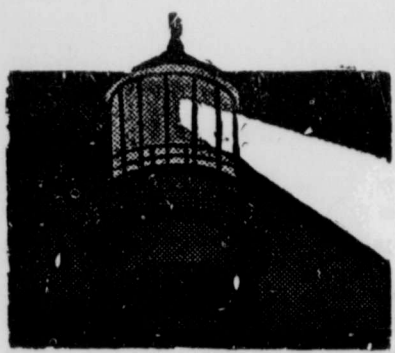




On The BEAM

J. W. KING, SR.

A very happy and prosperous New Year to everyone. It is our hope that during the year 1969 you will accomplish all the worthy things you set out to accomplish.

I hope that during the new year Loraine can do some things that will make for better living in our town and community. For one thing the water and sewer systems need improving and if the improvements are made everyone in town who buys fire insurance may save as much as 14 cents on the key rate for the city, a substantial saving to everyone. This saving would surely offset any costs incurred in making the improvements. For another thing our streets need improving. At the present time caliche is being hauled and placed on some of the worst streets and this practice will be continued as long as possible. Other improvements need to be made also.

In spite of boll weevil damage the Loraine area made a very good cotton crop in 1968. I hope something has been discovered that will control them but I am afraid the weevils will become immune to the poison and some year will destroy the entire crop. If I were farming I would keep looking for something to supplement a cotton crop.

SING FOR ROLAND HOME RESIDENTS

A group of singers from the Crockett-Smiley Church of Christ, with others, presented Christmas carols at Roland Home Tuesday during the Christmas tree party for residents there.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Alma Horton of Corpus Christi spent the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Richey.

Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Copeland had as guests through the holidays, four daughters and families; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bratcher of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Cotton and children of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Britton and children of Groom and Rev. and Mrs. Milton Thompson and children of Tatum, N. M.

Mrs. Al Dodds and little daughter, Alana, of Corpus Christi, spent the Christmas holidays with her grandparents, Mrs. L. W. Rhodes and Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hughes of Girard spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Furlow, Jr.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cain where her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Denton of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Horton of Odessa visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Richey Monday. Christmas day visitors were her sister, Mrs. Myrtle McDonald of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bailey, Gwen and Ray of Odessa.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cain Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Barney Borwig of Merkel.

Donna Holman of Austin spent Christmas week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Holman.

Upland Cotton Growers Approve Marketing Quotas for 1969 Crop

Preliminary returns show that the growers of upland cotton in a mail referendum in cotton-producing states December 2-6, approved marketing quotas for the 1969 crop by a 95.3 percent favorable vote, the U. S. Department of Agriculture has reported.

Returns showed a total vote of 288,165. Of this total, 276,122 voted for and 12,043 voted against.

Mitchell County approved quotas by a vote of 690 to 16 or 97.7%.

Texas approved quotas by 81,761 to 4,117 of 95.2%.

The preliminary results of the

referenda on quotas for upland cotton compare with results of the last referenda December 4-8, 1967, when 263,405 growers of upland cotton or 95.3 percent voted in favor of quotas, and 12,931 were opposed.

Since more than the necessary two-thirds of the growers voting have approved quotas on both types of cotton, marketing quotas will continue in effect for 1969 crops and growers who exceed farm acreage allotments will be subject to penalties on the farm's excess production.

Price support, including loans and payments, will be available to growers of both kinds of cotton who comply with the farm's effective acreage allotment.

The marketing quota penalty on "excess" upland cotton is 50 percent of the cotton parity price as of June 15, 1969. The penalty on extra long staple cotton is either 50 percent of the parity price as of June 15, 1969 or 50 percent of the support price for that kind of cotton, whichever is higher.

Brother-in-Law Dies In Louisiana

Mrs. C. A. Land received a message Monday of the death of a brother-in-law, Lucien Candler, at Arcadia, La.

Mr. Candler died after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Land's oldest sister, and one daughter.

PRESTON VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Preston, Janet and Paul, of Ontario, Calif. spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ham Preston. Another son, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Preston, John and Becky of Abilene joined them for the holiday.

The Vern Preston returned home Thursday.

MAHON FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Mahon were hosts for the J. B. Mahon family dinner at noon Christmas Day.

In the afternoon, they went to the J. B. Mahon home for their traditional family tree.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Mahon and family of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Mahon and children of San Angelo, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Rickman and children, Gordon Mahon and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Jaes Mahon of Abilene, and Cindy Mahon of San Angelo.

McDANIEL FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ward, Margie and Brad of Leland, Miss, spent the Christmas holidays with her aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McDaniel and in the Rex McDaniel and Delmar McDaniel homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex McDaniel hosted the Christmas day dinner for the families. Others present for the dinner were Mike McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Schumpert, all of H-SU, Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Preston and Mrs. Martha Riden of Loraine.

VISIT IN LEVELLAND

Mrs. Martin Dobbs and Tom visited their daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Kirby, Sandra and Steve in Levelland Wednesday and Thursday. Mrs. Dobbs attended a Christmas party and program of Sandra's at First Presbyterian Church, and Tom accompanied Mr. Kirby and attended an appreciation banquet at South Plains College when Gov. Elect Preston Smith and several state Representatives were present.

HOSPITAL

Admitted — Elic Hair, Jidy C. Harris, Mrs. Sarah Brame, J. W. Plummer, W. O. Clark, Mrs. Pedro Martinez, Mrs. Joe Limonez, Arlie Lee Banks, Mrs. Jimmy Oden, P. C. Smith.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Martinez, a 6 pound, 2 ounce boy on Dec. 19.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Limonez, a 9 pound girl on Dec. 21.

Dismissed — Mrs. George Hughes, Mrs. Helen Clay, Luis Helm, Elic Hair, Edwin Althof, John Jones, Mrs. Jewell Mitchell, Mrs. Ella Helm, Tommy Linam, Mrs. Pedro Martinez and baby, Mrs. Jimmy Oden, Mrs. Maude Harris, Mrs. Sarah Brame, Mrs. Joe Limonez and baby.

James Hegg Killed in Wreck

Ronald James Hegg, 22, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Honea of Colorado City, was killed in a motorcycle accident in Lubbock, Sunday, Dec. 22.

Funeral was held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Brookhollow Christian Church in Abilene, with the Rev. George Gibbs, pastor, officiating.

Mr. Hegg was a senior student at Texas Tech.

Other survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hegg of Abilene; a brother, Robert, freshman at Texas Tech; one sister, Janice, student at Abilene High School; maternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Yarbrough of Colorado City.

Tracy Beights Has Fifth Birthday

Mrs. Royce Beights entertained Tracy and a group of little friends Thursday, from 2:30 to 3:30 p. m., a compliment on her 5th birthday.

The refreshment table was centered with the birthday cake which was decorated with a miniature "Old Lady in the Shoe and her Children." The cakes was served with punch.

The children joined in singing the birthday song to Tracy, then played game. Watches were given as favors.

Present were Jana Britton, Britton, Pat Terry, Terri McCollum, Roger Graham, David and Yvonne Scarbrough. Also Mmes. Lennis McCollum, Joe Terry, Archie Scarbrough and Gene Britton.

Carroll Bowles Gets Army Discharge

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Bowles are at home in Snyder, where he is working for U.S.G. Magnesium Plant, after getting his discharge from the Army at Ft. Hood.

Carroll had been stationed at Fort Hood after returning to the States from Vietnam.

WAGONER GUESTS

Present for a Christmas dinner and tree at the R. R. Waggoner home on Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Daniel, Bobby Lou Schroeder, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Knott Jr. and son of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Pat McKinney and children of Colorado City and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Schroeder.

NARRELL FAMILY TOGETHER

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Narrell had their three sons and their families with them during Christmas week. Here were Mr. and Mrs. Billy Narrell of Hereford, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Narrell of Pampa, and Mr. and Mrs. Garland Narrell of Lubbock.

Winners Named In Decorating Contest

Prizes offered for the most beautifully decorated homes during the holiday season went to the Gene Liles, 1st place; 2nd prize to the Ed Miles, and 3rd prize, the Andy Compton home.

Fourth, fifth and sixth places were awarded to the Royce Mahon, Mrs. Jewel Wimberly and Wendell Banks homes.

Honorable mentions were the Woodrow Pratt, Ronald Bruce and Calvin Forbus homes.

There were some very attractive decorations. Some were emphasized by attractive and unique lighting effects, good themes were used and original arrangements and designs emphasized, and judge's decisions were hard to make.

Officials thank all who participated in the contest and were interested enough and had pride to decorate and make the city more beautiful during the holiday season.

Young People Have Christmas Program

Rilford Quattlebaum, youth and choir director of the First Baptist Church, directed the young people in a Christmas program, "Challenge of the Cross," Sunday evening at 6:30.

Sunday was youth day at the church and young men served as ushers and George Lee Jr. made announcements at the morning and evening services.

Joey Lucas at the organ and Susan Compton, pianist, furnished music for the evening service. With Rilford leading, others presenting the program were: David Compton, Jay Lee, James Lee, Mary Glenda Ellington, Betty Graham, Cathy Minton, Belinda Sheffield and Marilyn Forbus, soloist.

At the conclusion of the program, a fellowship was held in the church annex for the entire congregation. Carols were sung. Rev. Minton read the Christmas story from Luke and Rilford spoke words of the real meaning of Christmas.

Frosted punch and cookies were served to a large crowd.

Kenneth Johnson Receives Award

Army Private First Class Kenneth R. Johnson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Bruce H. Johnson of Loraine, was awarded the Combat Medical Badge, Nov. 16 in Vietnam.

He and his wife, the former Sue Price, left Monday for Cambridge, Lo., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Twain Price. They will visit there until the Prices leave on Jan. 7 for Tulsa, Okla., where they are moving.

Mr. Price is being transferred there by Gulf Oil Co.

He is assigned to the 4th Infantry Division near Pleiku.

ANDERS FAMILY TOGETHER

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Anders entertained with a pre-Christmas dinner and get together in their home Sunday, Dec. 22.

The dinner was served at noon and the tree party held that night.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Adrian, Gary and Steve, Hale Center; Mr. and Mrs. Don Stence, Michael and Mitchell, Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Claxton, Colorado City; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martin, Terry and Kim, Loraine.

HERE FROM FORT POLK

Pfc. Tom Dobbs of Fort Polk, La., is here to spend a 14-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dobbs.

Good Crowd Attends 4-H And FFA Livestock Show Held Saturday

"The biggest little show in Texas" was the way one man sized up the Loraine 4-H and FFA Livestock Show Saturday, December 21st.

Sponsored by the Loraine Telephone Corp. and their offices, and the First State Bank of Loraine, the show was composed of feeders from both the 4-H Club, directed by Bobby Lemons, County Agent, and the FFA Chapter, directed by FFA Instructor Eddie Puckett. Both clubs showed a total of some 45 head of livestock.

Judging the show was Rex Schultz, Assistant County Agent of Coke County.

Presentation of awards was

Former Resident Dies in Coleman

Funeral services for Leon H. Johnson, 73, of Coleman, were held at 2 p. m. Monday in Stevens Memorial Chapel in Coleman, with the Rev. James Duncan, pastor of the Central Baptist Church officiating, assisted by the Rev. Ed Sleuder.

Mr. Johnson, a former Loraine man, died at 11:45 a. m. Saturday in Overall-Morris Memorial Hospital in Coleman.

Born Sept. 3, 1895 in Leon County, he had been a Coleman resident for many years. He was a retired farmer, a veteran of World War I, and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Eunice; five sons, L. H. Jr. of Coleman, Bob of Roscoe, Roy of Rankin, Billy of Carbon and Doyle of Waco; three daughters, Mrs. Glennie Glass of Brownwood, Mrs. Christine Jones of Coleman and Mrs. Faye Ross of Birmingham, Ala.; one sister, Mrs. M. A. Newton of Clyde; two brothers, Roy of Ozark, Ark., and Reese of Pecos; 17 grandchildren.

Gary Finley Receives Army Discharge

Gene Finley received his discharge from the Army on Dec. 19th, at Fort Hood, where he has been stationed since returning to the States from Vietnam.

He and his wife, the former Sue Price, left Monday for Cambridge, Lo., to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Twain Price. They will visit there until the Prices leave on Jan. 7 for Tulsa, Okla., where they are moving.

WHEELERS ENTERTAIN FAMILY AND GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wheeler entertained with a Sunday dinner for their three daughters and their families, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Richburg of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Montgomery of Euless and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Compton of Midland.

Also present were Mr. and Mrs. James Hallman and children of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hallman and Mr. and Mrs. Hank Brown and family of Roscoe.

SMALLS HOST CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Small were hosts for a Christmas dinner party Sunday, Dec. 22. Present were their son, Don from State University, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gustafson, Artesia, N. M., Mrs. Winston Gann, Elaine and Craig of Abilene, Janet Hall and Mike Mearse, of H-SU, Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Price Hall.

made by Miss Gaye Green, Loraine FFA Sweetheart.

Sweeping the lamb show for the Grand Champion and the Reserve Champion and also for the best pen of three was Renee Beights, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Beights. Renee showed under the green and white 4-H banner.

The judge then turned to the breeding heifers and there Eddie Merket carried home the coveted Grand Champion Rosette, and Robert Dale Finley took the Reserve Champion Ribbon.

Amador Castro showed his Grand Champion Barrow and Ken Graham took home the Reserve Champion Ribbon in the Swine class. Robert D. Finley, Amador Castro and Ken Graham all showed under the Blue and Gold FFA banner.

Becky Merket took highest honors in the calf show, as she took home both Grand Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons in the steer class.

Showmanship awards were given to Eddie Merket for his efforts in the steer class; to Pam Sanford in the lamb division and to Ken Graham in the swine division.

The show was termed a success in every way, as the livestock seemed to be equally good as they have been in the past.

Show results are listed below:

LAMB DIVISION

Fine Wool Lightweight - 1st, Mike Walker; 2nd, Bryan Byrnes and 3rd, Tim Hamilton.

Heavyweights - 1. Renee Beights; 2. Pam Sanford; 3. Jerry Graham.

Cross Bred, Lightweight - 1. Ken Graham; 2. Pam Sanford; 3. Tim Hamilton.

Heavyweight - 1. Renee Beights; 2. Tim Hamilton; 3. Mike Walker.

Hampshire - 1, 2, & 3, Renee Beights; 4. Jerry Graham.

Best Group of Three, Grand Champion and Reserve Champion, Renee Beights.

SWINE DIVISION

Lightweight - 1. Amador Castro; 2. Ken Graham; 3. Ken Graham.

Heavyweight - 1. Karby McAdams; 2. Ken Graham; 3. Kirby McAdams.

Grand Champion - Amador Castro.

Reserve Champion - Ken Graham.

STEER DIVISION

Lightweight - 1. Becky Merket; 2. Becky Merket; 3. Stanley Hackfeld.

Mediumweight - 1. Stanley Hackfeld; 2. Eddie Merket; 3. Stanley Hackfeld.

Heavyweight - 1. Eddie Merket; 2. Robert Finley; 3. Jeff Merket.

Grand Champion - Becky Merket.

Reserve Champion - Becky Merket.

BREEDING HEIFER DIVISION

1. Eddie Merket; 2. Robert D. Finley; 3. Robert Finley.

PRICE VISITORS

All of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Price's children were present at some time during Christmas week. They were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Price, Laura and Leah of Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Rachel Pinkerton, Mrs. Bill Havens and Angela, of San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hall and family of Stanton; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Price, Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Price, Sweetwater.

BAPTIST W.M.U.

Both groups of the Baptist W.M.U. will meet in a general meeting at 2 p. m. Monday, January 6th, at the church, for the regular Royal Service program.

THE MITCHELL COUNTY NEWS

PUBLISHED BY STAR PUBLISHING CO.

Baird, Texas 79504

L. C. Burfield, Publisher

Published in the Interest of Loraine and Trade Territory

DIAL 734-2711

Entered at Post Office at Loraine, Texas. Second Class Matter

..... Paid at Loraine, Texas. 79532

Business and Professional Directory

LORAIN

LORAIN LODGE 1307
A. F. & A. M.



Stated Meeting: Each Third
Thursday Night
7:30 O'Clock

Visiting Masons Welcome
Woodrow Pratt, W. M.
Howard Combs, Secretary

FOR
FIRE & HAIL INSURANCE
AND
CAR INSURANCE
SEE

Woodrow Pratt

COLORADO CITY

KIKER & SON

Ambulance
Service

Dial RA-8-2622

Colorado City

Get Your Office

Supplies at

Mitchell County News

IT'S A GOOD POLICY

A warning sign in simple rhyme,
Look sharp where dangers lurk,
Save for the day-
Not far away-
When you're too old to work.

Complete Insurance Service

TAYLOR & MEARSE
Dial 734-2211
First State Bank Bldg.

GOLDEN RIPE BANANAS, lb. 10c

RUSSET
POTATOES, 10 lb. bag 49c

GREEN CRISP
CABBAGE, lb. 7c

MISSION
SWEET PEAS, 2 - 303 cans 35c

TIDE, Giant Size Box 69c

GOOD BEEF
T-BONE STEAK, lb. 89c

SUNLITE BISCUITS, 3 cans for .. 25c

RINDLESS
SLAB BACON, lb. 59c

Specials Fri. & Sat.

SR. T. J. GREEN JR. GROCERY & MARKET
WE GIVE SCOTTIE STAMPS

CALIFORNIA TANGERINES, lb. .. 25c

FRESH CRISP
LETTUCE, head 19c

WELCH'S FROZEN
GRAPE JUICE, 12 oz. can .. 39c

DOUBLE LUCK CUT
GREEN BEANS, 2 - 303 cans 25c

IMPERIAL SUGAR, 5 lb. bag 59c

GOOD BEEF
CHUCK ROAST, lb. 49c

PORK CHOPS, Center Cut, lb. 69c

DECKER'S
IOWANA OLEO, 2 lbs. for .. 35c



JANET SUE HALL

Announce Wedding Plans of Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Price Hall announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Janet Sue, to Thomas Michael (Mike) Mearse. Mearse is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mearse of Loraine.

A graduate of Loraine High School, Miss Hall is a sophomore home economics major at Hardin-Simmons University. She has also attended Howard County Junior College in Big Spring.

The prospective bridegroom is also a graduate of Loraine High School. He is a sophomore student at Hardin-Simmons, majoring in general business. He is a member of Alpha Kappa Psi, a business fraternity and R.T.C. He is employed at the Citizens National Bank in Abilene.

The couple plans to be married February 15 at 7:00 o'clock P. M., in the First Baptist Church of Loraine.

PRESCRIPTIONS
FILLED



JIMMY LOTT WOULD
LIKE TO BE YOUR
PHARMACIST

Westerman Drug
737-2278
Loraine, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wells had their two daughters and families with them for a Christmas visit. They were Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mendenhall of Big Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Robinson of Tahoka.

Visitors in the Roy Richard home during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Coldewey and children, Mrs. Virgil Troutt and Tanya, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pruitt and children, Mrs. Harvey Sherman and sons, all of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Don Richard of Loraine.

Mrs. W. D. Cain, joined by her daughter Cathy, of Midland, spent the first of the week in Hobbs, N. M., with her mother, Mrs. Alice Hazelwood. Mrs. Roy Richard went to Hobbs Thursday to be with her mother until Monday, returning to Midland to see her daughter, Mrs. Virgil Troutt and Tanya board the plane for Hawaii to join her husband, Virgil. He is in Hawaii on R&R leave from Vietnam.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Burdine spent Christmas Eve night with her mother, Mrs. Vanda Martin and Mrs. Martin accompanied them and spent Christmas Day in Colorado City with Mrs. C. P. Gary. Mrs. Gary and Mrs. Martin spent the weekend in Lubbock with the Burdines and got to be with their grandson and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Burdine and little son Jimmy of San Diego, Calif.

Larry Young, teacher in the El Paso school system, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Elton Young.

Mrs. Hal Bennett went to Midland Monday to spend Christmas with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bennett.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dobbs and Miklyn of Euless spent Christmas Eve with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dobbs, and went to see her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lawless in Sylvester Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Beights and Donna of LaMarque spent Christmas week with their parents, Mrs. Bertha Beights, and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Bond.

Weekend guests of Mrs. Dee Finch were Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Ray Finch and Clayton of Crane. Other here Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Idus Finch and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Finch, Mike and Carroll from Midland.

Norris Taylor of Midkiff and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bowlin and sons of Abilene spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cline Taylor.

Christmas visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Little were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Little Jr. and Douglas of Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. David Little and Pam and Carol Little of Midland. Carol spent the week with her parents.

Rev. and Mrs. Minton had as their guests during the weekend, her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loveall of Kansas City, Mo.

E. J. Schroeder visited his mother, Mrs. A. J. Schroeder in Hondo during Christmas week.

Mrs. Jean Fruge and children of Lubbock spent the holiday week with her mother, Mrs. Lynne Compton.

Barry Joyce of Denver, Colo., and Hilma Joyce of El Paso spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. B. O. Joyce.

1320 ON YOUR RADIO DIAL
KVMC

**YOUR VOICE OF
MITCHELL COUNTY**

Entertainment PLUS

◆ Weather

◆ Sports

◆ Music

◆ News



MR. MERCHANT—HERE IS OUR ADVERTISING MESSAGE FOR YOU

1. Your advertising in this newspaper goes into more homes than any other kind of advertising. It covers the whole field.
2. Every big store in America built its fortune with newspaper advertising and relies on it today.
3. Your advertising is part of the hometown news that everybody wants to read as well as the news of the world.
4. You get thousands of show windows. People can see what you have to sell . . . Pictures, Prices, and descriptions.
5. Hometown wives and mothers plan their buying while they're reading the hometown newspaper. So do their menfolks.
6. Your hometown newspaper is more carefully read by more members of each family than any other advertising medium, and readers believe in it.
7. Your national manufacturer and distributor can join you in advertising the products you have to sell.

THE MITCHELL COUNTY NEWS

"Baby Purse-onalities"



"What ARE debits and credits?"

Maybe you think they're just bookkeeping terms . . . but they're an important part of our efficient system of keeping your money safe. Of course, we think "CREDIT" is the more important word, too . . . like when we CREDIT your savings account with generous interest earnings; or when we establish a line of CREDIT for you, with loans for car purchases, or home improvements, or money for your business or farm! See us now and find out how we can serve YOU . . . from debits to credits!

FIRST STATE BANK

"A HOME-OWNED SERVICE INSTITUTION"
Member FDIC



You may now have private line telephone service. The difference in cost is slight. The difference in convenience and added privacy is tremendous.

Just call our business office and tell us when you would like an installer to make the change to wonderful private line service.

**Telephone
privacy...it's
wonderful!**

And it can be yours today.



TELEPHONES, INCORPORATED

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights by Vern Sanford TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Just before the New Year dawned the Governor's Committee on Public School Education unfolded details of a controversial plan to shake up school district boundaries and dramatically revise finance formulas.

Indications are that it will have rough sledding in the Legislature.

Committee's reorganization plan to help make Texas schools better and more efficient would limit 219 of 254 counties to one school district each. General rule is that all operating 12-grade systems should be either county-wide in size or contain at least 2,600 students in average daily attendance.

Exception would be sparse area districts stretching over a county or more with less than 1,600 pupils and 24 special-purpose units like that operated in connection with military bases.

Governor's Committee recommended that the Legislature adopt its proposed district maps for further study by special local countywide study committees charged with approving the new pattern or recommending something better to suit their own area needs. State Board of Education would compile the final reorganization plan by June 1, 1971.

Projected plan would slash the number of school districts from 1,218 to 354. All but 19 of 662 districts which now have less than 500 pupils would be eliminated. There would be 35 multi-district counties (those of larger population) with from two to 13 districts. All of the latter would have fewer districts than they now have.

Committee's proposal for figuring local districts' adjusted share of a basic foundation

school program will also prove controversial, particularly in rural areas. Local share is calculated on the actual property tax paying ability in each district.

In many counties the number of district would be reduced drastically. They include the following:

Bowie from 14 to two; Cameron 14 to three; McLennan 20 to four; Williamson 12 to two; Grayson 14 to two; Collin 16 to three; Denton 11 to two; Tom Green nine to one; Hunt, Taylor, Henderson, Cherokee and Nacogdoches 10 to one; Rusk nine to one; El Paso nine to three; Nueces 17 to four; Hidalgo 19 to eight; Fannin and Lamar 11 to one; Cameron 14 to three; Johnson 12 to two; and Ellis 11 to two.

APPOINTMENTS — Gov. John Connally named J. G. McDuff of Burnet to the State Board of Control . . . the purchasing and housekeeping agency for state government. McDuff succeeds veteran member E. E. McAdams of Austin. His term extends to August 31, 1973.

Connally picked Mack M. Stripling of Nacogdoches and J. M. Haggard Sr. of Dallas for membership on the industry-hunting Texas Industrial Commission. Haggard fills the unexpired term of McDuff (extending only until February 15) and Stripling succeeds William F. Farah of El Paso for a term expiring February 15, 1973.

Joe B. Finley Jr. of Encinal and E. Porter Halbert of Bronson succeeds Steele Wright of Nacogdoches and Norman Mosher of DeKalb, also on the Industrial Commission. Terms to run to September 7, 1973.

Mrs. Hazel Richardson, Bryan Carnegie Public Library librarian, will serve on the Texas

State Board of Library Examiners, succeeding Mrs. H. L. McLaughlin of San Antonio.

ATTY. GENERAL RULES — Omission of a paragraph in a 1968 tax bill eliminated the exemption of non-profit corporations providing homes for elderly from franchise tax on debt, Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin said in a new opinion.

In other opinions, Martin concluded that:

Establishment of a retirement trust for the president of Midwestern University does not constitute a supplement to salary and does not make the official ineligible for a \$1500 raise provided in an appropriation bill by the Texas Legislature last June.

Petitions for a local-option liquor election, filed after November 5, must contain signatures of 25 per cent of voters for governor at the general election on that date.

A girl 15 to 18, or a boy 15 to 17, who is a first-time offender may be tried in a court that is other than a juvenile court, and can be sent to jail until he has paid his fine or served it out if convicted of possession, purchase or consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Martin also filed suit for an injunction against an Austin auto transmission repair company, alleging deceptive trade practices banned by the Consumer Credit Code. District court hearing is set for January 9 in Austin.

SUNKEN TREASURE — Land Commissioner Jerry Sadler displayed the treasure salvage from a Spanish ship sunk by a hurricane off the Texas coast in 1553. It's the first such treasure-trove found in Texas waters.

A gold crucifix, which Sadler estimated to be worth \$100,000, plus a gold bar (showing a ragged end where the tax collector had cut off the crown's share), over 500 coins of Charles V of Spain and his mother, Queen Joanna "the Mad", and some 30-pound "plates" of bulk silver were among the items displayed.

Exact value of the treasure hasn't been set but may run into millions, Sadler said. Texas and the Indiana salvage firm

working the wreck will split the treasure 50-50, which Sadler says is the best deal worked out for any government. Legally, the treasure -- or the money from it -- belongs to the Permanent School Fund, which owns the land on which the ship sank. Details on the exact sharing of the booty have yet to be worked out. And there are four other ships which sank in the same area during the hurricane that are expected to yield more "goodies."

CREDIT CODE STUDY — Texas Finance Commission is making a comparative study of the 1967 Texas Credit Code and the proposed Uniform Consumer Credit Code.

Study will be submitted to the Legislature for guidance in revising the code adopted two years ago.

Uniform code was drawn by National Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, approved by the American Bar Association and recommended for adoption by all states.

If adopted in Texas, uniform code would supplant the 1967 state code.

Consumer Credit Commissioner Frank Miskell said Texas is the only state which has a comprehensive code regulating consumer credit.

"It seems assured, however, that the 61st Legislature will consider some changes in the Texas code to make it conform with new federal truth-in-lending law," Miskell said.

COLLEGE GRANTS APPROVED — Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System allocated \$315,000 in federal funds to Texas colleges for community service and continuing education proposals.

Thirteen institutions and 26 programs will be financed by the funds, plus matching state outlays at each school.

Institutions receiving money were:

Texas A&M \$58,847 for five programs; Texas Technological College \$37,114 for one project; Lee College \$14,901 for one project; Texas Christian University \$34,847 for seven projects; The University of Texas at Austin \$17,000 for one project; Southern Methodist University \$3,529

March of Dimes Gives 'Total Care' To Help Child Walk, Talk and Learn

John C. Burr of suburban Cleveland, Ohio, was understandably rattled that day five years ago when his wife, Caroline, announced, 2½ months before their first child was due, "Honey, I'm ready."

Like most men, the 29-year-old chemist had never delivered a baby. But there wasn't time to get to the hospital in St. Paul, Minn., where they were then living, so he phoned the police for help.

He also phoned the obstetrician who offered some well-chosen words of instruction just in time for John to deliver the baby, who arrived in a breech position.

For a beginner, John did an admirable job. The three-and-one-half pound baby girl, who was born with the umbilical cord wrapped around her neck, was rushed to the hospital where doctors kept her alive with the help of blood transfusions and supplemental oxygen.

Ten weeks passed before John and Caroline were able to take little Elizabeth home. For about a year, everything seemed just fine.

But the young couple began to notice that their daughter was not moving or talking like other one-year-olds. They later learned that Elizabeth had been born with a crippling birth defect.

No one knows what caused it, but the pretty, intelligent little blonde has no control over her leg muscles and has serious speech difficulties.

"Although physical therapy was prescribed for Elizabeth at 18 months," says Mrs. Burr, "it was not until she was three years old, when we moved to Cleveland, that her condition was properly diagnosed and she began to receive the kind of total care she needs."

Elizabeth was taken to the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at Cleveland Metropolitan General Hospital. There a team of medical experts began a continuing program of physical and occupa-



THUMBS UP. Pronouncing familiar words is not as easy as "A,B,C" for Elizabeth Burr, 5, born with a speech defect. Here the youngster gets help from speech pathologist Vicki Perle at March of Dimes Birth Defects Center, Cleveland, Ohio, Metropolitan General Hospital.

tional therapy, fitted the little girl with leg braces and began a program to correct her speech difficulties.

Elizabeth visits the hospital three mornings a week. There she is learning to sit straight, pronounce words properly and walk. As they do with other patients, the doctors observe Elizabeth's ability to learn and try to determine how she can best be educated.

"Many patients may have a great deal more potential for learning and achievement than is generally recognized," says Dr. Irwin A. Schafer, director of the Birth Defects Center. "If assessment is inadequate, these children could be functionally handicapped all their lives and become a burden on the community."

"In our comprehensive care program, these children can be adequately assessed. Our staff can look at these children neurologically, medically and psychologically over extended periods of time and recommend the kind of educational programs they will need."

Elizabeth, whose IQ is cer-

tainly high enough for her to benefit from a formal education, is now attending nursery school and will be enrolled next year in a school for the handicapped.

The total treatment and education of Elizabeth Burr is not confined to the hospital and school. With the help of her mother, the little girl exercises at home on swings and in the sand box.

"Elizabeth is the perfect mother to her dolls," Mrs. Burr points out. Although she cannot walk without help, she is able to crawl between her toy stove and a little table to feed her dolls imaginary tea and crackers.

The Burrs have a son, Michael, 3, who is normal and healthy. There is just one problem, though. While Mrs. Burr is teaching Elizabeth to read and pronounce, she must also help Michael, who has picked up some poor speech habits from his older sister. The Burr children can understand each other, but they need help if others are to understand them.

for one project; Lamar State

College of Technology \$6,000 for

one project; The University of

Texas at El Paso \$14,771 for two

projects; University of Houston

\$40,820 for two projects; The

University of Texas at Arlington

\$49,728 for two projects; Austin

College \$20,000 for one project;

and Texas Woman's University

\$2,833 for one project.

SHORT SNORTS

Texas crop output increased

18 per cent over 1967, led by a

26 per cent cotton production

jump, according to the Texas

Crop and Livestock Reporting

Service.

Texas hospital employees'

salaries rose seven to 14 percent

during the last year. Texas Hos-

pital Association estimates.

On January 1, Texas gained

two new high court judges:

Sears McGee of Houston as Su-

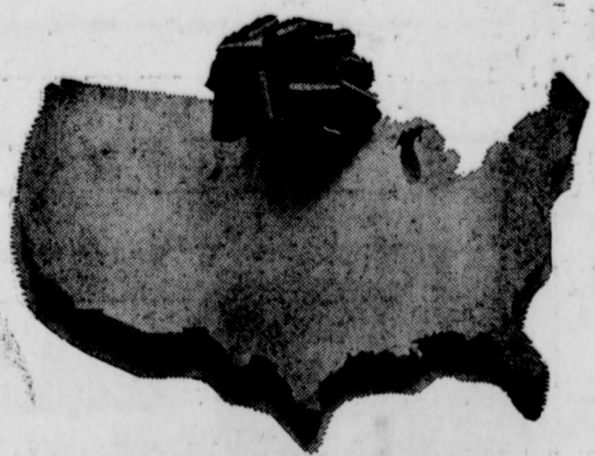
preme Court Associate Justice

and Leon Douglas of Vernon as

Court of Criminal Appeals

judge.

There's no place like home for the holidays.



As you know, Christmas is something special in America. That's because America is something special. Why not give somebody a small piece of our home for Christmas. A U.S. Savings Bond. It's a gift that'll help keep Christmas future as good and safe as Christmas past. After all, it's the only country we've got.

GIVE U.S. SAVINGS BONDS

Happy New Year

from
all of the
folks at
Lone Star Gas



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE

MATTRESSES - New and Renovated. Complete bedding. Guaranteed made and delivered by Western Mattress Company. Phone F. M. Richey, 734-2776, Lorraine. 42-tf-c

CARPETS and Custom Made Draperies. Free estimates. We're as close as your telephone. Call RA 8-3340. Hammond Floor Covering, Colorado City. 13-tf-c

KNIFE SAFETY. - Don't risk losing a good fishing knife. Overboard. Drill a small hole in the handle, attach a short length of line and a cork or plastic float so it will float if dropped overboard.

FOR SALE - 1 Chevrolet 1960 348 motor and transmission. Anastacio Alvarez, Rt. 1, Box 91, Lorraine. 33-tf-c

FOR SALE - 1966 Plymouth Fury II, four door sedan, V-8, four new white-wall tires, \$1,545. Lone Wolf Electric Cooperative, Inc., Colorado City, Texas. Call 728-5232. 33-tf-c

NOW IN OUR OLD LOCATION
We guarantee to save you money, on furniture and appliances. See Us Before You Buy...

RUSSELL DISCOUNT FURNITURE AND APPLIANCE
228 Pine Colorado City

FOR Memorials and Markers made by Sweetwater Marble & Granite Works, see Charlie Hamilton. Phone 737-2791. 31-tf-c

FOR SALE - Good bale, red top cane, and 250 gal. Butane tank. J. W. Bennett. 32-tf-c

FOR SALE - 1966 Chevrolet Biscayne. V-8, radio and heater. Good condition. Gary Finley, 737-2777. 32-tf-c

FOR SALE - 1962 Chevrolet pickup, 1/2 ton, long wheel base, and one Ford 4-door, radio, air conditioner and heater. Royce Beights. 32-tf-c

FOR SALE - 1965 Mercury Comet, 6 cylinder, radio, heater, air conditioner. Excellent condition. See Bernard's Tourist Town. 35-tf-c

"TELEVISION BY CABLE"

LORRAINE CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM

For The Best Viewing In Television

And Get A Cable Connection

256 Walnut - Office 728-3600
Colorado City, Texas - Day or Night



Humble Oil & Refining Company receives the 1968 Smokey Bear Award in recognition of its outstanding service in making forest fire prevention announcements on the Southwest Conference football broadcasts during the 35 years of Humble's radio sponsorship. The citation was accepted on behalf of Humble by Paul W. Edge, Jr., Western Region Manager (center) from Paul R. Kramer (left), Director of the Texas Forest Service and John H. Courtenay (right), Forest Supervisor, Texas National Forest, U. S. Forest Service.

Major Hall Family Here for Holiday

Major and Mrs. Jimmy Hall and sons, Chris and Kyle of Rockville, Ind., left Christmas Day for Stephenville after visiting since Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hall Jr., and other relatives.

In Stephenville they visited Mrs. Hall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Mings.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Crippliver and Charles of Fort Worth spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. S. E. Meadows, and accompanied Mrs. Meadows and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Meadows and children to Robert Lee, where they were entertained in the Forest Meadows home with a pre-Christmas dinner and get-together on Dec. 21.

N. Lorraine Club Has Holiday Party

The North Lorraine H. D. Club held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. T. L. Holman Friday, Dec. 20. The home was beautifully decorated in the holiday theme.

A Christmas program was presented by Mrs. Raymond Wheeler, giving the story of the Christmas flowers and Christmas tree. Mrs. Buck Taylor read a poem, "The First Christmas Tree." The Christmas story was read from Luke 2, by Maria Meadows.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree and refreshments served to Mmes. Wheeler, Taylor, F. M. Richey, Roy Wells, Hubert Meadows, Victor Galvan, and four visitors, Mrs. G. R. Galvan, Maria, Peggy and James Meadows.

Christmas Service Held at Church

A Christmas Eve service was held at the Crockett-Smiley St. Church of Christ at 7 p. m.

The hour's program consisted of the devotional and singing.

Holiday visitors of Mrs. Hugh Hallmark were a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hallmark and Hugh of Marble Falls, and her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Walker, Randy and Becky of Odessa. The Milton Hallmarks left early Thursday for Ruidosa to ski during the weekend.

Office Supplies at

THE MITCHELL CO. NEWS

Miss Fern Coon of El Paso is here spending Christmas and New Year's week with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wimberly Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. McDermott of Abilene spent Christmas Eve and Day with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Meadows.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ed Taylor and children of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Barron and Rita Sue were dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Taylor for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doss of Colorado City were hosts for a Christmas dinner and get-together for the Land family on Christmas day. Mrs. C. A. Land attended from Lorraine.

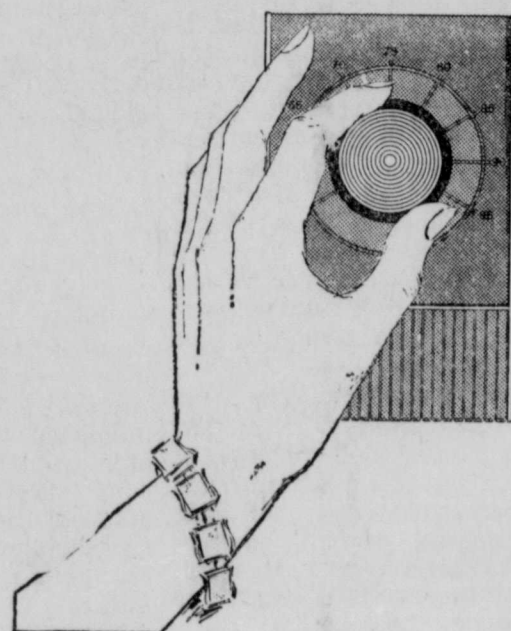
Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Phillips and children of Odessa spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hallmark.

Susan Terry of Abilene spent Christmas week with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Joe Terry. Also here for Christmas Eve night and Christmas Day was Mrs. Terry's sister, Mrs. Fran Mallard of Waco.

Joe Dumont and children, Paul and Micky of Torrance, Calif., came in Monday and joined Mrs. Dumont to spend Christmas with her father, T. C. Wilson and Marie. Mrs. Dumont has been here since the death of her mother last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Meek of New Braunfels visited his sister, Mrs. Roy Baird and went on to Post to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Williams during Christmas week.

Classified Ads Pay



Clean way to winter comfort...flameless electric heat.

IT'S READY AND WAITING IN A TOTAL ELECTRIC HOME



One of the nicest features you'll discover in a home where electricity does everything is the work-saving cleanliness, the comforting sunshine-warmth of flameless electric heat. Heat so clean it can't soil woodwork and furnishings. Heat so gentle and even it makes every room a nice place to live in winter. You can live better electrically in many ways in our low rate for all-electric homes. When you buy or build, go total electric.

TEXAS ELECTRIC SERVICE COMPANY



Serving America's Farmers:

Providers of Plenty

For more than 50 years The Federal Land Bank of Houston has provided DEPENDABLE agricultural real estate loans to Texas farmers and ranchers. LONG TERM, LOW COST loans with a repayment plan geared to meet each individual's requirement.

N. H. PRATT
Federal Land Bank Association
137 W. 3rd Street
Colorado City, Texas 79512

SALE

ALL LADIES READY-TO-WEAR - DRESSES - COATS - SWEATERS - PANTS - BLOUSES

1-3 OFF

WE GIVE AND REDEEM SCOTTIE STAMPS

RAY PRESTON DEPT. STORE

PORK CHOPS, lb. 69c



Tall Corn BACON lb. 59c

HORMEL'S LITTLE SIZZLERS 12 oz. pkg. 49c

CHUCK ROAST, lb. 49c

BEEF RIBS, lb. 39c

CLUB STEAK, lb. 79c



Hunt's Peaches

3 - 2 1/2 cans .. 89c

WESSON OIL, 24 ozs. 55c

SNOWDRIFT SHORTENING, 3 lb. can 59c

HUNT'S CATSUP, 3 - 14 oz. bottles 69c

HUNT'S TOMATOES, 3 - 300 cans 59c



Gladiola Flour

5 lbs. 49c

Hubert Thomas Food Store



J. W. Atheist M again. Now stopped in she will have ing astronaut of view. The tunity to see the universe that anyone believe it was preme being happen.

The Texas meet in a f and among that come b bill offered Committee o bill, if passed wants, will d school distr will raise ta ant figure. Texas, so say have organiza through the ing to an ed News recent seem to thin much too m and the rural ing enough. The bill, if mittee wants ial not only i to learn-but taxes. The b so crowded their schools trators in m lost control quency is ra Thousands live in rural want to for living. Bigne solve proble is that if the is carried o tee wants, a Texas will

Lees Ret Visit in

Mr. and M ed home F weeks; visit with her so tain and Clifton.

They left spent that with her n Hindman.

They rep trip, but co ature was all the time at times w ple there cold weath built differ run regula lot of salt roads to k hazardous.

Captain school the he will co degree, th family for ment in i in service

Green Get To

Mr. and all of the one of th their only them Ch

Present Johnny E Mr. and Jimmy Cheek, R and Mrs. Mrs. Ber Scott of Al Dadds Christi, a and Tom The g home fo Scrivner, S. Navy