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Superintendent of schools resigns post

In a surprise move at Tuesday's meeting of the Iowa Park school board, Faris Nowell resigned as superintendent of schools effective Friday.

Only the trustees among those at the meeting were aware of the resignation before Nowell read his prepared letter. Prior to the meeting's opening, he had shown the letter to each board member, in the seclusion of his office.

Announcement came early in the meeting, under the topic of personnel. The first item under the topic heading

was resignations and the second was consideration of contracts for all key personnel in the school system.

Nowell first read a letter of resignation from Wanda Bates, though her resignation was actually effective Dec. 23.

He then read the following letter: "Will you please accept my resignation as Superintendent of the Iowa Park Schools to become effective February 22, 1980, upon fulfillment of the attached items?"

"It has been a pleasure serving in this capacity for the past fifteen

years. With the aid of the board members and the professional staff much has been accomplished in this period of time. Our buildings are very adequate to house our students. I'm proud of the personnel that carry out our instructional program. I firmly believe that our graduates will succeed in life and many will reach goals that will bring honor to their school.

"The patrons of this district have been a great asset in the support of our various activities. The students have brought many honors and compliments to our community. May I wish for all of you much success in the future."

Nowell came to Iowa Park in 1961 as high school principal, and was elevated to superintendent at the beginning of the 1965 school year.

He began his career in education in 1941 at Lamesa. He moved to Winters in 1942, Ralls in 1946 and Brownfield in 1948, where he entered the administration field in 1958 when he was hired as an elementary school principal.

Asked about the specific date he had brought out to end his administration here, Nowell said he is to begin work other than in public education March 1. He said he was not at liberty to make known with whom he would be employed, but announcement would be made in the very near future by his employers.

Nowell said he and his family would continue living here, at least through next year. His wife, Penny, is a

teacher in the local school system and their youngest son, Mark, is a junior in high school.

An assembly of school faculty and supporting personnel will be held at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow at the high school, where he will be honored.

ACTING SUPERINTENDENT

Board members, after voting to accept Nowell's resignation, approved the naming of Harold Cowley as acting superintendent for the remainder of the year, or until August. Cowley has served in numerous capacities such as assistant superintendent, business manager, director of vocational education and has been in charge of building maintenance since he has been in the administration building. He first came to Iowa Park as vocational agriculture instructor, and entered the administration field when he was named principal at Kidwell Elementary.

Another change in the local administration field was made during the meeting.

Trustees named James Ward, principal at Valley View, principal at Bradford Elementary, George Taylor, who has been principal at Bradford, will be reassigned to a teaching

position on the secondary level.

Taylor was called from home to meet with the board concerning the change in assignment. When asked if he would accept the change, he responded "Probably...if it's all you've got, I guess that's it."

He raised the question of grounds for decision as to how it was decided which principal would be moved. The answer was seniority. At that point, Taylor said he had been principal before Jimmy Alsop was made junior high principal.

That question was resolved, however, when trustee Roy Boutwell said Alsop had served as assistant principal at the high school the year before Taylor was hired here, giving Alsop seniority in administration in the local district.

Taylor was hired as Bradford Elementary principal in 1973. Alsop was named assistant principal at the high school in 1972.

Ward has been principal at Valley View since the consolidation of Iowa Park and Valley View districts in 1970. He was superintendent of Valley View prior to consolidation.

KEY PERSONNEL

All key personnel received new contracts for the coming year. Iowa

Park offers only one-year contracts and must be acted on each February.

Those receiving new contracts were principals Bob Cole, Bob Dawson, Ward, Alsop and Kenneth Davis; counselors Carl King, Herman Escue and Coleen Roberts; placement officer Richard Davis; tax assessor-collector Bill Steger; assistant superintendent Harold Cowley; athletic director Tommy Watkins; and West Wichita Co-op personnel John Sibley, Opal Beall, Florence Sibley and Sue Paschall.

Two student trips beyond the 75-mile radius limitation imposed by the board were approved. The Hawk Band will be allowed to attend the April 25 Greater Southwest Music Festival at Amarillo, and the vocational agriculture judging team can enter the March 21 invitational judging contest at Stephenville.

In other business, the board acted on several proposals for the West Wichita Cooperative, presented by Sibley. As the fiscal agent for the cooperative, board actions are required to take action, even though the unit is in charge of special education not only for Iowa Park, but school districts of Electra, Holliday and City View.



DIGGING FOR WATER? Nope, workmen were boring beneath Johnson Road this week as part of a project to lay telephone lines underground through the north side of Iowa Park. The effort is part of a 50-mile project to connect underground lines between Wichita Falls and Vernon, which eventually will connect the Dallas and Fort Worth area with Amarillo, all underground. The line will have 14,000 circuits. Eventually there will be no overhead lines along the route served by Southwestern Bell Telephone.

BY GEORGE! Local merchants not confused

Iowa Park merchants will be observing George Washington's birthday Friday, despite the federal government's attempt to observe Monday as the holiday to that date.

Local businesses will be offering prices on merchandise far below regular sale prices, as evidenced by advertisements in this issue of the Leader. Though most of the sales are for Friday only, some merchants will be offering the specials more than one day.

So, though there may be confusion as to when Washington's birthday actually is, there is no confusion about where the big price slashing will be taking place... right here in Iowa Park!

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Finances are subject of meeting Monday

Finances will be the key word for Monday's 7 p.m. meeting of the Iowa Park city council.

Aldermen will consider spending measures, obtaining financing and making loans.

The council will consider awarding bids for an addition to the police station.

Members will hold a hearing concerning the council's intention to issue certificates of obligation, as well as applying for financial assistance with the Texas Water Development Board. Both measures are concerned with construction of an additional ground water storage tank in the northeast part of town.

They also will hear a report from a county-wide meeting which is to be held at the court house Friday, where cities outside Wichita Falls will consider applying for funds from the

federal government to finance low-cost housing.

Aldermen also are to receive the Feb. 18 meeting minutes of the parks Board; make appointments to the Planning and Zoning Commission; and consider an ordinance requiring a written examination for journeymen and master electric licenses.

Members will also discuss a proposal to purchase portable trash containers for those residences where there is no alley for trash pickup.

Local vocalist is outstanding

For the third consecutive year, Scott Fowler has participated in the All-State Chorus for high school students.

The Iowa Park High School senior is the only three-year member of the state chorus in history of the local school.

Fowler was named first chair baritone his sophomore and senior years, and second chair as a junior. His freshman year, he was first chair at area auditions.

The Texas Music Educators Association sponsors the contest at the district, region, area and state levels. A contestant must audition on several selections at each level to qualify for the succeeding level. Songs for auditions become increasingly difficult with each advancement.

At the state convention, Fowler participated in workshops, exhibits, and practices. The chorus then presented two concerts to the public.

Fowler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fowler, plans to attend college and major in music.

Local thieves getting stronger

There apparently are some rather strong thieves in Iowa Park these days, according to police reports for the past week.

A 350-pound pneumatic motor crane was removed from the bed of a pickup sometime during Saturday night, while it was parked at 904 E. Cash, according to Kenny Merriman.

A 90-pound Sterial chapel tent belonging to Owens and Brumley Funeral Home was taken last month from a truck at the Jiffy Food Store on East Highway.

Vernon Williams did not report the theft until last week, but he said the 16x20 brown tent was taken from his truck about 12:30 a.m. Loss was estimated at \$502.

Weather Report	
Weather reports are officially compiled for Iowa Park at the Texas Experiment Station, southeast of town.	
Rainfall for week.....	.02
Total for month.....	.39
Total for year.....	1.89
Total last year.....	2.75

Bloodmobile slates stop here Monday

The American Red Cross Blood Services, Red River Region, will be in Iowa Park for a bloodmobile Monday. Glenda Hall of Epsilon Sigma Alpha, Blood Services Chairman has announced the visit and a goal of 50 units.

The bloodmobile will be set up in the First Christian Church from 1 to 5 p.m.

Blood is needed every 17 seconds but not everyone is eligible to donate.

Plenty of openings, but no candidates

Unlike the county commissioner's race, candidates aren't flocking to enter the city council or school trustee elections.

In fact, it's just the opposite. As of noon Wednesday, not one single candidate had filed for a place on either the city council or school board ballot. And the deadline is less than two weeks away.

March 5 is the deadline for candidates to file for the school and city elections, both of which are slated for April 5.

Three positions on the city

Iowa Park resident promoted

Georgia Flanagan, 3750th Air Base Group, has been named Sheppard's new base education services officer.

A teacher five years before she came to Sheppard in December 1958, Mrs. Flanagan received her bachelor's degree in education from North Texas State University in Denton, and a master's degree in education from Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls. She has also completed 30 semester hours toward a doctorate in education at North Texas State University.

Mrs. Flanagan, whose previous position was chief of education counseling services, worked closely with Frank "Kelly" Ezell, base



GEORGIA FLANAGAN

Iowa Park, Holliday sales taxes increase

Iowa Park and Holliday sales tax receipts for January took staggering jumps over the same month a year earlier.

Iowa Park had a 72 percent increase over January of 1969, when the city received a rebate check for \$6,591.40, as compared with \$3,840.91 the year before.

Holliday's check was a whopping 170 percent higher than January of 1979; \$7,672.42 as compared with \$2,304.28.

The one percent city sales tax is collected by merchants and businesses along with the state's four-percent sales tax, and is rebated monthly by the state comptroller's office to cities where it is collected.

education services officer who died last month.

"We don't expect any immediate changes in base education services," said Mrs. Flanagan. "Mr. Ezell had one of the best programs in the Air Force, and we hope to maintain the high standards set by him."

Mrs. Flanagan has spent all but six months of her 21 years at Sheppard in the base education services office and has been recognized on 20 separate occasions for her work performance. Awards include eight outstanding performance ratings, three quality salary increases, six sustained superior performance awards, and three special act or service cash awards.

She has also received cash awards

totaling \$4,675 for her participation in the Air Force suggestion program. Out of 47 adopted suggestions, five were adopted at Department of Defense level and 11 were adopted Air Force wide.

"I am proud to be chosen to carry on Mr. Ezell's work," said Mrs. Flanagan. "With the skilled and dedicated staff we have here, I feel certain that we can continue the excellent education program that Sheppard people have been accustomed to all these years."

Mrs. Flanagan is a resident of 911 Van Horn in Iowa Park, where she is a member of the First United Methodist Church. Her daughter, Cindy, is a student at Midwestern State Univ.

Chamber directors hear reports, plans

A membership drive, report on the annual banquet and plans for the banquet next year were discussed by directors of the Iowa Park Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday.

Helen Rich, president, named Phil Welch as chairman of the membership drive. No date was set, but Welch said after a period of study on the best way to approach the project, he would report back to the board for action.

A total of 367 persons were served at the annual banquet last month, Mrs. Rich reported.

Bob Hamilton was named to select a speaker for the banquet next year.

council will be voted on this year. Terms are expiring for Mayor Johnny Crawford, and aldermen Lita Watson and Johnny Lee.

The Leader had earlier erroneously reported Bud Adams' term was expiring this year. Adams was elected last spring for a two-year term.

Terms of two school trustees, J.O. McCullough and Rusty Rusk, expire in April.

Absentee balloting for the April 5 elections will commence Mar. 17 and continue through April 1.

Banks-Crownover wedding vows are exchanged Saturday evening

Miss Beverly Denise Banks and Robby Lee Crownover exchanged marriage vows in a beautiful wedding ceremony performed at First Baptist Church Saturday evening.

Rev. Howell Farnsworth, pastor, officiated the double-ring rites which united the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Banks Sr. of Iowa Park and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Crownover of Seymour.

The setting for the wedding was created by a graceful brass arch entwined with boxwood greenery and lilies of the valley, and candlelight. Two white feathered doves added interest at the top center and light blue satin bows decorated either side of the arch. The picture was completed with the addition of cathedral candles burning in fifteen-branched candelabra festooned with emerald greenery and blue silk bows. Similar bows designated church pews for family members.

Mrs. Bill Bates, organist, gave a prelude concert of favorite wedding selections. These included "To a Wild Rose", "Arisa", "Twelfth of Never", "Walk Hand in Hand", "Wither Thou Goest", "Liebestraum" and "Wedding Prayer".

She heralded the approach of the wedding party to the altar by playing Wagner's "Lohengrin" and presented the recessional by Mendelssohn while they were exiting from the sanctuary.

Mrs. Pat Young of Seymour, pianist, accompanied Coy Lee and Steve Cleghorn, vocalists, for their

pre-nuptial duet numbers "If" and "The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face" and for the "Wedding Song" during the ceremony.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father who presented her in marriage for both parents. She wore an exquisite bridal gown of Chantilly lace and silk organza. The fitted bodice featured a sweetheart neckline, luster sheer bishop sleeves cuffed in wide lace, and empire waistline. The striking effect of the full skirt was achieved through a slim apron look in the center front joined at the side seams with five deep lace flounces falling into a cathedral train in the back.

For her headpiece, the bride chose a Chantilly lace bonnet cap dusted with pearls to hold the three-tiered illusion veil graced with three rows of lace. Her complimentary cascade bouquet was fashioned of white sweetheart roses, light and medium blue carnations, sprengeri fern and heather.

In observing the bridal tradition of wearing "something old" and "something borrowed", the bride chose her mother's white Bible that she carried at her wedding. The touch of blue was her garter. She carried a lucky penny and presented her mother with a red rose of love as she approached the altar.

The bride's chosen colors of heavenly blue and romance blue were reflected in the gowns worn by her attendants and the tuxedos worn by masculine members of the wedding party.

Miss Tamela Banks attended her sister as maid of honor. She wore a heavenly blue lace gown over matching peau de soie. The gown was distinguished with an unusual treatment of the sash which crisscrossed in front and extended to the back where it formed a bow with streamers. The ruffled hemline flounce and matching cape completed the picture. She carried a single white rose and two carnations in the chosen shades of blue tied with delicate lace streamers and wore flowers to match the color of her gown in her hair.

The trio of bridesmaids presented a charming picture in their heavenly blue gowns worn over romance blue satin. The gowns were styled identically to the one worn by the maid of honor. They carried carnations with cascading ribbons in the chosen blue hues, and wore the same flowers in their hair. Sharing the honor of bridesmaids were Miss Lynette Flick, Miss Janie Dickey and Miss Lee Ann Brixey.

The groom wore an all-white tuxedo with tails. For his boutonniere, he wore a blue carnation centered with a white rosebud. The heavenly and romance blues were repeated in tuxedos worn by men taking part in the wedding.

Andy Robertson of Seymour served as best man. Groomsmen were James Stanley, David Redder, both of Seymour, and Jimmy Banks Jr. of Iowa Park, brother of the bride. Taking part as ushers were Randy Price and Tim McWhorter of Iowa Park, who also lighted the candles at the altar, and David Niell of Seymour.

Mothers of the bride and groom wore corsages consisting of white sweetheart roses and blue carnations with their formal wedding gowns. Mrs. Banks selected a sky blue Qiana dress styled with a V-neckline, silver belt and flowing chiffon cape. Mrs. Crownover wore a navy blue polyester voile dress designed with a wrap around front and gathered skirt.

Immediately following the wedding, parents of the bride gave a reception in the Fellowship Hall in honor of the newlyweds. The shades of blue that were emphasized in the wedding governed decorations for the function. The colors were first observed on the registry table in the church foyer where guests signed the bride's book when they arrived for the nuptial ceremony.

Miss Irene Arredondo presided at the table draped to the floor with white polyester and topped with an overlay of heavenly blue lace caught

up in swags. The main attraction on the table was a shadow box holding a picture of the bride and groom framed with hand-painted daisies. Other appointments were a crystal cornucopia-shaped vase filled with white silk roses, blue baby's breath and bows, the bride's book and blue plume pen.

Impressive beauty characterized the bride's table at the reception. Covered with romance blue lace over matching satin accented with heavenly blue silk bows, the centerpiece was a crystal basket filled with white silk roses, dried blue baby's breath and puffs of blue net. The blue and white bows on the handle of the basket contained the newlyweds prayer scrolls. The cake, napkins, blue rose-shaped mints and crystal services were complimentary accessories.

The traditional-style bride's cake, a three-tiered structure with two sets of lacy columns, was characterized by a storybook look. The effect was achieved through intricate frosting garniture featuring cascades of light blue roses with pale green leaves, blue lilies of the valley, handpiped flowers, white scrolls, deep heart and leaf designs. A formally dressed bride and groom stood in a floriated double arch centered with a wedding bell for the top ornament.

Miss Ann Hutchinson of Wichita Falls and Miss Tracy Siddle of Iowa Park served at the table.

The groom's table was covered with a floor length white polyester cloth overlaid with romance blue lace. The centerpiece was a silver compote holding a simulated garden of white silk roses through which a nervous bride was chasing a reluctant groom. The roses were intermingled with puffs of blue net and a lacy heart formed the background.

The table held the groom's horseshoe-shaped fruit cake with "Good Luck" spelled out in red cherries on the top. Miss Carrie Mahler served the cake.

The buffet table which held the silver coffee service, an assortment of hor d'oeuvres, and chocolate bell-shaped mints was covered with a floor length light blue polyester cloth with a navy blue polyester cloth laid over the top. An oriental vase in the center held a variety of dried flowers in blue, gray and natural tones. Miss Leza Robertson and Miss Leslie Cox of Seymour assisted at the table during the reception.

Houseparty members were Mes. Jesse Flick, James Yarbrough, Jerry Robertson and Tommy Collins.

An attractive decorative piece in



MRS. ROBBY LEE CROWNOVER

Park. The bride was graduated from Iowa Park High School and is employed by the State National Bank. The groom, who works for O.L. Fulfer Well Service in Kamay, was graduated from Seymour High School.

The rehearsal dinner was given by the groom's parents Friday evening at the church.

Special wedding guests were Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Banks and Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Morgan, grandparents of the bride.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Larson from Burkburnett; Messrs. and Mmes. Gordon Gafford, Jack Banks, Jackie and Sondra, Ralph Perkins, Whitney and Trent, Joe Barrios and Manuel; Kathy Sinclair, Morris Dillard, Lori Cluck and Dyoil Hill, all from Wichita Falls.

Guests from Seymour were Messrs. and Mmes. Pat Young, Richard Cox and Bradley, Donnie Harrington, Kelly and Suzanne, Randy Plummer, Donnie McMorris, Morris Christian, Royce Stanlee, Rudie Hons, Mike Blankenship, Dena Health and Mrs. David Fowler.

Home Mission Rally scheduled March 4

Fourteen members of the Night WMU of First Baptist Church attended the meeting Monday night held in the home of Mrs. S.B. Reaves.

Mrs. V.I. Woodfin conducted the business and announced the Home Mission Rally which will be held March 4 at the First Baptist Church in Burkburnett. Plans were made to assist with serving a luncheon Feb. 27 for the Baptist Student Union at Midwestern State University.

Mrs. Bill Curry directed the prayer period for missionaries on the birthday calendar for the day.

Mrs. Roy Smith reviewed two chapters of "Just Folks" by Robert Hastings, written about the work of Southern Baptists in the north central states. She placed emphasis on the work in Illinois which featured the story of Don Sharp of Chicago and how he is striving to help form an understanding between the blacks and the whites.

Friendly Door Lunch Menu

- Fri., Feb. 22 - Chili dogs, split pea soup, dill pickle slices, applesauce, cobbler.
- Mon., Feb. 25 - Tuna fish casserole, green beans, salad, pear halves.
- Tues., Feb. 26 - Meat loaf, sweet potatoes, spinach, cole slaw, sheet cake.
- Wed., Feb. 28 - Pot roast beef, gravy, potatoes, onion, celery, carrots, cabbage, apple salad.
- Fri., Feb. 29 - Meat balls, pinto beans, under for sale

the setting was a tall white bird bath holding blue satin rosebuds filled with rice and tied with the couple's wedding scrolls. The rosebuds were interspersed with dried blue baby's breath, and two satin bows on the outside were accented with the rosebuds and scrolls.

Following a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will live in Iowa

Friendly Door seeks donations for drapes

The Friendly Door will be moving to its new quarters at Wall and West Cash, in the old Tanner building recently purchased by the Evening Lions Club, within the next few weeks.

Myrna Robinson, site manager, realizing that providing drapes or shades for the tall windows in the building will be rather expensive, is suggesting that some citizens may want to make a contribution to the project. Feeling that it would be a commendable way to honor both the living and the dead, she is considering hanging plaques in memory or honor of them for a sizable contribution. For further information, call her at 592-9311.

Twenty-five Friendly Door members went to Abilene Saturday to the Holiday on Ice show.

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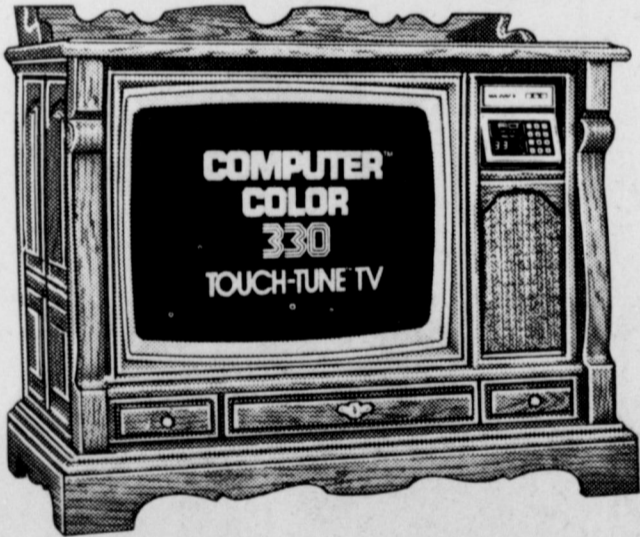
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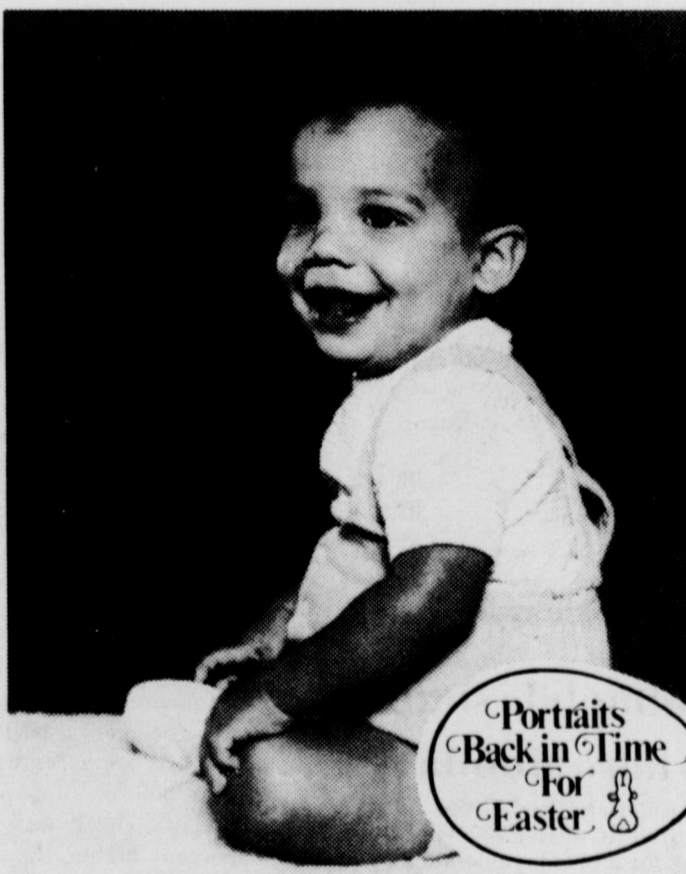
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