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around Muleshoe

Muleshoe School Superintendent Neal Dillman said school will be dismissed early Monday as that is the special "school day" at South Plains Fair in Lubbock.

Dillman said buses will leave the high school at 2:15 p.m. on September 27, and asks that parents make their plans accordingly.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hammock of Galesferry, Conn. are visiting in the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pool and brother, Mr. and Mrs. John Hammock. He is a retired Captain of the United States Navy and a former resident of Sudan.

City Approves Police Car Purchase Bid

Main item on the agenda for the Muleshoe City Council during their regular meeting Tuesday morning was the purchase of a new police car for the Muleshoe City Police department.

Bids were submitted by both the Muleshoe Motor Co. and Town and Country. Approved was a bid by Town and Country for a 113-inch wheel base Pontiac Catalina with a police package. The trade difference was \$3,650.

Council members also approved the purchase from civil defense funds of a police type radio for the city manager's car. The city manager, Dave Marr, explained that in the event of an emergency, the vehicle could be utilized as another police vehicle and said that in the event of a power outage, there would be the vehicle. Also, he said there is presently no public works base radio in the law enforcement center.

Approved for purchase at a later date was a flat bed dump truck, for general purpose use, including working in alleys and to haul street repair materials.

Councilmen discussed and approved withdrawing securities from both banks for securities pledged in last years.

Priorities set for capital improvements included in order, paving, airport, drainage, park and community center. City officials will check into available funding for the upcoming projects.

Teal Hunting Early Season Ends Sunday

Texas Fish and Wildlife Department at Lubbock said the early teal hunting season which began on Saturday, September 18, ends on Sunday, September 26.

Regular duck season is from November 2 - January 23; sandhill crane season is October 30 - January 30 and goose season is October 30 - January 23.

Would You Believe -- It's The Law?

There's a surprise waiting for many Muleshoe residents who have been reading recent news releases about the speed limit signs and slow signs along with stop signs in the local school zones.

Bailey County Police Chief Buddy Black and Bailey County Judge Glen Williams have both said that unless otherwise designated, the signs are in effect 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

Designated signs include the flashing signs on Highway 70-84 which say "When Flashing".

Judge Williams said he has had people appear before him who have said that for all practical purposes they have stopped, yet received a citation for not stopping at a stop sign. The Judge said that a "stop" means just exactly that, and when the vehicle is not completely and fully stopped, it is in violation of the law.

He told of a former constable of Muleshoe years ago who told the judge after issuing a citation, "Stop means stop - it don't mean Ooze."

Chief Black said the officers on duty are watching carefully and issuing citations, without discrimination as to who or what they are citing. If they are in violation of the law. He said the slow signs are in effect because not all school activities are conducted during school hours. There are after hours activities, including practices and school events. He also said that the stopping and issuing of citations will continue in an effort to make the general public more school conscious and more traffic conscious.



NOON ACCIDENT... A noon accident at the corner of South First Street and Avenue C left no injuries, but both vehicles were damaged to the extent they had to be towed away. Muleshoe City Policeman J.R. Carpenter is checking the accident which was at noon on Monday. The pickup at the left was driven by Ricky Mata, Muleshoe and the vehicle on the right was driven by Bobby Fudge, also of Muleshoe. The Fudge vehicle was east bound on Avenue C and the Mata vehicle was southbound on First Street.

Mules, Lobos Plan Head-On Clash

It has been said "Mules can stand more heat, more cold and do more work, on less food and water than any other animal."

"Mules are not dumb animals. A Mule will not founder by overeating - a Mule will not injure himself in a runaway - a Mule will not allow himself to be overworked." This is among other things which have been said about Mules, including: "Mules plowed the first sod for pioneer man;" "Mules ground the first meal for pioneer man;" "Mules built the first railways westward;" "Mules pulled the covered wagons west;"

"Mules hauled the first freight;" "Mules built the first highways;" and "Mules 5,000 strong, fought and died in World War I. Wherever pioneer man set foot in new America, the Mule plodded close behind."

Today's Mule is slightly different. He is generally between the age of 17 and 18 years, especially during the time he is in his full glory. He is tough, proud, hardworking, and more especially, the special breed of Muleshoe Mule you will find here does not give up.

New Names Show Up In Winner's Column

Three new names are in the winner's column this week in the weekly merchant's football contest. In first place is Maggie Gutierrez. He has entered every week, but this is the first time he has won this year.

Gutierrez missed only two games, and was a whopping 43 points off on the tie breaker total scores. The second place winner, C.O. LaRue Jr., also missed two games, but was 53 points off on the tiebreaker and Morris Douglass missed two

Levelland Plans Barbecue Beef Pre-Game Meal

Levelland's High School band plans a special pre-game barbecue Friday night preceding the Muleshoe-Levelland football game at Levelland.

Serving hors will be 5-8 p.m. in the Levelland High School cafeteria. Tickets are \$2.25 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12, with tickets available at the door.

On the menu are barbecue, beef, potato salad, beans, cole slaw, hot rolls, cobbler and tea or coffee.

Proceeds will be used by the band. The cafeteria is located across the street from the football stadium.

Levelland Plans Barbecue Beef Pre-Game Meal

Levelland has a good football team, and just need to put it all together," said Head Football Coach Don Cumpston Tuesday morning.

He added, "We are also in good shape physically and this week, we have had a good week's work. Our players are very determined to eliminate our small mistakes and get better."

"We still feel like we have improved each week, and if we can eliminate our little mistakes which come from some players being inexperienced, we feel that we will have just as good a chance as anyone else to win," he continued.

"Levelland has a good football team, and have a lot of momentum after winning their first three games. We're expecting a good football game. It's going to be tough, Levelland has improved and is improving each week," concluded Coach Cumpston.

Coach Colie Huffman, who is in his fourth year as head football coach at Levelland commented Monday. "We have just been lucky so far. I sure don't want to take anything away from the Mules. We're looking for a real tough game Friday night."

"They are as good as a team as we will be playing this year. They have an excellent coach

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Dinner Slated For Candidate September 30

According to Derrell Oliver, county coordinator for the candidacy of Jim Reese, candidate for Congressman from the 19th Congressional district, an appreciation dinner for Reese is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Thursday, September 30.

Oliver said the dinner will be in the fellowship hall of the First United Methodist Church and will cost \$10 per person.

MAGGIE GUTIERREZ

County Approves Budget; Does Not Increase Taxes

Flu Slide Show Is Now Available

If you want to learn more about the A/New Jersey influenza, the Texas Department of Health Resources will help you out.

The A/New Jersey (or swine) influenza is the subject of a 35mm slide presentation introduced statewide to First Lady's Volunteer Program members and local and regional Health Department personnel.

The slide show is available for showing before groups.

It's part of a public health education effort to inform as many Texans as possible about the A/New Jersey influenza immunization campaign being directed by Dr. Philip W. Malloy, Deputy Director for Health Maintenance of TDHR.

When the slide sets were placed into the hands of volunteers and public health personnel, an orientation course in their use was presented by members of the Public Health Education Division of the Department of Health Resources.

The orientation equipped these individuals which information for presenting the swine influenza program to interested church, civic, professional, women's and other groups throughout the state.

Anyone desiring to book the slide presentation for a club or other group showing may contact a local or regional health department, or a coordinator for the First Lady's Volunteer Program.

Seedlings Available For 1977

The Texas Forest Service will have Wildlife Seedling Packets available for the 1977 spring planting season, according to an announcement by Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation Service in Muleshoe.

Each packet will be 50 Russian Olive, 50 American Plum and 50 Eastern Red Cedar which are produced especially for the High Plains and Rolling Plains. Each packet of 150 seedlings will cost \$15.00.

Interested persons should contact the Blackwater Valley Soil and Water Conservation District at the local office to place your order, along with a check for the packets. The deadline for ordering your seed packets is October 4 at Box 649, Muleshoe or at 111 East Avenue D. Telephone number 272-4538.

The first growing season, or year of the young plant is critical. Persons interested in planting seedlings are asked to provide an area free of weed and grass competition and be able to provide supplemental water during the first growing season, or until the plants have become established.

Police Report

Reported to Muleshoe Police at 3:55 a.m. Monday was an armed robbery at the Farwell Allsup store.

The store clerk said the robber wore a white shirt, brown pants and a stocking over his face. He was wielding a shotgun or rifle. No arrest in the robbery had been reported at presstime.

Weekend vandalism was reported at the Muleshoe Country Club. Several golf carts were reported to have received light damage.

At least two instances of slashed vehicle tires were reported to police during the past several days.

Tuesday morning, members of the sheriff's office were checking at the V.F.W. near Muleshoe where an electric meter had been shot with a shotgun. Deputy Sheriff Alton Carpenter said several instances have been reported northeast of Muleshoe recently where a shotgun had been used.

Salary Adjustments Main Budgeted Item

With all kinds of taxes increasing, the members of Bailey County Commissioners Court took a long, hard look at the upcoming budget for the county. Salary adjustments to be made, then did not increase the taxes for the ensuing year.

The tax will remain the same as it was for the past few years, which is .65 per \$100 valuation and special road tax of .15, subject to the homestead act, state tax of .12 and for that portion of the county in the water district of .05 tax, for a total of .97 per \$100 valuation. Only .80 of this amount goes to the county.

Approved tentatively, pending a final hearing on Wednesday, September 29, is an approximate budget of \$610,000 of an estimated \$660,000 receipts, exclusive of revenue sharing. This will leave a surplus of around \$50,000 also exclusive of revenue sharing.

Main item in the upcoming budget will be a salary adjustment to be made for some certain designated officials and an overall, blanket salary increase of 15 percent for all employees and elected officials of the county.

Commissioners took an estimated value of the county of

\$45,000,000 then adjusted that to 95 percent and reduced the tax to \$43,000,000 to get the budget figure for the next year.

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4-H Fair Scheduled Saturday

The annual Bailey County 4-H Fair is scheduled for Saturday, September 25, from 8:30 a.m. when entries are due at the former Brock Motor Co. building on the Plainview Highway.

Entries must be at the location and in place by 8:30 a.m., with judging scheduled for 10:30 a.m. The doors will open to the general public at 10:30. Prizes, in the form of rosettes and ribbons will be presented at 4 p.m.

Divisions in the fair will include field crops, miscellaneous crops, horticulture, textiles, clothing, canned food, baked food and culinary, crafts and hobbies and a dog show, which was implemented this year for the first time.

Lazbuddie Schools Set Bond Election

The Lazbuddie School Board has called a bond election to upgrade school facilities at Lazbuddie, according to an announcement this week.

Date of the election will be Tuesday, October 26 in the foyer of the school auditorium. Don McDonald was named election judge and Wayne Clark alternate, with no more than six clerks.

The board was unanimous in their decision to call a bond election and scheduled two public meetings, one at 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28 and the second for 8:30 on Tuesday, October 19, to relay information pertinent to the bond election, said Lazbuddie Superintendent Sam Barnes.

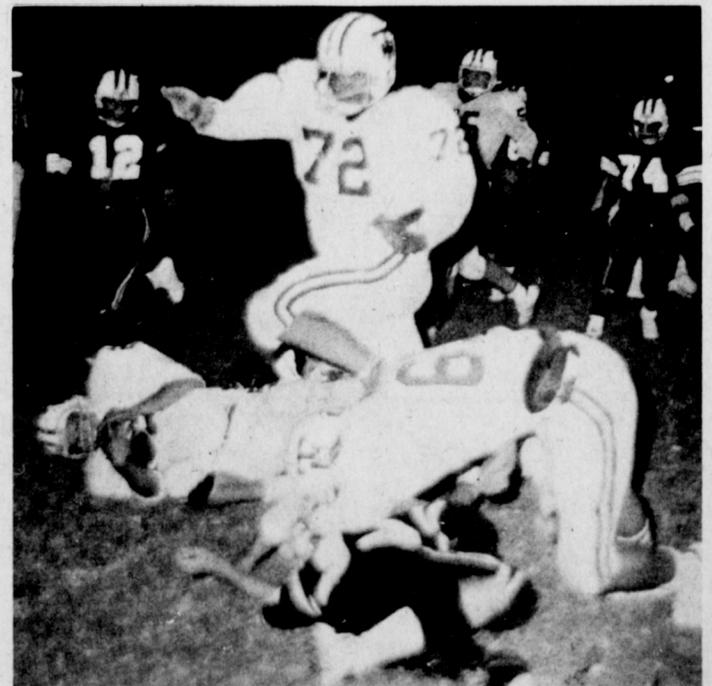
Included in the proposed improvements to the school are a band hall, industrial arts and bus barn combination, concession stand with public rest rooms at the athletic field, a duplex teacherage and a gymnasium for physical education and

interscholastic athletics. Amount of the bond election is \$575,000 and the board is checking into three pay out scheduled, 10, 12 and 15 year pay plans. Thomas N. Brown of Fort Worth is acting as architect and Bob Davis of Underwood-Neuhaus & Co. Inc. is financial advisor.

Absentee voting will be in the school superintendent's office with Superintendent Barnes acting as absentee voting clerk.

The office will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, except Saturday and Sunday and official holidays beginning at 8 a.m. on October 6, 1976 and ending on October 22, at 4 p.m., which have been designated as legal absentee voting dates.

The superintendent and members of the school board have asked that all Lazbuddie area citizens attend the public information meetings and learn more about the proposed improvements and construction program.



IT'S ROUGH ON THE BOTTOM... While making an effort to stop a devastating attack of Hornets, this unidentified Mule was covered by a swarm of Hornets last Friday night. This week, the Mules will take on a pack of Lobos at Levelland, and have all expressed their appreciation of the continuing support of the local people in their efforts.

Mrs. Tucker Rites Held

Mrs. Lassiephene Emily Tucker, 88 of Muleshoe, died Saturday, September 18, 1976, at 6:15 a.m. in the West Plains Medical Center. Services were held Monday, September 20, at 2:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Chimes, with Terry Bouchelle, minister of the 16th and Avenue D Church of Christ and Rev.

Gerald Pepper of Richland Hills Baptist Church officiating. Burial was held at the Double-Butte Cemetery in Tempe, Arizona. Graveside services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, with Rev. Martin officiating. Mrs. Tucker was born January 19, 1888 in Prescott, Arkansas. She was a member of the Baptist Church. Mrs. Tucker married Henry C. Tucker, who has been deceased since 1962. She is a native of Phoenix, Arizona since 1933, up to three

months ago when she came to Muleshoe. Survivors are one sister, Mrs. Ruby Shipp of Campbell, Calif.; and two brothers, Davis and Eugene Guiley, both of Muleshoe. **Must Be** Voice: "How do you feel this morning?" Second Voice: "Fine." Voice: "I guess I have the wrong number." Labor Department, salaries of southern worker up.

The Sandhills Philosopher

Editor's note: The Sandhills Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm looks at violence on television this week. It's hard to tell what he sees. Dear editor: According to child psychologists, whose kids don't seem to turn out any better than other

folks' kids, there's too much violence on television. And if it isn't stopped, they say, there's no telling what's going to happen when the kids get out into life. One expert has calculated that the average child, sitting in front of a TV set several hours a day, will, by the time he's 14, have seen 18,000 murders on the various crime shows, detective shows, westerns, cartoons, etc., not counting what happened to Little Red Riding Hood's grandmother or, if somebody forgot to change

channels, what happened in some of Shakespeare's plays. Personally I don't know what effect TV has on children, outside of increasing their consumption of potato chips, and I have a hard time explaining Watergate when you remember the people guilty of it didn't have television when they were growing up, but a man I read about the other day has figured out a way to cut down on the amount of TV violence they watch, he thinks. Noticing his kids sitting around

glued to the TV set one Saturday morning when they should have been, had they been normal like he was when he was a youngster, out playing cops and robbers or cowboys and Indians, he decided he'd make them earn the right to watch those cartoons, and save electricity at the same time. What he did was mount a bicycle on a stand in the TV room, with the rear wheel off the floor, and rig up a belt from that going to a car generator, wired to a battery. Wires from

the battery were then connected to the TV set, as its only source of power. You want to watch TV? Get on that bike and pedal fast. I have not heard how that guy's children are reacting to his scheme, newspapers have a habit of failing to follow through on a good story, but I have a notion they're over at a neighbor's house sitting on the floor with their friends eating potato chips and watching television. Yours faithfully, J.A.

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19 oz. Can Campbell's Chunky Chicken with Rice Soup 59¢

46 oz. Can Big Tex Grapefruit Juice 49¢

24 oz. Bottle Aunt Jemima Syrup \$1.29

26 oz. Bottle Hunts Tomato Catsup 69¢

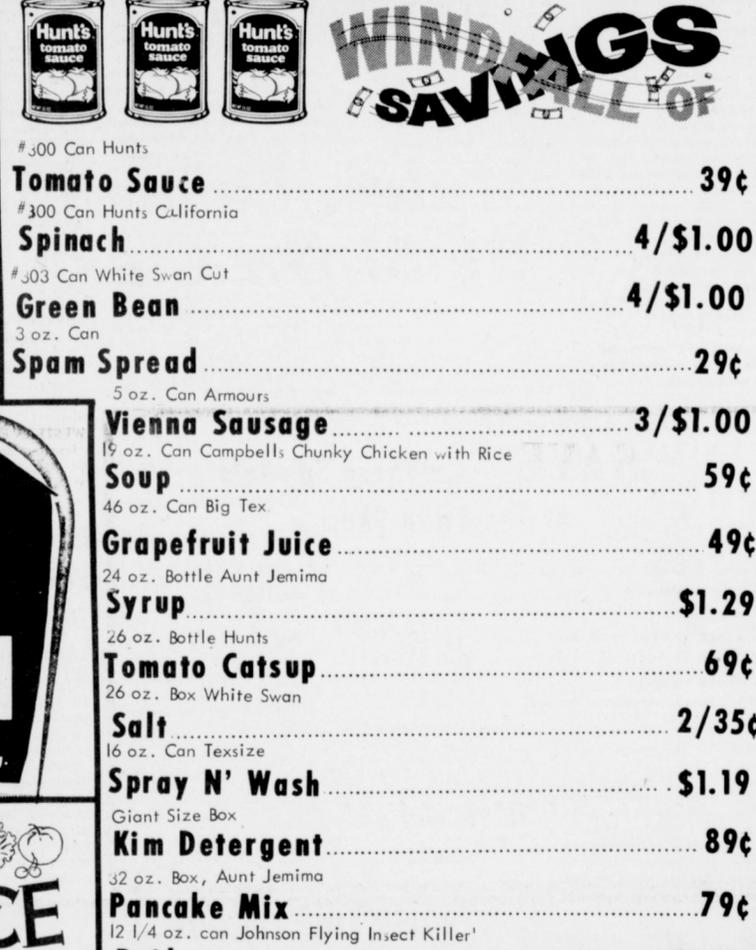
26 oz. Box White Swan Salt 2/35¢

16 oz. Can Textra Spray N' Wash \$1.19

Giant Size Box Kim Detergent 89¢

32 oz. Box, Aunt Jemima Pancake Mix 79¢

12 1/4 oz. can Johnson Flying Insect Killer Raid \$1.29



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BUTT HALF lb. **98¢**

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Ruby Reds

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9 oz. Pkg. Keiths Cut **Green Beans** **35¢**

32 oz. Pkg. Keiths, Crinkle Cut **French Fried Potatoes** **45¢**

12 oz. Pkg. Garys **Super Dogs** **79¢**

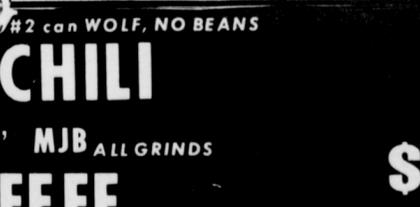
Banquet **T. V. Dinners** **55¢**

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MR. AND MRS. ROLAND MCCORMICK

Mr., Mrs. McCormick Feted At Reception

Mr. and Mrs. Roland McCormick were honored with a reception Sunday afternoon, September 19, in honor of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. It was hosted by the couple's children. The occasion was held in the McCormick home at 122 West 16th Street, from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m.

Guests were greeted at the door by the honorees and their children, Mr. and Mrs. Tim McCormick and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gable.

The register table was laid with a white cutwork cloth and featured a framed photograph of the couple.

The serving table was laid with an autumn red cloth, trimmed in long fringe of various fall colors. Centering the table was a three-tiered white cake, accented by yellow roses with greenery, yellow scroll work and braid, white bells and featuring a silver twenty-five on the top tier. Completing the table were a silver coffee service and a milk glass punch bowl. Silver appointments were used.

Attending the table were Mrs. Violet Cudd, mother of Mrs. McCormick and Mrs. Mary Ann Carter, sister of Mrs. McCormick, both of Slaton.

Roland McCormick and Martha Ray Cudd were married at Sunrise on Sunday, September 16, 1951, in the Slaton Church of Christ. Andy Burks, minister of the church performed the double ring ceremony.

The McCormicks made their first home in Lubbock and in 1956 moved to Muleshoe. McCormick is the manager of Gilbreath Seed Company and an

active participant in the Boy Scouts of America. He is a district commissioner for the George White district. Mrs. McCormick taught in the Muleshoe school system for twelve years and now substitutes as a teacher. She is a past president of the Parents-Teachers Association and also holds a life membership in that association.

The McCormicks are both members of the Muleshoe Church of Christ.

The couple has two children, Mrs. Cathy Gable and Tim McCormick, both of Muleshoe and four grandchildren: Robbie, Chad, Angela and Preston.

Out-of-town guests attending the reception were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Stewart of Friona; Mr. and Mrs. Taudin McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Boyd and Ronnie, all of Slaton; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Walters, Ricky and Tia, of Lubbock; Mrs. Ren Dorman of Tahoka; and Mrs. Mary Ann Carter, both of Sudan.

Local Homemakers Attend Area I Meet

Area I Young Homemakers of Texas held the annual convention at KoKo Palace in Lubbock, September 18. The theme for the meeting was "Effective Parenting".

Mrs. Roy Bass, wife of the Mayor of Lubbock, welcomed the group, and a short message was given by Mrs. Ina Dora Haile, Area I advisor for young homemakers.

The two featured speakers for the day, Dr. Charles Smith, Professor of Child Development, Texas Tech University and Mrs. Bryan Edward, Professor of Family Relations, Texas Tech, discussed "The First Six Years of Children" and "The Pre-Teen Years".

Business for the association and a message from the State President, Nancy Cannon were a part of the afternoon session.

Newly elected officers are President Janice Kelly of Hereford. Other officers were from Hale Center, Childress, Roosevelt of Lubbock County and Ralls. The new state officer from Area I is Sandra Christy of Childress.

After a short shopping time, a

joint banquet for young homemaker and young farmers was held at KoKo Palace Banquet Room. Awards were given and new officers were recognized. The banquet was sponsored by Electric Coops of the area, including Bailey County Electric Coop.

Representing Muleshoe Young Homemakers were Mrs. Wayne Copley and advisor, Mrs. Dornine Harbin.

BIBLE VERSE

"We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed."

1. Who wrote the above statement?
2. To whom was he writing?
3. Where was he at the time of this writing?
4. Where may this statement be found?

Answers To Bible Verse

1. The Apostle Paul.
2. The Christians located at Corinth, Greece.
3. In Macedonia.
4. 2 Corinthian 1:4:8,9.

West Plains Medical Center Briefs

ADMISSIONS
September 18 - Shorty Holmes and Frankie Williams.

September 19 - Hector Posados and Arthur Crow.

DISMISSALS
September 18 - Ruben Leal and Betty Lancaster.

September 19 - Sandy Noble and Cuca Cuevas.

September 20 - Mrs. Joe Simmacher, Mrs. Jerry Cooper and J.W. Holmes.

From The Journal Files

10 Years Ago

Bailey County Historical Society will meet Monday, September 26, in the First National Bank director's room. Cecil Davis, chairman, has announced. The session will start at 1:30 p.m.

Jack Young was elected state president of District and County Attorney's Conclave of Texas in Austin recently. Mrs. Young also attended conclave. Also attending was County Attorney Roger Gorrell.

The Dorcas Circle of the First Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. Robert Hooten for a luncheon Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnson are in Fort Collins, Colo., the home of their son, James P. Johnson, who is running for U.S. Congress in Colorado. They will return to Muleshoe this week often a two week visit while James campaigns for the U.S. Congressional seat.

Ernest and Lyndol Brock are in Amarillo and Oklahoma viewing new cars.

Jacque Baker from the Baker Farm Supply and Demp Foster from Lazbuddie are in Lubbock this week attending a Smith-Douglass sales workshop at Underwoods.

20 Years Ago

Mrs. Jack Obenhaus, of the Muleshoe school faculty county president of the Texas State Teachers Association will attend a workshop of that group in Lubbock September 27.

Mr. and Mrs. John Agee visited his parents in Lubbock on Sunday afternoon.

Patricia Simmacher left Sunday for Lubbock where she will enter Texas Tech as a freshman. She was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simmacher and sister, Brenda.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Gray and children, accompanied by her parents, visited Sunday in Ft. Sumner.

30 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Phipps of Wellington were here visiting in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Phipps of Needmore, Wednesday.

Mrs. Buck Wood, Mrs. Charles Lenau, Mrs. H.D. King and Mrs. Buck Ragsdale were in Plainview Friday, visiting Sandra Wagon.

Jack Lenderson has been in Amarillo this week attending a John Deere Implement school.

Friends Honor Mrs. Green

There was an appreciation birthday in honor of Mrs. Dorothy Green in the Nursing Home dining room, Sunday, September 19, 1976, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Punch, coffee and cookies were served by the hospital staff and hospital auxiliary. Donations were given by friends in the area to be used to purchase equipment to be presented to the hospital in appreciation of the many years of service, given as a doctor's wife, citizen an active member of the Muleshoe Hospital Auxiliary.

There were approximately 100 attending the come and go party.

Homemakers Met Monday

The Sudan Young Homemakers met Monday night, September 13, at the homemaking cottage. The program was a demonstration by Lynette Burns on making flowers from boys' darc apples; and a demonstration making flowers from seed by Kay Wiseman and Nell Ingle. Each club member participated in making the flowers.

Plans were finalized for the Area Convention which will be held at the KOKO Palace in Lubbock for Saturday, September 18. Refreshments were served by Kay Wiseman, Geneva Newman and Joan Nix. Those attending were Carol Summers, Nell Ingle, Ann Carson, Dorothy Hill, Rita Conley, Charla Ann Williams, Dyanne Humphreys, Jo Ann Ellison, Joan Gaston, Jan Smith, Deanna Humphreys, Sharon Thonton, Doyleene Seymore, Nancy Harrison, Pat Laceywell, Cheryl Kinni, Barbara Bond, Jane Netherland, and guests Lynette Burns and Sheryl Black, their little sister.

Kay Wiseman read the thought for the day "On Love". September 19-25 is Texas Young Homemakers Week. Projects and the program theme for the coming year is "Its All in the Family".



MRS. DOROTHY GREEN

Christmas Card Project Begins In October

The Muleshoe Nursing Home and Hospital Auxiliary met for a business meeting Wednesday, September 15, at 1:00 p.m., in the Thrift Shop.

Reports for the last quarter were given.

Mrs. Hanev Poyner gave the treasury report. Vending Account was \$1,906.00; Thrift Shop, \$2,932.34; Memorial Fund, \$1,039.81; Dues and Uniforms, \$283.35; Special, \$102.27 and Baby Photo, \$78.99.

The Thrift Shop has grossed \$4,189.93 in the past quarter.

Their old business was the members voted to finish micro-filming the old records for the hospital and nursing hom. A total of \$5,000.00 will be spent on the project, when completed.

Mrs. Kenneth McGehee was named Chairwoman of Project Christmas Card. This project will kick off in October. A committee was selected to check into recommendations on what to purchase with the money from Project Christmas Card.

Other items of business discussed were the committees for the next quarter. They are Baby Stockings, Mrs. R.H. Kimbrough; Decorations, Dorine Harbin; For holidays and Christmas Social Activities is Mrs. S.M. Ethridge.

Mrs. S.M. Ethridge is coordinator of the Swine Flu Clinic. The Auxiliary will be helping with this.

A list of Community Services was given for April through August.

They are to help with Dr. McDaniel's birthday party; Bicentennial Tea; National Library

Week; Blood Bank Drive; Fourth of July Activities and to Co-host the Nursing Home Open House.

The auxiliary was shown a film on the Swine Flu program by Ms. Jeane McDonald and Ms. Josie Alonzo from the County Health office.

It was pointed out that the nursing home is in need of eight folding chairs for the day room, to be used for the residents on bingo and domino playing days. If anyone would like to help with this, call the nursing home or Mrs. Eugene Howard at 272-4037.

A macrame plant hanger was given to the nursing hom in memory of Tressie Webb.

Plans were made to attend the district meeting at Plainview, September 24.

Those attending the business meeting were Mabel Caldwell, Mrs. Kenneth McGehee, Mrs. R.L. Kimbrough, Mrs. Henry Malone, Mrs. Alex Williams, Mrs. Willard Tibbits, Clara Crain, Mrs. R.A. Bradley, Mrs. Clinton Kennedy, Mrs. Hanev Poyner, Mrs. S.M. Ethridge and Dorothy Green.

The Meaning
Boy--Dad, what is meant when they say "beastly weather?"
Dad--It means it's raining cats and dogs.

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Parents.. Don't Let Your Children Burn

Editor's note: Fire Prevention Week is October 3-9. This is the third of a five-part series by Dr. Gary S. Nelson, safety engineer with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, designed to help parents teach their children and themselves how to survive a house fire.

COLLEGE STATION -- A home burns every 45 seconds and up

to 2,000 children burn to death annually. Following are two more drills offered in this series designed to teach children how to survive a fire. In the fifth part of this series, a final "rookie" examination will be offered to determine whether your children qualify as "firemen".

A drill called "Get Out Fast" trains youngsters in the impor-

long it takes to reach the meeting place outside the house. At first, let them escape the simplest way. Then make them go through obstacles, such as "smoke" and the "hot" door. Block off stairways with a string so they know to use an alternate route. Be sure they practice going out a window. If they use a rope ladder, have them throw it out the window and actually climb down. If they are to wait on a roof until someone comes with a ladder, made them wait while you get the ladder. They must behave exactly as they would in a real fire.

The next drill is called "Call the Fire Engines". Teach your child exactly how to call the fire department; his quick action could save his life or your house. However, impress on him that if he discovers fire, he should act in this order: First, alert everyone so they can begin their escape. Then call the fire department if he can still do so safely. Lives have been lost because someone paused to call the firemen when he should have fled.

Have the children memorize the number of the fire department. Also, write out the number and place it permanently near the phone. Very small youngsters who can't dial long numbers at least can learn to

dial "0" for the operator in an emergency.

When practicing, place a strip of tape over the receiver buttons so you can dial without letting the call go through. Have youngsters go to the phone, dial and give this information: "Our house is on fire at (address). The name is (head of household)." Then don't let them hang up immediately, but wait to be sure they were understood.

Part four of these series provides a final drill in teaching children how to survive a fire.

Nursing Home News

Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Berry visited her brother, Arthur Perkins, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Norwood of Tor C. N.M. are here visiting his mother, Mrs. Nellie Norwood.

The Calvary Baptist Church came Sunday afternoon. They sang several songs with Mrs. E.H. Gatlin at the piano and then Rev. James Williams brought the message.

Artie Fay O'Hair visited her mother, Mrs. Mamie Miller, Sunday afternoon.

Arthur Perkins and Martha Williams celebrated their birthdays last Friday. Mrs. Williams was 89 and Perkins was 72.

Visitors coming to play "42" Tuesday were Mr. Head, Walter Damron, Mae Wilterding, Buford and Rosie McKillip.

Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Stone of Texico visited Mrs. Walding, Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Finley visited Annie Brown and Mrs. Nicholson, Tuesday afternoon.

The ladies of the First Christian Church brought supper Thursday night. We appreciate it very much.

Gladys Phillips comes to see her mother, Mrs. Hardin, every day.

Alice Tosh of Clovis, N.M. visited her mother, Martha Williams Friday.

Mr. Brock and daughter, Mrs. Whitt, came to visit his wife and her mother, Mrs. Jessie Brock, Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Harris has been very critically ill in the hospital, but is improved and back with us in the home.

Mrs. Guinn is also improved and is back with us, but is awfully weak.

The Assembly of God sings came and sang for us Sunday. We enjoyed them very much.

Women In A Man's World- How Successful Are They?

Lib or lip service? That's the question many budding plumbers, welders, electricians and others in the skilled trades are asking -- if they happen to be women. Today, thirty years after the heyday of Rosie the Riveter when millions of women went to work in wartime production, only four percent or a half a million skilled workers are women. Yet, with a helping hand in the form of fair employment laws and a presidential mandate requiring affirmative action, prospects look bright for modern day Rosies.

"As a child I liked fixing things around the house but never considered it could lead to a job. Women are often made to believe that it's work in the trades) not for them -- that it's too hard," says Valerie Ash, a 24-year-old carpenter for Gulf Research in Pittsburgh who is also the stage designer and builder for a local rock group called Fluid.

"But I knew what I wanted and went after it. I chose carpentry because it lets me be creative. I really enjoy it."

Is the work as hard as she thought?

"No, it's all skill, learning how to use tools and technique. The work is not very demanding physically at all. Women shouldn't be afraid of it."

But, acceptance by older male workers is a problem. "They find it difficult to cope with a female carpenter who's old enough to be their daughter. They view you as a threat and want to only give you the cleaning up work to do. But you have to set them straight -- that you are a carpenter like they are."

WORD IS GETTING AROUND

Other women who for whatever reasons choose to become hardhats may also be finding the path a little easier, according to the Labor Department's Women's Bureau set up to promote equality of the sexes in the workplace. "Women are making inroads due a combination of factors," says Arleen Winfield, a career and employment opportunities specialist for women with the Bureau. Among the factors she names are an affirmative action mandate which requires employers to make special efforts to hire women, Labor's Outreach Program of apprenticeships for women and minorities, and women's own awareness of the possibilities for a non-traditional career. "Word is getting around," says Ms. Winfield, "women are becoming more knowledgeable about opportunities. Since nine out of ten women will work during their lives, and usually for 20-45 years, they need to

plan much more realistically for their careers."

That the word is indeed getting around is confirmed by the steadily increasing number of women enrolling in trade school courses, one route into the workplace. While still a small percentage of total students, the surprising fact is that women are enrolling to be welders, electricians, and other skilled workers.

"And, these are no longer the pioneers, they are second generation," according to Richard Zaiden, who teaches a variety of blue collar courses at his school, Technician Training School, Ms. Ash's alma mater, in McKees Rocks, Pa.

Why are women choosing the trades? "Economics, basically these women are looking at the financial picture. A good carpenter will make substantially more than a secretary, for example. Women have the same economic needs that men do," he answered.

ECONOMIC LIBERATION

In fact, economic liberation probably more than women's lib figures into the thinking of blue collar women since Department of Labor statistics show that experienced bricklayers, plumbers, and electricians earn on the average over \$16,000, with good wages typical of most of the skilled trades.

Fortunately, jobs as well as trained women are on the increase. As the economy picks up steam, employers are once again putting out the "help wanted" shingle, some with a special emphasis on women.

Zaiden reported that in the greater Pittsburgh area, where he generally places his graduates, women are in demand with a lot of opportunities due to the government's commitment to equal employment.

Other vocational schools are finding that employers are indeed hiring women graduates. However, most schools just don't have enough women to fill the demand. "All of our women have been placed -- we don't have any trouble placing them," according to Robert Ashbaugh, Placement Director of the Dean Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, which teaches a cafeteria of trades, including electricity, welding, drafting and metallurgy. "The trouble is," he continued, "women don't know about us, they know they would like to be in the trades but don't know how to start."

Aviation mechanics is another field where good jobs for women and minorities are literally going begging. A recent boom in the sale of light planes created an industry-wide demand for

aviation mechanics and avionic technicians (who install and maintain the electronic instrumentation aboard). The few qualified women around were snapped up.

"We even lost one of our women instructors to industry," according to Bob Todaro, a spokesman for the Spartan School of Aeronautics. While Spartan has graduated a small number of women students each year, Todaro reports, "Our women graduates report no trouble finding jobs in the aviation industry. Employers are very receptive to women." But adds, "They expect women to do the same work as a male counterpart if they expect to be paid the same money."

Another vocational school reports progress in placing women. "Employers don't laugh anymore when I send over a female graduate," according to Russell Papenhausen, whose own daughter attends Northwestern Electronics Institute in Minneapolis, where he is Executive Director of Admissions. "All employers care about is if the applicants are technically competent." Electronics, says Papenhausen, is a good technical field which women often don't think about when they choose a career.

NO LONGER ZERO OPPORTUNITIES

"A few years ago, opportunities were zero," according to Ruby Adams, who, with her husband Noel, runs the Tulsa Welding School. "Today, 90 percent of our women welding graduates who are available for work get jobs -- times have changed that much."

One graduate of Tulsa is 20-year-old Angela Bailey, a professional welder who was recently promoted in her job with a construction company.

Ms. Bailey believes that affirmative action is one of the reasons women have gained a foothold in a man's world, a world she believes is well worth tackling.

"I like the money -- I can buy things I couldn't before (as a short-order cook)." In fact, her current salary easily outdistances her high school counterparts, both male and female. "But women should know that being a welder in a man's world is hard, it's really difficult," advises Ms. Bailey who cites heavy work and some hostility from male co-workers as part of the job.

Nevertheless, she enjoys her work and sees a good future in the construction trade since she obtained a variety of skills at Tulsa, including blueprint reading, which will put her in line for more promotions.

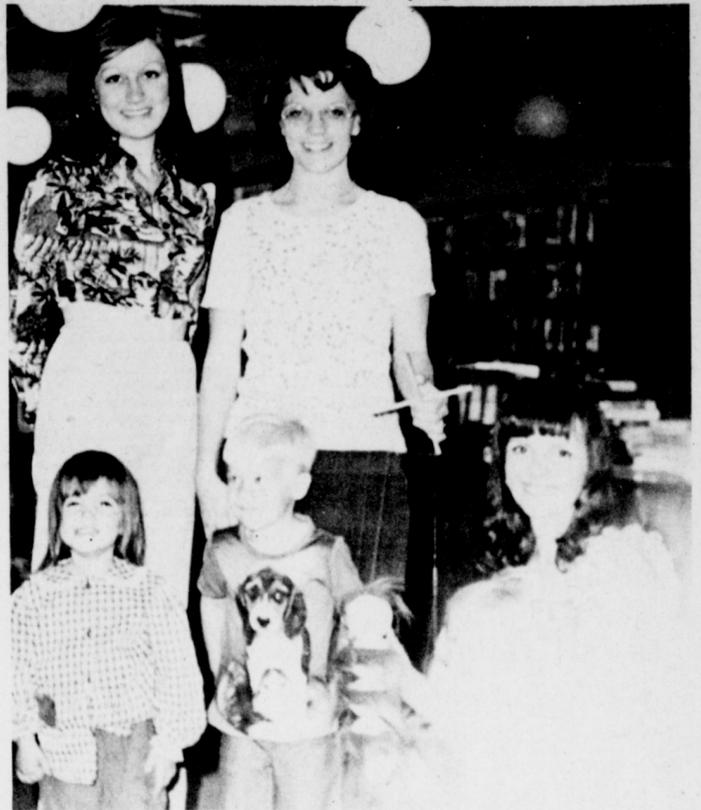
The consensus among employers, women, educators and federal officials generally seems to be that while progress is slow, there are opportunities now where there were none before. And more federal attention is going to be paid to opportunities in the construction trades in the near future.

Economic activity expansion signaled.



MRS. ANNIE NICHOLSON Turns 99 Monday

Mrs. Annie Nicholson celebrated her 99 birthday, Monday, September 20, in the Muleshoe Nursing Home Day Room. Mrs. Nicholson attends exercises, reading groups, and makes rag rugs. Mrs. Eugene Howard, Activity Director, says, "Mrs. Nicholson is very friendly, outgoing and stays busy." Those attending her birthday party were her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Stotts, of Winslow, Ark.; her son, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Nicholson of Bella Vista, Ark., and another daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Murl Stevenson of Muleshoe. Friends attending were Mr. and Mrs. Denzell Fritz of Fayetteville, Ark.



SURPRISE! ... There were 44 attending the Story Hour this week. They watched film strips, pledged allegiance to the flag and had a special attraction. Muleshoe Young Homemakers, Mrs. Brian Noble brought a puppet or big bird which they made. Her son, Sieven Noble, Mrs. Johnnie Williams and her daughter, Jacki and Mrs. Sandy Noble and Jill were just a few that got to see the big bird in action.

Handicapped Child Found To Educate

More than 10,000 children did not go to school today. This is not unusual. They have never gone to school. They are handicapped children "lost" somewhere in Texas.

These children have physical or mental handicaps that keep them from attending school. At least that used to be the case. The Texas Medical Association (TMA) says. Now there is a program to locate these children and give them the free public education Texas law says they should get.

No one knows for sure how many youngsters are not in school because of hearing, seeing, mental, emotional, physical or learning problems. Before the Texas Education Agency (TEA) began the "Child Find" program they estimated there were 10,000 such children. But in only six months they have located more than 5,000. The program, funded through 1978, probably will find thousands more such persons between the ages of 3 and 21. Education officials estimate public education now serves only 76 percent

of the handicapped children in Texas.

Anyone knowing of a handicapped child between the ages of 3 and 21 who is not in school easily can get the person some help by calling one of three numbers. Calling 1-800-292-9668, a statewide toll free Child Find number, costs nothing and will bring help from a local source. Someone also can call the local school district or regional Education Service Center.

Once a handicapped child is located, the local school district

does an appraisal. If eligible for special education, the child gets needed services through the school district or other community resources. If needed, counselors can meet with the parents to help with problems they may have.

All this effort pays off in human and monetary terms. It costs about \$20,000 to educate a handicapped child in Texas. It would cost society approximately \$200,000 not to educate the child. The \$200,000 estimate includes other types of treatment, long-term care, lost taxes an educated individual could pay, etc.

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FEEDBAG INFORMATION

'A' Team Drops Opener

On Thursday, September 16, the "A" team Mules played the Tulia Hornets in Muleshoe. The Mules played tough on defense but couldn't generate any offense. The Hornets scored first on a quarterback bootleg around the left side for about a 20 yard touchdown run. They failed on the extra point try by a great play by linebacker Carrol Pre-

7th Grades Football

There are 40 boys in the seventh grade Athletics this year. They have really been getting after it the past few weeks. The boys are practicing on the practice field beside the Benny Douglass Stadium. They have been running sprints, exercising, and trying to learn the fundamentals of football. They will be dividing into teams later on and playing each other.

Their first interschool game is against the Friona Chieftans here in Muleshoe on October 28 at 5:00, and their second game is against the Olton Mustangs there at 5:00 on November 4. Their last game will be the Intramural game here against each other.

cure. The Mules couldn't score in the first quarter, but, in the second quarter, Julius Briscoe gained about 20 yards on a double reverse.

Then from around the 50 yard line, Felix Norman ran up the middle to make the Muleshoe

Junior High Holds First Pep Rally

Muleshoe Jr. High had their first pep rally Thursday, September 16. There was alot of spirit at the pep rally. It was a good pep rally for the first one.

The cheerleaders lead them in six yells, then Laven Rhodes gave a speech for the cheerleaders. Brad Poyner gave a speech to encourage the boys to win and to tell everyone how they stood for the season, he also invited them all to come to the game to back them up.

The Pep Rally was held for the boys and to give them a lot of spirit. The cheerleaders think that the next pep rally will be improved and have more spirit to it. They worked four days on the pep rally, they decorated the gym, made posters, and worked on their yells. They think it was really worth the time and work.

There will be two more pep rallies held for the football boys this year. We hope the pep rallies will improve and give the football boys lots of spirit and PEP!

Mules' only touchdown. The extra point was good on a sweep around the right end by Marvin Lewis. The Muleshoe went in for haltime with a narrow two point lead. They held their lead until late in the fourth quarter.

The Mules had the ball in their own territory, it was third and long yardage. They tried a halfback pass; but, just as Felix Norman was about to throw the ball, he was hit hard. The ball was intercepted and with less than a minute to go the Hornets quarterback threw a pass to one of their receivers who ran it in for the touchdown. That made the final score Tulia-12, Mules-8.

Jr. High Roster

A TEAM BLACK

- Number
Beene, 12
Berry, 76
Briscoe, 87
Cabrera, 85
Claybrook, 55
Cox, 67
Gonzales, 66
Haney, 89
A. Lopez, 81
J. Lopez, 72
Lewis, 44
R. McDonald, 31
Moore, 77
Norman, 28
R. Orozco, 65
W. Orozco, 33
Poyner, 14
Precure, 58
Reyner, 69
Rasco, 71
Shadden, 86
Watson, 26
Walker, 30
Williams, 68

B TEAM WHITE

- Number
Gleason, 10
Davenport, 14
Puckett, 22
Kirven, 25
Perez, 30
K. McDonald, 35
Jaramillo, 40
Pen, 44
Nowell, 50
Brantley, 52
Castorena, 55
Harrison, G. 61
Ramos, 63
Peden, 64
Guillen, 65
Hunt, 67
Glaze, 69
Kutzi, 70
Burrows, 71
Snell, 75
K. Chancey, 76
Farmer, 79
Hyde, 81
Quiroz, 82
Harrison, K. 84
Long, 88
Orozco, I. 33
Lopez, 85
Buenrostro, 19
Prater

'B' Team Ties With Tulia 'B'

Last Thursday, September 16, the Muleshoe eighth grade "B" team went up against the Tulia Hornets "B" team. Neither

team made any scores, therefore, the score ended up 0-0. A fine game was played by Quincy Kirvin who ran a punt back for 85 yards to the Hornet goal line; but, it was called back for stepping out of bounds and a 15 yard penalty was given for clipping. The Mules made some fine drives; but, didn't get any

touchdowns. Next week the Mules will go up against the Farwell Mustangs. The "B" team game will start at 5:00, and the "A" team game immediately following.

FOOD POLICY TALKS TO HIGHLIGHT CHURCH CONFAB

Ministers from throughout Texas will gather on the Texas A&M University campus September 30-October 1 to hear talks dealing with this nation's food policy. The main topic of discussion at this year's Town and Country Church Conference will be the "United States Food Policy in a Hungry World," points out a resource development specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Speakers will examine problems requiring a U.S. food policy, determine how the problem of food policy and world hunger can be resolved, and evaluate proposed changes and their implications.

Person, Lubbock administrator. Representative of the College of Education at Texas Tech is Dr. John Rogers.

PVC Certifics Texas Utility, Deadline Nxt

The Public Utility Commission has met its September 1 deadline for certifying all Texas utilities who had applied to the Commission.

PUC was required by law to identify and designate service area boundaries for all utilities within its jurisdiction as a prelude to its authority over rates and services which goes into effect September 1.

The Commission received a total of 2,964 applications and has acted on all of them. There were a total of 99 telephone companies, 219 radio-telephone companies, 187 electric companies, 1,639 water companies and 820 sewerage companies that had applied for the required Certificates of Convenience and Necessity.

Commissioners noted that all utilities may not have received their official notice of certification, but will receive them shortly.

In the case of water and sewerage companies, interim orders are being issued so the utilities will be operating legally after September 1. In-depth hearings will continue for these utilities before a final certificate is issued by the Commission.

Commission Chairman Garrett Morris warned, however, that mere application is not sufficient for certification. "There are some companies who filed their application with us, and then we never heard from them again. These utilities are not being certificated and must fulfill their obligations under law before they can legally operate."

"If anyone has a question about their status, they should contact our Office of Information Services at 475-3174," Morris concluded.

Ford circuit courts ruling on aliens.

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Lubbock Area Reading Conference October 1-2

A large number of teachers and administrators from the Lubbock area public schools and colleges is expected to attend the tenth annual Reading Conference October 1 and 2.

Reading: An Adventure "Down Roads Not Taken" will be the theme for the conference to be held in the Coronado High School, 3307 Vicksburg, Lubbock.

The reading conference is sponsored by the Texas Association for the Improvement of Reading. Locally, it is a joint effort of Lubbock and area public schools and of Texas Tech University. Approximately 900 teachers and administrators attended last year's meeting.

LEADERS TO SPEAK Two leaders in the field of reading instruction will give addresses at the general sessions and interest groups.

Dr. Jane Root and Dr. Henry Bamman, recognized as outstanding contributors to the field of reading will be speaking on these topics "Rounding the Bend in the Reading Road" and "Horizons Unlimited".

In addition to the general sessions Friday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. and the Saturday morning session at 9:30 a.m., 14 small group meetings are slated. Master teachers from Lubbock, the area schools and Texas Tech, as well as Dr. Root and Dr. Bamman will be resource people for these sessions. A display of ideas, materials and techniques in reading prepared and demonstrated by teachers will be shown on Saturday morning in one of the area meetings.

Mrs. Bonnie McCullough, Lubbock President of the Texas Association for the Improvement of Reading, will preside during the first general session of the convention at 4:00 p.m.

Area teachers may register Friday beginning at 3:30 p.m. or may pre-register with Jerry R. Hale, principal of Stewart Elementary, 4815 - 46th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79414. The sessions will conclude at noon on Saturday. Representatives from many publishers will have exhibits in the cafeteria area of the building.

Local officers of the conference include the TAIR Area Vice President, Mrs. Bettye Wright, principal of Southeast Elementary and Wright Elementary and secretary-treasurer, Dan Mc-

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long. She is the sister to Michael, whom is 2 1/2 years old. Mr. Richardson teaches eighth grade Math and Journalism at Muleshoe Junior High. His wife worked in the Insurance Office at West Plains Medical Center here in Muleshoe.

Grandparents of the baby are Mrs. Andy Davis of Littlefield, and Mr. and Mrs. Ashel Richardson of Bula. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Rowena Richardson of Bula and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Elkins of Tulia.

MULESHOE JR. HIGH EIGHTH GRADE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 1976

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Sept. 2	Open		
Sept. 9	Open		
Sept. 16	Tulia 8 A&B	Here	5:00
Sept. 23	Farwell 8 A&B	Here	5:00
Sept. 28	Gattis 8 A&B	There	4:30
Oct. 7	Dimmitt 8 A&M	Here	5:00
Oct. 14	Littlefield 8 A&M	There	5:00
Oct. 21	Dimmitt 8 A&B	There	5:00
Oct. 28	Friona 8 A&B & 7th	Here	5:00
Nov. 4	Olton 8 A&B & 7th	There	5:00
Nov. 11	Intramural Super Bowl		

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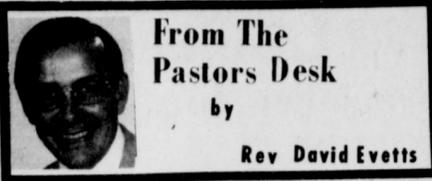
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by
Rev David Evetts

LOVEST THOU ME? - John 21:15 - "After they had eaten, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these? Yes, Lord. He answered, You know that I love you, Jesus said to him, Take care of my lambs." This is a question most likely the strangest one of its kind that our Lord ever asked. It was strange because He directed it to a man who from every appearance was a dedicated and consecrated Christian and disciple. He was also one of the original Apostles. And yet in spite of these existing conditions - Jesus pressed it upon Simon Peter three different times. After the Lord's Supper was over - Jesus gave the Disciples a Final Examination. Three times He asked Simon Peter "Simon do you love Me?" Then Jesus showed him the death by which He was glorified His Father in Heaven. Peter accepted this statement without protest. But before the Lord was finished - Peter became more and more concerned. And he tried to side-track the Lord by asking Him, "What will happen to John - and how will you deal with him?" Jesus answered him by saying: "Peter if it pleases Me for John to stay here till I come back that is no concern of yours - I'm asking you to give your filial obedience to Me." We wonder when we look at the record why Peter could not understand it clearly. But the question loses some of

"First of all he very glibly said, 'Sure, I love you - you know that - I've proven that a hundred times. The second time - a little more serious now - 'Yea, Lord, Thou knowest that I love Thee.' But the third time Peter was troubled and grieved and a little hurt that the Lord would press him further. And he said very seriously, 'Lord, Thou knowest all things; Thou knowest that I love Thee.' We immediately recognize that our love could never be equal to that of the Master in any degree - but it ought to be in kind resemble His love for us. I believe the Lord was appealing to Simon for more than lip-service - he wanted more than Peter's words and oral commitment. He wanted him to think about what he had said - for saying, and being and doing are different things, altogether.

WE ALSO FIND THAT GOD WANTS TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR DEVOTION TO HIM: When we truly love God with our whole heart, He not only knows it, but He wants us to know that He recognizes and approves it. In Luke 7:44-47 the woman in Simon's house who washed the Master's feet and sipped them with the hair of her head because she loved Him so much was not only noticed for her act - but highly commended. And the Master used this bit of testimony as a powerful rebuke to the frozen-hearted Pharisees who stood by. It is a marvelous thing how God can use our humble testimony for His work. We must learn that abiding love alone can understand love and make an adequate response to it. For the Bible tells us that: "...perfect love casteth out fear."

WE ALSO FIND IN THESE PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE: LOVE MANIFESTED: Though love is a very intangible thing - it cannot be hidden - but will somehow find a way to reveal itself. We cannot see love - but we know by experience and response that it is real and present. If God so loved the world as the Bible says: Then His love was made manifest in the gift of His only begotten son. If as the Bible says: "... Christ loved the Church - He also gave Himself for it." And if we love God as we ought - the Bible also tells us that we will love one another. Love for Christ and for His kingdom's work has a way of showing and proving itself to the world. First of all we can prove to the world that we love God by seeking Him. How often do you really seek after God and His way of Life? As told by John in Jo 14:

20:15 - It was Mary's love that constrained her so passionately to see Him. And it was Paul who said, "...the love of Christ constraineth me." We can prove to the world that we love God by confessing Him. Peter had said: "Yea, Lord, Thou knowest that I love Thee." But with the waning of his first love comes a waning of our desire for testimony and service. When we allow ourselves to become cold and indifferent - we will cease to care like we should. It is easy to forget about the warmth of our first experience with the Lord - but when that happens - our testimony becomes mere words and we begin to honor Him with lip-service. For if we love God with our whole heart - we will confess Him with all of our strength and might. We can prove to the world that we love Him by serving Him. After Peter's three-fold confession of love for the Lord - came the Lord's three-fold injunction to serve Him: "...Peter, go feed my lambs and my sheep." Real love - which is the essence of God - is not for levity - but for the total of God's love. The seven years that Jacob served for Rachel seemed but a few days because of the great love that He had for her. And like as was the case of Jacob - God allows us to enjoy that love even while we work. For almost eleven years I pastored a church in the City of Waco. In the church was a wonderful woman who loved the Lord dearly. She lost her good husband and she found it very difficult to adjust. In the long weeks and months that passed - she almost lost her balance - but one day she came back to reality. She had been advised by the doctors to quit all of her work at the church and rest. But she said: "I cannot afford to quit now - who knows how much time I have left to serve my Lord. I somehow believe with all my heart that if we really and truly love God - we will not cease to work and bear our testimony for any reason. And then we can prove to the world that we love God by sacrificing for Him. Love that will not sacrifice and crucify self is shallow and hypocritical. In Acts 21:13 he who said, "... he loved me and gave Himself for me also said: I am ready to be bound only - but also to die for the name of the Lord Jesus Christ." The highest act of God's love was to sacrifice His Beloved Son - and the highest act of human love is to sacrifice self for the glory of God and for others.

STATE CAPITAL Highlights AND Sidelights

by Lyndell Williams
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN - State spending has increased more than 50 per cent in a decade - even considering adjustments for population growth and effects of inflation.

Comptroller Bob Bullock's latest financial statement notes a three-fold rise from \$2 billion in 1967 to \$6.2 billion in 1976.

Actually, inflation was responsible for 60 per cent of the growth, however. In constant (1967) dollars, state spending has grown even more dramatically - nearly 80 per cent - during the last 10 years.

After adjustments for inflation, per capita expenditures (in constant dollars) rose from \$194.44 in 1967 to about \$297 in 1976.

Bullock's monthly financial statement reflected July state spending of \$482.3 million. This brings the 1976 spending to a total \$5.8 billion for the first 11 months of the fiscal year (that is through July).

July revenues were \$600.2 million. Revenues through the first 11 months of the fiscal year totalled \$5.86 billion.

The financial statement also projects continued inflation in food and fuel prices through the next year and cites an economist's forecast of a seven per cent increase in consumer prices through the first half of 1977.

Solid gains were reported in worker productivity during the last year - 4.4 per cent while unit labor costs rose just 3.4 per cent.

Plan Approved Legislative Budget Board approved a plan to hire retired judges to screen cases and conduct settlement conferences in hope of reducing judicial appeals in Houston and

Dallas civil courts. The board also made appropriations recommendations for the judiciary, which included \$35,000 and \$36,800 salaries for district judges in 1978 and 1979 respectively (up from \$32,800). LBB recommended \$26,500 and \$27,900 as standard pay for district attorneys.

At one point, the board considered wiping out the \$600,000 budget of the Texas Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations but decided to delay the move.

Corn Crop Up Texas corn production may reach a record 161 million bushels, 42 per cent more than last year's previous high and seven million bushels above the August forecast.

Agriculture Commissioner John C. White estimated the yield per harvested acre at 115 bushels, a 12-bushel increase from 1975.

The sorghum yield is estimated at 53 bushels per acre, two bushels below the August estimate but one bushel more than produced in 1975. Production has been set at 318 million bushels, 56 million below last year.

The upland cotton crop is 31 per cent above last year. Production has been set at 3.13 million bales, with yield per harvested acre at 334 pounds.

White said peanuts in most areas suffered from the weather during August, but improved noticeably after showers fell late in the month. Production is projected at 491 million pounds - a 28 million pound increase over last year.

Ag Opinions Southwest Conference meeting minutes are government records when held by a state school faculty representative, but por-

tions dealing with identifiable individual students are exempt from public disclosure. Atty Gen John Hill has held.

In other recent opinions, Hill concluded: Persons holding offices of profit or trust (including school or special district trustees, city council members or law enforcement officers) are barred from acting as chairman or member of political party executive committees.

A member of the Dental Laboratory Advisory Board vacates his office when he moves outside the state.

Appointments Gov. Dolph Briscoe appointed David Farh of McAllen to the Pan American University board of regents.

Nancy Leshikar is new head of the state comptroller's claims division, succeeding Jim Lybaugh, who was recently promoted to assistant comptroller for funds management.

Albert Gates of Laredo was named by Briscoe to the North Texas State University board of regents.

Briscoe appointed Donald A. Horn of Houston

to the Texas Board of Health Resources.

Deane Armstrong of Leander is a new Briscoe appointee to the Texas Woman's University board of regents.

Gerald Hicks of Houston was reappointed to the Finance Commission of Texas and Mrs. Majorie C. Kastman of Lubbock to the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

N. S. Draughton Jr. of Temple replaced Mrs. Shirley Facetti of Houston, who resigned, on the State Commission for the Deaf.

Changes Sought Welfare Commissioner Raymond Vowell told legislators he will seek laws to protect the elderly against abuse and neglect and to crackdown on illegal use of food stamps.

The commissioner said he will ask also for these changes:

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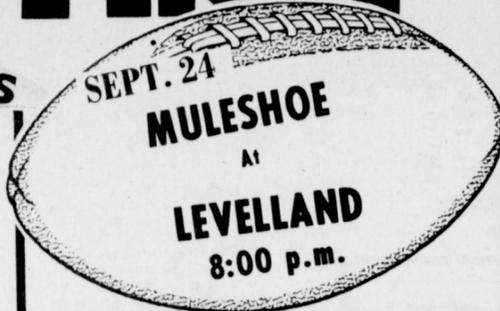
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Fuel Crisis Increases Conservation Tillage

The fuel crisis has brought to light another big plus for conservation tillage. Reduced tillage systems can conserve soil and water, increase yields, and at the same time require less fuel - so says Ron Allen, Agricultural Engineer at the USDA Southwestern Great Plains Research Center at Bushland. Dr. B.A. Stewart and Dr. Paul Unger were two other USDA scientists who helped with the research. "Our studies over the past 30 years have proved this beyond a doubt", the engineer said.

Conservation tillage experiments were started at Bushland in 1942. This research showed that sweep tillage left crop residue on the soil surface and stopped wind erosion much better than one-way plowing. The mulch helped store soil moisture and wheat yields were increased. Recent experiments showed that it took 3.4 gallons of diesel fuel an acre to produce annual crops of dryland wheat with either sweeps or one-way plows. Yields averaged 10.2 bushels per acre with sweeps but only 8.7 bushels per acre with the disk. Fuel used to pull sweep plows made more wheat than the same amount of fuel used pulling a one-way disk. "One gallon of diesel fuel will do the same work as 1.4 gallons of gasoline and 1.65 gallons of LP gas", the engineer said.

The USDA scientists also evaluated fuel requirements for other conservation tillage systems at Bushland. They found that using sweeps instead of plowing and disking during the 11-month fallow from irrigated wheat harvest until sorghum planting the next spring, reduced diesel fuel requirement from 4.0 to 2.9 gallons per acre. At the same time, soil moisture storage was increased from 3.1 to 3.4 inches. Using AAtrex and 2,4-D rather than sweeps to control weeds during the fallow dropped fuel usage on down to

1.9 gallons per acre. AAtrex was used at 3.75, and 2,4-D at 1 pound per acre. Soil moisture storage was increased to 5.6 inches with chemical fallow. The 2.5 inches of extra soil water stored over conventional plowing and disking is about the same as a preplant irrigation. Saving a preplant irrigation saves fuel and water, both precious resources in the High Plains.

Similar results were obtained when four tillage treatments were compared in furrow irrigated sorghum. Disk-chisel, disk, bed split and bed mulch were compared. In the bed-mulch treatment, old stalks stood undisturbed until spring and a sweep-rod weeder was used to cultivate and rebuild beds before planting. Bed-splitting and bed-mulching required 3.4 and 2.5 gallons of diesel fuel per acre. Disk-chisel and disking prior to rebedding used over 6 gallons of fuel per acre. Sorghum yields with disking were 5,300 pounds per acre versus 5,900 pounds per acre with the bed-mulch system using a sweep-rod weeder.

No-till double cropping of irrigated grain sorghum after wheat harvest has the same advantage, Allen pointed out. Clean tillage took 5.3 gallons of fuel per acre and no-tillage got by with 1.5 gallons per acre. During 6 years of research at Bushland, average yields were 4,500 pounds per acre for conventional and 5,100 pounds for no-till. "It is not very often when a farmer can get the job done faster, for less cost and have higher yields," Allen stated.

Researchers in Kansas, Nebraska, Kentucky, and Virginia have obtained similar results. For example, soil mulch in Kentucky and Virginia with no-till reduced evaporation during the first 40 days of plant growth. This permitted more rapid early growth of corn than with conventional tillage and increased corn yield from 117 to 126 bushels per acre in Kentucky and from 80 to 103 bushels per acre in Virginia.

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letters and your visits during
her lengthy illness.
The floral offerings were so
beautiful, the food so delicious,
the memorial gifts the acts of
kindness shown during the pas-
sage of our loved one.
We extend a special thanks to
the nurses and to Dr. Pummill
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**Senate votes to delete
ban on abortion funds.**

**U.S. shows trade accounts
surplus.**

**Ohio State, Missouri
Top Weekend Game**

Ohio State meets Missouri in
what might be the best match-
up of the weekend. Last week,
the Buckeyes knocked Penn
State from the ranks of the
unbeaten, while a week earlier,
Missouri annihilated one of the
nation's pre-season favorites,
Southern Cal. The Mizou Tig-
gers have never beaten Ohio
State in nine previous games...
they've salvaged a tie to go with
eight losses. In a real fine
football game, the Buckeyes are
favored by 15 points.

And finally returning to the
football was after over two
weeks without competition, the
Arizona State Sun Devils host
the California Bears. The Devils
have vivid memories of their last
guest... U.C.L.A. tromped them
28-10. The Bears, possibly re-
duced to Cubs by now, have
already traveled and lost to
Georgia and to Oklahoma on
successive Saturdays. It'll be
closed... California by five
points.

The forecasting average for the
first two weeks of the season
was certainly nothing to write
home about, let alone admit it
publicly! Hopefully, better Sat-
urdays are coming. Through
September 12, we picked the
results of 252 games. There
were 178 winners, 68 losers, and
six ties for a .724 percentage.
"Nuff said!"

Alabama and Nebraska, two
teams that might like to replay
their season openers, should
keep out of trouble again this
week. The Crimson Tide will be
a 31-point winner over Vander-
bilt, and the Cornhuskers will
tenderize T.C.U. by 33.
If Boston College, victors over

Texas two weeks ago, can come
down out of the clouds in time,
they're scheduled to play Tu-
lance. Their momentum alone
should carry them past the
Green Wave... BC by 20 points.
New Mexico isn't planning to
lie down and play dead for
Texas Tech, but the Red Raiders
are heavy 22-point favorites
over the Lobos.

Texas A&M, on the other
hand, might wish the Cougars of

Houston hadn't been admitted
to the Southwest Conference
quite so soon. Houston sur-
prised Baylor two weeks ago,
and may give favored A&M a
rough time. The spread is 16
points.

Michigan will bomb Navy by
34, and Penn State is 13 points
too strong for a rather surpris-
ing Iowa team.

Lower class postal rates
to increase.

CAB rejects hikes for 3
airlines.

House approves energy,
public works measure.

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1-MICHIGAN	6-ILLINOIS	11-ALABAMA	16-MISSOURI
2-OHIO STATE	7-GEORGIA	12-PENN STATE	17-SOUTHERN CAL
3-U.C.L.A.	8-TEXAS A & M	13-ARKANSAS	18-L.S.U.
4-OKLAHOMA	9-TEXAS TECH	14-KANSAS	19-NORTH CAROLINA
5-PITTSBURGH	10-NEBRASKA	15-MARYLAND	20-FLORIDA

Saturday, Sept. 25—Major Colleges

Alabama	38	Vanderbilt	7
Appalachian State	32	Wofford	6
Arizona	24	Brigham Young	14
Arkansas State	15	Louisiana Tech	14
Arkansas	29	Troy	28
California	26	Virginia Union	38
Boston College	27	West Liberty	20
Bowling Green	23	Tulane	9
Brown	27	Rhode Island	0
Bucknell	33	Davidson	21
California	25	Arizona State	20
Central Michigan	27	Marshall	15
Cincinnati	20	Miami (Ohio)	17
Colgate	20	North Carolina	14
Columbia	20	Lafayette	14
Dartmouth	22	New Hampshire	20
Delta State	21	Nw Louisiana	13
Duke	28	Virginia	7
East Carolina	35	William & Mary	10
Florida	29	Mississippi State	7
Furman	21	The Citadel	16
Georgia Tech	24	Clemson	6
Georgia	23	South Carolina	14
Hawaii	27	Pacific	21
Illinois	33	BYU	7
Indiana State	17	Dayton	13
Iowa State	21	Delaware	10
Kansas State	27	Muhlenberg	23
Kentucky	24	West Virginia	9
Lamar	17	New Mexico State	15
*Lehigh	21	Pennsylvania	7
Long Beach State	21	North Illinois	7
Louisville	24	Drake	10
Maryland	40	Syracuse	7
Massachusetts	24	Harvard	23
McNeese	26	Eastern Michigan	13
Miami, Fla.	25	Colorado	21
Michigan State	22	North Carolina State	13
Minnesota	31	Navy	6
Mississippi	31	Western Michigan	10
Missouri State	24	Southwestern	10
Nebraska	33	T.C.U.	7
North Carolina	35	Army	17
Notre Dame	23	S.M.U.	17
NE Louisiana	20	W. Virginia	10
Ohio State	27	Northwestern	10
Ohio	27	Missouri	12
Oklahoma	40	Idaho	12
Oregon	21	Utah	14
Penn State	20	Iowa	7
Pittsburgh	39	Temple	6
Richmond	22	V.M.I.	10
Rutgers	28	Princeton	10
San Jose State	28	Stanford	20
Southern California	34	Purdue	10
Tennessee	27	Auburn	14
Texas A & M	37	Houston	7
Texas Tech	30	New Mexico	8
U.C.L.A.	42	Air Force	6
Villanova	24	Illinois State	13
Washington	26	Indiana	13
West Texas	36	South Illinois	14
Wisconsin	23	Colorado State	21
Wyoming	24	Washington State	14
Yale	22	Utah State	12
		Connecticut	4

Other Games—East

Alabama State	21	Brookport	6
Auburn	17	New York Tech	4
American Int'l	28	Norwich	13
Amherst	21	Springfield	20
Bates	27	19th Century	14
**Boston U	27	Northeastern	20
Bowdoin	20	Trinity	16
Brigham Young	14	Slippery Rock	15
Clarian	39	Geneva	9
Delaware	22	North Dakota	12
Franklin & Marshall	40	Ursinus	6
Hofstra	20	Trenton	10
Illinois	33	Clarkson	6
Kings Point	26	Gettysburg	20
Marquette	23	Central Connecticut	14
Midwest	24	Baylor	12
Millersville	23	Kutztown	13
Moravian	10	Delaware Valley	13
Muhlenberg	14	Johns Hopkins	13
Southern Connecticut	23	Montclair	15
Washington & Jefferson	15	West Carroll	15
Wesleyan	17	Tufts	7
West Chester	22	East Stroudsburg	17
Westminster	21	Indiana	17
Williams	33	Hamilton	6

Other Games—Midwest

Akron	23	Youngstown	10
Ashland	22	Heidelberg	7
Augustana, Ill.	22	Northwestern	13
Baldwin-Wallace	24	Muskingum	27
Butler	23	Wittenberg	13
Central Missouri	31	Emporia	13
Colorado Mines	20	Hastings	14
Concordia, Neb.	17	Bellevue	17
Cornell, Iowa	37	Iowa Wesleyan	6
Delaware	19	Earham	7
Eastern Illinois	27	Central Oklahoma	14
Eastern Michigan	24	Wash. State	14
Friends	24	Southwestern, Ks.	12
Graceland	14	Nebraska Wesleyan	6
Grand Valley	26	Franklin	20
Hanover	36	Anderson	7
Indiana State	17	Northwood	7
Missouri Southern	28	Fort Hays	7
North Dakota State	42	Culver-Stockton	0
NE Missouri	27	Missouri Western	15
NE Oklahoma	23	Central Arkansas	17
Northwestern	25	Omaha	20
Northern Colorado	26	South Dakota State	17
Northwestern Michigan	38	Duquesne	6
Nwestern College, Ia.	25	Westmar	7
Pittsburg	22	Rolla	16
Portland	21	Monmouth	20
St. Cloud	17	North Iowa	1

View From The Plain

by J.D. Peer
I & E Field Officer

GOOD ANTELOPE FORECAST

Range conditions are improving across the Texas South Plains and Panhandle with 1410 antelope permits being issued to Texas landowners by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The season has been set in the Panhandle for October 2-5 and in the Permian Basin-Transpecos for October 2-10. One buck antelope by permit is the daily and season limit and hunting prospects have been listed good in all three regulatory districts. "There are still some dry areas where the grasses and forbs are not abundant," said Jack Parsons, regional wildlife supervisor.

"The late rains have improved the prospects for a good season and our aerial surveys have indicated about the same number of animals as last year," Parsons continued.

The count last year in the Panhandle total 1602 with 1583 counted this summer by P&WD field personnel and these landowners have received a total of 266 permits.

Borden and Garza counties show an increase of eight animals from the 1975 count with 295 antelope permits being issued in the Permian Basin. The largest number of permits issued is in the Transpecos district where 849 were sent to property owners.

Hunters must obtain this permit from the landowner before the animal is bagged. The permit must then be attached to the antelope immediately upon possession and remain attached until the carcass has been processed.

The recommended procedure

is to fasten the permit to horns or forelegs with string or wire. Make sure the permit is not lost or stolen while in transit.

The largest number of complaints from landowners and the P&WD involve hunters who herd-shoot. After the first shot, most antelope herds become wary and shot become longer and longer. Many times the only target is a nice buck antelope moving across the prairie at 60 mph.

Hunters who shoot at these animals in herds are increasing their chances of wounding or killing does which are illegal. Several complaints have been received concerning hunters who herd antelope on a vehicle which is illegal.

A flat-shooting rifle and a careful stalk on foot by a sportsman provides the ultimate test of the true antelope hunter and whether he succeeds or not will depend upon his hunting-shooting ability and a little luck.

Prairie Chickens Population 'Good'

After an all-time low population of 3,000 in the 1930s, prairie chickens in West Texas have multiplied substantially -- and Texas Tech University is trying to keep it that way.

Range and wildlife management researchers at the Lubbock institution are working on the game bird's nesting and reproduction habits. When completed, the study will provide recommendations for maintaining the present population.

"There is very little scientific data on the prairie chicken, and, although it is not an endangered species, some existing range management practices might discourage the bird from reproducing," said Dr. Kenneth L. Stromborg, assistant professor of range and wildlife management.

"Natural factors like rain are important to the prairie chicken, but beyond our control. So we are investigating man-made in-

fluences," he explained.

Droughts in the '30s severely affected prairie chicken population. The numbers of these small fowl increased for several years when a halt was called to the practice of hunting them.

There are two species. The smaller one is called the lesser and the bigger one the greater prairie chicken. Stromborg is working on the lesser variety.

The bird, found in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas, is usually restricted to semi-arid shrub oak areas.

"Range land is important for promoting prairie chicken population. But conversion of range land into farm land will affect the bird," Stromborg explained.

The Texas Tech professor is using electronic equipment to track them. A radio transmitter is affixed to the chicken's back, and Stromborg has a directional receiving system that beeps when an experimental bird is

within a mile radius.

The transmitters have a solar battery weighing a little over half an ounce and being charged by the bird's exposure to two hours of sunlight every three days.

"It is a strange bird in some respects. The two sexes stay separate most of the time. The males form groups on the ground, with the dominant ones occupying the center," the range and wildlife management expert said.

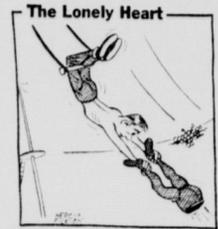
One of the most intriguing features of the male prairie chicken is its display during spring and fall.

"It is a ritualized performance. The males inflate a reddish-orange air sack under their necks, raise the pinnae surrounding the neck, gobble and dance," Stromborg said.

The birds will choose open grounds with good visibility for this ritual. Abandoned oil fields

in Texas are good sites for watching this display, he added. Beginning one hour before dawn the birds will dance for a couple of hours and repeat the performance for almost the same amount of time in the evening.

Birds used for Stromborg's experiment are trapped in a net. He then attaches the radio to the



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birds' backs and puts an identification mark around the legs. The professor expects to increase the number of experimental birds this fall. His study is state-supported and will continue through the 1977 nesting seasons.

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