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Sterling School Opening Near

Regular school classes get underway at the Sterling School here on Monday, August 20. Teachers will begin work Monday, August 13, at 9:00 a.m. with in-service.

On Saturday, August 18, the football barbecue will be held here in the city park.

The first football game will be at Klondike on September 7 at 8 p.m. All eleven games of the Eagles will be conference games.

James Thompson is superintendent of the school and Bobby Dodds is the principal.

TEACHER'S ASSIGNMENTS

The teachers for this year and their assignments are as follows:

Mrs. Alice Schovajsa—Kindergarten

Mrs. Leora Barrett—1st grade

Mrs. Martha Dodds—2nd grade

Mrs. Olivia Asbill—3rd grade

Mrs. Halley Barlemann—4th grade

Mrs. Evelyn Douthit—5th grade

Mrs. Mary Louise Rich—6th grade

Mrs. Wanda Foster—Jr. High

Coach. P.E., Science

Mrs. Jo Dell Myrick—Jr. High

English

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Dan Slaughter—Head Coach

Milford Wiley—Coach, Social Studies

Mrs. Jerrie Wiley—Business, Coach

Bobby Dodds—Principal

James Thompson—Superintendent

Mrs. Jaynell Bodine—Resource Teacher

Mrs. Edwina Cope—Title III Teacher Aide

Mrs. Juanita Igo—Teacher Aide

Mrs. Ruthe Foster—Migrant Teacher

Mrs. Margaret Blanek—Nurse

O. T. Jones—Business Manager

Mrs. Martha Lawson—Lunchroom Manager

Ann Browne—Lunchroom

Orrie Medina—Lunchroom

Jackie Daniels—Lunchroom

Trine Medina—Custodian

Refugio Hernandez—Custodian

Football Workouts Start Monday

Head coach Danny Slaughter said this week that official workouts of the Sterling City Eagles 8-man football squad would start next Monday, August 13. There will be two workouts daily, at 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Coaches Slaughter and Milford Wiley will have a good squad this year and the 8-man coaches association have the local team picked to win the state title.

Football Barbecue

The annual Sterling High School Football-Pep Squad Kick-off Barbecue will be held in the City Park on August 18 at 7:30 p.m., announced Mrs. Bill Humble, president of the high school Mothers' Club.

All interested in the Eagles and the coming football season are welcome. Parents of students will furnish the menu. Visiting fans are asked to bring a relish tray, salad or a cake.

School Lunch Program

The Sterling City Independent School District has announced a free or reduced price lunch-breakfast policy for Sterling County school children unable to pay the full price.

Local school officials have a policy that allows families with few children to receive free or reduced school lunches or breakfasts with income going from \$2190 for the smallest family to a high of \$8700 per year income, if children total 12 in number.

The scale for free lunches is as follows:

Family Size	Income
1	\$0-2190
2	0-2880
3	0-3570
4	0-4250
5	0-4880
6	0-5510
7	0-6080
8	0-6650
9	0-7170
10	0-7680
11	0-8190
12	0-8700

Each additional family member 510

Families falling within the scale or those suffering from unusual circumstances or hardships are urged to apply for reduced or free lunches-breakfasts for their children. They may do so by filling in the application forms sent home in a letter to parents. Additional copies are available at the principal's office at school. Applications may be submitted any time during the school year. The form itself is simple to complete and requests information needed to determine economic need based on the income and number of persons in the family and any unusual circumstances or hardships which affect the family's ability to pay for the school meals. The information provided on the application will be confidential and will be used only for the pur-

Two Wildcats In Sterling County

Sterling County drew locations for two wildcats this week.

E.B. Brown, Dallas will drill an 8,800-foot wildcat in Sterling County, 10 miles northwest of City, five miles east of the Credo, East (Wolfcamp) field and 3 3/4 miles northwest of the McEntire (Fusselman oil and gas) field, but separated from both by failures. It is the No. 1 Wilkinson Estate.

Location is 2,635 feet from the south and 1,600 feet from the east lines of 12-23-H&TC.

It is also 3/8 mile east-northeast of an 8,777-foot failure, Southland Royalty Co. No. 1 Wilkinson-McEntire, abandoned June 29, 1965, which recovered gas-cut mud, oil and gas-cut sulfur water and salt water on a test at 8,629-31 feet; and mud on a straddle-packer test at 6,704-975 feet.

Fusselman production in McEntire field is at 8,590 feet; and Wolfcamp in the Credo, East at 7,064 feet.

Taurus Petroleum, Inc., Midland, will drill the No. 1 Ainsworth, an 8,100-foot wildcat in Sterling County, 12 miles north of Sterling City, 2 3/8 miles south of the two-well Triple C (Ellenburger) field and a 1/2 mile northeast of the depleted one-well Iolanthe (Strawn) field.

Location is 660 feet from the north and 1,980 feet from the east lines of 39-2-H&TC.

The Iolanthe field, opened in 1940, produced from approximately 8,235 feet.

PEP SQUAD MEETING

Mrs. Jerrie Wiley, sponsor of the pep squad has announced a meeting of the high school pep squad August 13 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 11 of the High School. Please make a point to be there.

Reed-Gerth Wedding

Miss DeNeal Deed became the bride of Richard James Gerth, Jr. during a ceremony Wednesday in the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neal J. Reed, Bishop R.M. Sorenson of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in San Angelo, officiated.

The bridegroom is the son of Richard J. Gerth of San Angelo and Mrs. Dorothy Gerth of Abilene.

Mrs. John Sims of Lubbock was her sister's matron of honor, and best man was Carry Mortenson of San Angelo.

The reception was in the home of the bride's parents.

Mrs. Gerth is a graduate of Sterling City High School, and her husband is a San Angelo Central High School graduate. He was a member of National Honor Society at SACHS and is on the dean's list at A.S.U. where he is a sophomore pre-pharmacy major. After a camping trip to New Mexico, the couple will live at 731 Cactus Lane, Lot 25 in San Angelo.

pose of determining eligibility.

There will be no identification or discrimination against any student unable to pay the full cost of the meals.

Regular cost of the meals is to be 50c for lunches and 20c for breakfasts, said school superintendent, James Thompson. Teachers will pay 30c for breakfasts and visitors will pay 40c. Teachers will pay 55c for lunches, visitors 90c and carry out lunches will be \$1.00.

4-H Girls Win at Abilene

2 4-H girls from Sterling won ribbons in the 18-county district dress show in Abilene Tuesday.

Amy Hodges, a senior 4-H girl, won a third place white ribbon with her project.

Janice Greenfield, a junior 4-H girl, won a second place red ribbon.

Both girls had won ribbons in the Sterling County 4-H Dress Revue recently.

Methodist Church

The Rev. Harold Orr, pastor, announced that Stan Horwood would preach next Sunday morning at the United Methodist Church here in Orr's absence.

The Orrs will be off on their vacation and Horwood has agreed to fill the pulpit that morning.

NOTICE—The City Barbershop will be open on Saturdays—all day from now on. Andrew Coronado, barber, said he possibly would set up appointments for night barber work, if needed.

LARRY MCGINNES REASSIGNED

Lt. Larry McGinnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert McGinnes, has recently been assigned to Headquarters, 5th Battalion 6th Air Defense Artillery as Battalion Assistant Tactical Operations and Training Officer. His responsibilities include training the Batteries in the employment of air defense weapons as well as overall unit tactical operations. He will serve at Tactical Control Officer for the battalions and will train officers within the battalion in air defense operations and qualify them as Battery Control Officers. In a letter to his parents Larry summed up his new assignment as follows; "I will be on the road and at the batteries four or five days a week training, monitoring, and evaluating the officers and enlisted men in their jobs as air defenders."

Larry, his wife Julie and daughters Wendy and Karen, have been stationed at Hohn Air Force Base in Germany for the past 2 1/2 years. They have been reassigned and are living at Neubrucke near Baumholder, 5th Battalion Headquarters. They will be in Germany until July, 1974.

Sterling VFD Elects Officers

The officers of the Sterling VFD were elected at the Monday, July 23, meeting. They are as follows:

President—Ross Foster
 Vice-president—Roland Lowe
 Chief—Troy Templin
 2nd Chief—Gary Maricle
 3rd Chief—Dub Fincher
 Fire Marshall—Dan Glass
 Asst. Fire Marshall—Jack Peel
 Secretary—Harold Orr
 Treasurer—D. Kirk Hopkins
 Reporter—Charles Tucker
 Sheriff—Jim Cantrell
 Chaplain—Andy Daniels
 The Volunteer Fire Department meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday each month. The time schedule is:
 Nov., Dec., Jan. 7:00 p.m.
 Feb., Mar., Apr. 7:30 p.m.
 May, June, July. 8:00 p.m.
 Aug., Sept., Oct. 7:30 p.m.

Arthur B. Phillips of Ozona was here last week visiting the Neal Reeds and Ray Lanes.

Old Settler's Dance Here August 11

The annual Old Settlers dance will be held here at the slab in the park on the night of August 11. Delmar Radde and Jim Bob Clark are in charge of the dance arrangements and have lined up Bill Teague, Mike Alan and Diane Ross of Nashville.

The dance will be from 8:30 to 1 o'clock that night. The cost is \$4.00 per couple and \$3.00 for a single person.

The Nashville group has been playing engagements in West Texas for several months. They have a record that has been 26th on the national charts and they have been featured in a national movie magazine recently.

LIONS CLUB

The Sterling City Lions Club met in the community center Wednesday for the regular luncheon. Guests included Bill Hawkins and Stacy Moore.

Mrs. Bess Blagg thanked the club for sending her on the Astrodome chartered bus trip. Thank yous from Edward Estrada and Sheri Lynn Foster were received by the club. They had attended the Lion's Crippled Children's Camp in Kerrville.

The club voted to sponsor a defensive driving course here. President Ross Foster named a committee to work out plans and he named R.V. Hamilton, Albert McGinnes and Don Viktorin.

If you are interested in taking the 8-hour course see a committee member. Taking the course reduces one's automobile insurance by 10 percent.

Grocers' Meeting

There will be an important meeting for all Coke and Sterling County retail and wholesale grocers in the Coke County recreation hall, County Park, Austin Street. Robert Lee, for the purpose of explaining the food stamp program.

This program will replace the commodity distribution program now in operation. The food coupons can be redeemed only in retail grocery stores which are authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Interested retail and wholesale grocers may obtain authorization information by attending this meeting on Monday, August 2, 1973. It will start promptly at 8:00 p.m. and be over by 9:00 p.m.

ENGLERT-CURRINGTON WEDDING PLANS TOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Englert of San Angelo have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Beverly, to David Currington of Sterling City.

The couple plans to be married in St. Luke's United Methodist Church of San Angelo on September 1.

Miss Englert is a 1970 graduate of San Angelo Central High School and attended A. S. U. She is now a dental assistant.

David graduated from Sterling City High School and is a coming senior at A. S. U. He is a music major.

Dorbandt J. Barton of Dallas is here supervising a dynamite crew on the Robert Lee road construction project.

Eagles Schedule For 1973

Aug. 24—Scrimmage Garden City 6 p.m. H
 Aug. 31—Scrimmage Garden City 6 p.m. T
 Sept. 7—Klondike 8 p.m. T
 Sept. 14—Cotton Center 6 p.m. H
 Sept. 21—Three Way 8 p.m. T
 Sept. 28—Loop 8 p.m. H
 Oct. 5—Garden City 8 p.m. T
 Oct. 12—Open
 Oct. 19—Wellman 8 p.m. H
 Oct. 26—Dawson 8 p.m. T
 Nov. 2—Smver (Homecoming) 7 p.m. H
 Nov. 9—Whitharral 7 p.m. T
 Nov. 16—Borden Cnty. 7 p.m. H
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Social Security Tips

Effective January, 1973, a child disabled before age 22 may now qualify for social security benefits on the account of a retired, disabled, or deceased parent-worker, according to J. M. Talbot, social security manager. Previously, a child had to be disabled before age 18 to qualify for disability benefits on a parent's record.

In many cases, a child's dependency on the parent is extended beyond age 18 because the child spends additional years in school and has no regular earnings before his twenties. Extension of the age to 22 recognizes this dependency.

For more information, contact the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Ave. (P.O. Box 3808) in San Angelo, or see the representative when he is in your area. Persons who are unable to meet with him are encouraged to call the office in San Angelo at 949-4608.

"Processing time can be cut in half if people are prepared when the time comes to apply for social security benefits," says J. M. Talbot, social security manager.

Being prepared is not as difficult as many people believe. Remember to take along your social security card or the card of the person on whose record you are filing. For a widow, this would be the social security card of her late husband. This may sound hard to believe, but many people do come in to file their application and leave their number at home.

The third thing that is needed in all claims is evidence of the worker's last year's earnings and an estimate of this year's earnings. Your W-2 Form or tax return for last year will give the information for last year. Be sure to bring these with you.

The next most important document to take with you is your birth certificate, if available. Proof of age is needed to qualify for nearly all social security benefits. If your birth was recorded when you were born or if you were baptized before age five, you will need one of these documents. If you don't have a copy, make arrangements now to get one, Mr. Talbot advises.

If your birth was not recorded and you were not baptized before age five, there are other documents you can use. In most cases, the earlier the record was made the better it is for helping to establish

Dishes left at the H.L. Baileys' can be picked up at the community center.

Visiting with the Albert McGinnesses for the last 15 days were a nephew, Bill Hawkins and his friend, Stacy Moore, both of San Angelo.

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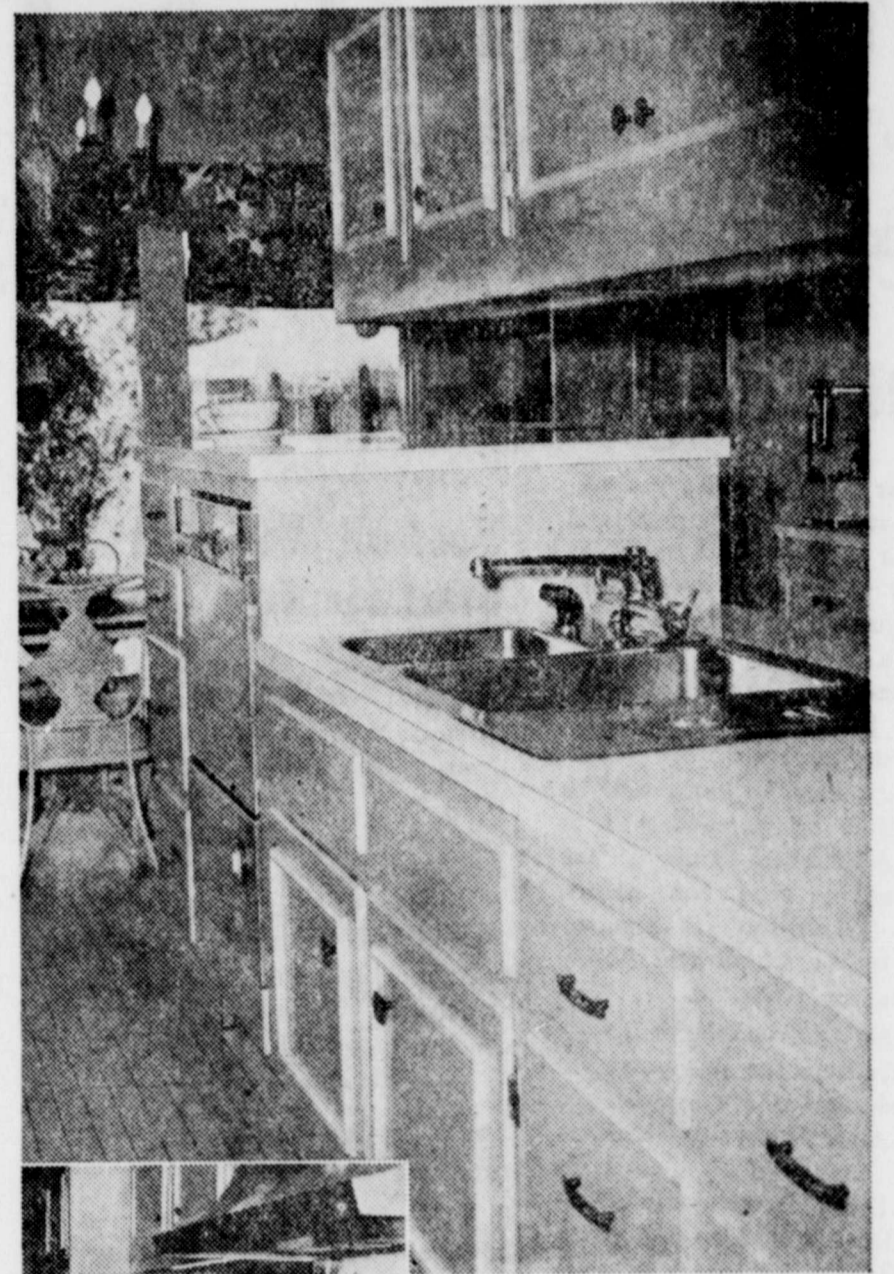
your date of birth.

"How do I know my work under social security is being credited to my record, and how do I find out about it? This is one of the questions most frequently asked," says J. M. Talbot, social security manager.

In explaining the process involved in reporting social security, Mr. Talbot said, "When you work for wages, your employer deducts social security tax from your paycheck each pay day. At the end of each calendar quarter, he submits your name and number with payment for these taxes to Internal Revenue. Internal Revenue forwards copies to social security's main office in Baltimore, Maryland. Your wages are then posted to your record. The same process is followed for a self-employed person except that his earnings are recorded yearly."

Mr. Talbot states that the possibility of an error being made in the process does exist. He recommends that you request a statement of your earnings at least every three years.

All you have to do to secure the statement is to send a post card request available at your social security office to Baltimore, Maryland. If the reply you receive is incorrect in any way, contact the Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue (P. O. Box 3808) in San Angelo, Texas, or see the representative when he is in your area.



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Kirk Hopkins is treasurer of the association and can issue the membership cards.

Greens are greening up and the fairways are being cleaned up and will all be in fair shape before long, it was said.

CHARTER MEMBERSHIPS OPEN UNTIL SEPT. 1

Anyone may join now and be a charter member of the golf association, said Lowe. Membership will run from Sept. 1 each year to Sept. 1—so get in now and have a full first year's membership.

See Mr. Hopkins at the bank for a membership card now.

PICKWICK PLAYERS SET EVENT

It's here at last! The sporting event of the summer will be presented by the Pickwick Players at the Midland Community Theatre August 9, 10, and 11. This exciting event is, of course, *The Great Cross-Country Race*.

Assembled for a Sports Day, the animals of this merry play, can find nobody to compete with the champion Hare in the cross-country race, until the slow-moving Tortoise agrees to challenge him. In the course of the race the scatter-brained Hare gets himself into all kinds of trouble, while the Tortoise plods slowly, but surely towards the finish line. Children and adults alike are bound to enjoy the predicaments of the engaging, but conceited Hare, and cheer for the worthy, but slow Tortoise.

Performances of *The Great Cross-Country Race* will be Thursday, August 9, Friday, August 10, and Saturday, August 11, at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$.75 for children and \$1.25 for adults. Call the Theatre Centre box office, 682-2544, for your reservations.

Come, root for your favorite in the last of the great Pickwick plays for this summer. On your marks, get set, . . .

For Social Security

If you are one of the Americans who expects to continue working after he becomes 65, a recent change in the social security law will increase your social security benefits for each year you continue working on your job and operating your business and defer receiving a social security check.

Between the ages of 65 and 72, your benefits will be increased by one per cent each year up to a total of 7 percent. This increase is in addition to any other cost of living or other increase that may be passed on.

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WEATHER Forecast for the Sterling area for this weekend —Showers and rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning.

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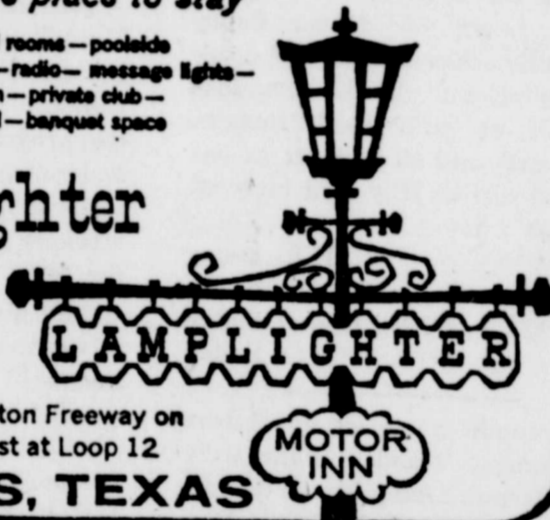
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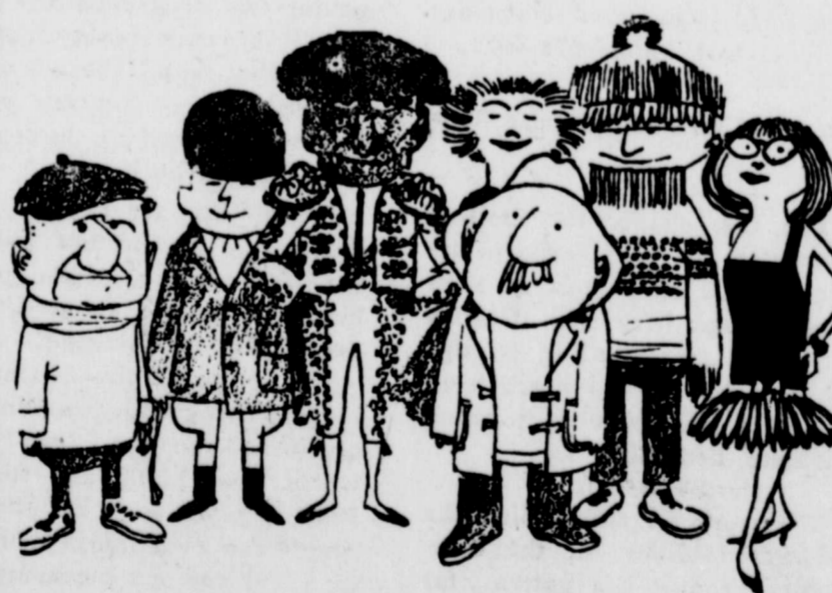


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Behind the 8-Ball



By the editor.

Now that it has been proven by preponderance of witnesses that John Dean has run the country singled-handed the past two years, we wonder how it has even gotten along as well as it has. Doesn't anyone up there around the White House even read a paper or watch news broadcasts?

I imagine that the making of tapes (so they'll be in accord with what the White House wants and needs) has been going on furiously up there.

8-BALL

One time here when a group of people were honoring the retiring postmaster, Hal Knight, some tapes were taken to an expert in that line and he was GOOD. He made those tapes with ty-off and tie-ins, so opposite of what was really said—that it gave the crowd (and Hal) a big bunch of laughs. An expert can do anything with tapes.

If I were the committee on Watergate or the special prosecutor, I wouldn't even want any tapes supplied by the White House.

I'd just want everyone to believe anything that they wanted to about the tapes, and the actions of that bunch.

8-BALL

Joe Sondberg killed a 5-foot rattler in front of his house Sunday. It was a big one and had lost some of its rattles in an accident.

Joe should have hung it on a fence belly up, so it would rain here.

8-BALL

Now that vice president Agnew is getting in on the act of being accused of wrongdoing, we may hear some really colorful language in his own defense.

He is a good speaker.

8-BALL

Patrick Gray, who almost was confirmed as head of the FBI, said he wished he had not burned and destroyed those papers the White House asked him to, so he could turn them over to the Watergate Committee—or—as he said, he could have used them for blackmailing or leverage.

But he was expendable—he said, and Erlichman and Halde- man were not.

8-BALL

Johnny Carson said an unused or untapped source of energy was going to waste here in America—the energy Senator Sam Ervin put out raising and lowering his eyebrows as witnesses testified at the Watergate hearings.

8-BALL

If Sterling City doesn't get a barber shop soon, we will all look like a bunch of hippies or yuppies.

Course, I don't really ever need a haircut—like some persons do. Just a light trim kinda around my ears. Since I have a flat top cut—permanent.

But if I ever have to go on TV as a witness, I would want to look trim and crew cut like.

I may even have to learn how to cut my own hair—or trim it. Guess it could be done.

Some of these men just may have to wind up going to these beauty operators to get their hair cut—or styled.

8-BALL

Don't forget the Old Settlers Dance Saturday night here in the City Park on the slab.

Although no reunion is being held, the dance committee decided to have a dance every year anyway at the regular time.

A good band is promised by

HOSPITAL NOTES

Patients in the Sterling County Hospital on Thursday morning of this week include:

Mrs. Sue Hayes
Mrs. A.L. Jackson
W.B. Allen
Dow Ferguson
A.W. Anderson
J.P. Russell
Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week were—
Don Griffin

Patients in the Sterling County Nursing Home on Thursday morning of this week were:

Mrs. Jim Duke
Jim Duke
Mrs. Cliff Carpenter
Mrs. Lucy Norman
Mrs. Lilly Revell
B. O. Bailey
Larkin Longshore
Earnest Turner
Mrs. J. E. Bynum
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Roy Morgan
Mrs. Henrietta Long
Owen Armstrong
Mrs. Noble Read

Son to the Slaughters

A son, named Craig Daniel, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Danny Slaughter last Friday at the Clinic Hospital in San Angelo. The baby weighed seven pounds and three ounces.

Coach Slaughter and his wife have one other child, Kimberly, aged two and a half.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Currie of Paint Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Slaughter of Ballinger.

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The family of Hester Bailey gratefully acknowledges and deeply appreciates all the generous gestures of gifts, food, flowers, memorials and all support in our time of sorrow. May God bless all of you.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Bailey
Mr. and Mrs. Danny Bailey
B.O. Bailey

Overnight guests at the Albert McGinnesses Tuesday night were Mrs. Vernon Lindquist and daughter, Marilyn, of El Paso. Mrs. Lindquist is the mother of Mrs. Larry McGinness.

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8-BALL

The first chance for football fans to see the 1973 Eagles in action will be on August 24 with a scrimmage here with Garden City at 6 p.m. Sterling is supposed to have a top notch team this year, perhaps even winning the state. Let's hope so.

8-BALL

The work on remodeling the kitchen facilities at the community center has gotten far enough along that the Sterling City Lions Club can meet again in the center. During the work the club has been eating at the Wallace's City Cafe.

The county has used some of the revenue sharing money to remodel the center.

Short Treadway of Miles is doing the work.

8-BALL

The Eagles have lost a good and regular fan. Mrs. Hester (Leon) Bailey was a regular fan at most of the games here throughout her life here. She rarely missed a game—she loved sports.

Mrs. D. K. Durham is to undergo surgery in the Shannon Hospital Thursday of this week. Mrs. Durham retired in May after teaching for 25 years in San Angelo.

Mrs. Ben Brooks returned home today from Aberdeen, Mich. and Windsor, Ontario, Canada, where she attended the wedding of a granddaughter, Cyndie Poynter. Miss Poynter is the daughter of Mrs. Iris Hamiter of San Angelo and the late Haskell Hamiter.

While in Michigan, Mrs. Brooks had the pleasure of seeing for the first time, a great-granddaughter, Renee Poynter, 17 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.S. Poynter. Mrs. Brooks has 3 other great-grandchildren, one in Japan and 2 in Germany.

Social Security

The San Angelo Social Security Office is now taking applications for supplemental security income payments, a Federal program scheduled to start in 1974 that will establish an income floor for people in financial need who are 65 or over, or blind, or disabled, according to J.M. Talbot, social security manager.

But, people already getting State old age assistance or State aid because they are blind or disabled don't have to apply, he said. They'll be getting more information later this year about how the program will help them.

"The first monthly payments under the Federal program will be made in January, 1974," Mr. Talbot said. "Until then, State and local public assistance offices will continue to make payments in the usual way."

People not getting public assistance now who think they may be eligible for the new Federal payments should call or write social security to find out if they should apply, according to J.M. Talbot.

"Federal supplemental security income payments will be made by the Social Security Administration," Mr. Talbot said. "But the program will be financed by Federal general revenues—not by social security contributions from workers and employers. It's not the same as social security."

The aim of the new program is to provide supplemental payments in cases of need so that people 65 or over, or blind, or disabled will have a basic cash income of at least \$130 a month for one person and \$195 a month for a couple.

"This doesn't mean that every eligible person or couple will be getting that much from the Federal Government every month," Mr. Talbot said. "The amount of the Federal payment any person gets will depend on how much other income he has."

"Eligibility for Federal payments will depend not only on the amount of income people have but on the value of their assets," Mr. Talbot said.

"If you're single—or married but not living with your husband or wife—you can own things worth up to \$1500 and still get Federal payments," he said. "A couple can own things worth up to \$2250 and get payments. Not everything you own has to be counted toward your total assets, however."

"A home of reasonable value will not be counted as an asset," Mr. Talbot said. Personal effects and household goods won't count in most cases. Insurance policies or a car may not affect eligibility either, but it will depend on their value.

Certain income will be disregarded in deciding on an application for supplemental security income. The first \$20 a month of income generally won't affect the Federal payment at all, Mr. Talbot said. "In addition, people



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who are working part time should know that the first \$65 a month of earnings won't be included in counting their income and only half of the rest of their additional earnings will be counted, he said.

Apart from earnings, other income above the first \$20 a month generally will reduce the Federal payment. This includes social security checks, veterans payments, workmen's compensation, pensions, annuities, and gifts, Mr. Talbot said. And, if you live in someone else's household, your basic Federal payment will be reduced by one-third before other income that may affect your payment is deducted.

For more information, contact your Social Security Office at 3000 West Harris Avenue (P.O. Box 3808) in San Angelo, Texas. The telephone number is 949-4608. Even though payments cannot start until January, 1974, we're starting to take applications now so we can process them ahead of time and avoid delays that might occur if there's a rush of applications right at the end of the year, Mr. Talbot said.

Sterling County joined the list of counties in Texas that had confirmed cases of screwworms as noted in the article in last Friday's paper. The case, on the William Foster Ranch, was the first in the county in 1973.

Thus far this year, confirmed cases are running far behind the total last year. According to the last report issued by the Mission laboratory, there were fewer than 700 cases thus far in 1973.

All producers are urged to be especially watchful now. Check your livestock as often as possible. Take a sample of all suspected screwworms and treat the wound. Mailing tubes and vials for the samples are available at the feed store and the county agent's office. If you find an animal with worms but do not have a vial handy, take a sample and put the worms in any kind of container you have available in plain water. Then, put the sample in the mailing tube and vial as soon as possible.

During the phone conversation last Thursday, Dr. Novy at Mission said the confirmed cases have been spotted this year. There is no one area where they seem to be more evident than another. The majority of the counties in this immediate area now have had confirmed cases. The only county in this region that had not had a case last week was Coke County.

What happens to the thousand pound steer that leaves the feedlot? How much of him actually ends up on the table as edible beef?

The thousand pound steer that grades choice will produce about 600 pounds of carcass. When the fat, bone and other waste is taken away, about 444 pounds of edible beef remains.

This 444 pounds is then broken down into the various cuts ranging from steak to hamburger and stew meat. A thousand pound steer will produce about 48 pounds of sirloin steaks.

More and more people are going to learn what the live animal yields. Many of the packing plants, especially smaller ones, are going to a custom slaughter operation in the face of the ceiling on beef. They say that they cannot buy the beef and merchandise it as they did in the past. The retailer or consumer is buying the beef on the hoof, paying for the slaughtering and processing, and then retailing the meat or placing it in the family freezers. Many retailers are also refusing to accept orders for beef for the freezer which will force changes in purchasing meat for the freezer. Other packing plants are shutting down completely until after the freeze is lifted.

Visiting the Ray Lanes recently were Mrs. Henry Newman, Mrs. Norvell Wiley and Mrs. Sally Snooks of Santa Anna. The three sisters lived on the Boswell place near Iolanthe when children. Later Mrs. Newman and her late husband lived on Hackberry Ranch and Mrs. Wiley (Lucille Kirkpatrick) taught in the Sterling school.

Other guests at the Lanes were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Floyd, Renee, Stephen, Jay, and Angela; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller, Kirk and Karen all of Midland.