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Farmers Warned Of Swindles

The Texas State Securities Board today warned farmers and others in the agriculture business to be on the lookout for a possible swindle in newly-formed farmers' cooperative associations. The Board asks that this warning be publicized in the hope Texas farmers may be spared the loss of sizeable amounts of money.

Beginning this Spring a pattern has emerged, and now farmers in about 20 states in the central United States are discovering that they have been duped. While details of the swindle vary somewhat from state to state, the main characteristics generally are the same. They are as follows: A new farmers' cooperative is formed, and one or more prominent local citizens are listed as officers or members. These local citizens usually are not aware of a swindle in taking place, but their names are used to draw in other victims.

The farmer is told that if he joins, he'll be able to buy equipment, seed, supplies, etc., at reduced prices. In order to join, he must invest in a 20 year savings certificate or promissory note of the co-op, for which he pays about \$350 per year. When the certificate matures in 20 years, he supposedly will get back all the money he's paid in plus a certain rate of interest compounded annually. He's led to believe that his price saving on any big ticket item (such as a tractor or combine) will more than offset the \$350 annual payment. He's also promised the use of grain elevators and other cooperative facilities.

The promoters and their employees take at least the full first year payment (\$350) as their "commission" for selling the savings certificate to the farmer.

Since the cooperative had no money or assets to begin with, it still has nothing, although \$350 has been paid in by hundreds of farmers. Even if a few farmers elect to pay the full purchase price of the savings certificate in a single payment, the assets of the co-op will still be negligible. The managers of the co-op simply don't have enough money to do anything for the farmers, even if they had intended to do anything in the first place.

Just in case there is any money remaining after the first huge bite for commissions, a management or consultant contract for some other company to manage the business of the cooperative. The manager-consultant is usually a "sweetheart" company, i.e., it is run by cohorts of the promoters, and its fee is quite large.

The promoters and the "manager" go through the motions (for a while) of launching the new enterprise. They show a decided preference for buying things on credit, as opposed to paying cash. When they eventually, but inevitably, leave the scene, they try to avoid the appearance of having "skipped out" with the money. The hoped-for appearance is that things just didn't work out—they tried but just couldn't quite put it all together. This makes it more difficult to prosecute them.

Farmers are urged to be very careful about turning over

money to strangers purporting to organize a new cooperative. There are, of course, many honest and legitimate cooperative associations serving their members well, and other legitimate ones will be formed in the future. But

questionable cooperatives have been set up recently in states adjacent to Texas, and the Texas Securities Commissioner is concerned that attempts to do the same here are quite likely.

Any farmer approached to

invest money in a cooperative with the characteristics described above is asked to contact the State Securities Board office in Austin at P.O. Box 13167, Capitol Station, Austin 78711; telephone (512) 475-4561.

Tax Ruling May Benefit Ranchers

Fort Worth—A recent Texas Supreme Court decision on agricultural exemptions from ad valorem taxation may save Texas ranchers and farmers thousands of dollars. The directors of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, meeting in Amarillo, Texas, July 9-10, were told this by TSCRA's attorney, Ed Small of Austin.

The case in point was Gragg vs. Cayuga Independent School

District. TSCRA filed a brief in the case. Although Gragg lost his case, the ruling broadened the category of agricultural exemption in which ad valorem taxes must be based. Under the new ruling, a landowner can qualify for exemption if his gross agricultural sales more than equals the gross sales of any other business he has, rather than the total of all other businesses he may have.

TSCRA directors passed a resolution endorsing Governor Dolph Briscoe's proposed constitutional amendment calling for the creation of a permanent capital reserve fund from the present and future surplus in its collection of taxes from oil and gas production. This proposal recognizes the future depletion of a major source of tax revenue and gives the State an opportunity to generate income to supplement its future fiscal needs.

The group also reaffirmed its support of the Beef Research and Information Act and encouraged organized, active support by its members at the county level in order to assure passage of the referendum.

More than 300 leading cattlemen and their families attended the quarterly directors' meeting, says J. A. Whittemburg III, TSCRA president from Amarillo.

The TSCRA Animal Health Committee, chaired by J. E. Birdwell II of Lubbock, with vice chairman John B. Armstrong of Kingsville, reported that what started out to be the worst year in history for screwworm infestation has turned out to be a relatively

easy one. Credit for the turnaround was given to the new strain of bigger, sterile flies (named 009) now being used in the eradication program.

Brucellosis, a subject of recent controversy, was given special attention at the meeting. Quoting from an interview with Dr. J.H.G. Roerink, a world authority on the disease from The Netherlands, Past President Hilmar G. Moore of Richmond reported, "Texas cattlemen will never see the complete eradication of brucellosis."

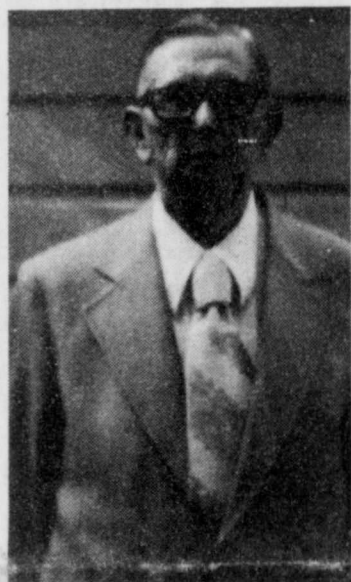
The doctor proposed a new slant for the U.S. program by the replacement of strain 19 vaccine with a regular 45-20 vaccine program. The disease could be strictly controlled this way, but not eradicated, he emphasized.

Claude Maer of the National Livestock Tax Committee addressed the general assembly July 10. He gave a detailed analysis of the gift and estate bill currently before Congress.

Don C. King, TSCRA secretary-general manager from Fort Worth, told the directors in his report that TSCRA field inspectors filed 47 theft cases since TSCRA's convention last March, and 27 have been tried. A partial list of the sentences included 171 years in prison, 40 years probation, suspended sentences, and several thousand dollars in fines and in restitution.

TSCRA Director M.H.W. Ritchie hosted a large gathering for open air dinner and dancing at the famous JA Ranch near Paloduro, Texas.

Gordon Allen Honored On 80th Birthday



Gordon Allen

Gordon Allen was honored Sunday afternoon July 25, with open house, the occasion being his 80th birthday. Hosts were Mrs. Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hurt.

Guests were greeted at the door by Mr. and Mrs. Allen, and their granddaughter, Margaret Hurt, registered the guests in the guest book. Seventy-five friends and relatives registered.

Mrs. Bobby Watts of Fort Worth and Mrs. Earl Humphrey of Clarksville, nieces, and Mrs. Hurt served the red, white and blue decorated birthday cake with punch, nuts and mints. The refreshment table was laid with a white cutwork cloth.

Red River County Tops In Texas Agriculture

Austin—Red River County's prosperous 1975 farming and ranching season was reflected in the county placing in the top ten in three areas, including the total number of cattle and calves, and the number of beef cows

that have calved. Red River County farmers placed fifth in 1975 Texas hay production, with a crop of 97,000 tons, according to Agriculture Commissioner John C. White.

County farmers harvested 30,100 acres with an average yield of 3.2 tons per acre.

Moderate to light rainfall in the spring delayed growth and reduced early cuttings of hay around the state, but moisture conditions improved, and both

yield and quality increased.

Drought conditions returned to scattered areas in late summer and spread across the state as fall rains were generally below normal. In most regions, yields and late cuttings dropped off sharply as moisture supplies were used up.

Texas ranked eighth in the nation in hay production with a yield of 5,245,000 tons.

Lamar County led the state

with 111,200 tons.

Complete figures on Texas field crops have been compiled in the "1975 Texas Field Crops Statistics." Copies may be obtained by writing Agriculture Commissioner John C. White, head were on hand at the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

In the number of beef cows that have calved, some 60,000 beginning of 1976, in Red River County.

Texas as a whole placed first in two categories, with 15,600,000 cattle and calves reported on January 1, 1976, 6,480,000 of which represent beef cows that have calved.

"Cattle ranchers in Texas

managed to shave a million

cattle from throughout the state between January 1, 1975, and the beginning of 1976, helping greatly to ease the overabundant supply situation and bring numbers in closer agreement with demand," Commissioner White explained.

Nationally, the total number of cattle has also been decreased, from 131,826,000 January 1, 1975, to 127,976,000 at the first of 1976.

In the total number of cattle and calves, some 125,000 head were on hand at the beginning of 1976, in Red River County.

Edna Whyte Honored For Years In Aviation

Edna Gardner Whyte of Ronoake, Texas, was honored at Aero Valley Airport north of Fort Worth for 50 years in aviation by the Fort Worth Chapter of the Ninety Nines. Attending from this area were Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Wright of Deport and Mr. and Mrs. Dale House of Johtown.

Mrs. Whyte was associated in her early days of flying with Amelia Earhart, and since 1926, when, as an Army nurse, she was first taken for an airplane ride, has logged 23,000 hours.

She is now a certified flight instructor and a FAA

designated check pilot. That is, she is authorized to give flight tests for pilot ratings. She has been a crop duster, a helicopter pilot, a glider pilot, in aircraft sales, and a test pilot. She has collected dozens of trophies and awards for country racing.

Sunday she piloted an antique Waco biplane, and said she had not flown a biplane in 36 years. Carole Wheeler of the Fort Worth Chapter of the Ninety Nines presented Mrs. Whyte with a gold Ninety Nine pin in commemoration of Edna Gardner White Day and 50 years of flying. The Ninety Nines is an organization of women who fly, and received its name because one woman in ninety nine is a licensed pilot.

Mrs. Whyte was also presented a plaque from the FAA for her contributions to aviation safety.

Aero Valley airport is a private facility near Ronoake which is being developed into aviation homesites with private funds. Hangers and Hanger lots as well as residential lots adjoining the airport are being pre-sold in Aero Valley Estates. Enclosed steel hangers will be built at an estimated cost of \$4,000 to \$4,500 each. By comparison, the hangers being built by the City of Paris at Cox Field will cost \$9,100 each.



Anita Stubblefield Attends Homemaking Teachers Conference

Mrs. Anita Stubblefield, vocational homemaking teacher at Rivercrest High School, participated in the State Inservice Conference for Vocational Homemaking Teachers in session at the Dallas Hilton Hotel, Dallas, July 27-30.

Keynote speaker for the conference was Dr. William F. Pierce, Deputy Commissioner of Occupational and Adult Education, U.S. Office of Education, Washington. Other conference speakers were Dr. Mararet Bubolz, Professor of Family and Child Science, College of Human Ecology, Michigan State University; Dr. Eva Schindler Rainman, Los Angeles, a nationally recognized management consultant; and the Honorable Wilhelmina Delco, member of the Texas House of Representatives.

Thirteen concurrent sessions on Wednesday provided an opportunity for the teachers to learn new teaching techniques and for an in-depth study of areas of instruction relevant to today's lifestyles. The sessions included such topics as Child Abuse, Perinatal Care, Community Involvement, Nutrition, Discipline, and Creative Methods for Helping People Learn. According to Billie Chapman, Executive Director of the Vocational Homemaking Teachers Association of Texas, the in-service training in these today's-world topics keeps vocational homemaking teachers at the top of the list of the state's best informed educators.

Special workshops were held to explore the unique needs of teachers of Adults, Home Economics Cooperative Education, Pre-employment Laboratory Programs, Coordinated Vocational-Academic Programs, and Homemaking for the Handicapped.

More than 2800 teachers were expected to attend the week-long meetings, said Mrs. Virginia Alders, Nacogdoches, president of VHTAT.

Students Return From Workshop

Kathy Pirtle and Carolyn Carroll returned July 23 from a week long Student Council workshop held at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches. Carolyn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Carroll of Talco will be president of the Rivercrest Student Council next year and Kathy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pirtle of Bogata, will be secretary. Both will be seniors this fall at Rivercrest.

Smith Family Loses Mobile Home In Fire

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed a mobile home about a mile south of Talco Friday at approximately 12:30 p.m. The three bedroom mobile home of Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Smith, located in a patch of woods just east of Crawford Lane, was a total loss.

Smith said he had been to a drug store in Mount Pleasant and while crossing White Oak bottom noticed the smoke, but thought it to be an oil pit fire. When he arrived home one end of the home was engulfed in flames. Mrs. Smith and young daughter were in Naples visiting another daughter. The Smiths had moved to mobile home to that location only two months ago.



More Fishing Needed For Proper Farm Management

"We just don't do enough fishing," said Don Stevens, a biologist with the Soil Conservation Service. Probably this is one of the major causes of fish from farm ponds being small and sometimes hard to catch. Three to five hundred hours of fishing is needed for each surface acre of water in a pond.

This is just one of many

problems connected with trying to manage farm ponds. District Conservationist Charles VanDeaver said "most of the questions I am asked about pond management are how to clean out a pond or in other words to kill out the fish, what kinds of fish and how many to stock, and how to eliminate aquatic weeds."

Rotenone presently is the

only chemical cleared for use in ponds. In all cases follow label instructions. Stevens pointed out that "fish taken should not be eaten." For effective use of rotenone, water temperature should be above 70 degrees F. Use 3 pounds of 5 percent powdered rotenone per acre foot or one gallon of liquid rotenone per six acre feet. When either bullhead catfish, green sunfish or gar are known to be in the pond, double this rate.

Most fish for stocking are obtained through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. They will determine the number you need according to the surface acres. "I recommend different species and combination of species according to the size of the pond. This combination usually consist of channel or blue catfish, black bass, hybrid sunfish, and fathead minnows for ponds smaller than five surface acres. Ponds larger than five surface acres may have crappie added to the combination," said Stevens.

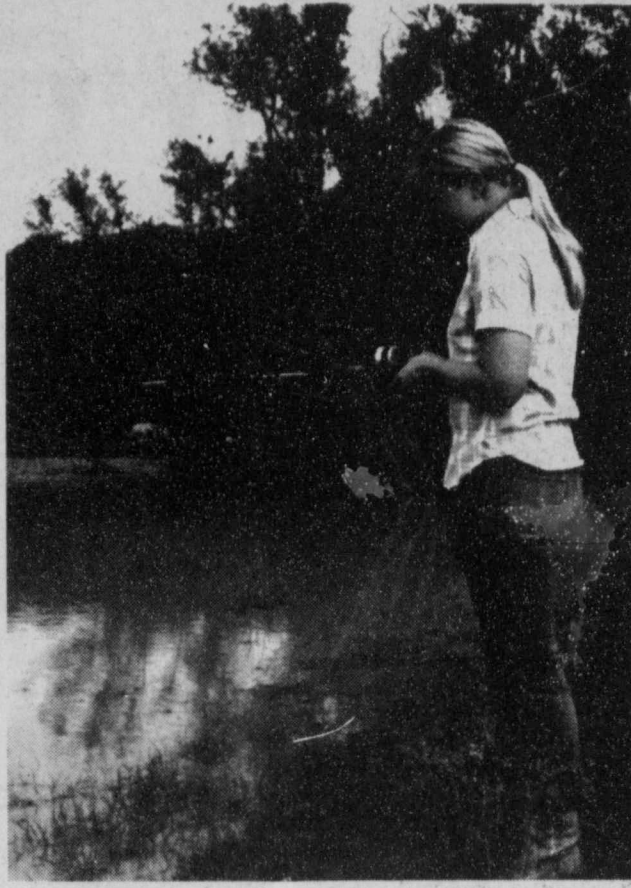
Aquatic vegetation can be controlled by herbicides, fertilizers, fish, or mechanical means. There are so many restrictions on herbicides, that few can be used in ponds.

Fish such as tilapia eat lots of vegetation. The main drawback of using tilapia is

that they cannot survive our winters. They have to be restocked each spring. Fertilizer usually give adequate control when application is started early enough, applied as directed and the pond does not have a lot of shallow water. Fertilization

should be started when water temperatures reach 60 degrees F. One hundred pounds of 10-10-2 per surface acre should be applied initially and at about 2-week intervals thereafter until a growth of microscopic organisms occur called a plankton bloom. A desired plankton bloom should be maintained by applying additional fertilizer throughout the summer until water temperature cools below 60 degrees F.

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FISHING—Part of management of farm ponds requires three to five hundred hours of fishing per

surface acre. Good fishing is the end result of good management.

Besides filtering out sunlight needed for nuisance aquatic vegetation to grow, plankton also is food for fish," said Stevens.

Mechanical means, such as dragging a chain through a pond to remove vegetation requires considerable labor with results that are usually short-lived.

Good pond management is maintaining the desired balance between fish numbers and kinds, and food. As long as this balance exists, fishing should be good with a big lugger caught every so often.

District Conservationist VanDeaver states that "additional technical assistance on

Talco Personals

Mrs. Allean Fussell of Dickinson arrived Monday to visit her mother, Mrs. Martha Perry, a resident of the Golden Years Lodge in Mount Pleasant and her sisters, Mrs. Ollie Reid and Mrs. Omie Hanks, of Talco, and Mrs. Bill Smith of Mount Pleasant.

Mrs. Diana Mueller and two daughters of Shawnee, Oklahoma have returned home after visiting her mother, Mrs. Ruby Harcrow.

Weekend guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller were Mrs. Miller's niece, Mrs. Diana Mueller, and two daughters of Shawnee, Oklahoma, and her sister, Mrs. Claude King, of Henderson. The Miller's granddaughter, Angela Miller, and her mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Miller, of Henderson were also visiting the Millers. Mary Ann and Angela also visited relatives in Joliet.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hood were hosts to Sunday dinner at Ricks in Mount Pleasant honoring his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hood, and the Rev. and Mrs. Barney Treece, Brandon and Teresa.

Mrs. Jewell Butler and Mrs. Ivy Smith attended Homecoming at Cuthand Sunday. Mrs. Ivy Smith was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mauldin of Bogata. They enjoyed lunch under the Oaks and old time singing led by Raymond Mauldin during the afternoon. Mrs. Jewell Butler visited friends and relatives during the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hood, John Wesley and Cecilia and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Jones returned home Thursday after vacationing at Lake Greason in Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Reed and Mrs. J. C. McGonagill attended the Golden Wedding

Anniversary and open house of Mr. and Mrs. Hose Goode at their home in the Panthers Chapel Community Sunday afternoon. They also visited with Mrs. Reed's cousins, Mrs. Carl Brown, Mrs. Jay Reed, of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. Van Vanderhoof of Durant, Oklahoma at Mrs. Brown's home in Hagansport.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Owings and Kathy have returned home after vacationing at Wright Patman Lake, near Texarkana. Visiting here during the week with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Foster were Mrs. Brack McDonald and boys of Arlington; Mr. and Mrs. James A. Foster and family of Garland; and Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Couch of Texas City. The James A. Fosters also visited her mother, Mrs. W. S. Richardson.

Miss Alice Ruth Tidwell arrived home Monday after a two weeks visit with her aunt, Mrs. R. A. Tate, in Kountz.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayman Alexander attended the Alexander family reunion at the recreation hall in Stephenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hood, John Wesley and Cecilia and Cliff Martin attended Six Flags over Texas Friday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wesson.

Mrs. Ivy Smith spent Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Louie Roberts in Paris. They treated her to a fish dinner at Gray's.

The C. W. (Charley) Jones family reunion will be held August 8, 1976, at Dellwood Park in Mount Pleasant. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Omie Hanks spent the weekend with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Newman and family of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Mack McElmore and children, Kevin, Kirk and Kara, of Plano are visiting here this week with her mother, Mrs. Dan Seay and Mike, and with her sister, Mrs. Charley Roberts and family.

Mrs. Margaret Armstrong of Long Beach, California visited her mother, Mrs. Mary Smith, over the weekend.

Twelve members of the U.M.W. of the Bridges Chapel Methodist Church met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Mildred Horton in Talco. The devotion was given by Mrs. Horton and the lesson, "Isaiah, the Prophet" was presented by Mrs. Dero Morton. Closing prayer was given by Mrs. Fern Grissom.

Mrs. Old Parker and daughter, Mary Lynn, of Rolla, Arkansas spent Thursday with Mrs. Parker's sister, Mrs. Kate McElroy.

Mrs. Melvin Rolf and daughter, Dynphania, of Mount Pleasant spent Thursday with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Roberts visited her mother, Mrs. W. E. Puckett, in Gilmer recently.

House guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Kaylor Saturday and Sunday night were their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams and two sons, Rusty and Stephen, of Claremont, North Carolina. They were enroute to Dallas, San Angelo and Colorado.

Mrs. Lyda Ross of Pine Bluff, Arkansas and her son, Bill Ross, of Garland were Thursday visitors in the home of their sister and aunt, Mrs. W. W. Belcher.

Belinda Burgin of Daingerfield spent the weekend with her grandmother, Mrs. Ella Burgin.

Armyworms Marching In Lamar

Armyworms continue to devour large areas of grass in Lamar County and the entire area. However, the presence of the worms appeared to decrease somewhat the latter part of the week.

Farmers and ranchers should continue to check their pastures and meadows for the pest. There have been several reports of lost hay cuttings due

to the worms. When present in large numbers, entire pastures can be riddled in a short time. Producers with highly fertilized meadows should particularly check their fields daily.

Let's take a look at the chemicals that can be used. Sevin can be used at the rate of one and one-half pounds per acre. Cattle may continue to graze the grass and hay or silage harvested.

There is a 15 day wait when using Parathion. If animals can be held off pastures or harvesting delayed for this period of time, this chemical should be considered because it will be cheaper.

Dibrom can also be used on grasses. It should not be used on forage sorghums. However, there is a four day wait before harvesting.

All of these chemicals will do a fine job of controlling the worms, and they will also kill bees. Be considerate of your neighbors who have bees. Notify them before you spray. If at all possible, spray when the bees are not in the field.

Evening or early morning treatments, between 7:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. generally are most satisfactory.

Sevin would be recommended for use in yards because of its safety factor with vegetables, pets and humans. Keep in mind that the effects of these chemicals will last for a few days. Therefore, one should have the worms present before applying the chemical.

MIDGE It is very probable that sorghum blooming after this date will need at least one spray for the control of Midge. There are some areas of the county that have not had high infestation rates, however, we anticipate very high infestation rates the remainder of the season. Farmers in the bloom stage during the early morning and late evening times.

Smith Family Reunion Observed

The family of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith of Wilkinson observed their annual family reunion at Dellwood Park in Mount Pleasant last Sunday. There were approximately 50 grandchildren and great-grandchildren and 11 of their 12 children.

Those from Talco were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brown, Mrs. Roger Cabell and Mr. and Mrs. Garth Ottinger.

Chad Ingram Honored On Fourth Birthday

Chad Ingram, son of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Ingram, was honored recently on his fourth birthday with a party at his home.

Birthday cake, ice cream, and punch were served and favors were balloons and bubbles.

Those attending were Danny, Kevin and Rickey Beene, Ryan and Clay Simmons, Tracie Pryor, Kevin and Tony Thomas.

Also attending were Mrs. Don Pryor, Mrs. L. E. Ingram, Jr., Mrs. J. D. Thomas, Jr., Mrs. Dale Thomas, Mrs. Bobby Beene and Mrs. Roger Simmons.

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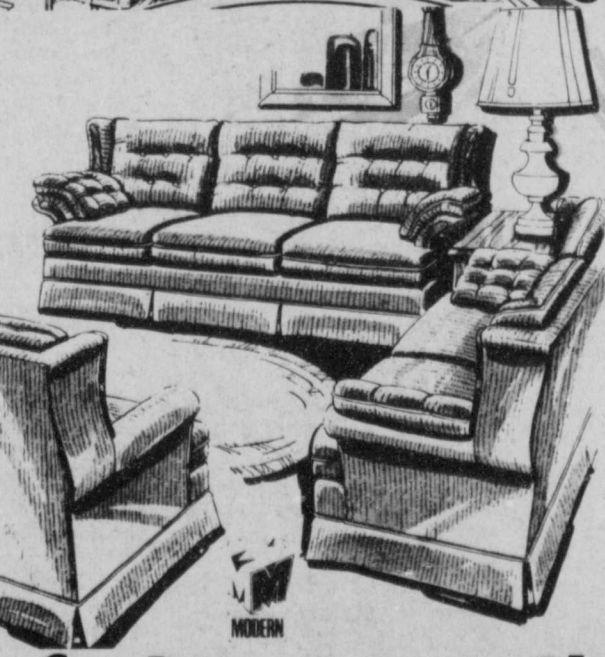
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July 29, 1914-A successful telephone conversation between one person in New York and another in San Francisco heralds the construction of the first transcontinental telephone line in the United States.

July 30, 1866-Residents of New Orleans stage mass demonstrations protesting moves to grant Negroes the right to vote.

July 31, 1940-Adolf Hitler bans the practicing of Christian Science in Germany.

August 1, 1876-Colorado Day is established as a national holiday in that state, commemorating the day when President Grant signed the proclamation admitting Colorado into the Union as the 38th state.

August 2, 1858-Boston and New York install the first street letter boxes for the collection of mail.

August 3, 1951-Authorities at West Point's U.S. Military Academy dismiss 90 cadets, including most members of the football team, for cheating in examinations.

Bobby Moore President Of 1977 Moore Family Reunion

Bobby Moore was elected president of the 1977 Moore family reunion when the family and friends gathered this year at South Lake, near Clarksville, July 24, 25 and 26.

Other officers elected were James and Margie (Moore) Walker, Mesquite, secretary and treasurer; Max Moore, Irving, was re-elected master of ceremonies and co-ordinator; and Lloyd and Linda (Moore) Vogh, Allen, Texas, entertainment chairmen. The 1977 reunion will be held the third weekend of July at South Lake.

Those attending this year's reunion were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Moore and Brenda, Rushville, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vogh, John Allen and Sherri, Allen, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Max Moore, Tim and

Becky, Irving; Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Moore, Grand Prairie; Oma Moore, Bogata; Don L. Weeks, Mesquite; Mr. and Mrs. Willie Provence, Midland; Mrs. Norah L. Hank, Waldron, Indiana; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Moore and Carol, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. Rick Polk, Brandy and Lance, Euless; Mr. and Mrs. Don Schmaltz, Washington, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. James Walker, Kathy and Kim, Mesquite.

Mrs. Connie Pinkston, Donna

and Medrith, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Langston, Mesquite; Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Smith, Mesquite; Mr. and Annie Lee Moore, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Williams, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sheffield, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moore, Slaton, Texas; Mark Duffee, Bells, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Rufus L. Moore, Brownwood, Texas; Mrs. Gracie Sanders, Shawnee, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moore, Slaton; Mrs. Helar Mills, Perryton, Texas; Ennis and Nettie Moore, Bogata; Coy and Alta Williams, Carrollton; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Williams, Clarksville; Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Hokett, Honey Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Jodi Parish, Irving.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Parish, John and Kathy, Garland; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Carr, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. Gene White and Gary, Bogata; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marrow, Dallas; Don Duffee, Bells; Bill Kyle and Avret L. Vaughan, Joliet; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Corbell; Mr. and Mrs. Fred White; and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Moore, Adana and Marsha, Bogata.

Sixteen Pennsylvanians work to make sure there'll be enough business to keep that steadily growing population working. They work for the State Department of Commerce as "regional representatives." They are pulse-takers, expeditors, information-dispensers, problem-solvers and all-round-catalysts for business in Pennsylvania.

On the average, according to the U.S. Bureau of the Census, the population of Pennsylvania grows by about half a percent every year.

Bogata Man Arraigned For Hot Check Writing

Red River County Justice of the Peace Bill McDonough said Tuesday he had arraigned and placed in the County Jail Gary Don Savage, a black male from Bogata, for warrants issued against Savage for writing hot checks.

McDonough said that the checks and fines totaled \$209, and the complaint had been signed by Travis King of Fullbright.

A shooting incident investigated by Red River Deputy Sheriff Billy Mitchell Tuesday afternoon was reported to be an accident, with a nine-year-old boy shooting himself in the leg while playing with a pistol.

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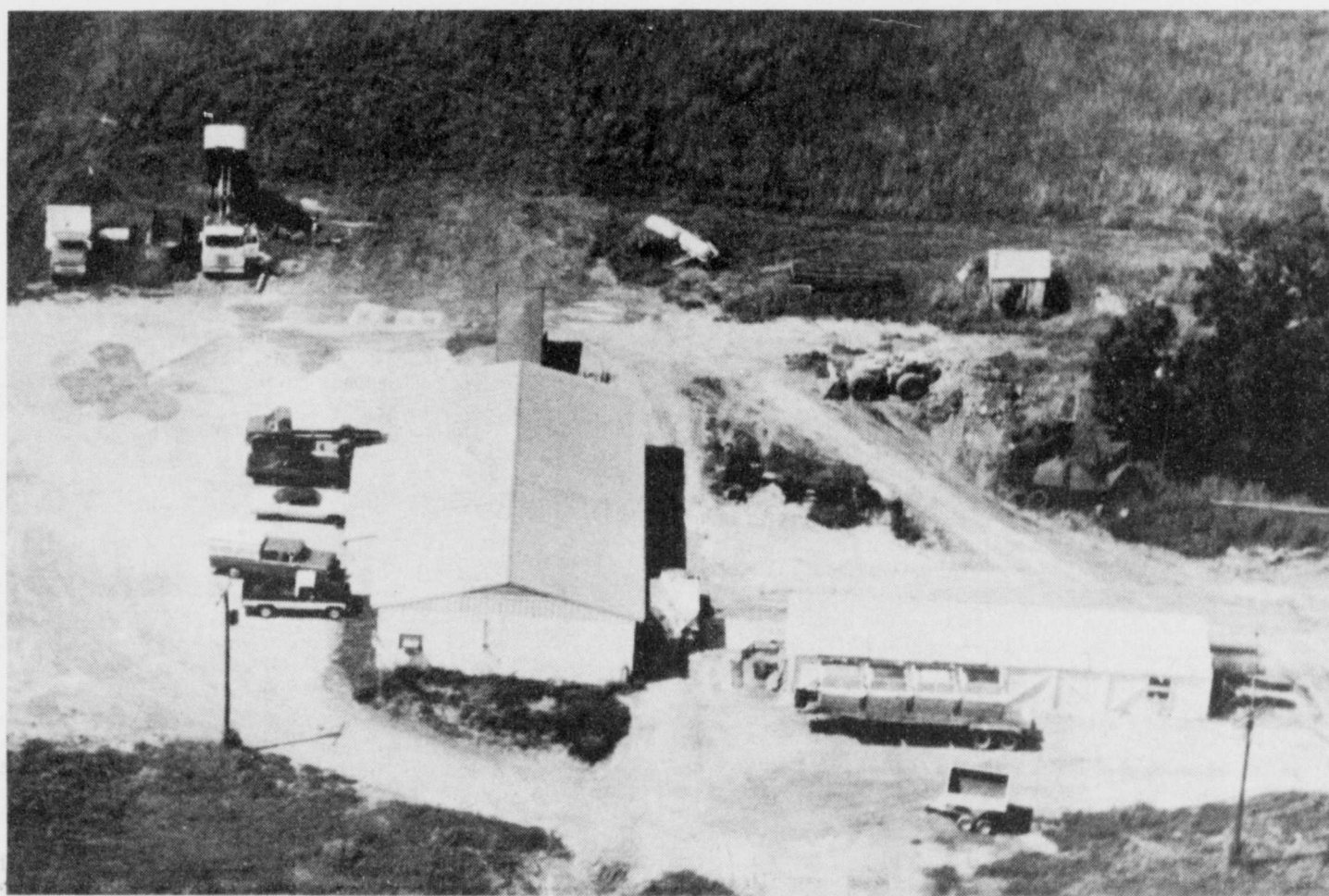
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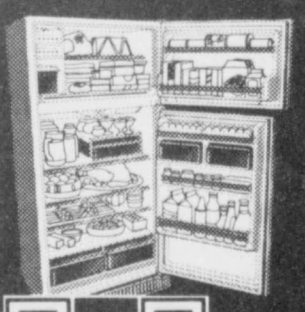
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The family of Morris Fisher wishes to thank all their friends for the flowers, food, and many other acts of kindness. They send a special thanks to all the pallbearers, the Rev. Glen Renfro and Mrs. Marjo Griffin who sang.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all friends and relatives who did so much for us during the recent loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Dr. E. E. Brooks, James Wood and Albert Roach. The Dave Puckett Family.

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FOR SALE—Black & White Zenith TV. Nina Hudson, 632-5973, Bogata.

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On July 30, 1776, at Quebec, Burnswidker DeRoi the Elder noted in his journal as follows: "An eclipse of the moon this evening and found



that our calculations in regard to the difference in the rising and the sun here and in Brunswick, 5 hours and 24 minutes, were correct."

Obituaries

Jessie C. (Jack) Taylor

Jessie C. (Jack) Taylor of the Taylortown community died at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 1976, at St. Joseph's Hospital. Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at the Union Church in Taylortown. Interment was in Union Cemetery in Taylortown with Leverett and Steele Funeral Home of Paris in charge of arrangements.

Taylor was born January 6, 1910, in Aberdeen, Mississippi, a son of the late Jessie B. Taylor and Ila G. (Clemons) Taylor. He married Miss Etta Archer on October 23, 1932, in Hugo, Oklahoma. He was a member of the union Church at Taylortown and was a World War II Army veteran. He was a retired employee of Lamar County Precinct I.

Survivors include his widow; three sons, Ralph Taylor of Paris, David Taylor of Fort Worth and R. A. Taylor of Hurst; one step-son, Jack Roddy of Santa Monica, California; one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Jessie Lee) Keel of Vidor; five brothers, Ira Taylor of Cunningham, Carl Ford Taylor of Ridgewood, California, J. B. Taylor of Paris, Eugene L. Taylor of Blossom and Charles Taylor of Paris; four sisters, Mrs. Reba Mae Breeden of Lancaster, California, Mrs. Ida Lou Jamar of Shreveport, Louisiana, Mrs. Louise Reed of Paris and Mrs. C. E. Manson of Houston; nine grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Corey Bell

Corey Bell, 87, of Deport died at 11:00 a.m. Monday, July 26, 1976 at McCuiston Regional Medical Center in Paris.

Funeral services were to be held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church in Deport with the Rev. Fred Hunter, pastor, officiating. Burial was to be in Highland Cemetery in Deport under the direction of Grant Funeral Home.

Bell was born October 29, 1888, in Deport, son of Frank and Minnie (Grant) Bell. He married Mildred Strickland in 1912 in Deport.

Survivors include his widow; one daughter, Mrs. Hugh (Evelyn) Hammett of Longview; one grandson; two great-grandchildren; four brothers, Stanley Bell, Russie Bell and Jack Bell, all of Deport, and Rankin Bell of Sherman; and one sister, Miss Norma Bell of Deport.

Named as pallbearers were Dick Burden, Dugan Foster, Delbert Norman, Mack Webb, Duane Glover and Sammy Kelsey.

Paul Yates

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday morning, July 20, 1976, in Dallas for Paul Irvin Yates who died Sunday in Dallas.

Yates retired from the U.S. Army 10 years ago and had made his home in Dallas since then. He was a Japanese prisoner for 48 months during World War II. He was born in Paris, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Yates.

Survivors include three children, Mrs. Jimmy Keys of Deport; Paul Yates Jr. of Paris and Paula Yates of Minneapolis, Minnesota; a brother, Russell Yates of Dallas; and a sister, Mrs. Imogene Trevino of Houston.

Dr. A. N. Foster

Dr. A. N. Foster of El Paso died at Providence Memorial Hospital there at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, July 25, 1976. He was the husband of the former Miss Marie Stubblefield of Paris and was retired as head of the Education Department of the University of Texas at El Paso.

Funeral services were held in El Paso. Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday July 28, 1976 at Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home of Paris. The Rev. Gary Regan officiated.

He is a brother-in-law of H. L. Stubblefield of Bogata.

Morris Fisher

Morris L. Fisher, 68, of Fulbright, died at 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, 1976, at the Veterans' Administration Hospital, Dallas.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday in Grant Funeral Home Chapel, Deport. The Rev. Glen Renfro officiated. Burial was in Highland Cemetery, Deport.

Fisher was born October 25, 1907, in Red River County, a son of Joe and Ida May (Lee) Fisher. He married the former Essie Massingill in 1945 in Paris. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of Warren Teague Post of the American Legion.

Survivors are his widow; and two brothers, Fred Fisher of Clarksville and Arthur Fisher of Fulbright.

Pall bearers were, Clyde and Marion Mitchell, Bunky Smith, Travis King, Dick Burden, and Howard Reeves.

Harry Jones Scott

Harry Jones Scott, 53, of Jacksonville, Florida, formerly of Lamar County, died Friday, July 9, 1976, in Jacksonville.

Funeral services were held in Decatur, Alabama.

Scott was born September 2, 1922, in the Marvin Community, son of J. R. Scott and Tillie (Jones) Scott. He attended schools in the Marvin community and at Deport. He lived in Lamar County until he joined the Navy about 1944.

He is survived by his widow, Barbara, of Jacksonville, Florida, a sister, Mrs. Claude W. Hudson of Decatur, Alabama; two brothers, P. H. Scott of San Diego, California and Charles R. Scott of Dallas; and his aunt, Mrs. O. E. Hayes of Paris.

Mrs. N. G. Blakemore

Mrs. N. G. Blakemore of Norman, Oklahoma, died Tuesday July 20, in a Norman hospital.

Mrs. Blakemore, the former Neva Merl Davis, was born in Bogata, the daughter of Will and Mattie Bryson Davis.

She is survived by her husband, of Norman, one son, and two grandchildren. Mrs. Hattie Lee Ragsdill, Mrs. H. C. Watson and Mrs. James Gibson are cousins.

Miss Dessie Lovell

Miss Dessie Mary Lovell, 75, of Bogata died at 4:45 a.m. Monday, July 26, 1976 at her residence.

Funeral services were held 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 28, 1976 at the First Baptist Church. The Rev. A. I. Bond and the Rev. Bill Pirtle officiated. Burial was made in the Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Bogata Funeral Home.

Miss Lovell was born August 21, 1900 in Titus County, a daughter of Jeff W. and Laura (Wilsford) Lovell. She was a member of the Baptist Church and a life-long Red River County resident.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Doshie Moore and Miss Sally Lovell, and one brother, Bud Lovell, all of Bogata; and many nieces and nephews.

THE GOOD WORD from the Bible

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. Psalms 1: 1, 2

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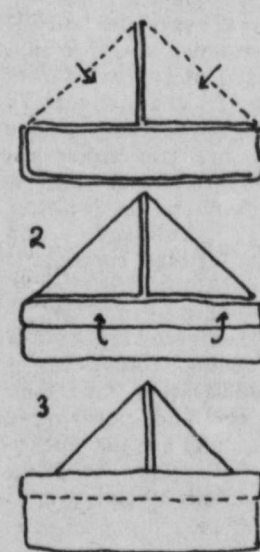
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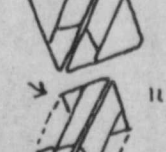
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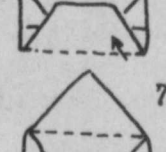
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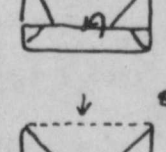
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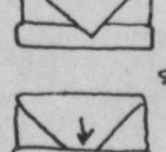
6. Fold lower flap up.



7. Fold flap down and tuck it behind the "band."



8. Turn paper over again and fold point down to bottom edge.



9. Tuck point into band.



10. Open the cap and bring lower corners of cap together at center, forming a flat square.



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JULY 30-AUGUST 5

FORT WORTH—The useless waste of money on weddings and funerals calls for reform. Extravagance makes young men dread marriage and death.

FORT WORTH—Henceforth the supplies for the army posts of the West, hundreds and thousands of tons of freight, will be shipped from the "City of Heights." Yesterday, Major Strang, quartermaster of the United States Army, arrived here, in obedience to orders from the War Department and established headquarters here.

SAN ANTONIO—An example will yet have to be made of some of the drivers of vehicles in this city, for leaving a horse, or horses, standing alone in the streets while they go into houses, generally barrooms. They thus cause runaways dangerous to the lives and property of citizens generally. We demand of the city authorities that they punish every such case to the fullest extent the ordinances allow, except where there is a valid excuse.

HOUSTON—The great railroad feat of changing the gauge from broad to standard on the Houston and Texas Central began at daylight this morning. The change is necessary because almost all of the other major roads in the state are built at the narrower gauge, necessitating transfer of all passengers and freights going to Houston. Preparations for the change, including new, narrower cars have been in progress for some time. With two teams working, it is expected that the job will be finished by tomorrow morning.

AUSTIN—On July 31, the Legislature rescinded the motion to adjourn sine die on that date and agreed to stay in session until the important pending legislation is finished. The action was initiated by the Senate, and a message from the governor urging the House to concur was sent in the afternoon. After heated debate and controversial parliamentary maneuvers the House agreed. One effect is to give the Texas and Pacific Railroad the extra three weeks it requires to fulfill the requirements of its charter and avoid forfeiture of its lands.

NEW BRAUNFELS—The murderer of Miss Emma Voelcker was shot dead Saturday night through the window of the court house by an unknown person in the presence of 40 men as a guard. However sweet the revenge to the perpetrator, thinking people consider that he robbed the law and society of their revenge, and is in a legal sense guilty of assassination.

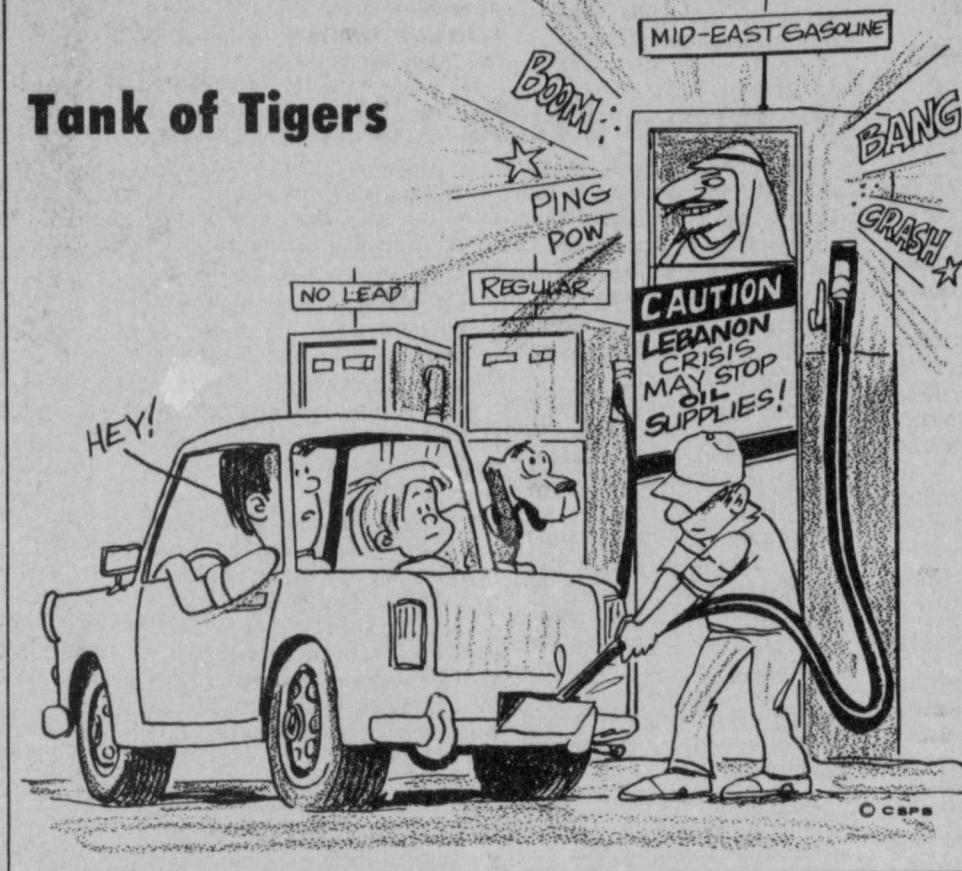
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Forecast Period: August 1 to August 7

- ARIES** Mar. 21-Apr. 19 You'll receive news this week that will give you a window to see how your job, task or project will make out. Also, watch what you say.
- TAURUS** Apr. 20-May 20 Whether or not you truly like someone is beside the point. This week, it's advisable for you to be courteous to a member of the opposite sex.
- GEMINI** May 21-June 20 By way of a third party, you're going to hear about an inconvenience you'll have to face within the next few days.
- MOONCHILD** June 21-July 22 Watch the fun games, parties and that sort of thing. You might be doing things that you should not be doing.
- LEO** July 23-Aug. 22 This day happens to be one of those phases when you should not be concerned about what someone has done...but, rather what they are about to do.
- VIRGO** Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Today, many members of your sign face a "go it alone" type of project. Whatever you do—don't rely on any help to come from your associates.
- LIBRA** Sept. 23-Oct. 22 Avoid topics directed toward politics or religion. According to your chart, it's highly probable that a provocative discussion will explode among your associates.
- SCORPIO** Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Keep your personal problems to yourself. According to your chart, an associate wants to exchange secrets—but, behind the scene mischievous motives are at work.
- SAGITTARIUS** Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Pay close attention to a member of the opposite sex's gestures. It seems as though you'll discover hidden motives and real intentions.
- CAPRICORN** Dec. 22-Jan. 19 Whether money or the lack of it...is the root of all evil, could be controversial. An exchange of words, because of finances is in the scheme of things.
- AQUARIUS** Jan. 20-Feb. 18 Being humble, most certainly, is not one of your stronger points. This week, however, paying tribute to an associate, whether or not it's deserved, will pay off.
- PISCES** Feb. 19-Mar. 20 Most members of your sign face a week of serious talks with the opposite sex. Make certain that the wrong word doesn't snowball into big things.

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view Organizations made up of local doctors who review the care prescribed by their fellow doctors. If a doctor (or other practitioner) comes to treat you or you visit him for treatment, more often than is the usual medical practice in your area, Medicare would not cover the "extra" visits unless there are medical complications. Medicare cannot cover more services than are reasonable and necessary for your treatment. Any decision of this kind is always based on professional medical advice.



The Speaker Reports

by Bill Clayton

AUSTIN—Recently Pollster Louis Harris told the National Governors Conference that the American public, by almost 3-1, feels state governments can be trusted more than the federal government.

That poll concluded that citizens overwhelmingly feel the federal government is more wasteful, gives the taxpayers less for the tax dollar and is more corrupt than state governments. The consensus is that state government really cares what happens to the people.

Nationally syndicated columnist Neal Peirce, probably the country's leading journalistic student of the states today, said at the conference that the states are awakening from a long hibernation and that they have immense potential for creative change as the nation begins its third century.

The key words for the states are that if they are to fulfill their destiny they must show sufficient courage and the will to employ their array of constitutional powers.

We in Texas, although a state, have become the size and have the problems once reserved for nations. Our population of 12.3 million citizens, were we an independent country, would exceed that of more than 100 other nations and even more than 100 in land area.

One question being asked is how strong is state government today.

According to state scholars such as Peirce, the states are in a much healthier condition and are more honest and responsive to people's needs than they have been over the long stretch of our national history.

I think that is especially true in Texas where our leg-

islators are well qualified by reason of adequate staffing, good information and planning procedures. The increase in public higher education, competitive bidding, development of professionalism among state employees, all have combined to strengthen state government as a unit.

Still the experts say that they cannot say with certainty how well state governments will survive over the next 100 years. While one road leads toward a continued rise to excellence and effectiveness, the other road leads downward.

That lower road would have the states, at best, as powerless administrative shells of an all encompassing federal government. At worst, we would see the obliteration of state government.

We must not let our states travel that lower road. We have seen where direct governance from Washington in the 1960's ended in massive failures. Federal bureaucracy is too remote to administer state or local affairs responsibly.

During the third century we in Texas must be watchful to stay off the lower road. State government must remain democratic, open and accessible tool of the people's collective will.

We can provide that close relationship of citizen to government. The polls show the people believe that is what is happening today. We must see that it continues for all our tomorrows.

CONSUMER GUIDELINES

Energy & Safety

The national energy policy calling for a 40 per cent fuel economy improvement in cars by 1980 could result in a 40 per cent increase in highway deaths over the next ten years, a study shows. The study warned

that prompt action must be taken to provide greater protection for drivers and passengers in the increasing number of smaller cars being put on the road in the interest of fuel conservation.

Texas Taxes



By BOB BULLOCK, State Comptroller

AUSTIN—Beginning August 1st, the Comptroller's Office will have a new easy-to-remember, toll-free taxpayer information and assistance number. It is: 1-800-252-5555. You may call without charge from anywhere in Texas.

Since we instituted the program in January, we have received between 7,000 and 8,000 calls per month—a total of approximately 50,000 inquiries from Texas taxpayers.

We now have six lines instead of two, in order to give taxpayers quicker answers to their state tax questions.

The lines are in operation during regular working hours to handle any and all State tax questions and problems.

The calls come in first to our central switchboard and are then transferred to the appropriate division where specialists in the various taxes can answer your questions.

The Comptroller's Office deals with more than 500,000 taxpayers in connection with the collection of more than two dozen different state taxes. So it is not surprising that several hundred questions a day need to be answered.

Providing those answers is our responsibility and we have an obligation to make those answers available as

quickly and cheaply as possible. Doing so saves taxpayers and the Comptroller's office time, money, and trouble.

The foundation of tax collection is voluntary compliance. This is especially true of the sales tax where literally millions of transactions go into making up the billions of dollars we collect and deposit in the State Treasury.

We find that the vast majority of taxpayers want to comply with the tax laws. We want to help them do just that and we feel the toll-free tax information service is a valuable aid.

The toll-free tax assistance line, along with the 38 local Comptroller's Field Offices scattered around the state, are there to help taxpayers. The telephone numbers and addresses of our Field Offices are in the telephone directory under "Texas, State of... Comptroller."

We feel that taxpayers should take advantage of this means of getting accurate information quickly, thereby preventing problems before they start—which represents money saved for both the taxpayer and the state.

So, when in doubt about matters that concern Texas taxes, remember to call us toll-free at: 1-800-252-5555.



The Consumer Alert

by John L. Hill
Attorney General

AUSTIN—Our Consumer Protection and Insurance, Banking, and Securities Divisions, along with the State Securities Board, which our office represents in litigation, have moved successfully to stop fraudulent Schedule "D" offerings to potential investors in oil and gas well drilling ventures in Texas.

But there are other ways in which inexperienced investors may be approached by unscrupulous promoters offering a chance to "make a killing" by investing in drilling ventures.

One area which some former fraudulent Schedule "D" offerings are reportedly moving into is the "private offering" of an investment opportunity, since a "private offering" does not have to be registered with either the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission or the State Securities Board.

A legitimate private offering must meet certain criteria: there must be no public solicitation of investors; there must be no more than 35 investors; there must be some "relationship of trust" between the investors and the offeror (for example, all might be relatives or friends of the offeror); and generally the investors must be relatively sophisticated about investment matters.

Our office is studying reports that some former Schedule "D" operators are misusing the "private offering" exemption in much the same way Schedule "D" was being misused.

Another method by which some unscrupulous former Schedule "D" operators are reported to be continuing their efforts to obtain money from investors is the federal oil and gas lease lottery business, or the

"simultaneous offering" as it is officially designated.

The federal government each month offers oil and gas leases on government-owned land through a lottery system operating in 11 cities (none of which is in Texas). Participants pay a \$10 fee and agree if they win to pay the first year's rent of 50 cents per acre on the lease within 15 days after the lottery. Lottery winners hope to sell drilling rights on the land to oil and gas companies and reap a percentage of any production.

There are many reputable individuals and service companies that assist persons wishing to participate in these lotteries. Their services usually include helping the layman decide which lease lottery is a likely prospect, filing for that lottery on behalf of the investor, arranging to resell the lease if the investor later desires, and sometimes paying the first year's rent within the 15 days for lottery winners. For their services, these promoters and service companies get a fee that may range from \$20 up to several thousands of dollars.

Our attorneys point out that unscrupulous promoters and service companies may recommend leases that have little prospect of oil and gas production, they may try to purchase a winner's lease rights for less than they are worth, and some companies have been charged with mail fraud in connection with the lotteries.

They also caution that even when you deal with reputable promoters your chance of winning a lottery is very small, and there's a good possibility that if you win, you could get stuck with a lease on land that is worthless for drilling.

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FPC Ruling Allows Better Service

All Texas intrastate utilities who are members of the Texas Interconnected System can now apparently reconnect with interstate members without being subject to Federal Power Commission jurisdiction.

The FPC Wednesday allowed emergency reconnection of the TIS without imposing federal regulation on the system's intrastate members. The Texas Public Utility Commission had issued an order May 21, stipulating that the reconnection should be made after obtaining the emergency order from FPC clarifying the status of TIS intrastate members.

Hospital News

Mrs. Willie Mae Hobson has been dismissed after surgery in the Nan Travis Hospital at Jacksonville.

Blanton Gage is home after spending several days in the Mount Pleasant Hospital and Clinic.

Sally Forsythe was a medical patient in the Mount Pleasant Hospital and Clinic last week.

Wylie Belcher was admitted to the Mount Pleasant Hospital and Clinic Monday morning.

Mrs. J. J. Forsythe took her son, Ronald, to Dallas Monday to enter him in Baylor Hospital for eye surgery.

Texas Interconnected System provides its members—9 electric utilities—cooperative emergency and peak-use energy capabilities. The system was disconnected in early May when one member extended its system across the Texas-Oklahoma border, thereby engaging in interstate business.

Chairman Garrett Morris remarked on the FPC ruling: "The Commission is pleased with FPC's order allowing reconnection of TIS members, and our staff is asking all parties involved to inform us of the reconnections as soon as

they are accomplished. Texas consumers benefit greatly from the system because member utilities avoid the expense of duplicating equipment. During the peak-use summer months or in the event of an emergency, immediate backup power is provided, so customers suffer no decline in service."

The following is a statement issued jointly Wednesday by the three members of the Public Utility Commission of Texas:

"The Federal Power Commission's decision today to permit reconnection of all

Haven Hears Bicentennial Program

Residents of Red River Haven were recently entertained with a Bicentennial program presented by Mrs. Iva Hooker, Mrs. Cleone Sullivan, and Mrs. Bessie Geese. Each lady represented a particular woman important in forming our history. Mrs. Iva Hooker then gave an account of her personal travels to such places as Pennsylvania where she saw the Liberty Bell, Betsy Ross's home, and the town of Hershey where the Hershey chocolate products are manufactured. Approximately 25 people enjoyed the informative program.

YHT Officers Plan Fall Program

The officers of the Rivercrest Young Homemakers planned programs for the upcoming year's work at a recent meeting. Dates were set for monthly meetings.

Officers for this year are Mrs. Susan Dodd, president; Mrs. Judy Barthel, vice president; Mrs. Sandra Ingram, first vice president; Mrs. Vickie Tabb, secretary; Mrs. Virginia Spencer, treasurer; and Mrs. Judy Vinyard, reporter.

Sponsors of the Rivercrest Young Homemakers are Mrs. Anita Stubblefield and Mrs. Bonnie Gage.

The next summer officers meeting will be August 31 at 7:00 p.m.

Texas electric utilities regardless of their interstate or intrastate status will mean an increased factor of reliability to Texas electricity consumers.

"With our summer peak-use period beginning and the LoVaca situation coming to a climax, the full reconnection—without jeopardizing the intrastate status of those utilities who wish to remain intrastate—is vital importance.

"The order issued by this Commission May 21, which permits interconnections pending FPC granting of emergency or permanent exemptions, can now be fully implemented and our staff is asking all parties involved to inform us of the reconnections as soon as they are accomplished.

Jobless Rate Climbing

The Texas jobless rate climbed to 6.1 percent in June. This is an increase of eight-tenths of one percent over the May rate, according to Texas Employment Commission Chairman Harold K. Dudley, who added that it is no cause for concern.

"There's an increase every June," Dudley said, "as students and others entering the labor market begin looking for jobs."

"Unemployment patterns since 1970 show larger fluctuations from May to June than the current increase," Dudley said. "The new figures actually are evidence of economic recovery. It appears that the economy is making a step in the right direction, but it is moving slowly."

During June, some 331,600 Texans were seeking jobs and 5,149,300 were employed.

"Texas continues to fare better than the nation as a whole," Dudley commented. "The national unadjusted rate for June is 8.0 percent—a full 1.3 percent higher than the May rate of 6.7 percent."

The TEC chairman predicted a gradual decline in joblessness in the months ahead.

"The unemployment rate will go down very reluctantly and very gradually," he said. "Since there seems to be little chance of a sudden superheating of the economy, further decline in the unemployment rate is expected to come slowly."

Unemployment rates in major labor areas of Texas in June include Abilene, 4.1 percent; Amarillo, 3.6 percent; Austin, 5.1 percent; Beaumont-Port Arthur-Orange, 7.5 percent; Brownsville-Harlingen-San Benito, 10.7 percent; Corpus Christi, 6.7 percent; El Paso, 9.6 percent; Galveston-Texas City, 7.6 percent;

Northams Note Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John Northam celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary with a quiet day at their home on 5th Street on Wednesday, July 28, 1976. The Northams were married at the home of Mrs. Northam's parents in the Rocky Branch Community near Daingerfield. The Rev. John Shaddix performed the ceremonies.

The couple have two children, Lu Rhea Stuart of Grannis, Arkansas and J. D. Northam of Manchester, Tennessee; seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Northam had retired from the State Highway Department several years ago, but had held several jobs since then. The couple has been residing in Talco for 43 years.



Household Workers Social Security Reports Due

Quarterly wage reports and social security contributions for household workers may be due by August 2, according to Emma H. Ware, social security district manager in Paris, Texas.

"People who pay a household worker \$50 or more in cash wages in any 3-month quarter must send a report of the wages, along with the social security contribution, to the Internal Revenue Service within one month after the end of the quarter," Mrs. Ware said.

Quarters are January-February-March, April-May-June, July-August-September, and October-November-December. Wage reports and social security contributions for the 2nd quarter of 1976 are due by August 2, Mrs. Ware said. "The date would be July 31, but July 31 falls on a

Saturday this year," she said. People who employ household workers may file the wage report on a form available at any Internal Revenue Service Office—Employer's Quarterly Tax Return for Household Employees (for Social Security)."

The social security contribution for a household employee is 5.85 percent of covered wages, and the employer pays a matching amount.

Social security contributions help build retirement, disability, survivors, and Medicare hospital insurance protection for workers and their families. People who employ household workers can get a free copy of the leaflet, "Social security and your household employee," at the Paris social security office at 2995 Lamar Avenue, Mrs. Ware said.

BASS—Rivercrest band members in the bass section are Kenneth Rape, Bill Baker, Michael Gaines, David Anderson and Scott Ward. (Staff Photo).



BIG EGG—Proud but relieved, this Rhode Island Red Hen shows off the big egg she produced. Mrs. Hen, owned by J.C. Meza, San Antonio, Texas, laid an egg measuring 7 1/4 inches around and 3 3/4 inches long.

Local CSA Grant Refunded

Congressman Sam B. Hall, Jr. announced today that the Community Services Administration has approved a refunding grant in the amount of \$51,054 to the Community Action Resource Services, Inc., which is located in Texarkana, Texas. This funding provides agency administration and general community programming, including family planning, senior citizens feeding, neighborhood services, youth employment, transportation of the needy, nutrition and home-making, as well as co-op grocery stores and winterization of poor homes. The area residents served by the Community Action Resource Services, Inc. are Bowie, Red River and Lamar Counties.

Lamar County First In Hay Production

Austin—Lamar County farmers placed first in 1975 Texas hay production with a crop of 111,200 tons, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White reported.

County farmers harvested 43,600 acres with an average yield of 2.6 tons per acre.

Moderate to light rainfall in the spring delayed growth and reduced early cuttings of hay around the state, but moisture

conditions improved, and both yield and quality increased.

Drought conditions returned to scattered areas in late summer and spread across the state as fall rains were generally below normal. In most regions, yields and late cuttings dropped off sharply as moisture supplies were used up.

Texas ranked eighth in the nation in hay production with a yield of 5,245,000 tons.

Complete figures on Texas field crops have been compiled in the "1975 Texas Field Crops Statistics." Copies may be obtained by writing Agriculture Commissioner John C. White,

Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

Political Zoo

Without permission from either, donkey and elephant were made over into the image of Democrats and Republicans by Thomas Nast. He was the "father" of the modern political cartoon, slashing out clever caricatures with venom in the last half of the 19th century. The Democratic donkey first appeared in a Nast cartoon in 1870 while the Republican elephant appeared originally in 1874.

Two Named As Outstanding Young Women Of America

Diane Marshall Gillitt of Lubbock and Patti Lynne (Smith) Knowles of Bogata have been named among the 7,000 Outstanding Young Women of America.

The Outstanding Young Women of America Program is designed to honor and encourage exceptional young women between the ages of 21 and 36 who have distinguished themselves in their homes, in their professions and in their communities. Accomplishments such as these

are the result of dedication, service and leadership—qualities which deserve to be recognized and remembered.

This is the goal of the many women's organizations, college alumni associations and public officials who nominate deserving young women to participate in the program. Serving as chairman of the program's Advisory Board is Mrs. Dexter Otis Arnold, honorary president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

NOTICE

Meeting of Board of Equalization

OF

Talco - Bogata Consolidated Ind. School District

For Franklin, Titus and Red River Counties

Will Be Held

At 10:00 a.m. Thursday

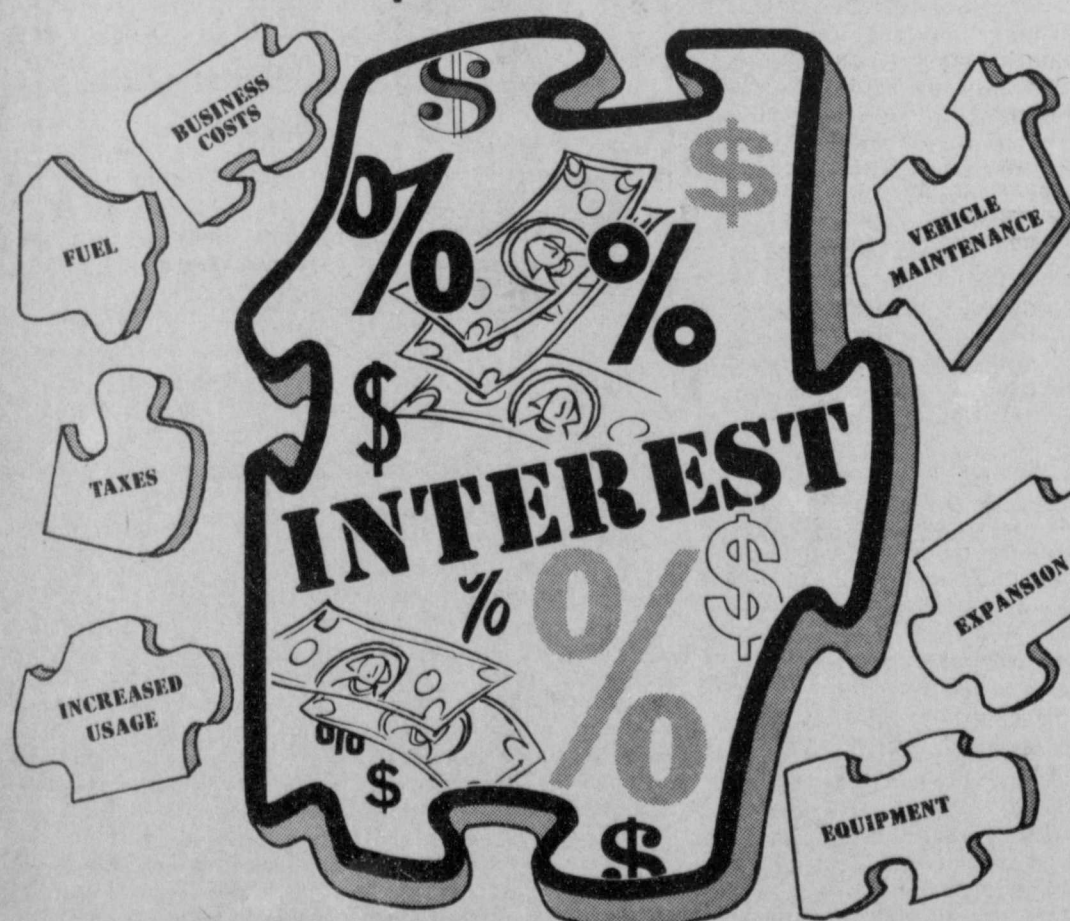
August 12, 1976

At Rivercrest High School

By Order of Secretary of Talco - Bogata CISD Board of Equalization.

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