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Rates burden taxpayers

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Major tax changes enacted by the Legislature take effect Jan. 1, compounding Texas taxpayers' difficulties with a sales tax rate structure that was already more complicated than that of any other state.

For example, most people think Texas' total rate due on taxable goods and services is set by the state's six percent and a local tax or two. But actually, Texas will have a crazy-quilt system of sales taxes that can add up 31 different ways, with 24 of those combinations in effect Jan. 1.

This is a far cry from the simple two-percent state sales tax enacted by the 1961 Legislature. Now, combined state and local rates range from six to eight percent.

In Haskell, the rate is quite simple: six percent state sales tax, plus one percent for the City, making a seven-percent total.

But in other areas of the state, the hodgepodge of local sales taxes will make it difficult to pay the correct tax. Even though most merchants know the current rate in their own location, it will take a computer to keep track of the sales tax maze in Texas' 1,000-plus cities, 247 counties and six transit districts that have or are eligible for local-option taxes.

Most of the confusion Jan. 1 will result from a new local-option sales tax adopted in April and August by 136 cities and counties to lighten their property-tax burden. This optional one-half percent will apply to all goods and services covered by state sales tax.

As many as 60,000 businesses that do \$14 billion in annual taxable sales ship merchandise into or perform services in other taxing jurisdictions. These firms likely will have to figure when and where some 24 different combinations of sales tax rates apply.

But taxpayers will find some consistency among the local taxes. Goods and taxable services will be treated alike, no matter which local tax is involved.

For example, goods delivered and taxable services performed outside the boundaries of a Metropolitan Transit Authority by a firm located inside the MTA will be exempt from the transit tax.

And, because a recent tax reform limits local sales taxes to two percent, some combinations from the new city and county tax that could push the total of state and local taxes to nine percent will not be valid.

In addition, among Texas' 322,500 businesses that use the short-form sales tax return, one in every six will have to switch to, and grapple with, the more complicated long-form sales tax return. These firms that will be driven to the long form account for about \$4 billion in annual taxable sales.

"A No. 2 lead pencil just won't get the job done anymore," warned Texas Comptroller Bob Bullock about the huge task facing taxpayers and the state's tax agency. "Texas merchants better be prepared to have sophisticated equipment to collect this tax."



Christmas fire

The home of Darel Anderson of 206 N. Ave. M was severely damaged by fire Christmas morning. It was just one of several calls answered by the Haskell Fire Department during the holiday weekend.

Goodfellows give 70 boxes food, toys

Goodfellows distributed 70 boxes of food and toys on Christmas Eve morning.

The sponsoring Lions Club expressed its appreciation to Haskell residents for their generous donations and to city employees and firemen for delivery.

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Haskell Band Boosters will sell spirit towels at the Haskell-Hamlin basketball games Tuesday night.

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Harmon Cable from Rule and Haskell installation promotion.....200.00
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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chapman.....20.00
Previous Total.....\$1334.00
Total to date.....\$1912.00

Other donations include:

Gayla Nanny, Food; Opal Loewen, Dolls; Mrs. E.J. Stewert, Clothing; KVRP Radio, Food and Dolls; St. George Catholic Church, Food and Toys; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy New and Mrs. Bairds Bread, Bread.

Bank announces contest winners

Winners of the First National Bank's Christmas coloring contest were:

3-5-year-olds: 1. Cole Earles. 2. Lori McDermott.
6-8-year-olds: 1. Crystal Watson. 2. Michael Murray of Rule. 3. Jodie Reel.

9-10-year-olds: Leigh Ann Reel. 2. Debbie Watson. 3. Erich Reed.
First-place winners received \$50, second place \$25 and third place \$10.

Political candidates file as deadline approaches

Three candidates, including the incumbent, have announced for each of the two County Commissioner seats which will be decided in the March 8 Democratic primary.

So far, those two races for commissioner of precinct 1 and precinct 3 are the only ones for which there is announced opposition.

Seeking re-election in precinct 1 is T. C. (Tim) Bursqn. He is being opposed by Ozzie J. (Buddy) Tibbets and Sue Patterson.

J. R. (Ray) Perry is a candidate for re-election as commissioner of precinct 1. Also seeking the position are Dennis (Eddie) Grand and Walter E. (Gene) Fischer.

Unopposed at this time are incumbents John Fouts, district attorney; Johnny L. Mills, county sheriff; Art Williams, county attorney; Bobbye Collins, county tax assessor/collector; and Troy P. Brown, constable.

As of noon Tuesday, only four of the candidates had filed with county Democratic chairman Sharon Mullino. They were Perry, Tibbets, Mills and Brown.

Monday, Jan. 4, is the last day that candidates may file for the primary election. Mrs. Mullino said the law requires that she have the filing application and the \$600 filing fee in her hand by 6 p.m. on that date in order for the candidate's name to

appear on the ballot. (The filing fee for constable is only \$300.)

This year's primary is coming about two months earlier than normal as the earlier date was set to coincide with the Super Tuesday primaries being staged throughout the Southern states.

In addition to local and district races, Haskell County voters will help nominate a number of state officers and a candidate for President of the United States.

Among district offices to be

decided will be that of State Representative of District 64, currently held by Rick Perry of Haskell, and U. S. Representative of district 17, held by Charles Stenholm of Stamford. Both have filed for re-election.

Most important of the state offices will be that of U.S. Senator. Incumbent Lloyd Bentsen has filed for a fourth six-year term in that office.

Deadline for voter registration for the Super Tuesday primary is 30 days prior to the election, or Feb. 5.



Moorman scholarship

Joey Kimbrough of Haskell receives a scholarship certificate from Lynn Allen of Stratford, district sales manager of Moorman Manufacturing Co.

Joey Kimbrough earns scholarship

Joey Kimbrough is one of five Texas Tech University students who received Moorman Company Fund scholarships in agriculture.

The Moorman Manufacturing Company, headquartered in Quincy, Ill., produces bio-medical products and mineral supplements and feed concentrates for livestock and poultry.

Recipients were honored at a dinner attended by College of Agricultural sciences representatives and Moorman company officials.

Kimbrough, a junior agricultural education major, is the son of Joe Kimbrough of Haskell and Linda Flippin of Wichita Falls.

Other recipients were Dawn Keith of Wimberley, Sarita Reeve of Friona, Scott Smith of Lubbock and

Patina Sykes of Iraan.

Moorman provides scholarships to 30 colleges of agriculture. Scholarships are based on scholastic achievement, leadership and sincere interest in agriculture.

Texas Tech's College of Agricultural Sciences annually awards five \$800 Moorman scholarships. The scholarship was established at Texas Tech in 1985.

New Years dance

A New Year's Eve dance is scheduled from 9 to 1 tonight (Thursday) at the Haskell Country Club. Breakfast will be served. Members and their guests are invited.

Haskell shivers through white Christmas



White Christmas

Haskell last week saw its first white Christmas in years. Rain, sleet, snow, ice and frigid temperatures combined to make life rough on much of the population. Adding to the discomfort was a power outage which left homes without electricity from mid-afternoon Christmas Day until early the next morning.



--Rice Springs Care Home--

By Judy Wolsch
Activity Director

We would like to express our appreciation to the Girl Scout Troop 468 for the beautiful quilted lap spread they gave to the home.

To the Rochester Hobby Club for gifts donated, the Kiwanis Club for their time spent in our home. To the little children who came out and decorated each door with your cute pictures. This gave our home a little extra Christmas spirit.

A huge thanks to Randy McLelland and "Santa" for making our Christmas party a success. And we shall not forget all the Santa helpers. We appreciate each of you and all the refreshments provided by different church groups and individuals.

We all had a very merry Christmas at RSCH due to all of you.

Many visitors added to Christmas at RSCH also. They included Jan Eastland, Eudora Bradley and Mrs. Beth Woods with Elsie Eastland; Kaylynn Powers, Gaynell Langford, Elva Kuenstler and Mr. and Mrs. Stan Kenow with Owen Cox; John Neeley with Lucy Harrell; Kenny and Tessie Anderson, Jeffrey and Jeran Anderson with Irene Reid; David and Carolyn Jones with Jesse Jones; Ray and Buddy Herren with Angie Mullino.

James R. Webb and Shirley Webb from Brownsville with Stella Tooley; Bud and Velma Williams from Elbert with J. C. Hargrove; John B. and Rosalie Curry from Lubbock with Frankie Cloud; Rodney, Cheryl and Aaron Brown from Austin with Angie Mullino.

Inez and George Smith with Aletha Scifres from Temple. George Smith with Joe Teague; Theresa Baiza and Mary Menchaca with Mary Hatley; J. D. and Marie Wendeborn from Laredo with John and Tillie Wendeborn; Gail Leiramann from Denver, Colo., with Alvena Holley, Adaline Letz and Herman Letz.

Angelia and Greg Venker from Dallas with Irene Reid; Sally White from San Angelo with Frieda Carter; Mary Beth Wyatt with Ione Menefee, Thalia Jenkins and Stella Glass.

John and Wanda Rogers with Elsie Eastland; Bobbie Sutterfield and family, Deann and Bobby Stiewert and Traci, Mary Lee and Jerry Sorrells, Tamara, Tara and Teresa Lacey, all with Edna Carter.

Munday-Mueller vows exchanged

Nancy Kay Munday became the bride of Bennie Mueller in a ceremony performed Nov. 28 in the bride's home in Haskell.

The Rev. Kenneth Kirk of the First United Methodist Church of Haskell officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Brooks Middleton of Haskell and the late La Vera Middleton. The groom is the son of Ben Mueller of Abilene and Opal Hickey of Abilene.

Beth Guess was the bride's attendant. Sam Simpson of Rule was the best man.

The reception was held in the home of Mike and Beth Guess.

The bride is a graduate of Haskell

High School and attended McMurry. The groom graduated from Rule High School and also attended McMurry.

Following a honeymoon in the Carribean, the newlyweds are living in Abilene where he is employed by Bill Reed Distributing Co. and she is employed by Dr. Ron Morley.

--School Menu--

Jan. 4-8
LUNCH

Monday: Beef and spaghetti, buttered corn, cole slaw, hot rolls with butter, pineapple tidbits, milk or tea.

Tuesday: Cheeseburgers, french fries with catsup, lettuce and tomatoes, pickles and onions, pear halves, milk or tea.

Wednesday: Corn dogs, curly Q's with catsup, pickle spears, applesauce, peanut butter and crackers, milk or tea.

Thursday: Taco salad, grated cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, pinto beans, cornbread with butter, fruit jello, milk or tea.

Friday: Chicken fried steak with gravy, creamed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls with butter, orange halves, milk or tea.

BREAKFAST

Monday: Orange juice, cereal, milk.

Tuesday: Apple juice, biscuits with jelly, milk.

Wednesday: Grape juice, cinnamon toast, milk.

Thursday: Pineapple juice, muffins, milk.

Friday: Fruit juice, cereal, milk. (Menus subject to change.)

Haskell Young Homemakers have meeting

Haskell Young Homemakers celebrated the holiday season with a Chinese auction of gift giving.

The group was privileged to be guests of Jill Druessedow. Each room of her home was decorated for Christmas.

Lisa Teague, Camin Pittman, Lisa Phemister and Mrs. Druessedow were hostesses. Red punch, fudge, bite-size quiche, spiced nuts and cheese crackers were served.

During a short business meeting, the Young Homemakers planned the yearly Christmas gifts to needy families.

Katie Hopper won the door prize. All members were reminded to pay the fee of \$5 to Diane Melton for the next meeting.

--HOSPITAL--

ADMISSIONS

MEDICAL: Jill Druessedow, Haskell; Ola Mae Lewis, Goree; Jack Speer, Haskell; Gayla Nanny, Haskell.

SURGICAL: Rafeal Bejar, Munday; Arnold Reeves, Munday.

DISMISSALS

Harriet Simms, Gary Harban, Aaron Kirk, Virginia Henshaw, William Lyckman, Karen Morgan, Carl Fischer, William Hix.

Thank you for reading The Haskell Free Press.

--BIRTHS--

Mr. and Mrs. Richard De Los Santos of Rule announce the birth of their daughter, Mary Helen De Los Santos, born December 28, 1987 at Haskell Memorial Hospital weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Hawkins are the proud parents of a baby boy born Christmas day at Haskell Memorial Hospital. Michael Shawn weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hawkins and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ruiz, all of Haskell. He is the Ruiz's first grandchild and the Hawkins' 24th, evening out the number at 12 boys and 12 girls.

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Hawkins family

The J. W. Hawkins home was a merry place Dec. 19 when all their children were home to celebrate Christmas.

There were 47 family members and two visitors present:

Mr. and Mrs. James Hawkins, Kevin and Lana, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rhems and Justin of Wichita Falls.

Yvonne and Trisha Huffines of Dimmit and Yvonne's grandchildren, Christopher and M'Lissia Huffines of Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hawkins and girls, Ashley and Emily, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Maghy and boys, Blake, Trey and Ty, of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cockerell and boys, Steven and Jimmy, of Cisco.

From Haskell, Darlene Conn, David, Daniel and Julie; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hawkins and Joseph; Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Hawkins and Tamera; Mr. and Mrs. Billy Tatum, Jonathan, Christopher and Creora; Clayton Hawkins, Terry and Clifton; and Bobby Hawkins and friend, Marcella; and Patricia Slayton of Rochester.

--Haskell Nursing Center--

By Jo Fischer
Activity Director

The joy and love of the holiday season has been bountiful at our nursing home during the past few weeks. There have been so many groups from all the surrounding communities who have shared their Christmas spirit with us.

We thank all of you and hope we have left no one un-named: The First United Methodist Church of Haskell, East Side Baptist of Haskell, First Presbyterian Church, Haskell Church of Christ, Assembly of God, Sweet Home Baptist of Rule and First Baptist of Rule are among the churches represented.

Haskell Elementary second-grade class, Tiger Cubs, Kiwanis and many others sang for us.

There were many family members and friends visiting us. Our residents' annual Christmas party was held on Dec. 19. The entertainment was given by Jennifer Clements of Sweet Home Baptist and Wayne Roser of Goree. Our thanks to a special friend who made Santa Claus' appearance possible.

Some of our visitors over the holidays were:

Donald Wades, Grady and Ophelia Newsome with Loyd Wade; Bettye Michaels, Harley and Vivian Langford with C. V. Langford; Jack Monse and Mel Swoyer with Fred and Robert

Monse; T. A. Stanfield and Billy Stanfield with Haney Stanfield; Joyce and Frank Coleman with Elvie LeFevre.

Viola Teague and Mildred Kelso with Lois Luce; Corky Jeter with Lictor Thompson; Duke Jeter and Neta Baccus with A. C. Jeter; Bettye and Doyle Sorrells, Glenda and Arlis Brothers and Ronnie Andrews with Dick Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jones with Kathryn Mitchell; Junior Camp with Wilamet and Ray Oliphant; Tommie Michaels with Bessie Davidson.

Judy Mitchell Tankersley and daughter Jimmy Tankersley, E. H. and Martell Tankersley, Opal Snow, La Nell Williams with Lucille McCurley; Jack and Mary Ann Morris with Nettie McCollum; Stuart Roberson, Nick Long, Billy Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pike, Arthur Cameron, Mary Beth Seneu with Rudy Clemmer.

Mary Ann McWhorter and children with Coleen Moody; Karen Johnson with Fannie Wilson; Carolyn and Jim Pippin and Ruby Smith with Lucille Sherrill, Roland Rose, Joy Spalding with Pauline Williams.

Thank you from the bottoms of our hearts to all of you who have made this a joyous Christmas season.

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Texans like their teachers

Texans like their teachers better than they like their schools.

That's the essence of a recently published report which puts a lot of the blame for the state's illiteracy problem on the public schools.

The controversial report was published by the Adult Performance Level Project through the College of Education at the University of Texas, under contract with the Texas Department of Community Affairs. Deborah Stedman, director of Adult Continuing Education at the Texas Education Agency, has said the report is unfair.

State leaders of the 25,000-member Texas Classroom Teachers Association say they agree with many of the report's findings, but also believe additional factors are involved.

"Schools are not solely to blame for the massive illiteracy problem in Texas," Wendell Whittenburg, TCTA president, said. "Other causes that must also be considered are the influence of the family, lack of parental involvement, economic factors and access. While public schools have their share of problems, they can't become the scapegoat for society's ills."

TCTA leaders do agree with report findings that teachers are sometimes victims of the process. They feel the

report is accurate in stating that it has become more difficult to teach and harder to maintain the sense of dignity and accomplishment once associated with the profession.

"To much of the public," the report said, "teachers are the school." The first, and often only, point of contact, they tend to receive blame for any shortcomings of the system.

"While it is true that individual teachers can exert a positive impact on their particular classes and inspire those students who aspire to learn, their efforts are overridden by irrelevant and ineffective curriculum, unreasonably limited resources, generally inept and politicized administration and minimal support from parents," the report said.

TCTA leaders also agree with the report's findings that the problem with the education system lies not in

poor teaching, but rather in what is being taught. According to project director Jim Cates, the consensus of those surveyed was that teachers need more input in saying how subjects should be taught and what should be taught.

Cates said it was during the personal interview phase of the project that the staff learned that Texans tend to respect teachers more than they do the schools themselves. "It appeared to our interviewers to be more a statement of perceived fact than a mere nostalgic recollection when respondents gave credit to individual teachers for having provided inspiration and the caliber of instruction which enabled achievement. Even, or perhaps especially, in cases of marginal or limited achievement, an early teacher was often cited as the enabling force."

'My mother couldn't do it'

Early this year, 16 senior teacher education students from Concordia Lutheran College in Austin surveyed 1,500 Texas high schools in search of the most creative excuses given by students for tardiness, absence and missed homework.

Secondary teachers and attendance officers in each school were asked to reply to a brief questionnaire. Three hundred replies were received during the survey period.

The empirical data collected served to prove that high school students are still very creative and their excuses will change to meet the available situations.

Consider the following, deemed by professional Texas teachers to be the most creative excuses:

"Someone super-glued my car tires to the ground," claimed one student.

A note brought to class by another student read, "Mary was out of school for a reason I cannot mention in this note. But she was not playing hooky." The note was signed "my Mother."

Using inescapable logic, a student said, "I would have been on time but the bell rang." Another just asked, "Have you ever tried to find toilet tissue in this school?"

The modern age has brought new excuses. "I had jet lag," said one. "My water bed leaked and I spent two hours mopping up water," said another. By far the most used of the new excuses was "My garage door opener broke and I couldn't get my car out of the garage."

Students have strange illnesses, report the teachers. One boy claimed

"morning sickness" and another had an "uncontrollable stomach." A girl said she was absent because she had "hot contacts"; her teacher was uncertain if it was a medical or a business-related excuse.

In a case of betrayal by an inanimate object, homework can disappear because "my locker ate it." Also the favorite, "My truck drove itself into a pothole and couldn't get itself out," asserted another student.

"My cat snatched my car keys and ran under the couch and I couldn't make it come out," said a student. He had to spend the entire day coaxing the cat out.

Three students were so completely honest that their explanations warranted mention by their teachers: For being tardy: "Total irresponsibility on my part." For being absent: "Just lucky." For missed homework: "My mother couldn't do it."

"We've learned in education classes that a sense of humor is necessary for teachers," said Donna Menzel, a Concordia student teacher who helped compile the test results. She went on to add: "It's been fun, and educational, to be forewarned about the kinds of excuses we will be getting."

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Suit seeks damages for birth defects

Claiming that the alcoholic beverage industry has been operating at the expense of public health, attorneys have filed lawsuits against the industry on behalf of four children in Washington state.

The action, taken Nov. 5, alleges that the beverage industry has failed to warn that alcoholic beverages can cause birth defects.

The children named in the suit suffer a number of conditions associated with the Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), including mental retardation, behavioral, developmental and growth abnormalities, cleft lip and palate, and heart and limb defects. FAS is the third most common cause of mental retardation at birth, yet is entirely preventable.

"One in 600 live births in Texas this year will be a child with Fetal

Alcohol Syndrome," said Bob Dickson, executive director of the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. "Our data tells us that Texas will spend over \$250 million in 1987 alone to treat newborns affected by FAS. This is a public health issue that can no longer be avoided."

Dickson adds that numerous state and national agencies and organizations have been pushing for warning labels on the risks associated with drinking during pregnancy since the connection between drinking and FAS were first established.

"I believe that this lawsuit will focus public opinion on this fundamental health issue in such a way that industry will no longer be able to avoid taking positive steps to remedy it," said Dickson.

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Commentary

Texas voters get plenty of attention

AUSTIN—State Capitol halls were quiet during the Christmas holidays, but Texas campaign trails were dusty and crowded as presidential aspirants continued to pay lots of attention to the Lone Star State voters.

With a little over two months remaining before the March 8 election, Texas politicians are almost giddy from the early and ardent wooing.

When Texas leaders gave the nod to joining the new Super Tuesday primary over a year

evidence found by his probe of the SMU football scandal may uncover possible criminal activity.

Mattox gave the evidence to the Dallas County district attorney last week and said he would continue investigating the possible theft of \$10,000 from the SMU athletic department.

Mattox, an SMU law school alumnus, also indirectly ripped Gov. Bill Clements who chaired the SMU board at the time of the actions which led to NCAA sanctions and disbanding of the team.

Age Limit Upheld

A 74-year-old state district judge in Houston must leave his bench this summer after a federal court upheld a state mandatory retirement law.

Judge William H. Hatten is barred from seeking another term this election and must retire next summer before his current term expires. He plans to appeal.

Hatten sued to challenge the constitutionality of the law which forces him off the bench on his 75th birthday in August.

Yarborough Surgery

Former U. S. Sen. Ralph Yarborough, the guru of liberal Texas Democrats, underwent a quadruple bypass operation in Austin last week and was in stable condition.

Yarborough, 84, practices law in Austin where he oversees liberal issues and candidates. He served in the U. S. Senate 13 years until he was defeated in 1970 by Lloyd Bentsen.

Yarborough's endorsement is still sought by any realistic liberal hopeful, particularly anyone running for office in Austin.

Judge Switches Parties

State district judge Marsha Anthony, Houston, switched political parties last week and drew uncharacteristic responses from both sides.

Anthony won her seat as a Republican, but filed last week as a Democrat seeking a seat on the Texas Supreme Court.

Controversy sprang from the comments of the local party heads: The Democrats said they did not recruit her, indicating they didn't particularly want her candidacy.

Republicans said it was no loss since she was "going down the tubes" in the Republican primary anyway.

Anthony had the lowest performance rating of 112 Houston judges in an October bar association survey.

Big Bend Park expansion Ok'd

A key Senate committee has resoundingly approved legislation supported by U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm to add 67,000 acres to Big Bend National Park.

The proposal, which authorizes the U.S. Park Service to accept the Harte Ranch property on the edge of the park, was introduced in the House by U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith and in the Senate by Gramm.

STATE CAPITAL



HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams

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ago, their strategy was to lure candidates to Texas early, to pay attention to us early.

To give us clout early. In 1984 and earlier, New Hampshire was the darling of the candidates, never mind that it isn't much bigger than some West Texas counties. It still got all the early hugs and kisses because whoever came out of its early primary the winner was dubbed the frontrunner and got millions of dollars in free press.

Super Tuesday Working

It set the pace for candidates and some seemingly good candidates never really made it past the first curve. Remember Ohio Sen. John Glenn, the former astronaut whose Texas NASA ties were an edge? Texans never got a chance to vote for or against him, because his campaign chest couldn't hold on for our late primary.

But the strategy behind the Super Tuesday seems to be working even better than expected. Now Texas voters, along with most of the South and a few Yankee states, are the ones which will help dub the frontrunner.

If it's not important, then why has Sen. Albert Gore virtually withdrawn his campaign effort in Iowa to concentrate on Texas and the rest of the South? He and the others are here every week, because a new circuit demands a new plan.

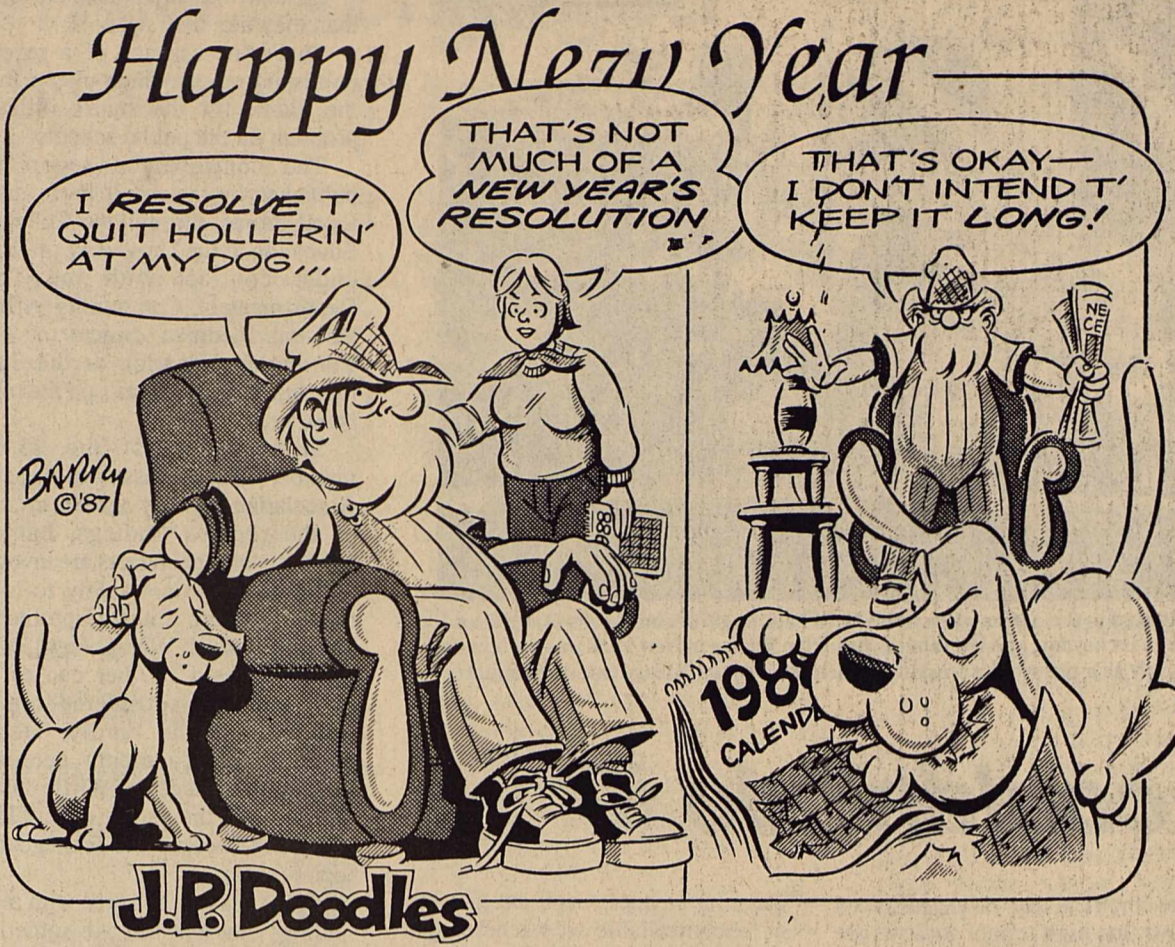
Republicans Helped

Super Tuesday also helps Republicans, the theory being Vice President George Bush, a Texan, can build early momentum to ward off challengers.

One possible by-product of the early attention is that state voters may turn out in high numbers on March 8, and Texas voters always have a few surprises for the experts and public opinion manipulators. It should be fun for everyone.

New SMU Evidence

Attorney Gen. Jim Mattox said



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plain talk

BY WENDELL FAUGHT

People don't go to town anymore. Oh, they go to the store, the doctor or the gas station. But they don't just go to town.

I can recall when men couldn't wait to go to town in the morning. And what did they do when they got there? Nothing. Then they'd go home for lunch and could hardly wait to get back to town.

"Town" to me as a boy was a hamlet of a couple dozen stores in the southwest corner of Oklahoma. The affluent and the unemployed gathered side by side daily on the sidewalk in front of the drug store, the bank or the restaurant. On Saturdays, they would be joined by a host of farmers from the area. It was here that the town's news, and gossip, was exchanged.

Conversations were nearly always pleasant, but they could get serious. I saw a man shot to death there one hot August afternoon.

I drug Main of the old hometown a few weeks ago. I stopped in front of the bank, stared at the people-less surroundings, and started laughing to myself.

The recollection of a familiar site became imprinted in my mind. It was of this farmer who came to town every Saturday, backed up against the brick wall of the bank, raised his right foot against the wall to support himself and then put a big chew of tobacco in his mouth. There he would remain, almost motionless, all afternoon. That was contentment.

Strange, but of the many times I saw this, I had never thought about it being funny. Now, in my memory, it is.

Historians a hundred years from now will have to go through mountains of video tape, cassettes, etc., to determine who said what to whom. The written word is no longer the prime means through which man communicates with man.

Many people don't write letters these days. We can be thankful that they didn't have telephones in the early days, or we would be ignorant of those literary masterpieces Thomas Jefferson exchanged with John Adams.

My father died when I was 12, so for many years I felt I hardly knew him. But when I was in my mid-20s and visiting with an older sister who had left home when I was 8, she dug out some old letters our dad had written to her. It was through them that I learned a lot more about my dad than I had through those 12 years of direct contact.

Over the past several months I've been writing quite a few letters, attempting to re-establish contact with old friends. I guess I've written 20 letters, but have received replies from no more than three or four. Most of the others, instead of writing, have picked up the phone and called. It's easy for those of us who like to write to call this lazy way out, but after deeper thought it becomes quite clear that many people just can't make themselves write letters. I have intelligent friends who tell me they can't write letters.

When my oldest daughter was on a concert tour of Europe with a band group in 1974, I wrote her almost daily to various addresses on her itinerary.

It was a newsy time. My son was just a few months old so there was plenty to tell her about him. The House Judiciary Committee was debating impeachment proceedings against President Nixon, and then the President resigned, all while she was away.

It pleased me no end to learn upon her return that she had saved every one of my letters. She tells me now that she re-reads them once in a while.

She may just be saying this to make me feel good. But, anyway, it works.

We all make 'em. Newsweek magazine identified a picture of Secretary of Treasury James A. Baker as that of Speaker of the House Jim Wright.



Bananas breathe. They inhale oxygen, exhale carbon dioxide and generate their own heat.

--From Out of the Past--

From the Files of The Haskell Free Press

30 Years Ago

Jan. 2, 1958

Major and Mrs. Joseph E. Barrett and children Toni and Lisa, of Arlington, Va., spent the Christmas holidays in the home of Mrs. Barrett's mother, Mrs. Oswald Cole of Rule. Major Barrett, USAF, is stationed at Washington National Airport. He is a pilot for President Eisenhower's private helicopter.

Gene Brown, assistant cashier in the Haskell National Bank, resigned his position Dec. 31 and has accepted a similar position in the First National Bank in Eagle Lake.

County Judge Alfred Turnbow who is now completing his third term in that office has announced he will not be a candidate for re-election in the coming primaries.

Guests in the home of Mrs. J. L. Dilbeck Christmas Day were her children, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Kingston of Palestine, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Alton Dilbeck of Amarillo and a sister-in-law, Mrs. C. F. Graham of Haskell.

Search for the body of Fritz Seyfarth, 29-year-old petroleum engineer who is believed to have drowned in Lake Stamford some time Sunday night, went into the fourth day today.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Frazier and daughter, Joan Kathryn, and Mrs. Maude Derr spent the Christmas holidays in Searcy, Ark., where they were guests in the home of the J. E. Berryhills, former Haskell residents.

Delight Harris of this city and Leon D. Jones of Woodson were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony Saturday, Dec. 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Elmore, owners and operators of the Hammer Laundry, have announced the addition of a Maytag coin-operated laundry to their business.

Mrs. Sarah E. Cox had all of her children and their families as guests in her home during the Christmas holidays. This was the first time in 10 years all the children had been together at one time.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Ross and sons of Abilene visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Watson during the holidays.

50 Years Ago

Jan. 4, 1938

County Superintendent Matt Graham was in Austin Tuesday where he submitted blueprints of the new Paint Creek school building to the State Board of Education.

Hassen Bros. dry goods store is moving their stocks to their new location on the north side, in the IOOF Building. The move can be completed within two days, stated S. Hassen, co-owner and manager of the store.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Herren Jr., Mrs. Angie Herren and Clinton Herren spent the weekend in Dallas. From Dallas, Clinton returned to College Station where he is attending A&M College.

Miss Lola Fouts, who is a teacher in the Floydada schools, spent the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fouts.

Mr. and Mrs. John Willoughby, accompanied by Misses Anna Maud Taylor and Lena Belle Kemp spent the weekend in Dallas and attended the football game between Colorado and Rice.

W. C. Allen, former Haskell County sheriff, now living in McCamey, spent several days in Haskell last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Holt of the Midway community are the parents of twins, a son and a daughter, who arrived at their home Sunday, Jan. 2.

70 Years Ago

Jan. 5, 1918

The local Exemption Board has been busy the past week classifying the questionnaires that have been returned and mailing out the balance on the list. Placed in Class One by the board this week were the following: Walter Minton, Howard Alexander Parks, Joseph H. Posey, Carl Ernest Moeller, William T. Meyer, Charles H. Moeller, Jesse James Noble, Hilbert Parnell, Ollie D. Cooper, Fred Capps, Andrew F. Caldwell, Homer R. Buckner, John L. Bieber, Arnie P. Adams, William E. Dobbins, John M. Anderson, Columbus Boykin, Alfred Brandenburger and Ernest Brandenburger.

Raleigh Lemmon of Camp Travis returned to camp Tuesday after spending several days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lemmon.

The M. O. Lyles Garage, the Haskell County Mule Barn and a small dwelling between the two were destroyed by fire early Friday with loss of about \$10,000. Fifteen automobiles were in the garage and only one was saved, a Mitchell belonging to Matthew Alexander.

Clinton Johnson from Camp Paul Jones, Ill., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Johnson.

Lafayette Parks, one of Haskell's Navy boys, is here from Great Lakes, Ill, visiting friends. He was formerly with Kinnison's barber shop.

60 Years Ago

Jan. 5, 1928

E. J. Cloud, cashier of the Rule National Bank, was a business visitor in Haskell Monday.

Three stores and the post office at Knox City were robbed Sunday morning by a gang of four men who first abducted nightwatchman J. H. Finley as he was making his rounds. The men carried the officer two miles in the country and tied him to a farm wagon while they returned to Knox City and looted the stores.

Henry Laughlin, who has operated the Sagerton Drug Store for the past year, has sold the establishment to Mr. Engelmann who will operate the business in the future.

W. F. (Billie) Burt, service car operator here, has been confined to his home for the past week with a severe case of influenza.

Two unmasked men robbed the First National Bank at Sylvester of between \$2,500 and \$3,000 Tuesday and escaped. The men forced the assistant cashier and two customers into a vault at gunpoint, scooped up all available cash and escaped in a waiting automobile. Officers throughout this section are on the lookout for the robbers.

--Letters to the Editor--

Editor: The March 8 Super Tuesday primary places the power to select presidential candidates back into the hands of the people. No longer will complex and confusing caucuses totally dictate the Democratic and Republican presidential nominees. Instead, simultaneous primaries in all 14 Southern states will give voters a direct and immediate influence on their party's nominating process.

This year's Texas presidential primary has several distinct advantages over past methods. Besides simplifying how we nominate a president, Super Tuesday will make political campaigning more efficient. Regionalizing the primaries will allow candidates to spend more time discussing issues and communicating with the people and less time chasing network coverage from coast-to-coast.

The greatest advantage of our state's March 8 primary will be the increased voter participation. Our democratic system works best when the people are directly involved with it from the grassroots upward. Unlike caucuses, primaries attract a significant percentage of the electorate. And when primaries are synchronized and regionalized, as the Super Tuesday primary is, the concerns and interests of Texans and all Southerners are magnified in importance.

A large voter turnout in North Texas will likewise continue to increase the impact of our region on

the national presidential races. Since January will soon be proclaimed "Voter Registration Month" in Texas, I would like to encourage you to register to vote and to participate in local voter registration drives.

The percentage of eligible voters who register in Texas is far behind many other states. But we now have a great opportunity to have a dramatic influence on the direction of national politics, and we need to participate in the democratic process so that our best interests are served at the local, state and national levels.

Remember that the deadline for registering to vote in the March 8 primary is Feb. 7. Your registration, and more importantly, your vote can have a real impact on the direction of our state and country. Let's make Super Tuesday a super day for Texas.

Charles Finnell
State Representative
Holliday

Build Texas

Editor: My reaction to the recent *Sixty Minutes* segment on the Texas Supreme Court can be summed up in one word--embarrassing. Hopefully, enough Texans, particularly elected officials, will be embarrassed to the point of taking action.

The court's refusal to review the \$10.3 billion court judgment that

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--Letters to the Editor--

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threw Texaco Inc. into bankruptcy cast the national spotlight upon our state's judicial system. CBS' Mike Wallace switched the spotlight on high beam.

The average Texan knows at least something about the Texaco case, it would be difficult not to--the record-breaking 1985 judgment won by the Pennzoil Company and the ensuing declaration of bankruptcy by Texaco, the nation's eighth largest company, were top news stories for weeks across the nation. What the average Texan did not know at the time, at least, was the excessive amounts of money that attorneys representing Pennzoil had contributed to the Supreme Court justices' political campaigns.

Records filed with the Texas Secretary of State's office indicate that Pennzoil attorneys have contributed more than \$355,000 to the current Supreme Court justices, which leads even the most calloused political observer to question the court's impartiality in its decision. True, Texaco's lawyers have contributed to the justices' campaigns, but on a much smaller scale.

Big-money politics, the nature of modern political races and voter apathy have created a judicial system that works the opposite of what was intended. Consider the following factors created by our system of popular elections for justices:

-A candidate--incumbent or challenger--can expect to spend \$1 million to win a contested Supreme Court race, and is forced to run for office as a politician instead of being qualified as an expert in the law.

-Because Supreme Court candidates have lower visibility than other statewide political candidates, the need for large sums of money to reach voters is even more critical.

-For all practical purposes, a court candidate's list of potential contributors is limited to attorneys, certain litigants and a few special interest groups. Because this list includes attorneys who practice before the court, it is nearly impossible to seek campaign funds without creating the appearance of impropriety. The existing system of popular elections, in which incumbent Supreme Court justices are so dependent on attorneys and litigants for campaign funding,

raises serious ethical questions.

-Unlike other statewide candidates, a candidate for the Supreme Court is ethically prohibited from discussing cases that appear before the court. Instead, the candidate must rely upon name identification obtainable only through heavy campaign spending. In the case of low visibility Supreme Court races, a name easily recognized by voters can make the deciding difference.

-A small, but powerful group of attorneys who make their livings representing plaintiffs before the Supreme Court have been very successful in promoting the election of justices who are sympathetic to the appeals of their clients. Because justices are elected popularly and depend upon these attorneys for huge campaign contributions, the trend on the court since 1981 has been to make decisions based upon new and expanded theories of law that mirror the philosophies of this small group of attorneys.

For these reasons and others, today's system of popular elections that require million-dollar political campaigns cannot guarantee that our Supreme Court justices will be independent, fair and impartial in the law they are sworn to uphold.

This system of statewide election encourages legal bribery. This system fosters an activist court that has for several years been making law, as if it were the Legislature, instead of interpreting law. These activist decisions, we now know, are hampering the economic development and diversification of our state and the injection of much needed capital into the Texas market.

In November 1988 the voters of Texas must send a message to the Texas Supreme Court. The message should be:

-Be conservative, not activists. Let the Legislature make the law after full public hearings and public debate.

-Help encourage development, not hamper it.

-Quit echoing the views of the plaintiff-oriented personal injury attorneys who contribute heavily to your campaigns because these one-side contributions can damage the integrity of the judiciary by its appearance of an impropriety.

The highest civil court in our state, our Supreme Court, must once

again be a shining example of unbiased and independent justice for all, not a cause of embarrassment for our great state.

Call it judicial reform or call it campaign finance reform, something must be done to restore public confidence in our state's judicial system and return the sense of balance to the scales of justice.

Mike Tooney

(Tooney, a third-term member of the Texas House of Representatives, is an attorney in private practice in Houston. He is a member of the Texas Judicial Council and was chairman of the House Judiciary Committee of the 70th Texas Legislature.)

Social Security changes

The annual earnings base--the maximum amount of earnings that counts for Social Security--will increase to \$45,000 for 1988, up from \$43,800 for 1987.

In addition, the 1988 tax rate for employees and their employers will increase to 7.51 percent, up from the 1987 rate of 7.15 percent.

The increase in the wage base is based on the change in average earnings levels from 1986 to 1987. The tax rate increase was already a part of the Social Security law. The effective tax rate for self-employed people will rise from 12.3 percent to 13.02 percent for 1988.

For a person earning \$2,000 a month, the increase in the tax rate will amount to \$7.20 a month.

Other Social Security figures are scheduled to increase in 1988 as well. The annual exempt amount used in the annual earnings test will increase. The annual earnings test is the measure used to determine whether a person who works will receive benefits during the year.

The 1988 annual exempt amount for people 65 through 69 will be \$8,400, up from the 1987 amount of \$8,160. The 1988 exempt amount for people under 65 all of 1988 will be \$6,120, up from the 1987 amount of \$6,000.

A person whose earnings do not exceed the annual exempt amount will receive all benefits for the year. A person's benefit is reduced by \$1 for each \$2 of earnings above the exempt amount. The annual earnings test does not apply once a person reaches 70.

The amount of earnings needed to earn a quarter of coverage--the measure of Social Security work credit--will be \$470 in 1988, up from \$460 for 1987. In 1988, a worker will earn four quarters of coverage if his or her annual earnings are \$1,800 or more.

Haskell area residents may obtain information about Social Security taxes and benefits from the Abilene Social Security office, located at 142 S. Pioneer. The telephone number is 915-698-1360.



Charles and Cindy Stenholm

Stenholm asks for re-election

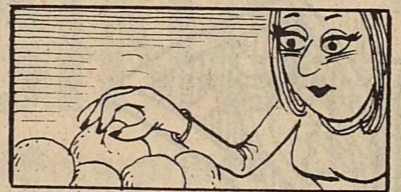
Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-Stamford) has announced that he has filed for re-election to the United States House of Representatives.

Stenholm is seeking his sixth term as the representative of the 17th Congressional district, composed of 35 counties in West Texas and parts of North Texas. On Dec. 21, Stenholm received official notice that his application for the 1988 election had been received in Austin.

First elected in 1978, Stenholm has served on the House Agriculture Committee, the Veterans Affairs Committee and the Small Business Committee during his first nine years in office. He is currently chairman of the Subcommittee on dairy, Livestock and Poultry.

"I look forward to continuing the challenge of representing the 17th Congressional district," Stenholm said. "I have learned much during my time in Washington. Through my experience and growing seniority, I feel I will have a greater opportunity to represent and respond to the needs of this area."

"Cindy and I are grateful for the support we have had while in office," he said. "Our work would not be possible if it were not for the help and encouragement we have had from so many dear friends. We want to say again and again 'thank you.'"



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Telephone company to change name

General Telephone Company of the Southwest will ring in the new year by changing its name to GTE Southwest Inc. The change will become effective Jan. 1.

The six other GTE domestic telephone operating companies will make similar changes in their names.

The decision to drop the "General Telephone Company" title from each company came after extensive market testing which found that "GTE" is one of the most recognized corporate names in the country.

"The study showed that the old name was inadequate to describe our

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GTE is a worldwide corporation with combined revenues and sales totaling more than \$15 billion in 1986. Its three core businesses--telecommunications, lighting and precision materials--employ approximately 160,000 people in 48 states and 33 countries.

The GTE Telephone Operations, GTE's largest business unit with revenues of nearly \$11.3 billion in 1986, includes telephone operating companies in the United States, Canada and the Dominican Republic.

GTE Southwest provides network access to over 1.2 million customers in 398 exchanges in Arkansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Texas.

Businesses due new tax forms

Texas businesses will start 1988 with new state sales tax return forms that will cut government paperwork, Comptroller Bob Bullock said Monday.

"This may be the most radical change in tax return forms in state history, but it's also the best one," Bullock said.

The new long and short return forms will be easier to process and will replace several of the old forms in most cases.

"Now most of the taxpayers can use one form to file their returns," Bullock said, "and the rest will be able to use very simple supplemental forms."

One feature of the new tax returns is a detachable billing coupon, similar to those sent with a credit card statement, that can be read by a machine for speedier processing, Bullock said.

"There are at least a couple dozen possible tax rate combinations in the state now. We had to find a way to process all of them," Bullock said.

No smoking at hospitals

Beginning Jan. 1, Scott and White Clinic and Memorial Hospital in Temple, as well as its 14 regional clinics, will become "smoke free" when a new no-smoking policy goes into effect.

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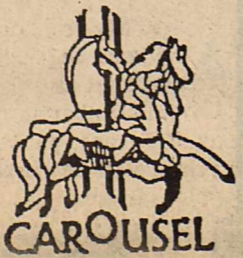


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--Weinert--

By Myrtle Phemister
Week of December 24.

May you have a healthy, happy holiday season, is my wish for each of you!

We are all delighted about the moisture we have received. With the showers and snow we measured about 1 inch. The fog is always dangerous, but we appreciate the moisture it brings.

The Cotton harvest is going well with approximately 95% of the harvest being done.

Donald Griffis, with the Pymaster Gin reported 6,250 bales being tagged thus far, and Ronnie Alexander with the Weinert Gin reported 6,586 bales.

We extend our sympathy to Susie Brockett, whose nephew, Marvin Collins of Haskell passed away last week. Memorial services were conducted at the Haskell Church of Christ, and he was interred in the Haskell Cemetery.

Late news of Ted and Edna Boykin relate that Ted has been hospitalized with this chronic kidney problems, and also a breathing difficulty. We pray he has a speedy return to good health.

Imo Brockett is recovering from a very serious eye surgery she underwent in Houston a few days ago. She will return to Houston early next

week for a check-up. She and her family are spending Christmas with her sister's family in Sweetwater.

Jamie Diaz, with Donna and Ruby, has returned home after an extended stay in Minnesota.

Robert and Esther Estrada, with their family returned several days ago.

We welcome the children back to school here, as well as the families home after helping with the vegetable harvest in Minnesota.

Laverne Mayfield spent several days in DeSoto Texas with her children. She helped care for a sick grandchild, Adrienne Rimmer, which allowed Alexia to fulfill several singing engagements she had scheduled for the holidays.

Recent guests in the Woody Turnbow home included their children, Twyla and Tommy Sorrells of Weatherford, with Luke and Levi. Also Greg and Eric Turnbow, students at Midwestern in Wichita Falls, and Eric's friend, Susan Agrima of Wichita.

Other guests were a nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Monroe of Arvado, Colo. (near Denver) and Georgia's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gray of Haskell.

Francis Mahon has returned from a visit in her daughter's home, Ruby La Roque, of Odessa, and with other family members and friends in that area. Francis lived in Odessa many years.

She is making plans to spend Christmas in Hamilton, with another daughters family, Margie Jordan.

Marvin and Myrtle attended the Annual Christmas dinner and social hour of the Haskell SWCD directors and wives on Friday night. The party was hosted in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ulmer of Sagerton.

Many of our college students are home for the holidays. They include Reuben Castillo, son of Reuben and Angie Castello who arrived home in theme to help out at the gin. He attends Texas Tech at Lubbock.

Donna and Darla Giffis, daughters of Don and Gracie, also Tech students, and who are roommates, as well as sisters, report they love the college and the town.

Mark Jimenez, son of Gilbert and Sophia, a Tech student majoring in law enforcement is home, also.

Shannon Forehand of Angelo State University and Kelly Earp of ASU.

Louis Perez of Cisco Junior College is also home for the holidays as is Kregg Sauders of North Texas State in Denton.

We welcome these students home for a few days and wish them a safe holiday, and safe return to school.

Recent guests in the home of Ted and Faye Jetton were Mr. and Mrs. Claude Young with Jody of Holiday; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jetton with Brad, Lori and Jamie of Brownwood; Mr. and Mrs. Don Stafford with Kim and Breanne of Denton; Mr. and Mrs. Terry Tatum with Jeremy and Troy of Iowa Park; Angie Clark with David and Cody of Wichita Falls; Mindy Stewart of Munday and Walt Ward of Denton.

Faye's brother, Dan McMillen has been quite ill and has been hospitalized in the Amarillo hospital. She requests your prayers on his behalf.

Cindy Murriel of Ft. Worth spent the weekend with her grandmother, Mildred Guess, and attended worship services with her at First Baptist Church.

The Baptist Church enjoyed a Christmas program presented by the Youth Group on Sunday evening, after which everyone enjoyed an hour of fellowship.

Mike Smith, Director of Missions for this area will be guest speaker at the Baptist Church on Sunday, December 27th. The Donnie Crumps will be away for a few days of rest and relaxation.

Have a nice day!

Lisa Medford gets honors at Texas Tech

Lisa Renee Medford, senior deaf education major at Texas Tech University, was honored at the fall Epsilon Chapter banquet of Alpha Delta Pi as an Alpha.

To receive this honor, a 3.0 to 4.0 grade-point average must have been maintained in the spring of 1987.

Renee was first tapped as an Alpha of the Zeta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi at Texas A&M University in the spring of 1986, and she received the honor again at TAMU in the fall of 1986.

After graduation from Texas Tech, Renee plans to attend Kent State University in Kent, Ohio and work on her master's degree in deaf education.

She was an honor graduate of Stamford High School in 1985 and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Medford.

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Which would you choose---a bright, shiny orange or one with a dull matte finish?

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"In spite of the fact that people like the look of waxed produce we still get questions about its safety," says Marilyn Haggard, food marketing expert with the Texas A&M Extension Service.

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Sport-About offers new golf game

If you listen to most toy experts, this year's crop of holiday playthings lacked a smash hit--no cute (or ugly) dolls stepped out of the patch to the head of the class; no Saturday morning super-heroes transformed themselves in Christmas morning musts; and no family board games were pursued with vigor.

However, one group not convinced by the analysts observations is the manufacturer of a new family golf game called "Pla-Golf," the first portable indoor-outdoor golf game with regulation challenges and realism. Pla-Golf was first test-marketed at 20 Oshman's sporting goods stores in North Texas and Oklahoma last summer. Sales were so brisk that Oshman's decided to offer the family game at its more than 200 stores nationwide.

In Haskell, Pla-Golf is being offered at the Sport About.

One of the stores selling out of Pla-Golf games during the Christmas season was Doak Walker Sporting Goods Store in Dallas, founded by former Heisman trophy winner Doak Walker of SMU. Van Davis, store manager, said a handful of buyers were grandmothers looking for unique gifts for grandchildren, but that most customers were families searching for a new game the entire family could enjoy.

Wiley Ash, principal of Home Miniature Golf Co. of Dallas, said Pla-Golf is the first portable indoor/outdoor golf game using regulation balls and putters. "With the exception of badminton, volleyball and croquet, Pla-Golf is the first new family game introduced in the last 50 years," he said. "Not everyone can play real golf, but with Pla-Golf, every member of the family can enjoy themselves."

Pla-Golf is available in two different sets. The three-hole game includes a regulation putter, two real golf balls and three high-impact plastic holes. It comes with three four-foot artificial putting greens, three numbered flags with staffs, score pad and complete instructions.

The durable storage box comes with handles, and the entire set weighs less than 13 pounds. A five-hole set with two additional balls is also available.

Pla-golf can be set up in an area as small as three feet by eight feet. Because it comes with its own putting greens, the game can be played at home, in the yard, at the beach or virtually anywhere the participants desire. Pla-Golf is endorsed by Lon Hinkle, the Texas PGA star and former long driving champion who has won more than \$1 million on the pro tour.

"We've emphasized quality throughout the game, from the putter to the commercial grade of plastic used to manufacture the holes, which will permit years of enjoyment," said Ash, who said he invented the game to allow his five sons to play golf in bad weather. "Whether for the serious golfer who wants to hone his putting skills or for families and children who want to have fun together, Pla-Golf is an ideal gift selection."

SS numbers required for children

People who intend to list dependents age 5 and older on their 1987 federal tax returns must show Social Security numbers for those dependents. This is required by the Tax Reform Act of 1986.

"We urge people to apply now for these numbers while there is more than ample time," said Glyn Hammons, Social Security manager in Abilene. "If they wait, they may find that the process takes longer due to heavier workloads, and they would be unable to file their tax returns early."

Hammons said that most young people already have Social Security numbers.

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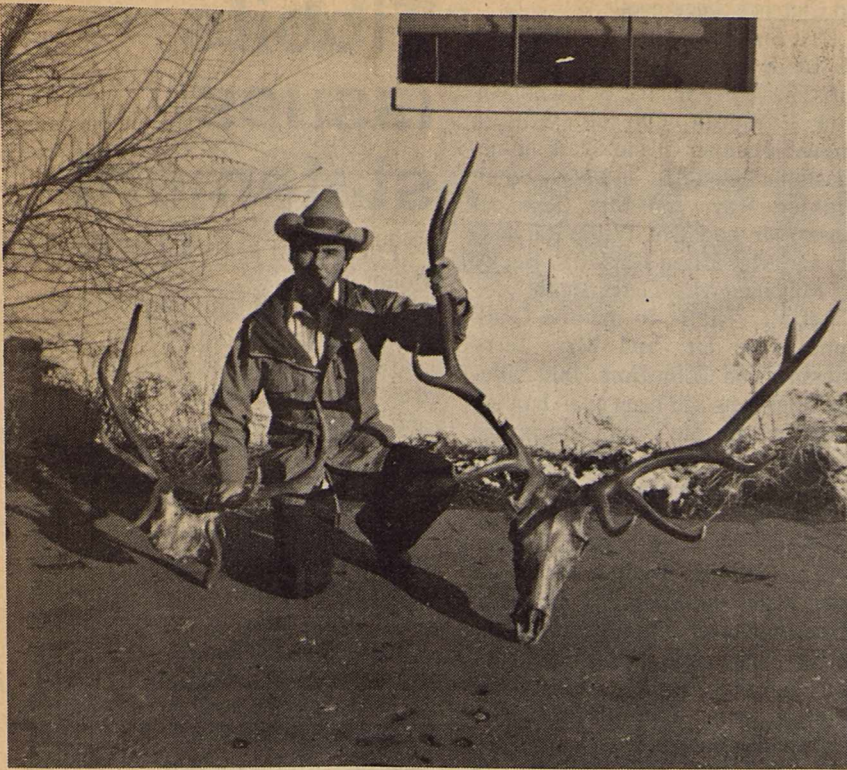
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Shoots two

Rick Brazel shot two big elk this season. He got his first one during the muzzleloader season in Utah and took his second with a muzzleloader during the New Mexico hunt. A biologist for the U.S. Forest Service, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Brazel.

--Obituaries--

Beulah Persons

Beulah (Mrs. Dave) Persons died Tuesday morning at Rice Springs Care Home. She was 100 years old.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Kenny Kirk officiating. Burial will be in Willow Cemetery, under direction of Holden-McCauley Home.

She was born Jan. 9, 1887, in McRea, Ark. She came to Texas in 1986 and to Haskell from Hico in 1928. She was married to David H. Persons July 4, 1918, in Dallas.

Mrs. Persons was a member of the First United Methodist Church, was active in the PTA and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of World War I.

She is survived by a daughter, Ruby Sue Hunter of New Orleans; a brother, W. M. Boatwright of Weatherford; three granddaughters, Shelley Richardson of New Orleans, Kathy McCullough of Pottstown, Pa., and Margaret Brown of Austin; and seven great-grandchildren.

Church and choir for many years.

During World War II she corresponded regularly with dozens of young men in military service, including her two sons and their friends and members of her church. She relayed hometown news and expressed her love and concern for their well being.

Her husband preceded her in death on March 25, 1976. Survivors include a son, Donald Bowers of Haskell; a sister, Miriam Jameson of Longport, N.J.; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. A son, Bob, preceded her in death, as did a brother, Henry "Budd" Cummings.

Onah Crume

Onah (Mrs. Sam) Crume died Sunday evening at Rice Springs Care Home. She was 80.

Graveside services were conducted Tuesday with the Rev. James Densman officiating. Burial, under direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home, was in Willow Cemetery.

A resident of Haskell since 1956 when she moved here from Maywood, Calif., Mrs. Crume was a retired nurse's aide at Rice Springs.

She was born Sept. 29, 1907, in Fort Worth. She was married to Sam Crume in Benjamin on May 27, 1927. He preceded her in death Aug. 5, 1981. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Haskell.

Survivors include a son, Sam E. Crume of Abilene; a sister, Hazel Denton of Bridgeport; two grandchildren, Richard Crume of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Sherrie Jones of Abilene; and three great-grandchildren, Sean, Joshua and Andy.

Jesse Reyes

Graveside services were held Wednesday morning for Jesse Reyes.

Reyes, 42, died Friday at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He had lived in Haskell since 1975 and was a cotton gin employee.

The Rev. Floyd Chenault officiated at the services. Burial was in Willow Cemetery with Holden-

McCauley Funeral Home directing. Reyes was born June 18, 1935, in Corpus Christi. He is survived by a friend, Catherine Huett of Haskell.

Sessions benefit students

In today's school environment parent-teacher conferences are supplementing report cards and other forms of written communications on a basis of increasing importance, yet almost one-third of all parents avoid these conferences altogether, according to the 95,000-member Texas State Teachers Association.

Despite the fact that school districts send conferencing schedules to parents twice each year, many parents either ignore the notices or fail to attend the conference once the appointment has been made.

TSTA President Charles N. Beard Jr. said parents are staying away from schools often because they fear that the conference will result in bad news or else they don't know what questions to ask the teachers.

Beard said his organization of Texas public school teachers is launching a statewide campaign to help parents relieve the anxieties of facing parent-teacher conferences.

"These meetings between parents and teachers are critically important to the child's development in school and at home," Beard said. "The conference was designed to establish a learning plan that is developed at school and reinforced at home. It is a team approach to learning."

TSTA has developed a brochure for parents that explains the conference and suggests questions to ask the teachers, points to look for in the child's classroom, and information to share with the teacher.

Ask VA

Q: For training by correspondence under the Montgomery GI Bill, how much will the participant be reimbursed?

A: Reimbursement will be for 55 percent of the approved established charges for the course.

Q: I am a service-connected veteran rated at 10 percent. My service-connected condition has worsened. Can I be re-evaluated for an increase of my percentage of disability?

A: Yes. You should submit a written request to the VA along with any medical evidence you have to substantiate the claim.

Q: I am a Vietnam veteran and I am rated 10 percent for a service-connected disability. Am I subject to the eligibility assessment procedures for VA medical care?

A: No. The following veterans are exempt from the eligibility assessment procedures: service-connected veterans; former prisoners of war; veterans exposed to certain herbicides while serving in Vietnam and to ionizing radiation in connection with atmospheric testing of nuclear weapons and in the occupation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki; veterans receiving VA pensions; veterans of World War I, the Spanish-American War and the Mexican Border period; and veterans eligible for Medicaid.

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Mildred Tonn

Mildred (Mrs. Gene) Tonn, 86, died Tuesday (Dec. 22) at Rice Springs Care Home.

Funeral services were held Wednesday (Dec. 23) at the First United Methodist Church in Haskell with the Revs. Kenny Kirk and Paul Cheatham officiating. Burial, under direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home, was in Willow Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Wallace Bird, Wallace Cox Jr., Jesse Dean, L. B. Ivey, Homer Josselet, Ken Lane, Wilda Medford and Bobby Medford.

Mrs. Tonn was born Aug. 5, 1901, in Philadelphia. She was a long time employee of the Federal Deposit Insurance Co. in Philadelphia. She married Eugene Tonn May 17, 1947, in Philadelphia and came to Haskell to make her home. She was employed for more than 20 years with the Haskell County Farm Bureau. She was an active member of the Methodist

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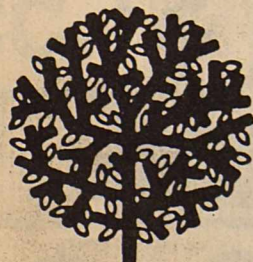
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Continuous care required by a severely disabled child or an aged, infirm parent is physically and emotionally draining. Without some relief, the stress will take its toll.

The Texas Respite Resource Network (TRRN) has published a directory of Texas respite and support service programs. It lists respite services available in Texas by location and includes information about types of services, clients and ages served, along with fee schedules.

Families may write for a copy from the Texas Respite Resource Network, Children's Ambulatory Care Center, P.O. Box 7330, Station A, San Antonio, TX 78285.

--Sagerton--

Harold Bredthauer of Wagner, Okla. spent the Christmas holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Teichelman and boys ate supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wendeborn Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Teichelman, Chad and Greg ate dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Teichelman Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer, Harold visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Carter in Rule Saturday morning.

Mrs. Joe Ray Baitz of Austin spent some time in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zenor Summers over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Baitz of Seguin spent some time in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zenor Summers.

Mr. Mike Summers of Fredericksburg spent the weekend in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Zenor Summers.

Williams Clark, Tabor & Warren Tabor of Austin spent the weekend with their grandmother, Mrs. John L. Brooks and uncle Bill Tabor.

Bill Tabor ate Christmas dinner in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Zenor Summers.

In the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clark and sons Kyle and Judson, daughter Evangelyn Clark of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Steve Clark and son Shawn of Plano; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ed Simpson of Rule; Mrs. M.Y. Benton.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McEwen and boys of Tuscola, NM and Mrs. Kenneth Neinst and Laura of Emory spent Christmas in the home of Mrs. Louise McEwen in Aspermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Neinst, Laura, and Mrs. Mary Neinst visited in Haskell with Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Walling, Mrs. Carrie Brown, Mrs. Alice Muegge, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dick.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Vahlenkamp of Denton spent Monday and Tuesday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse because they couldn't be here for Christmas.

Those who spent Christmas in the Monse's home was Mr. and Mrs. Larry Howle, Jill and Jeff of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mrazek, Bubba of Aspermont, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Mrazek and Jason and Jennifer of Plano, Mrs. Doris Lehmann of Rule, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Mills and Michale of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Cook, Jennifer and Jimmy of Three Rivers, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Niedieck, Mickey, Shelia of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Greenwood and Adam of Haskell spent Christmas in the home of Mrs. Adela Niedieck.

Mrs. Bill Perkins and Mrs. Ed Peel of West Columbia spent Christmas with their parents and sister Mrs. J.B. Toney.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hobrathschk and baby spent the Christmas holiday in the home of her mother, Mrs. Odene Ender and brother Lyn Dale and his wife Rene and baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Stegemoeller had all their children at home for the Christmas holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stegemoeller, Stephanie and Michelle of Sagerton; Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Stegemoeller, Eric, Ross and Christi of Duncan, Okla.; Clyde Stegemoeller of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stegemoeller and Mindi of Hobbs, NM; Clifford Stegemoeller of Arlington. Seree Houghton from Arlington was a guest during the holidays and Emma Raphelt from Stamford and C.E. Stegemoeller were supper guest also.

Week of December 24.

The Friendship Club met last Thursday in the fellowship hall of Faith Lutheran Church with a large group of people being there Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Teichelman and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Vahlenkamp furnished the turkey and dressing with everyone else bringing a dish. Those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Cato Macias, Arthur and Frieda Knippling, C.E. Stegemoeller, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Anton and Evelyn Teichelman, Leonard and Hilda Kieke, Vernon and Hazel Wofford, Charles Clark, Buster and Norma Tredemeyer, H.G. Spiser, Reece and Francis Clark, Herbert and Velma Lammert, Pastor Stan Leaf, Jimmy Hartman, Pastor H. Zimmerman, Lowell Helsbbs, Victor E. Anderson, Mel Swoyer, Gus and Beunice Vahlenkamp, Mrs. M.Y. Benton, G.W. and Ophelia Gibson, Carrie Bredthauer, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Hazel Letz, Odine Spizer, Doris Lehmann, Louie and Adeline Spitzer, Louise Stegemoeller, Leona Schonerstedt, Ella Nauret, Lena Boedeker, Betty Balzer, Anita Dozier, Lillie Lehmann, Karen, Steven, M'Lynn, JoAnna Lehmann, DeWayne Monse, Ethel and Glyn Quade, Dorothy and J.B. Toney.

Several families around Sagerton attended a 50 years wedding celebration in Taylor for Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Baunback. Those who attended were, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Teichelman, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Teichelman, Mrs. Debra Meadows, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Teichelman, Mrs. Vickie Wade and boy, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lowack, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Letz, Mrs. Betty Letz, Mrs. Ulga Letz, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Teichelman.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark for the Baitz family Christmas dinner included Mrs. Emma Raphelt of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Stegemoeller, Clifford Stegemoeller of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stegemoeller, Stephanie and Michelle, Mr. and Mrs. George Alson of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Olson, Brian, Kerri and Matthew of Mesquite, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Baitz of Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Baitz of Old Glory, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baitz, Kacy and Kami, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bivins, Tom and Emmalee of Argyle,

and Clarence Stegemoeller.

Last Sunday night the Clarks and the Leon Stegemoeller's hosted a Christmas party for the Bell Choir of Zion Lutheran Church with a sandwich supper in the Clark home. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Butch Winkler, Rev. and Mrs. Russell Kinsler, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Raphelt, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Hanklins, Becky and Matchler, Mrs. Gerie Smith.

Recent visitors in the Joe Clark home were Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Driessner and Colin from Huntsville. The Driessners had been quail hunting at Aspermont. He is the son of the late Rev. H.E. Driessner, who was the pastor in Sagerton.

Those who went caroling Saturday afternoon were the Pastor Mel Swoyer and Mrs. Swoyer, Mrs. Fred Baitz, Kami and Kacy, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer, Jennifer and Marcia Swoyer. They went to Mrs. Henrietta Stegemoeller home, Mrs. Lena Schaake, Mrs. Betty Balzer, Mr. Clarence Stegemoeller.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gibson are spending a few days in their mobile home also attended the funeral of Beulah Mae Summers Saturday.

The children of Faith Lutheran Church had their Christmas program Sunday night which was well attended.

Gramm demands end to Japanese trade barriers

U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas, emerging from a meeting with Japanese Ambassador Nobuo Matsunaga, demanded an end to Japanese trade barriers against the import of American beef.

"It is time for Japan to start acting like a great trading nation and to stop cheating its workers through protectionism," the senator said.

Gramm said that "while Japan is a major importer of U.S. beef, the potential for additional sales is enormous if the Japanese government will finally do away with the trade restrictions that it has already promised to eliminate."

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Tibbits issues statement

Friends and neighbors of Haskell County:

My name is (Buddy) Ozzie J. Tibbits Jr. I was born Feb. 13, 1945, and was raised on a farm located near the center of Haskell, Rule, Rochester and Weinert. My wife Linda and I have been blessed with two sons and three daughters. We have lived in Rule for the past four and a half years. I am a building contractor, and own and operate the Western Winds Motel and Drive In.

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It is the duty of each citizen to vote, to stand up in faith and vote for the things we believe in as Christians. You pray and ask God to help you make the right decision on election day, for only God knows what kind of intentions a man has in his heart.

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Farmers exempt from truck rules

The Railroad Commission has adopted amendments to its transportation rules that exempt farm and ranch vehicles, vehicles belonging to electrical and telephone cooperatives, and certain other vehicles from requirements to register them with the commission and maintain \$500,000 in liability insurance coverage.

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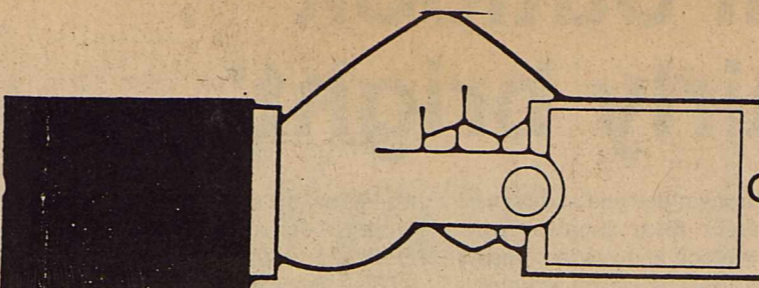
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A pre-bidders' conference concerning contract mowing on highway right-of-way will be held at the District Headquarters building, State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, 4250 South Clark, Abilene, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., January 12, 1988. All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend.

Sealed proposals for contract mowing on various tracts will be received, publicly opened and read on January 20, 1988, at the following respective times: Borden, Howard, and Mitchell counties, 9:00 a.m.; Fher, Nolan, and Stonewall counties, 9:30 a.m.; Cabhan Shackleford, and Taylor counties, 10:00 a.m.; Kent and Curry counties, 10:30 a.m.; Haskell and Jones Counties, 11:00 a.m.

Each completed proposal shall be placed in a separate sealed envelope so marked to indicate its contents, and submitted to Mr. William G. Buett, District Engineer, State Department of Highways and Public Transportation, P. O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604 or, may be hand delivered to Room 225, District 8 Headquarters Building, 4250 South Clark, Abilene, Texas.

The specifications and proposals are available at the District Maintenance Office in Abilene, Texas.
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Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
Haskell County Commissioners Court will accept bids for pest control service for County buildings until 10:00 o'clock a.m. January 11, 1988 at the office of County Judge in the Courthouse. For complete details contact the County Judge. Haskell County reserves the right to accept or refuse any or all bids.
Haskell County Comm. Court
By B.O. Roberson 53-1c

PUBLIC NOTICE
Haskell County Commissioners Court will accept bids until 10:00 o'clock a.m., January 11, 1988 at the office of the County Judge in the Courthouse for prisoner meals starting February 1, 1988 and ending January 31, 1989. For further details contact County Judge at the Courthouse. Haskell County reserves the right to accept or refuse any or all bids.
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POL. CALENDAR

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Unless otherwise specified the candidates listed paid for the announcement, and have designed themselves as campaign treasurer.

All political advertising, announcements, and printing is cash in advance.

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Johnny L. Mills (re-election)
County Attorney
Art Williams (re-election)
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Collector
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Ozzie J. Tibbets (re-election)

T. C. (Tim) Burson (re-election)

Sue Patterson (re-election)

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Lake cabin at Vedas on choice water front lot with boat house.

Lake Cabin with large owned lot. Lakeshore sites will easily sleep 8 people, large garage. A good buy.

3 bedroom lake cabin, waterfront lot. Veda's A good value.

RULE: 3 bedroom brick 1 1/2 bath, beautiful yard, storm cellar, storage, water well, private fence, many extras. 1500 Adams. Reduced

CLEAN 3 BEDROOM frame on 2 lots, good storm cellar. Knox City. 408 N. 2nd. Close to town and School.

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Large Barn on several lots just outside city limits

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BUY OF THE WEEK: 3 bedroom 2 bath, rock, fireplace, central H/C, storm windows, patio, large trees, clean & well built.

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LAKE SHORE SITES Large Lake cabin, 3 car carport, water front, owned lot. A good place to call home.

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5 Rent Units on 8 lots. Owner will consider financing.

EXTRA CLEAN 2 bedroom brick central H/A. Attached car port, large trees. 705 Union, Rule. A house ready to live in.

KNOXCITY 3 BR 2 bath, water well, fenced yard, den with fire place, formal living & dining room. Storage.

LARGE LIVING AREA with fireplace. 3 bedroom, double attached garage. North Ave. E \$35,000

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DRASTICALLY REDUCED Large 2 story rock home with guest house, pecan trees, fenced yard located on a large corner lot on Hwy. 277

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COUNTRY HOME ON SMALL ACRES BR, one bath has two car garage, good barn & storm cellar. **SOLD**

NICER OLDER 3 BDR. Close to most downtown churches. Good corner lot, numerous builtins, central H/C

REPO One and one half story, great location on corner lot, 1106 N. Ave F., storm windows & doors. Breakfast room, utility room, double fireplace, garage with storage and water well. **SOLD**

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PRICE REDUCED Nice two bedroom on small corner lot. Storm cellar.

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Agricultural outlook remains 'fairly bright'

The agricultural outlook for 1987 remains fairly bright, according to an economist in marketing with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Texas farm and ranch income will continue to be supported by strong cotton and cattle prices and sizable government payments," says Dr. Carl Anderson. He emphasizes that moderate inflation and a relatively low level of planted acreage will dampen the increase in production expenses.

"As a result, agricultural incomes in 1987 are expected to be up substantially from the depressed levels of recent years," Anderson predicts.

For 1988, the general outlook is highlighted by smaller world crop

supplies, stronger demand and higher prices. Larger meat supplies will dampen livestock and poultry prices for the year ahead, however, he notes.

"Most Texas farmers and ranchers likely will experience stable income in the New Year. Lower prices for beef cattle, pork, poultry and cotton may about offset slightly higher prices for wheat, soybeans, corn and rice," Anderson says.

In the coming year, U.S. farm exports are expected to increase moderately because of low and competitive prices. The weaker dollar also will boost sales, the economist predicts.

He notes that farm financial stress is easing somewhat with improved incomes, lower land and capital costs.

In addition, the downturn in farm land prices is beginning to show signs of stabilizing.

"The structure of agriculture continues to change in the direction of fewer and larger commercial farms that are integrating with supply and processing firms to increase efficiency. The result is higher and more stable income per family," Anderson says.

Many part-time farmers remain who derive most of their income off the farm. These families are seeking a rural lifestyle rather than farm income, in most instances. The result is fewer middle-sized farm operations, the economist adds.

Anderson adds that a modest increase in food prices of two to four percent is in prospect for 1988. Large meat supplies will probably dampen food price gains, he notes.

U.S. farmers are idling 70 million acres, and as a result, input sales have fallen sharply. Farmers are using cash flow to pay on debt, rather than purchasing inputs. Sales of manufactured inputs are down about 30 percent from the peak, due to the idled acreage, Anderson says.

Layoffs and plant closings in recent months have led to a rapid consolidation of input and processing industries. Exports of broilers, flour, soybean products, meat and other value added products have dropped sharply because of highly subsidized sales of these products by many foreign competitors. The European Economic Community paid out about \$8.5 billion in direct export subsidies last year, Anderson reports.

"In summary, net farm income in 1988 may decline slightly from the improved level in 1987," Anderson says. The outlook is for continued gradual improvement in the global crop supply-demand situation. U.S. exports are expected to benefit from the growth in global demand and competitive U.S. prices.

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Deficiency payments being made

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Commodity Credit Corporation will make about \$1.3 billion in deficiency payments this month to eligible producers of 1987 crop wheat, barley and oats.

Payments will be in generic commodity certificates and will be issued through local offices of the USDA's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service as soon as possible.

Eligible wheat farmers will receive about \$1.2 billion and barley producers approximately \$100 million. Advance payments of about \$1.5 billion were made earlier to wheat producers and about \$175 million was sent to barley producers. Advance payments totaling \$18 million were made to oat producers.

Deficiency payments are required under the 1987 wheat, barley and oat programs because national weighted average market prices received by producers during the first five months of the marketing year (June through October) were below established target price levels.

Deficiency payment rates are determined by the difference between the target price for the commodity and the higher of the five-month average market price or the basic loan rate for the commodity.

Farmers to receive forms for ag census

Haskell County farmers soon will be receiving forms to complete in the upcoming 1987 census of agriculture. Forms will be mailed to individual farmers and ranchers in late December by the Commerce Department's Census Bureau.

The agriculture census, being conducted nationwide, will focus on key information, including the number of farms, farm size, operator characteristics, production, sales and financial health.

This is one of the 1987 economic censuses that will provide timely details of the manufacturing, mining, construction industries, retail and wholesale trades, service industries and transportation segments of the nation's economy.

The census is designed to provide the U.S. Department of Agriculture with data to define problem areas and

current information to help farmers across the nation. Also through these statistics farm organizations and others can plan programs for farm operation improvements.

Much of the information collected, such as use and ownership, crop acreage and numbers of livestock, will be similar to the 1982 census.

Farmers are asked to return the forms by Feb. 1, and to be sure the information is complete, timely and accurate. General summarized census information results will be made available to farm broadcasters and editors to share with their producer audiences.

Information provided by individual farm operators is held confidential by law. Data are summarized to prevent identification of individual farms. Other government agencies do not have access to the individual reports.

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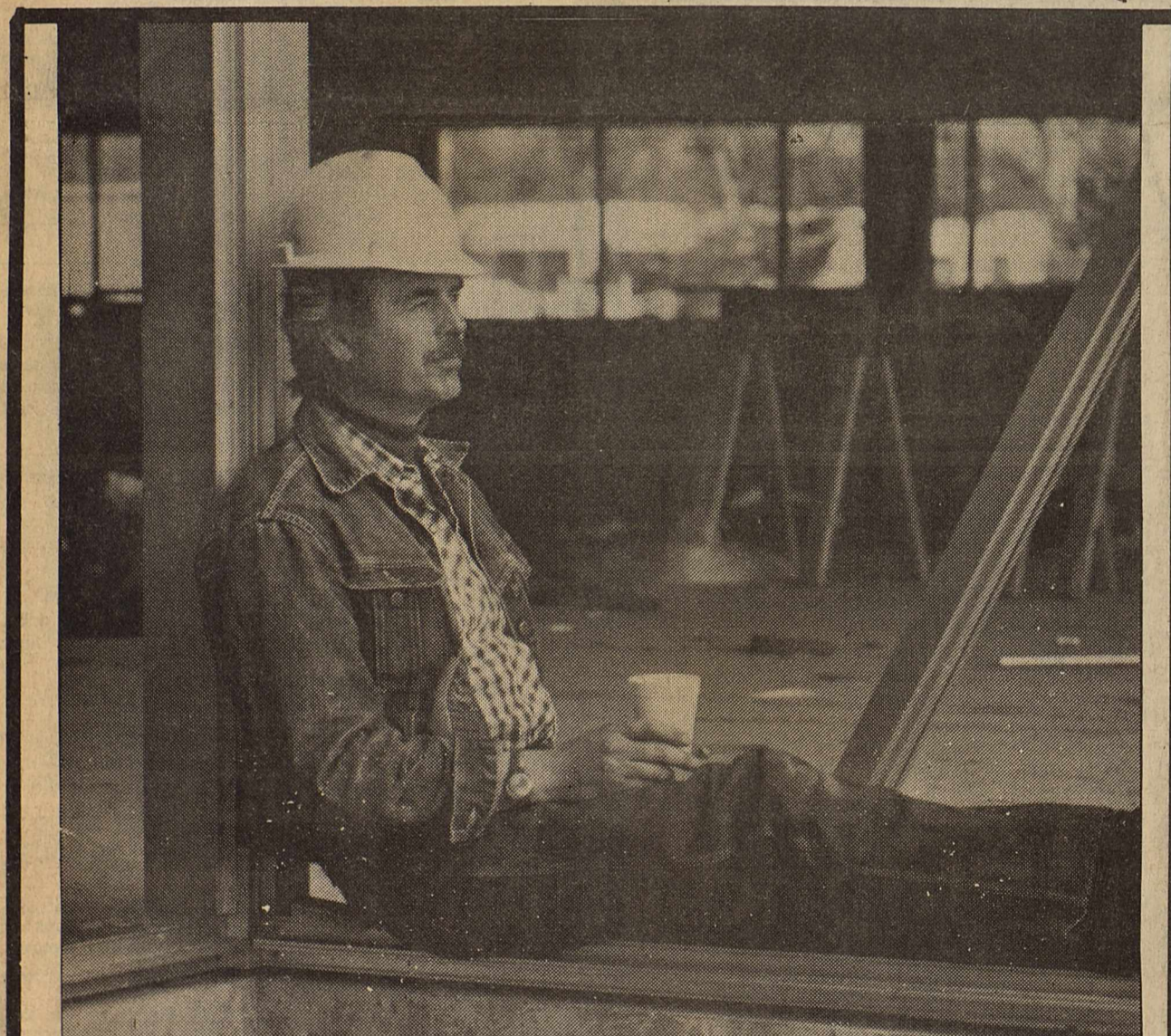
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