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CINDERS

By John T. King

When Shirley Hill came to work for the "Devil" she asked a relatively simple question that might be posed by any casual reader of the "Devil" or the Standard Times: "How do all those errors get into print?"

She soon learned!

For her job was to punch tape to operate the linotype machine, and each time she punched a wrong key, the machine cast the wrong letter. Kind of like a player piano would play the wrong note if the perforation was in the wrong place.

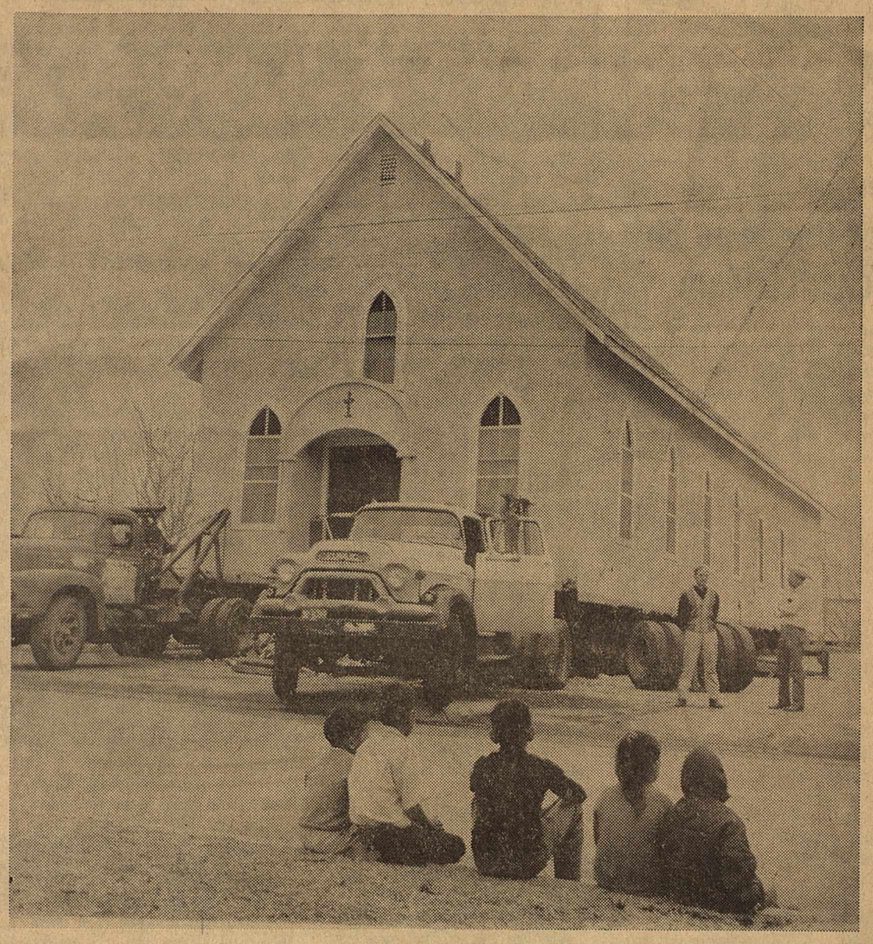
And when you figure that there are about 30 letters to the line and about 100 lines to the column and 8 columns to the page and 8 pages to the issue, well you get the idea. It's surprising there are as few errors as there are. This is not to blame errors on Shirley, for she is only one of the many people who read and re-read and correct and re-correct before the paper goes to print.

But efforts are made to catch errors. Galley proofs are read to catch errors before type is put into pages, and page proofs are read and remaining errors corrected and these corrections checked. The correct line has a tendency to be put in the wrong place, leaving a story with the original error plus a missing line plus a correct line that does not make sense.

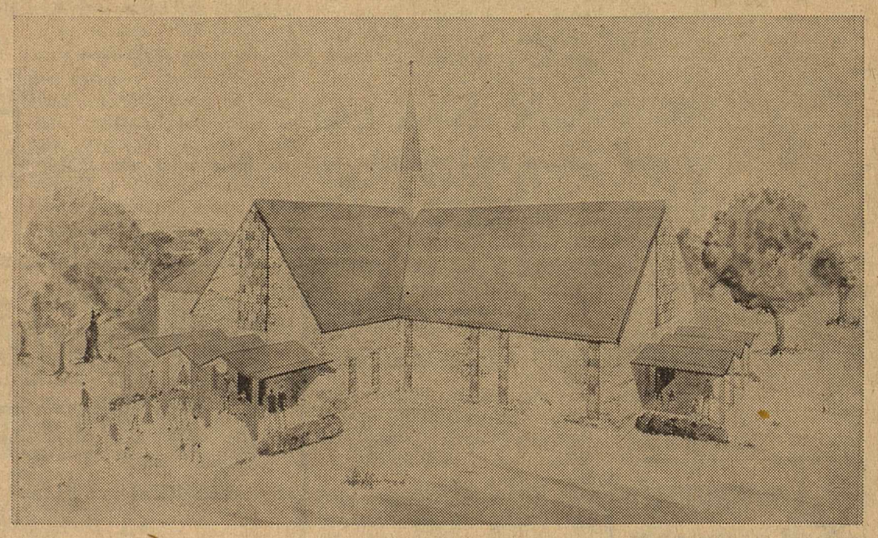
This is just a round-about way of leading into one of the more humorous errors to have slipped into print. Last week's story about post office job openings urged those seeking employment to obtain Sheep & Goat Application blanks from the local post office.

Knowledge of the item became so widespread that the Eldorado postmaster even sent the Sonora post office an official requisition for some of the new forms, as they did not seem to be on file in Eldorado.

Oh well—I keep telling myself that if the Standard and the Devil were free of typos our subscribers would also be free of newspapers—unless they were once-a-year projects.



MOVING OPERATIONS LAST WEEK cleared the way for a new St. Ann's Catholic church to be built on the site where this structure was built in 1929. Above shows the moving operation beginning with several "sidewalk superintendents" looking on. Below is an artist's sketch of how the new structure will appear. Native stone will be used in constructing the walls of the building, wood beams from Arkansas will provide roof support, and marble and granite from Mexico will also be used. Ortiz, of Brady is contractor; and Julian, of San Antonio, is architect. Earl Johnson said that because of the height of the old building which was moved, all utility wires had to be cut between the old site and the new location (former Negro school site.)



Attend Cancer Meet

Attending the 1969 District cancer conference in San Angelo January 30 were Dr. C. F. Browne, State medical director; Mrs. Ben Cusenbary, educational chairman, and Mrs. Alvis Johnson, president of Sutton County Unit 4.

SONORANS TO ATTEND THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WEST TEXAS

The Rt. Rev. Harold C. Gosnell, D. D., will preside at the 65th annual council of the Episcopal Diocese of West Texas February 6-8 in Laredo.

Some 500 clergy and lay delegates will participate.

Delegates and alternates from St. John's Church are the Rev. Norman E. Griffith Jr., and Joseph VanderStucken and George H. Neill, delegates. Mr. and Mrs. George Brockman are alternates.

TWO PICK TECH

Bill Green and Ed Lee Renfro have decided to attend Texas Technological College in Lubbock after graduation this spring from Sonora High School.

Sonora's Weather

Compiled by Pat Brown

	Rain	Hi	Lo
Wednesday, Jan 29	.06	70	61
Thursday, Jan. 30	.00	67	50
Friday, Jan. 31	.00	64	32
Saturday, Feb. 1	.00	67	40
Sunday, Feb. 2	.00	72	25
Monday, Feb. 3	.00	64	32
Tuesday, Feb 4	.02	64	27

Rainfall for the month, .02; Rain for the year, .41

Livestock Judging Team Takes First, Jacoby Takes 4th at Midland Contest

The Sutton County Livestock judging team recently placed first in steer judging at the Midland livestock judging contest. Members competed against approximately 126 4H and FHA-ers.

Mark Jacoby was the 4th place over-all high individual. Other team members included Scott Jacoby, Evelyn Jane Lowe, and Ruthie Wallace. Will Wallace, Alan Harris, Mark Millikan, Keith Kniffen, Paul Browne, John David Cook, and Lindsey Hicks also attended and judged. They were accompanied to Midland by adult leaders Lin Hicks and Philip Jacoby.

Flags Presented To Sonora Schools

The same panel of students who discussed patriotism at a recent meeting of the Sonora Parent-Teacher Association were on hand Tuesday to receive from the P-TA three flags to be displayed at school.

Mrs. Charles Howard said that a recent Reader's Digest article, "Fly This Flag Proudly," was read at the meeting. She said plans were underway for the P-TA, with the assistance of Boy Scouts, to sell two sizes of flags to individuals and businesses on February 22, Washington's Birthday.

Former Sonoran Has Surgery

John Stanley Hamby, former resident of Sonora underwent back surgery in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo Tuesday.

Mr. Hamby is a graduate of Sonora High School and is the son of Mrs. Johnny Hamby and the late Mr. Hamby.

Services Held For Pastor's Father

Norman E. Griffith Sr., 74, father of the Rev. Norman E. Griffith Jr., died Saturday, February 1 in Cascade, Virginia of an apparent heart attack.

Other survivors include his wife and two grandsons, David and Robert Griffith of Sonora.

Funeral services were held February 4, in Cascade, Virginia.

Texas A&M Course On Animal Science Underway Here

Agricultural Extension Service of Texas A&M University is offering a course in Animal Science 620, Advancements in Sheep and Goat Production, to be conducted at the 4H Center.

James A. Gray, Extension Animal Husbandman, is teaching the course, and about thirty persons were expected to register. This is the fifth time extension courses have been offered here, and the classes usually average about thirty students.

Meeting time for the classes is 1 to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays, with the final class scheduled May 20. Gray says a one-day field trip is planned but will be announced later.

Organizational Meeting Set

Present officers and other individuals interested in Sonora's Little League baseball program are requested to attend an organizational meeting Monday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Dr. C. F. Browne's office, according to Roy Coker.

Sheep, Goat Raisers Urge Funds To Control Screwworm Infestation

At the quarterly meeting of Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association directors and members, a request to make emergency funds available as soon as possible to aid the Screwworm Eradication Program, was presented. The program has been curtailed recently due to financial difficulties.

The association met here Saturday for a quarterly session. In the discussion it was brought out that the screwworm program was one of the most successful animal health programs to be established in the Southwest and curtailment of sterile screwworm fly production could cause serious losses to the livestock industry this year during the spring warm-up if eradication work is limited now.

Howard Boswell, executive director of the Texas Water Development Board at Austin, gave the Keynote address. In his speech he emphasized that water could be the most serious problem affecting the ranching industry in the near future.

Boswell said the water development board was established in part to help study the problems that Texas will be facing about a 13 million acre foot water shortage yearly by the years 1990-2000. He said that Texas will be using about 32 million acre feet of water annually during these years if present usage continues.

Boswell added that the agency is gathering data of all underground water supplies now available in the state. A long range plan calls for 157 reservoirs of 5,000 acre feet each to impound water, most of which will be constructed in the eastern part of the state.

Gene Whitehead of Menard is president of TS&GRA, and he told the approximately 300 members present that the livestock producers have a lot at stake in upcoming legislative matters.

Local directors were in charge of the barbecue lunch prepared by Freeman Miears of the Branding Iron Smokehouse and served in the Central Elementary school cafeteria.

The association named six delegates to the Texas Sheep Council. They included Whitehead, Worth Durhman of Sterling City, G. C. Magruder Jr. of Mertzon, Louis L. Farr III of Barnhart, Joe York Jr. of Bracketville, and Howard Derrick of Eldorado.

Services Held In Louisiana For M. S. Cole

Mr. Michael S. Cole, who had been here with his son, Calvin Cole and family, for the past month died January 28, 1969.

Mr. Cole was born July 15, 1890 in Kinder, Louisiana. He married Bessie Horn September 3, 1915, and she preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Congregationalist Church, and was an employee of the State Revenue Department in Louisiana.

Other survivors include his sons, Curtis B. Cole of Corsicana, and Ardis Cole, who is serving in the Air Force in Ohio; a brother, Albert Cole of Kinder; a sister, Ella Bolles of Lake Charles, Louisiana; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held at 10 a.m., February 1 at Willman Funeral Home in Shreveport, Louisiana, and burial was in Forest Park Cemetery.

Booster Banquet Set for Tonight

Final preparations were being made Wednesday for the annual football banquet to be held Thursday in the school cafeteria at 7 p.m. This banquet is sponsored by the Bronco Booster Club.

Guest speaker for the occassion will be Emory Bellard, assistant backfield coach at the University of Texas. Bellard is a former coach of the San Angelo Bobcats.

Honor guests include coaches, varsity and B team football players. Mothers of the varsity players will be special guests for the evening.

Historical Society Picks Name At Sunday Meeting

Miers Home Museum, sponsored by the Sutton County Historical Society, was the name decided upon when the group met Sunday, February 1 in the Methodist Church. A tour of the museum site was made before the meeting. 13 members were present.

Mrs. Bob Vicars, member of the society, said that repairs to the building were discussed at length.

J. V. Alley, 67 Dies Thursday

Mr. J. V. Alley, longtime Sutton County ranchman, died January 30, 1969, at his ranch home.

Mr. Alley was born November 12, 1901 in San Angelo. He was married to Myrl Proffitt, June 10, 1925 in Liberty Hill. He attended Sonora schools and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Services were held February 1, at First Methodist Church with the Rev. Clifton Hancock, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Ethel Mae Olson, who formerly taught in Sonora schools, but now a resident of Dallas; two sons, Gene Alley of Midland and Darrell Alley of Gainsville, Florida. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Buena Alley of Fort Worth; a brother, Foster Alley of San Antonio; three sisters, Mrs. Weldon Lee of Fort Worth, Mrs. D. H. Dunlap of Phoeniz, Arizona, and Mrs. Ben Kay of Forth, and six grandchildren, Lorie and Eric Olson, Robert and Suzanne Alley, and Scott and Steve Alley.

Mr. Alley served as county commissioner for several years and also Democratic Chairman for his precinct.

Pallbearers were Bob Vicars, Buzz Gibbs, Herman Moore, Sam Karnes, Dick Street, Jo Hardgrave, Robert Hardgrave, and Philip Jacoby.

Honorary pallbearers were Leonard Gibbs, Cleve Jones, Dr. W. T. Hardy, Joe Brown Ross, and Clay Atchinson and E. J. Hardgrave of San Angelo.

Burial was in Sonora Cemetery directed by Ratliff-Kerbow Funeral Home.

Shelley Morriss Win DAR Award

Miss Shelley Morriss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morriss, has been named DAR Good Citizen for Sonora High School.

The high school faculty chose Miss Morriss on the basis of scholarship, service and dependability.

A tea will be held at San Angelo Country Club February 11 to honor her and 16 other area Good Citizens. The tea is sponsored by Pocahontas Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution.

Miss Morriss is a three year member of the National Honor Society, secretary of student council and vice president of the senior class. She was named band sweetheart and was recipent of the high school's algebra award. She has been named Best Groomed Girl for the past two years.

She has actively participated in the speech meets, twirling contests and music contests. She has served as drum majorette for the high school band this year.

Fling Ding Tourney Set for February 23

Plans for Sonora's first annual Fling Ding open golf tournament have been set for Sunday, February 23, according to Jo Hardgrave. He urged Fling Ding members to tell their guests to bring golf clubs so that they will be able to enter the tournament Sunday following the Saturday dance.

City Commissioners Designate Streets To Get New Traffic Direction Signs

In a meeting of the City Council Monday it was agreed to install nine yield signs at various intersections within the city. Six of the signs will be installed at intersections on Tayloe Avenue, one at Glasscock and Chesnut, and one at Main and Tom Green streets on the south side. The other will be placed on Iva Street next to the Mrs. L. E. Johnson Jr. home where a short street was designated as a continuance of the present Iva Street.

It was also voted to discontinue use of the flashing red light at the post office intersection and instead install four - way stop signs.

City council members voted to furnish electricity for the Sonora Golf Club for a period of one year, primarily electricity used to run the water pumps. At the end of one year if the plan proves feasible, it can be extended.

Other City Business

A study is being made of the Texas Municipal Retirement System as applicable to local city employees, and it is hoped that a retirement allowance can be formulated in the near future for the employees.

Sonoran's Brother Edward K. Folley Dies In Mart

Edward K. Folley, brother of Mrs. Andrew Moore, died suddenly in a Marlin hospital January 28, 1969, apparently of a heart attack.

Mr. Folley was president of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Mart. At one time he was associated with the First National Bank here before moving to San Antonio. Later he returned to Mart, and was elected president of the bank in January, 1955.

Mr. Folley was born July 9, 1911, in Limestone County, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elmo K. Folley, whose parents were pioneer settlers in the Mart area. He had been very active in civic and community affairs, and was chairman of the board of stewards of the First United Methodist Church in Mart.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Edward K. (Bud) Folley Jr. of Tulsa, Oklahoma; one daughter, Mrs. Fred Croshaw of Austin; and four other sisters, Miss Evelyn Folley of Mart, Mrs. J. G. Smylie of Henderson and Miss Mary Earle Folley and Mrs. Lloyd Wood, both of Fort Worth; and one grandson, Curt Croshaw.

Funeral services were held January 30, at Littlepage Chapel in Mart with Rev. Robert Haynes, pastor of the First United Methodist Church there officiating with interment in Mart Cemetery.

Bridges Apporved For Widening

The widening of two bridges and approaches on U.S. Highway 277, .4 and 5.1 miles north of U.S. 290 has been announced by J. A. Snell, district engineer with the Texas Highway Department. The projects will cost an estimated $219,000 and are a supplement to the 1969-1970 consolidated highway program approved by the Texas Highway Commission in their January meeting in Austin.

This new program provides for new highway construction projects and additional finance for projects already approved.



Tony A. Adams Killed In Accident In California

Mr. Tony Arthur Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Adams, died in an accident in Lompoc, California, February 2, 1969.

It was reported that Mr. Adams was returning to his home on a motorcycle when he was in a collision with an Air Force ambulance and was killed.

He retired from the Air Force in December, after serving twenty years in the service. Mr. Adams had two tours of duty in Germany and also served in Korea.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann, whom he married in Germany; three children, a son, Sammie; two daughters, Mary and Angela, all of the home. A half-brother, D. L. Sloan of Christoval, also survives him.

He was born in San Angelo, November 12, 1930, and attended Sonora schools. His parents have been lifetime residents of this county.

Services are scheduled at the Joseph W. Bliley FuneralHome, Richmond, Va., February 18, with burial in Arlington National Cemetery.

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Boy Scout Week--February 7-13

Boy Scout week in 1969 will be observed February 7 to 13. It will mark the 59th Anniversary in America of this fine organization. In commemorating Boy Scout Week, it is well to recall a few facts about scouting. For example, 328 members of the 90th Congress of the United States were either Scouts or Scout Leaders; 29 state governors have had Scouting experience and 36 of the 47 living astronauts were Scouts. Perhaps if Scouting had reached more boys and influenced them more deeply in the last half century, great segments of our youth would not be in a turmoil today, even though more than four million boys are in the Scouting program.

To stimulate interest in the Scouting movement, the Boy Scouts of America have launched an 8-year, long range plan called "Boypower '76." The aim of the plan is to broaden the membership base of the Boy Scouts by making known through community leaders, the youth of the nation and local organizations the availability of the Scout program to all who can accept its commitment of service to God, country and other people. The Boy Scouts of America is a lot more than just a worthy endeavor among many other worthy endeavors. This fine organization is a fountainhead of character and good citizenship and should be so saluted on every appropriate occasion—including Boy Scout Week—by the press of the nation.

CLASSIC GUIDELINES

"He is truly great who has great charity."

—THOMAS A KEMPIS

The more you reflect on this thought the less you will marshal arguments to get your way. Like the Bible it cautions: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not charity, I am as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal."

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Students Named To All-West Texas Academic Teams

All West Texas Academic Football teams have been selected by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. Defensive and offensive teams were named in all classifications from AAAA to Class B.

To qualify for nomination to these teams the students had to be classified as seniors, maintain much better than average grades and must have been selected to represent his school on an all district team.

Students from this area attaining the honor included Bill Lehne and Odie Don Wright, of Menard; Gene Holmes, Jr. of Iraan; John Lewis Smith, Jerrold B. Welborn, and Richard Michael Sproul all of Rankin.

Named to the honor from Class AA schools in this area were Fleet Coates of Ozona, and Mike George of Big Lake.

In announcing the honor, president Beverly King of Graham stated, "We feel that exceptional academic acheivement in addition to athletic ability should be recognized and encouraged in West Texas High Schools. Too often there is too much honor bestowed for athletic acheivement without regard to scholastic attainment."

A Sonora student, Mike Gosney attained this honor last year.

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Spell Quiz

Which of the Following is Spelled Correctly?

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(Meaning: Art of writing or speaking eloquently.)

See Classified Page for Correct Answer.

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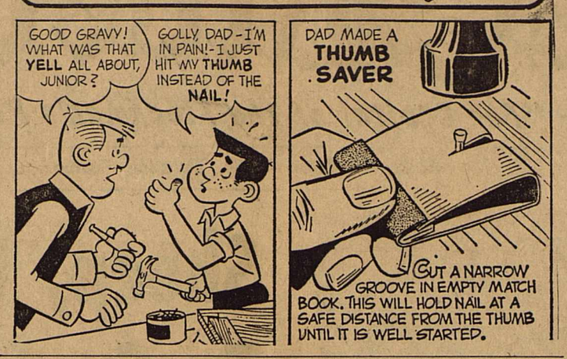
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THE DEVIL'S RIVER PHILOSOPHER SEZ . . .

He Comes Out For Just One More Bit Of Legislation -- National Car-Care

Editor's note: The Devil's River Philosopher on his bitterweed ranch on Dry Devil's River tries to launch a campaign this week which we're not sure about.

Dear editar:

I was behind on my newspaper reading, tied up with getting a new ranch year on this bitterweed ranch and a new administration in Washington underway both in the same month, so was pleased when I found a copy of the Dallas Morning News lodged against a rear tire on my pickup yesterday, which I pulled off and took to the house and read. The tire was flat so there wasn't any chance of getting any work done that day. If it inflates itself overnight I'll resume work tomorrow.

The paper reported on President Nixon's inaugural address and it read all right to me except for one thing.

Mr. Nixon said we probably have about all the legislation we can handle for a while, the thing to do is bring some life to the programs we've already got, and that's mostly right.

However, there's one piece of legislation I wish he'd undertake. I thought of it when I took my 1959 car into town to see why it was using a quart of oil a day, and was told it could be fixed, but while they were at it they said they might as well replace the muffler which broke when the wire I had it fixed with rusted in two, and ought to also put new sleeves in the cylinders, grind the valves, repair the radiator, eliminate a short in the wiring system, and a few other odds and ends that'd come to around $400, more or less, plus parts. I understand. When a mechanic or a doctor goes into a motor or a body he's not always sure what he'll find.

I got to thinking. Look, we've got Social Security, Welfare, Medicaid, Medicare, etc., but man's greatest love, his car, has been shamefully neglected. What this country needs now, Mr. Nixon, if a man is to be at peace with himself and realize his full potentialities, is National Car-Care.

Keeping a car going is one of the heaviest burdens a man faces in this life, and the more complicated a car gets the heavier the burden.

What the country needs, before we all stop new legislation, is government-sponsored—Chevycare, Fordcare, Ponticare, Mercurycare, Buicare, and, might as well go whole-hog, the Supreme Court could throw it out if we didn't, Chryslercare and Cadicare. We can leave the matter of foreign cars to the next administration.

I will leave the details to Congress, so long as the basic idea is covered-and a man will know that when he buys a car he will not be running up bills for his grandchildren, a field which probably belongs to the government anyway.

I like to put first things first, and if it works on cars, we could round out the package by adding pickup-care. Forget bike-care and trike-care. Let the youngsters learn something about the generation gap.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.

CORKY SCHWIENING TO JUDGE ANGORAS AT HOUSTON SHOW

Harold Schwiening, Jr. of Sonora will judge the Angora Goat Open Class Show at the 1969 Houston Livestock Show to be held February 19 through March 2.

More than 15,000 entries, representing 35 states, will be competing for over $133,000 in premiums. Those who will pick the winners will come from 13 states and are rated as the best in their field.

Exhibitors will parade before the judges 10 breeds of cattle, 4 breeds of dairy cattle, 11 breeds of sheep, Angora Goats, 5 breeds of swine, 5 breeds of horses and many poultry and rabbit breeds.

from HISTORY'S SCRAPBOOK

DATES AND EVENTS FROM YESTERYEARS

February 3, 1939

Members of the Masonic Lodge and Ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star are especially reminded to keep in mind the date of the dedication ceremony of the new Masonic Temple Saturday the 11th.

C. O. Westbrook, who is on the Virgil Powell ranch east of Sonora, reported the unusual birth of three lambs, to a registered ewe on 31st of January.

Herbert Fields, graduating from Texas Tech, visited here before entering upon the duties of Vocational Agricultural instructor in New Mexico.

Mrs. Edna Wheat Beam and Mrs. Ed C. Mayfield were entertained at the American Embassy in Mexico City Saturday afternoon by Ambassador and Mrs. Joseph Daniels.

February 4, 1949

A four-inch snow which fell Friday night, Saturday and up to Sunday noon, gave ranchmen a promise of good moisture in February but resulting ice caused damage to city streets and state highways.

It seems that Carnie Sue Wyatt isn't the least bit impressed with state officialdom. After carrying on a conversation with a silver-trimmed cowpoke, and making no effort to keep it rolling, she later discovered that she had been gabbing with Gov. Beauford Jester. Maybe next time she'll listen when some gent introduces himself.

Harold Briscoe, son of Mrs. Thelma Briscoe, left Sunday to re-enter the University of Texas.

A. H. Adkins and daughter, Mrs. Don Reynolds, spent the weekend in Fort Worth. They attended the Fat Stock Show.

February 5, 1959

Sonora Chamber of Commerce will hold a membership meeting at 7:15 Monday night, at the elementary school auditorium. Purpose of the meeting is to approve a constitution and by-laws etc.

In an exciting championship game, Lee Junior High of San Angelo defeated Sonora Junior High 41 to 31 to win the second annual Sonora Jr. High School basketball tournament.

Claire Jones reported to members of the Sonora Lions Club on her recent trip to Chicago where she attended the National 4H Congress.

Grocery ad: 2 lbs. Early Bird Coffee, 99c; 2 lb. box Velvetta cheese, 79c; 1 gal. Karo syrup, $1; Heinz baby food, 10 for 99c; Ireland Chili, 2 for 99c, and reg. size Palmolive soap, 11 for 99c.

63 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Bryson were in Sonora Wednesday to attend the Bryson-Blocker wedding. Jim Alford was in from the ranch Wednesday to see that Charlie Bryson didn't get away.

George Mayfield and George Miers, two of Pot Hole City's society gents, were in Sonora Wednesday to attend the Bryson-Blocker wedding.

T. H. Kennedy, proprietor of the Decker livery stable, bought out Johnnie Johnson's interest in the Red Front stable for $350. He got three buggies, one hack, one surrey and harness in the trade. Mr. Kennedy will run both of them.

Jim and Dean Sessum were in from the ranch Monday and report having had a good time at the dance at H. Ory's ranch Friday night.

Dr. H. P. Rogers bought the residence south of Cusenbary's from R. F. and B. M. Halbert for $450.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, February 6

9:30 a.m. Sonora Woman's Club meeting at Sawyer home
7 p.m. Booster Club football banquet School cafeteria

Friday, February 7

Basketball, Varsity, "B" team, and girls, vs. Mason Sonora Gymnasium, beginning at 5:15 p.m.

Saturday, February 8

2-5 p.m., Sonora Woman's Club Library open

Sunday, February 9

Services at the Church of your choice

Monday, February 10

9 a.m., County Commissioners meeting in County Judge's office in courthouse
1 p.m., School Board meeting in superintendent's office in Central Administration building
3 p.m. Hospital Auxiliary
7 p.m. Wesleyan Service Guild meeting in fellowship hall of First Methodist Church
Basketball games at Eden

Tuesday, February 11

9 a.m. Members Local Board No. 110 meets in courthouse
12 noon, Downtown Lions Club meeting in fellowship hall of Methodist Church
7:30 p.m., West Side Lions Club at Lions Cage

Wednesday, February 12

3-5 p.m., Sonora Woman's Club Library open
3 p.m. WSCS meets

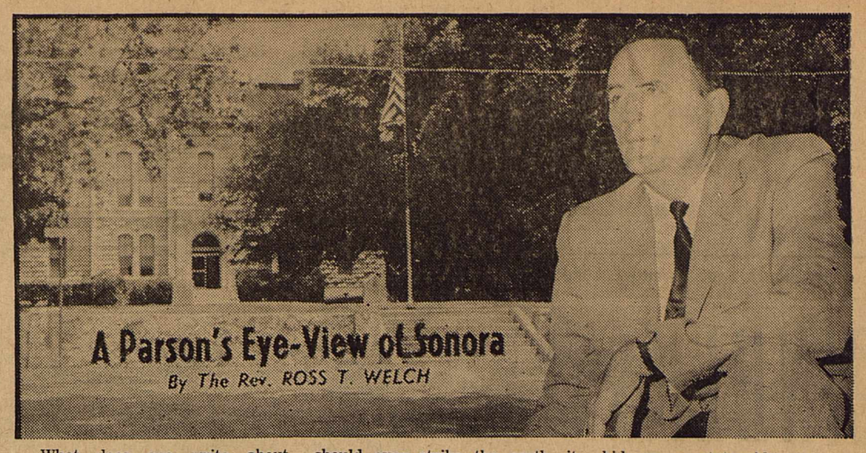
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What does one write about after spending the week in the hospital? After such an experience, some persons spend years telling about their operations, but in this case there was no operation—and no scar to show.

After a similar experience, some persons spend weeks telling about how bad the food was. The only complaint this patient had with the food was there was not enough of it. This only goes to show he wasn't very ill.

After being hospitalized, some persons spend a long time complaining about the cost. But that is impossible in my case, because no one knows what my part will be until they find out how insurance will pay.

Don't misunderstand me, it has not been altogether pleasant, but perhaps a valuable lesson has been learned. Doctor Howell and the nurses were extremely kind and attentive. Dr. Howell even offered to buy my tennis racket and give it to some younger person.

Perhaps I embarrassed one young nurse unintentionally when I entered the hospital and they started taking my blood pressure and my temperature and counting my pulse every little while. I accused her of just practicing on me since I had no symptoms that would indicate such detailed information, but I soon discovered it was routine—regardless.

Before leaving the hospital bit let me express my sincere gratitude for all the visits, flowers, cards, books, and most of all—the prayers that helped so much.

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One of the things I regretted most about my confinement was having to miss the Ordination Service for the Rev. Norman E. Griffith, Jr. at the Saint John's Episcopal Church Sunday night.

It was truly a community service, since the choir was directed by the Lutheran pastor and included singers from most of the churches of the community.

A note of sadness touched the otherwise joyous occasion as Norman learned on Saturday afternoon his father, Norman E. Griffith Sr., had died in Cascade, Virginia.

Norman flew to Virginia early Monday morning, and the funeral was scheduled for Tuesday. His father was 75 and retired.

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Clint Langford, county agent, left Tuesday for San Antonio to be gone nearly two weeks. He will serve as a director of the wool show in connection with the San Antonio Livestock Show and Rodeo.

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The astronomers out at McDonald Observatory near Alpine are reported to have sighted a pulsar. Don't know what a 'pulsar' is? All I know is what I read in the papers—so said Will Rogers.

A pulsar is a dying star, about ten miles in diameter, composed of matter a million billion times denser than ordinary matter. If they are no larger than indicated and can be seen—even with powerful telescopes—it does not leave one feeling very comfortable.

If anything with that density should ever strike the earth, it would likely go right through it like a stone through water. No telling what might come out if we had a hole ten miles in circumference through the middle of the earth.

They are having enough trouble with what comes out of an oil well off the coast of California.

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Did you receive the attractive and colorful brochure entitled "Leaders in the Statehouse" and dedicated to Governor Preston Smith, Lieutenant Governor Ben Barnes, Attorney General Crawford Martin and House Speaker Gus Mutscher?

Some interesting facts brought out about the Governor: He was the only Democrat elected governor last year in the seven most popular states in the Union. He was the first Smith ever elected to the office in Texas. He is the first full-fledged West Texan to be elected to the office, yet he ran stronger in East Texas than in the western sector. (Most of us in this area considered Coke Stevenson a West Texan.)

Governor Smith is the first Texas Tech graduate to head the State government. The other three top men are all graduates of The University of Texas. The Governor must really like his name, he married Ima Smith and his daughter married Conrad Schmid, and that is pretty close.

They also made something of the name in the campaign when they mailed letters to 47,000 other Texas Smiths asking, "Don't you think it is about time one of us was Governor?" That is really stretching the family ties.

Some political commentators have discounted Preston Smith as "drab" and "colorless." Anything that the Governor may lack in terms of color is more than compensated for in his second in command, Lieutenant Governor, Ben Barnes. Barnes, 30, a native of DeLeon, in his first bid on a state-wide race received more votes than any other candidate ever had in a Texas election.

This is about all I learned except that the man elected to succeed Barnes as speaker of the House of Representatives, Gus Mutscher, is a bachelor. This information is offered with apologies to those of you who already have the brochure, but one sees very little through a hospital window.

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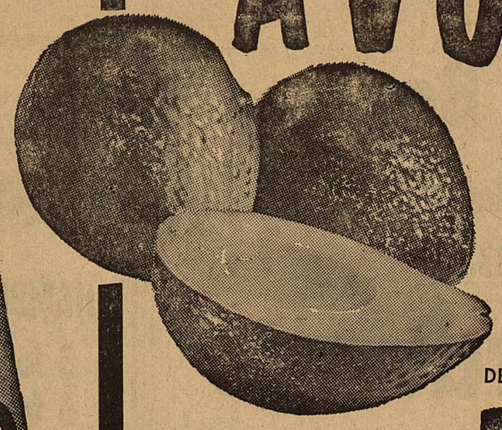
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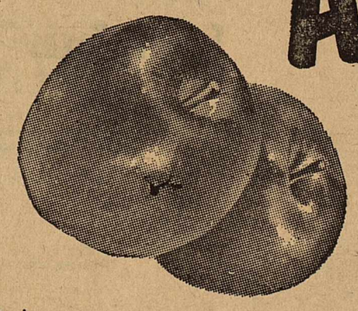
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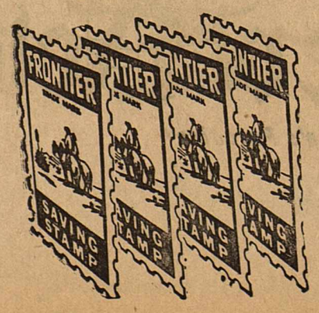
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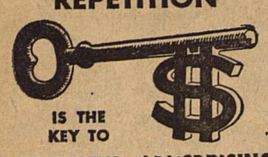
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By Monica Davis

Another beautiful weekend just made for golf. We even had a Tournament. Don't know exactly what you'd call it; you got up your own teams, used your handicap, and a point system.

These were the lucky winners: first place went to the team of Glasscock, Epperson, Lomax, and Hill; second place team winners were; Herrmann, McMinn, Harris, and Alexander; there was a tie for third place and the team winners were Barrow, Vicars, Doyle Morgan, Grobe and Archer.

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There is a Fling Ding Open. Just bring your clubs, and get ready for anything on the day after the Fling Ding Dance.

GN

Marilyn and L. P. Bloodworth gave me this little item they came across in the 1969 "Farmers Almanac". I think it is a cute article and very interesting. Here it is as it was originally phrased and punctuated.

BOILED GOLF BALLS

The 1875 edition of "Hoyle's Games", the well-known handbook of rules for all manner of sports, contained the following intriguing description of golf:

"Golf, a celebrated Scotch game, almost peculiar to that country, is played with balls and clubs. The club tapers, terminating in the part that strikes the ball, which is faced with horn, and loaded with lead. But of this there are six sorts used by good players, namely, the common club, used when the ball lies on the ground; the scraper and half scraper, when in long grass; the spoon when in a hallow; the heavy iron club, when it lies deep among stones or mud; and the light iron ditto, when on the surface of chingle or sandy ground.

"The balls are much smaller than those used at cricket, and much harder; they are made of horse leather, and stuffed with feathers in a peculiar manner, and then boiled.

The ground may be circular, triangular, or semicircular. The number of holes are not limited; that depends always on what the length of the ground will admit. The common distance between one hole and another is about a quarter of a mile, which begins and terminates every game; and he who gets his ball in by the fewest number of strokes is the victor.

"The balls which are played off at the beginning of the game cannot be changed until the next hole is won, even if they should happen to burst.

—Anonymous

Hazel Says

by Hazel McClelland

Thursday Night Club

The Thursday Night Bridge Club met with Mrs. Lola Archer January 26 at her home. A dessert was served to Mmes. Collier Shurley, Eulah Newell, Frankie Gibson, Howard Kirby, Pauline Thompson, Joseph VanderStucken, Lossie Kelley, and Louie Trainer. Mrs. Thompson won high; Mrs. Gibson won second high; Mrs. VanderStucken won the slam prize and Mrs. Newell bingoed.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Paul Friess and baby of Oklahoma moved home Saturday. John Paul will leave for the army February 11.

Wilbourn Glasscock of McAllen was here Sunday for a visit with his mother, Mrs. Sim Glasscock.

Mr. and Mrs. Gil Trainer of Ft. Worth are home. Gil received his degree from T. C. U., and will report for army duty February 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Aiken of Rankin were here Saturday for the Sheep and Goat Raisers meeting. Mrs. Aiken is a sister-in-law of Dan Cauthorn.

George E. Allison of San Angelo was here Monday attending to business.

Just Us Club

The Just Us Bridge Club met with Mrs. Rip Ward February 3 at her ranch home. A dessert and cake plate was served to Mmes. R. A. Halbert, Bob Vicars, George Wynn, Thomas Morriss, Paul Turney, Belle Steen, John Ward, and E. B. Keng. Mrs. Wynn won high for club; Mrs. Turney bingoed, and Mrs. Halbert won the cut prize. Mrs. Keng won high guest; Mrs. Steen won the traveling prize, and Mrs. Ward bingoed for guests.

Miss Jan Late Dick McMillan Party Honorees

Miss Jan Late and Dick McMillan were honored with a dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pipkin and John in San Angelo, January 25.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. McMillan and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Merck were among the guests attending the party.

McMillan, who recently completed six months basic training at Fort Ord, California, is attending University of Texas School of Law.

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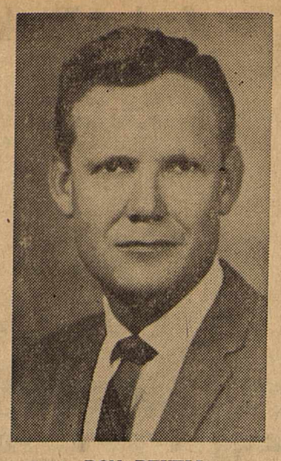
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Thirty-Four Year Span of WTU Service Ends with Retirement of C. A. Glover

A career with West Texas Utilities Company that has spanned more than 34 years of service in San Angelo, Ballinger and Abilene closed February 1 when C. A. Glover, service engineer in the company's rate and contract department retired from active service.

Glover has been succeeded by Don Revell who has been employed by WTU for the past 20 years.

GLOVER JOINED WTU IN 1934

Glover's career with WTU began in 1934 when he was employed in the meter shop in San Angelo and a few months later was transferred to the general meter department in Abilene. In 1935, he began his duties as district meterman for the Abilene district and the following year moved to Ballinger where he has served as district meterman for 11 years.

Glover returned to Abilene in 1947 and began his long period of service in the rate and contract department as a service engineer.

Born in San Angelo in 1904, Glover attended the San Angelo public schools, and following his graduation from San Angelo High School, he entered the University of Texas. He was awarded his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering in 1931.

Before joining WTU, Glover was employed in an electrical shop in Big Lake, and later in Ozona as a material man for the State Highway Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Glover were married in Ozona in 1933. She is the former Leta Graham of Ozona. They are the parents of two daughters, Mrs. Henry J. Strauss, Abilene, and Mrs. John T. King, Sonora.

Strauss is Judge of the Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County and Mrs. Strauss is a practicing attorney. Mr. and Mrs. Strauss have one son, Ted, who is a student at the University of Texas and a daughter, Janna, a student at Franklin Junior High School in Abilene.

King is publisher of the Devil's River News in Sonora. Mr. and Mrs. King have two daughters, Holly, 3; and Ellen, 7 months.

Glover is a member of the St. Paul Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge. He is also a registered professional engineer and is a member of the Institute of Electric and Electronic Engineers and the American Institute of Mechanical Engineers.

REVELL ASSUMES DUTIES FEBRUARY 1

Don Revell, employed by WTU since 1948, began his service at the Abilene power plant. In 1949 he was employed as a trainee in the general meter department and served as a primary meterman from 1952 to 1959.

In 1959 Revell was transferred to Stamford where he served as district meterman until his transfer to Abilene last year.

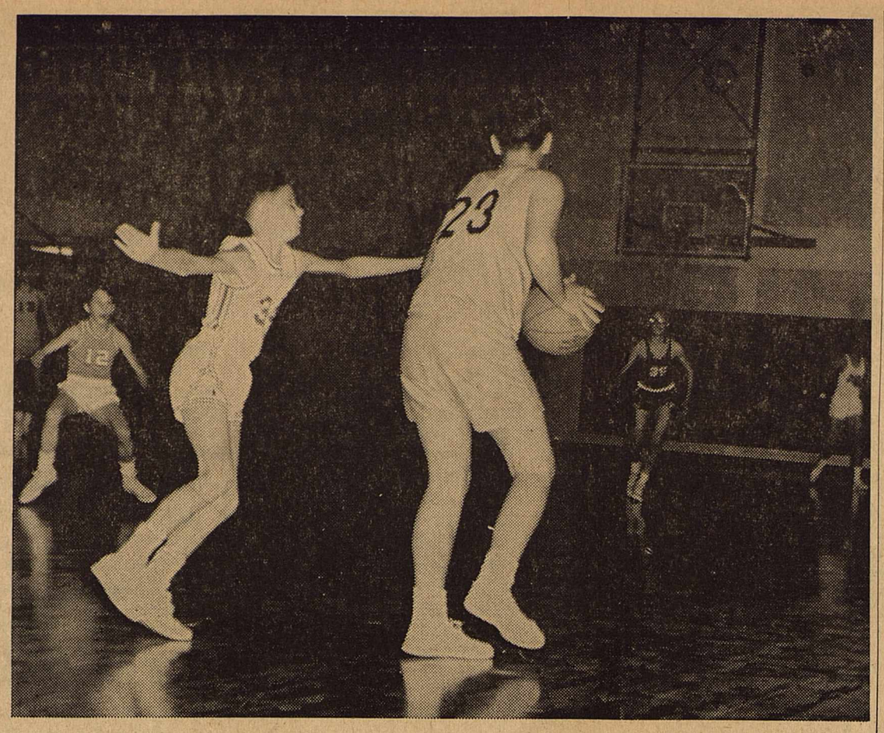
Born in Abilene in 1929, Revell attended the Abilene Public Schools, graduating in 1946.

Revell joined the U. S. Naval Reserves in 1946 and was called to active duty with Seebees in 1951 as a construction electrician. During the time of his active duty, Revell was stationed in French Morocco, Providence, Rhode Island, and in Newfoundland.

Mrs. Revell is the former Patsy Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Revell were married in Abilene in 1948, and they now have two daughters, Lori, 7; and Sheri Lyn, 3. Mrs. Revell is employed in the Trust Department of the First National Bank.

While living in Stamford, Revell was an active church and civic leader. He served as a member of the Stamford City Council in 1966 and 1967 and was re-elected to the council in April, 1968. He served 3 years as a director of the Stamford United Fund, was drive chairman in 1966, and was general chairman in 1967.

Revell is a past president and past secretary of the Stamford Jaycees and is a former state director. He was a member of the Stamford Rotary Club at the time of his transfer to Abilene. The Revells are now members of the Aldersgate Methodist Church in Abilene.



SONORA WON this game 53-26 over Brady during the Junior High Tournament held here last weekend. Here David Wallace and Jerry Johns try to anticipate a Brady player's moves. San Saba knocked Sonora from third place in play offs with a 30-22 score. Big Lake won the tournament.

Big Lake Takes First Place at Junior High Tournament

Big Lake took first place in the Sonora Junior High Basketball Tournament last week by defeating Ozona 45-41. San Saba knocked Sonora out of third place with a 30-22 score while Brady took consolation from Eldorado 28-27.

Prior to the play-offs, Ozona took Eldorado 48-23 in the first game of the tournament. Sonora defeated Brady 53-26 in the second game, Ozona edged out San Saba 40-39, and Big Lake beat Sonora 47-34.

Mark Rousselot and Tryon Fields were named to the All Tournament team as were Ruben Tambunga and David Sewell of Ozona, Gregory Watson and Roger Neal of Big Lake, and Jake Cunningham of San Saba.

Austin Report

by Hilary B. Doran

This past week saw the Legislature leap into action with the naming of the standing committees in the Senate taking place on Tuesday and the House standing committees being named the following Thursday.

I was fortunate enough to attain a seat on the powerful House Appropriations Committee as it is the committee that writes the spending bill that allows the State to function. I also serve on four other committees, being the Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, and a member of the Committees on Livestock, Congressional and Legislative Districts and Rules.

The House Appropriations Committee was named at approximately 11 a.m. on Thursday and commenced hearings at 2 that same day. This committee will continue to hold hearings from 9 until 6, Monday through Saturday, until the middle of February, in order that all state agencies and institutions have an opportunity to present their requests to the committee.

Consensus among the members of the House was that Speaker Gus Mutscher once again demonstrated his capacity and ability for leadership by the careful utilization of members seniority and ability in the naming of the 45 standing committees of the House. Naturally, no one got everything he wanted in the way of committee assignments, but the majority of the House was treated with fairness and respect by Speaker Mutscher.

The inauguration honeymoon is over and everyone is rolling up his shirt sleeves to start the hard work that lies ahead.

Saint Ann's Recaps

by MONICA DAVIS

Saint Ann's is busy, busy, busy. Aside from our regular monthly society Masses, communications, and meetings, the Altar Society has selected new officers. The president is Joyce Jiminez; vice-president is Odelia Baltazar; secretary is Juanita Mendez, and treasurer is Beatrice Arrando.

We are still having our weekly game fests, but now we are in the process of getting ready for the Cinco de Mayo festivities. The women of the Parish have chosen Miss Carmen Galindo as their queen candidate, while Miss Becky Ramos is being sponsored by the men.

Our old church building has been moved. Tho' there was an air of sadness at seeing it go, the joy of our new church about to be started out-weighed the anguish of seeing it go. The new church is to be built of native rock, which is coming off the Stella Keene ranch, just five miles from St. Ann's. Mrs. Keene's generosity in letting us have the stone will never be forgotten by the parishioners of St. Ann's.

The labor and trucks for getting the stone is also being donated. (This is truly a community project.

Even Father Michael has been helping to haul stones, and now suffers from an 'achin' back'.

Broomweed Sprouts Poised to Shoot Up If Abundant Rains Give Encouragement

By E. B. Keng
Soil Conservation Technician

Annual broomweed had a bonanza year in 1968 in the Edwards Plateau SWCD. Rainfall for the first four months of 1968 was 10.31 inches, compared to the 49 year average of 4.87 inches for the January through April period.

The 1968 broomweed crop germinated in the wet fall of 1967, when 10.65 inches fell in the September through December period with 7.43 inches normally expected. It flourished with the early spring rains of 1968 and made exceptional growth and a big seed crop from 3.58 inches of rainfall in July and 1.96 in September.

Broomweed can normally be easily controlled by grazing a pasture with sheep in February and early March, when the young plants are very small. Other annual weeds were so abundant in the early spring of 1968 that in rested or lightly stocked pastures broomweed was not eaten.

There is again an abundant stand of young broomweed seedlings on many pastures. The seed germinated following the 2.22 inches of moisture in November. The plants are very small because of very limited moisture in December and January. Ranchmen with deep soil sites on divides or in valleys should watch broomweed very carefully. If good rains are received soon the young plants will quickly "shoot up" and become detrimental competition to grasses and better forbs.

If the plants threaten, sheep can be concentrated for a short period on pastures with the greatest problem, and should effectively control the weed. It is imperative, however, that grazing be done when the plant is small—less than five inches high—or sheep will not take it readily.

The dry midsummer of 1968, following a tremendous spring weed crop, was not kind to perennial grasses. Ranchmen should take every opportunity to improve grasses this growing season by moderate stocking and 90 days rest periods.

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Mrs. Ben Berry 1t22

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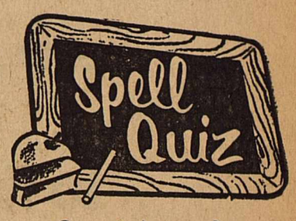
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Among those exhibiting are W. L. (Tom) Davis, Chris Berger, George E. Smith, and Robert Glasscock. Sutton County 4H has entered 24 fat lambs, 8 registered breeding sheep, and 30 head of goats. 40 wool fleeces and 12 Delaines have been entered from the county also.

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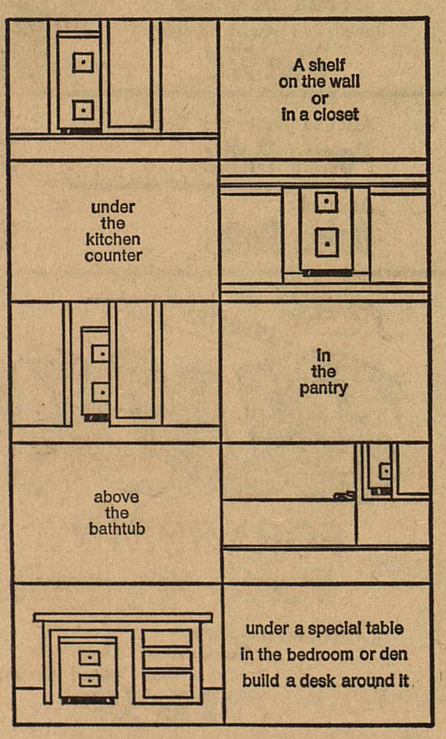
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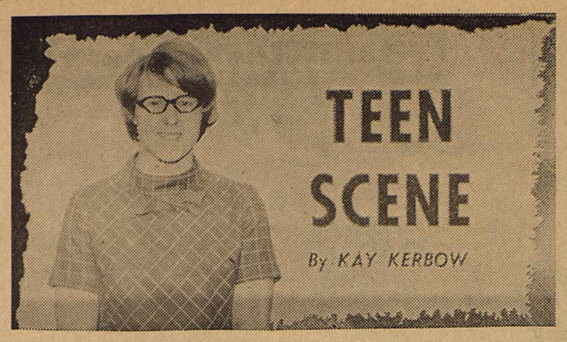


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The boy's basketball team dropped a basketabll game to the Junction Eagles by a 7 point margin. Hopes for the district crown are still high even though the Broncos have lost two district games. Victories in the second half of district play could still give the mighty "Reds" the district title.

SHS

Days are beginning to warm up and spring is announcing its approach. Many students were seen bicycling up and down the drag Sunday afternoon. That is, the ones who were physically able.

SHS

Students who attended the Alice speech meet seemed to enjoy themselves. Even though Yvonne Hodges and Rick Hill were the only ones who even got in the semi-finals, everyone seemed to profit from the experience. The participants should be ready and able to take some winnings in our own speech meet.

SHS

Basketball trips are getting much more exciting these days because the "B" team travels with the girls. Mr. McMinn is the innocent driver. He keeps on turning on the light. I wonder why??

The occupants of our bus have learned through experience not to advertise the fact that they have some food on hand. Mr. McMinn insists on his share which is usually seventy-five percent of all food.

I'll bet you didn't know our basketball team has some Frank and Nancy Sinatras on it. You wouldn't believe the harmony (??) we can manage especially on "100 Bottles of Beer on the Wall".

Jr. High School Honor Roll Listed

Junior High principal Bob McMinn announced that eight students in the 8th grade made all A's for the semester. The students were Mark Rousselot, Wade Richardson, Jimmy Galindo, Bobby Samaniego, Connie Hodges, Steve Street, Sarah Allison, and Teddy Coker.

Making all A's and one B were James Benson, Wesley Richardson, Jerry Johns, and Bruce Baldwin.

Seventh grade students who made all A's were Karen Hemphill. Melissa Gibbs, Jack Sykes, Cora Pope, Larry Cade, and Jim Firnhaber.

Ruth Wallace, Molly Sawyer, and Mary Pettiet made all A's and one B.

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TAES, 1969 ¾ T Ford Pickup

Bill Wade, 1969 Ford Pickup

Lamuel D. Lopez, 1969 4Dr. Chevrolet Sedan

R. W. Wallace, 1969 Pontiac

Births

Melissa Jo Lozano, daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Manuel Lozano, December 26, 1968. Weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces.

Jose Luis Gonzales, son born to Mr. and Mrs. Santiago M. Gonzales, December 31, 1968. Weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.

Michael Anthony Roach, son born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Joseph Roach, January 1, 1969. Weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

Virginia Esquivel Barrera, daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Jose Angel Barrera, January 10, 1969. Weighed 6 pounds, 9½ ounces.

Marriages

James Rayford Rucher, Sylvia Taylor Chapman.

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Pfc S. Noriega With Infantry In Germany

Army Private First Class Samuel A. Noriega, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesus T. Noriega Jr., is in Germany as an assistant armored personnel carrier driver with the 24th Infantry Division taking part in the military Exercise REFORGER I.

The exercise being conducted in Europe in January and February 1969, involves U. S. Army units based in the U. S. and Europe. It includes about 12,000 Army troops assigned to the 24th Infantry Division, based at Ft. Riley, Kansas, and to combat service supports units from across the country. These units were flown to Europe in January.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Patients receiving treatment at Hudspeth Memorial Hospital during the period from Tuesday, January 28, to Monday, February 3, include the following:

Nell Holman
Stella Martin, Junction
Ida B. Hill, Eldorado
Michael Cole *
Ross T. Welch *
Jimmie McCormick, Eldorado
Imogene Griffin
Myrtle Berry *
Marina Martinez *
Hilda M. Logan
Chona Vela, Ozona *
Johnnie Alexander, Eldorado
Essa Hoover, Eldorado
W. P. McConnell Jr. *
David Sentena *
Dona Stites
Ila Cartwright
Paula Leal *
Sam Adams
Herman Hazelwood, Eldorado
Zaragoza Galindo
G. A. Browne
Ester Ramirez *
Will J. Haines
Eddie Ramirez *
Elizabeth Alexander, Eldorado*
Natalie S. Hernandez *
Nancy Dannheim, Eldorado
Dora Gomez, Eldorado
Annie Labenske
Annabel Wuest
W. O. Alexander, Eldorado
Herman Martinez, San Antonio

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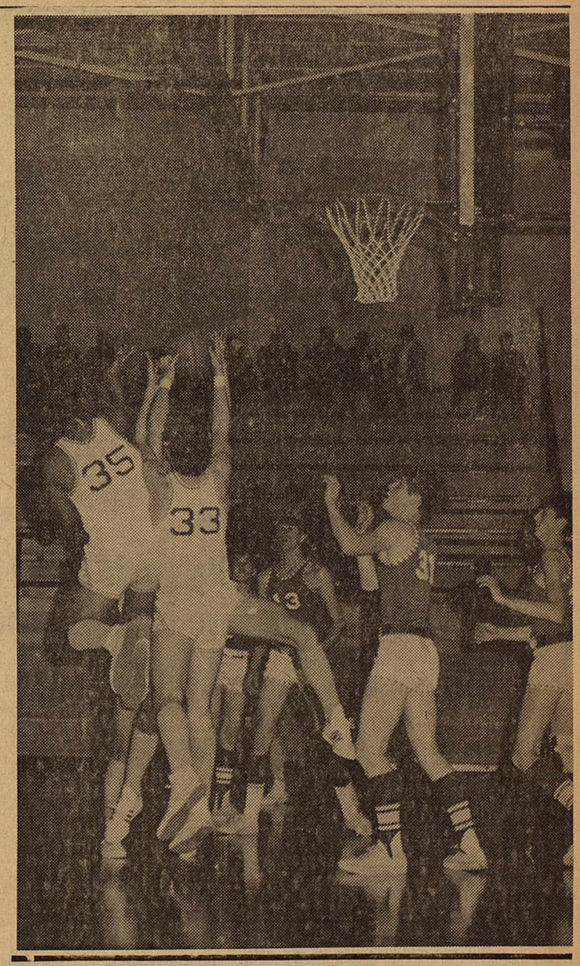
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Thurs., Fri., Sat., Jan. 2-3-4	Big Lake Tournament		
Tues. Jan. 7	Ozona Here	Ozona Here	Ozona Here
Thurs. Jan. 9	Robert Lee There	Robert Lee There	
Tues. Jan. 14			
Fri. Jan. 17	Menard Here	Menard Here	Menard Here
Fri. Sat. Jan. 17-18	Ozona Tournament		
Tues. Jan 21	Mason There	Mason There	Mason There
Fri. Jan. 24	Eden Here	Eden Here	Eden Here
Tues. Jan 28	Eldorado There	Eldorado There	Eldorado There
Fri. Jan 31	Junction There	Junction There	Junction There
Tues. Feb. 4	Menard There	Menard There	Menard There
Fri. Feb. 7	Mason Here	Mason Here	Mason Here
Mon. Feb. 10	Eden There	Eden There	Eden There
Fri. Feb. 14	Eldorado Here	Eldorado Here	Eldorado Here
Tues. Feb. 18	Junction Here	Junction Here	Junction Here



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James F. Grote of Llano, was elected president of the association. Lee Campbell of Dublin, retiring president, presided at the banquet which was attended by approximately 300 members and their guests.

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Sp4 Sam Odom Jr. is in Germany with the army. He is stationed in the Black Forest on the Czechoslovakian border.

Mrs. Sam Hull has returned from Dallas where she has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bray. Mrs. Bray returned home with Mrs. Hull.

Mr. and Mrs. John McClelland and Jan have returned from Houston where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Johnny McClelland and Johnny III, their new grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. George Thompson, Tracey and Terrell visited in Sonora with Jo's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McClelland over the weekend.

Mrs. L. E. Johnson Jr. was in Houston this week for medical treatments. She went by Austin to see her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Graves, and by College Station where she visited another daughter, and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack David Wardlaw. Then Mrs. Johnson will go by Kingsville to see her other daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Noe Chavez and Noella.

Idle Hour Bridge Club

Mrs. Thomas Morriss entertained the Idle Hour Bridge Club at her home. A dessert was served to Mmes. Bob Vicars, Sterling Baker, Rex Cusenbary, G. H. Davis, Frankie Gibson, R. A. Halbert, Edwin Mayer of San Angelo, Belle Steen, George Wynn, E. B. Keng, George Barrow, and Ed Mayfield. Mrs. Wynn won high for club; Mrs. Davis won second high; and Mrs. Baker bingoed for club. Mrs. Barrow won high for guests and Mrs. Mayfield bingoed for guests.

HMc

Mrs. L. E. Johnson Jr. was in San Angelo Thursday visiting Mrs. L. E. Johnson Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Lea Allison were in San Angelo last week visiting his mother, Mrs. Lillian Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morriss were in San Angelo Thursday on business.

Jack Mackey of San Angelo was here Thursday, visiting and attending to business.

Mrs. Harold Garrett is in San Angelo in the Shannon Hospital. Sure glad you are better, Mattie Ruth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neill were in San Antonio last week attending a bank meeting and visiting with their daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cooper, Elizabeth Jane and Carolyn, and Dr. and Mrs. Paul Law, David, Judy, and Jack Neill.

Emil VanderStucken is here from Princeton, New Jersey, to visit with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph VanderStucken and Jan.

HMc

Mrs. Sim Glasscock and Mrs. Ernest McClelland attended an art show in San Angelo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Cooper and girls were in San Angelo Saturday shopping and visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cooper and children of San Antonio were here over the weekend.

Mrs. Jack Wardlaw and Mrs. Hub Hale were in San Angelo Saturday.

Primo Gonzales landed in Viet Nam February 1, and will be sent to a base camp soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Andrews, Penny, Natacha, Boyd and Louie of Ft. Stockton visited his mother, Mrs. Willie Andrews, and his sister, Mrs. Bonnie Gorman, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Awalt were in San Angelo last week visiting their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Awalt and children.

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Mrs. Joe Lambert has returned from San Angelo where she has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. Harold Garrett.

Jack Trainer has returned from Houston. While there he visited his son, Bill and his family and other relatives.

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Snips, Quips, And Lifts

by Lottie Lee Baker

The jolly winter wind is here,
I love it's sweet cadenza;
But call up Dr. Pill, my dear,
I'm down with influenza.

—A new year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.

—If there's anything we can't stand it's people who talk while we're interrupting.

—The automobile has replaced the horse, but if you must drive, stay on the wagon.

—It's the running expenses that keep father out of breath.

—The only way to catch a fish is to fish.

—It's nice to be a man of means, but then again—here's the catch—a fellow who has cash to burn will readily find a match.

—Speak well of everyone if you speak of them at all—none of us is so very good.

—Some say the biggest drawback to budding love is the blooming expense.

—What most of us need to get off our chest is our chin.

—Of course it's a man's world. A woman would be too sensible to want it.

—People who live in glass houses might as well answer the doorbell.

—Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of both parties!

—Some people go through life pushing doors marked "Pull."

—Nothing makes you more tolerant of a neighbor's noisy party than being there.

"Freddie" said the teacher, "can you tell me what we must do before we can expect to be forgiven?"

Yes, sir", replied Freddie, "we must sin first."

A LIFT FOR THE WEEK

You will never "find" time. If you want time, you must "make" it.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Neill were business visitors in San Angelo Monday.

Mrs. Bill Fields has returned from San Angelo where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Bunyard, while James has been out of town on business.

Mrs. George Barrow spent several days with Miss Jo Ann Gardner on the ranch.

David McIntyre Party Honoree On Birthday

David McIntyre was honored with a birthday party January 28 by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie McIntyre in the Calvin VanHoozer home.

Cake and punch were served and party noisemakers were given as favors. Games were played and prize winners were Mark VanHoozer, Peter Finklea, and Ernie Dean.

At the party also were Tammy and Marla VanHoozer, R. B. Alexander, Craig Cooper, Billy Sanchez, Phillip Stanley, Donny and Ronny Whiddon, Edward Earwood, Wayne McLaughlin, and, Jeffery Spencer, Jeff Cockrell, Marshall Doran, David Jennings, Chase Snodgrass, Gregg Tedford, Terry Linn Martin, Clay Fitzgerald, Dean and Stacy McIntyre.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

Thursday, February 6
Mrs. Vernon Hamilton
Robert L. Hardgrave Jr.
Dorteo Castro

Friday, February 7
Dr. J. F. Howell
Lewis Spraggins
Joe Nance
Herman Moore, Jr.
Elisenda Gandar
W. T. Black

Saturday, February 8
Judy Graves
Leo B. Merrill
Al Letsinger
Mrs. Kenneth Stokes

Sunday, February 9
Mrs. Jim Cauthorn
C. W. Taylor
Suzanne Morrison
Gregory Allen Jungk
Pat Castro

Monday, February 10
Jack Schultz
Gene Schultz
Robert Jodie Minnick II
W. J. Thompson
Billy Galbreath
Paula Kay Gillet

Tuesday, February 11
Mrs. Bob Tisdale
Mrs. Bob E. Nevill
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Wednesday, February 12
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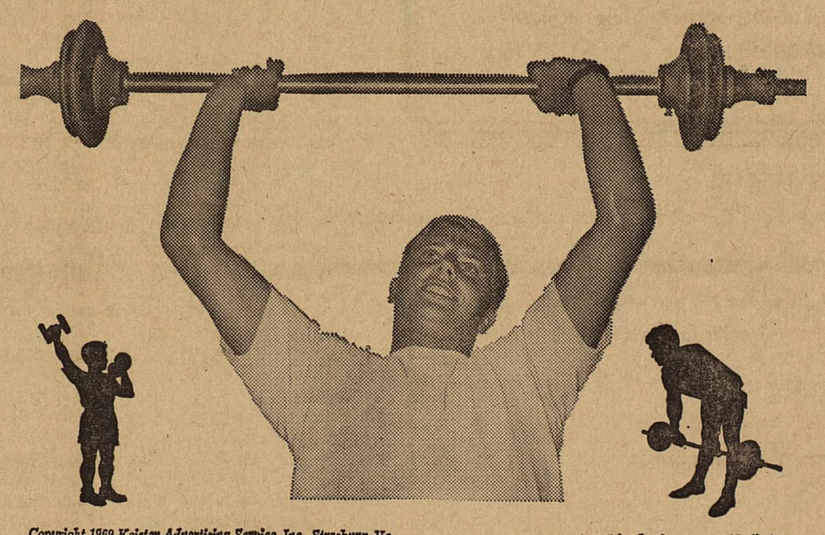
Tom used to have trouble lifting his mother's shopping bag—not any more!

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Evening Worship	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Services	7:00 p.m.

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Worship Service	10:50 a.m.

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Worship Service	7:30 p.m.
WMU, Monday	7:30 p.m.

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Sunday Bible Classes	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday evening	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday evening	7:00 p.m.

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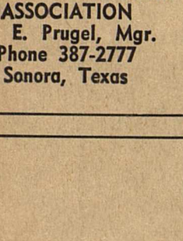
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The Texas Veterinary Medical Association and the college of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A&M University are sponsors of the project, and Joe David Ross, D.V.M., is a member of the program planning committee.

Both producers and veterinarians are invited to gather in common sessions in the mornings and special sessions in the afternoon for presentations covering a variety of topics.

Further information is available from the Southwestern Animal Health Conference for Livestockmen, Suite 3-D, 610 Brazos, Austin.

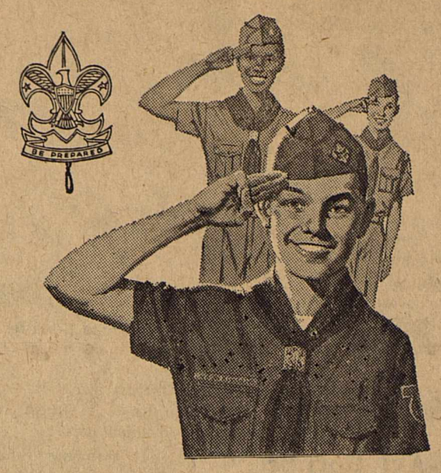
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Dental Health Week Observed Locally

Dr. Ron Williamson spoke to Sonora school children Tuesday as part of the local observance of Dental Health Week, designated by the president as February 2-8. He stressed that prevention was the theme to good dental health for children, pointing out that the average student loses 8 school days a year because of poor dental health.

He said there was much written and discussed about emergency, or pain, dental care when preventive care and education is the answer. Preventive dentistry is the most valid approach to alleviation of dental ills, and in some cases it may even eradicate many ills for some children.

It was pointed out that a tooth saved early prevents the later necessity of an expensive bridge, spacer, or denture. He quoted the American Cancer Society, "Cancer arising in the oral cavity comprises 4 percent of all malignant tumors, but the problem is a greater one than this proportional incidence would suggest because cancer of the mouth is a more vicious and certain killer than are many malignant tumors occuring in other areas."

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cartwright over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Robert McMillan of Ballinger. Mrs. Cartwright, who is in the hospital, was a schoolmate with Mrs. McMillan.

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Lehnhoff's South Texas Poth Pirates Still Stunned after Sonora Shutout

(Editor's Note: The following article appeared in the January 21 edition of the Austin Statesman. George Breazeale, in his "Sports! by George", reviews the feelings of Poth and Coach F. W. Lehnhoff a month after the Pirates' disasterous encounter with Sonora's Broncos.)

If one could produce an abstract sort of stethoscope to gauge the emotions of athletes, especially those in defeat, then the curve of the graph of the Baltimore Colts after that Super Bowl thing might be a remarkable duplication of a chart compiled three weeks earlier in Texas.

Down south of San Antonio, life goes on, outwardly the same as usual, in the town of Poth. But, even with almost a month gone by, a couple dozen school boy athletes and their coach stop and think of what might have been.

And even now, the failure of Poth's Pirates in their Super Bowl—the Class A state schoolboy football championship game—still seems almost unbelievable.

What still astounds people is not the Bucs lost the state championship game to Sonora and its mighty Ed Lee Renfro, but, like the Colt's cropper against New York Jets, that their great gifts were dissipated with no tangible return.

As far as records show, only one other team in the history of Texas schoolboy football—Waco High's legendary team of 1927 had ever scored more points in a season than had Poth when it lined up against Sonora. Coach Paul Tyson's Wacoans registered a fabulous 784 points.

When Coach F. W. Lehnhoff's South Texas answered the kickoff, they had posted a fantastic 749 points in 14 all-winning efforts, an average of better than 53 per game.

749 Points — And then none

Yet when the fog cleared that night at San Marcos, Poth was the victim of a 9-0 shutout by a Sonora unit which, while competent defensively, hardly rated as invincible in that department.

Now, looking back on it, even Lehnhoff finds it difficult to believe his squad could have been whitewashed.

"If someone had told me before the game that we could hold Sonora to nine points, I would have been virtually certain we would win," he observed. "We felt that we could score two or three touchdowns on them, at least."

Like a coaching fraternity brother named Don Shula, Lehnhoff can look back and finger a turning point in the ball game.

When our halfback, Ross Poth, fumbled the ball on the Sonora 13-yard line may well have made all the difference," Lehnoff observed, referring to a second quarter play when the score still stood 0-0.

"If we had gone on in and scored—and I think we could have—I feel that we would have won the ball game. Actually, it was a busted play. One of our tackles got confused, thinking the play was going to the other side and released the man he was blocking on. Ross was through the hole and never even saw the man who tackled him and caused the fumble."

Three plays later Renfro ran 44 yards to set up a Sonora field goal, which eventually proved to be all the points the Broncos needed for their second state title in three years.

"We wouldn't alibi," said Lehnhoff. "We felt that the weather, especially the drizzle in the last half, hurt us more than it did Sonora. We didn't have the big running backs like Sonora did and most of our defense was based on the speed of our halfbacks. And when they were stopped we had to pass, throw the ball far more than we usually did."

Few Samples Of Adversity

Like Baltimore, however, the Pirates had seldom tasted adversity in posting their fantastic record. And the first samples, Lehnhoff admitted, may have been unsettling to his boys.

"Maybe it was a factor," he mused. "We had never been behind all season until we went in at halftime behind 3-0. And then we got a bad punt snap early in the third quarter that cost us about 50 yards in field position. That had never happened before, either. All those things (plus five interceptions) maybe they were significant, although it didn't seem to me that the boys ever lost their poise."

And as Shula must muse about his shattered empire, so must Lehnhoff wonder if he will ever coach another schoolboy unit in the image of 1968.

Oddly enough, it was really his third time around. His 1955 squad at Marble Falls must rate as one of the great Class B clubs of Central Texas history—and a 1956 team, which was also undefeated and unworried in winning a repeat regional championship, has not been far behind in ability in helping compile a 26-game winning streak.

"They were good teams. But this Poth team was a better one, mainly because we had more boys to choose from here than we did in Marble Falls. And the ones here hit harder, which is only natural in Class A—and in the fact that many of them had played Class AA ball in 1966 when we won the district and bi-district before dropping back to A."

If a fourth time comes, it could conceivably be next autumn. "Oh, we should have a pretty good ball club, but nothing like this last one. We'll have a good backfield. Ross Poth has the ability to be an outstanding running back, but a lot of it depends on whether we can find some boys to replace the ones we lost in the defensive line," Lehnhoff concluded.

But there is a Super Bowl every year. And no law except that one of competition says a team can't make a repeat appearance.

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