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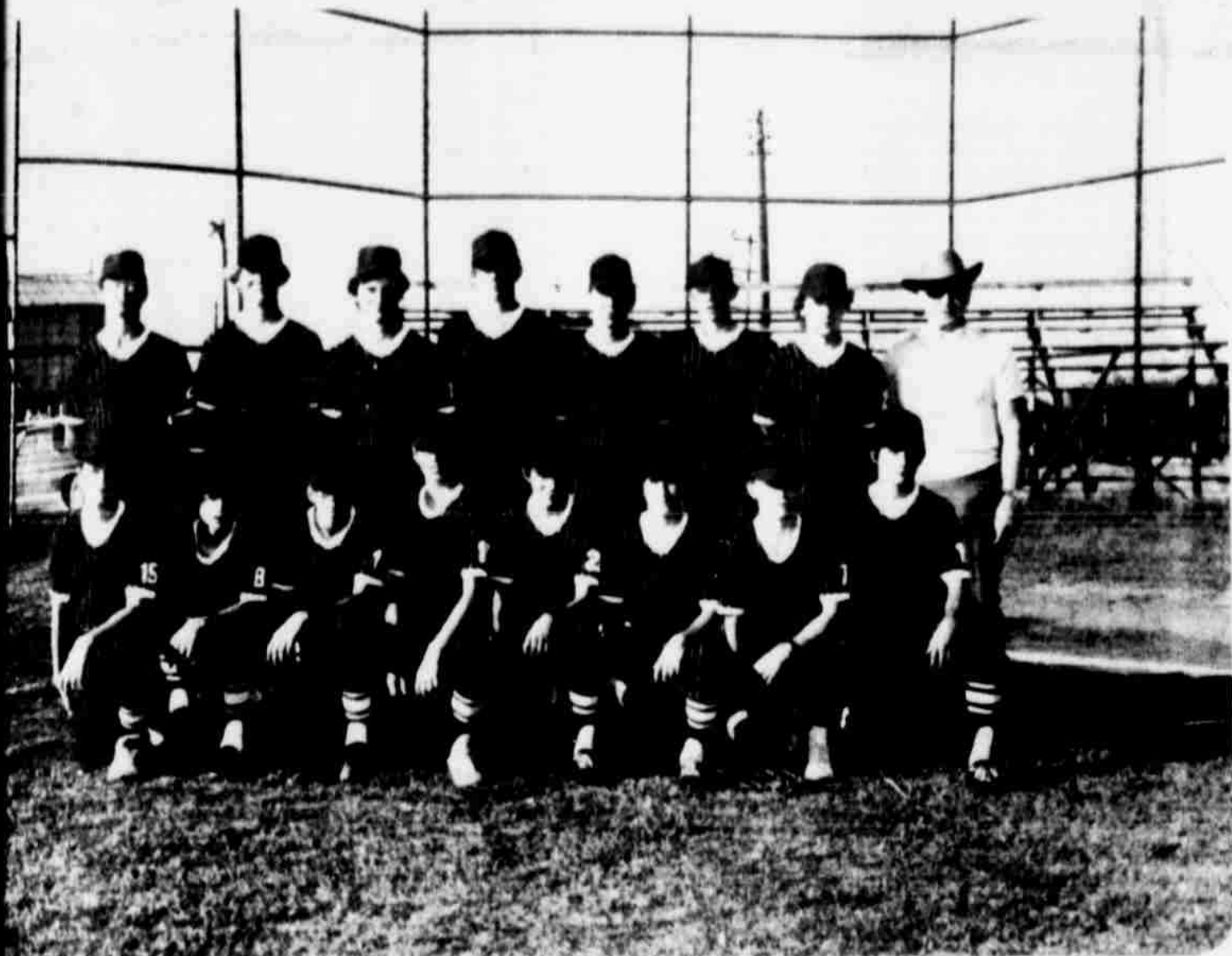


"HASKELL—A GOOD PLACE TO VISIT; A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE"

THIRTY-NINE

HASKELL, TEXAS 79521, THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1975

NUMBER THIRTY-TWO



WARRIORS... (front row, left to right) David Lonnie Hise, Jeff Frierson, Mark Wallace, Robert Steven Foster, Jeff Hatfield, and Jimmy Browning.

Back row, Chris Colbert, Jerry Tumlinson, Rex Pittman, Nathan Frierson, Vonnie Hise, Gary Frierson, Lee Adress, and Coach Sgt. Frank Jircik.

School Starts August 22

School bells will begin ringing August 22, for students in the Haskell Independent School District according to Supt. Kenneth Sams.

Classes will begin at 8:15 a.m. and dismiss at 2 p.m. Teachers will report on August 18 for inservice training.

Haskell County In Top Five Guar Producers

Haskell County made an important contribution to Texas agriculture in 1974 by placing in the top five counties in the production of guar.

According to Agriculture Commissioner John C. White, farmers harvested some 7,600 acres of more than four million pounds of beans. This was almost three million pounds below 1973's yield.

Drought conditions throughout Texas caused severe growing problems last year and most of the crop was dry planted or seeded under poor moisture conditions. However, harvest was delayed by rain, and both quality and quantity of the state's crop was reduced by the extended wet weather.

Despite the many problems associated with 1974, Texas farmers were able to produce more than 25 million pounds of guar beans—a three million pound increase from 1973.

Complete figures on all Texas field crops have been compiled in the "1974 Texas Field Crop Statistics." Copies may be obtained by writing John C. White, Commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711.

VISITING PREACHER AT CHRISTIAN CHURCH SUN.

Announcement was made this week by the members of the Christian Church of Haskell, that Jack D. Hammons, a native of Custer, Okla., would be preaching both morning and evening, Sunday, August 10th. He is presently the minister of the congregation at Stronghurst, Illinois.

HASKELL ISD SCHOOL CALENDAR

- AUGUST**
 - 18-1st Day Teachers Inservice
 - 22-First Day of School
- SEPTEMBER**
 - 1-Labor Day Holiday
- OCTOBER**
 - 3-End First 6 Weeks
 - 27-Dist. TSTA; Holiday for Students
- NOVEMBER**
 - 14-End First Quarter
 - 17-Teacher Workday, No School
 - 27-30-Thanksgiving Holiday
- DECEMBER**
 - 21-Jan. 4-Christmas Holiday
- JANUARY**
 - 16-End of Third Six Weeks
- FEBRUARY**
 - 25-End of Third Quarter
 - 26-Teacher Workday-No School
 - 27-Teacher Inservice-No School
- APRIL**
 - 9-End of Fifth Six Weeks
 - 15-Teacher Inservice-No School
 - 16-20-Easter Holiday
- MAY**
 - 28-Last Day of School
 - 29-Teacher Workday

Brucellosis Meeting Set In Vernon

Cattlemen from throughout the Rolling Plains area will participate in a discussion of proposed changes in the state's brucellosis program on Monday, August 11 at 8:00 p.m. at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center, Vernon-Chillicothe, Highway 70, West of Vernon.

According to Ed Garnett, District Extension Agent for District 3, cattlemen will hear Dr. G. D. Lindsey and Mr. Dan Reynolds as well as other representatives of the Texas Animal Health Commission discuss the topic. Time will be allotted for questions from producers.

Cattlemen are encouraged to attend the August 11 meeting in order to be better informed and have a chance to review the changes prior to formal hearings on September 4 in Austin.

IRBY HOMECOMING

The Irby Homecoming has been set for August 30, at Irby Hall. All ex-residents, ex-graduate members and members of Haskell Lodge No. 241 are invited to attend. Reservations should be sent to Alton Peiser, Rt. 1, Haskell, or by calling 864-2557 before August 20.

Savings Bond Report

June sales of Series E and H United States Savings Bonds in Haskell County were reported today by County Bond Chairman R. W. Herren. Sales for the six-month period totaled \$34,449 for 21% of the 1975 sales goal of \$165,000.

Texas sales during the month amounted to \$19,368,773, while sales for the first half of 1975 totaled \$120,960,714 with 52% of the yearly sales goal of \$234.3 million.

Warriors In State Playoffs

The Haskell Warriors defeated defending state champions Port Lavaca, 10-1 Tuesday night in the first round of the State Tournament.

Nathan Frierson pitched the first four innings giving up only one hit and striking out eight. Relief pitcher Mark Guffey finished the game giving up only one un-earned run.

The Warriors played Wednesday night at 6 p.m. in Big Spring in their second game of the State Tournament.

The Haskell Warriors became Regional Champs by

defeating four opponents in the Sweetwater Regional Tournament this past week's end. The teams participating in the double-elimination tournament were Sweetwater, Hamlin, Jayton, Snyder, Colorado City and Haskell.

Haskell's first win was over Sweetwater by a score of 7-2. Nathan Frierson was credited with the win. The next game Haskell defeated Hamlin 15-4. Jerry Tumlinson and Mark

Guffy (Anson) were credited with this win. Tumlinson and Guffey were credited again when Haskell ripped Snyder Oilers 12-4. In the 2nd inning Chris Colbert set the pace by hitting the only home run for Haskell in the tournament.

The Championship Title came when Haskell again slipped by Snyder Oilers by a score of 14-11. Frierson and Tumlinson were credited with this win. There were many outstanding defensive plays made by the Warriors.

Bat-boy is Lonnie Allen Hise. Coaches are Sgt. Frank Jircik and Frank Paul Jircik.

Sagerton Postmaster Retires



MRS. JOHN L. BROOKS

Mrs. John L. Brooks, Sagerton Postmaster for the past thirty-five years, retired on July 31, 1975. She has rendered faithful and dependable service to the Sagerton area residents, and at times doing the little extra things to accommodate her patrons. For instance, she was not required to come down and put up the Sunday papers on Sunday morning and did not get paid of this service, but she continued to do it as a favor of her customers. At times she even delivered the papers to the elderly that she knew could not get out.

Miss Beulah Mae Summers, who has been assistant postmaster was sworn in on July 31, as officer in charge. Applications for the position were taken until August 4 and there have been many applications.

Mrs. Brooks will act as Miss Summers' replacement in case of illness, but she hopes to spend her time working in her yard and her home and traveling.

Fifty-one Donors Attend Bloodmobile

Fifty-one donors registered to give blood last Thursday when the Red Cross Bloodmobile visited in Haskell.

Fifteen of the 51 were first time donors and many of the regular donors were out-of-town on vacation.

Certificates and special pins were issued to the following for donating one or more gallons of blood during the past: Royce Adkins, H. H. Hartsfield, Elbert Johnson, Olen King and Allen Strickland.

Nurses receiving pins for donating 20 hours of service to the Red Cross are Stella Trice, RN, Verla Townsend, RN, and Lena Petrich, LVN.

Isla Corley, acting Bloodmobile Chairman, expressed her thanks to the following volunteer workers: Stella Trice, Verla Townsend, Lena

Annual Meeting Set For Farmers Coop #1

The annual meeting of the members of the Farmers Cooperative Society No. 1 of Haskell will be held August 13th, 1975, at the Haskell Country Club in Haskell, according to Vergil Smith, Mgr.

All members are urged to attend, as several important matters are scheduled, including report on the annual audit, election of directors, etc. The meeting will be preceded by a barbecue for members, their families and guests at 6:30 p.m.

Local Highway To Receive New Designation

The State Highway and Public Transportation Commission today approved a change in highway designation to provide a single State Highway 6 route number from Galveston to the Texas-Oklahoma border.

The Commission directed that the SH 6 designation be extended over the present SH 283 through Haskell, Knox, Foard and Hardeman Counties to connect with Oklahoma State Highway 6 at the border.

A section of the present SH 6, from its junction with US Highway 380 in Stonewall County to the junction of present SH 283, would be re-designated as SH 283, and the SH 283 designation would be extended concurrent with SH 6 to Stamford in Jones County.

The action will become effective on January 1, 1976, and new route markers will be in place when the departments 1976 Official Highway Travel Map is released to the public.

Petrich, Anita Thigpen, RN, Jessie Couch, LVN, Thelma Barker, LVN, Bessie Evans, Henrietta Sego, Helen Elliot, Winnie Hiebert, Eva Speer, Ruby Holt, Hassie Couch, Louise Lemmon, Pauline Derr, Freddie Ballard, Cora Pierson, Sadie Payne, Mildred Mancill, Eve Gray, Augustina Rodela.

Donors last Thursday were: Danny Smith, James H. Franklin, Thurmond Bynum, Phillip Castleberry, Allen Strickland, J. B. Kuenstler, Mrs. Wallace Cox, Jr., John M. Davis, Frank Jenkins, Mary Sorrells, John N. Mc-Gaughey, Buster Gholson, Lanny Beauchamp, Jerry Weatherly, Eldon Anderson, Jane Smith, Hess Hartsfield, Wyoma Lewis, Lorene Beason, Alvin Sherman, Tom Whitaker, Augustina Rodela, Olen King, Geraldine Collins, Jerry Collins, Florene Holder, Ted Elliott and Linda L. Morris.

Also Mrs. Tom Paul Barnett, LouAnn Dodson, J. Carrol Sonnemaker, Donna Howeth, Anna Quintana, Ouida Hise, Mary Murphy, Charles Thornhill, Homer Josselet, Jo Nell Overton, Dennis Grand, Lelia A. Roberts, Lois Howard, Eddie Harris, Mary Jane Young, James Hudson, C. H. Herren, Royce Adkins, Edwin Moeller.

FOOTBALL PHYSICALS

All Haskell High School football players are to meet August 12 at 12:15 p.m. at the field house for physicals. Jr. Hi. Players are to meet August 19, at noon at the field house.

All-Stars Fall To La Vega

The Haskell Girls Little League All-Stars were defeated Thursday night in Waco by La Vega, 29-14. The game was the final sectional game and the winner competes in the State Tournament.

Haskell led 14-9 at the top of the sixth inning but could not maintain the lead.

Haskell defeated Stamford, 9-5, to win district and then played Hamlin and Fritch to earn a berth in the final sectional game. The local All-Stars defeated Hamlin, 15-11, and Fritch 22-3.

Warriors In State Playoffs

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DAY WINNERS were presented with Savings Bonds last...

Blanks, Gilleland Repeat Vows

Susan Devon Gilleland and Terry Lee Blanks were united in marriage August 1, in a garden setting at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burnell Gilleland. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Lyston Blanks of Abilene.

Larry Suttle, minister of the Haskell Church of Christ, performed the ceremony. Pianist was Ellen Walling. Special music was an acappella chorus from Abilene, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lipford.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a long white gown of bridal voile, with an accordin pleated berth. The berth was edged in lace and was cut low in the back. Her A-line skirt was enhanced with double accordin pleated flounce and the attached train fell chapel length. She wore a crownless matching picture hat and carried a cascade bouquet of white roses, stephanotis, baby's breath, centered with an orchid. She wore a diamond given to her grandmother, Mrs. O. W. Tooley, in 1918.

Matron of Honor was Mrs. Max McMeans, sister of the bride and bridesmaids were Mrs. Cam Hurst of Abilene and Miss Judy Blanks, sister of the bridegroom.

The attendants wore long dresses of dotted voile in rainbow colors, lemon, peach, and mint. The V-necklines had double organdy ruffle of white and self belts defined the waistlines of the gathered skirts. They wore picture hats in white horse hair with ribbons and long streams matching their dresses.

Allen Price of Sterling City was best man and groomsmen were Kent Allen of Belton,

Mo. and Rand Baker of Abilene, Max McMeans, brother-in-law of the bride and Mickey Blanks of Lubbock, brother of the bridegroom, were ushers.

The reception was held following the ceremony in the home of the bride's parents. The rehearsal dinner was

hosted by the bridegroom's parents in the Church of Christ Fellowship Building.

Following a wedding trip to Colorado, the couple will reside in Abilene where the bride will attend Mary Meek School of Nursing and the bridegroom is a senior at ACC.



MRS. TERRY BLANKS
...formerly Susan Gilleland

Around Town

By LOIS REDWINE

Katurna and Gwynn Walker of Snyder have been visiting their aunt and cousin, Mrs. Colene and Mary Ann Moody.

Lee Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roberts, had minor surgery in Hendrick Memorial Hospital recently. He is recovering nicely at home.

Visitors in the Sam Herren home recently were Mrs. Bill Baldrige of Pearce, Az. and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baldrige, Will and Kelli of Marietta, Ga.

Curtis Rose of Temple has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Nelda Jetton and her family and other relatives and friends.

Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Andrews of Paris, Tx. visited his father, Dick Andrews and Mrs. Andrews, also, his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Brown.

Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Dishong of Beebe, Ark. and Rev. and Mrs. James Roy Clark of Lake Whitney have been visiting Mrs. E. M. Frierson and in the Ervin Frierson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dugan Starr and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starr and children of Abilene have been vacationing in San Antonio. The Robert Starrs were in Haskell last weekend visiting the Dugan Starrs and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Andrews of Fayetteville, Ark. are visiting his mother, Mrs. Grace Andrews.

Out of town relatives and friends attending the funeral services for Mrs. N. I. McCollum were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Corbell, Kerrville, Mr. and Mrs. Borden Manly, Woodard Robbins, Miss Ida Lillian Miller and Mrs. Ida Mae Templeton, Abilene, Paul H. Woods, Irving, Ty and Paul Hugston, Midland and Jack Morris of Dallas.

Mrs. David Hiebert, Betsy and Andy of Mesquite and Mrs. Michael McGilton and John Michael of Houston spent several days with the Dave Hieberts last week.

Those visiting in the home of Mrs. Everett Berryhill last

week were their children, M. Sgt. and Mrs. W. A. Caskey and daughters, Coralea and Kimmye from England, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hindsley, San Angelo and their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Hindsley from Virginia and Mr. and Mrs. Buford Berryhill and Cindy from Munday.

T/Sgt. and Mrs. Sammy Kelso and children, Linda and Matthew have returned to Tucson, Az. after spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Foil.

Mrs. Beulah Lackey from Teakwood Manor in Stamford spent Saturday in Haskell visiting relatives and friends.

Visiting with Mrs. W. P. Curd were, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Curd and children, Arlington, Mrs. Ben Curd's mother, Mrs. R. E. Hutchenson, Munday, Mrs. W. P. Curd's sister-in-law and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Williams, Brady and Jr. Curd from Knox City.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Philpot, Jr. have returned from Colorado. They visited with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Watts in Denver, west to Grand Junction and other points of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hilliard of Haskell and Ellen Hilliard of Abilene attended the Lee Hilliard reunion Sunday in Norton, Tx.

Hairdressers from Martha's Beauty Center attended an educational class of the new trend release Sunday at Jessie Lee's Hair Design Institute in Lubbock. There was also a fashion show combined with the latest hair styles. Those attending were Linda Wallace, Brenda Whitworth, Tricia Roof, and Martha Toliver.

Norman Reunion

The annual Norman family reunion was held at the Rule Recreation Club August 3.

The oldest in attendance was Edith Norman, 79, of Fort Worth. The farthest away was Mike Norman of Maplewood, N.J., he is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Norman of Haskell. The youngest attending was Odus Charles Jr. Helms, great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Norman of Rule.

Weldon Norman showed films of Norman reunion in the 30's. Mrs. Modgie Pointer of Rule and Mrs. Lillian Brown of Farmington, N.M. sang a song and Mrs. Don Davis of Rule played the piano for the program. Roy Norman was elected president and Mrs. Roy Norman was elected secretary. There were 65 present at the reunion.



ON THEIR WAY to the State Dress Revue. These ladies qualified at the District 3 Dress Revue, July Abilene Civic Center to compete in the State 4-H Dress Revue at the State Fair in Dallas. They are: Mrs. Duward Campbell, Wendy Stout-Baylor, member of the Haskell 4-H Club and is the daughter of Mrs. Duward Campbell.

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From left to right: Martha Humphrey-Stamford; Nancy Patterson-Munday; Patric Moore-Hamlin; Lorie Lynn, Knox City; Betsy Brown-Throckmorton; Lee Ann Toliver-Haskell; Carol Dudensing-Rule; Rosemary Kimbrough-Haskell. Not shown Reida Mullino-Rochester; Jane Gaither-Aspermont; Kim Hager-Weinert.

FALL COAT FESTIVAL

BETTY ROSE



GENA FISCHER of the Paint Creek 4-H Club represented Haskell County at the District 3 Dress Revue held July 29th at the Abilene Civic Center. Gena placed 1st in the Junior Division. Juniors can only go as far as District. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fischer. Gena will be in the 9th grade this fall at Paint Creek.

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Haskell Grad Named V-P At NTSU



JANE SMITH

Jane Gentry Smith, a native of Haskell, has been named vice-president for student affairs at North Texas State University.

Mrs. Smith, who had been vice-president for student affairs ad interim since February, is responsible for the entire student affairs division, which includes security, the NTSU Union Health Center, financial aid, placement, housing, Dean of Students' Office, student activities and counseling services.

She also is a voting member of the President's Cabinet, which is composed of NTSU President C. C. Nolen, the three NTSU vice-presidents and several non-voting members.

Mrs. Smith, who was born in Haskell, is a graduate of Haskell High School. She earned degrees from Arlington State College, now the University of Texas at Arlington, and Baylor University School of Medical Technology. She completed her bachelor's and master's degrees in English at NTSU and is completing her doctorate in American civilization at the University of Texas at Austin.

Before joining the NTSU staff as associate vice-president for student affairs in 1972, she had been program director of Tech Union at Texas Tech University and of Florida Union at the University of Florida, and director of student activities at the University of Texas at Arlington and student center director and director of student activities at El Centro College in Dallas.

School Day Theme For Sayles-Centerpoint Meet

The eighth annual Sayles-Centerpoint school reunion for ex-students, teachers, and patrons was held August 2 and 3rd at the Haskell Country Club and city park. These former schools were built in 1902 and 1904 and were consolidated with Haskell and Rule in 1937 and 1940.

The group assembled at the city park on Saturday night for a party and to renew old acquaintances. Refreshments of punch and cookies were enjoyed.

On Sunday, the group met at the Country Club. Guests were registered by Dessa Mae Jeter and Bill Pennington of Haskell.

The "School Day" theme was carried out in decorations. A miniature school house with flag pole and out house, antique teachers bell and old school books were on the head table. Checked table cloths

and antique coal oil lamps, were on all the tables. Other antiques were on display, reminders of building a fire in the wood cook stove to heat the irons to iron white shirts and all those trousers and the cream had to be churned for butter. Punch was served from the water bucket and dipper with cake to guests as they arrived.

L. M. (Duke) Jeter welcomed the guests and a short business meeting was held before the noon hour. The following officers for 1976 were elected: Alvis Bird of Sayles-President; Doris (Felder) Hannsz-Vice President; Avis (Bird) Pennington-Secretary and Treasurer.

The invocation was given by Tex Ackridge of Pecos. After the group enjoyed the delicious luncheon served by the Steak House, a general assembly was held.

Claudia Mae Bland, program chairman, for the reunion, presented Doris (Felder) Hannsz who was in charge of the Memorial Service for the seven ex-students whose names were added in 1975 to the precious book of memories.

Letha (Lindley) Lightfoot of Floydada gave a reading. Buck Bland of Centerpoint was in charge of the recognition service. A large red plastic apple was presented to ex-teacher, Virgie (Johnson) Dunwoody of Brownfield, who traveled the longest distance and taught school at Center Point in 1925. Miniature school bells were presented to Woodrow Wiseman of Columbus, Ohio, ex-student of Sayles, who traveled the longest distance to attend the

reunion, and Ed Fouts of Haskell, ex-student of Sayles, the oldest person present. Shelby Harris, who still lives on the family farm in the Sayles Community and was a trustee for many years, received a gift for the oldest trustee present. Mr. and Mrs. Harris also had the largest family of children, in-laws,

and grandchildren present. There were eight brothers and sisters of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wiseman present for the reunion.

Benediction was by Lorell Kirby of Anson. Goodbyes were said and the group departed for various parts of Texas, Oklahoma and Ohio.

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Letters To The Editor

[EDITORS NOTE: The Haskell Free Press will publish letters to the Editor dealing with any subject. All letters must be signed but names will be withheld by request. All letters are subject to editing for length and liability.]

TO THE EDITOR:

Thanks to authorization by House Speaker Bill Clayton, one of the most important discussions in the history of this state occurred in the office of Congressman George Mahon on Friday, July 11, 1975.

After studying my notes and thinking several days on this meeting, I feel the best way I can convey the thrust is to write a simple summation which is basically fact, with an insertion of some of the strong opinions expressed by those

present.

There is a drug problem in Texas today. Opinions vary as to the severity, but this we do know: drug arrests in Texas are increasing each year. In 1965 there were 1,094 arrests; 1970, 12,001 arrests; 1971, 12,309 arrests; 1972, 16,077 arrests; 1973, 24,403 arrests; and 1974, 31,512 arrests. These arrests were largely the victims.

The drug scene in Texas includes marijuana, amphetamines, barbiturates, heroin, glue, gasoline sniffing, paint

and other hard drugs. The medical profession still offers a wide variance in opinion as to the effects of most drugs, but there is building evidence that hard drugs are closely related to the crime wave throughout the Nation, as well as in Texas.

Dr. Judianne Densen-Gerber, lawyer, doctor, and an authority in the field of drug abuse with much experience in the area concerning drug victims, states without reservation that she has reliable information which indicates the target market for heroin right now is all states along the Mexican border. It is the plan of the drug distributors to create as many addicts in Texas as they have done in New York and other eastern cities, with concentration on the urban areas, and accent in colleges, high schools, junior high schools and even in elementary schools.

Dr. Densen-Gerber said

Texas is on the threshold of an epidemic, and unless immediate and drastic steps are taken, 10% of our school children will be exposed to heroin this year. What it will cost this state in crime and violence will be literally millions upon millions of dollars, and the drug traffic will realize equal millions in profit as they are now doing in the eastern cities.

There is little awareness among Texans concerning the enormity of the drug problem. As Chairman Mahon said, "We have great pride in our section of the country and hesitate to admit the presence of this problem until it hits us personally through a member of the family or a close friend." An evidence of our lack of awareness is the fact that Texas ranks 53rd among the fifty states and three territories in state funds to fight drug abuse. During the fiscal year, Texas appropriated \$103,000.00 for drug abuse treatment programs; local funds have increased from no funds in 1971 to \$1,042,964.00 in 1975; and federal funds have increased from no funds in 1971 to \$6,148,716.00 in 1975.

As an elected official, I believe we need to get into the meat of this problem immediately. If Dr. Densen-Gerber is right, then the public must be aroused, and the problem attacked quickly with all resources available. R. B. (Mac) McAlister State Representative

FILING CABINETS, large and small; also check files for those end-of-the-year records. Small fire resistant vaults to safeguard valuable papers. Haskell Free Press.



A. T. KUTCH, Rule Vocational Agriculture Teacher, is presented his 20 year Tenure Pin by Albert Timmerman, Jr. (left) of Rockdale, President of the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas. The award was presented during the Annual Awards Program, Houston, for his outstanding service to Vocational Agriculture in Texas.

Sagerton News

We received more rain in our area last weekend. In some places it rained about two inches and in some there was just a sprinkle. However, all the farmers feel like singing, "Rain, rain, go away, come again come other day".

A "House Warming" will be held for Dorothy and J. B. Toney Sunday afternoon, Aug. 10 from 3:00 till 5:00 p.m. All their friends are invited to come and welcome them as permanent residents of our community and see their new home on the east side of FM 1661.

The members of the Sagerton United Methodist Church enjoyed their annual ice cream supper and picnic at Herman Baitz Park in Sagerton, July 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Corzine, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Teichelman and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Teichelman are enjoying a trip to Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Stegemoeller are visiting their son, Harvey and his family in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schronerstedt recently returned from a trip to Tennessee together with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schronerstedt and family of Euleus.

Mrs. Pearl Blackwell of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. Bland Pruitt and sons and Mrs. Bill Pruitt, all of Humble, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott of Albany, and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Whiteaker and children of Vega, Texas were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Ulmer last weekend.

Mrs. Fred Schronerstedt accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rhoads, Mike and Linda of Rule to Victoria last week for the funeral of Brian Goelke. Others attending from this area were: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boedeker, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tiechelman, and Mrs. Leonard Kieke. They are all relatives of Mrs. Goelke.

Mrs. Ashley of Eddy, Texas and L. B. White of Haskell visited with Mrs. G. A. Leach last week.

Mrs. John Clark and Mrs.

Maude Kittley of Stamford, accompanied by Mrs. Bobby Kittley and sons, Danny and Rickey, made a trip to Oklahoma and Arkansas, recently. Mrs. Bobby Kittley and sons stayed in Tellequaw, Oklahoma to visit with her brother and Mrs. Clark and Mrs. Maude Kittley went on to Arkansas and the Ozarks.

Mrs. Vera Buck and Mrs. Floy Welch of Holliday visited with Mrs. John Clark Monday and Mrs. Welch went on to Arizona to visit her sister.

Rev. Gary Kleypas had his parents from Buckholts, Texas visiting with him last weekend.

Sagerton is still growing and making improvements. A new mobile home has been moved in and a porch and awning attached and will be the new home of Mrs. B. Kupatt, who will be moving here from Fredricksburg soon. We welcome her back to our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Butch DeBusk and children, Lisa and Phillip, moved here from Houston this week to the house belonging to Mrs. DeBusk's father, Whit Clark. They have moved back here to farm. We welcome them to our community. It is very nice to have new families, especially young ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson helped them move on their way to California. Other guests in the Whit Clark home over the weekend were: Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Jackson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Meyers and family from Alice.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Baitz have built a large new shed for their farm equipment near their home. Mrs. John L. Brooks has improved her new home by adding a cedar fence as protection for her yard from the wind and weather as she plans to pursue her hobby as a gardener since her retirement from the post office.

Mrs. Zenor Summers has spent part of her summer beautifying their back yard. She has painted murals on the side of their shed and butane tanks and they are very attrac-

The regular Saturday musical will be held Saturday, Aug. 9 at 8:00. Sagerton Community There is no admission area bands and special invited.

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Most anglers call it a day if they bring home pounds of channel catfish. But during the spring Texarkana men could be satisfied with less than that of the tasty fish.

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Clanton radioed to for assistance. The still-live fish returned to the water fishermen taken before justice of the peace.

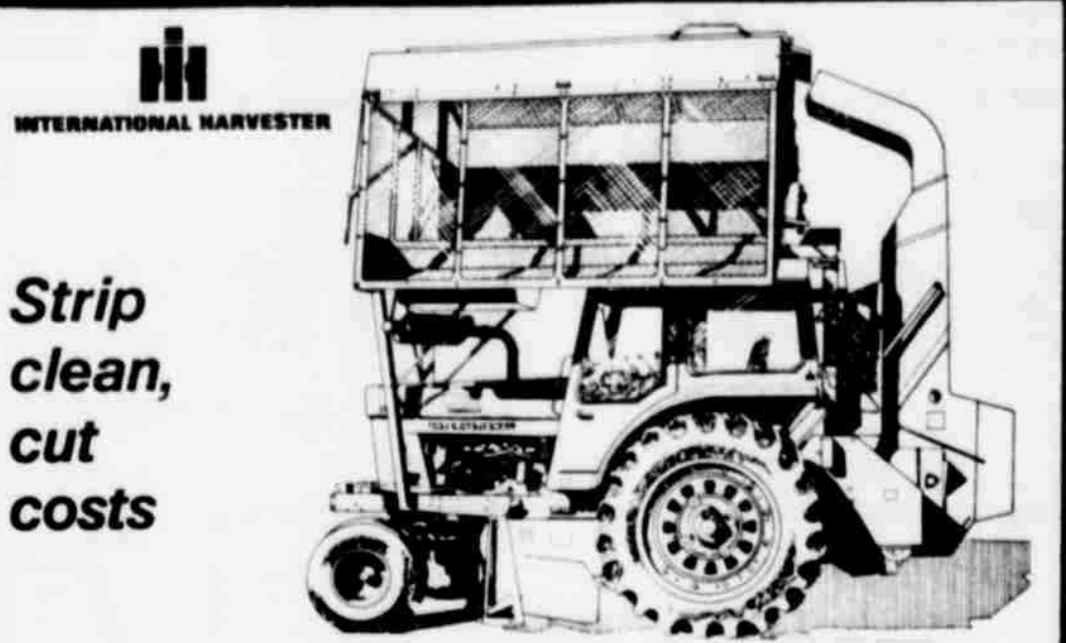
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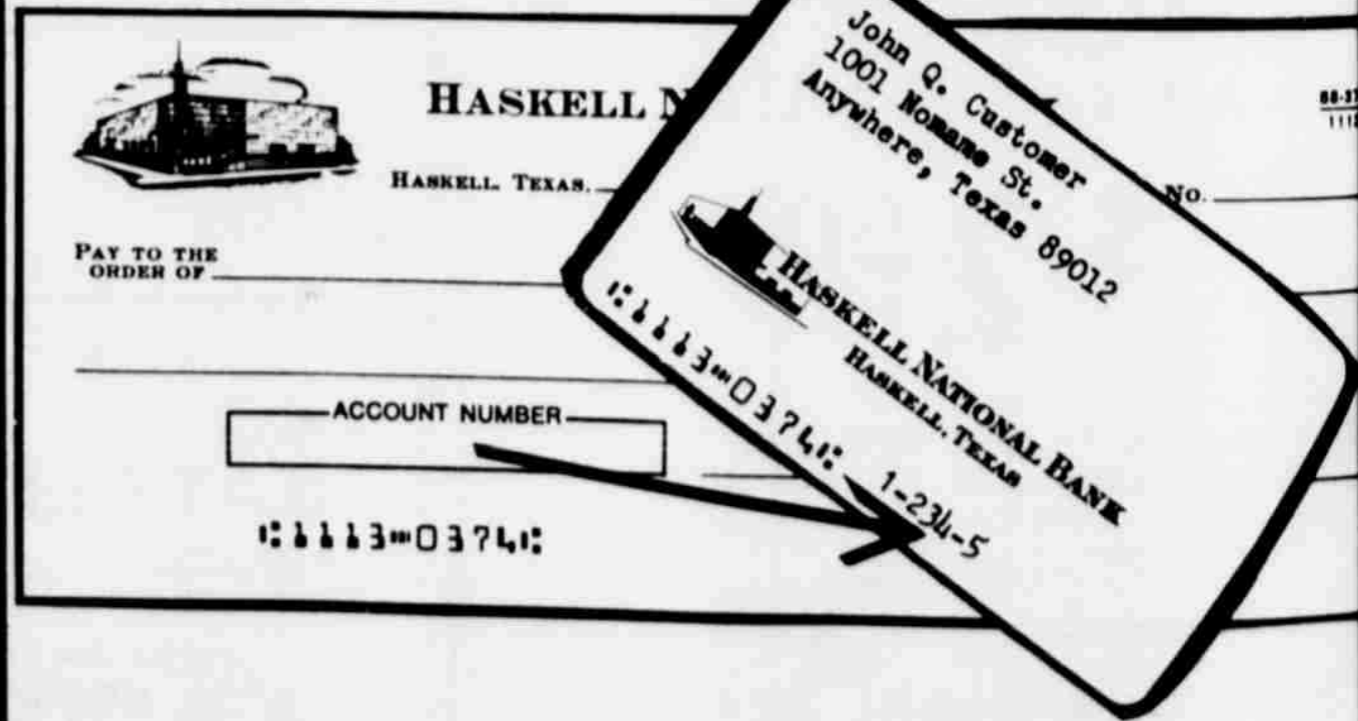
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According to the U. S. Census, our population is increasing at the rate of one every 12 seconds. Every 12 seconds, 50,000 more people are added to our population. How many acres of cropland will we need to feed ourselves? How many acres of cropland will we need to produce the raw materials for our own population? How many acres of cropland will we need to produce the raw materials for the population of the world? By the year 2000, we will only have 1.1 acres for each of our present standing crops. It takes about 3 acres of the highest income land to produce the same amount of food as 1.1 acres of the lowest income land.

It is easy to see that our natural resources of plants, soils, and water, will have to be conserved and renewed as much as possible. Some 400,000 acres of productive land is lost each year to erosion and pollution. Can we afford this loss? Land itself is not increasing, but demands upon this land for food and fiber use. What are we doing about it?

Whether we live in town or in the country, we have a vital interest in the land. Someone once said, "As the land goes, so goes man." Land abuse and misuse is costing us all and it's time we controlled it. See your local Soil and Water Conservation District Directors or the Soil Conservation Service personnel. They can assist you with your land use problems and help plan the conservation treatment needed to protect and improve the land.



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The Gibson Memorial Nursing Home is a single story red brick building, designed and built in accordance with the qualifications and requirements of the Texas State Department of Health. The nursing facility is ideally located on the north end of the city and approximately one-half block from the Stonewall County Hospital building. The building is fully air conditioned and centrally heated with controlled room temperatures. It is completely fire proof, with a State approved Fire Alarm System. Accommodations will be made for both semi-private rooms and private rooms. Each of the 40 rooms is an outside room with an outside window. There is a spacious entrance lobby, large dining room area, activity room, beauty shop and barber shop facilities, laundry facilities, and modern kitchen facilities.

Our services do offer 24 licensed nursing service, 24-hour doctor's coverage and other personnel to meet the needs of the residents. The Dietary Services of the home will be under the direction of a person qualified in food preparation who will receive monthly consultation by a licensed dietitian. Special diets will be served in accordance with physician's orders. Our nursing facility provides for both male and female, single or married couples, 12 years of age and over, regardless of religion, race, color or national origin, who may be ambulatory or non-ambulatory and in need of convalescent or general nursing home care. All admissions to the nursing home must be by order of a licensed physician. A well-rounded plan for daily activities will be under the direction of our Social Service Director.

A Board of Governors composed by local and area persons appointed by the County Commissioners Court works very closely with the home and its operations. This Board of Governors consists of Mr. Travis Hartgraves, President, George Rhoads, Vice President, Mrs. Alene Riddle, Secretary, and Mr. J. D. Parker and Mrs. Doris Branch Committee workers.

Hospital Notes

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SURGICAL: Amelia Ozuna, Haskell; Shane Lewellen, Haskell; Lee Roy Isbell, Haskell; Mrs. Bennita Jackson, Haskell.

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GROW YOUR OWN GROCERIES

Pickles add spice to meals and snacks, says Barbara Elliott, county Extension agent. The skillful blending of spice, sugar and vinegar with fruits and vegetables gives crisp, firm texture and pungent, sweet-sour flavor.

Pickles and relishes contribute some minerals and vitamins, contain little or no fat and, except for the sweet type, are low in calories. Some are high in sodium content, however.

Pickles are generally made from fruits and vegetables, including cucumbers, green tomatoes, okra, green beans, zucchini squash, onion, cauliflower and beets, notes Mrs. Elliott.

Pickles are classified on the basis of ingredients and preparation method.

FRESH-PACK are quick-process pickles, such as cross-cut cucumber slices and whole cucumber dills, gher-

kens, and dilled green beans. These are short-brined for several hours or overnight, then drained and combined with boiling-hot vinegar, spices and other seasonings. These are quick and easy to prepare, and they have a tart pungent flavor.

BRINED-OR FERMENTED-PICKLES go through a curing process of about three weeks. Dilled cucumbers and sauerkraut belong to this group, while other vegetables, such as green tomatoes, also may be cured the same way.

FRUIT PICKLES feature whole fruits simmered in a spicy, sweet-sour syrup. Pears, peaches and watermelon rind are prepared this way.

RELISHES use fruits and vegetables which are chopped and seasoned, and then cooked to the desired consistency. Some are piccalilli, pepper-onion, tomato-apple

chutney, horseradish and corn relish.

To obtain satisfactory pickle products, use good quality ingredients and proper procedures—correct proportions of fruit and vegetables, sugar, salt, vinegar and spices are essential, emphasizes Mrs. Elliott.

Select tender vegetables and firm fruit. Pears and peaches may be slightly underripe for pickling. Use unwaxed cucumbers for pickling whole, as the brine cannot penetrate wax.

Use fruits and vegetables as soon as possible after harvesting or after purchasing from a market. If they cannot be used immediately refrigerate them or spread them where they will be well ventilated and cold.

Do not use fruits and vegetables that show even slight evidence of mold. Proper processing kills poten-

tial spoilage organisms but does not destroy the off-flavor that may be produced by mold growth in the tissue.

In preparing cucumbers be sure to remove all blossoms, as they may be the source of the enzyme responsible for softening the cucumbers during fermentation.

Use pure granulated salt if available. Regular table salt has fillers to prevent lumping and may cause cloudy brine. Use a high-grade cider or white distilled vinegar of 4 to 6 per cent acidity (40 to 60 grain). Vinegars of unknown acidity should not be used. Do not dilute the vinegar unless the recipe so specifies. If a less sour product is preferred, add sugar rather than decrease vinegar.

Use either white granulated or brown sugar. White sugar gives a product a lighter color. Use soft water if possible to assure proper acidity. If not available, boil the water and remove the scum before using.

For heating pickle liquids

use utensils of unchipped enamelware, stainless steel, aluminum or glass. Metal utensils, such as copper, brass, galvanized metal and iron react with acids and salts and cause undesirable color changes and make the pickles unsafe to use, cautions the agent.

For fermenting or brining pickles, use crock, stoneware, glass or unchipped enamel bowls or casseroles.

Next weeks column will contain recommended recipes for pickles and relishes.

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NOT FAR AWAY...SEED MEETING COMING SOON, TOO. BRUCELLOSIS HEARING A MONTH FROM NOW...SCREWWORMS AGAIN!

August 15 is not far away, and that is the deadline for entry in the 1975 Texas Family Land Heritage Program. More than 100 entries have been received so far.

The program honors those families and descendants in Texas who have owned and operated the same piece of land for 100 years or more continuously. It is sponsored by the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Last year, a total of 560 families were honored. Their names are in the Texas Family Land Heritage. If you think you can qualify, write to the Texas Department of Agriculture, Austin, Texas 78711 and ask for a registration form or contact the county judge.

The form must be signed by the county judge in which the land is located. The Family Land Heritage Registry has already proven to be a valuable historical document as well as a token of recognition.

PROPOSED changes in Texas seed laws will be discussed at a hearing in Austin August 21. It will be held at 10 a.m. in Room 1046 of the Stephen F. Austin Building.

Purpose is to discuss changes necessary to bring Texas Department of Agriculture rules and regulations into line with recent legislative amendments of the Texas seed law.

Items to be discussed include definitions of terms, noxious weed seeds, service testing, and minimum germination standards for vegetable seeds as well as agricultural seed inspection fees and vegetable seed license fees.

Texas has a nationwide reputation of having one of the finest-if not the finest—seed programs to be found anywhere. One of the reasons for this is the expertise offered by individual seed producers and agricultural producers. The hearing is open to the public.

BRUCELLOSIS continues to make news, too. A public hearing is being called September 4 by the Texas Animal Health Commission to discuss proposed changes in state provisions relating to federal regulations.

Federal authorities continue to intensify efforts to eradicate brucellosis from the nation. Less than one per cent of all herds in the nation are brucellosis-infected.

Brucellosis eradication in Texas will continue to affect livestock producers more and more in the future months as only 23 counties in the state are officially brucellosis-free.

ONCE AGAIN, it's time to be concerned about screwworms. That pest is continuing to make inroads into many counties in the state which haven't had a confirmed case in two years or more.

As a livestock producer, if you're not already



FULL TRAP FIELDS at Haskell Trap Club with 20 trap shooters firing on four trap fields at the rate of more than 2,000 clay targets an hour. Each shooter shoots five targets

per post with five post per field. This was the scene Sunday, July 27 when 34 shooters competed in the monthly event. (Photo By W. E. Wooten)

cooperating with the program, here is the recommendations again from the officials at the fly lab in Mission:

Check your livestock regularly; treat wounds on livestock with approved screwworm-control remedies; delay surgery on livestock as long as possible; submit suspected samples of screwworms to the fly laboratory at Mission.

Hopefully, this will be the last year in which producers will have to worry too much about the screwworm. A combined effort to eradicate screwworms from Mexico and the United States is set to begin some time next year.

Meanwhile, officials need to know their whereabouts of the screwworms so they can make plans to combat the usual Fall build-up of the pest as well as controlling the situation now.

Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses were issued during July, by County Clerk Jenny Brazell:

Luis Arturo Flores, Munday and Glenda Joyce Hanks, Goree.

Ed Wagner Hester, Jr., Haskell and Kathy Mynene Adcock Curlee, Houston.

Robert Venus Earles, Jr. and Deborah Laine Lewis, Haskell.

Benson Bagley and Dorothy Jean Carroway, Rule.

Terry Edward Futch, Baird and Kathy Denise Perrin, Haskell.

Ronnie Dale Hise and Karen Marie Gergely, Haskell.

Derrel Hollis Davis, Abilene and Pamela Kay Druessedow, Haskell.

Sammy Glenn Jackson, O'Brien and Sherry Louise Mangis, Knox City.

U.S. Farm Exports Climb Value-Wise

U.S. farm exports for the 1975 fiscal year are expected to hit about \$22 billion, a shade higher than last year.

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Haskell Bicentennial Happenings

By Roxie Parker

Volunteers were assisting author Rex Felker Friday at the pre-publication sale of the history book "Haskell County and Its Pioneers," held in the Community Room of Haskell National Bank.

The book, to be released in late September, will have approximately 400 pages of family histories, feature stories and many old time pictures. It is expected to be of great interest to families whose roots are deep in Haskell County, as well as good reading for history buffs and those who now live here, though not "natives."

On display were books which have been published by Nortex Press as Bicentennial projects or to commemorate historical dates in other Texas counties. These are the same size as will be the Haskell County history book (8 x 10 1/2 inches) and the quality of print and pictures was quite good. The hard cover will be in Bicentennial colors.

It took Felker several months to write the book, promoted by the Heritage division of the Haskell County Bicentennial Commission. The Commission's percentage of the money received through the sale of the book will be used for proposed projects.

Monies taken in the pre-publication sale will be deposited in escrow in the Haskell National Bank until the book is delivered. The special price offer, which saves the purchaser two dollars, will be good until October 1, 1975.

Special order blanks are available at stores around town, or orders may be placed at the Chamber of Commerce office. The author, who is manager of the chamber, said he had received calls from as far away as Alaska placing orders for the book. He seemed pleased with response to the pre-publication sale.

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Amy attended school in Marble Falls, and Billy is a graduate of Paint Creek.
An August 23 wedding is planned.

Griffin Reunion
The annual reunion of the descendants of the late Mamie and Tobe Griffin was held July 27 at the Pioneer Natural Gas building at Littlefield.
Four of the Griffin children were present: Lige, Christine, Nova and Elna.
Attending from Haskell was Mrs. Robert (Elna) Freeman.
The day was spent playing games, taking pictures, visiting, and having a good time. Everyone left looking forward to next years reunion.

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do well to heed the concerns of those who have headed this agency with all its far-flung activities.

MR. ELLIOT RICHARDSON when resigning as Secretary in 1972 warned of the growing gap between promises and performance in the multitude of programs under H.E.W. and there is evidence all around us to prove his point. Utopia was seemingly the goal of the Great Society concept. Who could be against Utopia as a goal—the best of all things for everybody? But perfection is not yet and never can be on this earth.

THIS, IN ESSENCE, IS WHAT MR. WEINBERGER, now exiting from the Secretary position, is saying. The other day in his farewell speech he lamented a "faceless, gray egalitarianism that will ensure an equally mediocre existence for everyone, achieved at the cost of personal liberty." He sees ruination in the readiness of Congress to expand the more than a thousand Federal grant programs already on the books and enacting new ones. The Secretary says that if the Congress does not learn to say no and practice restraint, the Nation will wind up as broke

as New York City. **THE OMINOUS FACT IS THAT SECRETARIES OF H.E.W.** have come and gone without making real progress on basic dilemmas. It seems some of them have had a real intent of bringing H.E.W. under reasonable control but with its vast and entrenched bureaucracy, we have to wonder if it is possible.

IT IS NOT MUCH WONDER THAT RESISTANCE comes to reforming some of the expansive and questionable programs now in operation. Those which obviously have failed are more often given more money to expand, and by becoming bigger, hope to succeed. Too often, the failures also become bigger. Everybody wants his particular program continued and contends that if reductions are to be made, they should be made in other places.

SO IT SEEMS THAT NO ONE REALLY KNOWS how to slice off the pieces of these vast operations which have proved failures but there is an awareness in the Country that Government is too big, too expensive and trying to do too much. It could be the beginning of needed changes. This awareness focuses on the fact that a welfare state spends beyond its means, leaving the day of reckoning to another generation. Action may come when enough people believe that we are that other generation.

College News

COLLEGE STATION—Two students from the Haskell area have earned "Distinguished Student" ranking at Texas A&M University, announced Registrar Robert A. Lacey. The undergraduate honor is awarded students who have excelled academically. Recipients must earn at least a 3.25 grade point ratio (out of a possible 4.0) during the most recent grading period.

"Distinguished Student" ranking is limited to 10 per cent of TAMU's undergraduate enrollment.

Distinguished Haskell area students are Gerald Wayne Walter, animal science, son of Hugh Wayne Walter, 1106 N. Ave. J, Haskell, and Pamela Dawn Holder, physical education, daughter of Harry Holder, O'Brien.

More Moving to the Country

AUSTIN—Retirees and young people are moving back to the country, reversing a 30-year trend, Agriculture Commissioner John C. White reports.

Citing USDA figures for the nation, Commissioner White stated that between 1970 and 1973, population in small towns and cities grew by 4.2 per cent, while urban areas increased only 2.9 per cent.

Some reasons for the growth of nonmetro counties are increasing numbers of

retired persons, improved job opportunities created by establishment of industries in suburban and rural areas, expansion of state colleges, and increased recreation activity. In addition, the birthrate seems to be higher outside of cities.

Outmigration is slowing down in heavily agricultural areas, White stated.

In 1974 there were over 2.7 million persons 14 years of age or older doing farm work in the U.S., about 34,000 above 1973.

Battleship Texas' New Self Guided "Talk Tours" Add Greatly To Visitor's Enjoyment

(HOUSTON) The final completion of the three month installation of a completely new self guided electronic "Talk Tour" of the Battleship Texas was announced today by Rear Admiral C. H. Taylor, USNR (Ret.), Chairman of the nine member Battleship Texas Commission.



For the first time in her 27-year history, the Flagship of the Texas Navy enables a visitor to proceed at his own speed through 12 clearly marked electronic broadcast stations and hear a recorded message at each one describing the life aboard the battleship as it was in that area of the ship. As a visitor tours the 11 decks of the Texas—a veteran of two world wars—he and his family enjoy the salty flavor contained in the electronic messages along with some important facts about the daily events on a real United States battleship that help make the ship come alive.

Lt. Governor of Texas, William P. Hobby (right) discusses with Rear Admiral C. H. Taylor, USNR (Ret.), Chairman of the Battleship Texas Commission The Battleship Texas' new Talk Tours. Lt. Governor Hobby is one of 12 of Texas leaders of government, television and radio industry whose voices will be heard in the new electronic Talk Tours aboard The Battleship Texas. Moored in Houston in the shadow of the San Jacinto Monument in San Jacinto State Park, Houston, the Jamed Texas is open to visitors every day of the year from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Battleship Texas, moored at San Jacinto State Park in the shadow of the San Jacinto Monument, on the Houston ship channel, is the only floating museum of its kind in the world. Her history covers 63 years embracing the AGE of the BATTLESHIP, an era in naval warfare now only in memory in our nation's history.

Admission is Adults, \$1.00. Children under five, Free, and 11 yrs. to 18 yrs., \$.50. The Battleship Texas Commission has recently published a new descriptive folder which gives a short history and basic facts about the Battleship Texas. Free copies of this folder can be obtained by writing The Battleship Texas, Exxon Building, Room 2965, Houston, Texas 77002. Or phone (713) 225-5013.

error Dolph Briscoe. The warmth of the governor's voice makes every visitor feel welcome and comfortable as he begins his tour of the famous battleship. Nearing the five million mark in visitors, the U.S.S. Texas is one of the state's most popular tourist attractions. She has been toured by visitors from every state in the union and most countries in the world. She is open every day of the year.

As each visitor comes aboard this historic naval museum they are greeted at station #1 by Texas' Gov-

Leisure Lodge News

Visiting with Mrs. Norma Baker and Mrs. W. V. Cobb on Friday afternoon were Mrs. Audie Latimer, Lueders, Mrs. Gwen Weatherly and Tim Weatherly, Abilene, Mrs. Mike Stovall, Arlington, and Mrs. R. C. Cobb of Stamford.

Out of town visitor's of Mr. Johnnie Mullins were, Mr. and Mrs. John Pennington of Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Pennington of Shamrock, Mrs. Alma Pack, Knox City, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clarkon, Cam and Pam of Lubbock, Robbie Curry of Hobbs, N.M., Buford Welch of Abilene, and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Welch of Merkel.

Members of the Naomi and Fidelis Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the Leisure Lodge Monday evening at 2:30 p.m. for their monthly Birthday Party. Mrs. Claudia Mae Bland presided over the meeting. After singing of Hymns, she introduced Brother Walter Copeland, who brought an inspiring devotion on the great apostle Paul's faith. After the devotion all gathered in the dining room for cake and punch. Those assisting Mrs. Claudia Mae Bland were: Hassie Couch, Ollie Leonard, Lelia Mae Atchinson, Lola Henshaw, Mildred Mancill,

Eleanor Wheeler, and Betty Jo Clanton. Those having birthday's this month were: Norma Baker, Erma Briden, Della Cox, Nancy Howard, Mertis Jones, Ralph Dobe Robinson, Erwin King, and James Wright.

Mrs. Clara Cross visited with Mrs. Easter Mullis this week. Mrs. Cross is from Rochester.

Visiting Miss Theda Neel was her sister, Mrs. Billie Van Duker and son, Michael, from Sacramento, Calif. Michael played the accordion for us which everyone enjoyed.

Visiting with Mr. Olis Macon this past week were, Mr. Roy Macon, Cleo and Lovie Macon of Stamford, and Bro. Danny Johnson of Rule.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Brockett of Munday visited Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Lewis Sunday afternoon. The Lewis' visited in their home, Tuesday afternoon. Other visitors of the Lewis' were, Mrs. Florene Sorrells of Rule and Mrs. Juanita Grimes of Weinert.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nance of Uvalde visited with the W. O. Lewis' on Friday, also Mrs. Florence Alexander from Weinert.

Mrs. Lynn Flowers of Stamford visited her brother, Mr. Olis Macon on Friday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chaney on Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Jake Alexander from Weinert.

Mrs. Carrie Edwards went out to eat on Friday with Mrs. Reid, and on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bradley.

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The Texas Department of Public Safety is in need of qualified applicants of both sexes and from all racial backgrounds. "The next class for Department of Public Safety Recruits will begin on October 28, 1975, with what we hope will be a full compliment of 110 persons," Major C. W. Bell, Regional Commander announced today. "The qualifications an applicant must meet are to be between 20 and 35 years of age, of good moral character, excellent physical condition, weight proportionable to height, visual acuity of 20/40 correctable to 20/20, a citizen of the United States and have a minimum of sixty college hours." Major Bell continued, "Among the benefits that a Department of Public Safety Trooper enjoys are: two weeks annual vacation, all holidays provided for by the Legislature, modern liberal retirement system, group hospitalization and life insurance plan, traveling expenses, longevity pay, and uniforms with all necessary equipment to perform their duties."

A Department of Public Safety Recruits training consists of eighteen weeks of comprehensive programs in all aspects of modern law enforcement at the Homer Garrison Law Enforcement Academy in Austin. During training the October School Recruit will receive pay of \$768 dollars a month. Upon graduation the new trooper will be assigned to one of the uniformed services of the Department.

The Texas Department of

Public Safety has been increasingly successful in its search for recruits from minority racial groups of both sexes and encourages persons who think that they would

Benefits Now Available To Some Vets

Many veterans of the Vietnam Era are eligible for additional GI Bill training benefits from the Veterans Administration, even though they may have previously used all of their entitlement. According to C. H. Herren, Veterans Service Officer for Haskell County, some veterans may now be eligible for as much as nine months additional training time.

Public Law 93-508 was enacted by the Congress on December 3, 1974, and provided for a maximum of 45 months training time for veterans. Under previous laws, a veteran was entitled to a maximum of 36 months training time if he was in military service for 18 months or longer. The recent legislation was rather restrictive, however, and is not applicable to all veterans. Public Law 93-508 authorized an additional nine months for those who were originally eligible for 36 months, and whose entitlement was exhausted while enrolled in a bachelor or other first degree program. In such instances, the veteran may use the additional nine months to pursue his degree program. This additional nine months cannot be used to pursue a graduate degree. If a veteran already holds a college degree, he is not eligible for any extension beyond the regular maximum of 36 months.

A veteran may use his VA educational benefits any time within ten years following his discharge or release from military service, if he was released since June 1, 1966. Those discharged prior to that date have ten years from June 1, 1966, to use their eligibility, which means that such entitlement will expire on May 31, 1976.

Additional information on GI Bill training may be obtained from your local Veterans Service Officer.

qualify to contact the nearest Department of Public Safety Trooper or Department of Public Safety office to receive complete information regarding the application and employment procedures.

"Region 5 is most interested in being well represented by the best qualified persons

Austin Reunion

The descendants of the late Jim and May (Gentry) Austin met at the American Legion Hall in Haskell July 27, for their annual reunion. This was the fourth year the reunion had been held in Haskell.

There were 79 present from Abilene, Amarillo, Austin, Liberty Hill, Lubbock, Wichita Falls, Waco, Vernon, Stamford, Electra, Bronte, Andrews, Wheeler, Weinert, Midland, San Angelo and Water Valley.

Sterling Scott of Midland presided and Mrs. W. L. Yardley of Andrews read the secretary report.

Games were enjoyed before and after the noon meal, when McMurry Coach, John Fred Phillips gave the invocation. Group pictures were made. Wayne Austin of Abilene was elected president and Mrs. Fred Phillips of Water Valley was elected secretary.

Mrs. B. C. Austin of San Angelo brought a birthday cake for her husband and all who had July birthdays.

Rolling Plains Showing New Pop. Trend

Rural populations in Texas and the United States are now declining at a slower rate than during the 1960's. And that trend is also evident in the Rolling Plains area.

The "rural" counties of the area, which are included in District 3 of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, are Archer, Faylor, Childress, Cottle, King, Motley, Dickens, Fisher, Foard, Hall, Hardeman, Haskell, Kent, Knox, Shackelford, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Wilbarger and Young, according to William D. Benson, Extension area resource development specialist.

These counties showed a 1.6 per cent population decline from 1970-1973 compared to a 17.6 per cent drop from 1960-1970. Nationally, rural areas have shown a population growth of 4.2 per cent from 1970 to 1973.

While certain counties continue to reflect a declining population, the rate is much slower than between 1960 and 1970, points out Benson. In addition, a recent U. S. Census Bureau report indicates a growth in the population base of many counties that had lost population during that 10-year period.

Rural areas working through their county Extension committees and the appropriate Extension specialist are overcoming some of the problems created by the massive out-migration of citizens during the 1960's, notes Benson. District 3 rural counties lost 17.6 per cent or 22,094 individuals between 1960-1970.

The specialist cites several examples of how county groups are working to slow the exodus of people and even reverse the trend.

Hall County citizens are working closely with their county Extension agent in obtaining fire protection equipment which is vital to their health and well being. Young County groups working with their county Extension agent have recently obtained two trucks from the Texas Forest Service to support their countywide volunteer fire department.

Elsewhere, rural people are becoming more concerned with economic development and community facilities to try to make a better "home" for those desiring to live in rural areas.

Citizens of rural areas are realizing that if they want to progress, they must have a balanced community, contends Benson.

This news release does not include Wichita, Clay, or Jones counties since they are located in a Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area.

available from the Northwest Texas area in the upcoming school," Major Bell stated. "But to do this, we must have the persons apply."

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Water Skiing Is Simple If Rules Followed

At this time of the year, water skiers are making their impact on lakes all over Texas.

Joel Block of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Water Safety Section warns: "Too often water skiers ignore or do not know the correct and safe methods of water skiing and become accident statistics."

"As spectacular as skiing may appear," said Block, "it is one of the easiest sports to learn. Many neophyte water skiers, especially children, can easily master the fundamentals within an hour."

If you've never been up on a pair of skis before, it's a good idea to take lessons from an instructor or an experienced skier to learn the correct and safe methods. This can be very important, because bad habits once learned are difficult to correct.

Before you hit the water, you'll probably find yourself on the beach learning such things as required equipment, tightness of your ski binders, how to hold the tow line, how to get up and how to stay up.

It may take a number of attempts to get up and moving on skis, but once you have done it, it is relatively easy to remain standing while gliding over the water. Points to remember which will add to your ease and enjoyment are:

1. Try to relax. Holding the towline too tightly and becoming tense are bad habits. Handle-grip tension has a way of transmitting itself to your legs, back and thigh muscles. A relaxed skier learns faster and takes fewer spills.
2. Fight off that fall. At least half the falls a beginning skier takes needn't happen at all. Too often, a skier feels that a fall is inevitable and simply resigns himself to a dunking.
3. If you must fall, don't fall forward. Lean to the side or back before you release the towline. In this way, you will

Ford Administration Charged With Depressing Grain Prices

"The Ford Administration is using a secret export control system to depress grain prices received by U.S. farmers," Jay Naman, President of the Texas Farmers Union, charged July 28.

"This secret system is being worked out in private conversations with grain trading companies and foreign governments, according to information the Farmers Union has gleaned from trade sources."

"A limit of about 250 million bushels of wheat and 315 million bushels of corn has been set for export sales to the Soviet Union. This limit on sales to Russia is calculated to prevent grain and soybean

prices from rising significantly.

"This is what we read also between the conflicting lines of what President Ford says to farmers about 'Freedom from Government Meddling with Free Markets,' and to consumers about keeping food prices down."

"This is the third year in a row that the Nixon-Ford administration has used controls on exports to depress farm prices. In 1973, Nixon embargoed exports of soybeans and some 40 other agricultural commodities. In 1974, Ford stopped grain sales that had already been contracted, and government officials pressured other governments and buyers all year to cut down on their purchases from the 1974 crop. That's what turned grain prices around last fall despite the shortest supplies and strongest demand since World War II."

"The Nixon-Ford deeds prove the falseness of the Nixon-Ford promise of a free market for agriculture. They want the farmer to be free to go broke when there's a surplus, but they are continuing to interfere with the market to prevent prices from going up freely when demand is strong."

"The Farmers Union recognizes that consumers deserve and demand protection against food shortages. But farmers deserve protection against surpluses too."

"It's long past time for an honest farm and food policy in this country, that will be spelled out in the full light of day and written down in the

laws of the land for farmers and consumers alike to see and understand.

"We are outraged by the administration's present system of double-talk for farmers and other ordinary citizens, secret conniving with the grain traders and the communists, and political pressure on other export customers of the American farmer."

"We appeal to consumers and others who believe in fair and above-board government

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4. When you have recovered from a fall, give a signal by clasping your hands over your head to tell your boat operator or observer that you are all right. From that time until you are picked up in the boat or are skiing again, keep a ski lifted vertically out of the water to make it easy for you to be seen by your own boat and others.

Communications are very important between water skier, boat operator and observer. There are only two audible signals required for skiers. A shout of "In gear" means the skier is in starting position and the boat operator needs to take up the slack in the tow line.

Then, when the line is taut and the skier is ready, he shouts, "Hit it." The boat operator opens the throttle and smoothly pulls the skier to his feet.

In order for the skier to communicate with the boat operator and observer, a series of hand signals should be agreed upon.

You'll probably discover that water skiing requires much concentration and a lot of practice. If you'll commit yourself to these principles--and remember to take along common sense--you'll be in for a lot of fun out on the water.



STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES at the Haskell Training Center gave Eve Gray, (second from right) a farewell party last week. Eve resigned her position as director and has moved to Corpus Christi. Tina Rodela (right) is the new director of the Training Center. (Staff Photo By Don Comedy)

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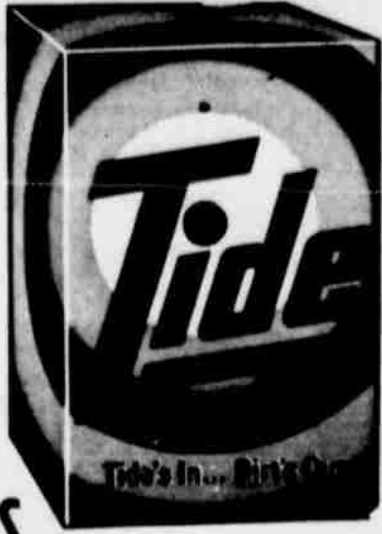
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