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Dr. Garnett Announces Clinic Open

Dr. Wesley Garnett Jr., known Spearman man, announced the opening of a veterinary clinic for Friday, Dec. 23. Dr. Garnett will be engaged in general veterinary practice, located on Highway 207, the clinic has been recently completed. The new building houses offices and facilities to handle both large and small animals.

Mrs. Etling Injured

Mrs. Bill Etling, well known Gruver woman, is in hospital suffering from injuries received Friday night in a traffic accident. Mrs. Etling, enroute to work when the accident occurred Dec. 19 at 5 p.m., is said to be suffering head injuries. Investigating officers surmise she went to sleep and control of her car while crossing Palo Duro bridge Highway 136.

City Accident Report

City patrolmen have investigated the following vehicle accidents the past week:
 December 16 at Hancock Sanders streets, Sam Patter, driving a 1967 Ford coupe, collided with a parked 1967 Chrysler owned by Keys of 1100 S. Haney. Estimated total damages \$1,000.
 December 18-at 2nd and 3rd streets, a 1965 Dodge driven by Johnny Harold Ring, 83 E. Evans, collided with a 1967 Chevy driven by Harriet Hildt, 1009 Bernice. Estimated total damages \$350.00.
 December 19 in the 400 block on South Bernice street, a 1960 Volkswagen, driven by Hilda Hargis, 1104 S. Dressler, and a 1960 Chevy driven by Daniel Desimone Jr., 701 3rd Drive, received \$100.00 in damages due to a collision.

Dollies Head For Dallas



THE SOFT TOUCH! If you will look real close, you will see that the referee has a basketball in his hand, and there is another one balanced on top of the goal. This actually happened during the Spearman girls game, with Gruver during the Gruver tourney. Dana Cline, the girl with the soft touch shot the ball, and it just stopped on top of the goal. You will notice that the ball is not wedged. It just stopped where it is. Dana is now known as the girl with the "soft touch."

Mrs. Ray Skinner fell on the icy porch at her home Wednesday and was hospitalized for a few days. She did not break any bones.

Spearman's jynxing Lynxettes will head for Duncanville (Dallas) Thursday morning, and the Spearman boys will enter the Borger tourney. After Thursday night's game, when the Hornettes blasted the Lynxettes for the second time this year 48-43, fans and coach Weese were wondering if the Lynxettes were having a round with the flu. Bones Simpson, the boys coach, said his boys played at Sanford-Fritch like they didn't want to catch the flu; that is they didn't want to exert themselves! However, the boys came right back after that Sanford-Fritch fracas, and blasted the Tulia Hornets 68-49 at Lynx gym Thursday night. They looked great; and the Lynxettes just couldn't get going. This is the same team that the Lynxettes beat at Friona by 14 points!

We can't find a bracket on the boys tourney at Borger, but here is the complete information on the Dallas-Duncanville tourney. There will be 24 teams at the tournament. They are Grandview, Comanche, Alvarado, Duncanville, Jacksboro, Midlothian, Spearman, Burleson, Robinson, Slide, Tulia, Tormey, Clear Creek, DeSoto, Klondike, Archer City, Rivercrest, Plano, Auglor, Boxwell, Carroll, Mansfield, Slaton and Cedar Hill.

The Lynxettes will open play Friday at 2:25. They will meet their old rival, Burleson, whom they defeated by one point last year. If they win they will meet Tulia Saturday at 8:15. If they win Saturday, they will play Monday at 8 p.m. If they win Monday, they will play Tuesday night at 9:30 p.m.

If the Lynxettes lose their first game, they will play Monday at 3:45. If they win at 3:45 they will play Tuesday at 9:50, and the consolation finals at 6:50 Tuesday evening. The Lynxettes will have to have a little luck and improve their game to win this tourney. But, they seem to play better away from Hansford County than they do at home. These are the top 24 teams in the state, including Tulia and Spearman from the upper-Texas plains.

We don't have any information on the boys bracket, but we assume that Coy Palmer will broadcast the boys game, which we did learn is against Dumas, in the opening game of the Borger tourney. Coy and his crew are doing a fine job of covering the games this year.

For the first time in history, the Reporter staff is going to get to go to the Dallas tourney. So, we will bring you back some good pictures and etc., from Dallas, for the New Year's paper. Special sports note to James Cunningham: I am leaving Monday, and if Dallas beats Cleveland Saturday, I'll try to get some tickets to the world-championship game, between Dallas and Baltimore! Boy, won't that be something, getting to see the Lynxettes and the Cowboys all at the same time!



WHAT DO THE LYNXETTE'S WANT FOR CHRISTMAS--- Another state championship. The Christmas tree in the background is just part of the decorations throughout the high school building.



CHOSEN BEST DECORATED DOOR at Spearman High School was this door which was decorated by Mrs. Frances Hudson's FHA students. This is one out of some 40 doors which different classes decorated throughout the school.

Glover Child Improving

Patrick Marion Glover, 5-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Glover of Abilene, was released from the hospital December 14.

Marion Glover of Evant, Texas was in Spearman on business Wednesday and reported that his grandson was doing fine now after his long hospitalization.

The small lad spent 5 weeks in an Abilene hospital after being hit by a speeding automobile. He suffered severe head injuries and a broken right leg and for several weeks was in a semi-conscious condition. Patrick was crossing the street in front of his home when the accident occurred.

Mr. Glover, former Spearman citizen, motored here from Evant early Wednesday morning to check with his insurance company on damages to his building which was gutted in a fire here Saturday. He owns the building which housed the Steak House Cafe.

Local Youth Awaits Trial For Theft

Theft of a piggy bank was reported Monday December 16th from the Bill Hughes residence at 308 S. Brandt St.

City Police Chief Leland Wood said the thief had been cleared by the arrest of a 15-year old Spearman boy, who is awaiting action of the juvenile court.

The subject entered the Hughes home and used a pocket knife to pry open the piggy bank from which he took \$33.00 in change.



Mr. and Mrs. Burl McClellan of Arlington, Texas, announce the arrival of their adopted daughter, Luanne, born November 30, 1968 and weighing 8 lbs. 7 oz.

Morning Yule Party

Mrs. W. L. Russell was hostess for a Christmas coffee in her home Monday morning December 16, entertaining some of her friends.

Attending the holiday affair were Meses. John Berry, R. E. Lee, Walter Wilmet, Clay Gibner, Winfield Lewis, Freeman Barkley, Bruce Sheets and Bill Hutton.

Guy Stewart of Chetokah, Oklahoma was in Spearman Wednesday night visiting with his uncle, the R. C. Stewarts.

Christmas Social

Employees and their families of the City of Spearman enjoyed their annual Christmas party in the Grade School Cafeteria the evening of December 19.

Ladies of the cafeteria served the dinner of turkey and all the trimmings on dining tables covered with white cloths and decorated with white candles. The candles were trimmed in a green and blue holiday motif.

Santa Claus visited the party to give bags of treats to the children. Mr. Darce Foshee, City Manager, was in charge of the arrangements for the family Christmas party. Dinner was served to 87 City employees and their families.

Year's Rainfall Totals 21.82

A blustery cold front which slipped through the Panhandle Wednesday left the area with the season's first snowfall. Spearman received about an inch of snow although high winds did most of it up in drifts making it difficult for corn measurements.

coldest day for the year was last January 7 when the mercury dipped to a minus -2.

The hottest days for the year were June 28 and 29 with a 108 degree reading.

Rainfall thus far totals 21.82 which is slightly above the yearly average of 21.53 inches. Moisture by months reads like this:

January	.65
February	.69
March	.28
April	1.30
May	3.74
June	2.54
July	2.29
August	3.35
September	.72
October	5.31
November	.95



VETERAN UTILITY MAN HONORED-- Tom Waugh, veteran of more than 42 years service with Community Public Service, the last 30 as power plant superintendent in the Company's Panhandle Division, was honored at an employee dinner at the new Perryton Club December 6. Waugh, who will retire at the end of this year, is shown, center, receiving a gift certificate from R. L. Bowen, Community board chairman. Left is L. S. White, manager of the Power Company's Panhandle Division.



Hospital

Patients in Hansford Hospital are Elizabeth Beck, Pepper Burns, Richard Calfy, Nancy Carthel, J. C. Cates, Grace Gamble, Johnny Gibson, Rusty Gibson, Marg Green, Ruth Lee, Bertie McNabb, Estelle Nash, Isla Mae Patton, B. W. Renner, L. B. Robertson, Everett Rosenbaum, Mary Skinner, Elizabeth Swanson, Thelma Vaughn, Ed Vernon, Eddie Babbs, Bertha Camperman, Wade Messer, Maurine Etling.

Dismissed were Clara Lieb, Annabelle Parrish, Tom Sutton, Frances Escalante, Lilly Sloan, Mary Fern Terry, David Lee Tucker, Don Hart, Willis Sheets and Joe Day.

Businesses Will Close Two Days

These businesses will be closed December 25 and 26.

- Beedy Furniture
- Blackburns Flower Shop
- Boxwell Brothers Flower Shop
- Charlene Bulls Decorator
- J. L. Brock Agency
- Burton's T. V.
- Cates Men's Wear
- Chambers Dry Goods
- J. R. Collard Real Estate
- Community Public Service
- Farm Bureau
- Foxworth-Galbraith
- Gift Box
- Edwards Fabric Shop
- E. C. Greene Real Estate
- Hansford Abstract
- County Offices
- Cummings Refrigeration
- Lady Fair
- Massads
- North Plains Truck and Imp.
- Neelys
- Russells Dry Goods
- Harps Jewelry
- Louis Schnell Electric
- Spearman Floral
- Spearman Hardware
- Strawn Farm Supply
- Spearman Cable T. V.
- Western Auto
- Reeds Family Shoes
- Chamber of Commerce Office

Crawford & Bosecker To Head Jr. C of C

Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce met Monday evening and elected officers for the coming year.

Clay Crawford was named president and Chris Bosecker vice president. Secretary for the organization will be Dick Smith with Dick Countiss as the treasury officer for the second term.

8 P.M. on January 7, in the City Hall. All interested persons are invited to attend.

MARKETS

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Let Me See ... by Lybil

This issue of the Spearman Reporter is reaching you early this week so that the Miller Clan may spend Christmas in Pilot Point with our Aunt Bessie. This is our plan anyway. ... and if these plans materialize, it will be the longest vacation, and the first Christmas away from home since I have been privileged to belong to the Millers or the Newspaper either, for that matter. And I might add, that's been a LONG time. Come to think of it, I've been a member of the Newspaper staff, longer than I've been a personal member of the Miller tribe. ... and like the song says, "I can't have one without the other."

a few days off I mean) we've had to change a lot of scheduled plans. ... like put out two papers at one time. ... cancel beauty shop appointments. ... have Christmas early with my sister & family. ... and (most important of all) forget about getting my Christmas cards mailed. ...

SO, Merry Christmas to Dick & Betty, Susie, Mrs. Reed, Joan & family, J. R. & Juanita, Lois & Dick, Lela-mae, Vernon, and all the rest of you out-of-towners who hear from me just once a year. ... and to all my many friends locally. ... my Sunday School teacher, my Pastor, and all those people whom I love and appreciate so deeply and never quite get around to telling you so. I wish you all the joys of the season and happiness forever.

THESE little legends concerning symbols of Christmas are interesting to me and I hope will be for you, too:

THE CHRISTMAS TREE---now almost a universal symbol, probably came to America from Germany, although tradition has it that Christmas trees originated in Egypt. The palm tree is supposed to put forth a branch every month, and a spray of this tree, with 12 shoots on it, was used in Egypt.

CHRISTMAS ROSE---When Christ was born in Bethlehem and everyone was bearing gifts of great rarity and value for the Child, off in a corner, unnoticed, huddled a little shepherdess named Madelon who wept because she had no gift for the Baby. As her tears fell to the stable ground a

miracle came to pass: small lovely blooms sprang up among the tears; Madelon quickly gathered them and ran to show the Child the beautiful flowers. Little Jesus touched the blooms with his tiny fingers and behold! The petals flushed rosy pink! This was the Christmas Rose which now blooms abundantly in celebration of the Holy Birthday.

MISTLETOE---has always been regarded with great respect by the ancients, especially Roman Legionnaires. A soldier in the Roman legion gave mistletoe some reverence. If he met an enemy under a tree upon which mistletoe was growing, both men would drop their weapons, kiss each other and call a truce. Mistletoe was honored as a symbol of hope and peace. It has also been regarded as a plant of national disaster if it was ever to touch the earth. So the mistletoe was always hung high. Many ancients tied boughs of it above the doors of their barns and houses to ward off evil spirits.

THE ROBIN, now considered a harbinger of spring, a century ago was a favorite Christmas motif on cards and for decorative effect. Legend connected the robin with Christ. The legend states that the bird, in trying to ease Christ's suffering on His way to the crucifixion, pulled a thorn from the crown. In doing so, a drop of blood fell on the robin's chest and remained there forever.

In a world torn with violence at almost every level, through formally or informally declared war, in rioting, anarchy, in cruel discrimination, it is difficult for thinking people to truly experience Christmas '68.

As we of the 20th century move into this Holy Season, it comes to our mind that many, many years ago Bethlehem too was corrupted in peace of that little town in Judea was mocked with agonizing conditions of man.

But lo, a star shone, a Child was born and angels sang of peace on earth and good will toward all men.

Men and women everywhere sigh on December 26 and say they're glad Christmas is over again for another year. But it isn't over. it's just beginning! And it will go on forever.

have a wonderful holiday ...

Mrs. Boyd Hosts Circle

The Aletha Fuller Circle of the WMS of the Baptist Church met Monday evening December 16 in the home of Mrs. Granville Boyd.

The meeting was opened with the presentation of the prayer calendar by Mrs. Boyd. Mrs. Walter Woolley president presided over the meeting.

The Aletha Fuller Circle held the week of prayer for foreign missions this week. The program presented at the meeting "His Saving Grace Proclaim" was given by LeAlta Smith.

Refreshments were served to Alma Bradford, June Day, Lillie Hacker, Virginia Fowler, Mathilda Entreklin, Sada Hoskins, Velma Shoemaker, Dorothy Woolley, LeAlta Smith by the hostess.

CARD OF THANKS LOVING MEMORIES OF MRS. ROSE CHALMERS PORTER

Your gentle face and patient smile with sadness we recall; You had a kindly word for each and died beloved by all. The voice is mute and stilled the heart That loved us well and true. Ah! bitter was the trial to part From one so good as you. You are not forgotten, Loved one, Nor will you ever be; As long as life and memory last We will remember thee. We miss you now, our hearts are sore; As time goes by we miss you more. Your loving smile, your gentle face-- No one can fill your vacant place, Myrtle Stephen (a friend) Borger, Texas

Helpful Hints From Me To Thee . . .

By Vivian Warminski
Hansford Co. Home Demonstration Agent

Cookies for the holidays must be extra special--extra special for your family, for special parties, for a table centerpiece for bazaar sales, for gifts that say "Happy Holidays", to say nothing of that lovely gentlemen known as Mr. Santa Claus.

7-UP OAT MEAL DROP COOKIES

2 1/2 cups sifted flour
1 teasp. baking soda
2/3 cup butter or margarine
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 eggs
2 tablesp. molasses
1/2 teasp. salt
1 teasp. cinnamon
1/2 cup 7 Up
2 cups rolled oats
1 cup chopped nuts
1 cup raisins

Sift flour with baking soda, Mix butter or margarine, sugar and eggs until creamy. Blend in molasses, salt and cinnamon. Mix in 7 Up alternately with flour mixture. Blend in oats, nuts and raisins. Drop dough by teaspoonfuls, 2" apart, onto lightly greased cookie sheet. Bake in preheated 450 degree F. oven for 8-10 minutes. Remove from baking sheet and cool on wire rack. Makes 80 cookies.

7 Up HOLIDAY DRPCS
3/4 cups sifted flour
1 teasp. baking soda
1 teasp. salt
1 cup butter or margarine
1 3/4 cups light brown sugar, packed
2 eggs
1/2 cup 7 Up
1/2 teasp. almond extract
1 1/2 cups broken pecans
2 cups chopped candied cherries or candied mixed fruit
2 cups golden raisins
2 cups shredded coconut
Sift together flour, baking soda and salt. Mix, until creamy, butter or margarine, brown sugar and eggs; add 7 Up and extract; stir in flour mixture, then pecans, candied fruit, raisins and coconut. Blend well. Refrigerate dough for approximately two hours. Drop dough by teaspoonfuls, 2" apart, on lightly greased cookie sheet. Bake in preheated 400 degree F. oven 8-10 minutes. Remove from cookie sheet immediately and cool on wire rack. Makes 8 dozen.

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What's Going On In HANSFORD County

THURSDAY, DEC. 19-Spearman Jr. High Teams travel to White Deer. Game time is 6:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, DEC. 19-Spearman A Girls and A Boys versus Tulia Hornets in Lynx Gym. Game time is 6:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, DEC. 19-Morse High School Basketball Teams versus Lefors at Morse at 6:30 p.m.
DECEMBER 19-20-21-Gruver Basketball teams participate in Clarendon Tournament.
THURSDAY, DEC. 19-Gruver Jr. High versus Canadian at Canadian. Game time is 5:00 p.m.
THURSDAY, DEC. 19-NFO meeting to be held in the Gruver High School Cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. All members, interested farmers, ranchers and their wives invited.
FRIDAY, DEC. 20-Spearman B Boys versus Borger in Borger Gym at 4:45 p.m.
SUNDAY, DEC. 22-First Christian Church Christmas Fellowship at 6:30 p.m. There will be Christmas Caroling afterwards. Everyone invited.
MONDAY, DEC. 23-Christmas holidays for Spearman Public School begins
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25-CHRISTMAS DAY.

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WARNING TO DRIVERS

AUSTIN--A warning that 33 persons may die in traffic accidents in Texas during the Christmas and New Year's holiday periods was issued today by Colonel Wilson E. (Pat) Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Speir said the DPS will activate a special "Operation Motorcade" in an effort to remove unsafe drivers from the roads and lower the holiday traffic death toll. As part of this program, all available DPS officers will be on duty during the two holiday periods.

In addition, Speir noted that the Department will make full use of radar, helicopter and VASCAR as enforcement aids to officers.

"Operation Motorcade" will be in effect from 6 p. m. Tuesday, December 24 to midnight Wednesday, December 25, and from 6 p. m. Tuesday, December 31 to midnight Wednesday, January 1," Speir said. "DPS Statistical Services estimate that 19 persons will be killed in traffic accidents in the state during the Christmas period, with 14 fatalities estimated for the New Year's period," he

added.

VASCAR, which stands for "visual average speed computer and recorder," is a computerized device carried in some Highway Patrol cars which enables the patrolman to accurately clock speeders moving in any direction, even while the patrol car is in motion.

TAX MAN SAM SEZ SIGN THAT RETURN----

Way back, "Since Buck was a Yearling," Internal Revenue has been telling taxpayers to SIGN those tax returns--both husband and wife if a joint return. In pointing out the more common errors made by taxpayers throughout the country, IRS says forgetting to sign was still a major problem last year.

However, in the Dallas District very few taxpayers forgot to sign their returns. It appears that the Texas tax folks talk to Texas taxpayers a lot more about signing those returns. We know Texans are often accused of talking more or too much. We're not sure whether Texans--even those working for IRS--talk more than the average American, but Texas taxpayers' following IRS's advice does disprove the old saying--"You can tell a Texan, but not very much." It appears that IRS told the Texans to sign, and they signed.

Win 4-H Scholarships



Cynthia Hutchison, 16, of Spearman, was awarded a \$600 scholarship from Carnation Company for taking national honors in the 4-H Dairy Foods program. She was one of six national champions in the program.

Norman Kohls, 18, of Boerne, was also one of six to receive a \$600 scholarship from Wilson & Co. Inc., a subsidiary of Ling-Temco-Vought Inc. These winners had outstanding records in their sheep projects.

Marjorie York, 18, of Wharton, was awarded a \$500 scholarship by Ford Motor Company Fund for her many achievements in the over-all 4-H program.

During the congress, the young Texans visited Chicago museums. They also attended a special concert played by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, a horse show and rodeo as guests of the International Live Stock Exposition management, and enjoyed entertainment by top performers at the round of breakfasts, luncheons and dinners given in their honor.

The Cooperative Extension Service determined the national award winners.

This rate includes 5.0 percent for retirement, survivors, and disability insurance, and 0.9 percent for hospital insurance.

Younger workers, as well as those who are middle-aged or older, can look forward to getting social security retirement benefits worth considerably more than the total they will pay into social security toward that retirement protection, Weatherly stated.

In addition, he said, they have survivors and disability insurance under social security that may mean as much as \$75,000 to \$100,000 in payments to an individual family, should the worker die or become disabled for work before retirement.

A look at the schedule of benefits and contributions in today's law, Weatherly said, will assure the worker that his social security is a good investment. But he can look forward to an ever greater appreciation in its value in the years ahead. Unlike the usual private insurance contract which promises a fixed amount of money in return for a specified premium, the value of social security protection grows as the economy grows.

plans are to install the time sharing computer in the early summer of 1969 and that it will be equipped with the latest communications equipment for servicing agriculture throughout the High Plains area.

Agricultural Computing Company has recently completed a three months survey of feed yards in Texas, California and Colorado. This survey defined the management information needed by feed yards on a daily, weekly, monthly and demand basis. The system to provide this management information is now under development and is expected to be completed sometime during the summer of 1969. When completed, Wilson said, this system will be the largest and most modern servicing agriculture in the United States.

Several sites for the new data center are now under evaluation. Agricultural Computing Company expects to develop the site during the spring of 1969 with operations to begin during the summer of 1969.

This modern information center will bring national recognition and leadership in agricultural management to the High Plains area. Agricultural Computing Company will also back up this information center with an agricultural research division. This research division will be responsible for the application of advanced computer techniques to the solution of agricultural management problems. This research division will be devoted solely to advanced agricultural management information systems. These systems will be projected for use in three to seven years, thus allowing Agricultural Computing Company and the High Plains area to maintain their leadership in agricultural information systems.



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low level.

Dr. Lawrence Pessarra, DVM, who is in charge of animal disease surveillance and control with the Texas State Department of Health's Veterinary Division, urged the winter immunization.

"Now that animal rabies is at its lowest ebb in years, it would be the ideal time to effectively immunize pets before the usual winter and spring increase in cases," said Dr. Pessarra.

Dr. Pessarra pointed to a marked decrease in the number of animal rabies cases confirmed by the Health Department laboratories in July, August and September and October. October had only 11 cases.

Dr. Pessarra said the low confirmation in October of 11 cases is "lowest for any month since I can remember."

Through November the number of confirmed cases was 241, which puts 1968 far below the average for 11 months. The five-year median of cases is 389. Even a large December surge wouldn't approach the five-year median.

Looking back through his records, he said the lowest yearly number of cases he could find occurred in 1931 --310 confirmed cases. This contrasts sharply with 1,329 cases in 1933 and

1,394 cases in 1952.

Rabies is a disease for which there is no cure once a human comes down with it. A series of dangerous shots is necessary once a person is bitten by a rabid animal or one suspected of having the disease.

Deaths due to rabies are rare, but they do occur.

The first U. S. death from rabies in two years has been reported by the National Communicable Disease Center in Atlanta. The victim was a 13 year old Elk City, Kansas boy who died in October after a 63-day illness. NCDC said the youth had been bitten several times a week since January while delivering newspapers.

An investigation disclosed that the 525 residents of the boy's home town had close contact with a large skunk population known to have rabies.

Infection in the wildlife kingdom is one of the dangers of rabies which points to the necessity of having pets immunized. Dr. Pessarra said there is no way of telling how many wild animals have rabies and die of it in the woods after infecting other animals. Pets which come across wild animals could contract the disease. Horses and cows often are bitten by rabid animals.

SS Tax Increase Starts Jan. 1

Starting with the first pay checks they receive in the New Year, the Nation's working people will pay 4.8 percent of their earnings toward their social security protection, an increase of 0.04 of one percent over the contribution rate in effect since the beginning of 1967.

Social security contributions are still payable on only the first \$7,800 of annual earnings, Howard L. Weatherly, social security Officer-in-charge, said today. For a person earning \$7,800 or more a year (\$150 a week or over), the increase will amount to 60 cents a week; a worker earning \$100 a week will pay 40 cents a week more.

The increase that goes into effect January 1, was scheduled in the social security amendments of 1967. Those amendments increased cash benefits for all beneficiaries by at least 13 percent. The increase

in benefits payable to workers and their families in the future will be even greater, Weatherly said. Retirement protection for workers and their families is increased, and so is the protection wives and children have if the worker should die. There is also improved protection for the entire family if the family breadwinner should become disabled for work for a period of 12 months or more.

The contribution rate of 4.8 percent for 1969-70 is actually slightly lower than the 4.9 percent rate that was scheduled for those 2 years in the previous law, Weatherly said.

Gradual increases are scheduled in the contribution rate until, for 1987 and later, the rate will be 5.9 percent. Weatherly noted that this is only 0.25 of one percent higher than the rate scheduled in the law before the amendments of 1967.

Computer Service For Feed Yards

Agriculture Computing Company has announced the acquisition of an IBM 360 computer for their new agricultural data center now being developed. Agricultural Computing Company was recently formed to provide computer services for feed yards and other agricultural businesses. These time sharing computer services are to be provided by communication lines between feed yards in the High Plains area and the data center to be located in Amarillo. The company now provides services from their Hereford facility without communication lines.

The Hereford division now provides pick up and delivery computerized information services for feed yards, rural electric cooperatives and farm accounting.

Don Wilson, President of Agricultural Computing Company, said that present

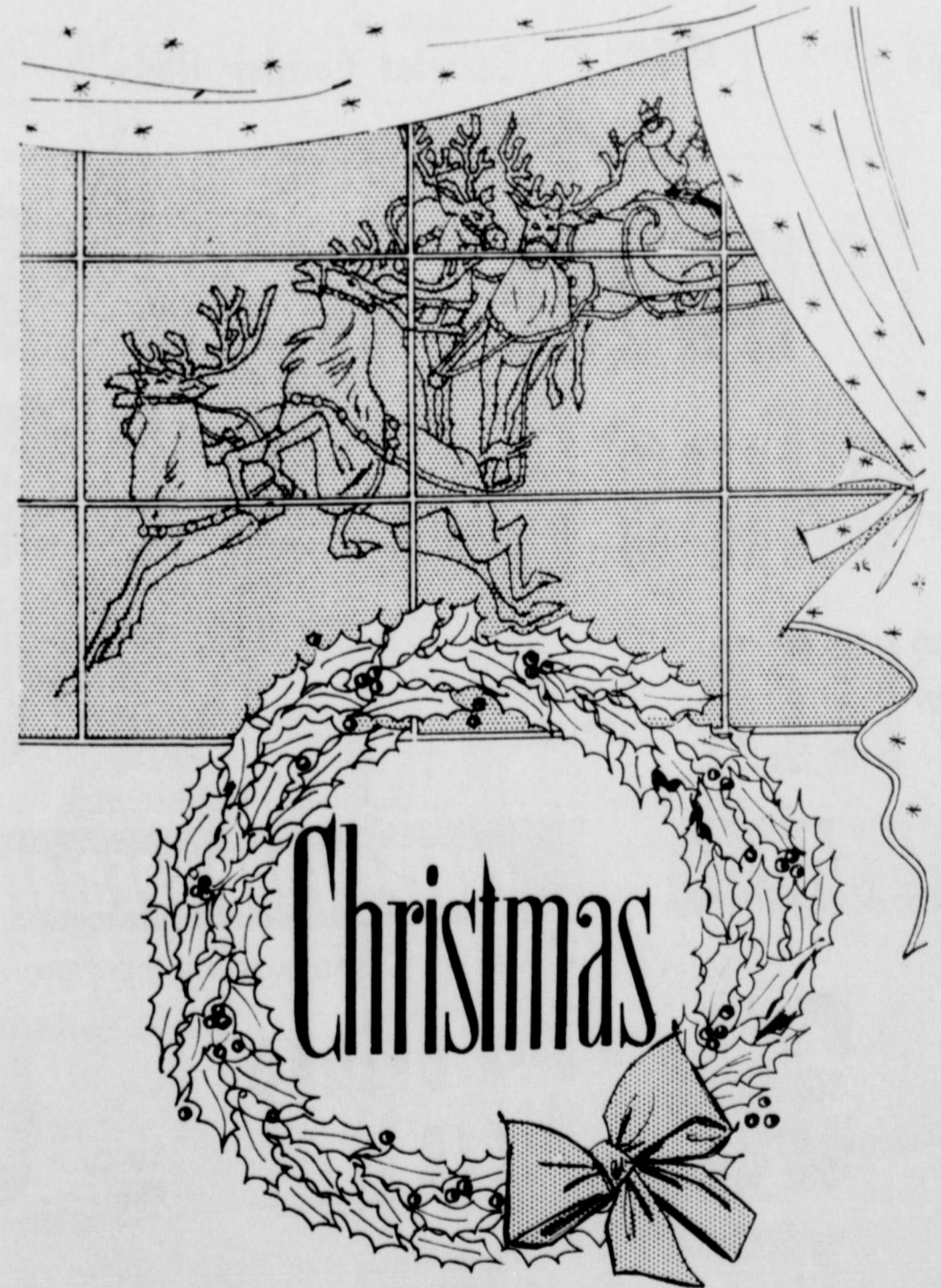
Vaccinate Pets Now Against Rabies

With the number of rabies cases in Texas heading toward what could be an all-time low, health authorities are urging the vaccination of pets to keep the disease at a

NOTICE

OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 23 THRU DECEMBER 28 SO THAT WE MAY ENJOY THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, OPEN MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1968

R. L. Kleeberger
M. D.



Greetings to our good friends and neighbors...

Peggy And Carl Archer



Merry Christmas

Our warmest greetings are extended with the hope that this Holiday season brings you good health and much happiness. And may the joys of this Christmas be yours for all time. A Merry Christmas everyone!

HACKLEY CLINIC

D.P.S. Warns Against Drinking And Driving

THE BIGGEST HOLIDAY season of the year is here--- Christmas and New Year's--- and pardon the unhappy thought, but that means more deaths on our streets and highways caused by drinking drivers stated Major Luther Moore, Regional Commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety for this Region.

The drinking driver problem has been rising steadily through the past years until now---one to four percent of drivers on the road are accounting for about 50 to 55 percent of all fatal crashes. Statistics reveals that the use of alcohol by drivers and pedestrians leads to some 25,000 deaths and at least 800,000 non-fatal crashes in the nation each year.

Besides being the direct cause of accidents, alcohol is found to be the causative factor in many other violations leading to an accident. During holiday periods it has been found that alcohol was a causative factor in 80 to 85 percent of motor vehicle and pedestrian accidents.

Especially tragic, is the fact that much loss in life, limb, and property damage involves completely innocent people. In a grim crash statistic last year, a family of ten was wiped out by just one drinking driver.

Major Moore lists some facts about alcohol that all drivers should know:

1. Alcohol is not a stimulant and is classified as a depressant.
2. Even small amounts of alcohol tend to reduce judgment, self-control and driving ability.
3. Coffee and other stimulants will not off-set the effects of alcohol. Only time can eliminate alcohol from the blood stream.
4. It takes at least three hours to oxidize (eliminate) one ounce of pure alcohol, which is about two cocktails.
5. Two cocktails, which is about 0.4% of alcohol may reduce visual acuity as much as wearing dark glasses at night.
6. You do not have to be obviously intoxicated to be "under the influence" to be an unsafe driver.

Major Moore also stated that all uniformed enforcement personnel during the holiday period will be especially alert to the drinking driver and remove them from the streets and highways for protection to others and themselves.

The Commander concluded by saying, "alcohol and gasoline does not mix when behind the steering wheel of an automobile."

Children Qualify Now For SS Help

Children of women workers who are deceased, retired or disabled may now be eligible for social security benefits on the mother's record, even if they were previously found ineligible, according to Howard L. Weatherly, social security Officer-in-charge, in Pampa.

Until recently, the child of a woman worker could receive benefits only if the mother had worked under social security at least one-and-one-half years out of the three years prior to her retirement, disability or death, or if she were actually contributing at least one-half of the child's support, Weatherly said.

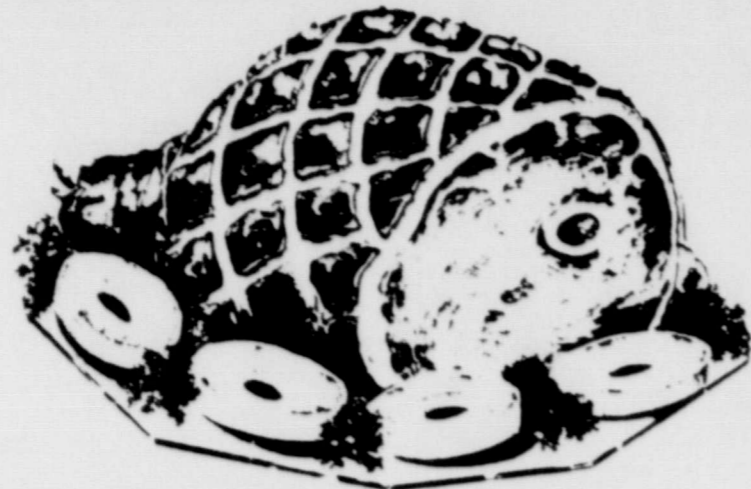
Under the 1967 social security amendments, however, a change was made in this requirement of either recent work or current support. If the mother has worked long enough under social security to be fully insured, her children are deemed to be dependent upon her and may qualify for benefits. Weatherly said that children who may qualify can include minor children under age 18, full-time students between 18 and 22, and adult children who have been totally disabled since before age 18. A child must be unmarried, to qualify.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the social security office at 400 W. Kingsmill, Pampa, Texas.

Intersection accidents are one of the five major types that results in the most damage and injury, according to Liberty Mutual Insurance Companies. Drivers hurrying to and from vacation spots should be especially careful at dangerous corners.

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- CENTER CUT Fresh Pork Roast Lb. **39c**
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- LEAN, TENDER Fresh Pork Cutlets Lb. **79c**
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GRADE "A" 18 TO 22-Lb. AVERAGE
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- U.S.D.A. GRADE A 4 TO 6-Lb. Camelot Turkey Roast Lb. **89c**
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- U.S.D.A. GRADE A Camelot Cornish Hens 22-Oz. Size **79c**

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Spanish Rice 2 25c

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DELICIOUS
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Fairmont Dip 'n Snacks 8-Oz. Ctn. **39c**

FOR BAKED POTATOES
Fairmont Sour Cream 12-Oz. Ctn. **33c**

KRAFT PHILADELPHIA
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ALL VARIETIES
Kraft Link Cheese 6-Lb. Lb. **39c**

PREFECT FOR THE PARTY!

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11-Oz. Pkg. **39¢**

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Jeno's Pizza Rolls 6-Oz. Pkg. **59c**

ALL VARIETIES
Banquet Meat Dinners 11-Oz. Pkg. **39c**

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Banquet Cream Pies 14-Oz. Pkg. **29c**

LARGE SIZE
Patio Beef Tacos Pkg. Of 6 **49c**

PATIO
Enchilada Dinners 12-Oz. Pkg. **49c**

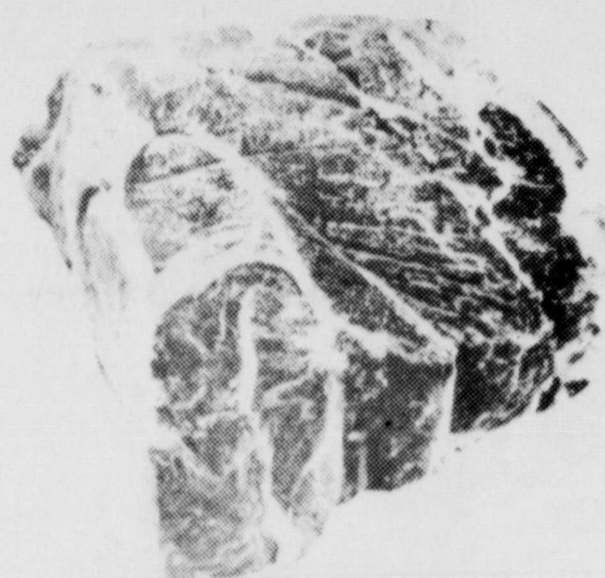
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- FINE FOR QUICK MEALS Tender Cube Steaks Lb. **\$1.19**
- EXCELLENT FOR BROILING Chopped Sirloin Steak Lb. **79c**
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- CENTER BLADE CUT Chuck Steaks U.S.D.A. CHOICE Lb. **59c**
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- ALWAYS FRESH—ALWAYS LEAN Ground Chuck Lb. **69c**
- SWIFTS PROTEIN BEEF Boneless Chuck Steak Lb. **79c**

- SWIFT'S PREMIUM Sliced Bacon 1-Lb. Pkg. **69c**
- PREMIUM OR MEADOWDALE Skinless Franks 1-Lb. Pkg. **59c**
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RUBY RED
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GOOCH'S
MACARONI OR SPAGHETTI
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FOR GOOD LUCK! KUNERS
BLACK EYED PEAS
2 300 CANS **29¢**

- Bee Honey 12-Oz. Jar **49c**
- Instant Breakfast Pkg. of 7 **59c**
- Constituted Lemon Juice 24-Oz. Btl. **59c**
- Constituted Lemon Juice 2-Oz. Btl. **19c**
- Tomato Juice 5 10-Oz. Cans **\$1.00**
- Crackers 1-Lb. Box **39c**
- Salty Pretzels Pkg. **39c**
- Ale, Collins OR Pasta Club Cola 2 28-Oz. Btls. **39c**
- Minute Oats 18-Oz. Pkg. **35c**



COLORADO

Red Potatoes
20 LB. BAG **59¢**

COLORADO
Russet Potatoes 20 LB. BAG **79¢**

CALIFORNIA
Avocados
3 FOR **29¢**



KRAFT
Orange Juice
QUART BOTTLE **39¢**

Black Coffee Won't Sober Up Drunk Drivers

AUSTIN, DEC. 10—Black coffee doesn't sober up drunks -- it just keeps some of them awake, the Texas Safety Association noted today while warning the state's drivers not to be misled by false notions about drinking and driving.

"Many driver wrongly believe they can end an evening's drinking spree with a couple of cups of black coffee, get in their cars and drive home safely. This dependence upon the non-existent sobering effect of black coffee just puts wide awake drunks behind the wheel," Robert F. Miller, Vice President for Traffic Safety said.

"Contrary to popular belief, coffee will not overcome the effects of alcohol--only time and body processes can accomplish this."

The Safety Association official also dispels the notion that a full stomach helps sober folks up. It may tend to slow the rate at which alcohol is absorbed into the blood stream, but it doesn't keep the alcohol from reaching the brain--it only delays it.

The most important factors contributing to alcoholic influence are the amount of alcohol absorbed into the blood and the amount of time allowed for the elimination of this alcohol.

Mr. Miller emphasized that the Safety Association is not taking issue with the merits of coffee as a beverage, nor is it presumptive enough to suggest that no adult driver can have one drink with his dinner and an hour later get behind the wheel of his car and drive safely.

"In fact, a research study reported by the Secretary of Transportation to Congress, shows the driving ability of many normal adults is not often severely influenced by having two drinks in two hours.

Mr. Miller pointed out that a chart based on body weight has been published by the Baton Rouge Area Council on Alcoholism to show levels of intoxication in relation to consumption. The chart indicates that the average adult driver in good health weighing 120 pounds may have three drinks in a four-hour period and rarely be under the influence of alcohol. If he adds a fourth drink, he may possibly be affected; but with a fifth drink in that four-hour period, he is definitely intoxicated and his driving ability will be affected.

An adult weighing 160 pounds could have four drinks in a four-hour period and be legally sober in most states. If he adds another drink, he becomes possibly intoxicated. Two more, or a total of seven, drinks in that four-hour period and he becomes definitely intoxicated.

An adult driver weighing 200 pounds could have as many as five drinks in a four-hour period and rarely be under the influence of alcohol. If he adds a sixth drink, he is possibly influenced and with another two to three drinks, he is definitely intoxicated.

In the body weight charts, one drink is figured as one ounce of 100 proof liquor or 12 ounces of beer. A person is presumed to be intoxicated when the blood alcohol concentration reaches .10 or more.

While the body weight charts do show how much the average adult driver may drink before he is definitely intoxicated, Mr. Miller warned that other factors such as health, fatigue, emotional condition, food intake, type of alcoholic beverage and drinking habits, also affect levels of alcohol influence.

He also cautioned drivers that during the period the body is eliminating alcohol, they may be easily convinced that they are no longer feeling the effects of alcohol and that they are sober.

"This may be a delusion," he added. "The individual is falsely comparing his peak feelings of impairment with the declining impairment that he feels as his body eliminates the alcohol from his blood. He is not sober. He is only making a dangerously false comparison."

The Safety Association is releasing this information as a recent Texas medical study shows that 68 percent of persons killed in one-car crashes and 42 percent of those killed in multiple-car accidents had blood alcohol concentrations of .10 or more at the time of their death.

"To be sure and safe," Mr. Miller concluded--"don't drink if you have to drive."

Knowing how to control a skidding car can be valuable information, according to Liberty Mutual Insurance Companies. Never jam on the brakes or step down on the accelerator. Steering in the direction of the skid and pumping the brakes are the most effective ways of regaining control of the vehicle.

Federal Grant Will Develop Palo Duro Park

AUSTIN--A Federal grant of \$112,400 has been approved for additional development of Palo Duro State Park, 12 miles east of Canyon in Armstrong and Randall Counties, according to Will Odom, chairman of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission.

These funds will be matched by appropriations made by the State Legislature on a 50-50 basis for a total of \$224,800.

The funds will be used to provide outdoor recreation for the general public by constructing restrooms, campsites, trailer units with shade shelters, roads and parking facilities, and necessary supporting utilities.

The project also includes design, layout, site preparation and landscaping.

Palo Duro Canyon is approximately one million years old and exposes 90 million years of geological formations.

The canyon was the scene of a decisive battle between Comanche and Kiowa Indians and the U. S. Army troops under General Ronald MacKenzie (1874-76).

The early history of Texas is depicted in a musical drama, "Texas" held in the Park's outdoor theater.

The Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund Program is administered on the Federal level by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, U. S. Department of the Interior. Its funds are derived from the sale of the \$7 Golden Eagle Passport, and other recreation funds.

Odom is State Liaison Officer for the fund and responsible for reviewing projects and proposals submitted for Federal Assistance.

Barnes Reports On UN Meet

AUSTIN--Farmers in Texas and throughout the U. S. must begin thinking in international terms if the nation is to realize its potential in agriculture, House Speaker Ben Barnes said after returning from a United Nations agricultural conference in Geneva, Switzerland.

Barnes was designated by the U. S. State Department to attend a meeting of the Committee on Agriculture of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe. He and other representatives from the U. S., the Soviet Union and the European countries spent four days last week discussing the farming and ranching programs of Europe and their relation to those of other nations throughout the world.

"When you look at the world wide food needs and project them just a short distance into the future, it is clear that if we are going to develop agriculture to its potential and provide adequate food to support future generations, we must begin thinking in international terms," Barnes said. "We can no longer worry just about state or even national problems. Agricultural products are becoming increasingly significant as a vital part of foreign exchange, and we must begin closely coordinating our efforts for production and marketing efficiency with other nations around the world."

Barnes said he is keenly interested in meeting with agricultural groups in Texas to pass on information and relate problems that were discussed at the Geneva conference.

"Farmers and ranchers in Texas can do a great deal more right now to begin programs that will benefit them and help ease the world food shortage of the future," he said.

A report of the proceedings and recommendations of the Geneva meeting will be submitted to the U. N. Economic Commission for Europe, which meets annually to study the continent's economic situation and problems as a whole. It uses findings of committees, such as that for agriculture, to plan action for the next year and for reaching international agreements.

Committee meetings also provide an exchange for information and opinions that are helpful in reaching an understanding on problems of common concern to the participating governments, Barnes said.

Helen Collard of Canyon and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald C. Long of Amarillo will be in Spearman for Christmas with their family, the John R. Collards.

Auditions For TEXAS Cast January 3rd

In order to accommodate students who can be in the Texas Panhandle during the Christmas Holidays, there will be auditions for the cast of the 1969 season of the "TEXAS" Musical-drama on Friday January 3, 1969. Mr. William A. Moore the director of the production has asked parents of actors and singers and dancers who are away at school to take note of this date and mention it to their families. Auditions will be held from 1:00 to 4:00 P. M. at the Fine Arts Building on the campus of West Texas State University which is on Highway 87 in Canyon.

Other audition dates are: Saturday, January 25, 1969, 9 to 12 a. m. and 1 to 4 p. m. Fine Arts Building, WT SU, Canyon, Texas.

Saturday, March 1, 1969, 9 to 12 a. m., Drama Dept., El Centro College, Main & Lamar Streets, Dallas, Tex.

For additional information, please write P. O. Box 268, Canyon, Texas, 79015.

"TEXAS" is the spectacular musical-drama by the noted playwright, Paul Green, which appears in the beautiful theatre in the Palo Duro Canyon during the summer months. Casts of the production have played to more than 190,000 people since its opening in 1966.

Animal Health Meet Set

Livestockmen from Texas and the Southwest are invited to an Animal Health Conference in San Antonio on Feb. 28 and March 1st sponsored by the Texas Veterinary Medical Association and the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University. The San Antonio Convention Center is headquarters for the meeting. The conference, which features 50 speakers from 7 states is an effort by the sponsors to bring livestockmen the very latest information on animal health and will feature general topics as well as topics on Beef Cattle and Feedlot Cattle, Dairy, Swine, Sheep and Goats, and Horses.

According to the Conference

Chairman, Dr. B. R. Trimmer of San Antonio, a practitioner of Veterinary Medicine, and Dr. L. C. Grumbles of College Station, professor of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M, the Conference is the first of its kind in the Southwest to be offered at a single meeting. Veterinarians will share their experiences with livestockmen by emphasizing nutrition, management and the study of disease problems. Time will be provided for discussion and informal questions and answers, they said.

The beef cattle and feedlot section will feature authoritative speakers on preconditioning, environment as it affects performance, viral and bacterial diseases, as well as other topics.

The dairy section will stress calf management, disease in the dairy herd, management, breeding and herd records.

The horse (equine) section will deal with wound treatment, feeding and care, parasite control, vaccinations, breeding and care of the foal, among other topics.

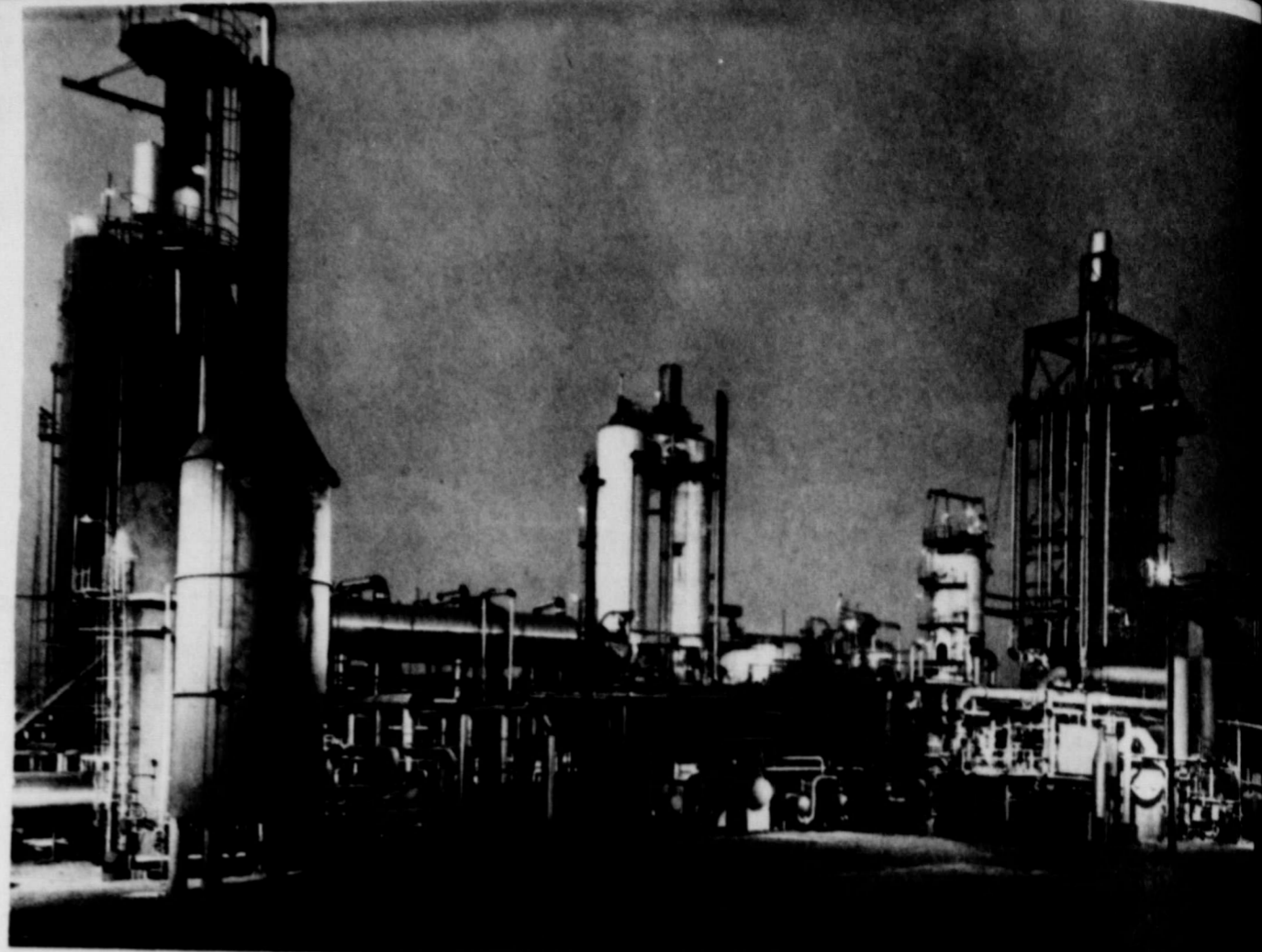
Sheep and goat raisers will get the latest information on disease, nitrate problems, feedlot care and management and late research data on sheep and goats.

Swine producers will have experts to discuss with them the latest on vaccination and disease prevention, parasites, reproduction and other topics.

Livestockmen who want to receive a complete program and other details of the Animal Health Conference should write: Charles H. Huff, Executive Secretary, Southwestern Animal Health Conference for Livestockmen, Suite 3-D, 610 Brazos Street, Austin, Texas 78701.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Chisum and son of Plattsburg, New York are in Spearman for the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Chisum. Mrs. Chisum's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Haney of Mounds, Oklahoma are also visiting in the Chisum home.

Mrs. Wiles Burgess is expecting her daughter and family from Denver, the Earnest Janzens, for Christmas with her in Spearman. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Witt and boys of Perryton will also be here.



HILL CHEMICALS DEDICATES A 1000-TON-A-DAY AMMONIA PLANT AT BORGER, TEXAS

Hill Chemicals, Inc., Dallas, dedicated its \$18 million, 1000-ton-a-day ammonia plant in Borger, Texas on December 5. Output of the plant, which is located near the source of natural gas feedstock in the Texas Panhandle, will feed into the nation's first anhydrous ammonia common carrier pipeline, which will serve farm areas in Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa. The plant was designed, engineered and constructed by The M. W. Kellogg Company, a division of Pullman Incorporated.

Mrs. Floydgan Gatlin, Susie and Jeff will be in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Crawford for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bassel of Brenham, Texas are expected to spend Christmas with Edna's family, the Buchanan's in Spearman.

Mrs. D. W. Hazelwood recently enjoyed visits from her sons and their families, the D. W. Hazelwoods and the Hugh Hazelwoods of Lubbock.

Sgt. and Mrs. Bill Carter are in Spearman for the holiday season and will remain here until after the first of the year. They are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Smith.

Mrs. Mabel Edwards is expecting her sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. McCarty for Christmas. The McCarty's live in Wichita Falls, Texas and she is the former Norma Berner. The family will have dinner on Christmas day in the bank building.

Visitors expected in the Beulah Burger home for the holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Noel Hooks of Ada, Oklahoma, Roberta Burger of Las Vegas, Nevada, and the Jack Praters.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Campbell were in Mangum, Oklahoma last weekend where they attended the funeral of Mrs. Campbell's brother-in-law, Mr. Clyde Thompson.

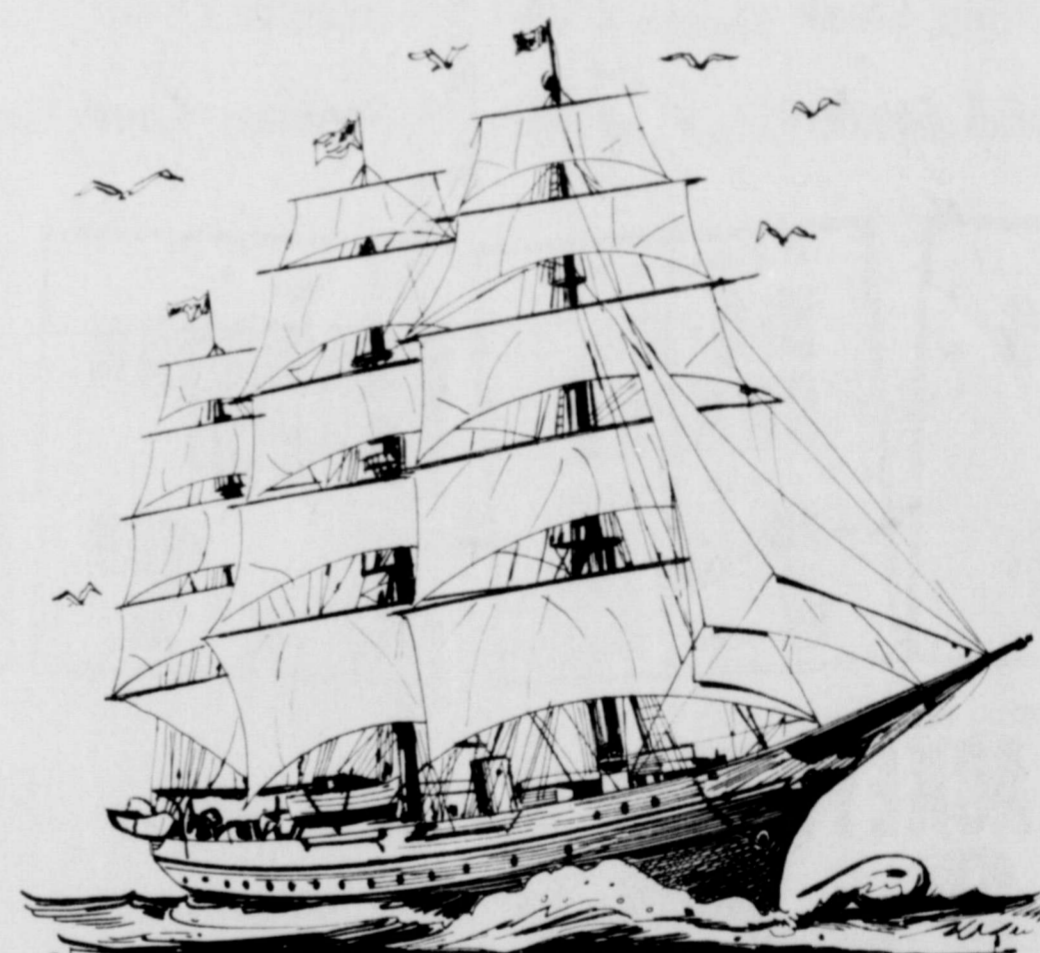
Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Clements of Dumas visited Spearman with her parents, the H. P. Cates this past Thursday.

Lloyd Carrol, who is now serving in the Air Force, will be home for Christmas holidays with his parents in Spearman.

Christmas Cheer



As our homes resound with the joy of the holidays, let us give thanks for our many blessings.



GREETINGS OF THE NEW YEAR - 1969 -

Smooth sailing for a successful year is one of our many best wishes to you.

CANTRELL'S FLYING SERVICE

20th Century Clubs Enjoy Yule Party

The joint Christmas party of the Twentieth Century Clubs of Spearman was held December 12 in the HD Club with Mrs. Frank Davis, Guy Fuller, Mrs. John and Mrs. Jack McWhirter as hostesses.

Mrs. Jack McWhirter presided over the business session at which time the nominating committee for 1969 was elected.

Mrs. Bill Massie introduced Mrs. Don Knox who gave the program for the day. Mrs. Knox began her program by

singing "Lute Carol" accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Kenneth McKay and on the flute by Jerry Toler. She continued by reading scriptures from Matthew and Luke of the Christmas story and singing "Away In The Manger", "What Child Is This", "The Birthday Of A King", and led members in group singing of "Silent Night", "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "The First Noel", "O Come All Ye Faithful", and completed the program with "Joy To The World".

Twentieth Century Club members, instead of a gift exchange, brought gifts to be sent to the State Hospital in Wichita Falls.

Present for the party were Mmes. John Allen, Deta Blodgett, George Buzzard, Woodville Jarvis, Lewis Koerselman, P. A. Lyon, Bill Massie, L. S. McLain, Jack McWhirter, C. U. Pope, Olen Sheets, Ed Garner, L. L. Anthony, Marvin Jones, Frank Davis, Guy Fuller, Fred Holt, Mike Holt, O. C. Holt, Wayne Hutchison, Larry Irbeck, Dick Kilgore, Johnny Lee, D. E. Spoonemore, J. R. Stump, Joe Trayler, Jack Vanderburg.

Girl Scouts Make Gifts For Parents

Brownie Girl Scout Troop 190 had its Christmas party Thursday afternoon December 19.

Group II met in the home of leader Jo Biddle with Natalie Bell serving refreshments. Group I met in the home of leader Barbara Moran with Sue Close serving refreshments.

The Brownies finished and wrapped gifts for their parents which they have been working on for the past few weeks. They also brought gifts to be sent to an orphan-

age, instead of the usual gift exchange between Scouts. Mrs. Burl Buchanan assisted with the party.

Present were Beth Sheppard, Tammy Bynum, Stacia Anthony, Brenda Fanning, Sheri Fox, Donita Phillips, Jennifer Umphress, Connie Vernon, De Ann Weese, Christy West, Terri White, Sue Close, Jonell Moran, Jo Nell Comegys, Cyndi Biddle, Jana Beth Buchanan, Natalie Bell, Phyllis Crawford and Trenna Cook.

Mrs. Helen Fisher Is Dinner Hostess

Mrs. Helen Fisher was hostess for a family dinner in her home Sunday December 15. Her brother Monroe Buchanan was here for several days visiting relatives and this was the family gathering.

Those present for the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Zack Fisher and children of Mem-

phis; Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Buchanan and children, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Frieze of Hardesty, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cates and Charles and Helen Fisher.

Christmas Or Catastrophe?

DALLAS, Dec. 5 -- Somewhere in OUR town, a screaming siren will signal the end of a dream. Perhaps little Mary's dream of a beautiful new doll... fulfilled in the gaiety of Christmas morning, punctured and lost later in the rubble of a fire... because Dad made the mistake of using defective lights on the Christmas tree.

Or, more tragically, will it be Dad himself... faithful to his pledge not to take more than one drink at that holiday cocktail party... but the victim of another driver's carelessness?

At home and on the highways, life's hazards are amplified and even multiplied during the Christmas holiday season, the Insurance Information Institute warned today. The Institute pointed out that Christmas, which many regard as the most joyous of holiday periods, can also be the most dangerous.

"Let's keep the jingle bells ringing and the sirens quiet this year," a spokesman urged. "We can do it... by going on the defensive against accidents."

Weather conditions, crowded highways and over-partying have combined to generate more traffic tragedies at Christmas than during any other holiday period, the Institute observed. In the home, too many people in effect invite tragedy by carelessness born of the enthusiasm of the season.

Yuletide accidents at home can be prevented through the exercise of a few simple precautions, the I.I.I. asserted. It offered these suggestions:

Keep your Christmas tree outside until you are ready to use it. When you set it up, use a sturdy stand that can hold plenty of water and position the tree away from sources of heat. Use flame-proof decorations.

Inspect lighting sets for fraying and loose sockets, and make sure they bear the approved label (UL) of the Underwriters Laboratories. Don't use electric lights on metal trees.

Plug the light cord into an outlet that can be controlled by a switch some distance from the tree, and always make sure the lights are off when you leave the house or go to bed.

If you use outdoor lighting, be sure your wiring and electrical equipment are of the kind designed for that purpose.

Dispose of gift wrappings promptly after gifts have been opened.

Take the tree down when needles begin to fall, and discard it outside the house. Never burn it in the fireplace or incinerator.

Be sure there are plenty of ashtrays available to smokers, especially if you are having a party.

If the children are to receive chemical or electrical toys, use good judgment in selecting them--and then supervise their use.

Turning to the problem of holiday driving, the Institute acknowledged that the motor habits of a nation are hardly subject to change overnight. Nevertheless, it cautioned, the experience of past years "should have taught us a lesson--that Christmas is a time to exercise extra care behind the wheel."

Records compiled by the National Safety Council show that in the last three years, vehicle travel during five major holiday periods has been 26 percent higher than during nonholidays at the same time of year. The holiday periods taken into account are New Year's, Memorial Day, the Fourth of July, Labor Day and Christmas.

Of those holiday seasons, Christmas is the most dangerous of all, the Institute pointed out. In the last five years, countrywide, 3,820 persons have lost their lives in highway crashes occurring during the Christmas holidays, for an average of 294 deaths a day.

"It's a good bet that each and every one of those persons would have laughed at the suggestion that 'you're next'," I.I.I. said. "It's also a good bet that most of them would have been alive today if they or the people they were driving with had been a little more careful."

"You may consider yourself to be a good driver," the Institute continued, "but keep an eye on the guy in the next car. His carelessness may cost you your life."

Monroe Buchanan left Spearman after visiting with his relatives here, for the Space Center in Houston.



Mr. and Mrs. Gale Miller and sons Gary, 16, and Edward, 9, were presented with the 1st place plaque Friday for having won the outside decorating contest. Virginia Fowler, Chamber of Commerce committee woman, congratulated this new Spearman family on their festive home decorations. The family resides at 1106 S. Barkley St.

High School Grads Make More Money

Four years of high school on the average will return 16 percent more income at age 21 and 38 percent more income over a lifetime, reports an Extension home management specialist at Texas A&M University.

The average income in 1966 of 21-year-old men who had completed high school was \$3,021. According to Wanda Meyer expected lifetime income for the high school graduate was \$341,000 and for the elementary school graduate, \$247,000.

At 18 the high school graduate has the disadvantage of no work experience. On the average, the specialist reports his income is below that of elementary school graduate who has been working for some time. However, at age 19 the high school graduate may anticipate income nearly equal of that of elementary school graduate, and

from 26 on to have considerably higher income, reaching a peak of \$8,987 at age 48.

This contrasts to peak income for elementary school graduate of \$6,054 at age 44, says Mrs. Meyer.

Biting The Hand That Feeds You

WASHINGTON--Despite the growing enrollment of welfare recipients, it would be hard to find anyone who is grateful to government because of its beneficence.

Discussing this thesis in a recent address, Allan Shivers, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, asserts that the more government does for people, the more discontented they become.

His contention is that once the people's right to some new benefit is established by law, they resent not getting more because the politicians have promised more.

Also, when government deals with a problem it introduces an element of compul-

sion into people's lives, and they resent this too.

All this brings on a shrinking of individual responsibility, which FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover has described as a direct, major cause of the breakdown of law and order.

The same process of deterioration which causes people to avail themselves of all the rights and benefits that the nation affords also makes them reluctant to act positively against crime. People stand idly by and watch policemen being assaulted. They fail to report crimes. They refuse to testify. They avoid jury duty.

Mr. Shivers makes the point that when we are left free to make our own decisions we set our own goals, claim our own successes, and usually have to blame ourselves for our failures.

That view smacks of some oldtime religion in our private enterprise system. As Mr. Shivers says, "It's time for some disengaging of government from the people's affairs, and requiring them to do more for themselves."

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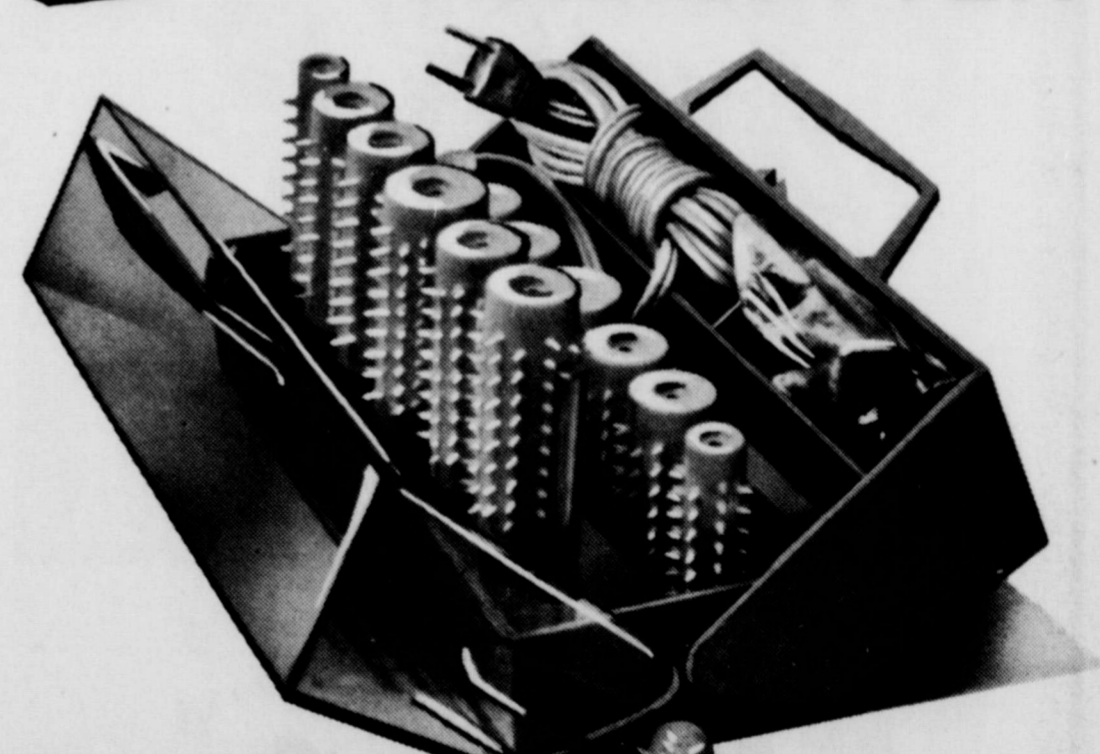
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Hansford Co. N F O Receives Charter

Glendon H. Ething, President of the National Farm Organization of Hansford County, has prepared the following article which will be of interest to all farmers and ranchers in this area.

NATIONAL FARM ORGANIZATION

The National Farm Organization has, by virtue of the great number of members, been chartered in Hansford County. Officers, trustees and a certain marketing board have been elected and other marketing boards will be elected for other commodities as organization continues.

This article represents one member's impression of the organization together with potential and purpose, as seen by it. Hopefully, our members and ranchers will be interested in both their relative economic position and that of fellow operators, to attend a meeting, learn about the work of NFO and find efficient justification to join and support the organization.

First, NFO has one and only one purpose. That pur-

pose is to obtain better prices for all farm commodities. NFO is not in competition with any other farm organization as it renders no special services, is non-partisan, does not lobby, owns no significant property, nor will it own farm commodities. Thus NFO clearly suggests that, if you are a member of other farm organizations that provide you with beneficial services, you maintain that membership and then join NFO additionally and work for better prices.

Some may have various questions about membership, voting, powers, obligations, and etc. No one can be a member of NFO unless he is a producer of farm products or livestock. He can hold no elective office unless his major income is from agricultural produce. The national officers are also producers but devote full time to the organization. No member, regardless of the size of his operation, has more than one vote. When a producer becomes a member the initial dues is \$25 and he is automatically a member until such time as he, by written

request to the national office, asks to be discontinued as a member. This is a continual right. Annual dues are continual except that fees through contracts are applied to annual dues to the point that most dues are eliminated. Unless under contract for a given amount of production, any producer is free to handle his production as he wishes.

Since price improvement is the sole objective of NFO, the expected result is stability of living standards for the producing agricultural family by obtaining a fair price for production based on investment, labor, risk, etc. The principle applied to accomplish this is a system of national grouping together of all farm products so that NFO becomes the major source of supply. It appears to be a requirement that all facets of agriculture be compensated monetarily to survive, and that all interests must work in one organization to make certain that there is no conflict of interest between the various livestock producers, and no conflict of interest between the various grain producers. All of necessity, must work together for increased prices for all commodities, and then each producer can efficiently produce that which is best suited to his operation and abilities. In short, all producers should be partners in the bargaining for better prices and cooperate to prevent situations that deny progress in the common effort. We cannot afford to have one group of producers working against another. I believe NFO can substantially prevent extreme price variation.

Since farm programs have proven to be a failure, and particularly since it has been clearly stated through Government statements, that farm programs are to be gradually phased out in the near future, and since farmers have lost their effect through voting because of their numerical minority, it seems only common sense that, not only is the market place the only place farmers will get their income, it is the only sensible place for them to get their just and rightful income. Subsidies, together with the high cost of administration, are both controlling and not the business way of selling our products. Farm programs now require one administrator for each ten farmers.

NFO has been organized under the provisions of the Capper-Volstead Act to create a system of obtaining a fair price at the market place, and it now operates in more than forty states. It is a non-profit organization, a marketing agent only, and cannot hold indefinitely accumulated funds, if any, but in accordance with law, must return such funds to their origin.

Like all organizations, there are costs of administration and organization. These expenses currently are being handled by fees and dues. Since there appears no availability of funds of the quantity to attract objectionable leadership that aspire to personal gain, this type should not be attracted. My impression concerning the power of the organization over its members is also appealing. While block assembly and contracting of commodities is the sole means of having the substance required to bargain for price, it remains a requirement that, if NFO is to be effective, the organization down to the party county level must cooperate by securing commitments or contracts on products. This alone insures that the power of the organization will remain with the producers and that the national organization will serve to coordinate information, market by contract, bargain for price, control supply by price incentive, facilitate orderly marketing and project unbiased estimates of demand. Through mass grouping of production on a national basis, NFO can prevent processors from acquiring farm products through area dealing and thus cannot pit one area or state against another or one product against another by substitution.

Some are led to believe that imports can prevent the success of NFO. Who in the world can supply our food needs, and what would the price be if they could? We have been led to believe that bigness and efficiency are the answer. If we are priced too low, these will not apply. Supply and demand do not operate as we would hope since pricing of food is accomplished largely by beginning at the retail level. Thus each cost of merchandising is deducted, with the producer receiving the remainder. Food

substitutes pose no problem either because these must be made from some commodity which NFO can also control.

All other American business price their products by placing a fair return for investment, labor, raw material, risk and other hidden costs, and the consumer pays that price together with retail profits and transportation to the point of purchase. A fair price to the farm producer should likewise be calculated including all incidental operational costs and to get this price is the goal of NFO. By this system farm products would command a just price, processors could add their just profit, retailers would do the same, and the retail price would be based on this procedure.

Should producers produce amounts somewhat in excess of intention or demand, NFO, through contracts, would secure a just price for that part which was in demand. The small remainder could be disposed of by farmers by their own means. By this system, only a small portion would be poorly priced but not the entire crop. A parallel to this concept can be seen in the automotive industry. Each year there are a few unsold automobiles left over when new models appear on the market.

A new farm peak of cost of operation was reached October 15, 1968, while prices received by farmers was far short of parity. Farm machinery which now costs about four times that of the 1947-1949 level, exactly parallels farm debt, which is four times the level of that period. NFO recognizes that all business must make a profit to survive and this principle must include the farm producer.

NFO has no predecessor, but it strives to lead farmers to operate as other American business operates. It knows it can bargain only while the produce is in farmer hands and when it can block the controlling part of the product involved. Farmers and ranchers have America's food first and there is no other source of our total food supply. Why then, should agricultural producers go to the market place and in effect say, "What Will You Give Me". We can bargain together, but cannot bargain separately.

SAYS CHURCH IS FAILING

To steal a quote from our local FFA chapter, I will conclude this way. There is no 'I' in 'TEAM'. No farm producer can afford the luxury of being either a substitute or spectator. Each should be in the game. /s/ Glendon H. Ething, President Hansford County NFO

Vic Jackopson--a former street gang leader with the scars to prove it--has some very definite ideas about teenage "roughs" and how the church is failing them.

The 27-year-old Baptist minister from England, currently on a six-month tour of Texas and other points in the States, believes the church fails when it doesn't get outside its four walls and get "down where the people are and listen to what they are saying." It fails, he says, when it becomes more interested in numerical success and organization than in people.

If you were to sit down beside Vic in and around his neighborhood in London, you might wind up in a gutter listening to him talk to a young rough armed with a "flick" knife or at the foot of a prostitute's bed listening to him tell her about Christ. "The only way a church can fulfill its ministry," he says, "is to relate to those who are disenchanted with it, those who wouldn't come to it on a bet."

He added: "I preach and I believe in preaching, but sometimes I have to give up preaching and listen. Half of my work seems to be sitting with kids and listening--and preparing myself to give answers to the questions they are asking. Too many ministers are prepared to answer without listening."

Vic feels at home with the unfortunates of London's Soho District--because he was one. "I love those people and I believe I understand them," he says with a faraway look that seems to pierce the barrier of time into another era of house breaking, booze, fights with knives and broken beer bottles, jail and a loveless orphanhood.

As pastor of a 50-member church in the Wandsworth area of downtown London, the

muscular, articulate young minister takes particular delight in working with youngsters who might never be as fortunate as he was.

His "Kids" number three times the membership of his church, and the roughneck group alone numbers about 60. Some of the kids belong to organized youth groups. The roughnecks are another matter.

"I hang 'oose with them" he chuckles, and try to reach them in any manner that seems most effective. "They 'jolly well know' then can't 'con' him and they respect him, paradoxically, because of what he used to be and what he is now.

"I never try to attract the roughnecks to a worship service," he says. "First, I try to show them--out in the neighborhood--why Christ should become the center of their lives. If I see kids sitting in the gutter, I go and sit down with them and talk to them. Then, when the friendship is built up and they know the purpose of my life, they come along to my church and make it their 'pad.' As the kids come, their parents begin

to take an interest and ask questions."

Vic is a very convincing young man--whether he's talking to a sophisticated group at the 15,000-member First Baptist Church of Dallas or to a gang leader bent on his annihilation.

His closest call came once after he'd helped a 17-year-old girl break free of a life of prostitution. Her pimp--a young rough who had been making 30 pounds a week off her earnings--looked Vic up in the company of 20 others to "do him over."

Timing his moves perfectly Vic went out to meet them. Before his surprised foes could react, he grabbed the leader, hustled him into a side door and locked it.

"If you want to have a go at me," he said, "have it now."

"Let's talk," said the once swaggering bully. "Wot do you think yur doin' messin' around with my girl?"

Vic talked.

A half hour later the boy came out the door in tears and sent the gang away.

"I didn't know Christians really cared," he sobbed.

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TWIGS ON THE GROUND--
The twig girdler is the insect responsible for girdling small twigs and branches on trees, causing them to break and fall to the ground. They work

most in the fall when their eggs are laid on a branch. They move back and then girdle the branch and shortly thereafter it falls to the ground. If they aren't remov-

ed, these fallen twigs become the source of infection the following year. Therefore it's a good practice to pick up and burn the girdled twigs.

Christmas Joy

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MAY ALL THE JOYS OF THE SEASON BE YOURS IN GREAT ABUNDANCE.

CHARLENE'S INTERIORS

FARM CO-OP BUSINESS UP--
Dollar business volume of farmer cooperatives, for the July 1, 1966 to June 30, 1967 year, exceeded \$16.5 billion, reports the U. S. Department of Agriculture's Farmer Cooperative Service. This is an increase of 6 percent over the previous year and 59 percent over the volume of 10 years ago. Total number of cooperatives decreased almost 3 percent and membership by 5 percent from previous year totals.

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SUPT. OF SCHOOLS, JAMES CUNNINGHAM, presents the editor with his Xmas (first one) present. Supt. Cunningham is the only hunter in the county, who admits that he shoots pheasants before they get a chance to fly! Also, he admits to having shot up one of Worley Smiths peach trees recently. The tree was full of Quail, who also didn't get a chance to fly! The editor isn't as big as he looks, as Cunningham is a real, real small fellow!

Farmer's Tax Guide Booklet Now Available

DALLAS--Farmers can now obtain copies of the 1969 edition of the "Farmer's Tax Guide," Publication 225, according to Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue for Northern Texas.

The new tax laws enacted last year are fully explained in the 1969 edition of "Farmer's Tax Guide."

Featured in this year's booklet is an example of a complete farm return, with all required schedules, and a listing of important Federal tax dates to remember.

The publication, written in non-technical language, contains in chapter four many examples of how farm transactions are treated for Federal income tax purposes.

Although primarily written to help farmers prepare their 1968 tax return, the "Guide" is useful as a reference throughout the year.

The booklet is available free of charge from your county agricultural agent or by dropping a post card to Supply, Internal Revenue Service, P. O. Box 1738, Dallas, Texas 75221.

Chamber Newsletter

The Board of Directors of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce and Board of City Development met in the Chamber office, Thursday,

Merry Christmas

Warmest wishes for an old-fashioned Yule —

Mrs. Clarence Clement wishes all her friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. She was unable to send Christmas cards due to illness.

Dec. 5. The projects for the year were set and the first one that the board will start working on and promoting will be the talent show. This will be presented in April and the date will be announced as soon as possible. Keep it in mind. We also plan on assisting with the celebration and have a booth at the Halloween Carnival. The details on these projects will be announced at a later date.

We have had quite a bit of interest shown lately in the activities for our young people of Spearman and we would like for you to help us with some suggestions that might be of interest to them in the way of activities.

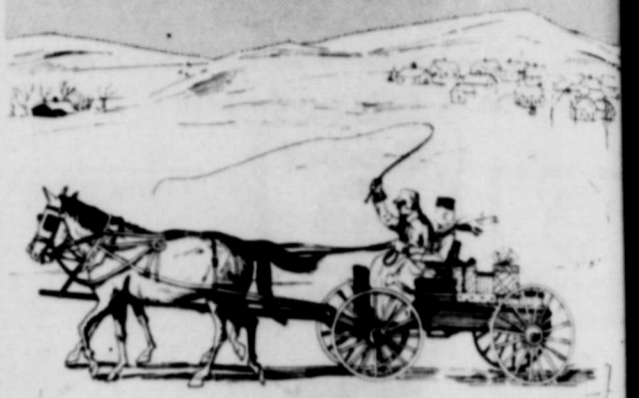
Chamber Secretary
Mary Lou Wysong

Seat belts which are not used do not save lives, reminds Liberty Mutual Insurance Companies. To increase your chance of survival in case of an accident, buckle up for safety.

GO SLOW-- Turkey producers and processors, meeting recently in Washington with USDA officials, are calling for a hold-the-line on 1969 turkey production. The group said that an increase in 1969 year's production would mean lower prices to producers and too many carried over in age. The demand for turkey in 1969 will be only slightly higher than in 1968, in the face of expected larger supplies of red meat and broiler.

A first rule in fruit and vegetable buying: always buy in season for better quality and more reasonable prices. These are in season in Texas now: bananas, seedless white and Tokay grapes, Italian prunes, plums, cantaloupes, peaches, eggplant, cooking greens, cabbage, carrots, squash, dry yellow onions and potatoes.

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