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Cheerleaders to **Appear in Annual All America Game**

The Frenship Varsity Cheerleaders have been selected to be cheerleaders for the west side in the All American Football game scheduled for June 21 in Jones Stadium in Lubbock.

Wolfforth First Methodist Sets VBS Next Week

The Wolfforth First United Methodist Church will conduct their Vacation Bible School June 2 thru June 6.

Elementary Students at Frenship Mark End of School Herbicides in Wide Use

The last day of school in Wolfforth is always fun for the grade school students when they can participate in Field Day. It consists of races, singly, in pairs, or in groups.

Winners of the sprint are as

Kindergarten

Kayla Runnels, Roxie Farmington, Fifie Ward, Anthony Vasquez, Johnnie Carl, David Martinez.

First Grade

Teresa Nelms, Angie Penza, Betty Johnson, Shawn Anderson, Lester Servantez, J.W. Johnson.

Federal Crop Insurance Reduces Farming Risk

that has plagued Texas farmers in recent weeks, more thought should be given to federal crop insurance, believes an economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Federal crop insurance can reduce production risks for farmers as their costs continue to rise sharply," points out Dr. Wayne Hayenga. "Such insurance protects working capital committed to crop production."

Although crop insurance provides only limited coverage, it does cover out-of-pocket production costs in most cases, notes the Texas A&M University System specialist.

"About 90 per cent of all federal crop insurance is of the 'all-risk' type," says Hayenga. "This type of insurance is available in 84 Texas counties from the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, with coverage limited to cotton, sorghum, corn, peanuts and citrus. Its main purpose is to protect farmers from a total crop

Wolfforth Home Demo Club News

The Wolfforth Home Demonstration Club met Tuesday afternoon for a very informative meeting. Sandy Stewart and Terri Daniels brought a method demonstration from 4-H entitled "The Growth of a Personality". The young girls are in a contest next week to be held at A&M University. All participants are to give 8 minute presentations which are researched and written by each pair of contestants.

After the family life presentation, Betty Williams and Betty Hord brought a demonstration and lesson about macrame. Those members present were invited to participate by learning the basic knot used in making all macrame projects.

The women present for the meeting were Mrs. C.W. Jennings, Mrs. George Coke, Mrs. Amelia Crow, Mrs. Sam McWhorter, Mrs. Grady Brook, Mrs. Ruth Haskins, Mrs. Raimon Coleman, Mrs. Ross Adamson, Mrs. Donnie Morris, Mrs. Alice James, and Mrs. Chester Alexander.

With all the violent weather failure. It covers losses, when unavoidable, due to adverse weather conditions such as drouth, hail, high winds, floods and freezing temperatures. Unavoidable losses from insects and disease infestations are also covered."

> The insured producer is usually guaranteed a specified yield. When the harvested yield is less than this, the shortage is covered at a price selected from a price options list before the growing season starts. Coverage usually ends at harvest time, points out the economist.

> "Crop insurance premiums are generally based on indemnities within certain areas. For instance, hail insurance premiums vary by crop, with sorghum rates from about 1.5 to 8 per cent of the coverage while cotton rates usually start at 3 to 4 per cent of the coverage. In some hail prone areas, premiums may be as high as 18 per cent," says Hayenga.

> Since applications for most crop insurance must be made prior to planting time, it may be too late to obtain insurance coverage in most counties. However, Hayenga urges interested producers to contact the county Extension office for details.

Summer Fun **Being Offered**

Connie Follis and Jane Gillet will be teaching some summer courses in Wolfforth, beginning the first week in June.

Jane will instruct a Model Perfect and Better Grooming course. This will add a more professional look to your style shows and dress review.

Connie holds a degree in Physical Education from Texas Tech University. While participating in competition with a twirling corp, she won state and national titles. She was a high school and head twirler at Coronado High School. She is a teacher in a private dance and gymnastic studio. Connie will be holding courses in baton and

For more information call 795-0481 or 829-2144.

Second Grade

Lisa Wade, Sandra Guetierrez, Jennifer Hawkins, Robert Flores, Richard Jackson, Robert Allen.

Third Grade

Mary Knight, Linda McKinney, Tammy Bishop, Craig Godfrey, Fred Burns, Chris Seaman.

Fourth Grade

Jenifer Nelms, Jerrie Flanners, Lynette Rogers and Charlotte Ream, Ronnie Nelms, Richard Davis, Phil Salas.

Fifth Grade

Leanne Wade, Tonya Smith, Gale Johnson, Comas Godfrey, Filipe Garcia, Bill Garza.

Winners of the 3 legged race are: Susie Garza and Sandi Hust, Michael Horton and Brad Beavers, for kindergarten. Marie Hernandez and Kim Parker, Tony Bilbo and Joe Morris for first grade. Michele Lopez and Sherri Swenson, Robert Alonzo and Tom Castillya for second grade. Janet Graham and Amy Crasson, Danny Horton and Danny Graves for third grade. Cheryl Daniels and Gena Rogers, James Atess and Tim Mandrell for fourth grade. Lori Arranide and Ida Gomez, Shannon Green and James Wilson for fifth grade.

Winners of the sack race are: Norma Hernandez and Richy Woods for kindergarten. Connie Dillon and George Guirrer for first grade. Irma Rodriguez and Dee Criswell for second grade. Kristi Perkins and Bryan Hurt for third grade. Christine Arrmhide and James Hitt for fourth grade. Sheila Perry and Roy Gonzales for fifth grade.

There were four contestants on each team of the relay. First place winners were: Kindergarten, Rene Vasser, Wanda Patterson, Mary Joyce Sapp, Amanda Fegicero; Gregory Cox, Tony Chance, Michael Benson and Gilber Lechiga. First Grade, Kerry Brooks, Teresa Nelms, Tanya Hollingsworth and Nicole McGinty; Tracy Turnbow, Rudy Servantez, Kenneth Brooks and David Rodriguez. Second Grade, Catherine Patterson, Sabrina Jordon, Linda Cruz, and Kathy Arcos; Danny Gomez, Forest Newton, Stan Lewis and Randy Moore. Third Grade, Dora Gonzales, Brenda Carazales, Leann Crisswell and Tonda Chance; Darrell Townsend, Nicky Cuellar, Douglas Phillips and James Crumbley. Fourth Grade, Jennifer Nelms, Melinda Whitner, Deann Jordon and Carma Gutierrez; Dennis Fuller, Randy Berger, Cecile Alverado and Jack Goeman, also Edward Montez, James Arcos, Tim Mandrell and Lupe Avalos. Fifth Grade, Lisa Shropshire, Lana Jones, Gale Johnson, Liz Zarrate; Robert Willard, Monty Whisenhunt, Ruben Washington and Fillip

The teachers also got in on the fun with a potato race. The winners were: Mary Lou Vardy, Dixie McGinty, Joann Grubles, Francis Easter who tied with Lenora Stockton, Peggy Phillips, Cathy McWhorter and Marky Cauley.

Cotton Farmers Keep

Texas cotton farmers are continuing to rely more and more on herbicides (chemical weed killers) to take care of their weed problems.

In 1974 more than 89 per cent of the state's cotton crop, or almost 4.4 million acres, were treated with one or more herbicide applications, reports Dr. Dave Weaver, cotton weed control specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Weaver surveyed county Extension agents in all the cotton growing counties to obtain the data on herbicide use.

According to the survey, preplant type herbicides were used most widely, with almost 56 per cent of the acreage receiving this type of treatment.

Cotton acreage treated with either preemergence or postemergence herbicides varied only slightly, with preemergence herbicides used on 17 per cent of the cotton and postemergence herbicides, on 15.4 per cent of the

Herbicide use was highest in the South Plains where more than 1.9 million acres were treated. More than 650,000 acres were treated in the Rolling Plains, with just over 550,000 acres treated in North Central Texas. Almost 400,000 acres were treated in South Texas, primarily in the Rio Grande Valley and Coastal Bend.

In his survey Weaver also queried Extension agents on the "hardest-to-control" weeds in cotton. Forty-three different species of weeds were listed, with Johnsongrass winning "hands down." Of the 163 county agents completing the survey, 136 or them pointed the finger at Johnsongrass as the top villian.

Other cotton weeds that were often mentioned as hard to control included silverleaf nightshade, morningglory and nutsedge.

"Due to the development of more effective herbicides and the high cost of farm labor, herbicide use in cotton will continue to increase," believes Weaver.

Soybean Acreage Expected to Be Up, **Prices Predicted to be Somewhat Lower**

College Station Joydean prices are expected to be somewhat lower in 1975, but producers are planning to plant more acres.

That's how the soybean situation looks to Dr. Art Gerlow, area economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

"Farmers will probably get about \$6 per bushel for their 1975 crop of beans," points out Gerlow. "That's down some from record prices the past two years but still a good price."

The Texas A&M University System economist expects soybean acreage in the United States to jump more than four million acres to a total of 57,106,000 million acres. Some 47 per cent of the national increase will be the Delta States, where a large amount of cotton land will be planted to soybeans.

"In Texas soybean acreage is also expected to take a sizeable jump-from 275,000 to about 400,000 acres. This is an increase of about 45 per cent," notes Gerlow. "A large portion of this acreage increase will be in the Gulf Coast area where soybeans are now being planted in rotation with rice."

According to the economist, soybeans yield about 25 bushels per acre on the average in the Gulf Coast while average yields in the High Plains are about 35 bushels per acre. Considering yields and production costs along with \$6 soybeans, average income per acre should range from about \$29 per acre in the Gulf Coast to more than \$63 per acre in the High

Gerlow points out that there are numerous positive as well as negative factors weighing on the overall soybean market situation for 1975. "Carryover is down sharply-100 million bushels or 42 per cent-and total use is also expected to be up for the coming year. A short sunflower crop in Russia and a short peanut crop in India last year should boost foreign demand for U.S. beans."

Texas Boys Ranch Now Accepting Applications for Admission from Boys

Texas Boys Ranch is now accepting Applications for Admission to this new facility for boys on the South Plains. In order to qualify for admission, a boy must: (1) not be youner than six years, nor older than fifteen; (2) be of average intelligence; (3) not be a serious delinquent problem; (4) have no available resources for a healthy living situation; (5) be a resident of the State of Texas; (6) be in good physical health; (7) have no severe personality problems; and (8) have the ability to perform in the public school

"We are primarily seeking applicants from the fifteen county South Plains Associations of

Governments area," explained Roger Engels, executive director of the ranch, "and we expect the State Department of Public Welfar to license our operation on or before the first of July. The ranch's assessment committee will begin to process applications next month with every expectation of choosing ten boys to occupy our first cottage just as soon as our license is received from Austin."

County Judges, families, educational facilities, churches, and concerned citizens throughout the fifteen county area may receive more information regarding admission into Texas Boys Ranch by writing to Texas Boys Ranch, P.O. Box 6040, Lubbock, Texas 79413, or by calling (806) 747-3187.

Ropesville Area News

Nancy Miller of Abilene visited in the home of her sister, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Adams and Brent last week. Mrs. Adams' father, W.E. Miller, was a weekend visitor.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Vera Bridwell Sunday were her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Staples and Rhonda of Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Thomas and Timothy of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mrs. S.E. Corum of Lubbock visited in the home of Mrs. Vera Bridwell Monday.

Kevin and Tammy Glenn visited in the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Isla Etheridge Tuesday.

Mrs. Carl Allen recently returned from an extended vacation in Gainesville, Lake Brownwood and other places, visiting her children.

Mrs. Ruby Drake went to Canyon last Wednesday to be with her sister, Mrs. Lucille Riley, who had major surgery.

Mrs. Lynn D. Patman of Lovington is in Methodist Hospital this week having some tests run. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Loveless.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Smith for Sunday dinner were their son, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and children.

Mrs. Emory Hobbs was in Denver City Tuesday visiting her sister, Mrs. Ollie Grace who is in the hospital there.

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Pointer recently visited in the home of their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strickland and children of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sparkman and children of Burleson, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Strickland recently returned home after visiting their son, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Strickland and children of Little Rock, Arkansas.

Services Held for Wylie Sosebee

Services for Wylie Sosebee, 63, of Ropesville, were held at 3 p.m. Monday at the Ropes Church of Christ with W.O. Batten, minister of the church, officiating. He was assisted by the Rev. Robert Adams, pastor of the Ropesville

Church of the Nazarene.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock under direction of Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home.

He died at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in Highland Hospital in Lubbock following an illness of two months.

A native of Bosque County, he had been a resident here since 1944. He was a retired farmer. He was married to Bonnie Taliaferro in April, 1936 in Plainview. He was a former member and president of the Ropes School Board and a former director of the Ropesville Co-Op Gin.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Troyce of Austin; four daughters, Mrs. Patsy Smith and Mrs. Sue Suter, both of Ropesville, Mrs. Kay Wylie of Lubbock, and Mrs. Linda Burns of Austin; two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Woods of Lakewood, Calif., and Mrs. D.D. Skinner of Abernathy; and 12 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were E.J. Abney, A.L. Bevers, Horace Abston, Bill Berry, Joe Schwartz and J.R. Smith.

Registration Set at Tech for Summer

Registration for the first summer term at Texas Tech University will begin at 1:30 p.m. Monday, June 2, and continue through 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, in the Lubbock Coliseum. Late registration will continue through Monday, June 9.

Students may pick up first summer registration materials from the Second Floor Conference Room in West Hall on campus, said D.N. Peterson, registrar. Registration materials will be there through registration for the first summer term.

Fall 1975 registration materials will be mailed beginning July 30 and should be completed by Aug. 13, Peterson said.

The first summer term ends July 12 and registration for the second summer term will be conducted Monday, July 14. The second summer term ends Aug.

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June 7-11 Annual Texas Water Safari, San Marcos. This has become known as one of the world's toughest boat races. A distance of 416 miles from San Marcos to Seadrift. About 60 teams compete each year but only an average of 10 finish the race. For more information, write Mike Wooley, 2525 Albanas, Houston 77005.

June 14 Sand Sculpture Contest, Brazosport. There's a division for everyone (1) Bicentennial Sculpture, (2) Sand Castles, (3) Living Sculpture, and (4) Use Your Imagination. For complete details, write Sand Sculpture Contest, Brazosport Tourist Council, Box 2470, Brazosport 77541.

June 18-Aug. 23 "TEXAS", Palo Duro Canyon State Park. Marking its 10th season, this outdoor musical drama depicting Panhandle history drew over 91,000 in 1974. Shows run through Aug. 23 nightly except Sundays. Show time is 8:30 p.m. A chuck wagon barbecue dinner is served nightly before the performance. Advance reservations are recommended. For more information, write Raymond Raillard, P.O. Box 268, Canyon 79015.

June 19-21 & 26-28 Fort Griffin Fandangle, Albany. Singing and dancing are spotlighted in this two weekend festival staged completely by the people of Albany. A parade will be held June 26. The outdoor show at night recreates the look and life in the frontier days of the area. For a full schedule of events, write Fandangle Association, P.O. Box 158, Albany 76430.

June 20-Aug. 24 Globe Shakespeare Festival, Odessa. Summer presentations include: "Much Ado About Nothing" opening June 20, "Dames at Sea" opening June 27, "Troilus & Cressida" opening July 4 and "The Life of Christ" opening July 13. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for students. For more information, write Charles McCally, 2308 Shakespeare Road, Odessa 79761.

June 26-28, 33nd Annual Watermelon Thump, Luling. Luling honors its most prosperous industry each year with the annual watermelon thump. A list of zany events includes seed spitting contests, fiddler's contest, arts and crafts shows, watermelon auction and coronation of the queen. For complete details write Watermelon Thump, Chamber of Commerce, Drawer 710, Luling

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7. Lustful stirrings; unholy actions and suggestions.

8. Dishonesty; the evading and covering of the truth; false humility. 9. Unbelief; a spirit of dis-

couragement in times of pressure and opposition. 10. Formality and deadness;

lack of concern for lost souls; dryness and indifference. 11. Selfishness; love of ease and

the ambition for temporal security.

Horse Seminar Scheduled Tuesday In Wolfforth

Pete's Feed Barn on Highway 179 in Wolfforth, invites all interested persons to a horse seminar on Tuesday, June 3, at 8 p.m. It is to be held in the Feed Barn Building.

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Hunters in Texas, and everywhere else, are under the greatest pressure ever. Misguided animal lovers (and I am one of them-animal lover, not mis-guided) are heaping abuse on hunters, and the criticism is getting hotter and heavier. Let's set the record straight. Hunters are among the leading conservationists. Hunters have given 2.3 billion dollars of hard earned money to game and fish management over the past 50 years. Did you know that James Audubon, the famous birdwatcher, was an avid hunter and wild game was one of his favorite foods? A group of hunters founded the African Safari Club, providing funds to train game wardens. Texans will spend millions this year for the right to hunt and fish. So let's give the sportsman a pat on the back. In Texas they foot the bill for their hobby, and give ecology a shot in the arm.

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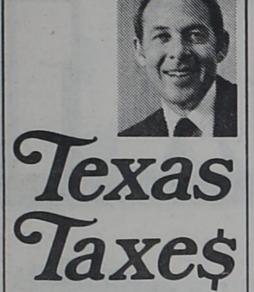
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By BOB BULLOCK State Comptroller

Austin-In 1941 you could buy a brand new automobile for \$600. For \$800 you could get the biggest, fanciest car the dealer had.

Good used cars might run as little as \$25.

There were less than two million vehicles registered in Texas and only 20,000 miles of paved highways for their use.

That was 34 years ago and the total state government budget for the year was less than \$166 million. The state was just coming out of the depression and, as usual, the Legislature was looking for new tax money.

That was the year the first motor vehicle sales tax was levied. The initial rate was set at one per cent.

Today, with more than nine million vehicles in Texas, the motor vehicle sales tax ranks as one of the major taxes handled by the Comptroller's Department, ranking behind only the general sales tax, gasoline, cigarette and oil production taxes.

The rate has been raised several times during the past 34 years. The current four per cent rate was set by the Legislature in

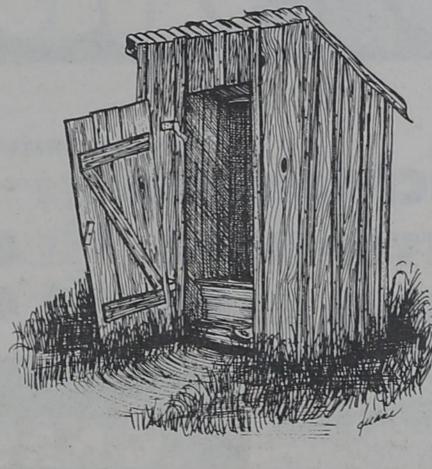
In the coming year we will take in more than \$200 million in motor vehicle sales taxes-more than the entire state budget of 1941.

The four per cent tax is figured on the sales price of a vehicle when there is no trade-in. Where there is a trade-in the four per cent is figured on the difference between the sales price and the trade-in.

Earlier this year when the national car manufacturers started giving cash rebates to new car buyers we had to adopt rules to fit the situation. We decided simply that the amount of the rebate should be deducted from the sales price in figuring the tax. This

EMEMBERING...

By BILL D. BROOKS



OUTHOUSE

let's take a sober look at it in this brief narrative. The outhouse for a standard household was usually a "two holer" measuring about 4 X 5 in floor space.

The simple structure was usually of rough lumber, unpainted. There were four walls, a wood floor and a roof. There was only one door and no windows. Across the back wall was a bench with closed-in front, standing about 18" high. In the top of the bench were cut two round holes about 10" to 12" in diameter. Directly below the bench was the pit into which wastes were deposited.

The basic theory and construction were simple but most people added improvements as they could. For example, fold-down lids were sometimes attached to cover the holes when they were not being used. When the lids were open they

served as back rests. Some of the structures were made of brick or stone and some came complete with fancy door knobs and hinges, some even had their own kerosene lanterns. Nails sometimes driven into the walls to serve as coat hangers. Wire hangers were fastened to the wall over which the catalog was hung (real roll type toilet paper was not a readily available commodity but the mail order catalog was a tolerable substitute). I am told that some folks cut the cresent moon shape above or in the doors but I honestly never saw an outhouse with it.

Ash cans or lye containers were standard fixtures in many outhouses. The lye was used to chemically treat the wastes and cut down on the odor somewhat, a process much like that of chemical toilets found at construction

sites today.

THE OUTHOUSE

Much has been written and

even more has been said on

the subject of the outhouse. Sometimes called a privy,

toilet, or outdoor toilet, and

of course other names we

can't mention here, it has

been the brunt of many

jokes, pranks, and acts of

downright meanness. But

forget all that if you can and

When "inside" toilets or bathrooms in houses were becoming popular there were many skeptics who thought the idea would never catch on. Many did not even like the thought of indoor facilities. As one old rancher was heard to say one time, "I'll be darned if anybody is gonna do that in my house".

ruling followed policies adopted by the Internal Revenue Service.

Mobile homes, motorcycles and trailers are considered motor vehicles for the purpose of the motor vehicle sales tax.

The motor vehicle sales tax law also includes provisions for a four per cent tax on motor vehicle rentnig and leasing. This tax on rental and lease charges will bring in about \$4 million of the total \$200 million in motor vehicle tax revenue.

The actual collections of the motor vehicle sales taxes are handled by the 254 county tax assessor-collectors. For performing this service for the state, the county is allowed to keep five per cent of its total collections.

Since the motor vehicle sales tax is a major source of state revenue our department watches closely for changes in the state and nation's economy which might have bearing on the automobile industry and its sales. Along these lines, during the past year we saw a general depression in new car sales offset by continuing demand and good price stability on used car sales.

Certainly neither the times nor the motor vehicle tax are as simple as those good old days of 1941 when it all started.

Home Town Tales Retold

by Mack Stanley

A kangaroo, who was on the lam from a city zoo, hippity hopped into a small town bar and ordered a scotch and soda. The bartender mixed the drink, served his customer, then stood there staring at him.

"I wish you wouldn't stare at me like that mister," the kangaroo said. "It makes me nervous. What's the matter, anyway?"

"Nothing's the matter sir. It's just that you're the first kangaroo to come in here and order scotch and soda. All our other kangaroo customers, and most of the reindeer too, drink Martinis."

They say Euell Gibbons never eats persimmons until after frost falls on them. He says all that frost reminds him of wild powdered sugar.

My Uncle Oscar says his oldest boy is about as useless as a smokehouse to a vegetarian. And as nutty as a Pay Day candy bar.

Coach O'Dell of Dumright says any time he gets up in the morning and don't find his name in the obituary column is the beginning of another great day for

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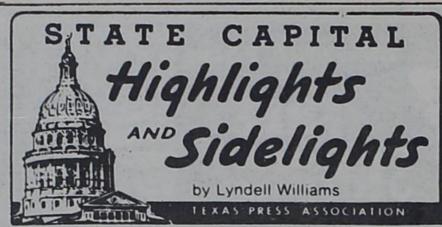
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Austin-The 64th Legislature is deep into its last final week of activity, with all of its remaining Big 3 assignments still incomplete.

Conference committees have drawn the jobs of adjusting differences between House and Senate versions of these measures:

—The \$12 billion all-time record appropriations bill for 1976-77. There is really little controversy, and the budget will be ready for final approval by adjournment deadline Tuesday.

-Public school finance reform. There is plenty of controversy here, with the outcome likely to remain in doubt until near the final gavel. Gov. Dolph Briscoe shows every sign of being determined to veto any measure which overspends revenue in sight.

-Utility regulation through a state commission. Again, there are strong differences between the House and the Senate majority. House leaders insist they have compromised enough in getting their bill passed and want nothing weaker. They are backed by a well organized citizens group which has served notice it will have the House bill or nothing.

Conference reports can be passed by a bare majority, and they are subject to no amendments.

Oil Increasing

For the 39th straight month, the Texas Railroad Commission has set a wide open 100 per cent statewide oil production allowable.

Commission Chairman Ben Ramsey said indications are Texas production is "beginning to stabilize and possibly show a slight increase."

The big East Texas field, a deviation from the all-out production pattern, will be held to 86 per cent.

Appointments

Governor Briscoe has appointed former State Rep. Menton J. Murray of Harlingen to the Texas Board of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, replacing Paul Leonard of Fort Worth who resigned.

Briscoe also announced his intention to appoint Joe R. Carroll of Snyder to Texas Water Rights Commission. Carroll will succeed Otha Dent of Austin who resigned before expiration of his term.

Courts Speak

The Third Court of Civil Appeals turned down Atty. Gen. John Hill's request for rehearing of an effort to stop a \$45 Southwestern Bell Telephone Company intrastate long distance rate hike.

Hill's motion to modify judgment to prevent the increase going into immediate effect also was rejected. The Attorney General has promised to appeal.

Texas Supreme Court turned down a suit by Amarillo, Borger and Pampa against Canadian River Municipal Water Authority over distribution of costs for operation and maintenance of an aquaduct, dam and reservoir.

Plainview, Lubbock, Brownfield, Levelland, Tahoka, O'Donnell, Slaton and Lamesa sided with the Water Authority.

Ag Opinion

A bill which would permit distribution of state owned textbooks to pupils of non-public schools "probably" is constitutional, Attorney General Hill held.

In other recent opinions, Hill concluded:

Domestic relations courts may appoint masters in chancery, but only in exceptional cases for good

An educational and recreational fund administered for benefit of state prisoners may be invested or spent for prisoners' benefit in any manner consistent with purposes of the trust, law and proper prison system management.

A bank holding company may own a majority of the stock of more than one bank without violating the constitution or laws.

Charges Refused

Charges that \$500 million in erroneous payments were made to Texas welfare recipients due to clerical errors were challenged by State Welfare Commissioner Raymond W. Vowell.

Vowell disputed statements of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare concerning mistakes of state and local welfare officials.

HEW said another \$500 million was spent in error because recipients provided incorrect information on factors determining eligibility for aid and size of payments.

Vowell said 70 per cent of welfare mistakes are due to recipient error or falsification. He said efforts are being made to cleanse Texas welfare rolls of ineligible recipients.

Short Snorts

A new form of health and accident protection will be available December 1 through Health Maintenance Organizations. Governor Briscoe signed the bill into law.

Comptroller Bob Bullock issued checks totaling \$19.9 million to Texas cities in the second round of monthly city sales tax payments. Payments were up from \$16.1 million in April.

The Senate refused to lower the misdemeanor penalty for possession of small amounts of marijuana.

The House voted to raise the state inheritance tax exemption from \$25,000 to \$60,000 for a Senate goes along.

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It was everything expected and more, the 60th annual Southwest Conference track and field meet. And wasn't the weather something else! Almost ideal conditions-sunny, not too warm, virtually no wind, blue skies and lazy, floating clouds.

As a result, the athletes really extended themselves. There were strong races, close competition infield events and records. It was a sparkling climax to the week's activities.

Texas, of course, won the championship, again, but not before Baylor put up a good fight. In the end, though, the Longhorns simply had more quality.

"We did it with 15 men," SID Jones Ramsey said long after the meet. "If Cleburne (Price) hadn't had so many injuries and hadn't run off so many, it wouldn't have been close."

Also, had Baylor been able to pick up a few more points in events it had counted on, it would have been closer.

Don Oliver, the Baylor SID, was pulling for the Aggie pole vaulters, only to see them fall by the wayside. And the Aggies actually hurt the Bears when an A&M high jumper won the event in which Baylor had been a strong favorite.

Actually, the meet was decided on the 220-yard dash, which made the three-mile run (as exciting as watching cement harden) and the mile relay meaningless in the title battle.

Congratulations, Vern Hilliard, on your recognition Saturday. The only regret is that it comes in conjunction with your retirement, although you'll be staying around.

Vern has developed a beautiful facility at Tech, one which the university and community can be proud of and which is a credit to this area. It was my first visit to the new track and everything about it is first class. Some day it may well be named Hilliard Stadium, certainly a fitting tribute.

In further tribute to Ralph and his crew, some of the SIDs, sports writers and others were sitting around the media room Saturday night.

"Well, what can we criticize about the meet?" one asked. "Well," another replied, "we could have gotten the results a little

faster. And the field mike didn't work too good." "Right," said the first man, "but that's the electronic man's responsibility. And the field phone man could have gotten the results to the pressbox faster."

There was, thereafter, silence. There was nothing that the pros could criticize. What better tribute to a smooth operation?

The faculty fathers wrestled for days and came up with little, apparently. You never really know what goes on behind those closed revenue loss of \$57.5 million if the doors, which might just be a good thing.

It's obvious that the polygraph (lie detector) provision was retained and one of these days it might actually be used! I still think it's a sad commentary on collegiate athletics that any conference must authorize its usage at all.

Moments after the mile relay had been run, Ralph Carpenter forced a wan smile of enthusiasm and said:

'Well, that's all of that. Bring on the All-America Game!'

Lest you all get the wrong impression, Ralph is looking forward to the AA contest. But it, like the SWC meet, is a demanding thing and the brunt of the work falls on him, George Roster and the SID staff. And it's a lot of work.

As usual, one of the highlights of the weekend was the Friday night barbecue at Vann's Catering. Gathered were the athletic directors, faculty representatives, coaches, sports writers, meet officials and a few invited friends.

Everything is informal and off the record, but no mention would be complete without underlining the playing of Cowboy Kyle and the impromptu singing of Sam Allen.

Sam Allen! Young tads will have to go to their record books to find out who he was. Oldsters and real track buffs know. In the early 30s, he was America's premier hurdler.

I still have a program from the Princeton Invitational in about 1933, when Allen ran away and left everybody else. He was a young collegian from Oklahoma Baptist and he was in the company of such men as Fenske, Venske, Bonthron, Lovelace, Cunningham and others.

I had lost all track of him until he showed up Friday night. He still looks trim for his age and distinguished with a silver thatch atop a broad, friendly, smiling face.

Sam Allen shouldn't be a stranger to Lubbockites, although he spends little time here. He's an evangelist singer now, travels all over the country. We're glad that he's living here. He's another former athletic great to swell the many we have here now.

The Roundup-Ed Mooney, former Tech and Detroit linebacker, says that he's retiring . . . Tim Tillery, formerly a neighbor, coach, sporting goods store owner, was a visitor and an official. He lives in Waco and misses Lubbock . . . Curtis Kelley, Dunbar football coach, grinned broadly and said: "I finally got my quarterback! But I didn't even say a word about it at the banquet." . . . Ken Dowell, brother of former Tech football and pro star Mule Dowell, has been Tech's representative on the Cotton Bowl Athletic Assn. But Ken is moving to Los Angeles. "I'll probably be back," he said . . . Joe Holmes was judging at the finish line. I hadn't seen Joe in ages, didn't know that he'd had a second heart attack and had retired. "But I beat Vernon by six months!" Joe said with a grin. "We played together in high school, started coaching against each other and both wound up at Tech. I beat him coaching, too!"

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Rays of Hope

by Pat Stanton

What is "backsliding"? This is an old term used in religious circles showing the regression of a Christian believer. The term is taken from the Bible and is given to a person that has turned from discipleship.

Listed below are some characteristics of "backsliding".

1. Selfish-Absorption, Prov. 14: 14a, "The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways..."

2. Religious Indifference, Matt. 24:12, "And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold."

3. Unfitness for the Kingdom, Luke 9:62, "And Jesus said unto him, no man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

4. Bondage to Forms, Gal. 4:9. 5. Divine Displeasure, Heb.

10:38. 6. Loss of Spiritual Enthusiasm, Rev. 2:4, "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast lost they first love."

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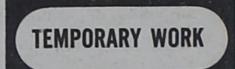
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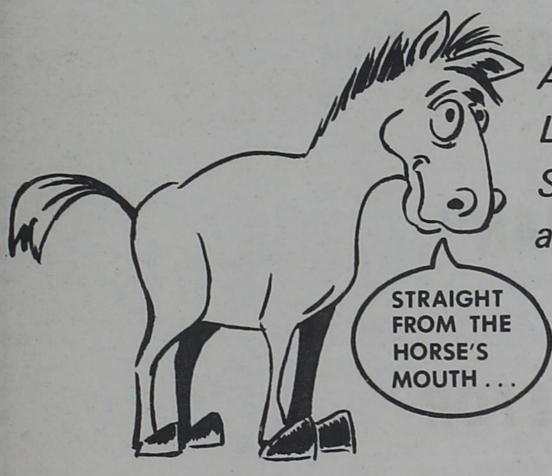
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