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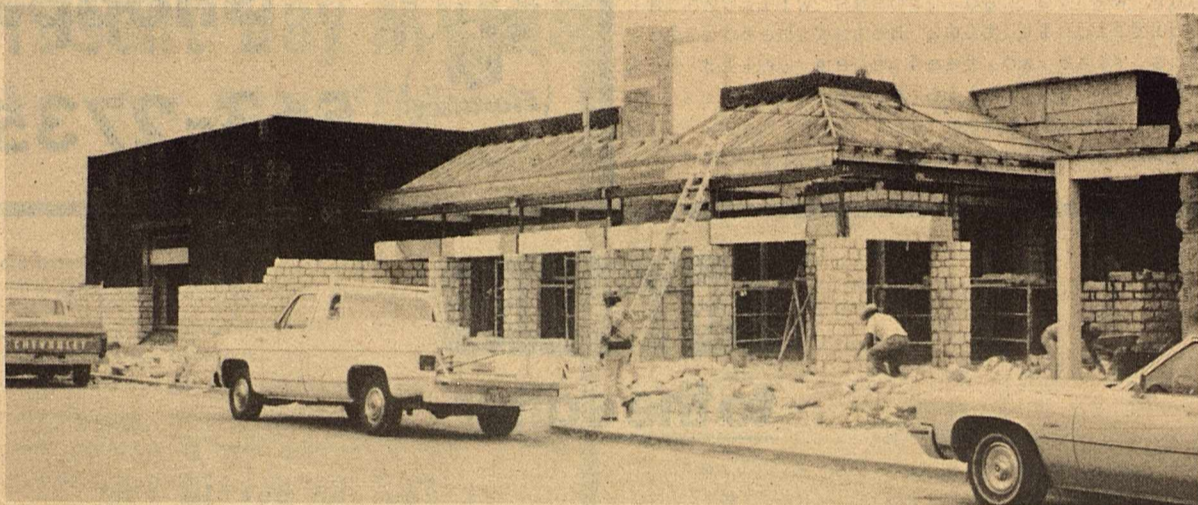
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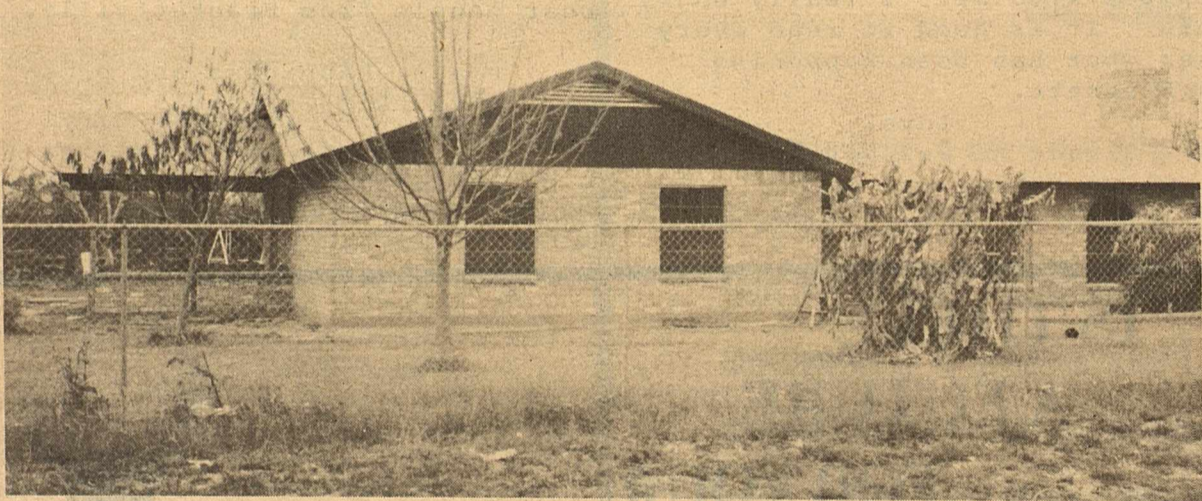
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EDITORIAL BY GEORGE!

ARE WE BEING RAILROADED BY THE RAILROAD COMMISSION?

If you think you get "Junk" mail, you should be the editor of a newspaper.

If some character in "Lower Slobovia" is running for dog catcher, he will send you a two page write up (with picture), and ask you to print it, (at no charge of course). We have had them from the Homosexual groups, and the Women's Lib organizations, (when are we going to get a Men's lib?).

One item that crossed our desk this week was The Texas Railroad Commission's publication "TEXAS TODAY".

This "slick" magazine publication, with full color front and back covers, contains thirty-four pages this week. It is published bi-monthly, contains no advertising to defray any costs, and is evidently distributed free, (since there are no advertised subscription rates).

In its thirty-four pages it contains such valuable information as:

1. pictures of the railroad commission mail room,
2. a picture of a 2000 pound bull,
3. more pictures of employees and directors, and
4. a statement on page 17 that "The mailroom staff expects to process some 800,000 pieces of outgoing mail and assemble multi-page documents totaling 6.6 million pages this year."

For those of you who have not seen it, it resembles the Parks and Wildlife magazine. The difference being that the parks and Wildlife magazine contains Advertisement and is paid for by its subscribers. This money goes back in the state coffer. YOU AND I, THE TAXPAYER, ARE PAYING FOR THIS FIASCO BY THE RAILROAD COMMISSION.

Now, I would probably not be so hostile about this IF:

1. They would see to it that Senator Kennedy and the rest of his New England Co-harts

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TIPS FOR GREEN
THUMBS by:
JOE TOWNSEND

It will soon be time to trim roses and to plant them. Most of them in this area are not yet dormant so it is just a little early. Most roses need to be trimmed. Climbers should be carefully and lightly trimmed. Tea roses should be trimmed more severely. Certainly all dead limbs should be cleaned out. The soil around the roses should have some kind of mulch mixed in it, preferably wood bark mulch. This will help the soil to stay loose and will make the roses grow so much better. Roses should be watered some all through the winter. Unless we have more cold weather than we've had, roses will have a difficult time being beautiful this year so feed them well, water them well, trim them well; help them all you can. Their beauty makes all worthwhile.

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RETAMA GARDEN CLUB

The Retama Garden Club's January meeting has been changed to the Episcopal Church Parish House on January 17th at 3:00 p.m.

The program will be on the preserving of foods by freezing in the home. Miss Becky Rogers, County Home Demonstration Agent, Uvalde, Texas, will be the speaker and will give the demonstration.

The meeting is open to the public and of interest to all who store foods by the freezing method.

Refreshments will be served by hostesses: Mrs. Whit Parham, Mrs. Eric Haywood and Mrs. Leonard Frerich.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
&
ANNIVERSARY

- December 31 - Lionel Juarez
Vera Nash
Beverly Hood
- January 1 - Jesus T. Garcia
Jack Harwood
Sylvia Simpson
- January 2 - Debra Longoria
- January 3 - Cindy Miers
Steven Schafer
M/M Marcelino Valdez
Rosario Perez
Janelle Senne
Crystal Bailey
- January 4 - M/M Charles Hall
Rainey Whitewater
- January 5 - Charlotte Sweet

LETTERS
to the editor

Dear Mr. Loos and family,

I hope you have had a very nice Christmas, and I want to thank you for sending the newspaper to me. I really enjoy this. It is good to read every week what has been happening in Brackett.

Love,
/s/ Dora

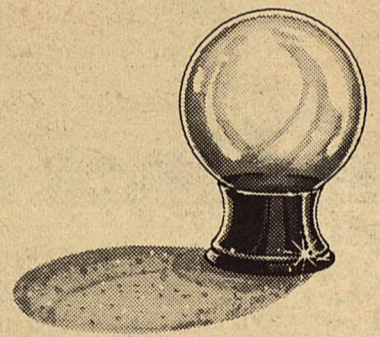
If you can put in the newspaper that I'm wishing a nice Christmas and New Year to the people from Brackett. Thank you.

Dear people from Brackettville,

Peace, happiness and prosperity in this Christmas and forever.

/s/ Dora Cabral
Rotary Club transfer student
1976.

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Where Movies
Are Made In Texas

Present Day Myths

by: JOE TOWNSEND

It is disturbing how much the idea that "one can get something for nothing" captivates the minds of people. The whole idea of giving trading stamps is based on the idea people thinking they get something for nothing. Juries give outlandish amounts of money to complaintants on the theory that "insurance" or "big business" can afford it. The truth is the tax payer, insurance buyer, consumer has to pay it. Raffles and bingos are successful because people feel they might get something for nothing. High promising "sweepstakes" find millions of respondents with the hope of getting something for nothing. Now come several states and several cities trying to legalize gambling to support governments. This based on the greed of people who expect to get something for nothing. When people get greed out of the minds and realize that when they get something for nothing, someone gets nothing for something and that to take something from another against his will is morally theft, then all can live in a more relaxed and satisfying atomsphere. The "buck" always has to stop somewhere and that means with somebody. When people come to realize they have a responsibility to return fair value for what they receive and when people come to expect to receive only fair return for what they do, then a point of realism and personal integrity has been reached. "There are no free lunches."

INELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS LOW IN TEXAS

Less than 4½ percent of those in the Texas Food Stamp Program were actually ineligible to receive stamps during the last half of 1977, according to a report just released by the Texas Department of Human

Resources. Ineligibles on the state's other financial program, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, were even less at 2.5%.

"Error rates" are examined to determine the states' efficiency in the federally-funded programs. States with poor error rate percentages may lose federal funding in the program areas.

While the food stamp error rate was 4.2%, over 83% of those errors were committed by the recipients in completing the application form or in report-

ing changes in income or other pertinent data. Of the 2.5% ineligibles in the AFDC Program, only 17.6% of those errors were attributable staff error of the Department of Human Resources, the remaining 82.4% of the errors were caused by the recipients.

Texas's current error rate of 4.2% in the food stamp area can be compared to other states' July 1976 error rates, the latest available (Texas' error rate at that time was 7.7%). In Illinois, over 62% of all persons in the Food Stamp pro-

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The Irony of Advertising

Why is it? A man wakes up in the morning after sleeping on an advertised bed in advertised pajamas. He will bathe in an advertised tub, wash with advertised soap, shave with an advertised shaving cream, eat a breakfast of advertised juice, cereal and toast (toasted in an advertised toaster), put on advertised clothing and glance at his advertised watch. He will ride to work in an advertised car, sit at an advertised desk, smoke advertised cigarettes and write with an advertised pen. Yet this man hesitates to advertise, saying that advertising does not pay. Finally, when his unadvertised business goes under, he will advertise it for sale.



Sometimes You Kinda Wonder

When Business was bad, he said he couldn't afford advertising.

When Business was good, he said he didn't need advertising.

And for the life of us . . . we can't remember his name.

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gram were found to be ineligible. Massachusetts found over 52% of the persons receiving food stamps in that state to be actually ineligible for the program. The New York State percentage of ineligibles for the July, 1976 period was 28%.

In July '77 there were approximately 750,000 persons making use of the Food Stamp Program in Texas, down from 860,000 the year previous. Children receiving benefits through the AFDC program numbered over 225,000 during August, down from 238,000 the year previous. Texas continues to be the only state to show decreases in the two financial welfare programs.

Between Us

by: JOE TOWNSEND

All my life I've heard and used the cliché, "As handy as a pocket on a shirt." I've never fully realized what this meant until recently. Whether it is due to the ERA advocates, the unisex philosophy, catering to the Sodomites or whatever, now there are many shirts being sold without pockets. My family is great on giving me shirts. Usually they are shirts I wouldn't buy but that I like very much. I encountered (and still encounter every time I wear one) considerable inconvenience because of the lack of a pocket. Strange and pointedly human I've not used a shirt pocket in many many years. Suddenly there is none and I find myself reaching to put something in my shirt pocket several times a day. "We never miss the water until the well runs dry." There are so many things we take for granted. Many people seldom or never attend church but how very much they would be upset if suddenly there were no churches to go to. Many people seldom need or use a highway patrolman but how very much they would be upset if there were none. So much of life and living is made up of things we scarcely notice or think of but which we would miss terribly. We give God so little time and consideration but what on earth or in heaven would we do without Him?

ATTENTION HUNTERS & TRAPPERS

Fur buyer will be in Brackettville at STOP-N-SHOP each Sunday from 11:45 a.m. till 12:15 p.m. beginning December 4th.

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SHEEP & GOAT RAISERS NEWS

OPERATION DEAD LAMB

The dead lamb or kid you find in your pasture may well hold the answer to the eagle depredation controversy that is now going on, according to Bill Schneemann, president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. We recognize that the lack of information as to the actual depredating habits of the golden eagle is certainly hurting the sheep and goat producers at this time. The only way this information can be obtained is for an authority to have the opportunity to post mortem these baby animals and actually determine what caused their death.

The TS&GRA is proposing that all sheep and goat producers in the State of Texas who have suspected golden eagle kills to put these small animals in a plastic bag and put them in the deep freeze. Regional centers will be designated where these frozen specimens can be taken. Collection will be made from these centers, and the lambs and kids will all be taken to San Angelo Research and Extension Center where the lambs will be posted by Dr. Bart O'Gara of the University of Montana. Dr. O'Gara is one of the few recognized authorities on golden eagles who has the ability to determine as to how the lamb or kid was killed and if it was killed by golden eagle. Until we have such information, it will be impossible to develop a very comprehensive program to correct eagle depredation.

To point out the seriousness of the problem, I quote from an editorial in the AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 1977, "Ranchers contend that golden eagles prey on lambs

and kid goats. But their efforts to get the Federal game authorities to believe them have been unsuccessful." This very vividly points out that we should and will develop information which will show that the golden eagle is a predator on our livelihood and a program should be developed to correct the problem.

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paid as much for TEXAS PRODUCED NATURAL GAS AS WE DO!

2. Shut off their supply of TEXAS NATURAL GAS until they decide to put in their own wells and plants. (I would like to see some refineries in downtown Boston and Hyannisport)

3. Levy a tax on all out of state sales of TEXAS PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. (This may pay for some of the butane tanks that the government bought for Crystal City).

It is high time that the citizens of Texas speak up! If the Railroad Commission cannot do their job, and can't quit wasting our money, they should be RAILROADED OUT OF EXISTENCE.



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Mission Trip
by James Hester

On Wednesday, December 14, forty-three of the Brackett Jr. High 7th graders went to San Antonio to visit four of the famed missions. They were accompanied by Mrs. Bader and coach Burks. They left Brackettville at 7:00 Wednesday morning and returned home at 6:00 p.m.

The group visited the Concepcion, Espada and San Juan Missions, and then ate a picnic lunch at Mission San Jose.

The field trip was to wind up their latest chapter on Spanish Texas. Mrs. Bader said that she would like to make this a yearly event.

I interviewed Carmen Rocha who said that she got a lot out of the trip and enjoyed it.

Brackettville High School
Schedule for January
by: Jose Robledo

Thursday, January 5 - Jr. High basketball game - Brackettville vs. LaPryor - to be played there at 5:30 p.m.
Parents clinic for junior and senior classes, to be held in the high school library.

Friday, January 6 - High School basketball game - Brackettville vs. Dilly - to be played here at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, January 9 - F.F.A. meeting, 12:40 p.m.
Jr. High School Basketball game - Brackett vs. Comstock - to be played there at 5:30 p.m.
School Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in teacher's lounge.

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Tuesday, January 10 - High School basketball game - Brackett vs. Del Rio JV - to be played here at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 11 - FHA meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Annual Sales

by: Nocona Breen

Sales of the 1978 yearbooks will start on January 9 and continued through January 31. There will be no extra yearbooks ordered this year, so anyone who does not order now will not get one.

The yearbook will cost \$8.00; a \$5.00 deposit may be made and the remainder paid on delivery. Seniors must pay the full amount. Having a name printed on the book will cost \$1.00 extra.

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Lone Star drama sets second season in '78



As Sam Houston and his Texan followers prepare for battle against Santa Anna's Mexican regiment, turmoil and conflict arises among the Texan townspeople in the San Felipe settlement in this exciting scene from "The Lone Star," the outdoor musical drama opening April 15 in Galveston Island State Park.

GALVESTON—"The Lone Star," Paul Green's latest outdoor musical drama, will hold its second season April 15 through October 15 in the magnificent amphitheatre in beautiful Galveston Island State Park.

"The Lone Star" will be the second outdoor drama in the country to have a six-month season. "Shepherd of the Hills" in Branson, Missouri, holds the other extended season and plays to audiences of more than 200 thousand people.

Roughly 30 thousand people

attended "The Lone Star" this year during its first season, which ran from June 29 through September 4. According to the Institute of Outdoor Drama, of the 45 dramas reporting attendance figures earlier this month, only 12 played to larger audiences than did "The Lone Star." Of these 12 productions, all but one have been running for more than five years.

"The Lone Star" follows Sam Houston, Davy Crockett and Jim Bowie as they clash with Mexico's Santa Anna in the Battle of San

Jacinto, the war that determined the future of Texas. After threatening cannon-fire, swift cavalry charges and courageous hand-to-hand attacks, the battle cry fades and an independent Republic of Texas is established.

Curtain time is 8:30 every night except Monday. A scrumptious barbecue dinner is served before the show in the amphitheatre restaurant. The theatre is located in Galveston Island State Park, Stewart Road or FM 3005 at 13-mile Road.

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CANCER ANSWER LINE American Cancer Society
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is a form of treatment which is closely monitored because *A photographer writes:* "Be- the drugs used are very cause I am a free-lance work- potent and it is important to er, I have some time to call tailor the dosage to individual my own. I would like to do response and needs. This is volunteer work for the accomplished by doing blood American Cancer Society, counts, x-ray tests, special but I want to do something isotope scans, analyses of meaningful. What can you general body function and suggest?"

ANSWERline: The sugges- of liver or kidney function. tions you request could fill many columns because your

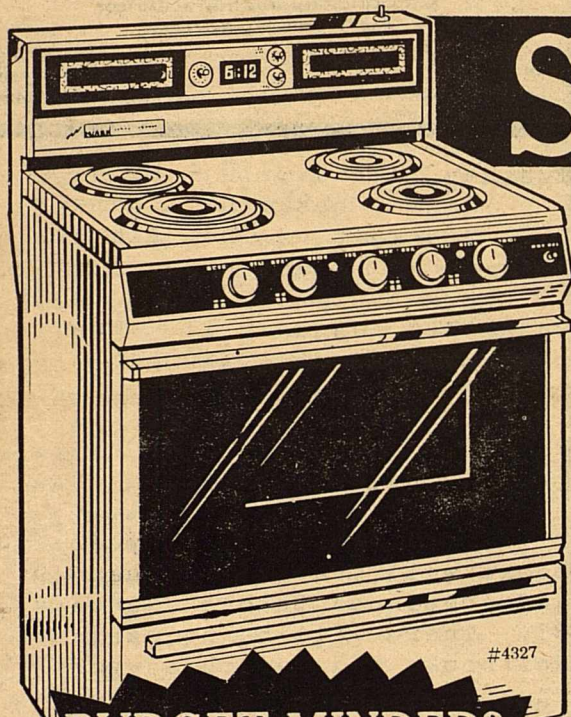
A secretary asks: "Can you local ACS Unit has need of give me some concrete guid- volunteers with different ance about whether or not a talents, interests and available woman should have mammo- time schedules. You might graphy? I read recently volunteer to drive cancer some frightening news stories patients to treatment centers that said that mammography or you might run a quit-smok- can cause cancer. I then ing clinic at a high school. cancelled my appointment You might use your photo- to have it done." graphy skills to publicize ACS

ANSWERline: Many women events or you might answer have "cancelled appoint- telephone calls from people ments" because of under- in your community with standable confusion resulting cancer-related problems. You from a decision to limit might organize a free Pap test routine mammographic clinic at a health fair, or you screening of women without might run an employee edu- symptoms to those women cation program in a factory. over 50. This is because of The ACS needs you and will the slight possibility that a be happy to tailor a volunteer younger woman might devel- spot "just for you."

op breast cancer 20 or 30 years after routine mammo- graphic x-rays are done. There is absolutely no question of the importance of routine mammography for women over 50. Mammo- graphy can find possible breast cancer in an extremely early stage when it is most easily and successfully treated. And breast cancer risk in- creases with age. Mammo-

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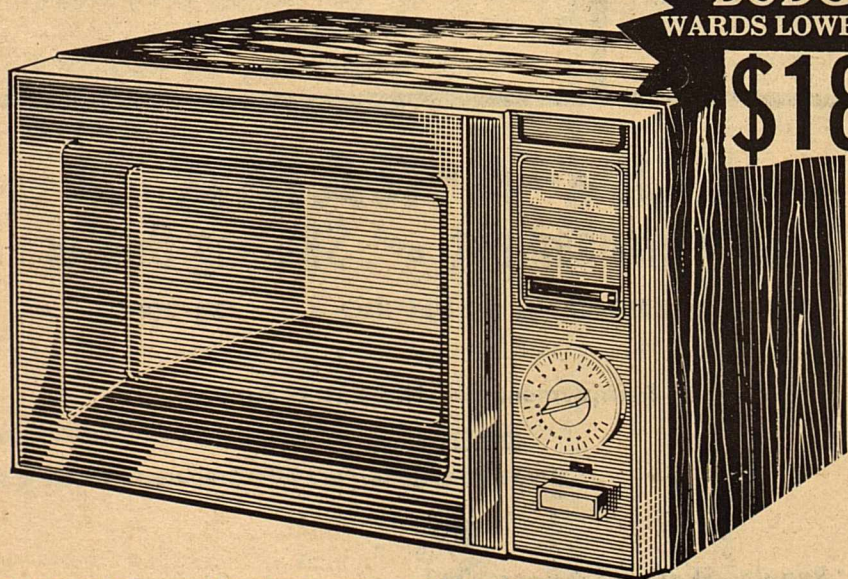
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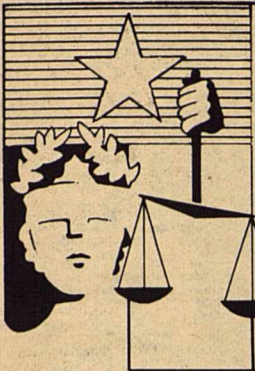
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Q: My husband and I have children from previous marriages and we've made no wills. Would they be entitled to any benefits from our retirement programs and insurance policies, which name each other as beneficiaries? And, how would our other assets, such as common stock, be divided if my husband dies first?

A: Benefits from a retirement program and proceeds from insurance policies would pass, upon the death of the owner, to the beneficiaries designated in each case. Those beneficiaries alone would be entitled to the benefits and proceeds. Other property belonging to a married person who died without leaving a will would pass to the deceased spouse's children, with two possible exceptions: the surviving spouse would receive one-third of any separate personal property, and any separate real property would be subject to a life estate one-third ownership and homestead rights to which the surviving spouse is entitled.

Q: I made a down payment on a mobile home several months before I remarried. My husband and I have been making payments on the mobile home from our joint checking account. We want to make sure his children from a previous marriage have no claims to the mobile home if one of us dies. How could we do this?

A: Texas law does not include step-children as natural heirs, although they may be included in the will. A step-mother's property purchased before marriage is not community property and therefore is not subject to claims by a husband's children or other heirs. However, payments made from community property to finance a step-mother's non-community property are open to reimbursement claims made by her husband's heirs.

Q: My husband's salary is \$19,000. He pays child support totaling \$3,120 for two dependents. Can he carry one dependent as a tax exemption, leaving me to claim the other child?

A: When divorced parents have reached agreement concerning the claiming of exemptions for the children and the exemptions are lawful and not duplicated, the arrangement generally will be accepted by the IRS. The internal revenue service code provides that an individual who furnishes over one-half of a dependent's support is entitled to claim the exemption credit for

that dependent on his or her tax return. Special rules are provided for exemptions for children of divorced parents, and these rules vary according to the amount of support furnished by each parent and the wording of the divorce decree.

Q: I got a divorce in May and remarried. My ex-husband sends the child support payments only when he wants to. My new husband supports my children and I feel he should be their father instead of my ex-husband. Is there a way he could adopt them? And, if I die, would my ex-husband gain custody of them?

A: A child cannot be adopted by a step-father unless the natural father consents or loses his parental rights by order of a court. Persistent non-payment of child support is one ground for seeking termination of parental rights. A natural father who retains parental rights cannot be denied possession and control of his children if his former wife dies, unless a court finds that he is an unfit parent and that the children's best interests would be served by having them become wards of the state.

Q: My sisters and I jointly own several savings bonds, and I would like to make sure they retain the bonds if I should die. My husband and I have wills making each other the beneficiaries. Would these bonds get tied up in my estate, or could my sisters cash them, if I die before my husband?

A: U. S. Savings Bonds are subject to regulation by the federal government. According to federal regulations, joint ownership making the bonds payable to one person or another person would result in ownership passing to the other owner, or owners, if one owner dies. In this case, it would not be necessary for them to be reported as assets of the estate of the deceased person, but they should be reported for purposes of federal and state death taxes.

The President Says Business Is Booming - But Then He's Got A Better Location, And He Doesn't Have To Pay Any Rent Or Show A Profit.

Texas Taxes



By BOB BULLOCK, State Comptroller

AUSTIN — In recent months my office has compiled a number of reports dealing with various aspects of Texas' economic and tax picture that I think are of particular interest to taxpayers of this state.

I'd like to share some of the highlights with you. One of the most favorable reports — and one which concerns all of us as taxpayers — is a comparison of the state tax load of the residents of the 50 states.

In this category, Texas ranked as the best in the nation behind New Hampshire last year with a per capita state tax rate of \$273. This is far below the national average of \$408.

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ranked Texas above all other states in terms of taxes, laws and regulations which are attractive to business.

Recent figures compiled by the U.S. Commerce Department shows that per capita personal income in Texas shot upwards 52 percent in the past five years. That was the largest increase among the large industrial states and the third highest in the nation.

What all of this points to is a sound and striving economy. Our big challenge ahead is to keep it that way.

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Sul Ross State University has recently received approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and the Texas Education Agency to offer a graduate program for professional certification in reading.

The program is designed to prepare professionals in reading. A reading specialist can evaluate, administer and interpret reading tests; prescribe reading activities for demonstrated needs; determine difficulty level of reading materials; and demonstrate a variety of techniques for helping students master reading ob-

jectives. Developing good reading skills will assist students not only in literature classes, but will aid them in reading science, social studies, and math. The reading teacher will help the students develop reading skills useful in all subject areas and can suggest books appropriate for maturity level and interest.

Individuals holding a masters degree in education need a total of 30 semester hours for the Reading Specialist Certificate. An individual who does not hold a masters degree can pursue a masters degree in education with Sul Ross and specialize in reading.

The program will begin its initial course offerings during the Spring '77 semester. Those desiring additional information about the program should contact Dr. Janet Fair, Sul Ross State University, Uvalde Study Center, Uvalde, Texas 78801, (512) 278-3443.

WNET ON THE MOVE

WNET, National Education Television, New York, who recently filmed at Alamo Village is now in the midst of another production. A tribute to swing music of the 1940s and a live telecast from the Grand Old Opry in Nashville will highlight "Festival '78," two weeks of special programs and fund raising March 4-19 on PBS. The swing session on March 18 features top "big bands," including those of WOODY HERMAN, MAYNARD FERGUSON and COUNT BASIE, with singers HELEN HUMES and JOE WILLIAMS. The Meadowbrook, a New Jersey nightclub famous in the '40s for its bigband music, provides the setting for these groups. THE PIED PIPERS and other singing groups will perform at a New York City club of the period. And EARL HINES, BILLY ECKSTINE and DIZZY GILLESPIE--whose black bands of the '40s helped shape modern jazz--are also on the bill. On March 11 the Grand Ole Opry telecast offers 20 to 30 top country-western acts. Both music specials are being produced by WNET-TV in New York.

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