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AROUND
THE
COUNTY



ARTHUR BARLEMAN, JR. COUNTY AGENT

Twenty-four Sterling County 4-H Club members and their coaches, leaders, and parents will be in San Angelo Saturday for the District 7 4-H Elimination Contests. Seven teams are participating in six different contest areas. The contests will determine for the senior club members, the right to participate in the State 4-H Contests held during 4-H Round Up at College Station, June 3-4-5. Junior contestants do not go to the state contests but are receiving training that will be of value to them when they do become seniors.

Two of the teams are senior teams that will represent Sterling County. Patti Bynum and Melinda Terry are the Horse Demonstration team with a demonstration on horse care. Their coach is Mrs. B.R. Bynum.

Senior Grass Identification team members are Amy Hodges, Russell Davis, Lee Fleming, and Victor Probandt. They, along with the Junior Grass Identification team, have been working at the courthouse for several weeks. Junior team members are Wesley Hodges, Lonnie Horwood, Eddie Probandt and Joe Sanchez.

Members of the Junior Natural Resources Demonstration team are Melanie McEntire and Carl Igo. Their coach is Mrs. Clinton Hodges.

An Electric Demonstration team is made up of Lenard Horwood and Russell Jones. Coach of the team is Mrs. S.K. Horwood.

The Junior Share the Fun entry is made up of June Humble, Lisa Rich, Vickie Lawson, Terri Templin, Cheryl Drennan, Debra Watson, Sherry Cole and Audrey Thompson. Mrs. Charlie Davis and Mrs. Amos Lawson are the coaches of this group.

The Safety Demonstration team members are Sherri Drennan and Greg Davis. Mrs. Arthur Barleman, Jr. is coaching this group.

The contests begin at 9:00 A.M. at Angelo State University in various rooms in the science building. Awards will be presented at 1:00 P.M. in the university gymnasium.

4-H Club members from twenty counties which make up Extension Service District 7 will be participating in the contests. Judges in the various contests will be county extension agents and adult leaders and friends of 4-H.

All Sterling County producers are reminded of the tour to be held on the Halbert-Askew ranch at Sonora Wednesday, May 7. Those going on the tour are asked to meet at the Sutton County 4-H Center on the Ozona Road at 9:30 Wednesday morning. They will go in a group to the ranch.

Those making the tour will see the ranch's methods of producing fat lambs, pasture management systems, and the Polled Hereford cattle produced by Mr. Halbert one of the well known Polled Hereford breeders for years.

Mrs. Jan Foltz, granddaughter of the W. Y. Benges, who was seriously injured in a car accident near Llano recently, is still in a coma in an Austin hospital. But she is doing better, said Mrs. Benge. This was the seventh week of being in the coma.

Mrs. Benge went down to be with Mrs. Stolz for awhile.

Eleven SHS Seniors This Year

There are eleven seniors in the graduation class of SHS this year. Danny Slaughter is the class sponsor.

Candidates for graduation are Cathy Frizzell, Lisa Horwood, Amy Humble, Jeannie Wells, Russell Davis, Ronny Hord, Jeff Cantrell, Jerry Gartman, Tom Kilpatrick, Tony Munoz and Don Sparks.

HOSPITAL NOTES

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

Mrs. Winnie Neill
Mrs. Will Meyer
Virgil Brownfield
John Hayes

Dismissals since Thursday morning of last week were;

Dan McDonald
Guinn Welch
Mrs. Jim Hinshaw
Mrs. Lester Foster
Margaret Chvojka
Mrs. Marcus Estrada

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

Mrs. Lucy Chaney
Mrs. Blanche Copeland
Mrs. Luther Hallmark
Jim Pate
Mrs. Lura McClellan
Mrs. Edith Hudson
Mrs. Ida Brown
Mrs. Jim Duke
Jim Duke
Mrs. Lucy Norman
W. J. Williams
Earnest Turner
Mrs. J. E. Bynum
Mrs. Larkin Longshore
Mrs. Robbie Grace
Noble Read
J. B. Ratliff
Mrs. Minnie Pinson
Roy Morgan
Mrs. Henrietta Long
Mrs. Noble Read
Mrs. O. M. Cole
Mrs. Mabel Martin
Mrs. Clifford Carpenter
Mrs. A. G. Daves

LIONS TO HAVE FISH FRY MAY 9

The Sterling City Lions Club will have a fish fry for the people of Sterling and surrounding area here on May 9. Serving will start at 6 p.m. and last till 8, it was said. The fish fry is to be held in the school lunchroom that night. Most members of the club will be on hand to help serve the supper. Cost of dinner tickets will be \$2.50. The menu consists of fried fish, cole slaw, hush puppies or French fried potatoes, and coffee and or tea. The club will use any money raised for club projects.

SENIORS TO HAVE BAKE SALE MAY THIRD

The Senior Class of Sterling City High School is having a bake sale here Saturday, May 3 at 9 o'clock in front of the post office. They will sell pies, cakes etc. said Jeannie Wells.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank all who were so nice giving me wedding gifts at my recent wedding. Everything was appreciated.

DORA (Munoz) PEREZ

MUSIC GUILD AUDITIONS NEXT WEEK

Two piano pupils of Mrs. Mildred Mitchell will take their Music Guild Auditions at Howard College in Big Spring next week. The two pupils are Deborah Miller and Audrey Thompson.

In case of fire dial 8-4771.

School Honor Roll

School principal Bobby Dodds this week released the honor roll students for the 5th sixth weeks of the school year as follows:

SEVENTH GRADE—	
Russell Jones	94
Gary Maricle	92
EIGHTH GRADE—	
Hermilinda Hernandez	96
Carl Igo	96
NINTH GRADE—	
Susie Humble	93
Ricardo Hernandez	91
TENTH GRADE—	
Patti Bynum	94
Dow Ferguson	91
Hosa Hernandez	90
Melinda Terry	97
ELEVENTH GRADE—	
Olivia Delgado	92
Amy Hodges	95
Marylynn Rich	94
Marena Johnson	91
TWELFTH GRADE—	
Russell Davis	94
Lisa Horwood	97
Amy Humble	97
Jeannie Wells	96

Elementary Track Meet Here Today

Everyone is invited to the elementary track meet that will be held at the Sterling school today beginning at 1 p.m.

Such invitation was extended by Mrs. Wanda Foster, coach, this week. Parents of the children competing or any interested persons are welcome.

Youth Program at Baptist Church

Musical Joy, a singing program, will be presented by the youth of the Calvary Baptist Church of Abilene—at the First Baptist Church here Sunday evening at 6 p.m. Such announcement was made by the pastor, Rev. Traugott Vogel this week.

A fellowship hour follows in the church fellowship hall and everyone in the community is invited and welcome. The youth of Sterling are especially invited, said Vogel. The singing program with slides presentation, is a good and outstanding program, said the pastor.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express my thanks and appreciation to you for your many expressions of interest and concern during my recent stay in the hospital and since my return home.

Each act of kindness and thoughtfulness has meant so much to me. You are truly wonderful people.

Sincerely,
Gladys Nichols

INTERESTED IN HISTORY OF STERLING COUNTY?

All persons interested in preserving the history of Sterling County in book form with stories and facts of early day settlers and their families, are asked to attend such a meeting for that purpose on May 13 at 7:30 in the community center.

Dan Glass said much work on obtaining the biographies and early day stories need to be done now. Pictures are needed, too.

FOR SALE—12 border collie sheep puppies, real working kind. Ready to go in about 1 week. \$25. Also 140 ewes and lambs, lambs marked and sheep sheared, \$40 a pair. David Burns, Phone 397-2263, St. Lawrence Route, Garden City, Texas.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my many friends for their prayers, cards, letters, flowers and gifts during my illness. I love all of you.

Thanks to Dr. Swann, the nurses and the staff at the Sterling Hospital. You were great. I shall never forget your kindness, patience and tender care.

May God bless you.

MRS. LESTER FOSTER

A golden opportunity in law enforcement awaits qualified young men. Get in touch with your Texas Department of Public Safety office or patrolman.

LIONS CLUB

The Sterling City Lions Club met Wednesday noon in the community center. Thirty one persons were present, including guests Bill Bynum and Susie Humble, who subbed for pianist Lisa Horwood.

President Bill Watts reminded members of the District Queen's Contest that would be held on Friday night (tonight) at 8:00 in the Alamo Junior High in Midland. Lisa Horwood is the Sterling Club's entrant in the contest. Also the District Convention is being held in Midland this weekend and delegates of the club are Bill Watts, Albert McGinnes and Jack Douthit.

Watts asked the program committee to work up plans for the annual ladies night program. The club will have the night the first week in June and plan to have the food catered. A speaker will be chosen by the program committee.

FISH FRY PLANS TALKED

The fish fry committee, chaired by Charles Stevens, finalized the plans for the big fish fry that is to be held by the club on May 9 in the school lunchroom. Adults may eat for \$2.50 and children under 12 for \$1.25.

GOLF TOURNAMENT HERE SATURDAY

There will be a golf tournament here Saturday, beginning at 1 p.m., announced Bobby Dodds. Anyone is welcome to enter, said Dodds.

SVFD Win Trophies at Convention

On April 12 the firemen and women of the ladies auxiliary of the Sterling Volunteer Fire Department attended the Hill Country Firemen's Association Convention in Ballinger. There were members of departments of 14 towns present.

Local chief Troy Templin is the 3rd vice-president of the association.

Tom Asbill, chaplain of the association, conducted the memorial services with Lois Maricle assisting. During the ladies luncheon, Lynn Medina performed as sweetheart of the association.

After the meeting, the firemen and auxiliary members represented their towns in the contests.

The Sterling ladies pumper team, Lois Maricle, Gwen Tepplin, Virginia Stephens, Orrie Medina, Alys Fincher and Virgie Craig won first place with winning time of 18.3.

The local men's pumper team, Cecil Craig, Gary Maricle, Troy Templin, John Williams, R. V. Hamilton and Dub Fincher, won first place with time 24.1.

The Sterling Water Polo team Troy Templin and Cecil Craig, fought four very exciting water polo fights and brought back 2 first place trophies.

Sterling was well represented at the convention with the already mentioned and Trini Medina, Ross Foster, Clifford Stephens, Cathy Williams and Terri and Don Templin.

The team captain of the S.C. ladies auxiliary, Virgie Craig, and Gary Maricle, local captain, would like to express their thanks on behalf of the firemen and the ladies auxiliary to Sterling people for making it possible for Sterling to be represented at the convention.

STERLING GOLF TEAM IS THIRD AT REGIONAL

The SHS golf team won third place at the Regional UIL tournament at Levelland last week.

There were 17 school teams entered in the tournament and Booker won first, Roby second, and Sterling City third.

Team members were Jerry Gartman, Mickey Dodds, Dean Jones, Don Sparks and Jeff Cantrell.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY MEY 9

School principal Bobby Dodds said that there would be a school holiday here May 9. Originally set for May 2, the holiday was moved up a week.

Soil Stewardship Week May 4-11

Soil Stewardship Week, a nationwide observance which emphasizes man's responsibility to protect and conserve soil, water, and other natural resources, will be May 4-11 this year, Stan Horwood, chairman of the North Concho River Soil and Water Conservation District, announced today.

This year's theme TEST OF STRENGTH, emphasizes how the many changes now occurring in the nation Test Our Strength and affect our continuing responsibility to be good stewards of the land, said Mr. Horwood.

Among the churches in the district that are scheduling special Soil Stewardship services are Baptist, Catholic, Church of Christ, Methodist and Presbyterian.

Local events scheduled for the week include a slide talk presented by Dalton Merz, District Conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service, to the Sterling City Lions Club.

Mr. Horwood cited food and energy shortages, environmental pollution, and the growing concern over land use as examples of changes and development affecting the use of America's natural resources.

We hope, said Mr. Horwood, that during Soil Stewardship Week, millions of Americans will pause for a moment to consider their responsibilities for the protection and use of the Lord's earth.

The district has provided local churches with programs, bulletin inserts and copies of this year's observance booklet. The material was prepared by the National Soil Stewardship Advisory Committee of the National Association of Conservation Districts. The advisory committee is composed of churchmen of different faiths.

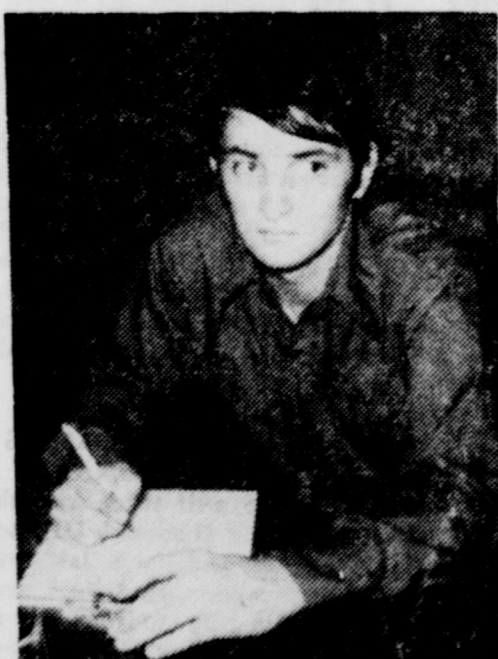
Nineteen hundred and seventy-five will be the 21st consecutive year that the North Concho River Conservation District, along with almost 3,000 similar districts throughout the nation, has sponsored Soil Stewardship Week. The custom of setting aside special ROGATION DAYS for this purpose began more than 1,500 years ago in France, when some French peasants prayed for help after crop failures had brought widespread hunger.

MAKE YOUR PLANS NOW
TO ATTEND THE
Fish Fry
Sponsored by the Sterling Lions Club
May 9, 1975
6--8 P. M. in School Lunchroom
FISH, SLAW HUSHPUPPIES
COFFEE OR TEA
\$2.50 per plate

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Lions to Recognize Outstanding Citizen

The Sterling City Lions Club will recognize the outstanding citizen of Sterling when they hold their annual ladies night banquet and program soon. The idea is to recognize the work for community betterment and improvement as well as unselfish public service. The members of the club feel that such persons need to be recognized. The winner will receive a plaque stating the award honoring him or her.

Everyone can vote. Anyone who lives in Sterling County may vote. Just fill in your choice on the ballot below—and mail it to the Sterling City Lions Club at Box 608, Sterling City, Texas. Just think who has done enough during the past year to get your vote, then fill out the ballot and mail it to the committee to tally at the proper time.

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN BALLOT FOR NINETEEN SEVENTY-FIVE

I vote for Sterling's outstanding citizen for 1975:

You do not have to sign your name. Vote only once. The committee will count the ballots before the program.

LEGAL NOTICE AND FIREARMS ORDINANCE—AIR GUNS

Definitions
Concealed Weapons
Discharge of Firearms Prohibited
Exceptions, Permits

DEFINITIONS: Wherever the term FIREARMS is used in this Chapter, the term shall mean any instrument used in the propulsion of shot, shell or bullets, or other harmful objects by the action gunpowder exploded within it, or by the power of springs, and including what are commonly known as air rifles and BB guns.

CONCEALED WEAPONS: It shall be unlawful for any person to carry concealed upon his person any brass knuckles, revolver pistol, dagger, stiletto or other deadly weapon.

DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS PROHIBITED: It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge firearms of any kind or description within the limits of the Municipality; provided however, that this shall not apply to police officers in the discharge of their duties.

EXCEPTIONS: The Governing Body may at any time upon receipt of proper application, grant permits to shooting galleries, gun clubs and others for shooting in fixed locations and under specified rules. Such permits shall be in writing attested by the Clerk conforming to such requirements as the Governing Body shall demand, and the permit thus issued shall be subject to revocation at any time by action of the Governing Body.

L. R. REED, Mayor
of the City of Sterling City, Texas.

NOTICE

The Texas State Department of Health has established, in accordance with the Federal Public Health Service Act, the current annual level of uncompensated services for Sterling County Hospital, Sterling City, Texas to be that the facility does not intend to deny anyone admission to the facility or any of its services because of an inability to pay. The documents upon which the determination was based are available for public inspection at the Texas State Department of Health, 1100 West 49th St., Austin, Texas from 9:00 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. on regular business days. The level of services set out meets the presumptive compliance guidelines of the Federal regulation.

WANT TO Buy old guns and coins. Ph. 378-5921

DUMP GROUND USERS—New regulations require burning of trash before dumping. Please dump from both sides of the pit. No car bodies or wire or old large appliances allowed.

STERLING COUNTY



NEWS OF ECOLOGY

ALUMINUM STRETCHES ENERGY RESOURCES

Now that pollution clean-up is underway, environmental concern seems to be shifting to energy supply. Some ecologists worry about America's accelerating use of fuels — coal, oil, gas and uranium.

These basic sources of energy, burned directly or transformed into electricity, propel all vehicles, heat and cool our homes, run appliances, cook and refrigerate foods and power our industries.

The use of aluminum, an environmentally thrifty metal, stretches fuels and energy, the people at Reynolds Aluminum point out.

"Aluminum does not deteriorate and is easily recycled with little expenditure of energy," said Dr. Robert F. Testin, director of environmental planning for Reynolds. "That makes it an energy bank that can be drawn upon again and again. When long-lasting aluminum products are finally discarded, melting them down for refashioning into new products takes less than 5 per cent of the energy used to make the aluminum originally."

Because it is so light — only one-third the weight of steel, copper or brass — aluminum provides a greater quantity of material per ton. "This phenomenon stretches the energy used in making aluminum products, as a ton of aluminum yields two to three times more items than are obtained from a ton of other materials," according to Dr. Earl E. Patterson, who heads up Reynolds metallurgical research.

An example of Dr. Patterson's point is beer and soft drink containers. A ton of steel produces 15,400 steel cans, and a ton of glass makes 5,000 bottles, but a ton of aluminum results in 32,680 all-aluminum cans.

An article in the Reynolds magazine reveals many other

ways aluminum conserves energy.

Transportation of all kinds consumes 30 per cent of America's energy supply. The light metal cuts fuel consumption in all kinds of vehicles — aluminum highway trucks, automobiles with their aluminum parts, aluminum railroad cars, aluminum boats and ships with aluminum superstructures. The 1973 autos average about 78 pounds of aluminum per car.



In heating and air conditioning, which take 27 per cent of the energy supply, aluminum insulation and ducts, because of their high heat reflectivity, cut fuel consumption.

Durable aluminum siding, windows and other construction items greatly reduce use of resources and energy in maintenance, repair and replacement. The article points out that aluminum will not rot or warp, and is immune to red rust, mildew and termites.

In cooking, the rapid heat conductivity of aluminum pots and pans — six times faster than steel, for example — conserves electricity and gas. In the refrigerator, foods in aluminum foil chill or freeze quicker than when wrapped in paper or plastic film, saving electricity.

The public depends on aluminum electrical cable for low-cost delivery of electricity to the home. Replacing expensive copper, aluminum cable has lowered everybody's electrical bills.

Thanks for your past patronage.
I am now general sales manager for
Pollard Chevrolet
in Big Spring
I will appreciate your consideration and trade at Pollard's in Big Spring from now on.
Matt Caperton

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NOTICE—

COST OF ENGRAVINGS

—Due to the high cost of cuts or engravings of pictures, we are now forced to charge for all society type pictures run in the paper. The costs have always been an item to be considered, but now the cost makes a charge necessary. Cuts or engravings run from \$2.75 for a one column cut to around \$6 for a two column cut. This is actual cost and will be charged for from now on.

For Insurance Needs

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GEO. McENTIRE, JR.



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The Texas Department of Public Safety is offering immediate career employment to qualified young men. Contact your nearest DPS office or patrolmen for more information.

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

WANTED

By the Sterling County Historical Committee
FAMILY HISTORIES AND OLD PHOTOGRAPHS
To Be Compiled in an Updated Edition of Ira Lee Watkins' **THE HISTORY OF STERLING COUNTY**

In your family histories, include anything that connects your family with the history of the county, either the early or more recent history.

We would like to borrow any photographs you might have that represent the life and work of the people of the community 100 year history. This would include photographs of such things as: dress, dwellings, public buildings, occupations, past-times, entertainment, churches, school houses, transportation, events, incidents, or social gatherings. Remember, the older the photograph the better.

If you do not wish to part with your photographs for at least six months, we would like to borrow them, have copies made, and return them to you immediately.

All photographs should be accompanied by:

1. Your name and address (on the back if possible.)

2. Identification of the scene and persons, in so far as possible.

3. As near the correct date as possible.

4. Any other significant information about the photograph.

5. And should be placed in a closed envelope of some kind.

We also call for volunteers to write historical sketches of such community institutions as: the Churches, Lions Club, the Noradata Club, the Wimodausis Club, other clubs and organizations, the cemeteries, the Volunteer Fire Department, and especially any of the early rural communities. If you would like to help in this please contact LeRuth Stewart, Committee chairmen to head up the research in each area will be selected in the near future.

If you have general information or questions concerning the book, please contact Dan Glass, chairman of the Sterling County Historical Committee, P.O. Box 322, Sterling City, Texas 76951.

RODENT CONTROL SPECIALIST AVAILABLE

Sterling County is one of 19 area counties selected to be serviced by an urban Rodent Control Specialist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Texas A&M University cooperating.

Larry J. Killgo, a native of Snyder, will be stationed in the County Extension Office in Abilene. He is the son of C. J. Killgo of Snyder and has a B. S. degree in Wildlife Management from Texas Tech University.

He will give talks, demonstrations and help where needed on rodent control—like mice, rats, and even sparrows, starlings, skunks, armadillos and racoons.

He can be contacted through the local County Extension Office or by writing him Care of County Extension Office, County Courthouse, Abilene, Tex., 79602 or phone 673-0331.

EIGHTEEN YEAR OLDS DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER NOW: MAYBE LATER

President Ford issued a presidential proclamation on March 29 that called a halt to the present registration procedures for the Selective Service System.

April 1 was the last date that 18 year olds had to be registered by draft boards.

Col. Melvin N. Glantz, State Director of Selective Service for Texas, said that although registration is being terminated at this time, new procedures providing for periodical registration are being developed and will be tested at a later date.

Selective Service has a sufficient number of men classified now to maintain a pool of available manpower for the military as a part of the overall Emergency Preparedness Program of the nation.

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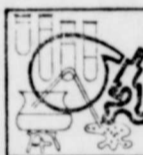
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GOOD NEWS ABOUT SCIENTIFIC ADVANCES

CRACKING GETS THE RUBBING ALCOHOL OUT OF YOUR GAS TANK

What do a washing machine agitator, dog food, aspirin and perfume have in common?

Without propylene, one of the basic chemicals made from oil and natural gas, these and countless other everyday products could not be made.

Propylene holds a unique position as a chemical raw material. It is one of the most important petrochemical building blocks and is also a significant component of gasoline. Catalytic cracking of petroleum to make high octane gasoline produces large amounts of propylene. Last year, only one quarter of this or about 11.5 billion pounds of propylene was separated from the gasoline for chemical use.

Although this is a relatively small volume when compared to other petrochemical building blocks, propylene, an odorless, colorless gas, winds up in countless products vital to the comfort and well being of Americans and to the strength of their economy.

A very significant end-use application of propylene is isopropyl alcohol. Whether it's called 2-propanol, dimethyl carbinol, isopropanol or just plain IPA, this propylene-derived product is, in fact, the rubbing alcohol in your medicine chest.

The Many Uses of IPA

IPA, in addition to its use as a household antiseptic, is also an important ingredient in the manufacture of hydrogen peroxide, solvents, anti-

stalling agents, dyes, aspirin, de-icing agents, surface coatings, insect repellent, printing ink, paint and varnish removers, latex paints and fuel additives.

Another major use of propylene is to make polypropylene, one of the most versatile plastic resins. Because of its superior physical properties—



strength, resistance to work fatigue, chemical and heat resistance, colorability and flex strength—polypropylene is finding its way into applications that dispell the myth that plastics are only good for cheap toys and olive stabbers.

The medical field recently has discovered the many assets of polypropylene. Pacemakers and artificial hearts now have parts made of polypropylene. It is also used as through-the-bone marrow pins, screws, staples, and as sutures to close contaminated wounds. Polypropylene has other medical uses such as dentures, disposable hypodermic needles and syringes, test tubes, soap dishes, graduated basins and thermometer holders.

The appliance and automotive industries are using a great deal of polypropylene these days. For example,

washing machine agitators, dishwasher innerliners and many other parts for major and small appliances are made of it.

When the Going is Tough

One of the most revolutionary uses is in car batteries. Most of the 1974-model U.S. cars now have batteries — and numerous other parts such as steering wheels, bucket seat backs and accelerator pedals — made of tough polypropylene.

Polypropylene fibers are being also used by the furniture and carpet industries because of their resistance to stains. And its toughness is causing polypropylene to become widely used in making cordage. These are just some of the many ways polypropylene is being used to provide better quality products for American consumers.

In addition to IPA and polypropylene and their many end-uses, propylene finds its way into synthetic rubbers, medicines, cosmetics, safety glass, food flavoring agents, adhesives, photographic chemicals, epoxy resins, leather tanning products, perfume, antifreeze, brake fluids, herbicides, dog food and poultry feed additives, nylon, wood preservatives, polishes, explosives and paper coatings.

When the many vital chemical applications of propylene are coupled with the fact that it is one of the components of gasoline that keeps the car engine running efficiently, it's easy to understand why propylene often is termed "lifeblood" for American industry.

Call No. 493 Charter No. 9813 National Bank Region No. 11K

Report of Condition, Consolidating Domestic Subsidiaries, of the
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK
of Sterling City, in the State of Texas

At the Close of Business on April 16, 1975
Published in Response to Call made by Comptroller of the Currency, under title 12, United States Code, Section 161.

ASSETS

Cash and due from banks (including \$none unposted debits)	639,479.77
U.S. Treasury securities	1,480,588.42
Obligations of other U.S. Government agencies and corporations	299,843.75
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	1,792,420.00
Other securities (including \$12,000.00 corporate stock)	12,000.00
Loans	2,873,907.10
Bank premises, furniture and fixtures, and other assets representing bank premises	86,968.71
Other assets (including \$ none direct lease financing)	4,458.41
TOTAL ASSETS	7,189,666.16

LIABILITIES

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	2,719,269.15
Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	3,143,076.17
Deposits of United States Government	14,092.78
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	327,606.63
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$6,204,044.73
(a) Total demand deposits	\$2,949,504.68
(b) Total time and savings deposits	\$3,254,540.05
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase	100,000.00
Other liabilities	150.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,304,194.73

RESERVES ON LOANS AND SECURITIES

Reserves for bad debt losses on loans (set up pursuant to IRS rulings)	49,536.88
TOTAL RESERVE ON LOANS AND SECURITIES	49,536.88

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Equity capital-total	835,934.55
Common Stock-total par value	200,000.00
No. shares authorized 2,000	
No. shares outstanding 2,000	
Surplus	200,000.00
Undivided profits	421,609.55
Reserve for contingencies and other capital reserves	14,325.00
TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	835,934.55
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES, AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	7,189,666.16

MEMORANDA

Average of total deposits for the 15 calendar days ending with call date	6,366,585.33
Average of total loans for the 15 calendar days ending with call date	2,843,521.18
Interest collected not earned on installment loans included in total capital accounts	24,825.69

I, D. Kirk Hopkins, Executive Vice-President and Cashier of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this report of condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

D. KIRK HOPKINS

We, the undersigned directors attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

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MCT Comedy Presentation

THE LAST MEETING OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE WHITE MAGNOLIA

A new play, a funny play, a West Texas play done by a West Texas theatre—that's THE LAST MEETING OF THE WHITE MAGNOLIA, opening May 1st at Midland Community Theatre.

THE LAST MEETING . . . is a new play written late 1973 by Preston Jones, an actor and a resident playwright at Dallas Theatre Center. The premiere production of the show was done there, as were two companion plays, THE OLDEST LIVING GRADUATE and IU ANN HAMPTON LAVERTY OBERLANDER. The three plays—called The Bradleyville Trilogy because of their setting—have been praised recently in the Atlantic Monthly as NEW AMERICAN CLASSICS. The National Observer has said of Playwright Jones, —He is a man about to become a reputation, and the LAST MEETING has been called the funniest play ever written about Texas.

THE LAST MEETING OF THE NIGHTS OF THE WHITE MAGNOLIA takes place in Bradleyville, Texas, a fictional West Texas town of 6,000 located near BIG SPRING. The action is set in a meeting room of The Cattleman's Hotel, a landmark in its day but now a dilapidated, run-down fire trap. The organization that holds its meetings there, The Knights of the White Manolia, is dilapidated, too. It may have once been a secret, even sinister organization, but now the Knights is merely an excuse for a night of dominoes and drinking with the boys.

However, the meeting that Preston Jones has dramatized is not a typical meeting. There is a new recruit this night, the first person to seek membership in the Knights in seven years. The excitement of initiating a new member, the SECRET ritual, the petty feuds and bickering, an electrical cross that won't light on cue, splotches on ceremonial scripts, and the ramblings of a sick old man—all of these elements Jones has combined into a terribly funny yet touching look at a slice of West Texas.

WARNING: THIS IS NOT A PLAY FOR CHILDREN.

The characters in THE LAST MEETING . . . are real, and so is the language they use. The words they speak are often rough and profane, but it is the natural, normal speech of the characters. It may be offensive to some people. If you find it unacceptable, the THE LAST MEETING . . . is not the play for you. MCT director Art Cole has made no alterations in the language of the script. 'To remove this language from these characters, Cole said, would be as wrong as costuming them in Brooks Brothers suits.'

Heading the MCT cast is Glen Thomason as the crochety old Colonel J.C. Kinkaid, World War I veteran and owner of The Cattleman's Hotel. The leader of The Knights is L.D. Alexander,

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played by Ray Henderson, one of six newcomers to the MCT stage in this production. His fellow Knights are portrayed by Charles Sutton, Gary Askins, Aaron Cranford, Carl Ward and Don Shivers. Cast as Ramsey-eyes, the hotel custodian, is Marcine Reddick. The aspiring Knight-to-be, Lonnie Roy McNeil, will be played by Conrad Coffield, Jr. Art Cole designed and directs the show.

THE LAST MEETING OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE WHITE MAGNOLIA opens on May 1st and performances are scheduled through May 17. Reservations may be made by calling or writing MCT's box office.

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