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Board splits vote for 71-cent tax rate

Iowa Park school board Thursday night tentatively set the 1985-86 tax rate at 71-cents, but by a split vote.

By a margin of four to three, board members approved the 33.96 percent increase over last year's 53-cents. Those voting against the rate were actually voting for a 75-cent rate.

Voting in the majority were Rex Wells, Ray Hicks, Rusty Rusk and Marilyn Hale. Voting in the minority were Martha Dudley, Roy Boutwell and Jimmy Howell.

The split among board members developed over the issue of how much of an anticipated \$1.4-million carryover from 1984-85 should be spent by deficit budgeting.

Those in the minority suggested an excess of \$1-million is necessary to start a school year without borrowing money. They also pointed out that the money was earning interest while on deposit for the school's taxpayers, money that would have to be made up in the future if the carryover is spent.

The majority expressed opinions that the school was not in the business of lending money, that the revenue budget is estimated on only 95 percent tax collections when experience of recent years is higher,

and the school has in recent years received more money from various sources than figured in the budgets.

Majority members also felt the 33.96 percent increase was as much as the public could stand, and they feared a rollback action by the taxpayers if the district exceeded a level which is protected by House Bill 72.

Prior to their record vote on the tax rate, board members cut \$300,000 from the budget. A figure of \$500,000 for classroom construction at the Kidwell Elementary campus had been used in estimating costs for the coming year, and members felt they could build adequate space for four classrooms using only \$200,000.

Howell, during the discussion of cutting deeply into the carryover, said to drop the fund from \$1.4-million to \$1-million would require a 17-cent tax increase to make it up, using present district values. He also said interest earned by the money was holding down the tax rate by several cents.

By cutting the deficit \$300,000, the estimated balance at the end of the next school year is now projected at \$921,860.

An example of what the proposed

tax rate would mean to a typical home, if valued at \$50,000, the 71-cent rate would increase taxes from \$265 to \$355 for the coming year.

Neither the budget nor the tax rate are as yet fixed. The board is to adopt the budget Tuesday and the tax rate Sept. 3, according to a schedule adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS

Other items taken care of during the called meeting were amending the school calendar, approving bids, hiring a new teacher, approving a proposal to purchase numerous signs, and adopting rules for in-house suspension to the reassignment center.

The Texas Education Agency established Mar. 10 as the date teachers are to take a required competency test. Because that date conflicted with the spring break dates, spring break was changed to Mar. 3-7, Mar. 10 adopted as a student holiday, Jan. 20 set as a regular school day rather than teacher-in-service, and Mar. 28 and 31 can be used as holidays if not needed for bad weather days.

The board approved the calendar changes.

On bids approved, Chester Wood

Oil Co. got the bid on gasoline; Preston Dairy on milk; Oak Farms on ice cream and American Bakeries on bread products.

State National Bank's bid was accepted among three offered for the two-year bank depository; Olen Williams Sales was low bidder for a new scoreboard clock at Hawk Stadium, and while John's Tractor had the low bid for a tractor/mower, board members suggested the tractor be tried and recommendation made at Tuesday's meeting which to purchase among seven offered.

Of five tracts of land offered for sale by the school, taken on tax defaults, all were sold to bidders.

Sam Hunter was high bidder on two tracts, at \$125 each; Everett Stevenson got one tract for \$236 and high bid of the day was from Harold Vernon Jr. who offered \$1,501 for tract five.

Trustees approved purchase of 31 signs for a cost of \$2,605. They will be used at each of the campuses and tax office.

Diana Collins was hired as new science teacher at the high school.

Trustees approved as a board policy the reassignment center, which will be used for those students who in the past would have been sent home for punishment, but now will be segregated for a period of time and class held in the former auto body classroom.

Also approved, at the recommendation of Supt. Glen Mitchell, a policy of paying teachers a supplementary

salary for college hours earned during a year, a savings to the district of some \$2,000.

"I recommend that the program be discontinued because of the career ladder and that we pay the teachers the money they would receive over the next five years in one payment next May. This will cost the district

\$4,470 rather than \$2,010 this year. However, our record keeping will be cleared if you will approve this plan," he said.

Board members also went through the formality of approving the change announced last week in scheduling kindergarten, from all-day half-year to half-day all-year.



VOLUNTEER FIREMEN hose down a railroad car loaded with anhydrous ammonia about 9:40 p.m. Friday, when a leak caused concern to residents northwest of its location. James Hartmangruber of Texoma Fertilizer was summoned to shut off a valve. Early alert had been given to the police, mayor and city administrator, should it have been determined residents should be moved for their safety, but it was not necessary.

Countdown starts Monday for Sept. 3 school start

The countdown for the Sept. 3 start of school begins Monday, when teachers report for in-service training.

Iowa Park is to host teachers from the 12 counties covered by Region Nine Service Center the first two days of next week. Some 800 educators are expected to converge on the city Monday, and 900 Tuesday.

A highlight Tuesday morning is to be a keynote speech by a California high school principal most professional football fans have seen on television, named Jim Tunney.

Wednesday through Friday, local teachers will go into their own preparations for school's opening, with the annual luncheon scheduled Thursday in the high school cafeteria.

Yesterday and today, all students from early childhood through high school who have not registered are to do so at their respective campuses.

All high school students are to pick up their schedules Thursday and Friday of next week. Seniors are to get their's Thursday morning, juniors that afternoon, sophomores Friday morning and freshmen that afternoon.

City agenda 'business as usual'

Several of the items on Monday's city council meeting agenda are familiar, mainly because they're "business as usual" topics.

The city fathers are to meet at 7 p.m. in council chambers.

One of the topics on the agenda is an on-going problem of trying to get the railroad to do what the city feels is its share of maintenance for the convenience of motorists.

An ordinance regulating operations of the railroad is on the agenda, because work promised several months ago to smooth street crossings has not been accomplished

to the city's satisfaction.

One of the resolutions listed on the agenda is almost a carbon copy of numerous agendas. It concerns demolition of a historic building in the 100 block of West Park, owned by Mrs. Lillian Grady.

The council has tabled action on the go-ahead to demolish the structure, hoping someone will step in, purchase the structure, and save it from being levelled.

A request to re-zone three lots of Block 138, in the south part of town from residential to some form of commercial, will be placed in the lap

of the council. Similar requests have been rejected twice in as many years by the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Aldermen will be asked to authorize a \$2,263 repair bill to fix two water department vehicles following a recent accident in which the two were involved.

Other items on the agenda include: a public hearing for revenue sharing

funds; appointment of a lay representative to the North Texas Library System; consider renewing an agreement with Wichita County for street improvement projects; approving street construction work on East Garden Drive and the 800 block of Van Horn, and consider purchasing of a computer terminal for the collections department at city hall.

Chamber to purchase two welcoming signs

Visitors to Iowa Park will soon be greeted by signs of welcome. Chamber of Commerce directors, at their monthly meeting Monday,

approved a proposal to erect 4x8-foot aluminum signs on the east and west ends of the old highway.

Sharing the cost of the signs, which

is \$230 each and does not include the framework, will be four civic organizations. The Rotary, Optimist, Noon and Evening Lions clubs will

each contribute \$100 to the fund, for which they will be able to attach their own signs designating meeting times and places.

One sign will be located on the southeast corner of West Highway and Johnson Road. A location has not yet been selected on the east end of town.

Robert Palmer was appointed chairman of the committee to obtain and erect the signs. Other members are Jackie Moffett and Phil Welch.

BOOTH RESERVATIONS

The Chamber is now accepting reservations for booths to be sponsored by organizations at the Oct. 5 Whoop-T-Do. Organizations are to pay a \$20 fee at the same time they list their reservation and activity at the Chamber office.

Fee for persons who will participate in the sidewalk arts and crafts show will be \$10. Both fees are unchanged from last year.

Rip Smith, second vice president of the Chamber, is chairman of this year's Whoop-T-Do.

The board took no action on a proposal to have a consumer opinion survey made in the community.

Also discussed at the meeting was where the annual membership luncheon will be held Nov. 18. A sales seminar is to be held in conjunction with the luncheon, pvt on by representatives of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber president Dr. Erwin Soell recognized new director Glen Mitchell, new superintendent of schools who was attending his first meeting, and also Alpine Ski, newest member to join the Chamber.

News in Brief

Sunday last day for pool to open

When the Bicentennial Swimming Pool closes Sunday evening, that will be it for the season.

In order for members of the pool staff to attend teacher in-service

training, and others to have a short vacation before returning to school, the decision was made to close the pool at the announced date.

It will not be reopened until next summer.

Iowa Park sales tax increase leader

Iowa Park continues to lead the other three cities of Wichita County in percentage of sales tax increase over 1984, according to the latest report from the state comptroller office.

Iowa Park's increase through the end of July was 14.97 percent over

the same period last year. The other three cities all show increases, but not as significant: Wichita Falls 4.5; Burkburnett 4.46 and Electra .48.

The July check of \$14,296 brought the city's total for the year to \$95,101.95. That compares with \$12,531 and \$82,720.

Class of '60 reunion being planned

Plans are underway for a reunion of graduates and class members of the Iowa Park High 1960 graduating class, to be held Thanksgiving weekend.

Linda Geisert Hicks said the addresses of all classmates, especially those who have moved out of the

area, are needed to coordinate the reunion.

Anyone knowing the addresses of anyone who graduated or was a member of the 1960 class, is urged to contact Mrs. Hicks, Peggy Underwood Thompson or class president Randy Trantham, by telephone or by writing to P.O. Box 625, Iowa Park.

Man arrested on DPS warrants

Iowa Park police officers arrested Michael Todd Wright at 1:29 a.m. yesterday on two warrants from

the Department of Public Safety. He was released at 1:51 after paying a \$57 fine.



GRAND OPENING of Easy Shop Food Store, at Johnson Road and Expressway, was observed by Chamber of

Commerce members when they assisted manager Gail Johnston with a ribbon cutting ceremony Friday morning.

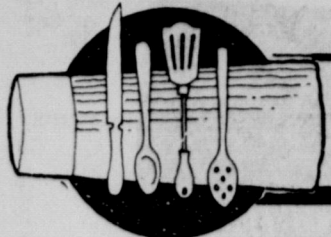
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Weather Report

Weather reports are officially compiled for Iowa Park at the Texas Experiment Station, southeast of town.

Rainfall for week.....	1.25
Total for month.....	1.32
Total for year.....	26.28



Cook of the Week

It is indeed a pleasure to have Willa (Mrs. Glen) Mitchell for the Cook of the Week. The wife of the new superintendent of Iowa Park schools, she is well-educated, an experienced and dedicated teacher, both in the classroom and at church, wife, homemaker, mother and grandmother of three grandsons.

Two of the Mitchells' grandsons, Jeremy and Ryan Roberts of Sherman have been visiting them this week and they helped their grandmother cook a meal for out-of-town relatives. Like most grandchildren, they perhaps enjoyed helping her bake a cake more than anything else.

Cakes play an important role in the most significant moments of young people and adults alike. Meals are more satisfying, special occasions more festive with a delicious cake creation, and nothing affords more pleasure for youngsters than to help their mothers and grandmothers bake and decorate one.

The former Willa Johnson was graduated from Brownfield High School. She received a BBA degree from Hardin-Simmons Univ., and her master's degree from Texas Tech. Univ. She also has certification to teach special education.

Her first teaching experience was at Brownfield where she taught shorthand and typing. She did not teach continuously when their children were young and needed her to stay home with them. She taught at Tahoka and at Henrietta when her husband was principal of schools there. She taught at Howe when Mr. Mitchell served as principal, and when he was elected superintendent of the Henrietta schools, she taught in junior high. She has been elected to teach elementary special education at Electra during 1985-86.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell joined the First Baptist Church Sunday. They are both very active church workers wherever they live, and they are especially interested in lay renewal revivals. She has been active in the Baptist Women's work, a longtime Sunday school teacher and served as WMU director at Henrietta.

Her hobbies are reading and church work.

The Mitchells have one son, Kevin, who will enter Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth next week; two daughters, Regina (Mrs. Gary) Roberts and Vique (Mrs. Ronald) Johns, both of Sherman; and three grandsons.



Mrs. Glen Mitchell
Ryan and Jeremy

LEMON BARS

Crust:
1 cup soft butter (2 sticks Parkay)
2 cups flour
Dash salt
1/2 cup powdered sugar
Cream butter until fluffy; add powdered sugar, flour and salt. This will be stiff. Pour into ungreased 9x13 pan. Bake at 375 degrees 20 minutes or until browned. Reduce oven to 350 degrees.

TOPPING

4 eggs, beaten
2 cups sugar
1/4 cup flour
6 T lemon juice
Combine flour and sugar; mix in beaten eggs and lemon juice. Pour over cooled crust. Bake at 350 degrees 25 minutes or until set. Cool. Sprinkle with powdered sugar.

SOUR CREAM POUND CAKE

Box of Ducan Hines Butter Cake Mix
1/2 cup sugar
3/4 cup Wesson or Crisco oil
1-8 oz. ctn. sour cream
1 t vanilla
1 t imitation butter flavoring
4 eggs
Mix first four ingredients; add eggs, then extracts. Put in tube pan. Bake at 325 degrees 55 minutes. Makes a very moist cake.

BARBECUED BEEF BRISKET

6 to 8 lbs. lean beef brisket, deboned and flat (not rolled)
Night before: place meat in long shallow pan. Cover with 1 bottle of liquid hickory smoke. Sprinkle generously with garlic salt, onion salt and celery salt. Refrigerate.
Next Morning: remove from refrigerator. Sprinkle generously with Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper. Cover top of pan with foil, tucking in around outer edges of pan and roast in 275 degree oven five hours. Remove from oven and cover with your favorite barbecue sauce. Roast 1 more hour. Remove meat from sauce and allow to cool before slicing. When gravy has cooled sufficiently so that fat rises to the top, skim off grease. Thicken remaining sauce to serve over cooled, sliced beef.

FRUIT SALAD

1 large can apricots
1 - 303 can chunk pineapple
1 jar maraschino cherries
2 bananas
1 pkg. vanilla pudding, cooked
2 cups fruit juice, instead of milk
Cook pudding, using fruit juice instead of milk. Cool and add to drained fruit. Chill.

CHOCOLATE CHIP BARS

Cream and save 1 cup of the following:
2 cups brown sugar
2 cups flour
1/2 cup butter
Add:
1 egg
1 t salt
1 t soda
1 cup milk
1 t vanilla
Cream brown sugar, butter and flour together and save out about 1 cup. Add remaining ingredients and

pour into a 9x13 greased pan.

Sprinkle 1 cup of the saved ingredients over top of batter. Top with chocolate chips and nuts and bake at 350 degrees 30-35 minutes. Very good.

COPPER CARROTS

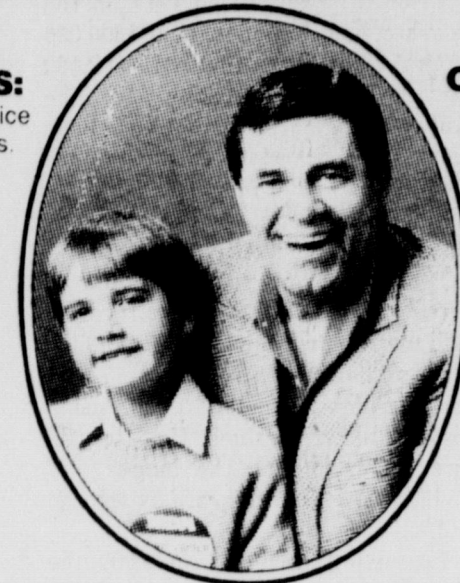
2 lbs. carrots, peeled, sliced, salted, cooked and drained.
Cook together:
1 green pepper, chopped
1 can tomato soup
1/2 cup salad oil
1 cup sugar
3/4 cup vinegar
1 tsp. prepared mustard
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
Salt and pepper to taste.
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LOOK WHO'S NEW

Clayton Ray, an eight pound, 12 ounce son, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Johnson, Aug. 11.
The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wade Coffee of Iowa Park and Bertha Mae Johnson of Wichita Falls. The great-grandparents are Mamie Johnson of Alvin and Pearl Johnson of Fort Worth.

Joint reunion slated 1986

During the 1955 class reunion this summer, it was decided to have a joint reunion of the '54, '55, and '56 classes July 6, 1986. The room mothers of the class of '55 have contacted the other room mothers and they have started making plans for the big reunion.

They are preparing to send letters to the class members, faculty members and administrators during those years to see if the plans met with their approval.

The tentative plans call for a visitation session at the ASCS building in Iowa Park between 2 - 5 p.m. followed by a dinner at 7:30 p.m. at one of the big hotels or meeting places in Wichita Falls.

The room mothers involved are Mmes. James Sewell, G.W. Lewis, Wayne Luckett, Jeff Lindley, D.O. James, Chester McManus, Joe Cope, H.B. Klinkerman and Arch Hughes.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank Robert Palmer for furnishing all the watermelons we served to the football players Saturday and B&R Thriftway for storing them in their refrigerator.
Iowa Park Booster Club

Eastern Star members given longevity pins

Three members of the Iowa Park Chapter of Order of the Eastern Star were honored with longevity pins awards at a slated meeting held Tuesday night.

Those honored were Mrs. Verna Reid and Mrs. Dorothy Beard, who received 25 year pins, and Mrs. Robbie Wells Smith, who received her 50 year certificate from the Grand Chapter of Texas, and a beautiful 50 year pin from the local chapter.

Mrs. Reid was initiated into the Keystone Chapter at Fort Worth on Aug. 29, 1959, and affiliated with the Iowa Park chapter Nov. 26, 1968, during the year when Mrs. Mary White and Walter White served as worthy matron and worthy patron.

Mrs. Reid was initiated into Charity Chapter at Baker, Mont. Feb. 4, 1960 and affiliated with the Iowa Park chapter on July 23, 1963 during the year when Mrs. Bobbie Mitchell and Larry Latimer were worthy matron and worthy patron.

Mrs. Smith was initiated into the Wellington Chapter in Dec., 1927 while she was a student at West Texas State Univ. in Canyon. Her two older sisters had waited until she was old enough to join and the three of them were initiated at the same time.



MRS. ROBBIE SMITH

She affiliated with the local chapter Oct. 12, 1948, during the year when Mrs. Lola Miller and G.C. McDonald were worthy matron and worthy patron. She served as worthy matron during 1953-54 when Taylor George served as worthy patron.

Members who served as officers with Mrs. Smith present at the meeting Tuesday were Mrs. Bernice Compton, conductress, Mrs. Effie Walsh, chaplain, Mrs. Mildred Metz, installing chaplain, Mrs. Lois Berg, sentinel. Mrs. Kathleen Hatten, another 50 year member, was among the 31 members and guests present.

Couple honored

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Lyons were honored with a 25th wedding anniversary reception Aug. 11 at the Texas Electric Reddy Room.

Children of the couple, Donna, Charlotte and Diana hosted the event.

Lyons and the former Joy Carolyn Hallum married Aug. 6, 1960. Many friends and relatives were present to help the couple celebrate. Out of town guests included Mrs. Margie Byrd of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hallum, Melissa and Grady of Bryan, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newhouse of Cache, Ok., and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Williams and family of Wichita Falls.

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As I See It....

By BOB HAMILTON



Referring to our lead story on the front page about school tax increase, I hope you are beginning to understand that for the past 18 months I've not been an old sorehead when I gripe about the school reform bill passed in special session by our state legislature.

The cost increases are just now being realized, even though we had a five-cent increase this past year.

What's causing the increases? Requirements in HB 72 which mandate more teachers for fewer students, more rooms in which to teach, annual salary increases, more classes and several others, but with less funding from state.

Also the legislature's idea of sharing the wealth. If a district's tax

values are greater than others, the extra money is sent to the state, and on to those poorer districts. If a district doesn't have a tax rate as high as the state average, then the state just deducts that much more from what it sends the district.

And all this hits, the increased costs of education, right at a time when most school districts that derived a good portion of their revenues from oil production are having their values cut. That means, those who had a good thing going because of oil taxes are now having to pick up a greater share of local taxes.

I hope I'm wrong, in agreeing with the three school board members who voted against the 71-cent tax rate, and wanted to set it at 75-cents.

Don't get upset with me, now.

Remember, I'm right here in the same district as you and pay the same taxes.

But my fear is that by not going higher than the 71 cents next year, we're only delaying the really larger increases. The state average last year was 62-cents, nine cents less than our's. And I'm betting the average across Texas this year will be in the 78-82 range.

Of 14 districts I'm watching in newspapers I get from around the state, nine of them have set taxes higher than 71-cents. They range as high as \$1.04 at Decatur. Slaton went up three cents to \$1. Bridgeport is up five cents to 76-cents, and is figuring in a \$400,000 deficit.

Some districts with lower rates, such as Quanah, Perryton, Andrews and Friona were able to maintain their same rates, or in Friona's case even cut a couple of pennies, but it is because of increased values, either additions or re-evaluations.

I still say the Wichita Falls school district bought time last year by getting that big bond issue passed. What's their's now? 87.4-cents, and I'm betting it'll rise more next year, after they've spent the interest off those bonds they've had on deposit all year.

I don't believe anyone disagrees with the intent of the legislature when HB 72 was passed. They wanted education improved over our state.

But theory seldom works, unless there is some common sense applied. And the politicians who voted for the bill, as passed, can no longer sit back and say they didn't raise taxes.

I hope our political memories grow, as our bank balances shrink.

Area oil, gas report

At a location four miles north of Kamay, S&J Operating Co. has finished a new oil producer in the Wichita Regular Field.

The well is designated as the No. 9 T.J. & J.L. Waggoner "A", pumping oil at the rate of 16 barrels per day. The well also made 76 barrels of water per day.

Location is in a lease in the H. George Survey, A-451. Bottomed at 1,561 feet, the well will produce from a set of perforations in the Cisco Sand Formation, 1,379 to 1,391 feet into the wellbore.

The well is located 150 feet from the south line and 300 feet from the east line of the lease.

Claude Melroy has filed first production figures on a new oil well in the Wichita Regular Field. The No. 6 Gibson "B" showed potential to make 13 barrels of oil per day, along with 40 barrels of water.

Drillsite is in a lease in the Waggoner Colony S/D Survey, Blk. 302, six miles north-northeast of Electra. The well will produce from an interval in the Megargel Sand Formation, 1,906 to 1,920 feet into the wellbore. Total drilling depth was 2,000 feet.

Location is 1,200 feet from the north line and 750 feet from the east line of the lease.

Four 1,900-ft. developmental wells are planned by Landrum West, Inc. of Burkburnett at drillsites three to four miles southeast of Clara, Wichita Regular Field.

The No. 1-L C.F. Collins is to be located in a 58-acre lease in the L.C. Denison Survey, A-55. The well will be situated 725 feet from the south line and 150 feet from the west line of the lease.

Drillsites for the Nos. 28-L & 29-L Hugh Reilly are in a 2,114-acre lease in the SPRR Survey, A-437. Location for the No. 28-L well is 1,025 feet from the south line and 150 feet from the east line of the lease. The No. 29-L well will be drilled 1,112 feet from the north line and 150 feet from the east line of the lease.

The No. 3-L W.W. Viles will be located in a 170-acre lease in the J. Waldschmidt Survey, A-570. It will be situated 770 feet from the most westerly north line and 150 feet from the west line of the lease.

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1,800 feet, the well will be in a 40-acre lease in the R. Hornsby Survey, A-97. The operator is Thompson Pipe & Supply.

Drillsite is 162 feet from the south line and 150 feet from the east line of the lease.

Gene Robertson Oil Co. of Burkburnett has revealed plans to drill two 1,300-ft. developmental wells in the Wichita Regular Field. The operator has 120 acres leased, with drillsites in the CTRR Survey, A-443. The wells will be known as the Nos. 75 & 76 Staley-Beach. Drillsites are 3.5 to 3.8 miles southeast of Burkburnett.

The No. 75 well will be drilled 2,650 feet from the south line and 150 feet from the most westerly east line of the lease.

The No. 76 well will be situated 2,350 feet from the south line and 150 feet from the most westerly east line of the lease.

FORMER DIRECTOR TO SING IN AREA

Darrell Dick, former Iowa Park High choral director and director of music at various area churches, will be singing at a revival service Sept. 3 at First Baptist Church of Lakeside City. The program is to begin at 6 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

Mr. Hamilton,

I want to say thanks to someone that I believe would in his newspaper stand tall for America.

When all that was on TV about the atomic bomb on Japan, I even asked Fred to turn it off. It was degrading to our men that's left, who fought that awful war.

All the history books can not ever describe that day, Dec. 7, 1941, how people of this great country felt.

Who started it? Our great nation or Japan.

If instead of all this whimpering about the Japanese people would stop, and someone could and would say something nice about our World War II veterans and how they fought for our freedom.

Yes, I had a husband and 3 brothers gone. One brother fought the Japanese people for 4 1/2 years; at 57 his wife was a widow.

I don't want anyone telling me how things were, I was there with 2 babies to care for alone. I tell you one thing, I would like to have on TV,

nation-wide, and that is if it isn't made in America, don't buy. I'm sick of the whole distorted mess.

Would our people gather aluminum now and pile it up? Or would they say to heck with it?

Somebody some day will figure it out, how many husbands, sons and brothers and friends were lost in that war. So we can still drive from coast to coast, degrade the president in public, live in our homes, speak as we please, go to the church of our choice and keep buying all we can from overseas. So America can bottom out good.

But let me say, God Bless America, Please!

Mrs. Fred Toler

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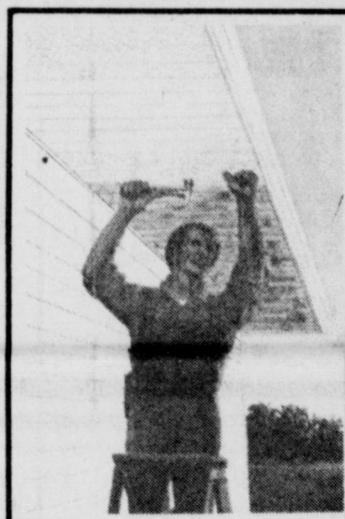
to be charged for natural gas service to residential and commercial customers in the environs area (outside incorporated limits) of Iowa Park, Texas.

The rate schedule, which is already in effect for customers within the city limits, is expected to furnish a .12 percent increase in the Company gross revenues in the environs of Iowa Park, Texas.

A statement of intent has been filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 406 Park Center, Iowa Park, Texas.

Any affected person desiring to contest such changes in rates can file a complaint with the Director of the Gas Utilities Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, 55 North-I.H. 35, Austin, Texas, 78711.

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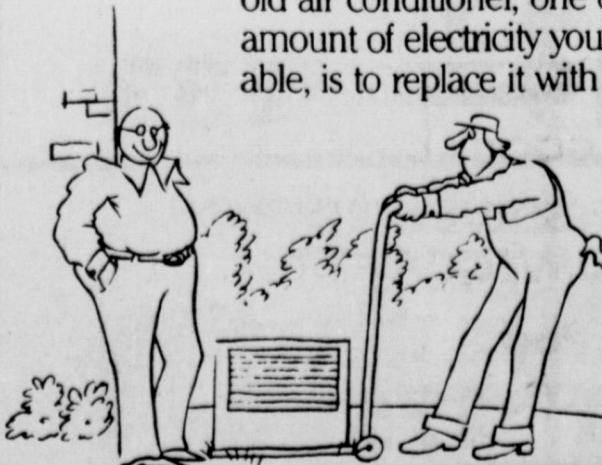
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