

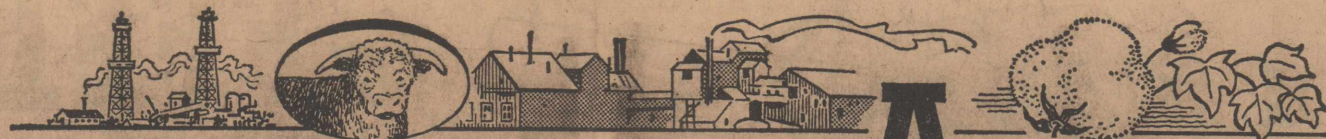
The Weather

J P Phillips

From records of Fred Byerly, Weather Observer.

Wed. 29th	60	41
Thurs. 30th	65	33
Fri. 1st	72	47
Sat. 2nd	63	37
Sun. 3rd	58	20
Mon. 4th	10	54
Tues. 5th	60	41

Total precipitation to date 1966 31.05
Total precipitation* to date 1967 20.53



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Ginning Back In Full Swing

The ginning rush was starting again Wednesday with pretty weather Tuesday and Wednesday. Monday's shower halted cotton harvest and the gins caught up, but late Wednesday the parking yards were filling rapidly and most of the trailers will no doubt be full by Thursday morning.

The two Rotan gins had a total of 6,950 late Wednesday and Hobbs gin had 927. The Hobbs area is very late this year, but with the heavy frost and freeze Saturday they expect to get their harvest in full swing in the next few days.

Cotton Harvest Problems

A meeting was held in Roby Monday, December 3, 8:00 p.m. in the Courthouse to discuss what causes barkly cotton. Fred Elliott, Cotton Specialist with the Extension Service, presented the program.

His recommendations were to stay out of the field about 1½ weeks after frost, be sure strippers are set right, be sure moisture is not over 7% when stripping, and don't overuse recommended rates of acid to defoliate.

Mr. Elliott also discussed herbicides and insecticides used on cotton and went over the harvesting process of cotton.

He also showed some slides from cotton mills showing why barkly cotton was objectionable.

Some thirty-five farmers, ginners, and businessmen attended the meeting, according to Richard Spencer, Fisher County Agent.

FORMER EDITOR WITH DALLAS PAPERS

The Advance received invitation to Open House of Town North Tribune, Inc. of 1525 Turtle Creek Blvd. Dallas, which was held Nov. 30th.

The publishing house produces several papers for the north Dallas and Farmers Branch area. A number of state and Dallas dignitaries as well as a large crowd of Dallas citizens saw the all "new concept in printing." They have an ultra modern press and shop well equipped to serve this metropolitan area.

Harry Shelton, former editor of the Advance and son of Mrs. H. C. Shelton is manager of the newspapers.

MITCHELL'S GRAND-MOTHER DIES

The 95 year-old grandmother of Scott Mitchell passed away Tuesday. Funeral service will be today at Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.

The Scott Mitchell family are there.

Hospital News

Following Local Patients admitted to Callan Hospital from Nov. 29 through Dec. 5:

Barney Horton; Clint Overby, Mrs. C. A. Seaton, J. E. VanLoon, Mrs. Clifton Blount, Roy Edwards, Joe L. Henry, J. E. Miller, Mrs. Jessie Price, Debbie Rains.

Out of town patients: Mark Jameson, Estelline; Lucy Gonzales; Luther McCormick; Ben Hadderton; Mrs. E. F. Campbell; O. H. Hayes; M. M. Neepser; R. G. Neves; Roby; Elmer Cooper; Hamlin and Mrs. Mable Kimzey of Hermleigh.

Santa To Arrive Monday At 4:00 P.M.

Benefit Coffee Set For 16th

Village Flower Shop and personnel will hold their Coffee Day Saturday, Dec. 16th in the home of Mrs. R. S. Ragsdale. Ample room will be available there and everyone is urged to attend during the hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pie, cake, candy and sandwiches will be served along with coffee.

All proceeds go to Firemen's Christmas Cheer project and is continuing the original Coffee Day, which was started by the late Shed Ragsdale in 1943. Mr. Ragsdale's move was followed by other places serving coffee and during some of the "lean" years was the mainstay for raising funds for the Firemen's Christmas work.

We feel this is a fitting gesture and that we should make the December 16 affair a glowing success in respect and memory of Shed, whom we all loved and admired.

Yates Reunion Held Nov. 25

The annual Yates reunion was held at Rotan, November 25. There were some 60 relatives and 20 friends who came by during the day. Jim (James Walter) Yates' descendants present were:

Gladys Admas, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Inez Foreman, Jewel Wiley, of Levelland; Mellie Noles, Booneville, Arkansas; Zula Eaton, Magazine, Arkansas; Elsie Hatcher, Odessa; and James Yates Mineral Wells.

Also 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. One daughter, Eva Williams of Prescott, Arizona was unable to attend.

Callie (Yates) Acker was present, also two of her daughters, Vida Frazier and Dorothy Cave, all of Rotan.

Will Yates, also of Rotan, was present.

Social Security Rep. Here 12th

Social Security representative will be in Rotan December 12th to assist citizens in this field.

They will be at Police Department during the day and this will be the only trip to Rotan during December.

Missionary To Speak Sunday

Sunday morning Ron Durham, a returned Missionary of Australia will speak at the combined adult class and at worship services at the Church of Christ, 1030 a. m.

The public is cordially invited to these services.

Mrs. Larry Graham and son, Gary left Dallas Saturday for Frankfort, Germany where they will join Larry Graham who is stationed there. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Strickland and also Mrs. Truett Strickland accompanied Mrs. Graham and baby to Dallas Friday to enplane.

Mrs. W. T. Hardy has recently returned from Lueders where she visited her daughter Mrs. Johnny Norwood and family.

Burk Giving Turkeys Sat.

Considerable interest developed in the Free Turkey drawing at J. D. Burk Grocery and Market last week. Mrs. Andy Shipp was the lucky person and she plans to serve the turkey at a family gathering during Christmas.

See Mr. Burk's ad in this issue as he is giving 2 big free Turkeys this Saturday, and plans such event each Saturday until Christmas.

C. W. McCombs 100th Birthday

The children of Carroll W. McCombs expect to visit him December 9th at Golden Haven Home in Roby, where he has lived for the past 6 years, to observe his 100th birthday.

They plan to make pictures and share the birthday cake and otherwise enjoy an occasion that comes to few people.

His children are Carol Keller, Stephenville; Betty Ebert, El Paso; Kathleen Robertson, Pecos; Joe McCombs, Fort Worth and Thelma Parker, Roby.

Mr. McCombs is a pioneer of this area and we will have additional information on this in our next edition.

Double Reunion For Grubens

Mr. and Mrs. Danie Gruben had a double reunion this past weekend. All of their children were home and all of Mrs. Gruben's brothers and sisters except 1 brother visited at her home.

The children visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gruben and family and Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Clawson and family from Rotan, Mrs. Hughey Edwards and Mrs. Bert Theme and family from Corpus Christi; Mr. and Mrs. Don Potter and daughter from Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. Lauerl Gruben, and Dyanne from Denton, Missouri; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth-Morton and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Clawson and Tony and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Clawson and Jodie from Rotan and Miss Carolyn Harris from Rotan.

Mrs. Gruben's family visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ogden and Ginger from Ogden from Sweetwater, Mrs. Floydada, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Carl Matthes from Roby, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Gruben; Mrs. Vera Gruben, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Pearce and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gruben and family all from Rotan and Miss Carla Nelson from Floydada.

There was a total of 52 people visiting in the home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Womack of Olney visited his brother Mr. and Mrs. Ray Womack and children last weekend. The Ray Womacks recently bought and moved into the former Dycus home on Hamlin highway, east of town.

Mrs. Mattie Key and Mrs. O. Moffett visited Mr. and Mrs. Imkin in Loraine Sunday. Mrs. Annie Tillotson accompanied them to Roby and visited Mr. and Mrs. Preston Campbell.

Cotton Classing Have You Written Santa

In spite of rainy weather, we're not going to catch up says B. B. Manly, Jr., In Charge of the U.S.D.A.'s cotton classing office in Abilene. The classing office is processing around 4,500 samples per day and at close of business December 2, had around 10,000 samples on hand to be processed. This compares with 20,000 behind the same time last week, but receipts have already started picking up again Manly says.

Grades and staple remaining almost exactly the same as last week, except 6% more 31 staples were called, and 6% less 30 staples were classed. Barkey cotton decreased 1 per cent but remained at a high 13 percent. Manly says this is probably the most barkly crop we have ever experienced. Why so much bark? That's a mystery, Manly says, but nevertheless, the bark is there. Unless "Barkey" cotton results from machine stripped cotton, although it is also found in hand gathered and machine picked cotton. Bark comes from the cotton plant itself; therefore, any condition that causes the bark to peel when harvesting or ginned causes a Bark. We feel bark is most commonly caused from harvesting when the stalk is wet or more technically just a little damp. We also notice that a stalk will begin to "shed" its bark after its been dead too long. Cotton killed by "rootrot" is often in this condition by the time the other cotton in the field is ready to strip. Perhaps the most common cause is mal-adjusted or poorly operated strippers. There is always the possibility that a cotton gin can be the cause, but usually its the way the cotton comes to the gin. Some do's and don'ts Manly lists are: Don't start stripping when the plant is damp. Don't strip before the plant is dead, either from frost or defoliation. Do keep your machinery in good repair and adjustment. Do have a good operator who is careful. Do keep your machinery clean and use a clean trailer. Bales left in the trailer from prior bales can ruin a good bale. Do keep your fields clean. Weeds have bark on them too, and grass is just as bad a bark if it gets in a sample.

When Bark gets in your sample, it must be removed in spinning. It is more difficult to remove than other forms of trash and consequently more machinery is required in a mill that spins it. At any rate, the farmer is the big loser from Bark. Being careful to prevent them will pay.

Percentages of grades and staples this week according to Consumer and Marketing Service are: Middling 2 per cent; Strict Low Middling, 87 per cent; Low Middling 4 per cent; Strict Middling Light Spotted, 3 per cent; Middling Light Spotted, 26 per cent; Strict Low Middling Light Spotted, 38 per cent; Low Middling Light Spotted, 10 per cent; Strict Middling Spotted, 1 per cent; Middling Spotted, 3 per cent; Strict Low Middling Spotted, 4 per cent; Low Middling Spotted, 1 per cent.

Staples were 29-32, 7 per cent; 15-16, 49 per cent; 31-32, 35 per cent; 1 inch, 7 per cent; 1-1-32, 2 per cent.

Micronaire readings were

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Wow, boys and girls, those letters are really beginning to pour in. Your mail already has Santa's workers hopping.

We have just received word from Santa himself that all his reindeer are in good health and have just completed their final Christmas Eve flight physical checkups. Santa can't be too careful, you know. A sick reindeer on Christmas Eve could be disastrous!

In a few days the reindeer will finish their special training in the operation of the Reindeer Express System. Then their hooves will be trimmed that one last time and they'll receive their final mail pouch fitting. Those pouches have to fit just right. Can't have them falling off in flight.

According to Santa's latest Elfgram, all of the reindeer will make their first mail pickup in Rotan Dec. 11.

This first year of operating the Reindeer Express will be a difficult one at best. As we learned last time, this is the first time Santa has relied on his reindeer to carry his Christmas letters. He's hoping they can take the extra work without affecting their performance Christmas Eve. Santa's done everything he could do to make it easy on them by setting up Relay Stations all across the country.

As you can imagine, the problems of operating relay stations for reindeer is immense. Sure, reindeer don't have to worry about dust or attacks from wild Indians like the Pony Express riders, but they have even greater problems. Did you ever try to dodge a rocket or a jet airplane? A reindeer just can't tell what they might fly into these days. He's got to be very careful.

And oh, those hard, hard city streets. Reindeer hooves just weren't made for street walking. But wise Ole Santa has taken care of that. He had his elves make special shoes for each and every reindeer. But they have to fit just right. A reindeer with sore feet, why that's like a car with no tires!

Supplying the reindeer with their proper diet wasn't easy either. Each Relay Station had to be equipped with a special refrigerator in which to store plenty of that cool, crisp reindeer moss. You see, this type of moss actually grows in the arctic regions of the earth near the North Pole.

After filling his pouch with Santa's mail from Rotan and Fisher County, boys and girls and munching a quick snack of moss, each reindeer will fly directly to the halfway station located on Reindeer Lake in Canada. There he will take a short rest before taking off on the final portion of his trip to the North Pole.

Well, that's it. That's how the entire system of Reindeer Relay Stations works.

Get those letters in soon boys and girls. Mail them to: Santa Claus, Reindeer Relay Station, care of Rotan Advance.

And remember, place the name of the reindeer you want to carry your letter in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope.

The Advance will reprint these letters (space permitting) in the big Christmas edition. Deadline for letters is December 15.



All plans were complete at press time for Santa's visit to Rotan Monday afternoon. He will arrive via the Fire Truck and has announced that he will have goodies for all the children.

He will ride into town at 4:00 and Firemen will assist him and see that every little fellow gets to shake hands and receive a gift, and not be pushed about by older boys.

Stores have windows decorated for the occasion and will remain open as long as necessary for everyone to visit them and see their stocks of Christmas merchandise.

This is always a most enjoyable occasion and not only the children enjoy Santa's visit it catches on and adults get the spirit.

Be sure to bring the kiddies, they are our special guests.

Nursing Home Christmas Party In Viet Nam December 16th

The annual Christmas Party at Fisher County Nursing Home will be held Saturday, December 16, 1:30 p.m.

This is an important event for residents of the home, as well as the many friends of the Home.

Everyone is invited to attend the affair.

Registration For Voting Required

Voter registration is again being handled at City Hall for convenience of the voters of this area. There is no charge for registration, but voters of all ages, both unders and overs are required to register to be eligible to vote during the coming year.

Voters may also register at County Tax Collector's office in Roby.

Deadline for registration is January 31, 1968.

Christmas Party For Jaycees

The Annual Jaycee Christmas Party will be held Friday night, Dec. 8 at the Rotan Community Center at 8:00 p.m. All Jaycees, active or inactive, and their wives or guests are invited.

Music and refreshments furnished.

Elliott Montgomery of Big Spring and Carlton Burrow went to Grand Prairie Monday in response to a message that Jerome Burrow had a severe heart attack Sunday morning and another Sunday night.

Ronald Landes Nursing Home Christmas Party In Viet Nam

Cu Chi, Vietnam (AHTNC) — Army Private First Class Ronald D. Landes, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loys Landes, 113 N. Garfield, Rotan, was assigned as a light weapons infantryman in Company D, 2nd Battalion of the 25th Infantry Division's 27th Infantry near Cu Chi, Vietnam, Nov. 19.

Pvt. Landes' wife, Mary, lives at 909 E. Sixth, Rotan.

NEWTON-STAPP WEDDING ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Lehman Newton of Midland announce the recent marriage of their daughter, Frances to Larry Stapp of Midland in St. John's Methodist Church in Lubbock. Larry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stapp of Midland. They are making their home in Lubbock where both are students at Texas Tech.

L.V.N.A. CHRISTMAS PARTY PLANNED

L.V.N.A. Christmas Party will be held at Corral Restaurant, Dec. 18th, 7:30 p.m. Bring husbands. And each bring gift for gift exchange. Good Program -- Good food.

THANKS

We want to thank everyone in Rotan for the splendid cooperation given us in the bi-district game with Paint Creek.

The Rotan School for free use of field and lights, Jaycees and Chamber of Commerce for furnishing winner trophy and helping at the gates and parking, and especially the merchants for the advertising in the Advance and circulars.

We do appreciate this cooperation.

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Seven-UP 6 Bottle Carton 2 for 59¢

Salmon Tall can Libby's Red Sockeye 89¢

SYRUP Blackburn Qt. Waffle 29¢

Pop Corn Shurfine 2# 25¢

Grape Juice Welch's 40oz 53¢

Luncheon Loaf 3 for 100¢
Bill-more 12oz can

Cabbage 3 1/2 LB. 39¢

Avocados 15¢ Each 5LB Bag 39¢

Tooth Paste Giant size Shurfine 46¢

DRANGE Juice 3 for 49¢

Hush Puppies 25¢

Fish Sticks Sea Star 5 for 100¢

Broccoli Spears Family Style 4 for 89¢

Oleo Food King 2/25¢ | Steak 59¢ LB.

Bacon Korn Land Quality 49¢ LB.

Velveeta Kraft 2LB. 89¢

- Shurfine 300 can Pork & Beans 8 for
- Shurfine 303 cut Blue Lake Beans 4 for
- Shurfine 303 can whole New Potatoes 7 for
- Shurfine 303 can Early Harvest Peas 4 for
- Shurfine 303 can Cut Beets 7 for
- Shurfine 300 can Cut ASPARAGUS 3 for
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Calendar Club Plans Party

The Calendar Club's Annual Christmas Party will be in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gray, December 9 at 7:30 p.m.

On November 28 the Calendar Club met in the home of Mrs. Glen Holt with Mrs. Jack Cadenhead and Mrs. Holt serving as hostesses. Mrs. Helen Doss of Morton, Texas, brought a very beautiful demonstration of Christmas decorations. Those enjoying the delightful evening were Mrs. J. Frank Johnson, Mrs. D. T. McDonald, Mrs. Bill Graham, Mrs. Ronnie Landes, Mrs. Virgil Helm and 18 members of the Club.

Dr. and Mrs. Timothy Fowler and baby, Felicity Anne of St. Louis visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martinez for the Thanksgiving holidays. Other children visiting them were Dr. Robt. Martinez of Houston; Johnny of North Texas State graduate school; Freddie of the University of Texas; Austin and Maurice of Angelo State College.

Mrs. Columbus Carr arrived home last Thursday morning from Chicago where she had gone in response to a message that her nephew, Joe L. Anderson had been killed. He was shot in the back. Funeral services were held Nov. 25, after the arrival of Mrs. Carr. She visited the family of her sister several days before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kingsfield returned home Monday from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moore in Fort Worth. Mr. and Mrs. Moore are former residents of Rotan and he operated Thriftway store. He is enjoying a successful real estate business in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill House visited their mother, Mrs. J. W. House Sr. in Rice Springs Rest Home at Haskell, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Bacon, Gene and David of Bartlesville, Okla. recently visited her mother, Mrs. Ruth McCall and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hardin visited his aunt, Mrs. Lorraine in Jayton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil J. Malouf of Dallas visited and attended to business here last weekend.

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COTTON CLASSING

consistent with the previous week. They were: 2.7-2.9, 1 per cent; 3.0 - 3.2, 5 per cent; 3.3-3.4, 7 per cent; 3.5-4.9, 81 per cent; 50-5.2, 5 per cent and 5.3 and above 1 per cent. Prices for the shorter staples were about the same while those for the longer staples dropped about 3 cents per pound. Prices for some predominant grades and staples were: Middling Light Spotted, 15-16-20.50 cents per pound; Strict Low Middling, 31-32-21.00 cents per pound; Strict Low Middling, 1-1-8-32.05 cents per pound; Middling, 1-16-32.80 cents per pound. In general, cotton brought producers anywhere from \$18.50-\$48.50 above the CCC loan rate.

Statistics in this report are from all counties in the Abilene Classing area except Midling, Martin, and Glasscock counties.

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DEW DROP ALL GREEN CUT ASPARAGUS

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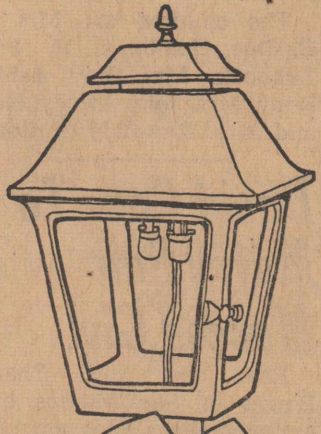
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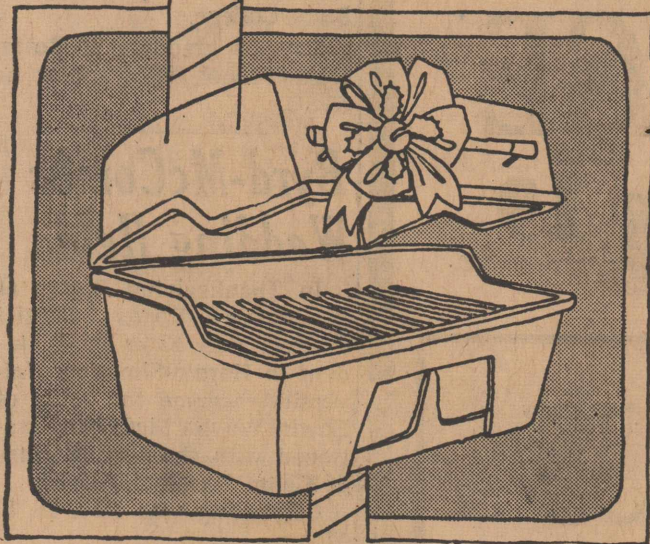
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The Glicker

Did You Know?

Have you ever gone through high school and counted windows, doors, or steps? Its not too much fun, but it is interesting. For instance, there are four hundred and eighty-one chairs, 6 doors, ten radiators, twenty-six lights, twelve window frames and three hundred and thirty-two window glasses in the auditorium.

There are ten thousand, eight hundred textbooks worth twenty-six thousand, six hundred and thirty dollars and forty-one cents, and approximately three thousand library books. There are one hundred and fifty-five lockers, forty-five doors, thirteen classrooms, and twenty-nine radiators in the other part of the building. Out of one thousand, nine hundred and seventy-four window glasses, there are one thousand, seven hundred and forty six on the outside of the building which leaves two hundred and twenty-eight to be on the inside or above rooms, doors, leading to rooms, and closets. To hold up these glasses, there are a total of one hundred and sixty four frames. Adding the forty-seven steps in the auditorium with the one hundred and forty-six steps of the other part of the building (inside and outside,) you have a total of one hundred and ninety-three. This total does not include the thirty-eight steps on the fire escape ladder. To light the school, there are eighty-three lights. The auditorium has twenty-six lights which brings the total of lights to one hundred and nine.

Now if anyone asks you a question about R.H.S. you should be able to answer it to a certain extent.

Monte McKinney

H-M Girls Sell "Desserts" Books

The F.H.A. announces that they are now selling the all new 2nd edition "Desserts" book from the Favorite Recipes of Home Economics Teachers series. The whole world had a "sweet tooth" and satisfaction is certain to be found in the pages of this new book published by Favorite Recipes Press.

Guaranteed to please the most budget-conscious homemaker or the most specialty-minded hostess, the "Desserts" book contains over 2,000 tester recipes from home economics teachers across the nation.

There are cakes, pies and puddings, chilly frozen treats or piping hot pastries, cookies categories are too numerous and candies galore — the to mention. When the family clamors for something sweet, the answer should be, "Coming right up?" When the bride party is dull, a sure cure is one of the many delights waiting in the "Desserts" edition.

If unexpected company drops in, or if there just isn't time for leisurely planning, the "Quick and Easy" section provides a solution. It's amazing what can be done with a little imagination and a box of cake mix or a little fresh fruit. For special guests, whip up a special surprise from the "Foreign" section. The book also offers a bonus section on "Party Beverages."

The full color covers are soil-resistant and the spiral binding keeps the book open and flat for easy use. Each category is introduced by a mouthwatering photograph and many other pictures are scattered throughout. An editorial section gives such explicit instructions that even beginners will find dessert preparation "easy as pie". The price is a low \$2.95.

Mrs. N. E. Kennedy, club sponsor, advises that books may be purchased by contacting any F.H.A. member. She adds that the club also has available the five other editions in this series: "Salads", "Casseroles", "Vegetables", "Meats" and "Foreign Foods."

Marshall Hariman

Cheerleaders Try-Outs Dec. 13th

Since Monday, December 4, girls who wish to tryout for cheerleader have been signing up at the office. The deadline for signing up is Friday, December 8, at 3:45 p.m.

On Monday, December 11, each girl will be assigned to a group. The group will practice yells until Wednesday, December 13. On that day, they will perform in front of the student body and votes will be made. Results will be announced at the Football-Band Banquet on Friday, December 15.

Argentina Velez

Stage, Dist. Pep Bands Organized

A variety of organizations will keep the R.H.S. Band busy this year with stage, district and pep bands.

Out of the regular concert band, a stage band has been made in order to have band students play different types of music, including jazz.

Also students have signed up for the district band. This group will go to Hardin-Simmons University and try out for All-District Band on Saturday, December 16.

The pep band is a group that will play at home basketball games to build up fighting spirit.

Argentina Velez

PTA Christmas Program Dec. 19

On December 19, at ten o'clock a.m. the P.T.A. will have a joint meeting. This year the Christmas program will be music presented by Primary and it will be in the high school auditorium.

Kay Kennedy

Familiar Faces Seen During Thanksgiving

During the Thanksgiving Holidays those who stayed in Rotan may have seen some exes of R.H.S. Members of the journalism class saw the following ex-upperclassmen: Johnny Hicks (67), Mike Thornton (66), Archie Overby (67), Carroll Ann Patton (67), Debby Day (67), Jesse Hudnall (65), Starmie Partin (67), Sheryl Moore (67), Stanley Edwards (67), Charles McCall (67), Mary McDonald (67), Gerald Ashbrook (67), Rebecca Petty, (67), Lana Cave (67), Glenn Murphree (67), Connie Hill (67), Stephen Baugh (67), Jerry Dycus (66), James Tompkins (66), Gary Baker (67), Brenda Head (67), Ra-ford Hargrove (66), Wayne Tonn (66), Ernest Kiker (67), Barbara Eades (65), Barbara Rector (67), David Canfil (65), Steve Edwards (65), Bruce Baugh (65), Janice Aldridge (67), Floyd Garcia (67), Frankie and Sherrie So-Relle (67), Randy Hughes (66), Don Sexton (66), Bob Witherspoon (66), Byrde Thomas (66), Sandy Herron (66), Cindy Berry (66), Mary Jane Corhn (66), Rebekah Crawford (66), and Zana Pogue (65).

Kay Kennedy

School Calendar

Did you know that the Band-Football Banquet has been changed along with the cheerleader tryouts? Well, the best way to find out is to read over the calendar which is up to date through the last basketball game for the '68 season.

Dec. 7-8-9: Anson BB Tournament

Dec. 12: Jayton, there 6:00 A Girls and A&B Boys

Dec. 13: Cheerleader Try-outs

Dec. 15: Band-Football Banquet

Dec. 16: All-District Band tryouts

Dec. 19: Woodson, Here 7:00 (First district ballgame)

Dec. 20: Christmas holidays begin

Dec. 21: Robert Lee, there 7:00

Dec. 30: Roby, there A&B Girls A Boys

Jan. 2: Wylie Here 7:00

Jan. 3: School resumes

Jan. 5: Merkel there 7:00

Jan. 12: Jim Ned here 7:00

Jan. 9: Roscoe, There 7:00

Jan. 16: Aspermont There 7:00

Jan. 19: Woodson There 7:00

End third six weeks

Jan. 23: Robert Lee, Here 7:00

Jan. 26: Wylie There 7:00

Jan. 30: Merkel Here 7:00

Feb. 2: Roscoe Here 7:00

Feb. 6: Jim Ned There 7:00

Feb. 9: Aspermont, Here 7:00

Monte McKinney

Ag. III Boys Tour New Rotan Gin

Members of the Ag. III class visited the Rotan Gin Company on Monday, November 27, to see the operations involved in ginning.

The visit was arranged by Mr. Ray Womack, the Ag instructor, and Mr. Charles McCall, manager of the Rotan Gin. Mr. Renthroe, representative of the Lummus Manufacturing Gin Company, discussed gin principles with the class.

A bale of cotton was followed through the complete process during the tour. This gave the boys a chance to compare the different steps, and the condition of the cotton in each stage of the process, which lasted about 4 minutes.

Argentina Velez

Books For Adoption During Next Year

Several books have been put up for adoption for the 1968-69 school term. In each subject there will be five textbooks to adopt one from. The books presented are: Spelling, grades two through eight; Elementary Science, grades one through six; Arithmetic, grades seven through eight; Physical Science, Book-keeping I and II, Cosmetology, Drama, and Shorthand II are all for high school.

Jim Kelley

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For those of you who are beginning to take an active interest in the new school building it is slightly ahead of the architect's schedule. According to Mr. Armstrong, construction engineer, they are right on their own schedule. The builders are not anticipating any delay in their

materials, and the walls should start appearing by the first of December.

Concrete was poured every day but Thanksgiving last week, and the bleachers in the gym are finished.

By January 1, the exterior walls should be up and the roof poured.

Jodie Thompson,

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Welcome to Christmas Season OPENING

MONDAY, 4:00 P.M.



The Children will enjoy seeing Santa, after this be sure to visit our store. We will remain open as long as necessary for everyone to see our stock of Christmas Gifts and Merchandise.

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	BANANAS	lb. 10c
WHITE	POTATOES	8 lbs. 39c
FOLGER'S	COFFEE	lb. 69c
MORTON'S	SALAD DRESSING	QT. JAR 39c
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Honored On 86th Birthday

Children of Mrs. J. J. Polk recently visited her on her 86th birthday and helped her celebrate the occasion in the home of Mrs. R. S. Ragsdale.

Some 52 relatives attended, including all children and a host of grandchildren, from Roby, Hamlin, Lubbock, Amarillo, Spur, Irving, Fort Worth, Hurst and Wichita Falls.

The children are Mrs. H. C. Carr, Hamlin, C. M. Polk, Lubbock, Mrs. Roy Ashley, Roby, Mrs. John Ashley, Roby and Mrs. Ragsdale of Rotan.

David Cave To Marry San Marcos Girl

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Bowes of San Marcos have announced the engagement of their daughter, Joy to David Cave, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Cave Jr. of Kent County.

The wedding will be Feb. 3.

Miss Bowes, a graduate of San Marcos Schools attended Baylor University and is a student at Southwest Texas State College.

Cave, a graduate of Rotan High School, is a senior at STSC.

Byrd-McCombs Wedding Held

In Thanksgiving Day rites in Cross Roads Baptist Church, Judy Kaye Byrd, student in Hardin-Simmons University, became the bride of Edwin Wayne McCombs, stationed with the U.S. Marines at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Officiating was Rev. D. S. Moore.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Byrd and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin McCombs.

Wedding music was by Phyllis Middlebrook, pianist, and Randy Upshaw, soloist.

Candles were lighted by David McCombs, the bridegroom's brother, and Jimmy Gruben. Guests were seated by Larry Gruben and Robert Carter.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a lace gown over satin with lace sleeves and full lace train. Her lace-trimmed veil of illusion fell from a small pearl crown.

She carried yellow roses. Connie Byrd, the bride's sister, was maid of honor. Glenda Sims of Winters and Sheryl Moore were bridesmaids.

They wore gowns in pastel green, with long sheer sleeves. Headdresses were green bows. They carried yellow spider mums.

Carol Ann Byrd, also a sister of the bride, was flower girl and Terry McCombs, the bridegroom's brother, was ring bearer.

Leon McCombs, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Another brother, Roy McCombs and Leroy Rivers of Pampa were groomsmen.

Wedding trip was to Corpus Christi.

The bride will continue her studies at H-SU, where she is president of Ferguson Dorm, a white horse rider and member of the Speech Therapy Club.

The bridegroom attended H-SU before going into the Marines. He will go to Vietnam in December.

The bridegroom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner.

APPROACHING MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Cashen are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Sheila Jayne to Darrell Wayne Conway.

The wedding is set for December 23, 6:30 p.m. in Church of Christ, Ballinger.

Mr. Conway is son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wayne Conway of Ballinger, and he is employed by H & M Construction Company of Ballinger, and is presently working in Roby. The bride is a student in Rotan High School.

Showtime--

by Oscar Dietz
I think, due to my observations, that if someone had a two story building, on the drag, with the front of the second story all plate glass

and nice comfortable chairs facing out, soft candle light (during nighttime operation), and low background music, that they could make a fortune. How? Just by charging admission for people (mostly teenagers) to sit and watch

other people (mostly teenagers) drive around the square. It is amazing that certain people (I won't mention any girls names) will buy a ticket to see a show and never get farther than just inside the doors. Ah YOUTH. I wish I had known what to do with it when I had it.

Well speaking of YOUTH, all you-th little kids will have to wait until Saturday to see a show. Our feature to-day thru Friday is STRICTLY ADULT. What is it? (That's a good question) The title is "THE TRIP", with Peter Fonda, Susan Strasberg, and Salli Sachse. All three of the above appear nude, among other things, in scenes throughout the picture. That's all I've got to say about this one.

Saturday thru Tuesday we will have a double feature FAMILY show, all in color. "BLAST OFF" with Troy Donahue and Burl Ives, plus "GENTLE GIANT" with Dennis Weaver and Vera Miles. (and Smokey the Bear?).

Beginning Wednesday, "THE LAST CHALLENGE" with Glen Ford, who is still the fastest gun in the West, and Angie Dickinson, who is still FAST! plus "THE DEADLY BEES" (I hope) with (do you know any of these?) Suzanne Leigh, Frank Finley, Guy Doleman, Catherine Finn. SAY! HAY! BEGINNING DECEMBER 11, 1967 (that's Monday) WE WILL HAVE CAR-NITE ON MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY! New rules though \$1.00 (yes one dollar) PER CAR LOAD! however ONLY TEN PEOPLE TO A CAR. That's cheap enough. Where else can you get such a bargain?

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See you all now
Oscar
P.S. You may or may not have noticed the new starting times on the marquee. I have moved up the starting time during the week to 6:00 p.m. so those of you who wish to go earlier, may do so. However, after that early, by not coming, I will move it back to 7:00 p.m. We strive to put the best doggone program on we can. But you know lady, we're not perfect.

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Wanted: agent for Star-Telegram and Sweetwater Reporter in Rotan, effective January 1st. Call or see Leonard Jones, ph. 735-3282. 41-4c

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For Sale, 160 acre stock farm, Wendell Morrow. 22-tfc

For Sale, 160 acres north of Rotan good cotton allotment, contact J. W. Foy Jr. Box 1339, Seymour. 14-tfc 17-tfc

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Monuments and Cemetery Curbing, 308 E 4th st. phone 735-3290, J. B. Smith 48-tfc

For Rent furnished brick apartment and 4 room furnished brick house, Mrs. Inzer Whitefield, 208 E. Johnson, phone 735-2328. 27-tfc

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Guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Strayhorn Monday and Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gibbs of Fort Worth, Mr. Heath Robinson and Mr. Doc Richardson of Dallas.

Tax Discount Notice

THE SAME DISCOUNT WILL APPLY THIS YEAR AS LAST ON EARLY PAYMENT OF CITY TAXES

The following will apply:

2% NOV. 1 thru NOV. 31

1% DEC. 1 thru DEC. 31

First and Last Days Inclusive

City of Rotan

Recent Bride Is Honored

Mrs. Jimmie Don Loving of Abilene was honored at a bridal gift tea Monday in the home of Mrs. Ted Loving.

The former Mary Rebecca Andrews of Borger, the honoree was married to Loving, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hughes, Nov. 23 in the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Etchieson of Borger.

Co-hostesses were Mmes. Clay Coggins, E. T. Warren, Oliver Loving, N. I. Templer, James M. Mann, Gene Gladson, Willis Noles, W. A. Clements, C. J. Thornton and W. D. Hariman, and Doris Owens. Mrs. Viola Hendon was a member of the houseparty.

Mr. and Mrs. Laverle Bennett and children of Sweetwater spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Bennett.

The Texas petroleum industry pays 27 per cent of all the various local property taxes.

Texas oil and gas dollars paid for 28 per cent of state cost of public education; 55 per cent retirement, old-age assistance, blind assistance, and aid to dependent children (1966).

Texas gasoline tax at 5 cents per gallon yielded \$242 million in 1966.

University of Texas Permanent Fund received \$27.2 million in petroleum lease rentals, bonuses, and royalties in 1966; total since 1924, \$475 million.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Eaton, San Antonio, M-Sgt. and Mrs. John L. Aultman and family, Clovis, N. M.; Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Yarborough and family; Jayton; Mrs. John C. Simmons and children, Abilene; Mrs. F. E. Akins, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Akins, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Neves, Abilene, all spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. Perry Eaton.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Houghton spent the weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Cornlius. He is to return to Oakland Calif., for possibly additional overseas duty, following a months leave from Viet Nam. They also visited his father, C. M. Houghton in Hamlin.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Hardin spent last Tuesday and Wednesday in Hobbs, N. M. with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Hardin and family.

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4-H'ers Attend District Meeting

Two Fisher County 4-H Council delegates attended the District III 4-H Council meeting in Vernon Saturday. Becky Sheffield of Busby and Obby Smith of McCaulley were Fisher County delegates to the meeting.

Following the council meeting, District III Gold Star Girl and Boys were honored at a luncheon sponsored by West Texas Utilities Company of Abilene.

Fisher County Gold Star winners Deborah Sue Smith of McCaulley and Mike Heron of Rotan were among those honored.

Congressman Graham Purcell of Wichita Falls was guest speaker. He told the 4-H'ers he hoped they would never consider their rural background a handicap, saying, "from areas like we come from, come more dependable people - mostly because we've had to do a little bit of work."

Assisting in presenting the Gold Star Awards were State Senator Jack Hightower and State Representative Vernon Stewart of Wichita Falls.

Accompanying the 4-H'ers to Vernon were parents of Gold Star winners Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Smith of McCaulley, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Herron of Rotan, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spencer, and Mrs. Alice Ballenger.

Boys 4-H Club Met Tuesday

The Rotan Boys 4-H Club met Tuesday, November 28, at 4:00 p.m. at the Community Building in Rotan. President Ronnie Martin called the meeting to order. Business included planning the Christmas Party for next month.

Mike Herron, a 4-H Jr. Leader gave the program on Feeding and Selecting Livestock for Show.

Twelve 4-H'ers and leaders attended this meeting.

Texas Permanent School Fund in 1966 received \$55.6 million from petroleum industry for lease rentals, bonuses, royalty payments; total since 1932, \$619 million.

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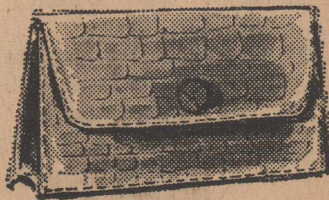
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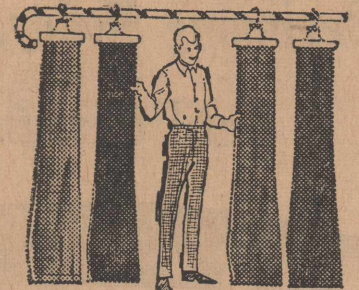
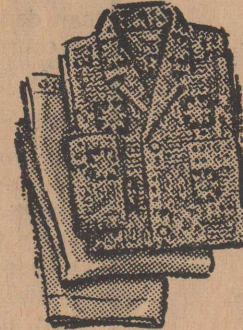
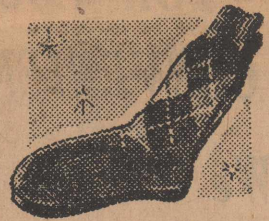


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As It Looks From Here

Con. Omar Burleson
Washington, D.C. — The Congress has now been in session more than eleven months. In recent years, Sessions are almost continuous. In 1963, adjournment came on Christmas Eve. It is hoped this will not be the case for 1967 but unless the final curtain is drawn right away the story will be the same.

In 1946 there was passed what was known as the Legislative Reorganization Act, adjourned no later than the last day of July, except in time of war or national emergency.

This provision was forgotten long ago in the flood of legislative business which the Congress has undertaken down through the years. Everything becomes a time of "war or national emergency."

This last spring the Senate passed a new Legislative Reorganization Act designed to update and modernize Congressional rules and procedures. Its intent was to reform and streamline Congressional machinery to try to meet the continuing pressures and increasing workload of the Congress. Much of it appears to be pious hope but at least it is an effort in the right direction. It has run into opposition in the House of Representatives but will be reviewed in the 2nd Session of this 90th Congress.

One proposed change is abandonment of the July 31st adjournment date to a recess during the month of August. The idea in this is to give families a chance to take some kind of vacation together.

With all the good intents at reform, the real answer is less legislation and less government the Congress assigns itself. Last year there were 18,522 bills introduced in the House of Representatives and

almost 4,000 in the Senate. Some of these are duplicates but even if cut in half, it continues to be a near impossible task.

The fundamental problem is that Congress attempts to concern itself in many areas that should be reserved to the States under the strict interpretation of the Constitution. The basic theory of our Constitution is that Congress legislate only on those matters specifically delegated to it by the States and not take unto itself every matter under the sun.

Those who theorize that the Federal Government must assume its vast role say it is necessary because the States and local communities do not meet their responsibility under present day conditions. As a result, the Congress finds itself faced with increasingly intricate regulatory legislation and complex appropriation bills. Some idea of this load may be gotten from a Joint Committee study recently prepared. The report found that a Member must spend a far greater part of his time in Committees which hold public hearings and hammer out clause-by-clause problems of new legislation. In recent Congresses, so the study indicates, Members scheduled as many as 110,000 appointments of Committee meetings in both Houses.

Since the Government is in so many things, above every citizen is effected some way or other. As a result, there is more and more need of constituent contact and services to be rendered. The size and complexity of the Federal Government has become so great

in recent years that in the last analysis, Congressional offices remain the only authority close enough to the people to intercede in their behalf.

It has been suggested that the Legislative Branch of Government resort to a computer system and particularly as it relates to fiscal affairs. A look has been given to establishing a computer center, which would criticize fiscal programs which themselves have been prepared by computers in the Executive Department. Of course, the human element has got to be involved and nothing can ever take place of it regardless of machinery. It is doubtful we would want to be judged and ruled by machines but some likely feel that human judgment has not been to good either.

One thing needed is time for careful studies on which sound decisions may be reached.

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Terry Stationed In Germany

Grafenwohr, Germany (AHTNC) — Army Private First Class Gary W. Terry, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Terry, Route 1, Roby, began a month of intensive field training Nov. 20 with the 4th Armoured Division near Grafenwohr, Germany.

Subjects which will be stressed include communications, combat tactics, equipment maintenance and weapons firing. At the end of the month-long period, the men will be tested on all phases of their training.

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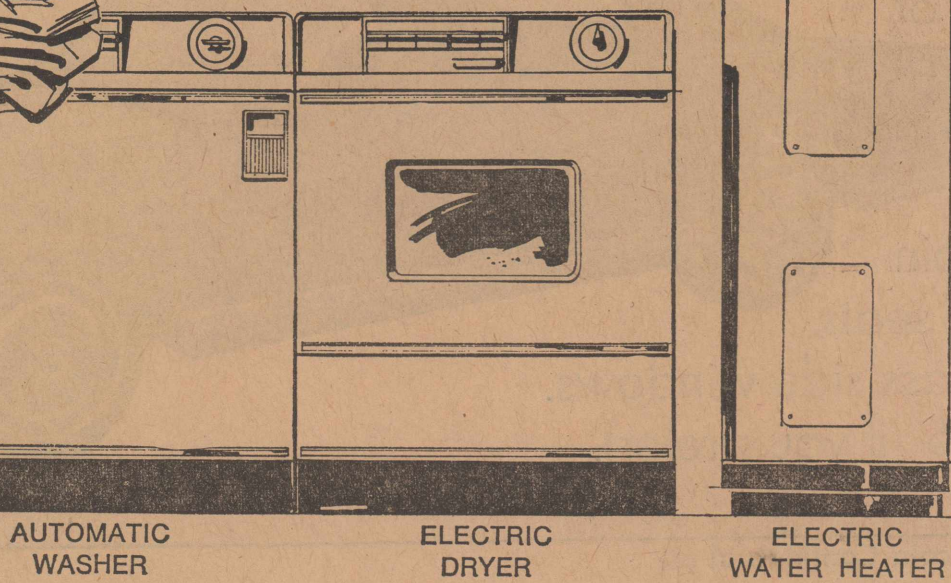
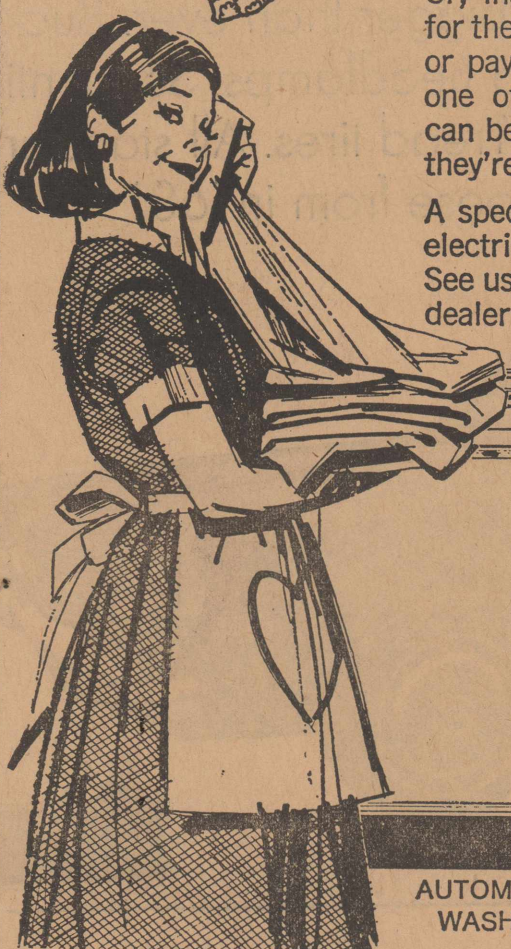
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One of these will go on to merit a \$5,000 college scholarship as Betty Crocker All-American Homemaker of Tomorrow. National runners-up will be granted \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 scholarships, respectively. State winners will be awarded \$1,000 scholarships with state runners-up receiving \$500 grants. Winners in each local high school will be presented specifically designed silver charms and will have their test papers entered in state competition.

The girls who take the test will be entrants in the 1968 Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow, sponsored by General Mills, Inc.

Next spring, state Betty Crocker Search winners, each accompanied by a school advisor, will enjoy an expense-paid educational tour of historical shrines in Washington, D.C., and Colonial Williamsburg. Then national winners will be announced at a dinner at Minneapolis, Minn., General Mills, headquarters city.

Judging for national honors is based on original test scores plus personal observation and interviews while the girls are on tour. The program launched in 1954 to emphasize the importance of homemaking as a career, is the only national scholarship competition exclusively for high school senior girls. It is on the approved list of national contests and activities of the National Association of Secondary-School Principals.

Science Research Associates, Chicago, one of the nation's outstanding educational testing organizations, prepares the test and has charge of scoring and judging the contestants. Schools of state winners will be presented sets of Encyclopedia Britannica by Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc.

Schools in this area which will participate in the program and where the test will be given are: Rotan H.S., and Hobbs H.S.

Omar Burleson Home for Holiday

Abilene, Dec. 1 — Congressman Omar Burleson, 17th District U. S. Representative, made a brief visit to the District over the Thanksgiving holidays, attending a luncheon in Abilene honoring Mr. Richard A. Goodson, President of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and attending dedication ceremonies for a park in Stephenville with Mayor Jack Arthur of that city. Burleson was also an honor guest at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene Friday for the annual School Day at the TAC and SAC installation.

Congressman Burleson flew to Texas on short notice with President Lyndon Johnson aboard Air Force One, the Presidential plane. The President and his family spent the Thanksgiving weekend at the Texas ranch.

When asked about this session of Congress Burleson said, "There is little hope for an early adjournment and Congress is likely to be in session until Christmas, especially if we are to consider the

President's 10% surtax request, which is again being discussed." Burleson added that, "if the Administration can find some areas where spending can be decreased appreciably, it is possible a surtax measure will pass the House in an amount ranging from 6 to 8%." He is doubtful that the President will get the full 10% requested.

Burleson sounded a bit encouraged by developments in Viet Nam. He feels we are making significant gains since the bombing has been stepped up by American and South Vietnamese forces.

The veteran Congressman, completing his 21st year in the U. S. House, sounded weary of a session which has continued to drag on, and added that the first session of this 90th Congress has not been without much frustration and delay. He pointed to the fiscal situation, the Viet Nam war and race problems as major issues during this session, and said that these problems have not yet been resolved.

Burleson pointed out that inflationary pressures create a definite threat to peoples' earning, savings, investments, in fact, everything that does

Draft Questions

Ed. Note: Below are questions now being asked at draft boards. The answers are by Colonel Morris S. Schwartz, State Selective Service Director, 209 W. Ninth Street, Austin, Texas 78701. He will welcome your questions.

Q — This is my last year as an undergraduate student. I may need a deferment to receive my baccalaureate degree. I understand if I request deferment in Class II-S and it is granted after the effective date of this law, this will bar me in the future from deferment as a father. Is that right?

A — Yes, if you request it and it is granted after June 30, 1967.

Q — I took my armed for-

not have a speculative aspect involved.

Congressman Burleson returned to Washington Saturday following the short recess of the Congress for the Thanksgiving weekend. The House reconvened on Monday for the home stretch of this session, hoping to be able to complete all necessary legislation prior to the Christmas holidays.

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ces exam last summer and passed it and I'm presently in Class I-A. Will I be ordered for induction before this school year is over?

A — Possibly, but if you're a full-time, satisfactory student when you're ordered for induction, and you've never been classified in Class I-S (C), your order will be cancelled.

Q — I've never been in Class I-S (C). What will happen then?

A — You'll be put in I-S (C) if you're a full-time, satisfactory student.

Q — How long will I be deferred in that class?

A — Until the end of your academic year, or until you cease to pursue your course satisfactorily.

Q — Then I'd have the I-S (C) until I get my degree.

A — Yes, if you get it by the end of the academic year.

Q — Will this I-S (C) make me ineligible in the future for deferment as a father, like the II-S?

A — No, it will not. You'll be eligible for deferment in Class III-A.

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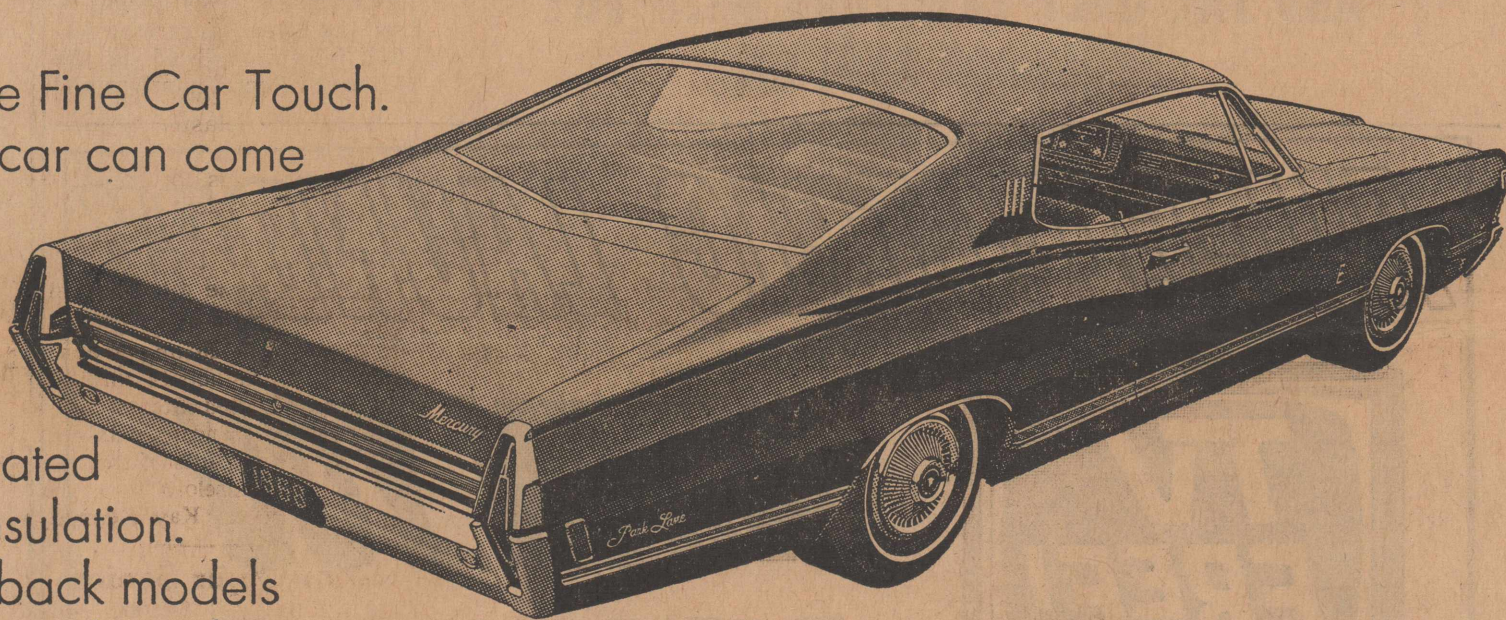
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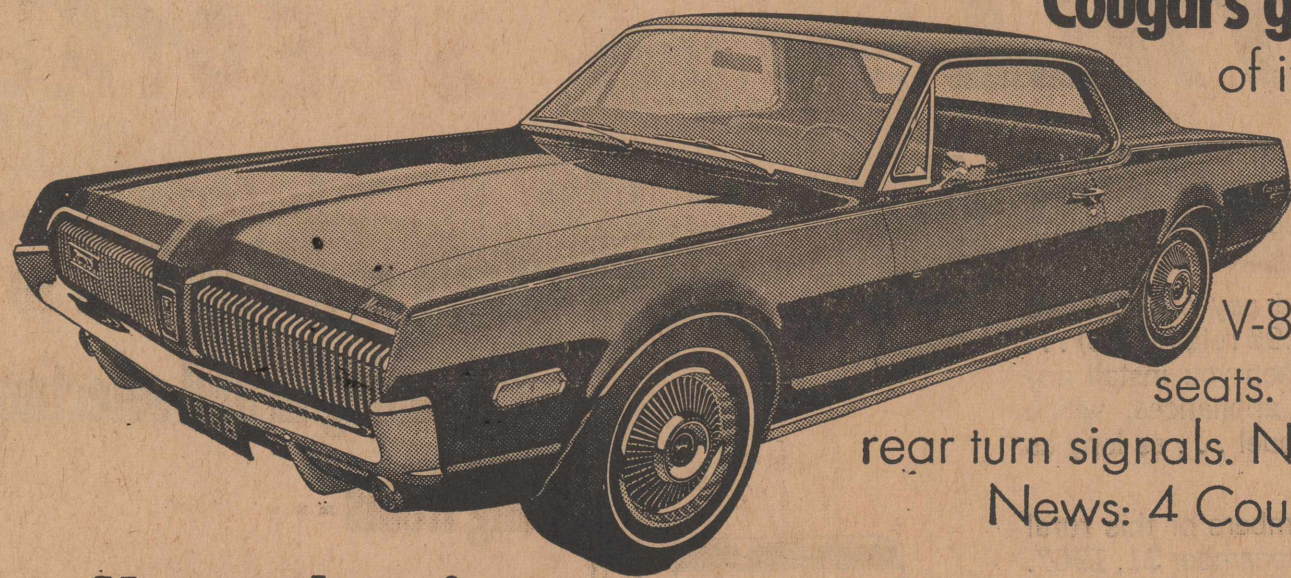
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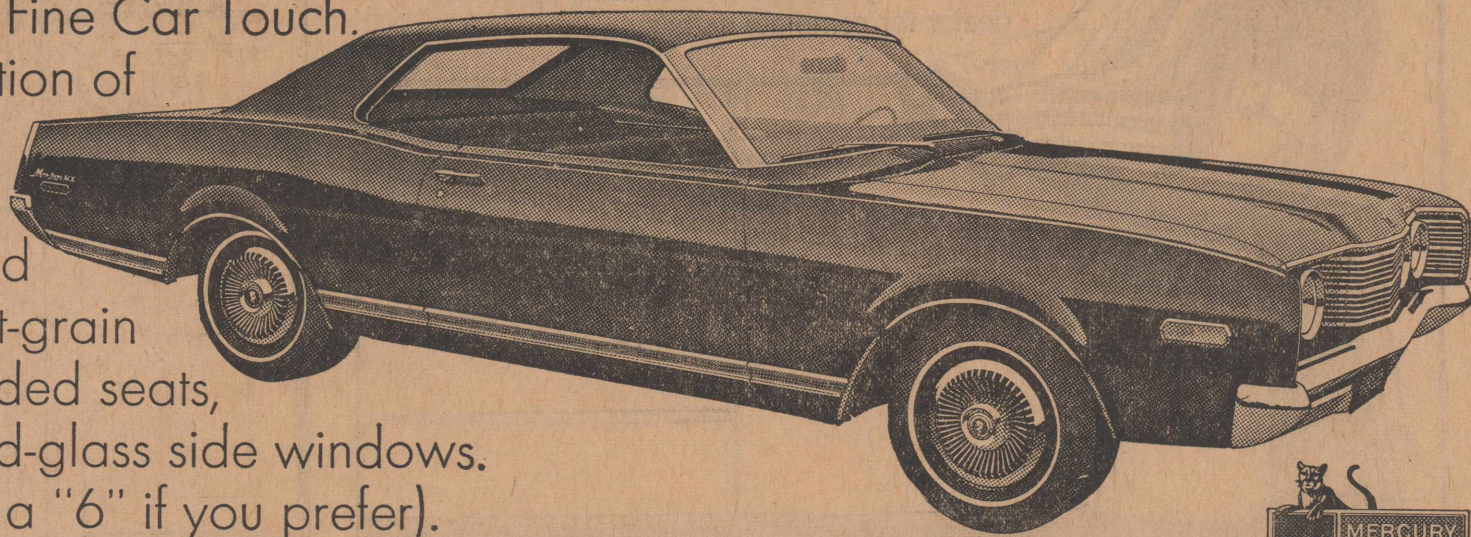


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