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# Rural House Fire Prompts Group's Action



SPC CALF DRESSING TEAM WINS-First-place team in the calf dressing competition during a recent Cat Daddy Rodeo at South Plains College were (from left) Nelda Rogers of Abernathy, Omie Dalton of Ropesville and Donna Johnson of Seminole. Omie also took first place in steer riding and goat tying. Nelda took third in steer riding and Donna placed second in goat tying. The rodeo is sponsored annually by the SPC Rodeo Club.

### **Omie Dalton Captures Trophies At Annual Cat Daddy Rodeo**

When the dust had settled November 4 after the annual Cat Daddy Rodeo, Omie Dalton of

Ropesville was clutching a handful of trophies-first place in steer riding, first place in goat tying and first place as a team member in calf dressing.

Her name was among those announced as rodeo winners and recipients of trophies, plaques and ribbons during a brief awards ceremony November 5 in the South Plains College Student Union Building. The annual rodeo in the College arena was sponsored by the SPC Rodeo Club, whose president is Skeet Jones of Mentone. Club sponsors are Jim Jenkins, assistant professor of agriculture, and James Carroll, chairman of applied health and technology at

Other first-place winners were Eric Rush of Grady, N.M., chute doggin; Larry Stovall of Floydada, bull riding; Vance Garner of Levelland, bareback riding; and Bob Fallon, director of student activities at SPC, and David Whitaker of FLomot, faculty roping.

The team of Donna Johnson of Seminole, Nelda Rogers of Abernathy and Miss Dalton won first place in calf dressing.

Other results in the Cat Daddy Rodeo were as follows:

Chute Dogging-Jack Benham of Morton, 2nd; Danny Quisenberry of Floydada, 3rd, and Randy Bills of Earth, 4th.

Steer Riding-Kari Simmons of Idalou, 2nd; Nelda Rogers, 3rd, and Nancy Anderson of Floydada,

Goat Tying-Donna Johnson, 2nd; Rogers, 3rd; and Connie McDonald of Muleshoe, 4th.

Bull Riding-Neal Stark of New Deal, 2nd; Doak Shannon of Levelland, 3rd; and Jackie Blacklock of Post, 4th.

Bareback Riding-Ken Pittman of Hobbs, N.M., 2nd; Shannon,

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by Janice Jarvis

Mary and Martha Mathis had a house fire Sunday, and no one came. And those that did show up got there too late to save the blazing structure.

The unattended fire at the Mathis residence-located about a quarter of mile outside the Lubbock city limits-has prompted Southern Rural Property Owners Association president Harry Hamilton to call for a joint meeting with members of the city council, commissioners court and county voters.

"We are demanding that county officials act," noted Violet Horn, secretary of the organization which consists of city and rural residents. When lives and property are threatened, there is more to consider than dollars, Mrs. Horn told reporters at a Tuesday morning press confer-

If the problem of fire protection cannot be solved, then a request for a metro type of government that considers all citizens in the area will be made, Hamilton said.

The organization-which earlier this year opposed annexation of rural land by the city-now believes the problem involves more than the area just south of Lubbock, Hamilton explained, noting that all areas of the county should be concerned.

He said the proposed meeting hopefully will settle disagreements between the city and county.

"There's no reason why we can't have fire protection," commented Barney Chapman, a rural resident. "It's childish to argue about how much it's going to cost to run a fire truck."

On hand for Tuesday's news conference were both Mathis sisters, whose reddened eyes told the story of their loss. The fire occurred Sunday while the two women were attending church. When they returned from workship services, they found their residence, located near the Tahoka Highway just south of 82nd Street, had burned to the ground.

Members of the Lubbock Fire Department stopped at the city

#### **Sounds of Christmas**

The sounds of Christmas are filling the air at Frenship High School as the varsity choir prepares for their annual Christmas tour.

The select mixed choir begins an active month with a Dec. 9 concert at Reese AFB for the officer wives club. Dec. 14 the choir will be singing at Meadow High School for the student body, and the TTO show on channel 28 at noon.

Next on the tour will be a Lubbock performance for the Pilots Club. Concluding the tour will be a Dec. 20 concert for the FHA student body at 11:30. Parents and friends are invited to come and join in the singing of traditional carols.

The award winning choir is directed by Miss Doreen Hutton.

limits and watched the structure burn, Mrs. Horn said. Since city and county officials ended the rural fire call contract, the city fire department cannot fight fires outside Lubbock.

Slaton and Wolfforth fire trucks answered the call but arived at the scene after the blaze was out of control.

Lubbock Mayor Roy Bass said the city council had offered county officials a rural fire contract at a cost of "a little better then \$1,200 per call." Last year, the county had paid the city \$400 per rural fire call.

According to Bass, the requested fire call figure had been arrived at by the city based on the past year's experience. To compute the figure, the city took the cost of operating the fire department, subtracted certain expenses considered strictly for the city and then averaged the number of fire calls for the previous year.

Bass acknowledged the need for an additional fire station just to adequately protect the city. At the present time, projections show the greatest need for another station would be south of Loop 289 an east of University Avenue, he said. This station probably could meet the fiveminute response time for fire calls south of the city-if city and county officials reach an agree-

A fire truck for rural residents could have prevented such a costly loss, according to Hamilton. Chapman added, "The county doesn't expect free protection, but some protection is needed."

The cost of operating fire trucks in the county should not be thought of in terms of profit-but saving lives and property should be considered, commented New Deal Mayor Ray West. He said there is plenty of money to have a fire truck in his community.

Reporters questioned whether a 500-gallon truck could put out a fire. West explained that at least fires could be slowed down until further aid could be provided. This method has proved successful in Abernathy, he added.

One city resident who owns a business in the rural area said that the county's rural residents may not pay city taxes-but they're not getting much for their county dollar.

It was noted that only a few members of the citizen's organization had attended the last meeting concerning rural fire protection, but Hamilton explained that they were not notified. "If I'd known about it, I would have been there," he said.

No date has been set for the proposed city-county meeting. For the meeting to be successful, there must be citizen involvement, Hamilton stressed.

County Judge Rod Shaw noted that he hasn't received any communication from the property owners association. "Whatever communication I received will be presented to the full commissioners court to see what they want to do," he said.

County commissioners meet Monday, and it's likely rural fire protection will come up during that session.

### Frenship FFA Quiz Team To **Participate in State Contest**



The Frenship FFA Quiz team consisting of David Henricks. Deryl Hoodenpyle, Brian Swenford and David Villaneal will be participating in the state leadership contest December 3 and 4.

The contest will be held at Sam Houston State College in Huntsville, Texas. They qualified for state by first winning at District Leadership contest on Nov. 16 in Idalou. After winning district they were eligible for the area contest at Plainview. There are six districts in this area and they won first again. Only the first place team at district goes to area and first at area goes to

We are very proud of them and wish them well at state contest this Friday and Saturday.

Frenship also had two other teams at the district leadership contest. The Junior Skills team won second place and the Junior chapter conducting team placed

The members of the Junior Skills team were Vernon Lennonkugel, Steve Spencer and Victor Quintana. Byran Bittner, Tim Collins, Dennis Kirk, Dusty Magby, Cecil Mandrell, Kevin Satterwhite, and Russ Ward were members of the Junior Chapter conducting team.

### "Extension Update"

by Georgia Doherty Freezing Small Game, Game Birds

If the fruits of your hunter's labor are too many to cook at once, freezing is a good method of preserving them.

This is the season for various game birds, such as ducks, quail, geese, dove, turkey, pheasant, rail and woodcock. Also, small game such as squirrels, rabbits, opossum and raccoons can be frozen for later use.

First step is to thoroughly clean them and cool before freezing. Wrap each bird or animal individually in a moisture-vaporproof freezing paper, using the drugstore wrap.

For this wrapping method, place the game in the center of the paper. Bring the two sides of the paper evenly together at the top. Make a drugstore fold by turning the paper down toward the meat in a one-half in fold. Continue folding tightly and snugly against the meat. Press the fold flat against the meat and make a double fold in each end of the wrapping. Fold these ends under the package to make a tighter wrap, fold the ends over and seal with freezer tape.

Label all packages with the cut of meat and the date. The same procedure should be used in wrapping big game, such as venison.

Freeze small game immediately after packaging. Keep the meat at 0 degrees F. or lower until it is used. Quality meat, correctly wrapped in moisture-vapor-proof freezing paper will keep frozen at this temperature from six months to a year, except for the organ meats such as heart and liver, which should be used within six months.

When thawing game, do so in the refrigerator. Allow five hours thawing time per pound.

The red dye used for cherries in canned fruit cocktail is not Red. No. 2 or 4, both of which have been banned from use in food. Fruit cocktail cherries receive their color from Red No. 3, which is specified as safe for coloring food.

For economy, buy large-size boxes of ready-to-serve cereals. The multipacks of indvidual-size cereals may cost two or three times more per ounce than the same cereal in a large box.

4-H Happenings

4-H'ers are getting an early start on learning to give method demonstrations this year. All 4-H'ers, parents, leaders, and other interested people are asked to attend a method demonstration workshop at South Plains Electric Cooperative at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 18. Bring a sack lunch and be ready for a skating party after lunch!

All Lubbock 4-H members are invited to a County Christmas Party on Thursday, December 16 at the Merchant's Building on the South Plains Fair Grounds at 7:00

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### **FHA-HERO Meeting**

The Future Homemakers of America-Home Economics Related Occupations chapter of Frenship High School met Wednesday, Nov. 24, at Wyatt's Cafeteria for lunch and a short meeting.

The group decided to sponsor a Toys for Tots campaign for the community. Repairable toys will be collected and taken to the Marine Reserve for renovation and distribution to needy children.

Students in the FHA-HERO chapter feel this project is very worthwhile and encourage the community's participation. Boxes for toys will be available in the high school foyer through Dec.

### Ropes 4-H

Ropes 4-H members participated in the Hockley County 4-H Food Show at Levelland Dec. 4. Dawna Cowan won a blue ribbon and was named alternate in Snack's and Beverages. Donae Parker won a blue ribbon in Side Dishes, Janene Gillispie won a red ribbon in Desserts, and Julie Ward won a red ribbon in Main Dishes.

All of these girls were in the junior division.

**NEWS** 

Davy Roberts won the quilt given away by the Ropes Ambulance Service.

### Ropes School **Lunch Menu**

Monday, December 13 Fish/Tartar Sauce Cole Slaw Hush Puppies Buttered Corn/Creamed Potatoes Chocolate Pudding/Milk

Tuesday, December 14 Hot Dogs/Chili Pork 'n Beans Onion/Pickle Cookies/Fruit/Milk

Wednesday, December 15 Turkey/Giblet Gravy/Dressing Green Beans/Buttered Corn Candied Sweet Potatoes Cranberry Sauce Roll/Butter/Chocolate Milk

Thursday, December 16 Frito Pie/Cheese Pinto Beans/Garden Salad Spanish Rice/Corn Bread Cobbler Pie/Milk

Friday, December 17 Beef Patties/Gravy Blackeye Peas/Pickles Football Potatoes Lime Jello Salad Coconut Pudding Roll/Butter/Milk

### **Wolfforth Methodist** To Have Bazgar

Wolfforth First United Methodist Church will have its annual Christmas Bazaar this Saturday, Dec. 11 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Crafts and baked goods made by the church members will be for sale and a chili lunch will be served at noon.

An annual event at the church, this project enables the church to raise a large part of its contribution to World Service and Benevolences.

Chairing this years bazaar is Mary Barger with Martha Turnbow as assistant. Committee members include Terry Whitener, Nina Rosales and Vinita

The church is located at West Main Street in Wolfforth.

### **Art Department Tieing One On**

The Art Department at Frenship will be working with dyes next week, and will be happy to tie-dye T-shirts for students or faculty for 50 cents a shirt. The shirts must be 100 per cent cotton, old or new, and must have been washed at least once.

There will be a booth set up Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday in the foyer of the auditorium to take orders. For more information, contact the Art Department (866-4350) Mrs. Cyd Mathis.

The proceeds from this project will go toward buying supplies for the Art Department.

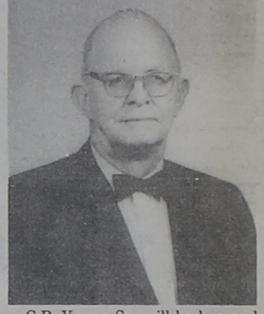
### **FTA Members Attend Convention**

The FTA members who were able to attend the District XVII Convention in Plainview on Saturday, Dec. 4, were Jenny Hilton, Cindy Mitchell, Mike Crump, Mike Mansell, Lanette Wright, Kim Dalton, Nancy Howell, and Frances Turnbow. Mrs. Dorothy McGregor is the sponsor, and also attended.

At the meeting, Jenny Hilton, District Recording Secretary, kept detailed minutes of the meeting. New District officers were elected, but will not start their duties until May of 1977.

The chairman of the Delegates from Frenship was Mike Mansell. He voiced the votes of our chapter. Next year, the convention will be held on the first Thursday of November. The convention went very smoothly and very quickly.

### C.P. Young Honored



C.P. Young Sr. will be honored on his 90th birthday with open house by hils children Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Jackson of Anton, Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Robinson of Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Conlley of Tahoka, Mr. and Mrs. C.P. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Young of

Wolfforth, Sunday, Dec. 12 from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of Wolfforth United Methodist Church. Relatives and friends have been invited to share this occasion with him.

His grandchildren will serve at the receptions.

Mr. Young has lived in Lubbock County 54 years, living in Wolfforth for 34 of those years.

### **Frenship Band News**

The Frenship Varsity Band sold fruit from the valley as a fund raising project to finance their spring trip to Six Flags. The fruit came in last week, and each member of the band has been busy delivering the fruit he sold. If you do not get your order, please contact Mr. Brundrant at 866-4440 or 866-4403.

Also, the Varsity Band members have elected the Band Sweetheart and Princesses. Band -Sweetheart is Frances Turnbow; Senior Princess is Letha Perry; Junior Princess is Tammie Burk; Sophomore Princess is Sherri Golleher; and Freshman Princess is Angela Gaston.

Rodeo . . .

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Littlefield, 4th.

Faculty Roping-Jim Leggitt, SPC associate professor of chemistry, and Danny Carson of Hart, 2nd; Earl Gerstenberger, SPC dean of students, and Jeff Flores of Stratford, 3rd; and Bill Billingsley, SPC associate professor of history, and Dan Ellis of Muleshoe, 4th.

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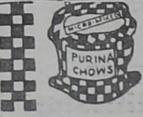
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### **Letters to Santa Claus**

Dear Santa Claus,

Hope you are feeling good this year. I have been a good boy. I would like a Spider Man Set, Mattel Flyiwg Aces, Bridge and highway set Lincoln logs Breaking point game.

Love Joe Bob

Dear Santa,

How is Rudolph? Please bring me a 6 million dollar man radio wrist watch and the Spiderman ricochet racer. Thank you,

James age Pair 7

Dear Santa,

I have been waiting all year for Christmas. I want a camera, a barbie townhouse, a match box case, a truck, and a tape recorder. My three year old sister would like a play elephant, a raggedy ann, a winneh the pooh, a tiger, a kangaroo, a donkey. I am in the fifth grade. I was awared Student of the Month in October. Well hope to see you Christmas.

Yours truly, Sheila Young

Dear Santa and Mrs. Claus,

How are you? I have been a good little girl this year. I was 3 years old on Dec. 6th.

For Christmas I would like to have a refrigerator, stove, baby doll and some candy and suckers.

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Despite what many people say, the younger generation is not worthless.

# EMT Association Holds Meeting

The South Plains Emergency Medical Technician Association met last Tuesday night, Nov. 30, at 7:00 p.m. in the Group Dynamics room, Christian Development Center at Lubbock Christian College.

A report by several association members on the tri-regional EMS workshop held in Albuquerque, New Mex. and the Emergency Medicine Symposium in Dallas was given. Many new developments and techniques of emergency care were discussed, including the new variations of the heimlich maneuver, such as chest thrust for the conscious and unconscious patient.

### Caprock China Club to Have Christmas Party

The Caprock China Club will have their annual Christmas party, Saturday, Dec. 11, from 2-4 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Harold Roff at 6106 Louisville Drive in Lubbock.

Mrs. Elna Cannon will tell the story of Christmas in the early 1900's followed by a story "Of God's Trees," told by Mrs. Cecil Lofland. The group will exchange hand painted mugs and refreshments will be served.

Hostesses will be Mesdames Garland Stokes, Charles Duncan, Clyde McKinzie and Loyd McCormick.

### Ag Booster Garage Sale Successful

The huge garage and bake sale, sponsored recently by the Shallowater ag boosters and held at the Community building was a big success, and the money collected will go into the ag booster fund, to be used in the local ag department and the Shallowater Jr. Livestock Show, to be held after the first of the year.

On behalf of the local boosters, everyone in the community is extended a big thank you, for supporting the group by donating items in both the garage sale and bake sale. By supporting this group, persons have contributed toward the success of the forthcoming livestock show.

# **Guest Speakers at Methodist Church**

Last Sunday evening the Rev. Tom Strother, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Redwine, spoke at the church about the Methodist Home in Waco. Guests in the church were Tom's family and members of the Waco Home. Mike Hugg brought a very inspiring time with his singing. Mike was a member of the home but is now in charge of the Methodist Home radio hour each Sunday morning over K.F.Y.O.

This coming Sunday evening the Rev. Elroy Wisian will be the guest speaker. Elroy is a member of the First United Methodist Church of Shallowater and is now a ministerial student at Asbury Seminary in Wilmore, Ky.

Too much time is wasted in trying to get something for nothing.

### Frenship School Lunch Menu

Monday, December 13 Hot Dog/Bun/Chili Potato Salad Pork 'n Beans Peanut Butter Cake Milk

Tuesday, December 14
Taco/Meat
Shredded Lettuce/Tomato
Cheese
Pinto Beans
Cornbread
Strawberry Whip

Wednesday, December 15
Fish/Catsup
Mashed Potatoes
Hot Roll
Lima Beans
Apple Pie
Milk

Thursday, December 16
Chicken Pie
Green Peas
Tator Tots
Hot Roll/Butter
No Bake Cookie
Milk

Friday, December 17
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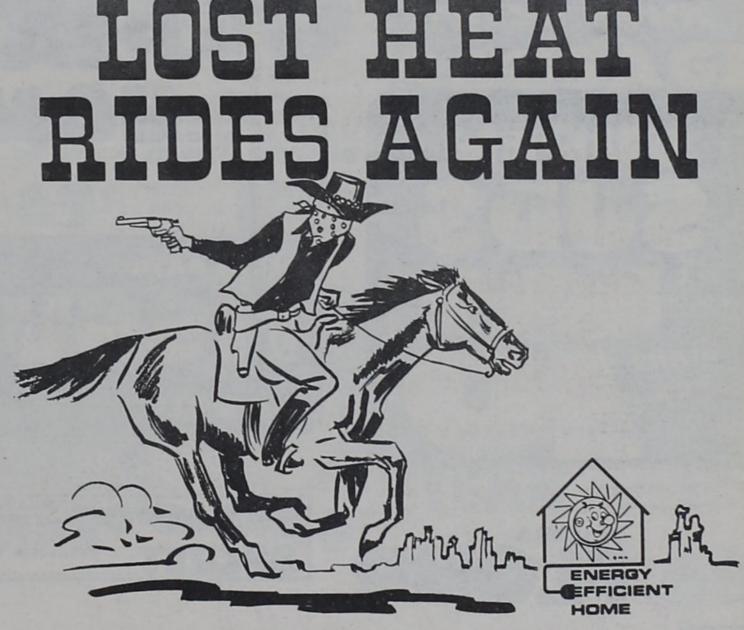
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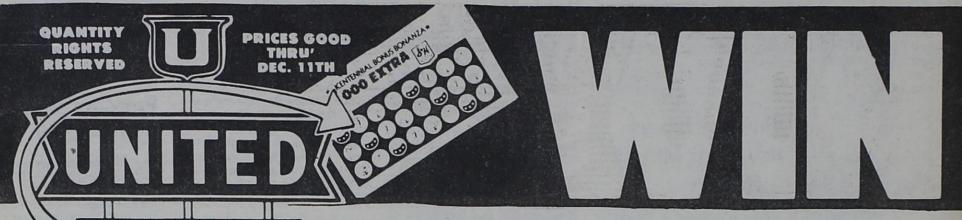
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The Frenship Kittens have played four ball games and have compiled a 2 win 2 loss record. The Kittens lost to Idalou 38-35 and to Ralls 58-51. The Kittens then defeated New Home 55-45 and Shallowater 49-43.

Jeananne Jones is leading the offense with an average of 21.5

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points per game. Jenny Hilton follows with a 16.8 average. Kathy Lanev leads the defense with 29 rebounds and 35 recoveries. Jones has added 25 rebounds and 13 recoveries.

The Kittens have averaged 36.5 rebounds per game and 21.3 recoveries a game, but have suffered with 26.3 turn-overs per game and 22.5 fouls per game. To further complicate matters, the Kittens are shooting only 37 per cent from the field and 52 per cent from the free throw line.

Members of the Kittens team are Cindy Sewell (Sr.), Tonya Ivie (Soph.), Jeananne Jones (Jr.), Ofelia Pena (Sr.), Annie Pena (Soph.), Dawn Hutcheson (Sr.), Jenny Hilton (Sr.), Kathy Laney (Sr.), Tina Olenik (Sr.), Suzy Smith (Soph.), Rita Stigers (Sr.), and Sheril Harkness (Sr.).

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The courses may be taken for enrichment or applied to a degree program. The schedule allows students to earn either two or three hours of college credit in one week.

For that week, however, students have a fulltime schedule. They attend the class from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday through Friday.

"Christ Through the Bible" is the title of a course that will be offered from Dec. 27-31. Courses that will be offered from Jan. 3-8 include U.S. History II, Child Growth and Development, Kinesiology and Principles of Market-

Tuition is \$46 per credit hour. For further information visit the Registrar's Office or call 792-3221, ext. 206.

The finest thing about Christmas is that it reminds us there is a Santa Claus.

### State Comptroller Bob Bullock's Office to Curb Cigarette Bootlegging

Comptroller Bob Bullock said last week that a recent spot check of cigarette vending machines in Houston by his staff revealed that 36 per cent of the machines did not have a current state permit as required by law.

Bullock said he instructed his staff to begin assessing penalties against future violators and urged consumers to be on the lookout for machines not bearing the state decal.

"We are serving notice here and now that we intend to enforce the law," Bullock said. "If I were a merchant and didn't have state permits on my cigarette machines, I'd be getting some mighty fast."

Bullock noted that failure to have the \$5 permit affixed prominently to each machine is a misdemeanor offense punishable by a fine of up to \$500 per day for each machine.

Bullock said he was ordering the crackdown as part of an intensified effort by his office to curb the flow of bootleg cigarettes that is costing Texans millions a year in lost revenue.

"We feel that many of these bootleg cigarettes are being sold to unsuspecting consumers through unlicensed vending machines," the Comptroller said.

Bullock said that merchants may purchase the decals from the Comptroller's field office nearest them or through his Austin office.

The decals expire automatically on the last day of February each

Bullock urged smokers to check for a 1976 state decal when they purchase cigarettes from a machine and to report any violations to his office by calling the toll-free Tax Information number, 1-800-252-5555.

The Comptroller also urged smokers to check the bottoms of their cigarette packs for the state

"If there is no stamp, no state tax has been paid on those cigarettes. The buyer is being ripped off and the state is being ripped off," Bullock said.

He also urged smokers to tell his office where they purchased the unstamped cigarettes by calling the toll-free number.

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Johnny Rodriquez, a senior from Meadow who is organizing the event, said displays wil include hand-made jewelry, macrame, oil paintings, wood carvings, metal sculpture and decoupage. "Persons from the Lubbock area are invited to browse or to purchase items for Christmas presents," Rodriquez

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### Ropes Basketball Report

Ropes varsity boys beat Shallowater 60-37 Nov. 30. Randy Melton was high point with 23 and Shallowater's Judah was high point with 9.

Ropes varsity girls lost to Shallowater Nov. 30 with LaWana Smith high point with 19. Terri Stanton of Shallowater was high point with 27.

Ropes junior varsity boys lost to Shallowater Nov. 30 42-37. Joel Flowers scored 17 high points for Ropes and Menton of Shallowater scored 17.

Ropes varsity boys played in the Meadow tournament Dec. 2 and lost to Levelland JV 83-61. Chris Hobbs scored 21 high points for Ropes and Eddie Blair was high point for Levelland with 21.

Ropes varsity girls also played in the Meadow tournament against Levelland varsity but lost 61-46. Sherry Means of Ropes scored 18 high points and Becky Veretto of Levelland scored 25.

Ropes varsity boys beat Slaton in the Meadow tournament Dec. 3 with a score of 55-52. Chris Hobbs and Gary Means each scored 17 high points for Ropes. S. White of Slaton scored 16.

Ropes varsity girls played Morton Dec. 3 in the Meadow Tournament, losing 54-63. Sherry Means scored 34 high points for Ropes and Susan Cadenhead scored 29 for Morton.

Ropes varsity boys lost to Meadow Dec. 4 at their tournament 56-66. Dicki Arant scored 18 high points for Ropes and Meadow's Martin Blair scored

Ropes eighth grade boys lost to Southland Dec. 6 by a score of 26-39. Gene Valentine scored 11 high points for Ropes and Gerry Hill scored 18 for Southland.

Ropes eighth grade girls also lost to Southland Dec. 6 20-30. Debbie Chaney was high point with 10 for Ropes and Camille Wheeler scored 18 for Southland.

Ropes Eagles

Ropes Eagles lost the championship to host Meadow at the Meadow tournament Dec. 2-4. (Details on report). They beat Levelland JV 83-61 and Slaton 55-52 to reach the finals. (Report for high point.)

Ropes Eaglettes dropped both of their games in the tournament. They lost to Levelland varsity 46-61 and Morton 54-63. (Report

for high point.)

#### Randy Melton

Ropes Eagle Randy Melton was a two way performer on the Avalanche-Journal All - South Plains team at end on offense and secondary on defense. Randy is a senior this year.

Gary Means was picked as the punter, he is a junior. Junior Steven Sims was given Honorable Mention as a runningback.

Ropes High School will host an invitational tournament Dec. 9-11, 1976. (Teams and times on brackets.)

### **Lunch Bunch to Have Christmas Program**

Dr. E.I. Montgomery, associate professor of Anthropology at Texas Tech University will speak on "The Folklore of Christmas" at the next Lunch Bunch program December 14. Dr. Montgomery has taught at Arkansas State College, and Berea College before coming to Texas Tech in 1964. Her talk will include Christmas customs around the world.

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### Sheridan's Ride

by Jack Sheridan

Time and again throughout the history of man on earth we have heard the expression that "God moves in mysterious ways." Most of the time

you and I, as His children accept, without question, this reasoning. Sometimes it is totally acceptable; other times it puzzles and seems inexplicable. Mystery and His purpose are not always understandable to those mortals of us.

What I am trying to say and, sad and puzzled am I, is the weekend death of a vibrant young woman, beautiful, high sense of humor, kindness, warmth, gentleness, the passing of 27-year-old actress Renee Meeks of this city, of complications following

surgery. These remarks are personal in the extreme, for I loved Renee and did not even know of her death until a close friend of hers called me in the

midnight hours Friday to tell me. Renee Meeks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gagnon, 2503 25th St., was, beyond a doubt, the most gifted actress in this community. Her scope of theater was all-sweeping. I first saw Renee perform at Texas Tech University Theater and she was as the arrow that hits the dead center of the target.

Then, she went on to roles at the Lubbock Theatre Centre and the Hayloft Dinner Theater, where she was not only a stunning character actress but served that organization also as a stage manager and public relations lady day and night.

Renee was the kind of person whose voice on the telephone was enough to make anybody's day. A time spent with her was time well rewarded. I fell in love with her (and I mean this) some time ago and I still glow with my love.

It was no secret that we were close and every time that she completed a performance in a Hayloft play, with my table at the ringside, and was taking her enthusiastic bows, she blew a kiss to me. Those are kisses I shall remember.

Renee went on the "road" with her acting. She played the dinner theater in Amarillo and was a favorite in St. Louis, Mo.

Renee had been married. She is survived by her parents, a sister of this city, Mrs. Vicki Bush, and a small daughter, Michelle.

Everything Renee Meeks did, her speech, her movements, her acting, was that of excellence. There was a whole world open to her, a full-flowering blossom to pick. She underwent surgery and complications therefrom claimed her last Thursday night.

Somehow I can't accept the fact that Renee Meeks is no longer with us. It is as if some cruel and gigantic hoax has been perpetrated by some foolish man.

But, alas, it is true. All that loveliness, all that talent, all that vibrant and electric personality is gone and Peaceful Gardens Cemetery enshrouds the lady.

I said that man has always said "God moves in mysterious ways" as I began. In this instance, with Renee, why did He snatch her home at the peak of the flowering of that talent which He gave her?

No answer, I suppose. There is left but a void where a marvelous, blessed, desirable woman was. I feel lonely without the knowledge that Renee Meeks is around "doing her thing." I can't quite understand a world without her. Whatever the pattern was, it has been fulfilled and left us with only memories of her contributions.

Now, let's turn our attentions briefly to a couple of running movies in town. "Up," the X-rated film by Russ Meyers, the master of soft-core pornography continues healthy at the South Plains Cinema I-II. This is a wild and improbable movie with much frontal nudity and little else. I will not go into it, other than to say that I managed to last one hour and 10 minutes out of two hours. Unless this is what you like, I'd stay far away. It'll hold until the Barbra Streisand-Kris Kristofferson "A Star Is Born" takes over on Christmas Day. (Why this third version of the familiar story—transplanted now to a rock background—was necessary, beats me. Janet Gaynor and Fredric March did the original, Judy Garland and James Mason made it into a celebrated musical and Miss Streisand is no match for either of those professionals.)

"Two-Minute Warning" at Showplace 4 is just about what you would expect. There's a sniper rampant in Los Angeles' huge Coliseum during a championship game and Charlton Heston as the old cop and John Cassavetes as the young cop work it up to the final gun to capture the murderous man. Heston looks tired these days (he's been Boy Scout over these many years) and Cassavetes, an actor that never gets his justice on the screen, manages to take the prize. There's a lot of other people involved in this newest "disaster" film, such as Martin Balsam, Beau Bridges, Marilyn ("The Other Side of the Mountain") Hassett, David Janssen, Jack Klugman, the stunning (Mrs. Cassavetes) Gena Rowlands, Walter Pidgeon and Brock Peters. The whole thing is somewhat familiar but it has its exciting moments, too.

Larry Peerce (son of Metropolitan Opera tenor, Jan Peerce) directed well and Universal Pictures is laughing because they beat a competitor to the national box office-his film is also a football stadium clash, involving a blimp, no less, "Black Sunday," which comes along later.

Don't forget the annual Children's Christmas Concert set for 3 p.m. this coming Sunday at the University Center Theater on the Tech campus. It's an annual glorious program under the direction of the music department's Paul Ellsworth and features Tech dancers and the Tech Symphony Orchestra, and guess who?, Mr. S. Claus himself.

And, when you are downtown in Hemphill Wells, take five and view the Southwest Designer/Craftsman exhibition on the mezzanine floor. You'll see stunning works in variety by well known local artists, such as Jinny Lynn, Mona Pierce, and many others whose names and work are familiar to all of us.

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