial Team for Spring.

11. Post office employes dinner attended by 170 at Howard College.

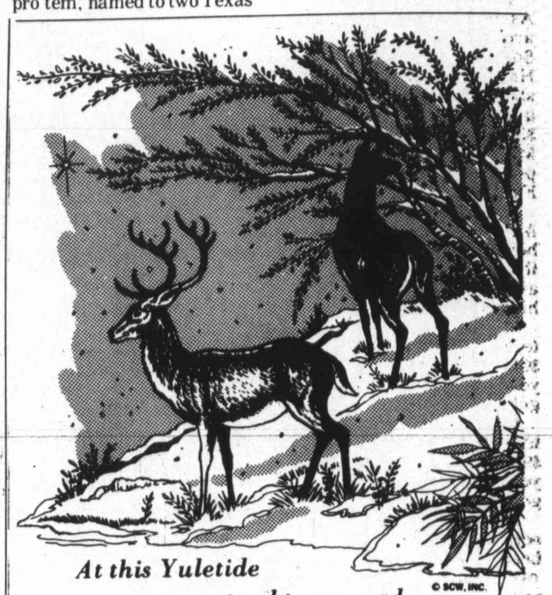
12. Fourteenth annual conference of District 12, Texas Federation of Music Clubs, met at Howard College; Eddie Acri, mayor pro tem, named to two Texas Municipal League committees; Melvin Choate, 69, retired farmer, resident since 1920, died.

13. Local credit unions listed assets at $28½ million.

14. Big Spring Experiment Station gauged 2.39 inches of rain; housewife raped in home near residential area; Lake Spence caught more water.

15. Big Spring School District studied enrollment drop; Lake Spence gained 1.29 feet of water, Thomas .60 of a foot from heavy.

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rains; Neil Fryar named County Farm Bureau chief; Howard College trustees took another look at community type building plans.

16. Howard County Fair Association directors met; area lakes continued to rise, Spence at all-time high; Howard College audit showed $4, 631,474 in capital assets, and income of $3;547,474 last year; Arnold Marshall was elected president of Howard County Fair Association.

17. Webb AFB led way in Air Training Command by being lowest in cost per flying hour while keeping aircraft maintenance quality high.

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19. Side-by-side burglaries occurred in 700 block W. 3rd, headed numerous break-ins over weekend; Airport PTA profitted $2,600 from carnival.

20. Mrs. Johnny Lou Avery, financial aid director at Howard College, elected to executive board of Texas Association of Student Aid Administrators; National Business Women's Week kicked off; plans for Gala Evening announced as benefit for Dora Roberts Rehab Center; Walls Industries income rose with increased sales.

21. Mrs. Hattie Bell Boland's "Seeing Eyes" (her dog Susie) put to sleep after illness; Gilbert and Sullivan performed at auditorium.

22. Fall rains brought year's total to near normal of 16.10 inches for the date.

23. Mrs. Diedra Whatley received Hospital Corporation of America Employe-of-the-Year national award at Nashville, Tenn.; gold thief Daniel Gene Brown got 10 years; Boyce Hale got prize elk in Ridgway Colo.

24. Demos open headquarters in Howard House with ceremonies; lakes gained more water.

25. Big Spring Dress Co. announced plans for expansion; Cap Rock honored John J. Wood at Stanton on retirement.

26. Charles Butts family escaped drowning through quick action by 15-year-old daughter, Tracy, in flash flood on property off Derrick Road.

27. City and area back on Standard Time; Herald held open house to show newly remodeled building and new offset press; Dr. Mike Jarratt, Big Spring native, promoted to chief of dermatology at Children's Hospital in Houston; Big Spring Detox Center, in first year, was used as pattern across state; Dr. Jim Mathews, Malone-Hogan Clinic surgeon, inducted into American College of Surgeons.

28. Howard College girls placed second in team standings at National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association at Sul Ross; the Roland Churches attracted attention as the family traveled across the county in covered wagon.

29. Colorado River Municipal Water District awarded a $279,600 contract to J. W. Little Construction Co., for new building at Goliad and FM 700; Texas International Airlines shifted afternoon flight schedule without notifying Chamber of Commerce; four city of Big Spring employes filed class-action suit against City of Big Spring; Jimmy Anderson killed 7-ft., 6-in., 500-pound bear, largest ever killed in mountains near Trinidad, Colo.

30. Area lakes continued to gain water; year's rain total reached 19.32 (16.67 normal for date).

31. Shane Halfacre, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Halfacre, Carlsbad, N.M., found alive on rocks a foot out of water on flooding Beal's Creek after all night search (he strayed from sitter while mother visiting sister on Woody Robinson ranch); unidentified man found shot to death in parking lot behind Bain Electric Co.

NOVEMBER

1. Ronald Reagan Brooks, 17, San Angelo, identified as victim of fatal shooting in downtoan parking lot; Steers beat Abilene Cooper 12-7 for only district win; Rep. Omar Burleson, here for day honoring him, said cutting spending is best way to balance budget; Ray Farabee, state Senate candidate, visited.

2. United Way moved within 6.3 per cent of its $121,777 goal; Denver Pettit, violin maker, offered to teach others the art.

3. St. Lawrence Festival was held; Paul Adams, 60, many years a Howard College trustee, died.

4. Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1's suit against City of Coahoma went to trial in 118th District Court.

5. Martin County rejected liquor sales by a 202-105 vote; Bill Tune named county judge, Ray Farabee state senator, Mike Ezzell state representative, Ike Rupard county commissioner in general election; TESCO held its Quarter Century Club meeting.

6. Analysis showed Howard County contributed to state Demo sweep.

7. Light rain fell; Ronald Clark O'Bryan, 30, Houston man charged with poisoning death of son, Tim, lived here 1967-68; cotton yield estimates were shaved to 9,000 bales; Webb AFB Federal Credit Union listed as sixth largest in state and 76th in nation in total assets; Highway Patrolman Ben Lockhart assigned to Big Spring; Siboney (which owns Gamco of Big Spring) reports record third quarter; Gala Event raised funds for Rehabilitation Center.

8. Projectile discovered and exploded; VA Hospital expenditures here pegged by Jack Powell, manager, at $4.4 million for a year; Jimmy Hughes won the Bosch and Lomb science award; Coahoma loses suit with water district and ordered to pay $29.414 arrearage.

9. GI Forum Club was raided by Alcoholic Commission agents for having no license.

10. Mt. Bethel Baptist Church observed its 50th anniversary; Mark Don Hanson pulled his wife to safety on IS 20; Robert DeLeon shot in abdomen at Zodiak Club, Trinidad Arsiaga held.

11. Ken Perry elected president of Chamber of Commerce; .25 of an inch rain in two days brought year's total to 20.03 inches; local groups asked for child welfare worker, and judge lashed as "do-gooders;" Lt. Col. Roy D. Dayton, executive officer at Webb promoted to colonel; Chamber directors voted to reinstate banquet and timed it with CR-'75 on Jan. 20; Ruth Roberts Edwards, resident since 1905, died.

12. Despite several protests, city council ordered paving program; TEC said that only .09 of the employable work force was jobless here; Howard College Hawks opened season with 110-80 victory over Galveston College; Margaret Ray was top vote getter, canvass showing she received 5,891 of 6,833 votes cast.

13. Colorado River Municipal Water District quality control project in lakes west of Big Spring produced has resulted of lowering chloride content ranging up to 44,000 ppm to as low as 4,400 in recent inflow; Optimists made Youth Appreciation awards; Panlanpados, 8-year-prize barrel racing mount of Carolyn Roane was killed by shot.

14. Temperature of 30 degrees listed as first killing frost, although little damage was done; Guadalupe Valle Hilburn was charge with fatal shooting of her husband, Roger, at Lamesa; Daryle Hohertz was named treasurer of Texas Society of Architects; representatives from four local agencies agreed on a tax appraisal service contract.

15. W. G. Marquardt was named successor of Burl Hulsey as TESCO president when Hulsey went to Dallas to head Texas Utilities; Texas Department of Public Welfare indicated it might proceed with child welfare services here.

16. Mark J. Kirby, 25, was arrested nere Mineral Wells shooting and kidnapping; Big Spring and Forsan won first division in Marching; 15 new members were inducted in Cosden's 25-Year Club.

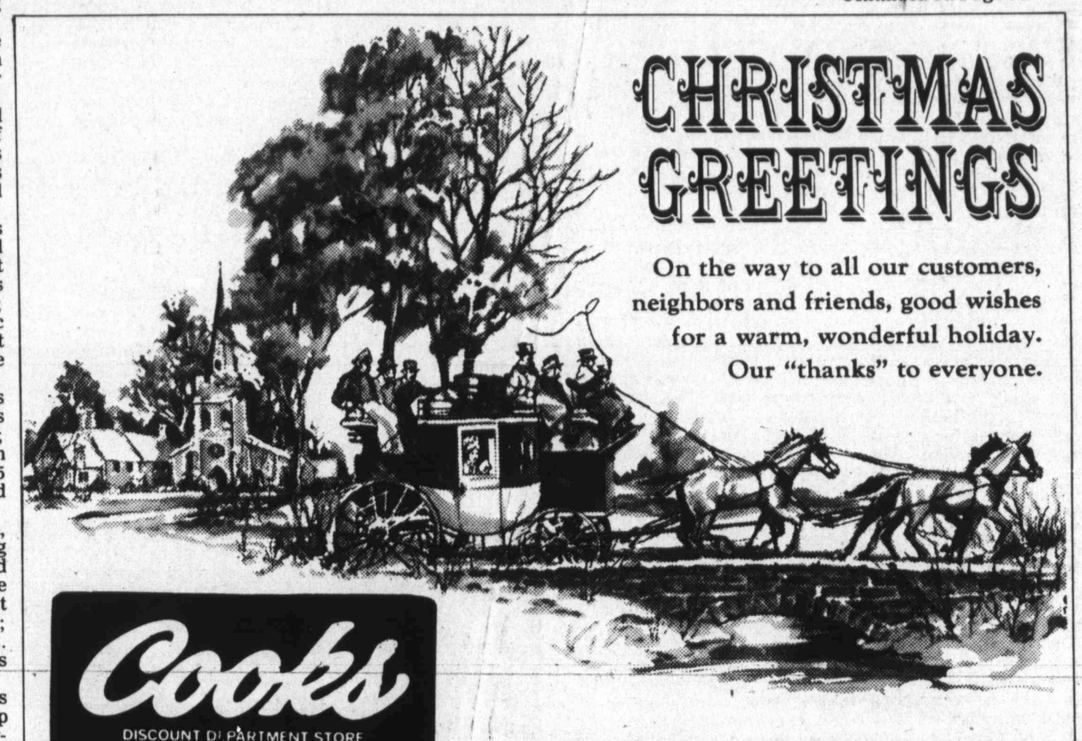
17. Dr. Robert Sheldon, clinical director at Big Spring State Hospital, picked as acting and probable permanent superintendent at Rusk State Hospital; George, his and Mrs. Sheldon's son, received his Eagle Scout badge.

18. County commissioners indicated plans to beef up own welfare staff as alternative to joining with state in child welfare office; bandits robbed Town & Country store on Wasson Road, modus operandi similar to those who hit South US 87 Grocery.

19. Police beseiged with disorder calls; YMCA directors inspected Lakeview branch improvements; Dr. Joseph Schooler, Houston, expert in pain, addressed Permian Basin Medical Society.

20. Western Kawasaki, owned by Mrs. and Mrs. Jerry Reid and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vincent, was opened in the renovated Homan

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

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Building at Third and Scurry; J. F. Poynor, principal at Forsan High for past seven years, named superintendent to succeed Herb Smith July 1; 16-year-old black girl referred to juvenile officer after assault on another girl.

21. Girls staged a powder puff football benefit for March of Dimes; Lamesa Chamber banquet held, Feather Fabrics revealed as a new industry; Gene Perrry named president of Martin County chapter Farmers Union.

22. Coahoma raised water bills $4 across board to meet water district demand, letters to customers said; Don Hutchinson, liquor control agent, said charges against GI Club delayed to permit club to apply for license; USGS and U.S. Egineers elected to join with CRMWD in salt water studies; "Harvey" staged by BSHS drama students.

23. Three charged for armed robbery of groceries, one, Mike Bowerson, as an adult; Jack Elrod became conservationist of Howard Soil District; Dr. Wallace C. Hunter named clinical director at Big Spring State Hospital; gambling paraphernalia discovered in mobile home here.

24. Dr. Earl Burnett, former head of U.S. Experient Station here, now head of Blackland ARS, made a fellow in the American Society of Agronomy.

25. Child welfare issue up again, two commissioners named to conduct study; Union Thanksgiving service featured musical, "Cool in the Furnace;" school board approved tax appraisal contract.

26. Surveilance team of local officers broke up automobile theft ring with arrest of seven; city approved tax appraisal contract; Jay Huskey received John Philip Sousa band award.

27. Harvey Hooser threatened Coahoma with injunction over increased water rates; Pioneer Gas cut gas rate 2.14 cents MCF for month; county commissioners approved garage to house fire truck for airport after $27,835 grant; J. Arnold Marshall named to Scout council camp development fund steering committee.

28. Herald appeared as a "morning" paper, on Thanksgiving, giving employes a day off; county protested it could not get to joint county-city landfill on weekends; Coquina No. 1 Hanks promised to be a Borden County oil discovery; 110 foreign students entertained at Thanksgiving dinner in local homes.

29. Landfill inaccessible because county had not completed roads, said city; Kay Hunt left for national 4-H Congress in Chicago as winner of state dairy foods record, Jim Ned defeats Tuscola 35-14 in a Class A regional football play.

Nov. 30. Mrs. L. S. (Kate) Patterson, 87, resident since 1902, died.

DECEMBER

1. Webb AFB repeats second consecutive year as winner of ATC Commanders sports trophy; Mattie Ann Evans, resident since 1905 died.

2. Mayor Jack Cauble said audit of Coahoma goods is available anytime; Howard County authorized a fire truck and shelter for airport; commissioners court rejected the joint tax appraisal proposal; Texas International flight cancelled by strike; Chistmas lights went on downtown and in shopping centers.

3. Sam Honnicutt became Lone Star district Scout chairman; Chamber announced plans for a job advertising campaign; Judge A. G. Mitchell whacked off 1,700 county court cases before leaving office; Big Spring named site for Feb. 26-27 wind erosion conference; school facilities utilization panel held first meet; Texas International's application to suspend service permanently upheld, locals decided not to contest; Terry Montgomery, charged with Oct. 13 rape, transferred from state hospital to jail; Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Smythe accepted call to First Christian Church.

4. Commissioners court shaped its own alternate tax appraisal proposal; Detoxification Center board honored.

5. Some 1,500 youngsters welcomed Santa Clause on visit here; Col. Arthur W. Burer, POW for eight years, presented with Silver Star; HCWCID No. 1 threatens to cut off Coahoma water; W. L. Mead, former prominent businessman, died inDallas; Webb graduated two classes within the same week; roads to landfill about completed.

6. ASC named community committees; Jack Worsham reelected chairman Salvation Army Advisory Board; C. B. (Charlie) Lawrence, lifelong resident, died; Howard College dramatists presented "Come Blow Your Horn."

7. Roy Reeder honored by Hendrick Hospital board on retirement; Franklin J. McDonald accidentally shot; two robbed at 505 NW 4th.

8. HCWCI District issued statement of position; Cottingham Bearing moved to new home at 2nd and Johnson; Shriners announced plans for Christmas party; Piano Teachers stage concert.

9. Christmas Cheer Fund received first gifts; Ken Perry announced Daryle Hohertz, Clyde McMahon, Don Reynolds as Chamber vice president; court considered buying tractor without bids; Hilliard Ditmore resuscitated Robert Cheatham after attack; Terry McFarland, victim of dog bite, began radies shots; Jim Gillespie critically hurt in collison.

10. City decided to seek federal funds to pave Scurry to 24th; local business reported much better than over nation; Rep. J. J. (Jake) Pickle reared in Big Spring, nominated for place on Ways and Means committee; four agencies appeared near compromise on tax appraisal plan; rainfall of .23 made 20.18 for year; El Paso Air Transport sent a representative here to bid on air service.

11. Permian Basin planning council OKed city's bid for $32,151 for juvneile department, turned down request by GI Forum.

12. Jack Woodley made high school principal at Forsan; number of cases appealed from lower to county courts here said greater than that of Houston.

13. Col. Robert A. Owens lists $35.8 million expenditure at Webb AFB year ending June 30; vocational nurses capped at Howard College; C.O. and Anna Mary Hitt Trust established at Southwestern Baptist Seminary; traffic signals at FM 700-Goliad changed.

14. John Fort (one million hours) Bill McLaughlin (half million) cited by National Business Aircraft Association; Gene Perry named to Texas Farmers Union board; high prices caused sugar sales to sag; Johnnie Amos, E. L. Kelly, Anna Smith got 15-year pins at Howard College; Big Spring HI-Y and Tri-Hi-Y students got positions at government project.

15. Tom Wright sported record rod-and-reel catch at Lake Spence, a 17-lb. 2-oz. striped bass.

16. Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 cut off Coahoma (Sand Springs) water for three hours, and Coahoma paid disputed $2,000; Harvey Hooser threatened to enjoin Coahoma's new rate schedule; James Campbell, parks director, named Colorado City manager.

17. Joe Bailey, vice rpesident El Paso Air Transport came here to see about air service; auto insurance rates up 11 per cent public liability 15 per cent comprehensive; Coahoma said it paid water account to keep supplies on to Sand Springs-Midway; Dorothy Garrett resigned position on Howard College Board; Carillon bells at college memorialized Paul B. Adams, veteran trustee; Ray Nell Dyer chosen one of four members of National Student Ministries Share team; four agencies agreed on terms of joint tax appraisal pact.

18. El Paso Air Transport began charter airline service here.

19. Bobby Addy and Mike Roever suffered loss of fingers in fireworks explosion at Sand Springs; CRMWD received a state weather modification license.

20. Charley Johnson Day, proclaimed by Mayor Wade choate, honored Denver Bronc quarterback; Herald issued a Saturday morning edition; city's sales tax hit a record $156,476 for quarter ending Sept. 30; construction budget $1,929,000 for Webb voted by Congress.

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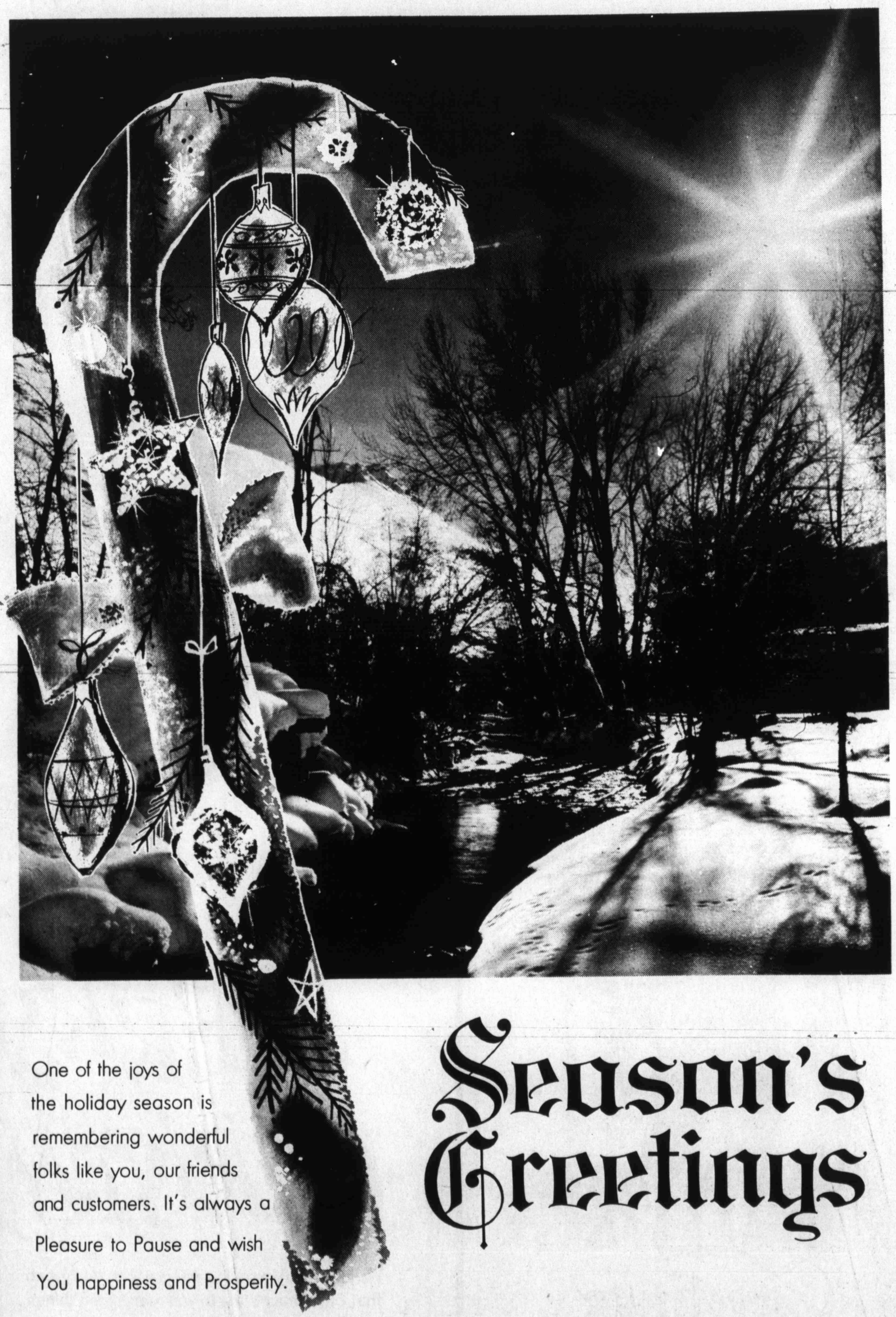
May the spirit of Christmas abide with you now and through the New Year.

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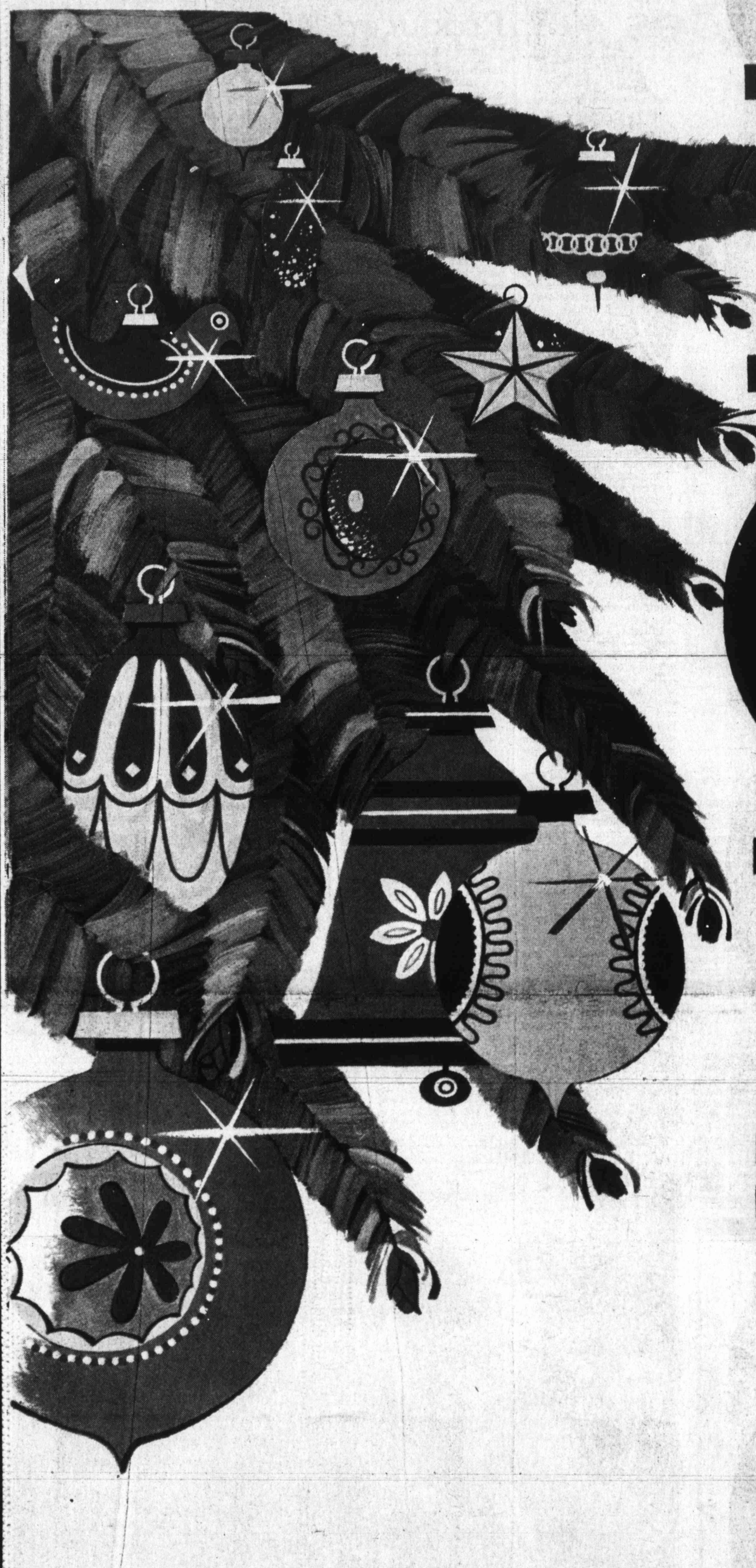


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What Christmas is really all about . . .

Sometimes in the rush of holiday shopping and activities, we lose sight of the real meaning of Christmas. Of course, we know it's more than Santa and gifts and parties but that's easy to forget amid the festivities and preparations. Now more than ever, we need to stop and think about what Christmas is really all about.

It's a celebration — a celebration of the birth of Jesus and the birth of hope for mankind. That hope is born anew in our hearts each Christmas, as we contemplate the Christ Child. For He is indeed the Prince of Peace, bringing peace to every heart that will admit Him. May the joy of Christmas — the real Christmas — be yours!

Celebration Of Yule Goes Back To Fourth Century

NEW YORK (AP) — Though historians cannot pinpoint exactly when the custom of celebrating Christmas first started, it does not seem to have been general until late in the 4th century.

The earliest mention of Christmas as being on December 25 is in a list of Roman bishops compiled in 354, which describes this date as "the day Christ was born in Bethlehem of Judea," L. W. Cowie and John Gummer point out in their new book, "The Christian Calendar."

"The strongest reason for the choice of this date in the Western church was doubtless the desire to persuade people to replace pagan celebrations with Christian observances," the authors explain. "In Rome the 25th of December was the feast of the Birth of the Unconquered Sun. The church replaced this with the celebration of the 'Sun of Righteousness' and the 'Light of the World.'"

IN ROMAN TIMES

The festivities accompanying Christmas probably originated with the Roman festival of Saturnalia, December 17 to 19, honoring Saturn, god of the seed-corn. It was the occasion for merriment, feasting and the exchange of presents. Temples were decked with greenery and flowers. No public business could be transacted, the law courts were closed, schools had a holiday, no criminal could be punished and no war declared.

As Christianity spread to northern Europe it met with other observances, such as the Yule feast of the Norsemen, which lasted for 12 days. During this time log fires were burned to assist the revival of the sun. Shrines and other sacred places were decorated with such greenery as holly, ivy and bay, and it was an occasion for feasting and drinking.

According to "The Christian Calendar," mistletoe was first used by the Druids to decorate their temples some 2,000 years before the birth of Christ.

Among the German tribes the oak tree was sacred to Odin, their god of war. They sacrificed to it until St. Boniface in the 8th century persuaded them to exchange it for the Christmas tree, a young fir adorned in honor of the Christ child.

Martin Luther is said to have originated the lighting of the Christmas tree with candles and Prince Albert, Queen Victoria's consort, popularized this in England as part of the Christmas celebrations. German immigrants brought the custom to the United States.

In medieval times, boar's head was the favorite dish at the Christmas feast. Geese, capons, pheasants, bustards, swans, pickled oysters and peacocks were also eaten. Today, even in many European countries, turkeys, introduced from America in the 16th century, have been given the supreme place on the Christmas table.

In France the traditional Christmas cake is made in the shape of a log. In Poland a favorite dish in kutia, made from wheat soaked in water to which is added honey, raisins and poppy seeds, eaten cold and uncooked.

Almost every country with a Christmas tradition has some kind of beloved figure such as our Santa Claus, who evolved from the tradition of St. Nicholas brought to this country by the Dutch colonists. Cowie and Gummer note that there was a real Nicholas who was Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor in the 4th century and who became the patron saint of children.

The singing of carols from house to house dates back to the Middle Ages and the Christmas card, another tradition, began with the introduction of penny postage in England in 1840. For the first time Christmas greetings could be sent cheaply to distant friends and relatives. The first Christmas card is said to have been sent in 1843, and they rapidly became popular throughout the world.

There was a time when attempts were made to do away with Christmas traditions. During the 16th century the Protestant dislike of keeping feast days extended even to Christmas.

The Puritans in England objected to the "drinking, roaring, healthing, dicing and carding," which accompanied the Christmas celebrations. Under their influence, Parliament in 1644 ordered December 25 kept purely as a fast day and even ordered troops to check houses to make sure no Christmas dinners were being cooked. When the Puritans came to America they brought with them the same attitudes and observances.

The revival of the celebration of Christmas and its development into a family festival owe much to the pen of Charles Dickens. He felt that Christmas in the home and among the family was the supreme example of human good will, and in his books, particularly "Pickwick Papers" and "A Christmas Carol," he successfully communicated this to his readers.



(AP WIREPHOTO)

GREETINGS — The greetings displayed on the gallows frame above an underground copper mine greets nearly 500 miners who will lose their jobs after the first of the year when the mile-deep mines are shut down. Over a hundred miners were laid off by the Anaconda Co. last month.

Holly Can Be Grown But Problems Arise

By The Associated Press

The boughs of holly you use to help make Christmas jolly probably cost more this season as do most things. So you might ask yourself, why not grow a future supply yourself?

You can now in most areas of the country but there are problems. Holly isn't among the hardiest of plants. Most commercial holly in this country is raised in Oregon, so it is practical to turn to Dr. Al Roberts of the Oregon State University to describe the troubles you may encounter.

Tip Bud Moths distort buds and leaves by devouring tips. The soft brown scale insert deposits a honeydew that allows a black mold to form on leaves. So you'll need insecticides.

Fungi can cause twigs to dry and discolor, or spot and weaken leaves. So you'll need fungicides.

Then there is the weather. Severe freezes kill the western species of holly even though you associate holly with a white Christmas. Excessive rain encourages fungi.

While some varieties of eastern holly are quite winter hardly, ours get by nicely in upstate New York, the species also have pests such as the Leaf Miner, the larvae of which "mine" through leaves. And a European immigrant, the Leaf Tier, spins webs around the tip end of leaves then eats the leaves, leaving naked berries.

Holly's beauty is in the leaves. If the leaves aren't bright red, then your holly has little value.

If you have holly without good qualities try treating it with fungicides, such as soluble coppers, for fungi, and insecticides for insects.

CHRISTMAS TREES

More than 30 million Christmas trees will be cut this season in the United States. But don't be too concerned about running out. Most will be harvested on commercial plantations and in the spring two or three trees will replace each tree cut.

The National Christmas Tree Assn., which has more than 3,000 members, reports that 450,000 acres of land are devoted to producing Christmas trees. At the retail level, the Christmas tree industry generates $70 million annually and provides more than 100,00 part-time jobs and more than 5,700 year-around jobs.

Not only do Christmas trees provide a beautiful and natural holiday tree, but the plantations contribute to a better environment. According to Purdue University forester E. J. Lott, an acre of growing Christmas trees will produce daily oxygen requirements for 18 persons.

Rare Statistics Produced Weekly

CAPE TOWN, South Africa (AP) — Statistics on everything from censorship to employment and crime pour out of the chambers of Parliament here each week.

There is perhaps no better single source of information about South Africa than the House of Assembly.

Most of the information comes in reply to questions asked of minister by members of the political opposition.

Here are some highlights of recent weeks:

A total of 55 full-length films were banned during the first six months of 1974 by government censors.

Of the 9,077,000 persons "gainfully employed" in South Africa, 1,673,000 are white, 807,000 of mixed race, 208,000 Asian and 6,389,000 African.

The State Information Service spent about $215,000 on press advertising overseas in the year ending June 30, 1974, most of it in the United States, Britain and France.

In 1973 a total of 47,667 cases of tuberculosis were reported among Africans while there were 6,833 among people of mixed races, 1,297 among Indians and 844 among whites.

There are currently 652 escaped convicts at large in South Africa out of a total of 1,418 who escaped from prison in 1974.

A total of 107,987 fur seals 8 105,513 of them pups — have been slaughtered on the South African coast over the past five years.

The cost of educating one student at the University of Cape Town in 1973 was $1,828.97.

There are 109,057 whites in the civil service, 32,832 Africans, 9,126 people of mixed race and 1,448 Indians.

A nationwide total of 95,200 applications to have telephones installed were outstanding as of September 30.

There were 344,170 foreign African workers in South African gold mines in 1973. Of these, 109,000 came from Malawi, 83,000 from Mozambique and 76,000 from Lesotho.

Minister of Statistics Jan J. Loots disclosed in the Senate there is not a single African motor mechanic in South Africa. He said there are 19,259 white mechanics, 331 of mixed race and 426 Indian.

The minister of Antu African Administration and Development, Michael Botha, told Parliament some 4.6 million acres of land have been purchased at a cost of about $164 millino since 1948 to expand native reserves or African homelands.

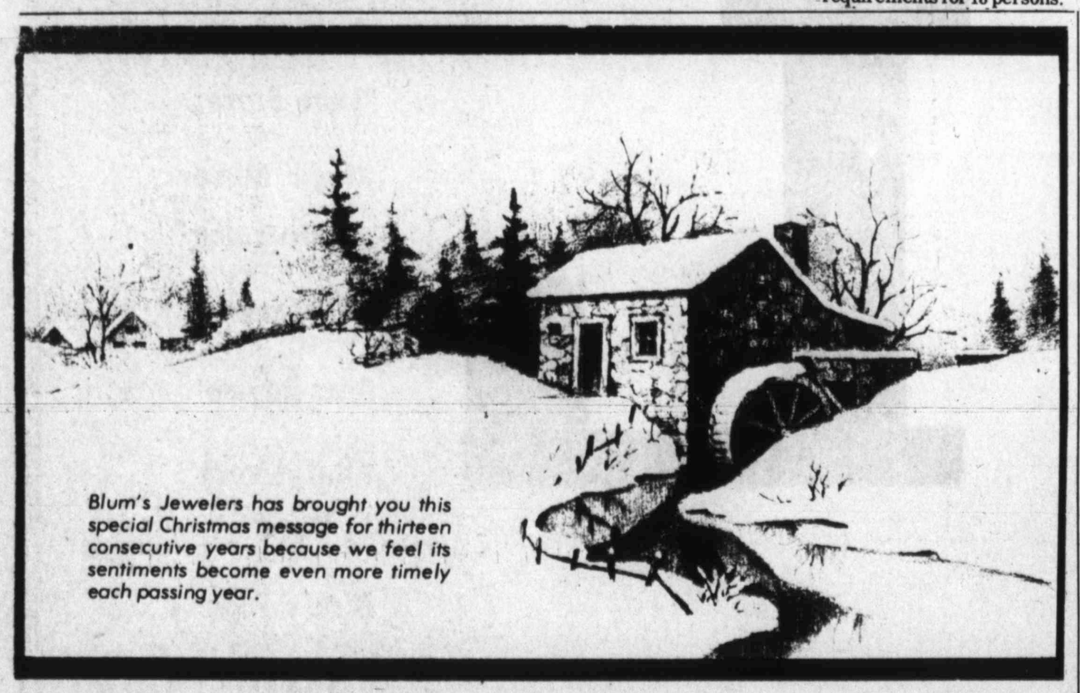
Babies Will Eat Tree Bulbs

CHICAGO AP — Keep the glass Christmas lights away from the baby.

An infant who swallowed a Christmas tree bulb here last December has had 19 operations so far. gaccording to Dr. Hernan M. reyes of the Wyler Children's Hospital of the University of Chicago, the child's mother found him crying with part of a three-inch green glass bulb in his mouth. Fragments of glass were recovered from his throat at a hospital.



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mend a quarrel. Seek out a forgotten friend. Dismiss suspicion, and replace it with trust Write a love letter. Share some treasure. Give a soft answer. Manifest your loyalty in word and deed. Encourage youth. Keep a promise. Find the time. Forego a grudge. Forgive an enemy. Listen. Apologize if you were wrong. Try to understand. Flout envy. Examine your demands on others. Think first of someone else. Appreciate. Be kind; be gentle. Laugh a little. Laugh a little more. Deserve confidence. Take up arms against malice. Decry complacency. Express your gratitude . Go to church. Welcome a stranger. Gladden the heart of a child. Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth. Speal your love. Speak it again. Speak it still once again.

Joe and Pauline — Blum's Jewelers — Ralph and Lynette

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In this Holiday Season, we wish especially for you: "O tidings of comfort and joy."

First Federal Savings
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Despite Uncertainties, 1974 Proved Impressive

The year 1974, for all of its uncertainties, produced many significant milestones for the Big Spring area.

Construction shattered all records with more than $8 million in permits, but agriculture — which set all sorts of records the previous year — was a washout.

Fuel was never really short here, but Sunday closing of service stations created a pinch in the wake of the Arab oil embargo. Crude oil prices, however, soared and drilling spurted.

On the business front Intech was sold to TelePro and retrenched. John Currie succeeded his late father as head of State National Bank. Security State Bank started on a plant expansion. Several prominent businessmen, among them Elmo Wasson, Carl Bates, G. H. Hayward, Andy Brown, died.

The Rev. Theo Frances was cited for 50 years as a priest, and a new Chistian Church opened its new home.

City of Big Spring had its first election using new places on the ballot. After many bobbles, it joined with the schools, county and college in a tax appraisal contract. At the end of the year it lost two department heads, James Campbell and Robert Massengale, who won promotions to other cities.

NEW FACES

On the county front, there were new faces in the offing with A. G. Mitchell, Commissioner Bill Bennett, District Clerk Fern Cox losing bids, and Pauline Petty retiring as county clerk. The county was in a hassle with its road employes, as the city was with its sanitary workers. In county court, Judge Mitchell wiped off 1,700 cases with one stroke.

Texas Electric Service occupied its new plant. KBYG was sold, and Bob Bradbury, owner of KHEM, died unexpectedly.

In addition to the HCA Malone & Hogan Hospital project, Malone & Hogar Clinic broke ground in April for a new $2 million structure. CRMWD started a $250,000 new headquarters.

Fires were numerous, the worst being tinder dry range lands.

Sam Anderson ended a long career as Big Spring superintendent and was succeeded by Emmett McKenzie; Herb Smith resigned at Forsan and was to be succeeded by J. F. Poynor; Dr. Thoams Salter resigned as president of Howard College and Dr. Charles Hays took his place.

HIGHWAY HEARINGS

The big highway news was a series of hearings on possible extension of IS 27 south from Lubbock, and work started on improving a segment of US 87 north of here.

The area swing to DST in January, the off of it in late October.

Bill Bradford received the coveted Silver Beaver award from the Buffalo Trail Scout Council. The Webb Spring Lions Club was chartered. The Jaycees got in a hassle with the Audubon Society over the Rattlesnake roundup. Janell Davis and Johnnie Lou Avery headed the Bi-Centennial commission.

Industrially, the city gave district financial aid to the Industrial Foundation, which named Rene Brown as its new head.

In politics, Ray Farabee, Wichita Falls, became state senator, and Mike Ezzell, Snyder, state representative.

Taylor Williams made all American (juco) for the Howard College Hawks, who were third in offense nationally, and joined Thomas Bledsoe on the all-conference team. The ABC relays were resumed.

TIA MAKES EXIT

Texas International applied and finally succeeded, in getting suspension of its permit to service Big Spring, and El Paso Air Transport hurried in during December. The county constructed 10 additional T hangars, installed lighting and fire protection.

The city and county went until April without a traffic fatality, then the dike broke.

The United Way, although slightly delayed, went over its $121,770 goal. The YMCA dedicated its new 5,550-sq. ft. health wing.

Almost shut out the first nine months, the CRMWD finallypicked up about 90,000 acre feet of water. It also retired the last of its original (1951) $11,750,000 bond issue.

WATER SQUABBLE

On another water front, Coahoma objected to charges by Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 but lost its suit, raised hairs, held back on a new district rate and had water cut off temporarily.

The spring and summer were unusually dry, except for two or three inches in late April which enabled most farmers to plant. Crops were miserable, and pastures poor, to add to the woes of beef producers. Severe sand storms rolled in on mile a minute storms, but in the fall, the pattern was totally reversed with the year ending with over 20 inches of moisture.

At Webb AFB, Col. Robert Liotta was succeeded by Col. Robert Owens as 78th PT Wing Commander. Lt. Col. Wm. F. Dater was killed in a student flight mission. Congress finally appropriated $1,929,000 in new construction.

JANUARY

1. John E. Fort Jr., received the "million miler" award from NBAA and William G. McLaughlin, "half-million" award, both work for Cosden.

2. Vanessa Faye Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Jones was the first baby born in 1974 at 4:10 p.m.; school was out because of icy streets which were nearly clear by mid-morning; Supt. Sam Anderson presided over his last mid-term graduation; President Nixon signed legislation of maximum speed of 55 mph which became effective here; Mattie Duncan, 88, died in a local hospital; a misappropriation case was filed in the 118th District Court by Jay H. Floyd, for Mrs. G. E. McDlatchey against Lonnie Joe Stockton; after 36 years, Doyle and Mildred Vaughn, closed Vaughn's Sweet Shop.

3. State Rep. Renal Rosson announced he would not run again from the 63rd Legislative District; J. W. Christian, 86, former resident of Howard County died in Lubbock.

4. Howard County cotton crop promised to amount to 87,000 bales; suit was filed in the 118th District Court against Betty Lou Altom for damages allegedly resulting from thawing her frozen water pipes with a portable torch which led to a fire; BSHS were defeated by AHS, 94-86 in the opening District 5-AAAA basketball game.

5. John R. Anderson announced he will run for the state legislature from the 63rd District.

6. Daylight saving time started; the YMCA dedicated its new 5,500-square foot wing made possible by grants from the Dora Roberts Foundation; A. G. Mitchell announced again for county judge of Howard County; James P. Taylor, president of the First National Bank was named chairman for county Savings Bonds sales; Howard Burleson, 57, Big Spring native, died following an extended illness.

7. School began the second semester 9 a.m.-4 p.m. schedule. Alton Henry, 59, died today.

8. Registration began at the Lamesa Center of HC; a 9.5 per cent rate increase request by Texas Electric Service Co. was approved by the city council; 47 people from Webb AFB received promotions.

9. Glenn Toombs, Gail, announced he will run for state legislature from the 63rd District; Horace Lee Atkinson was arrested on charges of possession of stolen property and theft; Rick Blanchard became manager of Barnes Pelletier Shoes; Hawks won the ABC Olympic Classic with a 92-73 victory over Cisco.

10. Registration at the San Angelo center of Howard College began; Moss Lake was reopened after a general clean-up.

11. Funeral held for Dub Rogers, 61, manager of the Bigony Estate farms; State of Texas filed a petition in 118th District Sourt seeking $100 per day fines from Berkley Homes Inc., and Fred Burgess (Eagle Mobile Home Transportation); a course in carpentry was added to the continuing education program at Howard College.

13. Bill Bennett announced for re-election as Howard County Pct. 2 commissioner; M. Fern Cox, 118th district clerk, announced for re-election; Rene Brown was named to a three-year term as director of the Big Spring Industrial Foundation.

14. Spring semester registration began at Howard College; Lt. Col. Walton F. Dater was killed in a crash of a T-38 trainer from Webb AFB; school calendar for the school year 1974-75 was approved.

15. Water rates were modified; fire burned 10 bales of cotton on a freight car by West Texas Compress; Mrs. O. S. (Edna) Womack took office as president of the Big Spring YMCA; preliminary plans for the proposed community center was presented to the Rotaty Club by Ben Johnson.

16. Howard College registration is nearing 1,000 (114 are from the San Angelo Center, 45 from the Lamesa center); Gus Ochotorena announced for re-election for justice of the peace, (Pct. 1, Pl. 2); half a section of pasture land at the Bud Rankin ranch in Coahoma was consumed in a brush fire; Parkers Bargain Store was burglarized.

17. A petition signed by 135 citizens wanting to incorporate Sand Springs was presented to County Judge A. G. Mitchell; Mrs. Paula Howard was elected co-president of the Webb AFB Women of the Chapel.

18. Truman Smith, 61, died after an extended illness; Big Spring was awarded $33,749 in federal anti-crime grants to set up a four-member police unit for prevention and control of juvenile crime; Dee Balch, 63, an auto body shop repairman was found dead at his home at 307 S. Bell; Airman First Class David H. Sandifer, 23, the 78th Supply Squadron, became Webb's supply airman of the year; Ottis L. (Bill) Bradford, veteran Scout leader in Big Spring, received the Silver Beaver, the highest award of the Buffalo Trail Council; UIL contests were held in Midland; John M. Hogg, former Big Spring resident, became president of Sid Richardson Carbon & Gasoline Co.

19. Mark Prather, Paula Collins and John Elrod were named All-State Band and Blaz Bailon, first alternate.

20. Mrs. Andy (Pearl Virginia) Tucker, 75, a charter member of the Crestview Baptist Church died.

21. Willie L. Robinson, 65, Glasscock County commissioner, died when a goal post fell on him on the Garden City football field; county commissioners authorized purchase of a 10-phone fire phone system for Sand Springs from Coahoma Telephone Co. for an estimated amount between $1,600 and $2,000; last rights for H. B. Winston Jr., 83, Snyder, Hereford breeder were held; W. B. Lee Jr. manager of Rip Griffin Truck Stop, died; Carl Bates, 73, charter member of Coahoma Lions Club and Coahoma State Bank died at his home.

22. Mayor Wade Choate told city council that Big Spring had no plans to incorporate Sand Springs; Dr. Bob L. Franklin elected to be dean of the academic division at Howard College, resigned the next day; about 2,000 ft. of electric cable left at an oil well east of the Luther Gin was stolen; Emery W. Thompson, a retired Air Force senior master sergeant placed second with his wooden car in the outdoor project category of a nation-wide contest by Mechanics Illustrated.

23. Dr. James A. Roberts, 66, who has farmed in Howard County passed away in Midland; Howard College climbed to ninth place in the National Junior College Athletic Association basketball poll.

24. CR '74 "Its A Small World" got underway.

25. Memorial service held for Airman First Class Daniel E. Hubble; Reagan Brooks, a Coahoma 4-H Club member, showed a Main-Anjou steer as grand champion of the breed; International Technovation (Intech) was sold by LTV corp. to TelePro (a subsidiary of E.T., Inc.); the City of Big Spring moved a notch nearer having its own juvenile department with approval of the Criminal Justice Council; Rep. George and Mrs. Mahon called from Washington D.C. to say their thanks for the expressions of friendship and love on the occasion of their Golden Anniversary; Ray Lawless, director of cafeteria services for the Big Spring schools, said that price of pinto beans climbed during the last two or three years from $8 to $50 a hundred pounds; W. E. Wozencraft, 1000 Stadium, retired the 24th after 37 years with the Texas and Pacific Railroad.

26. Reagan Brook's Hereford was named reserve champion in that breed class at Fort Worth.

27. Sales for Intech exceeded $2,500,000 in 1973; the City has collected a total of $2,176,507.92 from the sales tax; a children's librarian, Miss Jan Lusk, a Big Springer who graduated in Aug. 1973 from Texas Women's University, was named children's librarian; Webb-Spring Lions Club came officially into being the 26th with the pledge from its first president, James Walker Sr.

28. City of Big Spring started to acquire the land for the Benton Street overpass; County Commissioner Jack Buchanan won approval of paving for several suburban streets and also improving the Centerpoint school building for use as a community center; Big Spring Steer football awards were presented to Bobby Jackson, Coaches award, Jerry Rogers, Joel Fellows, Tom Sorley, John Thomas Smith, Steve Brackett, Kyle Neighbors, and Randy Schrecengost.

29. Howard College named Paul Ausmas, head of the natural sciences department, and Johnnie Amos, head of the vocational nursing program as the first Distinguished Instructors of Howard College; County Judge A. G. Mitchell revoked an order calling for an election Saturday on incorporation of Sand Springs.

30. T&P Engineer Douglas Boyd, 1303 Runnels, completed his final run for the railroad after 31½ years of service.

31. Annual National Prayer Breakfast was observed at Webb AFB; Optimist international oratorical contest held at the Big Spring High School; John Tipton (Tip) Anderson retired from the railroad after nearly a half a century.

FEBRUARY

1. The LeRoy Van Dyke Country Western Music Show at the municipal auditorium attracted a large crowd; Larry Evans, 39, well-known pianist who grew up here, died in Houston.

2. Although the nation's truckers quit the highways in protest of high gasoline prices, local truck stops remained open; John Tipton (Tippy) Anderson, a locomotive engineer, ended nearly 50 years' service with the T&P railway.

3. A party was held at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church honoring the Rev. Theo Frances, OMI, for having spent half a century in the priesthood; Ralph Caton announced he would seek reelection as judge of 118th District Court.

4. Kent Morgan offered a $5,000 a year, five-year contract for a lease on a landfill to the county; the Republican county committee announced plans to enter candidates for Howard County judge (Jerry Worthy) county commissioner precinct two (Paul Shaffer) and state legislative (Rich Anderson); Howard College defeated Odessa College in an important Western Conference basketball game here, 100-93.

5. Refurbishing work started at the site of the original "big spring;" Jerry Sink was named county chairman for the 1974 cancer crusade.

6. Freddie Martin and his band, George Shearing, Bob Crosby and Margaret Whiting were well received in a Big Spring Concert Association show staged at the municipal auditorium; James W. Bearden, 29, a pharmacist employed at the Big Spring State Hospital, was found dead at his home, and death was attributed to natural causes.

7. Gov. Dolph Briscoe approved a $33,794 grant for the creation of a juvenile department in the Big Spring Police Department; A cracking tower weighing 230,000 pounds was moved through Big Spring en route to the Vealmoor oil field — the biggest job ever undertaken by the Home Transportation Co.; Howard County's lengthy basketball winning streak came to a screeching halt when the Hawks lost to Clarendon on the road, 75-66.

8. Coahoma shut down its schools due to a flu epidemic; Big Spring civic leaders flew to Washington to confer with congressional and military leaders about several things, among them

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Divorce Rate In U. S. Should Continue High

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Today's rapid crumbling of social traditions is likely to produce a continuing high U.S. divorce rate, according to several social counselors.

"We see more young people who do get divorced, and I think we'll be seeing more," counselor Jane Markle of New Haven said in an interview.

"It is not that they take marriage lightly or that some of them are not fearful of going it alone, but because of their unwillingness to continue in an unrewarding relationship."

The divorce rate has nearly doubled since 1960.

Eugene Eliasoph and Robert Singer, counselors who work as a team, said erosion of the nuclear family as we knew it a generation or more ago is increasing the likelihood of divorce.

Then "there were two or three wage earners in a family and there was often an aunt or grandmother to share in child care," Singer said.

"Now two parents are responsible for all the nurturing."

"Maybe that is why men and women are seeking solace in others outside the family," Eliasoph added. "It is an effort to spread the pressures people are feeling. Itis a way of breaking out to more extended relationships."

Mrs. Markle, who prefers the title Ms., said young people are less afraid than older people of returning to a life alone because change has been a more recent part of their lives.

"For them society has recently opened more doors and provided more options," said Ms. Markle, a counselor at the Center for the Person in Transition.

"The older person worries more about the need for living alone. This person has less choice in work, social life and other opportunites."

All three counselors said more women than men seek guidance in divorce even though men are less likely to discuss their problems with others.

"Men reject counseling because they consider it a sign of weakness and because of the cultural bias that men are not supposed to have feelings," said Eliasoph, director of the New Haven Center for Human Relations.

Those who seek professional help "tend to want pat answers, rules and formulas, sort of a 'how-to-divorce.'" he said.

"It is a training process to get them to think, to begin to look within themselves for what they really feel. Somehow women are more in touch with themselves."

Women's divorce problems deal more with how to adjust to being single members of society again, the counselors said.

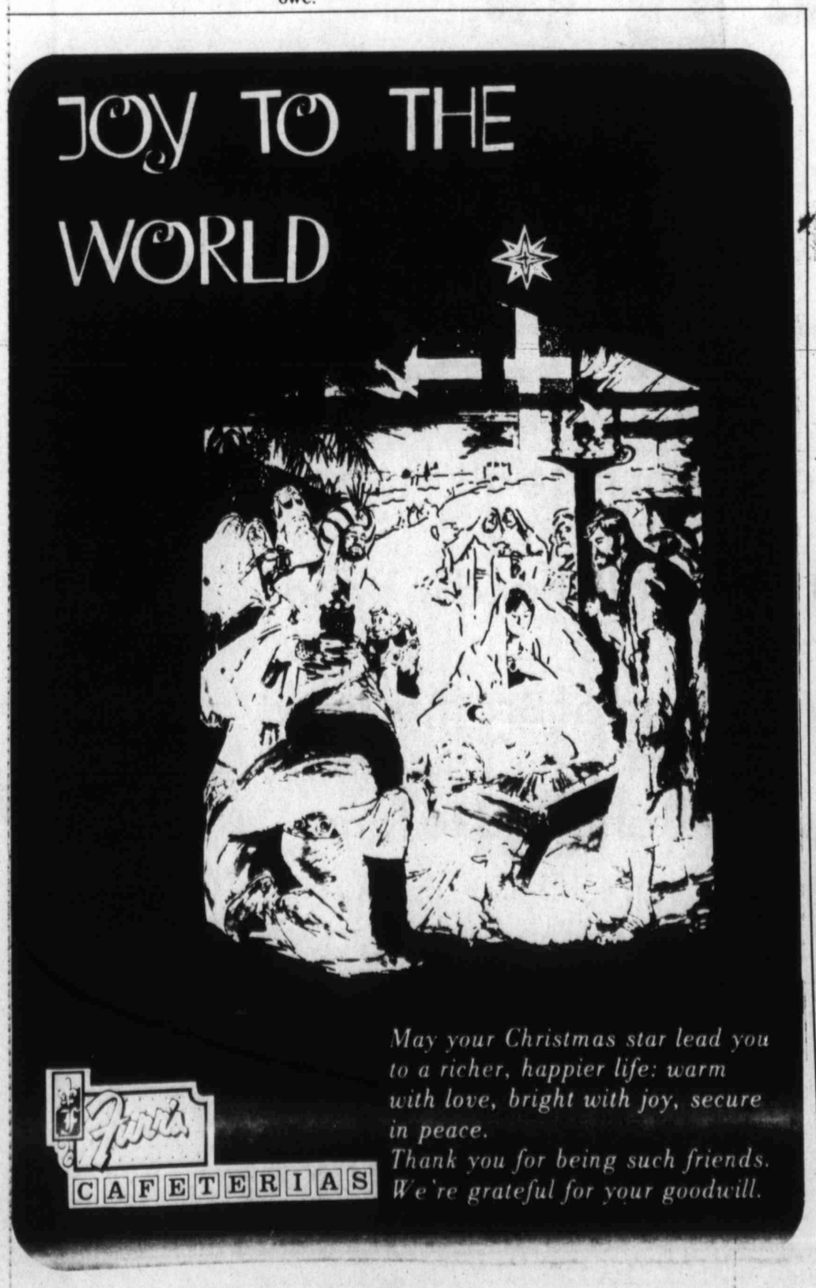
Milk Fund Funnel?

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal grand jury has indicted a lawyer for the nation's largest dairy cooperative on charges he acted as the funnel for $13,400 in illegal corporate contributions to the 1970 senatorial campaign of Sen. Edmund S. Muskie, D-Maine.

The panel accused Stuart H. Russell of Oklahoma City, Okla., of one count of conspiracy and two counts of aiding and abetting an illegal corporate contribution.

In its report Thursday, the grand jury said Russell, attorney for Associated Milk Producers Inc., issued checks as requested by Bob A. Lilly, the co-op's assistant general manager, "knowing ... he would be reimbursed for the same with corporate funds of AMPI."

Then, the indictment said, Russell would submit an invoice "for legal services performed" as reimbursement and would claim an additional amount to cover the added income tax he would owe.

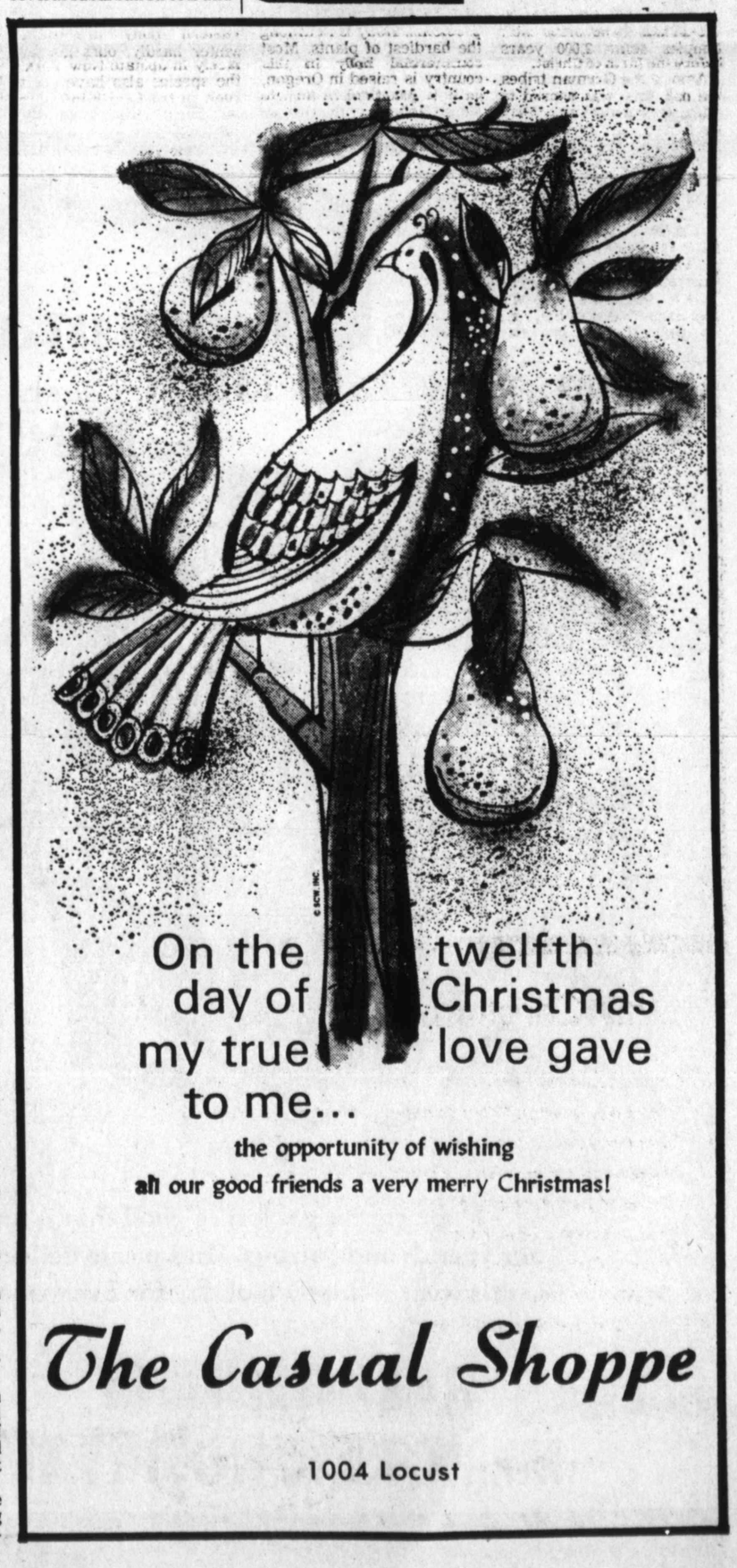


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the future of Webb AFB.

9. G. H. Hayward, 75, longtime Big Spring civic leader, died at the age of 75; Passports of 12 area minister, including several in Big Spring, were stolen in Odessa just before the group was to depart for a trip to the Far East but Cong. George Mahon made emergency arrangements for the party to make the trip.

10. Carrie Wheeler, Big Spring High School senior, was announced as a finalist in the "Young Singer of the Year" contest held in Waco; West Texas truckers, meeting in Sweetwater, threatened to organize their own power bloc; Dawson County's (1973) cotton harvest finally ended, with a record 323,000 bales ginned.

11. Ray Hiltbrunner, operator of Alert Ambulance Service here, petitioned the Howard County commissioners for a $100 a month subsidy, saying he needed it to continue in business; Mary Kirshhoff, Plainview, a candidate for the state senate, was honored at a coffee held at Howard College.

12. School officials in Westbrook took issue with some Mitchell County proponents of a plan to abolish the county school superintendent's office; Kent Morgan joined the board of directors of the Security Staze Bank; a dog ordinance adopted by the Big Spring city commission was defended by City Manager Harry Nagel after critics had attacked it; Howard County grand jury returned 15 indictments, including two for bookmaking.

13. Schools at Stanton shut down fora week due to an outbreak of flu; J. D. Nelson was named president and W. S. (Dub) Pearson chairman of the 1974 Howard County United Way campaign; Howard College was given $15,000 by an anonymous friend, with $5,000 of that amount earmarked for the building fund; Harold Hall, Big Spring, was welcomed as a member of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission.

14. Woodrow B. Grant retired as chief fiscal agent at Big Spring State Hospital after 25 years service; in Garden City, Judge Ralph Caton heard Whitmer Jean Ballard plead innocent to the charge of murdering ranch Steve Currie and then announced the site of the trial had been shifted to Lamesa.

15. The Big Spring High School Steers ended a six-game basketball losing streak by drilling Odessa High on the road, 85-77; Figures released by the city revealed that building permits issued here during January totaled a record $4,750,075.

16. The Army National Guard returned to authorized strength for the first time since the draft ended, according to Lt. Col. Johnnie Hooper, commander of the 3rd Battalion, 133rd Field Artillery, Big Spring; S. C. (Dutch) Cowley, 78, long-time resident of the Forsan area, died.

17. Bill Brooks, formerly of the Big Spring SCS office, was named coordinator of the five-county Resource Conservation and Development district, with headquarters at Paris; Heart Sunday was observed in Big Spring, with a house-to-house collection; Mike Hart was named head basketball coach at Colorado City High School.

18. Requests for pay raises of deputies in several county office were turned down by county commissioners; Mrs. Carl Cervenka, executive director of the Dallas Epilepsy Association, talked here; security police at Howard College received equipment for a two-way police radio system; a savage dust storm hit the area, creating problems that caused old-timers to remember the storms of the 30s; city and county officials voted to work together toward the purchase of a landfill site.

19. Odell McBrayer, GOP candidate for governor, visited in the area; Craig Knappe was installed as master councilor in the local DeMolay chapter; Dr. J. W. Tipton was announced as the winner of the Boss-of-the-Year award presented by the Cactus chapter of the American Business Women Association.

20. The contract of Coahoma school superintendent W. A. (Andy) Wilson was extended by school trustees; a budget calling for expenditures of $82,775 was adopted by directors of the Big Spring YMCA.

21. Dr. David Wade, state commissioner for Mental Health and Mental Retardation, saluted Dr. Preston Harrison, superintendent of the Big Spring State Hospital, in a speech made at the hospital's annual awards banquet, and the Midland Auxiliary was declared winner of the annual Jack Y. Smith award for service to the hospital; Carrie Wheeler, Big Spring, was declared the winner of the $4,000 Word Inc., scholarship at Baylor University, Waco.

22. The Big Spring Kiwanis Club fed hundreds in its annual pancake supper staged in the Student Union building at Howard College; Big Spring won a round in its fight to keep airline service here when the Civil Aeronautics Board denied Texas International Airlines' application for immediate temporary suspension of service into the Howard County airport; two Big Spring residents, Mrs. Mary Ann Anderson and Lannie Hamby, were presented with plaques on behalf of their work with the Girl Scouts.

23. The fifth annual Prospectors' Club gem, mineral and artifacts show got under way at the Howard County Fair Barn; a meet held at the local YMCA attracted over 250 swimmers from all over West Texas; Dr. Earle Williams, president of the Texas Dental Society and president elect of the American College of Dentists, was speaker at a dental clinic held at the Big Spring State Hospital; Andrews upset Lamesa, 44-40, in Regional basketball play, earning a trip to the State Tournament.

24. The Howard County Farm Bureau launched its annual membership drive, with hopes for record registration; severe drought conditions continued in the Big Spring area — only .72 of an inch of moisture had fallen since Jan. 1.

25. The Howard College Hawks won the Western Conference basketball championship by defeating South Plains, 121-103; County Attorney Bill Eyssen started prosecuting traffic cases on appeal from municipal court, thereby answering charges he was doing nothing about the huge backlog of cases in his court.

26. Tabulations show the High Plains of Texas, of which Howard County is a party, produced agricultural products with a market value of more than $3 billion in 1973 — almost double the value of 1972 crops; The Big Spring City Council passed an ordinance which prohibits the keeping of bees in the city limits.

27. Dr. Emmett McKenzie, former Steer football coach and more recently of Carthage, Tex., was named to succeed Sam Anderson as superintendent of the Big Spring school system; plans were announced to honor Sam Anderson during Public School Week here; the Howard College basketball team was ranked 14th nationally by the National Junior College Athletic Association; Goals for Progress for the Big Spring area were discussed at a meeting which attracted a crowd of 25 at Howard College.

28. The Big Spring High School musical show, "South Pacific," opened a four-night run to good reviews; Country Music Unlimited, featuring Tony Douglass and the Shrimpers, was staged before a big crowd at the municipal auditorium under the auspices of the Big Spring Police Association.

MARCH

1. Dr. Tom Salter was named president of the Heart Fund; Dawson County Commissioners rejected a petition calling for a liquor election; a contest developed in the Howard College Trustee race as Eli Guinn and C. William Clark filed.

2. San Angelo High School won annual ABC Relays; Steer cager, John Thomas Smith was named to 5-AAAA All-District team; 135 members of Big Spring bands brought back medals from the U.I.L. solo and ensemble contest in Odessa.

3. Temperature climbed to a record 90 degrees, eclipsing old record of 88 degrees for this date set in 1958; Tommy Erhardt, 610 Elgin, found shot to death in his bed.

4. Two incumbents filed for election to Stanton school board, including Delbert Dickenskin and Rufus Tom; three Howard College students joined national streaking craze as they zipped through girls' dorm; Big Spring High School Choir Department's production of "South Pacific" was deemed a success.

5. Higher oil prices stimulated a wave of exploration and rehabilitation of oil wells in county; Howard College's Hawks were seeded number one for Region V Tournament.

6. Area city and school election slates were completed; the death of Marvin Thomas Erhardt ruled accidental.

7. Texas Credit Union Commissioner, Pete Parson, said that at the Webb AFB Credit Union membership banquet; that CU changes in general were coming, Howard College advanced to Region V basketball tournament semifinals.

8. A Texas Interntional airliner was forced to land at Webb AFB instead of Howard County Airport because it developed hydraulic problems; Howard College dismissed classes for the Spring break.

9. Boy Scouts from all over the area converged on the annual Boy Scout Exposition; Howard College Hawks were eliminated from the Region V Tournament by Hill College.

10. Steer quarterback Tom Sorley along with receiver John Thomas Smith were named to the 1973-74 Prep All-America team; Easter Seal Society collects $700 from Big Spring motorists with help from 75 high school athletes.

11. Three representatives from Howard County, City of Big Spring and the Chamber of Commerce met with officials of Texas International Airlines to discuss TIA plans to request suspension of service for Big Spring; Big Spring school board decided to back the Airport P-TA air conditioning project with $600.

12. Lubbock backed the U.S. 87 route for the proposed Interstate 27 route; John Currie succeeded his father, Robert W. Currie as president and chairman of the board of the State National Bank.

13. The first significant rain of the year fell when a thunderstorm dropped 1.04 inches of moisture; Lamesa hosts second of six meetings on proposed routing of Interstate 27.

14. The City approved the expenditure of $1,200 to repair the municipal swimming pool; city and county officials accepted a bid of $200 per acre for 183.5 acres for their landfill site.

15. Congressman Omar Burleson announced that the tentative entitlement for the Big Spring School District was $344,347, and enrollment in Big Spring schools dropped by six students and was down about 20 from a year before.

16. A. D. Brown, prominant Ackerly resident, died at the age of 83; Kent Robinson's Grand Champion Steer brought $1,000 from a consortium of four Big Spring hospitals at the 74th Howard County Steer and Lamb Show.

17. Temperatures reached a new high of 88 degrees, topping the previous high of 87 set in 1916; sixteen firearms were stolen from the residence of D. W. Day in Forsan; a three state theft ring was broken with the arrests of four men in Oklahoma and two men in Colorado City.

18. Despite other area schools changed their school starting times because of the extension of Daylight Savings Time, Big Spring Schools stayed on the same schedule; Coker's Restaurant, owned by Herman Wilkerson and Murry Vise, was sold to Bob Spears and Richard Townsend.

19. District Judge Ralph Caton ordered a Big Spring couple to remove a carport in order to comply with the city zoning ordinance; ordinance; a dry Spring produced a sharp increase in water consumption by cities served by the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

20. Webb AFB hosted three officials from United Kingdom's Royal Air Force; some 400 persons attended a local meeting concerning the proposed route of Interstate 27.

21. A high speed chase through the city ended when the car pursued by local officers hit a tree, and driver was issued four traffic citations; CRMWD accepted a 12.6 per cent electric rate increase.

22. Absentee voting for the school board race totaled 24. with 22 voting in the college trustee election and seven in the county school board race; a 60-year-old Lubbock man, Jerald Thomas Childers died of apparent self-inflicted gunshot wounds at a local hospital.

23. Big Spring hosted over 425 members of West Texas Student Councils at the West Texas Forum; Herald staff won first place "team effort" award in AP contest for coverage of a "tornado" that hit town in September 1973.

24. Little girls in three categories received trophies and awards at the Little Miss Big Spring Contest; Howard County entries took half of the top four prizes in the senior division of the District 4-H Food Show.

25. Don F. Reynolds, accountant, was named campaign coordinator for Howard County for Ray Farabee, candidate for State Senate; District Judge Ralph Caton dismissed several old indictments because of lack of evidence.

26. Skyrocketing gasoline costs threatened to push the city expenditures as much as $10,000 over budget; criminal cases pending in the 118th Judicial District climbed from 1,081 to 1,195 from the first of the year until Feb. 28.

27. Borden County ran out of gas, with not a single gallon available for sale, although the county is in the top 30 oil producing counties in thestate; fourth quarter, 1973 sales tax receipts reached an all time high of $153,771, up from $128,000 a year before.

28. Police Chief Vance Chisum began a crackdown on unlicensed motorcyclists without proper safety gear; veterans were honored at Howard College in the Student Union Building.

29. Final figures for the 1973 Cotton Crop showed that a record 88,201 bales were ginned in the county, amounting to a $23 million crop; Incumbent Mayor Wade Choate and councilman Eddie Acri were the only ones to file for office and ran uncontested.

30. A ribbon-cutting officially marked the opening of the Howard County Senior Citizens Center; 15 students and four staff members entered Howard College's beard growing contest for Western Week.

31. A total of 2,600 pounds of rattlesnakes was reported at the 12th Annual Big Spring Jaycee's Rattlesnake Roundup as 5,000 attended the biggest show ever; representatives of the National Audubon society and the Defenders of Wildlife attempted to file an injunction to stop the Big Spring Rattlesnake Show.

APRIL

1. A Big Spring man was robbed of $114 in cash when two black males stopped him in front of his home and took his wallet; Howard College cager Taylor Williams was named to All-America squad.

2. Only 563 votes turned out to re-elect three city officials, Mayor Wade Choate, and city councilmen Eddie Acri and Harold Hall each were unopposed; gusts of wind reached 59 miles per hour and the barometer dropped to the lowest point in memory at 29.25.

3. Five high schools from West Texas were on the Howard College Campus attending the Region 1-B UIL One Act Play contest; the High-Noon Optimist Club helped a local family left homeless by a housefire.

4. Glenn Margolis, a sixth grader at Parkhill Elementary, repeated as champion of the Howard County Spelling Bee; Coahoma High School girls track team won their first district 7-AA title.

5. Mayor Pro-Tem Eddie Acri cut the ribbon formally opening the Texas Electric Service Company's new building; "Historic Howard County," a brochure prepared by the Howard county Hsitorical Survey Committee, was released.

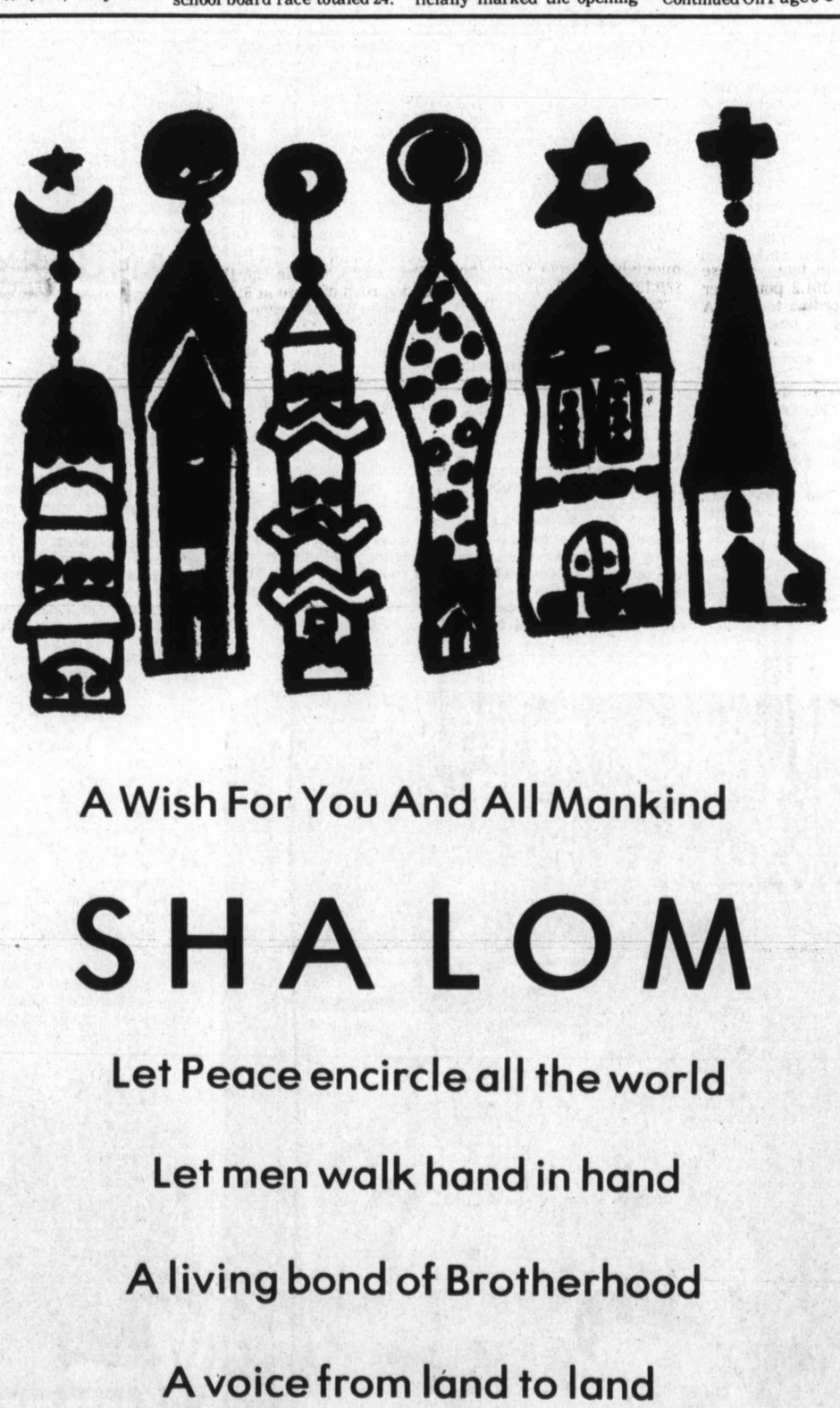
6. Jimmy Taylor and K. H. McGibbon were re-elected to

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the Howard College Board of Trustees; Jerry Jenkins and Tom Fetters were re-elected and Al Valdes was elected also to the Big Spring school board.

7. Edward B. Hughes, 53, ranch foreman for Judge A. G. Mitchell, was killed when his foot became entangled in a rope and he was dragged by his horse; San Angelo and Midland riders took the biggest share of honors in the Hi-Noon Optimist Club Motorcross races.

8. Revenue sharing checks for the first quarter were received by local agencies, for the first quarter of 1974, the city received $94,117 while the county got $69,795, the City of Forsan $695; the city council voted unanimously to name the new baseball park and complex to be built later for Roy Anderson, long time city employe.

9. Building permits for the first three months of the year are running three times higher than permits for the same period last year; Bob Bradbury, owner-operator of radio stations KHEM and KFNE-FM, died in a local hospital of an apparent heart attack.

10. Jim Granberry, Republican candidate for governor, speaking here, defended his independence and attacked governor Dolph Briscoe for increasing spending and siding with labor unions; District Judge Ralph Caton appointed three special commissioners to determine the price and damage for three parcels needed for the Owens Street overpass right of way.

11. It was revealed that Howard County spent $1,844,987 during 1973; about 35 pounds of marijuana, valued at over $15,000 was discovered on a farm north of Loraine in Mitchell County.

12. Glenn Margolis, son of Dr. and Mrs. Jack Margolis, qualified for the National Spelling Bee as he won the regional contest in Lubbock; Neal Tindol and Nancy Graves, crowned at Howard College.

13. Howard College cagers finished the season third in the nation in team offense (averaging 101.2 points per game) according to NJCAA figures; fire trucks and volunteers from Colorado City, Westbrook, Loraine and Coahoma fought an extensive range fire at the T. L. McKenny ranch 12 miles east of Coahoma.

14. Russell and Craig Hodnett went fishing instead of hunting Easter Eggs and caught 30 pounds of bass from Lake J. B. Thomas; absentee voting for the May 4 primary was slow, with only 21 ballots mailed out so far.

15. Figures for the first quarter showed that major crime in Big Spring declined in comparison with a year ago, but thefts increased; Buster Haggard, Stanton, was honored by the Northrup King Seed Co. for producing more than 1,000 pounds of grain from one pound of seed.

16. Four year old Eddie Floyd Hemphill was dead on arrival at a Colorado City Hospital after he fell off a tractor and was crushed beneath its wheels just north of Westbrook; a Dallas man, who picked up a hitchhiker in Texarkana lost his Cadillac and $4,000 in clothes and other items when the hitchhiker drove away with the car after they stopped in Big Spring for the night.

17. Officials of the Audubon Society objected to publicity that came to light at the recent Big Spring Rattlesnake show; Fire Chief A. E. Meador slipped and cut his leg while fighting one of the many grass fires in the area; Dry weather greatly increased the chances for fires.

18. Several Big Spring citizens flew to Anson to participate in Omar Burleson Day festivities; light rain dampened the extremely dry Big Spring area, accompanied by a tornado nine miles south of Webb Air Force Base, only .18 moisture fell in the city, and no damage was done by the twister.

19. The Big Spring Jaycees struck back at inferences that they had abused snakes in their annual Rattlesnake Roundup here last month; candidates in the May 4 primary made several visits in the area, getting in some stumping before the election.

20. Ground breaking ceremonies were held to get construction underway on a new 56,000 square foot building to house Malone and Hogan Clinic.

21. The Howard County Little Britches Rodeo drew over 1,000 spectators per night; Big Spring firemen fought a stubborn fire from midnight to dawn at the sanitary landfill.

22. Charles (Tony) Barsamian, 64, retired Air Force veteran was killed when his car crashed into a parked truck; Bascom A. Reagan was presented a 70-year membership pin by the Local 1634, Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

23. Eddie Cole was named president of the Big Spring Jaycees; Howard College held its first All-Sports Banquet.

24. Construction began on a 230 foot radio transmission tower for the Big Spring Police and Howard County Sheriff's Department, financed by the Texas Criminal Agency; bids asked on a new post office building for Garden City.

25. Bank deposits showed a 26.34 per cent increase over a year ago.

26. Pace Construction Co., Midland, was awarded a $616,000 contract to construct a new courthouse at Stanton; a landscape by Vicky Clark, Seminole, won the best-of-show prize in the Big Spring Art Association Spring Exhibit.

27. Della K. Agnell, a resident of Big Spring for more than 70 years and teacher for 40 years, died; dates for the 1974 Howard County fair were set for September 16-21.

28. Overnight showers gave some relief to the drouth stricken county when as much as 2.80 inches fell; County Commissioners canvassed the county school baord election and declared Mrs. Noel Harvell, Hayes Stripling Jr., and R. L. Heith winners.

29. An afternoon thundershower dropped from .15 inch of rain at Big Spring to 1.10 in Forsan; All-American Taylor Williams and Thomas Bledsoe were the two Howard College cagers named to the All-Western Conference.

30. Howard County cotton farmers are waiting for the recent rains to dry so that they can begin planting the '74 cotton crop; absentee ballots totaled 387, an increase from the last off-year Democratic primary in 1970.

MAY

1. The big news was measurable rain of .4 of an inch in a droughthy Spring; Ralph Welcome Baker, 83, who rode with Black Jack Pershing after Poncho Villa nearly 60 years ago, died of a heart attack; first traffic fatality of the year in Howard County occurred 3.3 miles east on the north service road of IS 20 at 5:59 p.m. when Wade Morgan, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Morgan of Sand Springs was killed in a bike-truck mishap.

2. Plans were scheduled for the annual clean-up campaign with the local garden clubs spearheading effort; Spring training began for the Big Spring Steers football team.

3. Police had an unusually bad night with drunks, rounding up 48; burglars hit Super Save at 212 N. Gregg and stole over 100 cartons of cigarettes.

4. Nominated in the primaries were Bill Tune (D) and Jerry Worthy (R), for county judge; Ray Farabee, (D) and Mary Kirchoff (R), for state senator; Margaret Ray, county clerk; Peggy Crittenden, district clerk (by a one-vote edge; Glenn Toombs leading in race for state legislature but facing a Democratic run-off with Mike Ezell; Jack Buchanan, commissioner; Ike Rupard and Bill Bennett with a Democratic run-off for commissioner in Precinct 2 with Paul Chaffer (R).

5. James Shaffer, 39, was jailed in lieu of $50,000 bond, charged with murder of his wife in a local trailer court; people cleaned up in nearby Tarzan battered by tornadic winds late Saturday evening, putting the Big Spring-Andrews highway under water in five places; some 50 marijuana plants were found by law officials in a garden on Nolan Street.

6. Bids for a dining hall and cold storage facility at Webb AFB came in too high, and Pentagon sources were said to be readvertised; M. Fern Cox, defeated for district clerk nominee by one vote, called for a recount of the votes; George Eugene Easley, 26, was in city jail this morning in lieu of $5,000 bond, charged with aggravated kidnapping of a nine-year-old Big Spring girl; Sen. John Tower's office reported that $243,000 was allocated to modernize and expand the VA Hospital's Nursing Home Care Unit.

7. A recount committee was selected to tally the district clerk's race.

8. The sheriff's office and district attorney's office found beds of 3,000 marijuana plants outside the city; The Colorado River Municipal Water District reported delivering one-third more water than in the same period a year ago; 10 Boy Scout troops participated in the Spring Camporee at Moss Creek.

9. Approval of the grants ($93,000) for the Roy Anderson park and two highway improvement programs in Howard County highlighted the meeting of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Council board; federal assistance seen as possibility in a projected city street program, city councilmen learned today.

10. Local law officials, determined to wipe out the spring marijuana crop in Big Spring, struck again, wiping out some 200 plants in a vegetable garden on Lexington; the U.S. Corps of Engineers has fixed June 12 as the date for opening bids for construction of three new facilities at Webb AFB (two airmen's dormitories and a dining hall and a cold storage unit).

11. The Howard County Democratic party Saturday night resolved to support impeachment proceedings against President Richard M. Nixon.

12. Big Spring's Clean-up weeks began in Comanche Trails Park with refreshments for young people helping with the drive; General Services Administration announced that it is soliciting sealed bids for 69 acres of land adjacent to the west side of FM Road 3033, about 18 miles northwest of Big Spring and seven miles northeast of STANTON.

13. The recount in the district clerk's race showed each candidate with six more votes but with Peggy Crittenden still one vote ahead of Fern Cox; Sylvia Holguin and Brenda Cowley of Forsan won first in UIL state meets in persuasive speeking and new writing.

14. Increased oil prices were reflected on the Forsan school district tax roll, residents will be paying $1.85 per $100 valuation instead of $1.55.

15. The Chamber of Commerce began distribution of bumper stickers "Historical Big Spring, Texas!"; Jethro Pugh was speaker at the annual Zale's-Herald Youth Achievement Award banquet, (winners were Tom Sorley, Big Spring, Dennis Mays, Coahoma, Kayla Gaskins, Sands and Brenda Cowley, Forsan.)

16. District Lions were starting to arrive for their 2A-1 convention here with 37 girls vying for queen.

17. Bryan Maggard, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Maggard near drowning victim, was back home from the hospital thanks to quick action by Air Force Capt. Larry Smith.

18. Lorelei Beck representing the Midland Downtown Lions was named queen here on the third day of the District 2A-1 Lions convention, and Jim Lemons, Big Spring, was elected governor.

19. A special review was conducted at Webb by Col. Robert Liotta, wing commander, prior to the Webb Olympics; County Judge A. G. Mitchell estimated that the county's tax roll on a 25 per cent basis of assessment will be around $100 million up sharply from $85 million this year, due to greater oil production values.

20. Evel Knievel obtained a temporary injunction in 118th District Court here Friday restraining Channel 7 from broadcasting a film of his motorcycle jump in Las Vegas to advertise for Odessa Raceway Park Sunday; C. R. Crim, a local engineer and registered surveyor, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late councy surveyor, Ralph Baker.

21. An absentee ballot for Fern Cox was not in the box when it was discovered in the county clerk's office this morning, and it was claimed that counted, it would tie the race between Mrs. Peggy Crittenden and Cox; County Judge A. G. Mitchell, defeated in his bid for the Democratic nomination, announced he would run as a write-in candidate in November.

22. Some 340 Big Spring High School seniors graduated from Big Spring High School with Van Johnson valedictorian, Randy Sachrencengost, salutatorian, and Kenda

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Harland, high-ranking girl; Fern Cox filed a lawsuit asking for the ballot found in the county clerk's office to be counted.

23. Dr. Andrew W. Para, retired, was made an honoary member of the Texas Medical Association at their state meeting; Streakers and head shavers were busy the final day of school, and two youths were turned over to juvenile officers; E. W. McCrea was named plant manager of Cabot's Dixon plant.

24. Bob Dean, election judge for the absentee vote box, which came up with a misplaced ballot, could offer no clues as to how it happened; a petition requesting a wet-dry election in Lamesa bore the names of 1,220 residents; condemnation hearings on property for the Owen Street overpass began.

25. Two brother-in-laws, Larry Ray Robinson, 26, and Albert Lee Grant, 29, died almost instantly when their motorcycles crashed head-on three miles east of Big Spring on the South Service road of IS 20 at 9:57 p.m.; Patrick O'Neil, 65, Medical Center Memorial Hospital patient whose wife was asleep in his room, was found dead at 1:53 a.m. and it was ruled death by self-inflicted gunshot would.

26. The Veteran's Administration Hospital had its flag at half mast until noon honoring the nation's war dead; rainfall at the Lake J. B. Thomas dam amounted to .9 of an inch while .5 of an inch fell at Lake E. V. Spence.

28. The second victim of a plane crash two miles south of Imperial was identified as 44-year-old Eugene Edward Reinkemeyer, Midland; who lived in Big Spring until 1972.

29. Don Crockett, school business manager, reminded Big Spring school board members that all Howard County governmental groups are operating on 1958 market values and pointed out the need for a re-evaluation of the tax roll; Denver L. Pettitt, violin maker, was recognized as one of the two top handicraft maters in the state at the Texas State Arts and Crafts Fair in Kerrville.

30. Ralph McLaughlin, president of the Big Spring Chamber, reminded delegates at the last of the IS 27 meeting held in Houston Wednesday to "thank goodness the federal highway act clearly states to go south." (From Lubbock); Chamber of Commerce began annual membership drive; temperature went over 100 degrees for the first time in 1974 reaching 103.

JUNE

1. Ikey Rupard won the Democratic nominee slot for commissioner of Precinct 2 over Bill Bennett, 705-357, and Mike Ezzell defeated Borden County Judge Glen Toombs in the Democratic runoff for state legislature, 63rd district; the Big Spring State Hospital held its seventh annual awards program with Dr. Preston E. Harrison distributing awards.

3. Colorado City was again hit by a storm with losses pegged at $150,000 (hardest hit was Sequoyah Mobile home plant on IS 20 north of town).

4. County commissioners approved policy that road and bridge workers would be docked if they took their equipment in early; W. D. Berry asked for a $1,200 increase in the Civil Defense budget for 1975.

5. Vaughn Martin was installed as chairman of the Cap Rock Chapter of the March of Dimes; Glenn Margolis went to Washington D.C. to enter the national spelling finals; the first graduation exercise for students at Big Spring State Hospital was held with six students receiving high school diplomas.

6. A third generation Lorin McDowell, who has ranched in Howard County decided to go straight to the consumer with beef; Glenn Margolis was eliminated in the fifth round of the national Spelling Bee.

7. Nine persons were injured in three wrecks within three hours with the most seriously injured Leslie Lister, 16, who suffered a broken leg and other injuries; a bilingual workshop for teachers in the Big Spring area was held here.

9. Howard College set another enrollment record with an increase of 38 over any previous summer term; judgment in the Cox-Crittenden election contest was filed in 118th District Court when District Judge Weldon Kirk ordered a runoff elecion to be held. (Case was appealed to the 11th Court of Civil Appeals in Eastland).

10. Representatives from major taxpayers, the oil companies, requested a tax rate cut since higher oil and gas prices would boost county values by 15 per cent; R. H. Weaver, chairman of the airport advisory committee, today recommended to the commissioners court that they extend contract with Big Spring Aircraft, also build hanger space for 10 more airplanes, and install reflectors.

11. A resolution to back industrial development with funds to pay an employe who would actively seek industrial prospects was approved by the city council.

12. Rain measuring .02 fell, with much wind, battered the area with hail falling on lake Colorado City; Larry Willard was named outstanding young man of Big Spring at the annual Jaycee Installation banquet.

13. Webb AFB geared for an open house which will coincide with the graduation of the 10,000th jet pilot from the base; the Big Spring City Council learned that they could not legally sit as a city development panel and so named another board.

14. Congressman Omar Burleson announced the approval of college work study grant funds for Howard College totaling $51,440; the First Cavalry Division Horse Platoon from Fort Hood announced plans to appear in the opening rodeo.

15. U.S. Sen. John Tower flew into Webb to commemorate the 10,000th jet pilot at Webb and was honored by community leaders at a luncheon; 2nd Lt. Conrad Chapman was the honored pilot; Gerald Poe, longtime Big Spring resident, was found dead in a Las Vegas Hotel; Lamesa announced that Feather Fabrics Inc. will build a spinning mill there; Texas International Airways efforts to abandon its Big Spring stop came to a head in a hearing here.

16. School lunch charges were advanced five cents to cover inflationary costs; Stanton announced plans to review the possibility of constructing a new airport.

17. Dragging operations were under way for the body of Felix Cabazos, 19 of 408 N. Gregg who drowned when a boat swamped at Lake Thomas; Mrs. Lois Madison was hospitalized after she surprised two intruders in her home and was hit over the head with a pipe.

18. Representatives from area towns and Dallas and Fort Worth appeared in support of Big Spring keeping the airline; cowboys began signing for the 41st Annual rodeo.

19. A parade and opening night performance of the rodeo was held here with a full arena for opening night; witnesses on the stand in the Texas Internaional hearings told how airlines service had deteriorated here in four decades.

20. Robert Yeager, city patrolman, was struck down by a vehicle while directing traffic after the rodeo, remained in cridical condition; the administrative judge in the Texas International hearing said he would announce his decision at a later date.

21. Col. Robert Liotta, wing commander at Webb AFB, was tranferred to Randolph AFB in San Antonio as assistant deputy chief of staff; Col. Robert A. Owens, currently commander USAF Instrument Flight Center at Randolph, was to come to Big Spring as wing commander.

22. — Lamesa turned thumbs down on liquor in a wet-dry election for the city of Lamesa, 1,792 to 1,221.

23. Raymond Jordan, 24, brother of a youth who has been sought by law officials as missing, was rushed to Medical Center Hospital and was dead in the emergency room of an apparent overdose; David V. Rojo, 19 died from injuries received the previous week in an automobile and motorcycle collision; the driver of the cycle, Benjamin Munoz, 17, was dead at the scene.

24. Commissioners discussed increasing the rent for airport hangar use from $30 to $35 per month, increasing the price charged for fuel from 68 to 70 cents per gallon.

25. Mrs. Mary Joy Cowper spoke to the city council representing the newly formed community development council; investigation was under way to determine whether Earl Plew's station had been burglarized prior to burning.

26. A wild chase early today in which a motorist fled from a highway patrolman from a point west of Big Spring past two road blocks and down a service road ended east of Coahoma when the Buffalo New York man flipped his car; two little girls came out for Little League in Big Spring for the first time.

27 The Sheriff's office arrested two Sweetwater men on information received from officers there and recovered $7,400 in their car (and they were charged with burglary of a doctor's office in Abilene): Kave Hunt and Guy James were among 132 Texas 4Hers selected to take the heritage tour to Washington, D.C.

28. The school board tentatively approved a $6,896,051 budget for next year; Colorado City announced it would have a 24 cent school tax increase; and Supt. Sam Anderson ended his long career in public education retiring in Big Spring.

30. Congressman Omar Burleson announced that Howard College's application for Outward Bound funds have been approved in the amount of $69,975.

JULY

1. Jim Lemons of the Big Spring Downtown Lions Club took office as Lions International governor of District 2A-1; county commissioners court finished negotiation with Big Spring Aircraft Inc. over lease renewal of Howard County Airport; and county bank deposits of $88 million were 32 per cent above the total recorded the same date in 1973.

2. A group of 30 bicyclists crossing the continent en route to the Capitol stayed over night at Comanche Trail Park.

3. Billy Leon Whitley, 18, drowned about 11:45 a.m. while swimming in a stock tank on the Dewey Everett ranch east of Gail.

4. Ten murder cases were pending in Howard County's 118th District Court and with pageantry, music and readings, followed by fireworks, Big Spring celebrated the 198th anniversary of the nation's indepenedence.

5. Marcos Mendez, 13, Coahoma, returned home and told about riding to San Antonio in a stolen car with four other juveniles and two small children.

6. The Pancho Nall Memorial Trophy was presented to the new City Little League champions, the G.I. Forum Dodgers.

7. Margaret Stewart Baum appointed coordinator of voluntary activities at the Big Spring State Hospital, effective Sept. 1.

8. A defendant was fined $2,060.50, including court costs, and sentenced to 180 days jail for traffic violations and fleeing law enforcement officers; "I have estimated a 5½ per cent salary increase for everybody," Mrs. Virginia Black, county auditor, said during 1975 budget discussions; work continued on the bike-and-hike trail at Comanche Trail Park.

9. Howard County's tentative budget for 1975 showed $1,560,642 allocated for spending, renevue sharing funds excluded; and a San Antonio police officer found two preschool-age children from Big Spring under an overpass by railroad tracks.

10. The Big Spring Herald started remodeling its plant as the first step toward conversion to offset printing; Jack Kimble, 48, former Big Spring Herald circulation manager, died in Beaumont.

11. Woman was arrested for aggravated assault at a convenience store at 3:07 a.m.

12. Directors of the Colorado River Municipal Water District authorized purchase of a two-block tract at Farm Road 700 and Goliad Street and authorized construction of new headquarters; Terry Hanson was named executive assistant for the Chamber of Commerce, effective July 15; and the city announces closing of the landfill Sundays; W. L. (Buck) McMullan and Coy J. McCann both of Big Spring, announced issuing Evel Knievel commerative coins; and the last of the first bonds of the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) have been paid, and the CRMWD may realize $250,000 more revenue through contract renewals.

13. Stanton held its 41st annual Old Settlers Reunion.

14. Michael Ezzell defeated C. Glenn Toombs 2,890 to 2,623 in the runoff for the state legislature, but campaign finance statements showed Ezzell spent less than one-third of the amount that Toombs did.

15. Dr. Thomas Salter's tenure as president of Howard College terminated as he went to Weatherford College; County Commissioners Court set the tax rate at the same figure as last year, $1.04, as revenue sharing and oil values kept the county well financed.

16. A budget of $1,810,770 was approved tentatively by Howard College trustees.

17. John White, Texas agriculture commissioner, spoke to a meeting of Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission member representatives at the old Cosden Country club.

18. Richard D. (Ricky) Gilbreath, 17, Stanton, died when brain surgery failed to save him following a highway accident; the Midland Northern All-Stars came to Big Spring with hot bats and hot pitching and beat the Lamesa All-Stars 14-1-0 to take the District 3 Little League Championship; Chamber of Commerce officials, meeting with Webb Air Force Base representatives and members of the Big Spring Property Owners Association, continued a housing shortage investigation.

19. Dr. P. D. (Dick) O'Brien, who pastored the First Baptist Church here 20 years, died in Houston; Dr. Charles D. Hays accepted appointment as president of Howard College; Westbrook taxpayers approved a $400,000 school bond proposal 79-17 while non-taxpayers marked approval 13-0; State Trooper Bill Jennings confiscated about $600 in liquor and arrested Anderson Davis, 52; attorney's for District Clerk M. Fern Cox and Peggy Crittenden argued before the Eleventh Texas Court of Civil Appeals in Eastland in an appeal of an election contest suit; Col. Robert A. Owens assumed command of the 78th Flying Training Wing at Webb Air Force Base; and Oliver F. Werst, the county extension agent in Garden City, was awarded the Texas Superior Service Award for outstanding educational leadership to Glasscock County cotton farmers.

20. Cherry Ingram was chosen 1974 Howard County Farm Bureau queen; Jessie Polk, charged with aggravated assault in the shotting of William Degree; and Bobby Eggemeyer, San Angelo, and Stan Blagrave, Ackerly, were the big winners at the Lamesa tractor pull.

21. The Big Spring area led the Plains-Panhandle region in wind erosion damage through May 31, the Soil Conservation Service reported; two Iranian pilot trainees at Webb Air Force Base died — one drowned in Lake Colorado City and another was killed in a one-car roll over northwest of Fredericksburg; Cleo E. (Ed) Upton, 47, Big Spring, was killed and his wife, Jane, injured when a car and the motorcycle they were riding collided east of Abilene.

22. The official heat record of 102 set in 1966 was tied; county commissioners court decides to entertain bids for additional hangars at Howard County Airport; Eddie Acri, mayor pro tem, had been named to the Texas utilities Advisory Council; three famers from Patricia, Welch and Fluvanna were in Washington, D.C., to plead for more equitable administration of farm program disaster provisions; American petrofina Ind., announced net income for the first half of 1974 amounted to $32 million or $3.03 on the average number of share outstanding, compared to $11 million or $1.44 in the first half of 1973; the U.S. Bureau of Operating Rights stated its position that Texas International Airlines should be permitted to suspend service to Big Spring; the Texas Water Quality Board learned there would be a $27 million deficit in federal funds for items like the sewer system Forsan wants, and Forsan found it would not be get funds for its project; and Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1 filed suit seeking full payment of charges made to its only customer, the City of Coahoma.

23. The city was hoping to start operations at the city-county landfill site within the next month where it can be open 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

24. A California man and his mother-in-law were killed, and his wife and child injured when their car plunged from an IS-20 overpass three miles west of Big Spring; Richard Long crawled down the hall to escape a house fire at 1404 Bluebird; and as the city budget workshop progressed, indications were that there will be no way to avoid an increase overall.

25. R. E. (Bob) Hickson, manager of Hemphill-Wells here since 1968, went to manager the firm's two stores in San Angelo, and Ralph Wyatt, Lubbock, returned here as store manager; a $150,000 lawsuit against members of the Dawson County Sheriff's Office was filed in U.S. District County in Lubbock because of an alleged refusal to accept bail bonds from two men; and Lita Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Fern Cox was crowned junior rodeo queen.

26. Vandals turned on fire hydrants at several locations; two Big Spring Police Patrolmen, Kenneth Shores and Frank Cleveland left the force.

28. Ikey Akers, Clyde, and Lisa Jo Mann, Hobbs, N.M., won all-around cowboy and all-around cowgirl titles at the Howard County 4-H Junior rodeo.

29. Paving around the Coahoma schools, accepting the reconciliation of last year's tax roll and considering part-time help for Peace Justice Lulu Adams, Coahoma, were discussed in county commissioners court; the three justices with the Eleventh Texas Court of Civil Appeals here declared the Cox-Crittenden election contest moot and dismissed the case over whether the two candidates tied in the Democratic primary — Mrs. Crittenden remained the nominee; County Judge A. G. Mitchell, irked by the city's intention to reduce its contribution to operation of the juvenile department, called a meeting of the juvenile probation board; a report from the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) lab indicates drugs were not responsible for the death of Raymond Jordan, 24, on June 22; and Sgt. Oscar Armstrong of the Lamesa office of the DPS had been promoted to lieutenant and named to head the San Angelo DPS office.

31. County Judge A. G. Mitchell auctioned surplus county equipment.

AUGUST

1. A Dallas salesman went to the bathroom at a room in the Holiday Inn and emerged to find the 20-year-old woman he gave a ride and shelter gone with his trousers and wallet; Dan Saunders, Martin County,

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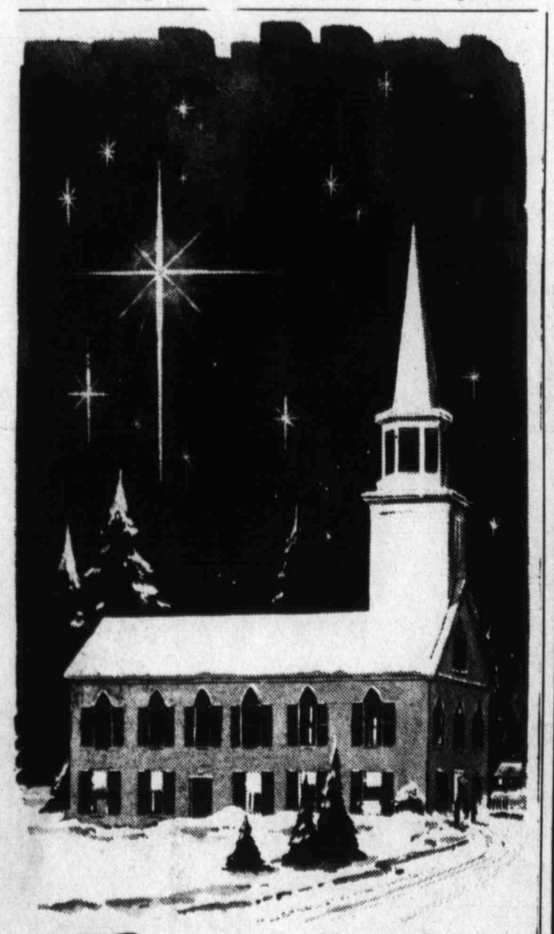
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became president of the Sheriff's Association of Texas; 0.22 of an inch of rain fell during July, bringing the year's total to 5.48 as compared to a normal 10.69 inches; Eugene Henry Lehmann, 43, who arrived July 29 to work as the new city public works director, was charged with being drunk in a car thus resigned his position.

2. Graduation ceremonies were held for the first class of nurses' assistants at Howard College at the student union; school and county representatives asked City Council to reconsider reducing its contributions to juvenile probation office operating costs; and a Stanton policeman, James Eggleston, charged with threatening a man with his pistol was dismissed by Chief C. L. Rogers; and Mrs. Diedra J. Whatley was presented with the first Employe-of-the-Year award at Medical Center Memorial Hospital.

5. Howard College's 29th year began; County Commissioners Court awarded Chaparral Contractors, Big Spring, a $57,871 contract for 10 new T hangars at Howard County Airport; Willie Marlin Shaw, 50, drowned in a stock tank in the Flower Grove community; and Dr. H. Clyde Smith, 77, who twice pastored the First Methodist Church in Big Spring, died at his home in Abilene.

6. The state's 11th Court of Civil Appeals in Eastland received a motion for rehearing the Cox-Crittenden election suit appeal.

7. County Judge A. G. Mitchell promised he would hold two criminal jury trials weekly for the rest of 1974, a promise which didn't materialize.

9. The Dora Roberts Foundation board announced distribution of $500,000, the largest amount of bequests in a single year, and all but $45,000 was earmarked for the Big Spring area; the Federal Aviation Administration planned to improve air traffic control communications between Big Spring and Abilene by installing electronic equipment at Howard County Airport; and Ira Leslie Hagins, 58, Gail, was killed in a one-car accident east of Lamesa.

10. Elmo Wasson, 73, dean of Big Spring businessmen, was killed in a two-vehicle wreck in Big Spring.

11. Virgil B. Clemmons, 62, Big Spring, was killed and Melvin Clay Atwell, 44, also of Big Spring, was injured in a traffic accident near the Reagan-Classcock County line; a group of Republican nominees for state offices found themselves under rain clouds at Comanche Trail Park; and Bob Butler named assistant city manager, and Bill Arencibia took the state handball championship in the 15-and-wonder age group.

12. Members of County Commissioners Court argued with a union representative about why the 1975 wage increase was not higher, also with a representative of Continental Oil Co. about not reducing the tax rate. (but the court adopted the $1.04 tax rate, the proposed $1.5 million budget without increasing salary raise), more and without changing the $1.04 tax rate.

The Big Spring School board adopted a $7.9 million budget, up $31,000 from last year; J. Fred Cowan, former Big Spring radio announcer, pleaded guilty in an Odessa district court and was fined $2,000 for conspiracy to commit theft and false swearing; and E. H. McKenzie Jr., superintendent of Big Spring schools, addressed the first assembly of the faculty.

13. City Council approved the final reading of the landfill contract and held a special meeting to discuss $2,500 more needed to pay attorneys representing local interests in the fight to keep Texas International serving Big Spring.

15. College trustees keep the tax rate at 60 cents (49 cents for operation) and the Bureau of Reclamation planned to concentrate on warm weather clouds in its weather modification research, which was to start here this year.

16. District Judge Ralph W. Caton overruled a motion for a new trial entered by Joseph A. (Jody) Wirges III, 21, who was given 10 years of probation for sale of marijuana; about 600 persons attended the 50th anniversary of the Howard-Glasscock County Old Settlers Reunion at Comanche Trail Park, and Leonard Johnson, 88, and Mrs. Stella Lyles, 91, were recognized as the oldest attending; Mrs. Sadie E. Lenderman, 77, was hit and killed by a truck.

18. Police Patrolman Tony Chavez was hit in the head with a wine bottle while making arrests at a concert at Comanche Trail Park.

19. School and football practice began in Big Spring; the Big Spring Herald published its first edition with its new offset press; because of a federal law not considered when entertaining bids, County Commissioners Court agreed to increasing the low bid for 10 hangars by $2,073.

20. The 11th State Court of Civil Appeals in Eastland denied a request for rehearing the Cox-Crittenden election suit, and Mrs. Peggy Crittenden emerged the winner of the Democratic nomination by one vote; and Ted Daves, 61, died from a .22 caliber bullet wound in the head.

21. City sanitation workers, unhappy about the city "fluctuating work week" policy, met at the GI Forum building and discussed organizing.

22. County Attorney W. H. (Bill) Eyssen Jr. and G. Ben Bancroft, a local lawyer, were named to a State Bar Association grievance committee for 13 counties.

25. Carol Hart edited the first Megaphone page of the school year.

26. City administrators, concerned about a fight inside the Dora Roberts Community Center, planned to tighten rules for use of the center.

27. At a luncheon meeting the chief executive officer of the Hospital Corporation of America told trustees and community leaders the new Malone & Hogan Hospital would be the "finest money can buy."

28. Dr. Arch D. Carson, 71, a Big Spring resident for three decades, died here.

29. The Howard County Grand Jury returned 14 indictments, eliminated the threat of prosecution in four cases and passed two cases to the October term of court; and Bob Rogers was promoted to the newly created position of Herald production manager, while Joe Awtrey took over as composition foreman and Alton (Rick) Davis as press foreman.

31. Alvie L. Harrison, fire department captain, took the reigns from retiring Chief A. D. Meador; and members of the Texas Army National Guard battery headquartered in Lamesa with a Big Spring detachment returned from two weeks annual training at Fort Sill, Okla.

SEPTEMBER

1. George Frazier, the first Texas Ranger ever regularly assigned to Big Spring, formally began his duties here; the high school Bible Class Fund entered its final week with a total of $4,140; a thief hit the West Arco Station in Coahoma making off with $800; Dawson County commissioners adopted a 1975 budget of $1,536,824 with the tax rate remaining the same; the first x-ray technology class began at Medical Center Memorial Hospital with three students enrolled; the first milo grain of the season came to market Aug. 30, grown by Alton Hillger of northern Glasscock County; E. C. Casey retired as an engineer with Texas and Pacific Railway after 45 years with the company; the Big Spring unit of Texas National Guard returned after two weeks' training at Fort Sill; Local 826, International Union of Operating Engineers re-elected Clovis Phinney Jr. as president and Kenneth Howell as business manager; more than 3,000 invitations had been mailed to the BSHS Homecoming slated in October.

2. Howard College announced two medical courses required for the medical secretarial program; Col. Robert A. Owens announced the kickoff of its annual Combined Federal Campaign with more than 72 per cent of collections earmarked for Big Spring's United Way; the Chamber of Commerce presented a beautification certificate to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Singleton; a fire that appeared more spectacular than it was erupted from a heater at Cosden Refinery, but there were no injuries and the fire was soon under control.

3. A record low of 50 degrees was listed at the U.S. Expriment Station; Teddy Griffin assumed the position of assistant golf pro at Big Spring Country Club; Col. Harry A. Spannaus was named deputy commander for logistics at Webb AFB.

4. Plans progressed for the Howard County Fair which had additional display space in a new 100x120 building provided by the Dora Roberts Foundation; a dinner at the Central Fire Station honored the retiring chief, A. D. Meador; District 8, Texas Farmers Union announced a meeting at Ramada Inn for Sept. 10; Dawson County Sheriff Guy Kinnison requested a grand jury investigation of allegations of improper conduct on the part of himself and his deputies; Dr. Charles Hays, new president of Howard College, envisioned great potential for the college and launched an ambitious continuing education program.

5. Enrollment on the first day of classes at Howard College was running ahead of last year with 1,029 students counted at the end of registration the previous day; Harold Davis, president of Gamco Industries, announced that they had added a New York division to the Gamco Chalkboards branch.

6. Stan Blagrave of Ackerly and Elbert Long, Big Spring, returned from the Petersburg Tractor Pull as winners in several divisions; James Walker, a former purchasing agent in the Air Force, opened Walker Imports and Exports in College Park Center; the United Way campaign was launched at a breakfast where W. S. (Dub) Pearson, chairman said he hoped the goal of $121,777 would be reached before Nov. 1; Jerry Tyrone Peterson, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Charles Peterson, was struck and killed by a car in the 700 block of Lamesa Drive.

7. An anonymous gift of $365 to the high school Bible Fund assured its success on its final campaign day; Dr. Larry Key announced that Howard College had received machine tools valued at over $100,000 through the Defense Supply Industrial Plant Center; local old-timers, Mr. and Mrs. Chon Rodriquez planned an open house to celebrate the 31st anniversary of their business, the Spanish Inn; the Holiday Inn acquired a new manager, John Needham from Bowling Green Ky.; new, six-month training program on race relations began at Webb AFB.

8. Mrs. John Nicholson accepted a gavel and the presidency of the Officers Wives Club; enrolled at East Texas State University was Carrie Lyn Wheeler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wheeler, who captured a $1,500 scholarship at the International Youth and Music Festival; women's divison of the United Way began work with a coffee by division chairman, Mrs. Jeannette Snodgrass.

9. Mrs. John Talmadge reported formation of Fraternity of Educationally Award Teachers; Royce Cox took championship flight honor to win the City Golf Tournament, unseating defending champion Jimmy Newsome; Neel Barnaby, a retired Navy commander, was named county road engineer; the weekend meeting at Raton, N.M. of the U.S. 87 Highway Improvement Association resulted in a local man, Clyde McMahon Sr., being appointed vice president of the central Texas division; the Co-op Gin had its annual stockholders' meeting and Billy W. Bryant, manager, said the gin made more profit last year than any other in its 47-year history and that a new $450,000 gin would be in operation "by the first freeze"; Lt. Col. Donald L. Coleman, Webb AFB hospital commander, presented awards to Red Cross volunteers in ceremonies at the base.

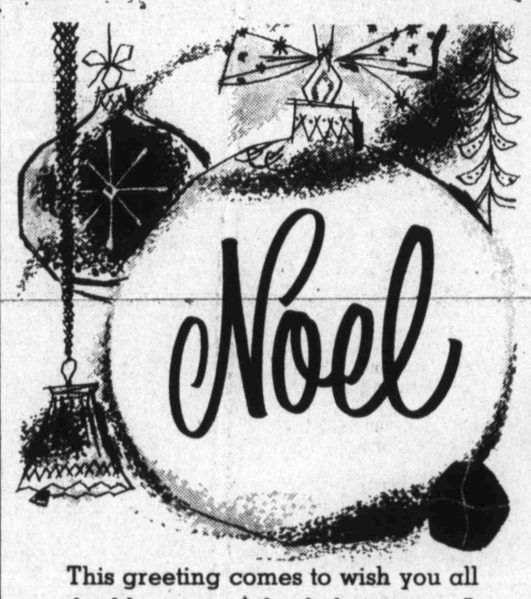
10. Peace Justice Walter Grice called the Monday shooting death of Martha Anaya, 23, an "apparent suicide" after the woman's body was found in a Ranch Inn apartment; County Judge A. G. Mitchell told county commisssioners he had received complaints of slow response by subsidized Alert Ambulance Service, but L. A. Hiltbrunner, manager, said his service was "way above the state standard"; a decision to return to the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet was made by Chamber board members; enrollment in the Big Spring school system showed a new gain of 74 for the week ending Sept. 6 and total enrollment was 6,445; Capt.

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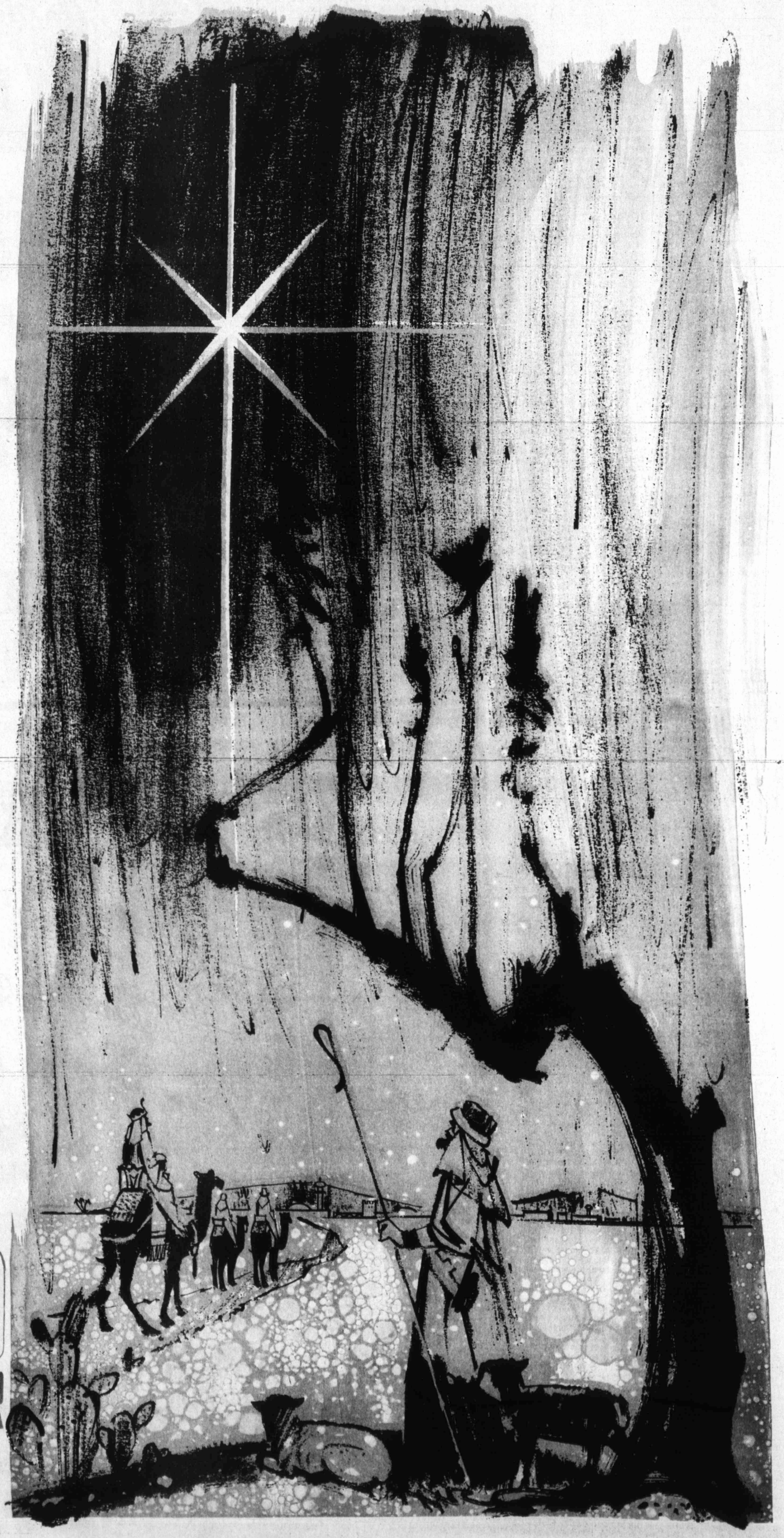


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