





# Report From Thailand

**Thailand-Land Of The Free**  
By BILL HERRIDGE  
NAKON RATCHASIMA, THAILAND — Thailand is indeed the land of the free, as well as the land of smiles, the land of beauty, the land of tranquility. The Thai people are the friendliest in Asia, almost never losing their temper. The year round sunshine and tropical climate make Thailand a green-hued paradise to any weary traveler.

Why is Thailand called the land of the free. Thailand has never been colonized, by any foreign power. MUANG THAI, the Thai word for this country that was once referred to by PALANGS, or foreigners, as Siam, literally means free land. Although the idea of a democratic form of government has only been circulated here since the late 1930's, the former kings have been good rulers, for the most part, leaving the majority of domestic administration to the local provinces.

The Thai are a handsome race, and do not possess the usual squat, extremely slanted characteristics of most Asians. A Thai feels deeply honored to have an American as a houseguest. He is soft spoken, courteous, gentle, and, as one soon comes to believe, possesses no temper whatsoever.

The countryside is equally as friendly and pleasing to view. Although Bangkok, the country's capitol, is filled with unbelievable sights such as

domed temples, one must travel to the country to see the beauty that is Thailand. The green valleys and plains are interlaced with rice paddies, some centuries old, corn fields, and gentle rolling klungs, or canals. Sprawling Teakwood forests cover the northern regions, and beautiful white-sand beaches along the Gulf of Siam form the Southern boundaries.

The true gem of Bangkok, and the pride of the country, is the breathtaking Wat Arun, the Temple of Dawn. Ancient and noble families of Siam worshipped Gothama Buddha, the Lord Buddha of the Thais here. The main structure, the Royal Chapel, extends hundreds of feet into the air. The tower is embedded with small pieces of enameled pottery, which glint in the sun like diamonds. The smaller buildings in the Wat are roofed with sheets of solid gold leaf, placed there by the devout in hopes that their offering will help them return to earth in the form of a beautiful animal or insect. Yes, reincarnation is more fact than fiction to the pious Thai. To slip at a fly or step on a cricket is a mortifying mistake. One may have just destroyed his honored grandmother.

The Royal Palace is another masterpiece in classic Thai architecture. Located adjacent to Wat Arun, this same complex housed the royal household of King Mongkut who was portrayed by Yul Brynner in "The King and I". It was Mongkut who established Bangkok as the capitol after invading Burmese soldiers ransacked the ancient capitol, Ayuttaya.

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**Gordon Sailor Injured on USS Enterprise**

Weldon H. Wolfe, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis L. Wolfe of Gordon was one of 85 men injured when the Enterprise, world's largest warship, was cracked by explosions on Jan. 14.

Aviation Electrician Third Class, a flight deck trouble-shooter, Wolfe is one of eight Enterprise victims now being treated for burns at Brooks Army Medical Center. They arrived in San Antonio from Hawaii on Saturday, Jan. 18. Only Wolfe and Jose R. Garcia, 23, of National City, Calif. have been able to give interviews.

Wolfe's wife and mother are at his bedside.

The death toll of the catastrophe stands at 27.

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## 'Daniel Boone' to Star At Fort Worth Rodeo

Fess Parker, star of the "Daniel Boone" television series, will be the special guest attraction of the 11th Fort Worth Stock Show Rodeo January 24 through February 2. The tall Texan is noted for his vocal talents as well as his acting ability, having chalked up over a million sales with his recording of "Davy Crockett".



FESS PARKER ... 'Daniel Boone'

Appearing with Parker at all 20 rodeo performances will be the New Establishment, a youth-oriented musical group recently featured at Disneyland. Other special acts signed for the Fort Worth Rodeo are Jerry Olson's Trained Buffalo and Elaine Kramer's Six-Horse Roman Ride.

Over 450 professional cowboys will vie for a purse of better than \$75,000 in the rodeo's action events.

Tickets are available by mail from the Southwestern Exposition and Fair Stock Show, P. O. Box 150, Fort Worth, Texas 76101.



THE NEW ESTABLISHMENT

**LACASA NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jackson entertained neighbors and friends with a New Year's Eve Party in their home. There were some lively "Forty-Two" games, colored TV shows, plenty of conversation, and an abundance of good eats to keep everyone awake until the New Year came. Coffee, Cokes and Pez snacks were served at the game tables or as anyone wanted to help himself. Also there were chairs and dips and several varieties of Cookies. Guests from outside the community were Dr. and Mrs. Don Pitts and daughter, Susan, of Dripping Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor and two children of Caldo, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Wells of Ranger. Mr. and Mrs. Galt Mitchell and Karen of Breckenridge. This has been an annual get-together for several years.

Mrs. Kenneth Mitchell underwent minor surgery at Harris Hospital in Fort Worth, Friday. At last report Mrs. Mitchell was progressing as well as could be expected.

Joey Bradford of Temple took his mother, Mrs. Clark Bradford, to the All Saints Hospital at Fort Worth Sunday, where she was expected to remain for treatment for several days. Clark Bradford, who has been ill with influenza for the past week was hospitalized at Ranger General Hospital Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Joe Jackson spent two days in Dallas, the past week. Also she and Joe attended a Harold auction sale at Stephenville Monday.

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# Puryear Resigns, Prescott Named Football Coach And AD At College

## Jim Takes Post At Wharton JC

Jim Puryear, head football coach and Athletic Director of Cisco Junior College, has announced his resignation at the Cisco school, according to an announcement by Leland Willis, CJC president. Mr. Puryear is resigning to accept a similar position at Wharton County Junior College in Wharton.

Named to replace Mr. Puryear as head football mentor and athletic director is Harold D. (Ace) Prescott, who has been Mr. Puryear's first assistant coach since 1965.

Mr. Puryear is a native of Cardin, Oklahoma, and graduated from high school at Miami, Oklahoma. He did both his undergraduate and graduate work at North Texas State, from which he holds a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Health and Physical Education Degree. He was on the North Texas football team for three years, and was named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities while at NTSU.

He came to Cisco Junior College in 1961 following coaching positions at Carrollton High School and Ranger Junior College. CJC teams under his leadership have appeared

in two post season junior college bowl games.

In Mr. Puryear's letter of resignation addressed to Mr. Willis, he stated: "I request that my contract with Cisco Junior College terminate on May 31, 1969. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you, the regents, and the administration for the support you have given athletics during my tenure with Cisco Junior College."

Mr. Willis, in announcing and accepting Mr. Puryear's resignation stated: "It is with the deepest regrets that we accept Jim Puryear's resignation as our Athletic Director and Head Football Coach. He has been an excellent coach, teacher, and citizen of Cisco and his football teams have become well-known as powers in Junior College football. He has provided inspiration to many young athletes while here at CJC, and he will be missed by the players, the faculty, and the administration of the college as well as by the people of Cisco. We wish him well in his new position with Wharton County Junior College."

Mr. Willis continued, "We feel fortunate in having a man of Ace Prescott's caliber to step in to replace Mr. Puryear as head coach and Athletic Director. Mr. Prescott has been



JIM PURYEAR



ACE PRESCOTT

a very able assistant to Mr. Puryear, and we know that CJC teams under his leadership will continue in the same fine tradition as they have in the past."

Mr. Prescott is a native of Abilene, but graduated from high school in Phoenix, Ariz. He has both a Bachelor's and Masters degree from Hardin-Simmons University. Following his graduation from college he served three years in the armed forces in Europe during World War II with the First Army. Following his military service he played professional football — one year with the Green Bay Packers and three years with the Philadelphia Eagles, who were World Champions in 1948 and 1949.

Mr. Prescott has coached high school football in Texas for 15 years, at Falfurrias, Raymondville, Ranger and at Burk Burnett. He came to CJC as assistant coach in 1965.

He is married to the former Bernice Bush of Stamford, and the Prescotts have three children — Denise, age 15, Harold Jr., age 14, and J. D., age 12.

Mr. Prescott stated, "I certainly realize that I have some big shoes to fill to replacing Jim Puryear as head of athletics at Cisco Junior College, and I appreciate Jim's help and friendship during the past few years that we have been associated together here in the athletic department at CJC. We shall endeavor to carry on

## Brownie Troop Enjoys Meeting

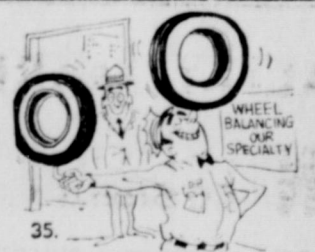
Brownie Troop 194 met January 20 at the First Christian Church annex. Leaders of the troop are Mrs. Francis Bond and Mrs. Otis Coleman.

Members attending were Daria Moore, Kay Plowman, Pam Golder, Rebecca McCrae, Merry Phelps, Ginger Hoffmann, Jill Coleman, Lacey Gourley, Debra Crabtree, Linda Mattox, Lisa Moore, Carolyn Wilcoxen, Rebecca Lawrence, Lori Williams, Ronda Rushing, Melody Trout, Sandra Howard, Debra Leonard, Marla Morgan, Tori Compton, and Daria Bond.

Guest at the meeting were Mrs. Bill Hoffmann, Mrs. Olin Trout, Mrs. Jim Golden, Bobby Butler, and Kay Hoffmann.

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# Tickets Going Well For Programs At CJC

The season tickets sale for Cisco Junior College's Spring Current Affairs Series is going quite well this week, according to an announcement by Leland Willis, CJC president. The sale was begun in conjunction with a press conference held in Willis' office last Thursday, Jan. 9, and many orders for the season tickets for the three programs have been coming in daily, Mr. Willis said.

The first of the three programs will be brought by Sander Vanocur of NBC Television News Department on February 5, and only season tickets are being sold prior to that date.

The second speaker on the CJC campus will be Pierre Salinger, former press secretary to President Kennedy and Johnson, who will be in Cisco on March 3, and the final lecturer in the series will be Drew Pearson, nationally known newspaper columnist, who will appear at the Cisco College April 1. All programs are scheduled for 8 p. m. in the Harrell Fine Arts Auditorium. All seats are reserved for the programs, Mr. Willis said, and he further reminded interested persons that the demand

## Homemakers EnjoY Meeting

The Eastland Chapter of Young Homemakers of Texas held its monthly meeting Tuesday in the homemaking department of Eastland High School.

Miss Loretta Morris, club advisor, presented the program, "Building a Balanced Child." She emphasized the importance parents and educators have on the personality of the child.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wallace read "Mama Spanks Me". There was a group discussion.

Present were Mmes. Jane Finley, Sue Pennington, Helen Browning, Betty Nelms, Elizabeth Wallace and Miss Loretta Morris.

The next meeting will be February 11, when Mrs. Janet Thomas will discuss the cost of convenience foods vs. the cost of home-made foods.

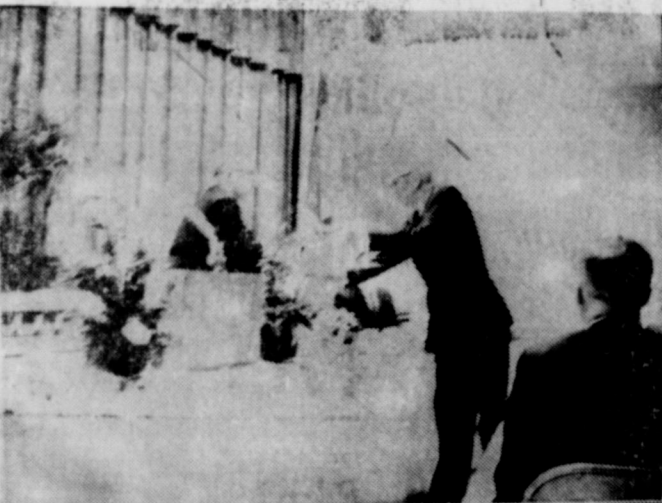
Visitors are invited to attend. A nursery is provided.

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## at recent banquet...



DECORATING — Mrs. Ed Ethridge and Dick Dixon light the table candles in last-minute preparation for the annual chamber banquet. Mrs. Ethridge and Mrs. Bill Hallmark, under the chairmanship of Mrs. C. W. Hoffmann Jr., were in charge of decorations for the Elementary Cafetorium event which had as its theme "Eastland: Jewel of a City." Beautiful jewels sparkled throughout the room. (Staff Photo).



SALUTING THE MAYOR — Mayor Frank Deaton receives the plaque naming him Golden Deeder of the Year from Supt. Wendell Siebert who had just revealed the identity of the recipient in an appropriate introduction.

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## 2 Countians Sought To Assist With Aged

Two Eastland County residents are sought for positions working with the elderly in this county, it has been announced here.

Applications will be taken at the Home Demonstration Office in the Basement of the Courthouse in Eastland on Monday, Feb. 3, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Mrs. Dorothy Griffin, area coordinator has announced.

An aide and a VISTA volunteer or two VISTA volunteers are sought Mrs. Griffin said. The VISTA Volunteers will work locally and in be-

half of the elderly poor through the Senior Opportunities Services (SOS) program. The SOS program replaces the FINE program, which has been authorized and funded by the State of Texas to assist the elderly in this 16-county area where the highest percentage of over-65 persons live, it is reported.

The proposed program is sponsored by the Hill Country Community Action Association, Inc. in San Saba in cooperation with Central Texas Opportunities, Inc., Coleman, and Community Council of Comal and Blanco Counties, New Braunfels.

Persons should be willing to work with the elderly and the VISTA volunteers will receive six weeks training in Colorado Springs, Colo., and be reimbursed for food, lodging and personal expenses according to costs in the area (About \$175 per month, less taxes) and six cents a mile when they use their own auto on the job. The volunteers will be eligible for a \$50 per month bonus at the end of the first year of work. The volunteers will be covered under Blue Cross-Blue Shield through VISTA. VISTA pay does not affect Social Security benefits, Mrs. Griffin said.

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### Sign-Up Dates Set For Crops By County ASC

Farmers will sign-up for '69 wheat, feed grain and cotton crops beginning Feb. 3 and ending March 21, according to an announcement by the Eastland County ASCS office. Producers were due to receive notice of payment rates and participation provisions before Feb. 3.

April 1 is the final date to transfer peanut acreage by sale or lease, the announcement said. Yields must be established before transfer details can begin. The total transfer for a farm may not exceed 50 acres for the combined 1968 and 1969, the announcement added.

Meetings on peanut production have been announced for February 19 in De Leon and February 20 in Rising Star. Specialists from the extension service will hold all-day meetings on these dates. Time and meeting sites will be given later.

### DAR Chapter To Meet Jan. 27

The Charles Crawford Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will have their regular monthly meeting Monday, Jan. 27 in the home of Mrs. Guy Morris, it was reported.

Mmes. P. G. Berry, H. A. Bible and Mrs. G. E. Berry of Brownwood will assist Mrs. Morris in hosting the meeting. This meeting is their National Defense meeting. Mrs. Robert Stewart will be in charge of the program. Mrs. Stewart's subject will be "Our Strength Has Become Our Weakness."

The next meeting of the DAR will be held in the home of Mrs. C. B. Rust on Monday, Feb. 24. Special guests will be Mrs. Buck Wynne Woolley, State Regent and Mrs. Lewis P. O'Neil, State Registrar, both of Dallas.

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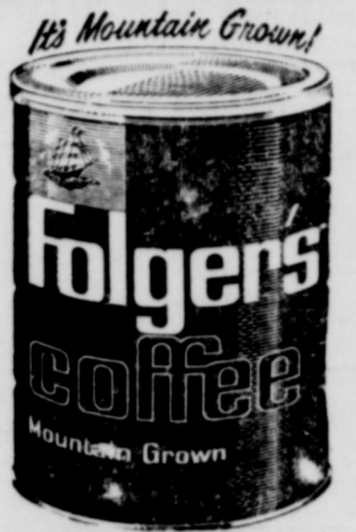
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General Minerals Co. of Wichita Falls completed both of the new wells as their No. 1 W. T. Donham and No. 2 W. T. Donham. Both are in Section 91, Block 3, H&TC Survey.

The No. 1 Donham gauged a daily potential of 21 barrels of 42 gravity oil. Flow was through a 1-2 inch choke with 200 pounds casing pressure. Production was from perforations at 2,810-50 feet after treatment with 500 gallons of 28 per cent acid. The hole was bottomed at 3,326 feet.

The No. 2 Donham had a daily potential of 31 barrels. It was on pump from an open hole after similar treatment. Perforations were at 2,860 feet with the bottom at 2,900 feet.

## WHAT'S in A Name?

**B Magdalene Boyle**

Once I had a teacher wag her finger in my face and declare, "Young lady, you are a philologist."

I had been called many names — "Freckles" (which I despised), "Rusty" (which my hair looked), and "Skinny" (which I am), but "Philologist" — Embarrassed, I slunk into the library and hid inside the 26-pound unabridged dictionary until I discovered what I was: "a lover of words."

Funny thing. The teacher was right. Isn't she always?

This interest in words has twisted my brain as you no doubt have noticed by this time. But it's a rewarding hobby. For instance, I have fun with people's names. Join me and I'll show you the game.

Let's take Jim Webb, president of Cisco Junior Chamber of Commerce. Wouldn't it be a catastrophe if someone nicknamed him "Cob?"

How well do you know Catherine Cunningham, Cisco Insurance Agent? I always think of her as a cunning ham, but she isn't.

Then there's Leland Willis, CJC President. All this time he's been running around loose under false pretenses. Way back there somebody's mother affectionately dubbed her son "Willis," a diminutive of "William." Thus, the CJC president's name is really Leland William. But that's all right, Leland, if you prefer Willis to William. I like affection, too.

Did you know that in 1688 an insurance association was founded in London and named after Lloyd, the owner of a London coffee house? I'm a bit confused perhaps, but Lloyd of the House of London is still with us after 281 years — and living in Cisco, at that! Lloyd London, let me compliment you on your spryness. I hope I can still play the piano and dance up a storm when I'm 281 years old.

Birthdays jolt me. Don't they? However, I haven't given up yet. In Ranger, though, two people recently threw up their hands and moaned, "All's up." Their names? David B. and Brenda (Allsup). Sorry about that!

A king used to be a man. But no more. The Maddocks Insurance Agency of Ranger is ruled by Opal who calls herself "King."

I wonder how Bob Blair of the Ranger Schools is teaching his sons to spell their last name. My dictionary says "blair" is spelled "blare." No wonder we have such poor spellers in school.

Do you know Dr. J. O. Jolly of Eastland? He's the Jolly Green Giant's brother. He's a mean old giant, too. He sticks sharp needles in people's mouths, he saws jaw bones, he pries teeth open with crowbars and yanks out morals with pliers. Then when he's finished with his victims, he queries, "Did you have a Jolly good time?"

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Once upon a time "marshal" meant stable boy. That's why Charles Marshall is principal of Eastland High School. The teen-agers have two legs less than horses, but they need tight reins, too.

Now for a lesson in logic. China is the land of rice paddies. On the shore of Lake Leon is Rice's Paddy. So its owner, Ernie Rice, must be a Chinaman. I wonder why he doesn't eat with chopsticks. Could my logic not be logical?

Have you ever heard anyone

address the auctioneer, James Wright, as James Wrong? It's an idea, but not a very smart one.

O all the names of east or west, June Moons the one that I like best. She lives next door to me, and my thoughts about

her have been perfectly expressed by Al Bernstein: "Spring being a tough act to follow, God created June."

You see, the magic of names is irresistible. Now try your own list. Start with "Boyle."

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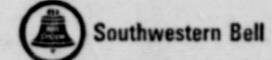
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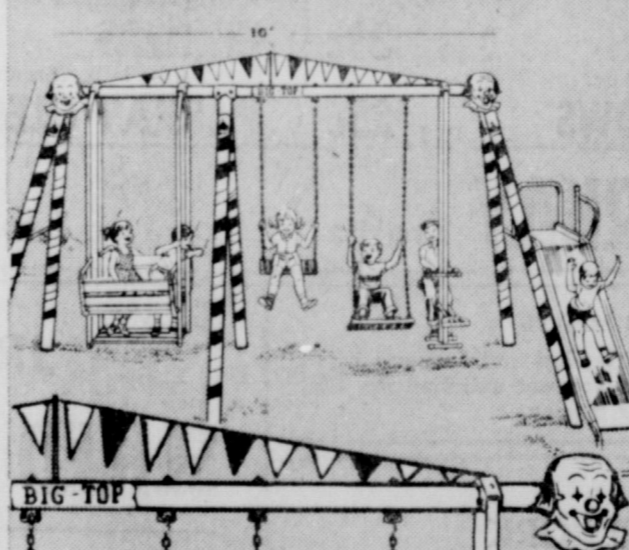
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