Congressmen get 29 percent pay raise without a vote being cast on the presidential proposal

A Commentary by Jim McWilliams

How would you like to get a 29 percent pay raise and the only thing you'd have to do to get it would be to "not work" on Friday?

Could you live on \$44,600 a year? Wouldn't you rather have \$57,000 salary than \$44,600? Then you should run for election to Congress.

Last Thursday, February 17, the House of Representatives adjourned and, in effect, voted themselves a 29 percent pay raise by deciding not to vote on the Presidential proposal.

This is a strange way to pass legislation, but it's the law. Under a 1967 law, a president may make a recommendation for congressional, judicial, and executive branch pay raise. If Congress does not vote against the proposal within 30 days, the recommendation automatically becomes law. The 30 day period ended last Saturday, February 19 at midnight. So Congress got a pay raise by the House

adjourning on Thursday. The Senate adjourned all last week.

The pay raise will affect Congressmen, Senators, Vicepresident, Speaker of the House, U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice, Associate Supreme Court Justices, Cabinet members, majority leaders and minority leaders of Congress, and 20 thousand top level civil servants. The breakdown looks like this:

Vice-president . . . old salary -\$65,600 . . new salary \$75,000 or a 14 percent pay

Speaker of the House . . . old salary - \$65,000 . . . new salary \$75,000 or a 14 percent pay

Chief Justice of U.S. Supreme Court . . . old salary \$65,000 . . . new salary \$75,000 or a 14 percent pay raise.

Associate Supreme Court Justices . . . old salary \$63,000 . . . new salary \$72,000 or a 14 percent pay raise.

Senators and Representatives. . old salary \$44,600 . . . new salary \$57,500 or a 29 percent pay raise.

Presidential Cabinet members. . . old salary \$63,000 . . . new salary \$66,000 or a 5 percent pay raise.

Senate and House majority and minority leaders . . . old salary \$52,000 . . . new salary \$65,000 or a 25 percent pay raise. District judges . . . old salary

\$42,000 . . . new salary \$54,500 or a 30 percent pay raise. 20,000 or more top level bureaucrats . . . old salary \$39,600 . . . new salary \$47,500

In 1975 Congressmen voted themselves a raise from

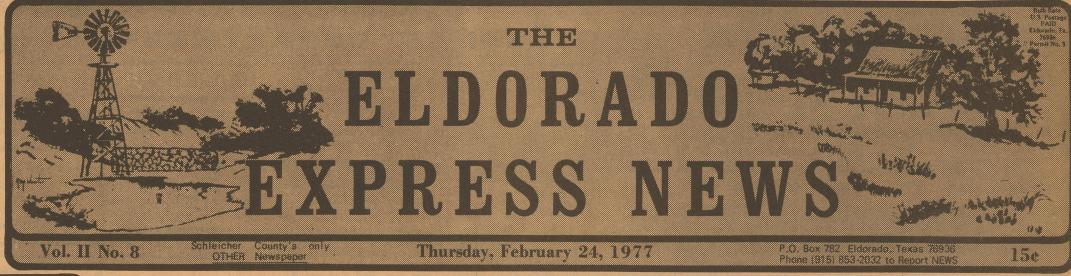
or a 20 percent pay raise.

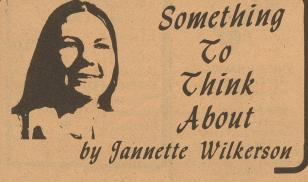
\$42,500 to \$44,600. Before that, the last congressional pay raise was voted in 1969 when their salaries went from \$30,000 to

Last year during the presidential campaign congress rejected any pay raise proposals. Since 1969, members of the House and Senate have had pay raises that totaled \$27,500 in 8 years or a 92 percent pay increase over their 1969 salary of \$30,000.

President Carter did not withdraw former President Ford's proposal so the measure

becomes law. Carter is now in the midst of trying to reduce federal spending. This pay raise proposal would have been a good starting point. But to anger Congress would have strained the relationship between the White House and Congress . . . something Carter does not need with his tax cut legislation and other programs still to come. So, Carter too knows that doing nothing is doing the expedient thing when shopping for congressional votes. The Taxpayer pays this shopping bill too!





"GREEN FRIENDS"

It's a scientific fact proven by noted Botonist, that plants respond to the human voice. I believe it too. Just last week I watched my ivy have a complete nervous breakdown. She was sitting by the TV and I guess the "Gong Show" was really what pushed her over the edge. I thought for a while it was just a "Big Mac Attack", but then I noticed it was the sound of that "Gong" that she couldn't cope

The human voice is a fascinating instrument and ranges from the soft whisper of "Mamma, I think I ran over the gas meter." - to the blood curdling scream of "YOU WHAT?" It's not surprising plants react to the human voice, but is surprising more things don't. However, that doesn't keep us from talking to them. We talk to our cars on cold mornings, we talk to the vacuum cleaner when the bag blows up, and if you live in a mobile home, you talk to the coffee table a lot about your shins.

Some people feel silly talking to plants. The other day I went over to see a neighbor and when I got to the door I heard her say "My, My, you sure look pretty this morning. Do you want a little drinky-poo? You look so green and you're getting so big. I've got some new vitamins for you to try." Not seeing anyone else in the room - I said "Thanks, I'll have a glass of tea if you've got some made. Maybe this summer I'll try to get a tan and take off some weight. You know, I've been taking those One-A-Days - I like those pretty good." I thought she was going to faint when she saw me, and she said she'd fix me a glass of tea if I promised not to tell anyone she was conversing with an African Violet. I told her it was nothing to be ashamed of and that I had been talking to a plastic rose bud for four years and it hadn't died yet.

Talking to plants is also good therapy, sometimes it's good to talk to something that doesn't "talk back"! So when you find yourself with no one to talk to - visit your ivy - give her a good recipe for meat loaf. If that doesn't perk her up, tell her you're gonna' put her in a salad . . . and considering the price of vegetables that's something to think about . . .

City dog and cat problem will have to solved by city residents

by Jim McWilliams

It is not news that Eldorado has a problem with stray dogs and cats. According to long-time residents, the problem has been here as long as Eldorado has.

"I feel the problem is a serious one, but the city lacks the means and funds to round up all the stray dogs and cats," said Mayor Raymond Mobley this week.

'There have been a number of people over the years who have come to the city to complain, but the city can't just pick up an animal and destroy it. That's against the law," said Mobley. "And a city pound is too expensive without a city bond issue,'

City Council man Pat Ragsdale introduced a city pound recommendation to the council some years

. But the idea was dropped because it was too expensive. If I remember correctly, it amounted to almost one-third of the city budget" Ragsdale

Ragsdale gave some general figures on the cost of a city pound that met government and ASPCA specifications. The Pound would have to have a concrete floor with proper drainage. It would need one separate holding cell for animals to be placed

Benefit Bean Supper For Little League Is Set

Beans and cornbread lovers will be in for a treat March 5th when the American Legion Summer Youth Program hosts a bean supper at the Memorial Building.

The supper, which will be prepared by Orland Harris at cost, will be from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Plates of tasty beans, hot cornbread, onions, jalapenos and iced tea will be served. An extra treat will be slices of homemade pies for 40 cents each.

Tickets are on sale now and may be purchased from anyone on the Summer Youth Program Board. Members include Odis, McDonnell, Jim Head, Ronnie Sauer, Albert Torres, Bill and Charlene Gunstead, Zane and Jan Miller, A. G. McCormick, Betty Romero, Betty Caveness and

Tickets will also be sold at the door. Proceeds from the supper will be used for buying uniforms and equipment, plus making improvements on the baseball field at the agriculture barn. The field is used for the girls and pony league teams.

The bean supper is the first of several fund raising projects planned by the group.

Little league leaders are still looking for firms or organizations to sponsor teams or to purchase advertising signs to go on both playing fields. Anyone interested may contact commander Jim Head, vice-commander Zane Miller or board members.

Wednesday Is Final Day For Filing

March 2 is the final day in which persons who want to run for either a city council position or for a school board position may file.

Persons interested in running for city mayor or city councilman may file at the city office, and persons who want to run for the school boad trustee spots may file at the First National Bank with Leslie Baker, bank president.

Open positions include the city mayor's spot, three city councilmen positions and two school board trustee chairs.

At the present time, no one has yet filed See Filing Page 6

in isolation for observation. It should also have two or three community cells. The cells would not be adjacent to one another because diseases could be passed from one animal to another through a

The pound would cost anywhere from \$3,500 to \$5,000 to construct. Aquisition of property for the pound could cause the price to rise even more.

The city has not found anyone interested in the animal control officer's job. And a salary of \$500 a month would have to be paid to get someone to

A truck capable of transporting the animals would cost nearly \$5,000 if an older city pick-up truck could not be modified for the purpose.

The animals would have to be fed while they were being held, so an annual expenditure of \$300 should be budgeted for food.

The city is faced with the problem of writing new dog ordinances and setting up a city court to enforce it. According to a former city councilman, "It's easier for the city council to shoot a man's

wife and family than it is to shoot his dog. The people here are not concerned enough to keep their own pets under control or have them vaccinated each year. They'll tell you "It's not my dog causing any problem. He stays at home or in the yard all the time," the former official said.

Councilman Ragsdale suggested a block by block dog round-up. "If the people would get together and kill the strays in their own block, the problem would not exist very long. But people are reluctant to shoot a dog because they are afraid it might turn out to belong to someone," Ragsdale

Mayor Mobley and Councilman Ragsdale both agreed that a first year expenditure of nearly \$14,000 would be too much money to spend.

Especially when the problem would be under control after 3 or 4 months," Mobley said. "Then we'd have this good dog pound costing us fifteen or sixteen hundred dollars a year to destroy 25 or 30 dogs a year," he said.

That comes to \$50 a dog to destroy it. And city fficials feel that \$50 is a lot of money to pay to have a dog destroyed.

Almost everyone agrees that SOMETHING SHOULD BE DONE. But no one can come up with a low cost way of removing the strays from city streets. So the threat of rabies continues until pet owners decide to have their pets vaccinated.

The Express News would welcome letters concerning the problem and its solution.

WEDNESDAY MORNING's Late News Brief OILFIELD ACCIDENT CLAIMS LIFE

An oil well drilling rig accident about ten miles northwest of Eldorado took the life of a worker early Wednesday. The name of the victim has been withheld at press time pending notification of next of kin.

The accident happened when the man was hit in the chest with a tool while he was working on the rig. He was taken to Schleicher County Medical Center by local ambulance personnel and was pronounced dead on arrival.

MID-MORNING FIRES RAGE

45 mph winds fanned grass fires out of control north of Eldorado yesterday morning. At least 12 different fires

were spotted.

One large fire south of Christoval on Toe Nail Trail called units from all over West Texas. Another fire erupted east of Eldorado and threatened

several homes by noon yesterday. More than 100 persons helped to bring the fires under control. CB Radios helped firefighters spot the many

smaller fires. Another fire 2 miles north of Eldorado threatened gas lines in the area.

Fires were reported along Toe Nail Trail from Eldorado to Christoval east of Highway 277.

Reports indicated that yesterday's fires were the worst

the area had seen in several years. The Huldale area was also the scene of several fires

Volunteer firemen have been kept hopping with several grass fires recently. The busiest day was Saturday when two fires broke out on the Ozona highway.

The first alarm went off at 12:38 p.m. when a passerby spotted a fire on the Frank "Rocky" Meador property. It scorched about one-half section of land, according to Meador, before it reached the Mary Coupe ranch, burning

Meanwhile, a second fire broke out on the Henry Speck ranch and was soon out of control. Speck reported that he lost about 700 acres of land.

Both fires were fought by twelve men manning all three

trucks from the local fire department. They were aided by three trucks from Sonora, two from Mertzon and two from Ozona. Also helping were pump trucks sent by the Western Company, Haley Transport and Schleicher County, in addition to several ranchers with spray units. A fire Sunday afternoon burned several acres of land at the D. J. Garvin ranch. It was battled by five volunteer

A small fire broke out Tuesday afternoon on the W. F. Edmiston ranch west of town. About 6 acres were scorched. All three trucks were sent to the fire.



News items. 853-2688 or

H. A. Belk entered St

John's Hospital in San

Angelo Monday for tests.

853-2032. Billie Porter.

yesterday, as well.

were in Uvalde last weekend to visit the Ennis Barnes family and to attend a wedding.

Mr and Mrs Glen Hoelscher of Midland visited in the Sam Gausemeier home this weekend.

Mr and Mrs John Callison are in Durango, Colo., this week to attend funeral services for her mother, Mrs Rachel Compton.

son and Mr and Mrs Gary Steed are in Houston this week for a business trip with Amoco Drilling Com-

Mr and Mrs Monroe Dacy, training program in Fort

Mr and Mrs Bruce Lambert visited her brother and family, Mr and Mrs Bill Renfrow, in Odessa over the weekend.

Russ and Tina, visited this weekend with Mrs Dacy's parents, Mr and Mrs August Roden in Jacksboro. Dacy is on a two week Worth for the Western Company.

Mr and Mrs Clay Porter spent the weekend with their daughter and family, Mr and Mrs Ronnie Williams, Shanon and Shane, in Alpine.

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OBITUARIES

MRS. RACHEL COMPTON

Services were held Tues-

day at Hood Mortuary in

Durango, Colo., for Mrs

Rachel Compton. Mrs

Compton is the mother of

Mrs John Callison and the

grandmother of Mrs Gene

Stark and Mike Callison, all

of Eldorado. She passed

Survivors include two

daughters, Mary Hender-

son of Denver, Colo., and

Mrs Callison; four sons,

Neil Compton of Fort

Washington, Ohio, Edward Compton of Las Vegas,

Nev., Tom Compton of

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ton of Durango; several

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PUBLIC MEETING LITTLE LEAGUE

An open meeting about the American Legion Summer Youth Program will be at 7:30 p.m. in the main room of the American Legion Hall February 28.

Purpose of the meeting will be to discuss uniforms and the requirements to participate and insurance for players.



Eldorado Firemen have been kept busy fighting Grass Fires since last Saturday.

April 2, 1977.

Pictured is a Western Company Water Truck assisting local fire fighters.

NOTICE OF HOSPITAL DISTRICT

ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the annual Director election of

The present law requires that any person desiring his name

Schleicher County Hospital District will be held on Saturday,

to be printed on the ballot as a candidate for director shall file

a petition, signed by not less than 10 legally qualified voters,

with the secretary of the board of directors, asking that such

name be printed on the ballot. Such petition shall be filed

with such secretary at least 25 days prior to the date of

Three directors are to be chosen at the April 2 election.

Terms of Winnie Jackson, Evelyn Wimer, and Raymond Hall

Noticia del Districto

del Hospital Eleccion

Noticia se es dada que la eleccion anual de directores para

La ley presente requere que cualquier persona deseando su

nombre publicado en el boleta como candidato para director

debe archivar una peticion firmada por no menos de diez [10]

votantes calificados legalmente, con el secretario de la mesa

directiva, solicitando que tal nombre sea publicado en el

boleta. Tal peticion debe ser archivada con tal secretario a lo

menos veinte y cinco [25] dias antes de la fecha de la eleccion.

Schleicher County Hospital District se llevara acabo el

election; such date this year being March 8th.

expire. The term of office is for two years.

Sabado, 2 de Abril, 1977.

Tal fecha siendo el 8 de Marzo, 1976.

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The event is in conjunction with Public School Week. Visitation will begin at 7 p.m. with a program presented by all elementary children from kindergarten through the sicth grade in the school auditorium.

Mrs Beth Eckman, who is in charge of the elementary music program, said there will be 324 children involved. The program is about a weather forecaster and will include skits, singing and dancing routines.

After the program, parents may meet with teachers and

discuss their children's school work and activities.

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New York, N.Y .-- A new Gallup survey for the American Cancer Society released today, found that nearly half (46%) of a representative sample of Americans had health checku in 1976.

The survey, completed last December, also showed that nearly all adult women interviewed know about the Pap test, and Breast Self-Examination.

In the same survey a majority of cigarette smokers (71% of those who smoke a pack or more a day) said they would stop if urged to do so by their physicians. Moreover, about half of the exsmokers interviewed (49%) said that if called upon, they would be willing to help others stop smoking. Among smokers of at least a pack a day who plan to stop smoking, 55% said they would like such help to stop smoking.

Awareness of breast examination to detect cancer continues to increase, the December survey showing that 91% of the women 21 and over had heard of the procedure, compared to 87% in 1974, and 83% in

1963. The proportion of women having had a breast examination at some time increased to 75% compared to 67% in 1974 and 43% in 1963. Women reporting having had a breast examination for cancer in 1976 totalled 51% or about the same as in 1974 (48%).

More than nine out of 10 women (94%) said they had heard of breast self examination, representing a gain over the 83% who reported awareness of the practice in 1974. About three out of four women (75%) said they had done BSE compared to 66% in the 1974 surveys. However, only one in four (24%) say they do BSE at least once a month, compared to 23% in 1974, 18% in 1973, and 14% in

More of the women (53%) than of the men (38%) reported having had a check-up in 1976. It was also found that about half (45%) get a complete health check-up yearly.

Awareness of the Pap test for cervical cancer is almost universal among women, the survey showing that 93% had heard of it, as opposed to 87% in the 1974 survey, 78% in 1963.

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Short Notes

The Garland Gaines' attended the Goodyear Banquet in San Angelo. Garland received a belt and buckle with one Saphire, which he earned for driving One Million Miles.

Mrs J.M. Livingston of Junction visited last week with her sister M.T.P. Montgomery in Christoval.

Lester and Ann Rogers visited in the home of Clayton and Diane Parker and son Bradley in San Angelo this week.

The CKCIG Community Building is nearing completion and thoughts now go to folding chairs and tables. So, if you haven't donated to this worthwhile cause, now is a good time.

L.D. and Marie Whitten and daughter visited in the Lester Rogers home on Sunday.

Crystal Allen, daughter of Andy and Ann Allen, underwent a tonsillectomy last Friday at Shannon Hospital, and is reportedly doing fine.

Mr and Mrs Roland Moore met their children from Houston in San Antonio last weekend, and reported Merideth and Donnie enjoyed their tour of the zoo, especially the monkeys. It was a beautiful weekend weatherwise, which added to their enjoyment.

Silvia Gaston and Susan Lindsey, an ASU student, went to Plainville, Texas for the weekend to attend a bridal shower given for Silvia's cousin, Sandra Gaston. They came back by Abilene to visit other relatives there and at Buffalo

system.

Mr and Mrs Grady Gaston visited in the home of Maude and Wm. Gaston Sunday for dinner.

Mrs H.W. Gaston attended the District Council of Ministries Saturday in Sonora. Plans for a work-shop for "adults with aging parents" was planned, and will be at First Methodist Church in San Angelo on May 14 from 9:30 to 3:30.

Mr and Mrs Robert Tipps from Levelland, Texas were visitors in the H.W. Gaston home this week. Robert (Bobby) is the nephew of Mrs Gaston.

EL CONCHO STUDY CLUB

The El Concho Study Club met Monday for a Valentine Tea. Mrs Marcus Hale was the leader. A Valentine Poem was read by Kay Miller. Special guest was Mrs John Ward, District President, who spoke on

'Meaning of Love." Other guests were: Mrs Tommy Ball, Mrs Carmen Thorn, and Mrs Al Harrington. Hostesses were: Mrs Lloyd Vick, Mrs Clifton Johnson, and Mrs Marcus Hale.

George Factor

CKCIG

The regular meeting of the CKCIG met Wednesday night and new Board Members were elected. They were Ken Tounget, Sid Johnson, Mable Walker, Sue McBurnett, Rena Gaines and Tommy Ball. A report was given on the new Community Building.

Travis Parker gave \$50.00 to the building fund. Election of Man and Woman of the Year was held in January and the results were: Man of Year: Pete McBurnett and Woman of the Year: Rena Gaines.

Art Club

The Art Class will be meeting Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in the basement of the Methodist Church due to the large turnout. Instruction will be on oil painting from conditioning of the canvas on through, with everyone painting the same scene. Those who missed the first class, contact Maude Gaston for details to catch up. There is no cost and this is a perfect time to begin. See you

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1 large Cool Whip 1 pkg Royal Instant Pistachio Pudding 1 no. 2 can crushed pineapple and juice 11/2 cups small marshmallows

½ cup chopped nuts Mix cool whip and dry pudding mix. Stir well. Add pineapple and juice, marshmallows and nuts. Mix thoroughly. Pour into serving dish and place in refrigerator. Makes 6 servings.

STICKIES

2 cups flour 3 tsp. baking powder 1 tsp. salt 1/2 cup shortening 34 cup milk

Filling 2 tsp. cinnamon 3/4 cup sugar

3/4 cup oleo Sift flour, baking powder and salt in medium bowl. Cut in shortening until mixture is texture of coarse meal. Remove 1 cup of mixture into small bowl. Blend it with mild to make a paste. Add paste to first mixture and mix just

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enough to hold dough together. Place on a lightly floured board and knead lightly. Roll out in oblong shape, about 10" by 18". Mix cinnamon, sugar and oleo. Spread on dough and roll lengthwise in jelly-roll fashion. Seal edges. Cut slices 3/4 to 1 inch thick. Place on a greased pan and bake at 425° for 12-15 minutes.

COUNTRY WISDOM

MAY SURPRISE YOU

Experts tell us if you scatter seeds of seven or eight plants around in your garden at planting time they will do wonders in keeping away unwanted bugs. If you have never experimented with this remedy, it might be worth the try. Some of those are mints, chives, garlic, onions, leeks, even marigolds, nasturitiums and petunias. Sprinkle generously at next planting time and check results.

Let me know how this plan worked for you.

For a more colorful garden, plant the reliable show-offs.

If your landscape seems a bit ho-hum and needs perking up, splash some color through it this year with annual flowers.

Some flowers give much and ask little.

Stick with old stand-bys, geraniums, coelus, scarlet sage, pansies, and other favorites.

There's an old axiom that goes: "Plant one for the blackbird, one for the crow, one for the cutworm, and one to grow! Elizabeth Clark

Reward Will Be Withdrawn

The Travis Parker reward fund for the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for him being attacked and chained December 7, 1976, is due to be withdrawn on April 1, 1977. Also, Lorraine (Sunshine) Parker withdraws her horse and saddle as of March 1, 1977. Therefore, anyone with any information should call or see Mr Sikes of the Texas Rangers in the San Angelo office in the D.P.S. Building before the rewards are withdrawn.

Eldorado School

Monday February 28

Baked Ham Hominy **Candied Carrots** Cowboy cookies

Tuesday March 1

Lasagne **Buttered Spinach** Cream style corn peach halves white cake/chocolate icing

Wednesday March 2

Beef Tacos Pinto Beans Lettuce-Tomato salad sugar cookies

Thursday March 3

Roast beef and gravy Creamed potatoes Black eyed peas carrot salad pineapple cobbler

Friday March 4

Hot dogs with or without French Fries Fresh fruit cup Chocolate pudding

EHS Speech Team Takes Sweepstakes Honors

Eldorado High School speech students under direction of Ken Wilson took the sweepstakes honors during the Rankin Speech Meet last weekend. Bringing home first place

ribbons were Jim Bob

Byrd, informative speaking; Donna Casbeer, poetry; Cleva Clark, prose reading and Jolyn Jay and Paul McWhorter, debate. Carl Igo and Debby Patton took home second and third place honors in informative

Willie Day, Mary Byrd, Cleva Clark, Paul McWhorter, Carl Igo and Marie Ganschow. Bottom row -- Dominique Cavuoti, Debbie Patton, Donna Casbeer, Jolyn Jay, Susan McAlpine and Jim Bob Byrd. Not pictured are Susan Crippin and Gloria Trujillo.

SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS--Top row, left to right --

speaking, respectively. Participating in the finals were Susan Crippin, per-

McAlpine competed in poe-

try semi-finals and Gloria

Trujillo was in prose semifinals. Also participating were

Mary Byrd, Dominque suasive speaking and Marie Covuoti and Willie Day. Ganshow, poetry. Susan The next speech meet will be at Cooper High School in Abilene March 19

A WEEKLY NEWS FORUM SERVING THE CITIZENS OF THE KNICKERBOCKER & CHRISTOVAL COMMUNITIES

Mr and Mrs K. Hardy Turnbo, of Christoval, announce the engagement of their daughter, Molly Elaine, to Mr Andrew Dwain Stewart, son of Mrs Shirley Kessler, and the late George W. Stewart, of Christoval.

The wedding will take place June 30 in the Sierra Vista United Methodist Church of San Angelo. Both Miss Turnbo and Mr Stewart are graduates of Christoval High School. Miss Turnbo is presently enrolled at Angelo State University and Mr Stewart is employed with a Welding Supply Company.





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Engagements



Lynn Sanders

The First Baptist Church of Eldorado will be the setting for the May 28th wedding of Miss Lynn Sanders and Mr Stephen Lynn Crawford.

Parents of the bride-elect are Mr and Mrs Jerroll Sanders of Eldorado. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr and Mrs Paul Johnson of Dumas. The bride-elect is a 1973 graduate of Schleicher County High School and is a senior at Texas Tech University, majoring in Home Economics and Education.

The prospective bridegroom is a 1972 graduate of Tascosa High School in Amarillo and a 1976 graduate of Texas Tech University. He is employed by LaQuarta, Gavvell & Kirk, Inc., of

Forlano-Loomis

Dr and Mrs Albert J. Forlano announce the engagement of their daughter Gina Marie, to Mr Raymond C. Loomis, Jr., son of Mr and Mrs Raymond C. Loomis, Sr., of The Woodlands, Texas. The couple is planning to be married in Eldorado on May 14th.

Let us know about your engagement. It doesn't cost a

Kathy Hicks To Be Honored

Miss Kathy Hicks, bride- 26th. elect of Billy Donaldson, will be honored with a gift coffee Saturday, February Mrs Junior Isaacs.

The coffee will be from 10-11 a.m. in the home of

Many people are interested in your visit. Tell the EXPRESS NEWS.



From the Management and Staff of

The First National Bank Eldorado

When you have a note come due, whether it be an installment payment or a single maturity note, you should inform the bank of your intentions. If you plan to be a couple of days late let them know. It is expensive for the bank to mail past due notices or spend time in contacting you personally. You might remember that keeping the bank informed could help your credit rating with them.

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LOCAL BIRTHS

Mr and Mrs Floyd West announce the birth of a daughter, Shannon Lee, who was born Feb 15th in Schleicher County Medical Center. She weighed 7 pounds 8 ½ ounces and measured 20 inches. Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Jimmie West and Mr and Mrs M. D. McAngus. A great-grandmother is

A son was born to Mr and Mrs David Meador Tuesday at 12:05 p.m. The baby boy, Rocky Hunt Meador, weighed 8 pounds, 91/2 ounces. He measured 21

Mr and Mrs Ken Kelly of Hereford are grandparents and Mr and Mrs W. F. "Rocky" Meador, Sr., are great-grandparents.



Sure, people are interested that your son or daughter is home for a visit, even for a few days. Tell the Express

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Watering Critical For **House Plants**

Many home gardeners may be wondering why their favorite house plants die when they have been getting plenty of water. The problem may be that the plants are being drowned.

Watering indoor plants is really a matter of restraint. Most people feel their plants should be watered the minute the topsoil even looks dry. A few simple steps will keep your plants from wilting away.

The first item to keep in mind is that although the soil on top may be dry, the bottom layer where the roots are may be sufficiently moist. It is easier to tell the water level of a potted plant that has a good drainage system.

Soil in clay pots tends to dry out faster, while soils in larger containers have a longer period of "drying

When is overwatering ev-

The first signs are the color change in the upper leaves of the plant from rich green to a pale green or yellow tinge. This is due to damage to the plant roots.

To prevent overwatering, we offer a few more guidelines for those difficult plants.

Often a container that has a capacity for a quart of soil requires only one-half pint of water for adequate moisture. Of course, this also depends on the soil mix-

For larger containers, one aid may be to extend a 3/8-inch copper tube through the soil from the bottom of the container to an inch or so above the soil. The water level in the pot can then be checked like oil in an automobile.

Sure, we're interested. Tell the Express News.

When saucers are used under pots to catch drainage water, such excess water should be discarded to prevent lower soil from becoming water-logged.



People can get information about the quality of care furnished by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, and other providers of Medicare services by visiting the San Angelo social security office at 2214 Sherwood Way.

Available information includes deficiencies noted by the latest Texas Department of Health Resources surveys as well as the providers' plans for corrective action, according to Franklin Upp, social security district manager.

The surveys are made from time to time to see if providers are meeting Medicare health and safety standards. Providers surveyed also include home health agencies and independent laboratories.

The survey information is open for public inspection. Copies of as many as 50 pages can be obtained free of charge. When more than 50 pages are requested, copies are available at 10 cents a page, Upp said.

Medicare helps pay for the health care expenses of people 65 and over, of disabled people under 65 who have been entitled to social security disability benefits for at least 24 consecutive months, and of many people with permanent kidney failure.



AROUND The HOUSE and OTHER **PLACES**

by Nancy Lester County Extension Agent - Home Economics

Ten members of the Schleicher County 4-H Club participated in the District Seven 4-H Food and Project Show which was held in Fredericksburg this past Saturday. Project show participants were Kara Homer, Margaret Turner and Deeanna Yocham. Kara was awarded a blue ribbon and was also recognized as high point individual in the Home Environment Division. Margaret and Deeanna were also blue ribbon winners in the Home Environment Division.

Food show participants were Jill Pitts, Sandra Miner, Lori Patton, Lou Ann Turner, Cynthia Schooley, Judy Pitts and Patti Hausenfluck. Blue ribbons were awarded to Sandra, Lou Ann and Judy. Jill, Lori, Cynthia and Patti were awarded red ribbons. Judy Pitts was recognized as second high individual in her division and is first alternate to state in the Breads and Desserts division.

Others from this county who attended were Mr and Mrs Billy Hausenfluck, Cindy and Jeffry, Mrs Jo Ann Turner, Mrs Sherry Miner, Mrs Kay Patton, Mrs Pat Pitts, Mrs Claudine Yocham and Mrs L. G. Schooley.

Next Wednesday, March 2nd, Joyce Drake with West Texas Utilities will be in Eldorado to present a Laundry Workshop. This is planned for 10:00 a.m. at the Memorial Building. If you will bring a sample of water Joyce will be happy to test it for hardness and make recommendations. Also if you have clothing or fabrics with which you have problems bring these also. Joyce will be giving information on laundry additives and stain removal. This should be a very excellent program. I hope all of you will plan on attending.

Last Monday morning the new Home Demonstration Club that has been formed met at the home of Dorothy Dacy for a program on slow cookers. Members present were Rita Lloyd, Dorothy Dacy, Ilse Williams, Sheila McClure and Melanie Reynolds. Mrs Patsy Kellogg also attended. Dorothy Dacy was chosen to represent the club on the County Home Demonstration Council.

This week I have a couple of delicious dip recipes for you. The first is from Gene Baker and the second from Trouba Derrick. I know you will want to try both.

SHRIMP DIP

Melt 3 small packages of cream cheese in one can of tomato soup in a double boiler. Remove from heat and add one cup of mayonaise or salad dressing and one package of unflavored gelatin softened in ½ cup cold water. Stir in 11/2 cups chopped celery and 1/2 cup chopped onion (if using fresh onions use green tops also). Add 3 cans of Shrimp mashed with a fork. Mix well and store in the refrigerator.

VEGETABLE DIP

pint sour cream pint mayonaise (not salad dressing) 3 tablespoons grated onion 3 tablespoons parsley 3 teaspoons dill weed 3 teaspoons Beau Monde

Mix all ingredients at least 3 hours before serving. Store in refrigerator - this keeps indefinitely.

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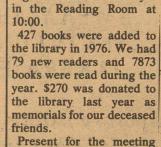


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The Library Board met in

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MEETS

Present for the meeting were Mrs Dick Preston, Mrs Norman Hodges, Mrs Winnie Jackson, Mrs Carol White, Mrs Earl Dean Clark, Mrs Maudie Bassinger, Ruth Baker and the librarian Gladys Gunn.

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Good Neighbor Club Meets

The Good Neighbor Club met in the home of Ruth Baker Thursday, February 17th, at 2:00.

Our County Agent, Nancy Lester, gave the demonstration on operation of the slow cooker. We learned that our regular recipes could be adapted by using one fourth less water as the liquid does not cook away in the slow cooker. The woman who works can put on her meal the night before and it will be ready for her noon meal the next

day. The meat and vegetables Nancy had cooked beforehand and we received servings of each and they were delicious.

Flora Riley gave the report from Council, giving us needed information on meetings coming soon.

We had 100% attendance of club members and visitors were Mrs E. E. Sparks and Mrs W. W. Gentry. The meeting closed with the club collect read in

WEEK'S BRIDGE THIS

Duplicate

We have had several new players these past weeks which we welcome to our

Mamie Lee Benton, May Dell Tankersley, and Mr and Mrs Preston Dudley, all from Mertzon, Ernestine Hext, Ethel Etheredge, and Hollis McCormick. New players are always welcome!

Winners last week with 9 tables of players:

High Overall Helen Blakeway & Jack Bebee - 1st Marilyn Adkins & Vivian Miears, Sonora - 2nd

Wednesday

Bridge Club with dessert at 1 p.m. February 16th. There were three tables of players present. Mrs T.J. Bailey won high and Mrs bingo.

Marilyn Adkins & Vivian

High North-South

Miears, - 1st June Jones & Frankie Williams - 2nd Evelyn Wimer & Bernice Sweatt - 3rd Winnie Helen Hilliard & Hollis McCormick - 4th

High East-West Helen Blakeway & Jack Bebee - 1st Lottie Puckett & Fred Adkins, Sonora - 2nd Mrs Preston Dudley & Flora Hubble - 3rd Preston Dudley &Bill Frei-

TUESDAY

Mrs Ruth Case enter-tained the Wednesday Mary Davis Coupe won

USE CLASSIFIEDS!!

The Tuesday Bridge Club Mary Jo Hill, Tuesday.

There was five members present. The hostess a cherry French Meringue in keeping with the George Washington theme. Mrs Gloria Enoch won High, Mrs Madolyn Mertz won Second High and Mrs Maxine Page.

Ben Fatheree was called to Chickasha, Oklahoma due to the serious illness of his father, Ben L. Fatheree, Sr.

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New Building Planned For Eldorado

From The

by Jerry Swift

Champions. Honors are as follows:

Schleicher County Agriculture Agent

The Houston Livestock Show will be Feb 28 to March 6.

Steers, heifers, lambs, and hogs will be exhibitied by the

following 4-H members: Danette Dunagan, Bill Cawley,

Sally Cawley, John Ben Cawley, Tanya Leggett, Kelly

Leggett, Todd Swift, Shanna Swift, Craig Griffin, Curtis Griffin and Kelly Griffin. Leaders and parents attending will be Billy and Peggy Williams, Danny and Mary Leigh Dunagan, Dan and Judy Griffin, Jim and Billy Cawley, and

We are very proud of our boys and girls who exhibited

livestock at the 1977 San Antonio Show. The young people

not only received a number of honors with their animals but their conduct and fellowship were Champions among

Horses

Mouth

A new drive-in store featuring groceries, notions and gas will be constructed in Eldorado next to Cathy's.

Burney R. Shelton of Mertzon will build the structure which will be 50x60 feet. Estimated cost is set at \$60,000. The building permit was filed in the Eldorado City Office Thursday, according to Phil Olson, City Secretary. He said the building is to be finished in 90 days.

KENT'S AUTOMOTIVE

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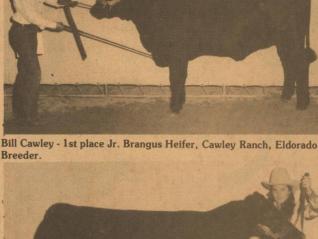
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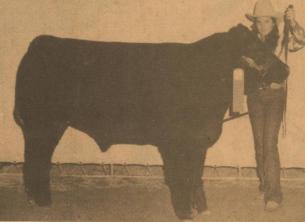
CARS & LIGHT TRUCKS

Eldorado City Secretary Phil Olson has a request to make to Eldorado City residents.

He is asking that they return the stub of their city bill when the bill is paid, either in person or by mail.

Returning the stubs would help the city offices in their bookkeeping procedures and thus reduce city expenses.





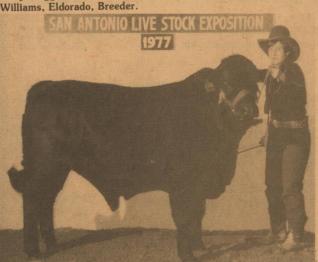
Shanna Swift - 1st place Lightweight Short Horn and 3rd place Jr. Show Sr. Hereford Heifer, Jones Bros, Eldorado Breeder.



Sally Cawley - 2nd Place Jr. Brangus Heifer, Cawley Ranch



Kelly Leggett - 2nd Place Lightweight Santa Gertrudis, Billy



Tanya Leggett - 2nd Place Med Weight Brangus, Jack Moore,

Danette Dunagan - 3rd Place Med Weight Brangus, Vick Lindly,

and Mrs Hoyt Smith of

week's trip to Dallas, Denton, and Abilene where they visited friends and

Mr and Mrs . P.S. Dudley have returned from

Mrs Elizabeth Powell is at

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Victoria Powell - 6th Place Lightweight Hereford and 8th Place Sr. Hereford Heifer, Virgil Powell, San Angelo, Breeder



Lori Powell - 11th Place Sr. Hereford Heifer, Virgil Powell, San



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home recuperating from a broken pelvis. Staying with her mother for several weeks will be Mrs Jean Ray of New Mexico. Another daughter and her husband, Mr and Mrs George Graham of Midland, spent the weekend with Mrs Powell. She was in the hospital for two weeks.

Mrs Dennis Block was honored with a baby shower Monday afternoon at the Eagle Dairy Mart. There were 15 persons present. Hostesses were Mrs Sharon Mittel, Mrs Beth Eckman, Mrs Patsy Terry, Mrs Nancy Thomas. Mrs Barbara Wade and Mrs Judy Meador. The Blocks will be moving to

Lenten Season To Be Noted

A house warming was held

in the Butch Copeland

home Friday. Attending

were Mrs Bryon Smith,

Mrs Monroe Dacy, Mrs

Edward Teale, Mrs Victor

Guittierrez, Mrs Curtis

Clark, Mrs Rick Boswell,

Mrs Stan Duke, Mrs Earl

Schmitz and Mrs Jerry

Edmiston.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church will celebrate the Lenten season with a series of services

which began with a Mass of Ash Wednesday. A Rosary and the Way of the Cross will be held every Friday night until Easter. They will be in Spanish at 8 p.m. and in English at 9 p.m. The Rev Richard Gagnon is pastor of the church.



If you have ever received a census questionaire from Austin, you probably wonder what use is made from the information that is asked. We have just received some copies of the 1975 Agriculture Statistics for Schleicher County. Listed below is information of interest from that census.

1975 agricultural statistics

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CROP	PLANTED ACRES	HARVESTED ACRES	YIELD PER HARVESTED ACRE	PRODUCTION		
Upland Cotton .		2,700	153	860 Lb/Bale		
Wheat		1,400	15.6	21,900 Bushel		
Oats	4,700	1,400	23.5	32,900 Bushel		
	1,700	700	18.0	12,600 Bushel		
Grain Sorghums	s 9,500	7,800	40.2	313,600 Bushel		
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Upland Cotton	4,750	n outs at	2,700		153	Pound	
Wheat	1,400		1,300		15.6	Bushel	
Sorghums for Grain 1,100	8,400	800	7,000	61.6	37.8	Bushel	

Feed Grain Program.

ITEM

Upland and A-P Cotton Program . Wool and Mohair Program . . Great Plains Conservation Program Cropland Adjustment Program

Livestock and Livestock Products

Total Crops and Livestock

Government Payments . . Total Farm Marketings and Government Payments.

Rural Environmental Assistance Program

6. CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS

Todd Swift - 5th Place Lightweight British Cross, Henry Speck, Jr.,

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Texas A&M Short Course Is Set For April

COLLEGE STATION --Discussions on breeding k and marketing of cattle will be among the highlights of the 27th annual Beef Cattle Short Course at Texas A&M University, April 4-5. Among featured speakers will be Dr Peter Chenoweth of Colorado State University and Dr K. C. Williamson of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, points out Dr Dennis Herd, beef cattle specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Chenoweth, an authority on reproductive performance of beef cattle, will discuss breeding soundness in bulls as well as libido and mating behavior in bulls. Williamson, with years of experience in selling cattle for top dollar in Virginia, will discuss new potentials in cattle marketing.

Other topics to be discussed during the short course nclude liver fluke and stomach worm control, prospects for cattle tick

control, status of the brucellosis control program, cattle price outlook, Rumensin as a new feed additive, nutritional value of large hay packages, and improving rebreeding performance in first-calf heifers. Talks dealing with range nutrition of cattle and pasture production should also be of interest to producers, notes Herd.

wildlife management.

Also featured will be an

short course may be obtained by writing Herd, Room 322E Animal Industries Bldg., Texas A&M University, College Station, Tex

The short course is a part of the annual Texas Animal Agriculture Conference, which features individual sessions on beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine and horses as well as special programs on range, pasture and forage production and

equipment and machinery exhibit and a trade show, adds Herd.

Complete details on the

Home Front Continued Eight fishermen returned Monday from a fishing trip

Hereford Yearling, Case Ranch, Eldorado, Breeder,

Leonard Lloyd - 5th Place Winter Hereford Heifer and 14th Summer

to the Pecos River. Arriving home with about 200 white bass were Jerroll Sanders, Newell Lucas, Eddie Boyd of San Angelo, Mike Porter, Floyd West, Floyd Butler, Mike Calcote and Don Nicholson.

Mr and Mrs Jim O'Harrow were in Iraan last week for the Valentine queen coronation, sponsored by the junior class. They were pleasantly surprised when their granddaughter, Tana Smith, was crowned queen. Tana is the daughter of Mr



Mertzon, Breeder

Iraan. She was crowned by her escort, Steve Danials.

relatives.

Visiting in the W. F. Edmiston home last weekend were William Edmiston and Darlene Massengall of Texas A&M University and Sherry Johnson of Odessa.

Midland shortly.



By Express News

Publisher, ED MEADOR

Couldn't believe my ears this morning, but there was a mockingbird actually singing away up in the trees in the back yard. Now that is a sure sign that warmer times are not far away. And just to back it all up, later in the day I saw an old buzzard sailing along looking things over with a hungry eye. So things are looking up these days, and with all of the good moisture that is stored in the ground, we should be looking at a beautiful Spring.

One great thing about all this talk of warmer weather and the return of the growing season will be the relief from feed bills farmers and ranchers have been plagued with since early winter. When you consider the plight those folks up north have been in for so many weeks, we probably don't have anything to fuss about at all. It's rather sobering to think just what a 12 inch snowfall would do to our livestock here . . . unless it melted almost immediately. I can recall the stories of some of the hardships people went through in Schleicher County back in 1917. Seems that on about April 15th a tremendous storm raged through these parts, and cattle died all over the place from cold and snow. It took a lot of people the rest of their lives to work out from under that tragedy. This generation has already survived the drouth of the Fifties, and that wasn't much fun. Everybody's hoping the dry weather out in the West moves on out . . . and not down. But Mother Nature is a capricious old gal.

If you are running behind on things to do as I generally am, you might remember that this is the time to . . . plant trees, clean windows, spade the garden, get ready to worry after shearing goats, eat less, exercise more, smoke less, plow, spray livestock, think, enjoy a sunset, dream a little . . . and after all that, if you still find things dull, give us a call . . . we'll think of something else!

ELDORADO GOLF CLUB SPECIAL PLAY DAY EVERY 2nd & 4th SUNDAY at 1:30 P.M. EVERYONE INVITED TO PLAY IN THIS MIXED FOURSOME.

ABOUT THE BANNER

We would like to say a special word of thanks to Mrs. Rita McWhorter for her help with our banner. When we started making plans for our news-paper, we decided that we wanted something special something special

that would say something about West Texas .Rita, as you know, has always been able to cap ture the feeling and flavor of our area in her paintings. And when we asked if she would do something similar for us, she graciously con-sented. We think you will agree, that again she has not only done an outstanding job, but has contributed greatly to our newspaper's image.

SPRING SPORTS ACTIVITIES ELDORADO HIGH SCHOOL

March 4 Robert Lee Girls Track Meet Eldorado Junior High Track Meet McCamey Track Meet (boys) March 11 Eaglette Relays, Junction Tennis Tournament March 12 Iraan Track (boys) **Junction Tennis Tournament**

March 19 Sonora Track Meet (boys) March 25 Mason Track Meet (boys) Ballinger Track Meet (girls) March 26 Junction Junior High Track Meet

April 1-2 San Angelo Track Meet April 12-13 District Tennis Meet April 14 District Girls Track Meet April 19 District Boys Track Meet April 22-23 Regional Meet - Girls April 29-30 Regional Meet - Boys May 5-6 State Meet - Girls May 12-13 State Meet - Boys

Tennis Club To Be Organized

All persons interested in organizing a tennis enthusiasts group in Eldorado are invited to meet in the Lions Club room in the Memorial Building Thursday. The meeting



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CANCER

M. D. Anderson Hospital

American Cancer Society and Tumor Institute

A reader explains: "I would imizing the personal effort it like to know just how effective X-ray mammography is in finding breast cancer in

women under 50.

ANSWERline: 129,000 symptom-free women between 35 and 50, enrolled in breast cancer screening demonstration projects sponsored by the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute, 223 women were found to have breast cancer on the initial screening. Of these, 100 breast cancers were found by mammography alone. Of great importance is the fact that the great majority of these 223 breast cancers were found in an extremely early stage when the probability of cure is excellent in most cases. And this mammography involves very low doses of radiation: an average of ninetenths of a rad exposure to the center of each breast (a rad is the standard unit of

A woman writes: "Several members of my family have had a colon-rectal cancer. I am concerned not only because I am afraid of developing the disease, but because I would rather die than have a colostomy."

ANSWERline: A family history doesn't mean that you will ever actually develop colon-rectal cancer or even if you do, that you will require a colostomy. A colostomy is an operation in which the diseased portion of the bowel is removed, and an opening is created in the wall of the abdomen for the elimination of natural waste. A colostomy can rightfully be considered a symbol of life rather than death from untreated cancer. Today's medical rehabilitation techniques mean that the colostomate is better able to work, enjoy sports, and have sexual contact. Without min-

takes to overcome the trauma of any cancer surgery, people who have had colostomies have formed self-help clubs (United Ostomy Association) throughout the nation, and many are American Cancer Society volunteers eager to help the new colostomate adjust in a positive way. The ACS also supports the training of specialists, called enterostomal therapists, who are able to teach new patients how to be comfortable and confident. Colostomy may not yet be an easily-discussed topic, but there has been tremendous

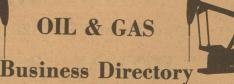
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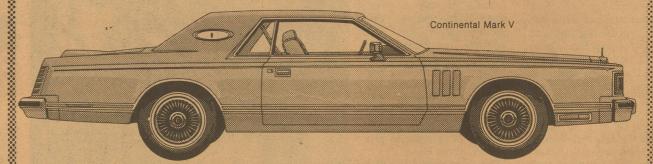
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