

DPS and Justice of the Peace try to solve a problem of cooperation

by Jim McWilliams

There have been rumors, unsubstantiated stories, off the record comments, and a general flow of "un-information" from unquotable sources concerning a rift between the Texas Department of Public Safety and Schleicher County Justice of the Peace Frank "Pancho" Bradley.

Last week, the Express News was informed that the Highway Patrol was not getting what they felt was proper consideration in the Justice Court. Little quotable information was available then, so the story was withheld until further information could be found.

The dissatisfaction with the Justice Court was twofold.

The first complaint was the high number of cases dismissed by Justice of the Peace Bradley.

And the second was the failure to issue arrest warrants for the individuals who were given traffic citations but failed to appear in court within 10 days.

Lt. Armstrong of the DPS in San Angelo said the problem was a misunderstanding between the local officers and the court.

These officers put their lives on the line every day, and they get a little discouraged when they see some of their cases dismissed, Armstrong told us.

Armstrong came to Eldorado last Wednesday to discuss the problem with Bradley. Armstrong wanted Bradley to be aware of the problem.

"If he knows how we feel about the problem, it may make co-operation a little easier," Armstrong told the Express News.

"It's just a misunderstanding that will work itself out," he said.

Armstrong pointed out that it was not his job to tell the Court what to do. But if the Court knew what affect it was having on the patrolmen, then possibly the problem could be eased with a bit of consideration by the Justice of the Peace.

Justice of the Peace Bradley told the Express News, "My job is to try to provide justice to all. That includes the person filing the complaint as well as the person being filed on."

Bradley pointed out that he has only been in office for 5½ months. He is doing things slowly because he knows that he cannot "undo" the decisions he makes.

Lt. Armstrong of the San Angelo DPS would like to have the "no show" warrants issued 30 days after the complaint was filed.

Armstrong said, "People move around so much . . ." that it gets hard to find them if the warrant is not issued quickly.

Concerning the warrants, Bradley said, "Those boys want them to appear, and so do I."

The Express News went through the court cases one by one and counted 423 traffic cases on record since November 18th of last year. (The cases that Bradley had jurisdiction over)

270 cases resulted in fines, 50 cases were dismissed, 48 individuals had failed to appear, and 55 cases were continued for one reason or another. That means that 64% of all traffic cases have ended with fines, 11% dismissed, 11% have yet to be settled.

The DPS officials indicated that they felt that their judgement was being superceded by the Court. This causes a morale problem when the officers feel a violation has been committed, but the Court dismisses the charge.

The DPS would like to see the charge upheld with a guilty verdict. Then if there were other circumstances that would make a fine a financial hardship, the Judge could suspend the fine.

Some individuals in Eldorado have complained about the loss of revenue to the County. But Justice Bradley and Lt. Armstrong both said that the Court was not designed as a revenue source. It was meant to administer justice to those breaking the law and the individuals filing complaints.

Since both Bradley and Armstrong have had a discussion of the problem, possibly the tension may be eased in the near future.

County Commissioners renew employee health plan

by Jim McWilliams

The Schleicher County Commissioners Court approved the renewal of the county's Blue Cross and Workman's Compensation policy at their regular bi-monthly meeting last Monday, May 9.

The county spent approximately 12 thousand dollars last year for the insurance. And with a premium rate increase this year, the county will spend about 32% more for the county employees insurance.

The Commissioners convened as the County Board of Equalization. The Board has scheduled another meeting for June 28 after proper public notification has been made.

A new diving board will be purchased for the high platform at the swimming pool.

The pool will open May 27th. The Commissioners pointed out that the pool must be closed one day a week for cleaning and proper maintenance. It is at the discretion of the pool operator to

decide what day the pool will be closed.

Pool operator Ben Fatheree has indicated to the Court that he would prefer to close the pool on Sundays.

The 1973 Sheriff's Deputy car was sold for \$850.

The Court will begin plans to construct a low water crossing slab on the Ft McKavett-Sonora road.

The Commissioners authorized a request to the Concho Valley Council of Governments for a grant of 5 thousand dollars to be used for preliminary planning for a new county jail. The County will not have to spend any money on this preliminary project.

Javelina hog season will be year-round with no bag limit.

Spring turkey season will be from the third Saturday in April for nine consecutive days. Bag limit is one gobbler or one bearded hen.

Judge McWhorter and all Commissioners were present.



(STAFF PHOTO) (by Paul McWhorter) **HAPPY WINNERS** -- Donna Casbeer, left and Cleva Clark are happy girls this week after they won top honors during the state University Interscholastic League

competition last weekend. Cleva won first in prose reading and Donna won third in poetry interpretation. They were coached by Ken Wilson, high school speech teacher.

Two EHS Students Take State UIL Literary Honors!

Two highly excited girls, Cleva Clark and Donna Casbeer, returned from the state University Interscholastic League competition Saturday night with two medals and a first place plaque. They were among several Eldorado High School students who were in Austin this weekend competing in various events on the state level.

The plaque and one of the medals were the result of Cleva's efforts in prose reading. She competed in the preliminaries early Saturday morning and in the finals shortly before noon.

"I told her to call me if she placed," said Cleva's mother, Mrs Earl Dean Clark, "and when she called at noon, she was so excited she could hardly talk."

"I sure was surprised," said the EHS senior, who said she was afraid the boy who placed second would beat her. The few minutes before the final decisions were announced seemed like hours, she said.

Cleva read "Louisa Come Home" which is a modern day reading about a girl who ran away from home and returned in three years.

The plaque will have her name engraved on it and will be kept by the school.

Donna's medal is for a third place win in poetry interpretation. She read "Jo Hill Listens to the Praying" by Kenneth

Patcher. She said it is about a man who is being shot for treason against the United States.

"I still can't believe it," the junior student said about her win.

Both girls admitted to being extremely nervous before they

read in both the preliminaries and the finals, and are glad the tension is over.

They were coached by Ken Wilson.

Other state competitors included Gynna Jay, Cynthia Schooley, Carl Igo, Willie Day and Jim Bob Byrd.

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Another driving school scheduled

A second defensive driving course has been scheduled for May 23, 24 and 25 from 7-10 p.m. in the Memorial Building.

Persons taking the course earn a 10 percent reduction in insurance rates for the next three

years. Cost is set at \$10 per person.

Persons may sign up beforehand at the Tom Ratliff office.

Information about the course may be obtained from members of the Lions Club which is sponsoring the school.

EHS begins search for two coaching positions

Eldorado High School Superintendent Guy Whitaker has begun the search for a new head football coach after the board of trustees accepted the resignation of Coach Mike Quimby Monday night. Quimby has been associated with the Eldorado school system for the past six years, four of which were in the head coach capacity.

Assistant Coach Gary Tolar, who had earlier submitted his resignation, presented a letter to the board to be considered for the head coach position. By a vote of 5-2 the board declined to hire him in that capacity.

Applications for the head coach position are now being accepted, and school administrators hope to have filled the position by the end of June.

In other items of business the board approved adopting a policy reference manual published by the Texas Association of School Boards. The manual sets out legal guidelines in which

school policy can be instituted and carried out.

The board gave Vocational Ag teacher Fred Igo authority to make necessary arrangements to move and set up a green house that was given to the school by Jim Thornton earlier this year.

Supt. Whitaker informed the board that the football field had been sprigged and reseeded with Tex Turf 10 grass, especially designed for football fields. The field will be fertilized and watered throughout the summer to assure a good playing surface by football season.

The board appointed Howard Derrick and Jo Ed Hill to the Board of Equalization with Elton McGinnes or Bob Sykes as alternates. The Board of Equalization will meet in June.

Attending the monthly board meeting were Mort Mertz, Earl Lloyd, Bill Ray, Lynn Meador, Kenith Homer, Dr Jim Brame, Billy Williams and Supt Guy Whitaker.

Something To Think About

by Jannette Wilkerson

"SAFETY FIRST"

After taking a National Survival Test on TV I was so ashamed of my score (and I even cheated). I still wasn't able to pump up my final tally to equal the survival I.Q. of a chimp with a 'death wish' -- so I decided to do something about it.

On Monday morning after the test I made a private vow to make our home a safe place for my beloved family, and be a shining example of leadership in the time of crisis. After the kids had gone to school, I put a piece of buttered bread in the toaster oven and sat down to make a list of escape routes in case of fire. I think it was when I was painting an exit sign over the back door, that I noticed the smoke boiling out of the kitchen. My first reaction was sheer panic -- but I quickly regained control and threw the dog out the window, put the jelly back in the refrigerator, ran to the vacant house next door and started screaming, "Call the Fire Department!!" Knowing this was my chance to prove that silly test wrong, I took a deep breath, re-entered the house by the same window I jumped out of, and to my amazement saw the blaze extinguished and my neighbor's 5-year old sitting at the kitchen table holding an empty cup. "Mamma said can she borrow some Tide?" "Sure," I puffed, out of breath and still shaking, not daring to ask if she put out the fire.

By then the bread was a smoldering cinder, and I guess my 'overtrained eye' for danger had mistook the smoking toaster for a blazing inferno.

"You burn-ed your toast. I took it out for you," she giggled, watching the dog limp around.

"Oh yeah, well thanks, kid. Here's your soap."

She started for the door, then turned, looked at me sorta funny and said, "What's a Dire?"

Oh well.....maybe if we do have an emergency around here Daddy will be home!

And that's something to think about this week.....



The Eldorado FFA Banquet was held Tuesday night honoring students and local citizens. This photo was taken during the awards presentation. See Story Page 5.

Tornado alert set for Monday

There will be a test of the Civil Defense Warning System conducted on Monday, May 16, 1977 at 7 o'clock p.m., announced Bill Radle Jr, CD director. This warning system will be used for notification that a severe hail storm or tornado is expected to hit Eldorado.

The warning system will consist of three blasts on the fire siren, ½ minute in duration. The siren will sound for ½ minute, stop ½ minute; sound for ½ minute, stop ½ minute; sound for ½ minute, stop for 2 minutes and then sound the same alarm again.

The all clear signal will be one long sounding of the siren 1 ½ minutes long.

This specific warning will be made only after a severe storm is in progress and a report has been received on its type, location and direction of movement if headed toward Eldorado.

The citizens of Eldorado are reminded that designated safety shelters are the basement of the Courthouse, the Memorial Building, Baptist Church and Presbyterian Church.

(STAFF PHOTO) (by Paul McWhorter)

Bumgardner and Byrd honored

Although they were unable to attend the event, two Eldorado High School seniors were honored during a luncheon for outstanding West Texas students Saturday.

Jim Bob Byrd and Matt Bumgardner were among 26 students who were honored by the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce Board of City Devel-

SEE Byrd p.7



Call me your Home Front News items. 853-2688 or 853-2032. Billie Porter.

Mr and Mrs Joe Turner Hext of Pasadena spent the weekend with his parents, Mr and Mrs Ben Hext.

Home Front News

Visitors in the W.E. McCravey home over the weekend were their children, Mr and Mrs Mike McCravey, Sarah and Michele of Marfa and Maureen McCravey of Pearsall. Mr and Mrs Steve Snelson and Mr and Mrs Chris McCravey and family joined the group for the visit.

Miss Lyndell Holcomb of Monahans, an ASU student, spent the weekend with Mr and Mrs R. E. Griffith and sons.

Mrs Ethel Etheredge spent Mother's Day weekend with her son and family, Mr and Mrs Sonny Etheredge, at Midland.

Mr and Mrs Ray Standford spent Mother's Day weekend with their daughter Barbara Keith and their grandchildren in Midland. Their son and his wife, Mr and Mrs Jerry Pinner of Monahans joined the group in Midland for a visit also.

Mr and Mrs Terry Sterling of San Angelo spent Mother's Day with her parents, the Jo Ed Hill's.

Jack Meador of Dallas visited the Ed Meador's last week.

Mr and Mrs Walter Bosman of Los Banos, Calif. are visiting his brother and family, the Manuel Bosman's.

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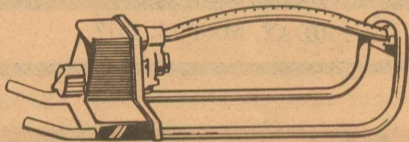
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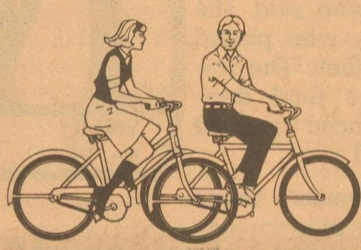
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(STAFF PHOTO) by Jim McWilliams - **NEW OFFICERS** -- Pictured above are the newly elected officers of the Eldorado High School Fellowship of Christian Athletes. From left to right are Captain Kyle

McCormack, Captain Elect David Hill, Treasurer Donna Cantwell, and Secretary Donna Casbeer. They were elected at last Monday night's meeting.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

This is a personal note to you - and am hoping you will over-look mistakes in spelling, etc., for it seems that I am not "getting old" - I have already reached the place!

Hope you will remember that my brother Orville and his wife Lottie took the Leuter boy, after his Mother's death many years ago, and reared him. His son Orville Taylor and his Mother came by to see my sister and me last week, and while here he noticed a copy of your paper and said he was going to get in touch with you and have the paper sent to him. I insisted that I would take care of it myself-and-here I am a week late in sending the subscription money!

I see where the subscription rate shows \$6.50 so I am enclosing my check for that amount. Hope you will get the next issue off to him.

O.T. made my sister and me very proud that our brother had chosen to aid in his rearing - and he spoke of Orville and Lottie - with almost reverence. He has grown to be a tall and handsome man and was dressed in jeans and cowboy boots that made him look like a movie star!

My sister and I really do enjoy your paper and we are hoping you will continue with compiling all the news about Eldorado and the surrounding country. If you will remember, I spent most of my younger life in the courthouse in Eldorado and there was a time when I knew almost every man, woman and child there.

Most sincerely yours
Ida C. Neill



OFFICIAL HOST for NURSING HOME WEEK being observed in Texas, May 8 through 15 is Kentucky's famous Colonel Harland Sanders. In his message to Texans, the Colonel urges everyone to "visit some of your neighbors who live in a nursing home in your community. This is their special week. They will be expecting you, so don't disappoint them!" Colonel Sanders was named Celebrity Host for the week by its sponsor, Texas Nursing Home Association, because he typifies the theme of Nursing Home Week that: "The Later Years can be the Greater Years." The 86 year old Colonel achieved his fame in building a vast food empire after he had passed the usual retirement age of 65. Over 90 thousand residents live in licensed nursing homes in Texas.

OBITUARIES

LOVIE MACON

Funeral Services were held Monday for Mrs Lovie Macon whose sister, Mrs Gladys Gunn, is a resident of Eldorado.

First Baptist Church in Stamford was the setting for the services, and burial was in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Johnson's Funeral Home of San Angelo.

Mrs Macon was born Oct 17, 1912 in Bangs. She married Dick C. Macon Nov 6, 1931 in Lawton, Okla. A Baptist, she lived in Stamford for 46 years.

She is survived by her husband; two sons, D. C. Macon, Jr. and Bill Macon. Both of Abilene; three sisters, Mrs Gunn, Mrs Alma Carlan of Snyder and Mrs Radie Roseman of Long Beach, Calif; three brothers, Truman Garrett of Hamlin, Buster Garrett of Stamford and Douglas Garrett of San Angelo.

Burial was in Highland Cemetery under direction of Johnson's Funeral Home.

CARD OF THANKS

To our friends and acquaintances in Eldorado and Schleicher County, we extend our sincere thanks for every deed of kindness shown my father, Charles F. Young these past months. The prayers, cards, flowers, and all acts of sympathy since his death have meant so much to us. We appreciate knowing so many are sharing in our sorrow and we thank you all. May God's richest blessing be upon each of you.

Buford C. & Georgia Young

Nursing home residents honored this week

Residents of nursing homes all across Texas are being honored with a special "week" proclaimed by Governor Dolph Briscoe and helped along by Kentucky's famous Colonel Harland Sanders as honorary host.

The observance, which runs throughout the week following Mother's Day is sponsored by Texas Nursing Home Association with the dual objectives of paying tribute to resident/patients cared for in their member homes plus giving the general public a good look at various aspects of total care provided in Texas' modern licensed nursing homes.

Ruthie Dacy, activities director of the Schleicher County Medical Center nursing home, noted that no special activities are planned here. However,

she said that visitors are always welcome to come at any time.

"Colonel Sanders is a distinguished Senior American who symbolizes our theme that the later years in life can be the greater years," said Douglas G. Pendergras, president of TNHA. "He has been most generous with his time and influence and we are happy to have him as our host," Pendergras continued. "On behalf of Governor Briscoe,

we made him an honorary Texan during a recent visit to Louisville. With such splendid cooperation from the Governor, the Colonel, and from hundreds of mayors, clergymen, volunteers, and the news media in Texas, we will meet our objectives this year more successfully than ever before."

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Short Notes

Senator Don King from Stanley, N. Mex., was an overnight guest in the Garland Gaines home. Senator King flew in to attend the funeral of E. W. "Blackie" Middleton, who was the brother-in-law of Garland.

Rick Webb of Austin and Buster and Billie Webb of Midland visited their sister, Rena Gaines, over the Easter weekend.

Well the rains came again this week! Travis Parker reports he has had 10 1/2 inches in a month. This is on the Bois D'Arc ranch south of Christoval.

Mrs Betty Croy, formerly a nurse at Golden Years nursing home, reports she is enjoying her new job in Sonora but sure misses everyone in Christoval. Mrs Croy lives in Eldorado.

Mr Gary Coats attended a Red Cross meeting in San Angelo Monday night.

Mr and Mrs Charles Buettner and children have returned from a weekend trip to Kingfisher, Okla.

Mr Glen Clark entered Clinic Hospital for eye surgery this week.

Mrs T. P. Montgomery spent last week in Junction with her sister, Mrs J. M. Livingston.

Mr and Mrs Dale Watson of San Angelo spent Saturday visiting their parents, Mr and Mrs Larry Burris.

Mr and Mrs Travis Parker and Mrs Lou Fowler, mother of Mrs Parker, spent a pleasurable evening on Mother's Day in San Angelo.

Mr Raymond Shattuck of Big Lake visited in the home of Mr and Mrs Lester Rogers Sat.

Tommy Ball is still recuperating at home and is better from pulled back muscles.

Mr and Mrs Ethan Dennis visited their parents in Brady last weekend. Beverly reported the wild flowers along the roadside were beautiful.

Opal Baxter, the Post Mistress at Mertzon, is on the sick list this week.

Mrs Gilbert Aguirre has returned home from St John's hospital where she underwent major surgery. Mrs Aguirre is doing real well.

The CKCIG Bake Sale was very successful. Sue McBurnett reported that we made \$119. We really appreciate all the help we had in baking all the cakes, pies and cookies. Christoval is very fortunate to have some of the best cook anywhere.

The Christoval Ambulance is now in it's new building on Main St. The service is free. All members of the community are urged to attend the next meeting Wed, May 18 at 7:30 p.m. in the community building where by-laws for the building will be discussed and noted on.

Janette Wilkerson of Eldorado visited in the home of Ann Rogers Tuesday. While there she interviewed the new deputy and also met several other Christovalites. We enjoyed her very much and hope she will return soon. Janette writes for the Eldorado Express News.

Valedictorian



Marie Booth, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ernest Booth, has been named Valedictorian of Christoval High School for 1977. She has a four year average of 94.13. She was a member of the National Honor Society four years, and Who's Who among American High School students.

Jr. High UIL Winners

The Jr High winners at Veribest last week were Christi Barton 3 and Dena Erickson 4 - Number Sense and Maria Onofre 3 - spelling. The Elementary winners were: Lori Reed, 1 - Number Sense; Cathy Dennis 2 - Ready Writing; Lori Reed, 3 - Ready Writing and Kina Buettner 1 - Story Telling. Other students participating were: Rick Wilson, Susan Sanford, Brandy Anthony, Todd Reed, Griselda Martinez, Ennis Erickson, Billy Joe Wilson, Lanoy Solomon, Linda Sanford, Mary Helen Balladares, Blenda Sawyer, Leigh Ann Billingsley and Renee Baker.

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Salutatorian



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GRADUATE PHOTOS



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ANNOUNCEMENT

There will be a Country-Western Jamboree tomorrow, May 14, at 8:00 p.m. in the Memorial Building. All Musicians are urged to come and play their instruments. Everyone is welcome. No admission charge. There will be a Concession Stand provided. Come join the fun!!

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by Jannette Wilkerson
Jim Cox, Deputy Sheriff, in Christoval, is a young, in-

spiring tribute to todays law enforcement. Jim, his wife Liz, and 10 month old son, John, live in Christoval and love it. A native of the Concho Valley area, Jim is also an accomplished western artist and guitar 'Picker'. His paintings are distributed throughout the West Texas area and even though he didn't want to depend on art for a living, he still paints. "I've cowboy-ed most of my life and after serving in the Navy, I decided to get into law enforcement," draws the good looking, long, tall, Texan. Unlike his CB handle "Stoneface", a broad smile and friendly manner bring respect and admiration to this dedicated public servant.



duo compete in Houston



Cary and Tommy Tomerlin just completed their first race of the series in Houston. It was held at Rio Bravo Cycle Park. Cary has a good start with 3rd place. Tommy had some bad



luck with a wipe-out in a turn and didn't place, but still has a chance in the next race. There are two more races, one at San Antonio and the last one at Lake Whitney.

Mrs Glenn Clark warns all home and flower gardeners to watch for rattlesnakes. Liz found one under a flower in her backyard while she was weeding and with the help of Sid Shipley, they GOT the rattler.

Mr W. C. Swart is home from St John's hospital and is feeling much better.



Kina Buettner
1st in Storytelling

Eastern Star

The Christoval Chapter #761 Order of the Eastern Star will meet Monday, May 16, at 8 p.m. for the regular meeting. All officers and members are urged to be present.

EL CONCHO STUDY CLUB

The El Concho Study Club of Christoval met for their regular meeting in the City Park with a Pot Luck lunch. The husbands were invited. There were exhibits of hand painted china by Kay Miller, Macreme by Ann Allen, tote painting by Suzanne Johnson. Oil paintings by Jimmy Cox, Cecil Calhoun and Maude GASTON, Ada Lee Keyes, wood carvings by J. B. Jones and Harold Pettit, crocheted items by Hattie Parker and assorted arts and crafts by Maude Gaston.

There were several guests from Christoval and the Golden Years Nursing Home. The Cemetery Committee reported that a caretaker has been employed at the Christoval Cemetery and if all families who have loved ones buried in the cemetery would please mail their \$12 per year payment to Cecil Calhoun soon, they will not have to mail out cards. Don't forget Heath Clinic Monday, May 16, 9 - 11 a.m. Study Club.

Jones is snake bite victim

Who says going to school can't be dangerous? While taking a break from law finals at his Uncle Emmet Wilson's summer home at Lakeway, Wilson Jones was bitten by a rattlesnake. After applying an ice pack to the fang marks,

Recipe Corner

ORANGE SALAD
1 small can Mandarin Oranges
1 small can chunk pineapple
1 small Cool Whip
Orange Jello (4 servings)
Cream Cheese (small) or Cottage Cheese
Drain oranges and pineapple. Add softened cream cheese or cottage cheese, Cool Whip and dry Jello. Stir and refrigerate. Pretty served on crisp lettuce leaves.

COUNTRY WISDOM
BEAUTY RECIPES FROM SOUTHERN BELLES

EYELASH GROWER
This recipe comes from Kentucky - it may make lashes appear longer by darkening tips. Every night before bed, rub lashes with Castor oil - That's all! Castor Oil has also been used for those liver spots on hands and face. Just rub brown areas with oil two or three times a day.

Wilson drove himself to Breckinridge Hospital for treatment. Wilson is feeling fine, but the snake is having a hard time pulling himself together after Wilson cut him into a dozen pieces with a hoe.

her junior year and co-editor on the staff her senior year. She also was a Student Council representative one year and Student Council President her senior year. She was elected Outstanding Student and Senior Class Favorite. She was on the drill team four years and she also competed in ULI Debate and Typing.



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Athletes are (L to R) Jimmy Belk, John Callison, and Frankie Hardy.

This space could have had a news item about you. Just call your news to us at 853-2032. The Express News personnel care about you.

GOLDEN YEARS

On Tuesday, May 10, approximately fifteen residents of the Golden Years nursing home of Christoval were taken for an outing and enjoyed seeing the beautiful wild flowers while on a ride down Toe Nail Trail. Mrs Wilbur Brown, Jr., was host to the group at her home

on the South Concho River. Mrs Marcus Hale assisted Mrs Brown in serving refreshments.

The following residents were guests of Lola Brown Tuesday: Minnie Smith, Maria Barboza Hattie Parker, Lois Stewart, Ann Passow, Zeral Holland, Vada Glenn, Opal Joiner, John

Henry, Stella King and Charles Logan. Others who provided the transportation were: Ivy and Norris Chesser, Chicken Jones, William Gaston, Ruth Hale, Rebecca Holland, Mrs Mable Moore, Evelyn Brown, Laura Warren and Rena Gaines.

Local Cub Scouts

The Cub Scout troop made a tour of the Bath house with their leaders, Mrs Phillip Montalvo and Mrs Bob Allison Monday afternoon. The troop enjoyed the trip very much.

Methodists honor mothers

The Christoval Methodist Church held a Mother's Day Service. Mrs Rebecca Holland, the oldest; Mrs Winfree Brown, the youngest; and Mrs L. H. Chesser, the most child-

Baptists honor mothers

The First Baptist Church had Mother's Day services Sunday those honored were: Mrs Deats - oldest, Karen Ball - youngest and Ann Green - having the most children.

OBITUARIES

O. A. SOLOMON

O. A. (Sam) Solomon, 39, of 3410 Millbrook died last week. Services were held at Johnson's Funeral Home, with Bill Young of the Johnson Street Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in the Christoval Cemetery.

Mr Solomon was born April 5, 1928 in Crowell. He had been a resident of San Angelo since 1953. He was employed by Poole Well Service International.

Survivors include one son, Craig Solomon of Houston; two daughters, Paula Solomon of Houston and Starla Lynn Solomon of San Angelo; his mother, Mrs Juanita Boone of San Angelo; a sister, Mrs John J. Dougherty of Christoval; one brother Wayne Solomon of

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JUST JOGGIN' ALONG!

By Express News
Publisher, ED MEADOR

Water-logged!

That's about as good a description as you could ask for of Schleicher County and other parts of the Edwards Plateau this pretty May day. Draws are running, lakes are full, or filling, and the grass is growing by leaps and bounds . . . along with weeds, sun-flowers and Johnson Grass.

The ranges are about as wet as they can be, and grazing prospects are great. It may be back to the drawing-board for some farmers who just got seed in the fields. The heavy deluges may require replanting, and that means a change in the game plan. Some crops already were out of the ground and growing, and they are probably safe. All of which reminds us of the old adage that what is sauce for the goose, isn't necessarily sauce for the gander . . . but when there's plenty of moisture, you can always plant a second time.

From our old friend and mentor, Lester Jordan in Vallejo, Calif., comes greetings and expressions of a complimentary nature concerning our journalistic efforts with the Express News.

"I took a great interest in the problem of un-incorporating, and eagerly awaited the arrival of the paper to learn the details of the election. Although Eldorado may face many financial problems, just as most cities do, I am confident that the problems will be solved and that Eldorado will continue to be a fine place in which to rear children, follow one's chosen vocation, and in which to have a rewarding civic, educational, recreational, and religious life", Lester writes, "and though I've never had the privilege of living in Eldorado, or even Schleicher County, after reading the Express News week after week I feel as if I am a native of that area. Your paper does a great job of promoting the community, and I can see why it's citizens rank it among the choicest regions of the entire country."

Lester's interest in Eldorado dates way back to 1927 when he became acquainted with our Page family through work in the Presbyterian church while teaching at Trinity University. His wife, Katherine, and the late Lucille Page Kinnamon were room-mates as freshmen, and Lester became well acquainted with Paul Page during Paul's football career at SMU.

I got all set to watch what was supposed to be a real good boxing match Wednesday evening. All the preliminaries were performed, all the prognostications said, and the bell for the first round rang. Those two guys look well-matched, I thought, so this ought to be a pretty good fight. Bam! Duane Bobick, pegged as being the great White Hope of heavy-weight boxing, went down like a ton of lead from a solid right hand thrown by Ken Norton. That was it, folks, in case you weren't watching. All Bobick had left was an aching head and a bunch of shattered dreams.

Like I say, there sure is a lot to be said for jogging.

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James Williams	2.80

Weather Log Compiled by Mrs Jack Wade

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6		77	63

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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY

Members of the local chapter of the American Cancer Society are looking for a club or organization to sponsor its annual crusade drive this year, according to Ruthie Dacy, president.

The group will discuss the matter during the regular business meeting at 7 p.m. in the Memorial Building. Election of officers is also on the meeting agenda.

Is your Club or Organization having a special program or fund raising drive? Call the Express News at 853-2032 and let us know.

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

The Public Library Board met in regular session May 4 at 10:00 in the Reading room of the Library.

The Librarian reported that she had 66 visitors to sign the register during National Library Week. 458 books were read during April. New books have been added for preschoolers and beginning readers. The Summer Reading Program will start in June.

Board members present were Mrs Winnie Jackson, Mrs Jewel Hodges, Mrs Maudie Bassinger, Mrs Grace White, Mrs Florence Williams, Ruth Baker and the Librarian, Gladys Gunn.

Rep served to two tables of players. Mrs Joe Christian won high score and Mrs

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Kenneth Richardson



Richardson and Luman presented safety awards

Kenneth H. Richardson and John W. Luman were presented service awards at the Semi Annual Safety Dinner for the Atlantic Richfield Company. They are both employed at the Eldorado Gas Plant. The presentation, which was April 28th at Zentner's Daughter Steak House in San Angelo, was made by Mr J.L. Dunham, Plant Foreman.

Mr Richardson received his 25 year Service Award. He joined the Company on April 14, 1952, at the Seminole Plant, Seminole, Oklahoma. He worked at the Drumright and Covington Plants in Oklahoma, and the Bariol Plant in Wyoming. In 1960, Mr Richardson moved to the Eldorado Gas Plant, where he is a Roustabout-Chart-man.

Mr Richardson, who resides here in Eldorado with his wife, has worked 25 years without a lost time accident.

Mr Luman started his oil field career on a drilling rig in East Texas. He joined the Company on May 29, 1947 in the Silsbee Area where he worked at several plants. Mr Luman has been a Plant Operator since 1960 at the Eldorado Gas Plant.

Mr and Mrs Luman reside in Eldorado.

in his 30 years of service to the Company, Luman has had one lost time accident.

Guests at the presentation included Mr Ken Terrell, who is Operations Manager in Midland, and others from the Midland Office, plus 63 Gas Plant and Production personnel.

More Home Front

Terri and Larry Vick of Odessa, Bonnie and L. D. Vick of Sonora and Gary spent the weekend with the Robert Wilkerson family. On Sunday they all enjoyed a picnic in Christoval.

Twelve Eldorado High School boys were fishing with Jim Cawley over the weekend. Matt Bumgardner reported catching a 6 1/2 pound catfish.

Jimmy S. Smith, son of Mr and Mrs J.L. White of Eldorado, has been promoted to Army Specialist 5, Medical Corps while serving with the First Amored Division in Germany.

Smith is with Headquarters Company, First Battalion of Division 52 Infantry in Bamberg, Germany.

Smith attended Arkansas College at Batesville, Arkansas, and Odessa College in Odessa. He entered the army in December, 1974.

His wife, Rebecca, is with him in Germany.

Mrs Sadie Davidson spent the weekend with Mr and Mrs W. R. Davidson and family in San Angelo.

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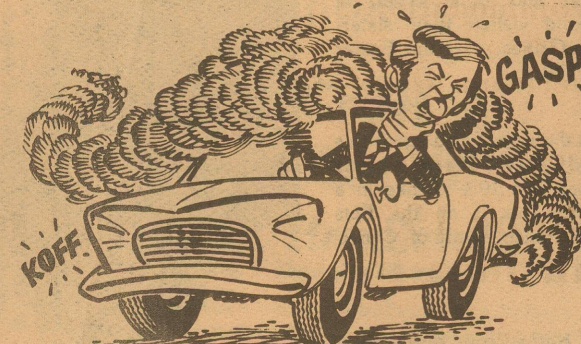
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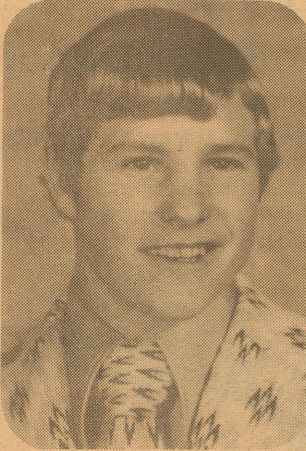
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Jodie Minnick named Salutatorian



Jodie Minnick, grandson of Mr and Mrs H.A. Belk of Eldorado, has been named salutatorian of Dimmitt High School. He is the son of Mr and Mrs Robert Minnick of Dimmitt.

Minnick has been captain of the Dimmitt football team and was named to the All South Plains team as a defensive linebacker. He was on the team four years.

The scholar has been in the Industrial Arts Club, the Lyre Club, Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Junior Engineers Council, the D Club, the band, the track team, basketball team and tennis team.

In addition, he was named to the National Honor Society and to "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

He and his class will graduate May 27.

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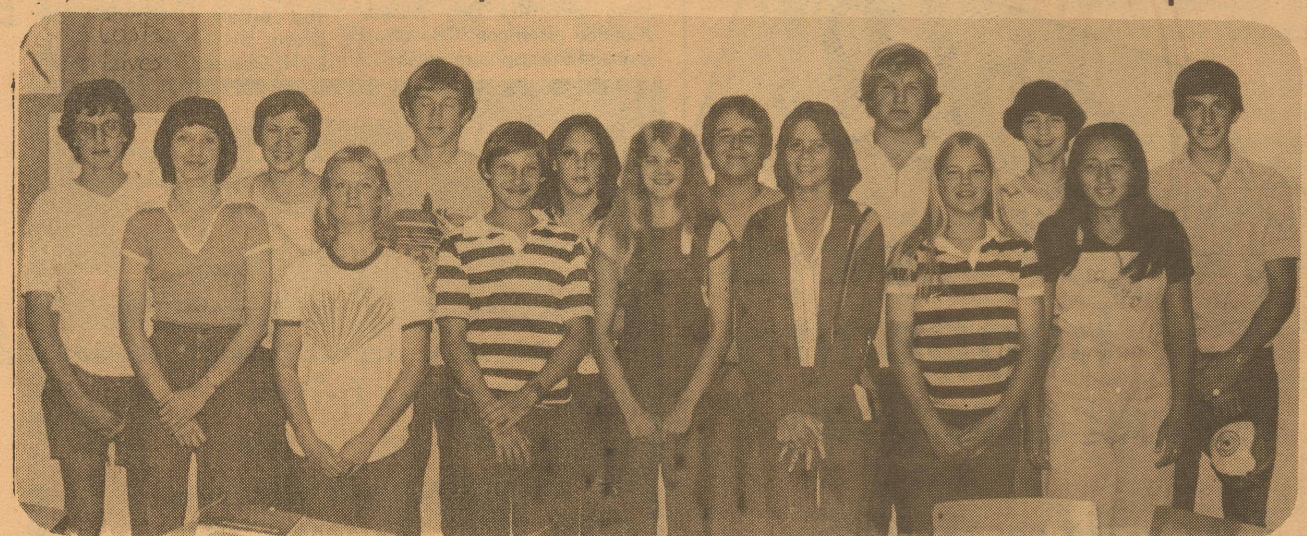
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available to anyone who is interested in having their animals vaccinated.

Senior 4-Her's are sponsoring a dance for the public Friday, May 13th, at 8:00 P.M. Music by J. J. Mac and his Music Machine at the Memorial Building. \$2.50 per

Methodist honor Senior Class

The First United Methodist Church hosted a party in honor of Eldorado High School seniors.


The youths were served ice cream and a variety of cookies, after a devotional lead by the Rev Keith Wyatt.

They also played several

Let's Pause A Minute

by Gene Stark,
Minister First Baptist Church

A Message from Eldorado's Ministerial Alliance



Many things have been said about the very important doctrine of prayer. In a Detroit school, a believer in prayer put this notice on the bulletin board: "In case of atomic attack, the ruling against prayers in this school will be temporarily suspended."

One individual has said, "Happy are those who mingle prayer and toil till God responds to the former and rewards the latter."

I like a short little verse that I read recently about prayer. Remember when you pray to God The answers are but three: Yes, or No, or Wait a while; Accept what it may be.

While visiting recently in Midland, I had the opportunity of hearing Johnny Bisagnio, pastor of the FBC of Houston, Texas, speak on the subject of prayer. He gave four rather than three answers that one may receive from his prayers. Those four answers are:

1. **GROW:** In this case God answers our request by saying, "you are not ready for that, yet." We must remember that at times we are not spiritually mature enough to handle what we ask for. God wants to lead us in a "growth process" before he answers our prayer request. As a Christian, consider yourself a piece of granite. God's hammer represents the trials he sends our way. His chisel represents difficulties which he brings us. These difficulties chisel more of the likeness of Christ out of our granite-like lives. In other words, God likes to answer some prayers only after bringing us to the point of having nothing else to do but to trust him. He wants Christians to have PH. D's in faith.

2. **GOD ALSO ANSWERS SAYING, "SLOW".** He says, "I'll do it, but not yet." When God answers our prayers this way, it is because he will be able to answer it in a greater way later, rather than in a lesser way today. He answered prayer! Not in the way I sought, Not in the way that I had thought He ought, But in His own good way, and I could see He answered in the fashion best for me! And I was glad that I had such a share In his parental love and gracious care, That thus He answered prayer.

He answered prayer! But not in my brief hour; I looked to see the fruit ere yet the flower Had shed its gales of sweetness o'er my path! But I have learned that slowest blossoms yield The choicest fruit; and so I leave them there Upon the boughs, assured that they will bear In time my answered prayer.

3. **ANOTHER ANSWER IS "NO".** The Christian must remember that he views the parade of life from the street level, but God sees it from above. Because He does see it from above, God is able to see both the beginning and the end. For this reason, he says "No," not to be unloving, but to demonstrate His love only by giving what is beneficial to us.

4. **FINALLY, GOD SAYS, "GO".** That means "yes". Timing is important to God and that answer means the time is right, the Christian is right, and the word is right! When praying, remember, nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer except that which lies beyond the will of God: "No good thing will be withheld from those that walk uprightly." (Ps. 84:11).

The following poem about prayer was written by a shut-in:

If the way seem rough and rugged,
And your burdens hard to bear,
It will make a heap of difference
To begin the day in prayer.
The sun will shine much brighter,
You will know less pain and care,
If you take some time each morning
To begin your day in prayer.

THIS WEEK'S BRIDGE

DUPLICATE BRIDGE

The American Contract Bridge League has selected as its Charity for the year 1977, the Arthritis Foundation. All Duplicate Bridge Clubs in the United States and Canada will give Tournaments with proceeds going to this Foundation. Our Charity Tournament will be this Thursday, May 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the Memorial Building.

Winners Last Week:
Winnie Helen Hilliard and Melissa O'Harrow, 1st
Elnora Love and Sarah Hall, 2nd
Helen Blakeway and Jack Bebee, 3rd
The R. E. Griffith's, 4th

Miears, Sonora, 5th
Ernestine Hext and Bil Freitag, 6th

Our games, beginning next week, will start at 7 o'clock P. M.

The Couples Bridge Club met Friday night in the home of Mr and Mrs Earl Yates for dinner. Mrs Bernice Sweet and Mrs Evelyn Wimer won high. Mr and Mrs Bill Hubble won 2nd High, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Doyle won Low and Mrs Imogene Edmiston and Mrs Helen Blakeway won Bingo.

Mrs Ben Hext entertained the Wednesday Bridge Club May 4th at the Eagle

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Home Front Continued

Mr and Mrs Jim McWilliams, Lisa and Ricky visited Jim's grandparents, Mrs R. E. McWilliams and Mr and Mrs B. F. Harris in San Angelo Sunday.

Mrs Steve Sample and Kelly of San Angelo visited Mrs Delbert Edmiston and the Jerry Edmiston's Friday night.

Mr and Mrs Bob Chapman and Charlie of Junction spent the weekend with her parents, Mr and Mrs Earl Yates.


Mrs Helen Fay had the misfortune of severely cutting her hand last Friday. Eleven stitches were required to close the wound and Helen was back on the job as soon as she returned from the doctor.

Dr and Mrs Harold Skaggs and children of Austin visited her mother, Ernestine Hext, over Mother's Day weekend and also visited other relatives.

Mr and Mrs E. C. Peters spent Mother's Day with their children, Mr and Mrs Ken Peters, in San Angelo. They were accompanied by Mrs Frances Thompson.

From The Horses Mouth

by Jerry Swift
Schleicher County Agriculture Agent



Local Beef Committee headed by Bill Ray

W. O. Ray, has been appointed Schleicher County chairman for the Beef Development Taskforce (BDT).

A national organization of cattle producers, the BDT has proposed a Beef Market Development Program to promote the industry through increased consumer education, research and foreign market development.

The Taskforce hopes to raise \$30 to \$40 million per year for the Program. More than 80 cattle organizations have endorsed it. Cattle producers will register and vote on the Program this spring.

As BDT county chairman, Mr Ray will be organizing campaign efforts throughout Schleicher County.

As BDT county chairman, Mr Ray will be holding producer meetings to discuss the upcoming Beef Research and Information referendum. A public session has been scheduled for

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May 27 at 2:00 p.m. in the Memorial Building. A slide presentation and question and answer session will be part of the program.

"We want to make certain that every cattle producer in the county understands how much he personally stands to gain from the Beef Market Development Program," Mr Ray said.

He said the beef industry needs to do more educational work with consumers, expand nutrition and production research activity, improve ways to market and handle cattle and tap huge foreign markets now able to buy high quality American beef.


Tentative registration dates are set for June 6 - June 17 while voting will be held July 5 - July 15. Committee members for the referendum are: Steve Sykes, Jim Cawley, Ed Meador, Mrs Nancy Powell, Fred Case and Lynn Meador.

TSGRA meet is May 27

There will be an important meeting on Friday, May 27 for all Texas Sheep & Goat Raisers Association members and Sheep and Goat Producers in District Five at the Eldorado Restaurant. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m., and the meeting will start at 11:00 a.m. A Dutch Treat meal will be served at 12:30 for those attending and will cost \$2.75 each.

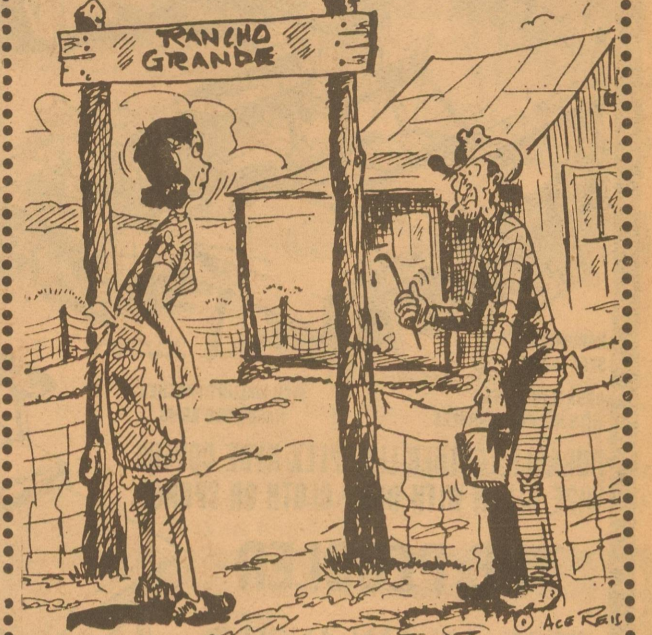
Bob Sykes, District Five Chairman, has planned a very informative meeting for sheep and goat producers. The first part of the program will be devoted to an explanation of the new Estate Tax Law as it pertains to farmers and ranchers. This law is very complex, and it will help to learn more about it. The second part of the program will include a report on Association activities by Bill Pfluger, Association president, and Bill Sims, executive secretary. They will also report on legislative work in Austin and Washington, D.C. Election of directors to serve the district for 1977-78 will be held at the end of the meeting.

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COW POKES By Ace Reid




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Divide Agricultural News



By Ronnie Mittel
County Executive Director
Schleicher County ASCS

BEEF RESEARCH AND INFORMATION ACT

The passage of this act in 1976 made it possible for beef producers to form an organization to promote their industry through research and information. Funding is to be through a fee or assessment that is obtained when cattle are sold.

Each producer desiring to vote in the referendum must register during the registration period with the county ASCS office serving the county in which his farm or ranch headquarters is located. Registration may be done by mail if it is not convenient to come by the ASCS office. THE REGISTRATION PERIOD IS JUNE 6 - 17.

Ballots will be issued to only those producers who registered. Voting may be in person or by mail. A producer wishing to vote by mail may request the county ASCS office to mail him a ballot. Voting will be during the period July 4 - 15.

NEW 1977 CROP LOAN RATES

The Secretary has announced an increase in the previously announced National average loan rates. The new rates are:

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Readers are interested in what you think. Letters to the Editor are always read. Tell the Express News.

Local citizens are honored at FFA banquet

Mrs Billy (Peggy) Williams and Jerry Swift, Schleicher County Extension Agent, were presented honorary chapter farmer degrees during the annual Future Farmers of America banquet Tuesday night.

Mrs Williams and Swift received recognition plaques, certificates and pins for helping with various chapter activities during the school year.

About 200 persons attended the banquet, during which various FFA members were recognized, including star chapter green hand, star chapter farmer, foundation awards and new officers.

Curtis Griffin was recognized as star chapter green hand, and Carl Igo was recognized as star chapter farmer.

These awards are based on project programs, record books and applications. The green hand award is for first year students, and the chapter farmer award is for second and third year students.

Eight foundation awards were also given. They included Randy Morrison, fish and wildlife; Benny Logan, agricultural mechanics; Paul McWhorter, farm and home improvement; Tommy Minor, poultry production; Jabier Rodriguez, horse proficiency and Tanya Leggett, beef production.

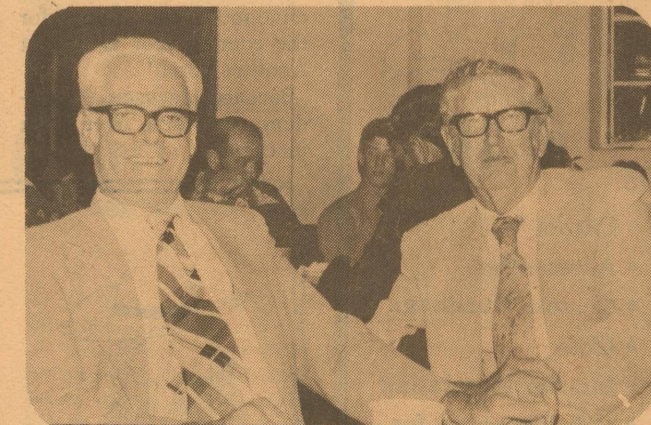
Also recognized were Curtis Griffin, swine production; Billy Bob Harlin, sheep production; Carl Igo, livestock production; and Sam Whitten, crop production.

Officers for the coming year include Carl Igo, president; Paul McWhorter, vice president; Kurtis Homer, secretary; Leonard Lloyd, treasurer; Benny Logan, reporter and Mike Lux, sentinel.



FFA Talent Contestant Mark Thornton, Mike Redwine, Jerry Jackson and Benny Logan will be attending the Area

Talent Contest in Midland today. The Combo placed first in district competition recently.



*Buddy Schneider of Hemphill Wells and George Bunderen of Nathan's Jewelers were recognized Tuesday night at the FFA Banquet. The two representatives along with other San Angelo and Eldorado merchants were recognized as buyers at the annual County Livestock Show. (STAFF PHOTO) by Jim McWilliams

Make-up pet clinic

There will be a Pet Vaccination Clinic Wednesday, May 18 at the Memorial Building from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. A vet will be there to vaccinate your pet against rabies for a discounted fee of \$4.00, and an additional charge of \$7.00 for distemper. Pets 8 weeks old can receive the vaccine. This will be the last chance to keep your pet from being picked up as the city ordinance will be enforced for

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Talent team is in Midland today

Four members of the Future Farmers of America chapter from Eldorado High School will participate in a talent contest during the area FFA meeting at Midland High School this weekend. A band consisting of Mark Thornton, Jerry Jackson, Benny Logan and Mike Redwine will enter preliminary competition Friday night. Finals are Saturday morning.

Fred Igo, chapter sponsor, said several other FFA members would be attending, including voting delegates Joe Freeman and Mike Lux.

Eight FFA members attended the Concho District FFA meeting in Mertzon last weekend.

During that meeting, Paul McWhorter was elected district vice president. Curtis Griffin was named runnerup for district star green hand, and Carl Igo was named runnerup for district chapter farmer. The awards are on project programs, record books and applications.

Others attending the Mertzon meeting were Mike Lux, Charley Bradley, Kurtis Homer, Jay Behrens and Lynn Faries.

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Miss Thornton

Thornton - Wilson

The First Presbyterian Church will be the setting for the June 4 wedding of Miss Suzan Gayle Thornton and Stephen Bryan Wilson. Parents of the bride-elect are Mr and Mrs Jim Thornton. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr and Mrs Raymond Wilson.

The bride-elect is a 1975 graduate of Eldorado High School and will be a senior at Southwest Texas State University. The prospective bridegroom is a graduate of Lakeview High School and is a candidate for May graduation from Southwest Texas State University.

WEDDINGS



Mrs William Foster III

Sauer - Foster

A small wedding at the William Foster, II home was the setting to unite Karen Joy Sauer and William Lester Foster III in marriage.

Joy is the daughter of Mrs Alma C. Sauer of San Angelo and the late Victor Sauer of Eldorado. Bill is the son of Mr and Mrs William Foster of Sterling City.

The bride's dress was made of quiana with accenting lace on the empire bodice, sleeves, and on the long flowing train. She wore a three tier veil with scalloped lace accenting the edges.

Mrs L. D. Doty, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. Wayland Foster, brother of the groom, served as best man. Duwain Sauer, brother of the bride, gave her hand in marriage.

The reception followed the ceremony in the groom's parents home.

The groom is engaged in ranching in Sterling County and after a wedding trip to Las Vegas, the couple will reside on the ranch.

BIRTHS

Hext Boy

Mr and Mrs Bryan Hext of Friendswood are the parents of a boy born April 23rd. The young man has been named Brad Robert.

He has a four year old sister.

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs Bill Lockey of LaMarque and Mr and Mrs Joe Turner Hext of Pasadena. Great-grandparents include Mr and Mrs Ben Hext of Eldorado.

Thomerson Boy

Mr and Mrs Al Thomerson of Ozone are the proud parents of a baby boy born May 10th at 11:20 a.m. at the Clinic Hospital in San Angelo. The young man weighed 8 lbs. 10 1/4 oz. and is 22" long. At this time he has not been named. He has a 2 1/2 year old sister, Patti.

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs George Draper of Eldorado, Mrs Louise Thomerson of Christoval and A.B. Thomerson.

Patti is spending a few days with her grandparents, Mr and Mrs George Draper.

Whitten Boy

Mr and Mrs Bryan Whitten of San Angelo are the proud parents of a son born May 7 at the Clinic Hospital. The boy has been named Corey Joe. He weighed 7 lbs. 13 1/4 oz., and is 20 1/2" long. He is the Whitten's first child.

Grandparents are Mr and Mrs John Koury of Holbrook, Arizona and Mr and Mrs Joe C. Whitten of Houston.

Great-grandparents are Mr and Mrs Lum Burk of Eldorado and Mr and Mrs Lewis Whitten, also of Eldorado.

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Women planning softball team

Plans are being made to form a womens softball league in Eldorado according to Candy Richards, who was instrumental in forming the womens volleyball team here.

Mrs Richards said that women interested in helping organize the team will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday night at the Little League field at the city park.

A 8 p.m., men and women will be invited to play "recreational softball."

She said that if enough persons were interested in playing womens softball, the team would be able to participate in tournaments and play teams from surrounding towns.

Persons who want to play should bring their own bats, balls and gloves.

TOPS

Rosetta Lozano was named Queen of the Week during the regular meeting of TOPS. During the business meeting, Betty Cavaness presented a film concerning eating habits and food content. Nine members were present for the business meeting and weigh-in.

AROUND The HOUSE and OTHER PLACES

by Nancy Lester
 County Extension Agent - Home Economics

The Schleicher County 4-H club is very lucky to have two special friends in Eldorado who will be sending our eight "Share-the-Fun" members to state 4-H Roundup at Texas A&M University in June. The Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative and the First National Bank have each made generous donations which will defray the expenses for these members. We appreciate the help given to us by these fine people.

The Young Homemakers Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, May 11 at the home of Patsy Kellogg. Ruthie Dacy talked to the club about the American Cancer Society. A program on weight control was also given.

The Reynolds Home Demonstration Club will meet at the Country Store on Tuesday, May 17 at 2 p.m.

This week I have for you "A Grandparents Bill of Rights." It's from the book "The Liberated Grandmother" by Dorothy Finkelhor. I hope you enjoy it.

A GRANDPARENT'S BILL OF RIGHTS

1. You have the right to turn the job of grandparenting into a freelance activity which you can enjoy doing while still being yourself. Being a grandparent is not a full-time career. You should continue to live a separate life of your own.
2. You have the right to help your grandchildren, but only within the limits of your physical, emotional and financial strengths. Be realistic -- recognize your limitations and do not feel guilty when you must say "No."
3. You have the right to teach your grandsons and granddaughters, but only when their parents are willing and when your grandchildren are ready to listen. Grandparents are willing and when your grandchildren are ready to listen. Grandparents can help bridge the gap between the past and the present by sharing their rich heritage of the past and giving children a fine sense of values. You can also help your grandchildren feel more secure and loved and learn to know, trust and understand other people.
4. You have the right to babysit or not to babysit as you choose.
5. You have the right to go anywhere in the country or world you please and stay as long as you please. Now that you are free of the responsibilities of child-rearing, you should spend your leisure time as you wish.
6. You have the right to love your grandchildren as a grandmother or grandfather, not as a parent. You probably will not love all of your grandchildren with the same fervor and that is all right. Don't feel guilty about giving more of yourself to the grandchildren who need you most, but do not compete with parents for your grandchildren's affection.
7. You have the right to be made happy by your own grandchildren and their parents. Let your family know you enjoy and like to hear from them by telephone, letters and especially in person. Family relations are mutual; you should be getting some gratification while you are showing affection to your family. Don't hesitate to express your need for your family's love, interest and approval. Rather than demanding consideration because of your age or status in life, earn it by winning respect and contributing to the well-being of the family.
8. You have the right to be your own person and to feel positively about yourself and your abilities. In spite of your grandparent role, you retain your own special needs, interests, feelings and abilities. Be yourself rather than

Students receive measles shots during immunization program

A total of 175 students in the local school system received measles immunizations or booster shots during an immunization program at the school last week, according to Dr Jim Brame of Schleicher County Medical Center.

Dr Brame said that there were only three or four cases in the county he was aware of and praised county residents for their concern for health. He noted that every time an immunization program has been held in this

county, he has had favorable results.

According to the Texas Department of Health Resources and the Texas Department of Public Welfare, children who had received a measles vaccine before their first birthday and have not had measles vaccine or the illness since then or had been given the "inactivated virus" (which was used from 1963 to 1967) should be given a booster shot.

Brame explained that those persons receiving the dead virus could still be susceptible to the illness whereas those receiving the live virus would not be susceptible. He added that he has always used the live virus.

Pharmacist Al Forlano noted that parents usually try to treat measles themselves and many had been using phisohex for the itching symptoms. However, the product has been removed from the market because in a limited number of cases, it has caused convulsions in children.

Forlano said that the active ingredient hexachlorophene was the harmful ingredient. He said that if children were to get the measles, they could be treated with caladryl lotion for itching without side effects.

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BSP slates social for May

The Xi Xi Chi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi is planning a barbeque for May 25. It will be at the city park for members, rushees and their husbands. Hostesses will be Mr and Mrs Joe Max Edmiston, Mr and Mrs Delmar Jackson and Mr and Mrs Jerry Edmis-

ton. During the group's meeting Monday night, the group discussed the social, signed up for committees for the coming year and reviewed the yardstick.

Executive board members met at Mrs Jackson's home Wednesday morning to review the budget, discuss the sorority's scholarship and turn in the yardstick for the year.

Nelva June Martin announced the theme for the coming year is "Light Another Torch".

Barbara Jackson, president, presided over both meetings.

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Bumgardner & Byrd honored

opment for academic and civic activities during the past school year.

Both boys have been active in various school activities. Bumgardner, who was recently named valedictorian of his graduating class, has participated in University Interscholastic League competition, and has been given a long list of honors ranging from Family Leader of Tomorrow to a finalist for the National Merit Scholarship Foundation. He was on a senior

trip Saturday.

Byrd was named salutatorian of the 1977 class and has been active in the band, athletics, UIL, and also has a long list of honors to add to his name. He was in Austin Saturday for state UIL events.

Rex Bailey, General Telephone Company of the Southwest executive, spoke during the luncheon which was attended by 19 of the scholars and their parents. The students were selected by their school officials to receive the awards.

EXPRESS NEWS SPORTS

PAR-TEE NOTES

Fourteen players came out for the Sunday Mixed Foursome. Since it was Mother's Day, we were happy to have that many.

Winning first place with a 3 under par, was the team of W. G. Crippin, Don Nicholson and Mabel Freitag.

Second place went to the team of John Pitts, Raymon Mobley and Wrey Crippin with 2 under par.

The rest of us had our troubles but had lots of fun.

This weekend will be a big event for our club. The Annual Couple's tournament will be held May 14 and 15. Forty couples are signed up to date so we're hoping Mother Nature will cooperate and give us nice dry weather. The course should be in great shape for the weekend. We always look forward to seeing all our friends from San Angelo, Big Lake, Sonora, Ozona, Junction, Monahans and others.

The new cart sheds are about finished and this brings the total to 35. Its unbelievable that this small course would have 35 carts and sheds to house them. This makes our club feel very proud of ourselves. Also Lum Burk, Ray Alexander and Ronnie Sauer keep their carts at home.

The Ladies Auxiliary meets at 1:30 p.m. Thursday. Come out and join us. Tim Terry is teaching several ladies and we're looking forward to having them play with us.

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TENNIS CLUB NEWS

The Eldorado Tennis Club held its regular Monday night play and received two new families as members. These include Steve and Ilse Williams and Wayne Hughart. High individuals in the first round of play were Sherry Lux, Ilse Williams, and Wayne Hughart. Ted Short was low. In the second round Tim Terry and Frankie Hardy were high and Pam White was low.

Tennis is a game in which good manners and consid-

eration of others are essential. Considerate tennis players and spectators follow these cardinal rules:

1. Don't move, talk or make noise which might disturb a player about to serve or hit a ball. Don't stand in the vision of a player about to hit a ball and remain courteous until the point has been played.

2. Don't run onto a nearby court to pick up stray balls. Be polite when asking someone on a neighboring court to retrieve the balls

and only when their point has been played. Return stray balls from other courts as soon as possible.

3. Play without undue delay. Delays tend to unnerve your opponent and can cause him discomfort. When you are serving, don't waste time watching the ball or people around you.

4. Don't rush an opponent when you are serving if he is not ready to receive service. He has the right to raise his hand and signal "not ready" and the felling should be mutual. Should someone try rushing you, don't hesitate to let him know that you weren't ready.

5. Do not return the first serve if it is a fault.

6. You must decide whether a ball on your side of the net is in or out. If it is out, say "out." If it is in, just continue playing the point. If you are not sure, play the point over again.

7. Do not argue with your opponent's decisions.

8. It is the responsibility of the server to call the score before each new point.

9. Don't take tennis seriously enough to ruin the enjoyment that can be derived from it. If things aren't going your way, grin and bear it. The next time out, you may be having the good day.

Call the Express News at 853-2032 to give us news from your Club or Organization.



LOCAL WINNERS--Mary Robinson and Geneva McWhorter were the first place team in the second flight of the Eldorado Ladies Partnership Golf tournament April 30.



FIRST FLIGHT WINNERS--Ernestine Hext and Melissa O'Harrow were second place winners in the first flight of the Ladies Partnership Golf Tournament in April. Mrs Hext also won the closest to the pin award.



FIRST FLIGHT TEAM--Mary Meacham and Johnnie Rowardt of San Angelo were among women golfers at the recent ladies tournament. They were first place winners in the first flight.

John Pitts honored by WTU

The local West Texas Utilities manager, John Pitts, was among 23 WTU service men honored by Frigidaire Corp. recently for reaching and maintaining the status of Frigidaire accredited technicians.

The technicians were honored with a dinner at

Ole Coach Motor Inn in San Angelo.

Grade school classes plan end of school activities

Grade school classes from kindergarten to the third grade are looking forward to their end of the year class picnics and programs.

Third graders will have their picnic May 20, second graders will celebrate May 25 and first graders will have their picnic May 26.

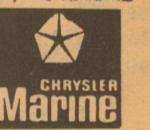
Kindergarten classes will travel to the Sonora

Caverns May 23.

Fifth and sixth grade classes have already had their picnics.

Fourth grade students under Melissa O'Harrow will have a program in the high school auditorium today, and the third grade students under Mrs Gordon Garlington will have a program in the music room May 20

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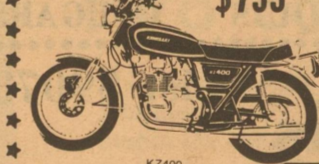
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QUESTION: With summer approaching how can I avoid becoming sunburn and yet end up with a good tan?

ANSWER: The most obvious answer is to play only in the rain in the beginning part of the summer, however this may seriously shrink your tennis wearing apparel and may place you in an immodest situation. On the other hand, there are several good suntan lotions which are on the market and can be bought without a prescription that prevent ultraviolet rays from reaching the skin. A couple of these names are Presun and Sun Screen, Sun Down and should be applied before you get into the sun and then reapplied before the skin is beginning to burn. Once burning is started, there is very little to relieve it. Caution is to be made not to use heavy mineral oil as this may saturate your racket handle and your racket may follow the ball over the net causing some complaint from your opponent.

QUESTION: What age limit should be set on a person who wants to start or to continue playing tennis?

ANSWER: The earliest age, I believe, is when the infant can stop using the racket handle as a teether. But seriously, I finished reading an article where a tournament was just set up for individuals over 80 years of age. Of course, these were tennis buffs and had been playing tennis for long periods of time but if someone has no specific medical illness, he should be able to pace himself accordingly to build up stamina to where he can compete with 30 to 40% of those people playing tennis in our area now.

QUESTION: It is quite easy to fall while playing tennis particularly if you are "outplaying yourself". Is it better to fall on your shoulder, on your head, or to brace yourself to avoid an injury?

ANSWER: Absolutely. But to be more specific, don't injure your shoulder. It is better to injure your head. More players, it may appear, win more sets using their arms, shoulders and tennis rackets than they do using their heads. This situation is changing rapidly in the membership of the Eldorado Tennis Club because the smartest players now seem to be the ones who are winning.

QUESTION: What about the use of salt tablets during the hot days that you are playing tennis?

ANSWER: If you perspire more than usual, it would be wise to swallow one salt tablet washed with an ample amount of water every 4 hours you play. This should be sufficient. Also, some people recommend Gator Ade or a solution of lime juice which contains some potassium with a few grains of salt added to it. The most important thing is not to become water-logged. Too much salt can result in a heat exhaustion syndrome and should be avoided by all means. If in doubt, do not take salt. If you are a heavy perspirer, I would recommend not more than 3 salt tablets a day while exercising heavily.

Should you have any questions concerning any aspect of tennis that may be answered by consultants from the Eldorado Tennis Club, please simply drop them on a post card to this newspaper and the response will be forthcoming.



GOOD RETURN--Judy Nicholson bats a volleyball over the net during a round of volleyball during a senior party at the Methodist Church Monday night. The party honored 1977 seniors. (STAFF PHOTO) by Jim McWilliams



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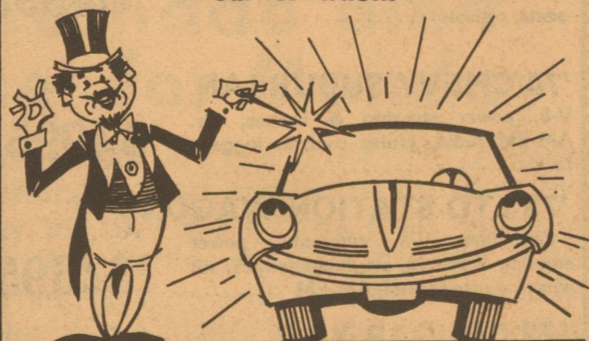
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NURSING HOME NEWS

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas has a brand new world filibuster champ — Sen Bill Meier of Eules.

Meier, 36, with 43 hours of (nearly) continuous oratory, broke the old record set in 1972 by former Sen. Mike McKool of Dallas.

A scholarly Fort Worth area lawyer, Meier is a sharp contrast to McKool. He stands six feet two inches tall and weighs in at 190. McKool is five feet three, and was 53 at the time he set his 42 hours, 33 minutes filibuster record.

Meier's strenuous verbal attack was leveled against a section of a workers' compensation law revision bill which closed job injury records of the state Industrial Accident Board to firms which copy and sell the data to employers.

"This is nothing more than the first chink in the Open Records Act," said Meier. "What do you say to other agencies which demand similar exemptions?"

Although unsuccessful in stopping or altering the bill he opposed, Meier said he thinks his filibuster served a purpose.

"You can talk to the House through a filibuster — and to the people of the state," said Meier. "I hope the bill doesn't go through the House with the same meteoric speed it went through the Senate."

Sen. Ray Farabee of Wichita Falls, sponsor of the workers' compensation revision, said the bill would close job injury files only to those who would use them for commercial purposes. He said other sections would save employers \$35 million in insurance premiums.

Budgets Move

The House finally agreed on a \$15.3 billion biennial state budget bill after a

tedious eight solid days of debate, during which \$362.1 million was shaved from Appropriations Committee spending proposals.

Senators this week got down to work on their own version in order to get the heavy financial duties of the legislative session in the hands of a conference committee as fast as possible.

The Senate, meanwhile, is awaiting debate on an \$820 million school finance bill.

Injections OK'd

A bill to substitute deadly injections for the electric chair as the legal means of executing condemned criminals in Texas has been sent to the governor.

Texas, thus, may become the first state to carry out court-ordered death penalty sentences by means of drug injections.

Assuming signature by Gov. Dolph Briscoe, the bill (HB 945) by Rep. Ben Z. Grant of Marshall would go into effect 90 days after the session closes May 30.

The legislation changes the method of execution in Texas for the first time in more than half a century.

Tax Reform Dead?

A far-reaching property tax reform bill passed by the House appears doomed in the Senate.

Hearing was delayed until late this week, and the sponsor Rep. Wayne Peveto, irate over continued opposition of some senators, threatened to force their bills off the House local calendar in retaliation.

Sen. Tom Creighton of Mineral Wells said he would make no effort to move the measure out of his Senate committee until sponsors can show him 21 votes to pass it on the floor.

AG Opinions

Legislators are prevented from representing prison inmates for a fee in private interviews with the Board of Pardons and Paroles, Atty. Gen. John Hill stated.

Hill said the board can forbid lawmakers from representing the inmates for pay in proceedings which are either non-adversary or non-public.

In other recent opinions, Hill concluded:

The legislature is free to change the name of the Texas Railroad Commission to the Energy and Transportation Commission.

The family code requires the reporting of sexual abuse, failure to provide adequate food, clothing and shelter, and any conduct sufficient for termination of a parent-child relationship.

Courts Speak

In spite of soaring gas rate increases since 1973, the Texas Supreme Court held Lo-Vaca Gathering Company and Coastal States Gas Producing Company don't owe Lower Colorado River Authority any damage awards.

An Amarillo policeman was upheld by the Supreme Court in an appeal from a discharge order by his chief for testifying that a convicted robber had a good reputation for telling the truth.

The high court upheld a New York Life Insurance Company decision not to pay off on a policy covering a 22-year-old Texan who died in 1975.

Short Snorts

State Insurance Board Chairman Joe Christie is fighting a bill passed by the Senate to rescind board control over health insurance policy standards.

Mixed drink collections for the first quarter of 1977 totalled \$12.5 million — up 23.8 per cent over the same period in 1976.

Cullen Smith of Waco is new president-elect of the State Bar of Texas, and John Comper of San Antonio is president-elect of

Last week was uneventful in the home. All of the residents are doing well as usual.

The St Luke Baptist Missionary here was supposed to conduct the services on Sunday afternoon in the dining room but for some reason was not able to be here. Edgar Sauer led the singing of gospel hymns with Bessie Andrews at the piano and we all enjoyed the singing.

There were quite a few visitors during the week. They are as follows: visiting Flossie Crawford were her daughter and son-in-law from San Angelo, Mr and Mrs A. A. Stephens, Mr and Mrs R. B. McNeill from Odessa and Mr and Mrs B. Crawford of Merton; Beulah Harris's visitors were Milton Harris, her son from Sonora, and Mark Pian, her

great grandson from San Angelo, and her two nieces Zella Whitten and Clemie Vick from Sonora; Mr and Mrs Lee Crump of Abilene came to visit Hexie Potter; Hattie Blaylock's daughter, Mrs C. C. Gilbert of Santa Ana and her grand daughter, Mrs Bob Boyet and children - while they were here they went by to see Lorena Heffernan and the W. A. Blaylocks; Elva Daniel's daughter from Merton visited her Sunday and went to church with her. We are always glad to have visitors.

Our Bingo winners on Fri were Beulah Harris 2, Elva Daniels 2, Bessie Andrews 2, Carrie Blakeway 2 and LaVita Brooks 1.

Come to see us! Square meals make round people.

LaVita Brooks, Rep
Beulah Harris, Rep

Senior citizens honored with spring party

Sixty-three people attended the Spring Senior Citizens Party which was held May 5, in the Memorial Building.

This party was given by the Service Circle of the Methodist Church and the Home Demonstration Clubs in the county. Entertainment for the party was provided by Mrs Frank Van Horn, Mrs Mercedes Pena and Larry Mason. Door prizes were won by the following persons: Mrs Otto Sauer for the oldest woman present; Andrew Campbell, the oldest man; Mrs LaVita Brooks for living in Schleicher County the longest (she has lived here 77 years); Mrs Zelma

the junior bar.

Atty. Gen. Hill named Ruth Forbis Kirby of Littlefield to the State School Land Board and Liz Carpenter of Austin to the board for lease of State Park Lands.

Construction in Texas reached an all-time record level during March, University of Texas Bureau of Business Research re-

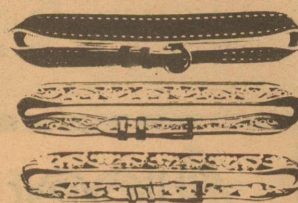
ported. Gov. Briscoe asked designation of Bastrop and Ward counties as disaster areas due to weather conditions. The Senate voted to extend the ban on smoking to fabric, dry goods and clothing stores — except in restricted areas. The bill is now in the House.

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SENIOR VOLLEYBALLERS—Barney McAlpine, second from right, reaches to spike a ball over the net during a round of volleyball during a senior party hosted by the United Methodist Church Monday night. Ready to help, far right is Gynna Jay.

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