

# Babson predicts '68 a year of varied crises

(Editor's note: Roger W. Babson, author of this outlook for 1968, long has been an astute observer of national and international affairs and a forecaster of enviable record of things to come on the economic and political fronts).

By ROGER W. BABSON

The coming year threatens to be one of varied and recurring crises. Virtually no area of human activity will be spared . . . social, economic, political, or international. After years of progress and prosperity, the American people will be faced in 1968 with many decisions that will prove difficult to make and even tougher to carry out.

Don't expect the final solution to 1968's many problems to be worked out during the year ahead. But the manner in which our nation tackles its predicament will determine whether the U. S. will be able to strengthen its position as world leader . . . or be topped during succeeding years and reduced to an inferior standing.

**TO BE WITHOUT** hope is to sin. And we do have hope that our citizens and their government will rise to defeat the many antagonists — inflation, social corruption, greed, crime, fear, and despair — that are pressing upon us as the new year begins. It is said that the Oriental concept of crisis is opportunity. In that

sense, we predict without reservation that 1968 will hold opportunities unlimited for our country.

1. Now that the pound has been devalued, perhaps our greatest opportunity for the year ahead is to prepare a strong defense for the dollar. We forecast that after some early fumbling both the Congress and the Federal Reserve will move with determination to protect our dollar.

2. **THE EFFECTS OF** the battle to save the dollar promise to be unpleasant. After an early-year surge to new highs for dollar values and production, business will find the going rougher as the months unfold. Scarcer and more costly money will take its toll of growth.

3. Major stimulation to the economy in the early part of 1968 will come from a scramble by auto and allied lines to make up for production lost in 1967, combined with a stockpiling of steel and aluminum in anticipation of strikes later next year in these activities.

4. Some additional escalation of the Viet War will occur next year. But we have already experienced the major impact on business of the massive buildup in arms outlays; whatever additional procurement comes will not be a determining factor on the course of 1968's business.

5. **PRESIDENT JOHNSON** is torn between a desire to "pour it on" in Vietnam and bring home victory before voting time

next autumn and his sincere wish to go down in history as a peacemaker. If recent and prospective tightening of the military vise on North Vietnam fails to bring results by late spring . . . look for spectacular moves toward negotiations. Under these circumstances we feel the chances are 60-40 that 1968 will mark the phase-out of our military operations in Vietnam.

6. But the most decisive conflict next year will not be fought on the battlefields of Southeast Asia. It will be here at home against the one enemy that has the power to destroy the U. S. . . . **INFLATION**.

7. **CONTRARY TO THE** old adage that Congressmen won't commit political suicide by voting a tax hike in an election year, we do expect a revenue act in 1968. It may include excise imposts as well as income levies.

8. The Administration will be forced to reduce total expenditures for the coming year by \$6-to-\$10 billion. While the war continues, most of this will have to be lopped off non-defense areas.

9. Congress will remove the 25% gold backing for Federal Reserve notes early in the year.

10. The amount of goods tourists will be permitted to bring into the country duty-free will be reduced to zero in 1968.

11. **FURTHER RESTRICTIONS** will be

put on foreign investments by U. S. corporations in the coming year; our government will encourage American companies to increase dividend payments by foreign subsidiaries.

12. Rationing of credit by the Administration and the Federal Reserve is a distinct possibility in the months ahead.

13. U. S. outlays for foreign aid will be slashed in 1968.

14. Our money managers will slow down the current high rate of money-supply increase as soon as Congress takes action to curb inflation.

15. But the tremendous outpouring of money during the whole of 1967 will continue, for some months, to exert upward pressures on interest rates and the general price level. It will also have an energizing effect on business. Hence, as money flow is cut back next year, there will be a delayed depressing effect on interest rates, prices, and business . . . probably after midyear.

16. **THERE WILL BE** repeated raids on the dollar; but it will not be devalued in 1968.

17. There will, however, be many discussions between financial experts here and abroad to develop a long-range plan for revaluing in terms of gold — on a more realistic basis — the currencies of

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Effective January 7

### Rate hike makes letters 6-cents

Increased rates for all classes of mail except parcel post and international mail will go into effect Sunday, January 7, Morton Postmaster Murray Crone reminded postal customers today.

"Even with the new rates of six cents for first-class mail and 10 cents for air mail, postal service is still a real bargain," Postmaster Crone declared. "For six cents, you can send a letter to any of the 50 states, to any United States territory or possession, to Canada or Mexico, or to any American serviceman stationed anywhere in the world."

Postmaster Crone pointed out that the new rate for post cards will be five cents and for air mail post cards eight cents.

He said the added cent in the letter rate is a 20 per cent increase compared to a 24 per cent boost in the rates for mailing newspapers and magazines and a 34 per cent hike for advertising circulars, "occupant" mail, and other material in the third-class category.

The new rate of six cents per ounce for first-class mail applies up to 13 ounces and the new rate of 10 cents per ounce for air mail applies up to 7 ounces. Under the new rate structure all first-class mail over 13 ounces and all air mail over 7 ounces will be merged into a single category.

These heavier pieces of first-class and air mail subject to the single rate schedule will be delivered by the fastest available means of transportation.

### Hancock announces for county sheriff post

Hazel Hancock has formally announced his intentions to seek re-election as Sheriff of Cochran County. Hancock has been sheriff here for 15 years. This includes one year on his father's unexpired term in 1948.

Hancock has also served as city patrolman in Morton for three years. He has a brother who is sheriff at Lamesa.

Hancock is married and they have six children: Mrs. R. C. Lemon Jr. of Pecos; Richard, El Paso; Mrs. John Silhan, Morton; Heesehel, Dept. of Public Safety drivers' license sergeant, Dallas, John, Morton; and Mrs. Bruce Angel, Lubbock.

"I feel that my 19 years of law enforcement experience are worth more than 150 years of schooling. With my experience I will try to do the best job possible." Hancock is subject to the Democratic party primary, May 4.

A flat rate of 80 cents will be charged for all mail in their category up to one pound. For all mail weighing more than one pound, the present air parcel post rates will continue to apply, except that the postage on matter weighing between one and five pounds will change at half-pound intervals rather than one pound intervals.

Postmaster Crone said that the new rate structure will mean a reduction of postage on some parcels. Another rate change that will affect the general public is the increase from four to six cents for the first two ounces of individual pieces of third-class

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### Chamber sets banquet date

More than 200 area residents are expected to attend the fifth annual Morton Area Chamber of Commerce banquet which will be held January 12 at 8 p.m. in the County Activity Building in Morton.

Highlight of the meeting will be the naming of the Farm Family and Citizen of the Year awards. Also to be presented during the meeting will be the Soil Conservation award.

Featured speaker for the chamber banquet will be Arthur B. Watkins, office manager of Hemphill-Wells in Lubbock. Watkins has been president of the Lubbock Knife and Fork Club, the American Business Club, Lubbock Boys' Clubs, Inc., Hub Toastmasters, and the Lubbock Personnel Association.

He has also served as chairman of the United Fund of Lubbock, the City-County Board of Health, the Buffalo Lakes Committee of the Lubbock chamber of Commerce and the Better Business Bureau.

A member of the board of directors of the Retail Merchants Assn., Watkins has also served on the YMCA, the Texas Safety Assn., the Associated Retail Credit Executives of Texas and the Salvation Army.

Tickets, priced at \$2.50 each, are available from any member of the board of directors of the chamber or from the chamber office, 106 SW 1st, 266-5200.

### Water district election slated

January 9 marks the annual election of the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District. On the ballot will be election of three District Directors, 28 county committeemen and the acceptance or rejection of Crosby County.

Cochran County members will vote for one district director, one county committeeman and one committeeman-at-large.

Weldon Newsom is the only candidate for the district director post for this area. E. J. French of Rt. 3, Levelland, and Don Keith of Rt. 1, Morton will vie for the county committeeman post.

W. D. (Bill) Ford Jr., Star Rt. 2, Morton, and Ronald Coleman, Rt. 1, Morton, are in a contest to decide the at-large post.

On the ballot will be a proposition asking voters to approve or reject, "The assumption by Crosby County of its pro rata share of all indebtedness and/or maintenance taxes that may be owed, con-

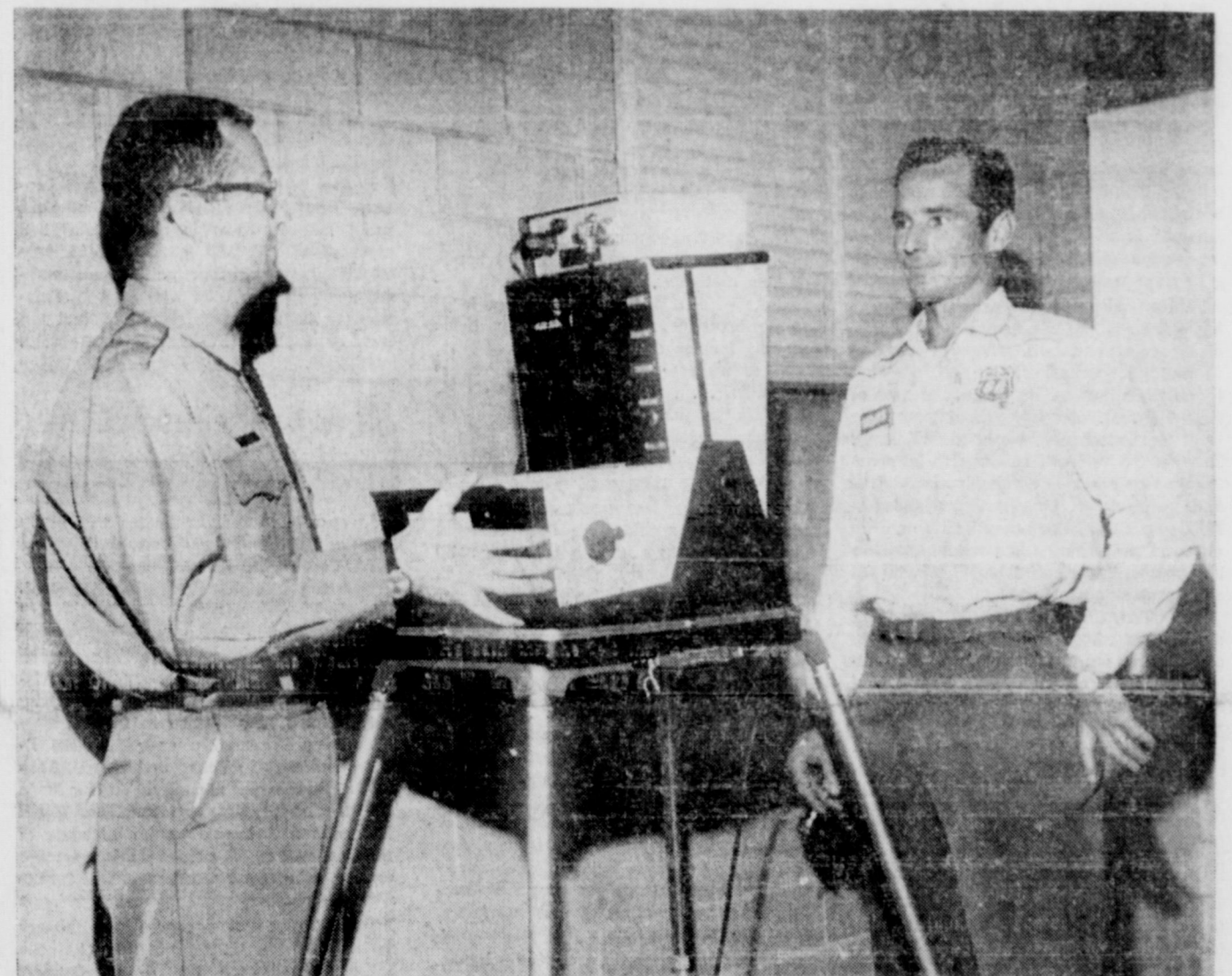


Photo for the license . . .

COLOR PICTURES, which will be a part of every Texas drivers' license issued after Jan., 1968, were taken by Texas Drivers' License Examiner L. J. Foster in Morton Tuesday. His first subject of the day was Bobby Warton. However, the strobe or electronic flash on the camera failed to operate and a new camera had to be sent out from

Lubbock. License renewals must bring their renewal notice in person to the nearest DPS examining station, which in Morton is the County Activity Building. Foster is in Morton each Tuesday. The renewal procedure requires that the licensee take a visual test, sign his renewal notice and have a color picture made by the patrolman. (Staff Photo)

### New licensing method underway

Tuesday was the first day for the new renewal procedure for Texas drivers' license. And, as luck would have it, a few bugs developed in the system.

In Morton, the first stop for Department of Public Safety Drivers' License Inspector L. J. Foster, the camera failed. Foster was all set to take a color picture of Mortonite Bobby Warton when he found out the strobe (an electronic flash unit) would not work.

With 10 people waiting to have their pictures made, Foster called Lubbock and asked that another camera unit be sent to Morton. The new camera was delivered

in about an hour. Foster kept his "cool" and proceeded to give eye examinations and written tests to those who needed them. Eye examina-

tions are mandatory for all license renewals. Before the new licensing procedure went into effect this year, only those taking their initial drivers' test had to have their eyes tested.

Written tests are not given for license renewals, only for initial tests. Col. Homer Garrison Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety said, "Renewal notices will be mailed to each driver, just as always. However, under the new procedure, each driver must take the renewal notice to the nearest DPS office."

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### H. L. Coon tosses hat in commissioner ring

H. L. Coon of Morton has authorized the Morton Tribune to announce his candidacy for County Commissioner of Precinct 1. This position is subject to the Democratic Primary election, May 4.

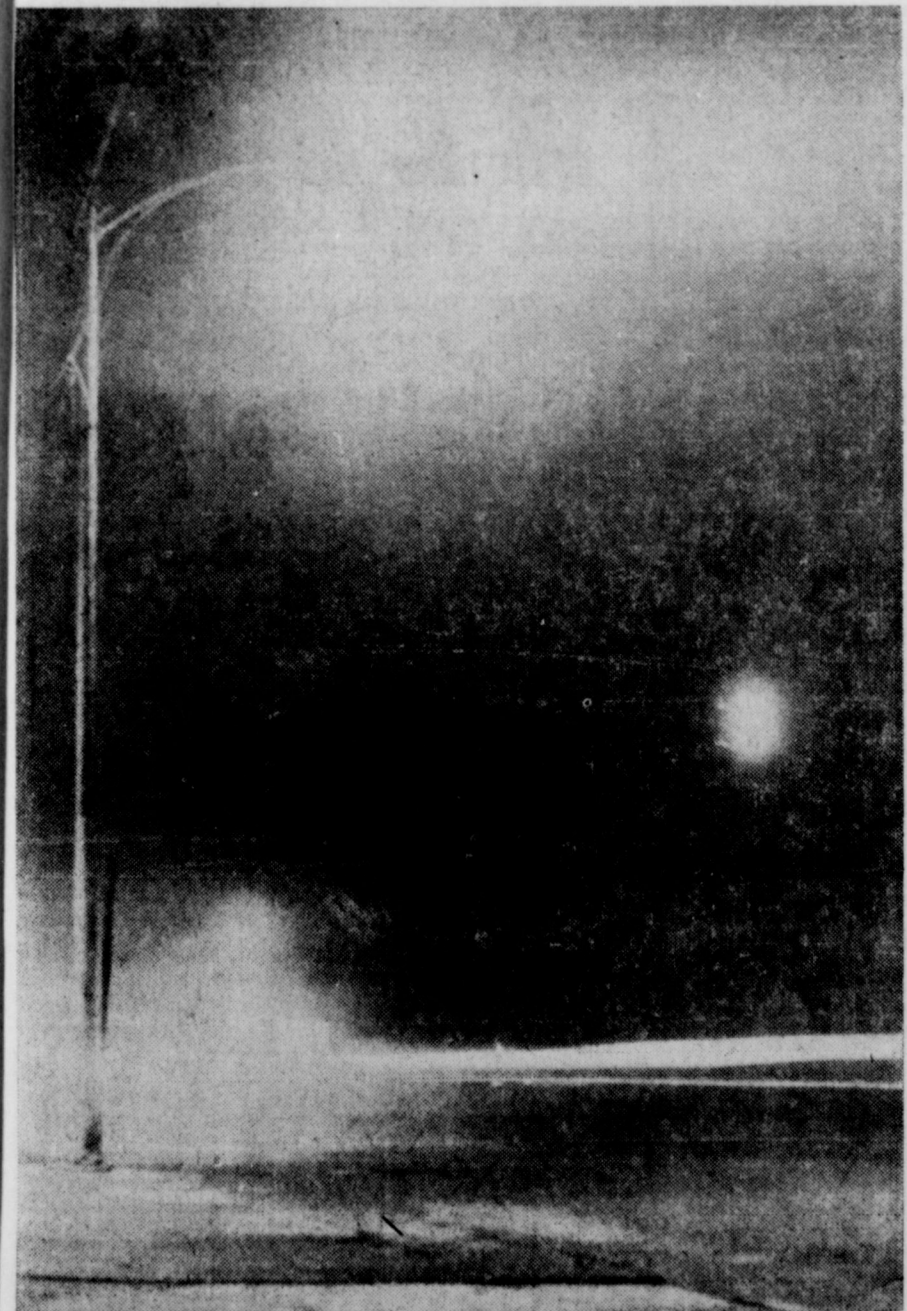
Coon is 57 years old and has lived in and around Morton since coming to Cochran County in 1936. His family consists of his wife and two sons and one daughter.

He stated, "I would certainly appreciate serving the people of Precinct 1 of Cochran County as their Commissioner for the next term. I have the following road experience: I worked for three Commissioners at Wellington — Vernon Jones, Alick Coleman and W. L. Davis — doing maintenance work for them from 1927 to 1936. I operated all types of machinery used for construction and maintenance at that time. In addition to this I worked constructing road bed for the railroad from Childress to Pampa for 17 months."

Coon said, "At present I am not employed and would be in a position to devote all my time to the duties of this office. I further feel that all obligations as County Commissioner should be carefully considered and general obligations should be decided by the County Judge and all Commissioners."

He said that he felt that he knew most

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A foggy day . . .

THE PICTURE DOESN'T show much, but early Wednesday morning in Morton there wasn't much to see except fog. The cold, foggy conditions were part of an Arctic cold front that swept through the Morton area Tuesday night. The streak across the lower part of the picture was made by car lights. The other lights are caused by the stop light and a few street lights. (Staff Photo)

### Wrap-up urged

Mrs. Rita Fralin, campaign chairman of the Cochran County Salvation Army fund-raising drive, has urged that all workers complete their solicitation as soon as possible and turn their funds in to James Dewbre. A total of 27 workers have not reported their solicitation. Mrs. Fralin said that with a goal of \$594, everyone's help is needed to make this drive successful. People who have not been contacted and who wish to contribute are asked to call Mrs. Fralin, 266-5148, or James Dewbre at the First State Bank.

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all of the Free World.

18. The early-1968 uptilt in business volume will give a lift to corporate profits; the fanning out of wage boosts, however, along with rising costs and taxes will later have a squeezing effect on profits.

19. Short-term interest rates will rise faster than long-term in the months ahead.

20. This will have a restrictive impact on the availability and cost of mortgage funds.

21. **IN TURN, THE** recovery now under way in home building will be restrained and perhaps reversed as 1968 moves along . . . but apartment construction should remain in an uptrend.

22. Inventories will rise — perhaps sharply — in the first half of 1968 . . . taper off later.

23. Business capital expenditures should start the year on a strong note; but as the year advances, prospects for further gains will become dimmer.

24. With wage guidelines now definitely junked, there will be a stampede by labor generally to bring contract gains in line with the huge advances made by the United Auto Workers; the annual salary concept for production workers will gain further acceptance in 1968 by a number of American industries.

25. **A LABOR FEATURE** for the coming year will be widespread stoppages by state, city, and local public employees; the battle on this front will surely be long and bitter.

26. With elections coming in the autumn, Congress will not vote any restrictive labor legislation in 1968. Although we anticipate that credit controls may possibly be invoked in the Administration's struggle with inflation, there is no chance that any serious attempts will be made to impose wage controls.

27. Upward pressures on the cost of living will be intensified during the first half of the new year, with advances tapering as autumn approaches. Over-all, we look for another increase in living expenses of over 3% . . . and it would not surprise us if the toll should rise to the 4% level. The "bad boys" will continue to be soaring service costs — especially medical — and upsurges in transportation and finished-goods tags. Food may inch up a little more as processing costs mount further; but prospective plentiful supplies will act as a controlling factor.

28. **TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS** from farm marketings should advance moderately over figures for 1967; however, the relentless up-push of costs will take its toll, and farmers' net income will do well to improve even slightly . . . notwithstanding some relief from higher government payouts. Large marketings promise to restrain cattle quotes and hold this source of farm income in its recent low profitability groove. Meat prices, however, propped by bulging expenses, will be well maintained to firmer for the year. The consumer with storage facilities may benefit from time to time by watching carefully for sales and taking advantage of any buying opportunities provided by occasional runs of cattle fed to extra-heavy weights. Apparent determination by growers to cut back on poultry output threatens to deprive the housewife of one of her most prolific sources of reasonably priced meat.

29. **REAL ESTATE WILL** be a many-sided market in 1968. Prices for single-family homes will continue to advance as construction fails to satisfy rising demands and as all building costs move higher . . . particularly during the first half. Demand for rentals in the middle and lower brackets will gain steadily; however, ability to satisfy these needs will be severely hamstrung by even more costly and scarcer mortgage money. Speculative purchases and the salability of vacant property — especially that in less desirable areas — will suffer from the drying-up of funds to carry such parcels. Broadly, the betterment that set in during the final six months of 1967 will probably not be maintained long in 1968.

30. **HIGHER PAY** scales, the effect of recent increases in total money supplies, bigger social security outlays, and further advances in disposable income promise to give very strong support to retail trade during the early months of 1968 and for some time beyond. Only minor shadow is the evident reluctance of consumers to go as heavily into debt as in recent years. The purchasing power will be there, and only an optimistic shift in consumer attitudes will be necessary to ring up record sales gains — maybe 8% to 10% — at least during the first half year. Later, efforts of the Administration and of the money managers to cool the inflation through taxes and cutbacks in government spending may slow the rate of retail upturn.

31. **THE TREND IN** recent years has been toward a dwindling margin of U. S. exports over imports. This has come at a bad time for our chronic condition of imbalance in our international payments position. Devaluation of the pound and other currencies has hurt our ability to expand exports at a crucial moment for our balance of payments. Greatest hope for us in 1968 is that European nations that have been in a business slump will enjoy recovery . . . making a better market for our products there. We forecast that our government will discuss, and perhaps implement, export subsidies during the year ahead.

32. **CURRENT TALK** of the possibility of an even "hotter" summer ahead in our racially imbalanced big cities should be

discounted. Preparations already made and in the making should reduce the danger of the firestorms suffered in 1967. We feel that real advances have been made through the ballot box in major mayoralty elections. Another hopeful sign is the rising trend toward responsibility for bettering conditions on the part of businessmen and the private sector. We are willing to stick our necks out and predict that the summer of 1968 will not be as "hot" as was 1967's.

33. **HOWEVER, WE ARE** not optimistic on the course crime is pursuing. Recent reports indicate that Americans will be in even greater danger of being murdered, maimed, or robbed in 1968 than in 1967 (a frightening one out of 44).

34. Money pressures — from lessened availability and higher cost — point to lowered liquidity next year . . . with an attendant increase in bankruptcies, more difficult collections, and rising foreclosures.

35. We anticipate a year of rapidly shifting attitudes toward the stock market and toward groups of stocks and individual issues. Early-year upsweep in business and selectively higher profits — combined with a liberal supply of money following the Fed's huge outpourings in 1967 — should pave the way for further progress by the popular stock averages. Later, as the battle against inflation intensifies, the stock market may become subject to a painful reassessment.

36. **A YEAR AGO** we predicted that in 1967 the "old aristocracy of the blue chips based on past performance" would "be replaced by a new aristocracy of superable management based upon hopes of good future performance." Now it looks as if many of the issues representing concerns with super-able forward-looking managements have just plain become overvalued in the market place. We believe it will be unwise in 1968 to chase after such.

37. As a consequence of the developing money squeeze, high-quality (only) bonds of long maturity — both taxable and non-taxable — should provide excellent long-range investment opportunities for those seeking income during the first half-year.

38. If we are correct in the above assumption . . . we cannot be far wrong in predicting that the better electric-utility common stocks may also prove to be outstanding purchases for long-term growth.

39. **AMONG THE** "old aristocracy of the blue chips" there are a number of industrial areas that have been pounded down in price to a point where real solid substance is clearly visible. One such group is the chemicals. The old-line major companies here — ones that enjoyed a great bull market in the 1950's — may be in a buying range during 1968.

40. Still not among today's much-sought-after "performance" stocks . . . the big multiple-risk insurance concerns represent another type of equity investment that could well afford high opportunity over an extended period of time to those who have the courage and foresight to pick them up when they have few friends. And they may have more "glamor" than many think . . . as they are showing a developing trend toward "conglomerating."

41. **ANOTHER GROUP** that could reach long-term buying levels next year is banks. Although their profits are up now, they have not been popular. The reason: Every period of money squeeze raises doubts as to the degree of "wringing out" that bond portfolios and loans will have to take when money passes its crisis. That time may come during 1968.

42. High money rates have raised havoc with the prices of many of the large finance company stocks listed on the N.Y. Stock Exchange. Some of these have broad holdings in other lines; yet they are selling close to their "cellar" lows. When money rates froth up and crest over next year — as we predict — a good investment opportunity will be presented in this group.

43. **IT SEEMS ALMOST** a foregone certainty that auto production will soar . . . when the strike-struck plants finally get back to work. For a while then there might develop a speculative wave in these issues. But we predict it would be unwise to chase after auto stocks on any great early-year strength. They are cyclical in nature, and may experience some rough going during the upcoming battle against inflation. We think there are better opportunities in strongly situated aggressive merchandising outlets.

44. Despite pressures to cut back on spending next year, there will be a renewed flare-up of the anti-ballistic-missile scare. Look for additional appropriations to build a thicker shield than the thin one proposed by Mr. McNamara. This flap will be accompanied by a renewed buying wave in stocks associated with the program.

45. **WHEN DISCUSSIONS** of inflation get into high gear in 1968, attention will again be focused on ways to "protect" against it. You will be told to buy stocks as a hedge. But remember then that stocks go up because their earnings climb, not because they are a "hedge against inflation." We predict that many will find to their sorrow that stocks hastily bought as inflation "protection" had no such mystical value.

46. There will also be a great buzzing in the coming months about gold stocks as a way to make money out of a dollar jump in the price of the precious metal. The devaluation of the pound caused a big rush into gold stocks. Since the dollar will not be devalued in 1968, we warn recent purchasers of such issues that they may have losses for a long time; although they may be right on some distant day, not next year.

47. **WE PREDICT THAT** a number of

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of the people of this precinct and that they knew him. He emphasized that he wanted the voters to feel free to discuss with him any matters pertaining to his work as Commissioner.

"I do wish," he said, "to stress that all considerations given me will be greatly appreciated. If elected I will be in a position to devote all my time to the work and duties of this office."

**Rate hike**

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mail. Unsealed greeting cards may be sent at this rate, Postmaster Crone said.

He emphasized that the new rate on unsealed greeting cards will not go into effect until January 7 and until then they can be mailed at the old rate of four cents.

Postmaster Crone also noted that, effective January 7, special handling will be available on third-class parcels weighing between eight and sixteen ounces. Special handling has not been available on these parcels since 1958, when packages weighing between eight and sixteen ounces were transferred from fourth to third-class mail.

There will be no changes in the charges for special delivery, special handling, registered mail, certified mail, cash on delivery or insurance, Postmaster Crone said.

"We have an ample supply of one-cent stamps on hand," Crone said, "for those people who have five-cent stamps and need one-cent stamps to make up the postage required under the new rates."

Higher rates also will go into effect January 7 for all categories of second-class mail, bulk-rate third-class mail, controlled circulation mail, and the educational materials category of fourth-class mail. Mailers using these classes who need information on the new rates should contact the local post office, Postmaster Crone said.

**New licensing**

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License officer J. L. Foster will be in Morton at the County Activity Building each Tuesday to handle renewals.

Garrison said that at the local DPS office the licensee will "be given a standard vision test, sign the renewal notice and step in front of our camera. The picture will be snapped and a receipt will be issued to enable the person to drive until he receives his new license in the mail."

There are currently over 5,800,000 licensed drivers in Texas and about 2,500,000 are renewed annually. To facilitate the process all licenses after Jan. 1 will be renewed to expire on the birthdate of the licensee. If the person holds a license ending in an even number, it will be renewed for a four year term; if the license ends in an odd number, it will be renewed for two years the first time then for four years each time thereafter. The cost to the driver remains the same per year.

The new license will be approximately 2-1/4 inches wide by 3-3/8 inches long, or about the same size as a standard credit card.

huge international concerns with shares traded in the U. S. and not subject to the interest-equalization tax — particularly those that do a big business with the "hard money" nations of the European Common Market — may do better than gold stocks during the year now opening.

48. War issues—so-called defense stocks — may not do so well in 1968 as equities of those concerns that will benefit from an end to the war buildup. Do not get "locked into" war stocks . . . simply because they boast high current profits and order backlogs.

49. Building issues are excellent examples of peace stocks. They look a little high now following 1967's recovery in home building; however, we predict that when the money pressure gets intolerable sometime next year, there may develop another opportunity to get into building equities with an eye to future substantial gain after the Viet phase-out.

50. **IN CONCLUSION**, under the stimulus of the Fed's 1967 "money bath" — and spurred by heavy strike-catchup output and strong activity to hedge against coming labor stoppages — business could soar during some of the early months next year. Gross National Product and the Fed Index of Production will both advance smartly. Sooner or later, however, the government will have to beat back the onrushing inflation. We do not believe that the American people will stand by and see their great country scuttled. And when the money managers stem the money flood — and the Administration and Congress shrink the budget deficit — the up-trust of business and profits will be curbed. This may not be so pleasant for a while. It could be downright unpleasant. But it will surely hold far greater promise for a longer and sunnier tomorrow.



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One step to the basket . . .

TRYING TO DRIVE for two points is big Dick Van of Morton. But he finds a pair of Hereford Whitefaces flanking him. They are Jim Childers (11) and Jim Scott (15). Dick

made 12 points as Morton just failed to edge the Whitefaces. Hereford won the varsity tilt, 45-43. They won the first meeting, 45-44. (Staff Photo)

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**Maude Chesshir dies after lengthy illness**

Funeral was held Wednesday, Dec. 27, in the Southwest Second Street Church of Christ of Morton for Mrs. Dave Chesshir, Morton resident since 1952.

The services were conducted by Bro. Gene Woolley of Lubbock and Bro. Cecil McFarland of Lubbock and Bro. Cecil Williams of Morton.

Mrs. Chesshir died Christmas Day in Cochran Memorial Hospital following a two-month illness.

Born Maude Etta Tate in Russellville, Ark., Dec. 1, 1888, she married Dave Ernest Chesshir in Winthrop, Ark., in 1906. Mr. Chesshir was from Nashville, Ark.

In 1918 the couple moved to Turkey and from Silverton to Morton in 1932.

Palbearers were her grandsons: David Chesshir, Dallas; Donald Rhea Chesshir, Littlefield; Fred Chappell, Amarillo; Roy Chappell, Dallas; Ernest Gene Chesshir, Lubbock and Leo Frank Wallace, Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Henry of Morton, D. E. Jr., of Dallas, and O. D., Lubbock; two daughters, Ester Baker of Morton and Mildred Chap-

pell of Amarillo; three sisters, Mrs. Virgie Morgan and Mrs. Hattie Morgan of Winthrop, Ark., and Mrs. Rena Goddard, Grove, Okla.; 14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Dan Pullen of Ozona, Jo Don Daniels, Washington, D.C., Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Tipton, Pierce, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. B. Carten, Lubbock, Jan Banks of Lubbock Jimmy Young and family of Dallas.

Nine out of every ten 1965 individual income tax returns with income of \$10,000 or more were joint returns, according to the Internal Revenue Service publication—Statistics of Income—1965, Individual Income Tax Returns.

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- Corduroy, Cotton, Wool
- LADIES' PANTS** . . . . . 1/2 price
- One Table — Hi-heel and Flats
- LADIES' SHOES** . . . . . 1/2 price
- Men's
- WESTERN SHIRTS** . . . . . \$2.98 and \$3.98

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Karen Willis 420 SE 1st was selected by local officers as this week's SAFE DRIVER

**RUSSELL INSURANCE AGENCY** SOUTH SIDE OF SQUARE

**Clarke's Dry Goods**

East side of the Square in Morton

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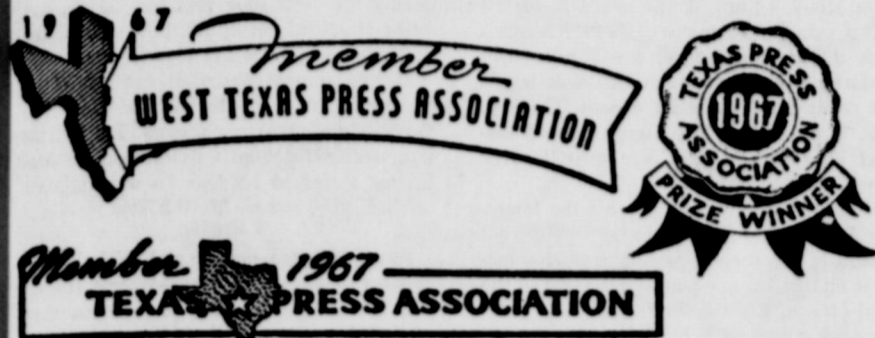
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## Missouri eyed as possible source of imported water

Last week's Tribune carried a short report by Van Greene on the tour made early in December by a group from Water, Inc., to look at the mammoth water projects in California. We have talked further with him about what he saw, how it was financed and how it is being engineered.

We fully believe that he is right when he says there is no question about whether it can be done; only whether it will be done. Engineering of such a feat is really no problem. The only question is whether enough money can be collected to undertake such a project, and whether it can be started in time to avert a major disaster when underground water disappears in West Texas.

Greene and many others who made the tour are convinced that the Mississippi River is the logical source of water to be imported in West Texas.

Now we have received information that Sen. John Tower is quite interested in water importation plans. He is quoted in the Congressional Record about a study made by R. W. Beck & Associates, analytical and consulting engineers, about a plan to use water of the Missouri River for the Great Plains area. Senator Tower presented a bill on a feasibility study for this project.

The major points of the plan include:

The source would be the Missouri River below the Fort Randall Reservoir. About 10,200,000 acre-feet would be delivered annually. The water would be lifted about 2,800 feet along the length of the Niobrara River to Box Butte Reservoir near Alliance, Nebraska. The water would be at approximately 4,050 feet elevation at this point.

A 940-mile long canal from Northwestern Nebraska would carry the water through Eastern Colorado, Western Kansas, Western Oklahoma and West Texas, dropping to a final altitude of 3,660 feet.

The survey shows that there are 53 million acres of potential irrigated land in the project area. Full and/or supplemental water needs would be supplied to 6 to 10 million acres. This, with the municipal and industrial demands, could have a direct water benefit value of \$350 to \$450 million per year. Additional electrical power sources also would be made available to the area, plus recreation and flood control benefits.

The project would terminate south of Pecos on the Pecos River with any surplus going on to the giant Amistad Dam near Del Rio.

Estimated cost is \$3.35 billion. It is estimated that the initial project could be completed by 1980, including seven years for detailed project studies and five years for construction.

Geography indicates that this project might be simpler and less costly than getting water from the Mississippi, since the majority of the distance would be gravity flow. Getting the water from the Mississippi would necessitate many more lifting stations and much rougher terrain to negotiate. The Missouri River project would cross relatively flat country.

This part of the country must have water from other sources before the year 2000. And it really needs to have water by 1980, since this is the date forecast by engineers for the complete depletion of much underground water in this part of the country.

As the study comments, "As our water requirements increase, it is not realistic to permit water unused and unuseable in one area to go to waste when it can be transported and used in another area to enhance the nation's economy. A haunting memory to the Great Plains area is the drought of the Thirties, when a shortage of water supply resulted in untold economic loss and misery."

## Police use chemical and bring in suspect unharmed

We read a few days ago about the Lubbock police being issued spray cans of a chemical called "Mace", which causes temporary paralysis. And now we read where a couple of policemen used the spray on a violent young man who threatened to kill them.

Hooray for Mace! This apparently was a case where the police might have shot at a suspect in self-defense. Certainly, they have been put in a position where they might have had no choice.

But the new chemical spray immobilized the young suspect, the police took him to jail and he had recovered with no ill effects in just a few minutes. This is certainly preferable to wounding or even killing a suspect. Yet it gets the job done: it protects the citizenry, stops a criminal suspect and allows him to be brought to trial.

We also read where the Miami, Fla., police chief said he was declaring war on young hoodlums. He was backed up by Florida's governor Claude Kirk.

Again we applaud their actions. We hope they will buy a bunch of the spray cans and use them when possible. With the new laws, it's tough to be a law enforcement officer. And the police needs all the help it can get in stopping crime.

We are delighted with the new chemical that will stop a suspect in his tracks without using a gun. We are pleased that some of the major cities are declaring all-out war against the lawless of the land. We hope that police will be supported in their actions and that the new weapons being developed for their use will help stop the lawlessness that has invaded our country.



## Views of other editors

### It won't go away

Not only the United States of America but each town or city within this nation is facing perilous problems closing in from every side.

Perhaps now more than any other time in our history, we truly are fighting for survival.

And the greatest strength of our adversaries is the fact of their intangibility. There are no armies gathered outside our city limits, no warships threatening American ports, no bombers swarming overhead to set alarm sirens wailing.

Yet, because of the very nature of Americans, intangible threats are far more deadly than solid visible enemies.

Americans are a breed into which the breath of freedom has been infinitely instilled.

We also are a breed who have let prosperity and personal ambition lull us into a dangerous political lethargy. Unless we are slapped in the face with hard solid reality we "put off" dealing with any problems outside the realms of our own daily lives.

Thus, we are becoming our own worst enemy.

Anything and everything — subversive, lawbreaking and even in violation of the basic principles of freedom — can go on right under our noses. Either we simply don't see it because of our inverted vision or we don't want to become "involved" or we consider the offense a minor, temporary thing that will go away if we ignore it.

Worse, we have become so spoiled to luxury and comfort that we are quick to close our eyes rather than risk not being able to buy a new car when we want it. Threats to freedom — even the hint of a threat, in any form, is major.

And the quickest way to lose our precious luxury is to lose the basic American freedom.

To all appearances, we already have lost something far more precious than luxury.

We have lost the "on guard" attitude regarding our freedom and the willingness to face consequences in fighting to preserve it. At least — when facing intangible enemies.

So — here we sit, a people to whom existence without freedom is inconceivable, leaning back in our comfortable recliners while millions of termites are busily chewing away the bases.

Wonder what old Dan J. Boone would say to that? And San Houston? And — Douglas MacArthur?

Here's what The Newark, Calif., Argus has to say:

"The proud tradition of America is that there always have been free men willing to risk all to keep alive the spirit of freedom. It would be foolhardy to forget the sacrifices they made, or to think that present and future men are immune from similar sacrifices. Tyranny may change its form, but not its nature; and there must be men willing to resist the tyrant."

County Wide News (Littlefield)

### Competition makes leaders

The times are always calling for a great leader. Political parties are forever seeking gubernatorial or presidential "timber." If a man to meet the crises of the present is not found, the age may go down in confusion and wreck.

How can a nation find the statesmen with the wisdom to discern truly what the era wants or what the difficulties demand? A man must be discovered who is good enough and determined enough and wise enough to lead civilization on the perilous and perhaps unpopular road of right and justice.

Public schools are breeding grounds for such leaders. Many high school contests attract the more talented and the more active students. Athletic teams require captains of daring and decision. Debate teams demand intelligent analysis of issues and well-based formulation of argument. Each extracurricular activity sponsors growth toward future leadership capabilities.

A football team with average ability, but blessed with a strong leader, may find itself in the championship bracket, while another team with perhaps greater physical skill may lack such leadership and become an "also ran." The leader is the "fire" that ignites the fuel.

Coaches, sponsors, and administrators should be ever alert to potential leadership, to encourage and bring out capabilities of students who have such promise. These pupils are the "bank notes" for the future of America. Without them, no progress can be made nor can her present position be maintained. They are the natural resources as much as the forest, the river, or the mine. To develop their full capacity, they need all the conservation and encouragement that can be provided.

Interscholastic Leagues

On hot days when you can't seem to get enough to drink, try adding a pinch of salt to your water. Lack of salt, curiously enough, causes the thirst.

## STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS & SIDELIGHTS

# 1968 looks action-filled for politics in the state

AUSTIN, Tex. — Any way you look at it, 1968 shapes up as the most action-packed political year for Texas in more than a decade.

It will start with a wide-open governor's race in the Democratic primary perhaps the roughest since 1956. Also, there may be some other close races for less exciting offices. And of course, the presidential battle will hold the November general election spotlight. If Texas Republicans make good their threat to field a strong candidate for governor, and it seems they will, there will be plenty of action on that front almost the year around.

There is no sure way of predicting at this point whether U. S. Sen. Ralph Yarborough, Lt. Gov. Preston Smith, Secretary of State John Hill, former Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr, Dallas radio man Gordon McLendon, Houston attorney Don Yarborough or an unheralded dark horse will emerge the Democratic nominee for governor. Neither is it clear who the Republicans will put up to oppose him. Congressman George Bush of Houston? Sen. John Tower? An unknown?

WHILE TEXAS national Democratic convention delegates obviously will be pledged to support President Johnson, state Republican leaders have not tipped their hands as to their favorite candidate for nomination.

Although the winners can't be picked in advance, red letter dates can be marked on the 1968 political calendar. Here are the main ones:

February 5 — Last day for filing as candidate in primaries.

May 4 — First primary election and party precinct conventions.

May 11 — County party conventions.

June 1 — Second primary election.

June 8 — State conventions to pick national convention delegates.

September 17 — State conventions to pick Texas party leadership (executive committees) and write the state party platforms.

November 5 — General election.

Remember that, to participate in any of the action, you must register (it's free) with the county tax assessor-collector or authorized deputy by January 31. Registration is simple and can be accomplished through the mail on forms provided by most newspapers.

ATTORNEY GENERAL — State Welfare Department can pay medical aid directly to recipients of services or to physicians, Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin has held.

In other recent opinions, Martin concluded that:

An anhydrous ammonia pipeline is subject to jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission.

A qualified agricultural engineering major can be licensed as a professional engineer.

Cochran County Memorial Hospital District can pay expenses of sending needy persons to outside hospital facility where it cannot discharge its full responsibility to provide adequate medical care.

Requirement of newspaper advertisement (or posting) to take competitive bids not not apply to county expenditures for purchase of equipment for general use by the county payable out of current funds. Where the county wants to make a contract under competitive bidding requirements, bids must be stated in terms of gross price without "trade-in". However, county commissioners may ask for trading in data and consider it in awarding the contract.

COURTS SPEAK — A Negro mathematician at the spacecraft center in Houston who had a plate yanked out of his hand by a private club manager is entitled to \$900

in damages for "battery", State Supreme Court agreed. Decision reversed lower courts.

Fourth Court of Civil Appeals, in a Webb County case, agreed the state has the right to regulate picketing in labor-management dispute. Labor group unsuccessfully attacked a ban against more than two pickets at a time within 50 feet of the struck establishment or other pickets.

APPOINTMENTS — Gov. John Connally announced appointment of Lawrence Miller Jr. of Dallas and George R. Bolin of Houston to Texas Real Estate Commission. He also appointed McLennan Co. Court at Law Judge Derwood Johnson of Waco as Judge of the 74th Judicial District Court.

Governor placed Dr. J. Robert Baier of Houston on the Texas Board for Chiropractic Examiners and reappointed Dr. Charles E. Courton of San Angelo and Dr. C. T. Harkey Jr. of Victoria.

Miss Wathena Douglas of Midland was named to the State Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists.

ROW RESOLVED — Controversy with federal authorities over Cooper Dam and Reservoir (Sulphur River in Northeast Texas) has been resolved to the state's interest.

New contract omitted the controversial water quality requirements, according to Joe G. Moore Jr., executive director of Texas Water Development Board.

Long-range issue of federal requirements concerning release of "flushing" water to control downstream water pollution statewide still is very much alive.

GUIDELINES SET — State Board of Insurance announced these general guidelines for cancellation of certain insurance policies or company refusal to renew coverage:

Family auto policies and auto coverage should be cancelled only for premium non-payment or for license suspension or revocation.

Companies should not balk at renewing family auto policies strictly on account of ages of insured.

Thirty days' notice of non-renewal should be given before declining to renew family auto policies and auto coverage, homeowners policies and standard fire policies on one-family dwellings.

Cancellation cannot be ordered on home owner and standard fire policies for one-family dwellings solely because the company changes underwriting requirements during the policy term.

SALES TAX — January 1 marked the start of actual collections of the new one per cent city sales tax in 14 of more than 150 cities which have approved the tax since September. These 150 cities represent 65 per cent of Texas' urban population.

Cities starting the tax January 1 included Aransas Pass, Austin, Brackettville, Corpus Christi, Elgin, El Paso, Henrietta, Ingleside, Nacogdoches, Orange Grove, Port Aransas, Taylor, Texarkana, and Wichita Falls.

Collections of one per cent levy (added to the two per cent state tax) will begin April 1 in at least 140 other municipalities. Only about 20 city sales tax elections have failed.

State comptroller has a full quarter of a year to set up collection machinery after a city reports approval of the tax.

NEW BOOK ON CAPITOL — Winston Churchill once said, "We shape our buildings and they shape us." His quote is used in the handsome new book, "The Texas Capitol, Symbol of Accomplishment."

This 168-page volume is illustrated with color photographs and reproductions of historic documents. It was written and produced by the Texas Legislative Council in cooperation with the State Highway Department, at the direction of the 1965 Legislature.

It's so "hot off the presses" that it records some significant events of the 1967 session of the Legislature. "The Texas Capitol" reaches back graphically to those 18 days at Washington-on-the-Brazos in 1836 when Texas' independence was declared. That story is followed by a brief history of the Republic and the joining of the Union in 1845.

From that point on, the reader will find himself engaged in the story of the state's growth through the development of its government and the men who have guided it the past 122 years. Pictures and stories acquaint the reader with the present-day Capitol complex and surroundings.

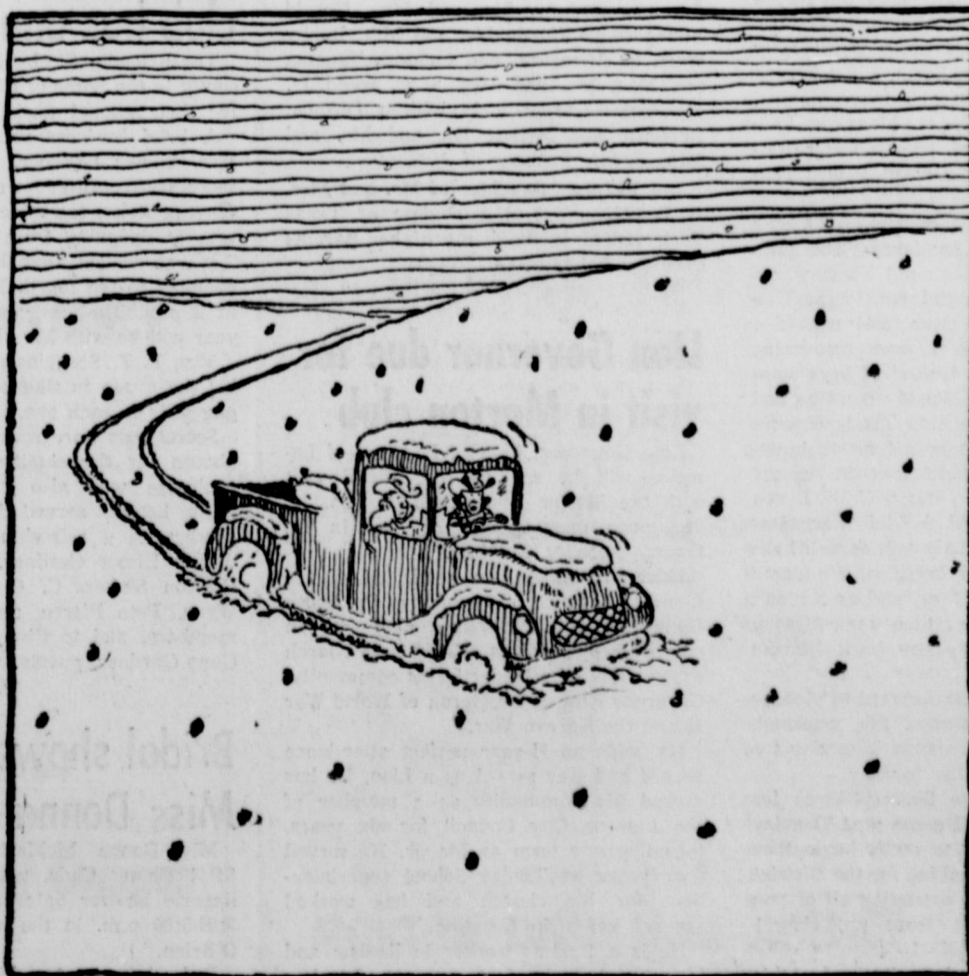
This book should be read by every Texan who has seen, plans to see, or wishes he could see the State Capitol. It is available from the Travel and Information Division of the Texas State Highway Department in Austin. Price, \$2.00.

MH-MR REORGANIZATION — Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation will undergo a "broad reorganization" during the next six months, says MH-MR Commissioner John Kinross-Wright.

As plans now stand, the Deputy Commissioner for Mental Health and the Deputy for Mental Retardation each will be made responsible for activities in his respective field. Established will be the office of Director for Regional Coordination. He will work with all governmental, community and volunteer agency programs, and further liaison will be maintained with local boards of trustees for MH-MR programs.

## COW POKES

By Ace Reid



"I hope some day to work on a ranch that has an airconditioned bunkhouse in the summer and in the winter, a pickup with all the windows in it."

**Personals**

**Dinney** guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Willis Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Wartes of Alamogordo, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Lomas Willis, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Willis, of Ft. Sumner, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Willis of Portales, N.M. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wall of Clovis, and their three daughters, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Willis of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Willis and children of Brownfield. This is the Willis reunion held every year the first Sunday after Christmas.

**Ernest Chesair**, a student at Texas Tech visited in the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Chesshir over the holidays.

**Mr. and Mrs. Ray Luper** returned to their home in Alabama after a visit with their parents Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Luper and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanders of Morton.

**Mr. and Mrs. Auther Freeman** and son, Gary of Dallas spent the Christmas holidays in the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. James Moore and Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Freeman of Seminole.

**Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Latimer** of Austin visited in the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Bob Weed over the holidays. They are students at the University of Texas.

**Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Elliott** of Canyon visited in the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Buford Elliott, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams of Morton. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott are students at West Texas State University.

**Betsy Crowder**, a student at East Texas State University visited in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. John Crowder over the holidays.

**Home for the holidays** in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Scoggins from Lubbock were Ginger Scoggins from Commercial College, and Jan Scoggins from evangel college in Springfield, Mo. The four left Morton on Saturday before Christmas to spend the holidays in Houston and Baytown with Mrs. Scoggins' two sisters and three brothers and their families. Mr. and Mrs. Leon McWhorter of Lubbock, Mrs. Scoggins' parents, joined the trip at Lamesa to be with Mrs. McWhorter's children for the first Christmas to all be together in some twenty years. One of the highlights of the trip was the arrival of a new nephew for the Scoggins' born Christmas night. Both Ginger and Jan will return to school for classes beginning on Wednesday.

**Mr. and Mrs. George Trejo** and family spent the Christmas holidays in Colorado Springs, Colo., visiting her parents and other relatives.

**Jimmy Collins**, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Collins returned to Lubbock after spending the holidays with his parents. Jimmy is a student at Texas Tech.

**Bill White**, son of Mrs. Nell White spent the holidays visiting in the home of his mother. Bill is a student at Abilene Christian College in Abilene.

**During the Christmas holidays**, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seagler hosted a house party at their Ruidoso cabin for their daughter, Linda who attends San Jacinto College in Pasadena, and their son, Marlin, who attends Texas University. Joining in the festivities were Donna Jo Allsup, Texas Tech; Ricky Elmore, Texas Tech, Connie Stowe, Jeanette Cooper, John St. Clair, Stowe, Jeanette Cooper, John St. Clair, Texas Tech, Charlotte Smart, Lubbock, Lem Chesher, Bryan; and David Taylor, San Jacinto College, Pasadena. The group reported plenty of snow, good sledding, and lots of exercise getting cars out of snow drifts.

**Visiting in the home of Mrs. Tone Young** over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Odell Henderson, of Holly, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Damron of Lamesa visited in the Ray Griffith home Thursday. Also visiting was Sandy Vandevender of Portales.

**Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Weed** over the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Whitson, and Janice, Randy, and Rodney, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Young of Wolfroth, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Word of Arlington, and children Vanessa and Mac, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Weed Jr. of Corpus Christi and children DiAnna, Di'Nette, and Robert III, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Latimer of Austin.

**Jan Thomas**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thomas and a student at Texas Tech visited in the home of her parents over the holidays.

**Lion Governor due for visit in Morton club**  
Lion Governor, Charles F. King, of Lamesa, will be making his official visit with the Morton Lions Club on Jan. 10. The noon meeting will be held in the County Activity Building.

Governor King, who heads all of the Lions of District 2-T2 which is the South Plains area of Texas, is a man with an outstanding record as a Lion, as a church worker and as a leader in his community. Governor King is a veteran of World War II and the Korean War.

He holds an 11-year perfect attendance record and Key award as a Lion. He has served his community as a member of the Lamesa City Council for six years, including one term as Mayor. He served four years as Sunday School superintendent for his church and has worked several years in Scouting.

He is a tireless worker in lionism and his utmost desire is to promote Lionism and help it grow in West Texas and throughout the world. Governor King is a J. I. Case Implement dealer in Lamesa and is a member of the Lamesa Evening Lions Club.

Well, that about winds it up for this week. With the coming of the second semester comes many new activities, so maybe I'll start having more news to pass on. Remember to give me a ring at 266-8874 if you have any news. See you around!



Late foul . . .

DICK VAN makes the shot ahead of a foul by Hereford's Jim Childers (11). The Whitefaces eked out a 45-43 win over the Tribe in Morton Tuesday night to become the first team with a pair of wins over the Indians. The Morton B team took a 39-37 win over the young Herd. (Staff Photo)

**List Morton hospital notes for the week**

- Mrs. G. W. Lyon and baby girl, admitted 12-27, dismissed 12-30, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. Jimmy Parker, admitted 12-27, dismissed 12-30, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. N. H. Sneed, Jr., admitted 12-27, dismissed 12-29, Morton, medical.
- Ruel Kelly, admitted 12-28, dismissed 12-29, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. Clay Richardson, admitted 12-28, dismissed 12-30, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. Gary Clark, admitted 12-29, dismissed 1-1, Morton, medical.
- Dessie Leverett, admitted 12-29, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Sam Kelly, admitted 12-30, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. J. J. Handley, admitted 12-31, dismissed 1-2, Morton, medical.
- Jimmy Morin, admitted 12-31, dismissed 1-2, Morton, medical.
- Jimmy Arnold, admitted 12-31, dismissed 1-2, Morton, medical.
- Rosa Salazar, admitted 1-1, remaining, Biedsoe, medical.
- Mrs. Edna Grizzle, admitted 1-1, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Belinda Abbe, admitted 1-1, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Jackie Tanser, admitted 1-1, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. Earl Brown, admitted 1-2, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Dale O'Brien, admitted 1-2, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Mrs. Mike Enos, admitted 1-2, remaining, Morton, medical.
- Andy Rainey, admitted 1-2, remaining, Sonora, medical.

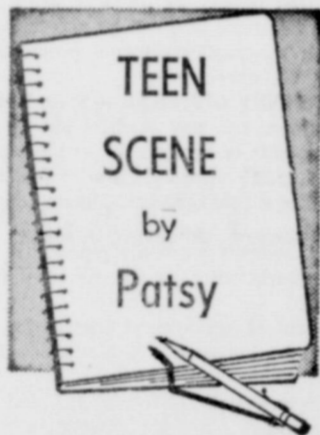
Peggy Ramsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ramsey, and a student at Texas Tech visited in the home of her parents over the holidays.



Miss Donna McMaster

**Engagement revealed**

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McMaster announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Donna, to SP/4 Danny E. Cade of St. Rt. 2 Morton. They are 1965 graduates of Morton High School and both attended South Plains College in Levelland.



HAPPY 1968!! How's your new year's resolutions coming along? I learned a long time ago not to make any if I didn't want to make a liar out of myself.

The youth of the First Baptist Church celebrated New Year's Eve Sunday night at a social. The group first went to the Wig Wam for hamburgers, then went to Rev. Fred Thomas' home to see a film and watch the New Year in. About 30 kids enjoyed the fellowship.

Among other parties going on Sunday night was one at Donna Hofman's house. The kids enjoyed playing "Twister" and got quite a bit of fun out of the Ouija Board and a talking table (?). Incidentally, the table had a rather favorable outlook toward the outcome of our 1968 basketball season! The girls surprised Wayne Thompson with a birthday cake with his basketball number outlined with candles on the top. The kids all stayed to watch the New Year in.

Those attending this party were: Billy Baker, Rusty Rowden, Byron Willis, Wayne Thompson, Dee Merritt, Tommy Merritt, Jerry Steed, Billy Smart, Margaret Ledbetter, Carol Freeland, Sharon Irwin, Patsy Collins, Vivian McDaniel, Peggy Thomas, and Donna.

After Donna's party, several of the girls spent the night at my house. The girls all stayed up until 4:00 a.m.! These were: Sharon Irwin, Donna Hofman, Peggy Thomas, Margaret Ledbetter, and myself.

While the rest of us were recovering New Year's day, the basketball boys were at the gym by 10:00 Monday morning and worked out until about 1:00. The boys seem to be pretty much prepared for their upcoming district games; that is, except for our leading scorer, Byron Willis. Byron seemed to have had a slight accident while playing basketball with some of the other boys over the holidays. He came down on his ankle wrong, and as a result is hobbling around on crutches now. Coach Whitlock is expecting him back for the district games.

The boys are looking forward to playing in the Plains tournament this weekend. They will take on Coahoma Thursday for their first game in the tourney.

The team will face Slaton (there) for their first district ball game next Tuesday night. The fun ought to really begin then as the Indians start pulling for the District Championship. We're expecting all of you to be there backing them up, okay?? GOOD LUCK, INDIANS!!

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**Hereford Whitefaces take second win from Morton Indians Tuesday**

Both teams showed the effects of holiday lay-offs here Tuesday night as Hereford edged the Morton Indians 45-43. The Whitefaces became the first team to hold two wins over the Tribe. They took a 45-43 victory in the teams' first encounter.

Morton was playing without the services of Byron Willis, a junior who leads the team in scoring. Willis received an ankle injury in practice last week and will be out for at least a week.

The Tribe will enter the Plains Invitational Tournament this weekend in a final tune-up before District 4-AA action begins. Morton will play Coahoma, a strong Class A team, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 4.

If the Tribe wins, it will play the winner of Eunice vs. Andrews Junior Varsity at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5. If Morton loses, it will play at 3 p.m. Friday.

Championship game is set for 8:30 p.m. Saturday. Third place game will be at 7 p.m. Consolation finals will be at 4:30 p.m. and the seventh place game at 3 p.m. on Saturday.

Remainder of the bracket includes Eunice vs. Andrews J.V. at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Lubbock Christian High vs. Seagraves at 3 p.m. Thursday and Denver City vs. Plains at 8 p.m. Friday.

Morton's seventh grade and freshman teams will be playing in the tournament at Muleshoe this week. The seventh grade will open against the Muleshoe Black team at 1 p.m. Thursday. A win would put them against the winner of Coronado Plainview vs. Farwell at 11:15 a.m. Saturday. Finals are set at 6:45 p.m. Saturday.

A first-round loss would move them into a consolation game at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, with the consolation finals at 4 p.m. Saturday.

Teams entered in the seventh grade bracket include Muleshoe Black, Morton, Coronado Plainview, Farwell, Muleshoe White, Booker T. Washington of Plainview, Olton and Plainview Estacado.

The Morton frosh will open at 2:15 p.m. Thursday against Levelland. The winner will play at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, with the

finals set for 8 p.m. Saturday. The loser will play at 9:45 a.m. Saturday, with the consolation finals at 5:15 p.m.

In the bracket with Morton are the Plainview Blue Pups and Farwell. Muleshoe opens against the Plainview Red Pups while Lockney tries Littlefield to round out the opening round.

On Monday, Jan. 8, the seventh, eighth and freshman teams will host Muleshoe with the first game set for 5 p.m.

Morton's varsity, meanwhile, will try to get ready for its district opener Tuesday, Jan. 9, at Slaton. The Tigers opened district play with a 56-54 win over Denver City Tuesday night.

Morton opened strong against the towering Whitefaces here Tuesday night, fell behind in the second period, rallied somewhat and had a one-point lead early in the final stanza. But the Whitefaces kept calm and took a five-point lead that they nursed until the final buzzer.

Morton led 4-0 as the game opened slowly. The Tribe had a 7-4 edge with just two minutes left in the first period. But the Herd managed to knot the score 10-10 after one period.

The Whitefaces got in front 14-10 and pulled away to a 26-20 lead at halftime. Morton gave the ball away several times on bad passes, double dribbles, lane violations and other mistakes.

Action picked up slightly during the third period and Morton closed the gap, trailing 34-39 going into the last eight minutes.

Donnie Harvey, Rusty Rowden and Dick Van all canned field goals as the final period began, and Morton had a 40-29 lead with 5:30 left. But Morton failed to score during the next four minutes, 50 seconds, while Hereford netted six points to garner a 45-40 margin with 47 seconds left.

Morton almost pulled it out as Wayne Thompson hit a field goal and Dick Van made one of two free throws. But Morton was unable to come up with another basket as Hereford held on to win its sixth against nine losses. Morton now stands at 13-5.

Rusty Rowden got 15 and Dick Van 12 to head the Morton scoring. Wayne Thompson and Donnie Harvey had seven each while rebounding Willie Moore netted two. Bobby Burwick had 19 for the Whitefaces.

In the B game, Morton held off a charging band of Whitefaces to win 39-37. The young Indians got a substantial 12-5 lead after one period, but Hereford narrowed the gap to 22-19 at halftime. Morton held a 35-30 lead after three periods and rallied after trailing by a point in the final stanza.

Bob Hobson had 15 and Bob Hawkins 10 for the young Tribe. Jim Rakestraw got 12 for the losers.

**Town and Country club has Christmas party**

Last Wednesday the senior citizens of Morton were the special guests of Town and Country Study Club when they met for the annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. A. E. Sanders. After refreshments of Christmas cookies and punch, the group was entertained by the FHA girls choral group who sang Christmas carols, followed by the Bible's Christmas story of the Little Donkey by Mrs. Bill Hovey. Mrs. Sanders played a recording of "God's Little Gray Donkey". Mrs. W. W. Smith told how a group of women in this area in 1903 managed to keep Christmas with the traditional cake which had to be frosted with what was left of the batter. "Santa" presented each guest with an apothecary jar filled with peppermint sticks.

Members present were Mrs. Keith Kennedy, Mrs. J. N. Leavitt, Mrs. Roy Hill, Mrs. Ross Shaw, Mrs. Bill Hovey, Mrs. Spence, Mrs. Cheryl Englis, Mrs. A. A. Fralin.

Guests included Mrs. Ed Lytle, Mrs. L. M. Baldwin, Mrs. Rolly Hill, Mrs. T. W. Roberts, Mrs. W. W. Smith, Mrs. H. O. Rogers, Mrs. W. A. Wood, Mrs. Elizabeth Greer, Mrs. A. S. Key, Mrs. C. C. Reynolds, Mrs. Walter Taylor, and Mrs. C. B. Newton.

**Friendly Circle Hobby club has annual party**

The Friendly Circle Hobby Club met recently in the home of Mrs. Floyd Rowland for their annual Christmas party.

A brief business session was held by Mrs. Elmer Gardner, President. A new secretary-treasurer was elected, Mrs. Clayton Stokes to replace Mrs. Pete Pierce who is resigning from the club.

It was decided that the meeting date be changed to the fourth Friday each month at 2 p.m. The first meeting of the new year will be with Mrs. Elmer Gardner.

Mrs. L. Z. Scoggins program chairman, led the group in several games and gave gag gifts to each one.

Secret pals were revealed and new ones chosen for the coming year and a gift exchange was also enjoyed.

The hostess served delicious Christmas goodies as a refreshment plate to Mesdames Elmer Gardner, Horace Gardner, Clayton Stokes, C. C. Benham, Weldon Wynn, Pete Pierce, and L. Z. Scoggins, members, and to Cindy Pierce and Mrs. Gene Gardner, guests.

**Bridal shower honors Miss Donna McMaster**

Miss Donna McMaster, bride-elect of SP/4 Danny Cade, was honored with a lingerie shower Saturday, Dec. 30, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Ray O'Brien.

Refreshments of cookies and punch were served to several guests.

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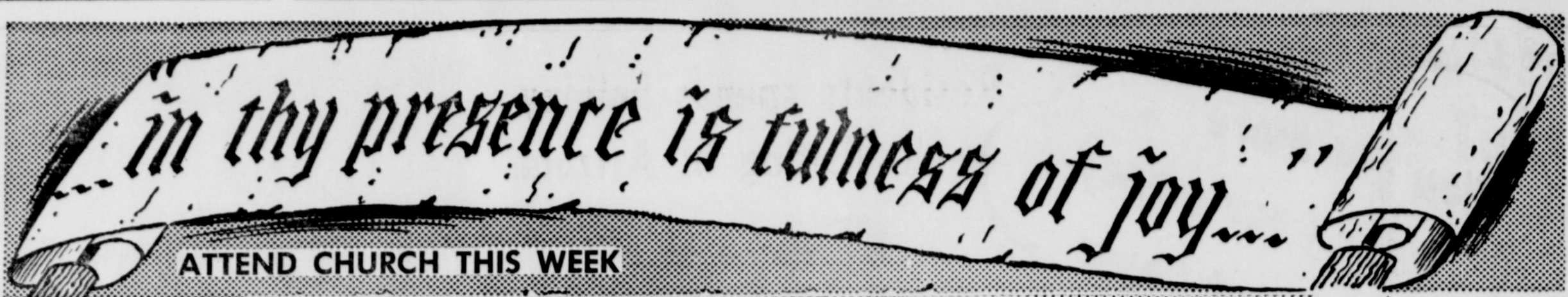
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Evening Worship — 7:00 p.m.  
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Wednesdays—  
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Evening Bible Study — 8 p.m.  
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Evening  
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Wednesdays—  
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The Rev. David Greka, Pastor  
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Monday — 7:30 p.m.  
Tuesday — 7:30 a.m.  
Wednesday — 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday — 7:30 a.m.  
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**General Election**  
 Nov. 5, 1968

### For County Commissioner, Precinct 1:

CALVIN "BUDDY" FRANKS  
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## Bula-Enochs news

# Residents spends holiday week visiting in Arizona

By MRS. J. D. BAYLESS

We wish to express our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Newman and family in the loss of their daughter, Mrs. Clara Thompson of Fort Worth, who was killed in a car accident Wednesday. Funeral services were at the Enochs Baptist Church Friday at 2:30 p.m. Burial was in the Enochs Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Robertson and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Dane left for Arizona, last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson spent the week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Short at Avondale, Ariz., and Mr. and Mrs. Dane visited

their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Bates and sons at Phoenix, Ariz. Mrs. Bates had been in a car accident and was hospitalized, but was at home the last report.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Anderson from Borger, were guests in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Milsap Saturday night. Sunday they all went to Lubbock and were dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Anderson's brother, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glasson, Jr. They also visited Mrs. J. L. Glasson Sr., in a rest home there. Mr. and Mrs. Milsap visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McGennis and daughter, Gay Nell, of Lubbock were guests in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hall on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark and children spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clark in Muleshoe.

Mrs. G. H. Newman was admitted to the Green Memorial Hospital with a heart condition Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Snow of Muleshoe were guests in the home of their nephew, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Layton Friday night.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Layton during the Christmas holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. Eldred Mize and son, Sterling; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Ellison and children, Debbie, Treacie, and Timmie; Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Mize and son, Kelley; Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Ellison and Randal of Lubbock; Jan Nickleson of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Zane Ellison and son, Troy, Muleshoe; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Layton from Monahan; Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Johnson and children, Pete, Robert and Jerisue of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Layton and sons, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton and children, Enochs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Angel and daughter of Lubbock were guests in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton last week.

John Hubbard was in Lubbock Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. Arnold Archer, who is in the Methodist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Gilliam and children, Vester, Dean and Linda, and Mrs. Gilliam's mother, Mrs. L. M. Scillian, met in Mrs. Scillian's home at Quanah, Christmas Eve, her sister, Mr. and Mrs. El Roy Henson from Dayton, a brother, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Scillian and family from Springfield, Mo., met them there and visited till Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Gilliam also visited his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Will Modling of Quanah.

The Gilliam children that were home for Christmas Eve dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Gilliam and family of Muleshoe; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gilliam and family of Morton; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Gilbert and family of Hereford; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gilliam and family of Goodland.

Mrs. P. P. Childers of Dumas, visited in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. King last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulett McCall and family from Corpus Christi were guests in the home of his brothers, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. McCall, and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. McCall Friday and Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Vanlandingham and family spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Vanlandingham.

The Enochs WMU met Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. for their regular business meeting. Those attending were Mrs. C. R. Seagler, Mrs. C. C. Snitker, Mrs. W. M. Bryant and Mrs. R. H. Layton.

Mrs. Olive Angel drove to Pep last Tuesday and visited till Friday with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lindell Tives.

Those spending Christmas day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. McCall were Mr. and Mrs. Burley Roberts and children, Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie McCall and children of Muleshoe and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Medlin and baby of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hendricks and family from Celina were supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Layton last Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Peterson are the new owners of the Fuzzy Simmons Grocery store in Enochs. They took over the business the first of January. We wish them success in their new business.

Supper guests in the home of their mother, Mrs. L. L. Nichols, last Saturday night were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nichols and children, Mr. and Mrs. Quinton Nichols and boys of Enochs, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Davis and son of Lubbock, Miss Myrlene Nichols of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Nichols of Morton, Gary and Harold Dean of the home, and Miss Jean Breashear of Lubbock.

Mrs. Arnold Archer was admitted to the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock Wednesday. She had major surgery Friday.

Lovetta Jo and Carol Sue Black of Muleshoe spent three days last with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Milsap.

Rev. and Mrs. Preston Harrison spent the Christmas holidays in Andrews with

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## CARD OF THANKS —

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of thanking the many wonderful people who helped us in our recent sorrow, at the passing of our dear wife and mother, Mrs. Dave Chesshir. We pray God's richest blessings on each for the lovely floral tributes, each visit, the money tree, also the many other gifts and deeds. There just isn't any word that can express to each and everyone our deepest feeling of thanks to the many who sent food and the ladies who worked to serve the many out-of-town relatives and the family. We want to express our appreciation also to Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Hill for the use of their lunch room to serve the meal.

Mr. Dave Chesshir  
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Chesshir and children  
 Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Chesshir and children  
 Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Barker  
 Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Chesshir, Jr., and children  
 Mr. and Mrs. Wilborn Chappell and children

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends who helped us during the fire at our home. We appreciate everything they have done for us.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moore and family  
 Lee and Willie Moore

### CARD OF THANKS

May God bless all of our friends who offered their kind thoughts, words, and deeds after the sudden loss of our son and brother. You made our loss a little easier to accept.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. McMaster  
 Mr. I. L. McMaster  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. D. McMaster  
 Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shallhamer

## Cpl. Tommy Slaten is with Vietnam group

Marine Corporal Tommy N. Slaten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Slaten of 505 E. Lincoln, Morton, is at Camp Books, Vietnam serving as a member of C Company, Seventh Motor Transport Battalion, a unit of the Force Logistic Command.

With units at both Phu Bai and Camp Books, the battalion has greatly increased motor transport capabilities in support of Marines in the northernmost portion of South Vietnam, (I Corps Area).

Since arriving in Vietnam March 7, 1966 the battalion's vehicles have traveled more than 1,800,000 miles hauling in excess of 343,000 tons of cargo and over 439,000 troops.

## List Morton School menu for the week

Monday, Jan. 8: Baked ground meat, green beans, salad, fruit, hot rolls, butter and milk.

Tuesday, Jan. 9: Fried chicken, black-eyed peas, tomato salad, apricot cobbler, butter and milk.

Wednesday, Jan. 10: Steak, new potatoes, in cheese sauce, chocolate cake, hot rolls, butter and milk.

Thursday, Jan. 11: Corn dogs, mustard, potato chips, pickles, cookies, and chocolate milk.

Friday, Jan. 12: Ham and cheese sandwiches, salad, pork and beans, fruit salad, sliced bread and milk.

## SFC Gilbert Wilson assigned to Vietnam

Army Sergeant First Class Gilbert L. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilson, Route 1, Morton, Tex., was assigned as first sergeant of the 3rd Maintenance Company near Di An, Vietnam, Dec. 15. His wife, Dorothy, lives at 109 W. Lincoln.

# Through telescope by luck

Well, here 'tis 1968 and a whole new year to work on. We even get a bonus since it's Leap Year, which gives us 24 hours more to waste or to use.

OK, so the Aggies are back! But so is Oklahoma. I guess we'll have to listen while Roy Hickman and Leonard Coleman tell Texas jokes and Tech jokes. It was a whale of a game and the Aggies came out on top, although it looked as if they were trying to give the victory back to Alabama for a few minutes during the last quarter. Leonard and his sons posted a sign in their front yard right after the game ended, "The Aggies Are Back".

If you figure it right, Texas Tech is as good as Alabama, better than Oklahoma and better than Tennessee. The Raiders lost to Texas A&M by the same margin as Alabama, four points; and the Techsians beat Texas, while the Sooners lost to Texas and then beat the Vols. But all that reasoning is small consolation for those seven seconds that kept Tech out of the Cotton Bowl.

With the exception of the drubbing Oakland administered to Houston in the AFL title game, all the grid battles last weekend were close ones and mighty exciting for those who had the durability to watch all of them. Long about 10 p.m. Monday, my wife asked, "Have you had enough football yet?" I answered, "Yes, I believe I have." But she didn't hear me whisper to myself, "... until next weekend."

President Budd Fountain has called a meeting of the Morton Athletic Boosters for 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 8, in the Morton school cafeteria. He wants a big turnout, as plans for the annual Athletic Banquet will be discussed.

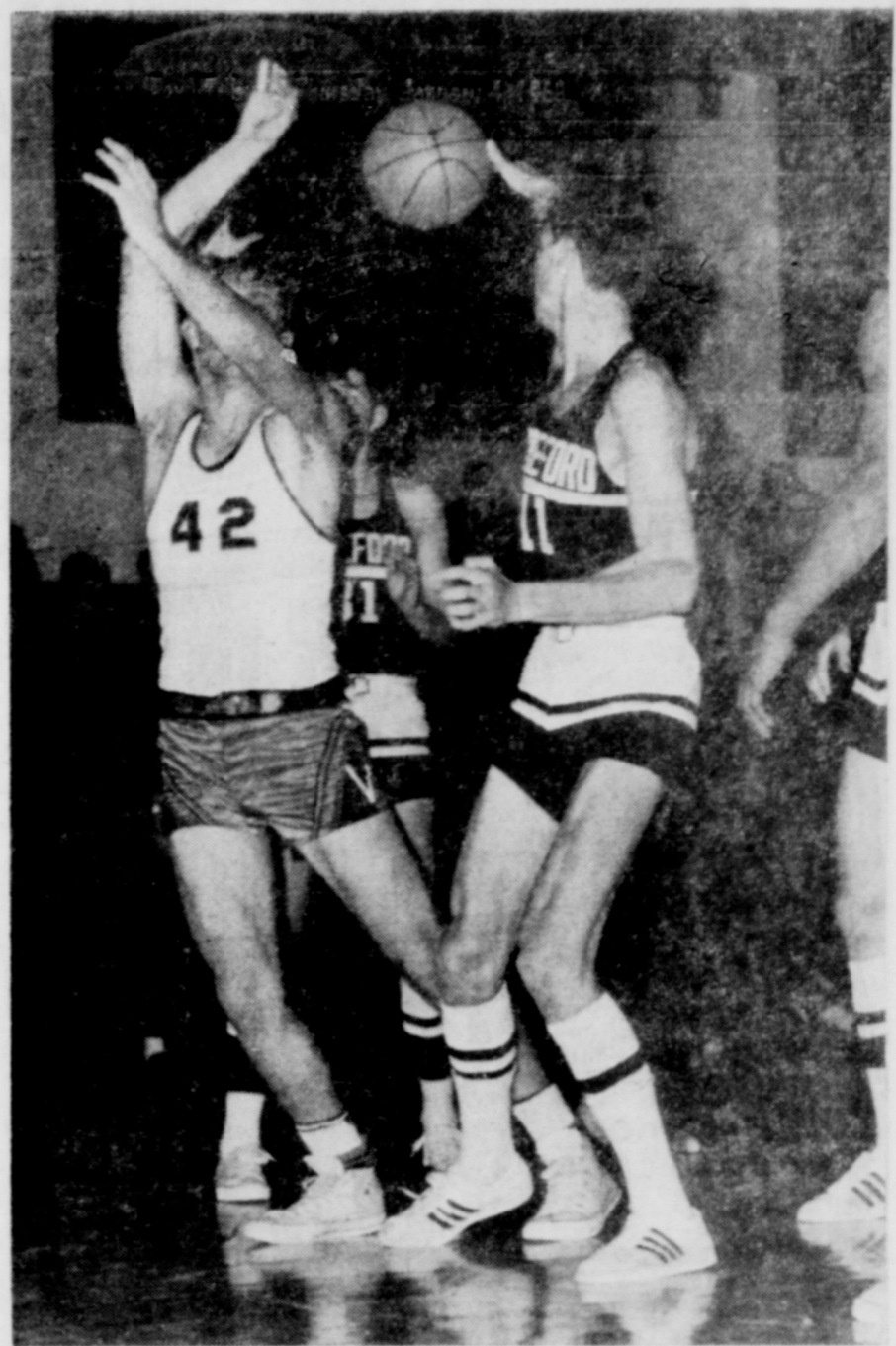
All Little League officers, coaches and parents are invited to attend a meeting to organize the 1968 season. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, in the Wig Wam.

There are a flock of basketball games on tap for the various Morton teams this week. The basketball story on Page Four tells all about them. Coach Cuby Kitchens, veteran mentor at Hereford, visited with us a few minutes Tuesday. He and I used to be neighbors. After the game, he said, "If that Willis boy, (Byron) had been in the game, I don't think we would have won." Byron was in the stands for the first time since he began playing with the varsity squad during his freshman year. And an injured ankle likely will keep him out of uniform for at least another week. But Tuesday's game with Hereford proved that the rest of the team can score, if they decide to shoot. Rusty Rowden, Dick Van Wayne Thompson and Donnie Harvey all shared in the scoring, while Willie Moore was his usual busy self gathering up stray rebounds and corralling the leading scorer for the opposition. These boys are all fine shots and we think they will take up the slack and make up for Byron's absence. In fact, it could make them a stronger team before the season is over.

Ray King, a Morton High senior, was all smiles this week after returning from a holiday hunting trip to the Mineral Wells area. Ray got a dandy eight-point buck deer in his first real hunting expedition. Dad, Spott King, was just about as pleased as Ray.

Van Greene has been puny for the last couple of weeks, suffering from the flu. We understand that one of his less-sympathetic friends thought the malady was caused by too much food during the holidays. So said "friend" sent a card to Van. The outside showed a grumpy-looking Scrooge - type fellow glowering at the ground. Message on the inside is "joy to the world!"

Whether with joy or fear  
 We face another new year.  
 The way it turns out is up to us,  
 So we can either pitch in  
 And work, or just sit back and fuss!



Off my fingers . . .

AND ONTO YOURS seems to be the case as Dick Van of Morton (42) sees a rebound go over his outstretched fingers and onto those of Jim Childers of Hereford. Another Whiteface is Marsh Pitman (31). The visiting Hereford team held off a Morton rally to win 45-43 Tuesday evening. (Staff Photo)

his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Howard and other relatives.

Mrs. J. D. Bayless was in Muleshoe Friday and visited Mrs. Ed Hulse in the West Plains Hospital.

Supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Cash last Saturday were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Cash and children, Dennis, Deryal and Patti of Portales, N.M., and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Waltrip and children, Jerry and Sheryl of Three Way.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Grusenordf and daughter, Patricia, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clauch and family, Mr. and Mrs. Achel Richardson and family, and Mrs. John Hubbard attended the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Tugman at Cache, Okla. at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Baptist Church.

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## ★ LL meeting

An organizational meeting of the Morton Little League baseball program for 1968 will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 5, in the Wig Wam. Election of officers and planning for the coming Little League season will be the main points of the agenda. All officers, directors, managers, coaches and fathers of boys 8 through 12 are urged to be present.

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