

Legal Cloud Hangs Over School Bonds



ROAD HOG—A man on his three-wheel bicycle seems to take offense at some of the larger vehicles on the road. (Times Photo)

by Cliff Avery

As dust clouds hung over Lubbock this week, legal clouds hung over the local school district's implementation of a resoundingly - passed \$11.9 million bond election, and the future of the bond package may be as murky as the sky.



No sooner had the school board canvassed the ballots showing a healthy 3-to-1 margin in favor of issuing bonds to build schools in southwest Lubbock than it was announced an official of the U.S. Department of Justice would meet with school officials to go over the building program.

In Lubbock's desegregation case, U.S. Dist. Judge Halbert Woodward retained jurisdiction over the schools and must approve changes in boundary lines which would appear imminent if three elementary

schools and a junior high school are built south of Loop 289.

In community meetings before the election, school officials expressed optimism that Woodward would approve new boundary lines, and thus the new schools in predominantly-white southwest Lubbock.

But Steve Gerwin, with the U.S. Department of Justice Education Section, came to Lubbock to meet with school officials most of Thursday morning—scarcely two days after the voters approved the bond issuance.

School Supt. Ed Irons said that the meeting revolved around the school district's building program and that busing of school children was not discussed.

Gerwin was to have met with local NAACP leaders Thursday afternoon.

The NAACP—through President Gene Gaines, a local attorney—opposed the bonds, claiming that more schools in southwest Lubbock would aid white flight from desegregated schools within the loop.

Gaines said the group is "considering" a lawsuit to stop construction of the schools.

If the bond issue can clear legal hurdles, school officials said that they'll be talking with architects late next week to begin building the schools.

Before the buildings are designed, however, parents in southwest Lubbock area will be asked for input on the kinds of schools they want.

That may involve a decision over whether parents want a more flexible "open school" concept or prefer a conventional concept.

Ed Stokes, the school district's director of elementary education said that the open space schools provide physical flexibility that allows teachers to adapt to individual needs of students.

The concept, he said, allows teachers to specialize in areas of expertise, and combine into teaching "teams".

In the more traditional concept,

Prosecutions Eyed

Animal Cruelty Cases Difficult to Prove

by Janice Jarvis

A man threw his Chihuahua out of his car. The dog suffered a broken leg as well as internal injuries. When asked why he did it, the man responded that he just didn't want the animal anymore.



Although similar cruelties to animals occur daily in Lubbock, this case is unusual—it's going to court.

Under the Texas Anti-Cruelty Act, intentionally torturing, neglecting, or abandoning an animal is a Class A misdemeanor, explained Asst. District Atty. Jim Darnell. Anyone convicted of such a crime can be sentenced to up to a year in jail as well as a \$2,000 fine.

But because people are often unwilling to file a complaint in cruelty to animal cases, most of these incidents go unreported.

"A lot of people just don't know that what they're doing is a crime," said Lubbock Humane Society member Judy Edwards.

But in fact it is a crime to intentionally fail to provide adequate food and water for an animal, to confine the animal in a cruel manner, to kill or injure or to force the animal to fight, said Darnell.

But even when people know a crime has been committed people are reluctant to get involved, especially when neighbors are concerned.

"It's hard to get a case prosecuted if there aren't any witnesses," noted Darnell.

Recently, when a man killed a neighbor's dog with a shotgun,

there were witnesses, and the case will be prosecuted, explained Darnell.

But there are as many cases that never make it to court, said Edwards.

Last year a kitten was buried in dirt to his head. Neighbors of the owner then ran over the animal's head with a lawnmower. Without witnesses, the animal becomes merely an unfortunate case.

When children are involved in cruelty cases, the incident is often handled by the Humane Society or juvenile officials.

Recently, a group of children mutilated a dog, cutting off his ears and tail. After the Humane Society talked with the children's parents, the case was then handled by juvenile authorities.

While cases such as these occur quite often, the number of abandonment cases are countless,

noted Edwards.

Animals are often locked in houses and left behind when the family moves, or many are left on the outskirts of town to fend themselves.

"People who leave animals outside the city often believe that the animal will survive," said Edwards. But domestic animals can't take care of themselves and most either starve or are killed by passing cars.

Even when stray dogs do survive they face the possibility of being tortured by someone else.

In one case a German shepherd was picked up by the Animal Shelter with a chain imbedded so deep into his skin that it rubbed against the animal's backbone. Whether the animal was abandoned, and then tortured by

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'Love Conquers All'

... With a Little Help from Your Congressman

by Mary Alice Robbins

A love story that started last summer in Paris had a happy ending in Lubbock recently—thanks to U.S. Rep. George Mahon.

Emilia Lira, a teacher at Evans Junior High School, and Bora Stojanovic, a native of Yugoslavia, exchanged wedding vows Feb. 19 in a home ceremony. Their marriage climaxed several months of trying to get Bora into the United States.

The story began last July, when Emilia was taking a refresher course in French at L'Alliance Francaise in Paris. Bora also was enrolled in the course, and the couple soon decided they wanted to spend their lives together.

At the end of the course, Emilia returned to Lubbock to resume her duties as a French, Spanish and English instructor at the local

junior high, and Bora remained in Paris where his family had established a tailoring firm. But they continued their long-distance correspondence and began making plans to bring Bora to Lubbock.

Emilia began the paperwork to get her fiancé here in October but was told that it would take at least two months just to work on the papers and another several months after that before Bora would be able to come to the States.

"That's when I contacted Congressman Mahon, to whom I owe my happiness now," she explained.

Mahon used his influence to see that the paperwork was expedited swiftly. But red tape being what it is—Bora's papers were then sent to the U.S. State Department, where they ran into another snag.

In December, the bride-to-be journeyed to Paris to meet Bora's family, but she still had received no word when he might be able to come here. After her return to Lubbock, Emilia again contacted Mahon and requested his help in speeding up the process.

On Jan. 28, an elated Bora received his visa in Paris, and he arrived in Lubbock Feb. 10. In the meantime, Emilia had been busy making plans for their wedding.

The marriage ceremony itself had a certain international flavor. Officiating was an Irish priest, the Rev. Tom McGovern. Father McGovern read the wedding mass in Spanish—with only a slight Irish brogue. And Emilia and Bora repeated their vows in French.

On the afternoon prior to the wedding, Emilia's students honored the couple with a reception.

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Times' Youth Writes' Puts Students in Print

Beginning March 18, the West Texas Times will recognize the creative abilities of Lubbock school students with a monthly student page, "Youth Writes."

The page will feature essays, stories, articles and poems by students in grades four through 12.

Four times a year, the Times will select the best submissions from the monthly pages and feature those students and their teachers on a special picture page. A certificate of appreciation will also be awarded to those selected.

All entries for "Youth Writes" must be neatly handwritten on regular notebook paper, or typed, double-spaced, on one side of plain white paper. The author's name, age, grade and school, as well as the names of his teacher and parents must accompany each submission. Also included must be a statement signed by the student's teacher, affirming that it is the original work of the student.

Submissions cannot be returned, and each student is strongly urged to keep a copy of his work. There will be no payment for published submissions.

Due to space limitations, stories, essays or articles must not be over 300 words, and poems must not be over 10 lines.

Deadline for the first "Youth Writes" page, appearing in the March 18 edition of the West Texas Times, is noon, March 2. Official rules may be obtained from all school principals.

OPINION

Handslap

Insensitive isn't the word for it. Too strong. Tasteless doesn't describe it either. You might get by using "tacky", but you decide.

"It" was a comment Tuesday by a senior city official before the Parks and Recreation Board. The Board was considering requests from older persons for city-provided meeting space in local parks.

During the meeting, one got the impression from the board's chairman and a senior staff official that, while the requests were very important, maybe the people making the requests weren't.

That feeling reached a high—or low—point when the staff official was explaining that the senior citizens should appear at meetings discussing allocation of Community Development funds. Then came the clincher—"if you can stay up that late."

Now, sure, a little friendly banter between governed and governor is not only preferred but essential. And, sure, the senior citizens had met with the staff member before the P&R meeting, so there was already a working relationship.

The remark—coming with the chairman's mock sympathetic statements that he, too, was growing older since he'd be 43 soon—may have been an attempt at humor, and probably the elder citizens would be the first to laugh at themselves. But to some observers in the room it was a bit "snide" and definitely beneath both governor and governed.

Government shouldn't be burdened with oppressive seriousness, but senior citizens should be treated not as dottering old hulks or delicate cut glass, but as just plain folks who have learned to count a little higher than smart-aleck parks officials who should be sent to bed without their supper. —C.A.

Small Change

Alas, there seems to be nothing constant except change. Take, for instance, the Boy Scouts of America decision this week to change the name to "Scouting U.S.A." since women and minority groups had taken some offense at the use of the word "Boy."

The decision was probably more correct than not, even though "Boy Scouts" was probably written in stone—or, at least, on stone—in one of the many camps across the nation. Things change, and the Boy Scouts have to "be prepared" to change, too. Besides, the Scouts had been admitting young women to some of the more advanced programs for several years.

But, still it will be hard to accept a "Scouting" helping a little old lady across the street. And a "Scouting" knife conjures images of exploratory surgery, not opening a tin of beans with the can-opener blade.

Ah, well, things change . . . but if the new Scouts start selling cookies door-to-door, then things may have gone too far . . . —C.A.

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'Something like that could destroy us all!'

JACK ANDERSON'S WEEKLY SPECIAL

by Jack Anderson with Joe Spear

FPC Finds Oil, Gas Firms Hoarding Fuels for Profit

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WASHINGTON — The bitter arctic storms subsided a bit last week, but the legacy of this winter's critical natural gas shortage already has been written in the cumulative agony of a nation defeated by itself.

The ravages of the cold wave have not created the pioneering spirit Americans have always depended on for the courage and determination needed to fight a common foe. Rather, like the Arab oil embargo of 1973, the wild greed of some of this country's major industries helped the weather defeat us.

Like prehistoric men and women denied the kindling for firewood, we huddled in our homes without heat as the weather struck with little warning, overcoming the most sophisticated technology known to man. But the weather was not a completely common enemy. Though most Americans suffered, others gleefully watched their profits soar beyond all expectations.

The Federal Power Commission now has evidence that oil and gas companies are holding back the production of vast natural gas reserves. The commission recently completed a confidential one-year investigation of natural gas production.

The investigators found that the oil and gas combines have deliberately delayed the production of natural gas under the Gulf of Mexico. Every major oil and gas company, says the FPC study, is holding back some production.

There are seven trillion, 300 billion cubic feet of known gas reserves under the Gulf of Mexico. The oil companies want to preserve much of this for future years, when the price will be even higher.

The commission confined its year-long investigation just to the offshore gas that has already been committed for delivery. The investigators found that the companies could get much more of this gas to the market faster, if they wanted to. This would provide all the gas that should be needed to ease the current crisis.

In other words, there is no gas shortage at the suppliers' end of the pipelines. The shortage is all at the customers' end.

The study charges that Amoco has failed to drill a well in one offshore reservoir. That untapped gas alone amounts to 17 billion cubic feet. The study also identified two other large gas reserves, which Texaco is keeping out of production until 1981. One of the reservoirs, known as Lighthouse Point, contains more than 100 billion cubic feet of gas.

The study also alleges that Mobil is holding back the production of more than 32 billion cubic feet of gas. Both Superior Oil and Union Oil, says the study, also could increase production.

Congressional Heat: Many congressmen are fed up with the oil companies that are hoarding natural gas. They're

also furious with the Federal Power Commission for ignoring the problem so far. In desperation, they are pressuring White House energy czar James Schlesinger to take some corrective action.

The congressmen are particularly angry at Gulf Oil for failing to live up to its contract. Gulf promised plenty of gas to Texas Eastern, a pipeline that serves many northeastern states. But for the last five years, Gulf has cut back its deliveries to the pipeline.

This has forced many factories, schools and offices to close down. Rep. Andy Maguire, D.-N.J., has written an angry letter to Schlesinger about the matter. The letter was signed by all the congressmen from states that the pipeline serves. The angry missive charges that the Federal Power Commission has been "grossly negligent" in enforcing Gulf's contract.

Mighty Multinationals: The great oil, munitions and industrial combines have become governments unto themselves. They have their own foreign service intelligence apparatus, secret codes and other governmental trappings. So great is the economic power of these multinational, multibillion-dollar consortiums that they have become a separate world power. The representatives actually assemble occasionally to discuss on a world scale how best to promote and protect their profits.

Many nations have become alarmed over the global operations of these multinational corporations. The underdeveloped or "Third World" nations in particular want to establish more control over the giant conglomerates that milk the world's natural resources for profit.

The United Nations, under pressure from numerous Third World members, is considering a code of conduct for the multinationals. But the United States has paid only lip service to the idea.

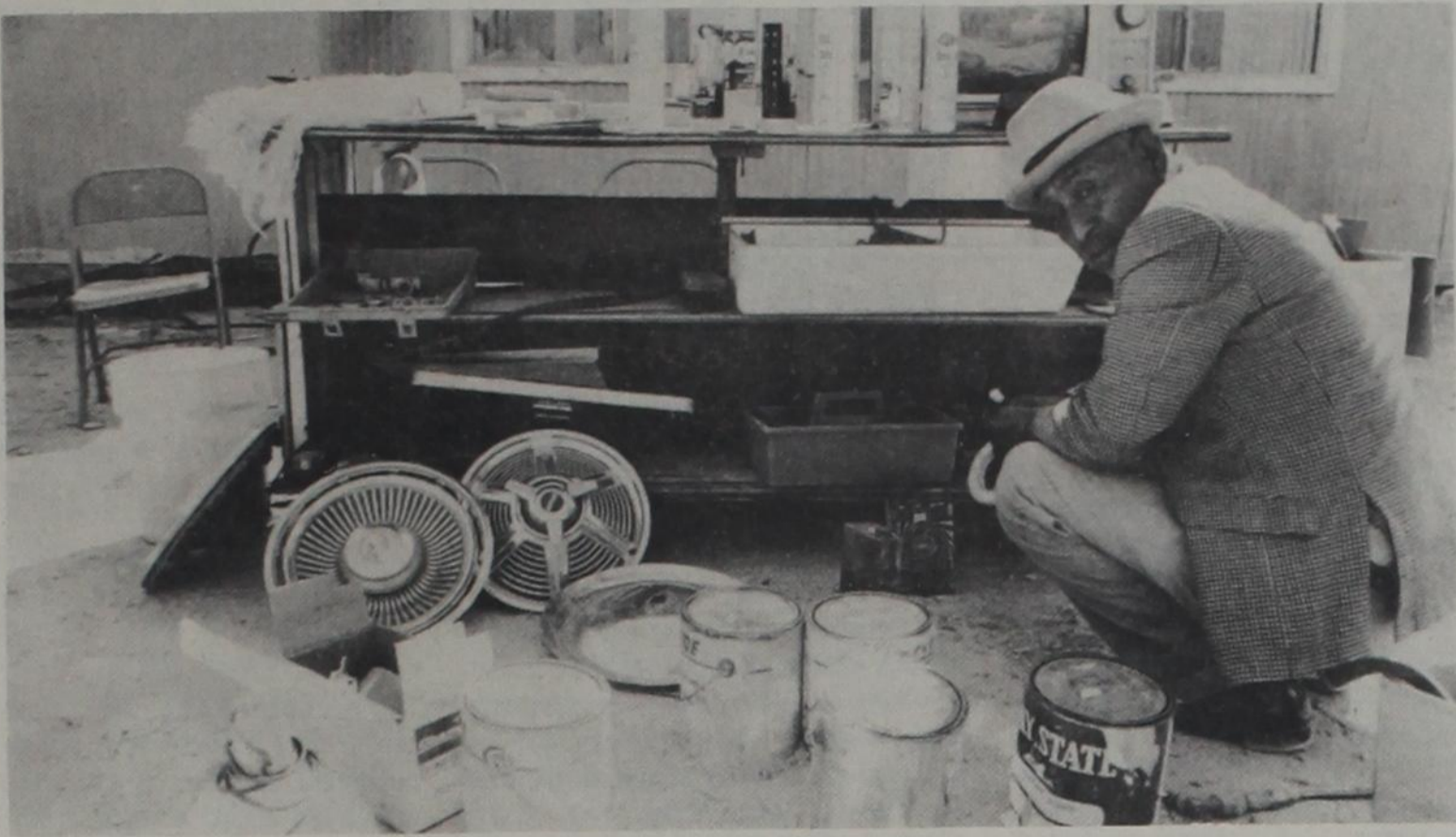
We have obtained a confidential Treasury Dept. report that praises the jumbo corporations. The report calls them "a positive force in the global economy." The Treasury document also claims that the multinationals are "transferring capital and other resources to where they can be most efficiently used and spreading wealth throughout the world."

The Treasury Dept. opposes any United Nations control over the giant corporations. The confidential document declares that "we should not support general international codes of conduct that are legally binding because their provisions would be unenforceable." The document also adds that the State Dept. agrees with the Treasury's position, but the bureaucrats at State realize their uncompromising opinion has "a tendency to backslide under pressure of international negotiations."

Meanwhile, governments may rise and fall. Wars may shake the world, but the dividends keep pouring in to the multinational corporations. They remain remarkable unaffected by international boundaries and politics.

Muskie's Mad: The tall, ambling Lincoln-esque senator from Maine, Edmund Muskie, has written an angry confidential letter to the White House. What's got the Democrat so worked up are proposed cuts in the budget of the Environmental Protection Agency. This is the agency that is supposed to control pollution, pesticides, toxic substances, factory waste and drinking water.

Yet, Muskie said the agency doesn't have the manpower to enforce the antipollution laws. For example, the new budget has no money for clean lakes. The logic behind the cutbacks, Muskie grumped, seems to be "if we don't know how bad things are, then perhaps . . . the furor for environmental efforts will die down."



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At the Flea Market

by Ted Houghton



Phantom Gourmet Smuggler's Strong Point: Atmosphere

The Smuggler's Inn, at 1919 50th, is the place for the diner enjoys atmosphere and spending money.

Rich in atmosphere, the Smuggler's Inn has the decor of an old sailor's hang-out in the South Seas. Raised eating areas are set off by railings, and rustic planking accents the wall. High-backed, hooded chairs give one the feeling of hiding away.

The dinner menu at the Smuggler's Inn features selected beef cuts and a variety of seafood. Dinner for two, not including

cocktails or wine, is a safe estimate at \$15 or more, depending on the selection from the menu.

For our meal this particular evening, my partner ordered a sirloin steak, and I ordered a combination of steak and butterfly shrimp. We each had a glass of rose wine.

Included with our dinners were a trip to the salad bar, a choice of baked potato or rice pilaf, and a mini-loaf of bread. The salad bar proved to be a rather mundane lettuce and tomato affair, with the usual selection of dressings. The rice pilaf was also a disappointment. Other than being a different color and having a few bits of vegetables here and there, the flavor was just plain old rice.

Our steaks, however, were another matter. Their flavor was excellent, and they were grilled exactly as we had ordered them.

My shrimp and beef came with a rich, dark brown sauce, thick with melted butter. It was little too rich for my taste, but that is a matter of personal preference.

For dessert, my companion had cheesecake, while I sampled the chocolate mousse. Neither was outstanding, but we didn't have to force ourselves to finish them. The cheesecake was predominantly cream cheese, and the mousse was a trifle heavy, but generously topped with whipped cream.

To boil this all down, the Smuggler's Inn would be a great place for a splurge or a special occasion. I would definitely not recommend taking children, it's a little too elegant and expensive for their whimsical eating habits. It's more for gazing romantically into someone's eyes, or impressing that tough client.

NICKELL'S WORTH

by Pat Nickell

For the last several years, I have been hearing murmurs about the metric system and how we are going to switch over, and it is time for everyone to learn it.

I had hoped, vainly it seems, that I would die of old age before it really got a good foothold in Texas. But everywhere I look, I see pencil holders with metric conversion tables on them.

I remind myself of an old lady with a shotgun who refuses to let the city build a freeway through her home. My shotgun is figurative, but my state of mind is the same (desperate).

When digital watches came in, all my time-telling talents went for naught. Now, all those tables I memorized about pints, bushels, cups and pecks are going to go down the drain. I never did understand a lot of that stuff anyway.

When I entered college I had learned already that there were two cups in a pint, 12 inches in a foot, ten toes on both feet, 10 fingers on both hands, and I thought I knew what a decimal point was. The world, however, had come out with a dangerous thought process called "the new math" which I tried vainly to complicate, but couldn't, except in

my own mind. The only thing I learned about new math, or old math for that matter, is that I am still not good at it.

When I hear the word "meter" I start looking for a coin to put in it.

However, I wish to tell the world I have heard the word "litre" before the metric system came up. There are those who believe I think it is a device with which to light a cigarette. They are wrong. I send Karren to the store all the time with instructions to bring back 1.89 litres of milk.

I had a very harsh lesson in the length of a kilometer once in Mexico. My husband and I rented bicycles and determined to ride around the island of Cozumel. I saw a sign which indicated it was 35 kilometers back to town in a circle. By the end of the day, I figured out that my conversion of 35 kilometers to five miles contained a gross error. In fact, it was such a gross error that I thought I might never again ride a bicycle.

I had based my conversion on a map of the island. It was so small in the middle of all that ocean (a mere dot, you might say) that I knew it couldn't be more than five miles around. There is definitely more to a kilometer than meets the eye.

I knew a kilometer was less than a mile. I had counted on it as being a small fraction of a mile, when in reality, it is the lion's share.

Conversion tables are not new to me. There is one in the back of my cookbook which I have used for years when I wanted to use cocoa instead of blocks of chocolate.

I suppose, in the future, when you give someone a centimeter, he will take a meter. Kids will no longer grow a foot in a short time, but 30.48 centimeters.

When we go into a fabric store to buy gingham, we can hope to squeeze our pattern onto two meters of cloth, rather than the two and one-fourth meters listed as a requirement on the back of the pattern envelope.

I will tell the world that I am on meter and 66 centimeters tall and that I weigh nearly 59 kilograms.

People who now farm acres will have to farm hectares. Maybe someone will write a book and call it "God's Little Hectare". We will still have bales of cotton but we will also have hektolitres of wheat.

If we were to slop over into apothecaries' measure, there would be 12 ounces or 96 scruples to the pound. That is allowing three scruples to the dram and eight drams to the ounce. So anyone who thought he was without scruples ought to think again. I myself have in the neighborhood of 13,000 scruples. It is almost incredible.

We have 10 years to convert to the metric system which is supposed to give all the kids time to learn it in school, grow up, take over the world and force the rest of us to learn it also.

In another few years, everyone will have a small calculator and a conversion chart with them at all times. Those two items will be as common as pocket combs and size 90 bras.

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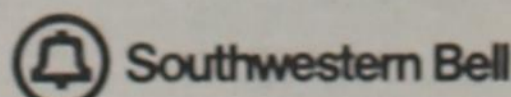
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Don't Let Smoke Get in Your Eyes When Buying Alarms

by Janice Jarvis

Since smoke detectors came on the market there's been some heated discussions concerning their value. After all, who wants an alarm buzzing everytime you have a party with a few heavy smokers attending.

But despite the initial cost and a few minor inconveniences smoke detectors are a worthwhile investment—in fact an investment that can save your life, explained Fire Chief Tom Foster.

Smoke detectors are fairly inexpensive, ranging in price from \$30 to \$80. They cost about the same as heat detectors, but unlike heat detectors, they alert occupants of danger before the fire is out of control.

Since most fires start as smolders, caused by overloaded electrical circuits or unattended cigarettes, smoke alarms signal the occupants as soon as the smoke reaches the detector.

During a fire, smoke rises to the ceiling, then works its way down. If for example, a fire breaks out during the night, people asleep in bed are most likely to react by rising up. Startled, they may take a big gasp and what they end up inhaling are deadly toxins in the smoke.

According to Foster, most people involved in fires die from carbon monoxide poisoning rather than being burnt to death and most fire victims never make it outside their bedroom.

With a smoke detector placed near the ceiling, the alarm warns people of danger, before the smoke reaches a critical stage. With the deadly gases a few inches over head, most people can safely get out of the house.

But there is another advantage to smoke detectors, explained Foster. "The sooner the home owner gets out of the house, the sooner he can notify the fire department and the sooner the fire can be stopped," said Foster.

But despite the advantages of smoke detectors, the number of units installed in homes remains low. All FHA houses are required to install smoke detection devices,

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but for some reason, people aren't buying them for their homes. If you're interested in a fire alarm but confused about how to install it, Foster said fire department employes will be glad to help.

If you just don't know which detector to buy, there are some guidelines to follow.

First, there are two different kinds of smoke alarms on the market. One is a photocell or battery-operated unit and the other is an ionization or electrically operated unit.

Photocell units alert the occupant of a home quicker than ionization, explained Harold Dutton, a Penney's employe. Ionization units require more

maintenance than photocell, but they detect hot fires quicker.

The electrical units are easily installed, but they have one disadvantage, "In the case of an electrical fire, if damage is done to the circuit, you're just out of luck," said Dutton.

Battery operated units are also easily installed, but the major disadvantage is you have to change the battery yearly. Some models such as the General Electric Home Sentry, display a red flag, as a reminder that the battery needs replacing.

Water Pik's smoke detector has a monitoring light that tells you when the battery is down. But the device is persistent in getting the

message across. When batteries are too weak, the unit makes a "thunk" sound every ten seconds for seven days.

But if the variety of detectors leaves you wondering just which one is best the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) has some suggestions.

First, look for a device that makes a loud noise. The alarm should ring continuously for at least four minutes, and battery operated units should make a noise whenever the battery runs low. Make sure any electrical plugs used are childproof.

You should also look for an Underwriters Laboratories or Factory Mutual Research Corp., seal as a guarantee the product has been tested.

Once you've purchased a smoke detector, then comes the problem of where to install it. Chief Foster advised that the unit is best installed in a hallway near bedrooms. If you have a two-story house or an isolated bedroom, you might invest in two smoke alarms.

Don't bother installing one in your kitchen or garage, since the normal fumes in these rooms will constantly set off the alarms.

If you install a detector in your living room, and you have cathedral ceilings, don't be annoyed if it seems like

everything triggers the alarm, explained Foster.

Sometimes smoke from a closed damper may set off the alarm, Foster explained. Although there is no danger of fire, the alarm is warning you of potential smoke damage to your home.

Finally, if you want to minimize the chances of getting caught in a fire, you'd benefit from buying both a smoke and heat detector. Then the smoke detector will send out a signal at 2 per cent density while the heat alarm will signal when temperatures reach 135 degrees.

But buying a good product and then installing it really won't do any good, said Foster, if people don't have a plan with at least a second emergency exit.

And unless everyone in the family knows where to go when the alarm goes off, then a smoke detector is really nothing more than a wall decoration, or a conversation piece when it goes off in the middle of a party.

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City PIO Isn't 'The Answer Man'

by Mary Alice Robbins

Two years ago, the City of Lubbock established its Information Center to centralize complaints and questions on city affairs.

However, the title "information center" seems to have confused a large number of local residents.

According to city public information officer Vaughn Hendrie, the center receives many calls on matters outside the realm of city business.

Recently, Hendrie took a call from a woman requesting information on the availability of motels in the Ruidoso area. He referred the caller to the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce where this type of information would be more readily available.

Another caller wanted information on camping areas in the Lubbock area. Hendrie relied on

his own camping experiences to answer the question.

"I have a personal policy," Hendrie explained. "No matter who calls for what information, I never tell him I don't know the answer."

What he does do is try to find the information requested. And that often proves to be "challenging," Hendrie admitted.

One of his calls came from a British subject seeking information on how to renew her passport. It took a little time, but Hendrie found the answer to the woman's question.

Hendrie said one of his most challenging information calls came from a young woman who wanted to know where she could find a job. During their conversation, Hendrie learned that the caller was physically handicapped and attending voca-

tional nursing school. She explained that she needed a job to support herself while in training.

Admitting that he's not an employment specialist, Hendrie said he was still concerned about the woman's situation. He began checking around and discovered there were still some openings in the Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) program here. CETA counselors advised Hendrie that the woman could qualify for a grant that would pay her a minimum wage while she attends nursing school.

Having obtained the information, Hendrie called the woman and referred her to the local CETA office.

The City Information Center averages from eight to ten calls a day, Hendrie noted. But he is quick to point out that the center is not a full-time service.

Searching for some of the information requested takes time, Hendrie said. Residents can make the job easier by making sure they're calling the proper office for whatever information they seek.



Emilia and Bora Stojanovic

(Times Photo)

Love Story . . .

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The youngsters had taken up a collection to purchase a silver platter as a wedding gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Stojanovic are now residing at 5623 38th St. With the excitement of their wedding behind them, the newlyweds are busy working on Bora's English.

In their home, Emilia and Bora speak chiefly French, their common language. The bridegroom also speaks fluent Yugoslavian, Bulgarian, Russian and some Spanish — all with accompanying hand gestures. But he's just beginning to learn the English language.

Just to practice, he called Emilia's school this week and asked to speak to his wife. He was quite pleased to discover that he was understood, Emilia said.

After he masters English, Bora will begin job hunting—no easy task for a man new to a country. He has worked in his family's tailoring firm and also attended a technical school where he was trained in engineering.

They are hopeful Bora can find employment in Lubbock. "But if he doesn't get a job, we will probably end up moving back to Paris or possibly Yugoslavia," Emilia explained.

Legal Cloud . . .

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students are assigned to one room with one teacher.

Stokes, who said he also needs the input from southside parents, noted, "I don't think the open is any better than the traditional," and recognized that proponents of the traditional concept feel students need the security of being with the same teacher all day long.

At present, the school district operates two elementaries under a modified "open" concept.

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KINSEARCHING

by Marleta Childs

The "Belfield" Fitzpatricks and "Elim" Colemans: Their History and Genealogy (the Colemans, Fitzpatricks and their kin on the cover) by Reba Fitzpatrick Lea is again available to the public. Published in 1958, the hardbound volume has 469 pages, including a number of illustrations and a bibliography.

Beginning with William FITZPATRICK (immigrant, 1728) and Robert COLEMAN (b. 1656), the families are traced to the 1950's. Individuals' characters are captured in their reproduced letters, such as the one from Mrs. E.C. CRIM (nee Eliza CLINEDINST, a FITZPATRICK descendant), which describes the Battle of New Market, Va. in 1864.

Duplicated newspaper articles contain wedding announcements, obituaries, political and military activities, and award programs. Miscellaneous records include Bible and marriage records, abstracts of deeds and wills, church histories, and DAR lineage applications.

Brief lineages of the allied Virginia families of WITT, DEJARNETTE, DIGGS, PENN, HAWES, HARRIS and GOODWIN generally go back to the 1600's. Unfortunately, this wealth of information is not indexed.

This book may be purchased for \$10.50 from Mrs. Lindsay W. Spicer, Rt. 1, Box 164, Lovingson, Va. 22949.

Mrs. May Nelson Kelly, 171 Seminole, Stephenville, Texas 76401 desires information on her great grandfather, William Bailey MOORE, b. 1823 in George—where? He was listed in the household of Dr John Newton FALL in the Nacogdoches Co., Tx. 1850 census. Records show he m. Dr. FALL's daughter, Eliza FALL GILBERT, a widow, in 1857. They show up in the 1870 Kaufman County census. William Bailey MOORE died there before 1880. He was a mason. Where was his membership? Two or three brothers supposedly came to Texas with him. Was Nicholas J. MOORE one of them?

Mr. Allen Pendergraft, P.O. Box 1079, Sedona, Ari. 86336 needs the children of Levin DICKSON and Abigail PARKER of Dickson Co., Tenn. He died by 1815 (probate of Dickson Co. will). Mr. Pendergraft also needs the children of Jesse DICKSON of Jellow (sic) Creek, Dickson and Montgomery Counties, Tenn., born by 1788. Who was the father of Jacob DICKSON of Montgomery Co., Tenn.? Jacob was born c. 1768, probably in Orange Co., N.C. (the part which became

Caswell Co. in 1779). Descendants moved to northeast Texas and Missouri.

Mrs. Edward Adams, R.R. #2, Box 91, Edwardsburg, Mich. 49112 would like any information on the NICKELL family, especially descendants of James R., Nancy J., Polly Ann, and George (who m. Pheobe SORRELL). George NICKELL was born 1833(?) in Morgan Co., Ky.

Ms. Christine Hindle, P.O. Box 4551, Arlington, Va. 22204 would like to correspond with descendants of or people who new her great-great grandfather, Thomas Lawson Gaines HANSARD. He lived in Kentuckytown, Fannin Co., Texas, and Whiteright, Grayson Co., Texas. He died Sept. 12, 1923 at Whitewright at age 75. Any information about him or his family is needed for a family history she is compiling. She will reimburse postage.

Mr. Bill K. Power, 3405 21st St., Lubbock, Texas, 79410 asks who was James J. POWER, minister of Old North Church, Nacogdoches, Texas, 1868? Who were the parents of James William Strickland POWER? He married his second cousin, Mary Lucinda POWER, in Nacogdoches, 1871. One of their sons, Will POWER, grew up and stayed in Nacogdoches his entire life. He never married.

Perhaps some of our readers can help you with your "missing link." Send queries to Marleta Childs, 2308 21st St., Lubbock, Texas 79411.

Animal Cruelty . . .
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someone else or vice versa, no one knows.

There are steps that can be taken to help eliminate some of the cruelty inflicted on animals noted Edwards.

If you're hesitant about filing a cruelty case, call the Humane Society, she explained. Organization members will examine the situation, get medical attention for the injured animal, and if there is solid evidence, they will file a complaint. If the injured animal survives they will also find a home for it.

If you witness a cruelty incident, you can call the sheriff's office and file a complaint, advised Edwards.

To be prosecuted, it must be proven that cruelty was intentional, said Darnell. But even when an unintentional cruelty case occurs, Humane Society members will talk with people involved in the incident. Sometimes, just letting people know what they're doing is a crime can help alleviate the misery inflicted on these animals, she said.

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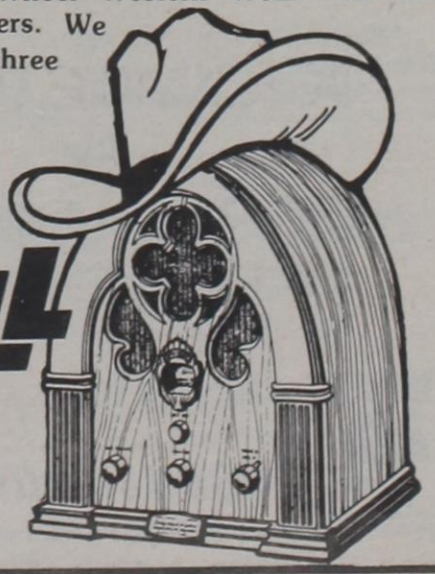
by Steve Sever

Well, who is in the news in the country this week? Mac Davis for one. He told some reporters lately that he is feeling much better in general this year than last. He said, "I had just learned about my wife and Glen Campbell about the way you all did and I wasn't very nice to anyone." That's human I suppose. Someone else in the news this week also . . . and it's funny what lengths some artists have to go to in order to keep their private lives to themselves. I'll explain.

I was reading the Country Music magazine from February, and in it Bonnie Owens, Merle Haggard's wife, says that she wanted everyone to know, because she is not with Merle's road show anymore, that she and Merle are not getting divorced or even separated. Bonnie and Dana, their daughter, are singing together in and around their hometown. I read that and really thought nothing of it until I picked up the March issue of the same magazine, and it says...After 11 years of marriage, Bonnie Owens and Merle Haggard have agreed on a divorce. Bonnie sued for "irreconcilable differences." Merle said, "I'm not going to fight it. I hope we are parting as friends; certainly not enemies." Now this has got to be the clencher...Bonnie said, "this is not a sudden decision, as all of you know, in the business, the marriage has been over for some time. I'm very sad to think that I am no longer a part of Merle's life. I realized I had to start thinking about my own future and I have decided to resume my career as a performer." Bonnie says she has been writing some really good songs lately, and as a matter of fact sang one for Merle, who in turn told her she should record it herself. Who knows, maybe she got all the encouragement she needed from Merle. Music is a strange business.

Of course, you know that Lubbock is ready for a once in a lifetime event. That would be the opening of the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The particular plot of land on which the civic center is located has come a very long way from the night of May 11, 1970. I was at the Texas Tech Museum just this past weekend, and I was looking at the aerial photographs that were taken the day after that big tornado. That, of course, was interesting because I turned right around and drove by the new civic center. That is one extremely nice facility, worth a great deal of money. You will be able to see it for yourself this March 4th, when KLLL brings Waylon Jennings and his wife Jessie Colter to the Civic Center Auditorium. This will be the first concert ever in the civic center, and we expect it to be a pretty extravagant event. This will be a charity concert with all the profits going to the Texas Boys Ranch. As a matter of fact, Waylon and Jessi were kind enough to offer to do this concert for expenses only. If you would like tickets or just ticket information, you are welcome to call the civic center box office or KLLL. I certainly hope you can make it. This concert should be something to remember.

If you didn't listen to KLLL FM and AM last week then you missed out on KLLL COUNTRY MUSIC BINGO. That's what we are playing everyday, Monday through Friday, from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Each game lasts one hour. That amounts to twelve games a day. Last week we gave away over \$600 in cash and merchandise. All of the prizes are very useful household items like toasters, broilers, pans and every possible assortment of kitchen utensil. We also give away money, which always seems to be useful. We play with cards that are very similar to the bingo cards that you all know of, with one exception. These cards do not have any numbers on them. Instead they contain names of country music artists. There is a different name in each little square on the card. As you are listening to the station, when you hear us play a song by an artist that is on your card, you simply cover that square. Just like regular bingo, when you get five squares covered in a row, that's a bingo. You would then simply call the radio station and collect the prize package for that hour. Now, that may all seem very confusing, so if you wish, you might understand it a little better by listening to the radio station. You can pick up your Country Music Bingo Card and play along too. This week we are playing with the blue bingo cards. You can get one at any Hamm's Food Store, Lusky's Western Wear, Lokey's Farm and Ranch World, both Whataburger locations, Sutherland Lumber Company, Lubbock Tire, Oil and Supply, Ed's Wagon Wheel Western Wear and both Gibson's Discount Centers. We will play for a total of three more weeks.

Fighting for the Benchwarmer School Trustee's Plan Makes Room for Non-Jocks

by Kevin Knight

Pity the poor seventh—or eighth—grade student who tries his or her hardest to make the team in a competitive sport such as football or volleyball, but just doesn't have enough ability. For years the plight of these students has been the basis for many investigations and trial-and-error programs on the part of the Lubbock School District and School Board. But finally, a first-year school trustee may have the answer.

Monte Hasie, a member of the School Board, has come up with a plan that would increase and coordinate participation in junior high competitive athletics at a cost of less than \$15,000 and without sacrificing the intramural program.

Both Hasie and Lubbock Public Schools athletic director Pete Ragus agree that more participation from students is needed at the junior high level. "The kids are kept out because there aren't enough facilities or coaches," said Hasie. He said another reason was that only students with enough ability were selected for competitive programs, which left

a large number out of the program entirely or sitting on the bench.

Ragus agreed that too many students are being left out, saying that "a large percentage of kids are eliminated in the seventh grade and drop out of the program." As an example, Ragus cited the seventh grade football program at Evans Junior High, where 90 to 105 students tried out. He said the seventh grade program was designed to allow students to play before moving on to the competitive eighth grade program, but that too many were still being turned away.

Hasie offered several solutions for relieving the overcrowded athletic programs at the schools. Some of his solutions included adding soccer and wrestling programs and also providing for "B" and "C" teams in sports where an excessive number of students try out. He also suggested that coaches be required to play every squad member at least one quarter of each game, and that they be prohibited from using a football player for both offense and defense when others were available to play the same position. Another suggestion was to provide eight-grade spring basketball clinics and open the junior high gyms during the summertime.

Hasie also said that a means must be provided for junior high

coaches to want to remain on that level at advance in pay at the same time. He suggested \$200 be added to a coach's salary for each five years of service.

Hasie gave the basketball program at Evans as an example of the need for more teams. In the eighth grade, 60 boys went out for basketball, but only a third actually got to play for a quarter or more of total game time. His solution was to form one team for each ten boys who try out, with the third team including all boys who try out over 20 in number. He said that the same would work for girls' volleyball, where he would use 18-player multiples.

Hasie also suggested a 60-player limit for junior high football, and that any over that number who want to play would form a second team.

Indeed, each of these solutions would provide means for more students to participate in competitive athletics, but more problems will still arise out of them. For instance, forming two or three teams at each junior high would mean that many more games would be necessary. Hasie's solution for football scheduling would be that teams would "double up" on game days on their fields in order for all teams to play. And in basketball, Hasie said that the seventh grade season could be staggered to end before the eighth and ninth grades began. Hasie also stated that games could be played either: all at once on game days, which would occur twice a week; or they could be played on three or more days during the week. Hasie also said that there was a possibility the schools could play at night. "We own the facilities," he said. "We can use them whenever we want to."

Hasie said the extra teams would not be any additional burden on the coaches. "If they are coaching 30 boys now," he said, "then they can coach 30 on three teams."

The extramurals need added participation, but schools must also have an effective intramural program. Ms. Sammie Crutcher, director of girls' P.E. and volleyball coach at Monterey High School, said that she feels there is a place in the schools for both intramurals and extramurals. "There is definitely a need for both," she said. She also emphasized the problem of providing facilities for both programs, but she said, "Intramurals could be played before school, during homeroom, during lunch, and even sometimes after school." She said that playing after school could only be accomplished, though, if competitive programs would limit their practice schedules.



KELLY'S HEROES

by Joe Kelly

Congratulations to the Texas Tech Red Raiders on a fine basketball season. And the same accolades to Gerald Myers, George Davidson and Rob Evans. There obviously was a close bond between all of them and it came through in their play.

The Raiders made a valiant run for the title after the conference gave them two strikes by scheduling them for two of their first three games against Arkansas, the eventual champions.

Those two early losses were too much to overcome, what with Houston a strong contender, too. The Raiders could, of course, have finished tied for second, save for that disastrous loss at Texas. That was one of the sadder moments on an otherwise strong performance.

The Raiders lost both games to Arkansas, the only team to win both games, and split with Houston and Texas. By all rights, they should have finished with only three losses.

But after that bad start, when they lost three of their first five, they came on with a rush. They finished by winning 10 of their final 11 games. That's a tremendous achievement and gives them impetus going into the playoffs.

The Raiders should have little or no serious trouble with Rice in the first round. That game comes here Saturday and winds up the season's play for the Raiders in Lubbock. Then comes the final round.

Arkansas had few troubles in marching to the championship. The Razorbacks had a perfect 16-0 record and had tough games only with Tech, Houston and A&M. They did win them, however.

The Hogs are not in by any means. They had a double tough time with the Aggies Tuesday night, now have to wait until only one team is left before the fight for the NCAA playoff berth. At that time, one of the runnersup will battle to knock the Hogs out of it.

Now, the early firing is going to be interesting. Not the first round, particularly, where Tech plays Rice and Houston meets TCU. The other matchups should be much better.

Tech knocked the Mustangs out of a chance to open at home. They will battle Texas A&M, with Baylor playing the Steers.

The Aggies, at home, should beat the Mustangs, while the Longhorns could have trouble with the Bears. It looks promising for Tech to face Houston for the right to play Arkansas. And that game might even be better than the title game.

It isn't a title game, of course, in the true sense, because Arkansas has won the crown. Still, the majority of fans look on the final game as being for that honor.

Arkansas, whether it plays Tech or Houston, isn't a cinch to win the showdown game. The Razorbacks had trouble with both teams in Lubbock and Houston—and this will be on a neutral site.

A year ago the Aggies looked almost invincible, but the Raiders beat them on a neutral court. Because of their depth and ability, Arkansas shouldn't suffer the same fate, but it might. Still, even if it should happen, Arkansas is almost certain to go to the NCAA.

Corky Oglesby, the perky Tech track coach, was holding forth last Saturday night before the Raiders took on Baylor. And what Corky was saying about his Raiders' meet with West Texas State in Canyon the prior day had some folks holding their sides.

Polk Robison, Leete Jackson and one or two others who have coached or competed against Buffalo teams at one time or another were enjoying Corky. He had found out the facts of life.

Corky told of one Tech runner having a lead, only to be passed by a Buff, who ran off the track and slipped in ahead of him. It was a violation, of course, but the judges said they didn't see it.

Corky said that he had two runners who finished one-two, but both of them were disqualified, which gave the Buffs two more places. And the more he related his experiences, the more the rest of us chuckled. We have been there before.

I turned to Polk and remarked that I well remembered his taking a Tech basketball team to Canyon and winning. It was one of Gus Miller's best teams and featured, among others, Cuby Kitchens, the father of current Raider senior, Keith.

"You had the players wear their Double T jackets and walk through the leading (and maybe only) cafe in Canyon," I remarked.

"That's right!" Polk exclaimed. "I wanted them to know we were there. I'd been there too many times with teams that lost."


Dr. J.E. Loveless was talking with us the other night and I learned something about this strong Tech supporter. He's a former coach.

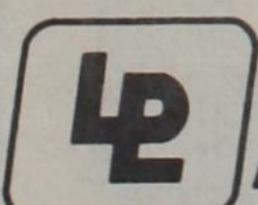
"That's right," he declared. "During the depression days I was at Valley View. I coached, taught, drove the bus, cleaned the building, milked cows—and in my spare time, I went to dances!"

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William A. Carlson, a freelance consultant now assisting the United Nations and the U. S. Agency for International Development, will speak at 8 p.m. in the Senate Room of the University Center.

Carlson, who worked for the U. S. Department of Agriculture for 23 years, will speak on "Making the Federal Government More Accountable: Prospects for the Carter Administration." Carlson was director of the Agriculture Department's Office of Planning and Evaluation for five years.

Some of the proposed governmental changes Carlson will examine are the "sunshine" laws to open decision-making to public scrutiny, the "sunset" laws to force periodic restudy of every agency, zero-based budgeting and reorganization of the bureaucracy.

Carlson, whose public speech is sponsored by the Texas Tech Center for Public Service, is also an adjunct professor in an interdisciplinary program involving political science and business administration.

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Museum Presents Free Slide Lecture

Evidence of the prehistoric uses of cotton will be shown in a slide lecture at The Museum of Texas Tech University at 2 p.m., Sunday.

Dr. M. Elizabeth King, an authority on prehistoric textiles and curator of anthropology at the Museum, will present the free lecture. It is one of a series of adult programs initiated by museum science students to acquaint adults with research aspects of the Museum.

Dr. King said that one of the slides in her lecture is of a textile created about 800 B.C. and shows a deification of the cotton plant. "Even at that early date," she said, "users recognized the plant as 'King Cotton.'"

Although cotton species were different in the Old and New Worlds, she said, the plant was being cultivated in India, Peru and Mexico at least as early as 3,000 B.C.

Chamber of Commerce Banquet Thursday

The Annual Meeting and Banquet of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the new Memorial Civic Center.

The program will be a special musical presentation by the Texas Tech Choir and Symphony Orchestra. Tickets for the dinner, which includes a rib-eye steak with all the trimmings, are \$7.50 per person.

Hospital Asks for Volunteers

West Texas Hospital Auxiliary needs new members to assist the patient and their families in various services during their hospital stay. A new auxiliary serving in the hospital, volunteers say they have reaped rewards far more valuable than monetary returns.

The Auxiliary is engaged in a membership drive. For further details call Cindy Ward at 765-9381.

Quilt Club Meeting Slated Thursday

The recently formed quilt club will have its second meeting at the First Baptist Church Activities Building, 2201 13th St. at 1 p.m. Tuesday.

The program will consist of a demonstration of template cutting from sandpaper and plastic by Mrs. Al Barker and Mrs. L.A. Reis, and Mrs. O.O. Wilson and Mrs. W.B. Arper will demonstrate the Cathedral Window pattern as used in quilts and pillows. The program was arranged by Mrs. Donna Locke.

Membership is open to anyone interested in quilts or quilting. A nursery will be available, but reservation must be made by calling Mrs. Locke, 795-6370.

Daughtrey Appointed Area Agronomist

Dr. Zoel Wayne Daughtrey has been appointed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service as area agronomist for the South Plains.

He will be headquartered at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock and will lead educational programs related to corn and sorghum production as well as sunflowers and soybeans. He will be working closely with Dr. James Supak who is responsible for Extension programs related to cotton production.

Dancers Perform at Tech

Eight dances, ranging from a serious solo to a humorous group performances, will be presented by Kristina Gintautiene and the Revolving Dance Company, March 5, 8:15 p.m., at the Texas Tech University Theatre.

The performance will include 20 Texas Tech dance students who were taught for the performance by Gintautiene.

Tickets for the Texas Tech performance are available at the University Theatre ticketbooth at \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for students. Tickets also may be purchased at the door the night of the concert.

LCC Team Prepares for Houston

The Lubbock Christian College livestock judging team is preparing for the March 4 Houston Livestock Show in the Astrodome after taking honors in nine areas in a state-wide competition at Angelo State University.

Competing in the Senior Division, Don Bachman, a junior from Deer Creek, Okla., finished first in the individual competition in the Feb. 19 Angelo State competition, which drew a total of 26 teams from throughout Texas. In the Junior Division for freshmen and sophomores only, Kent Boyd, a sophomore from Loraine, Tex. tied for first as the high scoring individual.

Coach of the livestock judging team is Eddie Moudy, a teaching Assistant in the LCC Agriculture Division.

Tech Music Dept. Offers Workshop

Elementary and high school music teachers can receive instruction in the use of electronic keyboards, earphones and overhead projectors for group learning in a Wurlitzer Piano Workshop at Texas Tech University Feb. 26.

The workshop, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m. in the Texas Tech Recital Hall, is free to the public. It is being held under the auspices of the Department of music.

More information about the workshop may be obtained from Prof. Georgette E. Gettel of the Texas Tech music faculty at (806) 742-2296 or 795-0734.

Kershaw to Lecture at Tech Museum

Objects from the Tomb of Tutankamen will be shown in a slide-illustrated lecture by Norma Kershaw at the Texas Tech Museum at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 6, under the auspices of the Lubbock Society of the Archaeological Institute of America. Ms. Kershaw, a well-known art historian and archaeologist, has recently returned from visiting sites in Egypt. She will also show photographs of the mummy and treasures as they were found during the sensational discovery of the tomb in 1922 and will outline the historical circumstances surrounding the boy-king Tutankamen who died in 1332 B.C. The lecture is free and open to the public.

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A Tip of the Hat to . . . Hats Lubbock Sales Not Brimming Over

by Cliff Avery

Blame Jack Kennedy. Or blame the Beatles. Because just about the time they threw their hats in the social ring, everybody else threw their hats on the top shelf of some closet, to be forgotten and neglected and never replaced.

But if you have hats on your mind, you might be cheered to know that hats have undergone a modest resurgence, especially last fall when Patrick Moynihan and S.I. Hayakawa were waging their respective senatorial campaigns wearing their respective hounds-tooth hunting hat and a tam o'shanter respectively.

Locally, hat sales haven't been brimming over, but some retail clothing stores say men's hats have held their head above water.

For example, Alvin Goldstucker of S&Q downtown store said that the hat trade has been steady, because other stores have quit selling hats. "If you don't wear

them, you don't worry too much about selling them."

Goldstucker traced the hatless phenomena through the past 40 years, and said that when sons stopped seeing their fathers wear hats, the sons in turn stopped wearing hats.

"It's nothing but style and influence," Goldstucker said.

Then too, there were the 1960s weren't there? You remember long hair? Well, that put a cramp in the hat business, because men wanted to show off long or styled hair. "People had too much hair on their head," said Worth Trammel of Talkington's men's store.

While Trammel says that the hat for men went out of style when men's fashion magazines stopped

showing men in hats, he noted "there's a trend back to the hat business."

Most popular for younger men are the so-called porkpie hats or racing caps with the cloth or leather crown snapped jauntily to the brim. But older gentlemen still prefer the traditional felt fedora, according to Matt Malouf of — what else? — Malouf's men's store.

While some stores are stocking straw panamas with colorful bands for the spring, Malouf figures, "When you're talking about hats out here, you're talking cowboy hats."

Still, there's no harm in trying on one. Jack Kennedy and the Beatles notwithstanding.

Health Students Win Honors In Weekend Competition

Monterey and Coronado High School students took honors in a variety of categories at the Area Cooperative Health Education Classes contest at the Villa Inn, Feb. 18-19.

In team competition, Coronado's parliamentary procedure team took first place, while Monterey's team was second.

Melanie Barrier, from Monterey, placed first in Job Application, and Jeff Williams, from Coronado placed second.

First place in Extemporaneous Essay went to Shae Norris, Coronado, and second was captured by Lisa Armstrong, Monterey.

Monterey students placed in both Informative Speech and Persuasive Speech competition. Rhonda Spelce was first, and Jack French was second in the informative category. In the persuasive contest, winners were Claire King, first and Linda Nixon, second.

In Skill Speed competition, Jeff Williams took top honors in the physical therapy category. In the dental assistant category, Lisa Fletcher of Coronado took second, and in medical office assistant, Coronado students Becky Baucum and Donna Morris took first and second.

Notebook awards went to first place winners Vicki Gardener, and Becky Baucum, Coronado.

First place in the Occupational Posters competition went to Monterey students Melanie Barrier, Cheryl Perry, Linda Nixon, Karen Dillard and Marsheila Futch. Susan Carr took second in the same category.

Lesla Johnson, Monterey, took first place for a Health Career Poster, and Mary Leany, Coronado, took second place for a March of Dimes Birth Defects Poster.

SHERIDAN'S RIDE

by Jack Sheridan

I have come to the sad but irrevocable conclusion that I am a prude. I am out of step with the times and I might as well face it. I am not a "today" man.

What has prompted this bald admission in the public prints has come about through viewing the Academy Award nominee film, "Network," which is packing them in at the South Plains Mall Cinema I-II.

Here is a film that has garnered scads of nominations for those coveted Oscars. Next month, Best Picture, Best Actress, Best Actor, Best Supporting Actress, Best Director and on and on. Best writer, of course, the penman being the illustrious Paddy Chayefsky.

Here we have a wild, marvelous film, satire, absurdity, high drama and a supposed poke at the ratings wars waged by the national television networks.

It's a pip of a film and everyone connected with it is total and powerful. That's why you have not one but two male stars competing for Best Actor in the same film, William Holden and the late Peter Finch. Finch, who dropped dead in January at the peak of a glowing acting career, is magnificent as the news anchor man who is being sacked, who promises his viewers that he will commit suicide on the camera during a telecast, who becomes a "hot property" and pulls a bottom-ranked television network into the spotlight.

He is exploited and fed to the public by a ruthless, second rate female programmer, a mechanical woman who uses her sex to achieve her ends and stops at nothing. She is played by the sleek Faye Dunaway and she is a contender for the Best Actress nod.

Her liason with the news head, played superbly by an aging William Holden, is a callow, cannibalistic relationship which destroys his marriage and almost himself. Holden has never been better. There is a scene in this film which Holden dominates, a long scene, and I doubt if you'll ever see so compelling a performance within the span of minutes as Holden gives. He should get the Oscar on this scene alone.

But the goodies do not stop with the three stars. No, indeed. There are stunning performances by Robert Duvall, Ned Beatty and Marlene Warfield who is a thunderbolt as the militant black Communist, a key in the machinations of Dunaway's long-range plan and contributor to the shocking finale.

But, the prize of the film is in the hands of veteran stage actress, Beatrice Straight. She is Holden's abandoned wife of many years and she has only one scene in the film. But what a scene! Her range during this awakening scene is a powerhouse job and she is nominated for Best Supporting Actress. If she doesn't get that little gold statue for her work in "Network," then the whole thing is rigged and there is no justice.

To go back to my opening paragraph, my prudery. This is an R-rated movie and that means blunt, outspoken language. In the service, we called it latrine language. It's here in spades from the mouths of both male and female performers. What a shame, so much of it is unnecessary and, to me, it was the sole detriment of an otherwise fine film. So, be warned. Four letter words (and I don't mean "love") abound and slap at you from the screen. It is a commentary on our times and I think sadly so.

The night before I went to the Bijou Theater to catch Joan Crawford's 1949 Oscar-winning role in "Mildred Pierce." Here was a solid, gripping drama, even today, and yet there was no nudity, no vulgarity and the rest. I shudder to think what a 1977 version of "Pierce" would be.

So, I do not like the rough, we'll-say-it-because-we-can-now dialogue of today. I can cuss with the best of them but I don't want it crammed down my throat in the guise of entertainment. That's my piece and I've said it.

To step aside for a second on another personal matter. I think it's grand that President Carter enjoys his blue jeans. I love 'em, too, and wear them every chance I can get. His homey, one-of-the-people approach is refreshing and welcome. But, I do take issue with him on one thing. He has eschewed the playing of "Ruffles and Flourishes" and "Hail to the Chief," never more underscored than this week when the Prime Minister of Canada paid a state visit. To him went the fanfare and ceremony. Our President was not so honored. Mr. Carter forgets that it is not accorded to him, these majestic identifications. It is the office, not the man, and the President of the United States is our Head of State and the dignity of the traditional tributes are part and parcel of the exalted position. Wear your levis, Mr. President, and I join you in the informality. But, remember that in the long run your office demands dignity. Give us the pride of "Ruffles and Flourishes" and "Hail to the Chief." They are signatures of stature in this country as well as across the world. Let's be informal and "people," but let us not abandon our pride.

The Monday night concert by the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra returned to us, as soloist, the gifted and superb pianist, James Tocco. Tocco has grown in stature and authority since his previous visit to the city and he stands tall in his world. His reading of the Brahms piano concerto was eminently satisfying and won his warm and enthusiastic applause. His sensitivity and tonal awareness was beautifully balanced throughout and he was accorded a sympathetic and complementary reading by William A. Harrod and his stalwart orchestra.

Harrod conducted a finely-shaded reading of a Dvorak symphony and his opener, a Kabalevsky number, served to point the way towards another gratifyingly successful evening.

Do not forget that the bright and comical musical, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" opens its run at 8:15 p.m. today in the University Theater and that "visit to a Small Planet" is holding forth at the Hayloft Dinner Theater.

Next time around we'll be talking about more Academy Award contender movies and give a look at what is coming up March 1-8 at the Grand Opening Week of the bright, spanking new Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.



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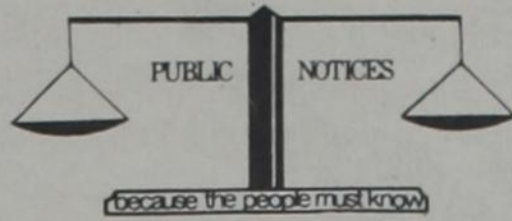
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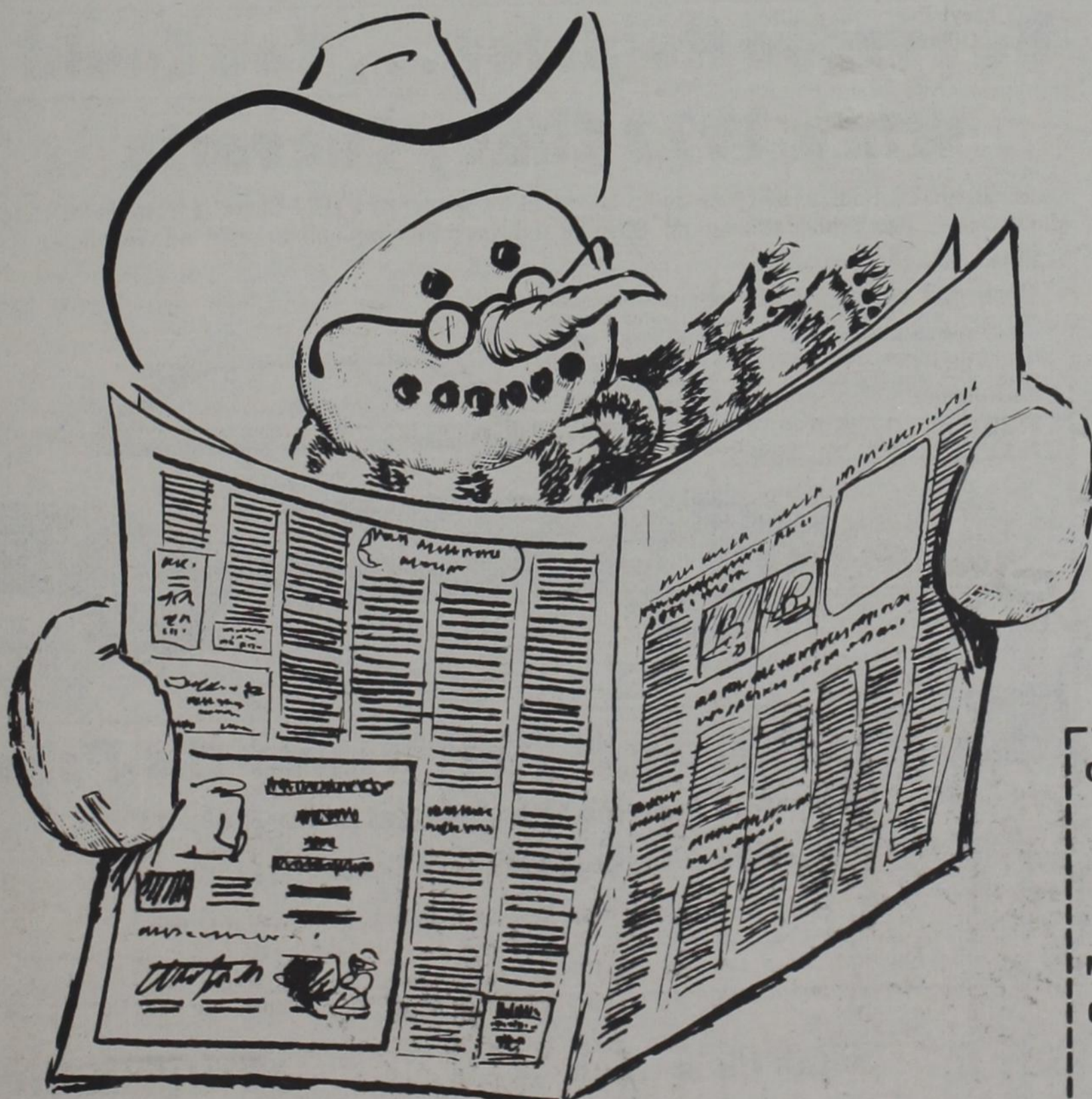
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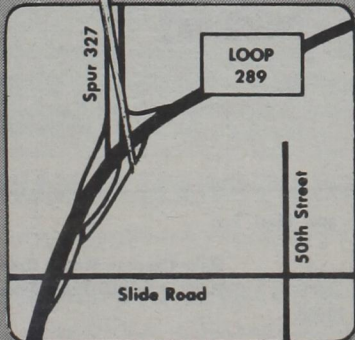
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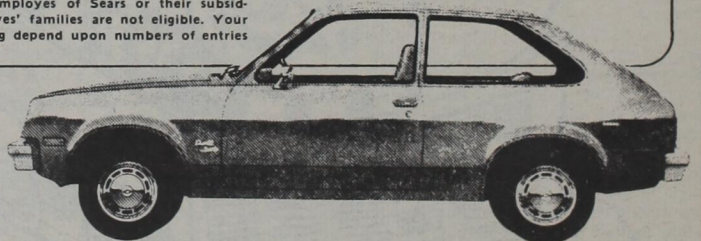
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