

Even during holiday season. . .

Emergency services are kept busy

While most Spearman residents were quietly going about the business of making a Merry

Christmas last December, members of the Spearman emergency services and law enforcement departments were doing business as usual—and that usually means a great deal.

Reports handed in monthly to the Spearman city council detail the work of the Spearman Volunteer Fire Department, The H9S EMS, the city police department and animal control efforts.

"A person would be surprised

departments which fall under the jurisdiction of the city's services.

During December, the SVFD answered six calls with an average response time of 4.33 minutes for city calls and five minutes for county calls.

According to their report, they had seven personnel respond to the calls and an average control time of 13.5 minutes in the city and 23.67 minutes in the county.

Calls for December including a

and four local runs.

Total time involved for the month was 32 hours and 27 minutes with total man hours just under 100 at 97 hours and 54 minutes.

Perhaps the busiest crew during the month was the Spearman police department which answered 162 calls for assistance during the month of December alone.

The Spearman PD had 11 reported offenses of which eight were cleared and seven cases which called for investigation, of those investigated, six were cleared.

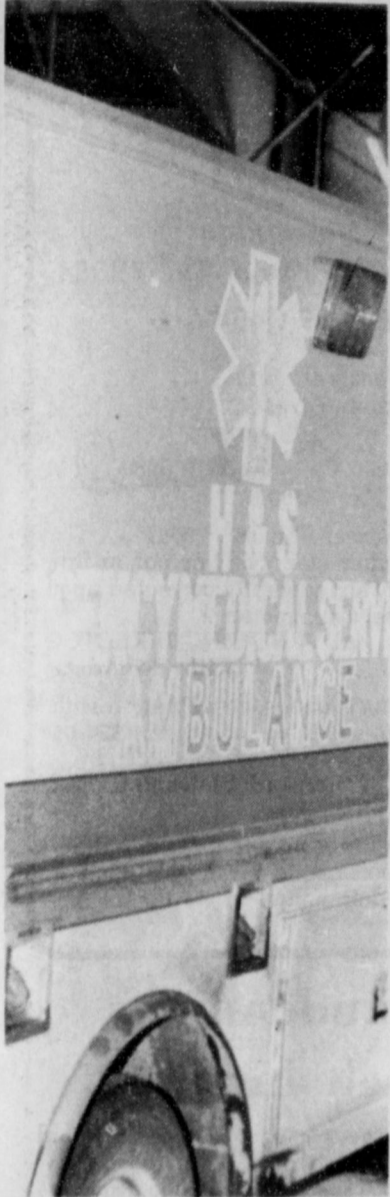
The police department also had three misdemeanor arrests during December and handled four accidents—three were non-injury accidents while the fourth was a fatality.

During the month, patrol officers issued 14 citations with Mother Nature's hand helping to slow down the populace on slick city streets.

Despite the holiday season, the animal control division of the city answered 35 calls for assistance and impounded 28 animals during the month—mostly cats and dogs.

During that time period, two animals were claimed, nine were

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H & S EMS SERVICES



SPEARMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT



SPEARMAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

'They're doing an excellent job . . .'
Mayor Ralph Blodgett

how much goes on behind the scenes," one councilman remarked. "They all do a lot of work and get little recognition for their efforts."

December's reports which were handed in this past week, are fairly well indicative of the efforts put forth on a monthly basis by the four

vehicle fire, a structure fire, a grass fire and a trash fire. They also worked on a motor vehicle rescue effort.

Work for the H&S EMS ambulance shows 15 calls or stand bys for the month of December.

Included in that number is four runs to Amarillo, one county run

The HANSFORD REPORT

by JAMES JARRETT



I have found a cure for the common cold—it's called daytime TV. Like most cures, it doesn't work. In fact, there's a possibility it may have aggravated the situation.

Now, I know this probably steps on a bunch of people's toes, but how in the world do people watch stuff like this day in and day out?

From inane game shows to soaps and "think" programs the ilk of "Donahue" and "Oprah", daytime TV has been described as a vast wasteland.

Perhaps it was my head cold, but it seems that that description is an insult to every vast wasteland in existence.

As one might guess, when I have a cold, I do get somewhat cantankerous. Perhaps, when—if ever—I get over the congestion, sniffing, sneezing, aching all over so I can't rest crud, then I might feel more munificent in praise. . . yet, somehow, I doubt it.

I've yet to fathom how some people can strike up a stand against pornography while, at the same time, become an avid and ardent regular viewer of either daytime or prime-time soaps. It would appear that the only difference is in the amount of bare flesh shown.

Certainly, little is left to the imagination with soaps. As far as being true-to-life, my life must be awfully dull and my family terribly

puritan, because I can't remember anyone in my family even having a life slightly resembling those of soap families. (Someone, please, add a hearty 'Praise God' to that last statement).

Some call it fate, others call it perversity—but somewhere in this great universe of ours there must be somebody or something whose job it is to assure that, when things go wrong, they go wrong in spades.

Friday morning—after taking off Thursday so I'd feel better the next day—my office called and woke me up. Don't fear, I was only an hour late to work.

I know I set my alarm. The only reasonable explanation is that somebody came in during the night and cut it off. Surely, someone as adroit as myself would remember cutting it off if they had, right?

Then, running late, I ran out of Gas within two blocks of the newspaper office. It warmed up nicely Friday, but it was still cold

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Sunday, January 17, 1988

Expenditures \$125,000 less than expected. . .

First quarter reports show HCHD 15 percent under 1987-88 budget

Reports from the Hansford Hospital District records show the medical facilities in the county are operating at 15 percent under budget through the first quarter of the 1987-88 fiscal year.

These figures were given to hospital district board members at their regular meeting Thursday evening by hospital administrator Al La Rochelle.

The overall budget call for expenditures of \$815,694 through the first three months of operation for both the hospital and manor, but actual operational expenses incurred have amounted to \$690,487, the hospital administrator reports.

"At this point, we're some \$125,000 under budget," La Rochelle explained to board mem-

bers.

The administrator pointed to effective cost control as the major contributor to the favorable report.

"We've managed to cut back expenses and hold the line on costs despite cuts in Medicare and other contractual payments," he adds.

Both the hospital and nursing home are showing operational profits for the year with the hospital having a profit of \$39,889.72 for the first quarter and the manor with a profit of \$4,479.59 through the same period.

Both of those figures are before

depreciation and deductions for contractual losses and indigent care.

For the same period last year, the hospital experienced a loss from operations of \$13,362.46 while the nursing home loss stood at \$36,064.20.

A long list of contractual, bad debt write offs and indigent care costs, coupled with depreciation, however, shows both facilities on the negative side of the ledger.

"Depreciation, of course, is a paper loss," notes the administrator. See "BUDGET", p-2

PDRA to hold special meet to decide land purchase

A special session has been called for the Palo Duro River Authority, its sole purpose to complete negotiations on a tract of land needed to begin construction of a dam which will eventually form a 60,900-acre fish lake.

The special session will be held Tuesday, beginning at 2 p.m. in

the board meeting room of the PDRA located in the Pittman-Shieldknight building in Spearman.

The meeting calls for an executive, closed door meeting with all decisions resulting from that session to be made in open meeting.

According to the agenda, the

executive session will deal with "acquisition of land or possible condemnation proceedings initiated."

The PDRA board, through its negotiator, Gary Tubbs, has been working since October on acquiring the land for construction of the dam and pumping station.

Only two land owners are involved in negotiations at this point and PDRA officials are optimistic that Tuesday's meeting will bring a culmination to at least one of the required purchases so proceedings on construction may continue unimpeded, notes PDRA manager Johnnie Lee.

At their regular meeting last week, board members adopted plans and specifications for the dam and authorized Lee to proceed on advertising for bids for construction of the project.

They also set a date and time for opening and awarding the bid, that to come March 9 at 10 a.m. in the Spearman high school auditorium.

"We've already had two contractors look over the project," notes Lee. "One of those came from California, so people are aware of our project and are interested in bidding."

Meanwhile, the PDRA board remains on schedule for a timetable which could see actual work on the dam site begin in late spring



REMNANTS OF SNOWY DAYS saw Mr. and Mrs. Snowman hanging on tenaciously despite sunny skies and above freezing temperatures this past week. A warming trend is predicted for the area through the week end with highs expected in the 50's.

SHS band, choir gets selections

A pair of Spearman choir members gained All State recognition while eight members of the Lynx band were named to the All Region class A and AA band during recent tryouts.

Clint Patterson was named first baritone and Michelle Graham as an alternate first soprano for the All State Choir.

That prestigious group will perform at the Texas Music Educator's Convention this February in San Antonio.

The All Region Band will hold a special performance in Amarillo at the Civic Center on Jan. 23. Times will be announced later.

Named to the All Region band was sophomore Laura Dyess, first chair flute; freshman Beverly Burton, first chair alto clarinet;

Freshman Cecely Porter, second chair alto clarinet; junior Jennifer Reimer as first chair trumpet; junior Londee Bradley as 12th chair trombone;

Junior Sandy Zamora, fifth chair baritone; sophomore Maria Gomez, first chair mallets; and sophomore April Graham, first chair timpany.

Spearman man files for write in candidacy

Ernest "Ernie" Vanderburg—who this past week had his name stricken from the Republican party primary ballot when invalid signatures were discovered on a petition to file for the county commissioner's position in precinct one of the Hansford county—has declared himself as a write-in candidate for that position in the general election next November.

"I threw my hat in the ring and I intend for it to stay there," Vanderburg declared in an interview last Friday morning. I know I have my work cut out for me, but I'm a competitor and I'm going to go on with the contest."

Vanderburg and another Republican candidate, Wiley Sheets, had their petitions declared invalid

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ERNEST VANDEBURG . . . to run write-in campaign

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Cunningham to run for 2-T1 Lions post

Long-time Spearman Lions Club member James Cunningham will be seeking a spot on the district 2-T1 Lions Club board at the district convention in April, according to information received this week.

The veteran Lions Club member has served in several capacities with the organization, both on the local and district levels.

For the Spearman club itself, Cunningham has served as president, vice-president, tail twister and director.

He was named Lion of the Year for 1971-72 and is a recipient of the 100 percent President's Award from the group.

He has also served as Deputy District Governor for 2-T1 in two consecutive terms.

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REPORT

Friday morning. Ask me, I know. Once at work it took me only an hour and a half to get out my first peice of copy.

Anyway, if things really do come in threes, then this edition is probably the third thing I messed up Friday. For that reason, I have made a promise to myself not to look it over after its printed.

And, please, do me a favor. As you look it over, be kind. Much more and I'll leave a note for the poltergist who cut off my alarm clock to finish the job--if you know what I mean.

A former Naval officer now turned family practioner was in Hansford county over the weekend to give the hospital and community a once-over.

Dr. Larence Behney--pronounced 'Bainey'--was the guest of the Hansford Hospital District Friday evening and Saturday.

The doctor and his wife, Jean Ann, have three children, Allison, Nicholas and Monica.

He has practiced his vocation in both Oklahoma and Missouri and is looking for a small community where he can settle with his family.

Naturally, our hopes are that he becomes as infatuated with Hansford county as we have. The truth of the matter is, Dr. Behney couldn't find a better community in which to live, raise his family and

practice--but, we'd better be careful. Someone might accuse us of prejudice.

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EMERGENCY

destroyed while two were adopted. Only one citation was issued during the month of December by the animal control division.

Of complaints received concerning animals, four cases were investigated and, of those, three were cleared.

"They all do an excellent job," declares Spearman Ralph Blodgett. "Generally they work under less than ideal situations and, many times, their work can be of life-and-death situations. But they handle every call in a calm, professional manner."

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when an independent audit showed that they had secured signatures from voting precinct six which lies in county commissioner precinct two.

Sheets, in fact, is a resident of voting precinct two which makes him ineligible to seek the office at all, either on the ballot or as a write in.

Confusion over which voting precincts are included in the different county commissioner's precincts seems to have caused the discrepancy, notes James Jarrett who performed the independent audit last week.

Hansford county Republican Chairman, Roy Bulls, announced Wednesday that both names would be stricken from the ballot and that the Republican party would have no representative for that position in the primary election slated for March 8.

"I think voters should have a choice," Vanderburg said in announcing his write-in candidacy. "Everybody has that right and they need to keep that right."

Vanderburg, a newcomer to the political arena, is a native of Hansford county. He is employed at Hergert Pontiac-Buick as service manager.

The Hansford county native is 41-years old. He and his wife, Joyce live in Spearman.

"I'm glad all this happened when it did," he states in discussing the petition audit. "It could have been a real big mess if it hadn't surfaced until later."

Vanderburg filed his intent to seek the office as a write-in candidate with county judge R.L. McClellan Friday morning.

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BUDGET

or. "We don't actually take dollars out of our account and pay them out."

"However, contractuals such as Medicare, bad debt losses and indigent care cost us real dollars," he goes on to explain.

Those costs amount to \$127,708.64 for the hospital alone through the first three months of the 1987-88 fiscal year, the report states.

Included in that loss is some \$65,063.35 of bad debts which the hospital has written off its books.

"We're taking a hard line on bad debts," La Rochelle states. "Now, we're not talking indigents or people who are unable to pay because of their financial situation. A bad debt is someone who can afford to pay, but hasn't."

Once a debt is written off by the hospital, it is then handed over to the district's attorney and legal means are utilized to pursue payment of the claim, the hospital administrator says.

"We're no different from any other business. . . we have to collect our debts," he told board members Thursday. "It's not fair to our taxpayers to ask them to shoulder the burden for those who can afford to pay."

In other business, the hospital board approved a contract with Russell Altmiller to handle the 1987-88 audit at year's end.

A Borger urologist, Rex Kare, was approved for hospital privileges, and expenditures for needed equipment were also approved by the board.

Dr. Kare will be in Spearman for bi-weekly visits to serve patients who might need the care of his specialty in urology.

Also granted hospital privileges,

Student gets scholarship

The son of a former Hansford county sheriff's deputy has received a special scholarship from the Sheriff's Association of Texas, it was announced this week.

Todd Lynn Martin--son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin of Spearman, received notification and a check from Oehiltree county sheriff Joe Hataway this past week.

The amount of the scholarship was not made public. Martin is currently a student at Clarendon Junior College.

The academic scholarship is available to sons, daughters or wards of law enforcement officers in Texas.

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PDRA

or early summer.

Estimates for competition of the dam itself call for a 2-year construction period with time allowed for inclement weather.

Once the dam is completed and closed in, it could take anywhere from two to 10 years for the lake to fill--all depending upon the amount of rainfall running down the Palo Duro draw, notes the PDRA general manager.

Once completed and filled, the lake will serve as both a recreational facility for area residents and as a water supply for member cities.

Cities which are members of the PDRA include Spearman, Gruver, Stinnett, Dumas, Sunray and Cactus.

was Perryton family practioner, Manon Childress who currently has a few patients in the Nursing home.

Hospital privileges were granted in the event he might one day need to admit a patient to the hospital facility, notes La Rochelle.

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- Monday, Jan. 18**
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 GREEN BEANS
 POTATOES/GRAVY
 HOT BREAD/HONEY MILK
- Tuesday, Jan. 19**
 Bar B. Que/BUN
 PINTO BEANS
 CHOPPED SPINACH
 PINEAPPLE TIDBIT MILK
- Wednesday, Jan. 20**
 BEEF STEW
 MIXED VEGETABLE
 GRILLED CHEESE
 LIME JELLO/PEARS MILK
- Thursday, Jan. 21**
 TONY'S PIZZA
 MACARONI/CHEESE
 ENGLISH PEAS
 MIXED FRUIT MILK
- Friday, Jan. 22**
 HAMBURGER/BUN
 FRENCH FRIES
 LETTUCE SHREDDED COOKIE MILK
- HIGH SCHOOL**
Monday, Jan. 18
 CHICKEN PATTIE
 GREEN BEANS
 POTATOES/GRAVY
 HOT BREAD/HONEY MILK
- Tuesday, Jan. 19**
 FOOTLONG/BUN
 FRENCH FRIES
 SALAD BAR
 PINEAPPLE TIDBIT MILK
- Wednesday, Jan. 20**
 BEEF STEW
 GRILLED CHEESE
 SALAD BAR
 LIME JELLO/FRUIT MILK
- Thursday, Jan. 21**
 TONY'S PIZZA
 SALAD BAR
 MACARONI/CHEESE
 MIXED FRUIT MILK
- Friday, Jan. 22**
 HAMBURGER/BUN
 FRENCH FRIES
 SALAD BAR
 COOKIE MILK

Services held for Perryton resident

Funeral services for Lloyd V. Sword, 55, of Perryton -- half-brother of Harry and Dean Stumpf of Spearman -- were held Saturday afternoon at the First Christian Church in Perryton.

The Rev. Tracy L. Wilson, pastor, officiated. Burial was in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Perryton. Mr. Sword died Wednesday.

Born at Perryton, he was a lifetime resident. He retired as a Coca Cola route man in 1986. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Perryton.

Mr. Sword was married to Leona Amrine in 1954 at Clovis, N.M. He was past president of Moose Lodge, past president of District Moose Lodge, past officer of State Moose Association and past officer of Legion of the Moose State Association.

Survivors include his wife, a son, Charles Amrine of Layton, Utah; two brothers, Frank Sword of Canadian and Arvid Sword of Wheeler;

Four half-brothers, Charley Stumpf of Perryton, Harry and Dean Stumpf, both of Spearman, and Earl Sword of San Antonio;

Two half-sisters Ruby Scott of Perryton and Sadie Johnson of Graham; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Training for volunteers

St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center will conduct its semi-annual Volunteer Training Program January 20 through March 23. The class will be held on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in St. Anthony's Hospice Den, across N.W. 7th Street from the hospital.

Tuition for the 10-week class is \$20, payable at the first session.

The program is designed to train Hospice volunteers and to offer general information on death and dying to the community.

Program facilitators will discuss such topics as coping with death and dying, hospice as a means of support, patient care techniques and communication skills.

Continuing Education Units will be awarded through Amarillo College to all individuals completing the training program.

Call Carol Knight at Hospice, 378-5037, for more information.

Services held for brother of Spearman woman

Stratford M.L. "Buss" Mitts, 79 died Jan. 9.

Mr. Mitts was a brother to Grace Kirk of Spearman.

Mr. Mitts was born at Woods County, Okla. He had been a Stratford resident since 1952. He was married to Alda Tompkins in 1933 at Guymon. He was a retired farmer and rancher. He was a member of First Christian Church.

Kids' pageant to be held

The National Headquarters for Kids of America has announced the date of Sunday afternoon, Feb. 7 for the upcoming pageant in Dalhart. To be held at the Allyn Finch Junior High School.

This will be the first pageant for Kids of Of America to be held in Dalhart. Kids of America is a national pageant system and winners from the Dalhart pageant will have their entry fees paid to compete in national competition to be held in Dallas, in July.

BeautifulBaby competition is judged on personality, grooming and alertness.

Baby Glamour Handsome is judged solely on facial features (looks) only.

Playwear Competition is judged on the Garment selection worn. Photogenic Competition is judged from the photograph submitted to the Dallas headquarters and is judged by print and media people.

The baby division is divided into three age divisions are 0 to 23 mos, 24 to 35 mos. Each child is presented on stage by a chaperone of your choosing and will be presented in front of a panel of judges.

Talent competition is another phase for boys and girls between the ages of 3 to 17 yrs. Each talent presentation may not be over three minutes.

A top five finalist will be selected from each age division and the winners will advance to nationals.

Beauty competition is for girls ages 3 to 17 yrs and is judged on interview, casual wear and party wear (short dress for 3 to 12 yrs and evening gown 13 to 17).

Glamour/ Handsome will also be offered and is judged on facial features only. There will be one winner per age division for glamour and one for handsome.

The Photogenic Competition is also offered for ages 3 to 17 yrs and is for individuals who would like to submit a photograph of their choosing to be judged by major agencies in the print and media field.

Age divisions for 3 to 17 yrs are 3 to 6 yrs, 7 to 9 yrs, 10 to 12 yrs, and 13 to 17 yrs. For more information and to receive an entry form call (806) 249-5204 or 1-800-223-4562.

TSTI offers auto course

Texas State Technical Institute offers an Auto Body Repair and Repainting course beginning any week in the Winter Quarter.

The 48-hour class meets on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday evening.

Participants will learn shop safety and use of hand and power tools to bend, shrink, cut, weld metals and plastics, straighten frames and repair fiberglass. They will also learn body preparation, application of body plastic, sanding, priming, painting and detailing.

For additional information, contact Joe Latham in Adult Continuing Education at 335-2316 ext. 359 or in Texas call toll-free 1-800-227-TSTI.

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Electric company in business 37 years

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He came here in 1950 from Wyoming. However he was born in South Bend Nebraska and moved to Wyoming as a child. In 1952 he opened the Anthony Electric. His primary motive was for a livelihood, but he did see a need for an electrical contractor here and has built a successful business.

L.L. was named Citizen of the Year several years ago and has always supported each and every worthwhile organization. Probably there isn't an organization here that does not list his name among the contributors. He is a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Hobbies are not a dominating phase of his life, but he does enjoy

time at the cabin in New Mexico, and in feeding and watching birds.

He was married to the former Anita Babitzke in 1964. She is a native of Lipscomb County and came here in 1962. She is an L.V.N. and for many years was employed at the Hansford Hospital. She is very active at the Golden Spread Center and keeps busy with other volunteer work. She is a member of the First Baptist Church, and her hobby is tole painting. Anita has three children-son Eugene, a teacher at Panhandle; Garner, who farms in Lipscomb county and daughter, Roberta, who lives at Lake Jackson, Tx. where she and her husband are in business.

Lawrence, as does any man who has built a thriving business from just an idea, takes pride in the reputation earned for responsible

electrical contracting. His fields of operation include residential, commercial and oil patch. The Anthony Electric, located at 519 Plains Shopping Center, also retails small appliances, some of which are Oster, Black and Decker, Sunbeam, power tools such as Skil and Rockwell; Sony line of T.V.s radios and tape players.

He has the utmost confidence in the efficiency of his employees: Verlin Behne who has been with him many years, Sheri Benton, Chris Deakin and Nell McCoy. Nell is working part-time now.

The Anthony Electric has been a member of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce since the business opened. Lawrence states that Spearman has a strong, aggressive Chamber and it is important that it be supported.

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Among the Neighbors

by Helen Fisher

The following was inadvertently omitted from Thursdays paper.

Mrs. Grace Bruner's home was the scene for a family gathering over the New Years Holidays. Family members began arriving on Thursday, New Years Eve, and the main gathering was Saturday.

Renewing family ties were Mrs. Bruner's son, W.A. Bruner, Abilene; Betty and Harold Stephens, Albuquerque; Tracy and Joy Burchman and Robyn, Sublette, Kan.; Robbin and Lisa Keetch with Brittianny, Perryton; Jerry and

Janis Pond, Dallas;

Florence Bruner, Truth or Consequence; Joyce and Harold Frost, Helen and Richard Melton with Cindy, Cheryl Whitefield and children--Teddy, Jennifer and Jocelyn all of Spearman.

To most, the inclement weather represents a change in routine; the opportunity to stay at home; consider and discuss road conditions and other angles, but to the employees of the Texas New Mexico Power Company, bad

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weather represents routine duties in adverse circumstances, trudging through deep snow to read meters and promptly answering service calls, thereby preventing more serious problems.

The community is grateful to them for their dedication and efficiency. Neighbor knows!!

Although the snow has been a source of enjoyment for Jesse and Dorothy Davis who no doubt engaged in snow ball fights and built snow men, they have sought a warmer climate.

Tuesday they flew to Fort Meyers, Fl. where Delia Kay and C.M. Sampson met them and took them to their home on Marco Island.

Jesse thinks about two weeks of cavorting on the warm, sunny, sandy beaches will be enough to prepare them to return to the snow and ice.

The passing of Gus O Birdwell brings to mind his generosity to the causes in which he believed. It is remembered when the National Council of Churches was formed to feed a starving world after World War II, he donated an entire box car of wheat.

He was a Christian and a Patriot and adhered to the principles in which he believed.

Probably anticipating a good sermon as well as a good meal, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stavlo of Sunray visited old friends, the Reverend and Mrs. Todd Dyess during the weekend. Robert lived in Spearman as a boy.

An obituary in the Amarillo paper lists the name of Curtis Powers, 62. Curtis was born in Spearman and lived here several years. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sid Powers and was a cousin of Verna Lee Shirley.

Many from Spearman attended the funeral services of Merritt (Buster) Mitts in Stratford on Wednesday.

Both he and his widow, Alda, were members of old Spearman families; they attended school here and have been welcomed back for all the school re-unions.

His obituary is carried elsewhere

Verna Gail Keim is nursing a broken wrist received during a trip to Red River last weekend. She was with Barbara and Lewis Schnell.

Verna Gail was not skiing; she was not snow-mobiling; she was not mountain climbing--merely conducting herself with dignity taking a picture when she slipped on ice.

Millard Tucker underwent surgery for cataract removal on Wednesday at Borger. He is pleased with the results but will be unable to work for 6 weeks.

Gertrude Archer is back after a month's absence. She joined Patton Ann and Dick Hamilton at Lubbock and all went to Dallas for Christmas with Bart McGuire and family.

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Later she has been with her sister in Amarillo while her husband has been in the hospital recovering from surgery.

(Today, January 16, would have been your neighbor's 50th wedding anniversary--the years have passed quickly; it is the days and night that have been long, sometimes. . .

Hospital Report

Patients in the Hansford Hospital are Ruby Heath, Becky Shipp, Rodney Mestas, Lenell Cummings, Kelly Mahaney, Rudolph Benson, Marion Benson, Deta Blodgett, and Amy Gift.

Dismissals were Lewis Harbour.

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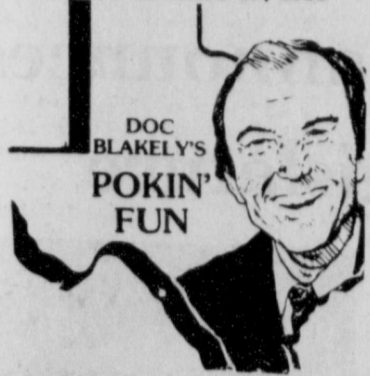
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would have said about this? I suspect something like, "How would you like your larynx ripped out with a set of ice tongs?"

The Russians have always been known as tough negotiators. What do you expect from people whose men look like Atilla the Hun and whose women look like Arnold Schwarzenegger?

In Moscow, you marry a spouse like that and you look forward to a bomb threat.

Roll over in the morning and stare that in the face! How do you think they got all those volunteers to go to Afghanistan?

Now they say they are ready to pull the troops out of Afghanistan and dismantle half the missiles. Very comforting. It's like saying, "We're leaving the saloon, pardner. We'll be out in the street and to show we are peace lovers, we'll only be wearing one gun. . . or 2

The arms agreements are a mystery to me. As much as I hate to agree with Al Haig, I think he does have a point. "For 40 years, we've had these potentially devastating weapons but no war, so why do we want to get rid of them?" Gorbachev and Vodka, Reagan and Champagne, give Haig and Haig. I wonder what George Patton

Effective Jan. 1 . . .

Texas passes law on potential organ donors

Texans grown accustomed to the state's mild climate are sometimes six-shooters with only three bullets apiece.

Trust an agreement like that and it will give new meaning to the old saying: "Long time no see."

What puzzles me is what do you do with a missile that has been reduced? Reduced to what? I get this picture of a bunch of peasants with sledge hammers banging on a keg of nitro.

Soon there will be a much safer world. Instead of 500 missiles that could blow us to Kingdom Come, we'll only have 250 when one would do a dandy job. Surplus stores will probably handle all the spare stuff. I can see the signs now: "Special this week on aluminum utensils, steel helmets, and iron curtains."

"Got your own silo? Fill it with a surplus atomic bomb. New shipment just arrived. Comes complete with instruction manual, Russian dictionary, bottle of vodka, and track shoes."

The track shoes are a little like the false hope that "reduction" gives us. We are kidding ourselves if we think we can outrun even one missile. But it's a step in the right direction and track shoes are mighty important if you plan to play leap frog with a unicorn.

caught off guard when extremely cold weather strikes.

The Texas Department of Health (TDH) warns that, almost every year, unprepared or unsuspecting people die from hypothermia in Texas. They die from extreme loss of body heat. More than 100 have died from hypothermia in this decade, according to the TDH Vital Statistics Bureau.

The most frequent victims of hypothermia are very young children, the sick, and the elderly. Dr. Clift Price, TDH Associate Commissioner for Personal Health Services, explained that children's small bodies radiate heat reserves faster than adults, and people who are chronically ill, using medications, drugs, or excessive alcohol may have lower resistance to sharp temperature changes and may react slowly in emergencies.

"Beyond age 65," Dr. Price said, "some persons begin to lose their natural reflex to shiver, which is both an automatic warming mechanism to stimulate the circulation and a means of alerting the individual to dangerous temperature."

Hypothermia begins when the deep body temperature drops to 95 degrees, just less than four degrees below normal. The victim becomes lethargic and confused. Drowsiness, slurred speech, falling

blood pressure, shallow breathing, and a bloated or pinkish tint to the skin develop, and unless the individual receives warmth, coma and death are imminent.

Dr. Price said that many hypothermia victims die in their own homes, quietly, before anyone realizes the danger. "With our current understanding of the condition, we believe that many hypothermia deaths in the past may have been mistakenly attributed to other causes, such as heart attack," Dr. Price said.

Relatively few people "freeze to death," since death occurs long

before the body temperature reaches the freezing point, although extremities may freeze if exposed to severe cold.

"Even people who work outside in dangerously cold weather sometimes misjudge the elements, particularly wind-chill," Dr. Price said. A brisk wind combined with a temperature slightly below freezing can increase the chilling effect on exposed skin by almost 50 degrees below the thermometer reading.

Anyone who must be outside in very cold weather should be alert to weather forecasts.

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Under a law passed by the 70th Texas Legislature, hospitals are required to identify potential organ tissue donors at or near death, inform the family of the option to donate, and document the approach and its disposition. The state law became effective Jan. 1, while a similar federal law took effect Nov. 20, 1987.

A written protocol for conforming with the state law is required of each hospital in the state, and hospitals in the Medicare and Medicaid program must comply with the federal law, according to Matthew T. Wall, staff attorney with the Texas Hospital Association.

"The protocol must provide for trained individuals to perform the

approach to the family of a dying patient and inform them of the option to donate," Wall said.

"Neither the federal or state laws require asking the family for the organs or tissues of their loved one. This is not the intent of these new laws. Rather, they envision the approaching of the family to determine/identify whether the deceased or dying patient was an organ or tissue donor, as evidenced for example by a signed donor card. If not, then the hospital must simply inform the family of their option to donate or decline donation, and document the approach and its disposition," the attorney explained.

Under the new state law, no inquiry is required: if the decedent

is medically unsuitable for donation, there is actual notice of objections of donation by the decedent or persons authorized to make a donation, or if the hospital has not been notified by a procurement organization as to current medical needs for organs/tissues and the organization's availability for retrieval.

"In considering organ or tissue donation, families should keep in mind that no costs are incurred by the donor family, and that the identity of both the donor and recipient are kept confidential. No visible alteration to the body and no interference with funeral arrangements is anticipated," Wall noted.

"The best time to think about organ or tissue donation is while you are well, and decisions to donate should be shared with family members," noted THA President Terry Townsend. "These laws were drafted in response to a critical shortage of organs and tissues. In complying with these laws which the health care industry supported, hospitals will be sensitive to dying patients and families.

Organ and tissue donations from dying patients literally will provide life for others. For donors and their families, it can be a final act of love, a way to make death meaningful. For recipients, it's a chance to live a productive life once again."

Waterfield announces for state legislature

State Rep. Dick Waterfield, R-Canadian, stating that his work in the Legislature is just beginning, filed this week for reelection to the House of Representatives.

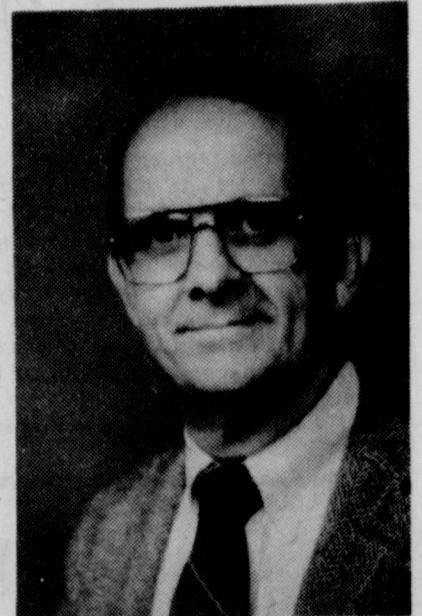
"I look forward to serve the people of my district with another term of responsible representation in Austin," Waterfield said. "This means that my open door policy will continue as always, for anyone who has a question or problem. For me, the calls and letters we have received are the most rewarding thing about the office. I encourage people to continue to stay in contact."

In looking ahead to the 71st legislature, Waterfield expects a continuation of the most debated issue of this session: taxes and state spending.

"What we saw this year on taxes was only the beginning," he said. "We have the select committee on tax equity currently meeting around the state to develop tax reform policy. This could set the stage for a major debate over present taxing structure. On the spending side, the Edgewood suit, which if it goes against the state, would drastically change our current system of funding public education."

With this in mind, Waterfield believes the dominant theme of the past session, setting spending priorities and generating sufficient revenue, will again be a major point of debate next session. Through all of this, his legislative goals have not changed, he said.

"The priorities of the people of



DICK WATERFIELD
... Announces Reelection Plans

my district remain my priorities in the Legislature," Waterfield said. "When they want a lid placed on taxes and government spending, that's what I fight for."

Waterfield serves on the House committees on Agriculture and Human Services. He was recently appointed to chair the special committee to investigate security interest in farm products.

He was voted the top first-term Republican of the 70th Legislature and was named one of the top conservative legislators by the Young Conservatives of Texas, and the Free Market Coalition.

Advt. pd for by Dick Waterfield.


Cold spells may bring on gas shortages

The successive bitter cold spells that have blanketed the midwestern and northeastern states over the last few weeks are providing the first real test of natural gas deliverability since 1984. If the cold trend persists for the remainder of the winter, there may be a realization that natural gas shortages are not too far away.



Spot natural gas prices have stabilized over the last two weeks

in the range of \$2.00 to \$2.10 per BTU. Significant amounts of gas which were previously in the spot market have been reclaimed by the interstate pipelines for system sales. This increases the competition for available spot gas.

There are signs that at the \$2.00 to \$2.10 price, significant segments of the industry, which have the capability to switch, are considering moving back to fuel oil.

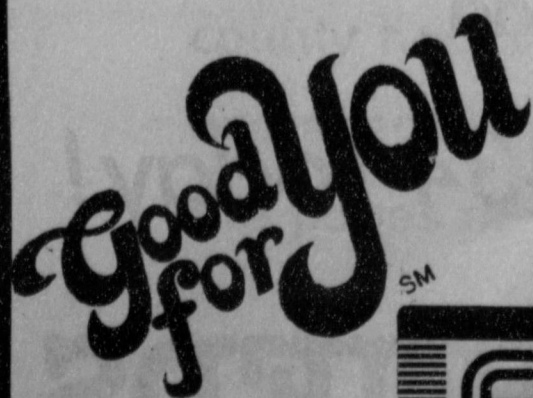


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