



Gets Award



Carroll Johnson, left, Soil Conservation Service Technician at Jayton is shown as he is presented a Certificate of Merit and a Cash Award for the commendable manner in which he performed his duties... in the Jayton Field Office.

Burleson To Seek New Term in Congress

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Congressman Omar Burleson, who represents the 17th District of Texas in the United States House of Representatives, has announced for re-election. He has filed for a place on the ballot in the Democratic Primary Election on May 4, 1974.

Burleson was elected to the 80th Congress from the 17th District and has been re-elected to each succeeding Congress. He is a member of the Ways and Means Committee, considered to be the most powerful and prestigious in the House.

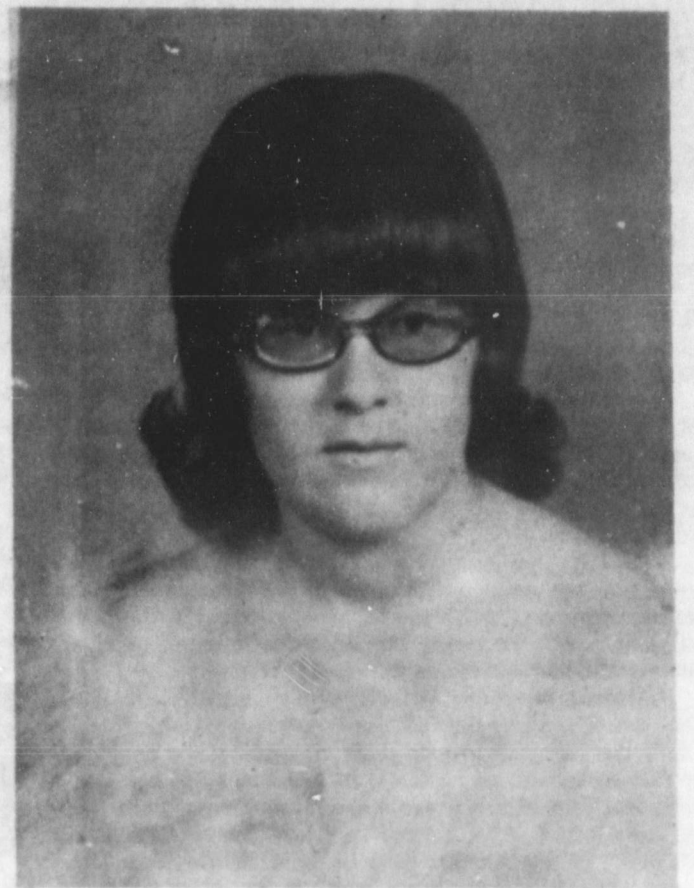


C. C. Scott Announces For Commissioner

C.C. Scott of Girard has authorized the Jayton Chronicle to announce, that he is a candidate to the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No. 2 of Kent County which is commonly referred to as the Girard precinct.

Scott was a candidate for the office four years ago, and made it to the run-off, but lost there. He said his formal statement would be issued at a later date. In the meantime he invites your consideration of his candidacy.

Fashion Designer



Bauder Fashion College is proud to announce that Miss Kim Hagar the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Hagar of Rt. 1 Box 106 has been accepted by Bauder College for the Fashion Merchandising Program beginning September of 1974.

Miss Hagar will be studying Fashion Merch. and Interior Design and plans a career in that field.

During her year at Bauder Fashion College, Miss Hagar will be active in Civic and College Activities such as: Field trips to museums, manufacturers, display or advertising departments in retail stores, fashion and trade shows, modeling trainee assignments, seasonal proms and monthly social activities.

Group Now Making Constitutional Study

By Bill Hobby
AUSTIN--On the heels of a brief special session to deal with reducing speed limits, the 181 men and women of the Texas Legislature return to Austin on January 8 for what may well be a historic convocation.

They will consider revising our state Constitution, a lengthy, detailed, and often-amended document.

While no one favors change simply for change's sake, many citizens realize that our present Constitution occasionally prevents government from dealing efficiently with the problems of our contemporary complex society.

The constitutional convention can sit through May 31, and even have its session extended for 60 days. I join many others in the hope that the delegates will set promptly about the serious work and complete it within the shortest possible time.

District Play To Start

Friday night the Jaybirds started District play with Patton on top with a score of 57 to 45. Mark Fincher led the Jaybirds with 17 points while D. Coe led Patton with 21 points. This leaves Patton with a 0-1 record.

School Calendar

- Jan. 7th Jr. Hi at Matador
- Jan. 11th McAdoo here
- Jan. 14th Patton Jr. Hi here
- Jan. 17th Guthrie there
- Jan. 17th Jr. Tourney at Knox City
- 4-County Drug workshop in Auditorium
- Jan. 18th Matador there
- Jan. 19th At Knox City
- Jan. 21st Musical Assembly
- Jan. 22nd Patton Springs here
- Jan. 26th Andrews Science and Math Fair
- Jan. 29th Jr. Hi at McAdoo
- Feb. 7, 8, 9th McAdoo Tourney
- NOTICE--The new school hours will be from 9:00 to 4:25 each day--now in effect.
- HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB
- The Jayton Home Demonstration Club met in the Community Center, Thursday, Jan. 3rd, hosted by Clique Smith.
- Amie Perkins gave information on symptoms of a heart attack, followed with lesson, cholesterol, by Bert Stanalano.
- Eleven members and one visitor were in attendance.
- VISITING
- Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilson and Mrs. Lettie Nokes of Van visited Mrs. Nokes of Van recently.
- IN COLEMAN
- Mr. and Mrs. Ed Murrell and children visited Mrs. Ethel Watson in Coleman Saturday.

Special 12th Day Of Christmas Service

Sunday night, Jan. 6, was the Twelfth day of Christmas, as the song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," goes.

To celebrate the occasion was a special party and Christmas mass at the Catholic Church of the Epiphany in Jayton.

Church services began at 7 p. m. with a special presentation from the First Baptist Church choir led by Bob Hamilton.

The choir also sang three other songs during the mass. Many other visitors were also present.

Following mass was the Twelfth night party with refreshments and exchanging of gifts.

The special mass and party are particularly significant as the name of the Church of Epiphany relates to the coming of the wise men.



The Consumer Alert

by John L. Hill
Attorney General

AUSTIN--It's an economic fact of life that the costs of almost all goods and services have risen at a rather heady rate in recent months, but most consumers feel the pressure most in their grocery budgets.

Economists are telling us that there's no immediate hope of turning the price trends downward so it's more important than ever that individuals follow the examples of business and government, and concentrate on getting full value for money spent.

Most shoppers are aware that unit pricing is a good indicator of value, and have learned to compare the costs of various brands, shop for "specials," and experiment with new labels and products.

Not so well known is the fact that the U. S. Department of Agriculture requires that practically all food products be coded as to freshness; ingredients included; nutritional values, and weights by general measures as well as measuring units for cooking (cups, pints, etc.).

Some food manufacturers and processors have made it easy for the buyer to tell how long an item can be expected to retain its fresh flavor. For instance, the label of one brand of mayonnaise clearly states that the customer should not buy a jar of a specific batch after such-and-such a date.

Most cereal and cheese manufacturers, as well as producers of baked goods put the sales expiration dates on packages so that they are easy to find and read.

Coding on canned goods on the other hand, maybe a bit obscure for the average consumer, but your store manager should have a key list for coding to guide you.

Day coding on meat may vary from store to store. Some large chains stamp the day of the month a cut was packaged right below the weight and price. Others use codes which would have to be deciphered by the butcher or store manager.

Do not assume that the item nearest at hand is the freshest. In order to keep stock moving in sequence, store clerks usually put the most recent inventories at the back of a shelf, so the others can be sold first.

Do not hesitate to tell your grocer if you find out-dated goods (such as canned biscuits which are too old to rise, or old cottage cheese) on his shelves. The mechanics of updating are complex and honest errors do occur.

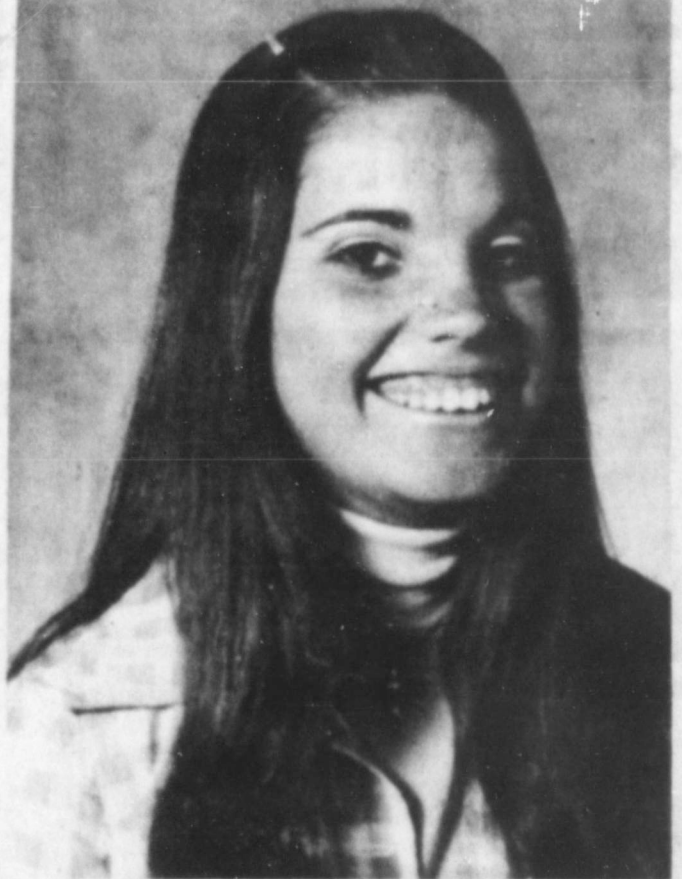
Most grocers are sincerely cooperative. After all, they deal daily with the toughest consumer of all--the food--buying housewife.

If you do run into a deceptive trade practice or misrepresentation, and cannot solve it yourself, contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division office in San Antonio, Lubbock, Houston, El Paso, Dallas or Austin.

And Hot Air
Some people can't tell the difference between working up steam and generating a fog.

Times, Louisville.

Wedding Bells



Rev. and Mrs. Bill Perkins announce the marriage of their daughter Lucile to Vance Taylor of Blackwell.

The couple exchanged vows January 1st. at the First United Methodist Church in Trent with the Rev. Kenneth James officiating.

The maid of honor was Miss Dana Hahn of Jayton

the best man was Tom Tate of Blackwell.

The couple will reside in Blackwell where Lucile will finish school.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Texas State Technological Institute in Sweetwater. He is employed by the Davis Truck & Tractor Co. in Sweetwater.

Jr. High Girls Post Win Over Guthrie

The Junior High Lady Jays met the Guthrie Jaguarettes in a 34 to 21 battle. Jayton emerged the winner with Danella Sartain leading scorer with 10 points; Brigette Hamilton followed with 6 points.

The Jaguarets thought they were tough, but the Jays socked-it-to-them with a 55-32 victory. "Mean Gene" Cleveland led the boys scoring with 16 points.

The Jr. High meets their rival Matador Monday, Jan. 7 at Matador. The kids have memories from last year when Matador beat them at District by 4 points and

Spur Wins

Spur wrapped another one around Jayton with a score of 51 to 27. High point for Jayton was Allen Kelley with 9 points with C. Walker with 14

WEEK END VISITOR
Keith Cheyne of the Pitchfork Ranch visited Mrs. Joe Cheyne this past week end.

HD Club Women Make Study of Heart Disease

Mrs. Bobby Stanalano, Dent County Home Demonstration Agent and Mrs. Hugh Turner, were in charge of the program of "Heart Disease," such as risks and early warning of heart disease.

"How to Survive a Heart Attack," and other pamphlets were discussed.

A report on the Christmas tour was given. Thirteen members and visitors made the tour to nine homes.

Two leader training meetings will be held at the extension office. "Money Management," and "Family Living" are subjects to be discussed Jan. 11 at 1 p. m.

The District 3 Training Meeting will be held in Electra, Jan. 29. Attending this meeting will be Mrs. Bobby Stanalano, Hugh Turner, and Leva Simpson.

This is the beginning of a new year in the club work. Some of the programs will be, "Food Preparation," information on food labels, "New fabrics," and result demonstrations. You are welcome to attend these programs and be a member of the home demonstration work given by the agent.

Mrs. Jake Swaringen had charge of the game, "Questions on Heart Disease," Mrs. Orvin Stephens was hostess. Five members and one visitor answered roll call.

Mrs. Swaringen will host the next meeting to be held Jan. 16 at the community center.

Come meet with the club.

.....Reporter

CHRISTMAS GUESTS
Christmas guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker were: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hogan, Heather, Holly and Bonnie of Centerpoint; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Meixner, Michelle, and Andy of Ames, Iowa; Koy Neely of Washington, D. C. and Jerry Gibson of Seminole. The Hogans returned home, Thursday the Meixners returned to Iowa, December 31st., and Koy Neely went back to Washington, D. C. Jan. 1st.

JAYTON
Kathleen Parks is in Jayton on a visit.

BUSINESS TRIP
Mrs. Check Thomas and Mrs. Jake Fuller were in Haskell on business, Friday.

VISIT MOTHER
Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker visited his mother in Crosbyton Sunday. They reported she is doing well.

GUEST SPEAKER
John Murdoch, Jr. of Amarillo will be guest speaker at the First Assembly of God Church, Sunday to celebrate Youth Week of the Assemblies of God Churches.

John is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Murdoch, Sr.

All the youth of this area and John's friends are invited to attend, a spokesman stated.

ON SKI TRIP
Renee Murrell went skiing in Ruidoso last week.

ATTEND WEDDING
Minnette Geeslin and Dana Hahn attended the wedding of Lucile Perkins and Vance Taylor in Trent last week.

ARKANSAS VISITORS
Mrs. Joan Power and Kandy of Centerton, Ark. were Monday and Tuesday guests in the Lee Parker home.

ASPERMONT VISITORS
Mr. and Mrs. Zedrick Chisum and Mrs. Gary Gardner of Aspermont visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chisum and George this past week end.

IN LEVELLAND
Mrs. Jody Stanalano and Joe Brent visited in Levelland last week with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Stanley and Mrs. Marcham.

NEW YEAR TRIP
Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Stanalano took Mrs. Judy Clark and Stacy to see Stacy's great-grandparents, in Fayetteville, Ark. over New Year holidays.

JAYTON VISITORS
Visiting in the home of Mrs. Guy Brown and Zepie during the holidays were Maydell Hicks of Albuquerque, Mr. and Mrs. Brack Brown of Big Spring, Lt. Mary Brown of Ft. Sill, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Brown, and family of Cincinnati, O. Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Brown of Benbrook, Mrs. Ethel Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Royce Wells of Brownsboro and Charlie Wells of Lewisville.



"One must do one's bit during the energy crisis—I wrote this letter by candle light."

Football Finale

Bowl games bring the current football season to close in January, with the pros stretching their schedule well into the month. It's been an exciting season.

Football, with doubt, is an exciting, spectacular sport. But, as we have commented on past occasions, there's no place in any sport for brutality and excessive physical violence which produces permanent injury.

One of the sour notes of the current season was the sight of an Army player hurt in the last minutes of that team's route by Navy. At the time Navy led by something like fifty points; this youngster's injury was no more necessary than many others but the score and hopeless situation make it somehow symbolic.

Also, a serious injury to a member of the Washington Redskins in the last two minutes of the Dallas-Washington game, requiring the player's removal from the field on a stretcher, was also ironic. The Redskins were out of it completely and had no chance to win at that stage.

President Theodore Roosevelt last cleaned up football; the National Collegiate Athletic Association should complete the job with needed rules changes. If the pros wish to risk broken necks, ruptures, broken bones and permanent back and head injuries, that's one thing. They play for money as adults and professionals. But college students shouldn't be subjected to those hazards, and the tremendous pressures to win from alumni, while at the job of getting an education.

Ford's Plea

Vice President Gerald Ford has called on the House Judiciary Committee and Chairman Peter Rodino (D-NJ) to get on with its impeachment hearings, to bring impeachment to a vote in three or four months.

The Vice President says hearings on the question should not be dragged out into the 1974 political campaign, as a part of a political effort to win seats in Congress.

Congressman Rodino, however, indicates the investigation may not be completed by April. Thus, the prospect is these hearings may drag on into the summer.

The courts and a special prosecutor are hard at work sorting out Watergate culprits and punishing them. After almost a year of turmoil, charges, and claims, the President is certainly entitled to a reasonably prompt impeachment vote in the House Judiciary Committee, as are the American people, and if it is against the President, then he and the nation are entitled to a speedy trial in the Senate.

Since no one feels there is much of a chance two-thirds of the Senate would vote to oust the President, the committee show on the House side, whatever happens, is not likely to lead to any result affecting the length of the President's term; the hearings, then, are suspect as a political undertaking, to a degree.

France & Food

Recent figures show Americans have listed France over all other countries as their first stop abroad in applying for passports, both in 1972 and the first part of 1973. With hundreds of thousands of Americans stationed in Germany, and England the nation's mother country, plus the fact that Franco-American relations have been strained in recent years, this is somewhat surprising.

Reflection suggests there are several logical reasons. One is that France is the natural entrance country, or gateway, to western Europe—the nearest in distance and therefore requiring fewer hours, by air, than other countries on the continent.

What might be even more important is the quality of French cuisine. Most people agree French food is unsurpassed. And those on vacation or holiday invariably seek gastronomic delights. France is the place to find them. The way to a man's heart (or a traveler's pocketbook), then, is still through the stomach.



Poker Face On The Bench?

How neutral does a judge have to be in conducting a trial? That was the issue in *The Case of the Smiling Judge*. A man had been found guilty of assault, and his attorney appealed to a higher court on the following ground: "Just as one of the defense witnesses was telling his story, the judge broke into a smile. The implication was obvious: he thought the witness was lying. Although the judge told the jury not to be influenced by his smile, the damage had already been done. The jury got the message and brought in a verdict of guilty."



However, the appellate court refused to set aside the verdict. The court said the judge's smile was just too minor an element, in an otherwise fair trial, to make the entire proceedings null and void.

Of course, a trial judge is supposed to be as neutral as possible. Ideally, he should keep a poker face at all times, since his facial expressions may well speak as loudly as words.

But the law also recognizes that judges, being only human, cannot be in total control of their emotions. Thus, another appellate court decided it was "most natural" for a judge to grin when a man named Ananias was sworn in as a witness.

On the other hand, a verdict may indeed be overturned on appeal if the trial judge made his feelings too convincingly clear. In another case, involving a deadly weapons charge, the judge kept referring to the accused as a "graduate of Sing Sing." Again, the jury's guilty verdict was carried to a higher court on grounds of judicial misbehavior.

This time, the verdict was thrown out. Criticizing the trial judge for letting his feelings get out-of-hand, the appellate court said:

"The function of the judge is to preserve the rights of both the people and the accused, not to insure victory or defeat for either (side)."

A public service feature of the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Texas. Written by Will Bernard.

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VACCINE CURBS V.D.
CHICAGO—Researchers at the Center for Disease Control in Atlanta report they have developed a vaccine against gonorrhea in chimpanzees that may lead to such a vaccine for humans. However, they said availability for a vaccine for humans may be years away.

STOLEN FREEZER
OROVILLE, CALIF.—Michael Martin couldn't believe that his freezer had disappeared from his back porch. While he was talking to sheriff's deputies he saw his freezer in a neighbor's yard. The neighbor bought the freezer from two men who brought it to his door and offered it for sale.

AGNEW'S PROTECTION

Secret Service protection for former Vice President Spiro T. Agnew is continuing at the direction of President Nixon for an indefinite period, the White House reports.

INFLATED BAG TEST

HOLLYWOOD—An air-inflated plastic bag that could save the lives of people who leap from burning skyscrapers has been tested here by stunt man Dar Robinson. The bag has so far been successfully tested for jumps from up to 10 stories, and a larger version is being developed.

Definitely!

Speeches are like steer horns, a point here, a point there, and a lot of bull in between.

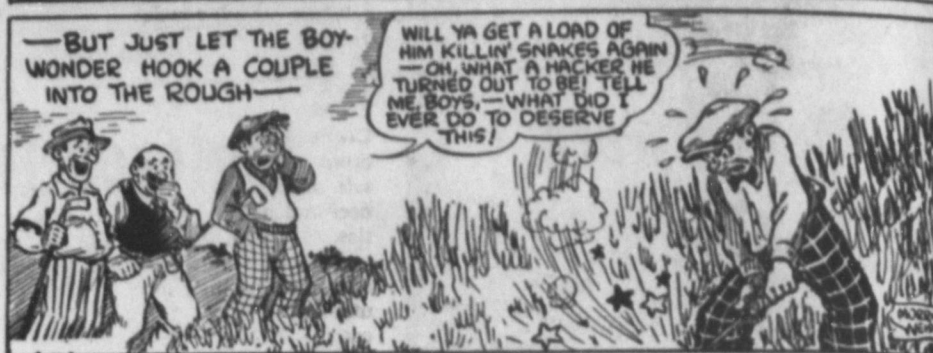
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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Jayton, Texas
Truett Kuenstler—Pastor
Sunday School—10 a. m.
Morning Worship—11 a. m.
Training Union—6 p. m.
Evening Worship—7 p. m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting, 8:15
Choir Practice—7:30 p. m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Jayton, Texas
Rev. G. B. Jones—Pastor
Sunday School—9:45 a. m.
Morning Worship—11 a. m.
Youth Meeting—6 p. m.
Evening Worship—7 p. m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting—8 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Jayton, Texas
Virgil Yoachim—Minister
Sunday School—10 a. m.
Morning Service—11 a. m.
Evening Service—6 p. m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting—7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Girard, Texas
Abe Martin—Minister
Morning Service—10 a. m.
Evening Service—6 p. m.
Wednesday Evening Bible Classes—7 p. m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Jayton, Texas
Rev. Bill Perkins—Pastor
Church School—10 a. m.
Morning Worship—10:50 a. m.
Evening Worship—7 p. m.
Wednesday Bible Study—8 p. m.
Youth and Children bible Study—8 p. m.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Jayton, Texas
Lawrence Hemp, Pastor
Church School 4:45 p. m. Wednesday
Morning worship 9:00 a. m.

PARADE

Strutting across the ice, penguins make a comically pompous picture. They are at once dignified and ridiculous, and if we look at them very long, they remind us uncomfortably of ourselves!

We, too, are apt to mass together on occasion and to be, perhaps, a little ludicrous in our efforts to be "part of the scene." Sometimes following the leader may, indeed, be the best thing to do. But it can also be the easy way out.

Today, especially, we need the courage of our convictions. We need to stand up for what we truly believe in. We need to do the important things.

Like going to church.

Wednesday Psalms 111: 1-10

Sunday Psalms 24: 1-10

Monday Psalms 29: 1-11

Tuesday Psalms 33: 1-22

Thursday Psalms 115: 1-18

Friday Psalms 136: 1-26

Saturday Psalms 50: 1-15

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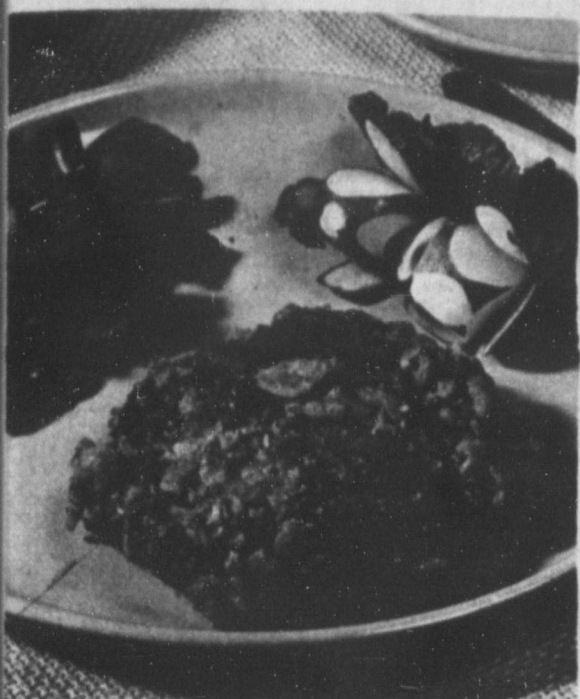
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From The Recipe Files of Opal Richards



Mock Chicken-Fried Steak

1 beaten egg
1 cup coarsely crumbled saltine crackers (20 crackers)
1/4 cup milk
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
1 teaspoon chili powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon worcestershire sauce
1 pound lean ground beef
2 tablespoons cooking oil
Combine egg, 1/2 cup of the cracker crumbs, the milk, onion, chili powder, salt and worcestershire; add ground beef and mix well. Shape into six patties, 1/2 inch thick; coat with remaining cracker crumbs. Cook in hot oil over medium-high heat about 3 minutes on each side. Serve with warmed catsup. Makes 6 servings.



Orange and Cucumber Green Salad

Orange and cucumber slices dress up this salad.

2 heads butter lettuce
3 large oranges, peeled and sliced, membrane removed
1 small cucumber, sliced (peeled, if desired)
1/2 red onion, sliced thinly, separated in rings

DRESSING:

1/2 cup salad oil
3 tablespoons wine vinegar
1/4 teaspoon chili powder
Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

Arrange whole leaves of butter lettuce in a large, shallow salad bowl. Tuck orange slices and cucumber slices among the lettuce leaves. Arrange onion rings in overlapping circles on top of the salad.
For the dressing, combine salad oil, vinegar, chili powder, salt, and freshly ground pepper. Sprinkle on the salad just before serving. Makes 8 servings.

ABOUT YOUR HOME

By April Rhodes

You'll be fashion correct in capes this year, whether they're short, medium or long. They're especially good with suits.

Don't let your television be your child's only entertainment. Children need to learn to play alone and with others. Give them a generous amount of "make-believe." This will teach them to be creative.

Fashion

Altho' many of the young girls still prefer to wear their hair long, the holiday season is a time to try out the more elaborate hair-do's for gala occasions. New designs have the hair drawn back from the face and arranged with flowers, jewels or extra hair pieces, high on the head or toward the back of the head.



Why is it that, in most areas of the country, winter brings with it so many long, rainy spells?
Winter produces more rainy spells of several days' duration than summer for several reasons. One of the main reasons is that winter's colder earth and ever-present cold air create more of the cloud-forming or cooling action that makes for cloud and rain.

Warm air moving into cold winter air (a warm front) can set up a rainy area for hundreds of miles. Since a warm front moves forward more slowly than a cold front, this mass of cloud and rain takes several days to pass overhead.

Occasionally a warm front or an occluded front will become stationary over an area and in winter this usually means several days of bad, rainy weather. These frontal systems are of long duration but produce little lightning and thunder.

WOMAN DIRECTS MEN CAMP PENDLETON, CALIF.—The Marines have named their first woman unit commander over a company that includes more than 2,000 men. Col. Mary E. Bane, 44, is the first woman in the 198-year history of the Marine Corps to be given direct command over men.

Just Like Dad?
The barber lifted the young customer into his chair and said: "How do you want your hair cut, son?"
"Like dad's, with a hole in the top."
Meow!
Some cats sharpen their claws; others just lacquer them.
—Spoke, U.S.S. Spokane.

APPLE PAN DOWDY

4 large tart apples sliced thin
1/4 c brown sugar
1 c cake flour
1 T baking powder
pinch of salt
1/4 c melted butter
1/2 c white sugar
1 egg
1/4 c sweet milk
1 t lemon juice
grated rind from one lemon

Arrange sliced apples in heavy pan. Sprinkle the brown sugar evenly over them. Stir white sugar into melted butter and add unbeaten egg and mix well. Add combined dry ingredients alternately with milk. Then fold in lemon juice and rind. Pour this mixture over apple slices and bake in 350-degree oven 30 minutes, or until batter is done.
Serve warm topped with ice cream or whipped cream.

GERMAN COTTAGE CHEESE FRITTERS

1 1/2 cups sifted flour
1/2 cup corn starch
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 cup margarine, softened
1/4 cup sugar
2 teaspoons grated lemon rind
1 egg, slightly beaten
1/2 cup creamed cottage cheese
1/4 cup milk
1 quart corn oil (about)
Confectioners sugar

Sift together flour, corn starch and baking powder. With a spoon, blend margarine, sugar and lemon rind. Add egg and stir until mixed. Stir in cottage cheese and half the flour mixture, then milk, then remaining flour mixture. Pour corn oil into sturdy, flat bottomed kettle or deep fryer, filling utensil no more than 1/2 full. Heat over medium heat to 375 degrees F. (If using electric frypan, follow manufacturer's directions.) Carefully drop batter by rounded teaspoonfuls into hot oil. Fry about 5 minutes or until crisp and browned on all sides. Drain on absorbent paper. Dust with confectioners sugar. Makes about 24 (1 1/2-inch) fritters.

from the old Druid custom of giving branches of this supposedly sacred bush on New Year's Day.

For many years in Scotland young boys gathered together on New Year's Day and went from house to house singing for money or something to eat. This custom was brought to America, but the songs were shortened in the New World. For many years American Presidents gave a reception—open to the public—at the White House on New Year's Day.
For most Americans today the new year means a party or sentimental thoughts the night of the 31st, a holiday a week after the Christmas holiday, and the bowl end of the football season.

from London

English Living Better Today Despite Inflation Of Pound

By Marion Shores (European Correspondent)

LONDON -- The news in Britain as elsewhere in the world at the moment, is very depressing. Undoubtedly, the recent royal wedding made a great impact as an event that shed some happiness and light in a troubled month.

But apart from the temporary glow that this event brought about, there are other things happening in this country which we can be pleased about.

More people than ever before are able to buy items which until recently were considered luxuries. It's not so long ago that many didn't have a refrigerator; now the present trend is to have a deep freeze as well and more and more people are buying them.

The actual spending power of money in people's pockets, taking into account inflation, rose by a full 6 per cent last year.

For all the problems and the rising prices most people's life style and expectations are very different from those of just a decade ago. The trouble is that people have such short memories and forget that until a short time ago it was quite normal to live without, central heating, double glazing, washing machines, dish washers, electric mixers, etc.

The number of households that have two cars rises all the time. The interesting point about this is that to some people it seems absolutely essential for the wife to have a car too in order that she may take the children to school etc. So many modern children now take it for granted that they will be chauffeured round to all the places they want to go to.

Probably the item for which demand is greatest at present is the color television. They were only introduced

NEWS REPORT FROM WASHINGTON

First Session-Nixon's Power-1974 Session-1974 Elections-

Political Announcements

The Jayton Chronicle is authorized to announce that the persons listed below are candidates for offices, under which their names appear, subject to the Democratic Primary, to be held May 4, 1974:

For State Senator 30th Texas District RAY FARABEE

For State Senator 30th Texas District CHARLES FINNELL

For Co. Commissioner Precinct No. 2: C. C. SCOTT

For Congress 17th Texas District OMAR BURLESON

WHO KNOWS?

- Name the first man to take office under the Constitution's 25th Amendment.
- Who is the new House Republican Leader?
- Identify John Wilkes Booth.
- Who was Count Von Ferdinand Zeppelin?
- What lighter-than-air ship was named for him?
- Name the longest river in the world.
- When did Hitler become Chancellor of Germany?
- How old will President Nixon be on January 9th?
- Name the flower and stone for January.
- The Battle of New Orleans was fought on what day in 1815?

G.O.P. gains seen in action by Rockefeller.

Farmcast
Compiled From Sources Of The Texas Department of Agriculture John C. White, Commissioner

Placements Decline... Pecan Crop Unchanged... Texas Ranks Among The Top 10.

Cattle feeders are losing \$100 and more per head as beef prices have declined more than 30 per cent since summer high levels. As a result, the number of placements going into feedlots is down 20 to 25 per cent throughout the major feedlot states.

Texas continues to be the number one cattle feeding state in the nation with 2,277,000 head on feed as of Dec. 1. This is three per cent below a month ago.

Placements into Texas feedlots during November are 10 per cent below November a year ago and 26 per cent below the previous month.

In the seven major feeding states—Texas, Arizona, California, Colorado, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas—placements are down 20 per cent.

TEXAS pecan crop as of Dec. 1 is still set at a puny 23,000,000 pounds, almost two thirds below the 1972 production.

Nationwide, the 1973 pecan crop is forecast at 263,000,000 pounds, 43 per cent more than last year's crop.

Pecan harvest is active throughout the state with most of the crop having been gathered.

SMALL grain statistics for Texas for 1973 are now available. Texas ranks in the top 10 in production of oats, wheat, rye, and flaxseed. Texas ranked 17th in the nation during 1973 in production of barley. The state was sixth in oat production, sixth in wheat, 10th in rye, and fifth in flaxseed.

The top 10 counties in oat production during 1973 in Texas are Coleman, Hamilton, Collin, Denton, Bosque, Cooke, Medina, Coryell, Grayson and Brown.

The top 10 counties in barley production in Texas during 1973 are Parmer, Pecos, Reeves, El Paso, Hudspeth, Wichita, Ochiltree, Wilbarger, Knox and Jones.

Counties in the top 10 in winter wheat production in Texas are Ochiltree, Sherman, Hansford, Deaf Smith, Randall, Moore, Carson, Parmer, Swisher, and Hartley.

Counties in the top 10 in rye production are Hale, Henderson, Erath, Deaf Smith, Denton, Dallam, Motley, Castro, Collingsworth, and Wheeler.

The top 10 counties in flaxseed production in Texas during 1973 are Karnes, Atascosa, Bee, Live Oak, Wilson, Duval, Guadalupe, Frio, Jim Wells, and La Salle.

A limited number of copies of 1973 Texas Small Grain Statistics are available by writing the Texas Department of Agriculture, or the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, Austin, Texas.

A FINAL reminder—if you are one of the 75,000 Texas farmers or livestock producers who have received a questionnaire from the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service be sure and fill it out and return it promptly.

This will be used to present the economic picture of Texas agriculture. None of the reports will be used on an individual basis. They will be compiled into county, district, and state totals.

Agriculture continues to be Texas' largest and most important industry, so as true a picture of it as can be obtained is essential.

DRYLOT sheep feeders with a lot capacity of 2,000 head or more had 91,000 sheep and lambs on feed as of Dec. 1. This is two per cent below the number on feed a month earlier and 22 per cent below the number on feed a year ago.

TREMENDOUS TRIFLES

A WOMAN'S FRANKNESS WINS HER A NATION TO RULE

Because King Louis XV of France didn't show up at a dinner party the night of April 22, 1769, as promised, Marie Jeanne Beau du Barry "let her hair down" and won for herself the juicy prize in France—the king's "reading lady."

Marie was there under the joint auspices of Lebel, First Valet to the king, and Jean Du Barry, gambler and rouse. Du Barry, along with a political clique, saw an opportunity to further their fortunes if the king would select Marie as his chosen lady of the court. Lebel, the first valet, promoted such affairs of the heart for his Royal Highness.

With some misgivings, Lebel agreed to invite Marie to the dinner party attended by the king. Marie was not of royal blood, not even from the middle class, but she had beauty. The valet accepted her on this fact alone.

Coached in court speech and in this country a few years ago and not many people bought them initially. But now more people are buying or renting them every week.

In some areas they have become as common as black and white sets.

manner. Marie was ready with stilted words and sentiments for the aging king. But when the dinner conversation lagged and His Majesty didn't put in an appearance, Marie lost all of her courtly manners and sunk to street-level jokes.

In attendance were men high in the king's favor who knew Marie as a nobody. They had spent many hours of pleasure at Du Barry's gambling house where she had coaxed them with her beauty. Now as she dropped all pretense and settled into the speech of her own kind, the men of state broke into peals of laughter, the icy court atmosphere broken.

A few minutes later the king was announced. He came from behind a curtain where he had been watching. So completely overwhelmed was he by Marie's frankness and totally different approach toward entertaining him that the fate stuffy Madame Pompadour that he instantly fell in love with her.

To make Marie a somebody, her name went on record as having valuables worthy of her and she was immediately whisked off to the palace. An aged and bankrupt countess, for a stipend, presented Marie at court.

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STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Bill Boykin

AUSTIN, Tex. — Legislative leaders expressed optimism for success of the state Constitution Convention which opened at noon Tuesday (Jan. 8).

Planning committees have worked out a fast-paced 81-day schedule which may, or may not, hold up.

Optimists see at least a 50-50-chance of success, noting that of 12 constitutions offered voters in other states during the last 12 years, half were rejected, frequently on a single issue.

House Speaker Price Daniel Jr., projected presiding officer of the historic convention, the first since 1875, hopes to have committee hearings started by January 16.

Preliminary briefings by corresponding committees of the 37-member Constitutional Revision Commission will precede the committee hearings.

Daniel claims the convention, composed of 181 legislators, will be successful because delegates have a down-to-business attitude and are the best prepared group (thanks to work of the Revision Commission) ever to undertake such a task.

Such controversial issues as right-to-work inclusion in the constitution, legislative pay raises and appointive appellate judges, under Daniel's plan, would be submitted to voters as separate issues. That procedure, the speaker maintains, would prevent jeopardizing a largely non-controversial document because of a handful of hot potatoes.

Eight substantive committees and five procedural committees are proposed to handle the initial hearings and study starting next week.

POLITICAL SEASON ON — Major candidates are getting in place for the 1974 primary races.

Attorney General John Hill announced for a second term. Agriculture Commissioner John White announced for a 13th.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe revealed his plans (back in late October) to seek a second term.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby will be doing the same. Others already on the starting blocks include Railroad Commissioners Jim Langdon and Mack Wallace, Land Commissioner Bob Armstrong and Treasurer Jesse James (although some haven't announced formally).

Comptroller Robert Calvert remains a question mark. Whether or not he retires, former Secretary of State Bob Bullock is running for his office, and State Sen. Jim Wallace of Houston is a probable.

Republicans have fielded in the governor's race Henry Grover, Jim Cranberry, State Rep. Ray Hutchison and Odell McBrayer.

SPEED LIMIT CHANGE DUE — With President Nixon's signature of the nationwide 55 miles per hour speed limit law, Texas has no choice but to follow suit.

The State Highway Commission, under a new law passed in special session last month giving it authority to establish new speed limits to meet emergencies, scheduled a January 8 public hearing.

Result of the hearing was clear in advance: the limit will be lowered to 55 mph — probably enforceable by late January or early February.

The alternative: losing some \$240 million a year in federal highway assistance.

AG OPINIONS — political action committees have to report expenditures to influence elections, Atty. Gen. Hill held.

However, Hill said that determining whether such committees come under campaign reporting and disclosure law provisions is a question for factual determination in each case.

In other recent opinions, Hill concluded:

A law requiring financial statements by public officials is constitutional, and district judges are covered.

A county commissioners court may transfer surplus road and bridge funds into the general fund.

A member of the Parks and Wildlife Commission is entitled to reimbursement for expenses for meetings which are not regularly scheduled.

A person who spends in excess of \$200 per calendar quarter by paying another to communicate directly with a legislator would not have to register under the new lobby act.

Texas Rehabilitation Commission can act on behalf of the state in entering an agreement with the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare to carry out provisions of the Social Security Act. The commissioner of TRC is the proper official to execute the agreement.

APPOINTMENTS — Gov. Briscoe appointed Ralph Darden of Corpus Christi to the Texas A&I University board of directors, succeeding William H. Atkinson of Kenedy. Briscoe picked Eduardo Marquez of El Paso to be 65th district judge, replacing the late Judge Jack Fant.

Blake Allen of Corsicana was named by Briscoe to the Trinity River Authority.

Joe Sage of San Antonio was appointed chairman of a new permanent House subcommittee on military and veterans affairs.

Frank Hildebrand, Texas Tourist Development Agency executive director, is new first vice-chairman of the National organization of the U.S. travel industry, "Discover America Travel Organization."

COURTS SPEAK — U.S. Fifth Court of Appeals held the housing authority of Hidalgo County should not have been allowed to seize belongings of a migrant farm worker's wife for non-payment of rent.

The state's authority to prohibit public use of the term "engineering" by unlicensed persons or firms was upheld by the Second Court of Civil Appeals in Fort Worth.

Texas Supreme Court approved Lipscomb County school trustees' plans to annex most of Lipscomb ISD.

FOOD STAMP CARDS SENT — Three hundred thousand needy Texans received cards authorizing food stamps for them early this month.

Welfare Commissioner Raymond Vowell, meanwhile, alerted his field offices to give special handling to stamps for the aged, blind and disabled whose federal assistance checks are late or incorrect.

Vowell said steps were taken to assure that none of these go without food stamps this month because they do not have cash for bonus stamps or because of errors or late deliveries of supplemental security income checks.

SHORT SNORTS

Internal Revenue has set up a toll-free long distance line by which Texans in the southern half of the state can get guidance on their income tax problems. The number is 1-800-252-1000.

Texas Aeronautics Commission set a January 11 hearing on application of Trans Western Airlines to provide five DC-3 round-trip daily flights between San Antonio and Corpus Christi. On the same agenda, TAC will consider Southwest Airlines' request to suspend weekend flights between San Antonio and Houston due to fuel shortages. Another application, by Maverick Airways, proposes two round-trip flights daily between San Antonio and San Angelo.

SOME FUN!



"SORRY, BUD, I THOUGHT YOU WAS A BUG ON MY WINDSHIELD!"

Comment On Sports

BASEBALL BY PETE FRITCHIE

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Boston Red Sox improved their chances most, in the American League, in the Houston Major League meeting—and the Sox are now favorites to win the eastern division flag.

Juan Marichal, obtained from the Giants, is one of

the great pitchers of recent years. Assuming he's fully recovered from a back operation, he could easily win eighteen or twenty games in 1974.

The Sox also obtained

Reggie Cleveland from the Cardinals, so they have a strong front five—Wise, Tiant, Lee, Cleveland and Marichal. No other staff in

MASON VISITORS
 W. D. Shafer brought Mrs. Pearl Shafer of Mason to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Murdoch, Friday. Calvin Shafer of Hext, came Saturday and took her home.

VISITS MOTHER
 Erma Black of Rotan visited Mrs. Blanche Barfoot, Thursday.

IN HASKELL
 Mrs. Truett Kuenstler visited her mother in Haskell last week.

JOE FAVOR GUESTS
 Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Rogers are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Favor this week.

FOR CHECK UP
 Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hahn were in Stamford for a check up last Thursday.

No one ever regarded the first of January with indifference. It is the nativity of our common Adam.

the eastern division in the American can equal that.

The Yankees also improved their club, adding Lou Pinella, but it seems certain new Boston manager Darrell Johnson and Baltimore's Earl Weaver have the clubs to be favored to win the east in the Junior Major League in 1974.

BIBLE VERSE

"Every one that is proud in heart is an abomination to the Lord."

1. Where can you find the above statement?
2. By whom was it written?
3. Who was his father?
4. Who was his mother?

Not So Funny
 "You say your sister makes up jokes, then she's a humorist isn't she?"
 "No, she works in a beauty parlor."

Private initiative seems to function best when liberally supported by public funds.

Answers To Bible Verse

1. Proverbs 16:5.
2. King Solomon.
3. David.
4. Bathsheba.

Wasn't There
 "So McDodge lost his mind, you say?"
 "Sure, he did. Went crazy trying to find the shady side of the street at noon."

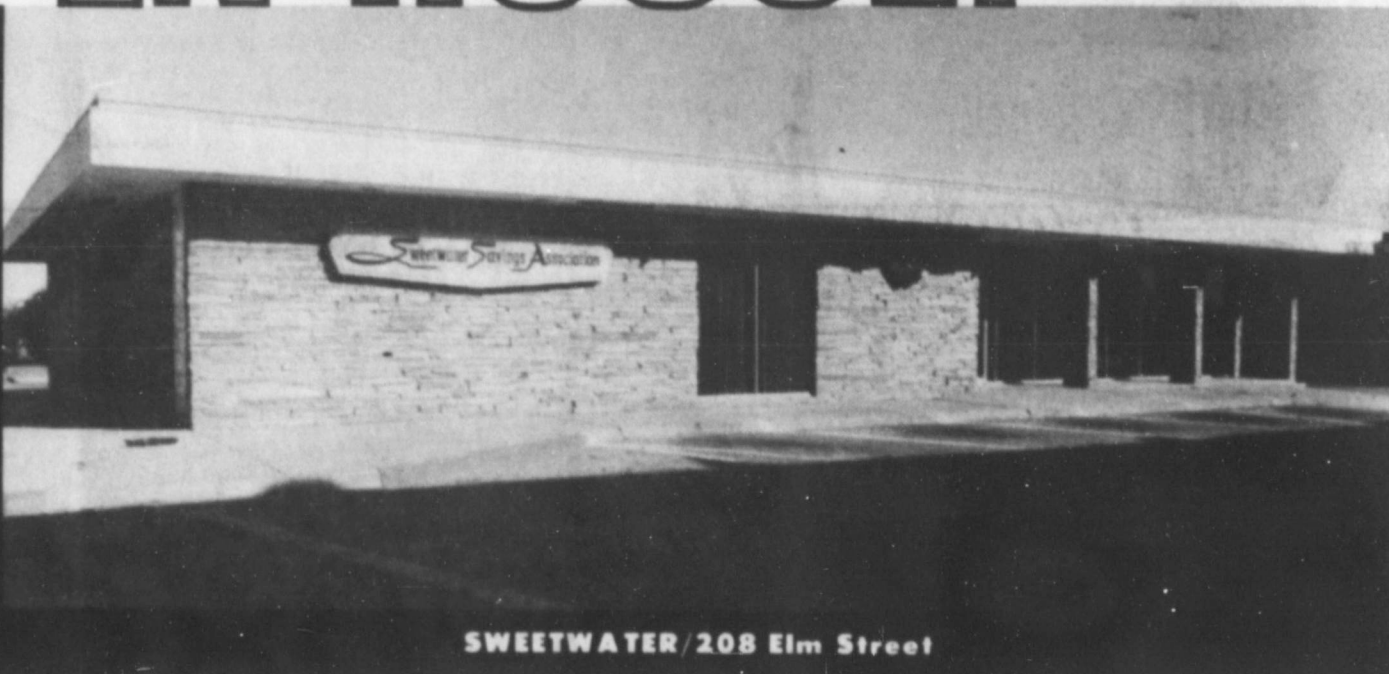
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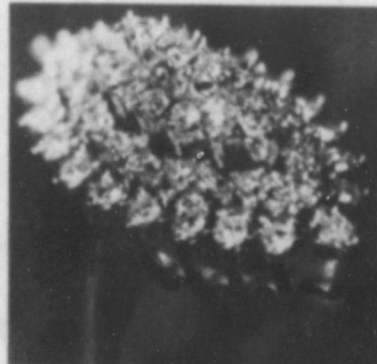
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