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VARIETY

By NEAL ESTES

Friends wishing to write PFC. JERRY HENSON will address his mail as follows: U. S. 54382505, C. Btry., 8/4 Artillery, APO San Francisco, 96269, Young HENSON is now in Vietnam. He entered the service last May.

Residents of Big Spring will vote on a one per cent city sales tax on December 16. City officials have promised a reduction of 10 cents off the current ad valorem tax rate of 1.50 per \$100 valuation, if the measure passes. A former mayor, DR. LEE ROGERS, said: "Only 60 per cent of the residents of Big Spring pay any kind of tax and the sales tax would give them an opportunity to share the tax load with the ad valorem taxpayers." Some Texas cities are urging the sales tax. Others are turning it down. The last Legislature provided for the elections on the matter.

Ex-Justice of the Supreme Court, TOM CLARK, said this week: "Crime is our No. 1 domestic problem." MR. CLARK was a part of the court that helped turn the lawless element loose on the land by striking down the introduction of confessions in legal testimony—by ruling no Bible reading in the schools—by declaring that the Communist no longer had to register, and a number of other landmarks in history were destroyed while he was on the high bench. Now he comes along and says this thing about crime. Certainly, we are going to have rioters, destroyers of property, and disrespect for law and order as long as we have decisions coming from the Supreme Court making it comfortable for the criminal to do just about as he pleases. Crime will continue to increase as long as the nine handpicked men on the big court in Washington continue contributing courtesy cards to criminals to commit crimes through new court criterions.

Awhile back I tried to get the birth dates of as many people I knew born in November. I have known the birthday times for a lot of my friends born in the topaz month but can't round-up some missing scorpions to complete the calendar from Nov. 1 to Nov. 30. I, perhaps, selfishly, thought about recording the November people because my own birthday comes on Nov. 12 and my late brother's birthday was Nov. 11. I have the following names of friends born in November: MRS. O. B. BRYAN, Nov. 13; MRS. JIM EILAND, Nov. 16; MRS. FINLEY RHODES, Nov. 20; MRS. MATT EILAND, Nov. 20; DENNIS IRETON, Nov. 22; BILLIE HOUSTON, Nov. 29; JEANIE BENTLEY, Nov. 15; COATS BENTLEY, Nov. 27; CLAYTON BURNAM, Nov. 15; HOWARD CLARK JENKINS, JR., Nov. 1; GUY STORY BROWN, Nov. 30; HELEN THRAILKILL, Nov. 5. I want to get as many more names as I can of people born in the golden month. Send me your November birth date. After I get the November ones, I will pick and start on another month.

Alabama goes to Dallas to play in the Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day. TEXAS A&M could be the opponent or TEXAS TECH. If TECH beats Arkansas and TEXAS U. loses to the AGGIES, the College Station crowd will be heading for Dallas. If the Longhorns trip the Aggies, and Tech wins—the Red Raiders go to Big D. If ARK-ANSAS defeats TECH and

Special Services Mark Thanksgiving



BRIGHTER CITY—The city officials have ordered the installation of 92 mercury vapor lights. The program promises to make Stanton a well lighted city in the business and residential areas. The photo above shows workers of Texas Electric Service Company in installation action. All the lights will be installed by the end of December.

City Authorizes Installation 92 Mercury Vapor Lights

The City of Stanton has authorized a street light modernization program for the city. When the program is completed, Stanton will have a very modern and up-to-date street lighting system. Included in the modernization program is the replacement of the approximately 50 existing street lights as well as the addition of 42 new lights to be placed at immediate thoroughfare intersections in the residential areas. All of the street lights will be mercury vapor type units which produce nearly three times more illumination than some of the previously used equipment and are two and one-half times more efficient than incandescent lamps in the conversion of electric energy to light. The residential type fixtures will have 7000 lumen mercury vapor lamps while those to be used on Highway 80 and in the downtown business district will have 20,000 lumen lamps. Installation of the new

lights is now underway and the project is scheduled for completion by the end of December.

Texas Electric Service Company owns, installs, and maintains the poles, fixtures, and appurtenances in the street light system at Stanton. The city pays the company for the use of the street lights on a per unit basis. Location of the lights, size of lamps, and type of unit are established by the

Midland Operator Slates No. 1 Fisherman As Operation

By JAMES C. WATSON
John L. Cox of Midland has slated No. 1 Fisherman as an 8,300-foot operation in the Spraberry Trend Area in the Martin County sector.

Drill site spots 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 26, block 35, T-1-N, T&P survey, 10 miles northeast of Stanton. It is a mile northeast and the same distance southwest of production.

David Fasken of Midland has slated location for No. 1 Frank B. Jones, a proposed 9,800-foot project in Martin County, a mile northeast of the Sulphur Draw (Dean and Wolfcamp) area.

It is 1,320 feet from south and west lines of section 63,

Death Claims Mrs. J. Hardin Here Sunday

Mrs. Lillie May Hardin, 72, wife of John O. Hardin, this city, was claimed by death the past Sunday. She passed away in the local hospital after a lengthy illness.

The deceased was born March 31, 1895 in Nolan County.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church with Rev. W. H. Uhlman, pastor, officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Survivors include the husband, John O. Hardin of Stanton; two sons, Billy Hardin of Dublin and George Hardin of Curo; one sister, Mrs. J. M.

Thanksgiving 1967

The cold, black headlines reek with unhappy war news at this Thanksgiving season, 1967. Helicopter crews are working double-shuttle to bring American paratroopers off the slopes of Hill 875 in Vietnam. One of the most brutal fights of the war is underway as men of 173rd Airborne Brigade attempt to take enemy bunkers on the hill in the central highlands 14 miles southwest of Dak To. One thousand American boys have died in the past few hours on Hill 875. Short of food and water, the paratroopers battle stiff enemy fire as they continue their push to the summit on Thanksgiving Eve. U.S. casualties continue to mount. Men continue to die. I just can't describe Thanksgiving, this year, as being bountiful, blessed, and full of joy at the harvest season, because thousands of death messages will be delivered to homes in the 50 states today. I will, however, say a prayer of Thanksgiving for two fine soldiers from Martin County, who are there in the jungles fighting. I send my best wishes for safe-keeping to my young friends Jerry Henson and George Smith. May the faith of our fathers carry them through the ordeals of danger they are experiencing this Thanksgiving Day along with a half-million other American lads. Tears will continue to be shed and holiday turkey stick in the throats of mankind until this nation can find a better time—a time of peace to observe, as the Pilgrims did at the first Thanksgiving. Let us all hope that things will be better for America next November at this time. AND, God willing, it will come to pass.

—NEAL ESTES

Right Address Essential On All Overseas Mail

The Post Office Department today urged the citizens of Martin County to be sure to use the correct address on their letters and packages going to servicemen overseas to avoid serious delays in delivery.

The Post Office Department reported that millions of letters and packages going overseas have been delayed because they were insufficiently addressed. One of the biggest problems has been the failure of persons to include the very important five digit APO or FPO number in the military address. Mail not containing this number is incorrectly addressed.

Last year more than nine million pieces of mail were delayed in delivery. Of this number, three and one-half million pieces failed to include the complete five digit APO or FPO number in the address. This improperly addressed mail had to be sent to a military locator directory where time-consuming searches were made to determine the proper addresses.

As the Christmas mail volume going overseas is expected to increase up to 30 per cent or over four million pounds above last year, every precaution should be taken by friends and relatives of servicemen, to address their letters and packages properly to assure rapid delivery to its destination.

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County Churches Pause To Pray For World Peace

Martin County congregations gathered in various churches on Thanksgiving Eve and one group will assemble on Thanksgiving Day to mark Thanksgiving and send up prayers for world peace.

Community pastors will lay special stress on the peace theme because this country is now engaged in one of the most costly wars in the illustrious history of this great nation.

Reminded of the fact that men from Martin County are now with the fighting forces in Vietnam, the ministers will ask for Divine guidance and ask an early end to hostilities of a distant continent.

The annual Thanksgiving service sponsored by the First Methodist and First Baptist Churches in Stanton was held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday night at the First Baptist Church. Rev. Richard Payne, pastor of the First Methodist Church, delivered the message. A large audience filled the house of worship for the special occasion.

Choirs of both churches joined to bring appropriate singing for the benefit of the joint congregations.

The Stanton Church of Christ will hold all-day services Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. A luncheon will be served at the Stanton High School cafeteria.

Speakers will be three Stanton long-time settlers, George Shelburne, Jr., Amarillo; George G. Shelburne, III, missionary from South Africa who is on leave; and Alvis Fisher, Fort Worth. Other men to speak during the all-day rites will be Terry Bouchele, Monahan; W. T. Leach, Abilene; and Norman Miller, Brookhaven, Miss.

All Martin County churches participated in some sort of Thanksgiving services or will hold services on this Sunday to mark the occasion.

Webb Funeral Rites Conducted Here Monday

Jim Webb, a former Stanton grocer and farmer, died in a Houston hospital early Saturday after a short illness.

Webb was born July 25, 1897, in Pendleton and had been a resident of Martin County most of his life. He was a veteran of World War I, a member of the American Legion and a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Stanton.

Funeral services were conducted for the prominent citizen at 2 p.m. Monday afternoon in the First Baptist Church here, with Rev. W. H. Uhlman, pastor, officiating. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery under direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Survivors include the widow; two sons, James Webb of Midland, and Jerry Webb of Stanton; seven sisters, Miss Ova Webb, Mrs. Rose Eldson, and Mrs. Inez Luce, all of Midland, Mrs. Pearl Hardy of Hobbs, New Mexico, Mrs. Lillie Harvard, Stanton, Mrs. Mamie Foreman of Lenorah, and Mrs. Flossie Gaskins of Artesia, New Mexico; and three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

FFA Wins Leadership Awards

The Stanton FFA Chapter entered six teams in District Leadership contest held Thursday, November 26, at Midland High School.

The Stanton chapter won four first place banners, taking top honors in that many of the six contests held. The local group picked up one second place banner and a third place banner.

Stanton's winning teams in the various events included

the following boys:
FFA Quiz Team — First place, Bert Decker, Roy Kelly, Dennis Jones, and Mark Hursh.

Junior Skills Team — First place, Vernon Parker, James Pardue, Bobby Hull, Pat Graza, and Johnny Miller.

Senior Farm Skills Team — First place, Lindsey Jones, Mike Madison, Tooter Harrill, and Michael Bridges.
Farm Radio Team — Larry

Franklin, Butch Curry, and Stanley Louder.

Junior Chapter Conducting — Second place, Steve Fryar, Larry Adams, Rickey Mims, Claudia Cantrell, Robert Lueb, and George Pardue.

Senior Chapter Conducting — third place, Jimmy Jones, Glen Lawson, Donnie Jones, Pat Hull, Claude Straub, and David Adkins.

Only the first place teams of each district contest were

allowed to compete in the judging held in Big Spring, Saturday, November 18.

Stanton teams placing at the Area Contest included: Stanton FFA Quiz team, second place; Farm Radio team, third place; and Senior Skills, fourth place.

The State Leadership Contest will be held in Huntsville at Sam Houston College on December 9.

Six Martin TFB Members Attend Meet

The Martin County Farm Bureau was represented at the 34th annual convention of the Texas Farm Bureau in Austin last week by six persons. They were Mr. and Mrs. Owen Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kuhlman, and Mr. and Mrs. Garth Odum.

The meetings were very educational and entertaining. Speakers there included Texas Speaker of the House, Ben Barnes, Congressman Bob Poage of Waco, C. H. DeVaney president of Texas Farm Bureau, and Frank Court of Denver, Colorado.

The business session, in which four of those attending

Stanton Lions Met November 21 At Belvue

The Stanton Lions Club met in regular meeting Tuesday Noon, November 21, at Belvue Restaurant. The meeting was called to order by President, Tom Angel. Lion Homer Schwalbe led the group in the pledge to the flag. The invocation was given by Lion Bill Terry. The sing-song was directed by Lion John T. Roueche, accompanied by sweetheart, Pauline wood.

Two matters of business were voted upon by the members. This club is to donate money to the local Santa Claus fund, and the Big Spring State Hospital.

Lion Euel Ferguson, program chairman, introduced Chuck Elmore, who had as his

Many Friends Present For Webb Funeral

A large number of out-of-town friends and relatives of the late Jim Webb attended funeral services conducted at the First Baptist Church in Stanton Monday afternoon for him.

Some of those present for the last rites were: Mr. and Mrs. Dan Foreman, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Foreman, Mrs. Rose Eldson, Mrs. Ova Webb, and Mrs. Inez Luce.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Orson and Pamela of Ft. Davis; C. B. McClane of Los Angeles; Billy McClane of Norwalk, Calif.; Mrs. Clara Walsh of Dener, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Truman McClane and Sandra of Little Rock, Ark.; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hardy, Hobbs, New Mex.;

Almanac Editor Eyes Big Storm

The Farmers Almanac which is 108 years older than the U. S. Weather Bureau and sometimes more accurate, predicts the big January snowstorm of 1967 will be repeated in 1968.

On the brighter side, the almanac's weather sage, who uses the pen name Abe Weatherwise, says next spring ought to come early and be sunny except for one major storm from Chicago to New England in late April.

The venerable almanac's 176th edition is now on sale. Predicting the weather a year in advance is the publication's principal claim to

Classified Ads

ANNOUNCEMENTS A

Special Notices A-2

I will be taking AVON Christmas orders until Dec. 5. Shop and save the easy Avon way. Mary Tunnell, 207 St. Paul or call 756-2238. 11-47-3tp

CARD OF THANKS B

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the prayers, visits, food, flowers, cards, and the many kindnesses extended to us during the illness and passing of our father and grandfather. May God bless each of you.
The family of P. T. Ross.

BUS. OPPORTUNITIES E

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Lots For Sale M-5

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FLOWER GROVE NEWS

By BETH HOLCOMB

Elections were held last week at Flower Grove, and the results are:

Mr. and Miss Flower Grove: Jimmy Walker and Mary Pribyla.

Most Handsome and Most Beautiful: Roy Oaks and Ann Haggard.

Most Likely to Succeed: Victor Hewetty and Ann Dennis. Wittiest: Pete Geurin and Joy Oaks.

Most All-Around: Marty Rawlings and Sharon Miller. Most Studious: Neil McMorris and Bonnie Hill.

There was great rivalry between the deserving students, but it was all friendly and constructive.

The high school basketball teams traveled to O'Donnell, Tuesday night. This game was the boys first game, and they played very well, considering their time spent practicing.

Grade school had two basketball games Monday night, against Union. This was their first game, also.

Flower Grove cannot have their tournament the first week - end in December, due to two teams pulling out. They

have substituted the Tahoka tournament for this week-end. The Dragons then travel to Garden City for a tournament the next week-end. Flower Grove pulled out of Sands tournament for a place in the Stanton tournament.

The Dragons football team suffered a loss to the Sands Ponies, Friday night, in the last game of the season.

During the half-time the Dragnettes performed on the field a pinwheel made up of the pep squad. The cheerleaders did a hello yell to the Mustangs, and Round - em-up for their own fans.

During pep rally Friday, the spirit sticks were given to the juniors, and the fifth and sixth grades.

Hospital Notes

Physicians Hospital And Clinic

Patients admitted Nov. 13 Through Nov. 19: Jim McCoy, Mrs. Minnie Hasey, Oliver Ward, Raymond Elrod, Mrs. Darrell Sission, Mrs. Ira Clark, Mrs. Marvin Standerfer.

Notice

The Commissioners Court will accept bids at 10 A. M. on November 27th, 1967, on a 1968 car to be used by the Sheriff's Department. Trade-in will be a 1966 model car.

Specifications may be obtained at the Sheriff's office.

Jim McCoy,
County Judge

11-47-2tc

America Still Preserves Spirit Of Grandmother's Thanksgiving

"Over the river and through the woods, to Grandmother's house we go."

Things have changed a lot since those days . . . the horse and sleigh, for example, have been replaced by the auto, bus and plane.

But basically, on the things that count, the spirit of Grandmother's house remains the same. Grandmother and Grandfather made it before income tax bites cut their checks down pretty systematically. They were not called on to feed the world and engage in a great social reform program to "take it away from those who had it and give it to those too lazy to work for it." Johnsonism was not

known in the days when America was really a nation of all the blessed freedoms, and when sons were at home in Indiana, Georgia, Kansas, Minnesota and the other states at Thanksgiving time instead of being thousands of miles away from home fighting in a war mostly caused by commitments of politicians hell bent on staying in public office at any expense.

Grandmother's house will likely be the only place a lot of grandchildren will find sufficient food this year. Yes, it's about that bad in some localities. Despite the claims of the warmongers who have gained riches by war profits, a lot of good Americans can't afford

the high prices it takes to set a Thanksgiving board in 1967.

And too, most of the Grandmothers live in urban communities in this space age and very few trips will be made into the rural sections of the nation.

Anyway, at this season of Thanksgiving, those fortunate American boys and girls who have Grandmothers living, should make every effort to visit with them on Thursday. The current crop of Grandmothers are perhaps the last generation to wear skirts below the knee and who can always manage to keep the dishes clean without one of the "new" detergents.

Cotton Samples Slow At U.S.D.A. Station

Cotton samples classed at the U.S.D.A. Classing Office in Abilene, reached the 52,000 mark as compared to 109,687 one year ago. Officer-in-Charge B. B. Manly, Jr. reported a weekly total of 6,529 samples as compared to 6,304 for the same week last year.

Prices reported by the Consumer and Marketing Service of Abilene, ranged from as low as \$11.50 per bale above the CCC loan price for high grade, short staple cotton to as much as \$75.00 over the CCC loan price for long staple cotton.

Middling Light Spot t e d, 15/16 cotton which was the average grade and staple in the shorter staple cotton graded producers \$4.75 to \$17.75 per bale above the CCC loan rate. Medium staple cotton which generally consists of the 1-1/32 and 1-1/16 staple lengths grossed producers \$30.00 to \$37.00 over the CCC loan rate. The average price Middling, 1-5/32 cotton was 39.75 cents per pound.

Smith - Doxey receipts picked up considerably the last part of the week because of good weather which enabled farmers to resume harvesting activities.

The grades of cotton processed by the cotton classing office improved slightly over last week. Twenty - two per cent was classed in the white category as compared to nine per cent for last week, 76 per cent was light spotted as com-

pared to 89 per cent for last week and spotted cotton remained constant at two per cent. The per cent of cotton reduced in grade because of bark also remained constant at seven per cent.

Staple lengths were slightly better with the 29/32 inch cotton decreasing from 15 per cent a week earlier to eight per cent. The amount of 31/32 cotton took a sharp increase from nine per cent to 30 per cent. One inch staple cotton increased from three per cent to six per cent, and the amount of 1-1/32 to 1-5/32 cotton remained fairly constant.

Micronaire readings also remained fairly constant with one per cent in the 2.7 - 2.9 range; three per cent in the 3.0 - 3.2 range; three per cent in the 3.3 - 3.4 range; 84 per cent in the 3.5 - 4.9 or premium range; seven per cent in the 5.0 - 5.2 ranges, and two per cent miked 5.3 or above.

Pressley (strength) readings dropped during the week and were lower than usual for cotton in the Abilene classing area. Readings were 55 per cent, 65-74, which is fair; 30 per cent, average; 10 per cent, 85-99, very strong. Five per cent had a rating of 64 or below which is poor.

The quality statistics in this report do not include Martin, Midland, and Glasscock counties.

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



OUR SOIL ★ OUR STRENGTH

MARTIN-HOWARD-MIDLAND SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Jack Buchanan, Bob Cox, Bernard Houston, Larry Shaw, J. D. Crawford.

Stockmen in Martin County should exercise extreme caution when grazing sorghums that have been wilted by frost to prevent livestock losses from prussic acid poisoning, reports Ernest Haner, with the Soil Conservation Service in Stanton.

All varieties of the sorghum family, which include the grain sorghums, Johnson grass, sudan, and red top cane, have a tendency to produce a glyco-cide after frost. When the plant containing the glyco-cide is consumed by livestock, the glyco-cide is changed into prussic acid in the digestive process. The prussic acid acts

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FOR AN APPOINTMENT AND DEMONSTRATION — NO OBLIGATION

The Launching Pad

By NEAL ESTES

THE Texas Farm Bureau, in recent convention session in Austin recommended "strong action by the Federal Communications Commission to stop tv newsmen from portraying law and law enforcement officials as oppressors of the poor." The Bureau should have gone further and asked an investigation on the income and tie-up of some of the tv commentators from a political angle. The hatchet men are already out to attempt to preserve the present administration in power in Washington because they know when a change comes about they are going to be swept out of the nation's capitol like so many bugs. The people are not going to buy the "experts" such as KAPLO, BLAIR, DOUNS, AGRONSKY, CHANCELLOR, and NANCY DICKERSON. I know that it is hard not to go along with a friend in politics and I know that the persons mentioned above are all pretty close to LYNDON JOHNSON, especially NANCY DICKERSON, but commentators MUST learn to give both sides of a political question and equal time or get off the air. The people are not going to be hood-winked in 1968. The elections this year have already told many stories and next year I look for a complete change in public officials possibly from the courthouse to the White House, as the saying goes in Texas.

IT was predicted in this newspaper two months ago that JOHN CONNALLY would not run for a fourth term. A subscriber who read the story at the time asked me the other day if I had "any special information at that time—two months in advance, on the prediction." Naturally, I told him, I could not have been in on any definite decisions by the Governor. As an observer of conditions, a student of political winds, the unrest I knew was stirring in the country, told me that the mass of the taxpayers were fed up with this monkey-mess at every level. I couldn't see how a man with as much ability as JOHN CONNALLY couldn't see it too. He did. He won't run. I hope to increase my batting average some come January. I think DEAN RUSK is on his way out and perhaps GENERAL WESTMORELAND. The administration must have some whipping boys.

CHRISTMAS is just around the corner. Now is the time to start thinking about your holiday purchases. Many stores are already advertising their lay-away plans. Did you know that fifty per cent of the gifts purchased for Christmas in America are bought on lay-away. That's right. Smart merchants should start their holiday messages immediately and keep them in the newspaper every week until December 24.

IN the issue of November 30, many merchants plan to run Dollar Day ad copy in preparation for the big December Dollar Day to be held on the first Monday in the month, December 3. Why not try the paper for advertising for this pre-Christmas selling event?

Martin County lost a fine citizen and a Christian gentleman when death claimed JIM WEBB in Houston the past Saturday morning. The Stanton resident was engaged in farming for many years and operated a grocery store in the city for 17 years. He was a long time member of the First Baptist Church in Stanton. JIM WEBB was a man of his word and truly practiced fellowship and brotherhood all the days of his life. I have missed him from the business circle in Stanton for a long time but now and then got a chance to talk with him about things we liked to discuss. He was my friend and supporter of the newspaper always. The community is truly going to miss JIM WEBB.

THE Federal Reserve Board's discount rate moved a notch this week in what officials described as an effort to protect the dollar in the wake of the British pound devaluation. The rise from 4 to 4 and one-half per cent is identical to the one put into effect on Dec. 5, 1965. The U. S. discount rate is the interest commercial banks must pay the Federal Reserve for money they borrow from the system. Other rates are pegged upward from it. Interest rates are now at their highest level in almost half a century. The Federal Reserve acted Saturday night in an emergency session to meet the new crisis.

JOHAN FITZGERALD KENNEDY died in Dallas on November 22, 1963, and since his death, the course of history has changed. This nation is on a full scale shooting war in Vietnam with more than half-million men now in Asia. KENNEDY had no plans to escalate the war at the time he was killed. There is no immediate end in sight for cessation of hostilities in the far away continent, but at this Thanksgiving time it is the prayer of all loyalists that the Republic find a way with the combined effort of all men in all parties to work for peace. It might take another national election in November, 1968, but I am confident some great man is out there waiting in the wings to repeat the feat of EISENHOWER when he caused the war to close in Korea.

THIS is getting to be a foggy country. On Monday morning fog reduced visibility to half-block in Stanton. The haze burned off by mid-morning. In the past ten-days foggy weather has been a part of the weather pattern. Reminds a lot of former East Texans of the old homes down on the Sabine River.

PUG DEAVENPORT, our High School correspondent for student activities, has been confined to her home with illness this week. Readers who have learned to appreciate her weekly column will find it back in the paper when she gets well. The office force sends a quick recovery wish to you PUG.

Warning Is Sounded

The size of the domestic deficit is becoming increasingly serious, even to the point of being "critical." This was the warning sounded in Dallas recently by William McChesney Martin, chairman of the Federal Reserve System.

He warned further that "guns and butter" spending has pushed the United States into the throes of inflation. He said the economy may be in for real trouble if domestic spending is not cut and the proposed income tax surcharge is not passed.

This is from one of the nation's foremost experts in the field of economics and finance. Surely his advice merits careful study and consideration by the administration and by Congress.

Congressman George Mahon of the Midland-Lubbock district, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, also is aware that a critical situation exists in this regard. He predicts Congress this session will reduce the President's request for funds in excess of \$6 billion. He said Congress has devoted a great majority of its time to the battle of the budget.

Mahon, also an expert in government finance, has said on several occasions recently that deficit spending must be reduced, with the whittling done on the non-essentials.

The Federal Reserve chairman said, "I'm convinced, and have been for some time, that we can't have guns and butter."

"I think the war in Vietnam is larger than we've been willing to recognize. When we spend \$25 billion a year on it, it's taking enough out of your economy so that something else has to slow down, if you're going to pay for it."

He emphasized the fact that really critical problem is the size of the domestic deficit, which is becoming "increasingly serious." All Americans must be made aware of it.

Mahon, at the same time, believes it is necessary that Congress pass the President's proposed income tax surcharge, as well as reducing expenditures.

"There's no reason for us to be alarmed at the present time if we've got the courage and the will and the intelligence to deal with this problem (inflation)," Martin said.

"But if we think that we can just go on spending without establishing any priorities—well, we are right now trying to do too much too fast."

Mahon addressed a group of regional bankers while in Dallas, and it is understood he shook them up considerably with his frank discussion of deficit spending and inflation.

It is time for the nation to realize just how critical this situation is. If something isn't done to change the trend, then the nation is in for big trouble.

Does the government have the "courage and the will," to say nothing of the intelligence, to handle this problem? This is the important question.

It should be remembered that inflation is bad enough now . . . and it can become much worse.

—The Midland Reporter-Telegram

December Draft Call To Get 924

Texas will furnish 924 men for the draft in December.

State Selective Service Director Morris Swartz announced the call this week.

The 924 compares with 1,159 for November 977 for October and 1,180 in September.

The call is Texas share of a national quota of 18,200, all for the Army.

State draft boards are also scheduled to forward 3,485 men for pre-induction mental and physical examinations during December.

Students Write Essays On Very Special Topic

Mrs. Jewel Fleming, counselor for Stanton High School, recently assigned some students a special topic to write about. The title: "Dragons I Should Like To Slay."

The first essay was written by Scotty Fisher and the second article was composed by a member of the class who desired to remain anonymous.

The dragon I would most like to slay, is that of unrest in this country. The racial troublemakers, the minority groups stirring up trouble, the dissenters of the President's stand in Viet Nam should all be abolished.

When this country was founded, its fathers had the right idea of giving freedom to all, but I think they gave too much freedom to the people who don't deserve it. In my opinion, the government should have the power to stop all these riots, protests, and sit-ins. It's ridiculous how far our government will bend over backward to give the people the right to make trouble for our country. I think that people who stir up trouble and publicly denounce the President and the government — Rap Brown, Stokely Carmichael, Martin Luther King — these people should be deported from this country! This may sound a bit drastic, but if we don't do something soon, our country will slowly — maybe not so slowly — crumble and fall. Then the Russians or Communist Chinese have but to pick up the pieces of the once powerful, once mighty United States of America.

I guess to me the whole world is a "pet peeve"; but the dragons I should like most to slay are those of bigotry, deceit, and criticism.

Since in the process of growing up, I have made a good many mistakes, these dragons have reared their ugly heads many times in my case. But I am growing up, and I have decided that one cannot go about with a chip on his shoulder his entire life. If he does so, nothing but hurt and unhappiness can result.

Experience has taught me much during the past two years; and I have finally decided that in order to succeed in life, one must have a goal, and above all else one must have God on his side at all times.

Since I reached this decision, these big dragons have become smaller. No matter how much they try to put me down, I intend to be somebody and to make something worthwhile of myself.



ATLANTA — Juan Jose Valles, 608 School Street, Stanton, receives his graduation certificate in automotive mechanics from Tom Ellis, service training coordinator for Ford Motor Company's new Job Entry program. Howard Paullus (right), service instructor, participated in the recent ceremony to congratulate Valles, who is employed by White Motor Company. The Stanton student technician was among eight members of the third regular class to completed the automotive serving course given during the past six months at Ford Motor Company's new Dallas District Service School in Carrollton. Valles attended classes one week each month and supplemented instruction with six 120-hour periods of supervised on-the-job training at White Motor Company. The Ford Job Entry course is designed to develop a continuing supply of trained technicians in Ford and Lincoln-Mercury dealerships.

Many . . .

(Continued from page 1) Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gaskin, Artesia, New Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. Herb Railey, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herrington of San Angelo.

Jeff Walker, Mrs. Vera Millohollen, and Mrs. Viola Stevens, Big Spring; Sam Foreman, El Paso; Mrs. Pearlina Eirod, and Mrs. Effie Dunn, Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Eldson, Lovington, New Mex.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crowner, Claude, Texas; Mrs. Sam Stamps, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Opal Criswell, and Babe Cooper of Rising Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cooper, Comanche; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roten, Big Spring; Vera Harris, Forsan; Mr. and Mrs. George Parker, and Mrs. D. Y. Ray of Alton, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Will McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Price, Mrs. Stella Barber, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Atchley, Charlie Barber, Louise Farrington, and Larry Young, all of Midland.

Midland . . .

(Continued from page 1) acid. The project drilled to total depth of 11,445 feet and ran a five-inch liner from 8,795 to the bottom.

Location is 16 miles southeast of Midland, 660 feet from south and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 5, block 37, T-3-S, T&P survey.

United States Smelting, Refining & Mining Co. of Midland No. 3 Glasscock Unit is an east offset to the Garden City, West (7,800-foot Wolfcamp) pool in Glasscock County.

Projected to a possible 8,025 feet, it spots 2,130 feet from south and 660 feet from west lines.

Since I reached this decision, these big dragons have become smaller. No matter how much they try to put me down, I intend to be somebody and to make something worthwhile of myself.

Death . . .

(Continued from page 1) Craig of Blackwell; three brothers, Jim Patterson of Farmersville, Cal., H. C. Patterson of Tucson, Ariz. and T. Hardin of Fort Worth, and eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Six Marlin . . .

(Continued from page 1) participated as voting delegates, was very interesting, and proved to them that Farm Bureau is indeed a grass-roots organization, and the policies governing its actions are made by the members.

Texas Farm Bureau now has 105,653 farm and ranch families. Martin County now has a membership of 370.

Stanton . . .

(Continued from page 1) guest, Billy Pullin, of Big Spring. Mr. Pullin had his seeing-eye dog, and explained to the group the incidents relating to his blindness and receipt of the dog. Having lost his sight 25 years ago, Pullin purchased his first dog from Seeing-Eye Dog, Inc., of Morristown, New Jersey. The dog is trained for eight weeks prior to the training of the owner who trains one month with the dog. Mr. Pullin advised that he had with him his third dog.

Seeing-Eye Dog, Inc., is a non-profit organization, and is now a two and one-half million dollar investment.

Mr. Pullin is a salesman for a service station and janitorial supply company. He told the group how he handles orders, which he writes in braille. Sixteen members were present.

Right . . .

(Continued from page 1) There are four essential elements to an overseas military address. They are:

1. The serviceman's identity — grade, full name, and service number.
2. His military unit — complete.
3. Gateway post office — New York, San Francisco, or Seattle.
4. APO or FPO — a five digit number.

When any of these elements is missing, the letter or package will be delayed in delivery.

Variety . . .

(Continued from page 1) TEXAS beats A&M, then the Longhorns could go to Dallas to play Alabama, provided TCU loses to SMU. Some puzzle, but we will know for sure after the Turkey Day skirmish between A&M and TEXAS and the following SW Conference games on Saturday.

The population recording clock in the lobby of the Commerce Department headquarters in Washington hit the 200,000 million mark Monday. It reached this point while President JOHNSON was telling an audience of the challenges facing the country. The people didn't need to be reminded of the present problems. And there is one thing for sure, the Great Society, sponsored by JOHNSON, can't possibly put everyone on the government payroll by next November. But he is doing a jam-up good job of getting as many "on the country" as the late SAM RAYBURN used to say, as he can. But even a miracle won't save this monkey-mess.

Senate Democratic leader MIKE MANSFIELD is skeptical about a possible troop reduction in South Vietnam by 1969, despite the guarded forecast of GENERAL WESTMORELAND. MANSFIELD, in a Senate speech this week, said Americans will be deluding themselves if they count on a reduction in the level of U. S. Servicemen within two years.

JOHN DAVIS was in the office Monday to renew his subscription to the "Ole Reliable." JOHN recalled some of his days spent around the East Texas town of Winona, Smith County. Nearly every-time JOHN sees me he yells, "Hey, Winona." I too, spent some struggling hours in and around Winona a number of years ago when an oil boom was blowing hot down there in the rose bush country.

Almanac . . .

(Continued from page 1) fame. The almanac predicted the end of the New England drought in 1966 and the January storm this year, which was a blizzard in the midwest and heavy rains in the east.

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HEALTH and SAFETY TIPS

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Settlers Guessed About Medicine

American medical tradition stems from an age very different from the one in which we now live, points out TODAY'S HEALTH GUIDE, the American Medical Association's manual of health information for the American family.

The early settlers, living remote from civilization, turned to the traditions of their ancestral homelands and to the methods of the Indians, and came up with a medical lore all their own. Their ideas of prevention and treatment were not all wrong, but often they did more harm than good. Some of the common misconceptions of the frontier era have carried over into modern times.

TODAY'S HEALTH GUIDE lists the facts about some of these misconceptions—

- Blood pressure of 100 plus the individual's age is not the normal value.
- Red meat and alcohol are not necessarily harmful to those with high blood pressure.
- Fish is not a brain food, it is simply a good food for all parts of the body.
- Sweets, while possibly detrimental to the teeth, are not the sole cause of tooth decay.
- There is no reason of health why one should not eat shellfish and ice cream at the same meal, provided neither of them is spoiled.
- Lemons, oranges, tomatoes

and grapefruit do not cause "acidity" of the body.
• Fat people are not necessarily carefree and jolly.
• Being fat and 40 and feeling well does not constitute a good reason for declining to lose weight.



- It is not necessarily unwise to drink water with your meals, if you don't gulp it.
- Gargles and mouthwashes do not kill the germs in the mouth or throat.
- Boils are not due to impure blood.
- Funguses from rusty nails are no more dangerous than punctures from shiny nails; the danger lies in the germs that either one may introduce.
- Night air is not unhealthful. However, it is not necessary to open the windows of your bedroom wide at night, especially when it is cold.
- Whiskey with aspirin is not a good remedy for a cold. The cold might improve in spite of it.

Philosopher Says Fair Labeling Law In Trouble When It Gets Down To Potatoes

(Editor's note: The Martin County Philosopher on his grass farm on Mustang Draw is having trouble figuring out the scope of a new law Congress has passed, his letter this week indicates).

Dear editor:

According to an article in a newspaper which was wrapped around a bundle of magazines a well-meaning woman in town sent out here to me because she heard I like to read, which I do but I'm not sure when I'll get around to the copies of Literary Digest and Woman's Home Companion she included, a new commission in Washington has just made a ruling on potatoes.

Under the new Fair Labeling Act Congress has passed to protect housewives who can't seem to catch on that a giant quart is no bigger than a regular quart and the large economy size may be only the medium size, food processors and packagers have to label things like they are, no confusing words allowed, and so the commission has declared that if a sack of potatoes is marked "Idaho potatoes," the potatoes have to come from Idaho. Can't have any Texas potatoes traveling in the wrong sack.

I got to thinking about this

while I'm sure the commissioners know what they're doing, what I'd like to see is how they're going to rule on French fried potatoes.

You see and this is for the benefit of the housewives who have trouble catching on, unless the potatoes were fried in France, or at least by a Frenchman, an order of "French fries" is bound to be illegal and there'll have to be an F. B. I. agent in every hamburger joint in America. I won't go into the trouble they're going to have too with Bermuda onions. Nor, on a higher level, with Kansas City steaks, when everybody knows there's not a single steer raised in the entire city limits of Kansas City. Against the law.

This fair labeling law may run into more trouble than Congress intended.

For example, say a candidate is making a stirring speech on television and throwing a lot of words that might confuse a housewife, shouldn't a line of type be run across the bottom of the screen while he's speaking saying: This speech written by John Galbraith, or whoever did?

And for the further benefit of the housewives, shouldn't a second line explain who John Galbraith is? After all, just by the name alone, how's the consumer going to tell whether he's a giant size or a regular quart size writer? Fair labeling is fair labeling.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.



Bible Comment—

The Church Can Aid Young People

One of the greatest problems of present day life and society is that of the home.

It is constantly emphasized that at the root of juvenile delinquency is poor home life, with lack of parental guidance, and control, and often serious delinquencies in the parents themselves. Nor are all such parental delinquencies confined to the poor, illiterate, and underprivileged.

Careless self-indulgent and undisciplined parents, rich and poor alike, must bear their share of responsibility, but there is an all-too-often tendency to blame parents for everything.

The finest home has to contend with forces and influences outside of the home that tend to offset all that it can do, and these outside influences have youth for long-

er periods than the home itself.

A more serious factor, however is the low standards of conduct that are so widely prevalent today. We live in a so-called Christian land, and all our religious institutions try to typify wholesome ideals, evidenced in character and conduct.

Unfortunately, without being pessimistic about it, or disregarding wholesome influence of all these institutions, we must face the facts that a widespread secularism, materialism, and low morality is all too evident. All this debasement of ideals seems to have increased in recent years.

If youth could be surrounded by the Christian standards and ideals outside, as well as inside the home, our problems would not be nearly so acute.



"I do not see why God ever made me!" cried a person in distress. "God has not made you yet," replied a friend. "He is making you now and you do not like it." That seems to be the story that is unfolded in the tenth Psalm.

Out of a broken heart the Psalmist sobbed, "Why standest Thou afar off, O Lord?" But He was not standing afar off. The Bible says, "He is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart." He has promised, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."

When Jacob, hurrying from home where he had sinned and suffered, went to sleep at Bethel, the Lord was with him. After he got right with God, he said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I

knew it not." When Elijah, running from duty and danger, arrived in the wilderness and begged to die, the Lord was with him. For all his disobedience and discouragement, the Lord did not forsake him. He sent an angel to refresh him and then He recommissioned him.

Let us, then, remember that the Lord will never fail us or forsake us. He is always walking in the midst of the flames when His children are cast into the fiery furnace. There will never be a day or a night that we will be without Him. He never fails and He never forgets!

U.S.-flag ships have dropped another notch in the list of world tanker fleets, with

State Board Approves Driver Education Plan

A driver education plan that provides for non-degree teaching assistants to prevent an instructor shortage was approved Monday by the State Board of Education.

Under new state driver license laws, teen-agers who have not passed a driver education course cannot get an operator's license until they are 18.

Gov. John Connally was made responsible by a new state law to administer a driver education program in the schools. He delegated that duty to the Texas Education Agency.

"The development of a plan of driver education using non-degree teaching assistants will make it possible to educate all eligible youth at a reduced cost without increasing teacher shortage," the plan says.

The plan has been submitted to the U. S. Department of Transportation, said Deputy State Education Commissioner Warren Hitt. He said he did not know what the federal agency's action would be, nor the extent to which the federal government would help pay for Texas' program.

Tuition-Free Course
Pupils between 15 and 21 years old are eligible for enrollment in driver training and must be enrolled tuition-free by schools that receive state and federal funds for the program. Local schools must pay at least 25 per cent of the total cost.

Four programs will be accepted, varying in the forms of practical experience offered. All include classroom and behind-the-wheel training, and schools also may include simulator instruction and

were typical of the specific period and which illustrate the evolution and diversity of construction techniques.

The exhibit will continue through December 23.

multi-car driving range training. Simulators, using computers, mock-up auto controls and color movies of actual traffic situation, cost about \$40,000 for a 16-place mobile unit, the board was told. The plan for schools without driving ranges or simulators consists of 30 clock hours of classroom instruction plus six hours of in-car instruction and six hours of in-car observation.

Once a teen-ager has completed classroom phase, he can take an examination for a driver's license restricted to driving with a licensed driver 21 or over in the front seat. A 16-year-old who has completed all of the course, including actual driving, may take the test for an unrestricted license.

Users of LSD may be risking birth defects in their children and grandchildren, warned Virginia Apgar, M.D., director of basic research for the National foundation - March of Dimes. They also may be exposing themselves to an increased risk of cancer and early aging.

The motorcycles, motor scooter, and motor bike fad is taking its full toll in accidental deaths. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company reports that deaths from these vehicles rose by a third in the year 1965 (most recent figure available). Motorcycles accounted for the largest number of fatalities by far.

Current estimates show that one fourth of the new world oil and gas reserves will be found offshore. The staggering expense of offshore operations has brought about a demand for improved technology. These observations were made at the 42nd Annual Fall Meeting of the Society of Petroleum Engineers.

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Spell Quiz

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Twenty-Three Years Ago

Rev. Claude B. Stovall, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Stanton, bagged a seven-point buck deer. It weighed 160 pounds. Certain to have the law on his side and also of having someone to guide him to deer land, Rev. Stovall accompanied his son, Floyd M. Stovall, state game warden of six counties in the Menard area.

—23 YA—

Mrs. J. D. Poe, who has been in Oakland, Calif., five months with Mr. Poe, who is stationed at Camp Shoemaker, U. S. Navy base, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Houston.

—23 YA—

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pribyla and son, Lt. Raymond Pribyla, Jr., of Bomarton, Haskell County, were in Stanton this week looking after their farming interest in the Lenorah community. Lt. Pribyla is home from serving three years with the Air Force in Puerto Rico.

—23 YA—

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Holder have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Nina, to M/S Hubert Burns, of Jackson, Miss.

—23 YA—

Pledges of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority were honored with a banquet at the Settles Hotel in Big Spring, Friday night. Pledges were: Mary Kathryn Bristow, Dorothy Gale, Bobby Jean Wilkinson, Vera Blackford, Nina Cason, Faye McClane, and Winifred Connell.

—23 YA—

Mr. and Mrs. Phil White of Grand Prairie, are here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. White.

—23 YA—

Jess Bradley, W. S. Barnhill, and Charley Cravens have returned from a deer hunt between Hatch and Deming, N.M. Each of the three members of the group, killed a deer.

—23 YA—

Among the graduates from AAF Navigation School at San Marcos, to receive silver wings, was Lt. Robt. W. Haislip of Stanton. He is home on a week's furlough visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haislip.

Japan taking over the fourth spot behind Liberia, Norway and Britain, according to the September 11, 1967, U. S. News and World Report.

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Midland Museum Opens Texas Homes Exhibit

Texas Homes of the 19th Century opened Saturday, November 18, at the Museum of the Southwest in Midland. A photographic survey by Todd Webb, this exhibit depicts the architectural styles within the state. On loan from the Amon Carter Museum of Western Art, the collection was photographed and assembled by a survey jointly sponsored by the Ft. Worth Museum and the School of Architecture of the University of Texas.

Mr. Webb of Santa Fe, New Mexico, often referred to as "an historian with a camera," has been classified as a documentary photographer. He specializes in the visual aspects of history particularly related to the western American scene and its relationship to pioneer days.

Capturing an amazing variety and richness of the heri-

tage left to us by the first settlers and those who came after, the show reflects the forces and events which give the state its special character.

Houses of 19th century Texas essentially comprise three stylistic groups corresponding to historical periods in the settlement and growth of the region. The frontier settlement houses, which include log cabin and frame houses, represent the first category. The Ante-bellum South or Greek Revival homes of the second group, reflect the Pre-Civil War period.

The latter part of the 19th Century is illustrated by American Victorian houses characterized by romantic interpretations of Gothic and Italian Renaissance details.

Also on display will be 3-dimensional models and authentic building tools that

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Pioneer's Reserves Best In Natural Gas Industry

With gas reserves considered to be among the best in the industry, and a service area that continues to grow and diversify, Pioneer Natural Gas Company's progress is assured, according to C. I. Wall, company president, speaking today before the Philadelphia Securities Association.

Add to the promising industrial future of the area the fact that Pioneer, an Amarillo, Texas, based company, serves a territory that includes one-fifth of the nation's irrigated land, and you have the perfect combination for the continued growth of a balanced demand for natural gas, according to Wall.

During the past year, Pioneer Transmission Corporation, a Pioneer Natural Gas Company subsidiary, completed the construction of a 70-mile, 20-inch pipe line from the prolific Delaware Basin to connect with an existing company transmission line near Odessa, Wall pointed out that this is a joint venture line, 50 per cent of which is owned by Pioneer Transmission.

Wall went on to say that in 1967 Pioneer's gross property additions are estimated at \$12,900,000, with \$14,100,000 contemplated for 1968. It is estimated that construction expenditures for the five-year period, 1968 through 1972, will be in the range of \$50 million.

While emphasizing that weather conditions can have a definite effect on income, Wall estimated that earnings per share for 1967 will range between \$1.00 and \$1.05. Earnings for the first nine months of 1967 were 83 cents per share compared to 76 cents for the same period in 1966.

"As with most other businesses, Pioneer's operating costs have been climbing, despite our best efforts to improve efficiency wherever possible," Wall told the analysts. To offset this increase in costs, the company has obtained rate increases during the past year. He pointed out that these changes in rates should increase the company's total gas revenues by about 5.4 per cent a year commencing with the year 1968.

Of considerable interest during 1967 has been the activity of a subsidiary of Pioneer in the exploration for uranium. Exploratory drilling operations on 46,000 acres of land in South Texas are currently being conducted through subsidiary, Amarillo Minerals, Inc. This company was formed in September to own the leases and conduct the exploration. Wall went on to point out that a subsidiary has also made statutory filing for uranium exploration, permits on more than 100,000

acres of land in McMullen, Duval, Webb, Jim Hogg, and Starr counties. This filing will give the subsidiary the first rights to uranium leases from the State of Texas, and the subsidiary has an agreement with a major oil company which will do exploratory work to earn an interest in any State leases acquired.

Wall concluded his talk to the analysts by saying "With the continuing development of its resources and people, plus the help of natural gas energy, we look forward to the achievement of increasing economic gains for our area in the immediate years ahead."

HD Club News

The Koffee Kup Home Demonstration Club met November 16, in the home of Mrs. James Doyle.

Pat Healy presented a program on "Gift Wrapping and Home Decorating for the Holidays." He showed several wrapped gifts and center pieces.

A short business meeting was held, and a committee was appointed to make final arrangements for the Christmas party.

The remainder of the program was turned over to Mrs. N. E. Holloway, who reported on attending the State THDA meeting.

Those present were: Mrs. Ernest Haner, Mrs. Billy Morrow, Mrs. Tom Johnson, Mrs. Dale Snell, Mrs. Nolan Simpson, Mrs. Delbert Hopper, Mrs. R. P. Odom, Mrs. Howard

Question-And-Answer

(This column of questions and answers on federal tax matters is provided by the local office of the U. S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service to taxpayers. This column answers questions most frequently asked by taxpayers.)

Q — I do some work at home for my boss in an office which takes up about 10 per cent of my house space. Does this mean I can take 10 per cent of my house expenses as a business deduction?

A — Several requirements have to be met before a business deduction can be taken for office in a home or apartment. To qualify for any deduction, you must establish that you are required to provide your own space and facilities as a condition of your employment and that you regularly use this space for business purposes.

You also must be able to show the portion of your home used for this purpose and the amount of time it is so used.

If the office space accounts for 10 per cent of your total space as you state and the other conditions are met, then you may take 10 per cent of such items as heat, light, real estate, taxes and mortgage interest. Depreciation of the office portion of a home is also deductible.

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Tucker, Mrs. Roger Fleckenstein, Mrs. Herman Lander, Jr., Mrs. James Doyle, Mrs. John Webb, Jr., and five guests, Mrs. Bill Terry, Mrs. Burnell, Howard, Mrs. Donnie Jones, Mrs. N. E. Holloway, and Pat Healy.

to the personal portion of a house or apartment are not deductible. If you use the office portion only half the time for business purposes then you may deduct only 5 per cent of your house expenses as a business deduction.

Q — How long do I have to hold stock before I can treat profits made on it as a long-term capital gain?

A — The profits on the sale of stock or other capital assets held more than six months are treated as long-term capital gains.

Q — Can I deduct fees paid to an employment agency?

A — Yes, fees paid for obtaining employment are deductible if you itemize your expenses.

Q — I pay someone to look after my children until I get home from work. Can I deduct this expense?

A — Child care expenses may be deducted when certain conditions are met. Be sure to check the instructions that come with the tax forms. They explain what you have to do to qualify for this deduction.

Q — My ex-wife has custody of our children but I claim them as dependents. Do I still take their withholding exemptions?

A — Yes, you can if they qualify as your dependents. Generally the withholding exemptions are the same as the exemptions that will be allowable on your income tax return.

Q — My company reimbursed me for a trip my wife and I took to find a place to live on my new assignment. On the check I received taxes were taken out. Why was

Veterans Administration

(Editor's note: Veterans and their families are asking thousands of questions concerning the benefits their Government provides for them through the Veterans Administration. Below are some representative queries. Additional information may be obtained at any VA office.)

Q — I work full time and plan to enroll in a correspondence course in radio and television repairing under the G.I. Bill. What will my monthly payments be?

A — Assuming that you qualify as a veteran for benefits under the Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act of 1966, administered by the Veterans Administration, you will be paid only the actual cost of the correspondence course. The educational assistance allowance for an approved program of education pursued exclusively by correspondence will be computed on the basis of the established charge paid by nonveterans for the same course or courses. The allowance will be paid quarterly based on the lessons completed by the veteran and serviced and certified by the school. You can obtain information and assistance concerning the correspondence course in which you are interested from your nearest VA office.

Q — I was honorably discharged from the Armed Forces recently after serving 2½ years on active duty in the Navy. Am I entitled to re-

employment rights with the company for which I worked at the time I entered service?

A — Yes, if the job you left when entering active duty was not temporary. You would be entitled to restoration in the position which you would have attained had you not been absent, including all benefits which would have accrued by your seniority. You should contact the Office of Veterans Re-employment Rights, U. S. Department of Labor, in the closest of the following cities: Atlanta, Boston, Chambersburg, Pa., Cleveland, Chicago, Dallas, New York, Kansas City, or San Francisco.

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE REQUIREMENT FOR RECORDATION AND LIMITATION OF CERTAIN CLAIMS OF WATER RIGHTS.

Notice is here given as required by Section 4 of the Water Rights Adjudication Act of 1967 (Article 7542a, Vernon's Civil Statutes) that all claims of riparian water rights, all claims under Article 7500a, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, to impound, divert or use public waters for other domestic and livestock purposes for which no permit has been issued, all claims of water rights under the Irrigation Acts of 1889 and 1895 which were not filed with a State Board of Water Engineers in accordance with the Irrigation Act of 1913, as amended, and all other claims of water rights other than claims under permits and certified filings, must be recorded with the Texas Water Rights Commission, Section 4 does not apply to use of water for domestic and livestock purposes as the same is defined by Commission Rules.

On or before September 1, 1969, every person claiming any water right to which Section 4 applies shall file with the Commission a sworn statement setting forth the nature of the claim of water right. Claims to which the Section applies shall be recognized only if valid under existing law and only to the extent of actual application of water to beneficial use without waste during any calendar year from 1963 to 1967, inclusive. However, in any case where any claimant of a riparian right has prior to August 28, 1967 commenced or completed the construction of works designed to apply a greater quantity of water to beneficial use, such right shall be recognized to the extent of the maximum amount of water actually applied to beneficial use without waste during any calendar year from 1963 to 1970, inclusive; provided an additional sworn statement is filed on or before July 1, 1971. Failure to file the sworn statement or statements in substantial compliance with Section 4 shall extinguish and bar any claim of water right to which the Section applies.

Instructions and forms for recording claims may be obtained without cost from the Texas Water Rights Commission, P. O. Box 12396, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711. 11-48-2tc

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such claims, at least where the evidence of harm is reasonably clear and the conduct complained of is particularly outrageous.

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LEGAL NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
To: FRANCISCO ESPINOSA
Defendant Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff Petition at or before ten o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 11th day of December, 1967, at or before ten o'clock A. M. before the Honorable District Court of Martin County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Stanton, Texas.

Said Plaintiff Petition was filed in said court, on the 19th day of September, A. D. 1967, in this cause numbered 2704 on the docket of said court, and styled, THE CITY OF STANTON Plaintiff, vs. FRANCISCO ESPINOSA, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Plaintiff sues upon certificate of Special Assessment issued September 3, 1963 to H. G. Counts & Company for improvements (paving, curb and gutters) on St. Paul Street in Stanton, Texas, upon which Lot 8, Block F. North Addition to the City of Stanton, Martin County, Texas, fronts and abuts 52 feet on the East side thereof, issued pursuant to Art. 1105b, R. C. S. against the Defendant as true owner of such real estate at the time such improvements were ordered, in the original principal sum of \$236.60; which certificate, together with the lien securing the same was assigned by H. G. Counts & Company to, and is now owned by, the Plaintiff. Plaintiff seeks judgment against Defendant for the indebtedness, interest, reasonable attorney's fees and costs, and foreclosure of its assessment lien against the above described real estate as is more fully shown by Plaintiff Petition on file in this suit.

If the citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs.

Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Stanton, Texas, this 28th day of October A. D. 1967.
Attest:
DORIS STEPHENSON,
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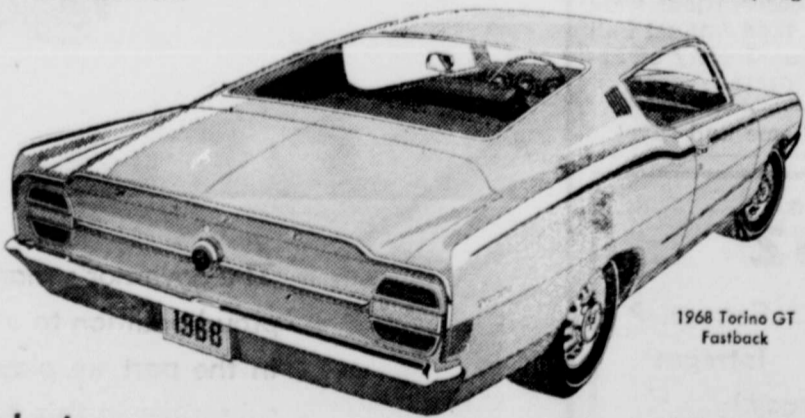


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