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VARIETY

By NEAL ESTES

It is a safe bet to state that the Woodchuck or Ground Hog did not see his shadow on Monday morning. Cloudy weather greeted the legendary animal and he is reported to have remained above the ground. If the sun had been beaming down brightly the underground fellow would have scurried back into his hole and six more weeks of bad weather would have ensued. The hog predictions now proclaim an early Spring. Let's hope so.

Doctors, nurses, and hospital spokesmen all reported this week that flu and pneumonia is on the increase in Texas. In telephone calls to Longview, Carthage, and Dallas, the past week, I learned that two of those towns are now considered in the epidemic state. The hospitals are full and running over in East Texas. It seems the flu bugs started sweeping into the state about three weeks ago. Doctors still say that the best cure for a cold is to remain home, rest, drink lots of juices, and take a substantial pain reliever such as anacin or aspirin.

A story out of New York quotes HOUSTON JOHNSON, brother of LYNDON, that the former president will run again for the presidency. Before laughing, consider the predicament of the current crop of Democratic candidates. MUSKIE of Maine, appears to many to be the top contender. ED was on the tube the other afternoon on "Meet the Press," and he was pretty dull, and besides a man from the Lobster Country never has and probably never will be elected to a high national office. With TEDDY KENNEDY drowning his chance at the nomination, LYNDON could be the nominee. HUMPHREY has shot his wad. He still sounds sick. SAM HOUSTON JOHNSON was right as a fox on a lot of the truths he told in his recently published book, "My Brother Lyndon," and he could be a right about LBJ trying for his party's nomination again.

It is customary to review or mention some of the big holidays at the start of each new month in this column. LINCOLN'S birthday comes on Feb. 12. The day of dolls, sweets, and sweethearts falls on Feb. 14. VALENTINE'S DAY. The first president of the United States, GEORGE WASHINGTON, was born on February 22. The last day in the month, Feb. 28, comes on Saturday.

The customer response to the JAMES JONES HARDWARE sale was tremendous, according to both MR. and MRS. JONES. The page advertisement appearing in the "OLE RELIABLE" last week was a sizzler and in less than 24 hours after the retirement sale started on Monday morning the merchandise was quickly purchased. The sale will continue until final disposition, which is anticipated by about the time the newspaper comes out this week. It is nice to know our paper got the desired results, but it is with regret in our hearts that we see the JONES couple leave the business circle of our city.

The editor would like to send HAROLD LEE HOLDER, San Antonio, and son of MR. and MRS. TRUITT HOLDER, special birthday greetings. HAROLD observed his birthday on Feb. 3. He wrote his parents that all he wanted was a re-

1,767 County Voters Register

1970 Figure Surpasses 1969 Tally

More than 1,700 Martin County residents received the right to participate in the upcoming city, county, and state elections on the political agenda in store for voters in 1970. The county tax collector and assessor office announced 1,757 voters registered before the January 31, deadline last weekend.

Judge Gibson Announces For Re-Election

Martin L. Gibson, incumbent justice of the peace, precinct one, has announced for re-election.

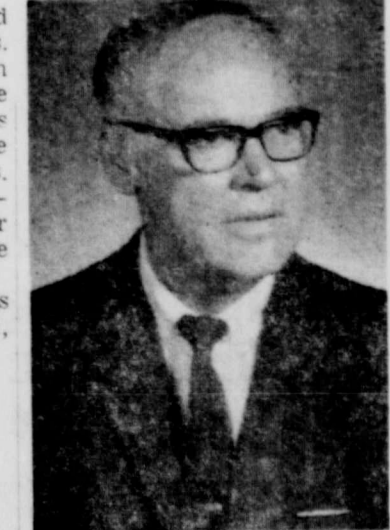
Judge Gibson's statement to the people as he authorized it to appear in the county paper is as follows:

"Because of a misunderstanding in the wording of the Texas Statutes when the election law was changed from a two year term to a four year term. The attorney general's office advises that I should be a candidate for the office of justice of the peace, precinct 1, in Martin County again this year, even though I was elected to a four year term two years ago.

"It has been a pleasure to serve the people of Martin County as justice of the peace, and if re-elected to the office, I will continue to conduct the office in a business like, fair, and impartial manner."

Dr. N. H. Price Announces For Representative

Dr. Noble H. Price of Lamesa, formally announced his candidacy this week for State



Dr. N. H. Price

The 1970 registered voters figure surpassed that 1969 figure of 1,604, by 163 voters.

The increase in voters registration is due to the high interest in the local city and county elections upcoming in April and November.

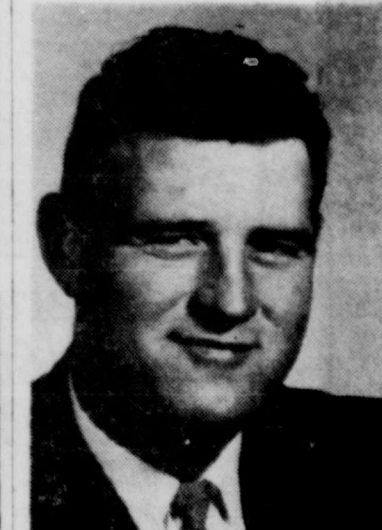
City voters will be deciding on a mayor, and three councilmen, while county-wide, voters will be balloting upon candidates for county judge, clerk, treasurer, justice of peace, and two county commissioners of precincts two, and four.

The state representatives race from this district is expected to draw a number of candidates, and of course, the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, land commissioner, treasurer, comptroller, railroad commissioner, associate justices of the State Supreme Court, judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, and members of the state board of education, will all be running.

Also, to be balloted upon, will be the positions of county chairman, precinct chairman, U. S. Representative, and U. S. Senator.

Carrol Yater Announces For County Judge

Carrol Yater has authorized The Stanton Reporter to submit his candidacy to the peo-



Carrol Yater

ple of Martin County as a candidate for the office of county judge.

Yater is married and the father of a son, Kyle. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Yater, and a long time resident of the county. Carrol Yater graduated at Courtney High School, and from Sul Ross College, Alpine, taking his degree in agriculture. He has taught school for three years at Greenwood, where he also coached. He has been engaged in farming, and has maintained an insurance business. His church affiliation is with the Courtney Baptist Church. Yater said: "With ill feeling



TEAM CHAMPIONS — The Stanton Future Farmers of America took over-all team judging honors in an invitational judging contest held in Midland last Wednesday. Team members, from left pictured with Lonnie Early, vice president of the Midland Jaycees, center, are Bobby Odom, Steve Fryar, Roger Graves, and Willie Wells. Nolan Parker is the team's instructor.

Icy Winds Greet Martin County Ground Hog

If the ground hog in Martin County came out of his burrow last Monday to check the weather, he was most likely to have been blown over. Northerly winds of 10 to 25 miles an hour, greeted the ground hog, and county residents, Monday, as low temperatures in the 30's accompanied the icy winds from the north.

Overcast skies, occasional snow flurries, sleet, and the icy winds, were part of the setting that the ground hog had to make his annual prediction on whether there would be six weeks more of winter, or the end of winter was near.

According to reliable sources, the local ground hog didn't see his shadow this February, and returned to his burrow to watch for the end of winter.

But the end was not in immediate sight, as icy temperatures of the low 20's greeted the county on Tuesday morning. According to the U. S. Weather Bureau, the temperatures are expected to rise to the high 50's, and clear skies to remain.

R. C. Vest, Jr. Announces For County Judge

R. C. Vest, Jr., has announced his candidacy for the office of county judge of Mar-



R. C. Vest, Jr.

tin County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary on May 2.

Vest, an implement and automobile dealer in Stanton since 1950, welcomes the op-

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Stanton FFA First In Midland Contest

Members of the Stanton Future Farmers of America took both team and individual honors during an invitational judging contest at the close of the Midland County Livestock Show Wednesday afternoon, January 28.

The Stanton FFA team ran up 1,038 points for the number one placing, while Steve Fryar picked up 355 in the individual competition.

The Stanton team has scored high in many similar contests throughout the state during the last year.

Second place in team judging, went to Howard County

4-H Club, with 983 points. Lorraine FFA also scored 933 points, but lost to Howard County on a tie-breaking formula.

Eddie Johnson, Whitharral FFA, took second individual honors with 352 points, and Jerry Davis, Howard County 4-H, was third with 347 points.

The competition was sponsored by the Midland Jaycee Club, who furnished trophies for the top contestants.

Individual high scores for Midlanders, who did not compete with contestants from

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H. J. Blanchard Announces For Re-Election

Senator H. J. "Doc" Blanchard, in announcing for re-election today, issued the fol-



H. J. "Doc" Blanchard

lowing statement: "My family and I have enjoyed the honor and privilege of serving all of you of the 25th Senatorial District as your State Senator. We have sought to represent each person in the district fairly and conscientiously, and have attempted to use common sense and compassion in arriving at our votes. We have sought to represent the interest of each person without regard to where he might live, and without regard to his race or religion.

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Mrs. E. Pinkerton Passed Away Tuesday Jan. 24

Funeral services for Mrs. Emily B. Pinkerton, 84, who died Tuesday, Jan. 24, in a Midland hospital following a long illness, were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29, in the Stanton Church of Christ. Interment followed in Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, under direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Mrs. Pinkerton, a native of Erath County, moved to Midland five years ago from Big-

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Raymon Kelly Funeral Rites Conducted Here

Funeral for Raymon Albert Kelly, 65, were held Thursday 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. W. H. Uhlman, pastor, and Rev. Leo Rivest, pastor of the Assembly of God Church officiating.

Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Glibreath Funeral Home.

Mr. Kelly died at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday in the Physicians

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City Of Stanton Government Is Complex, Expensive Business

During 1970, the City of Stanton will be celebrating its 42nd anniversary as a incorporated city. The past 42 years have seen vast changes in the town of Stanton, as well as several in the government structure of the city.

What began in 1928, as a small city organization composed of Mayor S. C. Houston, and the city council of S. D. McWhorter, B. A. Purser, J. E. Moffett, H. H. Eiland, and Charles Ebbersol, has now become a complex and expensive government, that now pays an annual payroll of \$78,300 to 15 employees.

Forty-two years ago, the city council was faced with

problems of gathering funds to build the present city hall for \$7,000. Now, the present council still holds the pulse and purse strings of the city of 2,240 people, but are faced with more sophisticated and expensive problems, like urban renewal, pollution, taxes, bonds, and other complex activities.

Mayor J. C. Epley heads the current city council, composed of Gerald Hanson, Benjamin Welch, Stanton White, Sam Houston, and the vacant position left by Bill Terry, who moved to Ranger last year.

The council meets on the first Tuesday of each month, at the city hall, and all meet-

ings are open to the public, with the exception of the meetings dealing with personnel.

Mayor Epley receives a salary of \$25 per month, while the councilmen pick up checks each month for \$10.

The city secretary, city treasurer, tax collector, and assessor, are important positions in any city government, and in Stanton, these positions are held by one person, Mrs. Addie Mae Burgess.

Mrs. Burgess has served since 1964 as city treasurer, and in 1969, she was appointed by the council to additionally serve as city secretary.

Mrs. Burgess's duties are as

varied as her titles with the most important task to keep the administrative branch of the city government running smoothly.

The combined jobs of city secretary, treasurer, tax collector, and assessor, are salaried at \$600 per month by the city council.

Assisting Mrs. Burgess, is Harvey White, who once served as city secretary, before ill health forced him to limit his activities. White serves the city as assistant secretary, tax collector and assessor, city building inspector, and city judge. White, as are other city employees, is appointed

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City Patrolmen Complete Course In Police Work

City patrolmen of Stanton, Eimo Pinkerton and Rod Roullston, have recently completed a 32 hour in-service training course sponsored by the Department of Public Safety, and the Stanton police force.

The course held in Midland, during January 26 through January 30, was directed by officers of the DPS from Austin, with over 64 patrolmen from surrounding cities attending. Pinkerton and Roullston both received a grade of 95 in the final testing of the course.

The special police course is one of the four courses to be offered during January, February, March, and April, to help patrolmen meet the new requirements passed by the legislature, requiring law enforcement officers to have one year's experience and 140 class hours in police activities, courses toward a Texas Commission on Law Enforcement of Standards and Education certificate, which is now a state standard.

License Plates Sales Start In Martin County

The 1970 motor vehicle license plates went on sale Monday morning, at the Martin County tax collector and assessor office, with over 2,320 passenger plates delivered to the office.

The new passenger plates will be blue and white, and if purchased in the county, will carry the numbers CYC 750 through CYG 99. The 875 commercial plates delivered to the tax office, bear the numbers 1W275 through 1W149. The 450 farm truck plates will be numbered 8H2150 through 8H-2599.

The county tax office reminds purchasers to bring the new registration form that was mailed earlier this year by the Texas Highway Department to aid in quicker and easier renewal procedures. Complete instructions are on the back of the license plate renewal form. If a form was not received, applicants are asked to bring their car titles.

Plates may also be ordered by mail, if submitted prior to March 1, according to the tax office.

New 1970 license plates must be on cars by April 1, reminds the county office.

Savings Bonds Sales Totaled \$39,072 In 1969

United States Savings Bond sales during 1969 in Martin County totaled \$39,072, according to James Jones, chairman of the Martin County Savings Bonds Committee.

The county has achieved 130 per cent of its goal of \$30,000. December sales totaled \$991. Sixty-nine counties in Texas have achieved their 1969 goal.

Texas has achieved 103 per cent of its goal of \$170.1 million with year-to-date sales totaling \$175,487,920. December sales were \$13,997,243, while sales during the same period of 1968, totaled \$13,070,587 — an increase of 7 per cent.

Bond sales over the nation

Representative from the 73rd Texas Legislative District. In making his announcement for the office, Dr. Price submitted the following statement:

"As a candidate for this office, I would like to stress that people come first in an effort to strike a balance of interest among the voters throughout the district and to increase the vital atmosphere of mutual trust. We have many complex problems today, and I know that we need to find a common language, common interest and reach common decisions. There is also a need for a language of common friendship. "We need someone in the

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Sul Ross Sets New Record In Enrollments

Registration for the second semester at Sul Ross State University has reached a record spring enrollment of 2,149 students, according to an announcement by Dr. Norman L. McNeil, president. The current registration of 2,138 students represent an increase of four per cent in enrollment, and an increase of 81 students over the spring semester of 1969. In comparing this year's enrollment with two years ago, Dr. McNeil notes that the university has grown 19 per cent in the number of students enrolled. 1,980 students enrolled in the spring of 1968.

Deavenport's Is Member Delta Store Group

The independent merchant is able to meet and often beat the retail prices of the big city chain department stores and discount houses on quality brand names. This is possible through membership in the Delta Associated Stores. Delta is a buying group for the independent retail stores. By combining the orders of many independent department stores, Delta becomes a big volume buyer and can demand the lowest possible prices. As a matter of fact, Delta is a bigger buyer of brand names than most of the chain operations, with a combined purchasing power of \$15 million. Since 1930, Delta has been saving money for the independent retailer in the Southwest. Delta is not a franchise or a chain, only a buying operation for over 3,000 items of brand merchandise in the soft-goods market. Delta is a division of the H&S Company, which is located right in the center of the Dallas mart.

Philosopher Finds New Source Of Tax Revenue From A Genius In The Mysterious East

(Editor's note: The Martin County Philosopher on his grass farm on Mustang Draw, discovers a new source of tax revenue this week, or so he claims.)

Dear editor:

All governments, from towns to cities, to states, and on up to Washington, are always looking for new sources of tax revenue and I have just found one in a newspaper that blew across my face as I stepped out the back door the other morning, and which I pulled fast as no man in his right mind will go out my back door blindfolded on account of that loose board. It's the second one from the top. Or was yesterday. Another one may be loose by now.



According to it, South Vietnam has been charging and we've been paying 10 to 15 million dollars a year in taxes on property such as food and supplies and ammunition we've got stored there to defend the country against North Vietnam. People talk about those bac-

ward Asian countries, but somebody over there ain't so dumb.

Whoever thought up the idea of taxing us for helping them, is a genius.

But I don't see why we can't learn from the mysterious East, and use this idea ourselves.

For example, take highways. Most big highways are financed in great part by the Federal government. All right. If a highway comes through a county, why can't the county tax the highway? It may sound preposterous, but why not follow the Asian mind and send Washington a bill, and see what happens? Who knows, if it reaches the same office that's paying U. S. taxes in South Vietnam, we might get a check back in the next mail.

If it works, the lid is off. There are Federal projects and buildings all over the nation, every town has a post office — say there's an idea. Tax the welfare office. Tax the Red Cross. Tax the Internal Revenue office. Tax the state legislature. Tax the governor's mansion.

The field is unlimited. Yours faithfully, J. A.

"Man Of The People"

Andrew Jackson was the first "man of the people" to enter the White House. Previous U. S. presidents had been aristocrats in birth, breeding, education, and environment.

A new age limit for blood donors has been set by the American Red Cross, and the American Association of Blood Banks. Blood now will be accepted from donors to the 66th birthday.

ent stores, Delta becomes a big volume buyer and can demand the lowest possible prices. As a matter of fact, Delta is a bigger buyer of brand names than most of the chain operations, with a combined purchasing power of \$15 million.

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1,235 Phones Installed In Stanton In 1969

Southwestern Bell Manager G. H. Sawyer, reported that the number of telephones in Stanton grew to 1,235 during 1969.

He noted this figure compares with 826 telephones here at the end of 1960.

"Stanton residents also seem pretty talkative," Sawyer said. "They dialed 4,067 calls per average business day during November."

Sawyer said equipment for 100 new telephone numbers was added in 1968 in Stanton.

Sawyer said a record \$99 million construction budget has been set by Southwestern Bell for its San Antonio area, of which Stanton is a part. The area covers roughly the western half of Texas.

The \$99 million figure is for land, buildings, central office equipment, and outside plant, such as cable installation.

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Bible Comment— Sealed With The Spirit

"In whom ye also trusted, that ye heard the Word of truth the gospel of your salvation: In who also, after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise."

Most English translations of the Bible make it clear that the words "after that," in the above passage, actually have an immediate result in view. Upon hearing (or "heeding") we believed, and upon believing we were sealed with the Spirit.

What is perhaps even more important to note, is the fact that upon believing "the gospel of . . . salvation," we are "sealed with" the "Holy Spirit," not "by" the Spirit. There is a difference between the two, which can be simply illustrated.

Here is a housewife, let us say, who is "putting up" jam or preserves and sealing each jar with wax. Now, the jar are being sealed "by" the wo-

man, but she is sealing them "with" wax. Thus it is not merely that the Holy Spirit causes believers to be sealed and made secure. Rather He Himself is the Seal that keeps us eternally secure as God's loving children. We are sealed, not "by the Spirit," but "with the Spirit"—the Spirit Himself the Seal!

It is wonderful indeed to know that before the bar of God, the simple believer in Christ has been fully justified (Acts 13:38, 39). But this is a court action, a matter of record. Besides this, the Spirit, who first brought the sinner under conviction, now gives him life — eternal life. This is why Rom. 1:2 tells us that "the law of the Spirit—(that) of life in Christ, hath made me free from the law of sin and death." Thank God for the Spirit, who convicts, regenerates and seals believers in Christ!

SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT NEWS



OUR SOIL ★ OUR STRENGTH MARTIN-HOWARD-MIDLAND SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

On December 31, 1969, seven Great Plains Conservation Program contracts expired in Martin County, reports the Soil Conservation Service office in Stanton. These contracts were on the property owned or operated by: Wendell Thomason, J. C. Sales Estate, A. F. Anderson, Sam Wilkerson, Glen Brunson, Owen Kelly, and the Frank Fryar Estate.

The government cost-share paid to these operating units for carrying out conservation practices, totaled \$47,126.43. Some of the outstanding conservation practices applied on cropland, include parallel terraces to retard water run off and increase the water intake of the soil. Strip-cropping was cost-shared to assist farmers in controlling wind erosion, and applying a cropping system on their land. Ranchers were assisted through cost-share on brush control by aerial spraying and rootplowing. Native grasses were on land that was rootplowed.

The Great Plains Conservation Program is a conservation program, designed by Congress in 1956, to provide farmers and ranchers in the Great Plains area with technical and financial assistance in carrying out a conservation plan to minimize the hazards of the erratic climate found in the Great Plains area. The G. P. C. P. differs from other conservation programs aimed at conserving soil and water in several ways. A farmer or rancher entering into G. P. C. P. contract is required to develop a long range plan for making needed change or improvements in his land use or cropping system. The landowner enters into an agreement with the Secretary of

Forty Years Ago

Some aspirants for county offices have announced. Ed Snell of Goldsmith, is seeking the office of sheriff and tax collector; J. S. Lamer for county judge, S. E. Jones for tax collector; John F. Epley, county clerk; E. Whitson, for sheriff; W. E. Epley, tax assessor; Loy Mashburn, county weigher, and S. J. Foreman, tax assessor.

The Women's Missionary Society is the proud possessor of a 1929 bale of cotton donated by The Lenarah Gin Co. Proceeds from the bale will go to the church building fund.

Mrs. J. E. Moffett delightfully entertained the Stitch and Chatter Club last Wednesday afternoon.

On Saturday afternoon, January 4, Miss Vera Burnam and Mrs. J. B. Boyd gave Mrs. Horace Blocker, nee Noma Atchison, a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Boyd. On Saturday, December 22, Miss Noma Atchison and Horace Blocker were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents in Stanton.

Milton Moffett and J. W. Sale returned to Tech at Lubbock, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Echols of Gorman, visited last week in Stanton. They have recently moved to Gorman.

Today's paper full page announcement has the greatest Chevrolet in Chevrolet history. Some of the reduced prices carried by the Park Cator Co. are: Roadster, \$495; Phaeton, \$495; Sport Roadster, \$525; Coach, \$565; Coupe, \$565; Sport Coupe, \$625; Club Sedan, \$625; Sedan, \$675; 1 1/2 ton truck, \$520, and a 1 1/2 ton truck chassis with cab, \$625.

Agriculture to carry out a complete conservation plan over a period of years, not to exceed a total of 10 years. A landowner carrying out a G. P. C. P. contract is paid a cost-share ranging from 50 to 80 per cent of the average cost for applying the needed conservation practices on his land.

The G. P. C. P. provides an excellent opportunity for farmers and ranchers to plan a long range conservation program to improve their land with financial and technical assistance from the federal government. A Great Plains contract is flexible enough to fit into any farmers or ranchers operation without restricting normal operation.

TAX ON SMOKE
A tax on smoke from hearths called fumage, was levied by the king in Anglo-Saxon times on all hearths except those of the poor.

The name of Jehu, a Biblical character, has come to mean a fast driver or coachman.

Tank trucks were first used for transporting milk in 1914.

The famed Lafayette Escadrille consisted of volunteer U. S. pilot flying French airplanes. They accounted for 57 enemy aircraft from 1916 to 1918.

Goldfish were first domesticated by the Chinese as early as the Sung dynasty in 960.

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What's an Aquatic Biologist doing working for your electric service company?

He's doing many things. He counts fish, observes their growth and movement and generally monitors water quality. These are but a few of the many jobs of John Tilton, Texas Electric Service Company's Aquatic Biologist. His laboratory is the various lakes on which the company's modern steam-electric power plants are located.

He works closely with biologists of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and with biologists from colleges and universities. Their findings are

good news for fishermen. They reveal that the lake water which goes through the plants' condensers and back into the lake actually help stir up more food for fish; and the constant flow of water provides slightly warm currents which Texas fish seem to like.

Why should Texas Electric Service Company be concerned?
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tection and improvement of the environment in which we all live, including air as well as water.

As we build additional facilities to assure plenty of dependable electric power for the future, we will continue to monitor the lakes that provide water and recreation. Lines, plants and other facilities will continue to be built with full consideration to appearance and environment.



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Southwestern Bell

Elizabeth Hay Installed Rainbow Worthy Advisor

Elizabeth Hay was installed Saturday as worthy advisor of Norman Read Assembly No. 299, Order of the Rainbow for



Elizabeth Hay

Girls, in an open installation ceremony in Masonic Temple, in Midland.

Miss Hay is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hay of Stanton.

Other officers installed were Debra Holster, worthy associate advisor; Brenda Evans, charity; Carolyn Cook, hope; Terri Manns, faith; Kathy Eubanks, recorder; Sammy Adkins, treasurer; Kerri King, chaplain; Ellen McCullough, drill leader; Gail Harrington, love; Cindy Glaze, religion; Susan Howard, nature; Merie Sledge, immortality; Lynne Wilson, fidelity; Linda Faulk, patriotism; Jana Heath, service; Sandy Ray, confidential observer; Debra Tinnie, outer observer; Judy Hasha, musician, and Karen Biggs, choir director.

Mrs. O. J. Johnson, worthy matron of Norman Read Chapter No. 1010, Order of the Eastern Star, installed the 1970 advisory board, composed of Joe Powell, chairman; Hay, vice chairman; Mrs. David Holster, Mrs. Tom Cook, Mrs. Ray York, Ray York, and Tom Nipp, representatives from Midland Lodge No. 523, A.F. & A.M. Hay will be the attending Mason for the term.

Presentation of the Bible was made by Miss Hay's mother. The opening drill was presented by Jodie Powell, retiring worthy advisor, and her officers. Allan Botts gave the invocation and Tom Nipp the welcome.

Tanny Botts was the installing officer; Shanna Hawk, grand representative from Canada to Texas, marshal; Sherman Jones, chaplain; Jodie musician, all past worthy advisors of the assembly, and Lavonya Lowe, past worthy advisor of Midland Assembly No. 193, recorder.

Miss Hay introduced her parents and her brother, Ross C.

Hay. T. D. Cook presented the gavel to his daughter. A Rainbow Bible was presented from the advisory board to Miss Hay by Powell, chairman. She also received the worthy advisor's traveling pin from Miss Powell.

The theme of the new worthy advisor is "Faith, Hope, and Charity;" her motto, possessing Faith, Hope, and Charity, give one a life of contentment and fulfillment, as well as a life of service to mankind. Her emblem is the rainbow and pot of gold; her colors, those of the rainbow and flower, the rose; scripture Cor. 13: 13. Her poem, "Believe in Yourself," was read by Madalyn Joiner. Mrs. A. L. Casparas sang "How Great Thou Art," the new worthy matron's choice.

Service and merit awards were presented by Mrs. Powell.

The benediction was given by Powell.

Following the installation, a reception was held in the Banquet Hall. The serving table was covered with white net over gold, centered with an arrangement of red roses. Mrs. Watts and Mrs. York presided at the serving table.

FHA Club News

The Stanton Chapter of the FHA, held its meeting on January 27, Debbie Hazlewood presided over the meeting.

High-point officer and high-point girl were named, and these were: high-point officer Dianna Payne, and high-point girl was Brenda Holloway. Ronda Kuhlman gave a short report on the Tubrum Committee, and told members that their stamps must be in by February 6.

The program was given by Suzanna Brown and Susan Vest, in the form of an interview. The topic of conversation was the difference in European and African foods, as compared with American foods. Suzanna had taken a three week trip through Europe and Africa this summer with her parents.

Stanton Girls Scalped Lake View Maidens

The Stanton Buffalo girls slashed the Lake View Maidens, 68-28, here Monday night in a non-district basketball contest.

The loss evens the Maid's season scoring mark at 11-11. Martha Keel led the Maid-

F. W. Holbrook Of Midland Completes 2 Extensions To Grayburg

F. W. Holbrook of Midland, completed two extensions to the Grayburg area of the Azalea multipay region of Midland County, 10 miles southeast of Midland.

No. 1-A King was finished to pump 144 barrels of oil and 18 barrels of water daily, through perforations at 4,100-110 feet, which had been treated with 500 gallons of acid, and 5,000 gallons of fracture fluid.

It spots 1,980 feet from south and west lines of block 37, T-2-S, T&P survey.

No. 2-A King was finished to pump 127 barrels of oil and 17 barrels of water daily through shot holes at 4,118-4,132 feet, after treatment with 500 gallons of acid and 10,000 gallons of fracture fluid.

Wellsite is 467 feet from south and 853 feet from west lines of block 37, T-2-S T&P survey.

Two projects were completed in the Sale Ranch area of Martin County portion of the Sprayberry Trend Area.

No. 1-C Sale Ranch 3/4 mile southwest of production, was finished to flow 246 barrels of 40.1 gravity oil, and 33 barrels of water daily, with gas-oil ratio of 943-1, through a 24-64-inch choke, and shot holes at 8,269-9,038 feet, after treatment with 2,500 gallons of acid and 80,000 gallons and 240,000 pounds of fracture.

Wellsite is 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 23, block 37, T-1-N, T&P survey.

No. 1 Ozla Quattlebaum, 1-1/2 miles northeast, was completed to flow 337 barrels of oil and 33 barrel of water, through 14-64-inch choke and perforations between 8,153 to 8,987 feet. Tubing pressure was 325 pounds and casing pressure was 510 pounds.

The new producer is located 1,320 feet from the south and west lines of section 43, block 36, T-2-N, T&P survey, some 2 1/2 miles southeast of Lenorah.

John L. Cox of Midland, completed No. 1 Buchanan 1/2 mile south of production in the Midland County portion of the Sprayberry Trend Area, 10 miles southeast of Midland.

On potential test it pumped 82 barrels of 39-gravity oil, plus 35 barrels of water daily, through perforations at 7,228-

ens in scoring with 13 points, with teammates ReNay Healy adding in 10 points. Cindy Childs and Kathy Leigh had three and two points, respectively to round out the Lake View scoring.

Stanton's Sandy Chandler and Doris Howard tied for high-point honors with 25 points each to lead the victory. In the B team game, Lake View won 42-32.

LEGAL NOTICE

CONTRACTORS' NOTICE OF TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for constructing 4.011 miles of Gr. Strs., Base and Surf. From FM 329, 1.6 miles N of IH 20, NE to SH 137, on Highway No. FM 3113, covered by S. 3147- (1)A in Martin County, will be received at the Highway Department, Austin, until 9:00 A.M., February 18, 1970, and then publicly opened and read.

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8,128 feet, which had been fractured with 130,000 gallons of fluid and an unreported amount of sand.

It is 3,225 feet from north and 990 feet from east lines of section 21, block 37, T-3-S, T&P survey (L. A. Webb).

National Co-op Refinery Association of Midland, will re-enter a 1959 Spraberry discovery and attempt to recomplete in the Wolfcamp in the six-well Garden City, West (7,880-foot Wolfcamp) field.

It is the No. 1 Glascock Unit, 660 feet from the south and west lines of section 14, block 34, T-3-S, T&P survey.

The workover project is located 4 1/2 miles west of Garden City in Glascock County. Operator will set liner from 6,450-7,950 feet.

Stanton Lions Met Feb. 3

The Stanton Lion Club met Tuesday noon, Feb. 3, with president Chuck Elmore presiding. Students of the month were introduced by A. J. Smith. They were: Marc Briggs and Betty Anderson. Each received certificates from the Lions Club.

Program chairman Jerry Bethel, presented Stanton High basketball coach Phil Stovall, who gave a summary of recent activities. He stated that he was proud of the basketball team, and asked the Lions to continue their support to the Stanton team.

Twenty-seven members were present, with guests Paul Crump, of Ford Motor Co., of Fort Worth, and Greg Westerfield, of the American Cancer Society of Midland.

Cancer Society To Meet Feb. 9

The Martin County Unit of the American Cancer Society, will meet Monday, February 9, according to unit president, Tom Ed Angel, at the Martin County Library.

The local Candy Strippers will present the program. Reports will be heard from the delegates, Mrs. Marvin Standefer, Mrs. Jimmy Sawyer, Mrs. Celdonia Daugherty, and Angel, who attended the district crusade leadership meeting, which was held in Midland recently.

Political Calendar

DEMOCRATIC:
For State Senator: H. J. (DOC) BLANCHARD
For State Representative District 73: E. L. SHORT DR. NOBLE H. PRICE
For Martin County Judge: ROY KOONCE JESS MILES JIM MCCOY R. C. VEST, JR. CARROL YATER
District Clerk: DORIS STEPHENSON
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Stanton High School News



By DORIS HOWARD

The regular schedule has little been changed, except for winning FFA contests and basketball games. Otherwise

the never-ending days go on. —SHS—

In speaking of FFA contest, the Stanton Chapter of Future Farmers of America, took over all the honors at the Midland Livestock Show. Under the direction of Nolan Parker, the Stanton chapter brought home six trophies, and was declared first place in the over-all contest. Among these trophies, were first place horse judging, first place swine judging, and second place sheep judging.

Also receiving trophies, for personal efforts, were Steve Fryar, as first place individual; Roger Graves, as fourth high individual; and Bobby Odum, as sixth high individual, over the entire contest. These boys, and the Stanton chapter, should be well-commended for a job well done.

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The varsity girls are narrowing the way to the district title, as they won their second game against McCamey, with a score of 63-23. Stanton is now in first place, with Ozona in second, and McCamey third.

Stanton: Howard, 21; Chandler, 20; Holloway, 13, and Hall, 9.

McCamey: Moody, 9; Kelton, 5; Graves, 7, and Graves, 2. —SHS—

The varsity girls, playing Lake View in another non-district game, played a fantastic game for a new supporter and follower of the team. William Robert Jennings, Jr., son of Coach Bill Jennings, as of Jan. 31, put the team in the right mood for the girls to beat Lake View with a 68-28 score. Leading Stanton were Sandy Chandler and Doris Howard, with 25 points each. Leading for Lake View, was Kell with 13. The girls travel to Ozona Thursday, so come support the Buffs. —SHS—

The B team girls lost again-

st Lake View, with a score of 42-32. Leading Stanton was Edna McKenzie with 16 points.

Stanton: McKenzie, 6; Lambert 5; Holloway, 7, and Hopper, 4.

In driving, it's what the other guy doesn't know that might hurt you. The Portland, Oregon, Traffic Safety Commission urges you to communicate with other drivers; let them know what you've got in mind by using your signal lights, horn, and even hand signals if necessary.

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COCA COLA, King Size	6 bottle ctn.	45c
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FLOUR, Gold Medal	5 lb. bag	49c
FLOUR, Gold Medal	25 lbs.	\$1.98
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FRENCH FRIES	2 Lb. Polly Bag	39c
STRAWBERRIES GARDEN PRIDE	10 Oz. Pkg.	25c

MEATS

BACON GOOCH	Lb.	89c
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In consideration of a new cotton program, officials of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., continue to point out that adequate supplies are an absolute must if U. S. export markets are not to be lost forever.

In the decade of the sixties, cotton exports for the first eight seasons averaged 4.4 million bales per year. The lowest carryover of cotton at the end of any season during this period, was 7.4 million bales on August 1, 1961. Average carryover was about 11 million bales, and annual production averaged almost 13 million bales.

In 1968-69, when the beginning carryover was only a little over 6.2 million bales, and only 10.8 million bales were produced in this country, exports dropped to 2.7 million bales. And it looks now as if the U. S. may do well to equal that sorry export performance in the 1969-70 season ending August 1 this year. Carryover on August 1, 1969, was only 6.3 million bales, and the year's production total is straining to reach 10 million.

At beginning of the current season the U. S. Department of Agriculture estimated that U. S. cotton exports would show an increase over last year. That was when a crop of 11.7 million bales or so was expected.

Later, when it became evident that the crop would fall at around ten million bales, both government and trade sources began to say current-year exports might well drop below 2.7 million.

Fortunately for U. S. cotton exports, it now appears that adverse development in other cotton exporting countries of the world may at least partially offset the abnormally low supply of U. S. cotton, and our exports may yet reach the 1968-69 total. Other countries, too, are learning that "you can't do business from an empty wagon."

For example, the latest indication is that Russia's crop may be some three quarter million bales below expectations, and a decline in actual exports from the U. S. S. R. will provide an opportunity for increasing exports from free world countries, including the U. S.

Reports from Mexico show that prospects for the 1969-70 crop there have declined more than 200,000 bales in recent weeks. This, coupled with the fact that plantings in that country this year were down some 320,000 acres, indicates the Mexican crop may come to only about 1.75 million bales, down 700,000 bales from 1968-69 production.

The crop in Central America has also deteriorated recently, and that area's production is now expected to be off 200,000 bales or more from last season.

All together the Foreign Agriculture Service of USDA now estimates that total cotton production in free foreign countries may drop slightly below the record 25.9 million bales produced in 1968-69.

And as the foreign cotton supply situation has worsened, price quotations for most foreign growths of cotton have shown significant increases. Prices for many of the growths of medium and longer staple cotton have now moved close to, and some have even gone above, price quotations for American medium staples.

Nearly half the decline in U. S. crop prospects, from 11.6 million bales at the beginning of the season to around 10 million, occurred in areas producing the short staple cottons including the High Plains. Consequently the supply situation pushed prices for these staples above prices at which similar cottons could be obtained from other exporting countries. Since the shorter staples normally account for a major share of U. S. cotton exports, the depressing influence on the export outlook for American cotton appeared particularly strong. And this was responsible for the extremely dire predictions on exports that showed up in late November and early December, 1969.

Over 98 percent of Commodity Credit Corporation stocks, of which there are only 1.8 million bales currently available for sale, staple over an inch. Almost all of the 1969 crop cotton that remains unsold is also of the longer staples. We have little or no short cotton to sell outside the U. S.

It can be hoped, even expected, that the low supply situation in foreign cotton exporting countries will help some of our longer cottons to move into export markets. Even so, the export record for 1969-70 will reflect a miserably poor year. And much of the blame must be placed on an inadequate supply of the cottons most in demand from this country.

For 1970 USDA increased the national allotments from 16 million to 17 million acres, a commendable attempt to raise total production. But price support payments are still to be made only on 65 percent of each farmer's cotton acreage. And with the loan level at 20.25 cents per pound, farmers have little hopes of getting a price equal to production costs on acreage planted above 65 percent.

So it is anybody's guess whether 1970 production will be sufficient to meet market demands.

And it's a good bet the guessing game will continue, year after year, until such time as the industry has a cotton program that give producers a chance to at least recover expenses on cotton produced to supply the export as well as the domestic market.

A lower loan level, lower payments, and a strenuous requirement that producers idle a sizable part of their land, as the Administration is currently proposing, won't get the job done.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Saunders received notification recently that their daughter, Eddie Ray Merritt, had been named to the Dean's List of Texas Christian University, in recognition of high scholastic achievement for the fall of 1969. Mrs. Merritt will graduate in December, following her husband's graduation in June. The Saunders other daughter, Franke Jo, is attending Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa.

Mrs. J. W. Wells is present-

ly hospitalized in the Cowper Hospital in Big Spring, with a broken leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones and boys visited with friends and relatives in Stanton, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Durham visited in Colorado City, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Barnhill have recently returned from Augusta, Georgia, where they traveled with their daughter,

Scout Exposition Set For Terminal March 7

One of the largest Scout expositions ever held in the Permian Basin, and possibly Texas, is scheduled for Saturday, March 7, at Midland-Odessa Regional Air Terminal.

The Buffalo Trail Council Exposition, one of the first of its kind to be held on the council level, will include booths and exhibits from Ector, Midland, Andrews, and Martin counties.

Marvin Eastman, general chairman of the exposition, said approximately 8,000 boys and their adult leaders would be involved in the one-day demonstration of Scouting skills.

The big fair is to be held at the TTA hanger, on the south side of Air Terminal, and will officially be opened to the public at 12 noon. Eastman said he and other Scout leaders anticipate upwards of 30,000 visitors to attend the exposition.

Tickets to the exposition go on sale Thursday, in the four-county area covered by the exposition. Participating Scout units and the Buffalo Trail Council, will share in the proceeds from the exposition.

In a breakdown of boy-adult participation in the exposition, Eastman revealed there would be approximately 3,500 Cub Scouts, and their leaders, 4,000 Boy Scouts, and adult leaders, and 800 Explorers, and advisors.

The three Buffalo Trail Council Districts involved in the March 7 Scout Exposition, are the Black Gold District, covering the northeast portion of Ector County and Andrews County; the Sunset Trail District covering the south and west portion of Ector County, and the Chaparral District, covering Midland and Martin counties.

District chairmen for the



New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald C. Nobles of Midland, announce the birth of their daughter, Holly Jean, on Sunday, Jan. 25, at 12:45 a.m. She weighed seven pounds, five ounces, and was 19 1/2 inches long.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. D. House of Stanton. The paternal grandmother is Mrs. J. O. Nobles of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hillje of Alpine, are the proud parents of a baby boy born January 25, weighing eight pounds, two ounces.

He has been named Michael Scott.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brumley of Stanton.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Hillje of Co-tulla.

Library Lines

Mrs. Velma Zimmerman, Librarian

Hours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

In completing the annual report, we wish to give the following information. The library had a total operating income of \$3,381.75. Of this amount, \$3,129.80 came from the county, \$124.05 from memorials and \$127.90 from fines. \$677.00 was spent for books. 597 volumes were added, 148 withdrawn, and 12 lost. We now have 4,636 books in the library.

The following cards expire in February: Alice Fay Bishop, H. A. Schuelke, Jr., Carry Cross, Faye Ringener, Pamela Cross, Shirley Jo Webster, Jacqueline Jenkins, Lynda White, Ima Kelly, Larry Butler, Nancy Hursh, Melissa Hursh, Mark Hursh, Mrs. Ouida Hursh, Linda Holder, Alma Mashburn, Mrs. Roy Motley, Ulysses Jones, Jr., Laura Holder, Linda Adams, Glenda Adams, and Beverly Clements.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Louder and son, Darrel, to join Capt. Louder who is currently stationed there.

MARTIN COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT NEWS

Admitted: January 26: Selctine Sherman, and Carrie Kenney; January 27: Dee Rogers, and Sue Graham; January 28: Rosa Sanchez, Mrs. Jessen, Giel Belleshiem, and Carla Rowden; January 29: Anglea Bobo, Mae White, Ruby Neil Greenhaw, and Joe Ortez, Jr.; January 30: Lynn White; January 31: Charlie Mae McAllister, and infant daughter, and Jonell Poss, and baby; February 1: Nutt infant; Helen Louise Wagner, and Elida Hinojosa.

To Late To Classify

ANNOUNCEMENTS A
Special Notices A-2

Indoor rummage sale, east end of St. Anna Street, by roping arena. Mrs. Plez Carr, Feb. 6, 7, 8. 2-6-1tp

CARD OF THANKS B

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends and neighbors for their sympathy, kindness, food, and flowers, and a special thanks to the doctor, nurses, and hospital staff.

Family of Raymond A. Kelly

EMPLOYMENT H

Help Wanted H-1

DRIVERS NEEDED

Information For Married Taxpayers

Helpful information for married taxpayer affected by Texas' community property laws, can be obtained at local IRS offices, Ellis Campbell, Jr., District Director of Internal Revenue said today.

Campbell pointed out that Publication 555, "Community Property and the Federal Income Tax," explains the additional problems married taxpayers may encounter if they decide to file separate tax returns in a community property state, such as Texas.

A special feature of the booklet is an illustrated worksheet which shows the different treatment of income and deductions for a husband and wife filing a joint return compared to separate returns.

Taxpayers can also obtain "Community Property and the Federal Income Tax," by sending a post card to Supply, Internal Revenue Service, P. B. Box 1738, Dallas, Texas 75221.

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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 am single and receive Social Security benefits of \$150 per month, and military retirement benefits of \$90 per month. I am a patient in a nursing home due to severe disabilities. Can I qualify for a VA pension?

A — Yes. You may qualify for a VA pension at a rate exceeding your military retirement benefit, which must be waived in order to receive VA payments. The VA pension rate would be \$51 a month, plus the aid and attendance benefit of \$100, for a total pension benefit of \$151.

Q — I was ordered recently to report for an examination of my disabilities for which I am receiving compensation. I did not report, and have received a letter discontinuing my compensation. What can I do?

A — You can notify the VA by letter that you are willing to report for an examination, and another examination will be scheduled. The VA realizes that there are problems in reporting for examinations, and

IRS Director Says Checks Good For Tax

Use a check or money order to pay your 1969 federal income tax, Ellis Campbell, Jr., district director of Internal Revenue for North Texas, said today.

Unlike a cash payment, a check or money order gives you a record of payment in case of loss or misdelivery.

Campbell pointed out that payment can be stopped on a mispaid check or money order and a new payment made.

Checks or money orders should be made payable to the Internal Revenue Service. Write your social security number on the check or money order, and state the exact purpose of the payment to help assure your payment is properly credited.

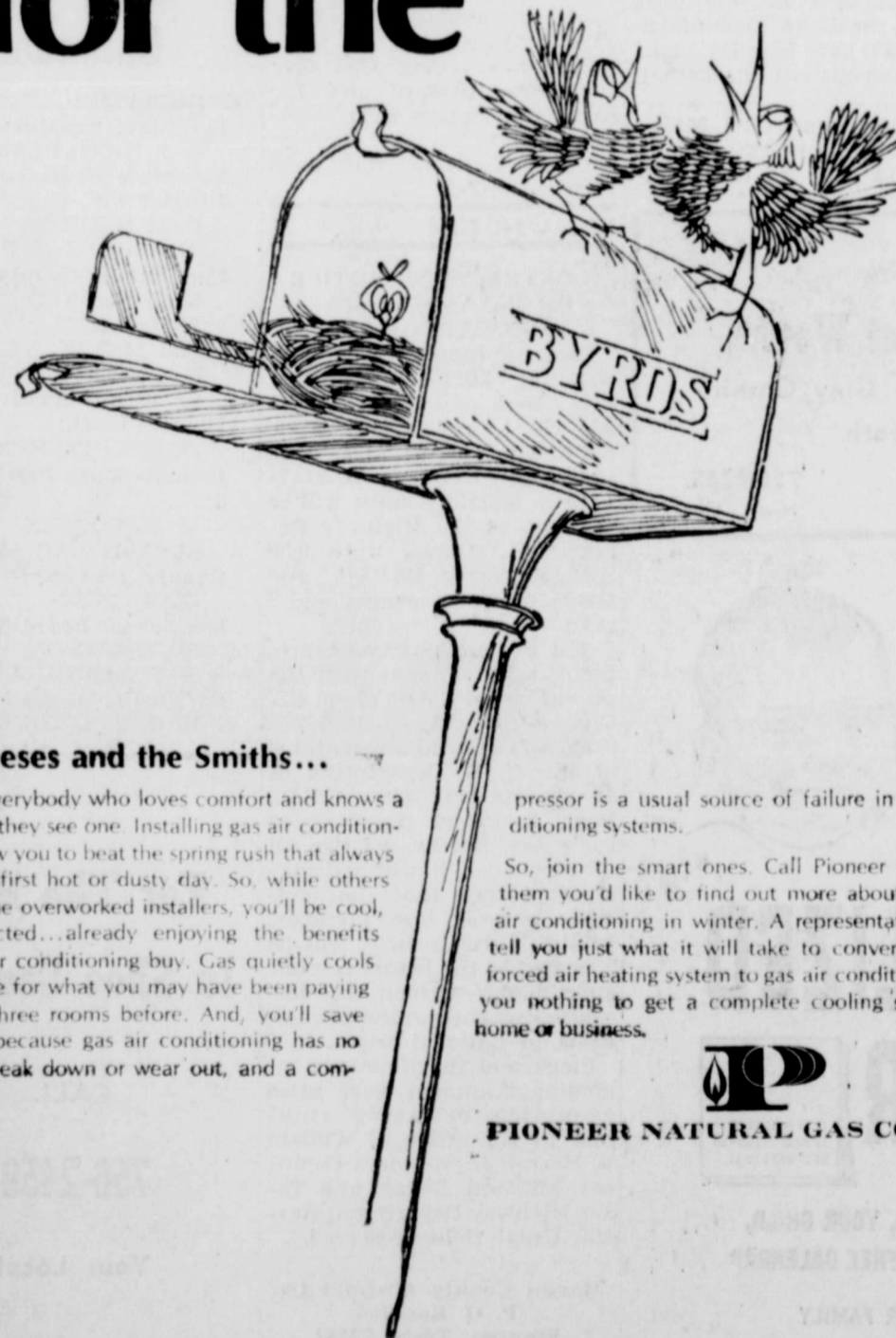
Corals can live off of water only for short periods of time.

tries to schedule them at the veteran's convenience, if possible.

Q — I am 65 years old and retired, and receive compensation for 20 per cent disability from the Veterans Administration. Can I elect the VA pension program if it is to my financial advantage to do so?

A — Yes. You should apply for pension. When a veteran is qualified for both compensation and pension, the VA pays the higher benefit.

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Houses For Sale

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For Sale: Three bedroom house, two lots. Floyd Hucksaby, 1107 Wheeler, phone 756-3687, 1-5-4tc

TEC Wants Taxes From Billie Sol

Billie Sol Estes, whose request for parole was turned down, received greetings Tuesday from the Texas Employment Commission.

The TEC wants \$4,371 for non-payment of payroll taxes in 1962.

The former West Texas grain dealer was convicted in 1963 for fraud involving mortgages on non-existent fertilizer tanks and was assessed 15 years in the federal penitentiary.

The TEC suit, filed by the state attorney general, in 98th District Court in Austin, claims that Estes owes the \$4,371 on wages of \$252,527 paid in the first quarter of 1962. The suit does not say

Mahon Keeps Grip On U. S. Spending

Congressman George Mahon started his 36th year as a member of Congress in Washington, D. C. Monday.

Mike Wester, a UPI writer has said that "George Mahon keeps a tight fist on the nation's pocketbook and trusts in the Lord and the voters."

Mahon, a devout Methodist since boyhood, has been liberal in appropriations beamed for the war effort in Vietnam, because he feels that this country should agree with the idea that America must leave the country over there in good faith.

George Mahon has served the past eight years as chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

"The Lord and the people have always been good to me and I want to do something for them," drawled the 70-year-old native of Louisiana this week. Mahon was born in the Pelican State in a town named for his family. He came to Texas with his parents early in life.

It is generally conceded that the position George Mahon holds in Washington is just about the most powerful one held by a Texan since Lyndon Johnson served as president.

When the 91st Congress convened this week Mahon said he hoped it will mark the beginning of a better America.

"We underwent a great period of change during the 1960s. The past decade had greater changes than most decades we go through," he said. "Change was stimulated by undeclared war, advances in knowledge and a new look at civil rights."

"Combined with the landing of man on another planet a lot of discontent, resentment toward the establishment resulted."

"Maybe we had to go through all the change to make our nation a better country."

how many employees are involved, or what business.

Mahon moved with his parents to a small farm in West Texas when he was a boy, and was graduated from Loraine High School in 1917. He attended Hardin-Simmons University and the University of Texas, receiving his law degree from the University of Minnesota in 1925.

Two years later he won election as county attorney, and nine months later was appointed by then-Gov. Dan Moody as district attorney. After three re-elections, Mahon decided to run for congress in 1934 when a new district was created in West Texas. No one else has ever held that seat.

"There were nine of us in the primary for the new office which covered 25 counties," Mahon said. "I was in the southeast corner and away from the population center. I like people and spent time meeting them."

Mahon said the people must have decided he needed help and gave it to him. He was 10,000 votes ahead in the primary and had little trouble winning the runoff.

Since then Mahon has faced four Democrat opponents and three Republicans, but he said his only major challenge came in 1946 against Democrat M. H. "Hop" Halsey of Lubbock.

"A wise politician is always concerned and doesn't take things for granted," Mahon said. "He must keep in touch with the people he represents and always try to do just a little more than they expect when they call on him with their troubles."

After serving in congress for four years, Mahon was appointed to the appropriations committee and through the years moved up in the committee until he was named committee man in 1964.

"This is the work I love and have been trained for," Mahon said. "My ambition is to do a

better job of running my committee — and that is a full-time job with 51 members and 13 sub-committees."

The 6-2, 176-pound slow-speaking Texan, said the major task facing congress in 1970, would be improvement of the welfare program. He said he does not think the Vietnam War will be settled at a conference table, but said he hopes it ends soon.

"Just what may happen is unpredictable. We are doing the best we can at the present and there is no need to argue over the past," he said.

Mahon hopes to hold the line on federal spending in all phases of government. But he said the battle of the budget would continue, until the American people are willing to pay for the things they want before they get them.

"My goal has been to hold the line on spending as much as possible. Congress usually has said, 'This is helpful to humanity and therefore let's do it.' But it doesn't say, 'we will also raise the necessary revenue to pay for the program.'"

"I believe if you incur an obligation you have to raise the funds to liquidate it. I am for good programs, but in favor of paying for them."

Mahon is "hawkish" on military spending. But at the same time he believes there has been waste.

"We have been too liberal on military spending. The problem is that the military people are trying to do things that are beyond the state of the art in some instances," he said. "They want the most perfect bombs, the most perfect ships, the most perfect planes. This is very laudable, but at times there are very wasteful practices that have been followed."

Mahon and his wife, Helen, keep trim by walking each day in the suburban Arlington, Va., neighborhood where they live. He enjoys a Saturday

American Legion Auxiliary Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The American Legion was conceived in Paris in March of 1919, and nurtured in St. Louis in May of the same year, and came into full life in Minneapolis, Minn., on November 10-12, 1919. It was at this time that The American Legion granted the American Legion Auxiliary the privilege to be chartered as a counterpart of their organization.

On November 10-12, 1969, the site of the founding convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota, was chosen for the concluding event of The American Legion's 50th Anniversary year. This was the beginning of a wonderful year of celebration for Auxiliary members over this nation and the world, which, at the end of this year will conclude 50 years of "service and love"

afternoon of golf, and after-supper classical music.

The Mahons eschew high-society, and attend mostly small parties. Mahon is proud of his church work, and has taught Sunday school many years.

Although the West Texas congressman has served as chaplain of the house often in the absence of the regular chaplain, he denies that he is known as "the deacon."

"A New York reporter once called me that in a story, and that was the only time it was ever used. Occasionally a friend will tease me about it, but the nickname never stuck."

Mahon said a brighter world could be reached this year if the United States and other major nations would agree to slow down the arms race. He said he does not favor complete disarmament, but a reduction in the cost.

"If we can maintain peace for another decade I think all nations will come more and more to realize this is the only way for survival," said Mahon. "Then, we can all look forward to new and better decades to come — and look back on this new decade as the best

from nearly a million women, for the service-men who fought for the freedoms which are enjoyed by Americans today.

The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Texas, will be honored to have our National President, Mrs. H. Milton (Marcella) Davidson of Clovis, New Mexico at which time she will make her official visit to this state during our mid-winter conference slated for February 7-8, at the Stephen F. Austin Hotel.

Miss Doris Anderson, our national secretary, and past department president from Texas, who claims Texas as her home, will accompany Mrs. Davidson for these meetings.

A two-day meeting of learning, fun, and frolic, will begin on Saturday, February 7, at 9:00 a.m., to be held in the Capitol Room of the hotel, and will continue until approximately noon on Sunday, February 8.

A gala affair in the form of a "Star-Spangled Banquet" has been planned for Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m., in the main ballroom, that will honor this lovely lady, who will be the keynote speaker, and will assist in celebrating the 50th anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary in this state.

A program of entertainment has been arranged to make a very memorable occasion. Many state and local officials will participate in welcoming our distinguished guest, and assist in "kicking-off" this 50th anniversary celebration.

Texas has always been number one to all Texans, but this is a special year, in that we have been televised nationally as number one, and with this being our 50th anniversary year, we shall certainly put forth every effort to make this a celebration to be remembered! You will be surprised at the colossal program of entertainment being planned for this affair.

We are asking the cooperation of each Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit in Texas to notify their members and help Texas celebrate this memorable occasion of 50-year of service with the Legion! We are proud of this service record!

The public is invited to attend all functions. Registration fee is \$4.00. Banquet tickets at \$5.00 each, may be obtained from American Legion Auxiliary headquarters office, 709 E. Tenth Street, Austin, Texas 78701, or by calling 472-4138.

The first baseball game between organized teams, took place June 19, 1846, in Hoboken, N. J.

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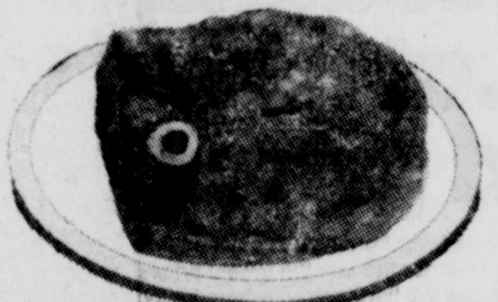
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The Launching Pad

By NEAL ESTES

President NIXON won his budget battle with Congress when House Democrats failed to override his veto on a \$19.7 billion health and education money bill. U. S. REP. GEORGE MAHON voted against the administration on this particular measure, but wound up in the minority. The final vote to uphold the President's veto was 226-191, not even close to a two-thirds majority necessary to override. In view of the fact that CONGRESSMAN MAHON is chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and is known for his conservative thinking, I am interested to find out the reason he decided to vote as he did on this bill—the HEW measure. I have great faith in MR. MAHON's judgment and there must be a good reason for his vote. I would like to hear the reason and so would his many friends in this area who were as surprised as NEAL when the vote of the Texas delegation was announced.

The season of the deadline is upon us. It seems as soon as the political and registration deadlines pass by others appear on the horizon. Voter deadline time is behind us, and men and women who thought about running for political office on the state and county and district level, should have signed up by February 2. Voters will get their first chance to vote in the state election on May 2. Automobile registration opened up on February 2, and will continue by mail through February 28. License plates may be obtained at tax collection offices through March 31. New 1970 license plates must be attached to vehicles by April 1. April 15 is the deadline for securing windshield inspection certificates or stickers, and income tax forms are due in by April 15.

After the first half-year deadlines are cleared, the people can look forward to Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and then Christmas. One thing for sure about this great democracy, there is never a dull month. I love this country, deadlines and all.

In my long professional career as a newspaper editor I have written hundreds of stories about operations. I have also read a lot of interesting stories about operations. I think the best one I ever read was written by my friend, JAMES ROBERTS, a year or so ago in the Andrews County News. JAMES told it all. Wednesday, one week ago, I did not dream while writing this column that before another one appeared that I would become an initiate into the fraternity of "operative" persons. Boy, the experience was something. I have always feared the dentist drill and the surgeon's scalpel. In reporting the operation of others in the past, I have sometimes been guilty of referring to the experiences as "undergoing the knife." I'll not use that term again. Submitting to surgery includes a great deal more than undergoing the sharpened steel. Operations bring one face to face with a personal crisis. The entire emotional system runs rampant, and strong men become little boys again. When those two youthful looking lads rolled me toward the operating room in Midland Memorial Hospital last week, the situation didn't improve a bit when one of them remarked: "You really would be nervous if I told you something you don't know." That alerted me quickly and I asked: "What do you know?" He replied: "I'm nervous too—I have worked here only two days." I couldn't resist a final thrust at displaying some humor. I told him to just be sure he didn't get his hands on the knife. The three of us laughed, and in less than five minutes a trained, skilled and competent surgeon, surrounded by professional assistants in the operating room were at the task of patching up a country editor. I know now why operations make interesting conversation topics, because now I belong to the club.

MRS. J. H. Moore has announced her candidacy for the district clerk post in Midland County. MRS. MOORE will be remembered in Martin County as the former JOYCE CLARDY, daughter of the late CARL CLARDY, longtime Stanton implement dealer. JOYCE MOORE is the wife of one of the finest men I ever knew. She is the mother of four children and every one of them are fine, healthy, intelligent boys and girls. I claim BARBARA, MIKE, KEVIN, and CARLA as my adopted nieces and nephews. Their grandmother, LELIA BASSHAM, and their step-father, SHELLY BASSHAM, are tops in everybody's book. I am a dedicated admirer of JOYCE CLARDY MOORE, and I know she is going to do well in her Midland County political effort.

A very interesting story appears in this issue concerning the operation of our city government. Read it and accept it for what it is—a fair and impartial report to the taxpayers of this city. The purpose of publication was to inform and not to dabble in local politics—a policy this newspaper editor towns on.

NEAL'S NUGGET: "Subscribe to your hometown paper and become a first class citizen."

A publication of Mississippi Power and Light Company noted, "In the formative years of our county, adults and children alike, were taught to appreciate and to practice the moral and economic truths found in Aesop's fable of the ant and the grasshopper; and in the proverbs of Benjamin Franklin. It was during this era that America became the world's strongest and most affluent nation. The borrow-and-spend era was great for a time, but now that the bills have started coming in—

paid for largely by new borrowing at higher interest—things aren't nearly as gay as they once were."

King Louis XIV of France had the longest reign of any monarch in European history—72 years.

Oaks are usually the last trees in the forest to shed their leaves in the fall.

Presidents James Madison and Zachary Taylor were second cousins.

R. C. Vest . . .

(Continued from page 1) opportunity to meet the challenge of the office of county judge.

He lives at 412 First Street, with his wife, Anita, and daughter, Susan, a junior at Stanton High School. Their daughter, Sherry, now Mrs. Jerry Cox, is a junior at Texas Tech.

Vest was born in Hill County, Texas, and is 45 years of age. In 1933, the family moved to Midland County, where he attended school and graduated from Midland High School. He was president of the Area II Future Farmers of America, president of the Midland County 4-H Club, and the winner of a National 4-H Club scholarship.

Since 1950, Vest has been active in community service in Stanton, and is a past president of the Stanton Lions Club, past director of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce, has served as county-wide chairman of the Boy Scout Drive, on Girl Scout, and Salvation Army drives. Vest and his family are members of the First Baptist Church. He has been General Sunday School superintendent, and is presently a teacher of a high school boys class.

As a candidate for county judge, Vest states: "I personally feel that the people of our community and county are faced with changing times and conditions, which will require the work and effort of all of us. If elected, it is my hope that we will join together for a better community, a better county government, and a better school system. I have enjoyed raising my family in Stanton, being a part of this community, and feel that as county judge, I would be able to devote more of my life to community activities. I would welcome the opportunity to work with the county commissioners, and other county and school officials, in the administration of the county's business."

Variety . . .

(Continued from page 1) new subscription to his hometown newspaper — The Stanton Reporter.

Stanton . . .

(Continued from page 1) other cities, were Beck Green, 364; Rick Green, 358, and Troy Welch, 356.

Other high team scores were:

Sheep, Posey 4-H Club, 284; hogs, Stanton FFA, 287; beef cattle, Howard County 4-H Club, 366; horses, Stanton FFA, 136.

The hog judging team from Stanton, was made up of Steve Fryar, Roger Graves, and Bobby Odom.

Other individual placings, starting with fourth, were:

Roger Graves, Stanton FFA, 344; Walter Simmons, Posey 4-H, 343; Bobby Odom, Stanton FFA, 339; John Childress, Aspermont FFA, 331; Robert Finley, Lorraine FFA, 330; Gary Cook, Posey 4-H, 329, and Bobby Boles, Lorraine, 328.

R. Kelly . . .

(Continued from page 1) He was born March 20, 1904, in Huckaby, and moved to Stanton in 1925 from Colorado City. He married Miss Ora May Cornelius in Midland, Aug. 5, 1926.

Survivors include his wife of Stanton; two sons, Hubert Ray of Willits, Calif., and Tommie Gene of Stanton; three daughters, Mrs. Colleen Garcia of Stanton, Mrs. Marlene Higgins of Abilene, and Mrs. Joyce M. Ponder of Beaumont; five sisters, Mrs. Rosa Holt of Hurst, Mrs. Lottie Farrar of Antone, Mrs. Ruby Carr of Wichita Falls, Mrs. Effie Felt of Colorado City, and Mrs. Dessie Jones of Snyder; five brothers, A. A. Kelly of Amarillo, J. J. Kelly of Brown-Worth, Odie Kelly of Brownfield, Ras Kelly of Idalou, and Fred Kelly of Lubbock, and 18 grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Savings . . .

(Continued from page 1) during 1969 amounted to \$4.750 billion, with 97 per cent of goal achieved. Sales of Freedom Shares totaled \$348 million during 1969 — 26 per cent above the \$277 million sold in 1968.

Dr. Price . . .

(Continued from page 1) legislature who can respond with a resolute 'no' to many of the socialistic bills and ideas. I know that we need to view and review our opportunities for development of basic industry in this district, and I believe we must strengthen and expand our existing industry — particularly agri-business, oil and gas, water and ranching.

"Also, we need to do everything we can to stabilize this basic industry.

"We must maintain our pride in our civic interests, in our schools, in our churches, and in our homes. Moreover, we need to enable our children to learn: the best of the qualities of life. To do this, we must teach them the heritage that has come down to us throughout the many preceding years and centuries.

"Most of all, we need an order of things with an orderly progress — progress for all people.

"I have been a physician and practiced medicine in Lamesa for more than 35 years. My wife is the former Asalee Key, daughter of V. O. Key, an early attorney and pioneer resident of Dawson County. We have two children, John and Pamela.

"John V. Price is a professor of English, and lectures at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. He and his wife, Sylvia, have two children, Prescott and Valarie.

"Our daughter Pamela, is married to Monty McMinn, who will receive his Doctor of Medicine in June. She teaches emotionally disturbed children at the John Sealy Hospital in Galveston.

"I was one of the first physicians from the West Texas area to be appointed to the State Board of Health, and received my appointment from former Gov. John Connally in 1966. In my capacity as a board member, I would like to relate some of the things I have been privileged to do for the residents of this area.

"I was able to help secure appropriations of \$1 million for Saint Mary's of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock, and this year, was instrumental in helping secure funds of more than \$500,000 to build a new hospital for Terry County at Brownfield. Also, I have been privileged to help the town of Tahoka with receiving appropriations of more than \$300,000 for a new Lynn County hospital.

"Within the past two months, I was able to assist the city of Plainview complete plans and acquire additional funding for another new hospital facility.

"These are some of the things I have done for our local area, and I am hopeful they will serve only as a beginning for things I can do for our community, and the counties of Martin, Dawson, Andrews, Gaines, Yoakum, and Lynn. I feel that I have had my training on the job, and that I can help our entire district achieve greater and better things for increased progress about all our people."

City Of . . .

(Continued from page 1) by the city council to his positions. For his duties, White receives a salary of \$455 per month.

Next in the city departments is the police department, that consists of Chief Ted Jones, patrolmen Elmo Pinkerton and Rod Roulston. The police force of the city is directly responsible to the council, and their salaries were set by the group at \$475 per month for patrolmen, and \$550 for the chief. In addition to their salaries, the policemen receive \$100 annually for uniform allowance.

Doyle Land was appointed during the past year as supervisor of public works, which includes supervision of the water and sewer department, park department, sanitation department, and street and alley department. His position is slated by the council at \$575 per month.

The water department of the city, is unusual, in the fact that it is relatively self-sufficient. Salaries, operating expenses, and other expenditures, are paid from fees received for water and sewer services. Mrs. Polly Nichols serves as water clerk, and is directed by the city secretary.

Jack Pinkston serves as the water department superintendent, and is assisted by Johnny Glibreath. The water de-

Blanchard . . .

(Continued from page 1) "There are many issues which have come before the Senate on which reasonable minds could differ. When these arise I realize that no man can do more than to do his best, which I have sincerely attempted to do at all times.

"I hope that the votes I have cast and the principals which I have tried so hard to carry forward, have been pleasing to a vast majority of the people in our district. I have tried to approach each issue with an open mind, vote for what I thought was right, and then come back home and tell the people the truth; or as my boys would say, 'tell it like it was.'

"Many difficult problems face the legislators in the sessions ahead and the decisions they reach will have far reaching effects on all West

partment combined salaries total \$1,270 a month for the personnel.

The other three public works departments, which includes the park department, sanitation department, street and alley department, employ a total of five employees, with a payroll of \$2,060 per month. The city also pays one-half of the laundry, and rental of uniforms for the public works employees.

The city's revenue is based on the collection of taxes; taxes on personal property, cars, real estate, businesses, and, of course, the city sales tax.

During 1969, the total revenue collected by the city for the sales tax, totaled \$16,036.33, according to Mrs. Burgess. "Governments are like the times, always changing," Will Rogers once commented, and the city of Stanton's government will be meeting a possible change when city elections are held April 4.

The mayor's position, three council positions being vacated by Sam Houston, Stanton White, and Bill Terry, will be balloted upon. There is no charge for filing as a candidate, but one requirement, is to be a resident of the county and city for six months, to run for the council, and a resident for a year for mayor's position.

Absentee voting will begin March 16, and close on March 31, at the city office.

Texans. Redistricting may well reduce the strength of West Texas in the capitol of Austin, by giving Houston, Dallas, and Ft. Worth, additional seats in the Senate.

"Securing an adequate water supply for West Texas, prevention of crime, curtailment of narcotic and drug abuses, excellence in education at Texas Tech, and in the public school system, improvement of controls over air and water pollution, and working to prevent the tragic highway death and injury toll, are some of the major problems which must be faced and solved by future legislatures.

"I am hopeful that my experience, my seniority, and my understanding of the problems of West Texas, will permit me to again have your confidence and your vote.

"If I am elected you may be sure that I will continue to work with all of our officials and the people of the 29th District, to insure that our government is responsive to the needs of all our people. No one will even find himself without recourse to this office, or to my time, attention and assistance.

Now is the time to renew your subscription to the **Ole Reliable**, or to subscribe for a friend or relative that likes to read all the news from Stanton.

C. Yater . . .

(Continued from page 1) toward none, I am placing my name up for consideration by the people for the post of county judge.

"If elected to serve, I will do my utmost to administer equally for every person in Martin County.

"I will appreciate the vote and influence of all voters who feel my qualifications meet the requirement of the office on election day."

Mrs. Pinkerton . . .

(Continued from page 1) Spring.

Survivors include five sons, and two daughters, Mrs. Lela Shankle of Midland, Mrs. Simmie Foster of Houston, Mrs. Clarence Schuelke of Midland, Mrs. Al Morgan of Stanton, Mrs. Jewell Reid of California, Henry Pinkerton of Stanton, and Elmo Pinkerton of Stanton. Numerous grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

The ore carrier San Juan Prospector, largest commercial vessel ever to go through the Panama Canal, squeezed into Miraflores Lock with less than two feet to spare on each side. The ship is 106 feet, 4 inches wide; the locks are 110 feet wide.

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