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VOTED THE BEST DECORATED HOME--The home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Myers was voted the best decorated home in Muleshoe and they were presented a trophy by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture. Mrs. Myers said their children did almost all of the decorating, beginning Thanksgiving weekend. A local florist also helped design the 'fantasy' decorations all outside the Myers's home. A large number of homes 'sported' beautiful decorations and lighting for this Christmas season.

SPS New Rate Structuring Will Not Affect Home Users

Southwestern Public Service Company (SPS) and the steering committee representing SPS-served Texas communities have settled upon a rate-structuring plan that leaves electricity prices for most retail customers stable.

The settlement recommended SPS-served communities in Texas allow the electric utility a base rate increase of \$28 million. However, utility spokesmen point out, the base rate increase will be more than offset by decreased fuel charges. SPS has decreased its boiler-fuel costs primarily by building coal-fueled power plants.

Sam Hunter, SPS vice president of Rates and Economic Research, said the utility is now "designing" rates to fit the settlement the steering committee is recommending to Southwestern's Texas retail customers.

Residential rates, he said, are

not expected to change noticeably under the proposed settlement. Rates for most other customer classifications also will continue stable, or decrease somewhat, Hunter said.

SPS last sought, and was granted, a retail rate increase in Texas in 1982.

Each of the 65 Texas communities, including Muleshoe, in which SPS has filed for rate restructuring must approve the proposed settlement before it can become effective in that community. Additionally, SPS is asking the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) to approve the settlement so that the rates will apply to SPS retail customers both inside and outside boundaries of the SPS-served communities.

The PUCT already has agreed on an interim basis to let SPS lower its fuel charges to customers by \$40,933,368. Final PUCT action on decreasing fuel charges and on the proposed base rate settlement has been reached.

The new rates, as approved by the SPS-served communities and the PUCT, are expected to become effective January 1, 1986.

Hunter said SPS settled for the \$28 million base rate increase, rather than insisting on \$40.8 million originally requested, for several reasons.

"It is extremely important to us to begin as soon as possible to make a return on our shareholders' new investments, including Tolk Station Unit No. 2 and the Oklaunion transmission line," he said. "Both of those facilities have been in service since June, but neither has been reflected in our Texas rates."

The new 565,000-kilowatt Tolk Station near Muleshoe cost SPS \$288 million. The Oklaunion transmission line cost the com-

pany \$25 million, added Hunter. Hunter also noted that the Tolk unit was completed for less than one-half the national average cost of comparable coal-fueled power plants.

"Additionally, the cost of capital is lower now than it was at the time we prepared our rate request," he continued. "We had requested a rate of return of 11.95 percent. We settled for 11.7 percent."

He said the utility has also agreed to lower its request for depreciation expenses, and to "back out" of the request about \$2 million originally sought for research and development of a carbon dioxide-coal slurry pipeline.

Monday, the final agreement was reached between SPS officials and representatives of the affected cities, including Muleshoe.

DPS Warns Motorists On Safety

Texas Department of Public Safety officials have estimated that as many as 29 persons will die as a result of traffic accidents during the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The DPS expects 12 fatalities during the 30-hour Christmas period and 17 deaths during the 54-hour New Year's period.

Colonel Jim Adams, DPS director, asked motorists to maintain safe driving habits during the holidays to minimize the loss of life in vehicle crashes.

"We'd certainly like to see our fatality estimates prove to be too high," Adams said. "Unfortunately, there will be drivers who will ignore speed limits and attempt to operate vehicles after drinking. The best way to avoid becoming involved in an accident with a careless driver is to drive in a defensive manner. It also makes good sense to be sure everyone in the vehicle uses a safety belt."

Adams said he has authorized Highway Patrol captains to utilize troopers from other uniformed Traffic Law Enforcement services to augment the regular patrol.

"Additional troopers will be assigned where large volumes of traffic or additional accidents are likely," Adams said.

During the 102-hour Christmas period in 1984, vehicle accident caused 43 traffic deaths in Texas. A total of 42 deaths were attributed to crashes occurring during the 102-hour New Year's period last year.

The Department of Public Safety will provide state traffic death updates as part of the "Operation Motorcade" program. The counting period for Christmas begins at 6 p.m. Tuesday, December 24 and concludes at midnight on Wednesday, December 25. The New Year's counting period begins at 6 p.m. Monday, December 30 and ends at midnight on Wednesday, January 1.

Long-Term Farm Bill Doesn't Solve Problem

Local Duo Are Chosen For Honors

Fifty-six students from West Texas State University at Canyon have been accepted into 'Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges,' including Monty Hysinger and Walter Precure of Muleshoe.

To be considered for Who's Who, students must have at least junior standing and a grade-point average of 2.76 or better (of a possible 4.0).

Awards, involvement in school activities, and community involvement are also weighed in determining Who's Who recipients.

Monty Hysinger is a senior majoring in physical education. He maintains a 3.2 gpa. He is president of the WTSU Recreation Club and director of Skiing trips. He was a member of the Buffalo football team in 1982 and 1983. He is resident assistant of Jarrett Hall and a member of the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education & Recreation and Beta Beta Beta National Biology Honor Society.

Monty is the recipient of the Hosea Taylor Scholarship, the Rotary Club Leadership Award Scholarship, and the Allene Schmal Scholarship. He was nominated for the 84-85 Man of the Year and Who's Who by the WTSU Recreation Club. He received two other nominations for Who's Who from the Health, Physical Education & Recreation Department and Jarrett Hall.

Walter Precure is a senior majoring in Engineering Tech

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Irrigation Conference Scheduled In Amarillo

The pluses and minuses of irrigating 1986 crops and pastures in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains, especially in relation to the current farm economy, will be tallied by educators and producers in Amarillo on January 9 at the annual High Plains Irrigation Conference.

The conference will be held at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd., West. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m.

It will feature the latest information on new technology and practices, with an emphasis on the producer's viewpoint, said Leon New, agricultural engineer and irrigation specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. He is conference coordinator.

Field tests that help producers make sound irrigation decisions and best use of their resources will be discussed by Paul Gross, Panhandle District Extension director.

Benefits of high engine efficiency in pumping equipment will be explained by Don Hardy of Floydada, owner of Don Hardy race cars. Potentials for chemigation will be outlined by Walter Hughes, branch manager of Tide Products, Friona.

Options provided producers under the state's new water plan will be explained by State Rep. J.W. 'Buck' Buchanan of Dumas. Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist and management specialist at Amarillo, will provide an economic evaluation of forrow and center pivot irrigation practices.

New will discuss the worthiness and value of soil moisture sensors.

A popular feature of the conference is a panel of growers. Participants this year

Although most farmers welcome new farm legislation, they are being very cautious about approving the five-year farm bill recently passed by legislature in Washington. Most farm operators look at the farm bill as a bandaid where they need major surgery in order to survive.

Agriculture specialists are also less than enthusiastic about the farm bill and voice their opinions on the bill which they say will not help the farmer to the extent he needs.

The new long-term farm policy President Reagan will sign into law on Monday is an exercise in slow motion that will neither rescue endangered farmers nor suddenly restore lost U.S. export markets, analysts say.

What the legislation will do, according to veteran economist, is buy time for farmers with manageable debt loads, letting

Cold Weather But No Snow For Christmas

Santa Claus arrived on the South Plains to no snow, but colder weather had arrived to at least give a hint that it is winter time.

No prospect of snow was issued by the National Weather Service, although they did say that colder weather would be settling over the Panhandle, South Plains and Permian Basin by Christmas Day.

Monday's weather was almost like early fall, with the temperature reaching into the 60's, but nights have remained cold, with the three nights preceding Christmas showing low temperatures each night of 19 degrees.

By Christmas morning, the colder weather was expected to be making itself felt throughout the area, but snow was out of the picture.

them weather for a few more years the current farm financial depression, and start the United States on the road to renewed competitiveness in agricultural exports.

"There are few gains for farmers in this bill," said John Schnitker, a Washington agricultural consultant and former deputy agriculture secretary. "It is basically a continuation of the very unsatisfactory cash-flow conditions on the last few years."

On the other hand, says Schnitker, there are few losses. Farm incomes are essentially stabilized by replacing dollars lost to lower price supports with dollars from the federal treasury in the form of income subsidies.

"The situation already affecting corn, wheat and many cotton producers, of inadequate cash flow, is institutionalized by the farm bill," he said in an interview. "Whatever was going to happen to them - survive or not survive - is going to happen. It may be slightly speeded up."

If there are any winners in the farm sector, they would be livestock, poultry and dairy farmers whose costs for feed will drop due to the scheduled decline in grain price supports and the likely continuation of large surpluses, said Schnitker.

By extension, consumers could benefit as well. Low commodity prices mean low raw materials cost for food processors, and that should minimize any pressure for higher grocery prices. Agriculture Department economists are predicting 1986 food cost increases of 2 to 4 percent, at or below the general inflation rate.

If Americans benefit as consumers, they may suffer as taxpayers. The three-year cost of commodity programs in the bill is put at \$52 billion, which would mean at least near-record spending through 1988. Schnitker said even that figure is based on overly optimistic assumptions, and predicted it would be at least \$60 billion and perhaps as high as \$75 billion.

"Some had hoped this farm bill would do more," says Neil Harl, an agricultural economist at Iowa State University who has closely watched the farm debt crisis centered in his state. "It should be realized that alone, the farm bill is not going to deal with the problem of farm debt."

That, Harl said, will take further action when Congress reconvenes next year. Legislators already are laying plans for action to subsidize farm loan interest rates and to somehow isolate foreclosed farmland from the market to stem the slide in land values.

Still, he said, the fact that Congress was able to produce a hold-the-line farm bill and that Reagan plans to sign it is a positive change from a year ago, when the Reagan administration appeared oblivious to farm problems.

Around Muleshoe

At the annual City of Muleshoe Christmas dinner last Thursday at the Bailey County Civic Center, five and ten year awards were presented.

Five year awards went to Lee Ann Gallman and Ricky Mata, while City Manager Dave Marr received a 10 year award.

Along with the city employees at the dinner, were Mayor and Mrs. Darrell Turner, City Councilmen A.V. Wood and Paul Wilbanks and Mrs. Wilbanks and Clea Williams.

Saturday morning, the drawing was held for the 'Merry Christmas' bucks given by the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture and cooperating CoC merchants.

Winner of the \$300 first prize was Gloria Sigala; second place winner of \$100 was W.G. Harlan and Marie Alfaro was given \$100 as third place winner.

Following a story last Sunday about a proposed mid-priced apartment complex, to possibly be constructed in Muleshoe, all apartment owners who would like to express themselves about the proposed project -- remember The Journal's 'Letters To The Editor' column.

You are invited to express your thoughts about the proposed multi-family complex in the form of a letter to the editor, however, each letter must be signed and have a return address.

South Plains Health Provider is looking for community people who would like to serve on the local clinic's advisory board.

If you are interested in local health care and have an hour a month to participate by giving them your opinions on Muleshoe's needs for the clinic, they ask that you call 272-4008.



BEST DECORATED BUSINESS--Marsha Rasco, left, and Joyce Albertson accepted a trophy from the Muleshoe Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Friday morning after local residents voted Albertson's Shop For Men as the best decorated business in Muleshoe, with castles, greenery, flowers and icicles, along with floating snowflakes.

Sudan News by Evelyn Ritchie

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Collins during the Thanksgiving holidays were their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Green and family of Levelland and also their grandson Mr. and Mrs. Melford Collins and David and Betty of San Marcos.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ray during the holidays were their daughters and families including Mr. and Mrs. Pete Williams of Edinburg; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Newcomer of Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Roby Lynn and girls of Mansfield, La.; Mr. and Mrs. Brad Bell of Seminole. Also visiting were his niece Mrs. Trudy Fenton, Holly and Shane of Okla City. Her husband is presently stationed in the service in Korea. Joining them was Peggy's mother, Mrs. Mable Reed.

Thanksgiving holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Ford were their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Donny Ford, Jason and Kevin of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ford, Michael and Steven of Lubbock and joining them were Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ford, Cheri and Hyla.

Mr. and Mrs. Burck Tollett and Zachary of Spade were Thanksgiving Day visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tollett.

Thanksgiving visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Connie Hill were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Durham and children and Sandra Hill all of Lubbock and also Mrs. Hill's sister, Vera Kehoe of San Antonio.

Holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. John Davieux were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Ford and Shelley of Round Rock, Patty Dayton of Colo. Springs and her sister, Opal Hammer of Plainview joined them for dinner. Also joining them for dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams and their son, Jimmy of Marble Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Gilreath.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tollett were in Roswell Saturday to attend the 50th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. M.D. Menoud.

Leanna Conley visited Roy Wilson, Jr. and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson in Little Rock, Ark. during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Comdr. Rodney Fisher has returned to his home in New Orleans, La. where he is stationed with the U.S. Navy, following a Thanksgiving holiday here with his mother, Mrs. Josephine Fisher and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fisher and children. They were also in Plainview for the Queen's Classic Basketball Tournament in which their sister, Miss Fisher, played for the Flying Queens of Wayland.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Gipson were in Stinnett for the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don R. Gipson.

Joy Logan visited in Breckenridge during the Thanksgiving holidays with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Jordan and boys.

Thanksgiving holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hanna & Matt were their children, Mrs. Frances Gray and children of Vega, & Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hanna and family of Monahans. Also for Thanksgiving Day, Mrs. Hanna family joined them including Mr. and Mrs. Robert Breedlove and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Dickson all of Slaton, Marie Allen of Littlefield, Mary and Kristen Baker of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Welkener, Mr. and Mrs. Pal Legg, Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Legg and children, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Whitten and family all of Sudan. Also Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Muller and Austin of Littlefield.

Visiting during the Thanksgiving holidays with Mr. and Mrs. R.B. Knox were family members including Mr. and Mrs. James Barnes of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrell Ford of Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Knox of Seagraves and Curtis Knox of Dimmitt. Also joining them for dinner Thanksgiving evening was Nell Epps & Mrs. Daisy Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Chester and boys of Clovis visited during the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Chester and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Hargrove.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Quisenberry and Sarah visited during the holidays in Lockney with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Quisenberry.

CHURCH OF CHRIST NEWS

On Monday Dec. 9 the Ladies Salad Supper will be held.

Jack Kelley was released from the Littlefield Hospital on Tuesday and is recuperating at home.

BAPTIST NEWS

Some men's hats have been left in the foyer of the church during the past two funerals held in the Baptist church, if you are missing yours, please go by and pick it up.

Holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Engram were their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Kim Engram of Amarillo, Roy Engram of Lubbock and two of their grandsons, Travis and Todd Engram both of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. B.A. Beauchamp, Derwin, Sherry Capers, and girls were in Farwell for Thanksgiving dinner in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Cotton Robinson and other family members.

Mrs. Mattie Williams of Amarillo and Mansel Williams of San Angelo visited last week with the Marion Williams family and were here to attend funeral services Saturday morning for Marion.

Visiting with Dot Nix Monday were her sister-in-law, Doris Burleson and nieces Sandee Wilson and Marion Scott and Sterling all of Lamersa. They also visited with Ann Dykes and Pam Humphreys and also at the Amherst Manor with their grandmother, Mrs. Lois Burleson, who is a patient there.

Joe Foster of Levelland, former long time Sudan resident, is visiting with his daughter, Jonelle Bandy.

George Lowe of Socorro, N.M. visited during the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Estelle Lowe and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Williams and family.

Mrs. W.A. Naismith of Lubbock has been visiting with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Black and family and to be with Donna and new infant son, Brandon Dale who were released from the Methodist Hospital Tuesday.

Debbie Norwood of Austin arrived Wednesday to be with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Nix and other family members and to attend funeral services Thursday morning for her grand-mother, Mrs. Gladys Glenn.

E.A. Harris was in Slaton Tuesday to visit with friends and relatives.

Hazel May hosted the Dec. salad supper and devotional at 7:00 p.m. Monday.

Hamburger party and fellowship for the High School and Jr. High was held following services Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ray.

Among those from the Church of Christ membership who have been or are ill include Conner Burford, Hazel New who broke her arm, Martha Drake who has been a patient in the Littlefield Hospital and Eugene Fox is in Loveless Clinic in Albuquerque.

Young Baptist Women will meet Monday Dec. 16 in the home of Mrs. Mary Ann Harper for their Christmas party. Each member is asked to bring either a salad, vegetable or dessert.

Churchwide Holiday supper was held Wednesday evening in the fellowship hall. Turkeys were furnished by the Baptist men and each family took other

dishes to go with the turkey and dressing.

Among those who have been sick are Susan (Cardwell) Nettles; Pauling Vernon, (Calvin's mother); A.J. Roberts, Ola Baccus, Debbie Hall, Hoyt Robertson.

Visiting with Mrs. Marion Williams and Carol this past few days were their daughter and sister, Janice and children of Auroro, Colo. They were here to attend funeral services for her father, Marion Williams. They also visited her brother, Mr. and Mrs. David Williams. They returned to Colo. this week.

A&M dean says worry about why kids can't pass not why they can't play

COLLEGE STATION — Rather than worry about why students can't play, parents should be concerned about why they can't pass, says the dean of the Texas A&M University College of Education.

"Something is wrong with the system," said Dean C. Corrigan. "Recent figures show that a large percentage of Texas high school students are failing one or more courses. If half of a doctor's patients died somebody would start asking questions about the way medicine was being practiced."

Corrigan's comments came at the end of the first six week grading period in which the state's no-pass, no-play rule makes students ineligible for extracurricular activities if they fail to pass all subjects. Reports from throughout the state indicate many students failed to maintain their eligibility.

Corrigan was critical of the heavy emphasis on test scores as a measure of student worth.

"One of the most frightening aspects of the current emphasis on testing is that the push for high test scores may become a device for weeding students out of the school system," Corrigan said.

"The worst thing that could happen is in five years the average SAT score or state mandated test score increases and we learn that the reason for the increase is that the 20 percent of the students who needed help the most were pushed out of school."

Corrigan, who served on the state-wide Perot committee which proposed the no-pass, no-play standards that were incorporated into state law, said if students can't pass the tests, educators should examine the curriculum and teaching methods as well as students.

"We've got to stop blaming the victims," he said. "The aim of a school is to help young people succeed academically. We must make our schools better, not just tougher. Success is the primary motivator for quality, not threat."

SANDHILLS PHILOSOPHER

Editor's note: The Sandhills Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sandy Acres react to the latest Defense Department scandal.

Dear editor:

In some states when a high school athlete fails one course he's suspended from his team for six weeks. In Washington, when a defense contractor is charged with fraud, his company is suspended from getting new contracts for a month.

This comes out to 42 days for the high school student, 30 days for the defense contractor.

The latest from the defense business, you know, is that a bunch of big defense contractors have been indicted for hornswoggling the government. This time it wasn't just \$200 screw-

drivers, but millions in book-keeping shenanigans.

When something like this comes to light the TV reporters and the big daily reporters jump all over it. What sort of defense contractors have we got, they demand.

But the odd thing is they never ask, what sort of Defense Department employees have we got that're so incompetent they can't figure out when the government's being cheated? Out of the thousands of employees in the Pentagon isn't there at least a few who'd raise an eyebrow when they saw a bill for a \$200 screwdriver or \$200 million for a tank that's supposed to cost only \$50 million?

You get the notion that most of them, had the no pass-no play rule been in effect when they were in school, never would have gotten to play football.

The Defense Department is always claiming it needs more money, and it probably does if it's going to keep on letting defense contractors defraud it.

Yours faithfully,
J.A.

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Three-Way News by Mrs. H. W. Garvin

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Sinclair from Monahans spent the week end with her parents, the Bill Duplers.

Mr. and Mrs. S.G. Long returned home Monday after visiting several days in Canyon and Amarillo with their children.

The Three Way junior and senior high school sponsored a basketball tournament the past weekend with the senior class furnishing supper Friday night.

The children and their director from Buckners children home in Lubbock held the morning services at the Three Way Baptist Church Sunday. The ladies of the church served lunch to the group.

Mrs. Jack McCarty and children from Logan, N.M. spent the weekend with her parents, the Joe Sowders.

Jack Lane was a patient in St. Marys Hospital in Lubbock the past week.

Mrs. Bud Huff returned home Saturday after staying two weeks in Garland with her daughter the Buzz Henexsons. To help take care of her new granddaughter.

The farmers in the community are about finished with the

cotton and grain harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lane and Michelle and Milissa and Jonathan Bennett were supper guests in the home of Mrs. Nettie Quisenberry in Muleshoe Saturday.

S.G. Long spent the last part of the week in Waco attending a Masonic Meeting.

Mrs. S.G. Long was in Lubbock Friday shopping.

Mrs. Melonie Bruton and baby Ashley of Lubbock and Timothy, Lisa Roberts and baby were holiday guests in the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burley Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Darwin McBee had all her family home for Thanksgiving but brother and his mother, Mrs. Dean McBee was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Latimer were in Lubbock Monday shopping.

M.C. Toombs under went surgery in Methodist hospital Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tyson were in Portales Saturday shopping.

Rev. and Mrs. Vance Davis were dinner guest in the home of the Bill Dolles Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sowder were in Clovis N.M. Saturday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaun Bachelor and Lank Link Lane from

Arlington, Mrs. Rodger Hatcher from Clovis and Michelle Lane from Levelland spent the past weekend visiting the Jack Lane family.

Mrs. Ima Roberts and Mrs. Mike Sowder and their Sunday school class visited the older people of the Three Way community and brought a short x-mas program and a sack of goodies. We older people appreciate these young folks and their sponsors.

The Maple Co-op gin had ginned 11,600 bales of cotton up until Sunday noon. Farmers in the community are about through gathering.

The Three Way basketball teams played in the Whitherrell tournament this past weekend with the Three Way girls winning 3rd place trophy.

The Three Way Baptist Church honored their pastor Rev. and Mrs. John Cockrel Sunday with a pounding.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Wittner were in Plainview Saturday evening to attend the program of the living X-mas tree pageant put on at the First Baptist Church in Plainview.

Belinda Dolle from Lubbock and Darla Dolle from Maple honored their parents Saturday night at Lubbock on their 25th. wedding anniversary. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dolle from Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. Don Dolle from Canyon, Mrs. James Parker and daughter Michelle from Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis and Rev. and Mrs. Vance Davis from Lubbock.

ONE MINUTE SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who won the Australian Open tennis tournament?
2. Name the college player who received the Lombardi trophy.
3. Who was named 1985's Heisman Trophy winner?
4. Peggy Fleming was known in what sport?

Answers to Sports Quiz

1. Stefan Edberg over Mats Wilander.
2. Tony Casillas, University of Oklahoma.
3. Bo Jackson of Auburn.
4. 1968 Olympic gold medalist in figure skating.

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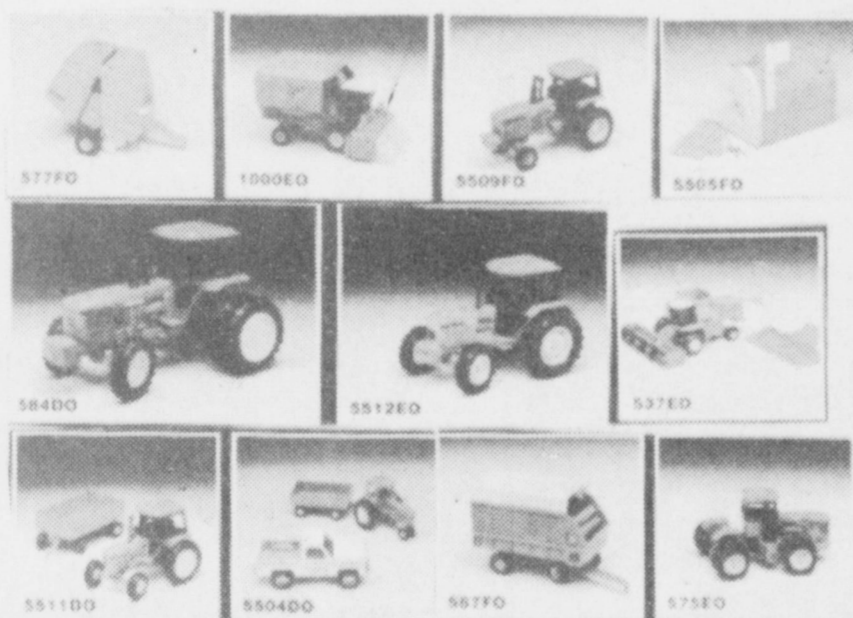
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SANDHILLS PHILOSOPHER

Editor's note: The Sandhills Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Sandy Acres claims he has solved a problem bothering TV football fans.

Dear editor: One trouble with people today is they don't use that American right to solve problems on their own.

For example, the next day after a nationally televised professional football game you can find coffee drinkers in country stores, small town cafes and, I'm pretty sure, big city hotel coffee shops, going over the fine points of the game.

In none of these places will you hear a kind word for those non-stop TV side commentators who explain every play, tell you what the quarterback should have called and tell you about a conversation had the other day with the guy who made the tackle and what college he went to, although what his grades were is never gone into.

For years Howard Cosell was the chief irritator, but he has now been replaced by other who are achieving equal heights. If you were in a stadium watching the game and somebody in front of you turned around on every play and explained endlessly what you'd just seen for yourself, you'd jam his hat down over his ears or, if he was bigger than you, get up and move to another seat.

But on television you can't do either. You're at the mercy of those boring analyzers, play after play. Sometimes they don't even wait till the play's over before they start talking.

That is, most fans seem to think they're at the mercy of those TV nitwits. I've discovered a way to silence them, without writing the unresponsive networks or signing petitions or grousing at coffee breaks.

It requires a TV set with a remote control gadget, that little six-inch apparatus that weighs about 6 ounces. Among the buttons on it is one called MUTE. Press it and the sound goes off while the picture continues. Press it again and the sound comes back on.

When Frank Gifford for example in his pleasant and necessary report tells you what happened and stops, and you hear O.J. Simpson start up, press the mute button. I've gotten so good at it I can silence him on his second word. John Madden jumps in so fast he may be on his third or fourth word before I catch him. I've heard him tell me for the last time that if the ball breaks the plane of the goal line it's a touchdown. As for those two ex-quarterbacks, Terry Bradshaw and Joe Namath, I find it very satisfying to shut them up before they can tell me what play should have been called and why doesn't the coach send in his other quarterback. When the camera shows the teams lined up for the next play, turn the sound back on.

Keep your thumb on the mute button and let the game unfold. Analyzing should be left to the

coffee drinkers next day. Yours faithfully, J.A.

A&M draws most students from the state's major metropolitan areas

COLLEGE STATION — An analysis of fall enrollment figures at Texas A&M University reveals that slightly more than one-fourth of the 35,675 students enrolled are from the six-county Houston/Galveston metropolitan area.

Together with the Dallas-Fort Worth metropolitan area, nearly 40 percent of all Texas A&M students now hail from the two largest areas of the state, officials report.

As recently as 20 years ago, Texas A&M was considered to be a predominantly agricultural school, drawing most of its students from rural communities.

Harris, Galveston, Montgomery, Fort Bend, Brazoria and Liberty counties account for 8,985 students — or 25 percent of the overall 1985 fall enrollment. The seven county Dallas/Fort Worth area accounts for 5,081 students or roughly 14 percent of the total. The region includes Dallas, Tarrant, Collin, Denton, Johnson, Ellis and Rockwall counties.

Harris County — including Houston and its suburbs — is home for 6,547 Aggies. That figure is down 3 percent from last year, a statistic that falls in line with the 3 percent decrease in the overall Texas A&M enrollment this fall.

Other counties with major population centers from which Texas A&M students are drawn are: Bexar County (San Antonio), 1,892 students; Travis County (Austin), 556 students; Nueces County (Corpus Christi), 514 students; and El Paso County, 283 students.

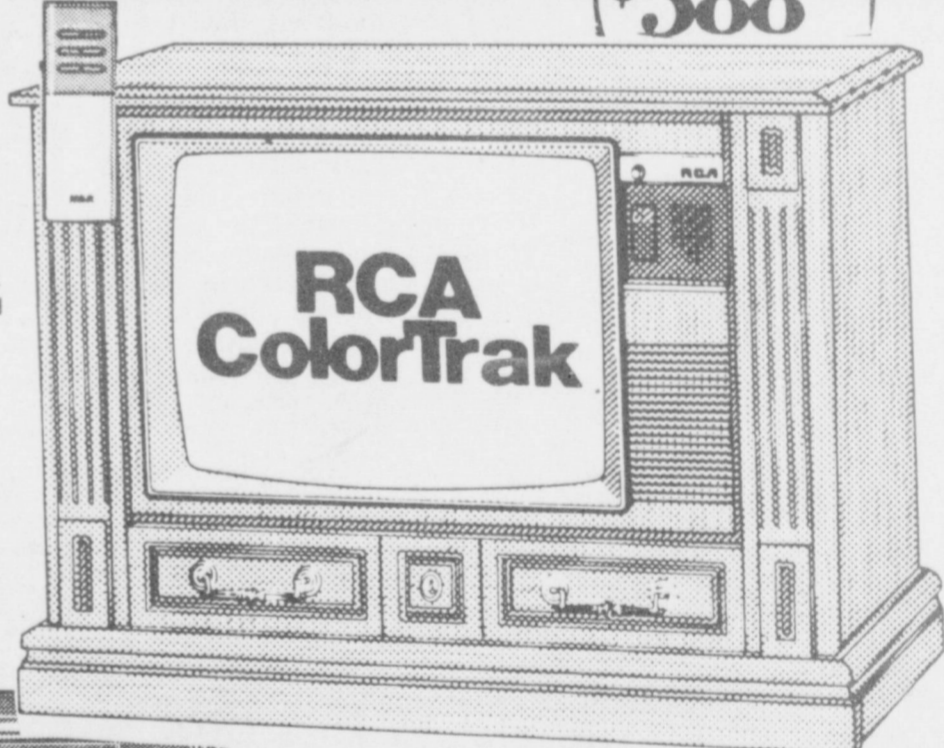
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MRS. KATHLEEN SPRING

Mrs. Kathleen Patterson Wedding Shower Honors

Mrs. Kathleen (Patterson) Spring was honored with a wedding shower Saturday, Dec. 14 from 2 until 3:30 p.m. in the parlor of the First Baptist Church.

Guests were greeted by the honoree and registered by Vera Haire.

Melissa Allison served turquoise thumbprint cookies, turquoise punch from crystal appointments.

The serving table was covered with a white lace cloth with a white underlay and accented with a turquoise and white arrangement in a basket. The honoree's corsage consisted of

turquoise roses. Special guests included: Gladys Spring, Florence Sifford, Sarah Dean, Velma Schlenker, Sarah and Cayla Mitchell, Nancy Patterson, Letha Patterson, Liz, Jennifer and Daniel Patterson.

The hostesses gift was a kitchen center. Hostesses for the occasion included: Betty Wuerflein, Pauline Guinn, Jane Rudd, Dianne Allison, Beth Webb, Vera Haire, Donna Shaw, Sandra Chancey, Betty Rejino, Bobbie Johnson and Gayle Turner.

BIBLE VERSE

Therefore speak I to thee in parables; because they seeing see not, and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

1. Who spoke these words?
 2. What is a parable?
 3. Where may these words be found?
 4. Who was the author of this book in the New Testament?
- Answers to Bible Verse
1. Jesus.
 2. A discourse, or saying conveying meaning by comparison.
 3. Matthew 13:13.
 4. Matthew, the apostle, generally identified as Levi, the son of Alphaeus.

PREVENT FOOD-BORNE ILLNESS--Unwashed hands or unsanitary cutting boards, food choppers, knives and cooking equipment can contaminate food with bacteria that cause food-borne illness. To keep food-borne illness from spoiling your holiday dinners, Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service nutrition specialists recommend special care in keeping cooking equipment clean. Any cutting board for raw meat should be thoroughly washed before other foods are placed on it, advise the specialists. And to keep bacteria from growing in foods, they recommend keeping hot foods above 140 degrees Fahrenheit and cold foods refrigerated below 40 degrees Fahrenheit.



OPENING GIFTS AT PARTY--Residents of the Muleshoe Nursing Home are shown opening gifts during their Christmas party Wednesday afternoon.



WHO KNOWS

1. Define hinterland.
2. Who said, "The God who gave us life, gave us liberty at the same time"?
3. What is the epidermis?
4. What is a hydrologist?

5. What is the motto for the state of South Dakota?

- Answers to Who Knows
1. A region remote from cities.
 2. Thomas Jefferson.
 3. The outer layer of one's skin.
 4. Scientist who studies water, its properties, laws, geographical distribution.
 5. Under God, the People Rule.

Creative Living

with Sheryl Borden

New information on pain, what's in and what's out in the fashion world and an interview with Richard Grayson, a novelist from England will be featured on "Creative Living" on December 31 and January 4.

Dr. Richard Sternbach is one of the country's foremost experts on pain and pain management. He's from La Jolla, Ca. and he will discuss why we experience pain and what some of the treatments are to relieve it.

Jhane Barnes, a well-known designer of mens and women's wear will discuss new fibers, fabrics and how these combine to make fashion practical and accessible for consumers. She will show some of her line of fashions for both men and women. Flattering shapes, vibrant colors and fresh textures are trademarks of Jhane Barnes's designs and her fashion is characterized by its architectural simplicity. Jhane's from New York.

Delta Kappa Gamma Holds Christmas Party

The Epsilon Delta chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met Saturday evening, Dec. 7 at the Springlake-Earth school cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. for their formal Christmas party.

After the invocation by Elizabeth Watson, a dinner of turkey and dressing and all of the trimmings were served. Monarae Cummings served as hostess for the committee.

Nettie Belle Wilburn was in charge of the program. She gave a reading "A Delta Kappa Gamma Christmas". There was an exchange of gifts which Santa and his helpers distributed to the members.

The meeting closed with the singing of Christmas Carols.

Those attending from Muleshoe were Jean Allison, Carrie Lee Bishop, Virginia Bowers, Joylene Costen, Mary B. Obenhaus, Georgia Pena, Lola Pylant, Jane Rails, Lucy Faye Smith, Elizabeth Watson, and Johanna Wrinkle.

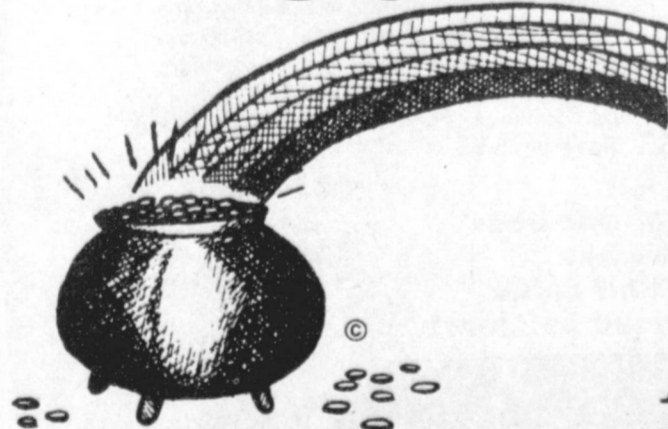
Richard Grindal is a mystery writer from England and uses the pseudo-name of Richard Grayson. He will discuss his best-selling books and tell where he gets ideas and characters for his writing.

On January 2, Stan Jankiewicz, Vice-President of Sales and Marketing for Verosol U.S.A. will show examples of Verosol speciality shades as solutions for problem windows, such as A-frames, bay, skylights and arch windows. Stan is from Pittsburgh, Pa.

Another guest, Mary Bernardon, Director of the Hoover Home Institute in North Canton, Oh. will go over some basic information on buying a vacuum cleaner. She will explain how all vacuum cleaners operate and then talk about different carpets that require special cleaning techniques. The category of speciality floor care products is unique and Mary will show some of these.

"Creative Living" is produced and hosted by Sheryl Borden. The show airs on KENW-TV, Channel 3 in Portales on Tuesday and Thursday at 12 noon and at 2:00 pm on Saturday. (All times are Mountain Standard).

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Muleshoe Squares
By Mary Alice Ramm

Thursday night Dec. 19th was our Christmas Dance. We had six squares and was it ever alot of fun.

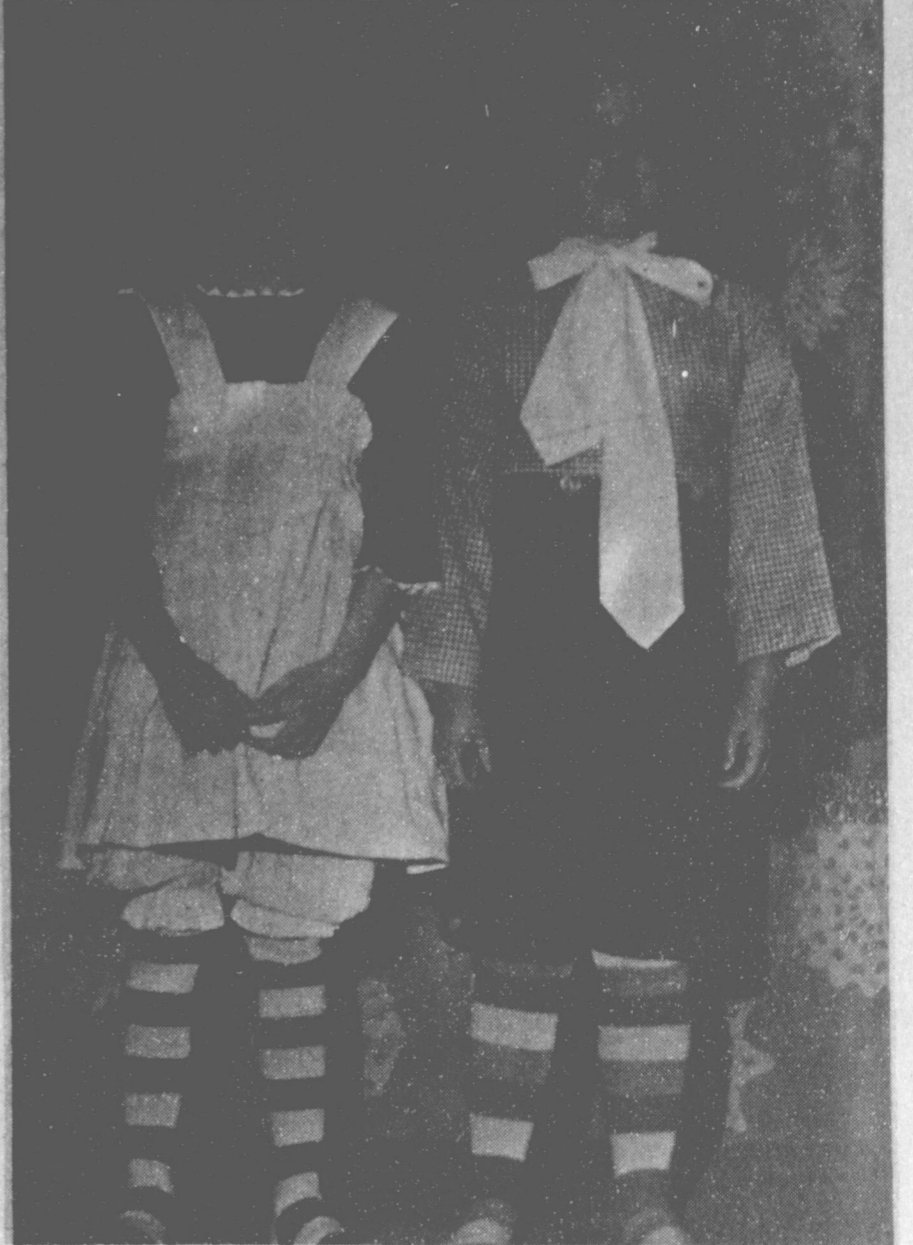
A special thanks to our host couples, Helen and Norma Head, Wanda and Lewis Wayne Shafer, Gloria and J.W. Herington and Elinor and Chester Yerby. The decorations were lovely and the food was delicious.

We had guest from the Starlighter Squares, Portales, N.M.; Y. Squares and Circle Eights of Clovis, New Mexico.

Square Dancing has been canceled for today, December 26 and January 2, 1986, the next Square Dance will be January 9, 1986, and then we begin Square dance lessons on January 16, 1986, at 8 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

There will be a New Years Eve Square and Round Dance December 31 at the Farwell Civic Center. Pre-rounds start at 8 to 9 p.m. being cued by Jack Orio, then Square Dancing starts at 9:30 till midnight. James Pettus and Bobby Graham cueing. Lets all turn out and make it the best New Years eve ever.

Our Anniversary dance will be February 8, 1986, at the Bailey County Civic Center. Come out and watch us dance. We always enjoy having visitors.



CHRISTMAS FOLLIES---Dacia Stewart played the part of Ragedy Ann and David Claybrook the part of Ragedy Andy during the Christmas Follies presented recently at Dillman Elementary by the second grade class.

The free conversation of a friend is what I would prefer to any entertainment.
---David Hume.

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SANTA AND THE ELVES---Chad Johnson played the part of Santa Claus during the 1985 Christmas Follies presented recently by the second grade class at Dillman Elementary. Elves were Clay Myers, Koy Wilhite, Michael Orosco, Tyson Moncrief, Cyle Marr, Riley Myers, Gabriel Fernandez and Trent Copley.

Journal Files

60 Years Ago
1925
BABY CLINIC IS TO BE HERE
JANUARY 7th
Everyone bring your baby to the clinic to be held Jan. 7th. There will be a specialist and we want all children in the county. This means that all children under school age are to be inspected. There will be further notices later. Don't forget this date.

50 Years Ago
1935
LETTERS TO SANTA
Dear Santa Clause
I am a little boy five year old. I have tried to be a real good boy. I want you to bring me a little wagon and lots of candy, nuts, and fruits. I live at Muleshoe, Route 2. With lots of love.
Jack Baker

40 Years Ago
1945
LOCAL MARKETS
Cream.....50 cents
Eggs, doz.....44 cents
Heavy Hens.....20 cents
Light Hens.....20 cents

Maize CWT..... 1.90
Kefir, cwt..... 1.90
Wheat bu..... 1.82
Hogs CWT..... 14.25
Fryers lb..... 34 cents
Turkeys, Toms No. 1..... 29 cents
Hens No. 1..... 29 cents
Hides..... 9 cents

30 Years Ago
1955
LETTERS TO SANTA
Dear Santa
I want a big bride doll and I want a fuzzy kitten. Don't forget the other little boys and girls.
Your friend
Carolyn Brock

20 Years Ago
1965
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10 Years Ago
1975
LETTERS TO SANTA
Dear Santa,
I hope you have a happy Christmas. I want a trampoline.
Love
Ricky Dale Rasco

Dear Santa Clause,
How is the North Pole? It is fine in Muleshoe. I want a taperecorder, a big chalk board, TV Magic set and a surprise. Well I had better say by.
Love
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LEADER OF TOMORROW---Bryan Field is the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Field. Bryan's favorite subject is Language Arts. His favorite sports are football, baseball and swimming. He likes school and enjoys traveling. Bryan has two sisters: Jody, 12 and Lindsey, 3. Bryan is a 3rd grader at Mary DeShazo and is in Mrs. Jody Lyle's room. We are proud to recognize this young man as a "Leader of Tomorrow."

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ALLSUP'S GRADUATES ASSISTANT MANAGER--Terry Pharis (left) has successfully completed Allsup's Assistant Manager Training course held at the company's home office in Clovis. Terry receives her diploma from Gary Whittington, instructor for the Assistant Manager Class. The three day course includes instruction in customer relations, company policies, operational procedures, and management skills. According to Whittington, "The entire training program represents an effort by Allsup's to provide better service to our customers and prepare assistant managers for a rewarding career in the convenience store industry." Terry returns to her store at 312 West American Boulevard in Muleshoe.

Social Security recipients to receive first of new govt. checks.

U.S. Postal Service ends fiscal year with deficit, first in 3 years.

Enochs News

by
Mrs. J.D. Bayless

We express our sympathy to the family and relatives of Mrs. Ruby Holladay of Morton formerly of Enochs who died Thursday.

Bill Key reported that his wife Elnita Key who had surgery Thursday is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Peterson were in Littlefield Friday and visited in the home of a friend Mrs. Alberta Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Layton had her family Christmas dinner Sunday, present were their sons, Mr. and Mrs. Carrol Layton and daughter, Ashley

Honors...

Cont. From Page 1

and Industrial Engineering with a 3.2 gpa. He is a member of the Student Foundation, with the Hall Council of Jarrett Hall (vice president), Recreation Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

He is active in the Baptist Student Union where he was Freshman Council vice president and on the state council 84-85. He is the recipient of the Recreation Club/Mary Hill Scholarship and the Harrington Foundation Scholarship (four years). He was co-leader of the Student Foundation Phonothan. He was nominated for Who's Who by Jarrett Hall Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Layton and son, Lance also a friend Jim Jackson of Tohoka.

The cold front that came through Monday night Dec. 9th brought a drizzle and ice all over every thing with snow that night and snowed other nights about 3 inches in all. The sun shined Saturday and the snow melted but in shaded places. The temperatures dropped to nearly zero Friday night.

The farmers are about through combining their feed but several still has cotton to pull.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jackson of Clovis, N.M. spent Saturday night and Sunday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Autry, Mrs. Billy West of Tatum, N.M. also visited her parents, the Autrys and spent Saturday night with a sister, Mrs. Myrna Turney.

Mr. and Mrs. E.N. McCall flew to Harlingen, Texas Monday morning to visit his brother, and wife, Mr. and Mrs. G.H. McCall they are both ill, they flew home that evening.

The Baptist women had their

party 2:00 p.m. Tuesday in the fellowship hall of the church. Mrs. Dale Nichols and Mrs. Wilma Petree were in charge of the games, they drew numbers for exchange gifts, those present were Mmes Etta Layton, Francis Price, Ellen Bayless, Winnie Byars, Dicie Snitker, Wilma Petree, Connie Heady and Kari, Rose Nichols and Margie Peterson.

Refreshments of all kinds of Christmas goodies, spiced tea and coffee was served.

Elnita Key was dismissed from St. Marys Hospital Thursday she is improving.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Bayless Monday afternoon til Tuesday afternoon

was her brother, Chester and Alene Coffman of Big Spring.

Visiting the E.N. McCall's Friday was Steve, Kelly, Kerry and Teffany Mosser of Slaton.

Visiting in the home of Mrs. Etta Layton one day last week was a granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Derrinton and three son's from Omaha, Neb.

Mrs. Winnie Byars was in Lubbock to be with her daughter, Mrs. Nadine Parr who was in the hospital.

Tom Bogard who has been in the Littlefield Medical Center was transferred to the Littlefield Hospitality House recently.

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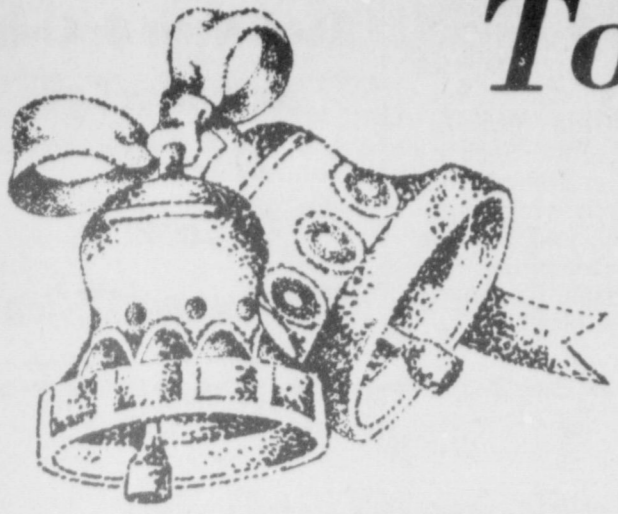
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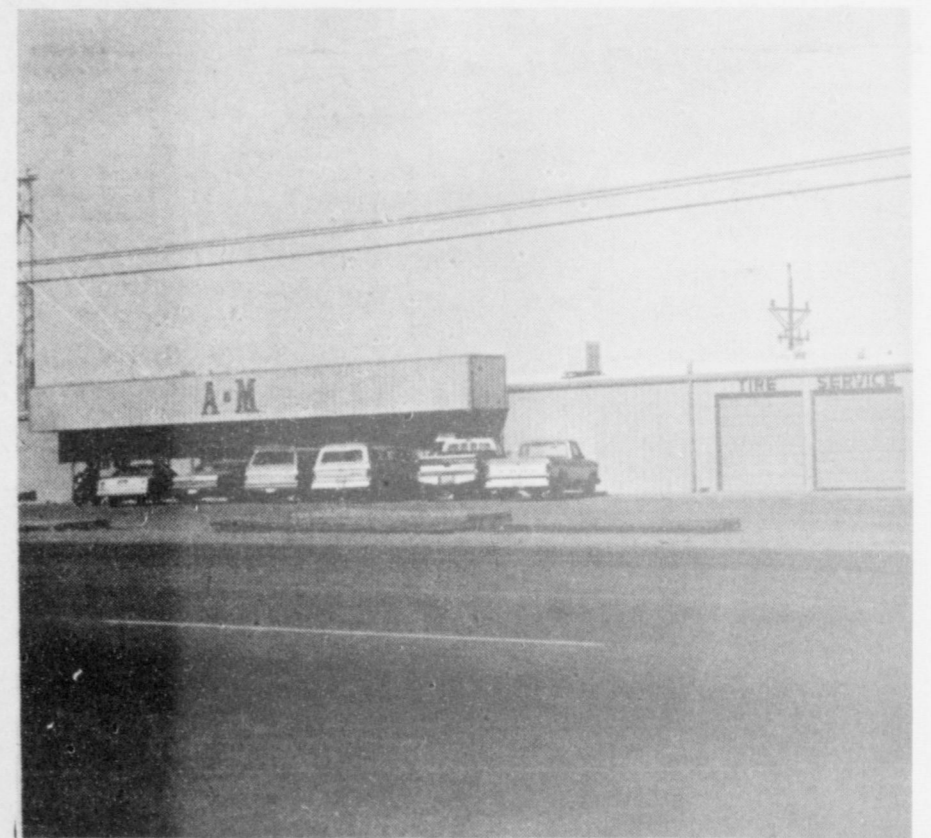
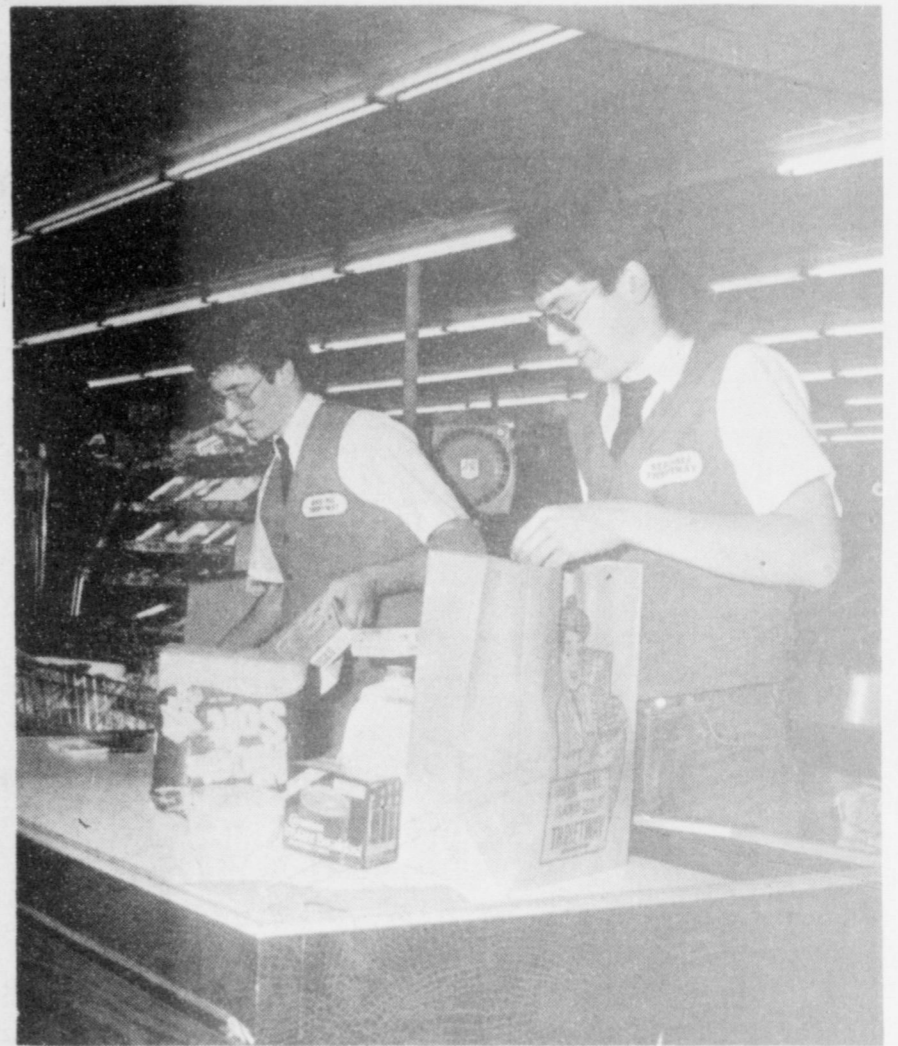
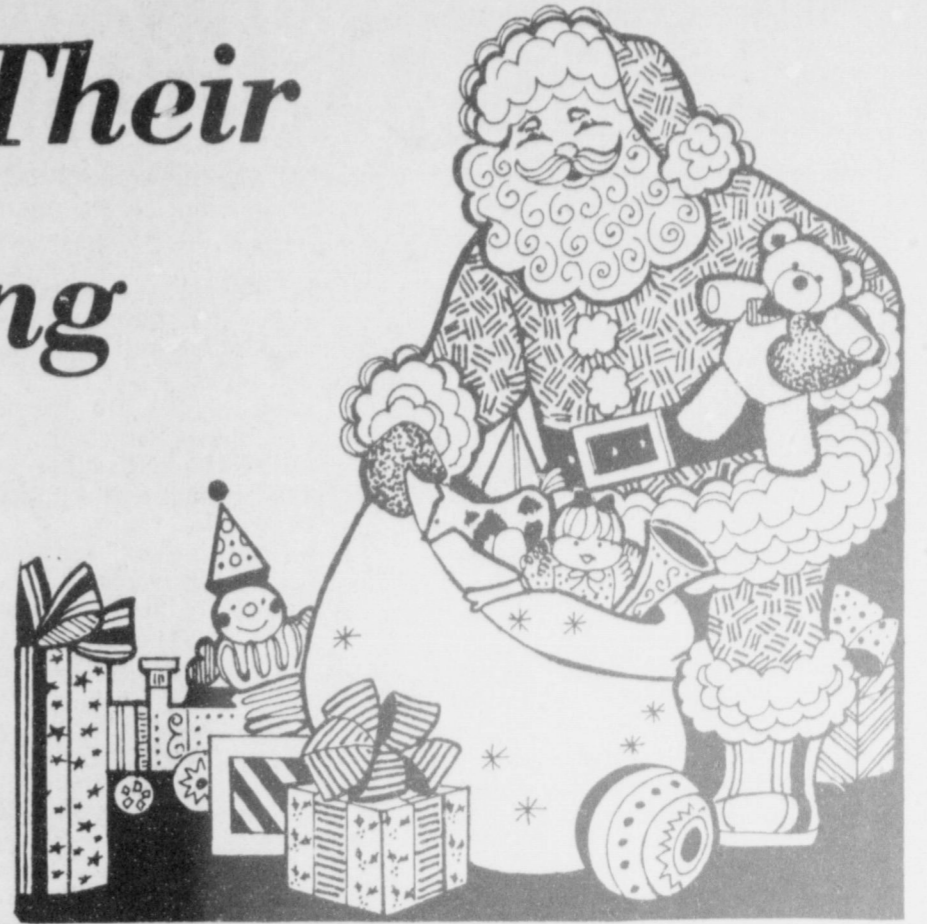
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Townspeople Doing Their Christmas Shopping In Muleshoe



New Social Security Checks Have New Look

Beginning December 3, more than one million Texas residents will find multicolored Social Security checks in their mailboxes as the federal government begins phasing out its familiar green punch-card checks. After 40 years, the Treasury has redesigned its checks to provide more than a dozen security features to make them harder to alter or counterfeit.

It's important that persons receiving these federal checks are familiar with the "new look" checks. And it's also important that men and women working at banks and other savings institutions recognize them.

According to government figures, 1,048,156 Texas residents receive Social Security benefits in the form of monthly checks. That is in addition to the number of Texans receiving veterans compensation payments, federal employee paychecks, federal income tax refunds, etc. Each year the federal government writes 600 million checks.

Some of the differences between the existing government checks and the new checks include:

* Existing checks are printed on a heavy, card stock—but the new checks will be printed on lightweight paper.

* Existing checks are green and have holes punched in them, making them readable to computers—but the new checks will not have holes.

* Existing checks feature check-cashing instructions on the relatively plain reverse side—but the new checks have a pattern of "USA" printed in pale blue.

The new checks will feature a full-length reproduction of the Statue of Liberty on the left side, and a muted close-up of the Statue's head and torch is shown on the right. The words "United States Treasury" appear in large letters in the upper left-hand corner.

The Treasury Department's Financial Management Service

began studying possible changes to the existing punched-card check in the late 1970's for several reasons.

First, the punched-card technology of the 1940's now is obsolete. The new check is designed to meet the "generally accepted commercial practices used throughout the business and financial communities," according to the Financial Management Service.

Second, because the new checks are printed on lightweight paper, the government will save \$6 million a year in purchasing and storing \$5 million, the new checks will more than pay for themselves the first year they are in use. After this first year, the government will realize even greater savings.

And third, the new checks are more difficult to counterfeit or alter than the existing ones. Presently, only about four security features are built into the green punched-card checks. More than a dozen security measures are included in the new checks.

While most people will automatically accept the new checks, the Treasury is concerned that

some people may be confused by the new design, be skeptical of their authenticity, or accidentally throw them away. Check recipients and financial institutions should be aware of the new look so that they



But thou, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come fourth unto me that is to be ruler of Israel.

1. Who is the author of this prophecy?
2. Of whom was he speaking?
3. When did Micah write this?
4. Where may this verse be found?

Answers to Bible Verse

1. The Prophet Micah.
2. Of Christ, the promised Messiah.
3. At least 400 years before Christ's birth.
4. Micah 5:2.

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 December 22--Janie Stancell, Tommie Hernandez and Minnie Redwine, all of Muleshoe; Augustina Garcia, Earth
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Annie Brown Graveside Services Held In Post

Graveside services for Annie Brown, 87, of Farwell were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24 in the Post Cemetery, with Glenn Williams officiating.
 Burial was under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Muleshoe. Ms. Brown died at 5:30 a.m. Sunday in Farwell Convalescent Center.
 A native of China Springs, Texas, Ms. Brown was born Sept. 2, 1898, and moved to Farwell a year ago from Muleshoe. She was a homemaker and a member of the Muleshoe Church of Christ.
 Survivors include a son, Clyde Brown of Spokane, Wash.; three daughters, Mrs. Sybil Simpson of Lovington, N.M., Mrs. Doris Twaddell of Hayden Lake, Idaho, and Mrs. Billy Jean McGee of Ada, Okla.; eight grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren.

Elsie M. Iley Former Muleshoe Resident Dies

Funeral services for Elsie M. Iley, 90, of Fort Worth were held at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24 in Resthaven Chapel with Skip Rogers of Denver City Church of Christ and John Smith of Vendelia Church of Christ officiating.
 Interment was in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Resthaven Funeral Home. Ms. Iley died at 10:45 p.m. Friday at Lakewood Village Medical Center in Fort Worth following a brief illness.
 She was a native of Comanche County, and had lived in Muleshoe and Lubbock before moving to Fort Worth. She married Noble R. Iley on Sept. 29, 1919. He died Nov. 11, 1981.
 She was a charter and lifetime member of LCC Associates, and a lifetime member of the Methodist Hospital Auxiliary, the Daughters of the American Revolution and Magna Carta Dames. She was involved in hobby club and home demonstration work and was a member of Vendelia Church of Christ.
 Survivors include a daughter, Mary Louise Brown of Carbon; two sisters, Lola McNeely of Arlington and Mrs. L.G. Jackson of Odessa; a granddaughter; a grandson; and three great grandsons.

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St. Luke 2:14

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Hi!

Good Luck! Good Health! And nothing but good times to all in 1986!

Happy New Year
from the
Journalism Class
of M.H.S.

Political Poll Taken By Civics Students

Senior civics students at Muleshoe High School recently conducted a political poll during the study of political parties, American elections and voting. Each student polled five voting-age citizens of the Muleshoe area, and they made some interesting discoveries. Altogether 390 people were interviewed and a wide spectrum of occupations were included in those polled. More teachers were interviewed than any other occupation, but among those polled were farmers, housewives, cooks, nurses, policemen, receptionists, restaurant managers, grocery store managers and workers, mechanics, accountants, bookkeepers, a welder, truck drivers, attorneys, secretaries, Tolk Station workers, machinists, office managers, a principal and an assistant principal, cowboy, bridal shop manager, hairdressers, computer operators, judges, retired people, a disabled veteran, carpenters, maintenance workers, and many others. Two unique occupations were included: a bouncer and a commercial scuba diver.

The first question asked on the poll was, "Did you vote in the last Presidential election?" Of the 390 people polled, 299 stated "yes", while 91 replied "no."

It was a different story when the next question was asked, "Did you vote in the election last month which dealt only with amendments?" Only 123 answered yes while 267 said they did not vote.

The next question asked was, "Do you consider yourself to be a republican, a democrat, or an independent?" 98 considered themselves to be republican, 134 democrats, and surprisingly 157 said independent. One answered, "nobody's business."

Question number four was, "Why do you believe Americans have such a poor voting record?" The answer given over and over was, "Americans are apathetic, and they do not believe their one vote counts." A number of people said that people are just lazy, they do not take time to vote, or they do not like any of the candidates running. Several polled stated that Americans have become complacent and do not appreciate the free system we have. Many believed that no matter who was elected, things would not change. One person noted that we do a poor job of teaching the importance of voting. One person stated that it is our freedom of choice which allows people not to vote. This person stated that if we had communism, people would be forced to vote. One thoughtful answer given was that Americans are spoiled and are used to having everything given to them. Some even choose not to

vote because they do not want their name on the jury list. One of the main reasons people do not vote, according to this poll, is the lack of understanding of the issues and having no interest in the political process, especially in the Mexican-American community. Many noted that people are too lazy to become informed about the candidates and issues, and thus, they usually do not participate, or if they do vote, they vote blindly.

The last question asked, "What can be done to improve the American political system?" evoked many varied answers. Some of the following are responses given:

"Inform people about the issues."
"Somehow get more people involved, especially minorities."
"Get rid of the crooked politicians."

"Rather than politicians, have statesmen."

"Limit the campaign time, as this system favors the rich."

"Have more activities which involve voting at school, so the students will take more information home to parents."

"Do away with the electoral system and have a majority vote win."

"Have a watchdog committee so more crooked politicians can be trapped."

"Do not allow someone who gets their full income from the government to vote, as this perpetuates a welfare system."

"Get rid of Tip O'Neill."

"Get rid of Mark White."

"Cut the salaries of ex-politicians and quit wasting money."

"Encourage people of integrity to run for public office which would upgrade the image of the political system."

"Make the election process simpler so any dummy can understand the process."

"Put God back into the system, and outlaw abortions."

"Get elected officials who keep their promises."

"Make the process fairer to the middle and lower classes and encourage minorities to participate."

"Do what is good for America rather than the politician."

Over and over this response was noted, "We need more honesty, and we need to eliminate waste. There are too many give-away programs."

Another stated, "Get control back on the local level; keep federal govt. a skeleton government."

Hopefully, this political poll will give the students a new insight into the political process, and they will become more involved. Perhaps, also, all who were contacted will realize that we as free American citizens involved and to participate in our voting system, as well as other political activity. When

Poets' Corner Poems Written By MHS Students

Thanks for My Chance
by: Lisa Hamilton

This is for my parents,
those who wanted
only the best at my birth.
Hopefully they never regretted
their decision.

If they could see me now,
they would know they were
right.

I am thankful I was given the
chance
to have the life I have.

I have never had to live
under the shadow
that I was to blame for a bad
marriage.

Never have I felt unloved;
Being unwanted has never
crossed my mind.
For this I am appreciative.

I respect them;
they kept my future in
perspective.

They gave me a loving family,
a future I can look forward to.
Maybe someday

I'll tell them in person.

But for now,
Wherever they are,
I hope they know I am glad
they gave me a chance.

Americans fail to take care of this responsibility, others will step in and do it for them. As one person who was polled noted, "If the communists took us over, then we would appreciate all of the freedoms we have."

Band Beats It's Drum

The Mighty "M" has really gotten into the Christmas spirit by performing several times during the past week. They have not only performed but also held a fabulous banquet.

The banquet was at Leal's on Tuesday, December 17. Several band members and non band members came and really enjoyed themselves. They were honored by the speaker, Jerry "Mother" Bartley, who has been a band director for many years. He was delightfully funny and kept everyone entertained and amused. The banquet was much fun and everyone seemed to have had a good time.

On Thursday, December 19, the Muleshoe bands had an "Evening of Christmas music." The Cadet, or 6th grade bands, made their very first appearance, which was a good one. The Jr. High band also had a great program. On their program, they featured Jeremy Bruns, a 7th grader, who played a synthesizer composition of his own.

The Mighty "M" had an excellent program on which they played "Slavonic Folk Suite" and "Halleluia Chorus," for which Pat Watson played the synthesizer. The jazz band played "Rudolf the Rednosed Reindeer," arranged by Mr. Gibson. Some members of the band sang and had fun on the choreographing.

The jazz band also played at lunch on Friday. The students and faculty in the cafeteria really seemed to enjoy the performance. The band had lots of fun and was really in the Christmas spirit when school dismissed Friday for the holidays.

Santa Claus owes them a debt of gratitude

A collector of folk customs and holiday practices attributes our present-day Santa Claus to the work of three men:

Washington Irving, who wrote of the happy rural English Christmas festivities;

Dr. Clement Moore, whose poem "The Visit from St. Nicholas" gave millions of people the idea of a jolly saint;

And Thomas Nast, the cartoonist whose plump Santa became the prototype of today's figure.

Leadership Training New High School Class

Have you ever entered a room anywhere and been given a standing ovation? One would have to admit that it is rather unusual, but when any person enters the room containing the Muleshoe High School leadership class, that person is greeted with this enthusiasm.

Muleshoe High School implemented a new local course this year called "Leadership Training". Although the title may be a bit misleading, the course trains young people to understand themselves better. Many students who take the course really need no particular improvement, but many of them need improvement in several areas. Although the class does not demand improvement, this is the end result of the class. One looks at himself more objectively; thus his self image is improved.

The basic criteria of the course in "Leadership Training" is the Zig Zilgar Leadership Training material. However, it must be understood that this is only a small portion of the class.

In order for students to look at themselves more objectively and improve self image as well as an image toward others, students are required to write a weekly paper on the most interesting person they have met during the previous week. By looking at interesting points about others, one sees and understands points about himself that draw the attention of peers. By seeing something good in others, one can improve himself and realize that this particular trait is true in himself. Perhaps the student is exhibiting this trait at the present time, but needs to be more aware of it himself and focus on improvement of this trait. In return, the student feels better about himself.

Students in the leadership class were required to write a letter to themselves during the first week of the semester class. The teacher is holding these letters and these letters will be mailed to each student two months after the course ends. The purpose is to let each student know and realize any changes in his attitudes or behaviors from having completed the course. We often

learn about ourselves by comparing behavior and traits of our younger age to those we have at the present time.

During the semester, students of the class visit other classes and applaud the other class of students concerning their accomplishments and dedications to various activities in which they have been involved. With many activities in action around the high school, there are many groups of students who often deserve to be noticed and honored. The class learns to give compliments to others and to give of themselves to others as a way of appreciating themselves more. Students begin to see the connection very soon concerning doing good things for other people. Many times one's inabilities and unsuccessful points are the results of selfishness-realized or not realized. It is well known that to erase an attitude of selfishness, it involves doing for others and paying attention to others. This builds character within oneself and gives all of us a sense of accomplishment. If we feel accomplished and good about ourselves, then our sense of well being and self motivation are increased. The result is a better person because that person has learned to look at himself through the eyes of others.

It takes students of the leadership class a while to learn to stand any time they speak in the class. Why do they stand? To become aware of ourselves--what we say and how we look to others--we often need to be put in a position where we know that much attention is paid to us. By standing and reciting a response, the student learns to watch himself, be aware of what he is saying, and be cautious that overreaction is not present. Our behavior and responses, both what we say and how we say it is checked more carefully. If we are aware that we are really being observed, we learn to state exactly our feelings about something without wordiness and are prone to use correct speech and grammar in saying it.

Students learn to "be a good finder." As various speeches are made to the class, students learn to say at least two good

things about a fellow classmate while addressing that classmate. So many times, our own self-image is projected through our observation of others. To look for the good things in others tends to make us exhibit the good things about ourselves.

During each day, every leadership student must respond to the entire class concerning a non-class member. In the response, each student must tell two positive things about the person. Again, to find positive things about other causes to look at ourselves positively.

The class does other projects that involve helping others. They send cards of congratulations to various people in the community and are planning to send Christmas cards to various community patrons, especially those who may be in a position to need attention and appreciation from others.

The leadership class is a class that builds one's self image. In order to become a productive citizen and to really learn to like ourselves, it is believed that one must project himself toward other people. It is believed that one reason for our being is our association with others. We usually behave according to our relationship with our peers and other people. If we change our outlook toward people in general, then our self image improves. Through the improved self image, we learn to control our responses. We learn to say "no" to things we know are wrong, we learn to say "no" to things that will hurt other people, and best of all, we learn to say "no" to things we know are not in our best interests. We improve ourselves through how we look at ourselves. By looking at ourselves through the eyes of others, then we want ourselves to be at our best.

Mr. Jerry Johnson teaches the leadership class in Muleshoe High School. Through his venture into this class, he has gained the ultimate respect of all other faculty members and the interest of many of them. Now he finds his mail box at school full of clippings and other suggestions from fellow faculty members giving him ideas and hints concerning things he may want to include in the class.

Annual Staff, Art Club Have X-Mas Parties

The Annual Staff had so much fun the first night that the Art Club decided to follow "suit" the following night with the same format for their Christmas Bash. So what is this all about?

Christmas parties, that's what. The scene was the basement at the Adrian's house. As it turns out, Mrs. Adrian, along with Mrs. Watson are sponsors of the Annual, and Mrs. Adrian also sponsors the Art Club. The theme was a Mini "Vegas" with several casino

Coach's Comments

The Muleshoe Varsity girls played their first district game Friday, December 13, against the Littlefield Wildcats. The Mule-ettes came out on top on the bottom end of the stick by a score of 48-36.

High pointer for the Mulettes was Tisha Cox with 9 followed by Debbie Isaac with 7, and Amy Bean and Leonor Daniel each with 6 points. The Mule-ettes are 0-1 in district and their season record is 3-6.

Coach Johnson commented, "We are improving every game but must become more consistent in our play. Our free throw shooting hurt us in the Littlefield game."

games and a grub steak of two hundred Santa bucks. Speaking of grub, the Annual kids, being big eaters, feasted on "Mexican Fiesta," supplied by the kids themselves, and delivered through the snow, (Remember the snow?) to the party sight for the total enjoyment of all. After the meal, the group retired to the basement to try their hand at lady luck. With the aid of guests, Brad Poyner and Carroll Precure as dealers, the group had one hour to make or break as the case might be. At the end of the time, an "auction" was held giving everyone a chance to "buy" gag gifts left under the tree.

The following night was the Art Club's turn. And that Roulette wheel did turn, leaving Tonya Copley the big winner of the night. Guests dealing were Joe and Gayla Gear, and Tommy and Margie Merritt. During the auction that night, there was some "dealing" going on along the sidelines too, trying to come up with enough funds to buy such treasures as a perfume bottle filled with vinegar, and a half empty box of Kleenex.

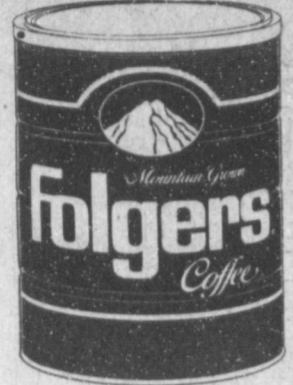
Both groups seemed to enjoy themselves, in fact it was hard to tell who had more fun, the kids, the dealers, or the sponsors.



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