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Livestock Show Expects Record Entries

Jennyslippers Annual Banquet Set January 8

Pat Langfitt, president of the Muleshoe Jennyslippers, remind that all Jennyslippers and their spouses are invited to attend the 10th annual Jennyslipper meeting and installation banquet on Tuesday, January 8.

The annual banquet is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Bailey County Coliseum meeting room.

Those planning to attend the annual banquet are requested to contact President Langfitt at 272-5070 or 272-7531.

FmHA Begins To Accept New Loans

The Farmers Home Administration, preparing to ease its ban on granting emergency loans to farmers without crop insurance, has instructed local FmHA offices to begin accepting loan applications, says U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm.

"The 1990 farm bill specifically waives the crop-insurance requirement, and now FmHA is moving to reverse its policy as the law requires," Gramm said.

Specifically, FmHA's Washington office has advised its state directors, district directors and county supervisors to begin processing emergency loan applications from farmers who did not carry crop insurance in

"Clearly, FmHA intends to complete the procedure in January by revising an old regulation under which even accepting the applications was prohibited," the senator said.

In fact, the FmHA directive instructs local officials to advise farmers of the waiver and for those who appear to meet other eligibility standards, to process loan applications "to the point of approval."

"Such applications will be held for final action by the County Committee and the loan approval official when the revised regulations are issued," says the FmHA directive.

The senator called the FmHA directive "a step in the right direction to help Texas farmers who did not have the benefit of federal disaster payments this year, even though the many Texas producers are experiencing their worst harvest in years."

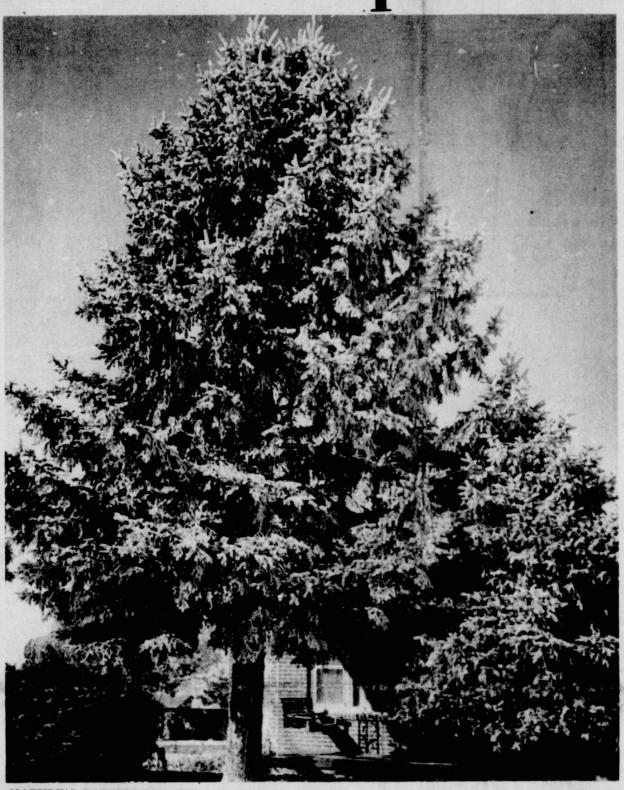
State Comptroller Plans Workshop For Area Business

Business owners and the public are invited to a State Comptroller's seminar on state taxes to be held Tuesday, January 8 in Lubbock.

Representatives from the State Comptroller's Lubbock field office will begin the free seminar at 3 p.m. at the agency office at 2575 South Loop 289.

The seminar will help new business owners understand which items are taxable, what tax rate to charge on a sale and when to file state sales and franchise tax returns. Tax forms and brochures will be on hand for those who need them.

Area business people who can't attend the seminar or who have questions about Texas taxes can receive individual tax assistance by calling the Comptroller's statewide, toll-free hotline at 1-800-252-5555.



NATURE'S PAINTBRUSH--This lofty fir tree is wearing a coat of 'white frosting,' compliments of Mother Nature. Early Sunday morning, December 30, the coating was deposited on trees, bushes and other surfaces, along with a light dusting of snow. However, by mid-afternoon, bright sunshine and warmer temperatures quickly wiped the 'painting' from view. Going into the New Year, January 1, temperatures were in the low to mid-50's. (Journal Photo)

Lazbuddie Duo Have Something Special - A True Gift Of Life

By: Bill Ellis Friona Star

Marvin Mimms of the Lazbuddie community has received undoubtedly the best "Christmas present" he's ever been given this year. The gift was in the form of a kidney, donated by his 72-year old brother, G. W. 'Pete' Mimms.

Marvin's kidneys had deteriorated to the point that he was facing dialysis for the rest of his life if he had not received a transplant.

Now, he is looking forward to going on with an active, normal

"It was the gift of life," says Marvin's wife, Jo.

Mimms, 66, who has had a history of kidney problems, saw his condition become critical earlier this year, and a kidney specialist in Lubbock told him he probably would be facing dialysis the rest of his life, indicating he probably was "too old for a transplant."

"I cried all the way home. I just didn't want to give in to dialysis," Jo said.

Marvin's condition was getting steadily worse during the year and he developed gout in his hands and feet. He couldn't pick up a fork or spoon with his fingers.

In July of this year, he was finally approved for transplant surgery, and was put on the list to receive a kidney from a cadaver, when his time should come.

The only trouble was, there were 17,500 names on the nationwide list awaiting a trans-

plant. When finding a "match," you have to have matching blood types as well as tissue. And Marvin has type B blood, which is more rare than type A.

His family then became involved. Marvin has a twin sister, who volunteered to donate a kidney. But she has had health problems, and did not pass the physical which is required to the donors as well as the recipients.

That's when brother Pete became involved. "I asked the doctor 'How about using my kidney?', but when he learned my age, he said 'you're probably too old'."

But that only made Pete more determined, and he insisted on

taking the physical.

He passed it with flying colors. The doctor team, who called all over the country to learn of the advisability of using a kidney from a 72-year-old, learned that Pete is the oldest kidney donor to this point in the United States.

"But I won't get to make the Guiness book, because they learned that in one foreign country a 90-year-old man had donated his kidney, and it had worked. The surgeons there told our doctor, 'If you have a 72-year-old donor, go for it'," Pete said.

Leading up to the surgery, Marvin was getting ready to harvest what has turned out to be a record-setting cotton crop. He had 200 acres of cotton that was just about ready to strip when he went into the hospital on November 1.

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saw to the cotton stripping, which is now completed.

Marvin had offers of kidneys from several of his relatives and even from friends. He has 11 brothers and sisters, and is the youngest member of his family.

Prior to the surgery, both Marvin and Pete were subjected to approximately six weeks of constant testing at Methodist. Hospital. "It was as thorough as you can imagine," Pete said. "The doctor told me I could function just as well with one kidney as with two. I thought later I should have had him put that in writing," he said with a laugh.

The technicians and doctors try for as close a match as possible in blood and tissue type. When studying these tests from the two Parmer County brothers, the lab technicians thought at one point they had made a mistake, believing they only had samples from one of the brothers, when in reality they had them from both.

The surgery was performed on November 1. The surgery was begun on Pete, who was split "around the middle." Surgeons removed his lower rib and his left kidney.

Marvin's surgery was then begun. He explained that his surgeon, Dr. G. Baird Helfrich, left the deteriorating kidney in Marvin's body, rather than removing it. "It doesn't hurt anything to stay in," he said.

Pete's left kidney was implanted in Marvin's right side, but it was turned around. The surgeon explained that the Cont Page 6 Col. 1

week will be one of the more popular events for Bailey County. The Bailey County Junior Livestock Show judging will get underway on Friday, January 11, at 3 p.m. with the swine show. Judging the swine show will be Burt Williams, Hansford County Extension Agent from Spearman.

This will be followed on

This will be followed on Saturday by the sheep and cattle shows. Sheep judging begins at 9 a.m. with Terry Phillips, vo-ag instructor from Seagraves High School, as judge. At 1 p.m., the cattle show will be judged by J. D. Ragland, Randall County Extension Agent from Canyon.

FFA and 4-H youth will weigh in their animals between 4-8 p.m. on Thursday, January 10 and Melvin Chisum of Earth will classify the animals at 8 p.m. the same day.

Bailey County Agent Spencer Tanksley noted that special

EMS Concludes Successful 1990 Toy Project

Curby Brantley Jr., who headed up the annual Bailey County EMS Toys for Kids Project, said that on Christmas Eve Day, the EMS and volunteers delivered toys and food to 249 children in 64 families.

Brantley said the response was "Fantastic!!" He said the EMS Organization wished to thank the schools, who provided 75 to 80 percent of the food delivered; to Wiedebush & Co. for the use of a building, and to all the businesses and individuals who worked with the Bailey County EMS Organization to make this a very successful project again this year.

"Each child got at least two new toys," said Brantley, "as well as used toys and food."

"We could not have been nearly as successful without all the help from the people and businesses who reside in Muleshoe and Bailey County," added Brantley. "Thanks to all of you, the EMS had another successful project, and 249 kids had Christmas, who probably would not have had Christmas without your help."

Coming up within the next awards will be presented at the eek will be one of the more conclusion of each show.

Breed champions and reserve breed champions will be awarded a trophy, as well as grand champions in each class and reserve champions in each class.

Also, cash awards will be presented. The champion steer will receive a \$200 cash award and the reserve champion steer gets \$100. There will be \$100 for both the reserve champion and the grand champion lamb. With \$50 for the reserve champion in each class.

Other cash prizes will range from \$5 to \$100 for market steers and heifers; from \$10 to \$40 for the swine, sheep and dairy heifers with seven or more in each breed. With eight or more in each breed, the prizes will be from \$5 to \$50.

Assisting the Bailey County Junior Livestock Show Board will be Spencer Tanksley, CEA-Agriculture and Kandy K. Mc-Whorter, CEA-Home Economics and vo-ag instructors, Carl Wheeler, Muleshoe High School and Howard Tooley, Three Way High School.

Officers of the Bailey County Junior Livestock Show Board are Jim Pat Claunch, chairman; Lyndon Huckaby, vice chairman; Herman Morrison, secretary-treasurer; and Jim Crawford, publicity chairman.

Board of directors are: 1991 RETIREES

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1992 RETIREES

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1993 RETIREES
Jim Pat Claunch, Joe Wheel-

er, Gaylon Black, Steve Kennedy, Terry Pollard and Darwin Robertson.

Muleshoe High School FFA officers are Coby Baldwin, pres-

officers are Coby Baldwin, president; Johnny Noble, vice president; Johnny Jaquess, secretary; Brian Wilhite, reporter; Steven Wauson, treasurer; and James Bond, sentinel.

Derrel Embry is president of the Muleshoe FFA Boosters; Ronnie Altman, vice president

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Preliminary TAAS Test Results Are Released

Preliminary results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) administered to 1.4 million public school students in October were released by the Texas Education Agency.

The results show that 67 percent of third graders taking the new test passed all sections of the examination, as did 53 percent of fifth graders, 47 percent of seventh graders and 50 percent of ninth grade students.

On the TAAS exit-level test --which students must pass in
order to receive a high school
diploma -- 68 percent of the
174,644 high school juniors who
took the examination passed all
sections of the test.

The results are preliminary because complete results are not yet available for the writing portion of the examination.As part of the writing test, students were required to write essays, which are still being scored. Approximately 60,000 to 80,000 writing essays per grade are still being scored. Results are expected to be available in January. Students must perform successfully on the writing essay in order to pass the writing test. Because of that, the percentage of students passing all tests taken may drop by four to five percentage points.

Commissioner of Education W. N. Kirby said the results reflect the more rigorous nature of the TAAS test, which is a more difficult examination than the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills or TEAMS test the state previously administered.

"These results show the more difficult nature of the TAAS test, which measures more of students higher-order skills, such as critical thinking and problem solving, whereas the TEAMS tested students on minimum-level basic skills," Kirby said. "In addition, the TAAS exit-level test requires students to write an essay, whereas the TEAMS exit-level test did not." Passing percentages on the Cont. Page 6, Col. 3

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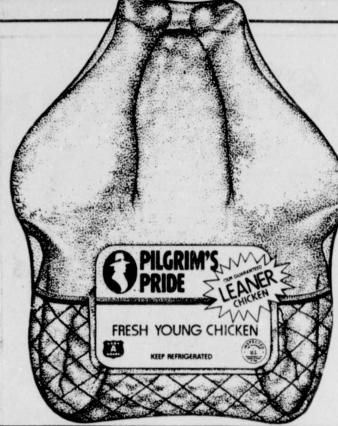
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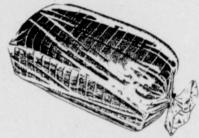




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Texas, U.S. Cattle Industry Numbers Continue Below Normal

By Mary Mahoney A relatively low supply of cattle in Texas and the rest of the nation kept prices high during 1990, a situation likely to continue through 1991.

"With this continuing short supply of animals, ranchers saw record prices for virtually all classes of cattle and calves in 1990," said Dr. Ernest E. Davis, livestock marketing economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Davis predicted that in 1991, for the fourth straight year, numbers of cattles and calves in the United Sates will fall just below 100 million head -between 99.6 million and 99.9 million.

In 1990, prices paid to producers were the highest recorded. This year's prices for feeder cattle and calves will average \$4 to \$5 per hunderedweight more than those received in 1989 and \$7 to \$10 per hundredweight above those of

"But high prices don't necessarily translate into high profits," he said, adding that many ranchers have found their costs rising as well.

Davis pointed out that the size of the Texas herd in January 1990 actually declined by 200,000 animals from the 13.6 million head counted the previous year.

As in other parts of country, two or three years of drought has forced numerous cattle sales and put some ranchers out of business in Texas, Davis said. Ranchers have been reluctant to restock on ranges that have become fragile with lack of rainfall. Tighter credit also has limited investments in cattle.

Beef supplies next year should be about the same as in 1990, Davis said, with increased beef imports likely to offset a slight drop in domestic beef production.

"Fed cattle prices will probably average \$2 to \$3 a hundredweight below 1990's average because of larger supplies of competing meats, particularly chicken and pork," Davis said.

Higher numbers of cattle on feed this fall and larger feedlot marketings in December, January and February, he said, will create a temporary glut on the market and bring down fed cattle prices in early 1991. Consumers also should see a corresponding temporary drop in beef prices.

Davis predicted that feeder cattle prices will continue strong in 1991.

"Feeder cattle supplies will be tight," Davis said. "Lower fed cattle, keeping cattle feeder offset lower prices received for 'red cattle, keeping cattle feeder margins tight but for the most part profitable."

Davis said feedlot profit margins will be further squeezed in 1991 as feeder cattle pruchase prices continue at about the same level as this

"Cattle prices should stay strong until ranchers get bullish on herd expansion," Davis said.

If the U.S. economy enters its predicted recession, the economist believes that cattle ranchers probably won't be hit too hard by consumer spending cutbacks.

"These (consumer) spending cuts usually occur with more costly purchases such as automobiles, televisions and furnitture rather than food items," he said. Many consumers most sensitive to food prices already have switched to lower-cost beef cuts or to chicken, so any further change is likely to be minimal, he said.

Some positive factors impacting cattle numbers and prices during the past year have been a general improvement in the demand of U.S. beef from international trade, primarily from Japan and other Pacific Rim countries and Canada, and the positive food safety and

high quality aspects of U.S. fed

In the coming years, there should be an increasing export demand and generally increasing worldwide demand for U.S. beef. This should provide more stability for the cattle market, Davis said.

Such an action would make more beef available for U.S. domestic consumption, tending to drive meat prices down.

For consumers, January sales will offer savings of about 10 percent on many beef cuts, said Dr. Dick Edwards, Extension Service food distribution spe-

He said there will be special sales on beef cuts each week at meat counters of supermarkets throughout the year, many coinciding with holiday observances. Edwards recommended that consumers take advantage of the weekly discounts on beef cuts and stock up.

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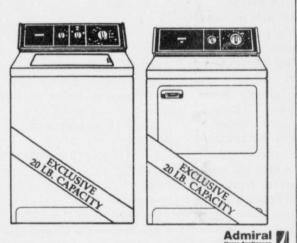
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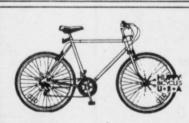
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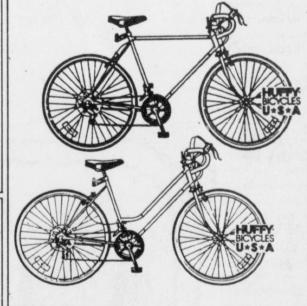
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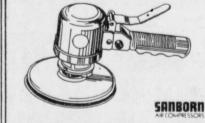
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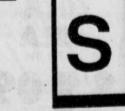






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CELEBRATING FIFTY YEARS--Ed and Lucille Harp will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, January 5 with a reception at the Trinity Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Harp will receive guests between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m. Hosting the event will be their children, Jerry and Joy Harp and Keith and Sylvia Harp, all of Muleshoe. Harp and the former Lucille Carter were married January 5, 1941 in Morton. They have eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. (Guest Photo)

Keeping Baby's Skin Dry

It does not matter if the New Year's baby rings in 1991 wearing cloth or disposable diapers says a pediatric dermatologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. The bottom line is keeping the skin

"However, the newer, superabsorbent diapers will keep the skin drier and less susceptible to irritation in most cases," said Dr. Moise L. Levy, an assistant professor of dermatology and pediatrics at Baylor.

Approximately thirty percent of all visits to the pediatrician are related to diaper rash, inlfammation of skin caused by one or more primary irritants that varies from child to child. The damage can be severe.

"Diaper rash is mostly caused by soap or other irritants and moisture in the diaper area," Levy said. "The popular "baby wipes" may contribute to the problem. Baby wipes are nothing more than water and a mild cleanser. Alcohol and other additives in these wipes can be irritating to the child and should be avoided."

Substances in feces and urine, friction from diapers and prolonged wetting also cause diaper rash. If not treated immediately, a bacterial or worsen the condition.

Diaper rash symptoms include moistness and a red discoloration around the baby's buttocks, inner thighs and genitals. As soon as these symptoms are detected, the skin should be carefully cleaned, either with a mild soap or other skin cleansers, and dried.

"Frequent diaper changing is the mainstay of prevention," Levy said. "Keep the diapers off the baby for about an hour each day and make sure cloth diapers have been washed and well rinsed.'

After every diaper change and bath, a fragrance-free moisturizer should be applied. Water-repellent ointments, such as petroleum jelly or zinc oxide paste, can help protect against outside irritants and moisture by providing a barrier.

Diaper rash can be treated easily at home but if the rash becomes uncontrollable, Levy suggests contacting your pediatrician or family doctor.

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Creative Living

by: Sheryl Borden

Information on the importance of the paper recycling symbol, preparing party foods, and increasing the mobility of mothers will be the featured topics on Creative Living on Tuesday, January 8 at 12 noon and Saturday, January 12 at 2 p.m. (All times are Mountain.)

Helen Hatton, spokesperson for the Paper Bag Division of the American Paper Institute, will explain what the three revolving arrows of the paper recycling symbol stand for. She'll also tell why it's important to shop for products packaged in recycled paperboard, and explain how consumers feel about the program. 1 tsp. liquid smoke Ms. Hatton lives in Toronto, 2-1/2 tbsp. cider vinegar Canada.

Donna Haverstock, representative of Norwegian Dairies, will share some delicious and unus- 2 tbsp. Jack Daniel's whiskey ual party foods that have been 1/2 tsp. dry mustard lives in Key West FL.

ducts allow the unchaining of pork and beef. mothers from the nursery and also provide the opportunity to travel with a baby to places grandmother would never have thought possible.

On Tuesday, January 8 at 9:30 p.m. and on Thursday, January 10 at 12 noon, Creative Living will present information on barbecuing and choosing hair styles for different face shapes.

Mary Ann Fowlkes, representative of Hickory Specialties in Brentwood, TN, will share some tips on preparing food for the grill and will tell how to get that wonderful hickory-smoked flavor. She will present some techniques for skewer cooking that will allow anyone to enjoy barbecue year 'round.

Charles Nicholas, spokesperson for Pantene Hair Care Products, is going to help determine which hair style is best for different individuals. He will use two different models to illustrate how facial shape, hair and skin coloring, and length and texture of hair determine the best hair style for each person. He will also talk about how everone can have a healthy head of hair. Mr. Nicholas has his own salon in New York City.

Creative Living is produced and hosted by Cheryl Borden. The show is carried on more than 100 PBS stations in the United States, Canada, Guam and Puerto Rico and is distributed by Pacific Mountain Network, Denver, CO.

Viewers can request copies of materials offered on the show by sending one 25 cent stamp for each handout requested. Send the stamps, along with your name, address and booklets requested to:

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TENNESSEE BARBECUE

Health News

Anyone who has ever had a weight problem understands the frustration of trying to take off and keep off unwanted pounds.

Saturday, January 5, "Health Matters." underwritten Methodist Hospital, will introduce you to singer Dianne Reeves. She will tell you how too many pounds threatened both her appearance and her career and how she attacked her problem.

Join Jose Beceiro, M.D., endocrinologist, and Andy J. Gray, M.D., family practitioner, as they report on the neverending battle to stay thin, how the latest weight-loss programs work and why the "yo-yo" effect- the loss, gain cycle which traps so many people- may be a threat to health.

A community service KCBD-TV and Methodist Hospital, "Health Matters" airs each Saturday at 5 p.m. on

BARBECUED SPARERIBS 4 pounds spareribs

Tennessee Barbecue Sauce Place ribs in a shallow roasting pan. Bake in a 400 F oven for 30 to 40 minutes to remove excess fat. Blot ribs with paper towels. Place ribs on grill over medium coals or cook indirectly for one to one and one-half hours. During the last 20 minutes of cooking time baste with Tennessee Barbecue sauce. Makes 4 to 6 servings. **TENNESSEE**

BARBECUE SAUCE 1 medium onion, finely chopped 2 tbsp, vegetable oil 1/4 cup brown sugar 2 drops hot pepper sauce 1 clove garlic, minced 1-1/2 cups catsup tailored for a new taste twist Saute onion and garlic in using cheese. Ms. Haverstock vegetable oil until tender. Stir in remaining ingredients and Kay Willis, Executive Direc- bring to a boil over medium tor of Mothers Matter, located heat. Reduce heat and simmer in Rutherford NJ, will discuss for 10 minutes. Makes about how new inventions and pro- two cups. Great for chicken,

BEANS AND CORNBREAD CASSEROLE

1 cup chopped onion

1 cup chopped green pepper 2 tablespoons butter or mar-

2 cans (16 ounces each) hot chili beans, drained

1 can (14 ounces) tomatoes, chopped

²/₃ cup milk

1 package (6 ounces) Martha White Mexican Cornbread Mix 1 cup grated sharp cheddar

Sour cream, black olives, shredded lettuce, chopped tomato, green onion slices and picante sauce (optional)

Preheat oven to 400° F Cook onions and green pepper

in butter in large skillet just until soft. Add beans and tomatoes. Cook over medium heat until bubbly, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat to low, cover and simmer 5 minutes. Pour bean mixture into greased 9X13X2-inch baking dish. Beat egg in small mixing bowl. Add milk and cornbread mix; stir until smooth. Spoon in small mixing bowl. Add milk and cornbread mix; stir until smooth. Spoon cornbread batter over bean mixture and spread

evenly. Bake 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove from oven and sprinkle with cheese. Return to oven for 5 minutes or until cheese is melted and sides are slightly brown. Cool 10 minutes before serving. Serve with your choice of toppings as desired.

Meaty variations: Add 1 pound ground beef, browned and drained; or 2 cups cooked, shredded chicken or pork to bean mixture.

Doctor Visit, Slow Start Keys To Exercise Program

Thoughts of exercise creep into many people's minds this time of year after holiday foods have taken their toll on waist-

A slow stroll around the block may be a good first step toward better physical health, said Sarah Forsyth, fitness coordinator for Texas Christian University's department of recreational sports. However, Forsyth ranks an examination by a personal physician highest on her check list for starting an exercise program.

"Talk with your doctor and see what he would prescribe as far as an exercise program," she said. "Then start slowly by taking that walk around the block and add a little mileage each time."

Building that exercise habit may be difficult for the newcomer. Forsyth suggested that working out with a friend may be helpful for fitness rookies who find themselves backsliding on their exercise commitment.

"Get a buddy. Get someone to go with you, someone you can bounce those complaints off of," she said. "Find those who will be there when they say they will be there.'

For those who find that such a system doesn't help them to maintain an exercise program, Forsyth suggested joining a health club as an alternative. The expense may be a motivating factor to continue workouts, she said.

"Your just need to be careful

when you are looking into programs and talk with people who have a good reputation, not just someone who wants to sell you a membership," she cautioned.

While weight control may be the top goal for those whose waistlines have grown, Forsyth said weight control certainly is not the sole reason to exercise.

"There is a stress reduction with exercise that may help people to get through the day a little more easily and feel better about their schedule because they have taken time for themselves," she said.

ENMU To Sponsor Mail Workshop

Eastern New Mexico University will sponsor a "How to Use Direct Mail" workshop on Friday, Jan. 11, from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Holiday Inn in

Workshop topics will include bulk mailing, express mailing, express packages, use of zipplus-four addressing, and more. Seminar presenters will be U.S. Postal Service representatives from Albuquerque, Roswell and Portales.

The workshop fee of \$25 includes instruction, folder, materials, certificate of completion and refreshments.

For more information, contact the ENMU University Outreach Office on the Portales campus at 505-562-2165.



Beef, Coffee, Orange Juice Prices Dip In January

By Mary Mahoney

Higher crude oil prices are raising food costs, but Texas consumers will get a January New Year's present -- lower prices on three staples: beef; coffee and orange juice.

"Many beef cuts will dip temporarily by about 10 percent pound, frozen orange juice prices will decline about 20 percent and coffee costs will continue downward because of a 10 percent larger supply," said Dr. Dick Edwards, a food marketing specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Edwards said the beef discounts will stem from a 10 percent larger supply of cattle being marketed in January and

"Cattle feeders placed larger numbers of animals on feed this fall and will be marketing these cattle in the next six to eight weeks," said Dr. Ernest E. Davis, Extension Service livestock marketing economist.

"This will create a temporary glut on the market."

Edwards and Davis agreed that this will be a temporary situation. Beef prices will begin moving back up by late February or March.

Edwards said larger coffee supplies are driving prices down because coffee-producing nations are still bickering over marketing rights and quotas.

"Without a marketing agreement, the producing nations are price cutters," he said.

Edwards noted that a morning glass of orange juice may seem sweeter because the price is dropping.

"Within the past few weeks, orange juice prices have declined about 20 percent from those of this past summer," he said. "The major cause for the price drop is the huge supply from Brazil. This, plus forecasts of a good Florida crop, have lowered prices to below \$1 for the popular 12-ounce can of frozen concentrate."

Other January sale items will be numerous, he said, but the most exciting food marketing event may be the Super Bowl parties around home television

"Look for discounts on cheeses, dips, chips, crackers, soft drinks and mixes," Edwards said. "Cold cuts also will be on sale, with sliced turkey breast

and ham discounted the most." Produce variety for January is improving, he said, but will not rival the abundance in the

summer months. "Look for sales on fresh broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrots, green peas and cauliflower," he said, in addition to new-crop oranges and grapefruit from Florida.

Other appealing "soft" fruits will arrive from Chile, such as fresh peaches, plums and strawberries, but these will be more expensive, he cautioned.

'Costs of food transportation have increased greatly because of the oil price hikes, and all these costs will be passed on to consumers," Edwards said.

"Foods that must be flown to the United States are running up costs at the check-out counter."

Canned vegetable supplies are much greater than in recent years because of the absence of a major 1990 drought, he said. Frozen vegetables are more adversely impacted by rising crude prices than canned produce, making canned food more of a bargain.

Soups will find favor on many cold-weather menus, and the hottest product will be microwavable ready-to-eat soups.

"Watch for a mammoth soup coupon blitz," he advised.

Lower beef prices will cause pork prices to drop to stay competitive.

"So look for reduced prices on pork chops and steaks as well as sausage," Edwards said. "Competitive poultry prices will continue much as they have for the past 12 months."

Weight control usually becomes a higher priority after the holidays, making fish entrees more popular.

"Catfish and shrimp will both be featured in some January sales," he said, "and catfish producers will continue to flood the market. Production increased more than 10 percent during the past year, a trend expected to continue in 1991."

Nonfood items that will be advertised specials in January include cough and cold remedies, facial tissues, flowers and container plants such as tulips and jade.

IN FASHION Fake fur is fashionable, warm, rich in texture and treats your wallet kindly. It is very versatile in that it can be used in so many ways to enhance one's

costume. Most attractive, on a fitted black dress, is a large collar in leopardprint that frames the A black plush collar on a doublebreasted red wool jacket with a slim skirt is elegant.

Luxury fabrics are used in everyday wear. Velvet, in nylon and lycra, is new for the bodysuit.

Drive carefully and enjoy 1991.

Nursing Home News

by: Joy Stancell

Friday afternoon Richard Edwards pastor of the First United Methodist Church came for a time of devotional and gospel music and singing.

Sunday afternoon The New Covenant Church came for a special Christmas service.

Tuesday afternoon Lula Maye Shanks, Olive Cox, Linda Low, and Brenda Lackey came to shampoo and set the ladies hair. Shelly Lopez and Helen Free did manicures.

Wednesday afternoon Jonessa Jennings played and sang for our Christmas Carol Sing-a-

Tuesday morning Mrs. Johnson from DeShazo Elementary brought her 4th grade students to visit and sing Christmas carols to the residents.

We wish to thank all of our friends who have brought us goodies to enjoy this holiday season. We really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

We wish to express our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Mary Sisemore.

We can never say thank you enough to our Community who shows us their love and concern in many, many ways. We appreciate all the visits, caroling, gifts and goodies that you gave us. You did make the holidays special for us.

Friday night we were delighted by a visit from Santa and his two little elves. (Larry

Ruthardt Family Holds Traditional Christmas Dinner

Lena and Floyd Ruthardt's family gathered for the traditional Christmas Dinner and exchange of gifts on Christmas

Present were Marie and Bill Ritchie from Haven, KS. From Plains were Floyd and Sandy Ruthardt, with their children, Joy and Joyce and grandchildren, Jeremy and Jayelynn. Kenneth Ruthardt with his children Dusty, Tatum and Leah from Bledsoe. Brenda and Alvin Trusty with their children, Kristy, who attends MHS, Aimee and Marcus from Hobbs,

Mrs. Troy Martin, the former Ranee Ruthardt, called from Wamengo, KS.

Winkler and children) Santa and his elves visited with the residents their grandchildren and great grandchildren and gave each a bag of goodies.

A good number of our residents went out to be with their families during Christmas. Among these were: D.B. Ivy, Rosemary Pool, Mamie Askew, Finis Kimbrough, Pasty Franklin, Erie Smith, Ora Roberts, Stella Morgan, Ethel Chitwood, Joe Weaks, Pearl Cox, Buck Ragsdale, Bernice Amerson, and Wilmoth Clements.

Guy Kendall, Effie Smith, Opal Sowder, Arnold Morris, Jack Knowles, Mrs. Hukill, Fluff Baldwin, Mr. Blalack, Margaret Beard, Ella Faubus, Cora Duncan, Robert Kimbrough, Birdie Warren, Mrs. Langfitt, Ernest Kerr, Oneita Wagnon, Thelma Stearns, Allie Barbour, Mrs. Levia, Mildred Nieman, and Connor Burford residents were among the receiving family visits during Christmas.

Clara Weaver's daughters Pat and Linda are here visiting also her granddaughter Amy.

Ernest Kerr was visited by one of his grandsons Wed.

The Progress Circle brought gift boxes of goodies to several of our residents this week.

Friday afternoon Mrs. Dean Reid and ladies from the Assembly of God Church sang and played gospel music with the residents. Mrs. Reid conducted the devotional time.

Wednesday afternoon Glenda and Jonessa Jennings and Roger Sowder of Ruidoso N.M. presented us with special music and a Sing-a-Long.

> Happy New Year To You And Yours

Study Shows Laptop Computers Received Well

Profits and productivity rose while customer complaints declined for sales forces using laptop computers, Texas Christian University researchers have

In a survey of sales managers from more than 3,000 manufacturing firms, Drs. William Moncrief Jr., Jane MacKay and Charles Lamb Jr. learned that companies using laptop or portable computers are reporting increased territorial profit, productivity, available time, efficiency and morale from their sales forces. Respondents also noted that sale force and customer complaints have decreased.

Although eight of 10 companies have had their laptop systems in place for two years or less, they study's authors concluded that the benefits of the laptop appear to be very positive. Among the four primary

justifications cited as reasons to purchase laptops for sales personnel were file management, communication, improved presentations and increased productivity.

Activities performed with the laptop included daily correspondence, use of electronic mail, access to customer information on corporate mainframe computers, preparation of presentations as well as planning and

review of customer needs. The authors notes that while laptop users spent less time on administrative paperwork, the number of sales calls was

unchanged. Among the reasons for not using laptops, respondents most often cited cost factors, which included the initial expense of hardware and software. Other frequent responses on not using laptops were uncertainty about

Ben Frankli

Better quality for less

how sales people could use the computers and incompatability problems with paper-based sys-

Industries responding to the survey included chemical. machinery, electrical machinery and precision instruments. Furniture, petroleum and other oil-related companies also numbered among the respondents.

Weatherschool Kit Offered Teachers

Can you tell the temperature by counting the number of chirps from a cricket? The answer may surprise you. If the temperature is greater than 54 degrees, you can count the number of chirps in eight seconds and add four. This will be the temperature in celcius. This and other weather questions are part of Weatherschool, a new public education program from KCBD-Channel 11 and Sentinel Bookstore.

Teachers of grades through eight can receive a free Weatherschool classroom kit by sending their name, grade and school address to Weatherschool, c/o KCBD, P.O. Box 2190, Lubbock, TX Teachers can also drop off their requests at Sentinel Bookstore. 4835 50th Street.

Weatherschool provides free teaching materials about weather to area teachers. Each Weatherschool classroom kit includes a 56-page Resource Guide, a colorful cloud poster and a student computer program. The Resource Guide contains weather activities, lessons, and experiments. Using the Weatherschool kit, students can prepare and present their own weather forecast. February has been designated "Weatherschool Month"

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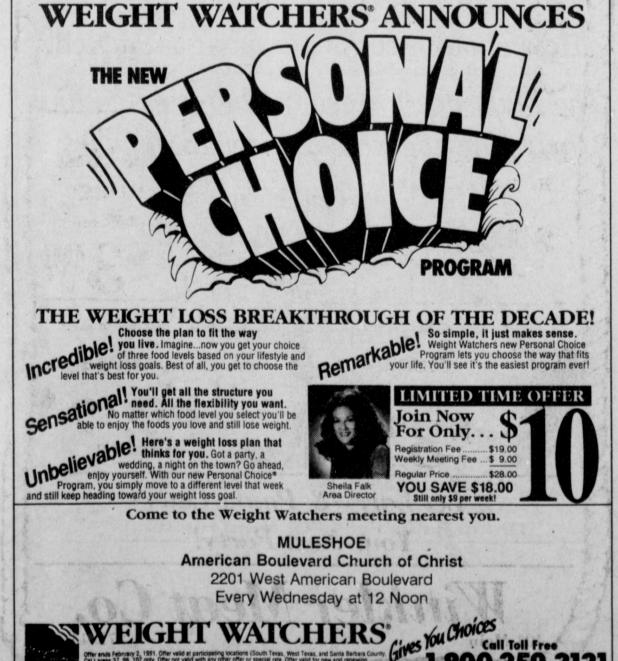
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ARTISTRY BY MOTHER NATURE--Sunday morning, trees, bushes, fences and high line wires all wore a coat of 'white frosting' coated by Mother Nature during the night on Saturday,

Lazbuddie Duo

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donated kidney is cradled in the patient's pelvic area. The pelvic bone gives protection to the transplanted kidney.

Doctors told Marvin that the transplanted organ began to function immediately. "Most times we see a slow drip-drip starting in the new kidney. In this case it was virtually gushing," they said. The entire surgery took four hours.

Within a few days, Marvin's trouble with his hands and feet had cleared up.

Doctors dismissed both brothers from the hospital after six days.

"We were afraid this was a little quick. But the doctors explained that they wanted to get Marvin away from the hospital, because a hospital is the worst place in the world to contract some disease or other," Jo said.

The anti - rejection drugs which Marvin is required to take kills his immune system, and it would be very easy for him to come down with a simple illness such as a cold. They have advised Mimms to avoid crowds or excessive company for awhile.

He has to go to the hospital in Muleshoe twice a week for a checkup which includes a blood test and urinalysis. Later he will go to Lubbock Methodist every two weeks for an in-person checkup to see how his kidney is functioning.

Marvin, who lived in Friona from 1953 to 1958, and has farmed in the Lazbuddie area since 1958, said the transplant was "A dream come true."

"This area is extremely fortunate to have this transplant team in Lubbock. If we had done this a year ago we would have had to go to Dallas. The

> Too often habits make men instead of men making habits.

> Charity is of greater value to the giver than to the receiver.

transplant team came to Lubbock last May. Helfrich has performed 1,000 surgeries, and they told us he had never lost a donor or a recipient," Marvin

The surgeon who removed Pete's kidney was Dr. Lynn Avant, who is the other half of the surgical team, doing the "Donor surgery."

It was explained that Methodist Hospital works with the patients who are facing transplant surgery, and determines whether or not they need a support group. "In light of the fact that we had some 50 friends and relatives at the hospital on the day of the surgery, I think they decided we had our own support group,' the Mimmses said.

As for Pete Mimms becoming the oldest kidney donor in the United States, his wife, Bobbie, said, "He would do anything for the publicity."

Seriously, Pete would like to make an appeal to people everywhere to make their organs available for transplanting. "The transplant program is really advancing. It is amazing what they can do, and how many body parts can be used," Pete said. "Also, age is no limiting factor," he added with a big smile.

Pete, who farms about 350 acres and lives five miles down the road from his brother, also raises some cattle. He said that in volunteering his kidney, he rseasoned that he didn't have "a real big percentage of his life remaining," while some of the prospective donors were much younger.

"They could have a lot of other opportunities to donate a kidney in the future," he said.

Also, Pete said that he and his wife had reasoned that they had their family raised, plus the fact that the doctor had assured them that he could function on one kidney.

The two Mimms brothers have lived in Parmer County since 1953, moving here from Crosby County.

Livestock Show

and Kathy Embry, secretary. Three Way High School FFA officers are Larry Robertson, president; Marc Tucker, vice president; Wade Wilson, secreand Cynthia Bennett, reporter.

Jack Reeves is president of the Three Way FFA Boosters; Terry Pollard, vice president and Don Parker, secretary/treasurer.

Officers of the Muleshoe 4-H Club are Melissa Toombs, president; Courtney Tanksley, first vice president for programs; Marianna Toombs, second vice president for recreation; Mickey Trussell, third vice president for membership; Gage Angeley and Shane Schuster, council delegates: Charla Holt, secretarytreasurer; Jason Harmon, reporter and Colin Tanksley, parlaimentarian. Linda Tanksley and Gayla Toombs are club managers.

Officers for the Three Way 4-H club are Melissa Bennett, president; Keith Kindle, vice president; Joshua Tooley, vice president for programs; Cody Wilson, vice president for membership; Russell Pollard, secretary; Brittany Kirby, treasurer; Cynthia Bennett, reporter and council delegate. Monty Turney

is also council delegate.

of the Bailey County 4-H Council; Colin Tanksley, vice chairman: Shane Schuster, secretary/treasurer; Colin Tanksley and Shane Schuster, district tary; DeWese Duarte, treasurer; council and Melissa Toombs, alternate district council.

> Muleshoe FFA members certified to exhibit in the 1991 show are Leann Altman, Buck Angeley, Gage Angeley, Bryce Embry, Kyle Embry, Justin Gardner, Robert Gardner, Joshua Kitchens, Toby Kitchens, Justin Lee, Kayla Magby, Kole Magby, Kourtnee Magby and Scotty Mills.

Also, Daniel Morris, Clay Myers, Mandy Myers, John Noble, Greg Pena, Drew Ramm, Jarrod Redwine, Andy Ruiz, Rodney Stevens, Brandon Thomason, Larry Wauson, Steven Wauson, Jeffrey Wheeler, Wade Wheeler, Andy Wilson, Howie Zimmerman and Kris Zimmerman.

Members certifying from the Muleshoe 4-H Club are Buck Angeley, Misty Angeley, Katie Black, Lynsie Black, Samantha Caswell, Scott Churchman, Jacen Claunch, Travis Copley, John Bryan Cowart, Robin Cowart, Clay Grant, Lela Hancock, Jason Harmon, Brandi Harrison, Krystal Heathington, Jill Hodges, Lori Hodges, Suzy Melissa Toombs is chairman Hodges, Bob Holloway, Jack

Holloway, Amy Hooten and Heather Hooten.

And, Keila Kennedy, Ky Kennedy, Scotty Killough, Jonathan Kindle, Keith Kindle, Brittany Kirby, Monty Kirby, Audra Lee, Lissa Leffler, Russell Pollard, Scott Pollard, Dennis Reeder, Carolyn Schuster, Melinda Schuster, Shane Schuster, Colin Tanksley, Courtney Tanksley, Marianne Toombs, Melissa Toombs, Charlie Wood and Brittany Young.

Marc Tucker and Wade Wilson certified from the Three Way FFA.

Three Way 4-H Club members certifying to show are Cynthia Bennett, Jonathan Bennett, Melissa Bennett, Kenneth Gilbreath, Carrie Kindle, Kyle Kindle, Marvin McCaul, Melanie McCaul, Daniel Reeves, Larry Robertson, Rebecca Robertson, Joshua Tooley, Robin Tooley, Monty Turney, Kyle Walker, Cody Wilson and Kasey Wright.

And, as usual, the concession stand at the Bailey County Coliseum will be open, offering light refreshments and drinks to a full meal.

The members of the Bailey County Junior Livestock Show Board invite you to join your friends, and see the top animals exhibited by our county youth on January 11 and 12.



LIONS CLUB TO GIVE AWAY PICKUP -- From left, J. D. Bell, Brownfield, Texas Lions Camp Director for District 2-T2; John Roley; Bill Fisher, Lubbock, District Governor; and Charles Shannon, Ropesville, Texas Lions Camp Director District 2-T2 are pictured as West Texas Lions Club members take delivery of a 1991 S-10 pickup from John Roley's AutoCenter in Littlefield. The truck will be raffled off by the Lions on April 6. Raffle tickets are \$1 each, with proceeds benefiting the Lions Crippled Children's Camp in Kerrville.

TAAS Test

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TEAMS during 1989-90 ranged from 74 to 80 percent.

Kirby said, however, that he is concerned that only 68 percent of the high school juniors who took the TAAS exit-level test for the first time in October passed the examination.

"The exit-level results show that nearly one-third of our juniors do not currently meet all the requirements for high school graduation and will have to take the test again and pass it in order to be eligible to receive a high school diploma," Kirby

Students have five opportunities to pass the exit-level test. Juniors who failed the October administration will be able to re-take the test in April, twice during their senior year and again the following summer. Under state law, school districts must provide remedial education to all students who fail to pass any section of the TAAS

A breakdown of TAAS results by grade level shows that at grade 3, 69 percent of students passed the writing section of the examination, while 84 percent passed the reading section and 86 percent passed the mathematics portion of the test. On the reading test, 47 percent of third graders achieved the academic recognition standard, meaning that they demonstrated mastery of every objective measured by the reading test.

Grade three Spanish results show that 45 percent passed the writing test, 66 percent passed the reading test and 73 percent passed the mathematics test.

At grade 5, 80 percent of students passed the writing test, 68 percent passed the reading test and 60 percent passed the mathematics examination. Seventh-grade students showed passing rates of 72 percent on the writing test, 59 percent on the reading test and 61 percent on the mathematics

Sixty-seven percent of the ninth grade students passed the writing test, 76 percent passed the reading test and 57 percent passed the mathematics test.

Among high school juniors, 83 percent passed the writing test, 88 percent passed the reading test and 74 percent passed the mathematics test.

The TAAS passing standards established by the State Board of Education in July were 60 percent for the tests given at grades 7, 9 and the exit level, and 65 percent for the third and fifth-grade tests for the 1990-91 school year. By the 1991-92 school year, students will have to correctly answer 70 percent of the test items in order to pass the examinations.

Kirby said he is optimistic that student performance on the TAAS will improve over time as teachers, students, parents and others grow accustomed to the more difficult test. Unlike the

TEAMS test, which focused on a narrow set of instructional objectives, the TAAS is a broader examination which measures students' mastery of a larger group of the essential elements of the curriculum.

"I am confident that as we continue to administer the TAAS test, school districts will broaden instruction to encompass all of the essential elements of the curriculum and results will improve accordingly over time," Kirby said.

Performance on the TAAS is one measure the state will use when accrediting school districts and assigning performance ratings to individual school campuses.

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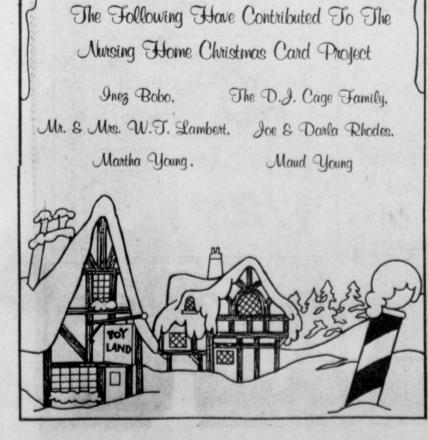
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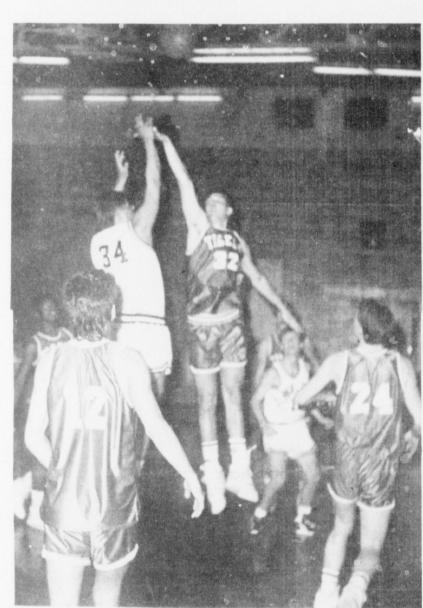
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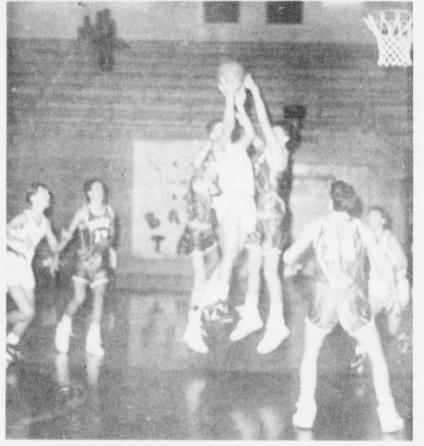


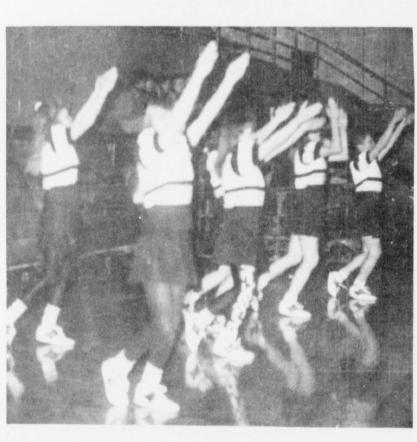
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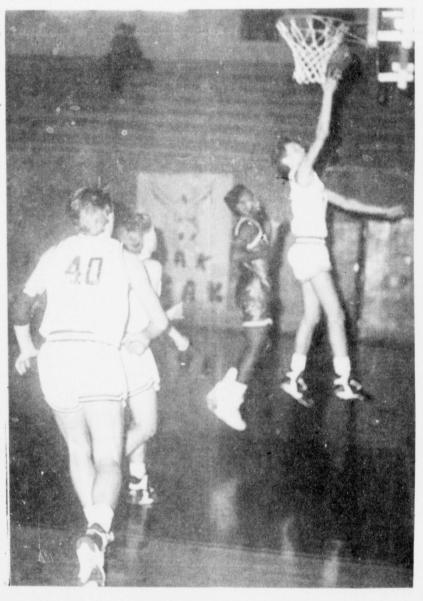




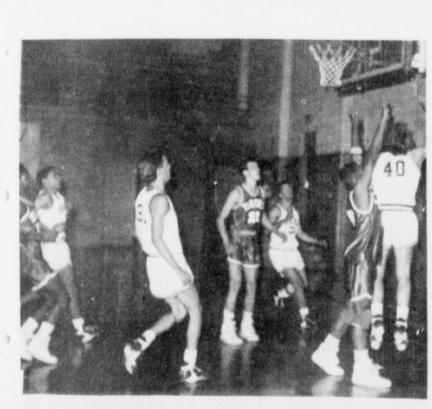




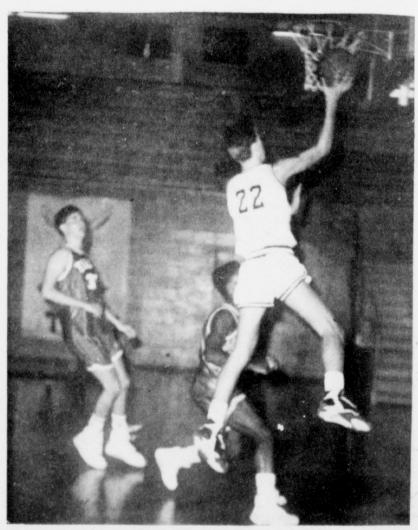












Safe Practices With Heaters Can Save Lives

The winter months can be harsh; and from now through February, Texans will try to stay warm by using various types of heating equipment in their homes. Unfortunately, many will discover that improperly used heaters can cause damage, injuries and even death.

State Board of Insurance Chairman James E. Saxton Jr. explains that maintaining and using heating equipment properly can save lives.

"Each year, the number of reported fire deaths increased during the months of December, January and February," Saxton said. "Much of this increase is related to the misuse of heaters, and the unfortunate fact is that many, if not most of those fires could have prevented."

During 1989, 24 Texans, including one fire fighter, died in fires caused by heating equipment, according to the Texas Fire Incident Reporting System (TEXFIRS), a standardized program coordinated by the State Fire Marshal's Office through which more than 300 fire departments in Texas report fire incidents. The following examples of fatal fires illustrate hazards commonly associated with heating equipment:

•Combustible items, such as furniture or clothes, are placed to close to the heater. Two people died when a cardboard box left too close to a stationary heater caught fire. Although the smoke detector operated, the 16-year-old boy and 41-year-old man were sleeping when the fire started and could not escape.

•A portable heater is placed too close to combustible items, especially beds and furniture. A bedridden 80-year-old woman died when a portable electric heater was placed too close to her bed, igniting the bedding. She died of burns and asphyxia, and the home did not have a smoke detector.

•Clothing catches fire when the person comes too close to the heater. A 63-year-old man who was intoxicated died of burns when he fell near a portable gas heater, igniting his clothes.

•The heater or stove is not used or maintained properly. Two boys, ages 5 and 6, died in their sleep when a LP-gas heater leaked and caused the wood floor to catch fire. The smoke detector operated, but the boys did not have time to escape.

•The heater or stove is not installed properly, allowing heat to be transferred to combustible objects such as the floor or wall. A 39-year-old man and a 33-year-old woman died when a wood-burning stove caused the interior wall covering to catch fire. They tried to escape, but both died of burns and asphyxia. The home did not have a smoke detector.

•Central heating systems are not maintained and monitored properly. An 87-year-old man died in a fire when magazines or newspapers were ignited by a gas central heating unit.

State Fire Marshal Ernest A. Emerson advises that during 1989, the misuse of heating equipment ranked as the third leading cause of residential fires. A total of 2,391 fires were caused by heating equipment, resulting in more than \$21 million in property damage. At least 119 persons were injured in these fires.

"When the causes of these fires are examined, it becomes apparent that the homeowner or resident could do several things

to reduce the chance of fire in his or her home," Emerson said. "The goal of fire prevention is to keep heat sources-such as heating equipment-away from fuel sources. By taking specific actions to reduce heating hazards, we can all help prevent home heating fires and fire deaths."

The State Fire Marshal recommends these safety precautions when operating heating equipment:

1. Keep all heaters at least THREE FEET away from any combustible object, such as walls, curtains, drapes and furniture, especially beds. Use a yardstick or meter stick to measure the distance.

2. Use only heating equipment that is in good operating condtion. Watch for worn electrical cords, leaks or faulty switches. Keep your heating equipment (including ducting) clean.

3. Have your heating equipment, both central systems and portable equipment, serviced by a qualified expert at least once a year.

4. Be sure all heaters, stoves, fireplaces and chimneys are installed and insulated properly. Check for heating of adjacent floors and walls, which can be very hazardous.

5. Have your fireplace, woodburning stove and chimney inspected and cleaned at least once a year.

6. Use only approved heaters and fuels. Check for UL or Factory Mutual labels. Because portable heaters are illegal in some jurisdictions, check with local fire authorities to be sure that portable heaters are allowed in your area.

8. Wear close-fitting pajamas or night clothes-and avoid loose, billowy gowns or robes-to reduce the risk of igniting your clothes by contacting heaters or cook stoves. Warn senior citizens and children to stay away from heaters.

9. Be sure there is adequate ventilation in any area where there is an open flame. Keep the central gas heating system ventilation ducts open. Provide ventilation for solid-or liquid-fueled heaters, such as gas, LP, kerosene or wood.

10. Practice emergency procedures so you and your family know what to do in case of a fire:

--Know to "stop, drop and roll" to put out the fire if your clothes catch on fire.

--Have an emergency exit plan with two exit routes from each room, and explain your plan to overnight guests. Keep your exit routes clear; don't place portable heaters near doorways or halls.

--Hold a practice exit drill each month so everyone will know how to get out safely.

--Emphasize the importance of getting out quickly in case of

fire.

11. If your heating equipment is not safe, ASK FOR HELP. Contact local authorities for help in improving your heating equipment or for locations of shelters in extremely cold weather.

12. If you know someone, especially a senior citizen, who does not have safe, adequate heating equipment, offer help or ask a local social service agency to help.

To illustrate the need for a comprehensive approach to heating safety, TEXFIRS statistics show the most common causes of fires involving different types of heaters.

Water heaters, both gas and electric powered, caused 615

fires that are included in the tally of heating fires. A 45-year-old fire fighter died of a heart attack while fighting a fire caused by a water heater. The gas water heated had leaked, igniting paint or varnish that was stored too close to the heater.

Other reports on fatal heating fires give additional examples of common hazards:

--An 86-year-old woman died of burns when an upholstered chair was placed too close to a portable electirc heater and caught fire. She was sleeping when the fire started, and her home did not have a smoke detector.

--An 83-year-old woman died when some clothes were placed too close to a portable gas heater in her bedroom. The clothes caught fire, and the woman died of burns and asphyxia. There were no smoke detectors in this home, either.

--A 52-year-old woman died when a cotton rug was placed too close to a stationary heater.
--A 76-year-old woman died of burns when her clothes were ignited by a gas-heated fire-

place.
--A /4-year-old man died when a stationary heater ignited the floor covering in his living

--Two boys, age 2 and 7, died when an indoor fireplace caused the wood structural framing to ignite. Both were asleep when the fire started and could not escape.

--An 83-year-old woman, who was unconscious or impaired when the fire started, died after her clothes were ignited by a gas central heating unit.

McMurry University Hosts 10th Sikes Melugin Lectureship

Two professors of religion will explore the theme "A Continuing Dialogue: Faith and Knowledge" during the 10th annual Sikes-Melugin Lectureship in Religious Studies at McMurry University Feb. 11-12.

Speakers will be Dr. Roy Melugin, professor of religion at Austin College in Sherman; and Dr. David L. Balch, associate professor of New Testament at Brite Divinity School, Texas Christian University.

The lectures, which are open to the public, will be held at 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 11 and at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12. Both will be in the Mabee Room of the United Methodist Campus Center.

A panel discussion, also open to the public, will begin at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Mabee Room. Moderator will be Dr. Joseph Stamey, McMurry professor of philosophy.

Balch will speak Monday evening on "Luke and Cornelius Stories of Educated, Wealthy Church Members." The Tuesday lecture, "Blessed Are the Wise," will be given by Melugin.

Each of the lecturers is particularly interested in the dynamics of religious faith as it interacts with human knowledge, both in biblical times and in our present culture. Their dialogue will explore how religion is taught and encountered in today's culture.

Melugin, who with his family gave the endowment for the lectures, brings to the series a distinguished career in Old Testament study and extended experience in the college classroom. Balch has extensive experience in undergraduate and seminary teaching and has published extensively on the cultural and social setting of New Testament Christianity.

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12 Of Texas Seats Filled By United Methodist

Twelve of Texas' 27 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives will be filled by United Methodists when the 102nd Congress convenes Jan. 3.

Four Roman Catholics, three Baptists, three Presbyterians, two Episcopalians, one Christian Scientist, one Lutheran and one Jew fill out the House delegation from Texas.

In the Senate, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen is a Presbyterian. Republican Phil Gramm is an Episcopalian.

Religious affiliations of House and Senate members were reported in the special November 1990 edition of "Congressional Yellow Book," a quarterly reference directory.

Ten of the 19 Democrats and two of the eight Republicans in the House from Texas are United Methodists.

United Methodists have filled the most seats in the Texas House delegation for at least eight years. But the denomina-

Fire Department News

The Muleshoe Fire Department responded to 14 calls for

The Muleshoe Fire Department responded to 14 calls for the month of December, they responded to one mobil home fire, one trash fire, two vehicle fires, two dwelling fires, two false alarms, three grass fires, and three vehicle accidents.

J.O. Parker, Joe Davis, Jack Dunham, John McCutchen, Ralph Sanchez, Tom Ladd, Dan Foshee, and Charles Lorance attended at Emergency Care Attendant (E.C.A.) class from October 2, to December 4, 1990, Each member is certified as a medical first responder, they can respond to any minor or major accident that require medical attention. At this time, the fire department has two **Emergency Medical Technicians** (E.M.T's) which are Larry Rasco and Wayne Wauson.

tion, with about 800,000 members, is the state's third largest.

The Roman Catholic Church reports about 3.5 million adherents in Texas. The Southern Baptist Convention has about 2.6 million Texas members.

The number of United Methodists in the House from Texas at the start of the 102nd congress is one less than at the start of the 101st session.

U.S. Rep. Michael A. Andrews, A Republican from Houston, switched his membership from the United Methodist to the Episcopal Church.

In other changes, U.S. Rep. Pete Geren, a Baptist, replaced former House Speaker Jim Wright, a United Methodist, in the 12th Congressional District. State Senator Chet Edwards of Waco, a United Methodist, is

taking the 11th District seat of U.S. Rep. Marvin Leath, a Presbyterian.

Among all 535 members of the 102nd Congress, Roman Catholics, with 142 members, constitute the largest faith group. Then come United Methodists (73), Baptists (59), Episcopalians (59), Presbyterians (51), Jews (41), Protestants (30), Lutherans (22), Mormons (13), members of the United Church of Christ (12) and Unitarians (10).

Eighteen members belong to other denominations. Five members report no religious affiliation.

Religious affiliation is considered a good predictor of how a congressional representative will vote on such issues as school prayer, aid to church schools and abortion, according to Americans United for the Separation of Church and State, a Washington-based advocacy group. On other issues, however, religious affiliation is only a moderate voting predictor.

Regional Security May Keep Peace

While Middle East peace hangs in the balance of rhetoric and action, a Texas Christian University political scientist believes a NATO-like force may help secure long-term regional peace.

"I see a regional security arrangement, no matter how this conflict ends, as a possible scenario," explained Dr. Manochehr Dorraj, a native of Iran.

"Saddam Hussein needs to be checked by regional security forces, and I already see an embryonic formation of that in the coalition force that exists against him," he said.

Dorraj believes Egypt, Syria, Saudia Arabia and Morocco will eventually join with Turkey and Iran to sign a pact against Iraqi military aggression.

"If Iraq attacks one of these countries, it would invite a strike from all of them," Dorraj said.

Pointing to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Dorraj said history provides a clear picture of how useful such a force can be.

"We did not resort to military confrontation to take out the

Soviets. We put some of our might and military investment behind NATO," he explained. "I see a similar thing happening in the Middle East."

Dorraj suggested the global alliance against Saddam Hussein may prove to be the strongest deterrent to war as well as another precedent for resolution of human conflict through dialogue.

"If the United States could solve its differences with the Soviet Union through peaceful negotiations, they why not Iraq?," questioned Dorraj.

"Iraq is a small tomato compared to the Soviet Union," he said.

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Billion Dollar Industry

By Kathleen Davis Tortillas are rolling in the dough for U.S. bakers.

It's flat confusing. Mexican bread is taken for granted along the southern U.S. border but practically unknown near Canada's edge. Many Americans mispronounce tor-TEE-ya; lots have never heard the word.

All the while, U.S. bakers every year are pressing out \$1 billion worth of the thin corn or flour circles fast as conveyor belts can move.

Many companies only dream of marketing their product toward inevitable sales. But with practically no advertising, the tortillas' parent companies have awakened to an adolescent industry in need of direction.

"While the sale of tortillas has grown enormously, the need for standards and quality labeling is important," said Irwin Steinberg, a consultant who manages the new Tortilla Industry Association from Encino, Calif. "And despite the growth, there is an untapped market. Still, to this day, there are people who don't know what a tortilla is."

Steinberg was himself tortilla illiterate when he moved from New York to California a decade ago to become president of Mission Foods. He has seen a five-fold increase in total tortilla sales since the early 1980s. But the potential for even more sweeping growth in markets, and the likelihood for corporate consolidation, has had an unnerving effect on the mostly small, family-operated tortilla makers which may number 400 in the nation, Steinberg said.

So the association's 70 learn enough to brag member companies have a mission: to promote the consumption of tortillas to the

consumer and to assist member companies in managing and planning their businesses.

First, the industry needs to assess the situation, Steinberg said. One reason for the phenomenal demand is the increasing Hispanic population. Hispanics have considered tortillas a daily staple for more than 400 years.

The Hispanic population grew nearly four times the rate of the total U.S. population between 1980-90 to almost 21 million currently, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. That segment of the population could almost double within 20 years, the

bureau projects.

But the versatle tortilla easily has crossed ethnic bounds. Rolled around spicy meats, cheeses, beans and avocados, the tortilla is a main attraction at fast food and sit-down Mexican restaurants and increasingly in homes of any nationality.

"This growth has been spurred on by the increase in Mexican food restaurants across the nation," Steinberg said. "People taste them there, then go home and become consumers on their own. I keep them in the refrigerator all the time. When I want a sandwich, I take one out and put something in it, even for breakfast. I don't know why everone doesn't do that."

Lots have. Food stores sold almost \$400 million of Mexican food products (much of which was tortillas) in 1987, according to Progressive Grocer magazine. Mexican food grocery sales surpassed any other product in the speciality food or canned meat category.

But Steinberg believes consumers can be convinced to chow down on even more tortillas. With seed money from member dues, the group plans to hire a staffer to develop attractive, perhaps untraditional, tortilla recipes.

"Who knows? Maybe we'll have peanut butter and jelly in them, or strawberris," suggested Steinberg, who expects some recipe promotion to begin in January.

While consumers are introduced to appealing new uses, tortilla makers plan to take up the old issue of agreeing on a consistent definition for their product.

"Anyone can make a tortilla of any size and any weight," Steinberg pointed out. "There is no standard size, weight or ingredients right now.

"We have argued over the size...that a tortilla has to be 6.5 inches round in Texas and 6 inches in California," Steinberg said. "The makers insist that it is a cultural thing. But I don't believe that."

Researchers at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station literally are churning scientific data a la conveyor belt in search of the ultimate tortilla.

In the Ceral Quality Lab at Texas A&M University College Station, thousands of tortillas have been baked using different amounts of ingredients, weights of dough balls put into the ovens, and time and temperatures for baking. Tortillas are analyzed for taste, nutritional value and ability to

"All the consumer really knows right now is how many are in the package, what diameter they are and whether they are corn or four," said Dr. Ralph Waniska, a cereal grain quality researcher at the lab. The problem in wheat (flour) tortillas is that the manufacturing procedure varies from state to state, company to company and even to different lines within the same company. The

quality control procedures have not been utilized or are poorly implemented."

Waniska and his colleagues have specific tortilla goals:

*Add different dietary fibers to increase consumer interest and improve the bread's "rollability."

*Select protein additives that will improve nutrition and maintain shelf life.

*Decrease the fat content. Wheat tortillas now are about 8 percent fat. The goal is to decrease that to 4 percent to 6 percent fat. Corn tortillas, at 2.5 percent to 3 percent fat, already are considered low fat.

"A lot of things have to work to make all of that happen," said Waniska, who with Texas A&M researchers Dr. Lloyd Rooney and Dr. Al Wagner is frequently asked to national meetings to talk tortillas.

In the lab, the researchers have developed the procedures to evaluate each process of making hot press wheat tortillas--from the four dough mixing stages to cooling and packaging.

Consumers may be interested in knowing, for example, that "stressed" tortillas won't make it to the shelf. Tortilla dough needs to "rest" after mixing for 20 minutes at 60 percent to 70 percent relative humidity at about 90 F. Anything less results in a smaller, irregularlyshaped, rough-surfaced tortilla, the experiment proved.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's revision of the tortilla's nutrient composition values may help standardize the product because the guide is used for menu planners at schools and other institutions.

The typical corn tortilla is 6-7 inches wide and weights 25 grams; a flour tortilla is 7-8 inches and weighs 35 grams, according to Jean Steward of USDA's Human Nutrition Information Service.

"The corn tortillas are higher in phosphorous, calcium, potassium and zinc, but generally lower in sodium and calories than flour tortillas," Stewart said, comparing one- ounce portions of each type. "The flour tortillas are higher in protein fat and carbohydrates, higher in the three B vitamins (thiamine, riboflavin and niacin) and higher in iron."

In USDA-regulated Child Nutrition Programs that use tortillas as a substitute for bread, one serving is 1.1

To Steinberg, however, the tortilla is a substitute for nothing.

"Tortillas are not just a piece of bread," he said.

Once the product is defined, Steinberg sees potential for new product development-- from lite tortillas to flavored tortillas. A potato tortilla already is being developed by a Midwestern firm, he said.

"I am very aware of tortilla quality," Waniska noted. "The standards have to be developed so that when you get a tortilla in Detroit, or New York City, or Kalamazoo, Mich., you know. what you're getting."

The future growth of the industry, especially in reaching brand-new consumers, hinges on standards, not fancy lables, Steinberg agrees.

"If you do a great job of promotion," he said, "and get people to buy them, but they get a bad one, they will never buy them agian."

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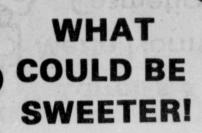
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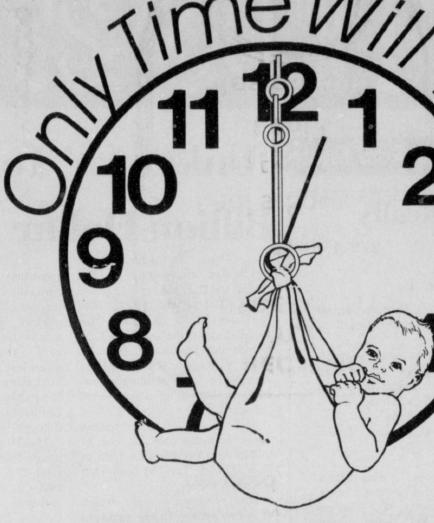
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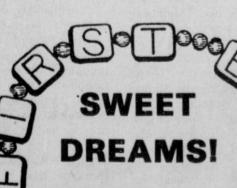
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