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A Review of 1976

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1977

New officers were installed for the Chamber of Commerce in January of 1976. The new officers were John Hutchison-President, J. L. Brock-1st Vice President, Frances Loftin-2nd Vice President, Jim Evans-Secretary-Treasurer. Pat Sutterfield is the Wo

ivision President. In January of 1976, a "standing room In January of 1976, a "standing room only" crowd was present in Spearman as the Spearhead Breakers organized their local CB club. The citizens band radio is one of the big stories of 1976. The radios are gaining even more in popularity with the new 40 band radios on the market the 1st of January, 1977. A new program, K.I.D.S., began in Spearman in mid-January, 1976 and has developed into one of the finest local programs in the town's history. President of the new program is Chuck

programs in the town's history. President of the new program is Chuck Rigdon, Vice President is Earl Goodheart, and the program was one of the most successful of the year for Spear-

The graduation class of 1965 held

The graduation class of 1965 held their class reunion on Saturday, Decem-ber 27, 1975. Johnnie Crawford was president of the class of 1965 and their reunion was held at Martin's Steak Garden in Spearman. In the January 1st, 1976 paper, the headlines included a special city council meeting, where the budget was slashed near \$60,000 for 1976. A law enforce-ment merger was discussed and a January brucellosis quarantine of Texas cattle was announced. A new postal cattle was announced. A new postal rate hike went into effect at 12:01, December 31, 1976!

On January 9th, Spearman grabbed a pair of basketball victories from visiting Alamo Catholic. The Spearman B team tournament was underway in Spearman and the first baby born in Hansford County was the son of Robert and Donna Goins of Gruver.

Donna Goins of Gruver. The Spearman golf coach was named "Golf Coach of the Year" as Coach Newton and his girls won the state championship for the Lynxettes and Spearman. Services were held in January for Dr. Hackley, prominent Hansford County ohysician. Hansford County physician.

February was a month of politics with commissioners Precincts 1 and 3 and the sheriff, tax assessor-collector and

the sherin, tax assessor contents may county attorney jobs up for grabs. Filing for sheriff was incumbent R. L. McFarlin and Lee Phillips. Candidates for Commissioner Precinct 3 were B. J. Renner, Robert Ferguson, Dan Desi-mone and L. M. Womble. Candidates for the Precinct 1 area were farland for the Precinct 1 race were Garland Head, James Kenney, Roscoe Nelson and Ray Phelps.

J. L. Brock was named as citizen of the year at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet. Brock received the award for his unselfish service to our

award for his unselfish service to our community. Construction was begun on the remodeling of the First State Bank which resulted in additional storage and office space and a second drive-up window. The bank also installed two new Burroughs 700 computers. County Commissioners redistricting resulted in a law suit being

window. The bank also installed two new Burroughs 700 computers. County Commissioners redistricting resulted in a law suit being filed in District Court by Ruth Gumfory of Gruver, against two candidates that filed for position of Commissioner Prec. 3, L. M. Womble and Dan Desimone, claiming that they did not meet the requirements of residency for the post. The Spearman Lynx, District 1-AA basketball champions met Childress in the bi-district game and lost a heart-breaker by a score of 66-64. March was also a month of politics for Spearman residents with Ralph Blod-gett filing for the job of mayor, and Hal Shufeldt, Tim York, James Brown,

The City of Spearman officials moved to accept the EDA grant for \$322,200 to rework the gas system and drill addi-tional water wells for the city. Hansford County was listed as 2nd in wheat production in 1975 in the state of Texas

In April Judge Countiss refused to In April Judge Countiss refused to grant a temporary injunction to keep the names of L. M. Womble and Dan Desimone off the May 1 primary ballot as was being asked by Plaintiff, Ruth Gumfory of Gruver. The announcement was made that Miss America 1975, Shirley Cothran would be in Spearman June 5 to emcee the Miss Hansford County Beauty Contest.

Texas

Contest.

A record number of voters turned out Saturday to cast their votes in the Spearman city and school board elections. In the city election 895 votes were cast with Ralph Blodgett being elected mayor, and Bill Pittman and Brad Beedy, councilmen. Winners for the school board elections were Kent Guth-rie and Jim Evans.

rie and Jim Evans. The Lynx band was chosen to play for the Ronald Reagan Rally in Amarillo, Thursday, April 15. They were on hand but bad weather prevented Reagan

but bad weather prevented Keagan from appearing. The first tornado alert came on April 15, with a tornado sighted 9 miles south and 1½ miles southeast of town. The storm resulted in .57 moisture. Little League Baseball Season began on April 19.

on April 19

Hail, high winds and tornado sight-ings Monday, April 19, brought ap-proximately 1 inch of moisture to the ounty.

Registered voters were up in the county with a total of 3824. Voters registered in 1975 totaled 3255. Cancellations were 273 either by people

City officials along with representa-tives of Canadian, Booker, Higgins and

tives of Canadian, Booker, Higgins and unincorporated communities being served by High Plains Gas Co. were present at a hearing before the Railroad Commission. High Plains was asking for a rate increase. Honor students at Spearman High School were announced. Roger Jones was named Valdictorian, and Billy Jones, Salutatorian. Other honor students were Karl Johnson, Jimmy Jackson, Janyth Lackey, Suzy Gatlin, Mark Fox, Gary Burke and Rajan Martin. Commencement exercises were set for May 27 at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Sheriff R. L. McFarlin was returned

Gruver Banks, Spearman and Gruver schools, medical staff and Ministerial Alliance members.

An action was presented to Hansford County Commissioners asking that an election be called to determine whether or not Hansford County Board members should be elected or appointed. The positions have been appointed up to this time.

The resignation on of S. M. Anderson as administrator of Hansford Hospital, and of Eloise Renner, as supervisor of nurses were accepted by the hospital

board. The highlight of the first part of June was the big Hansford Roundup held June 3, 4, and 5. Miss Tina Clawsor was named Miss Hansford County at the annual pageant which was graced with the performance of Shirley Coth-ran Miss America 1975 as emore U.S. ran, Miss America 1975 as emcee. U.S. ran, Miss America 1975 as emcee. U.S. Representative Jack Hightower of Ver-non was guest speaker at the dedication of the Station Master's Museum. Rodeos, a parade, a fiddlers contest, hatheoue at

The hospital board appointed Joan McClellan as Supervisor of Nurses and Loree Booth was apointed lab and x-ray technician.

Spearman voters set a new record June 15 when they voted overwhelming-ly for the gas and water bond issue. The issue carried 396 which was a vote of confidence for Mayor Blodgett and the

city council

city council. Speartex Grain completes a 500,000 bushel capacity addition to their eleva-tor on the Gruver Highway. All-day Bicentennial festivities were planned for July 4 with a community worship service, community plenic, afternoon fun and games, a musical "I Love America" presented by the com-munity choir and a big display of fireworks at Lynx Stadium concluding the day. the day.

Wheat harvest began to get under-way June 21 with the yield better than had been anticipated. A number of activities occurred July

A number of activities occurred July 4, 1976 in Hansford County. Members of the First Baptist Church set a time capsule in cement, to be opened in 2076, Sunday morning, followed by the big Bicentennial Birthday celebration during the day. Dr. Thomas reapplied to the medical staff of Hansford Hospital on June 30 and was now using the hospital for his patients.

patients

natients. In a public meeting on the Palo Duro Dam project, Col. Anthony Smith of the Army Corps of Engineers stated that it will take 3 years of planning and then 10 years to build the dam if the study underway proves important to the flood control of the Canadian River Basin. Gene Cudd, local John Deere dealer, was appointed as councilman to take James Jackson's place on the council. Jackson resigned the position as he was appointed to the school board to replace Bill Partridge, who is moving to Canyon. Joel Lee was a former member of the board. of the board

of the board. 4-Tex Elevator was open for the wheat harvest with their new facility with a capacity of 284,000. The directors announced that they expect to have an additional 254,000 capacity by

Friends of Mrs. R. B. (Gertie) Archer trended an open house held for her by er children on the occasion of her 80th

aday. onstruction was begun on a 60' x addition to the Union Church in Con

addition to the second Labor Day. An an cement was made that Dr.

Vong and Dr. Thu, doctors from Vietnam and residents of Gruver, would

Vietnam and residents of Gruver, would be opening the Gruver Clinic soon. Spearman School Board approved a budget for fiscal year 1975-76 in the amount of \$1,523,323 and \$1,678,944 for 1976-77 and set the tax rate of \$1.39 per \$100 valuation. Homecoming events were planned Homecoming events were planned th the Spearman Lynx to meet the hamrock team on October 1. The Lynx joyed Irish stew with a 36-0 win in the

moyed Irish stew with a 36-0 win in the nomecoming game. Pam Rylant was named homecoming queen. Dr. Glenn Blodgett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blodgett of Spearman, oined Dr. Tom Latta in the practice of veterinary medicine at the Hansford County Veterinary Hospital. The Spearman Volunteer Fire Depart-ment held open house Sunday October 3 which was well attended by Spearman residents.

A hail storm completely destructed ome of the corn and maize crops in the orthern portion of the county in late eptember.

northern portion of the county in late September. A new chemical blood analyzer was installed at Hansford Hospital, as well as a new cardio machine. The first frost of the season occurred on Thursday, October 7, when the temperature dropped to 28 degrees for an overnight low. The Hansford Hospital Board was again looking for doctors as Dr. James Thomas announced he would be leaving Spearman at the end of the year. The annual Lions Club broom sale brought in \$2700.00. The supply of gas to portions of the city was curtailed Monday, October 18, due to a gas shortage. The gas was shut off about four hours until High Plains Gas Company was able to get an emergency supply.

Hansford Implement Co. hosted a training session for John Deere Com-pany employees on combine operations October 19-21. Some 43 John Deere personnel from Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California and Moline, Ill. attended.

Attended. Attendance was good at the first swine flu clinic held Oct. 21 for the "over 65" age group. Grain harvest was almost completed at the end of October with yields reported slightly over average. The reported slightly over average. The greatest disappointment to farmers was the drop of grain prices during the past The annual Halloween Carnival was

Services Held For Blanche Lamb

Funeral services were held 11 a.m. Monday, January 1977 for Mrs. Blanche amb, a longtime resident of pearmer

held October 30 at the County Barn with some fifteen booths rented for fun and City officials were seeking an add

MARINA STATISSING STREES

shortage was felt Monday, October 25, and also asked residents to conserve gas nsumption in every way possible. The election which had been called by

ne election which had been called by county commissioners for Nov. 2 to decide whether or not hospital board members would be elected or appointed was unable to be held at that time as there is a ruling that no special elections can be held on the same day as the general elections eneral elections. Sheriff R. L. McFarlin warned Spear

check artists and urged them to get drivers license information on checks from people they were not familiar with. Seventy-five percent of the people giving bad checks here were from Perryton.

Seventy-five percent of the people giving bad checks here were from Perryton. A total of 2500 Hansford County residents, which is 72 percent of the eligible voters, voted in the November 2 general election. The tally was 983 votes for Carter-Mondale and 1401 for Ford and Dole. Lloyd Bentsen received 1255 votes and his opponent Alan Steelman 1119. In the other contested race for state representative Bob Close received 1411 and Daisy Moore 963. In the district and county races, Richard received 1411 and Daisy Moore 963. In the district and county races, Richard Countiss, District Judge, received 1905 votes, Steve Cross, district attorney, 1783, J. E. Blackburn, county attorney, 1823, R. L. McFarlin, Sheriff, 1843, Helen Dry, County Tax Assessor-Col-lector, 1974, Garland Head, Com. Precinct 1, 445, and B. J. Renner, Com Precinct 3, 466. Mrs. Hettie Davis celebrated her 100th birthday at a reception held in the First Christian Church Fellowship Hall on Nov. 6.

etc. made by the Scouts brought in \$725 for their use. The city council was pleased when they let bids for the Gas and Water Improvement Project Dec. 14 to find that they were lower than they had anticipated. T.O.K. Company of Ama-rillo was awarded the bid for Gas System Reconstruction and Improve-ments with a figure of \$282,079.50, H. W. Taylor Construction Co.'s bid of \$71,583.60 for the Water Supply Line was let, and W. D. Jones Drilling of Dumas received received the bid for water wells 9 and 10 with a base bid of \$79,500.00. Hansford County Commissioners purchased three police cars at a cost of \$4900 each from Hergert Pontiac. Commissioners also called for an elec-tion to be held on Jan. 15 to determine whether or not hospital board members are to be elected or appointed by the Commissioners, and also called an election for the Morse School District, to vote on consolidation with Pringle on the same date.

First Christian Church Fellowship Hall on Nov. 6. The annual Arts, Crafts and Antique Show sponsored by the Dahlia Flower Club was held Nov. 6 and 7 at Hansford Library. Mrs. Annie Allen was named "Woman of the Year". The annual 4-H Achievement Awards Banquet was held November 6 at the County Barn. Anita Walker of Gruver was named Gold Star Girl for 1976 and Todd Williams of Gruver was named

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Todd Williams of Gruver was named Gold Star Boy for 1976. Spearman residents observed Vet-erans' Day on November 11 at the Varsity Gym. The program was sponsored by the HD County Council with school bands, Boy Scouts, Music Club members, men's quartet and others participating. The Spearman Lynx won District 1-AA championship with a win over Canadian Friday, Nov. 12. They met the Childress Bobcats at Pampa, Nov. 19 and lost the bi-district game 16-14. North Plains Truck & Implement Co. was purchased by Dick Elbert. The new business will be operated as North Plains International, Inc. Doug Connel-ly, former owner, decided to retire from his farm equipment business due to

A native of Clifton, Mrs. Lamb had been a resident of Spearman for 57 years. She was a member of the Metho-dist Church.

The K.I.D.S. of Spearman will have a wrestling tourna-ment on January 8 from 10 Amarillo and a team from

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Here Saturday

Wrestling Tourney

health and personal reasons. A-1 Automotive & Irrigation Service held their grand opening November 20. Jim McLain is the owner of the new

business. The members of the First Christian Church observed the 50th anniversary of the church on Nov. 21 with an all-day

or the church on Nov. 21 with an all-day celebration. Spearman merchants planned a big Christmas promotion with prizes to be given away in two separate drawings. Morse, Pringle school district resi-dents will vote in January on a proposal to consolidate the two schools. Christmas activities highlighted the last month of the year. The Chamber of Commerce sponsored a poster contest for kindergarten through 3rd and 4th grade. First place winners were kindergarten-Carly Shieldknight, 1st and 2nd graders-Anne Sheets and Clinton Tindell-3rd and 4th grade. The First United Methodist Church of Spearman presented the cantata, "Night of Miracles" by John W. Peterson Sunday, Dec. 19. The Girl Scout Christmas Banquet was held and the auction of arts, crafts, etc. made by the Scouts brought in \$725 for their use.

the same date. A Hot Check Seminar was held on December 14 with Deputy Jerry Ingram of Amarillo, Potter County Sheriff's Office presenting a film and slides on "How to Protect Yourself From Worth-less Check "

less Checks." Baker & Taylor Women's Association opened their Fantasyland again for Christmas and many beautifully decor-ated homes could be seen in the city during the holiday season. Many families, clubs, and company parties, etc. occurred during the Christ-mas season, ending the year on a happy note. Many county residents contribu-ted to Operation Christmas Greeting sponsored by Hansford Hospital Auxil-iary, donating money they would other-wise have spent on Christmas cards to the auxiliary.

the auxiliary. The staff of this newspaper wishes all of you a happy and prosperous 1977.

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Shufeldi, Tim York, James Brown, Verlin Behne, J. K. Hicks, Bill Pittman and Brad Beedy filing for councilmen. Those men filing for school board trustee were Kent Guthrie. Perry Dixon, Jimmy Greene, Jim Evans and Charles Eaton.

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to office in the May 1 primary, Helen Dry to the Tax Assessor-Collector spot, and County Attorney J. E. Blackburn was also re-elected B. J. Renner was elected Commissioner Precinct 3 and a run-off race was set for commissioner Precinct 1, with candidates Garland Head and Roscoe Nelson competing. Roy Harbour was named FFA Star Chapter Farmer. A new business, Brown L Supply, located at 102 Kenneth held its grand opening on May 14-15. On May 17, city officials called for a bond election in the amount of \$265,000 to provide local matching funds for the EDA grant to rework the gas and water systems in the city. Commissioners of Hansford County and city officials and local interested people met with representatives of the Army Corps of Engineers to discuss the Palo Duro River Dam project. A great deal of enthusiasm was generated at the meeting. The Corps of Engineers plan to make a study as to the feasibility of the construction of the dam. A tragic fire early May 14 took the lives of two small boys in Morse and destroyed the home and all of the blongings of the Dale Packard family. Killed in the fire were Curtis Packard, 3 years old and Christopher, 1 year old. The first inkling of problems at Hansford Hospital came to light at their meeting May 19 with members of the board voting to keep S. M. Anderson on as administrator of the hoogital. Issues there had come to the point that either Anderson left his post of Dr. Thomas would leave. The city fathers called a bond election for matching funds for the EDA grant. The Dr. D. E. Hackley Memorial Golf Tourney netted \$3,800 for the Hackley Memorial Trust Fund which has been set up to promote the well being of the Hansford Golf Club, Spearman and

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corn harvest time. Dr. R. L. Kleeberger of Spearr was honored at the Texas Division

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Spearman.

Mrs. Lamb, 85, died Fri-day. Rev. Don Wirsdorfer offi-ciated at the service in the First Christian Church. Bur-ial was in Holt Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Spearman.

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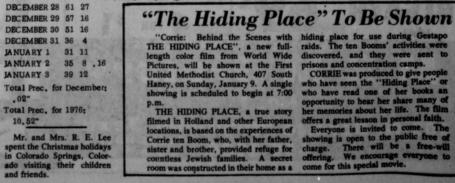
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dist Church. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Fronye Close and Mrs. Juanita Jack-son, both of Spearman; Mrs. Helen Koleman of Wichita Falls; and Mrs. Ruby Col-lingsworth of Perryton; two sons, Irvin of Ocate, N.M. and Bob of Stinnett; a sister, Mrs. Marjorie Sandage of Amarilio; 14 grandchildren, 27 great greatdchildren and 10 great great grandchildren.

am until all matches are finished. The tournament will be held in the Communi-ty Building. Entrants in the tourna-

Hospital News

Patients in Hansford Hos-pital are Ray Prachar, Tanya Bowling, Mae Floyd, Mary Howard and Mike Newsome.



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1977

Spearman teams win district opener

Spearman's two varisty teams and their B teams won 4 games at Lynx Gym Tues-day night to open the district 1-AA games! The Spearman Lynx looked like a different ball team as they slashed the Wildcats for four quarters, winning the game with a big 77-49 count! It could have been much worse, as Coach varisty been much worse, as Coach Moore could have beaten the Wildcats much worse. Thirteen was the lucky

Thirteen was the lucky number for the Lynx, as Friemel, Steele and Jones all tied for high point, followed by Martin with 6 points, Bodey with 6, Newton 10, Sherwood 2, Cunningham 10, Porter 4, and the entire squad, including Randy Reid, Pete Garcia, Sam Boone all saw action Tuesday night.

Done of the high points of the game, was a last second shot, just before the half by Zane Newton, which counted and Cunningham was in rare form hitting several beautiful form hitting several beautiful bucket shots! Steele and Friemel had exceptional good nights, as these two big men scored well for Moore's men scored well for Moore's team! The biggest surprise of the night was the lack of fouling on the part of the Lynx! They were well poised and committed only 13 fouls. A new record was set for the Lynx as the game started on a technical foul. One of the a technical foli. One of the scalled for "dunking or stuffing" the ball in the pre-game warm-ups. As a result of this, River Road was awarded a technical shot, and the ball at the start of the game! The score by ounters was:

The score by quarters was: 21-14; 48-23; 62-37; 77-49. The Homecoming game will be this Friday night, as the two Spearman teams play host to Channing. The Lurvettes matched the

The Lynxettes matched the high scoring Lynx Tuesday night, as they also scored 77 points to defeat River Road girls in their opening district game, 77-29! The only senior on the Lynxette squad Carla Harper stuffed the baskets for 28 points, as

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Carla had one of her typical great nights to open the basketball season. Equally impressive for the Lynxettes was the defensive play of the guards. Lori McAdams, JoNell Comegys and Cindy Gressett stopped the River Road girls in their tracks and made many outstanding de-Road girls in their tracks and made many outstanding de-fensive plays. Carrie Clark scored 2 points, Christy Col-lier 11, Carla Harper 28, Denise Ware made all of her free shots, 4 out of 4, Debbie Greene hit 16 points, and Tracie Keetch hit 15. Others who slewed in their opening who played in their opening district games were Beth Ann Flowers, Tammy Rob-ertson and Connie Vernon. Score by quarters, 27-2; 43-11; 66-18; 77-29! Coach

43-11; 66-18; 77-29! Coach Newton substituted freely, trying to let everyone get in plenty of playing time. The band probably will be on hand Friday night for Homecoming so be sure and come out to see this ball game! Channing will have excellent teams and every-one is invited!

one is invited! one is invited! As a footnote to last night's opening district games, fans are also remin-ded that the highly improved Lynx and Lynxettes look like they will be able to handle the Dalhart Wolves in Spear-man next week; they will play Dalhart here the night of January 14.

January 14. The Spearman B Girls team blasted River Road team blasted River Road 56-31 Tuesday night to open district play! Connie Vernon led the Lynxettes with 21 points, followed by Connie Shields with 14 and Tammy Ford with 15, Val Hagger-man hit 2, and Kelly Shaver man nit 2, and Kelly Snaver hit 4 points for the Lynaette scoring. Others who saw action in the opening game were Jan Umphress. Jan Oakes, Beth Sheppard, Beth Flores, Patti Short, Jane Flowers, Jan Flowers, Lisa Pocherteon Diana Close and Robertson, Diana Close and Jeanne McClellan.

Shields and Ortega led the Lynx B team in a romp over River Road, 71-39 at Lynx Gym Tuesday night. Both

Shields and Ortega hit 16 points, followed by Whitaker with 10, Franklin 4, Garcia 8, Miesner 2, Connelly 2, True-vis and Trevino.

The Lynx B team reminds everyone that Homecoming will be at Lynx Gym Friday night! Come out for an

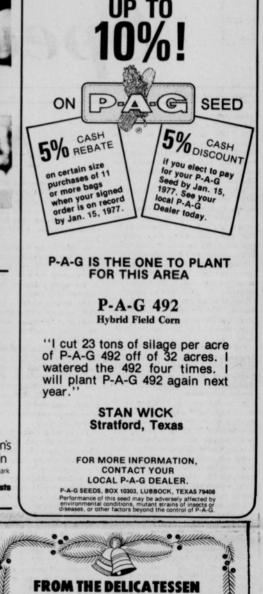
ment and watch the crowning of the Homecoming King and of the Ho Queen!

Deadline:



Bo DeArmond, Spearman senior tackle, made the Panhandle Super team, named recenly by the Amarillo Daily News. Bo is considered as one of the finest football players in the state. We join in congratulating this fine senior for being named to the Super team! He is No. 70!







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You are cordially invited

to a bridal shower honoring

Lucile Earles

bride-elect of David McClellan

Tuesday, January 11, 1977

from 10 to 11 a.m.

Home of Bill Strawn

1108 S. Bernice

Hostesses:	Mmes.			
Tom Etter		T.C.	Kitch	
Richard Holton		P.A.	Lyon,	
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Telephone Customers To Get Tax Break

Telephone customers war, it was reinstituted during the Depression and at one time rates were as high as 25 percent on long dis-ac on telephone bills will be tance calls and 15 percent on long dis-duced another 1 percent uring 1977, from 6 percent on local service. The Independent Teleacross the nation will get another of continuing tax breaks this year as the excise tax on telephone bills will be reduced another 1 percent during 1977, from 6 percent to 5 as a result of the fifth step of a 10 year reduction. The tax elimination was enacted as part of the Excise. Extate and Gift Tax Adjust-

and Gift Tax Adjust-Act of 1970 which ment called for successive one

percent reductions in the excise tax on telephone bills on the first of each year until tax expires on Dec. 31.

1981. General Telephone custo-mers paid an estimated \$2.5 million less in Federal Excise Tax on telephone bills during 1976 because of the 1 percent reduction in the tax begin-ning Jan. 1, 1976. Based on the 1976 excise tax of 6 percent. General

Based on the 1976 excise tax of 6 percent, General Telephone will have collected for the Federal government an estimated \$15 million from customers by the end of 1976. Telephone

1976. Telephone customers across the nation will save approximately \$275 million at the lower 1977 rate. com-pared to what they would have paid had the tax re-mained at the 1976 level of 6 mained at the 1976 level of 6 percent, according to esti-mates by the U.S. Indepen-dent Telephone Association, Some \$51 million of that amount will be saved by customers of the Indepen-dent telephone companies. Congress first imposed the tax on telephone bills during World War I as a "tempo-rary" measure. Although

rary" measure. Although repealed briefly after the

Union Church **Plans Revival**



Revival Services have been set at the nion Church here with the Rev. Dan

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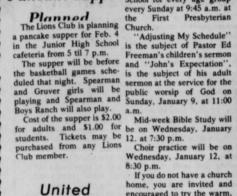
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phone Association says the tax has cost consumers bil-lions of dollars and estimates the U.S. Treasury will re-ceive almost \$2 billion from the levy in 1977.



Presbyterian Church News

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The Blue Monday Bridge Club met Monday, January 3, at Martin's Steak Garden with Mrs. F. J. Daily as

Guests present were Mrs. Henry Cornelius and Mrs.

Preston Scott.

Members present were Mmes. Bill Gandy, Vester Hill, Deta Blodgett, Gwen-fred Lackey, Willie Seitz and F. J. Daily. Friday, January 7, is a Fast Day to pray for people who work in government at

in Perryton on Saturday, January 8, at 10:00 a.m. Mrs. W. L. Russell had high score and Mrs. Gwen-fred Lackey had second high. Attending and enjoying a delicious dinner were a delicious Scott. Pancake Supper School for every age group every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. at guest, Mrs. Preston Scott, and members Mmes. Ger-trude Archer, Leonard Jametrude Archer, Leonard Jame-son, W. L. Russell, Gwen-fred Lackey, R. E. Lee, Faye Lynch, and the hostess. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 13, in the home of Mrs. Leonard Jame-

Eastern Star

Has Meeting

Spearman Chapter #721, O.E.S. met for their regular meeting on Monday, January 3, at the Hansford Lodge Hall with Judith Black, W. M. and Don Hendricks, W. P. acesiding.

M. and Don Hendricks, W. P. presiding. The W. M., Judith Black recognized the Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Spear-man Chapter, which included Don Hendricks, Nina Hen-dricks, Virus Wilbanks, Mary Brock, Sandy Russell, Marjorie Collard, John R. Collard, Jr., Deta Blodgett, Betty Uptergrove, Millie Craie and Lynanne Maize.

Betty Uptergrove, Millie Craig and Lynanne Maize. The W. M. Judith Black The W. M. Judith Black gave a very interesting re-port on her trip to Fort Worth in October to attend Grand Chapter of Texas. A Memorial Service was held for Mr. Frank Holt, a Past Worthy Grand Patron, the need away during

who passed away during December. Lovely refreshments were served by Mary Brock and Wilma Clark to 17 present.

THE SPEARMAN REPORTER, SPEARMAN, TEXAS 79081 Club Thursday evening in **Rotary Club**

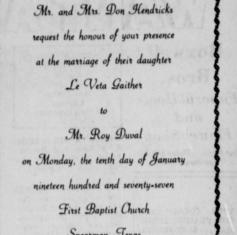
News

The Spearman Rotary Club met Monday, January 3, at Martin's Steak Garden. President, Junior Lusby presided over the meeting. Mrs. Thu Lee, wife of Vietnamese Dr. Thu Lee, told of their experiences leaving Saigon and in varicus refugee camps and of her impression of the United States.

States. Guests present were Joe Supthen and M. E. Griffin, both of Borger, Mrs. Thu Lee of Gruver and Mrs. Mar-guerite Nelson of Spearman. Members present were Carrie Marie Berry, Roy Buils, Junior Lusby, John R. Collard, Jr., Ed Garner, Bob Pearson, Jack McWhirter, Don Hergert, Pete Fisher, John Hutchison, Kerry Hen-ton, J. L. Brock, E. J. Copeland, Mark Neff, Archie Burress, Larry Murphy, Burress, Larry Murphy, Mack McCormack, John Lynn, Jim McLain, Ed Freeman, Bob Elliott, Gary Sims, Tim Woodington, Gene Cudd and P. A. Lyon.

Next meeting will be Janu-ary 10 at Martin's Steak Garden.

Visitors over the New Year's weekend in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pope Gibner were their grandsons. Van Steed and Dan Steed, who Nitr are students at A&M.



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January 6 is Epiphany, which commemorates the January 6 is Epiphany, which commemorates the coming of the Wise Men from the East to see the child Jesus. With the warning from an angel, the Wise Men departed for home another route and Joseph. Mary and Jesus fled into Egypt. The Lay Renewal Prayer Group will meet Thursday, January 6, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Holt at 7:30 p.m. hostess.

High score was won by Mrs. Vester Hill and second high was won by Mrs. Preston Scott.

Next meeting will be Jan. 17 in the home of Mrs. Bill Gandy. There will be a joint plan-ning session of representa-tives from the Presbyterian

Mrs. John Berry was hos-tess for the Bid-A-Bit Bridge

Spearman, Texas

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1977



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Mrs. Doris Colvin and Mrs. James Cook request the honor of your presence

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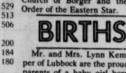
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p.m. Sunday, January 9. Friends of the couple are invited to the reception in the First United Methodist Church Garden Room in Borger. - Married January 9, 1927 in

 Married January 9, 1927 in Stinnett, they have one son, Wayne L. Board of Amarillo.
The couple moved to Borger from Morse in October, 1974.
They are members of the First United Methodist Church of Borger and the Order of the Eastern Star. 692 672



Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Kem-per of Lubbock are the proud parents of a baby girl born December 28, 1976. Kayla Suzanne weighed 8 lbs. 13 oz. and has a 2½ year old brother, Jay Lynn at home. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Floy Anthony of Memphis, Texas. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kemper of Spearman.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Lex L. Board of Borger will honor his parents with a golden wedding anniversary reception from 2 p.m. to 4

Central Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church, the FUTURISTICS CON-FERENCE is to open at the Inn of Six Flags Friday evening (Jan. 7) at 7:00 o'clock with an address by Dean Roy Fisher, head of the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Mo. Dr. Michael DeBakey, heart surgeon at the Texas Medical Center in Houston, Millard Collins, executive for the International Business Machine Corporation in Dal-

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Millard Collins, executive for the International Business Machine Corporation in Dal-las, and Dr. John Silber, president of the Boston Uni-versity in Boston, Mass. will detail the decision made in medicine, business, and ed-ucation respectively in sub-sequent sessions of the three day conference. "Shocking Decisions Made" in the four areas under discussion is the sub-ject of a series of media presentations produced by Travis E. Jordan, head of the instructional media services at Southern Methodist Uni-versity in Dallas. Laity and clergy from the denomination's seventeen annual conferences in the

denomination's seventeen annual conferences in the eight-state region have been invited to meet with the ten resident bishops for this Futuristics Conference. We intend to create a

public arena in which the



Dr. Khun Young Son, has now opened offices at the Hansford Clinic. Pictured with Dr. Son, are his office girls, Carolyn Coleman, receptionist, and nurse Deloris Guthrie. The new clinic hours are 9-12, and 1-5, with the clinic closed all day Wednesday. The girls in the office are asking anyone who might have some paintings, or pictures to display in the clinic, to bring them down. Even those artists who might have paintings for sale, can display them at the clinic.

church leaders will dialogue and exchange ideas with decision makers in those areas about the develop-ments of the future," said the Rev. Dr. J. Woodrow Hearn, Baton Rouge, chair-man of the planning commit-

tee. "The conference is expec-ted to forecast the kinds of decisions the future will bring and we intend to explore the role of the Church in this future," said Dr. Hearn.



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will be able to give Civil Defense funds for this equipment. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the association may call any of the above men in Spearman. A novice code and theory course is now being taught in Borger. Requirements for becoming a member is a technician license or higher. The association wishes to thank all of those people in the area who donated to their campaign for new equipment.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people of Precinct 1 and the county as a whole for their support, encouragement and confidence through the past 24 years that 1 have been a





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THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1977 THE SPEARMAN REPORTER, SPEARMAN, TEXAS 79081 PAGE 6 SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARANCE 1976 Moisture WINTER 19 07 Was Scant 10.52 CLEARANCE The year 1976 ended cold and dry with only 10.52 inches of moisture in the record books. The past year is not the driest on record for Hansford County, only the newspaper, the year 1930 recorded 7.88. The next to the lowest record since 1880 was in 1910 when 11.15 was recorded. Two more record dry years were 1952 with 11.37 and 1953 with 12.72. recent years with 36.38 recorded. In 1976 the driest months were January, February and December. January report was .06, February .05 and December .02. The month of September was the Way and April followed. April moisture was 2.16 and May 2.45. The only other month in which over an inch was recorded was July with 1.78. June, which is normally the wettest month of the year recorded only .63. LADIES CLOSING OUT ALL 1st PAIR TACK 1/2 Price The wettest year on record was 1884 with 39.91. 1950 was the wettest in **REG. PRICE** FOR 2nd PAIR One group mens Cowboy FREE boots -Tony Lama, Sanders Honestly ... CAN YOU **CHILDREN'S** \$3000 **FIND A BETTER BUY?** 30% off on all goose down SHOES PRICE Women's, children's, For a modern 18 cubic foot, frost free refrigerator/freezer, you will use men's coats MEN'S approximately 188 Kilowatt-hours per month. For an entire month the SHOES electricity to operate this appliance 30% off on rack of shirts should cost you less than 28¢ a day! PRICE Think of all the day-to-day comforts and conveniences you are afforded MEN'S, WOMEN'S, CHILDREN'S by electricity: lighting, entertain-30% off on all ladies wear ment, heating and cooling, cooking, dishwashing, clothes washing and **HOUSE SHOES** drying, water heating, refrigerators 30% off on all Refrigerator/Freezer PRICE and freezers, and the many small appliances available to make chores BAILEY HATS LESS THAN OFF 40 % 10 50 % easier . . . and oftentimes 'fun! Add Hand Bags ¢ Per them all up and you'll quickly see that electricity is one of the best buys Day **Reed's Family** Phone 659-2476 around. 22% LESS than the same of electricity would have cost BUNKHOUSE hoes COMMUNITY PUBLIC SERVICE 🦕 Ir Electric Light & Power Con downtown -**209 Main Spearman** Spearman E1-77 OSE MILK SKIN CARE CREAM OPEN 24 **OPEN 24** HOURS HOURS PRICES EFFECTIVE THURSDAY THRU SATURE JANUARY 6-0. 1877 SE MILK KAZ VAPORIZER ALLSUP'S OISTURIZING DAY CONVENIENCE STORES TRIAMINICIN FACE CREAM JANUARY SPECIALSI List \$9 99 DECONGESTANT TABLET 56 .47 List \$2.36 **7.18** 3_{...} 5399 RANT AZ HUMIDIFIER I'S HI PROTEIN 2. 8 25 OUR LIGHTBULBS 11 9 9 1.00 \$8.47 BORDEN'S SUCRETS THROAT AN'S PILLS 84C OZENGES List \$1.37 each 89° List \$2.59 \$1.54 EF SELSUN BLUE Joy 2201 BLISTEX LIP OINTMENT Cereal 1/2 GA D. CTH Corn, Wheat or Rice 59° °3 **\$1.0 49**°

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1977

You Name It!

We had a couple of inches of snow this past New Year's weekend and you might say that Jimmy Carter's New Year is starting off wet. Many changes in our country are taking place this year. Many changes in our country are taking place this year, and there are several big changes taking place, or getting ready to take place, in Spearman. New doctors have arrived and are practi-cing. I never thought that I would live to see the day when we had to go to foreign countries to get our oil, gasoline, doctors, and I guess in the near future cars! The little cars just aren't going over too well in this country, however, I see where they have laid off all of the small car workers at GM where they have laid off all of the small car workers at GM because they can't sell the small cars in America! I doubt if Americans will buy small cars if gasoline goes to \$1.00 per gallon, but we will wait and see!

wait and see! even Everyone that I have talked with sure didn't like the back-to-back holidays of Christmas and New Year's. We printed the papers early for two weeks, and we com-pletch lost count of time! We took off on Friday eve-nings for two weeks and didn't come back until Mon-day, and the booh tube and the eating was just too much for most of us who are keyed to a 6-day week! I sure was proud of Mike Floyd catching that pass in the Sun Bowl, however, and I did watch some of the other football sames, but football isn't football without the Dallas Couboys! When they, or the play. When they, or the play. The Gig election to see

The big election to see whether the hospital officials will be elected or appointed will take place on January 15. Will take place on January 15. Be sure and vote in this election. The future of your hospital still depends on people using the hospital, but exercise your right to vote in the January 15th election.

The Christmas lights this year were great! Baker and Taylor's Disneyland Christ-mas scenes were "something again" to write home about. In spite of the dry weather and extreme cold, this has been one great Christmas for most all of us.

There is any organization that I would like to brag about, it is the Post Office this Christmas! Ray Robert-son and his crew kept the mail moving and it had to be the best service in the U.S. In fact, these men and wo-men should be given special recognition by our commu-nity for such fine Christmas service. Happy New Year to everyone at the Post Office. Guver and Morse communi-ties. You have all carried the mail this year and have done a time job. a tine job. ...

my last basketball

game of the year at the Miami tourney when Spear-man boys beat Darrouzett. 1 came down with the hundred year flu and promised to stay away from the gym for three weeks. But, I am ready for action now and can hardly wait for the big game against the Dalhart Wolves in Spear-man. Of course, we must win these first two games to stay in the race, but I sure am anxious to see the Dal-hart-Spearman games! By the way, we have our new 1977 baskethall programs printed and will deliver them to the schools this week! area

I visited with the Rotary Club a minute Monday, and Mrs. Thu from Gruver was guest speaker. Head Rotar-ian, Junior Lusby and his Club had a full house to hear Mrs. Thu and it was very enjoyable to hear her speak. One of the things she said was that it cost \$8.00 for a doctor's office call in Viet-nam and \$8.00 for a haircut!

nam and \$8.00 for a haircutt see The Lions Club will have a pancake supper February 4, Friday night, at the Junior High School cafeteria! At the regular meeting Tues-day, Lion Jack Oakes won the big jackpot prize! A plate is paased and Boos Lion Earl "The Pearl" Goodheart leaves the room. While he is gone, two plates are paased and everyone puts in at least a nickle. After a few minutes Earl comes back in the room and the Lion who put in the last donation, wins the big Jackpot prize! Lion Oakes won the prize this week! The club raised enough money through this project (\$10.00] to supplement some of their programs!

Girl Scout . News

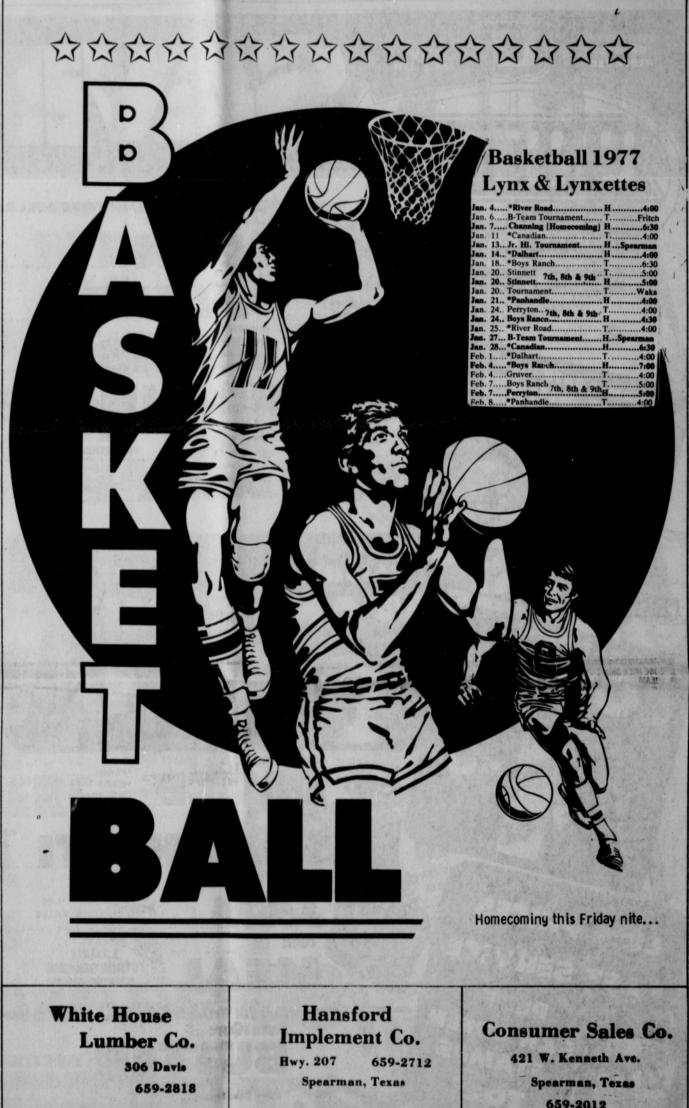
Junior Troop #76 met Monday, January 3, in the Girl Scout House with leader, Mrs. Larry Evans. The troop discussed their holiday vacation.

Those present were Lelia Goodman, Teri Thomas, Penny Cummings and Becky Evan Next meeting will be Jan-uary 10 at the Scout House.

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Our Heritage of Faith. notes from Faith Lutheran Church

The Annual Congregational Meeting of Faith Lutheran Church will be held on January 13 at 7:30 p.m. In our Lutheran heritage of faith, we have taken pride in combining two seemingly opposite things: congregational independence and church-wide uniformity. The church-wide uniformity is accomplished through adherence to common confessions and administratively through our national and world offices. The viability and success of the congregational independence is based on the individual mem-bers of each and every congregation. Every member of Faith is urged to attend this important meeting and take part in the responsibility of

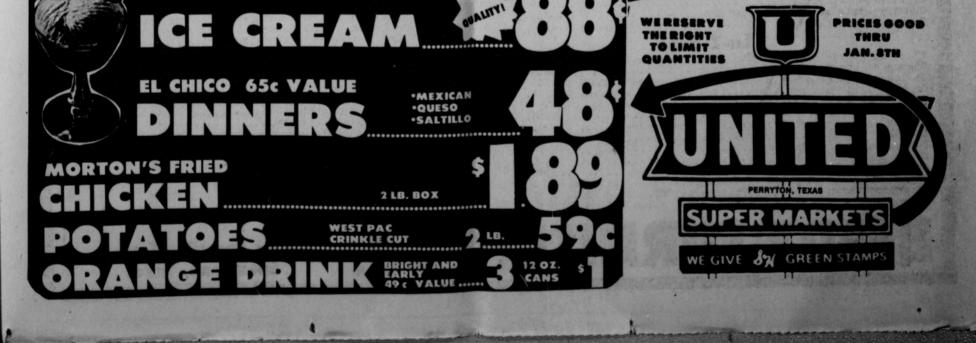


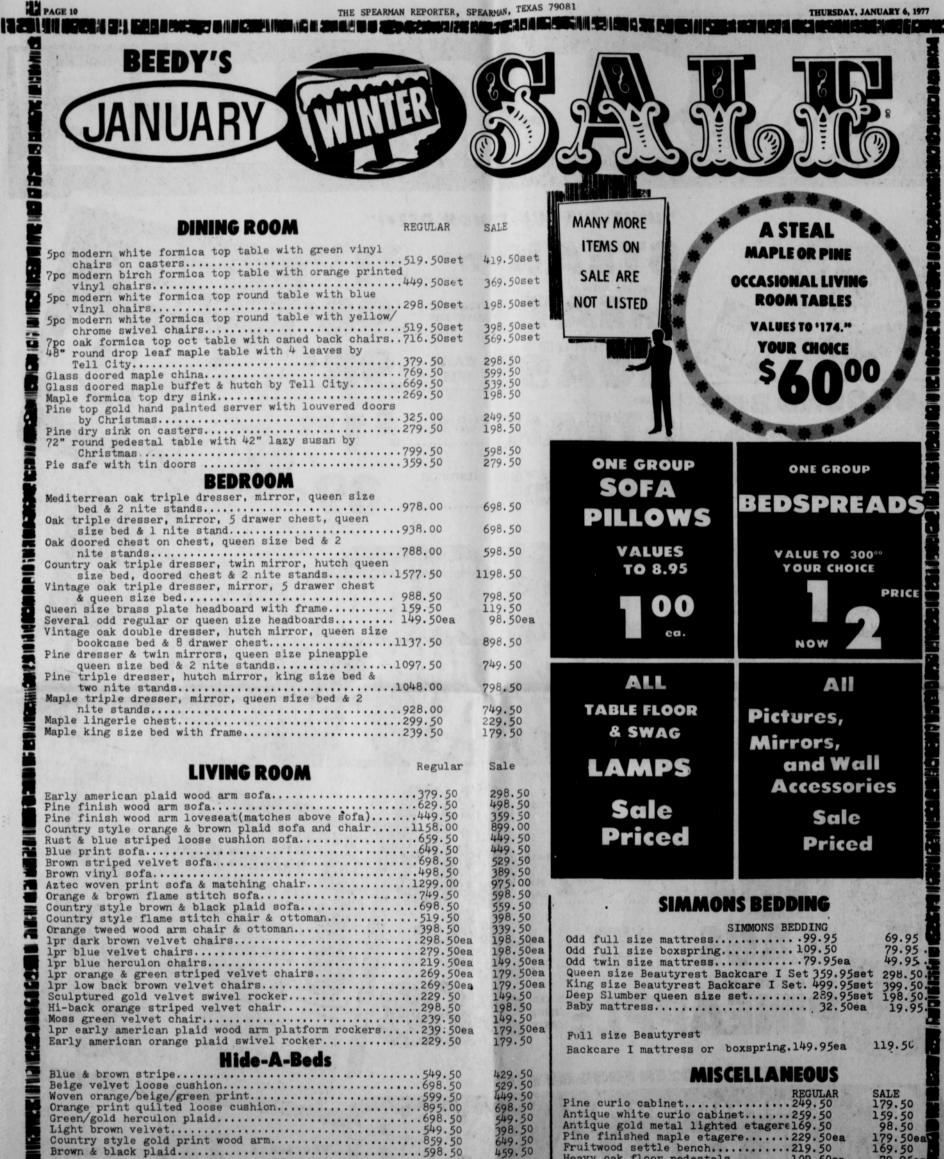
nember of Faith is urged to attend this important neeting and take part in the responsibility of eicision making. The Luther League met Sunday, January 2 at 2 .m. and elected new officers for 1977. They are s follows: President-Tammy Bynum; Vice resident/Treasurer-Janet Oltman; Secre-ary/Reporter-Terry Bynum. The League also velcomed three new sponsors: Willie Reneau and Ed and Coda Zachiesche. And a note of hanks from the Leaguers to Myrna and Cecil higgers for having been sponsors for the past two cears. Thanks for all your help! A "Talent, Arts and Crafts Show" plus a meal all be put on by the Luther League on January 0. The eract starting time has not yet been set. the event will include a meal prepared by the eaguers for those attending, talent preparations y the Leaguers and various members of the ongregation, and arts and crafts on display by my and all who wish to do so. Everyone is being sked to participate in this "show", so plan on ohing the foun and entertainment! Congratulations to Evi and Robert Meyer on he birth of a baby girl! The new member of the amily has been named Jule. If you have no home church or would like to isit with us at Faith, we invite you to join us in orship. The Sunday Morning Worship begins at 30 a.m. and the Sunday School Hour begins at 0:30 a.m.











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