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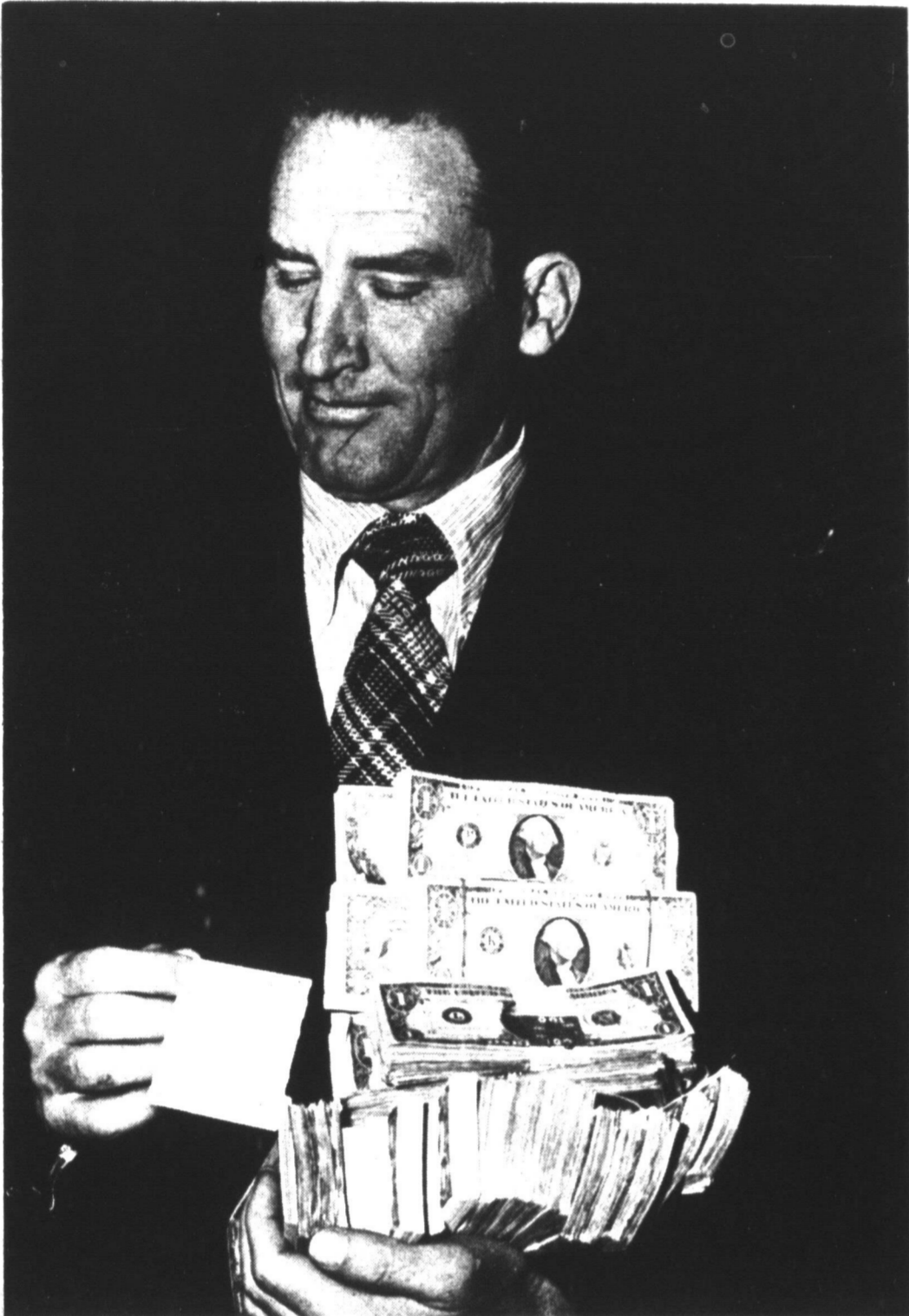
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Quite a tidy bundle. Clarendon schools superintendent Jeff Walker displays the Lone Star Gas bill for the month of February in disbelief as he holds a stack of \$1 bills almost large enough to pay the bill of \$2,046.42. This is more than twice what was considered a large bill a year ago and is in spite of the fact that the school tried to conserve as much energy as practical.

Lions Schedule Tuesday 'Sight Conservation Day'

Tuesday, March 25, is designated by the Lions Club as Sight Conservation Day.

Lions will be selling miniature white canes in various places of business for a nominal donation to the cause and handing out information and eye donor cards.

Lions of the Panhandle

District 2-T1, through 72 Lions Clubs, operate the Hi-Plains Eye Bank, which annually makes possible the gift of sight to many condemned to darkness through the benevolence of those who indicate their wish to donate their eyes on death by filling out one of the cards.

The Lions Club uses the money collected to pay for eye examinations and get eye glasses for those in need and pay for eye transplant operations.

The Hi Plains Eye Bank at Amarillo collects the donor eyes at death upon notification of the family or physician of the deceased and distributes them to hospitals where a cornea is needed for grafting or transplantation. It also stores the vitreous fluid for use in retinal detachment operations or in transplants.

The only source of eyes for the bank, which furnishes them free of charge when needed, is removal after death from persons who authorized this use while living. The eucliation (removal of eyes) is carefully done, and modern morticians close the eyes skillfully so that they appear normal. All religions have approved the procedure, and there is no discrimination.

An eye from any age person can be used, even those who have had a cataract operation or a corneal transplantation. Healthy, clear corneal tissue can also be used from those who wear eye glasses.

These eyes are never bought or sold. They are furnished free to patients and hospitals needing them. Eyes cannot be designated for a specific person. They are used for the next patient on an eye surgeon's list. In the event a patient is not available within the limited time fresh tissues may be used, the cornea and vitreous are preserved and stored for later use or shipped elsewhere. If a donated eye is diseased or cannot be used for grafting, it is carefully studied in research to help find causes and cures for blindness.

Eyes may be donated by signing a donor card and notifying your kin of your desire and by informing your family physician of your action. The Eye Bank must be notified immediately after death (day or night) by relatives or the family physician. The Eye Bank then takes care of all arrangements without delay.

ready for another coast of asphalt and gravel. The cost of asphalt and gravel will be applied to those streets that need it and some streets will receive a second coat of asphalt and gravel where needed.

The patching work will probably begin about the middle of April and will continue along with the repaving throughout the summer months.

The overall project will cost about \$30,000 city officials estimated, but it is felt that the streets are a priority item and should be taken care of as soon as possible. The majority of expense will be paid from revenue sharing funds which are being received by the city.

Dirt streets will receive six inches of screenings, which when watered, rolled and packed will be about four inches of good base road. The improvement to dirt streets are already in progress and will continue until all that are in need of material are covered.

Absentee Voting

An election for Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District was called for April 5, 1975 for the election of 2 trustees. The election will be held from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the School Administration Building with Willard Skelton serving as election judge.

Absentee voting started March 17 and will continue through April 1 at 5:00 p.m. in the school administration building.

City Paving Program Now Underway Here

The City of Clarendon has begun an extensive street renovation program including both paved streets and dirt streets.

According to Mayor H. M. Breedlove and the Board of Aldermen, the paved streets will be patched with hot patching, rolled and made

Burglary Suspect Arranged

Cleveland Turner, 22 years old, of Clarendon was arranged before Peace Justice C. L. Lewis Tuesday on a charge of burglarizing Henson's Store in Clarendon. Lewis set bond at \$2,000. Turner was remanded to the Donley County Jail in lieu of bond.

Turner was taken to the Groom Hospital early Monday morning in a private car with minor gunshot wounds in his back. Clarendon Police Chief Gary Gerdes said he understood that Turner was injured when the gun he had shouldered fired and ricocheted off a surface into his back.

Henson's suffered the loss of two guns, a shotgun and a .22 caliber rifle, in the early Monday morning burglary, which was investigated by Gerdes and Texas Ranger Bill Baten from Pampa.

Entry into the store was made by smashing out the glass in the front door of the building. The break-in was discovered shortly after 6 a.m. Monday morning.

In Special Session Monday—

Commission Ponders Sheriff Woes

Donley County Commissioners Court, meeting Monday in special session to consider the appointment of a new sheriff, postponed making a selection until Friday of this week. Most members of the court voiced the opinion that they would prefer to give some additional thought to the appointment after interviewing three applicants for the job.

The action was necessitated by the resignation of Sheriff Frank Lindsey Jr., who turned in his resignation to the commissioners March 11.

Appearing briefly before the Monday meeting of the commissioners, Lindsey re-

quested that he be relieved of his duties at that time. Commissioners failed to act on his resignation, however, until checking with J. C. Davis, county affairs officer of the Attorney General's office, pertaining to the legality of keeping the county tax office open during the absence of the Tax Assessor-Collector, an office held by Lindsey as part of the sheriff's job.

Davis, in a conversation with County Judge Billie Christal, recommended that the resignation not be accepted until a successor is appointed and bonded by the state.

Six people had voiced a

desire to appear before the commissioners in seeking the sheriff's job. Two of these were not heard because they did not meet residence requirements set by the state. Public law requires that anyone elected or appointed to fill the position live in the county for six months and in the state for 12 months prior to taking office.

Chief Deputy Clyde James met briefly with the commissioners and told the court that he "had come to the decision I just don't believe I'd be interested. I feel it's a great honor to be sheriff of Donley County and

I appreciate working with you (the commissioners), but I feel like it's best for me not to take the job."

Police Chief Gary Gerdes was interviewed by Commissioners as a prospective applicant and voiced a desire for the commissioners to think about combining the law enforcement agencies of the county and city into one office. He also proposed that a law enforcement commission be established which would be made up of the mayor and one alderman from the city and the county judge and one commissioner from the county plus one other individual. Under this proposal the department would operate on a combined budget made up of city and county contributions.

Gerdes said he has been involved with law enforcement for the past 16 years including four years in Swisher County, two years with the security force at West Texas State University and with the city police department here for the past 10 years.

He also told the commissioners that he would need \$750 per month in salary. The present salary paid by the county is \$645 per month.

Another applicant who asked to meet with commissioners, Truett Behrens, said he thought "it's the biggest mistake you can ever make" when asked by commissioners what he thought of combining the sheriff's office with the police department.

Behrens also told commissioners that he and his wife, Thelma, would live in the jail facilities. He cited his 22 years in law work as qualifications for the job and told the court that he would "like to see 'em (the commissioners) get at it and respect the other man's job."

Deputy Steve Vines who is now stationed at Hedley appeared before the court briefly. There was some apparent confusion over Vines' appearance since

Vines told the commissioners that he didn't appear to be interviewed for the job but would put in his application. He said he took his law enforcement certification in Amarillo late last year and has lived in the county for the past seven and a half months. He told the commissioners that he didn't know much about the tax office other than having helped to fill out some of the forms for the rendering of the coming year's taxes at times.

OTHER ACTION

The only official action carried out in the Monday meeting which began at 10 a.m. and adjourned about 3 p.m. was a unanimous vote by court members to purchase two large remote radios and one small telephone remote unit from Lindsey for \$375. In addition, commissioners voted to buy three chairs from Lindsey which he had purchased and paid for himself for the sheriff's office some time ago.

The radio equipment was purchased by Lindsey from the former sheriff, Clyde James, when he took office.

Commissioners also discussed the repair or replacement of the radar unit being used by Highway Patrol officers working out of Donley County. Christal said the officers stationed here had informed him that their unit, purchased in December, 1973, had been acting up and should either be repaired or replaced. Commissioners elected to call Kustom Signals, Inc., of Chanute, Kansas, and inquire about any warranty that might exist on the unit before proceeding further with any of the alternatives.

Shortly before adjourning the afternoon session, the court decided to take up the question of deciding on a sheriff's appointee Friday morning, when they will again meet in a called session.

Gerdes Backs Out, James Resigns, Lindsey Speaks—

Plot Thickens as Lindsey Reconsiders Resignation

County commissioners will need a program when they meet again Friday in another called session to try to resolve their problems in the sheriff's office and county tax-assessor's office.

Tuesday's events resemble a Chinese puzzle, and began early in the day for county officials.

Chief Deputy Clyde James turned in his resignation to Sheriff Frank Lindsey Jr. early Tuesday morning. He cited no specific reason for leaving the sheriff's department and declined to specify any cause in a telephone conversation with the Press about noon Tuesday. He said he "thought it was the right thing to do."

Also early Tuesday morning, Chief of Police for Clarendon, Gary Gerdes, submitted a letter to County Judge Billie Christal advising him that he was

withdrawing his application from the commissioners court for the appointment to the sheriff's job.

Gerdes said he was happy with the present rapport between the city aldermen and mayor and himself. He also stated that the aldermen had advised him to take a leave of absence from his city job to seek the appointment to the county sheriff's office.

With Gerdes' withdrawal, only one name would apparently be left for serious consideration by commissioners court at their Friday meeting, that being former sheriff Truett Behrens who had also applied for the appointment to fill the unexpired term created by Sheriff Frank Lindsey Jr.'s resignation.

In a personal interview late Tuesday night, Lindsey said he had advised Judge Christal that he would

withdraw his letter of resignation provided the county will provide dispatch service after closing hours at the court house.

Lindsey said his wife had been providing the service for the past two years at no charge to the county, and had been dispatching not only for his office, but also for the highway patrolmen, game wardens, city officers and any other officers who might be coming through the area. He had originally asked the county in January, 1975 to pay his wife \$150 a month for her services as dispatcher since the city would have contributed a matching amount.

County commissioners tabled the dispatch question in their January meeting. Lindsey was advised by Christal shortly after the

College Student Plans Herpetology Society Here—

Snakes Alive...Rattlers Galore!

Some people like to live dangerously. For instance Clarendon College freshman Doug Meador, Evel Knievel has nothing on him.

Meador is an amateur herpetologist who catches rattlesnakes. Of course, it helps if you have a \$130 pair of snakebite proof bull hide boots and a four-foot pair of togs as he does.

With or without such protection, this is the season when extreme caution should be exercised when climbing around in the hills, Meador said. This is because the snakes are coming out of winter hibernation to bask in the sun on the hillsides near their dens. After several warm days in a row, they will be ready to abandon the den entirely throughout the summer.

Last Sunday, Meador was home visiting at Matador and went out to check the hills. He found four or five Western Diamondback Rattlers sunning near a den entrance and applied a little gasoline spray. The fumes soon drove a total 50 of the ornery reptiles from the lair.

"I just wish I'd have had them Saturday," he said. He gave a demonstration at the annual St. Patrick's Day celebration at Shamrock the day before his big find and only had four specimens to show. All of the others captured in his last big hunt died from the cold when they were stowed in a friend's basement. With friends like that, who needs enemies.

These rattlers will be used in a Clarendon College Sportsmen Club barbecue within about a month, said sponsor Clarence Hamilton, who originated the organization in 1969. The Sportsmen hold periodic social activities at Greenbelt Lake. They also render service, having planted many trees around the lake. Meador said he hopes to

arouse enough local interest in snake hunting to start a local chapter of the Herpetology Society, which has several chapters in Oklahoma. Society president Roger Simpson from Maude, Okla., comes down to Texas to hunt with friends at Matador and attends some of the big Texas snake hunts, such as the Sweetwater Roundup.

When he was 11 years old, Meador started hunting snakes after a friend showed him how to drive them out of their dens, and he has been associated with Simpson in the Herpetology Society four years.

"From 1,500 to 2,000 people are bitten each year by poisonous snakes in the United States," Meador said, "mostly while handling snakes. Of these, about 30 die each year. Most of these are small children." Meador has been bitten twice himself. Once by a young rattler which he had just milked, so he had no reaction. The other was a rank old rattler he was milking at the yearly Clairmont Peace Officers Association Snake Shoot, at which he gave a demonstration of the way not to do it.

But his enthusiasm wasn't dampened by what he describes as the worst experience of his life. Mention the word "snake" and he'll pop open his briefcase filled with dried venom, dissecting kit, 109 snake rattles, handy snakebit kit and scrapbook filled with clippings of snake pictures and stories and begin to rattle of snake lore and interesting tidbits. He has, for example, a photo of the largest rattler taken, a 11' 4" Eastern Diamondback.

"Bill Ransberger of Sweetwater has been bitten more than 30 times," Meador said, noting that he is still not immune to the venom. He said that some snake

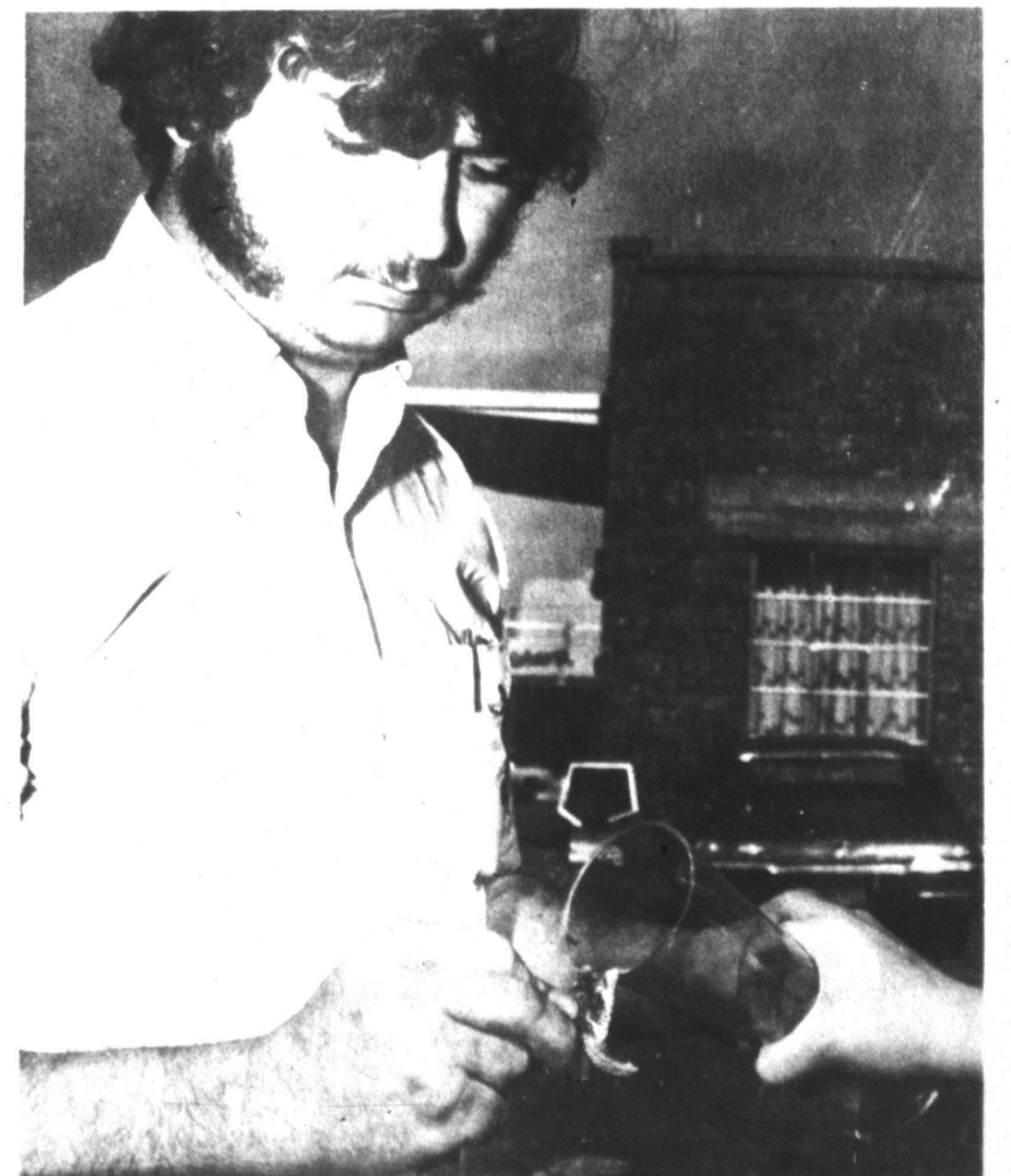
devotees make more than \$100 a day milking the venom from more than 300 snakes daily. It is used to make anti-venom, the antidote for snakes.

This area, Meador said, is the native habitat of the Prairie Rattler, the Masagwa (more venomous and deadly than the more common

Western Diamondback) in addition to the Diamondback Rattler.

These slithering denizens of the prairie have an uncanny sense of smell used to track prey they have bitten to the point of its demise. Their olfactory are centered in the pits below the eyes, hence the term pit viper.

Anyone who would like to join a local chapter of the Herpetology Society is encouraged to grab tongs, snake loops, high top boots and call Meador or Clarence Hamilton. Maybe there are enough snakes in Donley County dens still holed over from the winter to start it off with a good roundup.



Doug Meadors steadies the hand of Janie Wilkinson, both Clarendon College Sportsmen Club members, as she holds the receptacle for the venom he is milking from this rattlesnake, one of 50 he captured last Sunday in preparation for the Sportsmen Club barbecue coming up next month.

Plot Thickens.

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February meeting that they (the commissioners court) had forgotten to bring the matter up in that meeting.

At the regular March meeting, Lindsey said the court called Amarillo to find out about a grant program to take care of the dispatching salaries. Lindsey said they were told they could get the grant and commissioners court told him that they would take another look at it.

The following day, Tuesday, March 11, Lindsey submitted his resignation in a letter to officials of the commissioners court.

PLAY BY PLAY

Lindsey said during the interview that differences with the commissioners have

been publicized before, but not to the extent of the amount of difference.

When he took office in January, 1973, salaries for the county law officers were extremely low. His salary at that time was \$497 per month. The chief deputy was getting \$388 and the deputy stationed at Hedley was paid \$283 per month. In addition to these figures, the deputies were allowed \$200 per month for car expenses and the sheriff drew \$300 for his expenses. These expenses were constant whether they covered the actual operation of automobiles for county use or not.

During October and November, 1973, a grievance committee was formed by the elected officials of the county and four other individuals to seek raises for county officials. Lindsey said the committee lacked one vote carrying, needing a 100 per cent vote.

department in 1975. As of the first of this year, Lindsey says, all of these counties have provided their employees with cost of living increases.

In January, 1975, commissioners voted to provide county law enforcement officers with county vehicles and pay actual expenses. They purchased two used cars for deputies and ordered one new car. This automobile has not yet been delivered to the county.

Lindsey said he had asked for a salary of \$7,800 per year and was given an annual salary of \$7,500 by commissioners. The deputies were raised to \$6,000 annually at the same time.

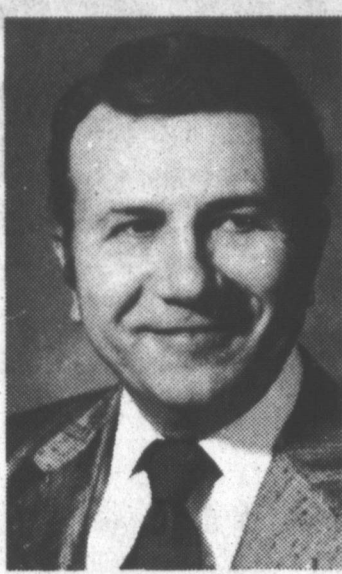
In closing, Lindsey said the remote radio equipment sold to the county during Monday's session had been moved from his home into the county offices and he would pick up his letter of resignation provided the county agree to get someone to serve as dispatcher.

According to County Attorney John Knorpp's interpretation of the law, since the resignation has not been acted upon one way or another by the commissioners court, should Lindsey elect to pick up the letter, he would remain in his post of sheriff and county tax assessor-collector, regardless of the preference of the commissioners or county voters.

Hedley Lions Will Dedicate Den Mar. 27

The dedication ceremonies of the Hedley Lions Clubs new building will be held Thursday evening of next week March 27, during a ladies night banquet starting at 7:30 p.m. Lions District Governor Charles E. Allen of Friona will be the speaker. Lion Allen is an able speaker. He is executive vice president of the Friona State Bank.

He is a former mayor of Friona and is a member of the Baptist church and the Masonic Lodge. He served the district as Lt. District Governor for a year before becoming district governor. He is a past president, secretary and treasurer of the Friona Lions Club. Hedley's Singing Sweethearts will give a musical program after the dedication. Area Lions and their ladies



CHARLES E. ALLEN

are invited and urged to attend this big event.

Bus Station Moves to Press Office

Local service for Continental Trailways bus lines was moved earlier this week into the Clarendon Press offices, district manager L. R. Peek of Amarillo announced Tuesday.

Office hours for bus services will coincide with

normal operating hours of the newspaper office. Late service will be handled up until about midnight Monday through Wednesday. The office will be closed at 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday and on weekends. Service will be available at any time, however, by calling newspaper employees after hours. The office will open at 8 a.m. Monday through Friday.

The longer hours of operation will give Continental Trailways customers faster service from terminals in Amarillo, Wichita Falls and Dallas. Five buses leave Clarendon daily in each direction.

Easterling Rites Held Here Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Maggie Mae Easterling, 95, were held Saturday at 1 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Clarendon. Mrs. Easterling died Wednesday at Brook Haven Hospital in Dallas.

Rev. Rex Easterling, pastor of the Open Door Baptist Church at Rogers, Ark., officiated. Burial was in Citizens Cemetery under the direction of Schooler-Gordon-Robertson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Easterling, born at Fordyce, Ark., had been a Donley County resident since 1924, coming here from Gray County. She married Joel Henry Easterling in 1897 at Fordyce. He died in 1942. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Ruthie Wasson of Panhandle, Mrs. Virgie Jordan of Friona and Mrs. Margaret Sue Morrow of Dallas; five sons, Earl of Clarendon, Clyde of Bentonville, Ark., Claude of Pea Ridge, Ark., Fred of Farmington, N.M., and J. T. of Beaumont, Calif.; 16 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Johnson visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Jones, and family in Amarillo Sunday.

Virgil Johnson of Hedley visited his mother, Mrs. Johnson, in Clarendon Rest Home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Mendenhall and daughter of Amarillo visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mendenhall, Sunday.

Chamberlain

by MRS. HAWLEY HARRISON

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Evans of Heyburn, Idaho, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam McAnear and family and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Harrison visited with them Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Harrison were in Amarillo on business Tuesday.

Marcy Helms of Lelia Lake spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Koontz and they visited Mrs. Fannie Stone and Mrs. Blanche Smith at Medical Center Nursing Home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Barbee and Jennifer and Jan attended the tractor pull in Ft. Worth last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Elliott visited Veda and Othel Elliott Friday morning. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Jones Jr. came Saturday for a visit with the J. D. Jones Sr., and the Hawley and Dennis Harrisons.

Mrs. Pauline Koontz visited Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Cora Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dinger visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ballew.

Dennis and Loretta Harrison visited the David Lanes Friday night.

Wanda and Dood Cornell were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Elliott Sunday.

Sunday was such a beautiful day, Hawley wanted to go for a drive, and we drove up to the Maekenzie Dam, south of Claude. It's an impressive sight, and will be

106 feet deep at the dam when it fills completely. As we drove in home a delightful surprise awaited us. Pat Harrison of Heyburn, Idaho, had just driven in. She had visited in Dalhart with Karen and Mike and Tess Foster and Mike, Mary K. and Jeremy Jones.

Mrs. Roy Blackman has gone to her doctor for a check-up. We hope she will be OK.

Higgins Quilting Club meets Tuesday with Mrs. Otto Elliott.

Mrs. Louise Fricks and Mrs. Lena Graham were Sunday visitors of Ruth and Nell Corbin. Bradis Ballew and Ethel Dinger visited awhile, too.

Mrs. Richard Cannon is back home after a visit with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Patterson, and staying with her niece and nephews, children of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Turner, while they were in Hawaii for business and pleasure.

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TO THE TAXPAYERS OF DONLEY COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT:

All persons owning personal and/or real property within the County of Donley, is respectfully requested by Opal E. James, Tax-Assessor-Collector, to come by the office at Medical Center, Clarendon, Texas, at their earliest convenience and render such property for the purpose of taxation.

The law, in effect, provides that all property shall be listed or rendered by the owner thereof, if the person is of full age and of sound mind, but when it becomes necessary for the tax-assessor, her deputy or others who have to be hired for such purpose to seek out each property owner and secure the individual renditions or complete the process by mail, the expenses involved are greatly increased and the additional expense is borne by the TAXPAYERS.

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Varsity Wins Track Meet Saturday

Coach Bob Lemons' varsity Clarendon High School track team won their second meet of the year Saturday at White Deer with a total 95 points. The Broncos also won the Roughrider Relays at Boys Ranch February 28.

Second place winners at the White Deer tournament was Sanford-Fritch, with 87 points, and Shamrock was third with 66 points.

Clarendon's sprint relay team won second place with a 45.4 time in the 440-yard event. Running for the Broncos were Larry Shields, Eddie Eads, Barry Schafer and Kenneth King.

Gary Davis placed fifth in the 880-yard run, clocked at 2:14.1. Frist place in the 100-yard dash was King, 9.8. John Hall, 54 seconds flat, was third in the 440-yard dash.

Gary Davis won first place in the 33-yard intermediate hurdles (42.0), and Schafer placed fourth at 44.5. King won first place with 22.5 in the 220-yard dash.

The Bronc mile relay team (Eads, Schafer, John Hall and Davis) won fourth place with 3:41.1 time.

In the field events, King placed first in the shot at 46' 4". Rick Mooring was fourth at 39' 9". King was first in broad jump at 20' 9 3/4" and Davis was fourth at 20'.

This Saturday, the varsity and "B" teams will travel to Memphis. Prelims start at 9:30 a.m., and finals begin at 1:30 p.m. The junior high teams will be at Shamrock.

Plowin' Out the Corners

by UNCLE ZEB

Connie Hukill, a niece who lives in Texarkana, recently sent us a Copy of a column called Orr-Bits from their paper and written by Jimmie May Orr for The Times... We liked the column, used a poem in some of our correspondence, and wrote a little Thank You to Mrs. Orr... Maybe it is a small world and out of this incident Connie and Mrs. Orr met each other, and Uncle Zeb is to be a guest columnist in her very unusual feature. Also quoting from Mrs. Orr's Orr-Bits:

"Be sure the brain is in gear before you put the mouth in motion." ... This is such good advice Jimmie May and we wish that we could always remember to do this... Thanks for the help and we think your column name was such a clever idea... God Bless Your Work.

We just got to thinking: God doesn't have to pull the rug out from under our lives in order to bring us to our knees... If HE only leaves us to our own strength we will soon fall flat.

Once we had a desire to want to try and change all those we met from other church groups to see every thing as we did... We have long since given up on that idea... If we really wanted to waste our time we could begin by trying to straighten out or reform those in our own church group.

My Insurance Friend clips the following from some of his papers: "You are a friend I can depend upon to be around when you need me."

"If at first you don't succeed, so much for sky-diving." "I'll own this place someday, if they keep giving me the business." "I have a responsible job, no matter what goes wrong, they all say that I'm responsible." "Everything comes to those who waits, on themselves."

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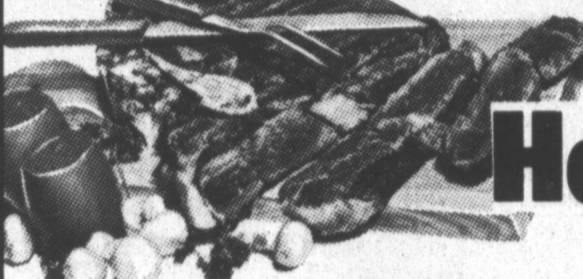
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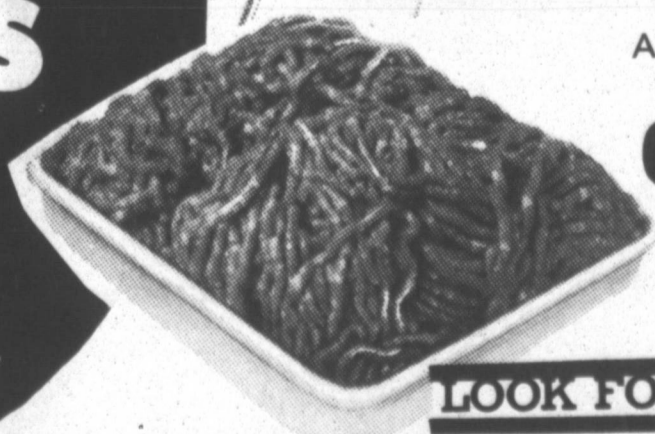
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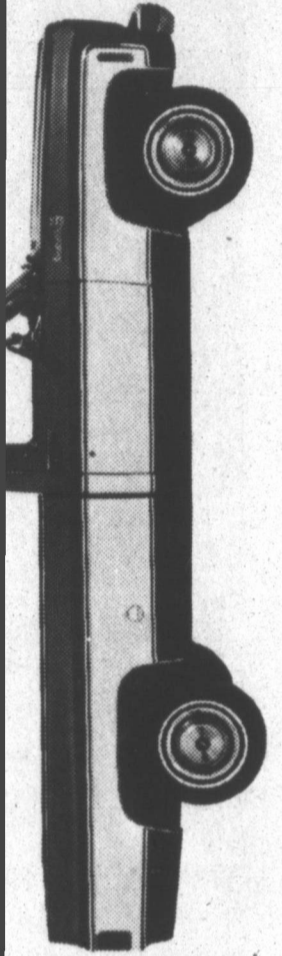
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Haggis-Chamberlain Wedding Plans Told

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony P. Haggis of Cincinnati, Ohio announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Diane to Fred E. Chamberlain III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Chamberlain, Jr. of Clarendon, Texas. Miss Haggis graduated from Norwood High School, Norwood, Ohio and the University of Cincinnati, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in English Education.

She was a member of The Tribunal, a student government organization within the Education College. Miss Haggis was formerly employed in retail management with Sears, Roebuck and Company in St. Louis, Missouri. Chamberlain graduated from Kemper Military School and College, Booneville, Missouri, and from General Motors Institute of Technology in Flint, Michigan where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity. The couple will marry April 26 in Cincinnati and will reside in Clarendon, where Chamberlain will be employed with his father at the Chamberlain Motor Co.



Patricia Diane Haggis

Religious Thoughts

by JAMES O. BRANDON

Every farmer knows the importance of good soil. He knows that there are different kinds of soil. He knows the importance of taking care of the soil. The quality of the soil determines the yield of the crop.

Jesus told a story about soils: A farmer was planting his fields. The ancient method of sowing was by hand, scattering the seed. As he sowed, some of the seed fell by the roadside. The birds came and ate it up. Some of the seed fell on rocky soil where there was little depth of good earth. The seed germinated quickly and the tiny plants grew. They were soon scorched in the hot sun and died. They had little root and there wasn't much chance of them developing in the shallow soil. The farmer had neglected to keep his field clean. Weeds were growing hither and yon. Some of the seed fell among these weeds, sprang up, and began to grow. The weeds, taking in all the moisture and nurture, soon choked out the tender plants. Some of the seed fell on good ground and produced a bountiful crop (Luke 13:4-8).

These different types of soil reminded Jesus of some people He had met. Their life in relation to God was like the four kinds of soil: hard and dry, shallow, grown up with weeds and good.

Jesus explained that the hard road side where some of the seed fell resembles those whose hearts are hardened. They hear a sermon or a passage read from the Bible and are never touched by it. They see death and eternity looking them in the face and are not moved to become better persons. The seeds planted in their souls by God are snatched away by the Devil as the birds devoured the seeds which fell on the hard surface of the road.

The shallow or rocky soil reminded the Lord of a person who hears the Word of God, receives it gladly, and begins living a different and new life for awhile. Gradually, he drops by the wayside. He stops going to church. Eventually, he has no use for God. He has withered like the young plants in the shallow ground because they didn't have any roots. There is no depth to his experience with God. His religion is all surface. There has been no deepening of his Christian experience. The problems of life are too much for him. He loses his confidence in God, the church and people in general. His enthusiasm for God was all surface; it faded.

The weedy soil represented the person who hears the message of God and makes a good try at living the Christian life. The problem, that he has, is all those weeds which he allows to grow in his soul along with the good seed. Weeds always seem to grow without cultivation or effort. Soon the good the person would do is crowded out by things. He just doesn't have time for the Lord, the church, and those things which develop a person spiritually. Any little thing can keep such a person from church. God isn't first in his life. There are too many other interests in life. God is just choked out.

The Lord appreciated good soil. He saw the importance of it. He knew that you had to keep it clean and put the necessary ingredients in it in order to produce a crop. He saw some people in this light. They keep their lives clean. They put the right things into their life to build a good and happy life. They have time for God, His church, people and the things that make for a good life. Jesus said, "Such people are valuable. They produce much fruit. You can look for a good crop from their lives." (Luke 13:8ff).

Where do you fit? What kind of soil are you? Do you have depth of character and roots that go down to a good solid foundation? Are you hung up on materialism? Are things more important to you than people? Do you give God a chance at you, or do you just not have time for Him? Do you allow just anything to crowd out His time? Are you like the hard roadway? Do you just not care? Are you like the good ground that produces a good crop?

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Wanda Trout and Joe Evans Tet Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Gene Trout, Clarendon, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Wanda Jeanette, to Joe Wayne Evans. The wedding planned for June 14 will be held in the First Baptist Church, Clarendon.

Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Evans, Abernathy, Texas.

Miss Trout is a graduate of Clarendon High School and is now attending Clarendon Junior College majoring in math. Her fiancé is a graduate of Abernathy High School. He is attending Clarendon Junior College majoring in physical Education.

Mrs. Cula Jo Trout and her daughter, Wanda, were Amarillo visitors Saturday.

An "Old fashion pounding" and dinner, honoring tray Chamberlain will be held Sunday night at the Presbyterian Church.



Wanda Trout and Joe Wayne Evans

White-Monroe Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. White of Hedley announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Shauna Lea, to Danny Lynn Monroe of Clarendon. The wedding is scheduled for Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Hedley Church of Christ.

Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Monroe of Clarendon.

Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

Church of Christ Meeting Set March 23-26

J. R. Chism, minister of the Childress Church of Christ, will be guest evangelist at the Clarendon Church of Christ March 23 through 26. Chism last meeting here was three years ago.

His father was a pioneer preacher in this area. Services are slated for Sunday, March 23, at 10:30 a.m. and at 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, he will conduct services at 8 p.m. There will be a Tuesday noon salad luncheon after a 10:30 a.m. service. The public is invited to attend.

Methodist Opportunities

Thursday morning at 6:30 p.m. the mens prayer breakfast will be held at the Country Kitchen.

At 9:30 a.m. the ladies study group will meet at the church. 6:30 p.m. the Methodist student movement will be held at the church.

7:30 p.m. Edith Ballew United Methodist Womens Group will meet.

Wednesday 3 p.m. Anna Merchant United Methodist Womens group will meet at Mrs. Rolle Brumley's.

7:30 p.m. choir practice in the sanctuary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mendenhall were Hedley visitors last Friday.

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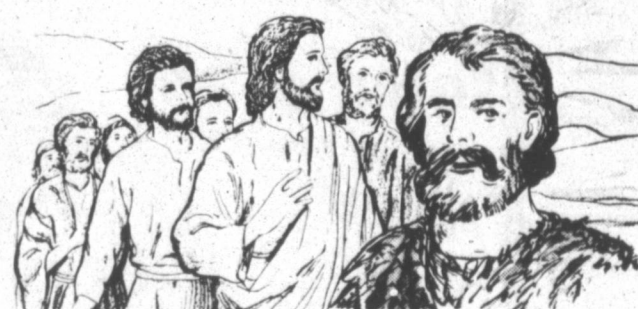
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J. R. CHISM

Guest Speaker

"Seek ye first the Kingdom"

Voice in the Wilderness



In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, and saying, Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet of Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins, and his meat was locusts and wild honey. Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan.

St. Matthew 3: 1-5

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James Brandon, Pastor
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Night Service 7:30 p.m.
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
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Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
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Sunday Bible Study 5:30 p.m.
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Night Service 7:30 p.m.
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Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
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Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
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- PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
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County Agent Gooch is evident

by GARY AVER

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"He's the best I've met in a long time. He'll be on a farm, and he and his wife both went to Oklahoma State University. He retired, he came home county agent, and I never see a boy take a hold of such a good job as he has."

"He's got real backing in his own wife, and in years to their son Donald probably be an even asset to the county." It is three months old.

"I wouldn't tell anything I didn't think the truth," Breedlove continued, "and Ron is first class county agent, sharpest I ever saw, many when I was agent, and I see from he's doing a lot of work couldn't have done a job. He's a hard working boy. He gets out there gets with it and shows not just tells you, he solve a problem.

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County Agent Gooch Draws Praise From Those Served

by GARY AVEN

County Agent Ronald Gooch is evidently an outstanding public servant in these days of all-too-common and even expected governmental mediocrity at all levels. Seldom, if ever, do we recall the constituency or those served by a public official coming to the press and asking to have his story told and be recognized by the public, as several farmers and ranchers have done in the case of Gooch.

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"You just couldn't realize in dollars and cents the service he's rendered, not only to the farmers and ranchers but to the businesses," Breedlove said. "They are profited when the farmers and ranchers prosper. I think he's got a great future yet in years to come."

"I get calls on nearly anything, insect control, various kinds of crops, even in the home-ec field since we don't have a home demonstration agent, but generally anything in the field of agriculture and horticulture, including lawns and gardens in the summer," Gooch said. Also, the extension service makes available all kinds of blueprints for the public for the agricultural engineering department at Texas A&M University. Gooch said he also gets a lot of calls from people who've just bought land in Donley County as to different farming methods and crop varieties.

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strations." Such result demonstrations, he said, are given on new grasses, cotton varieties, fertilizer rates, brush control and range management, insect control and cross breeding beef cattle. "Some new practice on almost anything comes out, and I help set up a demonstration of the practice on someone's land in the county; then we take people out on a tour and show them the differences."

"This year, overall, the kids have probably done better than any other year," Gooch said. "All of the stock we carried to Houston made the sale. The 4-H work here has been mostly in the livestock field. There are really several other things we could do if adults were interested in working with the kids, with electricity, foods and clothing for girls, over 100 different projects. There is a lot of opportunity for expanding the 4-H work here with some help from local adults."

Gooch graduated from Stroud High School at Stroud, Okla., in 1956 and took his Bachelor of Science in Animal Husbandry in 1962. In June of that year, he married Bonnie Casey from Sallisaw, Okla., and went to work for the Extension Service at Wheeler County, Texas, as a junior assistant county agent in training. After two months there, they moved to Dumas, where he was assistant county agent till mid-November. Then they moved to Marshall, Texas, where he was assistant Harrison County Agent for a little over two years.

Gooch now has a part-time secretary, Mrs. Gary Shields, 15 hours per week since February 24. Although he has been out of town at all the recent stock shows most of this time, he said she would be a great help to him for taking messages from people who might miss him otherwise.

"Ron has worked with me in every way he could. He's always there whenever you need him, and he's good at what he does in everything he does. He's a real good county agent and keeps us up to date on everything," James A. McAnear, Jr., who farms and ranches in Hall County and lives just across the line in Donley County at Brice.

The McAnear children have been feeding calves for exhibit three years under Gooch. Ten-year-old Rodney won reserve breed champion Shorthorn at the Houston Fat Stock Show, and daughter Jamie showed the reserve middle-weight Hereford at Odessa this year.

"I couldn't say enough good to describe the job he's done, and he's real good to work with," Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Director Jerry Gage said. Gooch is an ex-officio member of the county ASCS committee, which helps with advance policy planning for smooth farm and ranch operation and interaction with the government agency.

"You can talk about his ability all you want to," Jack

Moreman, ranch operations instructor at Clarendon College, whose two children, Phillip and Melody, show cattle in 4-H under Gooch. "But one thing I'd like to bring out is his character. You can send your kids off to a city like Houston or Fort Worth for a week with him and not have to worry about them. You know they'll come home all right because he watches them pretty close and takes good care of them."

He's worth a lot to the county, and he's a big help with the ranch program up at the college."

I think Ron makes a good leader and works well with the kids," said Bud Hermesmeier, who lives on a farm a mile west of Clarendon. "He takes good care of them when they're off on show trips. And he does a good job of putting the stock in the show ring." Hermesmeier's four children have

been involved in 4-H work for the past 16 years. Henry, John and Paul were gold star winners in 4-H, and Mary Jo will be eligible next year. Oldest son Frank and Paul have gone on to become FFA teachers, Frank teaching at Wall and Paul at Dumas.

"Another thing," Hermesmeier said, "I think for the work he puts in Ron dang sure doesn't get enough pay. The county certainly needs to recognize him, not only for the work he does with kids, but for everybody in the county." His salary is set by the county, with the county paying half and the state matching whatever the county pays through the Agricultural Extension Service. "If there's anything anybody needs to know," Hermesmeier continued, "Ron will always come out and help on anything. I've never heard of anybody he's turned down. He's more than glad to come out if he's not already committed to help with any problem."

"He's the best, we think. Ron is a real fine boy. We're sure proud of him, said long time cowboy on the Haggy Ranch Jerrel Martin. The Martin children, Mike, James and Scott, are grown and married now, but Ron worked with them in 4-H from the first year he came to Donley County 10 years ago till year before last. Martin pointed out that Gooch helps out other ways besides the 4-H work, helping at the ranch with the orchard, bugs and other problems.

"I think you can say he's well respected in livestock



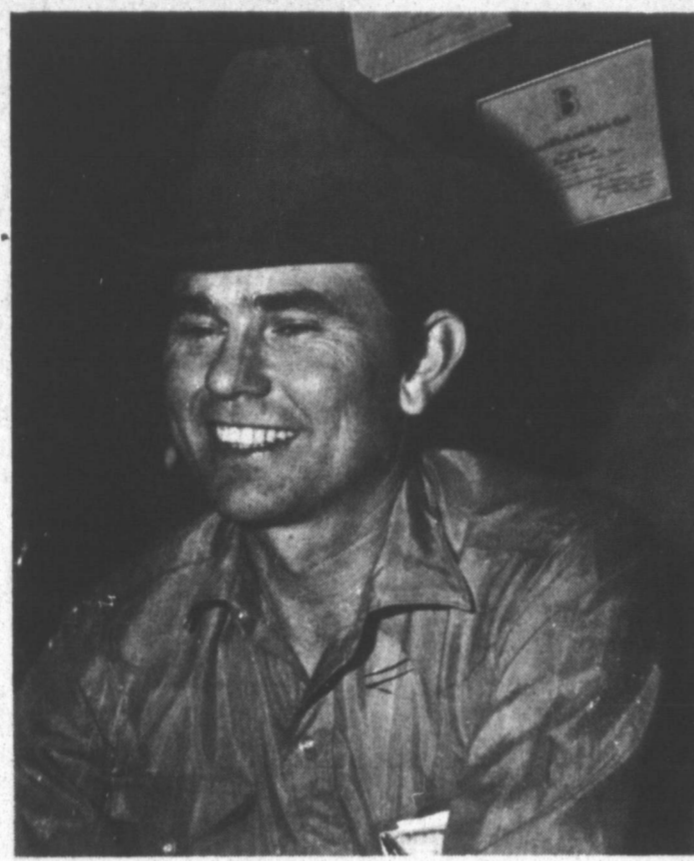
Rodney McAnear and his father, James A. McAnear, Jr., are shown with 10-year-old Rodney's reserve champion Shorthorn steer, "Streaker," at the Houston Fat Stock Show. The Donley County 4-H member's heavy-weight class champ steer pressed the scales at 1,040 pounds and sold for \$1.20 per pound.

circles," said Jerry Hawkins, Chairman of the Agriculture Department at Clarendon College. "He's one of the best at fitting show cattle. His 4-H kids have done exceptionally well, and this has been about their best year, overall. He's the top at grooming for show in the State of Texas or anywhere, as far as that's concerned. Gooch has a real good eye to pick out a calf and know what it ought to look like by show time. He really excels in selecting, fitting and grooming stock for show."

improve them. He also worked with the children on 4-H Club show steers, and James Edward showed the reserve champion steer at Houston in 1967 and reserve champion at the State Fair in Dallas in 1970."

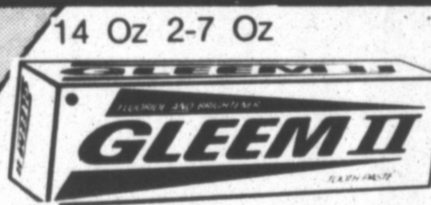
"In the community he will help the little man as well as the big and advise with anyone who needs help, in farming and cattle both," Brice Farmer Jiggs Mann said. "He's pretty much of an all-around man and will help with any problem, large or small. He's a person who's under-appreciated. The commissioners recently gave a raise to county employees, but he was not in on it, and I don't know why. "Ron will give advice and

help at shows to those from other counties," Mann continued. "He's not out to beat someone unfairly. You see stock at some of the shows which a man with a good eye for cattle knows are illegal, maybe in a breed with a cross, and you know that their county agents know that they are illegal. You won't find that here. You don't see him pull that sort of thing. "I think we're real fortunate to have a hard worker who never gives up, and he has a good woman behind him." Mann's son, Mark, this year won reserve champion at Odessa, class champion at Amarillo and Donley County grand and reserve champion.



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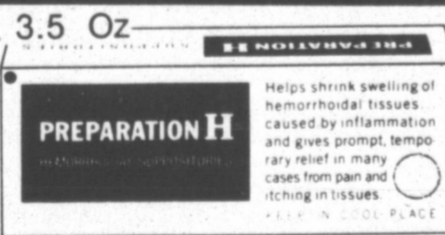


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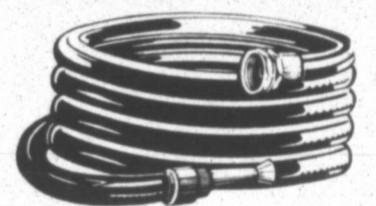
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Monday

Hot turkey sandwich, creamed potatoes, seasoned green beans, brownies, milk.

Tuesday

Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed green salad, buttered corn, hot rolls-butter, jelly.

Wednesday

Pinto beans, cole slaw, mixed vegetables, corn-bread, peaches, milk.

Thursday

Burritos with meat and cheese, potato salad, buttered spinach, ice cream, milk.

Friday

Sloppy Joe on bun, lettuce and tomatoes, tater tots, apple pie and milk.



It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High:

To show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night.

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ASC Committee Sets Crop Dates

The state ASC committee has established April 1 as the final grazing date for wheat and barley for program provisions. The following regulations are very important and should be understood by all wheat producers:

- Wheat and barley acreage that is to be utilized for grazing should be designated as "for grazing" prior to April 1. Wheat and barley acreage designated for grazing prior to April 1 will be excluded from disaster payment consideration. This acreage, if timely designated, will not be charged with any production.
- If you have wheat or barley that meets all the following conditions, it will be appraised and given low yield payment consideration: (1) A disaster is timely reported and subsequently approved. (2) The crop is not expected to mature because of the severity of the disaster and a release for grazing is requested and approved by the county office prior to April 1. (3) The crop has not already been designated for grazing.
- If an acreage of wheat is not designated for grazing, but is grazed past April 1 without an appraisal, production charged for these acres will be the larger of: (1) the per acre yield on harvested acres, or (2) the established yield for the farm.
- If an appraisal is timely requested and the acreage released for grazing, and there is approved grazing beyond the grazing date, but the acreage is subsequently harvested for grain, the appraised production will be added to any grain harvested and the total amount applied to the acreage.
- The above requirements must be complied with. If not, it could cause a farm to be ineligible for payments it should otherwise have.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 1--Last day to release cotton you don't intend to plant.
- April 1--Last day to request cotton from any acreage released.
- April 1--Last day to transfer cotton due to sale or lease.
- May 31--Last day to put 1975 cotton in CCC loan.

Marines Enlist Area Man

Charles Wayne Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Mills of Lelia Lake, enlisted in the Marines March 5 in Amarillo.

Mills will be receiving Recruit Training at San Diego, California. Upon completion of recruit training he will be assigned to the Marine Aviation Technology field.

Mills will be working on equipment such as navigation systems, electronic armament control components, on-board computers and electronically operated aerial photography equipment. He attended school at Clarendon High School.

1974 Farm Census Is Half Completed

More than half of the 4 million 1974 Census of Agriculture report forms mailed to farms and ranches nationwide have already been completed and returned, the Bureau of the Census reports.

The Bureau, part of the Department of Commerce's Social and Economic Statistics Administration, mailed the forms right after Christmas, and this rate of return is well ahead of the rate in 1969 when the farm census was first taken by mail.

Bureau officials say that the quality of the reporting is good. Farmers who have not mailed in their completed forms can save time if they will read the instructions carefully before filling out the form. Particular attention is called to the "skip" questions at the beginning of the sections on crops and the sections on livestock, as well as for many of the individual sections. A check in the "No" box at the head of the crops section, if no crops were raised, or at the head of the livestock section, if there were no livestock or poultry operations, enables the farmer to skip individual questions in that section.

Every farmer's report form is confidential by law. No other Government agency can ever obtain or use the report made by any farmer. Only sworn Census Bureau employees who check and process the completed forms ever see them. And sworn census employees are subject to two years imprisonment or \$1,000 fine, or both for disclosure of information furnished on individual report forms.

The U.S. House of Representatives Subcommittee on Census and Statistics had this to say about Census Bureau confidentiality: "There has never been a single claim substantiated that the Bureau of the Census has made individual information available outside the Bureau or that the Bureau has ever used any information received other than for authorized purposes."

The only authorized purposes are for statistical totals. Even here, the census law on confidentiality holds. Statistical tables must be published in such a way that no individual, no farm, no business can be identified. For example, suppose there is one large ranch that spreads over most of a county. No data will be

Willie Johnson's Hedley

Ernie Houdashell of KGNC Radio in Amarillo was in Hedley Monday. He, his wife and two sons visited his mother, Mrs. Johnny Linville while here.

Delbert White of Quail was a Hedley visitor Monday.

D. K. Hall of the Naylor community was in town Monday.

The Hedley post of the American Legion has honored all of its World War One veterans. The most recent award has been 40 year consecutive membership cards and 40 year pins to W. C. Holland, Tom Wilson and A. R. Casey and 45 consecutive year membership cards and pins to Harry Boatright, Roy McKee and Roy Pegram.

Mrs. Mike Harris from Garland was in Hedley for a short visit Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pat Leggett and son, Jon, of Pampa visited Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Leggett last weekend.

Mrs. Herlie Moreman and Mrs. Royce Williams attended UDC Club in Memphis last Tuesday.

The W.S.C.S. of the Hedley United Methodist Church met in the home of Mrs. Ray Altman Tuesday, March 11. Mrs. J. S. Hinds

presided over the business session. Altar cloths for the pulpit were discussed. A gift was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altman for their new home. Mrs. Clifford Johnson gave the stories as given in "Women of the Bible" of Dinah, daughter of Jacob and Leah and Tamar, mother of Pharez. The meeting was dismissed by repeating the Lord's Prayer. Those enjoying the social hour were Mesdames Myrtle Kirkpatrick, Clifford Johnson, Harry Boatright, J. S. Hinds, Henry Moore and the hostess.

Mrs. Ima Brumley of Quannah and Mr. and Mrs. Rufe Bonner of Amarillo visited Mr. and Mrs. John Tate recently.

Mrs. Kathy Pigg of Clarendon was in Hedley visiting Wednesday. She is the pastor of the Hedley United Methodist Church.

Duane Naylor of Thalia was a Hedley visitor Wednesday. He visited his brother, T. E. Naylor, and family and others. He reports that he has made application to receive water from the Greenbelt Authority water through the Thirsty Water System. His wife, the former May Morris, is the daughter of Carl (Cap) Morris, first president of the Greenbelt Water Authority.

Ronnie and Tammy Overcast of Shamrock spent last weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Reed. Lawrence Overcast attended the Mobeetic-Hedley basketball Bi-District game at Wheeler and had coffee after the game with Mr. and Mrs. Freeman, Virgil McPherson and Clifford Johnson. Hedley won the game by the score of 58 to 42, only to lose in the Regional to Channing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Boliver and daughter, Angela, of Amarillo were weekend Hedley visitors.

Mrs. Jackie Lee had surgery in the Hall County Hospital in Memphis Wednesday. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Johnson.

Bryan McPherson of McLean was a Hedley visitor last Wednesday and Thursday. Wednesday, he and Virgil McPherson made a trip to Childress.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jewell of Hereford arrived Thursday for a three day visit here with friends.

Garlan Gardenhire was in Memphis Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Elsie Shaw, Mrs. Celia Lamberson, Mrs. Myrtle Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Willie Johnson were Thursday afternoon Memphis shoppers.

Mike Boothe and Amy Lemley were among the Clarendon College students named to "Who's Who" in the March Clarendon College Bulldog Banner. Mike is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Boothe and Amy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Lemley.

Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Terry visited his brother in Matador Thursday.

Mrs. Lois Lair, Mrs. Louise Long and Mrs. Pauline Kooztz attended the funeral services for a former Hedley resident, Claude Snodgrass, 79, at Abernathy Friday.

Ricky Johnson and Alesia Wintermute of Corpus Christi visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Johnson, Friday and Saturday. They are both students at Texas Tech University.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Stone left for Amarillo Saturday where they will be spending a long weekend with the Alvin Winters family, other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cherry are visiting in Lubbock and El Paso.

The Hedley Lions Club Lighthouse for the blind broom and mop sale will be held Saturday, April 12.

Mrs. Randall Brice and daughter, Utona, of Amarillo and Kansas visited Mrs. Myrtle Kirkpatrick Saturday. Mrs. Kirkpatrick returned home with them for a few days visit in Amarillo.

Attendance was reported good for both the morning and evening worship services at the Hedley Church of Christ Sunday. The minister of this church is Travis Gilliland of Memphis.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Richards and daughter of Amarillo spent the weekend here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hansard.

Attendance was reported good for both the 10 a.m. Sunday School service and the 11 a.m. worship service at the First Baptist Church of Hedley Sunday. At the morning service, Charles Payne had the welcome and announcements, members of the choir gave special music and the pastor, Rev. J. J. Terry brought the message. A 6 p.m. evening worship service was also held.

Mrs. Jewell Hart of Amarillo, Mrs. Vera De Weiss of Amarillo, and Mrs. Othea Bain of Borger visited Mrs. Edythe Bain and Mr. and Mrs. Graham Brinson the past week.

Mrs. Maud Hill has returned to her home in the state of Washington after an extended visit with Mrs. J. B. Pickett and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Kathy Webb and daughters of Amarillo spent the past weekend with the Joe Wood family.

At the Hedley United Methodist Church Sunday School service was held at 10 a.m. and Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m. Leon Couch had the layman's opening and the pastor, Mrs. Kathryn Pigg, gave the sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. Buford Holland and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Altman attended the All Star girls basketball game at the Civic Center in Amarillo last Saturday evening. Several others from Hedley also attended.

The fifth Panhandle High School Girls All Star basketball game was held in the Civic Center Auditorium in Amarillo last Saturday night. The game was televised. The East team, coached by Billy White, former Hedley High School and Clarendon College coach, won by the score of 68 to 41. Lanora Oatman, a senior in Quail High School, and Geneva Naylor, a senior in Hedley High School, both participated and both contributed to their team's victory. Miss Oatman was sponsored by a firm in Wellington and Miss Naylor by the Hedley Lions Club.

The March issue of the Clarendon College Bulldog Banner had a nice article about Jack Moreman and his ranch management class. Hedley folks are very proud of Jack and the work he is doing.

Shauna White participated in the Miss Irish Rose contest held at the St. Patrick's Day Celebration in Shamrock last Saturday. She didn't win

offense and defense. He averaged 22 points and 17 rebounds per game this season. Daniel is a senior in Hedley High School and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bolin. Playing a tough schedule this year, he helped his team win 31 victories against only five defeats.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wilson of Memphis visited the John Tates Sunday.

Burk Debord of the Ashtola community was a Hedley visitor Monday.

The Hedley FFA dairy judging team and their teacher-sponsor, Doyle Messer, were in Sweetwater for an area meet last weekend. The team of the Hedley Chapter is Randy Shaw, Bryan Hill, Stewart Messer and John Lemley. The team placed fourth and brought home a nice trophy. Randy Shaw won second high individual honors over all and also brought home a nice trophy.

Miss Myrtle Reeves was in Amarillo Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Grisham and daughter of Lubbock and Mrs. Robert Grisham of Memphis visited Mr. and Mrs. Oneal Weatherly over the weekend.

Mrs. Margaret Davenport McKinney, 56, a former Hedley resident living in Amarillo, died in St. Anthony's Hospital there Saturday, March 15. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel with Rev. Lester Hill officiating. Interment was in Llano Cemetery. Survivors include one brother, Lyman Davenport of Austin; two sisters, Mrs. Ellen Brilla of Santa Rosa, Calif., and Mrs. Tonnie Hawkins of Amarillo.

Congratulations to James W. Evans. He had another 39th birthday this Wednesday, March 19.

The Hedley school lunchroom menu for this Thursday and Friday is (Thursday) fried chicken, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, apple sauce and milk and (Friday), Pig in a blanket, baked beans, cole slaw, sliced peaches and milk.

The Hedley schools will be closed the entire week before Easter from March 24 through March 28 for Easter Holidays. Classes will resume Monday, March 31.

The next meeting of the Hedley Lions Club will be Thursday evening of next week, March 27. It will be a ladies night banquet. Mrs. Kate Stone and Mrs. J. M.



by BILL COLLIER
Branch Manager

Q: How much water is actually needed for the production of a good cotton crop?

A: In most areas of Texas, with the exception of a couple of times of the year, the most prevalent answer would be "All we can get". More specifically, authorities now estimate the weight of water evaporated from an acre of cotton during a typical summer day to be as much as 58,000 pounds. That's equivalent to more than a quarter of an inch of rainfall a day. Considerably more than we can count on having. Irrigation supplements the rainfall wherever possible to provide an effective 20 inches of moisture during the average growing season.

In some areas of the really arid Southwest, farmers sometimes irrigate enough to provide the equivalent of 32 inches of rainfall through the course of a full year.

Rainfall can be most harmful just after planting when the water may lower the soil temperature below 58 degrees.

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MEASURING RATES

The following rates have been established for 1975:

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A young man may register 30 days before or 30 days after his 18th birthday--but he must register or face an extreme penalty of prison or fine or both.

Rankin urges all young men to keep their records clean by timely registration with Selective Service, and added, "if a young man has reached the age of 18 and has not registered he should do so as soon as possible."

Registrars have been appointed in all County Courthouses, High Schools and many post offices for the convenience of those wishing to register.

Local Board No. 52 serves Gray, Wheeler, Roberts and Donley Counties. The Office is located in the Post Office Building, 120 E. Foster, Pampa, Texas. Office hours are 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Registrars located in Clarendon are: Mrs. Ethelyn Grady, Clarendon High School, Mr. Clarence L. Hamilton, Clarendon Junior College and Mr. P.C. Messer, Court House.

Chamberlain News

The Chamberlain Center will meet Friday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Ethel Dingler and Opal Darnell will be hostesses for the covered dish supper.

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Nobody's Perfect But...

by JERRY SPARKS

During Monday's called session of the commissioners court, it was apparent that none of the commissioners, with the exception of Jess Finley, were ready to make any kind of a decision on who the new sheriff and tax assessor-collector would be.

It struck us as odd that the opinions we heard took in a lot of territory as to what people would think, yet no one expressed any opinions as to what the county will have in the way of law enforcement until a successor is named. Frank Lindsey Jr., whose resignation brought on the meeting, apparently would have liked for the commissioners to have accepted his resignation effective at that moment. However, most of the court members were more concerned with keeping his name on as tax assessor-collector than appointing a successor to the office.

In commenting on the problem at hand before the commissioners court, we would like to point out that their Monday meeting was a first class example of not taking care of the business at hand. Toward the end of the session, all of the court, with the exception of commissioner Finley, thought it would be a good idea to take a popularity poll as to who they should appoint to fill the remainder of Lindsey's unexpired term.

A public official who fails to discharge the duties of his office as promptly and efficiently as possible, and hesitates to make a decision for fear of what the public may think, has little need of being in office in the first place.

If a poll of county residents was necessary to name a successor, a special election would be in order. Of course an election is not proper in this instance, and in our opinion, a popularity poll is also improper while there is a void in county law enforcement.

We feel County Judge Billie Christal is avoiding his duties by informing the court that he would not break any ties which might be cast by members of the court if it was put to a vote in selecting one of the applicants for the job.

In addition, his statement to us, showing us the door out of the commissioner's court meeting, was totally uncalled for and out of place in his capacity as an elected official of the county. We have never made it a point to deal in petty personality conflicts unless the debate gets hot enough to bring about other newsworthy events. Should any attempt be made by this, or any other tax supported agency, to bar newsmen from a meeting where official business is conducted, immediate court action will be made in our behalf, and an all-out effort made to keep residents posted on affairs of general interest.

In our opinion, it's time for the county commissioners court to get up their small-time political chess game and consider the welfare of the electorate instead of trying to win popularity contests.

From our standpoint, it appears a little off the beaten trail for the county to appoint tax assessor-collector in addition to his full time job of trying to say grace over his law office, his deputies and the county jail. We don't know how far back this arrangement goes, but several years ago, it might have worked out fine when maintaining the law didn't require what it does today.

From our "for what it's worth" department, we would like to point out just one case where enough time is not presently devoted to tax assessment and collection.

While digging through some of our records last week, we decided to do a little checking into the cost of utilities and what have you, and came across some material at the Clarendon City Hall pertaining to our old thorn-in-the-side, General Telephone Company of the Southwest.

When Joe M. Nall and Associates of Dallas conducted a survey of General's operation in Clarendon, a full 13 point breakdown of the company's holdings in Clarendon was given both by General Telephone Company and by Joe M. Nall. In this report, General values their total plant here at \$961,799 while the engineers valued it at \$950,276. An amount was deducted from these figures for deterioration and obsolescence due to age and condition to give a current cost. This current cost was figured by General Telephone to be \$778,263 and Nall valued it at \$776,201.

Down at the bottom of this report, General Telephone said their fair value of property devoted to exchange operations (in Clarendon) was not less than \$704,497. Nall's figures came out to be \$665,222 for this fair value. These figures were used, of course, in petitioning for telephone rate increases.

Our question is this...Why is General Telephone using these figures to secure rate increases if they are not correct?...By the same token, why are they being taxed on only a fraction of this value by all of our taxing agencies?

General Telephone presently pays taxes on a total valuation of only \$267,160 to the City of Clarendon while claiming they have a value of almost two and a half times that here when they come before the city to request their rate hikes.

In addition, General Telephone is listed on the county tax rolls with an actual market value of \$275,880, while the Junior College District and hospital district places their actual market value at \$344,580. The Clarendon Independent School District has them on the tax rolls for a fair market value of only \$251,575.

Since General Telephone uses these figures as a basis for their rate increase requests, perhaps the taxing agencies should take their word as to the value of their property and equipment here and levy taxes likewise.

According to their present tax structure, General Telephone pays about \$5,139.83 annually to the six agencies represented here. Our calculations indicate they pay \$968.45 to the city, \$958.68 to the county, \$117.25 to the state (which is collected by the county tax office), \$1,660.39 to the schools, \$688.47 to the college and \$746.59 to the hospital district.

Based on General Telephone's own opinion of their operation in Clarendon alone, they should be paying about \$12,692.04 a year to all of the taxing agencies together. This, of course, represents a \$7552.21 difference in what they are now paying. The different agencies take in different areas, and would probably be more when levied on a county-wide basis.

In figuring this, we have taken into consideration that the city and county use one-fourth of the fair market value in determining their tax assessments. The school district figures their taxes on 40 per cent of the actual market value and the junior college and hospital districts base their taxes on one-third of the market value.

It is our opinion that General Telephone certainly wouldn't consider selling their property here for even the highest of the present valuations, and probably wouldn't consider selling out for what they, themselves, value their holdings at locally.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Lyndell Williams TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — A senator and a representative revived an old idea for a new reason — dividing big Texas into five states.

Sen. Bob Gammage, a Houston liberal, and Rep. Fred Agnich, a Dallas Republican, proposed a 1976 referendum on the big carve-up.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe immediately frowned publicly on their proposition, and few colleagues were expected to go along in the legislature.

Agnich recommended a division by population into Central, North, South, East and West Texas.

The late former Sen. and Rep. V. E. "Red" Berry of San Antonio regularly recommended dividing Texas, in the interest of bringing liquor-by-the-drink and horse racing to South Texas.

Gammage and Agnich want to increase Texas' clout on the national scene. With five states, they argue, the states of Texas could have 10 U.S. senators and a proportional increase in presidential electoral votes.

Sponsors claim the split-up is authorized by the articles of annexation of the Republic of Texas in 1845.

INTEREST BILL PASSES Governor Briscoe is pondering whether to approve (or again veto) a bill which opponents in the Senate charged would raise interest further on real estate loans.

The bill (HB 351 by Rep. Ben Munson of Denison) would provide for spreading all interest charges, including "points" now paid in advance over the life of real estate loans. It also would permit loans of \$500,000 or more for interim construction or real estate financing to individuals at greater than 10 per cent interest.

Briscoe indicated he may sign because the bill appears to be more specific on the type loan to which it applies than the 1973 bill which he vetoed.

APPOINTMENTS TROUBLES Trouble over appointments flared like brush fires for the Governor in the Senate.

First, he had to withdraw the nomination of Bryan oilman Ford Albritton Jr. for the College Coordinating Board in the face of almost certain rejection. Then, some liberal senators opposed confirmation of Walter G. Sterling, 73-year-old Houston manufacturer and son of former Gov. Ross Sterling, as a

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A bill to prohibit discrimination against the handicapped passed the State Senate.

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The Senate jurisprudence committee approved a bill providing that losers in libel and slander lawsuits pay reasonable attorneys fees and court costs.

A five-year prison sentence of a 17-year-old boy for theft was reversed by the Court of Criminal Appeals because he was slapped and choked by a policeman before "confessing."

APPOINTMENTS Governor Briscoe named board of regents members for three more institutions.

Appointed to the Texas Tech University board were Don R. Workman of Lubbock, Robert Lee Pfluger of San Angelo and Charles G. Scruggs (reappointed) of Dallas. Gen. G. P. Disoway of Dallas was placed on the Midwestern University board.

Homer Lee Bryce of Henderson, Joe Bob Golden Jr. of Jasper and James Irvine Perkins of Rusk were reappointed at Stephen F. Austin State University.

In addition, Briscoe reappointed Bernard G. Johnson to the Board of Regents for State Senior Colleges.

Wilmer Smith of Wilson, Grady C. Clark Jr. of Corpus Christi and Heino Stafel Jr. of Austin were reappointed to the State Seed and Plant Board.

J. D. Wendeborn of Laredo and James D. Keister of Amarillo were reappointed to the Texas Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.

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Other Viewpoints

HAROLD HUDSON PERRYTON HERALD "FROM THE SIDELINES" COLUMN

The Wall Street Journal this week had a lead story about how the price of food is coming down. Prices are down on margarine, flour, sugar, eggs, tuna fish, some canned fruits and vegetables, frozen vegetables, cheese, some cake mixes, mayonnaise, salad dressing and turkey. Beef continues its long decline and other prices are down. All of this decline has come because prices paid to the producer are down. The cost of wages, processing, transportation and distribution continue to go up. Thus the good news of lower food prices is tempered in the food producing region by the bad news that raw foods are bringing less.

This curious turn of events is reflected in such things as the price of wheat now bringing \$3.70 per bushel or 35 per cent less than a year ago while the price of a loaf of whole wheat bread has gone up 15 per cent to about 60 cents a pound. Thus it can be seen that if the wheat in a loaf of bread were given to the bakers, it wouldn't result in much of a reduction in the cost of a loaf of bread. The Journal says that because all non-farm costs in the food industry are going to keep on rising, and more reduction in the cost of food will have to come from the farmer. The best hope for a lowering of food costs next year comes from the hope of a big crop year which will force farm prices down. Somehow, something is wacky here. And the wackiest thing of all is the blunt request by the government for farmers to produce more so they can be paid less.

A meteorologist in Oklahoma is urging wheat farmers to hold off plowing up their wheat crop because he predicts that drought conditions will achieve the same results a little later on. This is not the kind of news we welcome, of course, but this weather expert says that the signs are right for a drought later this year. He places the odds at 65 per cent, and the odds at 90 per cent that there will be a drought in 1976. The weather expert, Emmett Pybus, bases his predictions on rainfall at Stillwater since 1894, plus a study of sunspots. He uses a chart showing the annual Zurich sunspot number plotted over the years in comparison with the record of rainfall in Stillwater.

He notes that a peak in rainfall occurs on

the average, about two to two and a half years after a sunspot maximum has occurred. From the curves it can be seen that a peak of sunspots occurred in 1969, so a peak of rainfall should be past and that the next point on the rainfall curve will be lower than the peak for 1974. He says that the sunspot theory works over most of the wheat growing area and this includes the Texas Panhandle. There were dry years recorded in 1894 and 1895, from 1909 through 1914, 1916 through 1918, from 1932 to 1939, from 1952 to 1956, from 1962 through 1964 and 1969 through 1971 and Pybus says these dry years correlated pretty well with his sunspot theory.

Maybe sunspots do have something to do with drought cycles. Other people say that the shift of the jet stream affects our weather and that a slight shift in this can mean the difference between dry years and wet years. Out here in our country, it is just as important when the rain comes as how much falls. We have made wheat crops with very little moisture, but it came at the right time. Wheat is a hardy plant and doesn't need much help to produce. It has to have some moisture, but a dryland wheat crop flourishes a whole lot better than an average lawn in town and on a whole lot less moisture.

There has been talk about plowing some of the wheat crop right now as a protest against dropping grain prices. This might catch on, but probably no more than the publicized slaughter of baby calves as a protest against the drop in cattle prices. It does seem odd to some people that the price of wheat gets high when you don't have any, and when you get in shape to make a crop, the price drops. This happened most dramatically here in 1972, of course, when the early crop went into the bin and was sold before the Russian wheat deal boosted the price way up for farmers north of us who hadn't started their harvest. Then local farmers did cash in on a combination of a good crop and good prices in 1973, a combination of events that comes along not very often, perhaps once or twice in a farmer's lifetime.

Right now it looks like there will be a wheat crop here and this causes a great deal of nervousness on the part of those who appear to have a wheat crop and don't know what they will get for it. A few years ago \$3 wheat would have seemed fantastic but now it doesn't seem very high at all, considering the greatly increased costs of producing a crop.

Birth Announced Susan and Carlton Turva-ville announce the birth of a son, Johnny Carl, March 12 at Hall County Hospital in Memphis. He weighed six pounds, 13 1/2 ounces.

Mrs. Dorothy McDaniel, Kim and Ray from Brighton, Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Wynn and Monte from Bell Ranch, N.M. and Wayne Baker from Dumas and Net Salmon of Clarendon were all weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Edens.

Mrs. Louise Clement of Borger spent last Tuesday night with her sister, Inez Skinner.

Mrs. Mae Wilkerson returned home last Tuesday after a weeks visit with relatives in Stinnett and Borger.

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O, don't you think the fruit trees are beginning to look pretty! People are working in their yards-planting rees, flowers and grass.

Mark White and Dan Brandes participated in the track meet held at the College.

Lois McVicker's sister, Peggy Music, of Sayre, Oklahoma came Friday and left Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moore went to Lubbock to visit their daughter and family, Sue and Freddy Cooper and children, Blaine and Quanett. On the way back home, they stopped in Plainview to visit their daughter-in-law and family, rs, Larry Moore, Faron and Thad. The Moore's son, Larry was out of town on business.

Jim and Thelma Corgill's granddaughter and new husband, Sanda and Dennis Hoover of Childress dropped by for a while Friday.

B. B. and Berniece Winkle bought the Kenneth Moore home at 112 Tyng Street. They will be moving this week. Berniece's granddaughter and husband, Gwendolyn and Jim Cox of Amarillo came by awhile Monday evening.

Connie Milam's daughter and family, Jean and Jerry Holland, and of course Lisa are visiting from Pampa, California. I know they will have the time to spoil the granddaughter, since they will be here for some time.

Ronald and Mary Castner of Lelia Lake visited Saturday evening with Ronald's uncle, Morris and Eddie Castner.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal Mann were in Lubbock visiting her sister and brother-in-law Jerry and Ward Bartle. Ward Bartle is in the Methodist hospital in Lubbock. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Speaking of hospitals, we are glad to report Jessie Hendrick, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hendrick is home from the hospital and is doing just fine. Alton says Helen will be home in about a week. Jessie lives in Wichita Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Cherry with son, Doug, were down from Amarillo for the week end. Lynn and brother, Glyndon and brother, Buddy Gepheart, also of Amarillo left last weekend for Lake Falcon for a fishing trip. Lynn said the fishing was good and the temperature was 100 degrees. When the wind started to blow they got so homesick they came home Wednesday night. I mustn't.

leave the Mrs. out. A belated happy birthday to her. O.K.? Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bengé of Quanah were here putting out a garden.

Duke Boling was in Angel Fire at New Mexico for a weekend skiing.

Sorry to hear that Mrs. H. Bright is sick in bed with the flu. Mr. Bright was telling me they will be having some baby goats in two weeks. He said I didn't mention them before.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Roundtree of Hereford came down Friday to visit Mrs. George B. Howard and other friends. The former residents came Friday and left Sunday.

I think most of us think ice cream is good anytime. Mrs. Bill Littlefield and her neighbor do too. Mrs. Littlefield and Mrs. Cantrell made some Sunday.

Will and Jim Corgill's cousin, Clifford Dove, the pastor of the First Baptist church of Kirkland, is in the General Hospital in Childress. Will and Norma Corgill went down Saturday and came back Sunday evening. Mr. Dove has been in the hospital, a week last Friday.

Mrs. Kitten Gulley of Wellington was also a visitor of Mrs. Howard while the Roundtrees were there. Mrs. Gulley and Mrs. Roundtree are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley of Shamrock bought the Tom Collins mobil home. We want to welcome them.

Jim and Thelma Corgill attended the wedding of their granddaughter Sandra Denny and Dennis Hoover Thursday in Childress. After the reception the newly weds left for Amarillo.

Melville Mills took John Bass of Clarendon to the doctor in Amarillo, Tuesday. They were accompanied by their wives. Mr. Bass got a very good report. It was the day when the fog and ice made the streets and highways so bad. But they had no trouble at all, except they didn't get to do any Easter shopping. That being the case they saved some money.

Margaret Berry and Polly Sarich went to Pampa on business Tuesday.

John Sarich and the Reverend Mr. McGarity attended a Presbyterian Conference in Amarillo Saturday.

Mooring Place reports the bass fishing is good and has been for about a month.

There was a very good turnout for the Community covered dish supper Friday.

Connie Henry and Lonnie Martin for donating \$5.00 for use in crafts and bingo gifts for the nursing home activities.

Y-Knot Twirlers

The Y Knot Twirlers danced March 11 to the calling of Freddie McKee. Three squares of home folks enjoyed a great dance. Harold and Wilma Lindley provided refreshments.

The Class grew in numbers over last week. Fifteen people are now taking lessons. The class meets at 7:30 p.m. before the regular dance at 9 p.m.

Frank's Cafe has offered to remain open on Tuesday nights for convenience so the dancers may eat a late night snack after dancing.

March 15 was the night of the Arthritis Dance. Eight couples attended from Y Knot Twirlers Club.

There will be dancing every Tuesday night in March. Everyone is welcome.

On Thursday of the past week all patients covered a can with contact paper and put a flower on the lid for a container to keep candy and cookies in. The patients enjoyed this very much.

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Quilting Club

Lily May Carmichael entertained members of the Friendship Quilting Club in her home Wednesday, March 12 in an all day meeting.

A delicious meal was served at the noon hour with Irene Jones and Louise Aten assisting the hostess.

A business meeting was held in the afternoon by President Florence Bennett and minutes were read by Secretary Louise Aten. Also a social hour was enjoyed at this time with members admiring some of the beautiful art and handcraft work of the talented hostess; such as pretty dolls pillows and other novelty things. It was a delightful sight to see such handwork.

Irene Jones will be hostess for the next meeting Wednesday, April 9 and will entertain the members with a party in her home.

Members present were: Ora Aten, Grace Ayers, Florence Bennett, Louise Aten, Edna Dishman, Lloyd Hillis, Irene Jones, Lucille Luttrell, Vonne Belle McDaniels, Vada Morrison, Mary Lee Noble, Leona Quattlebaum, two visitors, Betty Keys and Burnetta Duggins of California and the hostess Lily May Carmichael.

Pathfinders Club News

Mrs. J. P. Rhoades was a delightful hostess to the Pathfinders Club Friday, March 14 at Mrs. Bromley's for an afternoon tea party.

The entertaining rooms were decorated with beautiful spring flowers. Using the Easter motif the table was covered with a white maderia Linen cloth centered with an arrangement of pink Japanese and pink napkins.

Mrs. Ritter presented at the silver service and Mrs. Bromley at the silver chaffin dish. Refreshments were served to one guest Mrs. E. C. Herd and twenty members.

Mrs. Clarence Hamilton, Mrs. Dick Shelton, Mrs. Sam Lowe, Mrs. Frank White Jr., Mrs. Carl King, Mrs. Vernon Berry, Mrs. Tommie Saye, Miss Mable Mongole, Mrs. Pete Kuhn, Mrs. Walter Lowe, Mrs. A. R. Henson, Mrs. Verdie Herrington, Mrs. Rolle Brumley, Mrs. Frank Phelan Jr., Mrs. Joe Wells, Mrs. Geo. Benson, Mrs. Joe Ritter, Mrs. Lacy Noble, Mrs. J. P. Rhoades and Mrs. Heckle Stark.

Shower Honors Darlene Graham

A lingerie shower was given Friday night, March 14 in the home of Mrs. Katherine Green honoring Mrs. Darlene Graham.

The hostesses, Mrs. Rhonda Green and Mrs. Katherine Green served chocolate fondue dip with Angle food cake and fruit bits to the following guests:

Elene Ward, Lena Mae Graham, Alta Shaller, Gaye Cole, Aressa Delaney, Mary Green, Naomi Green and Mrs. Wayne Ward and the honoree Derlene Graham.

Everyone enjoyed the eats so very much and are ready for the next supper. There were forty-four hungry people there.

Speaking of good food don't forget the Lions Club Covered dish supper and meeting this Saturday at the Community Building.

The Ed Castner's bought a travel trailer from Estal Collins so as to have an extra bedroom and bath when their children all come to visit. Every once in a while there are five generations present.

Now for city hall news. The main room and the restrooms have been paneled. Will Corgill and Henry Bland helped Glenn Doty Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. I am sorry I passed some information on to you that was not correct. So will correct it now. On the ballot Place 1 - John McVicker, Place 2 - Sue Melver, Place 3 - Oz Engel, Place 4 - George Howard.

Last week I didn't get statements from a couple of the candidates. George Howard says, if elected, he would like to work on ways to see the town grow in a modest way, and keep our property values up, and do this without ever having a city tax on the people. Just as the new city hall was built without tax money from the citizens, so can other reasonable rovements be made in the same way. He firmly believes that if we use our heads, we won't ever have to use our pocket books. He would appreciate your support.

John McVicker said in his statement the job of alderman requires serving the people. If he is elected he intends to spend as much time as is required to do this. Let's all be thinking who we think will do us a good job, and be thinking of our city and community. A meeting was called Saturday afternoon pertaining to the sirens. It was noted that all 45 present wanted them except about three. I may be wrong in the number present. Norma and Will Corgill will take donations of money for them. Mail them a check to Jericho Route. This is getting to be the season for tornadoes. The siren project will be one of our Centennial projects. Hope each of you will have a better week than last. Bye Sharon

Community Center Dinner

There will be a 42 party at the Ashtola Community Center Saturday night, March 22.

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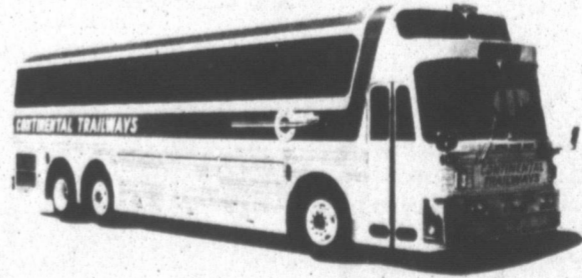
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BRONG BUSTER

by Liz Bromley

Wow! What a week! So much has happened! The track boys and girls are really burning out their track shoes! And what tennis stars! Coach Kenney took some of our "stars" to Lakeview, Monday. They were: singles; Brent Hardin, Ken Slavin, Bill Bromley, Christi Cagle, Camille Mann, and Lisa Woods. Doubles were: Pam Mooring and Andi Eads, Pearly Butler and Fuzz Davis, Vanelle Littlefield and Connie McAnear, Tamra Day and Sandra Rippetoe, Judy Adams and Tammy Blackburn, and Mary Nell McGarity and Ellen Green on Wednesday, a tennis meet between Children and Clarendon took place in Clarendon. Congratulations to all winners!

Saturday, Mrs. Stavenhagen took members of her speech classes to Canyon where many UIL speaking events were held. Those went and their entries were: Larry Doane - prose; Tony Hill - informative speaking; Karen Burgess - persuasive speaking; Janie Hall, informative speaking; Paula Hardin, poetry; Mona Robinson, persuasive speaking; Mac Thornberry, Freda White - prose; and Liz Bromley - poetry. No one got into the finals, but we all had a good time. Miss Betty Veach also went along and offered encouragement to one certain nervous reader, right, Miss Veach?

Ava Haste - relief is when your purse which has been missing for three weeks is finally returned. Several people have been missing things lately. Freda White's maroon tennis jacket are lost or stolen (preferably missing). If anyone finds it, please return it to Freda Thanks!

Karen Ellis looks divine in a toga!
Pam Johnson - how's your new job?
Randy Croslin - mean pick up truck.
Mrs. Green - you don't look a day over eighteen - hope all your birthdays are happy ones!

The band goes to Panhandle to compete with other bands in the surrounding area. The band has been really working hard at their contest music and has held two clinics - so come on your guys think Sweepstakes!!!!
Jan Barbee - Que sera?
Regina Knorpp - so what else is new?
Did ya'll happen to see Holly Carter's "pet" spider?
Alan Hamilton - was Prescott Wright really trying to hold your hand?

Mr. Mann - how come they call you "Wolf"?
Roy Monroe - how do you spell ignorance?
Walter Riggs - Did you ever find what was missing?
Doug Kidd - even in a play, you make a good gas station attendant!

Mrs. Grady - busy, busy, busy!
Mike Skinner - Okay, soldier!
Donna Stevens - you're in the army now...
Mrs. Stavenhagen - sss! Don't you know you're in a library???

Paul Hardin and Mac Thornberry - are ya'll afraid of some little slush in the road?

Custest couple - Judy Adams and Dan Hall.
By the way, the Spanish Club received a thank you letter from Presos for braces association this week. The C.H.S. Spanish Club donated \$25.00 to this fine cause during their convention at San Antonio three weeks ago.
Until next week.

Adios!

Girl Scout Troop News

Girl Scout Troop 62 and their leaders were given a tour of City Hall by Police Chief Gary Gerdes. He also showed them various kinds of narcotics and talked to them of the danger of them. He showed them his police car and how the siren and two-way radio worked. They also worked on their Active Citizen badge and the troop wishes to thank Mr. Gerdes for helping them.

Scouts and leaders present were: Mrs. Wesley Braddock, Mrs. Pettigrew Hamilton, Sherri Sanders, Cindy Toope, Melinda Baker, Nelda Benson, Dvonne Johnston, LaDonna Hewett, Virginia Clifford, Tammy Swinney and visitors Sally Hamilton and Dennis Braddock.

Concerning the recent articles of contamination of Girl Scout Cookies from Columbus, Ohio, the Quivira Girl Scout Council has for many years been affiliated with the Southern Biscuit

Company and sells only FFV Brand Cookies. The FFV Brand Cookies from Southern Biscuit Company has never had nor does it now have any contamination of any kind. Please check for the Brand FFV when buying Girl Scout Cookies from the Quivira council Girl Scouts in our area.

These FFV Brand Cookies will go on sale again March 21, 1975. They come in five delicious flavors which are: Mint, Peanut Butter, Assorted Sandwich, Vanilla Shorties, and Chocolate Chip. The sale of these cookies is being renewed because of the extremely bad weather. It is hoped that everyone will look for the FFV Brand from Southern Biscuit Company and buy a box of your favorite cookie from your favorite Girl Scout.

Dale Clement of O.U. at Norman, Okla., visited his aunt, Inez Skinner, Tuesday night.

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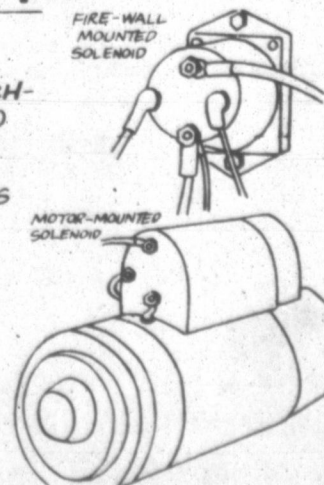
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CC Ex-Students Prepare For Annual Meeting

Planners for the Ex-Students' Association of Clarendon College met Friday night to finalize the program for their annual meeting of April 26th and 27th. Edna Smith advised that a great number of invitations had been sent out and acceptances were coming in daily.

Ralph Randall, a well known Ex of Panhandle, will be the speaker for the dinner. Registration will begin at 10 Saturday morning and all will be encouraged to stay for a time of visiting following. Coffee and donuts will be available.

Further visiting will be enjoyed at an open house at Ruby Bromleys that same afternoon from 2 to 4.

The Mike McCullys have graciously consented to play

Minnie Gerdes was hostess Monday night for two tables of bridge.

Refreshments of dips, chips and delicious sausage rolls were served.

Mrs. Dave Croslin won high.

The club will meet next in the home of Mrs. Chauncey Hommel.

W. A. Eads is out of the hospital and staying with his son and wife. Jack and Genella of Clarendon.

organ dinner music as a special part of the program for the dinner.

A luncheon has also been planned for Sunday April 27, following attendance of the church of one's choice, for more visiting.

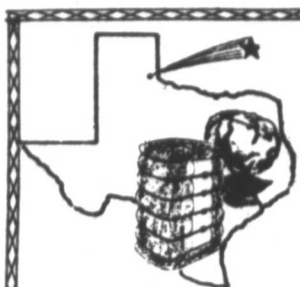
Volleyball Benefit Is This Friday

The benefit volleyball tournament is this Friday and Saturday and there is still room for a couple of teams, with three men and three women on court per team.

All proceeds will go to the Donley County Day Care Center. Admission will be \$.75 per night for adults and children under 12 free. Everyone is invited to come out to the old gym at the high school at 7 p.m. each night and boost the teams and the Day Care Center.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Stone of Borger visited Wednesday with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Banister. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Pauline Banister, of Grand Junction, Colorado visited till Sunday.

Mrs. Bobby Head of Panhandle visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bowling.



Lelia Lake News

By Mary Castner

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Smith and Sheila left Friday evening for Salem, Missouri to visit several days with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Self and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hasty visited in Plainview Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Heckle Stark enjoyed a fish fry in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Butler Thursday night.

Mrs. Larry Watson and Mrs. Don Altman were in Memphis Monday for medical attention.

Tina and Tracie Shields of Amarillo spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Shields.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mooring of Amarillo visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edd Mooring and Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Cook, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook returned home with their daughter to stay several days this week.

Mrs. L. R. Foster and daughter, Mrs. Cleo Turpin, of McLean visited last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Simmons.

Lewis Shields, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buster Shields,

spent several days in Hall County Hospital last week. After receiving painful burns from hot coffee, Lewis is doing fine now.

J. B. McDaniel was in Amarillo Saturday on business.

O. D. Roberts and Mrs. J. L. Butler visited relatives in Amarillo Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Reynolds, Terri and Preston Byrd visited in Amarillo Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hasty, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Allen and Brad visited in Quitaque Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Runt Cobb.

Hester Shields visited Sunday afternoon with his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lemmons and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Smith visited Sunday in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Moore.

Michael Thomas visited Friday night in Amarillo with his sister, Mrs. Juana Huckabee then on to Hereford to stay Saturday night with his brother Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Altman spent Wednesday in Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hardin visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dishman.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Tyler were in Memphis Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shields were in Amarillo this weekend for the Womens Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dishman visited relatives in Amarillo and Canyon Sunday.

We had a nice crowd at Community Center Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Denton and their daughter and grandsons were guests and entertained with music. We invite them back again anytime.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hearn, Mrs. A. G. Swinney and Dennis of Clarendon attended funeral services for Mrs. Lottie Kell in Flomont Tuesday.

Bill Tolbert and children of Amarillo spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolbert and great grandmother Lamb who is still visiting the Tolbert families.

Clyde Wayne Helton of Amarillo came Tuesday and stayed till Friday with his family the Glynn Heltons.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Casteel and Farrol of Amarillo visited Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tolbert had their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tolbert and children of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Tolbert and children of Amarillo for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Odum and Helen spent the weekend in Lubbock with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Seffel.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Land had Sunday dinner with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land.

Wayne Reynolds spent Saturday night with his grandmother Mrs. Flossie Reynolds.

Mrs. Dolfia Hearn of Houston and Mrs. Dick Valance of Amarillo visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hearn.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Webb of Amarillo visited Sunday with her mother Mrs. Etta Reynolds.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Reynolds visited Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Watson.

These were visitors this week in the Othel Elliott home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hearn, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Darel Leffew, Stan and Terri, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Elliott and baby, Mr. and Mrs. O.T. Hill, Jack Foster, Dane Perdue, Glynn Helton, Pete Land and Mary Myers.

Mr. and Mrs. Othel Elliott attended services at the First Baptist Church in Clarendon Sunday night where their granddaughter Terrie Leffew was baptized.

Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Helton visited with the Easterling families and attended funeral services for Maggie Easterling.

Those visiting in the L. O. Christie home and attending Mrs. Easterling services were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Christie of Idalou, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Christi of Big Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Christie of Youngstown, Colorado and Mrs. Brenda Weems and Christie Amarillo, Marvin Jourden, Judy and Todd McBeth and Mrs. Bobby Ray Jourden and Kyle of Friona.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land visited Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Christie.

Ashtola-Martin

by MRS. HUBERT ROADES

J. B. Lane entered St Anthony Hospital, March 9 for surgery on his knee Monday. He was released on Thursday to recuperate at home. He continues to improve at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Partain were in Amarillo Monday on business and visited Mrs. Willie Mills, Richard and Cecil and others.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Graham and Richard were in Memphis on Business Monday and Tuesday.

Hubert Rhoades and Bennie Clay made a business trip to Groom Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. B.B. Osburn and Darcus, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Moffett, Bonnie Koontz, Betty Lane and Merle Roehr of Silverton visited with J. B. Lane Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Ayes of Lelia Lake visited with Hubert Rhoades Friday afternoon.

Mrs. John Just of Lelia Lake had lunch Thursday with her mother Mrs. T. A. Nelson.

Jerry Gray of Sparta, Tennessee arrived Thursday for a visit with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Bible made a business trip to Wellington.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss Finley made a business trip to Amarillo Thursday.

Mrs. Harold Green of Phillips visited Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Austin Rhoades at Medical Center enroute home she stopped by the Hubert Rhoades.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Clay left Thursday for a visit in Dickens.

H. S. Mahaffey of Clarendon visited in Ashtola Thursday.

Billy Jack Green of Umbarger, his mother, Mrs. Joe Green of Canyon and Ova Green visited Mrs. Ova Long and family in Wichita Falls Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Bible shopped in Amarillo Friday and visited her niece Mrs. Debbie Daniels and her sister Mrs. Wendol Cubbie.

Scott and Cam Gray of Amarillo spent the week end with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Gray, Larry Gray of Demmitt joined the family Friday night.

Mrs. Gertrude Ogeltree passed away Wednesday night at At. Anthonys Hospital after a lengthy illness. Mr. and Mrs. Vance Gray and Larry attended the funeral services in Wellington. Our sympathy to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Bible spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Garry Bible and Gary Paul in Alarreed.

Rudy Partain of Amarillo spent the weekend with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Partain.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Bible visited Sturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leonard of McLean.

Our sympathy to the Waldrop family in the loss of their baby girl.

Rodney Green and Katherine Rowe of Canyon visited the Larry Greens in Clarendon Sunday. Enroute home they stopped by the Horace Greens.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss Finley spent Sunday in Canyon with his sister Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Winters. Twenty of the Finley family were together, in that number were five of the Finley brothers.

Bob Prock, Ruby and Joel visited in Amarillo Sunday afternoon with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Prock.

Mrs. Clara Mae Carter visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Nuford Dill.

Mr. and Mrs. Doss Finley called on their friends Mr. and Mrs. Clim Dougan in Canyon Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Gray had these of their family for Sunday dinner Mr. and Mrs. Butch Brown and children, Leveland; Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Tittle and children, Amarillo; Jerry Gray of Sparta, Tennessee. Scott and Cam of Amarillo, Larry of Demmitt, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Gray and Ronnie of Claude;

Mrs. Irene Gray of medical center; Mrs. Sharron Gray and Mrs. Elva Davis of Hedley.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Clay returned home from Dickens Sunday night where they spent a few days visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Alberta Odom returned home Wednesday from Oklahoma City where she attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, Eddy Holloway. She has been in Carrollton at the bed side of her sister, Mrs. C. D. Hurst for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Mahaffey helped Floyd Shannon celebrate his birthday Sunday with dinner at their home.

Merle Roehr of Silverton visited Saturday with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Chet Roehr at the Cline Ranch.

Gordon Chamberlain and Andrace of Panhandle; Joan Chamberlain of Amarillo and Mrs. Larry Green, Jason and Lori visited with the Horace Greens Sunday afternoon.

Our sympathy to the Easterling family in the loss of their loved one, Maggie Easterling.

Mrs. Maude Palmer of medical center is seriously ill at this time.

Mrs. Horace Green has received word Mrs. Dona Dewey is very ill at this time.

Mrs. Clovis Bible reports her brother Tommy Bolin of Hedley entered the hospital in Galveston Monday morning for surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Brown attended the track meet in White Deer Saturday. Mrs. Rosilee Lockwood of Amarillo joined them there.

Hubert Rhoades reported .30 of an inch of rain Saturday night.

MARTIN

Mrs. Hazel South of Lawton, Okla., Clara Fitz Gibbon, Millie and Ellen Fayland of Hedley had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land on Monday.

Mrs. Hazel South returned to her home in Lawton on Tuesday.

Kay Smith of Hale Center visited Tuesday with the L. O. Christies.

Mrs. L. O. Christie went to Groom for her check up and received a good report.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Helton, Brad and Jennifer of Leota, Kansas came Tuesday stayed till Thursday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Helton and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Burgess of Clarendon.

Wes Wilkerson of Clarendon

Country Club Corner

Tuesday, March 11 a large crowd of voting members decended on the clubhouse to elect three new directors and hear the report on the C.P.A. on the finish of business for 1974. Hors d'oeuvres, punch and bubbly were served to our fifty patrons who enjoyed listening to the program of progress of the club. Elected to the board for the ensuing three years were Ernest Kent, Dr. Richard Gilkey and Mary Ann Sawyer.

On Wednesday March 12 the board met to elect officers. Dr. Gilkey was elected president, Jeff Walker, vice-president and Nancy Shelton secretary-treasurer. Those going off of the board after serving three years were Bill Mooring, Bud Knorpp and Boo Lowe. Other business involving the golf course and the windup of the clubhouse remodeling job was discussed and plans were made for the busy upcoming summer season.

Last Thursday was the first day of the Ladies Golf Association gatherings. After nine holes of golf the gals were served tea in the clubhouse and a short business session was held. The winners of the day were as follows. Championship - Flight-Mary Ann Sawyer Medalist. First Flight medalist - Sandi Wallace and Kay White playday winner.

Second Flight - Frances Deyhle Medalist. Avis Benson playday winner. Third Flight - Glen Greene - medalist. After golf the first of a series of lessons was given by Pro Lendon White. He stressed the importance of the proper grip of the golf club to some fifty beginners and experienced golfers.

Sunday afternoon thirty two golfers teed off for the Florida Scotch Tourney. First place team winners after 18 holes were Larry Ripple, Wayne Carter, Crockett and Auddel. Second place team Lendon White, Dorothy Breedlove, Max Seymour and Dan Sawyer. Tied for third were the teams of Pitts Crudgington, Joe Self, Carolyn Payne and Dave Crossland, Jeff Walker, Flip Breedlove, Billie Chauveaux and Maxine Hardin.

The next golf event will take place March 23 on Sunday afternoon. It is the Mens Golf Association Sweepstakes. Gordon will have the Smorgasbord ready at twelve sharp everyday except Tuesday so come on out and enjoy yourself.



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