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### FOR ROOMS, FURNISHINGS

# Memorial Gifts Total \$10,000 to New Home

Over \$10,000 Memorial Gifts have already been donated for benefit of furnishing the Stratford Hospital District's Convalescent Home which is being constructed on the Beaver Road east of Stratford.

Hospital District Board President Walter Lasley announced Monday the board had received over \$10,000 in checks for Memorials for loved ones. The money will be used to furnish rooms in the 38 bed facility plus provide furnishings in the living room, recreational areas and other portions of the new facility when construction is finished.

"Speaking for the entire board, and for the entire area, the board is really happy to receive these Memorials," said Lasley. "Anyone interested in making a similar Memorial is urged to contact any member of our board or Mrs. Martha Mitts at the First State Bank of Stratford," Lasley added.

Those who have made contributions for furnishing rooms and other needs of the new structure include: Mrs. R.C. Buckles, Mrs. Paul Chesmer, Mrs. Byron Fedric, Mrs. Wanda Riffe, J.B. Riffe and Walter Lasley.

Several of the contributors have designated their gifts to be used in some particular area while others have just donated their contribution to be used to the best interest of the structure when completed.

The Hospital Board has stated that it costs an estimated \$2,500 to furnish a semi-private room and \$1,800 to furnish a private room.

The Hospital Board will keep a list of the donations with a

large plaque to be placed on the door of a room that is furnished in memory of a loved one and also a large plaque will be kept for other large contributors to be recognized.

Groundbreaking for the new convalescent home was held last Tuesday morning on the site on Beaver Road in east Stratford. The 38-bed structure will be constructed by the High Plains Builders of Amarillo. Architect for the facility is Hannon & Daniel of Amarillo, the firm which designed High Plains Hospital.

Marvin Harrison of Stratford turned over the first shovel of dirt at last week's groundbreaking ceremony. About 25 persons were on hand for the ceremony preceding work on the structure.

The new facility was approved by voters within the hospital district by giving their okay for \$550,000 in bonds to be used to build the home.

Mrs. Hazel Dunn will be the administrator for the new convalescent home and worked closely with Don Dickerson, project architect, in drawing up final plans for the structure. The bids for the home were opened on December 4 and the Amarillo based firm of High Plains Builders was the low bidder from a field of nine contractors bidding on the job.

Preliminary dirt work has already been done at the site which is to take 240 working days to complete. The bid total for the work is \$520,200 which includes only the building and site itself.

A portion of the land was donated by Ernest Hubbard and the hospital board then purchased additional land to assure room for expansion in the future.

### STRATFORD TRUCKER KILLED IN KANSAS

A man and woman were shot and killed early Tuesday morning and their alleged assailant shot and killed himself following a high speed police chase near Johnson City, Kans., burst into the home of 59 year old Ethyl McMananan early Tuesday and fired shots that killed Mrs. McMananan and Donald Lusk, 46.

Lusk was employed as a truck driver for Delta Trucking Inc., headquartered in Stratford. He lived in Kansas and worked in the Ulysses and Johnson City areas.

Road blocks were set up in Stanton and adjacent counties. Police spotted Malone's car later and were pursuing when he pulled over east of a Johnson City roadblock. When officers arrived the officers found Malone fatally wounded with a .38 revolver near the body. Authorities are declining to speculate reasons behind the shootings.

### Band Boosters To Sponsor Refreshments

Members of the Elk Band Boosters organization will again provide refreshments and food at the Stratford Invitational Tourney this weekend with the proceeds going toward defraying expenses of the band this year.

This year the proceeds will be used in carpeting the band hall and the band trip to the Blossom Festival at Canon City, Colo.

The Band Boosters will be operating in the Study Hall, adjacent to the gymnasium and will be offering sandwiches, pie, cake, coffee krispies, brownies and donuts, said Mrs. Rex Christian, booster club president.

The Booster Club facility will be open from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. during the three day tournament. The Elk Band will also be operating the regular concession stand with hamburgers, tater tots, candy and cold drinks.

### TOWN TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Floy Yates visited Mrs. Frank Sewell in Okla. City over the week-end also their niece Mrs. Patience Latting and family in Okla. City.

Mrs. Clyde Trotter underwent surgery in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo Monday morning.

## CONCERT SATURDAY Amarillo High Site Of All Region Band

Twenty five members of the Stratford Elk Band will be travelling to Amarillo to participate in the All Region Band Concert this weekend, announced Gary Laramore, Elk Band director.

The students will be practicing at Amarillo High School on Friday and Saturday mornings, with the All Region Concert to be presented at the Amarillo High school Auditorium Saturday at 3 p.m.

The 25 Elk Band members qualified for membership in the All Region Band at tryouts held in December at Panhandle.

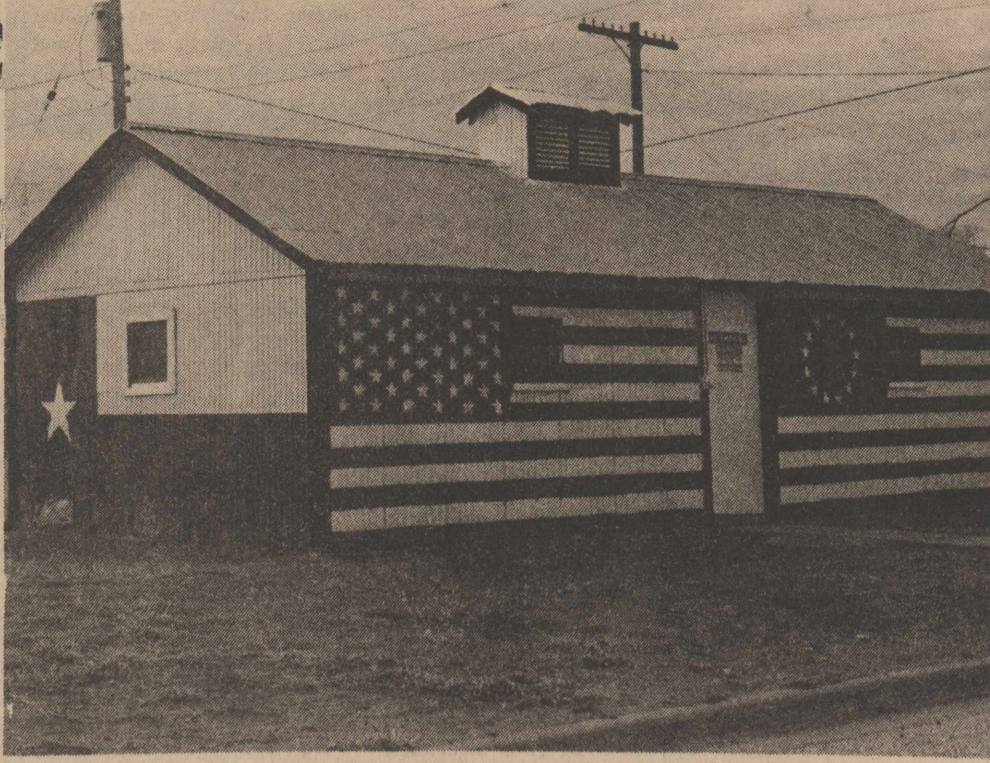
In addition to the 25 students who qualified for All Region Band, one member of the band qualified for fourth place in the tryouts for All State Band during the holidays.

Jeff Witcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Meidinger, a senior tuba player, finished in fourth place at Regional Tryouts last week. Witcher is a first chair tuba player in the All Region Band.

"We are happy to have so many of our students qualify for the All Region Band," said Laramore. "In many schools these students take private lessons and compete only in band while in our school they are active in many activities including band," he explained.

The 25 students who will be performing in this year's All Region Band Concert include Valerie Knight, Jeff Witcher, Jay Willard, Kennetha Melton, Tammy Cameron, Vicki Switzer, Pam McReynolds, Shirley Christian, Jana Wiley, Carrie Cummings, Kathy Lewis, Karen Pleyer, Pete Dice, Ted Allen, David Maas, Ken Ingham, Cindy Stovall, Valerie Mitts, Jimmy McClellan, Kevin Plunk, Joel Hart, Blynn Donelson, Melissa Ellison, Jacque Chesher and Terry Walker.

A total of three Junior High band members qualified for All Region Honors. These include Kyle Ingham, Ronny Arnold and Oscar Ramirez. The Junior High Band is under direction of Steve Ragsdale.



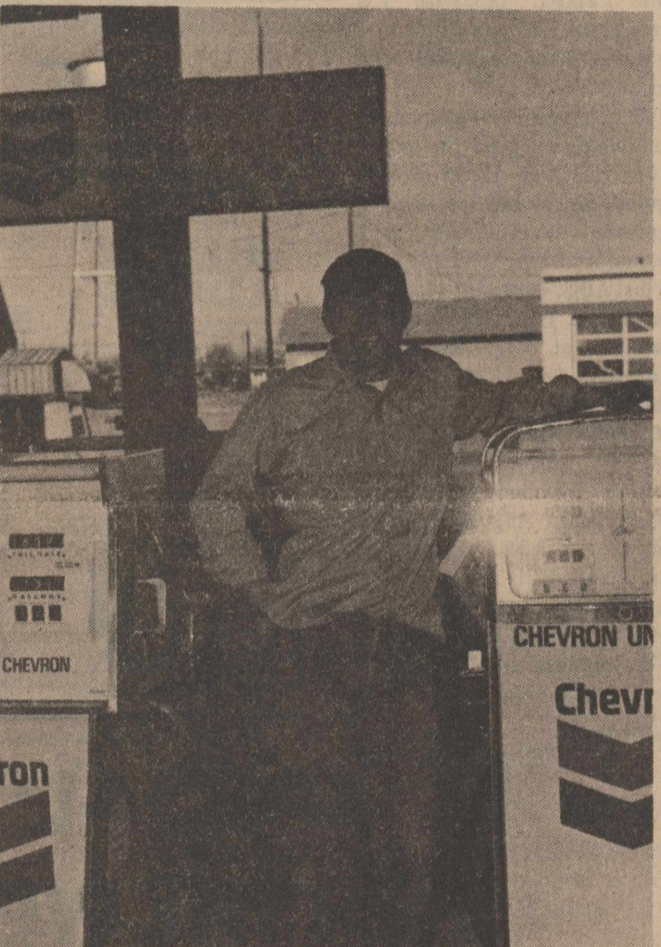
**BI CENTENNIAL STOREROOM**--Employees of Southern Union Gas Company decorated one of the company's gas houses in town recently in observance of the BiCentennial year. Shown in vivid red, white and blue are the Texas flag along with Old Glory and a previous flag of our nation. The colorful barn makes an attractive sight in the east part of town.

STRATFORD, SHERMAN COUNTY, TEXAS THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 1975

# THE STRATFORD STAR

Tip Top Town in Texas

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**RON'S OIL COMPANY**--Ron Hager is the new owner of Ron's Oil Company now operating the Chevron station at South Main and Highway 54 in Stratford. Hager has been in the service station business here for many years and opened the station under new management this week.

### IN DISTRICT CLASH

## Varsity Teams Win Over White Deer

Stratford varsity basketball teams bounced back from the holiday layoff with a pair of wins over District opponent White Deer Monday night as the Elkettes downed their competitors by a score of 58-27 and the Elks downed their opponents by a score of 70-59.

In the prelims, the Junior Varsity Elkettes beat out their counterparts by a 56-34 margin.

With the Stratford Tournament upcoming over the weekend, the varsity teams got off to a quick start this week with games on Monday and Tuesday evenings then the tournament this weekend to get back into action in a fast way.

Recapping Monday night's games, the Elkettes hit their pace midway in the first stanza as they pulled out to a 20-10 first quarter lead, continued to bomb the buckets in the second to go in at intermission with a 37-13 buffer. The bench was emptied in the second half as the Elkettes continued to dominate the game as they put up a 43-19 third quarter lead and won 58-27.

D'Lynn Brown led the Elkettes with 32 points, followed by Brenda Hawkins with 10, Vicki Bell got 9, LaRhonda Stacy

## DEADLINE FEB. 2 Several Area Offices In Political Arena

The BiCentennial Year will also be a political year with several district and county offices up before electors.

Two district offices and six county offices will be going to the voters before the year is out to be filled.

The district judge and district attorney offices will be up for grabs along with the Sherman County Tax Assessor Collector; County Attorney, Justice of Peace for Precinct 4 and County Commissioners in Precincts One and Three.

At present District Judge Mike Metcalf and District Attorney Barry Blackwell have already announced their intentions to see reelection to public office.

The county offices are held by Marilyn Albert, county tax assessor collector; Clois Vaughn is county sheriff; W.A. Dyess is county attorney; John Woods is JP for Precinct 4 while Joe Everett is County Commissioner for Pct 1 and Dale Hamilton is

## 45th Annual Cage Tournery Scheduled

Stratford will be hosting their 45th Annual Basketball Tournament this Thursday, Friday and Saturday with teams from neighboring cities to participate.

Action will get underway Thursday morning at 10 a.m. when girls' teams from Follett and Dalhart will tip off to begin the action. Finals are slated for 7:30 p.m. for the girls and 9 p.m. for the boys on Saturday night.

Teams from Dalhart, Sunray, Hartley, Texhoma, Gruver, Follett, Texline and Stratford will vie for honors in the tournament this year.

The Stratford Elkettes are defending Girls' Champions in the tourney, a title they have earned for 14 consecutive years. The Elkettes will be the top seeded girls team again this year and favored to repeat as champions. Texhoma Girls will also be a team to watch.

Channing won the Boy's Championship last year and will not be playing in this year's action. Hartley and Stratford

**TOWN TALK**

Johnny and Karen Pulliam and Keith and Bonnie Borth skied in Red River over the New Year holiday.

### Calendar of Events

- THURSDAY, JANUARY 8 No School-Teachers Work Day Stratford Tournament begins 2:30 p.m. Friendship Club with Vera Pronger
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 9 2 p.m. Prospectus Study Club at Betty Harlow
- No School-Teacher Work Day Stratford Tournament
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 10 Stratford Tournament finals 3 p.m. All Region Band Concert in Amarillo
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 11 ATTEND THE CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE
- MONDAY, JANUARY 12 4 p.m. 7,8 girls and boys vs Stinnett here
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 5:30 p.m. Elkettes, A,B Boys vs Stinnett There
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 15 Spearman Junior High Tournery begins.

### Local Resident's Niece Killed In Odessa

The three year old niece of Duane and Darrell Robertson, and Mrs. Rex Burgess, all of Stratford, was one of two youngsters killed Saturday afternoon in Odessa when a pickup truck went out of control and went through the front of a laundromat in which the two little girls were playing while their parents washed clothes.

Three year old Andrea N. Nuzem, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Nuzem of Odessa, was playing with Stephanie E. Riddick, 5, when the two were crushed beneath a soft drink machine when the out of control pickup smashed through the front of the laundromat.

The funeral for Andrea N. Nuzem was held Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the First United Methodist Church in Robinson, Kans.

The Robertson and the Burgess families were in Kansas for the funeral. They were expected to return this week.



**OPENS BOB'S TEXACO**--Bob Garoutte, right, is shown with Terry Mathews, as Bob opened the Bob's Texaco Service at Highway 54 and 287 intersection. Garoutte is a native of Stratford and formerly operated a plumbing service here.



We are overwhelmed by the response the Hospital District has enjoyed from area residents concerning donations for Memorials to furnish the Convalescent Home which is being constructed.

Visiting with members of the hospital board over the weekend, we learned the Memorials will be used to furnish the rooms, provide needs for the recreation areas and many other items in the new home.

We are happy in just one week over \$10,000 has been raised for this benefit and know folks will continue to help in this most worthy cause.

We would predict the convalescent home will be one of the best ones in the entire Panhandle and a source of pride for all of us when completed.

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This is a political year along with our BiCentennial and as such the politicians are beginning to make themselves heard and seen.

We have already had a couple of announcements on the district level and Tuesday Congressman Jack Hightower was by to pay us a visit.

We would hasten to state that Jack Hightower hasn't always waited until election time to come visiting. Jack usually stops by when he is in the area, and we appreciate his coming in to chat.

At any rate, this is an important election year and as such we would again urge all residents to check at the county tax assessor collector's office to make doubly sure you are registered to vote.

If you go by the Court House to register you will need to fill out a voter's registration form, and one of the items you will need is your social security number. If you are like most folks, they don't know the number off hand, so just make sure you have the number correctly so you can complete the form in one visit.

Marilyn Albert, our county tax assessor collector, says folks have been coming in regularly and getting the necessary forms all filled out, but she hopes every voter will make sure they are qualified to cast ballots this year.

This is a Presidential Election Year, along with county, district, city and school offices to be filled. Voting is not a right, but a responsibility that should not be taken lightly. Make sure you are a qualified voter this year.

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Say, what about those surprising Dallas Cowboys? We were about as surprised as the LA Rams this past week and kept sitting there waiting for the bubble to bust, but it never did. The only thing that kept getting busted was the LA Quarterback.

The Cowboys have been just great in their past several games and have done a complete about face from teams of the past...we refer to the ability to make the big play. In past Cowboy teams this ability was lacking.

Maybe all through the years the Cowboys had too many Chiefs and not enough Indians. Or perhaps those rookies just didn't realize it was an impossible task and set about to do something regardless.

At any rate, they have gone farther, and done better, than many Cowboys teams of the past and we wish them good luck in the Super Bowl.

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We would like once again to recognize a local organization that does many things for our community and the entire area...the members of the Stratford Volunteer Fire Department.

This weekend they were busy taking down many of the decorations along Main Street. They are the same folks that put them up back after Thanksgiving.

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**TRACKS**  
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The Firemen do a good job, not only at fighting fires, but many other things for you and for me, and we'd just like to say Thanks to them for all of us!

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DAFFYNITIONS...a Shin is a device for finding furniture in the dark!

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We've all heard a lot of griping about the recent postal increase, and are reminded that all you get for a nickel anymore is heads or tails. Seems that in this day and time it's getting harder and harder to afford prosperity.

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Weather has been quite cold with near zero temperatures over the weekend but warming this week. Still no appreciable moisture to report, sure would like to have some good wet rain, then snow about a foot straight down to hold the moisture in the ground. All with no wind of course.

Commodity prices Tuesday noon showed wheat selling for \$3.34 to \$3.39 per bushel; grain sorghum at \$4 per cwt; and corn at from \$2.54 to \$2.55 on local markets.

**BASKETBALL**  
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Hart got 11, Joe Albert hit for 7, Will Allen got 6, Darrell Doshier hit for 4 and Leon Payne got 3 in the game.

Bobby Tollison got 20 for the losers with Joe Freeman hitting for 13 for the Bucks. In Monday night's prelims, the JV Elkettes downed White Deer 56-34 with Len Garoutte hitting for 28 points.

The JV Elkettes led early 16-6, 32-20, 48-28 and won 56-34.

Honey Hart got 16 for Stratford while Patty Pool got 8 and Jana Wiley and Glyna Beaty got two points each.

As this issue goes to press the Varsity teams will hit the road to Fritch.

**New Hours At Area SS Office**

Beginning January 1, 1976, the social security office in Amarillo will observe new office hours. The office will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"The combination of social security and supplemental security income laws and procedures have produced a need for highly technical, well-trained employees," said Jim Talbot, District Manager. "The hour we are closed to the public each morning will be used to train all employees. With a better trained staff we will be able to serve the public more efficiently," Talbot said.

**Brucellosis Quarantine Gets Delay**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) announced Friday that it is delaying the effective date of its federal brucellosis quarantine on Texas from Jan. 5 until Jan. 9.

According to officials of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), the quarantine is being postponed because of a temporary 10-day restraining order issued Dec. 30 by Judge J.T. Boyd of the state's 64th Judicial District Court in Castro County, Texas. The temporary restraining order requires the Texas Animal Health Commission to bring the Texas brucellosis program into compliance with the cooperative state-federal brucellosis program.

A hearing on the state court action is scheduled for Jan. 8 in Dimmitt, Texas.

Issuance of the temporary restraining order by the state means that Texas officials must comply with the uniform methods and rules of the national brucellosis eradication program for the duration of the order, according to Dr. John M. Hejl, APHIS deputy administrator for veterinary services. Therefore, in view of the state court's action and the forthcoming Jan. 8 hearing, the effective date of the federal quarantine is being postponed until Jan. 9, he said.

Dr. Hejl also said that through Jan. 8 APHIS will continue to cooperate with Texas in carrying out the brucellosis program, including the payment of indemnities to owners of infected cattle.

**Rev. Harker To Attend Ceta Glen**

Rev. David Harker, Minister of First Christian Church, will attend the 1976 Hi-Plains Academy at Ceta Glen Christian Camp, located in the Palo Duro Canyon, Monday, January 12 through Friday, January 16.

The Academy is held annually by the Hi-Plains Area of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Dr. William Baird, Professor of New Testament at Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University, will lecture about the theology of Paul.

DeForrest Wiksten, Director of the Methodist Counseling Ministry for the Dallas-Fort Worth area, will lead a consideration of the role of the clergy in modern life.

**New Law Affects Voters In Texas**

A Federal Court Ruling which has affected the Texas Voting Laws has caused much headache among the 254 county tax assessor-collectors charged with the responsibilities of seeing every eligible voter in the state is duly registered, said Marillyn Albert Sherman County Tax Assessor Collector. "At a recent meeting in Austin it was determined that mass mailings of voter registration cards was not mandatory," said Mrs. Albert. "However, if any voter has moved to a different address, changed precincts or changed their name in any way it is required that they contact the county tax assessor-collector and re-register," she emphasized.

The new registration forms require more information than was previously sought. Any current registered voter who has any question about their voting registration is urged to come by the tax office and furnish the information to assist in formation of new voter lists for the county.

"The new Federal Voting Right Act has increased the burden of the Sherman County Tax office in complying with the act, neither myself, nor any employee in my office will contribute to any discrimination against any voter or potential voter but will be willing to work with residents in any way possible to see they are registered to vote in the future," she emphasized.

**TOWN TALK**

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Meek of Stratford and Billy of Dallas were in Keystone, Colorado where Billy enjoyed skiing and visiting with Linda Bain and Lucy Baskin.



Young peas can be cooked in their pods and eaten pod and all (as the Chinese eat snow peas).

**Beef Bull Performances At PSU**

Superior Performance continues at the Oklahoma Panhandle State University Bull Testing Station at Goodwell, OK. where 55 senior age bulls have an 84 day average daily gain of 3.99 compared to 3.55 lb. ADG this time last year. Junior age bulls have a 3.58 lb. ADG compared to 3.26 lb. ADG last year. The 129 head overall ADG is now 3.76 compared to 3.38 lbs. ADG last year. Total accumulated gain to date amounts to 40,733 lbs.

High gaining junior age pens with accumulated 84-day average daily gains are: Schroder Charolais, Campo, Co. with 5 head at 4.15; Light Angus, Liberal, Ks, with 5 head at 3.96; Circle L Angus, Hugoton, Ks, with 5 head at 3.89; Roy Bradshaw, Wray, Co., with 5 Herefords at 3.85; Panhandle State, Goodwell, Ok, with 5 Angus at 3.64; Thrasher, Crismon, and Lide, Texhoma, Ok, with 5 Charolais at 3.61; River Canyon Ranch, Trinidad, Co., with 5 Angus at 3.38 lbs. ADG.

Leading the junior age pens with 4 head was Geneal House, Leedy, Ok, with 4 Herefords at 3.65; Burrows Polled Herefords, Clayton, N.M., with 4 head at 3.57; Floyd Coen, Elkhart, Ks, with 4 Polled Herefords at 3.56; Max Blau, Follett, Tx, with 4 Herefords at 3.07 lbs. ADG. Leading the pens with 3 head was Dale Coen, Elkhart, Ks, with 3 Polled Herefords at 3.59. Panhandle State, with 3 Herefords at 3.38; Emmett Lefors Pampa, Tx, with 3 Herefords at 3.26 and Circle J Angus, Haviland, Ks, with 3 head at 3.24 lbs. ADG.

High gaining senior age bulls with 5 head consigned per pen include Kramer Herefords, Hugoton, Ks, at 4.09; Messner Herefords, Laverne, OK, at 3.78; and Andrews Herefords at 3.73 lbs. ADG. Pens with 4 head were: Parcel Herefords, Coldwater, Ks, at 4.41; Andrews Herefords, at 4.38; Sell Herefords, Booker, Tx, at 4.16; Smith Polled Herefords, Richfield, Ks, at 3.87; Crall Herefords, Weatherford, Ok, at 3.69; Ferguson Angus, Woodward, Ok, at 3.54 lbs. Adg.; Benton and Bill Thomason, Alva, Ok, with 3 Herefords at 4.30; VR Ranches, Balco, OK, with 2 Herefords at 4.15; Little Robe Angus, Higgins, Tx, at

4.05; Van Vacter Herefords, Carter, Ok, at 3.94; and Bright Angus, Trinidad, Co. at 3.86 lbs. ADG.

High gaining individuals senior bulls are as follows: Parcel Herefords at 4.98, and 4.67; Andrews Herefords at 4.95 4.53 and 4.26; Sell Herefords at 4.85 and 4.18; Geneal House Herefords at 4.57 and 4.20; R&R Cattle Co. at 4.56; Van Vacter Herefords at 4.45; Kramer Herefords at 4.40, 4.29, and 4.17; Smith Polled Herefords at 4.26; and Thomason Herefords at 4.20 lbs. ADG.

High gaining junior bulls are consigned by Light Angus at 4.71, and 4.36; Circle L. Angus at 4.59, 4.19 and 4.05 Schroder Charolais at 4.50, 4.17, and 4.08; Bradshaw Herefords at 4.35, and 3.95; Thrasher Charolais at 4.31; Geneal House Herefords at 4.14; Burrows Polled Herefords at 4.06; Fast Herefords at 3.99; and D. Coen Polled Herefords at 3.95 lbs., ADG.

All Bulls will undergo a sonoray reading for fat cover, fertility check, and will be graded by a committee and then indexed for sale order as determined by their ADG, WDA, and conformation and soundness. The top indexing 100 head will then be eligible for sale at the conclusion of the test. The sale will be held at Panhandle State University Farm at Goodwell, Ok. on Tue., Mar. 9, 1976.

**WTSU Students To Register Jan. 16-17**

WTSU--Spring semester registration at West Texas State University will be Jan. 16 and 17 at the WTSU Activity Center.

A special registration for students taking only Amarillo classes will be Jan. 14 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Administration Building of the Amarillo College Vocational Arts Campus near the Range Riders Rodeo.

West Texas State will be offering classes in accounting, business administration, economics, education and psychology in Amarillo this spring.

Freshmen and seniors will open registration at 8 a.m. Jan. 16. Sophomores, juniors and graduate students will continue that afternoon and the morning of Jan. 17. Evening-only students and late arrivals will register from mid-morning until 1:20 p.m. Jan. 17.

The School of Agriculture features classes in animal science and horsemanship. Horsemanship courses available this spring are Elementary and Intermediate Horsemanship, Horse Production, Introduction to Jumping and Advanced English Equitation.

Accounting, finance and computer information systems classes are being offered in the School of Business.

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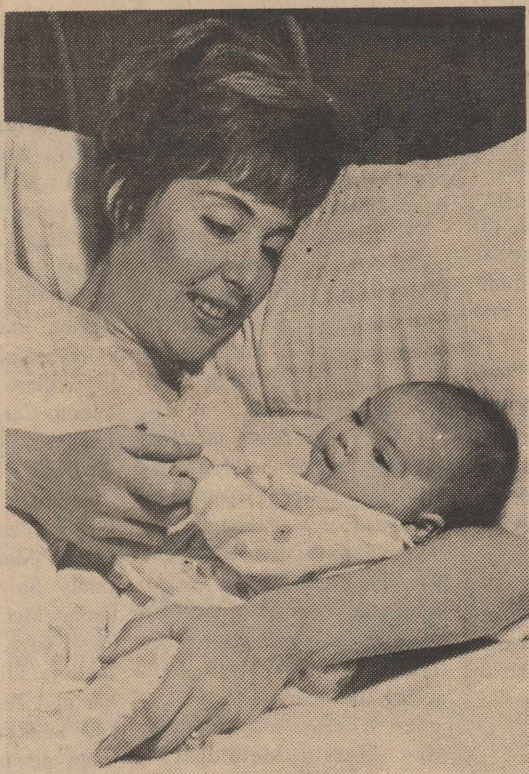
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A Trust Department simply explained is a group of people who help other people with the solution of their financial problems and the management of their property.

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We are able to assist in financial planning, investments, and administration of estates. The beauty of all this is the fact that our Trust Department will be available at all times. It has a continuity that is not possible to be obtained in an individual. We can guarantee you that whenever we are needed we will be here and available to help you. It is our job to be available and to be up to date on the latest changes that affect your needs.

Even though we are a corporation, we are a group of people who have the same feeling for our customers that any individual may have. This means that we can use group knowledge and still act on an individual basis.

If we can be of any assistance in any way, please let us know.

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**Merlin the Magician on how to solve your heating problem**

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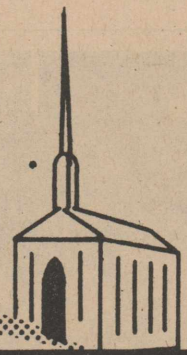
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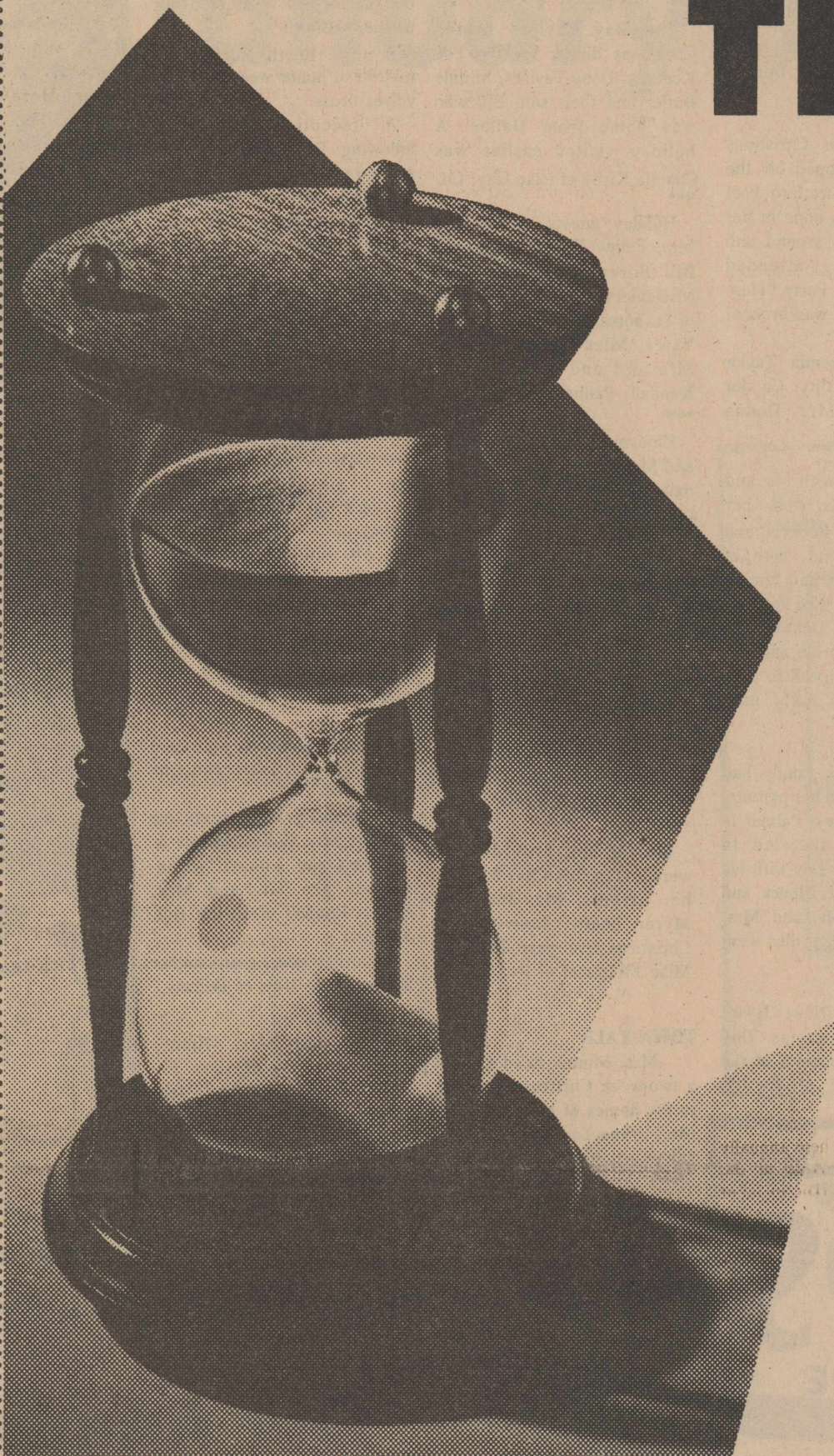
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As the old year passes and the new begins, we are more conscious of time itself than we are at any other time of the year.

These are days when most everything is geared to a higher speed. Automobiles are faster, aircraft set new records. Production is speeded up to make the best possible product in the shortest time... but this is a good time to slow down and review the past and to make plans for the future. Think of the past, but only of how you can improve on it. Plan now for the future. Make sure that you will have time for the Lord this New Year. Start now to attend church, make it a regular habit.



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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Morning Worship 10:55 a.m.  
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Minister Bob Beaty

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MR. AND MRS. HENRY CATHEY

## Henry Catheys Observe 50th Wedding Event

Henry and Eula Mae Cathey celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary Dec. 19, 1975 at a surprise family celebration in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Cathey, of Stratford Texas.

The serving table hosted a white lace overcloth with white underlay. Centering the table was a floral arrangement of golden spider mums flanked by two golden candlesticks with white tapered candles. The cake was a two tiered white with cascading flowers of gold, topped with a bride and groom and a Golden 50. Silver and crystal appointments were used in serving.

Henry and Eula Mae have lived in Stratford for the past year and a half since his retirement. Before that time they lived in and around O'Donnell, Texas where Henry met and later married the daughter of Ida Eugene and David Crockett Harris on Dec.

19, 1925. They remained in that area to farm and Henry was employed by Lynn County Road Maintenance up until his retirement and move to Stratford.

They have four children; Cico Parker of O'Donnell, Tex.; Douglas of Stratford; Jack Van of Casper, Wyo.; and Margaret McLaurin of Lubbock, Tex. They have fifteen grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

### TOWN TALK

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.L. Cameron were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cameron, Melody and Danny from Huntsville, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Burleigh Payne and Barbara from Pritchett, Colorado and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bevens of Hereford.

## Former Resident Added To New Pharmacy Program

Mrs. Lynne Young is one of two new staff members of the Southwestern State University School of Pharmacy education program.

Mrs. Young will begin work on January 12 supervising 16 Pharmacy Seniors during laboratory sessions at six area nursing homes. She is a registered nurse and the daughter of Mrs. Minnie Reeder and the late Marion Reeder.

She will be assisted in the new field of education by Leland Wehde, a registered pharmacist.

The two year project, one of the first in the nation to be implemented, is designed to acquaint pharmacy students with pharmacological, physiological and pathological aspects of dealing with the aging.

Mrs. Young is well qualified for her new assignment, graduating from the Northwest Texas Hospital School of Nursing in 1957. She is not a newcomer to Weatherford or Southwestern State University. She was a resident of Weatherford from 1965 to 1968 when her husband, the late Dr. Ralph Young, was a member of the faculty of Southwestern Division of Business and Business Education. At that time she was on the nursing staff at Southwestern Memorial Hospital.

Since 1968 she practiced her profession at the Glenview Hospital in Fort Worth while her husband was teaching in Tarrant County Junior College.

Dr. Young was preparing to assume his duties as chairman of the Business Department of the South Oklahoma City Junior College in August 1975, at the time of his death, and his family moved back to Weatherford.

Mrs. Young is the mother, of three daughters, Kristi, 15 and a sophomore; Kim, 13, in the eighth grade; and Kerri, who is 11 and in the sixth grade.

## Social Scene



Arriving Tuesday for a visit with the Carl Dreiske family were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Thrasher of Bee Branch, Ark. and her grandfather, Oswald Scheffel of Spring Brook, Wisc.

Just in time for Christmas Anna Dreiske stepped off the curb in front of Stratford Post Office and broke a bone in her foot. She hobbled around and finished shopping, attended Kerrick Christmas Party before finding out that it was broken!

Franny and Brenda Taylor were in Colorado City, Co. for Christmas with Mrs. Donna Baker and family.

Holiday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Florida were her mother, Mrs. Birt Roberts, and uncle Babe Boyston, both of Decatur, a nephew and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Birt Roberts and Dena Kaye of Denton, and daughter Judy Florida and son Tommy of Boise City. R.E. III is home from Texas A&M until Jan. 18.

The Ted Irlbeck family had Christmas Eve with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Palmer in Stratford, then traveled to Canyon Christmas Day with his mother, Mrs. J.L. Irlbeck and other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Roberts, Conlen, also went to Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt James attended a Christmas Day Reunion of the Jameses at the Boise City home of Joe A.

## Combs, Abbott Marriage Vows Read Dec. 20

Eunice Combs and George Abbott were united in marriage on December 20 in the home of the bride's daughter, Bonnie Borth.

The home was decorated in colors of red and white for the event.

The bride wore an eggshell white double knit dress with old fashioned styling. She carried a bouquet of red roses atop her mother's Bible.

Bonnie Borth served as matron of honor wearing a red velvet dress.

A reception was held following the ceremony. The serving table was covered with a red cloth and an overlay of white. Centering the table was a red and white wedding cake.



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS--Mrs. Elizabeth Cummings, right, is shown with Tim Cummings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Cummings, at the family's Christmas tree which was decorated with 84 handmade crocheted snowflakes made by Mrs. Cummings.



Mr. and Mrs. Jack Randall are the proud parents of a daughter, Stacey Renee, born December 30 at the Dumas Memorial Hospital.

She weighed 7 lbs. 4 1/2 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long at birth.

The new arrival is welcomed home by one sister and one brother.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Naugle of Stratford and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Randall of Spring Hill, Kansas.

Maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. A.L. Hills of Dalhart.

### TOWN TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Gupton and Ryan of Alice, Tx. visited with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Schriber and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gupton over the holidays.

Marijo Haile was admitted to the M.D. Anderson Clinic in Houston this week for tests.

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CLOSEUP OF SNOWFLAKE--This photo is a closer view of one of the 84 crocheted snowflakes made for the family Christmas tree by Mrs. Elizabeth Cummings. There are many different designs on the tree which made quite an impressive arrangement for the holiday season.

Queen Elizabeth I owned three forks, it's reported, but she used her fingers when fork and knife would not suffice.

## Griggs News

Good crowds attended the Christmas programs this past week at the Griggs and Marella churches and the school program

The Charley Twomblys visited Danny Miller of Guymon last week and came home by the Art Twomblys for the evening. They also visited the Steward Fanshers and Calvin Moultons of Keyes one afternoon. For Christmas they entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maples and family of Amarillo and Mrs. Blanche Johnson of Texhoma. The Art Twomblys and Bill Hiners of Amarillo called in the afternoon.

For the Christmas holidays the Julius A. Coxs entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sanders and Terri of Denver, Colo. Mr. and Mrs. Baker Duggins, Phillip and Charla of Friona, Tex., Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cox of Stratford, Mike Cox, Linda Higgins of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Minkleys and daughters of Dumas and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Minkley and sons of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grabeal had the Virgil Grabeals and children of LasAnimas, Colo. Miss Betty Grabeal of Ulysses Kansas., and Charley Grabeal of Hammond, Okla. home for Christmas.

Mrs. Ruby Lowery spent the holidays in Albuquerque with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lowery and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warren, Julie and Jennifer spent Christmas Day eve at Guymon with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Mott and family.

Mr. Ernest Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hitchings, Perry and Norma, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warren and girls spent Christmas in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Cutright and Marshall Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Kincannon, Mrs. Jewell Tidwell, Martin Kincannon and Miss Ann Loffburrow of Boise City had Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kincannon of Guymon.

The Albert Fergusons entertained the following for Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Ferguson of Norwalk, Cal. their son Danny, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Elliott of Boise City. Danny and Rita Ferguson met a friend of Danny Ferguson who will return later with the Perry Fergusons.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Asher, Michelle and Melissa spent Christmas Eve with the Fred Browns of Boise City and Christmas Day in Stratford with Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Pulliam.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elliott and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Elliott, Carla and Billy spent Christmas

in Texhoma with the Rex Clines.

Mr. and Mrs. M.W. Hitchings had their children home for Christmas, the Richard Hitchings and children of this community, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hitchings of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Leland Barnes and children of Towner, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Twombly of Liberal spent Christmas Eve with the George Twomblys.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Twombly and sons spent Christmas with her parents the Harry Nelsons of Garden City, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Cavis of Guymon entertained his mother Mrs. Opal Cavis, Linda Henshaw of Redding, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mariconda of Ft. Supply and Keith and Kendall Cavis for Christmas Day.

The Cliff Goffs, Jeff Morrison of Boise City and the Preston

Calverts of Guymon were Christmas guests of the Clayton Goffs of Guymon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Adams of Effingham, Kans. and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Adams of Alva spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Warren and family.

Opal Cavis and Reba Goff visited in the Carlile Brown home Friday with their three daughters and families and Mary Goff and grandsons.

Several from this community enjoyed the Senior Citizens party given at Keyes last Saturday night by the Lions Club.

Visitors last week-end with the Ralph Warren family were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gouddy and Taci of Moore, Ok.



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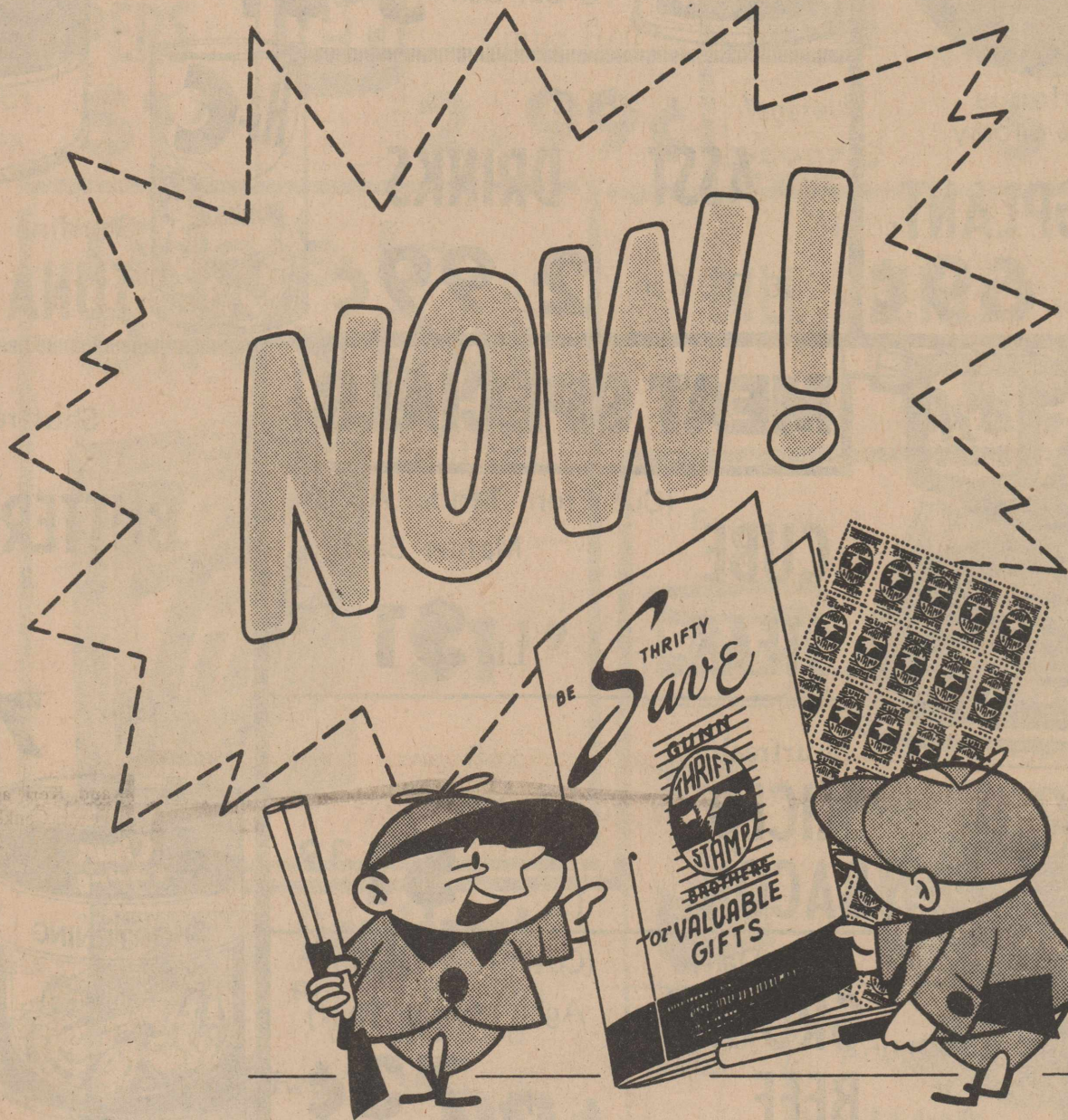
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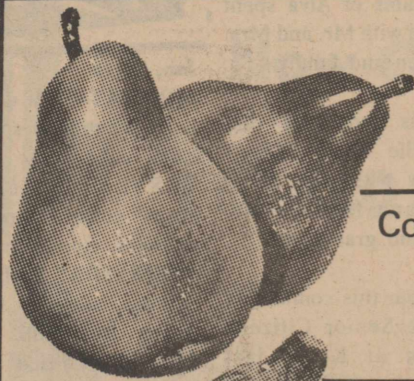
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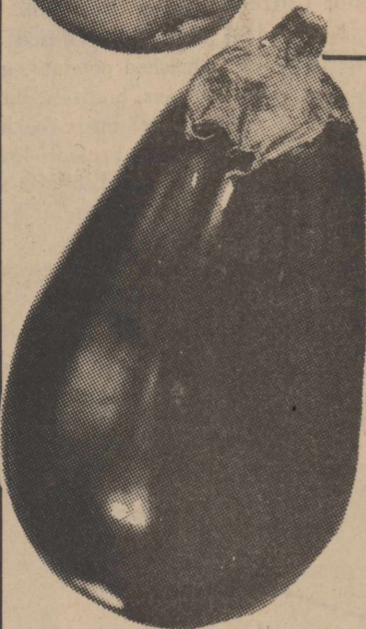


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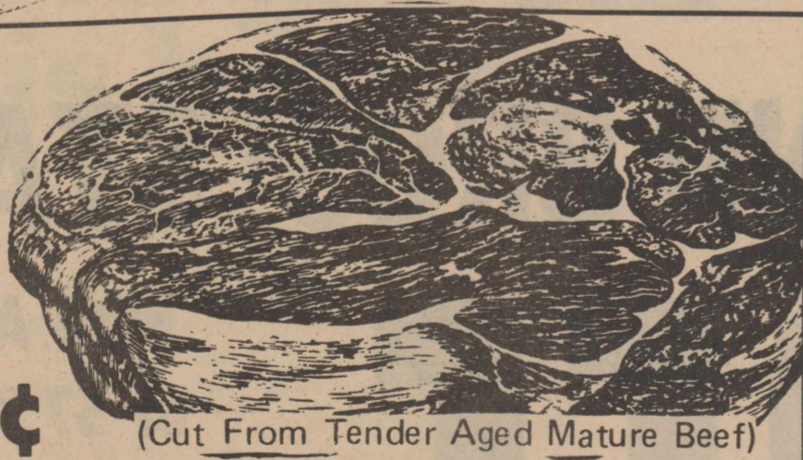


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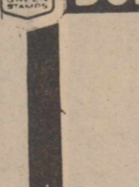


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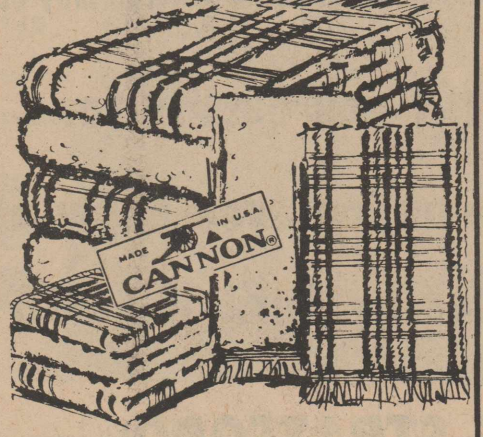
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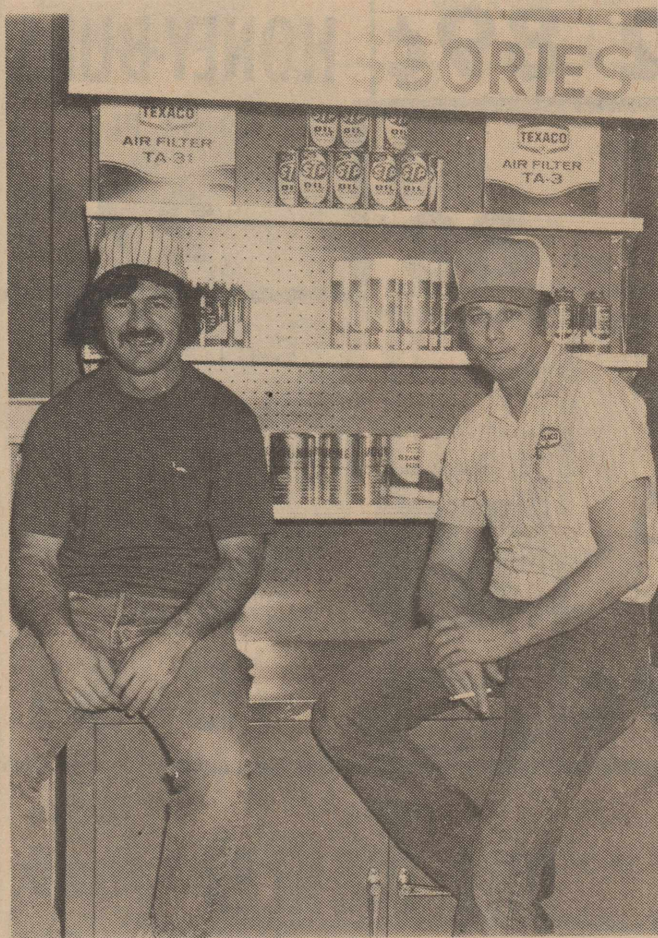


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# Why your gas bill is higher.

If you think your gas bill is too high, just think back to the previous month's weather. As a rule of thumb, the higher your bill is, the lower the temperature was. So the main reason for your higher gas bill is that you've simply used more gas.

Of course, there's more to the story. Keeping your home warm is becoming more expensive, because the price of gas — like everything else — is going up. This is included on your gas bill as a "Cost of Gas Adjustment." It means that we're having to charge you more for gas because our suppliers are charging us more. But remember this. We aren't making a penny more profit from the increase in the cost of gas to you.

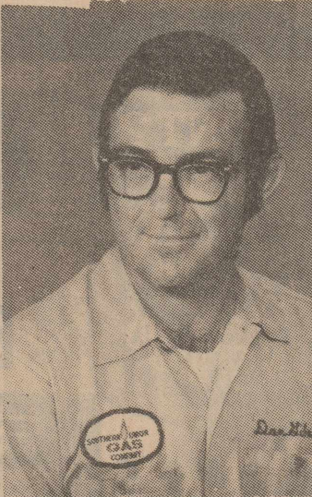
Still, there are ways you can help prevent high gas bills. For example:

1. Keep the damper in your fireplace or evaporative cooler tightly closed when not in use.
2. Use your fireplace with moderation. Oddly enough, while a woodburning fireplace does heat the immediate area, it also sucks warm air from rooms distant from the fireplace, causing drafts and requiring more heating.
3. If the insulation in your attic has settled to a depth of less than six inches, add enough insulation to bring it to that depth.

It's true your gas bill is higher. But remember this. Natural gas is now and will remain your most economical source of household energy.

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If you want the job done right... do it with gas.  
SOUTHERN UNION GAS COMPANY



### DON GIBSON TO RECEIVE 5-YEAR AWARD

Don Gibson, an employee for Southern Union Gas Company in Stratford, will receive a five-year service award this month.

In addition to a special pin which will be presented by Doug Reese, Stratford manager, he also will receive a congratulatory letter from N.P. Chesnutt, president of the company.

Gibson is employed as a construction and maintenance foreman and he and his wife, Carole, have two sons, Soren and Jeremy and a daughter, Donita.

### CUB SCOUTS TO ATTEND INDIAN DANCES

All Stratford cub scouts will be attending the Kwahadi Indian Ceremonial Dances in Amarillo on Friday.

Cubs are reminded that they will leave from the Legion Hall at 4:30 p.m. this Friday and will return about 11:30 p.m.

Cubs should be in uniform and are asked to bring their permission slip.

### TOWN TALK

The Hall Bennets, Doug McBrydes, Hoy Harrison, Lynn Hudsons and Gary Dettles skied at Angel Fire over the New Year holidays.

### TOWN TALK

Jeff Wiley, Cindy Stovall, Kay Cotney and Ricky Keener skied at Angel Fire on Saturday.

## Phone Bills Get Lower Excise Tax

The excise tax on telephone bills will be reduced 1 percent—from 7 to 6 percent—beginning January 1, 1976, as a result of the fourth step of a 10 year reduction.

The tax elimination was enacted as part of the Excise, Estate and Gift Tax Adjustment Act of 1970 calling for successive 1 percent reductions in the excise tax on telephone bills on the first of each year, until the tax expires on December 31, 1981.

General Telephone customers paid an estimated \$2.1 million less in Federal Excise Taxes on telephone bills during 1975 because of the 1 percent reduction in the tax beginning January 1, 1975.

Based on the 1975 excise tax of 7 percent, General Telephone will have collected an estimated \$15 million from customers by the end of 1975.

The excise tax on telephone bills was first imposed by Congress during World War I as a "TEMPORARY" MEASURE. Although repealed briefly after the war, the tax was reinstated during the depression and has continued ever since at varying rates as high as 15 percent on local service and 25 percent on long distance calls. From 1954 until 1971, it stood at 10 percent.

## First Auction For 1976 At Texhoma

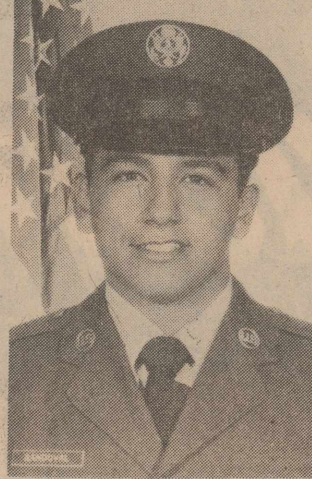
Our first cattle auction in 1976 is now past history. We sold a total of 2673 cattle and calves during the sale last Friday.

The cow market was very active and considerably higher.

Some representative sales were as follows: 11 WF Steer Calves Av. Wt. 338# at \$44.25 per cwt.; 29 WF Heifer Calves Av. Wt. 388# at \$44.25 per cwt.; 29 WF Heifer Calves Av. Wt. 388# at \$31.75 per cwt.; 26 Blk Wf yearling Steers Av. Wt. 630# at \$41.10 per cwt.; 24 WF Feeder Heifers Av. Wt. 654# at \$34.50 per cwt.

For next Thursday, we are expecting 3500 to 4000 cattle at the time of this writing. The first jackpot is already almost full, with the exception of cows and bologna bulls.

## ★★★★★ STARS and STRIPES



Airman Alex Sandoval Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Sandoval of Dalhart, Tex., has completed Air Force basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex.

During his six weeks training, he studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special instruction in human relations.

The airman is remaining at Lackland for specialized training in the security police field.

Airman Sandoval is a 1971 graduate of La Juanita (Colo.) High School. His wife, Gloria, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Salazar of Swink, Colo.

## Two Grants Get Okay By Governor

Governor Dolph Briscoe announced his approval of two grants totaling \$45,295 for improvements in law enforcement and criminal justice in the area served by the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission.

The money comes from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office. CJD administers the state's block grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration under the Crime Control Act of 1973.

The largest grant to Hartley County provides \$23,308 to continue employment of a criminal investigator and secretary-assistant for the 69th Judicial District which includes Dallam, Sherman, Hartley, Moore, Oldham and Deaf Smith counties. During the past funding year, the investigator helped facilitate a 68 percent reduction in case backlog.

The grants were among 77 approved by Governor Briscoe totaling \$4,923,508.

## Five States Hereford Group Slates Sale

The 25th Annual Five States Hereford Breeders Association registered bull sale will be held Friday, February 6th at Boise City, Oklahoma, according to Cap Williams, president of the association.

"Our association will offer 80 head of serviceable-age bulls in good range condition, consigned in pen lots," Williams said.

The sale will start promptly at 1:30 p.m., Friday, February 6th and will be held in the new heated livestock arena building located on the Cimarron County Fairgrounds in Boise City.

Association members who

will consign this year include: Ted Berry, Texhoma, Oklahoma; Hal Bennett, Stratford, Texas; J.T. Cryer & Sons, Boise City, Oklahoma; Vernon Cryer & Daughter, Boise City, Oklahoma; Jake Fast, Guymon, Okla.; Leroy & Ella Durham, Keyes, Okla.; Andy & Bob James, Boise City, Okla.; Claude & Jeffrey Harland, Texhoma, Okla.; Newt James & Sons, Nara Visa, New Mexico; Richard James, Boise City, Oklahoma; Lee Rice, Boise City, Oklahoma; Panhandle State University, Goodwell, Oklahoma; Pronger Brothers Ranch, Stratford, Texas; Glen & Sue Topper, Boise City, Oklahoma; Joe Al Warner & Sons, Boise City, Oklahoma and Cap Williams & Daughter, Boise City, Oklahoma.



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4th & Main in Stratford

## 1976 Tax Exemptions

### Over 65 Homestead Exemption

You are entitled to this exemption on your homestead if either husband or wife were 65 years of age on January 1, 1976.

### Disabled Veteran Exemption

You are entitled to an exemption on your property, the amount depending on the percent of disability. You must furnish proof of disability.

Do not write to the Veterans Administration for proof as they will automatically mail this information direct to the veteran before April. A surviving spouse or qualified children of a deceased disabled veteran may also qualify.

We urgently request if you qualify for

either of these exemptions you apply at  
following Tax Offices by April 30, 1976

CITY OF STRATFORD

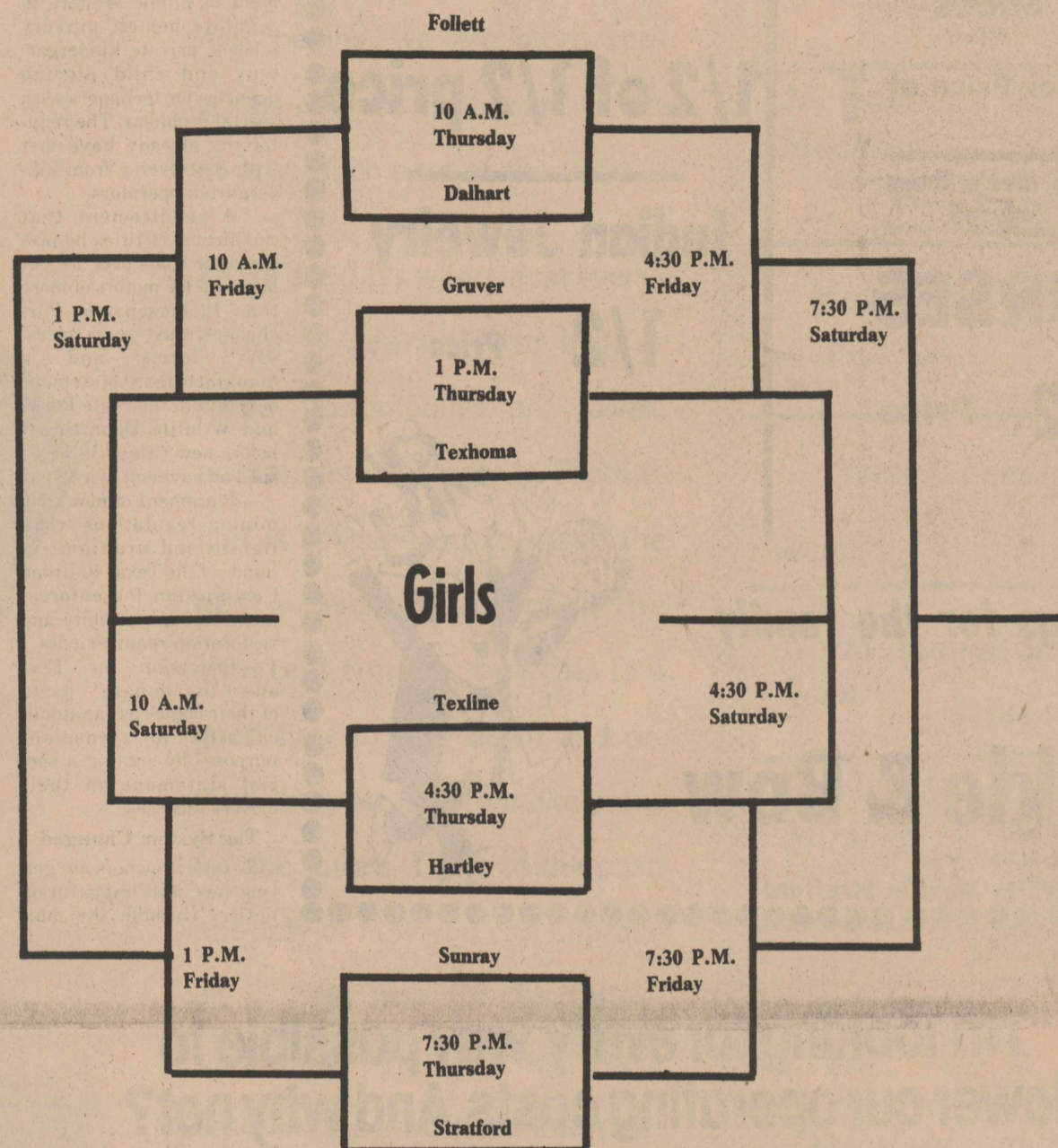
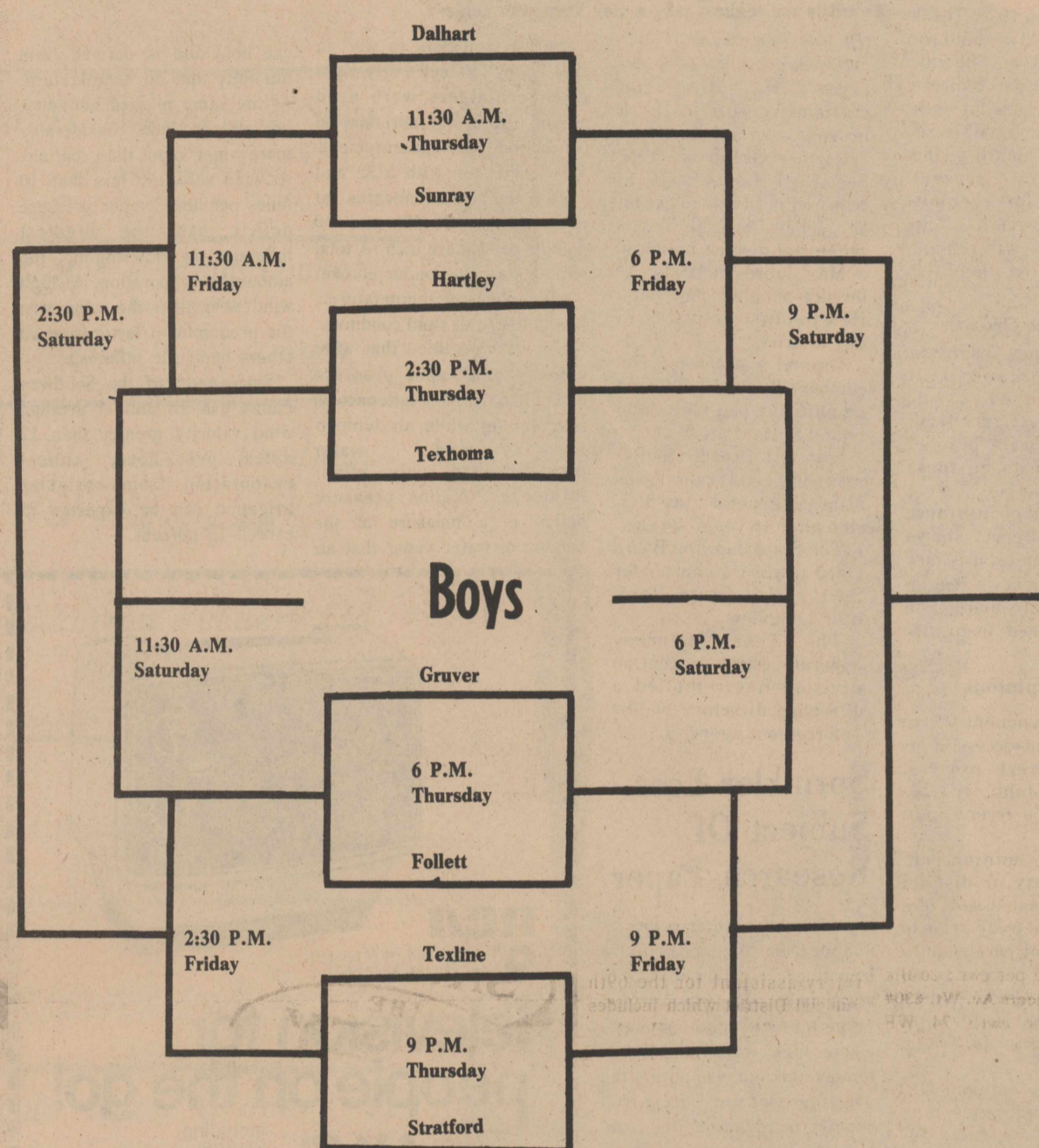
STRATFORD IND. SCHOOL

SHERMAN COUNTY



# Stratford Invitational Tournament

## January 8,9,10



January 12

7,8 girls and boys vs Stinnett here 4 p.m.

January 13

A girls, A,B boys vs Stinnett there 5:30 p.m.

January 16

A,B girls and boys vs Panhandle there 4 p.m.

January 15,16,17

Spearman Junior High Tourney

**Support  
Your Elks  
and  
Elkettes  
all season long**

**Come to the games  
and help us  
Boost Our  
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Come to all the games and join these local businesses in rooting for the Elks & Elkettes this season!

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Elk Pharmacy

Joe Flores Farm Bureau Insurance

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Golden Spread Imp Co

Hi Plains Farm Supply

J Cattle Company

JA's

Walter Lasley & Sons Feedlot

Lou's Fabrics

North Plains Savings & Loan

Nortex Feedlot Co.

Oakley Floral

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Plunk 66 Oil Co

Sherman Implement Co

Stratford Cablevision

Stratford Dept Store

Stratford Grain

Stratford Implement Co

Stratford Printing Service

The Stratford Star

TOC Motor Co

Ulysses Irrigation Pipe Co.

Western Auto Store

### Art Career Conferences At WTSU

WTSU—"Framing Your Art Career, career conference, will be held at the WTSU Fine Arts Building from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jan. 10.

The conference is designed for high school students interested in an art career and for parents and teachers.

Representatives from WT Student Life offices and the registrar's office will explain

entrance procedures to the prospective students. Various art career opportunities will be outlined and each student will receive individual counseling from a WTSU art faculty member.

The student's portfolios will be reviewed and critiqued by faculty members, David Rindlsbacher, assistant professor of art, said.

Practical tests on drawing and design will also be given to the students. Results of the tests and portfolio evaluation will be mailed to each participant following the career day. The

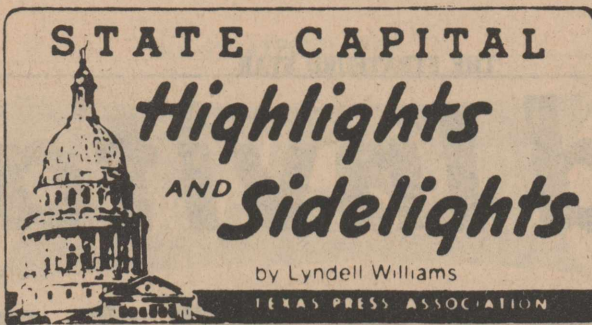
conference will also feature exhibits and demonstrations in painting, drawing and ceramics by WTSU students and faculty members.

A complimentary luncheon will be provided and no charge is required for the conference, Rindlsbacher said.

Applications are available from high school art instructors or counselors.

#### TOWN TALK

Evelyn Cooper spent the week-end in Panhandle with her sister Mrs. D.B. Kendale.



AUSTIN — Significant new legislation took effect in Texas January 1.

The acts were passed by the legislature during 1975 with effective dates postponed until start of the new year.

Among the new laws are the following:

—Authority for the Department of Public Safety to cancel licenses following a hearing of automobile inspection stations which are caught requiring unnecessary repairs or equipment.

—Power for the Department of Public Welfare to regulate homes, nursery schools, private kindergartens and child placing agencies for teenagers with special problems. The regulations already have met with controversy from kindergarten operators.

—A requirement that certificates of titles be provided for boats over 14 feet long and for motors of more than 12 horsepower. Purchasers must send necessary forms and a manufacturer's statement of origin to the State Parks and Wildlife Department before new titles will be issued on payment of a \$2 fee.

—Placement of new strip mining regulations (coal, lignite and uranium) in hands of the Texas Railroad Commission for enforcement through permits and restoration requirements.

—Provision for Texans to donate parts of their bodies as "anatomical gifts" for transplant purposes by signing a special statement on their drivers' licenses.

**Tag System Changed**  
Texas car owners are getting new auto registration notices through the mail

this week.

Instead of sporting new metal license plates, vehicles will be tagged with small strips of reflective material. Bicentennial red, white and blue stickers are to be fixed to the upper left-hand corner of the five-year plates issued a year ago.

For the first time since World War II, Texans will use old license plates. Plans call for annual reissue of the same plate numbers for the foreseeable future for periods of at least five years at a time.

Beginning in 1978, Texas will go to a year-around registration system. The validation sticker will indicate the month of issue for each car. Registration will occur during every month of the year, similar to present procedures for vehicle safety inspection. The month-of-issue will remain the same for the life of the vehicle.

**Insurance Growth**  
Seventeen new insurance companies organized in Texas during the last year, and 54 more firms from other states were granted authority to do business here.

State Board of Insurance new annual report shows 1,724 companies are now under the agency's regulation. There are more than 97,000 licensed insurance agents.

**AG Opinions**  
A sheriff is not entitled to a fee for an unsuccessful attempt to serve process, Atty. Gen. John Hill determined in a recent opinion.

The same opinion concluded county or district clerks may not assess fees for service as costs prior to the successful performance of service. A clerk may require security for such fees or an affidavit of inability to pay costs prior to issuing any process.

In another opinion, Hill said state agencies may enter into contracts for non-assessable insurance policies with mutual insurance companies without violating the constitution.

**New Appointments**  
Comptroller Bob Bullock named Randall B. Wood to succeed the late Ervin B. Osborn as his chief clerk and deputy comptroller for tax administration.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe appointed Thomas L. Clinton of Lubbock as 99th district judge succeeding Judge Howard C. Davison, also of Lubbock, who resigned. Clinton has been serving as Lubbock County court-at-law No. 2 judge.

Briscoe appointed Sally J. Cooney of Houston and reappointed Joe H. Golman of Dallas to Texas Cosmology Commission.

He appointed John H. Butts of San Augustine to the Sabine River Authority of Texas, succeeding D. N. Beasley of Hemphill.

#### Webb Gas Fields Merged

Texas Railroad Commission has ordered consolidation of 13 gas fields in Webb County into a single field designated Laredo (Lobo) Field, effective February 1.

The order involves at least 100,000 acres. Temporary field rules adopted for 18 months will be reviewed at a hearing during July 1977.

Fields to be consolidated are Clark Ranch (Midway), Clark Ranch (Wilco and Wilco West), Hubberd and Hubberd East, Laredo, South, (Wilco 6250 and 6800, 7000 and 7250), Zachry Ranch (Midway), KAD (6100) and KAD (6730).

The commission acted on application of Gulf Oil Corporation.

#### Short Snorts

Veteran State Senate Secretary Charles Schnabel faces a grand jury indictment on charges of theft from the state and misconduct.

Republican Alan Steelman of Dallas has entered



**EAGLE SCOUTS RECOGNIZED**—Two Eagle Scouts received their awards at ceremonies held Sunday as part of Student Recognition Sunday at the First United Methodist Church. Shown, left to right, Mr. and Mrs. Don Riffe and Andy, Blake Sladek and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sladek. The Eagle Award is the highest rank a Boy Scout can achieve.

the U.S. Senate race.

A federal judge here delayed a ruling on cattlemen's suit to lift a brucellosis quarantine.

Former Oklahoma U.S. Sen. Fred Harris has filed required petitions to get on the 14th Central Texas senatorial district ballot as a May 1 presidential preference primary candidate. He's the first to qualify in any district.

Ground was broken December 29 for a 1,700 seat amphitheatre at Galveston Island State Park.

James H. Broadhurst has retired as head of the Texas attorney general's tax division after 18 years' service.

The State Banking Board voted against a charter for Spring Hill State Bank near Longview.

The Texas attorney general's crime prevention division has compiled a 178-page directory of law enforcement agencies.

### Sprinkler Loss Subject Of Research Paper

How much water is lost by evaporation during sprinkler irrigation? Irrigation specialists are often asked this question by farmers in the Southern Plains where high winds and warm temperatures prevail during the growing season. Research results on evaporation from sprinklers were presented by Dr. Nolan Clark, Agricultural Engineers on December 17 at the Palmer House Hotel in Chicago.

His research showed that evaporation from irrigation sprinklers was less than 10 percent when wind velocities averaged less than 10 miles per hour. However, evaporation increased from 10 to 30 percent as averaged wind velocities went from 10 to 20 miles per hour.

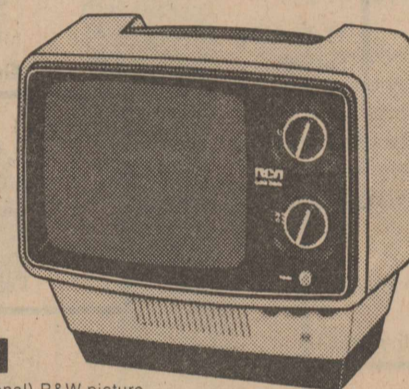
Dr. Clark did his research by

using 15 sprinklers to wet an area 120 by 150 feet. Forty-eight catch containers were used around the center sprinkler to collect water for measurement. Tests were run with 5/32 and 11/64 inch size nozzles at pressures of 30,40, and 50 pounds per square inch. A total of 56 tests were conducted over a wide range of temperatures, humidities, and wind conditions.

His work revealed that wind velocity and vapor pressure deficit had the most influence on evaporation, while air temperature and water pressure had only minor influences. Vapor pressure deficit is a measure of the amount of water vapor that air

can hold and is derived from humidity and air temperature. At the same relative humidity, hot air can hold considerably more water vapor than cool air. At wind velocities less than 10 miles per hour, vapor pressure deficit had the greatest influence in determining the amount of evaporation. At high wind velocities, the wind was the predominant factor, and all others had little influence.

Since much of the Southern Plains has an annual average wind velocity greater than 12 miles per hour, annual evaporation from sprinkler irrigation can be expected to exceed 15 percent.



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Stratford

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Some Men's Shoes Reduced

**PURSES**

**1/2 Price**

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"Our servicemen used to spend a lot of time driving to this dispatch office in the morning. But that was the only way they could get their written work orders.

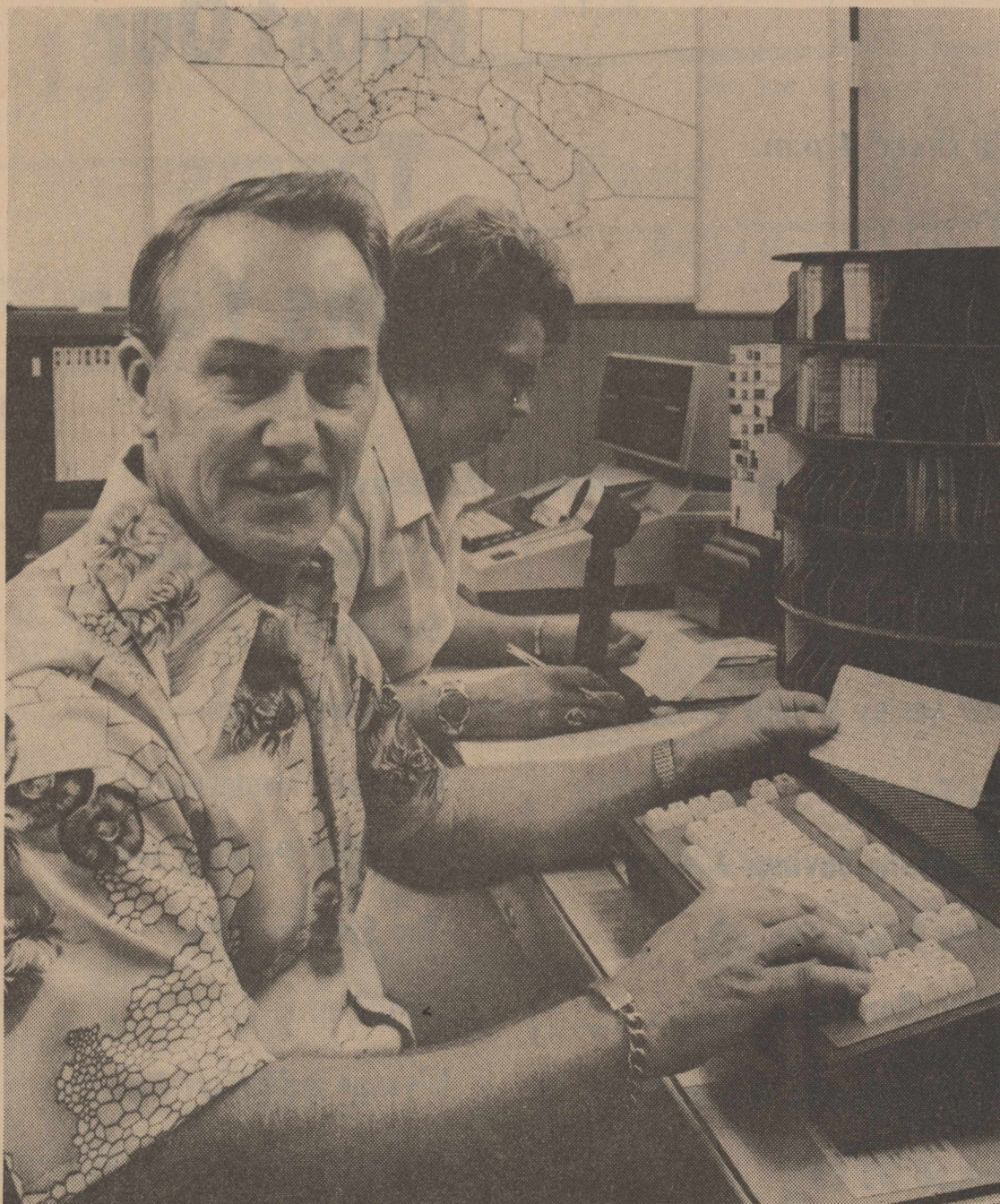
So, now we're testing a whole new system here in El Paso. A system that lets me type out service orders here in the dispatch office, that are received, in print, right in the serviceman's truck.

Now, instead of driving to this office every morning, a serviceman can be

driving to answer a customer call.

And that makes a lot of sense to me. Because when we save time and money in doing our job, it helps to keep the rising costs of energy down. And I like that because I pay a gas bill too."

William Christensen  
Dispatcher



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## PUBLIC NOTICES

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### LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE TO MEMBERSHIP RITA BLANCA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of the bylaws of the Cooperative, the Board of Directors has appointed a committee to make nominations for directors to be elected February 25, 1976, said committee as follows:

Election District #1 Joe Hershey, Texline, Tx. 79087; Wesley Sheets, P.O. Box 427, Texline, Tx. 79087

Election District #2 Neal Spurlock, Rt. 1, Stratford, Tx. 79084 (Sherman County) Walter Lasley, P.O. Box 9247, Stratford, Tx.

Election District #3 Jack Burnett, P.O. Box 796, Dumas, Tx. 79029 (Moore County)

Election District #4 John Bookout, P.O. Box 76, Hartley, Tx 79044 (Hartley County) J.W. Bryant, P.O. Box 13, Hartley, Tx 79044

The committee on nominations will meet January 14, 1976, at 1:30 p.m. in the office of the cooperative, to make nominations for directors.

The directors' terms expiring are Noel Higgins, Dist. #1; Luther Browder, Dist. #2; J.R. Clements, Dist. #3; and Russell Cosper, Dist. #4.

Members of the Cooperative are hereby notified of this meeting and the provisions of the bylaws relating thereto.

Secretary NOEL S. HIGGINS  
(Published in The Stratford Star, Jan. 8, 1976)

### NOTICE OF BIDS

Sealed bids addressed to County Judge and/or the Commissioners Court, Stratford, Texas will be received until 10:00 A.M. Jan. 12, 1976 on a 1976 Ford Galaxie 4-door Sedan, 500 series with 400 cubic inch or 1976 Chevrolet Impala 4-door Sedan with 400 cubic inch. Cars to be equipped with 4 BL carburetor, automatic transmission, power steering, standard disc front brakes, cruise control, left hand remote control mirror, radio, vinyl seats and factory air conditioner. Color of vehicle to be tan.

The right is reserved as the interest of the county may require, to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received.

Trade-in vehicle  
Vehicle to be traded in, a 1973 Chevrolet Bel-Air 4-door Sedan The Commissioners Court Sherman County, Texas By W.S. Frizzell, Jr. County Judge  
(Published in The Stratford Star Jan 1, & 8th, 1976)

### NOTICE OF BIDS

Sealed bids addressed to County Judge and/or the Commissioners Court, Stratford, Texas will be received until 10:00 A.M. Jan. 12, 1976 for one antique bookcase located in Sheriff's office also separate bids on beds in jury room. Highest bidder on the beds can take one or all and next bidder has the same opportunity until all are sold. Cash required before property removed. The right is reserved as the interest of the county may require, to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in bids received.

The Commissioners Court Sherman County, Texas By W.S. Frizzell, Jr. County Judge  
Publish in The Stratford Star Jan. 1, & 8, 1976

## SERVICES

**Does Your Tall Water Pit Look Like A Mud Hole? Let Us Clean It Out Or Build A New One.** Lee Roy Mitchell, Dirt Contractor, Ph. 806-733-2384. Gruver, Tex. 46-tfc

**GOT PLUMBING PROBLEMS?** Call Bob Garoutte Plumbing, 396-2490, for all your plumbing repairs and new installations. 26-tfc

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**REDUCE SAFE** and fast with GoBese Tablets & E'Vap "water pills" at Brown's Pharmacy in Stratford. 45-12-tp

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**LAMPS, LAMP PARTS, ALL LIGHT BULBS**--House of Shades & Lamp Repair, 2613 Wolfline Ave., Wolfline Village, Amarillo, Texas 79109. 8-52p

**CESSPOOL PUMPING**--Phone 384-2124 or see Bob Bradford in Conlen. 23-tfc

**FOR SALE**--1974 Ford Pickup Ranger XLT, like new, w/ camper, fully loaded. Call Dwight Hester, 396-5364. 1-tfc

**FOR SALE**--Kenmore gas dryer, call 396-2268 after 5 p.m. 1-3tc

**FOR SALE**--Three aluminum storm doors, cheap. Call 396-2009 after 5 p.m. 2-2tp

**FOR SALE**--1968 Grand Mobile Home, 3 bedroom, 2 baths. Call Bonnie Borth at 396-2542. 2-tfc

**FOR RENT**--2 irrigated half sections on Gruver Hiway, experienced farmers only. Call AC806-799-2916 or leave word at Stratford Star office. 2-2tc

**FOR RENT**--Lola's Cafe on Highway 54 in Stratford. Phone 396-5312. 2-tfc

## HELP WANTED

**HELP WANTED**--Part or full time. Apply at the Dairy Queen. 18-tfc

**GOD, GRASS & GRIT**--copies of Sherman County--History First Edition books still available at THE STRATFORD STAR, \$13.13 each while they last. Only few of these first books still available, make sure your family has one of these for your children. Send check or money order payable to THE STRATFORD STAR and we will mail your copy to you, or stop by our office Mondays-Fridays. 23-tfc

## MISCELLANEOUS

**REBATE PROGRAM**--place your firm order today and you can qualify for up to 5 percent rebate on purchases of P-A-G Hybrid Grain Sorghum, Hybrid Forage Sorghum and Hybrid Corn in any combination. The Cowboy Store, Conlen, Tex. Ph. 384-2124. 51-4tc

## REAL ESTATE

**WANTED**--Land Listings--Irrigated, dry or grass. HAMBLY REAL ESTATE, Hwy 287, Dumas, Tx. Office 935-5651, Res. 935-3566. 48-tfc

**FORMER EARL GAROUTTE HOME** for sale, contact G.R. Garrison. 40-tfc

**FOR SALE**--Three bedroom house, nice. Roy Lusk Real Estate, Nell Wall, Stratford 396-5588. 40-tfc

**FOR SALE**--Two bedroom house, 2 1/2 lots, 308 South Main. Priced to sell at \$3,750. Call 249-5177, Dalhart, Texas. 32-tfc

**FOR SALE**--Three bedroom, two bath brick home, FHA financed. Will trade equity for equity in mobile home. Call 396-2580, 311 Division. 2-2tc

**NICE HOME**--for sale in the Casa Bonita Addition 3 BR, 1 3/4 baths, on large lot, contact Carole Smith, agent for Johnson Land Co., Phone 396-5314. 2-3tc

**FOR RENT**--metal building on Hwy 54, contact Marvin Harrison. 2-tfc

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## County Agent's Report

By Jim Allison

### Improper Pruning Can Ruin A Good Tree

Every year many well-meaning individuals ruin good shade trees by topping them. Before you decide to prune your trees, or hire it done this winter, be sure you know how the job should be done.

If trees are becoming too crowded, remove some of them rather than topping all of them. If they are growing into electric or telephone lines, an opening should be pruned in them through which the lines can pass, or remove the trees and replace them with lower growing species. Topping such trees is a poor practice as it usually results in their death.

Two bad results often occur from topping. Branches that have been topped cannot heal. The open wounds are avenues for entry of decay fungi and bacteria. These wood-rotting diseases frequently spread throughout the tree and cause its destruction. Branches or sprouts that grow below topped stubs are weakly attached. As they grow and gain in diameter and weight they are easily torn from the tree by wind. This often results in eventual removal of the damaged tree.

How should such trees be pruned? If a part of a large limb

needs to be removed, don't stop there. Remove the limb to an adjoining branch or take it out completely at the point of origin. Always prune off a limb as close as possible to the limb or trunk from which it is growing. A flush pruning cut is ideal, and will heal over completely.

Use a protective tree paint on any pruning wound over 1 1/2 inches in diameter.

## Letter to Editor

Dear Dave,

Thanks to the help that you and other friends of our boys in the media gave with the advance publicity for the annual Christmas Suit project, each one of our 370 boys received a new suit or gift package of clothing. This was the best Christmas present they received and some donations came from the people of your area.

The boys wore their new clothes for the first time on the night of December 20 when little parties were held in each of the Ranch homes. On the following day, most of the boys left the Ranch to spend a few days in their own home towns and returned on December 29. This is the one time of the year they may leave if they have someone to pay for their bus ticket. About 70 boys remained behind and the new suits certainly helped their spirits.

Thank you again for this latest help to our boys and for all the help you have given in the past. I do hope that sometime during the coming year you will go to the Ranch to meet some of the boys you have befriended. With best wishes for a happy and prosperous 1976, I am

Sincerely yours,  
CAL FARLEY'S BOYS RANCH  
Louie Hendricks

## Blanche's Blabs

Storewide clearance sales in January offer a great opportunity for the careful shopper to save 10-15 cent or even more.

For the best selection, shop during the early days of the sale--but for best prices, shop toward the end of the sale.

Traditionally, January is "white sale" month also--so check your linen closet to see what needs replacing among sheets, towels, tablecloths and other household linens.

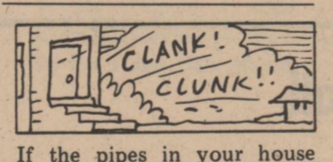
Remember that sheets and towels can be used for a variety of creative purposes including curtains, tablecloths and pillow covers.

Clothing is also a good buy this month as retailers are making room for their Spring merchandise.

Fall and winter clothing that is all-seasonal in weight and color are good choices for spring--and classical styles are most practical when buying ahead.

Clothing that is particularly for fall and winter may be out-dated next season, so shop with an eye on fashion trends.

Furniture sales can offer big savings at this time of year. Shop around to compare prices and quality to get the best you can afford. Consider furniture a long-term investment and buy what is really needed. Don't buy something just because it is on sale.



If the pipes in your house clank, you can install flexible rubber couplings on the radiator return pipes. This dampens the vibrations before they enter a room, and may muffle them completely.

**BWONG!!**  
A real cockney is one born in the East End of London with-in the sound of the bells of St. Mary-le-Bow.

purpose of the Amarillo office is to issue social security cards, provide information about social security during a person's working years, and in the event of death, disability or retirement, assist the residents of this area in filing their claims for social security benefits.

He further states the job of administering the Social Security.

Talbot invited all interested clubs and organizations in the Amarillo area to take advantage of the free services of having a social security speaker at club meetings. "This service is nothing new," said Talbot, "and we welcome the opportunity to explain the Social Security program."

The Amarillo Social Security Office is located at 317 East Third Street and the office is open Mondays through Fridays from 9:00 A.M. to 4:45 p.m. The phone number is 376-2241 (area code 806).

**Q. I pay by doctor and get a receipt each time I go to his office. I want to file a claim for reimbursement but I don't have a claim form. Do I have to write to Medicare office for the forms?**  
A. No, your local social security office will be happy to furnish the claim form. Just phone, write, or visit your local office and ask for a Medicare Payment Form. For faster and prompt service, you should file before the end of the year.

**Q. I plan to hire a lady to do cooking and laundry in my home. She will work enough to earn more than \$50.00 every calendar quarter. Since I have never had anyone work for me before, I do not know how much social security tax to withhold or how to report her earnings. Can you tell me where I can get all the information I will need?**  
A. A pamphlet entitled Social Security and Your Household Employee is available at any social security office. This should provide all the information you will need. However, should you desire additional information feel free to contact any social security office.

**Q. Will my earnings interfere with my husband's disability check?**  
A. No, your earnings will not affect his check at all.

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Dear friends, neighbors and relatives,  
Thanks so much for making our anniversary such a joyous occasion.

Bob and Minnie Burgess

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**CARD of THANKS**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who sent get well cards, Birthday cards and Christmas gifts. It's friends like you who make life sweet, Love everyone of you.

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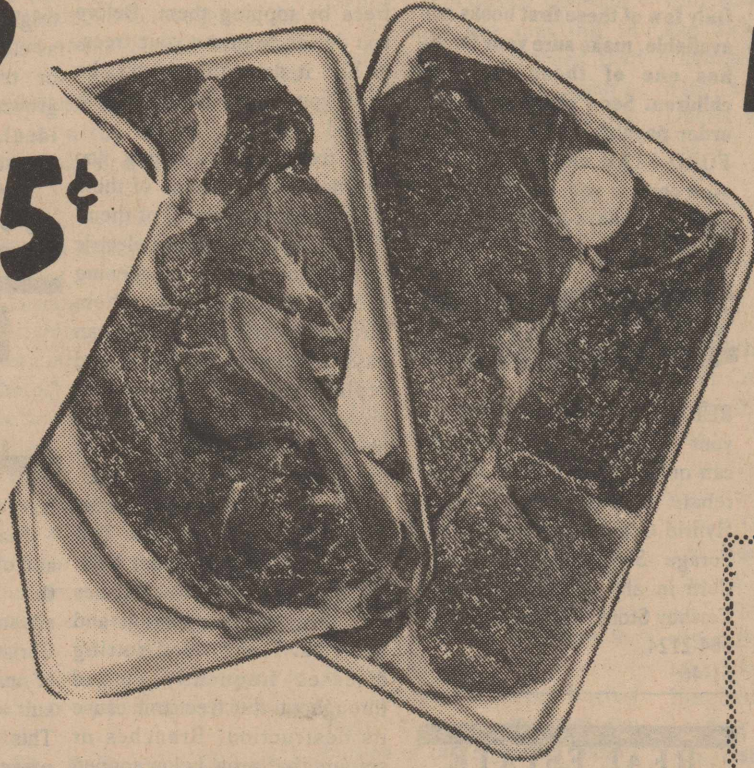
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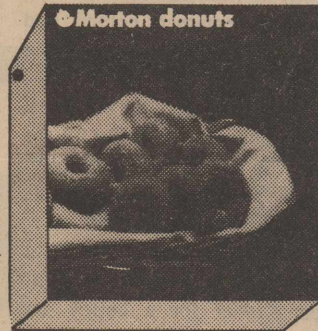
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