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## Somethin' to Think About by Jannette Wilkerson

### "THE OLDTIMERS"

"Well, Sid, here we are again. What kind of season do you think it'll be?" The Oldtimer took a blade of dried grass and pulled it between what few bottom teeth he had, as his large brown eyes darted around the country side.

"Can't tell too much the first day," came the drawled reply, "so far I've counted 16 Jeep's, 4 Winnabago's, and a Sherman Tank, and they're all loaded for 'bear'. Even saw one young'un trying to read the instruction sheet on a new tent, light a coleman stove, and shake a cow pattie off his boot, all at the same time, during a blinding snow storm. You could smell his brand new 'huntin' outfit and aftershave lotion half a mile - easy."

A dim hint of morning light tried to break the icy haze, as the two seasoned veterans huddled under a cluster of twisted liveoak.

"John, we been meetin' in this spot for many a year, don't know how much longer we can keep this place secret, reckon we orter find us another "lucky" spot?"

"Naa, ain't no sense messin' with a good thing, besides they still use this trail to get to the draw and I shore do like to watch them pretty little doe's pass."

"You old Fool! You talking 'bout the two legged or four legged?"

"We're both old fools, Sid, standing here freezin' year after year watching them young hunters crowdin' up things with new fangled weapons, four wheeled drives, and a case of Jack Daniels - waiting for somethin' to move."

There was a brief pause and each Oldtimer knew the other was thinking about an old comrade that wouldn't be there, ever again - but they said nothing.

Just then the silence was broken by the crack of rifle fire, and they looked at each other with a familiar gleam in their eye and a sly grin.

"Have you noticed these winters are gettin' colder and we're movin' slower?"

"Speak for yourself, Old Pal, I'll be here next year! 'Cause the hunter ain't been born yet that's gonna have 'my' rack," shouted the still agile old White Tailed Buck as he cleared the 5 foot sheep fence and disappeared in Mountain Laurel.

"That old 'Son-of-a-Buck', thought the remaining old Stag, as he scratched his rump on the liveoak, "Green pastures to ya, John, and don't feel too sorry for them hunters, just 'cause we have all the fun and they do all the work, or you'll end up like old George ... takin' a ride on a Jeep fender - believe I'll just hang 'round here awhile and wait for them doe's -- Yep, it's a great life, if you don't weaken" ...

And that's something to think about this week ... Good Hunting!!

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY BAKE SALE

NOVEMBER 23rd

The Schleicher County unit of the American Cancer Society will hold a Bake Sale just 2 days before Thanksgiving so all you ladies won't have to cook quite as much. There will be a large assortment of more than 50 items to tempt you. It will be held downtown on Tuesday, November 23rd, starting at 9:30 a.m. So come on out and support the ACS in this endeavor to help find a cure for cancer in our lifetime.

### A Helpful "Shot in the Arm"



Margaret Ellen Nixon, R.N. receives her swine flu shot from Dr Jim Brame at the Swine Flu Immunization Clinic held in

Eldorado last Thursday. Mrs Nixon was the first of 604 local residents to receive the shot.

## Swine Flu Immunization Has Big Response

604 local residents braved the adverse weather Thursday and took advantage of the swine flu immunization program. An estimated one-third of the adult population in Schleicher County participated in the immunization program which exceeded all expectations by several hundred persons according to Dr Jim Brame. Dr Brame also reported that there would not be a make-up session for those individuals who were not able to receive the inoculation Thursday. Those who are still interested in taking the shots may go to the Clinic at the County Medical Center. A cost of \$1.50 will be charged to administer the shot. The vaccine is free of charge. The clinic has requested that if a person is planning to get the shot, they call prior to coming to the clinic so that

the office can be prepared to administer the shot.

Dr Brame expressed his thanks to the various organizations and volunteer workers that assisted in the immunization program. Primarily responsible for coordinating the program locally was the First Lady's Volunteers headed by Mrs Holly Brame. Team leaders under this volunteer program were Mrs Frances Edmiston and Mrs Brame assisted by Mrs Betsey Puckett, R.N. of the Texas State Department of Health and Mrs Nancy Lester of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, and many other local volunteers.

Also assisting in the clinic was the Home Demonstration Club who provided refreshments.

## Briscoe's Proposal For School Finance Assistance Received

by Lynn Meador

On November 1st, School Superintendent Guy Whitaker received information from Governor Briscoe's office that could possibly change state funding for public schools locally and across the state.

State courts and the Texas legislature have in recent years indicated a need for school finance reform. Independent groups such as the Texas State Teachers Association, the Texas Education Agency, and various legislative proposals have been considered in an attempt to standardize tax valuations and structures across the state. Gov. Briscoe's plan is the first for which a qualified effort has been made to achieve this goal.

In mid 1975 Gov. Briscoe's office began work on a state school finance program which would, if accepted by Congress, give a larger share of the tax burden to the state while bringing relief to local property owners. In order to form some basis to his plan Briscoe attempted to standardize tax valuations by categorizing property into

different classes including residential, agricultural, oil and gas property among others. The standard nature of the study was thought necessary because of varied differences from one district to another within these categories.

After receiving valuations from each district in the state, the Governor's office then determined through their measures if a particular district was basing its values on a true market value of the property within that district. If the valuations were low, Briscoe's office increased them and vice versa.

The figure that the governor's office arrived at through their study would be important locally, for the valuation they arrived at would determine the amount of state funds a school district would receive. Thus if property values were low, it would be necessary for a district to increase the valuation to be in line with the Governor's plan. (A school district with unusually low valuations would end up

## Annual Community Thanksgiving Service

The annual Community Thanksgiving Service sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance will be held this Sunday evening at 7:00 at the First Methodist Church. The Rev. Gordon Garlington of the First Presbyterian Church will be the speaker. Mrs Bob McWhorter will lead the congregational singing and the community choir in their two special songs. Rev Garlington will be assisted during the service by other ministers participating in the alliance. This annual event is a wonderful time for all the Christians in Eldorado to put aside their denominational differences and to worship and praise God together. Be sure to attend this service especially designed to lead all of us in expressing our gratitude to our Mighty and Wonderful Provider.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY

The Elementary and High School will begin the Thanksgiving recess next Wednesday at 2:30 P.M. at which time the buses will run. Classes will resume at the regular school hour on Monday, November 29.

## DEAR - DEER!



"I'll let a sleeping hunter lie!"



"I wonder what he's looking for?"



"Sir, can I help you look for something?"

having to pay more local taxes to maintain a budget.) Earlier this year Eldorado schools informed Briscoe's office that local valuations totaled around 62 million dollars. The Governor's office figures based on market values arrived at a figure of \$147,253,114. This would figure out at about \$114/acre. An agricultural use adjustment was also given in the study which lowered the valuation to around \$80 million. The total state funding for the Eldorado schools under Briscoe's market value plan is \$452,500 of which \$349,000 or 90 percent is the state's share and \$132,500 or 10 percent is from local funds.

Supt. Whitaker said that on the surface the Governor's plan would not affect Eldorado's current status tax to the degree of having a tax increase. However he added "the plan as such does not consider any inflationary adjustment

See "Briscoe" on Page 4



Call me your Home Front News items. 853-2688 or 853-2032 - Billie Porter.

Tom Enochs of Midland and A. R. Enochs of Austin are visiting their brothers and sisters this week - they are also getting some hunting in.

Jonana and Will B. Doyle visited with Bessie Doyle recently. Jerry and Heavla Doyle from Menard visited over the weekend and the children returned home with them.

Mrs Jenny Willman is in Shannon Hospital where she had foot surgery last week. She is an employee of Westernman Drug.

## Home Front News

Ray Gentry is a patient in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

W.D. "Bill" Hubble has been a patient at Brooks Army Hospital for the past two weeks, and will be there for awhile yet. His address for those who wish to write or send cards is as follows: W.D. Hubble, Brooks Army Hospital, Ward 12-A, Room 262, San Antonio, Texas, 78234.

The First Christian Church will have their annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov 21st, immediately after the morning Church Service. This is a covered dish luncheon and everyone is invited.

Visiting in the home of Mr and Mrs Bobby Phillips, this last week was his mother, Mrs Nora Phillips. They took her home this past weekend.

Mr and Mrs Ken Peters visited his parents, Mr and Mrs E. C. Peters Sunday.

Visiting the Robert Wilkersons this week were Mrs W.D. Howell and Mrs Dan Saunders from Stanton; Mrs Gladys Wilkerson of Midland; Mr and Mrs Jim Jordan of Wichita Falls; Mr and Mrs Mike Jordan and Shawn (better known as "THE SHONZ") of Haskle; and Bill Jordan of Austin. Jannette's mother, Mrs Howell, and Aunt, Mrs Saunders, enjoyed the Museum, and visiting friends. Mrs Wilkerson returned to Midland with Toni at attend the "Big" game, Odessa High vs Permian. The Jordan men hunted while the rest of us enjoyed THE SHONZs (the 20 month old whirlwind with dimples!)

Mr and Mrs Charles Young observed their 49th Wedding Anniversary Nov 17th. The Young's continue to convalesce after their recent hospital stay and are still confined to their home. Happy Anniversary Young's!

Michael Phillips turns 11 years old today, Nov 18th.

Phil and Buzz McCormick returned Friday from an 18 day hunting trip north of St John, British Columbia, where they each bagged a moose. They packed 17 miles horseback into their hunting area, rode 15-17 miles per day hunting, most of the time in show. Phil described the area as mountains, full of rivers and streams, essentially beautiful throughout.

Jacky Steed of Monahans is the guest this week of Mr and Mrs Gary Steed. Jacky, Gary, and Patty plan to enjoy area hunting.

Blanca Martinez celebrated her 5th birthday, Friday, Nov 12th at the Eagle Dairy Mart. Friends and relatives were present to help her celebrate the occasion.

Mrs James (Susan) Jackson, daughter-in-law of Mr and Mrs Delmer Jackson, was recently nominated for "Who's Who" at Angelo State University in San Angelo.

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**Arrest Delays Hearing**

A civil rights trial in U.S. District Court in San Angelo was aborted Monday morning when one of the plaintiff's entered the U.S. Attorney's office armed with a fully loaded .38 caliber revolver.

In city jail in lieu of bond is Ernesto Perez Sr., 38, of 136 Arlington, who was arrested about 8:20 a.m. Monday when officials spotted the weapon in the waist band of the man's trousers.

Officials said the arrest was in the office of U.S. Attorney Robert B. Wilson, located on the second floor of the Federal Building here.

Perez was charged with assault on a federal officer by intimidation under Section III, Title 18, U.S. Code. He was arraigned before 51st District Judge Earl W. Smith who set bond at \$10,000.

Perez and his two sons, Reynaldo and Javier, filed a civil rights suit April 9 against U.S. Border Patrol Agent David T. Vannett of Sonora. The suit, which seeks \$170,000 in damages, alleges that Vannett entered the Mexican Grill Restaurant, 1623 S. Chadbourne, which is owned by Perez, and conducted an improper search for illegal aliens. The suit also alleges that Vannett bodily restrained the younger Perez's during the search which included private portions of the restaurant.

Officials said they didn't know when the trial which was set for 10 a.m. Monday would be reset.

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**HOMEMAKERS**  
**MEET**  
The Young Homemakers  
Home Demonstration Club met  
in the Memorial Building at  
9:30 A.M. on Nov. 9, with  
President Nell Williams pre-  
siding.  
There were eleven members  
present. Plans were made for  
serving coffee during the  
Swine Flu Clinic, held on  
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**BETA SIGMA PHI**

Plans for the upcoming holiday season were the topic of discussion when Beta Sigma Phi sorority met for their monthly business meeting on Tuesday night.

During the month of November the sorority will have a Thanksgiving dinner honoring BSP husbands. Members and their husbands will enjoy the traditional Thanksgiving dinner on November 22.

December festivities will include a progressive dinner and gift exchange for members prior to Christmas day and on December 31 the sorority will sponsor a New Year's Dance at the memorial building. The sorority hopes to bring back "Sierra Light" from Baird to play for this.

Fayla Cheatham gave a report on the proceeds from the Halloween Carnival. The carnival was a success with all organizations reporting good profits this year.

After the business meeting Barbara Jackson gave the program entitled "Public Relations and the Press".

Hostesses for the evening were Tommie Boswell and Nelva Martin.

**TUESDAY BRIDGE**

The Tuesday Bridge Club met in the home of Mrs Paul Page, Sr. High was won by Mrs Pat Enochs, Low by Mrs Joe Hill and Bingo by Mrs Raymon Mobley.

**WEDNESDAY BRIDGE CLUB**

The Wednesday Bridge Club met November 10th at 1:00 P.M. at the home of Mrs W.R. Bearce.

There were three tables of players.

High was won by Mrs Elizabeth Powell and bingo was won by Mrs Frankie Williams.

**COUPLES BRIDGE**

Mr and Mrs Hollis McCormick entertained the Couple Bridge Club, Wednesday, Nov 10th at 7 p.m. with a dinner.

Hollis McCormick and Flora Hubble won High. Second High was won by Helen and Blake Balkeway and Bingo was won by Sarah and Earl Yates.

**NEW BRIDGE CLUB**

A new bridge club has been organized and will meet every other Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Club members are: Candy Richards, Fayla Cheatham, Tooter Dunham, Yvone Kerr, Joyce Higdon, Patty Steed, Jannette Wilkerson, Sheri Whitten, Betty Kay Lacy, Nell Edmiston, Marty Edmiston and Vidette Sallee. Hostess this week was Patty Steed. High was awarded to Fayla Cheatham and Low went to Patty Steed.



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**BEEF PRODUCER PROFITS**

COLLEGE STATION--A livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service says that beef producers shouldn't worry too much about the amount of beef they supply to consumers, but neither should they expect profits to increase unless retail prices go up.

Dr Ed Uvacek points out that beef per capita consumption in several foreign countries is considerably higher than that of the U.S. "We, therefore, are probably nowhere near our ultimate limit in U.S. beef consumption," he contends.

Uvacek notes that higher prices paid for beef by U.S. consumers do not necessarily constitute a profit for producers unless consumption levels are maintained or increased. "Producer profits can only come from increased consumer demand for beef and higher retail prices," points out the economist.

ussed was the Senior Citizens Party to be held Dec. 2nd. The business meeting was then adjourned and a delightful program on holiday food and ideas was presented by Ms Doris Richards, W.T.U. Home Economist of the San Angelo District. Thirty-six members and guests enjoyed sampling the delicious recipes and lunch prepared in advance by members of our Club.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs Bessie Jones, with a program on cake decorating.

# ★ CHRISTOVAL ★ CORNER

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

## Recipe Corner

### RACK OF VENISON

Venison can be tasty, tender or moist - or tough and dry. To be good, it must be hung for at least 1 week to 10 days: in some cases it should be marinated before cooking and treated to plenty of fat or oil to keep it moist.

4th-5th rack or loin of venison  
Salt pork, bacon  
2 chopped onions  
1 sliced carrot  
1 clove garlic (minced)  
1 tsp oregano  
1/2 tsp. thyme  
4 crushed juniper berries  
1 tsp salt  
1/2 tsp. crushed peppercorns  
Juice and rind of 1 lemon  
1/2 cup olive oil

1 cup dry wine, heated  
1/2 cup beef stock  
Make incisions in the meat with a knife, insert salt pork and bacon strips.

Make a marinade of the vegetables, seasonings, juice, oil, and put the meat to soak in it for 24 hours. Turn meat frequently to be sure it is thoroughly bathed.

When ready to cook, place in roasting pan, top with several slices of bacon. Remove rind from marinade and pour marinade over the roast.

Roast in a 350° oven, basting frequently with the pan juices. Allow 20 min per pound.

After 45 min. cooking, add 1 cup heated dry red wine. Continue roasting and basting until meat is done.

Remove venison to hot platter, keep warm.

Skim fat from pan juices, add 1/2 cup beef stock. Taste for seasoning.

Thicken with small balls of butter and flour mixed together.

Pour sauce on venison.

Carve into separate ribs, let the juice mix into the sauce.

Serves 4.

### VENISON CHILI

4 large onions, chopped  
2 cloves garlic, chopped  
1/2 cup vegetable or olive oil  
2 lbs. venison, ground  
2 tablespoons chili powder  
1 teaspoon ground coriander  
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin  
Dash Tabasco

1 cup beer  
1/2 cup tomato paste  
1/2 teaspoons salt  
Sauté onions and garlic in oil until limp, add ground venison. Add rest of ingredients and blend.

Reduce heat and simmer 45 min. or longer. Taste for seasoning. Add more beer if mixture is dry. Cook until it is well blended, tender and rich in flavor. Serve with pinto beans or rice. Serves 4-6.

NOTE: This makes a tasty sauce for frankfurters. Place grilled franks on toasted buns, top each with a spoon full of Venison Chili, then a spoon full of raw onion.

### COUNTRY WISDOM

Hunting Wisdom: when the wind is high and the leaves are dry - it's a poor time for hunting.

Any animal you hunt is most alert on windy days. The hunter uses wind to his advantage to creep upwind to hiding places and remain out of sight as the game will instinctively bed down where they have the best visibility.

He feels the best time to shoot is just before daylight and just before dark.

The Ladies Auxillary of Christoval Fire Dept will have their "Bake Sale" at the building site, downtown Christoval, Sat. Nov 20th from 8 a.m. till all baked goods are sold.

Elizabeth Clark, Rep

## SHORT NOTES

Mr and Mrs Clayton Parker and son, Bradley, of Ft. Stockton were visitors in the Travis Parker home last week.

The KCCIG Misfits versus the KCTC Make Goods. The football game will be played Sat., Nov. 23rd at the Christoval football field. All proceeds will go to the community group. Prices of admission are adults \$1.00, children \$.50.

Mr and Mrs Lester Rogers had as their guests last week their daughter Mrs Judy Travioli and their grandson, Lester from San Angelo.

Because of the bad roads, etc. the Thanksgiving Dinner for the Methodist Church was called off. We will arrange one for sometime later, in December.

Mrs Lola Brown and Mrs Maude Gaston have arranged a Work Day for Nov. 30th from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. (or until we finish) in the basement of the Methodist Church. The purpose is to make Christmas gifts for the Golden Years Home. Bring your sewing machines and trimming scraps (rick-rack, etc.) and join in this time of work and fellowship. We want to make this a community affair. The Home is here and it furnishes us with an opportunity of service.

Nora Mahon has been on the sick list this week, but is improving.

### CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, December 4th, from 10 a.m. till 6 p.m. at Christoval Methodist Church. All handmade gifts and christmas decorations. Priced under \$1.00 and up. If information is needed or if a booth is wanted contact Ann Allen 896-2329 or Beverly Dennis 896-2255.

Jack Skinner reported at news time that he hadn't been up to any mischief or hadn't heard any gossip so therefore didn't have any news.

The KCCIG Ambulance broke down on a trip to the Eldorado Hospital last week but is available again.

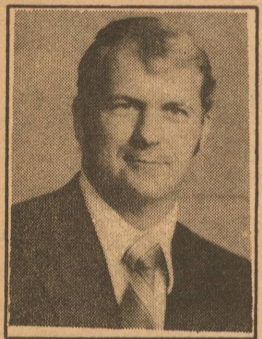
Jane Dougherty of Nita's Drive Inn says to inform everyone they have three baby kittens to give away - they need a good home.

David Sloan enjoyed his deer hunt west of Eldorado Sat. - he brought home a 6 point buck. The average points so far has been eight.

Mrs Pauline Turnbo had emergency surgery in San Angelo Friday and is doing well at this time.

Mrs Humpries and daughter Lucille of Robstown visited in the Pete McBurnett home last week.

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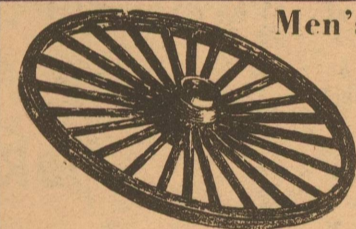
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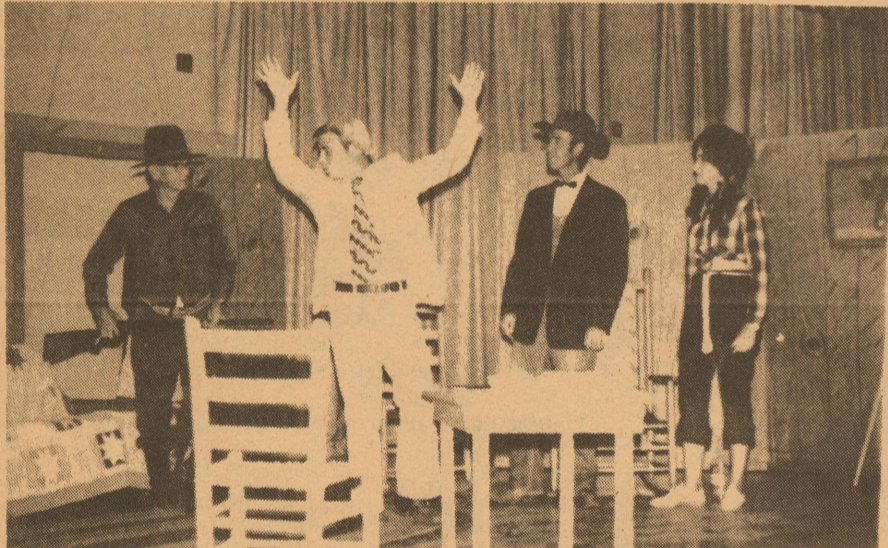
This is a time to remember in Thanks and giving. Let us be thankful for the Word of the Gospel and doctrine which makes it clear: Let us be thankful for the arts and capacities for human communication which make possible offering the Gospel to others: Let us be thankful for the testimony of change in the lives of others which confirms our faith: Let us be thankful for the world, the creation of God and man: Let us be thankful for Jesus; and because we do not fully understand the mystery of God, we stand in humble dependency. A time to be thankful - Thanks

Thanks - Giving

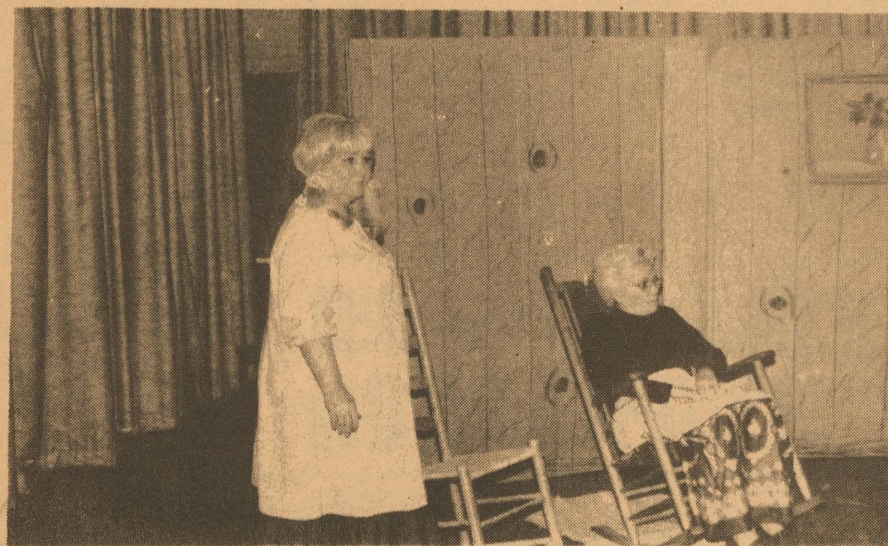


Eldorado Veterans "Present Arms" to their fallen comrades at a brief Armistice Day Ceremony. From left to right: Jerroll Sanders, Bill Gunstead, Lloyd Johnson, Phil Olson, Gene McCalla.

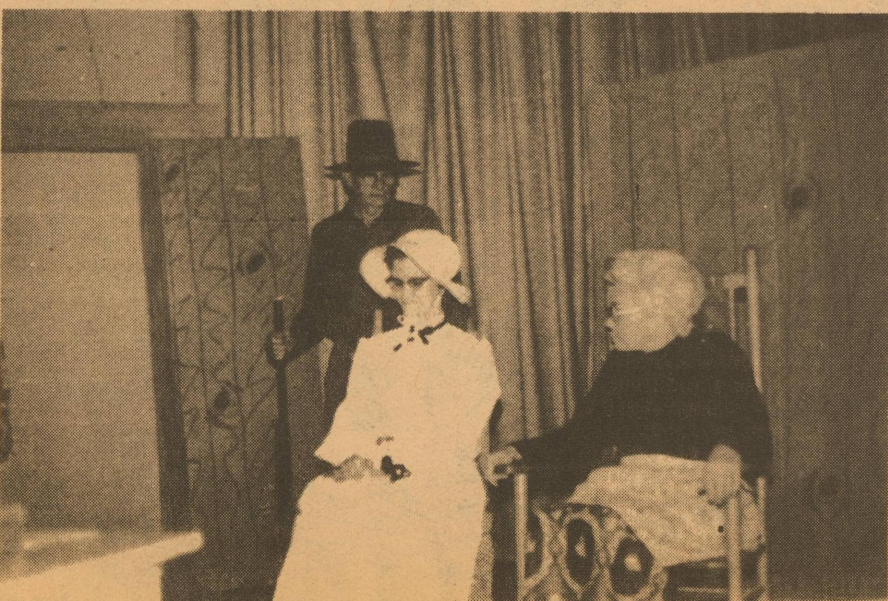
## GLIMPSES OF "FEUDIN"



Buddy Anthony (Wally) gets a prodding from Sheriff Talbot (Pete McBurnett) as Matt (Tommy Ball) and June (Rena Gaines) look on.



Ellie Mae (Lorraine Parker) asks Maw (Sue McBurnett) "Where's June?"



Mow Talbot (Sue McBurnett) advises Betsy Bascom (Mable Walker) listens

## Schleicher Co. Medical Facilities Gets Good Report

The Schleicher County Hospital Board received some good news Monday in their regular meeting concerning safety codes. For the past few years the district had been responsible for making safety improvements in the hospital to bring it up to the standards of the Life Safety Codes. If a hospital cannot comply with their standards, it could possibly lose government financial assistance primarily through the medicare and medicad programs. In the past the local district has had to apply from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for improvements that would meet specifications set out by the agency. This year, however, the inspection by the Life Safety Code found no significant deficiencies in the hospital safety features. According to Lillian Kroeger, the hospital administrator, the necessary improvements would amount to about \$500 this year.

A recent inspection of the nursing home facilities also proved favorable. State inspectors visited the nursing home recently and after a three day inspection had high praise for the home set up and operation.

The board approved the hiring of Eckert, Story, Ransom & Ingram, certified public accountants to prepare the Hospital District's annual audit.

In final action, the board approved payment of current bills.

Board members present at the meeting were Curtis Andrews, Winnie Jackson, Evelyn Wimer, Bob Page, Mike Moore, E.C. Peters, Lillian Kroeger and Sherry Lux.

## Eldorado City Council

### To Assist School In

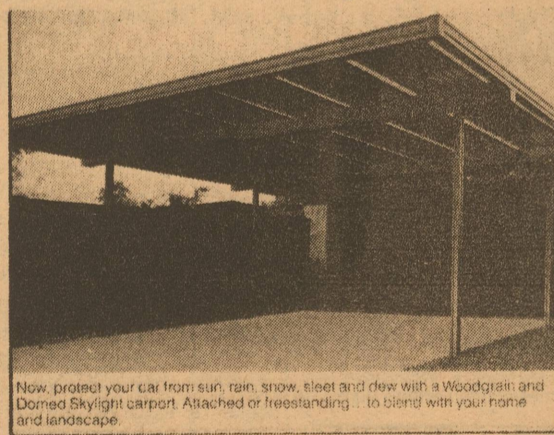
### Speed Control

In their regular monthly session the City Council approved the school request to place speed control bumps between the high school building and the gymnasium on West Street. It was felt by school officials that this improvement would prohibit speeding in an area where there are many student pedestrians crossing the street. Work on the project will be done at a later date.

Other business items discussed at the meeting were the request for new fire hose nozzles by the fire department which the city accepted, and discussion of a replacement for Councilman Ben Joiner who recently resigned due to being transferred to another city. The City Council will give further consideration to a replacement at their next regular meeting.

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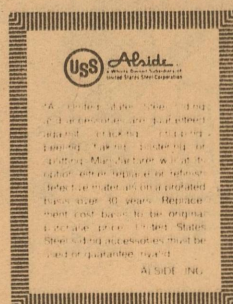
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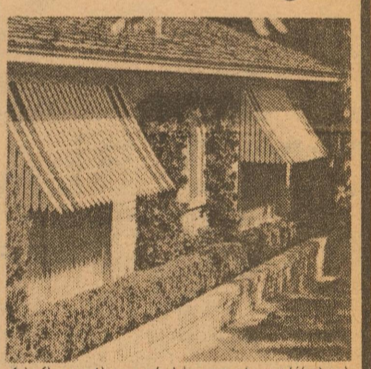
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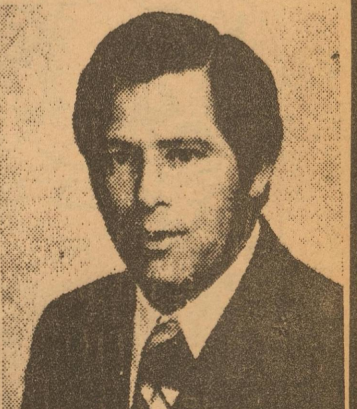
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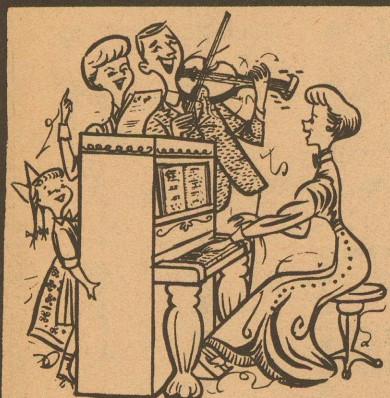


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AROUND THE HOUSE and OTHER PLACES

by Nancy Lester County Extension Agent - Home Economics

Dr Frank Orts, Meat's Specialist, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be in Eldorado on Tuesday, November 23rd, to present a program on "How to Cut Up a Deer". The program will be at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Building. Last year Dr Orts presented a program on cutting a side of beef. Quite a few people attended. I hope we have a good attendance at this program also. Be sure to mark your calendar.

About this time of year people start to receive a Christmas catalog in the mail almost every day. You need to beware of mail-order forms from companies with out of state addresses. Almost ninety percent of these companies are not registered to do business in Texas, which means that they are not authorized to collect Texas sales tax on items they sell. Their order blanks have a line for you to fill in the price of the merchandise, and then a line underneath marked "add applicable tax". The unknowing consumer adds 4 or 5 percent and mails away the money. The unregistered company simple pockets the "tax". They have not broken any laws, since there is no tax on sales of this type; you have just been taken.

Be careful: if the mailing address is in Texas, or the company is registered to business here, you DO OWE tax. The mail-order form will state "Texas residents add five percent sales tax" or a similar phrase.

If you think you have been overcharged sales tax or have a question about this you can call 800-252-5555. This number has been installed by Comptroller Bob Bullock.

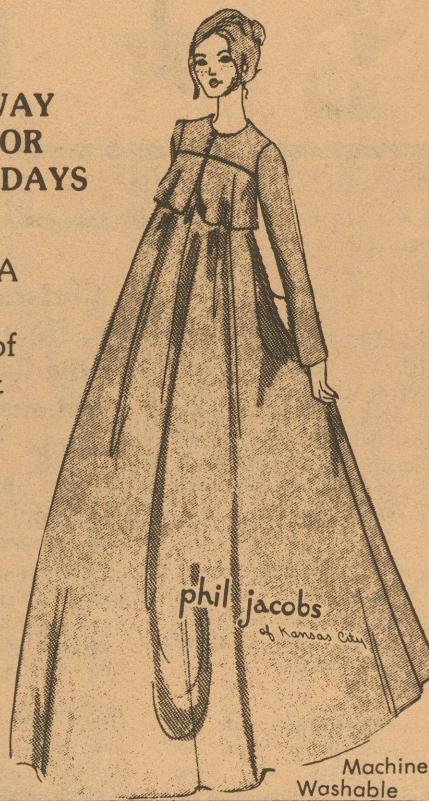
The 4-H Food Show has been set for December 12th at the Memorial Building. Patty Steed just started meeting with a Kindergarten Food Group. Her members are: Jo Anne Kessler, Ashley Johnson, Gina Minaca and Tina Dacy.

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NURSING HOME NEWS

During part of this past week the main topic of conversation was the weather. It seems to me that it is a little early to have such a severe spell as we had. It reminded us that winter is here again this week. None of the residents are sick, for which we are very thankful.

When we played Bingo last Wednesday morning, the winners were as follows: Carrie Blakeway, Elva Daniels, Granny Casbeer, Maggie Sluder (2 games), Erna Rexroat (2 games). When we played Bingo last Friday morning the following were winners: Carrie Blakeway, Elva Daniels, Beulah Harris (2 games), Erna Rexroats, Georgia Springstun and LaVita Brooks (2 games).

During last week we had four visitors - Gerald Dannheim of Sonora visited Frank Reed; Gerald Nix of Sonora visited Georgia Springstun; Mr and Mrs D. L. Crump of Abilene visited Hexie Potter. We all enjoy our visitors very much.

LaVita Brooks, Rep Beulah Harris, Rep



Dr. Walter Underwood

Dr Walter Underwood, pastor of St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Houston will be the guest speaker at the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Revival to be held at First United Methodist Church, November 28th through December 1st. Dr Underwood is one of the most well known Methodist Ministers in Texas having served the First Methodist Church in Wichita Falls and the First Methodist Church in Ft. Worth before moving to Houston this year. His worship services have been seen throughout a six state region for the past several years. Dr Underwood is no stranger to Eldorado having preached a revival here six years ago and is also the United Methodist Preacher at the Bloys Cowboy Camp Meeting. Dr and Mrs Dick Dickson from San Antonio will lead the music during the week. A Special "Birthday Party" is planned for the last night of the revival to honor former pastors and their wives. Services will be at 7:30 p.m. every evening and all are invited.

slowed the cotton harvest which has been under way for about two weeks. So like some of the old timers around here said, "It looks like we're in for a long winter."

Briscoe from p. 1

or salary increases that might occur and create the need for us to make up the difference with local funds."

The plan will be submitted to the next legislative session for consideration and the adoption of the plan will be contingent on what the legislature does in this regard.

In his evaluation of the proposal, Whitaker said that the agricultural use value would be of more benefit to Schleicher County than the market value valuation. For example, using the market value, which Briscoe's plan presently uses, Schleicher County ISD must come up with \$132,257.00 (\$147,253,114 X 9c per \$100 valuation) as its local portion compared to \$88,000 (80,000,000 X 11c per \$100 valuation) under the agricultural use valuation. In essence, the valuation difference accounts for the lower amount of local funds that the district will make up for a minimum foundation program. It hasn't been determined, however, which value will be used ultimately.

Whitaker emphasized that this proposal and any other that might come through legislation is specifically for a minimum foundation program. "The Schleicher County school system has always operated above the state minimum," Whitaker said. "We have always had educational programs for our children that we feel would be of more benefit to them. In order for us to continue to have good beneficial programs, and be able to attract and keep quality teachers we will operate above the state minimum. This means that the difference will have to be made up out of local funds," he added.

Ken Craig - New Baptist Youth Director

This Sunday Ken Craig, a junior psychology major at Angelo State will be at the First Baptist Church in view of a call as part-time youth director. Ken, who was reared in Coleman, Texas, has been very active in the Baptist Student Union in San Angelo and was summer youth director at First Baptist Church in Sonora during the past summer. He will be speaking to the young people of the church during Sunday School and he will have a special part in the morning worship service.

Following the morning worship service the church will

vote on the recommendation from the youth committee that the church extend a call to Ken as our next youth director. The church is expecting a record attendance in Sunday School by all of the youth as they come to get acquainted with Ken.

Immediately following the evening Community Thanksgiving Service at the First Methodist Church, there will be a youth fellowship at the First Baptist Church. All young people of junior high and high school age are cordially invited to attend. Ken Craig will be in charge of the entertainment for this event.

School LUNCH MENU

- MONDAY NOV. 22nd Baked Ham Boiled Lima Beans Candied Carrots Spiced Apple Rings Peanut Butter Cake/Icing
- TUESDAY NOV. 23rd Beef Tacos Pinto Beans Lettuce & Tomato Salad Brownies
- WEDNESDAY NOV. 24th Sandwiches: Tuna, Chicken Salad, Ham Salad, Pimento Cheese, Peanut Butter French Fries Fruit Cup Ice Cream
- THURSDAY NOV. 25th Thanksgiving Day
- FRIDAY NOV. 26th Thanksgiving Holiday

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The Eagle Band marches to the courthouse square. The Band participated in the Armistice Day Ceremony here in Eldorado last week.

Postal Service Announces Mailing Dates

As the 1976 holiday season approaches, Postmaster Wayne McGinnes urges all Eldorado and Schleicher County residents to begin mailing greetings and parcels as soon as possible.

From now until the middle of December, mail volume will increase tremendously, Postmaster McGinnes said. "However, the Postal Service is committed to having all post offices clear of mail by Christmas Day."

To assist in this effort, Postmaster McGinnes asks that all surface parcels for delivery within the Continental United States be mailed by Friday, December 10, and that all greeting cards be deposited not later than Friday, December 17.

Other suggested mailing dates to remember are:

November 25 Surface mail and Space available Mail (SAM) parcels to Armed Forces in Canada, Greenland, Labrador, Newfoundland and the Azores.

November 27 Parcel Air Life (PAL) parcels to Armed Forces in Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and Spain.

Parcel Air Lift (APL) parcels to Armed Forces in Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan and Thailand.

November 30 Letters to Armed Forces in South and Central America; (Near East) Ethiopia, Iran, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Turkey; (Far East) Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan, and Thailand.

December 1 Parcel Air Lift (PAL) mail to Armed Forces in Canada, Greenland, Labrador, Newfoundland and the Azores.

December 2 Parcels by priority mail to Armed Forces in South and Central America, Ethiopia, Iran, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Antarctica, Australia, Burma, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Okinawa, Philippines, Taiwan and Thailand.

International surface parcels to Canada and Mexico.

December 7 Letters to Armed Forces in the Azores, Canada, Greenland, Labrador, Newfoundland, Liberia and the Republic of Zaire.

December 8 International surface greeting cards to Canada and Mexico.

December 9 Letters to Armed Forces in Belgium, Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and Spain.

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42 CLUB MEETS

The Merry Makers 42 Club met in the home of Mrs Annie Speck, Thursday, Nov 11th. There were three tables of players present. The hostess served refreshments to those present and everyone had fun together.

There will be a No-Hostess luncheon at the auditorium of the memorial building, Thursday, November 18th. The afternoon will be spent playing 42.

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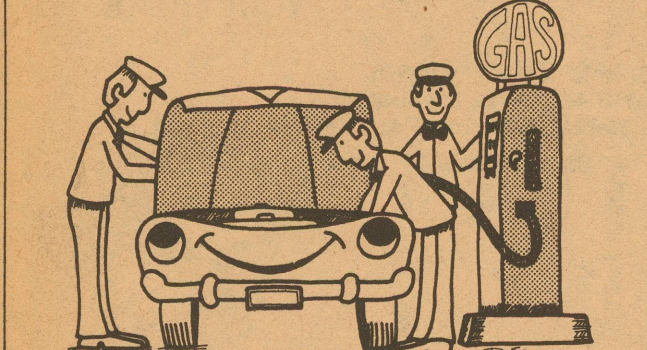
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COLD BLASTS WEST TEXAS

Ole Man Winter found his way to West Texas and Eldorado last week as the first severe winter front passed through the area. Temperatures fell into the mid twenties Thursday and by Friday snow and sleet covered the area. Most of the highways were hazardous to drive Friday and Saturday. By Sunday morning the front had passed on through the area leaving sunny skies and warmer temperatures. However, by Monday night clouds had once again returned with cold temperatures.

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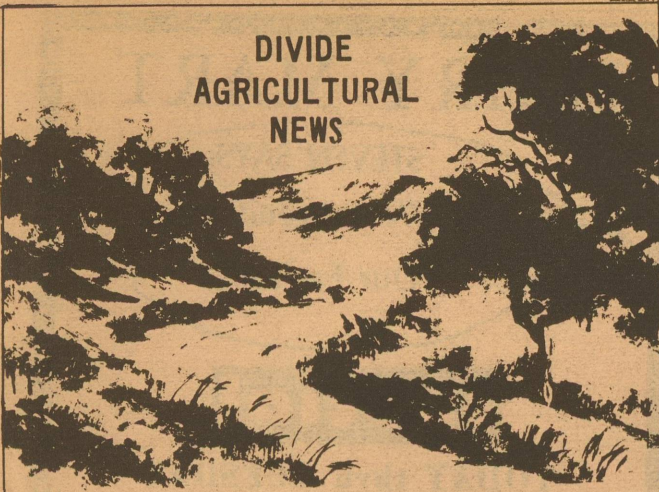
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**DIVIDE AGRICULTURAL NEWS**



by Ronnie Mittel County Executive Director, Schleicher County ASCS

The election of County Committeemen will be conducted by mail again this year. Ballots will be mailed to all eligible voters that we know of within the next few days. These ballots must be returned to the county office by December 6, 1976.

The term of Billy Williams is expiring at the end of December. David Lloyd, Duwain Sauer and Billy Williams have been nominated to serve as candidates for the election.

The person who receives the most votes is elected to serve on the committee. The persons receiving the next most votes are elected as first and second alternates respectively.

Committeemen whose terms do not expire at the end of this year are Mike Moore and Clay Atkins.

**COTTON DISASTER OR LOW YIELD**

Cotton producers whose cotton yields are below normal due to the early freeze, excess rainfall, insects, etc. are reminded to file a claim for a low yield payment within 15 days after the completion of harvest. The county office will visit the farm to verify the disaster and to appraise the production of any cotton that was not harvested.

Do not destroy the crop remains until the county office has verified that a disaster has occurred.

**CROP AND LIVESTOCK REPORTS NEEDED FROM FARMERS AND RANCHERS**

During the last half of November and in December, some 75,000 farmers and ranchers will receive either a crop or livestock questionnaire from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service. Accurate estimates have always been of great importance to producers and are even more important in light of the supply-demand situation facing agriculture today. Data collected in this survey will provide an accurate picture of agriculture for each county and for the state of Texas. Each farmer receiving a questionnaire is urged to fill it out carefully and return it promptly to the Agricultural Statistician in Austin. Individual reports are confidential and used only for state and county estimates.

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1. Sell all cows found open in a pregnancy test.
2. Treat eyes for injury, blindness and tumors.
3. Check teeth for excessive wear and decay—both cause problems in eating and loss of weight.
4. Inspect ears for ticks and treat as needed.
5. Treat any cow showing signs of stress from internal parasites.
6. Remove all cows in poor condition since they probably will not conceive next year.
7. Watch for lameness and any other problem in structural soundness that might limit the cow's ability to forage.
8. Check udders and teats for injuries that may limit the milk when the calf does arrive.
9. Search last year's records for health problems that may limit a cow's future usefulness, such as retained placenta, calving difficulty or prolapsed uteri.

"Winterizing" the cow herd is just good, sound management. This saves on supplemental feed and also reduces the "competition" for range grasses.

**ADVICE FROM YOUR COUNTY AGENT** By Jerry Swift

**ICE DAMAGE TO TREES**

Ice storms can create havoc with the shade trees in the landscape. By careful pruning and good cultural practices many of the trees can be saved and within a year or two the damage will no longer be visible.

The first step is to carefully survey the damage and plan the needed corrective pruning. Damaged limbs should be removed at the point of origin or just above a good side branch. Don't allow stubs to remain unless absolutely necessary.

Sometimes due to extremely severe damage it may be necessary to stub back a branch or main trunk. If this becomes necessary the wound should be painted with a good tree wound dressing obtainable at any garden center or nursery. Continual pruning and attention is necessary under these conditions to prevent a proliferation of sucker growth at the end of the stub. Corrective pruning over a period of years will overcome this problem.

If a trunk or main scaffold branch has split due to the excessive weight of the ice, it is usually best to remove the portion of the trunk that has broken away. Cables and bolts may be used to pull the damaged trunk together but unless done by a professional tree man, the results are seldom satisfactory.

If the bark has been pulled loose along the side of a trunk due to a breaking limb, be sure to smooth the torn area with a sharp knife or chisel and paint all exposed cuts or wounds with the tree wound dressing. Do not use house paint or similar materials as the oils can damage the growing tissue needed in healing the wound.

If a good dressing is unavailable, orange shellac makes a good temporary dressing to be followed with the proper wound dressing within six weeks.

An application of complete fertilizer should be applied in late fall or winter to be followed in spring with an application of ammonium sulfate or other high nitrogen fertilizers to promote new growth.

**SALT FOR ICE REMOVAL CAN BE HAZARDOUS**

Considerable damage to landscape plants and lawns can be caused by the indiscriminate use of common salt (NaCl) on sidewalks, streets and driveways to keep them free of ice. Extreme caution should be exercised when using salt as it may injure nearby trees, shrubs and lawn grass. As the ice and snow melt, the water may drain into the lawn area carrying the salt to the root zone of nearby plants. The visible effects of the salt injury may not appear until early summer as hot dry weather approaches. The effect on trees can be marginal burning of leaves, complete browning and death of the leaves, or in extreme cases it may result in the loss of prize trees and shrubs or cause dead areas in an attractive lawn area.

Try using ammonium nitrate to melt the ice in areas where the drainage pattern moves the water into the lawn and shrub borders. This material will fertilize the plants as well as melt the ice. If ammonium nitrate is not available, any commercial fertilizer that is relatively high in nitrogen and potassium may be used with much the same effect. Use only enough of the material to melt the ice. The continued use of fertilizer over an extended period can also cause severe damage to plants if the concentration of these chemicals in the soil becomes too high.

Sand can be used on icy walks and drives very effectively in providing traction for both vehicular and foot traffic. Many people object to the use of sand as it tracks into the house. Actually it is more damaging to floors and rugs than common salt which also sticks to shoes and is tracked into the house and deposited on floors and carpet.

Before using salt on drives and walkways, check the drainage pattern to make sure its use will not cause damage in landscape. A little caution at the time of application will prevent the loss of, or at least reduce the damage to valuable landscape plants.

**MAKE THE MOST OF COFFEE**

COLLEGE STATION With coffee prices continuing to rise, consumers want to be sure they're using and storing coffee to the best advantage. Mrs. Sally Coble, a foods and nutrition specialist, says:

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Mrs. Coble is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System. Remember to use the right

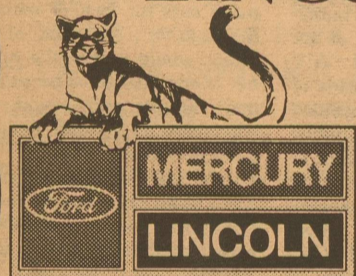
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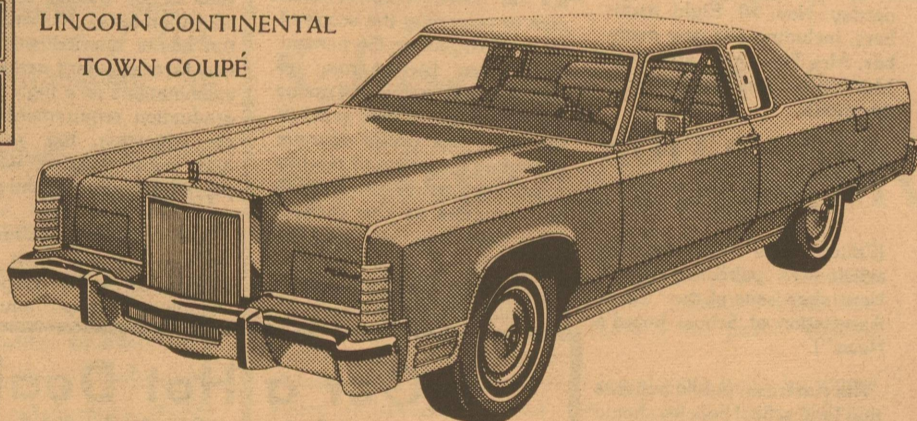
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DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	BOYS	GIRLS
Nov. 16	Crane	Crane	5:00		A&B
Nov. 16	Comstock	Eldorado	6:00	A&B	A&B
Nov. 19	McCamey	Eldorado	4:00	A&B	A,B&C
Nov. 22	Lakeview	Eldorado	5:30		
Nov. 22	Comstock	Comstock	6:00	A&B	A&B
Nov. 23	Sonora	Eldorado	4:00	A&B	A&B
Nov. 29	McCamey	McCamey	5:00	A&B	A&B
Nov. 30	Sonora	Sonora	4:00	A&B	A
Dec. 2-3-4	Sonora Girls Tournament			A	
Dec. 2-3-4	Mason Boys Tournament			B	
Dec. 2-3-4	Rocksprings Boys Tournament			A	
Dec. 7	Mason	Mason	5:00	A	A&B
Dec. 9-10-11	McCamey Tournament			A	A&B
Dec. 9-10-11	Ozona Boys Tournament			A	
Dec. 14	Big Lake	Eldorado	4:00	A&B	A&B
Dec. 16	Ozona	Eldorado	6:30	A&B	
Dec. 16-17-18	Iraan Tournament			A&B	A&B
Dec. 21	Wall	Wall	4:00	A&B	A&B
Jan. 4	Robert Lee	Eldorado	6:30	A	A
Jan. 4	Mertzon	Eldorado	5:00	A	B
Jan. 7	Iraan	Iraan	6:30		A&B
Jan. 6-7-8	Big Lake Tournament			A	
Jan. 6-7-8	Robert Lee Tournament			B	
Jan. 11	Junction	Junction	5:00	A&B	A
Jan. 13-15	Eldorado J.V. Tournament			B	
Jan. 14	Menard	Eldorado	5:00	A	A&B
Jan. 18	Mason	Eldorado	5:00	A&B	A
Jan. 21	Iraan	Eldorado	6:30	A&B	A&B
Jan. 25	Big Lake	Big Lake	5:00	A&B	A&B
Jan. 28	Wall	Eldorado	4:00	A&B	A&B
Feb. 1	Robert Lee	Robert Lee	6:30	A	A
Feb. 4	Junction	Eldorado	5:00	A	A&B
Feb. 8	Menard	Menard	5:00	A&B	A

# Express News SPORTS JUST JOGGIN' ALONG!

by Ed Meador

One of my favorite things to do is fly ... and though I sold my wings some four years ago, the interest in flying is still burning, and you can imagine that it was just natural for me to end up at the airport a few days ago when the Army moved some 100 plus helicopters west from Fort Hood to participate in military maneuvers at Ft. Bliss. Anyone that looked up that day would have thought that we had suddenly become a part of a vertical envelopment as rotor craft of all description settled on to our normally lonesome runway to be refueled for the next leg of the journey west. Despite a high south wind that chilled to the bone, the refueling operation was carried on with dispatch, and most of us who were onlookers got a satisfying glimpse of some of our military hardware and the capable young people who use it.

Eldorado is properly situated for such a maneuver, and so after the exercises at Fort Bliss, the local airport once again became a focal point for refueling for the return to Fort Hood.

But Mother Nature has a way of fouling up such operation and Tuesday evening found rain, fog, Army personnel and aircraft all meeting at the local runway at the same time. Darkness secured the mission for the night, and some sixty men found themselves facing a cold, wet night ...

Well, the Corral Room of the Memorial Building is warm and ry. County Judge Robert McWhorter opened the doors, and the Army gratefully moved in. Seems there must have been some memories of other days and less happy times when a warm place to sleep would have seemed like Heaven itself.

Theres more. Right up front in the group was young Chris Dosey, son of former Eldoradoan Sug Wright Montgomery, and grandson of the well-remembered Archie Wrights. Chris had spent some happy times in Eldorado while he was growing up, and felt right at home. With his Captain Kirk's permission, Chris took charge and directed the troops to the Corral Room, pointing out local points of interest as they moved from the airport into town. Kin<sup>4</sup> of a cold homecoming, but a happy one to say the

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Talk about weather! Those people who have been long convinced that this was going to be a bang-up cold winter have sure been right up to the present. You can sort of expect 16 to 18 degrees in January, February and perhaps December, but boy, the last few Novembers were like Florida. It got so cold over the weekend that the deer even went into hiding ... and a lot of hunters found out that easy living was no exercise for the rigors of a 16 degree hunt. With the ground covered with sleet, all you have to do was take one or two crunchy steps and old Buck Deer had fair warning it was time to move! Just about now Spring seems a long way off.

### DORCAS SUNDAY SCHOOL EDUCATION POLLS

(Editors Note: The following article was published in the November issue of the "Texas Association of School board's News")

The American public believes that local school policies should be set by local school boards. At the same time, citizens want much more involvement in decision making than they now have.

School board members may find these the most interesting conclusions in the "Eighth Annual Gallup Poll of the Public's Attitudes Toward the Public Schools," conducted last April and published in the October "Phi Delta Kappan".

Sixty-seven percent of the adults questioned said they would like to see local school boards—not state or federal governments—take on more responsibility in running the schools.

By an even greater margin, 90% of the respondents indicated a willingness to serve on citizen advisory committees, if such committees existed in their own local districts. In his analysis of the survey, George Gallup notes that while many of the 90% who said they would like to serve on such committees "might find it impossible or impractical to carry out their intention, still an extraordinary number of persons in a typical community are sufficiently interested to fill places on a score of committees. And, if such committees were appointed, then hundreds of citizens might be involved in local school matters".

Apparently, the public shares school board members' concerns about "unionization of teachers" and bargaining. Thirty-eight percent of those polled feel that teacher unionization has "hurt the quality of public school education," 27 percent feel it has made no difference, and 22 percent think it has helped. Ironically, while only 22 percent of the

67 percent of the respondents said the schools should take on a share of the responsibility' in this domain—traditionally a task of parents and the church. And, of the many qualities important to the overall development of children (such as thinking for one-self, getting along with others, accepting responsibility), people most frequently chose "high moral standards" as the quality most neglected by parents and schools alike. When asked to identify citizen advisory committees on which they would like to sit, half of those willing to serve selected committees dealing with "discipline and related problems".

The "back to basics" movement is gaining public support as revealed in responses to several questions on this year's survey.

"Teaching of basic skills" emerges first among improvements in the quality of education desired by the public. Respondents cited "poor curriculum" far more often this year than last as a major problem in the public schools. Moreover, 59 percent of those polled believe the "decline years" means "the quality of education today is declining."

Asked to rate the local public schools, only 13 percent of the sample gave a grade of "A"; 29 percent assigned a grade of "B". To brake this perceived slide in the quality of public education today, 65 percent of the adults queried said they now favor standard nationwide examinations as a high school graduation requirement. Career education, too, received high public support with 52 percent favoring job and career preparation in high school. Asked how they would improve the quality of their local schools, 39 percent responded "emphasize career education

and the development of salable skills."

Although widely ballyhooed in the media, public school early childhood education and preschool programs have not gained the support that would merit the increased taxes necessary to establish them. The question: "A proposal has been made to make child-care centers available for all preschool children as part of the public school system. This program would be supported by taxes. Would you favor or oppose such a program in your school district?" On the other hand, the relatively new concept of parent education (courses provided by the schools to help parents "help their children in school") won approval in this year's Gallup study. Seventy-seven percent thought it a good idea and half of those said they would be willing to pay additional taxes to support such programs.

What about overall budget cuts? Sympathy toward teachers appears high. The majority of those citizens polled would neither cut teacher salaries, nor the number of teachers unless enrollments were to decline markedly. If their districts were "forced" to make cuts for lack of money, the majority (72 percent) of the public would reduce the number of administrative personnel and (52 percent) would cut counselors on the staff. Only 39 percent favor reducing the number of subjects offered. Even fewer respondents favored cutting out "after-school activities like bands, clubs, athletic, etc." Reducing the number of teachers by increasing class size was favored by only 23 percent of those questioned; cutting all teachers' salaries by a set percentage was supported by an even smaller 18 percent.

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