

# WEST TEXAS TIMES

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## Retailers May Get 'Lift' for Christmas

by Mary Alice Robbins

With Christmas only three short weeks away, crowds of holiday shoppers are busy browsing through local retail stores in search of just the right gifts for Mom, Dad, Great-Aunt Jane and old Uncle Ed.

But some of these "shoppers" have no intention of paying for the gifts they pick out. They're busy shoplifting for those on their Christmas list.

In interviews with the West Texas Times, the managers of several local department stores and discount houses noted a significant increase in shoplifting during the holiday season.

The large number of people crowding store aisles at this time of the year makes it easier for the would-be thieves, observed a long-time floor walker at one of the South Plains Mall stores. "It's starting already and will get continuously worse," he told the Times.

Although some of these sticky-fingered shoppers are professionals, a large number of them are people who don't have enough money to provide Christmas gifts for their families, explained Ed Johnson, store manager at Montgomery Ward.

Stealing isn't the answer to their problems, Johnson stressed. There's always the chance they'll get caught shoplifting, he said, and that could spoil everyone's Christmas.

There are a number of agencies that have been established to help those in need provide Christmas gifts for their families, Johnson said. He suggested families contact the United Way, Salvation Army, Marine Corps Reserve or the Goodfellows for assistance. "Anything would be better than stealing and getting caught."

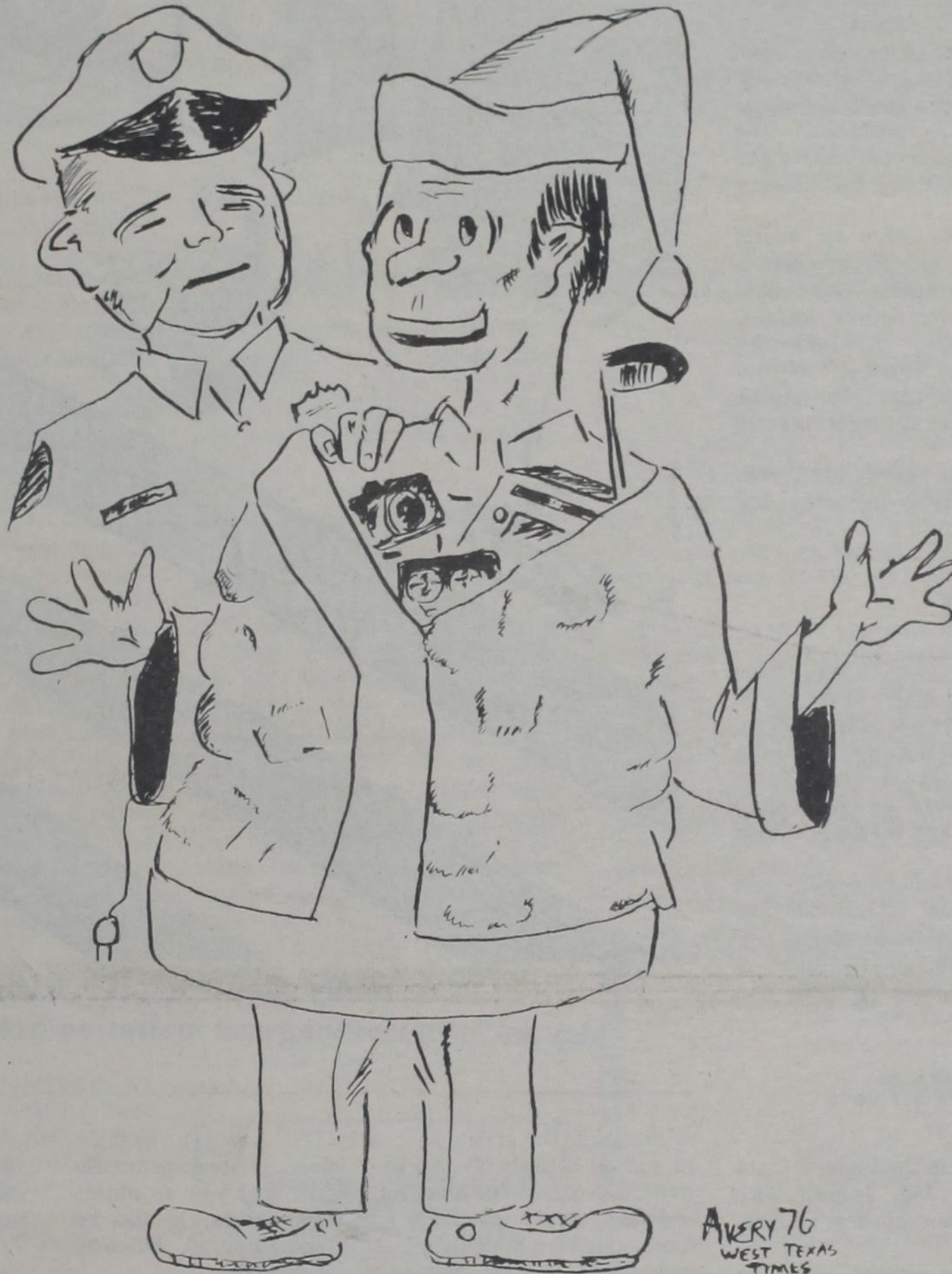
Shoplifters come in all shapes and sizes and from all age groups, but the store managers noted an increase in the number of young people who are stealing their wares. Many of the shoplifters are under the age of 20, said W.H. Cherry, store manager at Sears.

"As far as juveniles are concerned, if they are nine or under, we tend to be somewhat flexible and try to work with their parents," Johnson explained. "But once they hit 10, 11 or 12 years of age, we feel they know what they're doing, and we will prosecute."

Almost any item can catch a shoplifter's eye—but usually the hardest hit departments are those that display jewelry, fashions, toys, radios and other small items that can be easily hidden in a purse or a pocket.

The way many stores display their goods seems to invite thieves, according to the mall store floor walker. Chain necklaces, bracelets and earrings hanging on racks out in the open make an attractive

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'Would you believe . . . the elves are on strike . . . ?'

## How Far Can Hub City Go?

When entrepreneurs boast that "the sky's the limit," they really mean it in table-flat Lubbock, because the city could expand to the horizon and then some.

Fact is, Lubbockites' great-great-grandchildren could wake up some day and drive Loop 99,289 around from Midland to Wichita Falls to just south of the bedroom city of Amarillo to the foothills of the New Mexico mountains and never leave the city limits.

If they want to—and if their ancestors want to take advantage of the absence of geographical barriers to growth.

Those are big "ifs" from City Planning Director Jim Bertram's point of view. "Everytime I make a speech or talk to a civic club, I ask, 'If we could be another Dallas, another Los Angeles, another New Jersey, would we want to be?'"

"If those places could send us a half million people, they gladly would," Bertram says, relieved that municipalities aren't in the business of exporting population.

While growth, until just a few years ago, was almost an assumed virtue, the concept of the ever-expanding city fell as the catch-phrase "quality of life" rose.

The problems of crime, inner city decay, and saving the environment showed that some of the nation's largest cities had violated the law of diminishing returns. They'd literally gotten too big for their britches, and growth no longer meant money in the pocket.

For some, it meant a financial rip at the seams.

"Water may be the most limiting factor to Lubbock's growth," Bertram notes. He says that Lubbock could be "fairly manageable" until the year 2010 when it may have between 330 and 350 thousand people.

"Density is going to be a reality of life." With the cost of energy and materials rising, Bertram predicts that more people will turn to apartment or condominium living. "It used to be a convenient rule of thumb to spend 25 per cent on housing," he says, "Now some people are spending 35 to 40 per cent."

With the extinction of cheap energy in the United States, "we're in the same situation Europe has been in for many years. We're spending less and less for luxuries. It's a fact of life."

Like individuals, Bertram indicates that cities, too, must cut back spending, and the luxuries of maintaining police department, paved roads, electric and water lines and garbage collection over a huge area are endangered species.

Bertram says that Lubbock could be contained within its present city limits for almost 20 years. In 1973, the ratio of developed to undeveloped land was 52 to 48 per cent. The undeveloped areas included playa lakes—which can't be devel-

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## Med School, Hospital 'Burying the Scalpel'

by Cliff Avery

Officials at the Texas Tech Medical School and Methodist Hospital are quietly trying to ease the tension between the two institutions—tension caused by the hospital's reluctance to take on teaching chores urged by med school physicians.

The tension may have reached a high-water mark in October, 1975, when a joint liaison committee of the Association of American Medical Colleges and the American Medical Association recommended reduced student involvement at the hospital.

The report said, in effect, that the atmosphere at Methodist was not conducive to a student-physician relationship.

According to sources who have seen the report, the liaison committee noted that Methodist requires extensive consent forms from physicians and patients who would be involved with a student. This, the report said, put the damper on student-physician interreaction.

And some med school officials have noted an atmosphere hostile to med students who seek bedside training.

Methodist Hospital president George Brewer said he had seen the report and "It's not damaging to us."

Brewer said, "We can not be a

full scale teaching hospital, mostly for financial reasons. That is a fundamental fact." He noted that Methodist is a private hospital, and consent from patients and physicians is essential, because of the possibility of legal action.

Brewer said that because Methodist is a private hospital with private patients under the

### Analysis

care of private physicians, the introduction of medical students would jeopardize physicians' control over the treatment of their patients.

He said that medical schools have traditionally relied on public hospitals which provide charity care to poor people, because the poor "are grateful for what they get" and willingly consent to medical student care.

Brewer said, "We don't have that kind of patient" in numbers great enough to allow many med students.

"Private hospitals can in some limited ways, on a selective basis have teaching programs in a selected area as they may be able to afford them."

Brewer said that the hospital's "adversaries" have tried to picture the hospital as uncoopera-

tive because it has not opened up to more medical students. "The community is looking toward us and saying 'A hospital is a hospital is a hospital'. It's not."

Both Brewer and Tech Health Sciences Centers vice president Dr. Richard Lockwood downplayed the report and emphasized that the two entities are trying to cooperate now as opening of the controversial teaching hospital looms.

Since the medical school is in an interim period between its three-year and four-year program, there are no junior "clerks"—as the students who take their hospital training are called. Lockwood said that there are no programs underway at Methodist, the city's largest and best-equipped hospital, but some postgraduate residencies are being handled by St. Mary's Hospital.

Lockwood said the liaison committee report is "old hat" and that there are no problems between the school and hospital. He did acknowledge that old wounds will take a long time to heal.

Some of the problems in the report, he said, are solved and others are no longer relevant.

The medical school, faced with steadfast refusal from Methodist officials to increase materially the

hospital's commitment to training students, has retreated from earlier pressure to set Methodist up as a surrogate for the teaching hospital under construction.

The reasons for the easing tension:

- Med school officials feel that even after the teaching hospital opens up, Methodist could yield and allow some programs to be conducted in conjunction with the new facility.

- With accreditation of the medical school still up in the air, the school must abide by its requirement to place all the clerks in one city. As it stands, next year's clerks will work in El Paso. Lockwood said that Methodist could not handle all the medical students, even if hospital officials were willing. Thus, cause for tension is removed.

- The teaching hospital is still the biggest problem for the medical school. Finding money to operate the facility has all but monopolized school administrators' attention. With no clerks, pressing Methodist would be a waste of time.

- Methodist executives, like those of any other institution, are publicity shy, afraid that their refusal to cooperate with the Medical School—for what they believe to be well-founded reasons—will be misinterpreted.



# EDITORIALS

## Federal Pay

Once again we are hearing groans about the alleged low level of federal pay. The latest confused thinking comes in editorial in the New York Times—usually better informed on its subjects.

The argument is advanced that Jimmy Carter and Congress must quickly raise federal pay scales, if—better still—President Ford doesn't do so.

The argument for higher bureaucratic pay is the weakest imaginable. Editors in the highly-paid, rare atmosphere of the New York Times editorial board might not know it, nor politicians and judges and others on fat federal salaries.

But the truth is today—and recent studies prove it—that federal pay is higher than private pay, in most jobs. Money is not the proper lure for government officials anyhow. The idea is that one serves his country.

The trouble with the armed services today, the reason this nation can't currently afford the weapons necessary to keep abreast of Russia's military growth, is that we are paying excessive salaries to military personnel. The unpopularity of the Vietnam war reduced enlistments and panicked the government into establishing high money incentives for military service.

It should be duty and privilege to serve for young people—at low pay. With that system, which young people would understand if explained properly—we could maintain U.S. arms parity and reduce the defense budget.

Civil servants enjoy many luxuries and securities private employes do not generally have. Proof of this, and the sufficient level of federal pay, is that government agencies regularly hire personnel away from private employers.

At a time when the budget is already heavily in the red, the call for higher federal pay levels is foolhardy and worse.

## Saturday Christmas

This year Christmas falls on Saturday. That means Americans will have—as they do only about every seven years, a two-day Christmas, as millions annually observe.

In many European countries the 24th is almost as much a holiday as the 25th, and there are always two days of Christmas—the 25th and 26th. In America the 24th is often a hectic, last-minute shopping-horror and the 26th is back to normal.

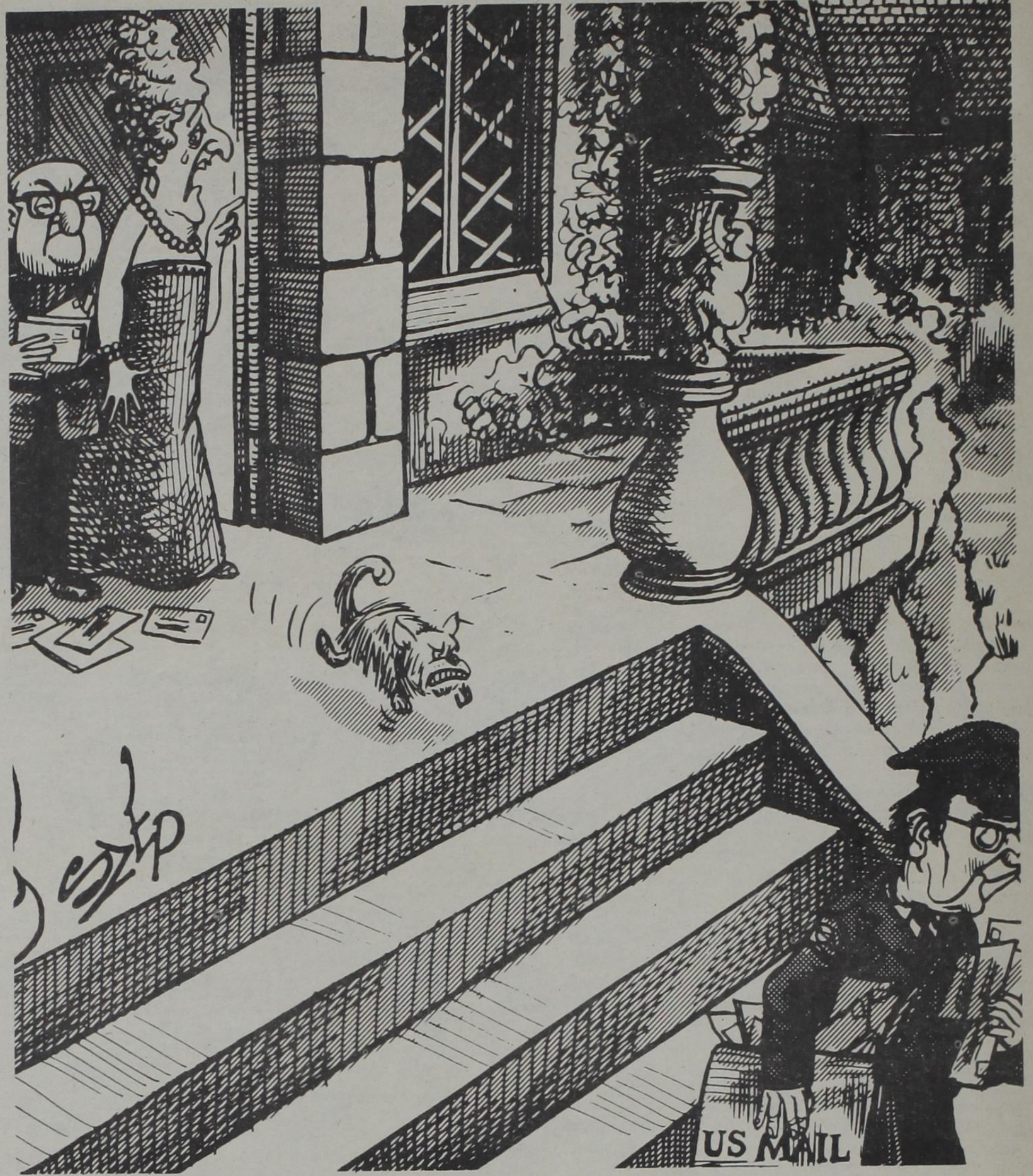
This year can be different. The 26th will be Sunday and the second day of Christian celebration. Those who plan ahead and make the 24th, also, a day of thanksgiving and anticipation can experience a long weekend Christmas—a genuine rest and reinvigoration, physically, mentally and spiritually.

## Letters To The Editor . .

To the Editor:

Being one of the attorneys involved in the Federal Class Action lawsuit against the County Jail, I read with interest, the article dealing with this lawsuit in your Nov. 19 publication.

Of all of the articles that have been written regarding



"Oh, really, Geoffrey, this is absolutely frightful -- another day and still no inaugural invitation from those farmers down in Georgia."

this lawsuit, the article written by Cliff Avery in the Nov. 19 edition is probably the best and most accurate article written to date regarding this lawsuit. Both you, as editor, and Mr. Avery as author of this article, should be commended for not only accurate reporting, but obviously understanding what you are reporting about.

The West Texas Times may not be the largest newspaper in Lubbock, but it is the one to read to find out what is happening and not what someone else thinks is happening.

Tom West

### JACK ANDERSON'S WEEKLY SPECIAL



Carter Scores on Capitol Hill  
by Jack Anderson  
with Joe Spear

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WASHINGTON—President Jimmy Carter's first meeting with congressional leaders was a triumph. He promised that Pennsylvania Avenue would be a two-way street, and the leaders returned to Capitol Hill with a favorable impression of the president-elect.

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But Carter would be making a mistake if he thinks he has Congress under control. In private, Rep. Thomas O'Neill, D.-Mass., has told colleagues that he doesn't intend to be a waterboy for the White House next year. O'Neill is expected to be elected the next Speaker of the House. And those who know him agree he'll be harder to get along with than retiring Speaker Carl Albert.

It's the same story on the Senate side. The two top candidates for Senate Democratic Leader are Robert Byrd, D.-W.Va. and Hubert Humphrey, D.-Minn. Neither senator is likely to let Carter tell him what to do. Humphrey has told friends, for example, that he has his own views—which don't entirely coincide with Carter's.

The president-elect, meanwhile, has promised to appoint women to important posts in his administration, and the women intend to hold him to his word.

Recently, the Congressional Clearinghouse on Women's Rights met with 55 top women leaders. The group will establish a special monitoring system to watch Carter's appointments.

Many women leaders are suspicious of Carter. They have a detailed list of all the promises he made to women during the campaign. And they intend to see that he keeps them.

**Middle East Mystery:** One of the mysteries of foreign affairs is how the shah of Iran is able to manipulate the United States. It has become the watchword in Washington that whatever the shah wants, the shah gets.

The shah wanted to transform Iran into a modern military power. The United States immediately began shipping military equipment to Iran faster than the shah's armed forces could assimilate them.

For five years, sophisticated weapons have been pouring into Iran at the rate of \$2 billion worth a year. Three months ago, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger discussed another \$10 billion arms pact with the shah.

Government auditors, according to a secret report, have complained that we have sent so many military advisors to Iran that technical skills are in "critically short supply in U.S. military units."

The shah also wanted to crack down on Iranian dissidents who embarrass him here in the United States. So our Central Intelligence Agency arranged for the shah's secret police to operate with impunity in this country.

There is evidence that the shah's agents violate our laws. We have obtained secret papers from their files. One, for example, contains instructions on copying keys for illegal break-ins.

In return, the CIA is permitted to operate in Iran. The CIA is so close to the shah, according to our sources, that he has actually paid for CIA projects out of the Iranian treasury when the CIA's own budget has run dry.

The shah also wanted higher prices for his oil. In fact, none of the oil-producing countries clamored louder for higher prices than did Iran. The United States could have silenced the shah merely by shutting off his military supplies. But no one in Washington would talk back to the shah.

Meanwhile, the love affair between the shah and Washington officials continues. Kissinger and the shah exchange frequent warm messages. And the U.S. embassy in Iran sends cables to Washington that are positively lyrical.

One classified cable, for example, refers to Iran euphorically as "this friendly and progressive country of considerable strategic importance to the U.S."

Everybody seems to love the shah. The multi-million-dollar question is, "Why?"

**Home for the Holidays:** As many as 200 American prisoners may soon be released from their Mexican jails.

This has nothing to do with the prisoner exchange program that has been reported in the press. The plan is to exchange Americans in Mexican jails for Mexicans in U.S. jails. The agreement has to be ratified, however, by the Mexican legislature and the U.S. Congress. This will take some time.

But meanwhile, the Mexicans are considering a parole program. This would authorize the release of drug offenders who have completed three-fifths of their sentences. It would affect approximately 200 of the 600 Americans now stuck in Mexican jails.

The Mexican legislature is still considering the parole program. But it has the strong backing of Mexican President Luis Echeverria, who will complete his six-year term in a few weeks. Our sources expect him to push through the parole program before he leaves office.

So a couple hundred Americans, who don't expect it, may be home in time for Christmas.



# Super Stars, Old Favorites Populate 'World of Toys'

by Janice Jarvis

With Christmas just around the corner, parents are crowding into toy stores in search of the playthings their children desire—and this year, almost anything a child could want is available.

The most popular toys are the action dolls, according to David Brazzard, manager of Toys By Roy. Doll-size versions of the Bionic Man and Woman are in demand along with such accessories as extra arms for Col. Austin, he noted.

In addition to the bionic duo, this year shelves are overflowing with other "television dolls." Starsky and Hutch and J.J. are two of the super dolls popular this year. Batman and Fantastic Four dolls have made a comeback as well as Barbie and Ken. This year's updated version of the Barbie line is Growing Up Skipper, who with the flip of her arm, changes from a young girl to a woman.

Stretch Armstrong, the athletic doll that stretches to six times his size and can be twisted into countless positions, is also a favorite, said Ray Davis, toy department manager at Sears.

Baby dolls, a longtime standard for girls, are as popular as ever as long as the doll does something, explained Toy Box employe Sherry Hooser. This year's dolls cry, kiss, sneeze, crawl, walk and perform all the natural functions of a real baby.

The most controversial doll is the baby boy, although there's been little opposition to the doll being anatomically correct, Mrs. Hooser said. "Parents buy the doll for their boys as well as girls although fathers seem to object to their little boys playing with dolls," she said.

Puppets are popular this year, according to all toy store owners interviewed. In addition to hand puppets, marionettes and ventriloquist dummies are in demand.

"More people are probably buying puppets as they become aware of a child's need for a creative outlet," commented Sherry Fewin, manager of Young Fun Inc.

The Sesame Street puppets are very popular, as are all Sesame Street toys. The demand for puppets probably grew out of the popularity of the muppets on television, Mrs. Fewin said.

CB radios, a favorite with adults, are equally popular as children's toys, with a few modifications. Although the CB's this year are actually monitors, children can listen to CB stations

and talk with anyone who has a children's CB.

Almost anything adults have can be imitated as a toy, Brazzard observed.

"Toys are getting more sophisticated because people demand change and the manufacturers make what people want," he said.

Bicycles this year are designed to look like motorcycles. "Some models look exactly like dirt bikes, and unless you saw the bike pedals, you'd probably never know the difference," Hooser said.

For older children, science has replaced games of the past. A child can make his own computer or select a computer that quizzes him.

Despite the increase in realistic toys, cuddly dolls and stuffed animals are still as popular as ever. To solve the dilemma about what kind of doll to buy, some parents select two—the one the child has seen on television and the better quality plain doll, explained Mrs. Fewin. In most cases, the child is playing with the cuddly doll long after the action doll has been put away, she added.

Family oriented toys are big sellers this year. Today's dolls live in tree houses, go to amusement parks and drive vans.

Crafts have been replaced by giant drawing pads. The pads are less frustrating to children, than coloring books, Mrs. Fewin pointed out.

But since toys have become such an important part of Christmas, it's easy to forget what toys are for. "Toys are designed to give children a chance to be imaginative and creative," Mrs. Fewin said.

But toys serve little purpose if parents don't take the time to play with their children, she added.

Meanwhile, manufacturers are planning for next year's Christmas rush. The first doll to give birth is predicted to be on Christmas lists in 1977.

It's getting late to begin your Christmas shopping.



PUPPET CHATTER—Chris Longbine, 6, and his 4-year-old sister, Kim, give a mini puppet show with two of the character puppets from Sesame Street. Puppets of all kinds are popular this year as Christmas gifts for children of all ages. (Times Photo)

## Swine Flu Immunization Clinic Set Sunday for County

Lubbock Health Department will conduct a swine flu immunization clinic from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday in the Lubbock Christian College Field House.

## Designer Craftsmen Conducting Show

Christmas shoppers looking for unusual, handmade gifts can stop by the West Texas Designer Craftsmen show in progress at Hemphill-Wells downtown store.

Items featured in the sale include weaving, stoneware, jewelry, stitchery, copper, enamel pieces and other crafts. About 35 fine arts craftsmen from around the area are participating in the show.

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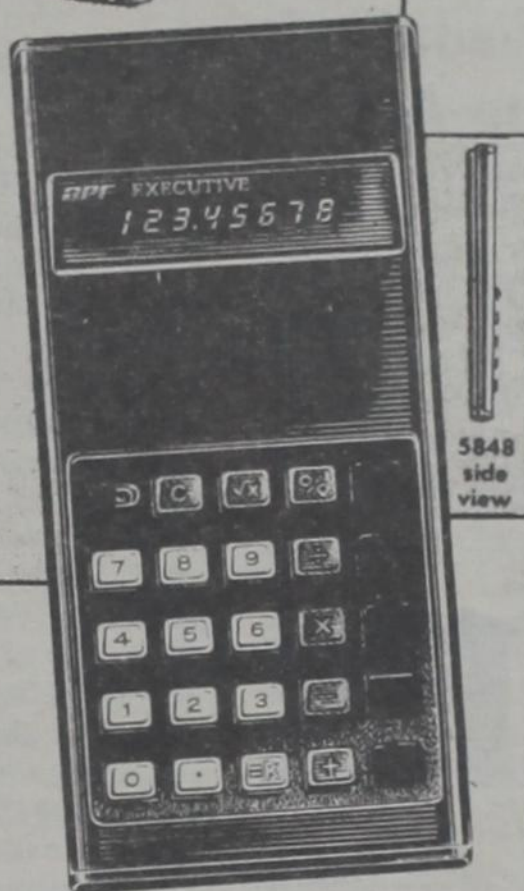
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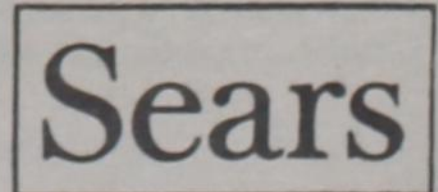
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Special guests will be Mrs. Don G. Kasper of Shiner, state president, and Mrs. George Glover of Lubbock, state historian. Other special guests will be members of the Amarillo and Herford clubs.

The group will exchange fund-raising ideas to provide money for extras needed in student programs at Texas A&M University.

## Xi Xi Tau Sets Meet

Xi Xi Tau Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will meet at 8 p.m. Tuesday in the home of Mrs. Eugene Hughlett of 5707 15th St.

The program theme for the meeting will be "Fine Arts: Communicating with Music." Chapter members Jane Barnes and Judy Crawford will be in charge of the program.

Serving as co-hostess will be Charlotte Potts.

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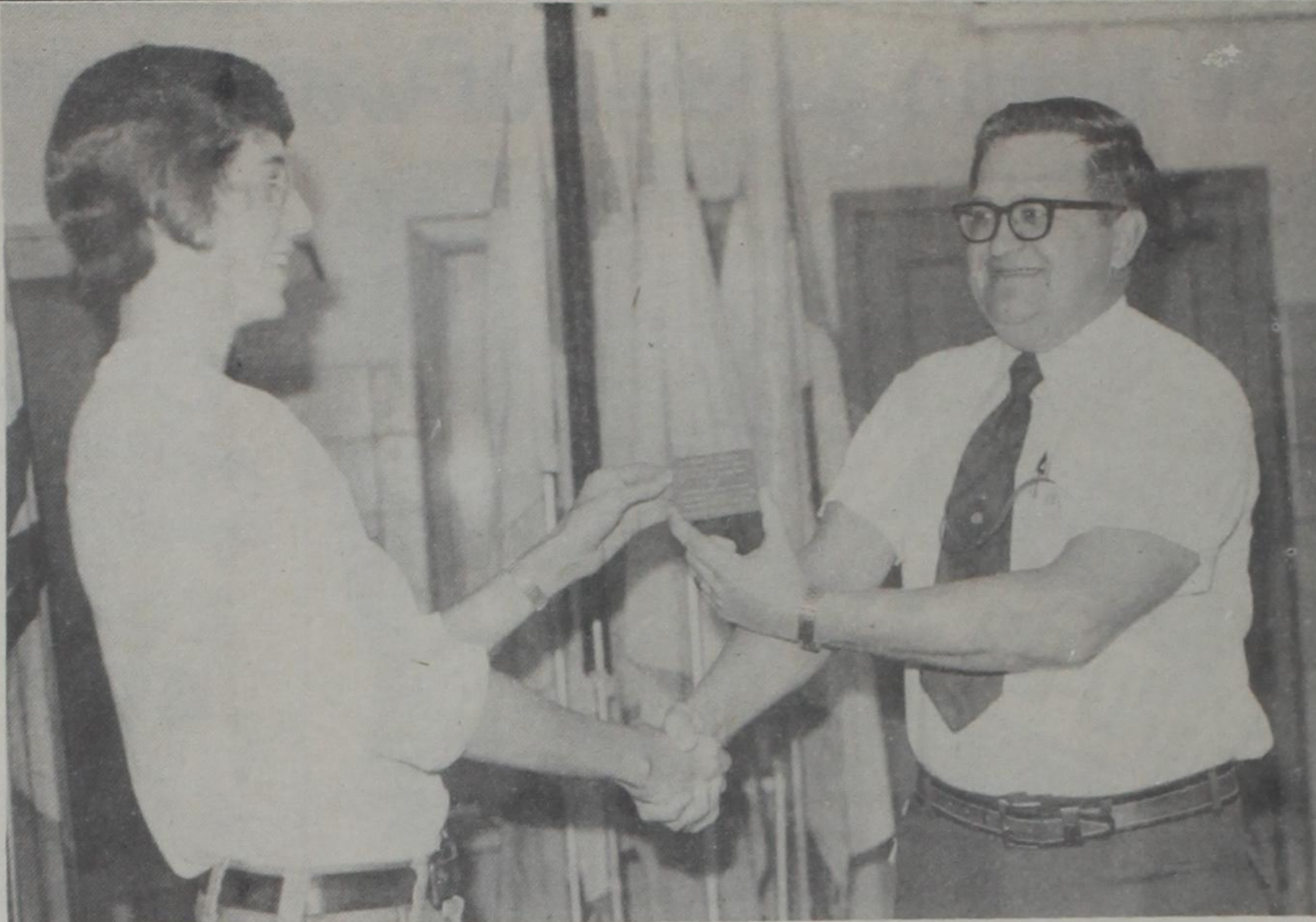
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**MCDONALD BANDSMAN**—Monterey High School student Chris Seiter receives a certificate entitling him to a year's supply of Quarter-Pounders from Bob Reynolds, manager of the local McDonald's restaurants. Seiter was named to the nationwide McDonald Band.

## Youth Honored By McDonald's

Chris Seiter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Seiter of 3501 52nd St., is a senior trombone player in the Monterey Plainsmen Band. He is also the first Lubbock band student chosen for membership in McDonald's All American High School Band.

McDonald's bandmen are selected on the basis of scholastic achievement and standing within individual school bands. Two bandmen are selected from each state and two from the District of Columbia, for a total of 102 band members.

Chris received an all-expense paid trip to New York City to play with the famous band in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and will also travel to Pasadena, Calif., to play with the band in the Tournament of Roses Parade New Year's Day.

In additional recognition, Chris received a certificate from the Lubbock McDonald's stores. The award? A year's supply of Quarter-Pounder hamburgers!

## Group Schedules Program on Art

A program on art and painting will be presented during the 8 p.m. Tuesday meeting of Upsilon Sigma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Chapter members will meet in the home of Mrs. Abner Euresti of 2206 48th St. Viola Davis and Donna Foreman, both members of the chapter, will present the program.

## Kin Searching

by Marleta Childs

Where and when an ancestor lived and died is extremely important for the genealogical researcher. If, for example, you don't know the names of your paternal great-grandparents, but you do know where and when your grandfather died, you can write to the county clerk of the county in which he died or to the State Bureau of Vital Statistics and ask for a copy of his death certificate. In your letter, be sure to include the date that he died, for the documents are filed in chronological order. The certificate should give the date and place of birth of your grandfather, who his parents were (including his mother's maiden name) and where they were born. As a result, you have already gained two new ancestors.

If you know the death date and place for your grandfather's brothers and sisters, it may be wise to obtain a copy of their death certificates as well; their records may have additional facts not listed on your ancestor's. Most of the information contained on death certificates was given by a family member whose name is listed on the document.

In case of conflicts, a certificate filled out by a member of an older generation—such as an aunt or an uncle—might be more reliable concerning the family background than one completed by a niece or nephew. Bear in mind that, due to the human factor, mistakes do appear on these records. You should always doublecheck to verify your information. Causes of death provided on these certificates give a good medical history of your family, too.

Modern birth records contain excellent genealogical information, but those recorded prior to 1917 are usually less informative. More recent certificates contain the full name of the individual, where and when born, hospital where born, full names and birthplaces of both parents. Earlier births, usually recorded in ledger books, generally gave the date of birth and the father's name, but the maiden name of the

mother was too often left blank. Beginning about 1935, states issued "delayed birth certificates" to many persons born prior to 1917. Birth records are available from the same offices as death records.

All states (except Georgia, which did not start until 1919) have kept statewide vital statistics records since 1917. Before that year records from state to state vary as to how early they began and are not always complete.

There were few general laws requiring the registration of births, marriages, and deaths before 1850. If the state did have such a law, it was frequently ignored even into the 20th century. Some towns and counties within the state began keeping such records before the state. For example, the state of South Carolina began keeping birth and death records in January, 1915. The City of Charleston, however, began keeping births in 1877 and deaths in 1821; copies of these may be obtained from the Charleston County Health Department.

The U.S. government publishes a useful pamphlet which lists the date each state started keeping vital statistics records, the address of the vital statistics office, and the cost of certified copies of the document. To obtain a copy, send 15 cents to Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20025 and ask for Department of Health, Education and Welfare Publication No. (HRA) 76-1142, "Where to Write for Birth and Death Records: United States and Outlying Areas."

Other sources for birth and death information include birth announcements and obituaries in newspapers and church, hospital, cemetery, and funeral home records.

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# Sheridan's Ride

by Jack Sheridan

The advent on the local scene of a prestigious new and exciting talent in the performing arts is always a provocative happening. And, certainly, the bow of youthful and highly gifted violinist Eugene Fodor in the Municipal Auditorium Tuesday night ranked high in this category.



Fodor, a native of Turkey Creek, Colo., made his local debut as soloist with the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra in its second concert of the 31st year. And when he had completed his performance, both with excellent orchestral support and three unaccompanied encore numbers, he had not only proved his musicianship, his stunning technique, his stagmanship, he had garnered two standing ovations from the capacity house but underscored his previous honors such as tying for top prize in Moscow's 1974 International Tchaikowsky Violin Competition and the demanding 1972 International Paganini Competition in Genoa, Italy.

So, Fodor came to the stage already having achieved these high honors but with a record of appearances with leading orchestras in this country and Europe as well.

Tuesday night's enthusiastic audience sat silent and absorbed as this sturdy young player performed an impeccable Violin in D Major by Tchaikowsky. It was during this performance that the orchestra under founder-conductor William A. Harrod demonstrated its prowess as an accompanying instrument and Fodor unleashed a prodigious talent in technique, sensitivity of tone, fantastic bowing and total command of his Guarneri del Gesu violin.

He played the familiar themes with the surety and awesome domination and his work in the first movement cadenza was superb. He gave sympathy and sensitivity to the lyrical second movement and he concluded the concerto's third movement with a bravura climax that topped the work.

If there was any criticism of the orchestra's role in this number, it might be that, as it was all evening, that the brass was at times a little too brassy, too intrusive for the body of the whole.

The first standing ovation came at the conclusion of the Tchaikowsky and most deservedly so. Gracious and generous Fodor then came back for a set of three unaccompanied encores. To say that his work now proved his unquestioned versatility and technical supremacy is an understatement. He played a beautiful Praeludium by Johann Sebastian Bach, then followed with two short pieces by Paganini. The two Paganini numbers placed on exhibition all those multi-facets of brilliance that we had already anticipated. It was in the bravura showcase, "In My Heart I Feel No More" which ended the set to the second cheering, standing ovation. His fingering was so clean and so incredible that the eye could not be torn from those nimble, knowledgeable fingers.

Lubbock Symphony Orchestra has been responsible over the past years for introducing a number of new, rising musical personalities to the local stage but none has scored so emphatically as Eugene Fodor. He is a comparatively young man but his promise for a brilliant, lasting dominant place in American soloists is not only assured but seemingly limitless in its scope and area of international achievement and recognition.

Tuesday night's concert opened with a rousing rendition of Semtana's "Overture to the Bartered Bride." More or less a warhorse piece in the orchestral repertoire, the overture nevertheless demands the best in ensemble playing and under Harrod it received just that. The emphasis was on the strings and they performed beautifully.

The big and challenging work of the evening for the orchestra came with the towering and melodic Symphony No. 2 in D Major by Brahms.

The Brahms in four sections is a tough one but the Lubbock Symphony met the challenge handily. Here the brass now and then became a little intrusive but overall Harrod proved his point that a Lubbock audience was ready for something of greater magnitude than past years' excerpts and playing of more familiar works. The orchestra worked very hard and the results were most gratifying, indeed.

It is good to report that the audience responded in kind. They were deeply attentive and as the final notes sounded under Harrod's leadership they accorded the orchestra their just due, heavy applause and respect.

Music is a key to the forthcoming Christmas season and I want to make mention of two Texas Tech University music department events which I urge you to see and hear. At 3 p.m. this Sunday, Dec. 5, in the new University Center Theater, the department will offer the traditional "Messiah" by G.F. Handel. "Messiah" is almost a must for this season and with the entire strength of the Tech Choir under Gene Kenney this event should be a solid introduction to the days to come.

Then, a week from Sunday, in the same University Center Theater, the Tech Symphony, under Paul Ellsworth, will offer its traditional, annual Children's Christmas Concert. The date is Dec. 12, the time is 3 p.m.

I don't know how many of these delightful Yuletide concerts I have attended but each has its own lustre and provides unusual novelties as well as the traditional music, capped, as always, with the appearance of Santa Claus to put the frosting on the cake.

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The exhibit includes portraits in oil, pastel and charcoal. Mrs. White will also be in the lobby daily from 9 a.m. until unnoon, and from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. to do portraits in charcoal for the general public. Portraits can be drawn from life or from photographs and require approximately one hour. Appointments, though not necessary, are recommended. The fee for each portrait is \$10.

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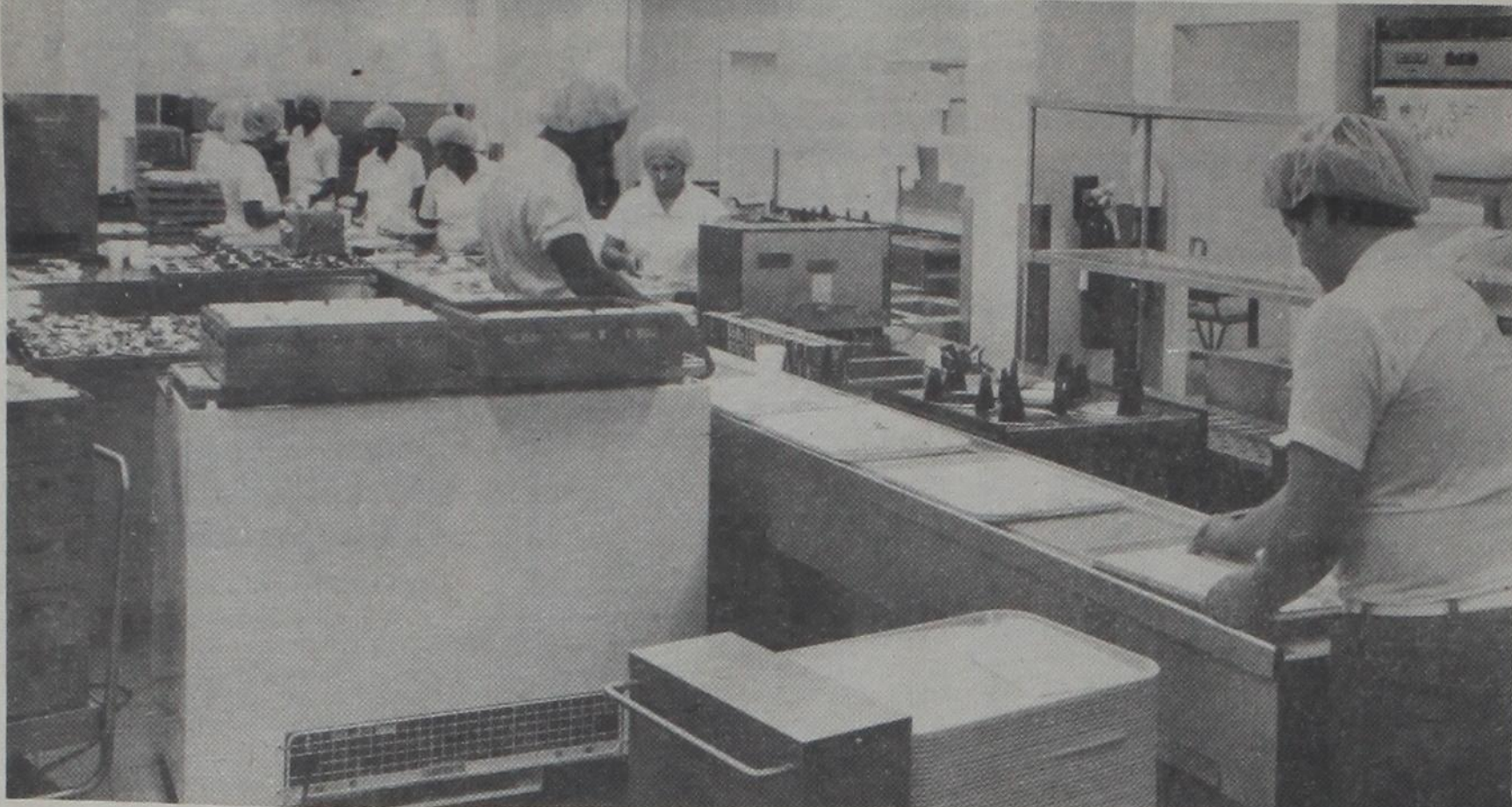
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**ASSEMBLING TRAYS**—Employees in the dietary department at Methodist Hospital assemble trays for patients in the hospital's new kitchen. The dietary department annually plans, prepares and serves more than 400,000 meals, thousands of nourishment snacks and handles all requests for food and beverages served at special functions at the hospital. All foods to be served in the soon to be opened hospital cafeteria also will be prepared by the dietary workers.

## At Methodist Hospital New Kitchen, Cafeteria Make Eating a Pleasure

Ever wonder what it would be like to prepare more than 46,000 meals in one month's time? How about 400,000 meals in a year?

Gene Riggs, director of the dietary department at Methodist Hospital, knows what it's like to cook on a king-size scale. In fact, during the month of November, Riggs and his staff served up 46,314 meals at the local hospital. And that's a whole lot of meat and potatoes, to say nothing about the number of vegetables, salads and desserts!

But things are going pretty smoothly for the dietary department since the opening of the new kitchen and office facilities at the hospital in July. The spacious kitchen (about four times the size of the old one) is furnished with the latest in equipment and all types of food storage areas. Adjacent to it are the large offices that house the dietary staff.

According to Riggs, it's up to the dietary personnel to keep track of patients as they are moved to different rooms in the hospital, serve them the foods they and their doctors want them to have and keep everything running smoothly in the delivery of meals.

Getting the food to hospital patients begins as each patient's diet (regular or a special diet) is ordered by his or her doctor. Riggs explained that hospital menus are designed for seven different diets and are rotated on a two-week cycle. Foods are varied according to the season of the year and the general eating habits of people in this part of the country.

The dietary staff assures that each patient is served the correct meal through information kept up-to-the-minute in a constantly changing filing system. Riggs said diet change order forms are filled out three times a day by each nursing station, but sometimes mistakes are made. "I've known one patient to get three meals at a time," he commented, noting that this happens rarely.

Patients have an opportunity to select what foods they would like to eat within their physician's guidelines. Printed menus are placed on all breakfast trays and patients check the foods they want to eat or drink for the three meals the following day.

As marked menus are returned to the dietary office, each food item is tied to compose the production charts from which the cooks work. If highly specialized items are required or if a physician orders a change, these foods are acquired and prepared according to specifications.

After all the food is cooked, trays are prepared assembly line style on an automatic conveyor. A menu stays with the trays as they pass along the assembly line. At the end of the line, a checker makes certain all foods requested

by the patient are included on the tray.

"Food is very important to patients in a hospital," Riggs said. "We try to make it nice for them."

Besides serving patient meals, the dietary department also is responsible for preparing all foods served in the hospital cafeteria open to employes and the public.

Methodist plans to open its tastefully decorated new cafeteria and dining areas for visitors, employes and physicians next week.

"We don't really know how many will be served in the cafeteria," Riggs said. "It will easily be more than a thousand a day."

The new cafeteria, gaily decorated in shades of yellow and green, will be open daily from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. After selecting their foods, visitors can relax in the peaceful atmosphere of the large public dining room. Hospital employes and physicians each have their own eating areas adjacent to the public one.

Construction of the new dietary and cafeteria areas, located in the west building at the hospital, began in January, Riggs noted. Total cost of the project was about \$600,000.

### How Far . . .

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oped—some areas zoned industrial, and Ransom Canyon.

There's no ideal ratio, the city planner says, and the ratio never stays constant. The city council may annex land as it goes along, just so there's healthy competition.

Bertram says, "If we didn't expand, we'd create a monopoly. The people who owned only ten per cent of the land could ask for an arm and a leg."

Bertram estimates that the city, which covers about 100 square miles has annexed only three or four square miles in the last few years.

Under state law, Bertram says a city can only annex ten per cent of its area in one year. It can let its permissible percentage accumulate by not annexing any land in a year. The next year, a city can annex up to 20 per cent of its present size, but no matter how much it accumulates, the law says that a city can't add more than 30 per cent in one year.

Sometimes the city annexes land as a form of "self-protection," he says. Fringe areas near the city limits are out of reach of building codes and zoning ordinances. Subdivisions crop up that don't conform to city standards, and builders who want to develop rural homes at higher prices and quality hopscotch over the first development, creating a shunned "no-man's land" in between.

"We don't need the land for development, but it's a get-it-now-or-get-it-later situation. We can get it now and zone it correctly or get it later and get all the problems that come with it."

A new idea is like poison to some minds that refuse to be educated.

### Retailers . . .

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display, he said, but often prove too big a temptation for the shoplifter looking for easy pickings.

But most of the stores are taking measures to stop the holiday thievery.

"We've added two additional deputy sheriffs to our payroll to prevent shoplifting," Johnson said. Other store managers indicated they also have beefed up their security.

"We wish we didn't have the problem, but that's utopia," Cherry commented. So, the stores are providing employe education on the different methods of shoplifting and what to do to prevent it.

"We emphasize the importance of staying with a customer," Cherry pointed out. "Letting them know you're there is an important factor."

According to Johnson, dressing rooms often provide ideal spots for thefts. He said that his store maintains an employe at the entrance to the dressing room area to check clothes in and out for the customers.

A number of stores have installed two-way and one-way mirrors around their showrooms to maintain better surveillance of customers browsing through shelves and counters. In some department stores, more expensive clothing—such as leather coats—are hung on hangars chained to the rack.

"We do as far as we can in preventing shoplifting," the floor

walker said, "but we do prosecute those who are caught. That's why I'm pounding the floor."

Det. Sgt. Doyle Nelson of the Lubbock Police Department noted that most local stores have been very cooperative with local law enforcement officials in seeking the prosecution of shoplifters.

Those caught stealing items worth under \$5 are charged with a Class C misdemeanor, Nelson explained, and can be fined up to \$200. Thefts from \$5-\$20 fall into the Class B misdemeanor category and carry a maximum fine of \$1,000 or confinement in jail up to 180 days or a combination of both.

Individuals caught shoplifting articles worth from \$20-\$200 are charged with a Class A misdemeanor, according to Nelson, and can be fined up to \$2,000 or sentenced a year in jail or a combination of both.

If a shoplifter is caught stealing goods worth more than \$200 but less than \$10,000, he can be charged with a third degree felony. Punishment for this offense carries a \$5,000 fine or imprisonment from two to ten years, or possibly both, Nelson said. A second degree felony charge can be filed if the theft is over \$10,000 and carries up to a \$10,000 fine or two-twenty years imprisonment or a combination of both.

Nelson said the police department carries shoplifting offenses simply as thefts and there is no easy way to determine how many shoplifters are arrested during the Christmas shopping season. But there is a definite increase in shoplifting at this time of the year, he added.

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