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Art Ratzlaff says goodbye to Floydada



Our Town
By Duffy
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 Lubbock, who is is now visiting with
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AW Year celebrations


 ant December 3 1 at the highig school 5. The event will begin to $8 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{m}$

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Chiristmas guests of Mr and


 Patak and Dee of canyoni and
Lbtamegers and son Shannon of home included a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ragsaale Corky Guffee,
Stratford, Mr. and Mrs. Corylis Hamilgranchildren Ross and Phylins Hissouri,
On and son of Columbia, Min ton and son of columbia, Mor, Okla-
Larry and daughter of Duncan ond Larrya, Mrs. Delmer Keisling and her
houghter and family. daughter and family. Guffee home on

Also visiting in the Gla Allene Henry. Christmas Day was Allene | Mary Pearl Cowand returned to |
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| Floydada Wednesday after having | Floydada Wednesday after having

visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest
隹 visited her
Tomme, in
holiday.

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& \text { holiday. } \\
& \text { MR. AND MRS. HARVEY } \\
& \text { TARDY and La Nell Tardy spent }
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$$ TARDY and La Nell Tardy spent from Saturday until wednesd Cardys.

ing in Lubbock with the Dale Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Cates' guests
during the holidays were Mrs. Jan during the holidays weremhis, Ten-
Lynn and Michele of MMemphis
Lssee; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pufal and Lynn and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pufal and
nessee; Mand
Patrick and Stephanie of El Paso; Mr. Patrick and Stephanie of and Donna
and Mrs. Ray Spoth and visiting on and Mrs. of Lubbock; and visiting ond
Cates, all of ane Mr. and
Christmas atternoon were Mr. Chas, anster afternoon were Mr., and
Christman Connie Bearden and Chris of
Lubbock.
 Career in Floydada for the Ratzlaffs.
Many Floydadans expressed their re.
gret at losing the couple but wished gret at losing the coupse but wished
them well in their new venture. Ratzlaff will become plant manager of
$\begin{aligned} & \text { the Slaton pressoom.. He will continue } \\ & \text { some ties to Floydada, however, since }\end{aligned}$ he is also a part owner of Blanco. Born in the Oklahoma Menisonite
community of Corn and raised in
western Oklahoma, Ratzlaff moved to
. Under his leadership, the printing.
business grew from putting our five business grew to 19 newspapers and
area papers to several books and magazines. Economic
decline and local competition reduced decline and local competition reduced
that number to 10 newspapers, including the Hesperian and Beacon, which
for the size of the local plant is still
enviable.
The Ratzlaffs have been members of
Thited Methodist Church he First
here, with Arter serving as a Sunday
school School teacher and a o one-year stint
le church board of directors.

In 1973, Ratzlaff joined the Floydada In 1973, Ratzlaff joined the Floydada
Lions Cub, eventaully holding every
office except secretary He was Lion
Boss until his resignation earlier this

Ratzlaff also served three years o
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"This move will be a better financial opportunity Friday. "I like the people in Slaton... in riday. Do only other town we've ever
act, the lived in that could compare with it is
Floydada. We've loved it here since we
Raw foyd that he saw the Slaton Ratzlaff added that he saw the Slaton
lant as a challenge to do different kinds of printing.
Ratzlaff began his printing career in
an Oklahoma shop as a printer's devil, "doing all the things that no one else
vanted to do. "working his way up the wanter until his present position as plant manager.
The Ratzlaffs have one son, Verly,
who works for the J.C. Penny Co. in
beaumont. Another son, Vinson, died




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$\qquad$ tennis team also won their district
championship. The eighth grade
ers breezed away with the District 4-AA
Washington, D.C. for the AAM's
Tractorcade to lobby for farm parity.

## month. A week later, Walter Hollums re- ceived his appointment as justico of the peace for precincts one and four. Hollums succeeded the late H.E. Por-

Floydada mayor Parnell Powell and
city councilimen Jerry Thompson and
Wane Rusell

quet to hear sports announcer Pat
Sumerall. Also in sports, Whirlwind head coach L.G. Willson received word
that the was selected for the Texas High School Coaches Hall of Honor.
Spring storms around the county spawned a tornado near Sterley that
caused significant damage to buildings
and other property in the ares.


Side Glances
by John Carroll


Range Evaluation including Range and
Pasture Grass Identification, Soil JudgWorkshop sessions from which parti-
cipants may choose include Method
Demonstrations and Illustrated Talks,
Pumbic Speaking
 mology
The instructors for each of these 4-H leaders, adult or youth, are interested in attending this new and exciting work-
shop they may obtain additional information and registration details from the
Floy County extension office located in
the Courthouse, or call Jett Major at

## and its share of heroes and villians

 Act, which would provide low-interest
loan guarantees to young farmers to buy
land. land. The county voters rejected a
proposal to allow the legislature power to review rules laid down by state
agencies.


AIRPORT DAMAGE - CIty manager
Bill Feuerbacher inspects the damage to

Defeat of Danforth Amend
will mean $\$ 800$ million ${ }_{l o n}$ schools over 11-year period

SAW AN ITTERESTING THing
 roups fighting in Zimbabwe Rhodesia negotiated cease-fire. reception, a wild scene at the airport urned out, proof that the government But it seerned to me that the
Rhodesians were cheering not the guerillas, but the cossibility of peace. The faces beirig held back by police and
dogs were not angry faces. There was an occasional scuffle as the crowd tried
to surge onto the tarmac but it was a
festival And the same thought kept coming to
mind...."Maybe they'll make it work." After three hundred years of racial
hatred and seven years of civil war the just might stop the nonsense and join the community of nations. But even
more important, for the first time on the and whites are making a sincere effort live at peace in the same country.
The odds are stacked overwhelming against them. The petty intrigues by
oreign governments, the old hates and the power-hungry people, who seem to
crop up everywhere there's dissention Continued from page on


ARMADILLO - Local schoolchildre ot a treal are in hey year when Rand pet.

In the traditional rivalry, Floydada
football. .
Four bicyclists from Newport, Rhode
Island, passed through the city early in Island, passed through the city early in
November, being closely chased by a November, being closely chased by a
winter cold front. The cyclists were on
their way from the east coast to the
west.
atatewide trend in accepting two proposed constitutional amendments and rejecting a third. By large margins,
the voters approved appointing notaries
 rejected having anything to do with a
Department of Health, Education and
Welfare
 Two Lockney football players were
slightly of control. No one was injured when a
Floydada after crossi
downtown.
The long-awaited History of Floyd
County arrived for distribution at the county museum. In the same month, th Canyon was placed on the
Register Register of Historic Places, joining the
railroad tunnel in north Floyd County as the second site to be named to the
Register. Another oil derrick went up in
norhteast Floyd County. In downtown norhteast Floyd County. In downtown
Floydada, the Beall's store announced it
was closing its doors for good.



FREQUENT VISITOR - State repre-
sentative Foster Whaley made several
stops in Floyddala

Wheat-based food makers to vote on makions to vote on of research

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the proposed program will be esta-
blished only if the vote is favorable.
Smith saide the U.S. Department of
Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing
Service will conduct the registration and Service will conduct the registration and
referendum by mail.
If the vote is favorable, a a 20 -member
Whet If the vote is favorable, a 20 -member
Wheat Industry Council composed
equally of wheat producers, processors. equally of wheat producers, processors,
end product manufacturers and con-
sumers would develo sumers would develop and administer
he program. Financing would come
from assessments on processed wheat from assessments on processedd wheat
purchased by certain manufacturers of products such as bread, cake, cookies,
cereal, or pasta. The AMS would monitor th program.
During the first two years, Smith said, assessments would be up to one
cent per hundredweight of processed wheat purchased. After that, the Coun-
cil could recommend that assessments cie coudr recommend that assessments
bentreap to a maximum of five
cents per hundredweight. Those who do get refunds. Referendum rules stipulate that a of subsidiaries it has, will have one
vote. At least hat vote. At least half of the registered end
product manufactureres must vote in proder for the referendum to be vate in
The program will be approved if it is favored by at least Two-thirds of those voting or by a majority which represents
at least two-thirds of the volume of
processed wheat used by all voters in assessable end products. Firms are eligible to register and vote
if, in 1978, they used at least 2,000 hundredweight of processed wheat in the production and wholesaling of
assessable end products. Registration packets will be sent to
end product manufacturers known to end product manufacturers known to
the department. A list of eligible voters will be peartment. A list of eligible voters
ped in the Federal Register, and ballots will be mailed Manufacturers who wish to register but have not received the information
by Jan. 10 should contact David Spalding or Lowry Mann, Agricultural Agriculture, Room 2610-S. Warment on
D C .20250 . Phone: (202) 447-2068.

Filing dates set for primarie





## Committee on agriculture and livestock report

| fuel in Texas will cause many farmers |  |
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## Cattle raisers present recommendations


tions, Green said.
He pointed out the federally required
4 percent state set-aside is He pointed out the federally required
4 percent state set-aside in int enough
to supply agriculturenergy ned. The
Office of Fuuel Allocation is swamped
monthly with applications for emrgency monthly with applications for emrgency
allocation of fuel, and there are special allocation of fuel, and there are special
problems getting fuel to new farmers
and for farmland which has changed and for farmland which has changed
management.
"Their applications have increased
from 185 in January 1979 to 8.500 in from 185 in January, 1979 to 8,500 in
November,'" Green said.
He stressed that under federal guide-
lines, agriculture gasoline allocations lines, agriculture gasoline allocations
are tied to farmland, so a farmer or
rancher acquiring new land can retain its gasoline allocation.
.However "However, that is not the situation
with diesel. When land changes hands,
the previously allocated diesel could be with diesi.. When allocated diesel could be
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channeled by oil companies into the higher spot market,"' Green said.
Green also pointed out that 100 Green also pointed out that
Octane Aviation Fuel is in critically
short supply in some areas, despite lifting of price and allocation controls in
February, 1979.




 products made from
been raised by 300 to
the past four years." Although Texas farmers are troubled,
many farmers many farmers in other states have an
abundance of diesel, the subcommittee has learned, In Iowa, for example,
jobbers are phoning their customers to jobbers are phoning their customers to
inquire if their tanks can hold an
8,000 -gallon transport inquire if their tanks lan of diesel at
8.000 gallon transport load
6 to 72 cents a gallon. This fuel reaches Iowa via pipeline originating in Hous-
ton, Texas. ton, Texas.
narde oil companies could ease the
hardship to farmers by adding more hardship to farmers by adding more
farmers to their allocations," Kubiak
said. "I don't think this would be a financial burden to the oil companies
which are reporting huge windfall profits."
Kubiak
Kubiak pointed out the current fuel
shortage could lead to a shortage on
supermarket shelves and ultimately supermarket shelves
higher grocery prices.

## COOTTON TALKS



## Farm Burea Facts




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