

Car License Sub-Station Set for Merkel

The Taylor County Tax Assessor-Collector's office has made arrangements to open a sub-station in the Merkel City Hall as a convenience to the people of the Western area of the county. The purpose of the sub-station will be to issue car license tags only. The 1973 automobile tags will go on sale Thursday, February 1st. The State of Texas requires that all vehicles be registered and licensed by April 1st.

Mrs. Lem Dudley will open the Taylor County sub-station in the Merkel City Hall on Thursday, February 1st. The tax office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each Thursday and Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to Noon each Saturday during the automobile license season.

The Taylor County Tax office urges that the computer cards be used when registering vehicles. These cards are mailed out by the State for all vehicles previously registered.

Cookies Sale Starts Feb. 9

More than three thousand girls in the sixteen county area of the West Texas Girl Scout Council are preparing for their twenty-second annual cookie sale.

Troop meetings are being devoted to discussion and preparation for the sale. Skits are FUN — the girls play act their sales approach. They learn to handle money, and to be business-like. They also practice good manners and good grooming.

The ethical code (Promise and the Law) becomes relevant to the occasion and the times — a Scout will do her best to be honest, to be fair, to help where she is needed, to be cheerful, to be friendly and considerate, to be a sister to every Girl Scout, to respect authority, to use resources wisely — (don't eat the cookies!), to protect and improve the world around her, and to show respect for herself and others through her words and actions.

Dates of the sale are February 9 through February 17. Cookies come in family size boxes of assorted sandwich, chocolate mint, butter shorties and peanut butter. They sell for one dollar a box.

When you buy one box — EAT it — get another box quick! Give the Scouts a chance to perfect their practice.

Lions Meet Tues., Feb. 6

The Lions Club will have a luncheon Tuesday at the Lions Club building.

This will be a joint club meeting because the Optimist Club has been invited to attend.

Guest speaker will be James Hallmark from the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene. He will give a slide program for the Lions and Optimist members.

Trent Girls Honored At State Tournament

Information from Dr. Rhea Williams, director of the University Interscholastic League, has been received that Trent's girls' state championship team of 1964 will be honored at the 1973 Girls' State Tournament. A special section will be reserved in Gregory Gymnasium for the players, coach, and their immediate families. Each team member and their coach will be introduced at center court during the halftime of the championship game.

The following girls were mem-

Farewell Mr. President Merkel Bids Farewell To Lyndon Johnson

By LAVONNE BUNCH

Whether one agreed with his policies and tactics or not, it is a fact that Lyndon B. Johnson was a great man.

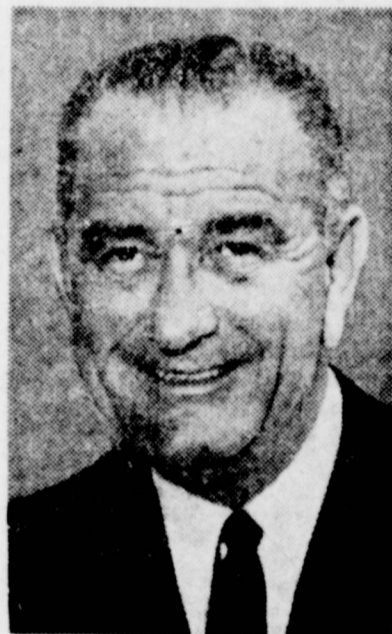
Merkel and her people were touched by his magnetic personality, as was the nation and the world. Many knew Mr. Johnson personally and most had respect for the tall Texan, the 36th president.

For two decades Merkel's young men bought their first long trousers from Max Mellinger, the merchant who sold Lyndon Johnson his first pair of long trousers.

Mrs. Mack Fisher recalls college days of 1929-30 at San Marcos. "He was a leader, a dedicated, involved leader, even then," she said.

Mr. Johnson was a frequent visitor to the Tom Largent's, his cousin. There is a room designated as the "LBJ" room in the home, now owned by Dr. and Mrs. Jarrett Williams.

On one trip here, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Cox rode to An-



LYNDON JOHNSON
...succumbs

son with the aspiring young Senator, where he made a campaign speech. "He was absolutely gracious," says Mrs. Cox. She relates the story of how Mr. Johnson cut red tape which hindered the initial loan to the R.E.A. of which Mr. Cox was

the first manager. Several months had lapsed since application, the Washington machinery seemed to be bogged down, when Mr. Cox called Johnson at lunch with a plea for help — the next morning, there was a telegram with work orders for the infant REA, thus bringing progress and jobs to the area.

Don Hart, present manager, praises Mr. Johnson's efforts for rural service. "The President had REA service to his ranch and certainly realized the necessity of rural cooperatives."

Mrs. John Crain of Trent says, "He had an impossible task when he became president, but he did the best job any man could do. He remained a president to all people — I'm proud he was a Texan."

The military, student, aged: the list is endless of Merkelites whose lives were directly touched by LBJ. No doubt, he will be remembered as the Great Man from across the Pedernales River, especially by those who live near the Mulberry.

DATEBOOK

THURSDAY, FEB. 1

LADIES AUXILIARY of the Fire Department will meet at 7:30 to elect officers at the Fire Station.

FRIDAY, FEB. 2

MISSIONETTE Prims will meet at 2:45 p.m. at Assembly of God Church.

JR. AND SR. MISSIONETTES will have their meeting at 4:00 p.m. at Assembly of God Church.

TUESDAY, FEB. 6

ROYAL AMBASSADORS of the First Baptist Church will meet 4:5-30 at the church.

LIONS CLUB will meet Tuesday at the Lions Club building. Guest speaker will be James Hallmark from West Texas Rehabilitation Center.

VOLUNTEER FIREMAN will meet at 7:30 for fire practice at the Fire Station.

LAMBDA BETA, BETA SIG MA PHI meets in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church with Billy and Sandra Haynes guest speakers on "Travel."

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7

GIRLS AUXILIARY of the First Baptist Church meets 4:5-30 p.m. at the church.

Donors Listed to Merkel's FFA-4-H Livestock Show

Following is a list of merchants and individuals who contributed to the Merkel Livestock show:

Hicks Auto Supply, Ben Franklin Store, E. A. Conley Barber Shop, Lone Star Gas Co, Crawford's, West Texas Utilities Co., Farmers And Merchants Bank, Dudley T.V. Service, J. D. Sandusky Jr., Agri-Business Co., Billy Joe Toombs, Bowman Lumber Co., and Jimmy Partin Ins.

Also International Tractor Co., Ranchers and Farmers Livestock Auction, Palmer Motor Co., J. V. Hester, Vincent Barnett, Bullock Hardware, Ed Lewis, and S&T Tire Co.

Also Ann's Flowers, Carsons,

Starbucks, Glamour Bar, Jimmy Russell, Wilson Food, Mansfield Farm and Ranch, Jerry Merritt, Ed Feed and Seed, A. L. Moore, S. B. Toombs, Ford Smith Jr., Robert L. Campbell, Merkel Locker, Merkel Restaurant, Buddy Windam Fina, Hardy Groc., Maurice Johnson, Dorothy Gilmore and Farmers Coop Gin-Merkel.

Also Waldo Cox, Joe Higgins, Murrell Chevrolet, Dubose Texaco, Margaret Hunter, Gwendell Clemmer, Taylor Telephone, LeRoy Riney, Don Dudley, Trent Gin, T. J. Neill, Asteroid Motel, Merkel Drug, and J. L. Fisher.



JOHNNY JONES
...on Dean's List

Johnny Jones On Dean's List

Johnny Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Jones of Trent has qualified for the Texas Tech Agricultural Science dean's list at Texas Tech in Lubbock.

To qualify, a student must be enrolled for 12 hours of courses or more, excluding pass-fail courses, and have a 3.0 average or better on a 4.0 system.

Johnny is majoring in Animal Business. He is a 1970-graduate of Trent High School.

Singing Held At Hodges Baptist

The regular 1st Friday Night Singing will be held at the Hodges Baptist Church at 7:30 this Friday night.

Everyone is invited and urged to attend.

Refreshments will be served and we guarantee you a good time, so come on out and be with us.

Stith HD Club In 1st Meeting

Stith Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, January 24, for the first meeting of the year.

Mrs. O. R. Dickerson gave the dedication and Mrs. Fletcher Jones led the prayer.

Roll call was answered with "Name a Medicine You Take" and the program on "Medicine Today" was discussed. And the program on "New Traffic Laws and Signs" was read by Mrs. Dickerson and Mrs. Tony Helmer.

The club voted to send \$10.00 to the West Texas Rehabilitation Center in Abilene.

Names for pals were drawn. The hostess gift went to Mrs. Ray Perry.

Refreshments were served to ten members.

Mrs. Paul Bradley will be hostess when the club meets February 7.

Collenna Willis Coaches Merkel Badgerette Squad



COLLENNA WILLIS
... girls coach

At first glance, it's difficult to distinguish Collenna Davis Willis as coach among the Merkel Badgerettes Basketball squad. In the few years since she played for Eula High School, Mrs. Willis has packed many events into her life. A graduate of Howard Payne College, she was active in campus life, where she met and married Ronnie Willis. They are parents of a 2½ year old son, Lee; they live in Abilene.

Collenna attend church at Hamby Baptist and are rather busy in their separate careers.

Mrs. Willis is not an advocate of the Liberation Movement, although she is one of the few female coaches in the Big Country. I'm doing what I feel is necessary for me to do. An understanding husband and a good babysitter makes my job easier.

Merkel has had only two women coaches in the last 20 or so years and Mrs. Willis is happy to be the third. "I like a small school, having come from one even smaller than Merkel. I am disappointed in that our team has not won more games this year, but we've had some tough breaks against some tough teams. Our girls are young and aggressive and team work is getting better. Being on a team confronts each member with a challenge to become a better person, it builds confidence and character and that's the important thing." The intramural volleyball teams are prof of this fact. Mrs. Willis teaches biology and will coach the girls track team. "This will be a new experience for me," says the petite teacher, but we have high hopes for several blue ribbons."

Basketball Highlights

Merkel Badgers traveled to Lion Country Friday, Jan. 26, to meet Albany, where the "B" boys were defeated 36-34 in a

new ball game at half time.

The Badgerettes had a brand new game at halftime with a 22-22 tie, however the Albany girls edged by them to a 48-42 fall.

The Varsity scored their highest victory 79-57 against the Lions Tuesday, Jan. 30 — again the Badger Varsity scored high, 76-55 when the Roscoe Plowboys bowed. Merkel got off to a slow start but finally got it together. Steve Teaff put 24 on the scoreboard, Robert Mergan had 18.

"B" boys spurt in the 3rd quarter was overcome in a final score of 49-44, Roscoe taking the win.

The Badgerettes fine guard action held the Roscoe girls to a 50-49 grind. Merkel played a well organized game against the Plowgirls.

Basket Maker Club:

Albany Roscoe	
Steve Teaff	11 24
Robert Morgan	18 18
Darel Bunch	20 9
Jackie Sims	4 6
David Copeland	14 9
John Gray	3 7
Paul Duran	2 1
Tommy Law	3 2
Jeff Cox	4 8
Doug Hutchings	5 8
Derral Higgins	12 21
Billy Watts	4 6
Larry Tolver	8 8
Steve Peachy	2 2
John Frazier	2 2
Paul Tucker	5 5
Steve Shugart	2 2
Lind Blalk	15 15
Netta Stephan	17 18
Patsy Button	10 16



ADULT SUPERVISORS LOOKING OVER THE Table Croquet are from left to right Mrs. Larry Justice, Mrs. Leon Harris and Rev. Russell McAnally. (photo by Connie Harris)

Youth Activity Building Is Open for Use Now

Finally — the Merkel Youth Activity building is open for use by local grades and high school age children. It is not completed, and there is much work to be done. We will play as we work.

The building will be open from 3:30 to 7:00 each week day Monday through Friday. It will be open on Saturday and Sunday afternoon — possibly, if there are volunteer workers to provide adult supervision.

This building is to provide a place of recreation for those who need a place to spend a part of their time. It is there for the use of your children. They will be allowed to enter or leave the building as they choose. We will be in charge of the boys and girls while they are in the building, but when they leave the building they will be the parents responsibility. There is a telephone in the building listed under the name of "Community Action Program."

At the present time we have pool tables — Bumper pool tables — Table Tennis — Table Croquet and other games of

skill and pleasure. We could use another pool table and table tennis table. We are in need of folding steel chairs, and other tables. There will be cokes and other drinks — for a price. There is no charge for the use of the building and games by the boys and girls.

Other groups of young people and adults may be able to schedule parties or meetings after the closing hour of 7:30 each evening. We might work out a "Family Night" one night a week where parents could come with their children. We want the building to be used as much as possible. Other groups — other than youth — would probably want to leave a little contribution to help with the utilities.

The Community Action Program has helped us with this program, and will continue to do so. They pay for the worker who will be responsible for the building and all activities from 3:30 until closing time. They also pay the rent on the building. Everything else that is done will be done by local people and we desire your support.

Trent HS Honor Roll

Trent High School Honor Roll for the first semester was announced recently. They are as follows:

A HONOR ROLL
Pam King, Cindy Beasley, Becky White, Rebecca Freeman, Susan Carter, Gayla Heatly, Peggy Watson, Tina Hamner, Judy Brnovak, Anetia Frazier, Rose Garza and Allan Gregory.

B HONOR ROLL
Cathy Carter, Bob Reed, Steve Bland, Bonnie Mitchell, John Slaughter, Tom McLean, Diana Bishop, Becky Bryan, Kris James and Jo Reed.

CEMETERY FUND

Recent donations to the Merkel Cemetery Association.
Mr. & Mrs. Ollie Fox in memory of Elmer Patterson.
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Two Merkel Students Get Degrees

A total of 986 students in the six colleges and the Graduate School at Texas Tech University completed work for degrees at the conclusion of the fall semester.

Of that total, 174 were graduate students, 25 qualifying for doctorates and 149 for masters degrees.

Because no formal graduation exercises are conducted at the conclusion of the fall semester, students who qualified for their degrees are invited to participate in the spring commencement.

Candidates for Bachelor's Degrees in Business Administration from Merkel are Tim Beasley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Teaff, Management, 1406 Heath, Joe Dixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Dixon, Management, 412 Locust Street.

Boy Scouts Give Awards At Banquet

A highlight of the Annual Recognition Banquet of the Chisholm Trial Council, Boy Scouts of America was the awarding of the Silver Beaver award to three outstanding Scouters and the Silver Fawn award to an outstanding Scouter.

The Silver Beaver awards were presented to Judge J. Neil Daniel and Maurice Hufstедler of Abilene and to Abe Turner of Haskell. Mrs. Edith Rowe of Abilene was awarded the Silver Fawn.

Installed as President of the Council for 1973 was Mr. LeRoy Bell of Abilene. Installed along with Mr. Bell were Charles Moser and J. Neil Daniel, Vice-Presidents; Bobbie Lee Wolfe, Council Treasurer. Bob Nelson, Assistant Treasurer, Dr. Joe Alexander, Council Commissioner and members of the Councils Executive Board.

District Award of Merits were awarded to Frank Myrick, Robert Forkner, and LeRoy Giddens.

The feature speaker for the evening was Mr. John Dupree, Director of Field Operations for the South Central Region, Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Dupree is headquartered in Dallas.

Mr. Bell in recognizing Mr. Chuck Moser for his service as Council President during 1972, announced that the Chisholm Trail had received the Spencer Award for achieving all of its goals during 1972. He remarked that this was an outstanding achievement.

Only 13,000 Samples For Week Ending Jan. 26

Receipts of cotton samples remained low at the U.S.D.A. Cotton Classing Office in Abilene where only 13,000 samples were classed for the week ending January 26. The scattered light rains and snow that fell negated the drying weather of the previous week, and will extend the cotton harvest in all Northwest Texas. Harvest is comparatively advanced in comparison to last season in spite of recent, poor harvest conditions. At this date last season only 173,000 samples had been classed, while this season's total stands at 350,000 samples.

Grades 42 and 52 were the predominant qualities classed this past week; at 55 and 17 per cent, respectively. Other grade distributions are: grade 51 at 16 per cent and grade 41 at 11 per

cent. Bark reductions were consistent with the prior week at 38 per cent.

Staple lengths ranged from 30 to 33. Staple 31 comprised 47 per cent of the total, and 40 per cent was staple 32.

Micronaire readings were 44 per cent low, 1 per cent high, and 55 per cent in the premium range.

B. B. Manly, Jr. of the U.S.D.A. Agricultural Marketing Service reports that cotton prices were erratic. Prices advanced 1 to 4 cents per pound early in the week and had declined by about 3 cents by the end of the week. The price for premium micronaire, grade 49 cotton with staple 31 ranged from 24.75 to 25.50 cents per pound, and 5231's brought from 21.65 to 24.95.

FARMCAST

For Your Information... Now It's Official... A Honey of a Story... Citrus Harvest Ending on Sweet Note... Spring Potato Acreage Declines.

Although the regular 1973 prospective plantings report won't be issued until mid-March, here are the latest preliminary crop acreage estimates for 35 states: Upland cotton plantings are expected to total 12,900,000 acres, down seven percent from 1972. Sorghum growers expect to plant 19,100,000 acres, an increase of 10 percent from a year earlier. 20,300,000 acres are one percent more than 1972. Barley planted acreage is expected to total 10,100,000 acres, one percent less than 1972. Corn growers expect to plant 70,500,000 acres, up seven percent from 1972. Durum wheat plantings are expected to be at a new record high of 2,800,000 acres, and nine percent above 1972. Other spring wheat planted acreage at an expected 11,700,000 acres, is up 17 percent from 1972. Soybean plantings are expected to reach a record high of 48,800,000 acres, up five percent above 1972. Flaxseed plantings are indicated at 1,150,000 acres, down three percent from 1972.

EVEN though it's been predicted before, now it's official: 1972 crop production in Texas has exceeded production of 1971 in almost every category.

The Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service notes that production of cotton, grain sorghum, wheat, oats, barley, rye, soybeans, flaxseed, peanuts and sugar beets reached levels significantly above production in 1971.

Corn and rice were the only major crops which fell short of the 1971 production level. Peanuts, corn, grain sorghum, and hay attained record high yields per harvested acre, while cotton, wheat, oats, barley, rye, and flaxseed either equalled or exceeded yields per acre reached in 1971.

Upland cotton production in Texas is estimated at 4,050,000 bales, almost double that of 1971; grain sorghum production for 1972 is estimated at 319,780,000 bushels, up almost 20,000,000 bushels from 1971; corn production is estimated at 39,560,000 bushels, down slightly from 1971; peanut production is estimated at a record 478,800,000 pounds; soybean production is

set at 5,460,000 bushels, almost double 1971; rice production is estimated at 22,122,000 cwt., down about 1,000,000, from 1971; hay production for 1972 is set at 4,109,000 tons, down slightly from 1971; wheat production at 44,000,000 bushels for 1972 compares with 31,416,000 bushels in 1971; oat production at 9,720,000 bushels compares with only 5,994,000 bushels in 1971.

HONEY production in Texas during 1972 totaled 11,363,000 pounds, up 35 percent from 1971. Average price per pound for all honey in 1972 was 26 cents, which is 8.1 cents above the 1972 average price per pound of 17.9 cents. Total value of honey and beeswax produced in Texas in 1972 is estimated at \$3,090,000 compared with \$1,641,000 in 1971.

HARVEST of grapefruit and early and midseason oranges is active in the Rio Grande Valley. Heavy movements of fruit into both fresh market and processing channels in underway. Exports are expected to increase during January and account for a significant percentage of the total fresh market movement.

INTENDED plantings for spring potatoes in Texas for 1973 is down 11 percent from the 1972 crop. Growers intend to plant 7,100 acres this year compared with 8,000 acres last season.

Planting is continuing in the Valley. About 70 percent of the Lower Rio Grande Valley crop will be fresh market reds and the remaining 30 percent will be chipping potatoes.

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Trent Girl Is Teaching

Over 60 students at Hardin-Simmons University have begun their student teaching in Abilene and area public schools this spring, according to Dr. Jack Longbotham, chairman of the division of education at H-SU.

Cheryl Kincaid of Trent is among one of the 60 students do student teaching. She is teaching art at Trent.

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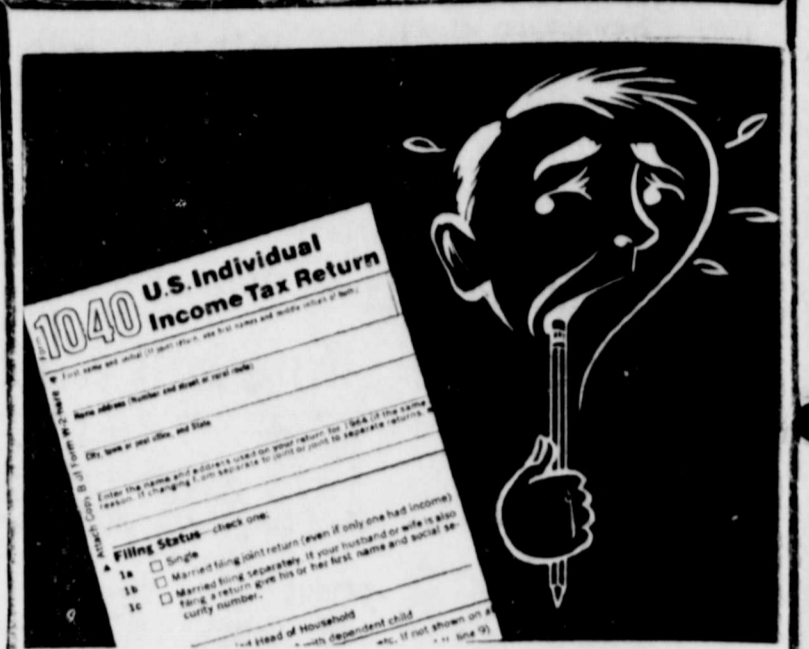
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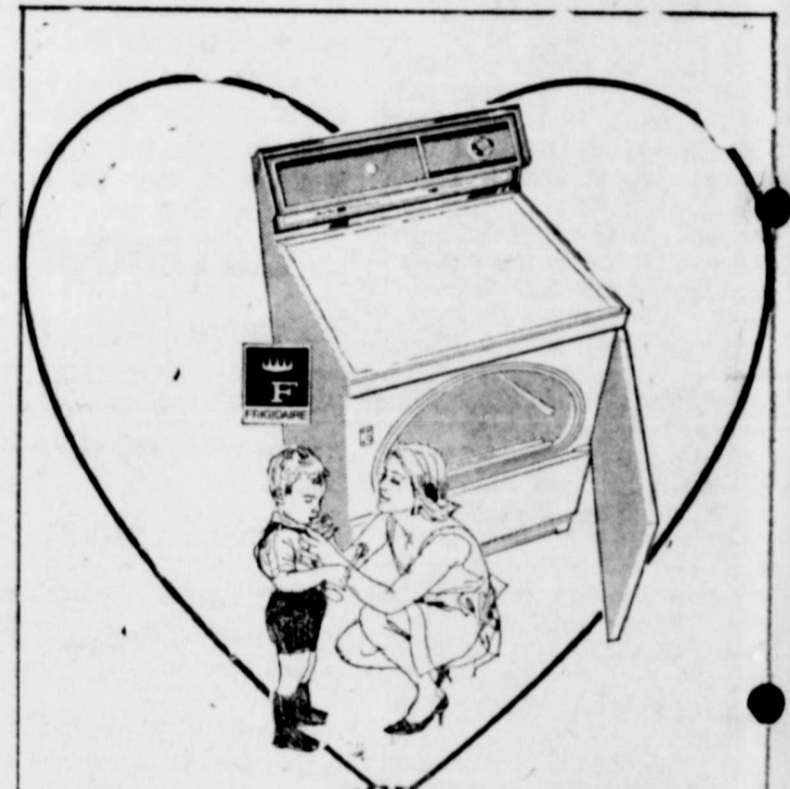
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Missionette News

Officers of Missionettes were reviewed. They are President, Susie Davis; 1st vice president Jeannessa Cyert; 2nd vice president, Gwyn Taff; secretary and treasurer, Debbie Glascock reporter, Susan Wheeler and song leader, Janet Wade. The meeting began with visual aid story read by Susan Wheeler. Games were enjoyed. Missionettes are planning to take a part in phase II of Key 73. Refreshments were served by Gwyn Taff. Missionettes will sponsor a bake sale Saturday, Feb. 3.

Texas Baptist News

DALLAS — The Rev. Leobarda Estrada Sr., a native of Mexico and a former Texan, will become the first Latin to head language missions ministries in the history of the 1.9-million-member Baptist General Convention of Texas.

The Rev. Mr. Estrada, 58, now of Syracuse, N. Y., was elected by the Texas Baptist State Missions Commission to succeed Dr. Dallas P. Lee, who retired after 12 years as Texas Baptist language missions coordinator. Since 1970, the Rev. Mr. Estrada has directed the language ministries of the Baptist General Convention of New York state, where he worked with 16 language groups.

Before that, the native of Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico, directed language ministries for eight years in New York City for the 12-million-member Southern Baptist Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Estrada's main duties, said Dr. Charles Lee Williamson, Texas Baptist missions division director, will include coordinating programs related to language groups in all Texas Baptist departments and divisions.

He will also serve as the principal liaison with some 500 Spanish-speaking churches in Texas and administrate the \$55,000 per year Texas Baptist Latin American Scholarship program.

The Rev. Mr. Estrada will also direct the convention's Latin American Youth Congress and Latin American Youth Camp, largest gatherings of Latin American youth in Texas, and serve as editor of El Bautista Mexicano, the monthly Texas Baptist Spanish magazine.

Besides Spanish-speaking groups, the Rev. Mr. Estrada

will also coordinate Texas Baptist work with other language groups.

He was a professor at Torreon, Mexico's Mexican Baptist Theological Seminary in the mid 1940's when it was in El Paso, Texas. He has also served as pastor of the First Mexican Baptist Churches of El Paso and Dallas and the First Spanish Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif.

Other pastorates have been in Spanish-speaking Texas Baptist churches in Fort Worth, San Antonio and Alpine.

The Rev. Mr. Estrada is a graduate of Southern Methodist University, Dallas, and Mexican Baptist Theological Seminary. He also holds bachelor of divinity and master of theology degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth.

He is former president of the Mexican Baptist Departmental Convention, statewide convention for Spanish-speaking Baptists in Texas, and has served as second vice president of the nationwide Southern Baptist Convention and first vice president for Southern Baptists in California.

The Rev. Mr. Estrada was also the main speaker on "La Hora Bautista," produced by the national Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission. Fort Worth, Texas. He has written four books and received two awards for distinctive public service in broadcasting.

He is married to the former Isabel Avila, a native of Torreon, Mexico, and has four children. A son, Dr. Leo Estrada Jr., is a professor at North Texas State University, Denton, Texas.

Girl Scout Brownie News Girl Scout News

By Loyce Baker

The second year brownies met last Tuesday, January 23 at the scout hut. They practiced their parts in a play.

The brownies will be selling girl scout cookies in February and they practiced making a sale.

Mrs. Don Glascock served refreshments to the following members: Stacy Seymore, Kristi Alves, Marie Moreno, Nancy Click, Loyce Baker, Deneen Patton, Debbie Williams, Janice Jacobs, Roberta Duran, Judy Glascock, Oleta and Rene Aiken.

Cookie time is just around the corner, Feb. 9-17. The Brownies will be selling for the first time. Besides individual prizes of patches and free camperships, the girls will be working hard for other things.

The 2nd year Brownies hope to earn enough "profits" for their troop for a skating party and eating out afterwards. The Junior girls will be working toward a trip to Six Flags next spring.

The girls will be counting on your help to help them earn these trips by buying cookies. The troops make 8½ cents per box on the cookies.

Texas Water Assn. Meets Feb. 9-10 Cadette News

Top state and national leaders will be featured during the 4th Annual Meeting of the Texas Association of Rural Water Corporations in the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Dallas, February 9-10.

The featured speakers list includes Senator Lloyd Bentsen during the Annual Banquet on February 9. The Senator's address will update rural water corporation leaders on recent changes related to rural development programs.

The Ladies Luncheon, Friday noon, will feature Jean Adams from the Dallas Morning News. During the first general session, State Representative Bill Clayton from Springlake will discuss the State's underground water sources and future trends related to regulations on the resource.

Our Cadette Troop attended a Cadette do-dad Saturday, Jan. 27 from 9:30 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. in Abilene.

Workshop subjects offered the girls were drama, poetry, decorative knot craft, cake decorating, campcraft, arts and crafts and Good Grooming.

Each girl had an hour class in her choice of 3 different work shops.

We carried our sack lunch and had a style show presented to us while we ate.

Merkel Cadettes and all Abilene troops attended.

We had our regular meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of our leader, Mrs. Boyd Baker. One of the 4-H girl cooking groups served refreshments of cheese bread called covered wagons and grape kool-aid.

SCHOOL MENU

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MONDAY

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TUESDAY

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WEDNESDAY

Meat Balls, Tomato Sauce, Buttered Spinach, Buttered Corn, Hot Rolls, Butter, Spice Cake with Brown Sugar Topping.

THURSDAY

Beef and Cheese Pizza, Pinto Beans, Cabbage, Pepper Relish, Wholewheat Bread, Butter, Apple Wedges.

FRIDAY

Hamburgers, Oven - Fried Potatoes.

Bynum Is Information Specialist

Donald V. Bynum has been named area information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service for West Central Texas and the Rolling Plains.

Bynum, who has served in the same position at Denton and Dallas for the past 10 years, is headquartered at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at San Angelo.

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BADGER TRACKS

By STEVE WALKER

I don't know it's my imagination or no, but it seems as though the second semester is going a lot slower. Activities are slow right now, all but the sports. I would like to say again how proud Merkel is of our basketball boys and girls. Merkel has put out some fine games. The A boys are rated second in our district right now. There is one thing I have ALWAYS seen in Merkel's sports active young people and that's good sportsmanship. I believe Merkel High rates tops in any game with good sportsmanship. The Student Council had its monthly business meeting this past Monday. Several new ideas were discussed such as a suggestion box to be placed in the hall of the high school. If there is any suggestion, complaint, or

opinion you would like to share, place it in the box and it will be discussed at the Student Council meeting.

The council discussed an all school project headed by Steve Walker, reporter of Student Council. Plans have been in the making since school started for a year scrap book to be presented to someone at the end of the year. Now is the time to be thinking of a design for the cover. All high school students are asked to give their own designs. Once they are all gathered, one outstanding one will be chosen to be used for our scrapbook design. The person who draws the design will receive a gift of some kind.

It's possible for a senior now to be able to qualify not to take the final exam. They do have to meet qualifications though. See ya next week!

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To: Sherman Parish, Defendant, GREETING:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 5 day of March A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court.

on the 17 day of Jan. A.D. 1973, in this cause, numbered 7787 on the docket of said court and styled In Re: Anita Fay Parish, Charlotte Parish, Wenwood Jenkins Paris, III.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Adoption as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 17 day of Jan. A.D. 1973.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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To: James Edwin Archer, Defendant, Greeting:

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A.D. 1972, in this cause, numbered 7691 on the docket of said court and styled Kathy Ann Archer, Plaintiff, vs. James Edwin Archer, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Divorce, Married January 23, 1972, separated March 20, 1972. No children and no community property as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 4th day of January A.D. 1973.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD,
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Adkins, Deputy.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS

To: Larry Eugene Davidson, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable Domestic Relations Court of Taylor County at the Courthouse thereof, in Abilene, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 19 day of Feb. A.D. 1973, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 16 day of Nov. A.D. 1972,

in this cause, numbered 7648 on the docket of said court and styled Jacie Carmen Davidson, Plaintiff, vs. Larry Eugene Davidson, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: a suit for divorce as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

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Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Abilene, Texas, this the 4 day of Jan. A.D. 1973.

Attest: IRENE CRAWFORD,
Clerk, Domestic Relations Court, Taylor County, Texas
By Marie Gill, Deputy.

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ROUND-UP

By KAYE LANHAM

ELMER HERRING had lung surgery last Tuesday in Hendrick Memorial Hospital in Abilene.

LUM GILBERT is back in the hospital at Hendrick Memorial Hospital.

DENT GIBSON and Henry West are also in the hospital at Hendrick. Mr. West has improved some.

STEVE HERRING and family of Snyder visited his parents here over the weekend. They are Mr. and Mrs. John Stout.

MRS. RAYMOND FERGUSON had surgery on her foot Tuesday morning at Hendrick Memorial Hospital.

MRS. DON WILSON and Parker of Colorado have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson.

THERE HAS been quite a few of the Merkels residents down with the flu this week. Several of the downtown employes have been out. About 11 or so have been out with the flu at REA.

Raymond Houtchens Named Supervisor

Raymond Houtchens of Lubbock has been named by Commissioner John C. White as supervisor of Texas Department of Agriculture activities in 80 counties of the High Plains and West Texas, effective February 1.

The new district supervisor, whose headquarters will be in Lubbock, succeeds Doland Olson, who is being transferred to Stephenville (District II) to fill a vacancy caused by the death of H. A. Weatherly last December 11.

Commissioner White explained that his Department has divided the State into seven districts in order to make its services more readily available to the public. Other districts are headquartered at Tyler, Houston, Brenham, San Antonio and Pharr.

Houtchens, an inspector in District I since he joined the Texas Department of Agriculture in 1963, will maintain his office at 1924 34th Street in Lub-

bock. His responsibilities include all departmental activities in counties of the Panhandle area, and in counties extending from El Paso in the West of the Abilene and San Angelo areas of the East.

Requests for assistance in the 80-county area should be made directly to Houtchens in the Lubbock office, Commissioner White said.

Houtchens graduated from Brownfield High School and went into the U.S. Navy in 1944 and served in the Pacific Theater during the latter stages of World War II. He graduated from Texas Tech University in 1950 with a major in animal husbandry.

He farmed in eastern New Mexico for six years and worked for two years with an oil field supply firm. He is married and the father of four children.

Accent on Health

By J. E. PEAVY, M.D.,
Commissioner of Health

What are the 10 leading causes of death and the 10 most frequently occurring communicable diseases in Texas? And how does Texas compare with the rest of the nation?

These questions have been answered by state health officials in their year-end reports, and the answers can be eye-opening. For example, two of the most frequently occurring diseases in Texas are gonorrhea and syphilis. These venereal diseases — VD, for short — are transmitted from one infected individual to another through close sexual contact.

Some optimistic notes show up in the state health officials' reports which reflect the better health care now available to Texans.

"There has been a sizeable drop in the occurrence of many of the childhood diseases which can be prevented through protective immunizations," said Dr. M. S. Dickerson, Chief of the State Health Department's Communicable Disease Services Section.

"This decline in occurrence of these diseases probably reflects the new mandatory school immunization law, which requires all school-age children and some kindergarten-age children to be protected against these diseases before they can enroll in school," said Dr. Dickerson.

State Health Department statistics indicate the following ranking of communicable diseases occurring in Texas in 1972, and the number of cases reported to the State Health Department:

The leading communicable disease in 1972 in Texas was influenza and other flu-like illnesses (170,126 cases). Second was gonorrhea (58,404). Third, strep throat, including scarlet fever (50,274). Fourth, mumps (5,108). Fifth, syphilis (4,904). Sixth, infectious and serum hepatitis (4,185). Seventh, tuberculosis (2,576). Eighth, measles (1,618). Ninth, rubella (1,506). And tenth, shigellosis, otherwise known as dysentery or intestinal diarrhea (1,018).

Five of the State's "top ten" diseases showed a dramatic decrease last year. Three of these are diseases for which protective immunizations are available: mumps, measles, and rubella. The occurrence of new tuberculosis cases also showed a decrease in 1972. Perhaps the most significant

decline, and most pleasing to state health officials, was the drop in reported cases of syphilis, a 26 per cent decrease in occurrence of the disease in one year's time. The State Health Department has had a comprehensive syphilis control program in operation for the past several years, and has just launched a massive statewide gonorrhea control effort as federal funding became available.

Gonorrhea has shown a substantial increase over the previous year's totals, reflecting the massive patient screening program now being put into operation by the State Health Department, in cooperation with private physicians and other agencies. State health officials estimate some 250,000 cases of gonorrhea actually occurred in Texas last year. Many cases of the disease were never diagnosed, for the patient never saw his physician or the local public health clinic.

The Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia, reports the following occurrence of communicable diseases nationwide:

The leading communicable disease nationwide in 1972 was gonorrhea. Second was chickenpox. Third, mumps. Fourth, infectious and serum hepatitis. Fifth, tuberculosis. Sixth, measles. Seventh, syphilis. Eighth, rubella. Ninth, aseptic meningitis. And tenth, meningococcal infections.

The reported diseases for the nation do not include influenza or strep throat or other streptococcal infections.

Other diseases of statewide interest include: a decrease in diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), and typhoid fever. The state showed an increase in leprosy cases and infectious encephalitis, and a stable reading on polio cases (with four cases last year). There was no VEE (Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis) recorded in 1972.

The ten leading causes of death in Texas reflect the toll that chronic diseases, accidents, and other factors take on the Texas population. The leading cause of death in Texas is heart disease. Second is malignant neoplasms, or cancer. Third is cerebrovascular disease. Fourth, accidents. Fifth, influenza and pneumonia. Sixth, mortality in early infancy. Seventh, diabetes mellitus. Eighth, bronchitis, emphysema, and asthma. Ninth, arteriosclerosis. Tenth, homicide.

STARR NURSING HOME NEWS

By MARY OUTLAW

A few residents have had the flu in the Nursing home but all are reported better at this writing.

It is very nice to have some one that cares about other people, for instance we have a very nice lady who has been coming to the home in the mornings and does things for the ones that have no one to do things for them. She pushes them in the wheel chair, takes them to the chapel and walks the patients that can't be walked just any

time. She does a lot of nice things for our patients and I would like for you to know that she is Mrs. Marie Wheeler. And I want to thank her very much for her kindness.

Larry Clark of Shreveport, La. visited his grandmother recently.

The Salvation Army from Abilene filled their appointment Sunday at 3 p.m. in the chapel. Captain Phillip Swyers, Wayne Stowe, Ernest Proctor and Tony Cortinaz brought the music and song. It was a very nice service

and everyone said they enjoyed it very much.

Mrs. Paula Ybarra was surprised by a birthday party in the chapel Sunday at two o'clock. Her husband and members of her family and friends came and brought a birthday cake and they celebrated her 58th birthday. Happy birthday Paula, and we wish you many more.

Mrs. Ida West celebrated her 97th birthday Wednesday. Annette Clark, her niece, came and brought cup cakes and ice cream and served all the patients. Although Mrs. West is bed fast she still is a very sweet and cheerful patient. She would like to get up and sew for the home, but at her age she can't. But she is always planning to be a big help to me someday. She has been our patient since 1964. We have learned to love her very much. We have only gotten her up one time during those years and we had to put her back to bed immediately or she would have probably died. With her outlook on life and her determination, she may live several more years. Any way we love her and wish her many more birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Riney went home, we were glad they could go for there is no place like home, but Mr. Riney said he enjoyed his stay here in the home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Holmes of Odessa visited Lucille Burleson Sunday. We had never met Mrs. Holmes, but Lucille seemed to have liked her and I'm sure Lucille was glad to have them.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wozencraft of Big Spring visited her father Sunday.

We have a new patient, Mr. Leonard Pickett who has been living at the Merkels Hotel for several months. He is blind and is a very nice patient. We hope he will be happy with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Murry Toombs visited her father, Sam Mashburn, Sunday a week ago.

We are very glad to have Ted back home from Guam. We hope he won't have to go any other place as it is sure lonesome not having a man around the house.

Mrs. Mary Thompson, our charge nurse and supervisor has been on the sick list, but is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Abilene visited Sam Mashburn last week. You will remember her as Loma Bankston Mashburn.

Thank you Mrs. Price Melton for the fruit jars you brought the home and for the preserves. They were delicious.

I want to thank my entire staff for their kindness and consideration during the icy spell we had for their faithfulness in getting to work. Thanks to Vera Hill who worked a 16 hour shift from Sunday until Friday with Joyce and myself. We wish to thank Mr. Pribble or shoveling snow and Mr. G. W. Hughes for using his pick up for running errands for the home.

We want to thank David Gamble for the evening paper he has sent to the Home for a long time.



Texas Press Association

AUSTIN, Tex. — This city lost a part of its "personality" last week. Most Austin Citizens acted sophisticated about the fact that President Lyndon Baines Johnson was seen frequently at public events... but his personality gave the entire area a certain glamour that will be lost with his passing.

He had made frequent appearances recently — the Cotton Bowl, Civil Rights forum, Governor Briscoe's inauguration, and an economic seminar at San Marcos.

Yes, Austin and Texas will miss LBJ.

He did not try to dominate the show when he appeared publicly, did not make "news" by voicing opinions on everything, but his influence was felt in many important ways.

During last year's political campaigns in Texas, he was on the phone raising money, offering advice — supporting those who had been loyal to him during his political career.

The Texas Democratic party will miss LBJ.

Although it will not be listed in his biography, Lyndon Baines Johnson was a journalist.

He wrote a book. He helped write and produce several television news specials. Most of all, he "made" news during his entire lifetime.

His daughter, Mrs. Luci Nugent, likes to point out that her father was "surrounded by journalists."

"My father had to live with

Boat Show Set In Dallas

The annual Southwest Boat Show embarks on its 17th consecutive year January 26 through February 4 in Dallas' Market Hall.

As the largest marine event of any landlocked city in the nation and the third largest annual Boat Show in the nation, attendance is anticipated to reach 400,000 in the 10 days.

More than 100 exhibitors of boats, campers, trailers and related marine and outdoor accessories will be displaying their wares in showroom settings. The "overflow" will be outside Market Hall where the exhibits are strung with lights like nautical Christmas trees.



ELAINE BRADY

Miss Brady July Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Brady of Merkel have announced the engagement of their daughter, Karen Elaine, to John William Read, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Read, 1855 Glenwood Abilene. Miss Brady is a graduate of Merkel High School. She attended Draughon's Business College and is now employed by Air Pollution Control Service, Abilene.

Read is a graduate of Cooper High School. He attended McMurry College and is now a manager trainee for Furr's Super Market.

journalists all of his life," she said recently. "My mother was a journalism graduate of the University of Texas. My sister wrote for major magazines, and I've enjoyed doing some writing."

Men who influenced him on many major decisions were journalists... Bill Moyers, George Christian, Tom Johnson and many more. He confided in many Texas newspaper editors, Art Kowert, Bob Jackson, Bill Hobby and others.

Texas Journalists will miss LBJ.

He refused to let his illness slow him down.

His last public appearance was a tree planting ceremony near his home with Lady Bird. He had spent an active Christmas holiday with his wife, daughters, their husbands and children.

He attended the funeral of the 14 young people who had been killed in the bus-truck accident and the funeral of President Harry S. Truman less than a month ago.

His family will miss LBJ. President Johnson's political career will continue to be an inspiration to young people interested in government and politics.

He came from a family of public servants, but hundreds of college students in this state look at his career and contemplate the "path to the presidency."

He was first a young school teacher, then youth administrator, aide to a Congressman, Congressman, Senator, Vice President then President of the most powerful nation in the world.

Yes, Lyndon Baines Johnson made history interesting for Texas.

Texas will miss LBJ.

ABORTION LAW STRUCK DOWN — The U.S. Supreme Court voted 7-2 to strike down the state's abortion statute. Holding that medical abortion in the first six months of pregnancy should be a private matter between a woman and her physician, the high court ended a controversy begun in 1970 when "Jane Roe" a pregnant, unmarried woman from Dallas took the abortion argument to the federal courts.

Ironically Miss Roe, as she was named to protect her identity, won her case, but had the baby.

Gov. Dolph Briscoe asked Texas Atty. Gen John Hill for an evaluation of the ruling and for alternatives open to Texas in light of the high court decision. Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, however, said that "the best solution is one in which the state is neutral on the subject... I believe the medical profession of Texas will respond to the decision and will treat abortion as a medical matter in a responsible way."

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Bill Aims For More Oil, Gas

AUSTIN — Greater oil and gas production to pare down Texas energy shortages is the aim of companion bills introduced in the Texas Legislature this week.

The measures would liberalize unitization requirements for oil and gas fields so as to increase production of oil and gas reserves, according to sponsors of the legislation, Sen. Jack Hightower of Vernon and Rep. Dave Finney of Fort Worth.

They said the legislation would help accomplish one of Gov. Dolph Briscoe's goals: To get

the maximum recovery from reserves as one of the means to solve the energy shortage.

A major obstacle, aside from technological aspects, preventing the tapping of part of the 98 billion barrels of Texas oil reserves has been an obsolete oil-gas unitization law that requires 100 per cent agreement from operators and royalty owners in a field to unitize, the lawmakers said.

Farm Bureau President Says Farmers Interested in Constitution Revision

AUSTIN — (Jan. 30) — The president of the 137,000-member Texas Farm Bureau told state government officials, legislators and county Farm Bureau leaders Tuesday that agriculture will be vitally interested in efforts undertaken to revise the State Constitution.

J. T. (Red) Woodson of Fannin County, speaking at the TFB's legislative conference banquet, said any revision of the Constitution detrimental to agriculture will adversely and directly affect 40 per cent of the population of this state.

"There are vital principles inherent in our present Constitution which have served the people of this State well," Woodson said. "We firmly believe those principles which have proved over the years to be workable in maintaining a delicate balance between the executive, judicial and legislative branches should be preserved and maintained."

Woodson also outlined Farm Bureau's legislative program on a variety of other important issues — including financing public education, land-use planning, agricultural chemicals, air and water pollution, farm labor, agricultural research, animal health, insect control, farm-to-market roads, hauling permits, water regulations, and law enforcement.

Accepting invitations to attend the banquet were Lieutenant-Governor William Hobby, House Speaker Price Daniel, Jr., Agriculture Commissioner John White, and a large number of State Senators and Representatives.

Commenting on the problem of financing public education, Woodson said that "any increase in ad valorem taxes of the magnitude which will likely be necessary will pose an extreme, and in some cases, insurmountable hardship on farmers and ranchers."

He said that these taxes have "skyrocketed in the past few years to levels which are confiscatory in many instances. A further increase in ad valorem taxes cannot be justified and is totally untenable," he said.

Woodson said Farm Bureau members have adopted a policy

which calls for full state financing of that portion of public education now funded through the Minimum Foundation School Program, with local control and funding preserved for the balance.

"Full state financing should be funded through broad-based taxes such as the sales tax and corporate franchise tax which can still be administered more equitably than the ad valorem tax," the state farm leader said.

As for land-use planning, Woodson said there are certain advantages in such programs if planning is properly done and private property rights are "zealously" safeguarded.

"However, we have come to the conclusion that the potential loss of private property rights far outweighs any other consideration," he said. "For this reason, we must oppose land-use planning at the federal level and at the state level with all the strength at our command."

The head of the State's largest farm organization said that agriculture is concerned about the "continuing emotional out-cry by some so-called ecologists and environmentalists who wish to ban the use of any and all agricultural chemicals."

For the most part, he said, these charges are based on assumptions gathered from incomplete and fragmented research.

"These charges have been refuted time and again by reputable scientists, but their rebuttals apparently have not been sensational enough to be newsworthy," Woodson said.

Without agricultural chemicals, he predicted, there is a "distinct possibility" that U.S. agricultural production will not equal total U.S. consumption in as few as five years.

He called for a "common sense" approach and warned that there should be no arbitrary ban placed on the use of any agricultural chemicals.

"Any restrictions must be based on sound, scientific research, and even these decisions must consider the availability of economically feasible substitutes for the chemicals in question," he said.

Woodson made the following comments on other issues:

Air and water pollution: "We do not believe that arbitrary laws or regulations which have the effect of declaring all livestock and poultry producers guilty until proven innocent are in the best interest of agriculture or the consuming public."

Farm labor: "We are very much in favor of better wages, housing and working conditions for farm labor. Marked improvements in these areas are realized every year. However,

legislation, or strikes, at harvest time, or secondary boycotts—to force us to pay for improvements we cannot afford will simply result in more agricultural mechanization, in loss of jobs for farm workers, and an increase in welfare rolls."

Agricultural research: "Research is still one of the best bargains around—returning \$10 in benefits to taxpayers for each \$1 spent."

Animal health: "Consumers gain most from efficiencies in livestock production achieved through effective control of diseases, predators and pests, and that gain is where it counts most—in reasonable prices and higher quality of livestock products."

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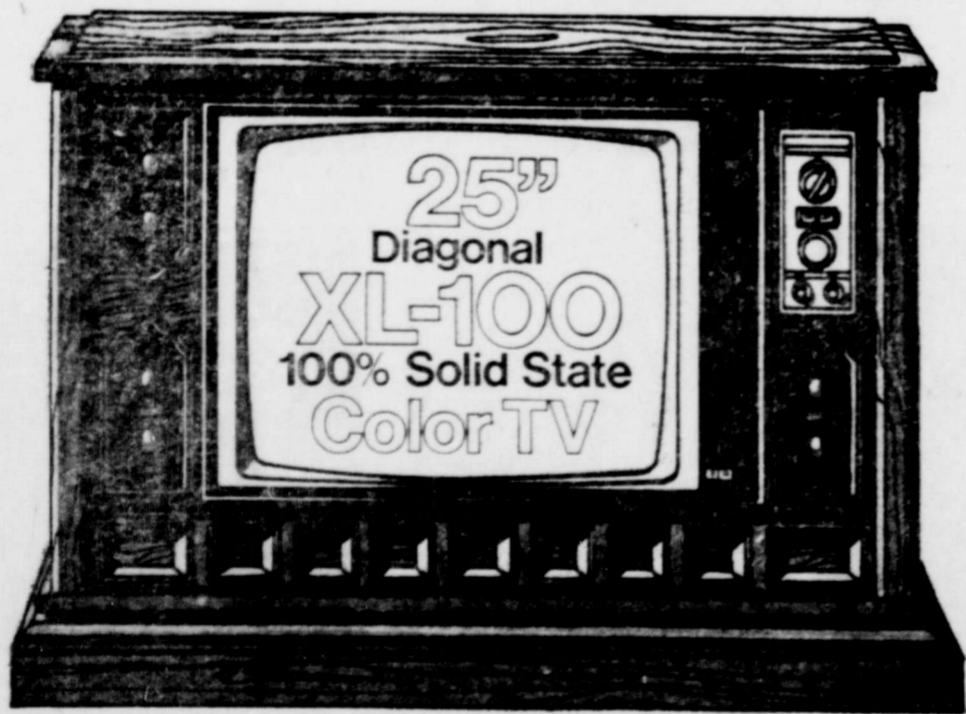
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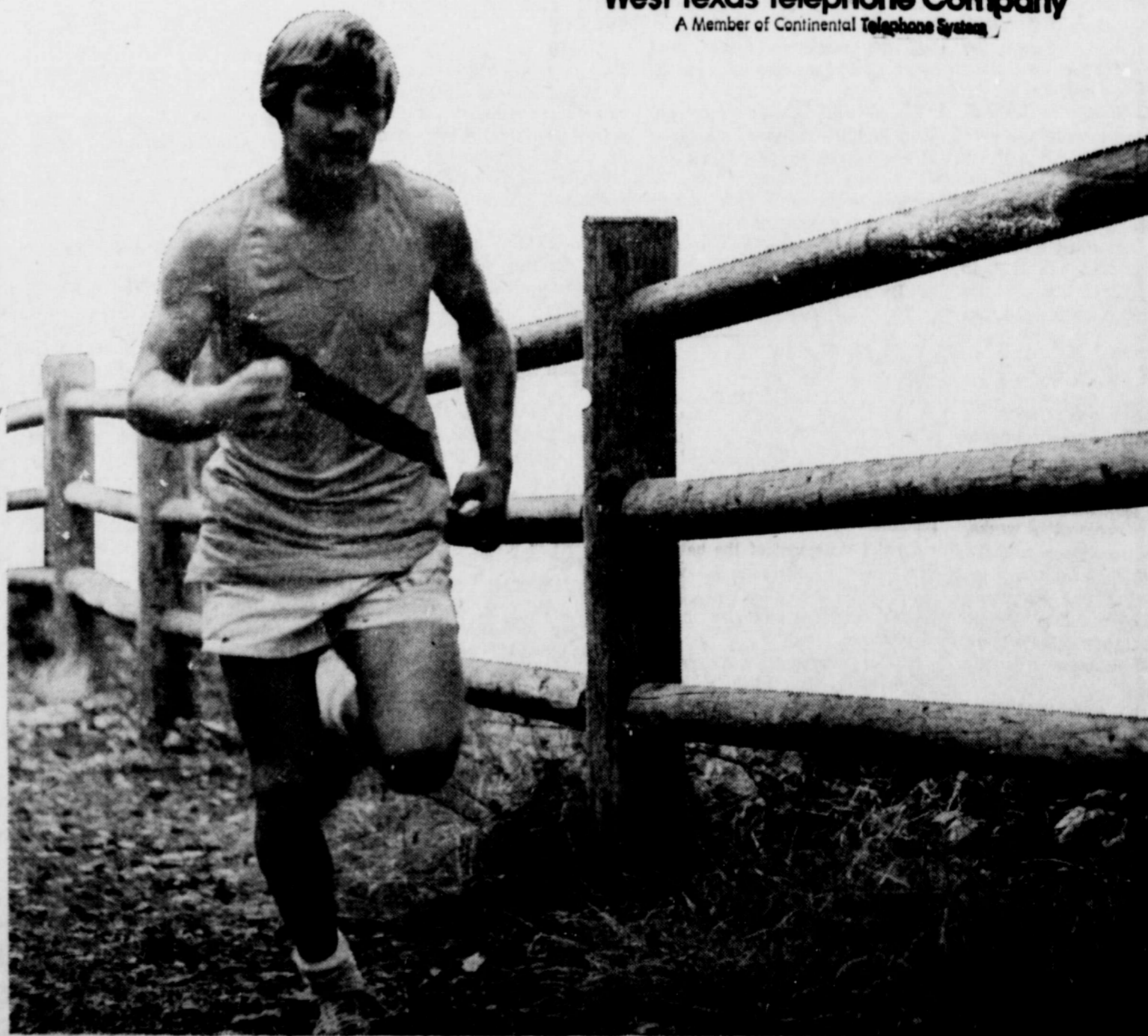


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As It Looks From Here Congress Finally Makes Assignments; Last Week Had Momentous Events

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WASHINGTON, D. C. — MOMENTOUS EVENTS OCCURRED LAST WEEK — the cease fire agreement in Vietnam — the death of former President Lyndon Johnson — the inauguration of the President of the United States — the Congress finally getting off the ground by completing assignments to committees. All these things, of course,

have been fully reported by the news media. So maybe something much more mundane might be in order.

NOTHING COULD BE MUCH MORE MUNDANE than talking to animals. Those of us who grew up in the country and whose chief playmates were the dogs, cats, pigs, cows, horses and even the chickens, might very well have a better excuse for talking to animals than those who did not have that early experience.

NOW THERE MAY BE A DIFFERENCE in those who talk to their pets in endearing terms — "Rusty, old boy, you are my friend," or talking to Queenie or Old Tom, the cat, who gazes at you through slit eyes with a contented look, if he is inside on a cold day.

IT MIGHT BE SOMETHING ELSE THOUGH, like the lady who has an iguana and who until this day lectures it on how Franklin Roosevelt is to blame for all the illnesses of the Country.

IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL TO TELL OUR PETS our troubles and even describe our aches and pains because they give the appearance of listening. Maybe it is nothing more than appear-

ance but the human need is such that even appearance is often times enough. At least they don't talk back and give you their opinions or advice. But those who like animals and like to talk to them really feel they are listening and knowingly respond, even when it is not in terms of reprimand or soft talk of praise. Sometimes they can look pretty bored and especially the cat, who curls up in the best chair, in the warmest place and seems to be saying, "It beats working." He sometimes has the look of saying, "If I were six feet tall and had one of those humans for a pet, does anybody think I would put up with his idly lying around the house all day, shedding his fur or whatever humans shed, all over my best furniture."

THE WISE DOG, AND THEY ALL ARE, lies real still on the best sofa or in front of the fire in the late evening hoping that everybody will forget he is inside and not put him out in the cold. He can smile with his eyes, his mouth, and his tail but can also look downcast and have a droopy tail when his prospects for preferred treatment are not good.

HORSES USUALLY WAIT FOR THE COMMAND TONE but some also respond to the sweet talk if they have heard it enough. Their head, ears, and the arch of the neck are their points of expression.

PEOPLE TALK TO ALL SORTS OF PETS, even those which may not give visible response-like reptiles. Some people think that even white mice, fish and birds like to be talked to and are interested in company. Of course, we might be thought a little wacky if we start talking to automobiles or to trees. Bad cases might start talking to their trash cans.

ANIMALS ARE, OF COURSE, BEST. They listen or give the appearance of doing so and never seize the opportunity to take over the conversation. Perhaps they know that we are far too interested in what we are saying to have the time to listen to them if they could really talk back.

COME TO THINK OF IT, WE MIGHT BE BETTER thought of by friends if we emulated the pet's — by listening. The animals we know intimately may really have more to tell us than some people, especially if it is something we don't want to hear in the first place.



Stith News

By MRS. FRITZ HALE

The farmers are back in the fields and are hoping for dry weather to continue until cotton harvesting is finished.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry are announcing the birth of their first grandchild, a girl, Jennifer Lynn. She weighed 5 lb. 13 oz. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Butler of Garland. She was born Saturday Jan. 28 in a Garland hospital.

Mrs. Butler is the former Martha Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry went to Garland Monday to visit with the family. Mrs. Perry will remain for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry attended the funeral of a cousin, Mrs. Alice Buchanan at Cleburne, Texas Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw of Gainesville visited Friday until Tuesday with Mrs. Mattie Shaw.

Sunday dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mashburn were Mr. and Mrs. Wade Shaw of Gainesville and Mrs. Mattie Shaw and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mashburn and son of Merkel.

Ethel Canida of Abilene visited Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hale last of the week.

Rev. James Williams, pastor of the Stith Baptist Church, preached at the Prairie View Baptist Church in Anson Sunday.

Mrs. Rubv Reddin is on the sick list. Visiting her Sunday was Paul Burns and Mr. and Mrs. Troy Dugan, of Clyde and Mrs. Pearl McCartney of Tye. Her daughter-in-law Mrs. John Reddin of Abilene spent Monday with her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Browning visited Mrs. Billy Ray Browning and children at Tuscola Sunday.

Rolling Plains Growers Set 3 Meetings

With their 1973 cotton crop in mind — and with some '72 crop yet in the fields — Rolling Plains growers will be at one or at all three production sessions scheduled in mid-February.

Based on the theme of "fighting for more net profit," each session begins at 1:30 p.m. on February 14 in the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Vernon, on February 15 in the City Hall at Stamford, on February 16 in the Lone Wolf Electric Co-Op at Colorado City.

New 4-H Assistant Is Announced by Stanley

A new 4-H program assistant has been added to the Taylor County Extension Service staff, announces County Extension Agent, H. C. Stanley.

He is Mr. Gus Taylor of Abilene. He is a graduate of Muleshoe High School and McMurry College and has previously worked as an assistant Community Center Director in Alpine, Texas, along with his wife, Kathy.

In the newly designated position, Mr. Taylor will be working through volunteer 4-H leaders in the county to extend the 4-H and youth program to boys and girls between the ages of 9 and 19 who are currently not being involved in the program.

He will be concerned with recruiting and training volunteer 4-H leaders, assisting with the organization of new 4-H clubs or groups, and supporting the overall 4-H expansion effort, points out Stanley.

The 4-H Assistant will also be available in case existing clubs have trouble with their 4-H program. Mr. Taylor will be glad to do what he can in order to im-

Homemakers Change Meet

The February meeting of the Taylor County Young Homemakers has been changed to Tuesday, February 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Wyman Wilkerson.

At this time, Dr. Herman Schaffer from Abilene will speak on "Poisons." The hostesses will be Mmes Wyman Wilkerson and Hugh Baker.

All members and guests are invited to attend.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF PAUL K. CARROLL, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary on the Estate of Paul K. Carroll, deceased were issued to the undersigned on the 25th day of January, 1973, in the proceeding indicated below which is still pending and that I now hold such letters. All persons having claims against said Estate are required to present the same within the time prescribed by law. My post office address is 2042 North 7th Street, Abilene, Texas.

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THE DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST

(Part 2)

Herein is given the basic doctrinal teachings of the church of Christ part two. This is not complete without the other parts.

II. The church of the New Testament

A. It's origin:

Matthew 16:18 — built by Jesus
Luke 24:47-48 and Acts chapter 1 and 2 — began in Jerusalem.
Acts 2 — on the first pentecost after the death of and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

B. It is the "bride" of Jesus — Romans 7:4

C. It is the "body" of Christ — Ephesians 1:22-23; 5:23; Colossians 1:18; Ephesians 4:4; 1 Corinthians 12:13; 1 Cor. 1:10... division in this body is condemned.

D. Names or designations of the body—church given by God's authority through the Holy Spirit led apostles and writers of the New Testament:

- "my church" Matthew 16:18
- "the church" Col. 1:18; Eph. 1:22
- "the church of God" Acts 20:28; 1 Cor. 1:2; Galatians 1:13
- "church of Christ" Romans 16:16
- "the house of God" 1 Timothy 3:15
- "the household of God" Ephesians 2:19
- "the household of faith" Galatians 6:10

E. This church-body is people... see all above scriptures, they imply people not a building, cf Acts 11:22 and 5:11

F. It's membership:

- Acts 1:1-47 (considering last first)
- 1. "The LORD added saved to the church" 2:47
- 2. The saved were "believers" 2:44
- 3. The added saved believers continued in the "apostles doctrine, fellowship, breaking bread (Lord's supper) and prayers" 2:42
- 4. The added saved believers who continued in this were those who "received his (Peter's) word gladly and were baptized" 2:41
- 5. The above baptized believers 'repented and were' baptized in the name of Jesus Christ (meaning 'by his authority' as stated in Matthew 28:18-20 and Mark 16:16) for the remission of sins, and received the gift of the holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13,14) "2:36
- 6. The above were taught who Jesus Christ was and what he did for all men 2:22-35

G. The creed of the New Testament church:

Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 1:16; 2 Timothy 3:16,17; Galatians 1:6-12; 2 John 9-11; Acts 4:12

H. It's worship:

- 1. Communion — Lord's supper — Matthew 26:26,30; Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 10:16,17 and 11:23-31
- 2. Singing: Ephesians 5:19; Colossians 3:16; Hebrews 2:12
- 3. Prayer: Luke 18:1; Acts 2:42; 1 Thessalonians 5:17,18,25
- 4. Giving: Romans 12:1,2; 1 Cor. 16:1,2; 2 Cor. chapter 8 and 9 especially 8:8,9 and 9:6-8
- 5. Teaching God's word: Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 2:42; 1 Timothy 2:15; 1 Peter 3:15; 2 Timothy 3:16,17; 2 Timothy 4:1-8

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INVITATIONS FOR PROPOSALS

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Proposals will be received by Mrs. Annette Clark, Executive Director, at the Housing Authority office, 693 Brickhaven, Merkel, Texas until 8:00 A.M., February 16, 1973 at which time they will be opened. All proposals properly submitted will then be considered and evaluated by the Housing Authority of the City of Merkel.

Proposals will be considered for various arrangements within the following requirements:

1. Elderly units shall preferably be located on one block or parcel of ground.
2. Non-elderly units shall be located on no more than two sites.
3. Community and management space shall be located in the vicinity of the elderly units.
4. All sites shall be within the corporate limits of the City of Merkel, Texas.

Developers must show evidence that they own or will own all of the sites submitted.

Non-elderly living unit buildings shall be duplex design. Elderly living unit buildings shall be duplex, triplex, fourplex, or any combination of these units. All units shall be generally of reinforced concrete slab, brick veneer, and composition shingle construction. Community and management space shall be of design appropriate to the neighborhood and uses intended.

To be considered, proposals must evidence consideration of:

1. Local governing regulations and codes.
2. DHUD Manuals PG 46, MPS FHA 300 & MPS FHA 2600.
3. Housing Authority Additional Mandatory Requirements (Available from the Executive Director)

Attention is called to the following DHUD requirements:

1. Davis-Bacon wage rates shall prevail.
2. Project shall be subject to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and other equal opportunity provisions.

The bedroom distribution is:

Bedrooms	Elderly	Non-elderly
0 (Efficiency)	2	
1	24	2
2		6
3		6
Total living units	40	

Net areas of new Management and Community and related spaces shall be no more than:

Management	260 sq. ft.
Maintenance	320 sq. ft.
Community Space	1860 sq. ft.

Total Area 2440 sq. ft.

3. Sites proposed shall be subject to LHA & DHUD Approval.

4. Developer shall provide Disclosure of Interest FHA 2530

5. A statement shall be included with respect to any opportunities for training and employment to be given to lower income persons residing in the area and as to whether the Developer, or any sub-contractors, are located or owned in substantial part

by persons residing in the area. The proposal shall be submitted in three (3) copies and shall include the following:

- A. Completed HUD Form 5090, "Proposal Turnkey Project Description."
- B. Completed FHA Form 2530 Developer's Statement of Disclosure of Interest, "Previous Participation Certificate."
- C. Sketches showing sites, site layout, building, and unit plans.
- D. Completed HUD Form 5087, "Outline Specifications."
- E. A statement as to zoning of the proposed sites.
- F. A Statement of the Developer's Total Turnkey price itemized as follows:

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Total Developer's Price

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G. A statement of the Developer's and - or Builder's qualifications to undertake the proposed project with efficiency and dispatch, including a brief statement of previous experience in developing similar projects.

The Housing Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any one or more of the proposals after complete evaluation.

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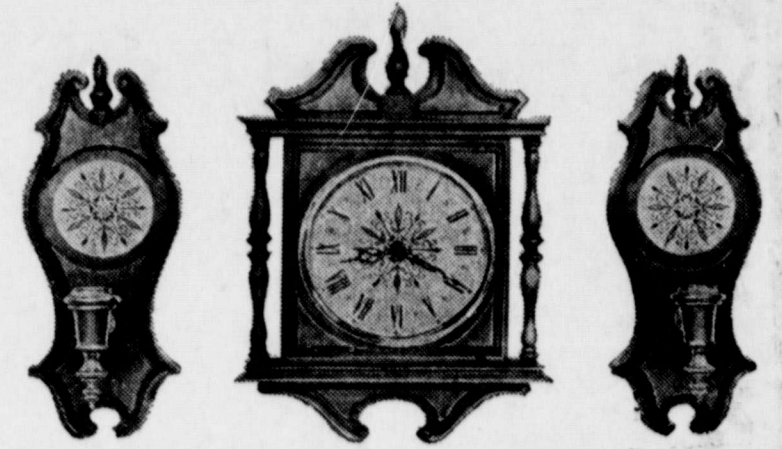
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