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Mrs. Charles Elmer Wright MISS BETTY JO BARRETT MARRIED TO CHARLES ELMER WRIGHT

Miss Betty Jo Barrett became the bride of Mr. Charles Elmer Wright here in a ceremony performed in the First United Methodist Church last Saturday evening at 7. Officiating were the Rev. Harold Orr, pastor and the Rev. John Gibbs, former pastor, now of San Antonio.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Barrett of Sterling City and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Mary Wright and Fred Wright of San Angelo.

Presenting wedding music were Mrs. Reynolds Foster, organist and Stanley Horwood, soloist.

Mrs. Ricky Wright of San Angelo was matron of honor and bridesmaids were Mrs. George Scott of Christoval and Mrs. Bill Schroeder of Robert Lee. Miss Amy Hodges was junior bridesmaid.

Ricky Wright of San Angelo served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Sid Johnson of Buffalo Gap and Gary Tankersley of Mertzon. Ushering were Jimmy Mullins of Lubbock and Barney Sisco of Water Valley.

The bride wore an Empire gown of Chantilly lace over peon satin with redingote effect and long tapered sleeves. After a wedding trip to Ruidoso, New Mexico and Arizona the couple will live on a ranch near Water Valley.

A reception followed the wedding. It was held in the home of the bride's parents. Included in the houseparty were Mrs. Bill Brooks, Miss Beverly Brooks, Mrs. Clinton Hodges, Miss Becky Hodges, Mrs. Raymond T. Foster, Miss Marilyn Foster, Mrs. Harold Green of Water Valley, Mrs. Len Ainsworth of Lubbock, Miss Suzanne McBurnett of Paint Rock, Mrs. Gary Tankersley of Mertzon, Miss Rosanne Foster of Dallas, Mrs. J. W. Denton of Irving, and Mrs. Dick Dymont of Brownsville.

Also Mrs. Ross Huffman, Miss Lou and Miss Sue Huffman, all of Brady, Mrs. Don Ellison and Miss Margaret Hahn, both of Mason, Mrs. Todd Churchill, Mrs. Keyn Canada, and Mrs. Bob Caruthers, all of San Angelo.

Mrs. Wright is a graduate of Sterling City High School and attends Angelo State University. Her husband, a graduate of San Angelo Central High and Texas Tech, is a rancher and livestock dealer.

The bridegroom's mother was hostess for the rehearsal dinner in the Sterling community center Friday night.

Cancer Group Met Here Monday

The Sterling County Chapter of the American Cancer Society met Monday evening in the community center. Sixteen were present, including state field representative Jeff Miller and Mrs. Louie Alexander.

It was reported that 88,500 had been given in memorials during September and October.

Mr. Miller reported on the state meeting held in Houston in October. He also showed a film "A Second Voice."

Football-Pep Squad Banquet to be in Gym

Mrs. D. Kirk Hopkins, president of the High School Mothers Club, said this week that the annual football-pep squad banquet would be held in the high school gym rather than the community center, as was printed on the invitations.

The invitations were mailed recently and the decision to hold the affair in the gym instead of the center was made later.

So, remember, when you go to the banquet on November 24, go to the gym.

LANE'S VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Floyd and children and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mintz, all of Midland, were guests in the Ray Lane home last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barrett of Del Rio were also guests of the Lanes, and they visited other friends and relatives while here.

Jeff Davises Have Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis observed their 50th or golden wedding anniversary last week. The couple was married here in Sterling City by the late Dr. W.B. Everitt, a long-time pastor of the local Baptist Church. She was Miss Gladie McKnight, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. M.B. McKnight. Jeff was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hank Davis. The Jeff Davises have lived here since and raised their family here.

The five children of the Davises are Mrs. George (Nell) Campbell, Mrs. Bill (Mary) Hurt, of Arlington; Tom D. Davis of Odessa; Mrs. Bill (Jenny Ruth) Dorsey of Eulless and Jim Davis of Sterling.

A family dinner was held in the Hurt home in Arlington last Saturday honoring the Jeff Davises. The dinner and affair was hosted by their children. There are fourteen grandchildren, and all except three were at the dinner. One is in Japan, one in California and one off in school.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week included—

L. McCarty
Mrs. Ella Ligon
Pedro deHoya
Mrs. Cresencio Rodriguez
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Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week included—
Mrs. A. L. Jackson
Clinton Powell

Behind the 8-Ball

BIG RATTLESNAKE — a huge rattlesnake was killed by members of the Highway department at the Broome store this week. The McDonalds found the snake on or near the steps and asked the highway men to kill it. The snake was said to be six feet long and nine inches in circumference at its biggest part.

I heard Sunday that rattlesnakes were on the prowl and now I believe it.

8-BALL

Pat Potts of Fort Worth and Vickie Potts of Lubbock visited Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Potts here over the weekend.

TSGRA AUXILIARY TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT

The local chapter of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association Auxiliary will meet next Monday at 7 p.m. in the Will Atkinson house here in town, said Mrs. Hubert Williams this week.

Civil Service

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Two to Get Gold Star Star Awards

Two Sterling County 4-H club members will be among those honored at the District Seven 4-H Club Gold Star Luncheon in San Angelo. The two who will receive the Gold Star Award, the highest award a club member can win on the county level, are Janis Igo and Steven Foster. Janis and Steven, along with club members from twenty-one other counties, will be presented their awards at the noon luncheon on December 3 in the Crystal Room of the Cactus Hotel. Other guests at the luncheon will include state legislators, adult leaders, friends of 4-H, and the Extension agents from each of the counties.

Janis has been a club member seven years. During that time she has shown fat lambs, registered Rambouillets, and range ewe lambs at major livestock shows in Texas. She has won many honors with her livestock projects during that time. Her lambs, range ewes, and registered Rambouillets which she owns in partnership with her brother, have won championships at San Angelo, El Paso, Fort Worth, Houston and Dallas. She has also won many championships at the Sterling County Livestock Show where she exhibited the reserve champion finewool lamb in 1969.

In addition to her livestock projects, Janis has been a member of the Sterling County Natural Resources Conservation Demonstration Team. She and her partner placed second in the district competition in 1968 and went on to place second in statewide 4-H club competition. In 1969, the team of which she was a member placed first in district competition and fourth in state competition.

Janis has won county awards for achievement, leadership and citizenship. She won the silver belt buckle for showmanship in the breeding sheep division of the county show in 1968. The silver medalion awarded by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association for the outstanding breeding animal in the county show is among her prized possessions.

Steven Foster has been a 4-H Club member for five years. During that time he has fed lambs which he has shown at the county show and major shows in the state placing well in his attempts. In 1967 he exhibited the reserve champion finewool lamb of the county show. He moved into the championship bracket with his finewool lamb at the 1969 Sterling County Show.

Steven has not confined his activities to livestock projects but has moved into projects related to the field of livestock production. He has been a member of the county's junior range judging teams and grass identification teams for five years. The teams of which he has been a member have consistently done well in contests. For five years, the grass identification team has placed in the top three at the district contests in San Angelo. Range judging teams of which he has been a member have consistently placed in the top five bracket in contests at San Angelo, Ozona, and the state range judging contest. He has put his knowledge of grasses of this area and good range management practices to practical use through his interest in the operation of the family ranch.

County awards won by Steven include those for grain marketing, citizenship and

Lions Bingo Party Here Saturday

Eagles Drop Finale to Loop 54-40 Friday

The Sterling City Eagles dropped a closely matched game to Loop here last Friday 54-40 in the season's finale. The scoring sawed back and forth, seeing the Eagles come back each time to forge ahead—except in the final quarter.

The Sterling boys drew first blood—they racked up 8 points in the first quarter—to Loop's nothing. Ishmael Vargas on a line plunge, picked up six points on a 1 yard plunge and quarterback Ray Escobar pushed over for the two extra points and the locals took an early lead. The Eagles made 7 first downs to the Loop Longhorn's 2 in the first quarter.

In the second quarter Longhorn Aldrich plowed 6 yards to a TD and Danny Yocum added the 2 extra points. Then Eagle Allen Price took an Escobar pass and made the Sterling score 14. Then Loop's Aldrich repeated and went ten yards for a TD and B. McComal added 2. The Eagles duplicated by Vargas plowing through from the 1 yard line for a six pointer and Escobar add the two extra.

The score at halftime was Sterling 22, Loop 16.

In the third quarter Bobby Bynum, Eagle back, got over from the 3 yard line for a TD, but Longhorn's Aldrich and McComal each racked up TD's for Loop and Wayne Freeman and Yocum added two points each following TD. At the end of the third quarter the score was Loop 32, Sterling 28.

As the fourth opened, Sterling began to falter. A fumble set up a TD for Loop's McComal. Then Yocum added another—as did McComal. Aldrich added the 2 extra points each time. Sterling did manage to get 2 TD's in the fourth—one by Gaston on a pass, and Escobar on a keeper.

But the time ran out—and the game ended 54-40.

The season is over. Now basketball gets underway at Sterling High School.

Mary Sue Gartrell Wed Last Week

Miss Mary Sue Gartrell became the bride of James Len Woodwall in a ceremony Thursday, November in the Baptist Church of Carlsbad, Texas. Officiating was the Rev. David Seitzler.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billie Ray Gartrell of Sterling City. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kiser of Big Lake.

The couple will live in Menard.

Janis and Steven are both well rounded youngsters. Their activities are not limited to 4-H Club work. Both are very active in school affairs and activities, their respective churches and affiliated youth organizations, and all community activities.

It might be well to note that both these youngsters have won the 4-H Club citizenship awards. As such, they exemplify the millions of girls and boys in this nation who are quietly going about the business of growing into their roles as good citizens every day.

Community Center 7 p.m.

The Lions Club is having a Bingo Party at the community center here Saturday night, beginning at 7 o'clock. Cost at the door will be 50c for adults and 25c for children. Pie and coffee will be served to all, said Albert McGinnes, of the club committee.

Prizes are all donated by the merchants, individuals and club members. When all the donated prizes are used up—the games will end, said McGinnes. A number of good prizes have been donated and should anyone else want to donate, they may contact a club member of leave gifts at the West Texas Utilities Co. where a box is set aside for that purpose.

Each member is asked to bring a pie to the affair. Coffee will be made for the pie supper, which is served to all present.

Wednesday's Meeting

The Rev. John Gibbs, former member of the club and also former Methodist pastor in Sterling City, spoke to the club. He asked members to help him rank Sterling as a community. In the ranking by members, Sterling ranked at almost 50 percent of what a good community should be.

H. L. Bailey reported that the Christmas light and decorating committee had bought (at a great bargain) 20 pole decorations from the City of Big Spring. They were bought for \$5 each, and when bought new by Big Spring, they had cost approximately \$190 each. The club needs help to put up the Christmas decorations and anyone who will help is asked to be at the West Texas Utilities Co. office Saturday.

The decorations will be put up on light poles up and down main street. They will be lit up at night.

Wimodausis Club Has Program Wednesday

The members of the Wimodausis Club met in the community center with ten members present. A Thanksgiving program was held.

Mrs. John Reed led the group in the American Creed. Mrs. Rufus Foster spoke on the Original Thanksgiving. Mrs. Ray Lane spoke on Thanksgiving as it is today.

The group singing of the Federation Song and Thanksgiving hymns was led by Mrs. Ray Lane with Mr. David Glass at the piano.

Mrs. David Glass and Mrs. Frank Cole served pumpkin pie and coffee.

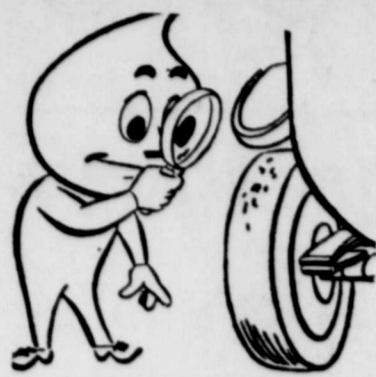
Club Bazaar Set For December 8

The Epsilon Zeta Club has set December 8 as the day for a Christmas bazaar here. It will be held in the West Texas Utilities Company building from 8:30 till 5 that day, said a club spokesman.

Items to be sold are items such as gifts, food, etc., all made by members.

PICTURES NOW READY

Parents that had pictures of children (not yet in school) made by the annual photographer, may pick up the pictures any time now at the English room, said an annual staff member.



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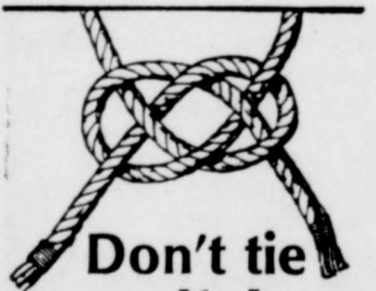
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Social Security News

Pesrons receiving social security disability benefits must report improvement in their condition to the Social Security Administration. Ted F. Moellering, social security district manager, stated that disability beneficiaries must also report a return to any kind of work. Mr. Moellering made the announcement because of several recent cases in which beneficiaries were overpaid because these two events were not properly reported and benefits not due were continued. Overpayments have to be refunded and this can work a financial hardship on those having to repay benefits.

Mr. Moellering explained most overpayments in these cases occur because beneficiaries misunderstand the requirements of the law. Disability benefits can be paid only if an individual is so disabled he can't do any kind of a job, not just his regular job. Therefore, any improvement in the disabling condition has to be reported. Too, when a disabled worker does some work, even if it is sheltered or light work, it must be reported so that a determination can be made immediately about whether benefits should continue.

Mr. Moellering pointed out that in some cases, disabled workers can get benefits can get benefits up to nine months while they try out some job to see if they can do it, but their work still must be reported.

For more detailed information check with the Social Security Office located at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

DISABLED WORKER NEWS
Disabled workers should file their social security applications early, according to Ted F. Moellering, social security district manager. Although benefits for disability cannot be paid until after a worker has been disabled for six months, an application can be filed any time after a disability begins.

Mr. Moellering explained that the process for determining eligibility for disability benefits can sometimes be rather long and complicated. Therefore, no one should delay applying until the six months waiting period expires. Applying early permits the claims process to begin so that a decision can be made early enough to mail the first check on time.

Mr. Moellering reminded Sterling City readers that social security benefits are payable to workers when they have become too disabled to

do any substantial work. The disability must be expected to last at least 12 months. A disabled worker's children under age 18 (and those 18 to 22 who are full-time students) and his wife may also qualify for benefits.

Contact your Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area for more information.

Want to get that first social security on time?

"Everyone does, but not enough people do anything about it," says Ted F. Moellering, District Manager of the San Angelo Social Security Office.

According to Mr. Moellering, every person who files an application for social security benefits will be asked to present certain proofs. Most applicants will also be asked to give the exact amount of earnings for the past year and for the current year.

Most persons do not bother to find out ahead of time exactly what they will need. "George waits until the day he files an application," said Mr. Moellering. "Then he has to go back home and dig around for records, or write letters requesting the necessary documents, causing a delay in the processing of his claim."

A claim for social security benefits may be filed as early as three months before entitlement to benefits.

Mr. Moellering suggests that claimants get in touch with the social security office several months before this three month period to find out ahead of time what proofs and information will be needed.

"The satisfied applicant," continued Mr. Moellering, "is the one who does this, and consequently has all necessary proofs and information with him. The result—everything is completely taken care of during this one visit at the social security office, and he gets that first check right on time."

"Social security relies to a great extent on each beneficiary's ability to report events which will affect his monthly payments," said Ted F. Moellering, Social Security District Manager. Among those events that the beneficiary should report are changes of address, stopping or starting work, changes in estimated earnings during the year, and a beneficiary's death, marriage, divorce, or annulment.

Each beneficiary receives a special card to fill out and send to his local social security office when a report must be made. Reports are relayed to the paying office by elec-

tronic means to avoid delays in updating records.

Those needing to report a change should request form SSA-1425 from the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area. Any of our representatives will be glad to give you the necessary forms.

The traditional retirement age in private industry is 65. The gold watch is presented at farewell ceremonies, the company pension begins, and social security and Medicare become a part of the person's life.

But what is a person wants or needs to retire earlier? Recognizing that for various reasons employment cannot always continue until age 65, social security provides for early retirement at age 62.

Benefits which begin before age 65 are reduced proportionately month by month for each month before age 65. The full reduction at age 62 is 20 percent.

However, a person who begins receiving checks at age 62 would be about age 77 before he begins losing money by having taken the smaller amount at age 62 rather than waiting until age 65.

Any person approaching age 62 who is contemplating early retirement or partial retirement, or whose earnings have been rather low in recent years, should get in touch with social security to explore the possibility of getting early retirement insurance payments.

CHILDREN'S BENEFITS

The children of a deceased woman worker now have the same right to social security payments on their mother's account as they do on the account of the father, says Ted F. Moellering, District Manager of the Social Security Administration in San Angelo, Texas.

Some children, who could not qualify for benefits at the time their mother died, may now be paid. These survivors' insurance payments may continue each month to age 22 if the child remains in school and does not get married.

"This change is the result of a new definition of 'dependency' in the Social Security Act," Mr. Moellering explained. "Of course, the deceased mother must have worked on social security jobs long enough to be insured. In some cases, children whose mother died as early as 1947 can now be paid."

"An application for the child's benefits must be filed," he said. "We would like for anyone who believes he may be eligible to receive the payments to get in touch with the social security office without delay."

This applies especially to those whose applications were denied at the time of their mother's death. Detailed information can be secured from the Social Security Administration located at 300 West Harris in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

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Interested applicants can get the announcements from Federal Job Information Centers in many large cities, from many post offices, except in cities where Federal Job Information Centers are located or from the Interagency Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners, 1900 E St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20415.

The announcements are:

1. Professional Opportunities for Social Scientists. GS grades 9 through 12. Covered are such positions as Economist, Social Science Analyst, Social Science Program Specialist, Sociologist, Historian, Anthropologist, Manpower Analyst, Social Work Program Specialist, and additional closely related positions in other social science fields. Many of the opportunities are in various Federal agencies in Washington, D. C. and vicinity and in foreign countries. Some are in other parts of the United States. Annual starting salaries currently range from \$8,462 to \$12,174. They are expected to increase by about 9 percent in the middle of this year. There are no written test requirements. Applicants will be rated on the basis of professional experience, education, and training. Work descriptions and the necessary qualifications, along with special credit provisions for graduate study, superior undergraduate academic achievement, subsequent work experience including part-time or unpaid experience, and certain teaching experience, are detailed in Announcement No. WAS-827, Professional Opportunities for Social Scientists.

2. Professional Opportunities for Social Worker and Social Service Representative. Social Worker positions, GS grades 9 through 12, are in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the U. S. Public Health Service, and the Veterans Administration, throughout the United States and Puerto Rico; and in agencies of the District of Columbia Government and other Federal agencies located in Washington, D. C. and vicinity. Social Service Representative positions, GS grades 8 through 12 are primarily in the D.C. Government and other agencies in the Washington metropolitan area. Annual starting salaries currently range from \$7,699 at GS-8 to \$12,174 at GS-12; they are expected to increase by about 9 percent in the middle of 1969. No written tests are involved. Applicants will be rated on the basis of education, experience, training and personal aptitude for the nature of the work. Most of the professional Social Worker positions call for successful completion of all requirements for a masters degree. Full details of training and experience qualifications for the various grade levels are in Announcement No. WAS-904, Professional Opportunities for Social Worker and Social Service Representative.

3. Professional Careers for Educators and Librarians. This announcement will be used to fill positions of Education Specialist and Education Services Officer, GS grades 9 through 12; Program Specialist and Advisor (Education) GS grades 9 through 12; Public Health Educator GS grades 9 through 12; Librarian, GS grades 7 through 12; Job Corps Teacher, GS grades 5 through 11 and Job Corps Guidance Counselor, GS grades 7 through 11. Annual starting salaries for these po-

sitions range from \$5,732 at GS-5 to \$12,174 at GS-12. They are expected to increase by about 8 or 9 percent in the middle of this year. Many positions are located in various Federal agencies in Washington, D. C. and vicinity. However, certain Federal agencies have needs throughout the United States. Examples: Program Specialist and Advisor (Education) U.S. Office of Education Job Corps Teacher and Guidance Counselor, National Park Service and National Forest Service; Public Health Educator, Health Services and Mental Health Administration. Qualifying education and experience for all of these positions vary considerably. For details, consult Announcement WAS-908. Professional Careers for Educators and Librarians.

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for Federal employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, politics, or any other non-merit factor.

When asking for announcements and application forms, applicants are advised to ask at the same time for Civil Service Commission Pamphlet No. 4, "Working for the U.S. A." which provides important general information about the kinds of appointments, the physical abilities required, veteran preference, and other conditions of Federal employment.

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There have been some questions about fertilizing roses and pruning roses now. The answer to both questions at this time is simply this, don't do either now.

Fertilizer applied now will be ineffective for the most part. Warm temperatures are needed along with the moisture to activate most of the fertilizers. Also, in the event of warm temperatures, plants could be forced into growth in periods of warm weather. Extremely cold weather following this could result in heavy damage to the plants and their root systems.

Roses may be an eyesore following killing frosts but heavy pruning early in winter will often force new growth during a prolonged warm spell. Sudden drops in temperatures would make the bushes extremely vulnerable to lasting damage to the entire bush. If it is necessary to remove some small growth which might be liable to damage by wind during the winter, remove this growth but leave the heavy pruning until early spring just before growth begins.

Lousy cattle should be treated now. The lice that are on the cattle will remain on them throughout the winter since lice do not fly or spend time on the ground or in the brush. If treated now, the cattle will remain free of lice unless they come in contact with lousy cattle.

A thorough spraying before the hair gets any longer is recommended. Use any of the insecticides recommended in the "Texas Guide for Controlling External Parasites of Livestock and Poultry"; use the recommended rates in the guide or on the container labels. A copy of the guide is available in the county agent's office.

Before buying or using insecticides, read the label carefully and completely. Pay particular attention to the warnings and restrictions listed on the label, check the waiting period between application and slaughter if there is a possibility that some of the cattle will go to slaughter in the near future.

You are urged to be particularly careful in regard to the above precautions in the use of any insecticides. Within the last few days, one insecticide familiar to many, DDT, was banned and ordered removed from the market in the future. While DDT is not widely used now, this may be the first of many more such restrictions to come. DDT has largely been replaced by Sevin, a safer insecticide but we may see some removed that cannot be replaced as easily. Misuse and the resultant bad publicity brought about this restriction and can bring on more. Always read and follow the directions!

Word has been received from Allen Turner, county agent of Tom Green County, that their pecan show will be held December 5 and 6 at 113 S. Chadbourne. Entries from Sterling County are welcomed.

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An example of this misunderstanding is the 100 day eligibility in an Extended Care Facility. We are sometimes asked why a certain person was told Medicare would no longer pay for his stay in an Extended Care Facility when he had only been there 50 days and still had 50 days coming. The condition of the patient rather than the number of days is the controlling factor up to the point that the maximum number of days is reached. Coverage ends when his condition is such that he no longer needs the level of care provided by the Extended Care Facility.

Any question about this or any area of Medicare or Social Security should be resolved by a visit or contact with the Social Security Office located at 3000 West Harris Avenue in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.

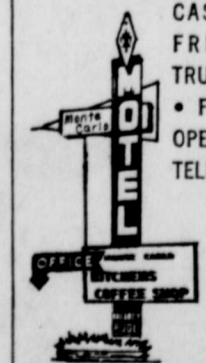
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