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tracks
-by dave

There is an old saying that something good comes out of everything. Well, we hate that the Elkettes lost their game to Slaton down in Lubbock, but looking at it this way, think of all the money they saved the town when they lost that game.

We recall back in 1969 we figured up over \$15,000 was spent by the citizens of Stratford making that trip to Austin. With inflation like it is, who knows how much a similar trip would cost today?

Then there is another joker, what about gasoline? We can see residents scattered like quail all up and down the highways from Austin to Stratford sitting by the side of the road with empty gas tanks.

Seriously, we congratulate Coach P.D. Fletcher and all the Elkettes for their play this year. They have done well and have a young ball club. Only two girls graduate, Forward Phyllis Miller and Guard Melinda Zaricor, all the rest will be back another year.

We shall miss Phyllis and Melinda for their contributions this year have been great, but Coach Fletcher has four starters back next year and the Elkettes will be moving back down into Class A competition. (Seems we heard a sigh of relief from over east toward Spearman).

One observation we would make about this past weekend. We have heard several remarks about the Stratford fans not hollaring at the Slaton game. Frankly, we never listen to the crowd down on the floor taking photos, but this was mentioned to us several times.

Apparently, Stratford didn't make too much noise supporting the girls. This is strange for we can recall when one couldn't hear anything because of Elkettes fans screaming. We would hate for this to have been a factor in the loss last Saturday night. There sure were plenty on hand to hollar we know!

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We would remind everyone that this is really a "political" year. Not only do we have state and national offices up for voters, but there will be elections for places on the school board, county school board, city council and hospital board.

These are important posts, and ones that hit close to all of us. We would encourage anyone who is interested to file his, or her, name with the proper authorities as soon as possible.

Deadline for filing is March 6 for all these races with the actual elections to be held on April 6.

Don't put it off, remember the deadline for filing on March 6 and then the elections a month later.

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We visited at length with Paul Chesmer this week concerning his trip to Washington in an effort to learn something of what to expect concerning the availability of fertilizer.

Farmers are being urged to plant more and produce more, and yet fertilizer is in short supply.

The subject is covered in an article in this issue. We'd just make one comment that pretty well summed up Paul's visit. They were told very plainly by government officials, that if you want the government out of your business that is alright, but if you come to the government for help, then you must be willing to abide with freezes and controls. We thought that put the matter in a nutshell very simply. The old law of supply and demand will eventually rule out if given ample time.

Paul told us one of the men held up a dollar bill and said this was "ample ration coupon" that would work if given time to do so.

We believe this is correct!

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The local American Field Service (AFS) Chapter is still seeking applications for anyone interested in hosting a Foreign Exchange Student next year. If

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Fertilizer Supply Shortages Predicted For Crop Year

Farmers in Sherman County, and across the entire state, will have to learn that fertilizer will be in short supply for at least this year, said Paul Chesmer, owner of Stratford Butane Company, who just returned from a meeting in Washington, D.C. concerning the shortage of fertilizer.

Chesmer and fertilizer dealers from across the state and nation met last week with members of the Cost of Living Council, representatives from the Department of Commerce and the United States Department of Agriculture dealing with the present fertilizer shortage.

"It appears that based on what we learned at this

meeting," Chesmer said, "we can look for only about 70-80 percent of the product being available to us this year that we had last year," he stated.

Chesmer said that the Stratford area is suffering from shortage due to many factors. High on the list is the fact that the Phillips plant at Etter closed down last November. This plant was producing in excess of 350 tons of fertilizer products per day when it went out of production.

Other factors which have entered the picture include that in the past this area was an exporter of fertilizer products and now it is an area that will have to import products. This coupled with the truck strike,

gasoline and diesel prices and general confusion in the transportation industry, have all contributed to the fact this area is now in need of additional fertilizer to meet the needs of the coming crop year.

Chesmer said in visiting with other dealers at the meeting they were all short of the amount of fertilizer needed to meet their needs.

Chesmer said he was told at the meeting that the Cost of Living Council saw what was coming for fertilizer back in October of last year. In an effort to head off a shortage the freeze was taken off all such products.

Since that time the cost of fertilizer has been going up and up.

"We were also told that we had a choice of either getting government in, or out, of our business," Chesmer pointed out.

"If the government stays out, which most of us would desire, then the law of supply and demand will ultimately take over and the situation will level out. If the government steps in, then they will come in with controls and price freezes which we don't want," he added.

Chesmer said that representatives of USDA and Department of Commerce told them that exports for the most part will be down during 1974.

The figures the group were cited showed that exports of ammonia during 1974 will be down 13 percent, exports of

urea will be down 36 percent but exports of nitrate will be up as will exports of phosphates.

Overall, the figures showed that 35 percent more fertilizer products were produced during the last six months of 1973 than in any other six months period on record.

The group was also told that even with more land put into production, the shortage of fertilizer product should be limited to certain areas where plants had been taken off the line such as the one at Etter.

Chesmer went on to point out that as of Monday price of fertilizer at his business was about double what it was a year earlier. He also pointed out that in the past the cost of fertilizer

to him had been a delivered price.

"This is all changed now," he said. "In the future, we will have the price of the product plus transportation to reckon with," he added.

At this time, instead of getting fertilizer at Etter, Stratford Butane is having to get their product from Nebraska or Houston.

"We are doing all we can do to get fertilizer here and available for our customers," said Chesmer. "We will not get into the bootlegging and price gouging to get fertilizer but will use all our resources to secure adequate supplies through regular channels," he stated.

"It appears now that time is

going to be the answer to most of our problems," he said. "When the supply and demand equal out then we will quit having shortages and price gouging. Until then it will be a confusion situation for all of us," he said.

TOWN TALK

H.L. (Curly) McMahan has been hospitalized in Dumas Memorial Hospital with the flu. ***

Evelyn Harding of Amarillo spent the weekend with her mother, Belle Cummings and visited other relatives and friends. ***

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Slaton Shuts Elkettes State Tourney Hopes

Stratford Elkettes' bid for a return to the State Class AA Tourney in Austin went by the board Saturday night as the Slaton Tigerettes downed Stratford 52-41 in the finals of the Regional AA Tourney held in Lubbock Coliseum.

The Elkettes had fought their way to the finals in the Regional Tourney by downing Shamrock Tuesday night 71-33 in Bi-District then beat Floydada Whirlettes Saturday morning in the semi-finals 56-38.

Stratford never got their attack moving with any regularity as the more experienced Slaton girls showed their maturity and rebounding ability which carried the night for the Tigerettes.

Both teams began on pretty even terms and were tied at 10-all with 1:40 left in the first when Slaton broke out in front with three big field goals plus a free shot to lead 17-10 at the end of the first quarter.

The Elkettes fought back in the second outscoring Slaton 12-11 but went in at the half trailing 28-22.

After the half the Elkettes Ten Youths To Compete At Houston

About 10 area youths will be competing at the Houston Livestock Show slated to be held this weekend in Houston.

Six members of the Stratford Future Farmers of America Chapter will be exhibiting swine at the show along with four members of the Sherman County 4-H Club. In addition to these 10 youths, two will also be included in the 4-H Calf Scramble which will be held at the Matinee performance of the Rodeo on Sunday afternoon.

The six FFA members who will be exhibiting swine are Kerry Bell, Paul Wells, TRery Doshier, Greg Pool, Keith Pool and John McDaniel.

The three Sutterfield girls, Charlotte, Brenda and Rhonda and Craig Sladka, all members of the Sherman County 4-H, will be exhibiting swine.

The two 4-H boys who will participate in the Calf Scramble are Mark Keener and Wyatt Oakley. The calf scramble include 12 animals and 24 boys. The 12 boys who get their halters placed on an animal and return it to a square in the arena get \$225 gift certificates with which to purchase a calf to feed of their choice. Each winner will then feed his animal and return it to next year's show for judging. A total of 338 boys will participate in the scramble this year.

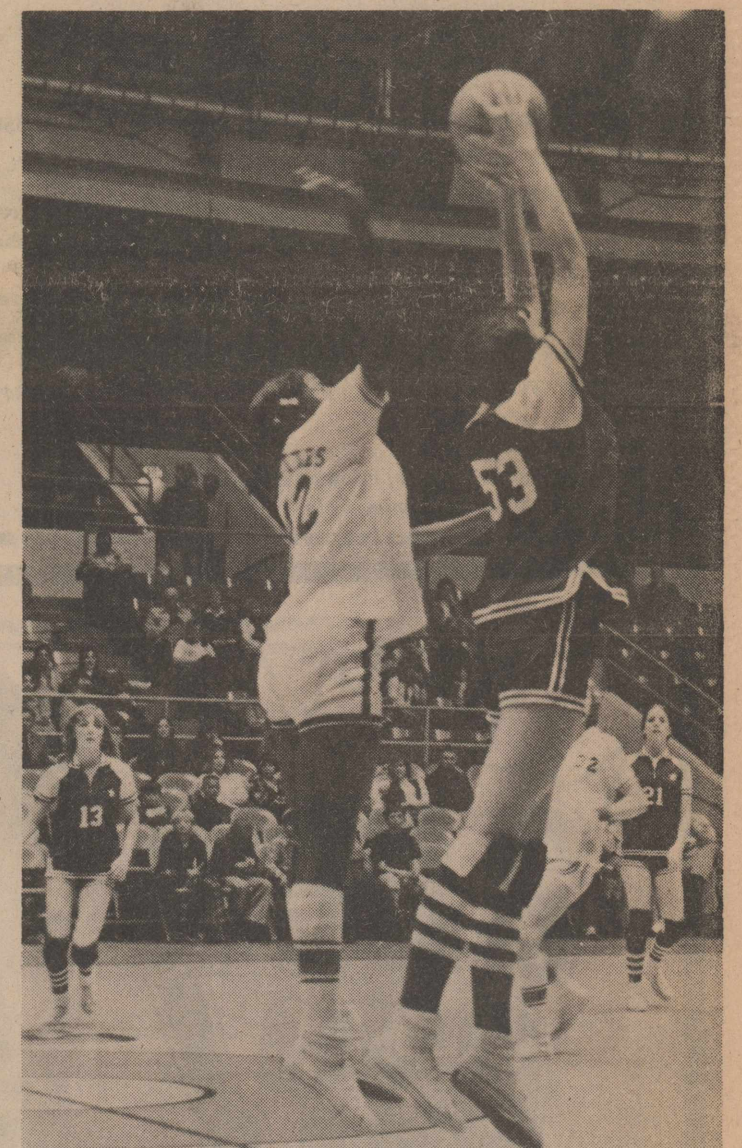
pulled up within two to trail 28-26 with 5:21 left in the quarter, but then Slaton used their rebounding skills and quickness to force Stratford into several critical turnovers and at the end of the third Slaton still lead 36-29.

In the final stanza, the Elkettes fought gamely but their rebounding shots were off their mark and D'Lynn Brown was handled well by Slaton's senior Guards Kay Stephens and Kay Culver. Both Miss Stephens and Miss Culver minimized Miss Brown's height with their speed and experience keeping the Elkettes scoring attack blunted throughout the contest.

STRATFORD's Guards got in early trouble as Betty Hacker got three fouls called in about as many seconds in the first stanza and was replaced by Natalie Engelbrecht. Miss Engelbrecht played her position well, but again the Slaton team's superior speed and height coupled with experience spelled the difference on both ends of the court.

The critical turning point in the game came early in the fourth quarter when Slaton was leading by six points. The Elkettes guards forced three successive turnovers and the Elkettes forwards were unable to convert a single scoring opportunity into points on the boards. After the third turnover pulled out to 10 points on the Elkettes and were never in serious trouble again.

As Stratford's forwards began forcing their shots in a desperate effort to catchup late in the game the shots missed



ACTION AT MIDCOURT—D'Lynn Brown of Stratford [Number 53] goes high into the air at midcourt to get a pass from Guard Dayleen Prescott. Guarding Miss Brown is Sonja Curry of Floydada. The Elkettes won the semi final game by a score of 56-38 then was downed in the finals by Slaton 52-41.

with disappointing regularity and seemingly Slaton's shots found the mark easily. Slaton outscored Stratford 16-12 in the final stanza to win by a 52-41 margin.

Phyllis Miller lead the Elkettes scoring in the final game with 18 points followed by Miss Brown with 12 and Cindy Stokes with 11. Slaton's Rosemary Scott was high scorer in the contest hitting for a total of 22 points in the game.

In Saturday's semi-final game the Elkettes downed Floydada's Whirlettes 56-38 lead by the scoring of Miss Brown who contributed 23 points in the contest.

The Elkettes used a well balanced attack in cutting down the green and white Floydada team as Miss Stokes hit for 17 points and Miss Miller got 14 in the game.

Floydada was lead by Debbie Johnson who got 19 points in the game. The two teams measured each other during most of the first stanza with Stratford leading 16-12. In the second quarter

Stratford pulled out to a seven point halftime lead 27-20.

In the early goings of the third stanza it was all Floydada as Miss Johnson hit three successive shots from outside and narrowed the score to 27-26. At this point the Elkettes went to work in earnest and slowly began pulling away. They ended the quarter owning a 10 point lead 40-30 then in the final stanza Stratford outscored Floydada 16-8 and Coach Fletcher emptied the bench with about two minutes to go with the game out of reach.

The Elkettes finished the season with a 27-3 record and were competing in playoffs for eight times in the last 10 seasons. This was their first time to be in contention since moving into Class AA competition.

Stratford placed two girls on the All Tourney Team following the action. Both Cindy Stokes and D'Lynn Brown were honored with All Tourney medals after the team trophy presentations.

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Outstanding Teens Cited At SHS

Jack Haile and Melinda Zaricor were named as Stratford High School's Outstanding Teenagers of America for 1974, announced High School Principal Dale Prescott, Monday.

Haile is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Haile and Miss Zaricor is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Zaricor. Both are members of the senior class.

Haile is currently serving as president of the Student Council, was selected as All District Tackle, both offensive and defensive, on the Elk football team this year, attended Boys State and has been a member of the Elk Band and football team.

Miss Zaricor is a member of the Student Council, a member of the Elkettes basketball squad and has won numerous honors as an All Tourney player during her high school career.

The two students were nominated for the honor by Principal Prescott and they are qualified to compete for further state, regional and national honors and scholarships.

Both Miss Zaricor and Haile were chosen for their excellence in academic achievement and civil service. They will now compete with other nominees for across the State of Texas where the winners will be announced later this year. The 51 state winners will be eligible for awards totalling \$7,000. One boy and one girl will be chosen for \$1,000 scholarships each with 10 regional winners to receive \$500 scholarships each with 10 regional winners to receive \$500 scholarships.

"We are happy to have such outstanding young people singled out for their hard work and contributions to our community and school," said Principal Prescott.

Mid Winter Concert Set By Elk Band

Stratford Elk Band will present their Mid Winter Concert Tuesday evening in the high school gymnasium beginning at 7:30 p.m., announced Band Director Gary Laramore.

The concert will include presentations by members of the Stage Band, Elk Band, Junior High Band and High School Choir.

Admission will be \$1 for adults and 75 cents for students. Children under 12 will be admitted free. Proceeds will present four numbers. They include Cha Cha For Judy, Goin' Out Of My Head, Movin' Up, and Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen.

The Elk Band, under Laramore's direction, will present four numbers. They include Imperial Edward March, Elegy for a Young American, Triptych and Instant Concert.

The Junior High Band, under direction of Bill Surface, will play three numbers. They include La Banda Nascente, Soul Explosion and Chant and Jubilo.

The Stratford High School Choir, under direction of Surface, will sing three numbers. They are Awake My Soul, Laments from Jeremiah and God Bless America.

The general public is invited to attend.



OUTSTANDING TEENS—Jack Haile, son of Mrs. Dorothy Haile, and Melinda Zaricor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Zaricor, were nominated Outstanding Teenagers of America this week. They will compete with other nominees from over the state for awards and scholarships totalling \$7,000.

RITA BLANCA ELECTRIC

Annual Report Told At Co-op Meeting

Energy and material shortages for building new lines were highlighted in remarks by Manager R.L. Elliott, Jr., at the annual meeting Wednesday of Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative. Rising prices of fuels needed for generation of electricity, as well as their critical shortage were blamed for rising costs of wholesale power bought by the cooperative.

Elliott outlined the 14 percent increase in power usage by RBEC members during 1973 over the electricity purchased by consumers in 1972. This did not include the new services connected by the cooperative during the past year. Total margins for 1973 were \$152,709.

During the business session four directors were reelected to the board. These include Luther Browder of Sunray, Noel Higgins of Texline, J.R. Clements of Middlewell and Russell Cosper of Hartley. At a brief meeting of the board following the general membership meeting all officers were also reelected.

Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21 2 p.m. Ladies Bridge at Country Club

7 p.m. Weight Watchers at Farm Bureau Bldg.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 7:30 p.m. Couples "42" at Country Club

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 8 p.m. Square Dance at Legion Hall

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 ATTEND CHURCH OF YOUR CHOICE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25 7 p.m. Lions Club

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 7:30 p.m. Band Concert at High School Gym

8 p.m. Channing-Follett Bi-District game at Spearman

These officers include Browder, president; Forrest Roberson of Dalhart, vice president; and Higgins, secretary-treasurer.

The 1973 Government-in-action Youth Troop contest winners, Barry Green of Dalhart and Crystal Brian of Middlewell, gave a dialogue on their trip to Washington, D.C., last summer and told of the inspiration and renewed appreciation of the American government received on the trip.

Approximately 275 persons enjoyed a barbecue luncheon prior to the meeting and more than 30 prizes were awarded to close the day's activities. Mr. and Mrs. David Terrell of Star Route, Hartley, were awarded the grand prize of a trash compactor.

City-Hospital Elections Set For April 6

Three places on both the Stratford City Council and the Stratford Hospital Board will be up for election slated to be held on April 6.

Filing will remain open until March 6 for both these elections. Anyone desiring to be a candidate for either the City Council or the Hospital Board may file with Max Stephenson at the City Hall.

The three places on the City Council include the office of Mayor and two Council seats. Currently Annell Wall is serving as Mayor with the two Council posts held by Bill Blain and J.E. (Ed) Moore.

The three seats on the Hospital Board are currently held by Mrs. Shirley McReynolds, Jack Vincent and Phillip Bain.

Holdover members of the Council include Ron Hager, Bill Riffe and Duane Plunk. Holdover members of the Hospital Board are Walter Lasley and Carroll V. Wisdom.

OBITUARIES

M.C. Robertson

Services for Merritt C. Robertson, father of Duane C. Robertson, Darrell R. Robertson and Mrs. Rex (Jean) Burgess, all of Stratford, were held February 9 at 1 p.m. in the Robinson United Methodist Church of Robinson, Kansas.

The Rev. Wayne Castle officiated at the service and burial was in the Mount Hope Cemetery of Hiawatha, Kansas under direction of Meek Funeral Service.

Mr. Robertson, 64, died in his sleep early Thursday morning following a short history of heart trouble.

Merritt C. Robertson was born in Horton, Kansas on August 10, 1909, the son of Pleasant S. and Rosa M. Hathaway Robertson. He had lived in the Robinson community for many years.

For the past four years he had served as a custodian for the USD 415 attendance center in Robinson.

He was a member of the Robinson United Methodist Church.

In April of 1937, he was married to Mabel E. Blakley. She survives at the home. Other survivors include two sons, Duane C. Robertson and Darrell R. Robertson; five daughters, Mrs. Rex Burgess, Mrs. Joe Gibson of Hiawatha, Mrs. Boyd Nuzum of San Diego, Calif., Wanda S. Robertson and Becki L. Robertson, both of the home; two brothers, Howard Robertson of Netawaka, Kansas and Harold Robertson of Hiawatha; four sisters, Mrs.

Golda Molt, Mrs. Arnold Puvogel and Mrs. Edgar Blakley, all of Longview, Wash. and Mrs. Joe Balkley of Weston, Mo.; his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. P.S. Robertson of Hiawatha; and nine grandchildren.

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you are interested, or think your family may be interested, contact Marylou McDaniel, or Joyce Ann Lasley at your earliest convenience for all details.

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Weather turned off cooler this past week and we did get a "sample" of moisture last week, some .06 of an inch. Not enough to do much good. Our Lows varied from 21 degrees to a high of 69 degrees this past week. Highs and Lows for the week are as follows: Feb. 13, 69-26; Feb. 14, 69-30; Feb. 15, 56-28 and .06 moisture; Feb. 16, 63-26; Feb. 17, 64-27; Feb. 18, 69-32 and Feb. 19, 48-21.

Commodity prices at noon Tuesday showed wheat selling for \$5.60 per bushel, grain sorghum at \$4.75 per cwt and corn at \$3.01 per bushel.

BASKETBALL

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Miss Stokes is a junior while Miss Brown is a sophomore.

Slaton also placed two girls on the Class AA All Tourney team with Kay Stephens and Rosemary Scott representing the Class AA winners. Coahoma was represented by Gail Mitchell and Floydada was represented by Sonja Curry.

Miss Stephens is a senior guard for Slaton while Miss

Scott is a junior forward. Miss Mitchell for Coahoma is a senior guard while Floydada's Miss Curry is a senior guard. Miss Brown is a sophomore forward and Miss Stokes is a junior forward, both for Stratford.

Sherman County Ranks Second In Wheat

AUSTIN -- Agriculture Commissioner John C. White has announced that Sherman County ranked second in the state in wheat production in 1973.

Wheat production increased from 1,594,000 bushels in 1972 to 5,757,000 bushels in 1973. This was an increase of 4,163,000 bushels.

Farmers in the county increased their average yield per acre from 23.1 bushels in 1972 to 31.0 bushels per acre in 1973.

Quilchere County led the state in wheat production with a total yield of 6,890,000 bushels.

Commissioner White said that the total wheat production for Texas was a record 98,600,000 bushels.

"Wheat is a very important food grain crop, and we are proud that Texas ranked sixth in the nation in wheat production," White said.

Texas farmers harvested 3,400,000 acres and averaged 29.0 bushels per acre.

TOWN TALK

David McBryde was hospitalized in Dumas last week for a couple of days and is now home.

Two Races In School Board Elections

Interested citizens have until March 7 to file and get their names on this year's ballots in elections to select two men for the board of trustees of the Stratford Independent School District and two places on the Sherman County School Board.

Johnny Summerour has already filed for reelection to one of the places on the board for the SISD. Summerour is seeking his second term on that board. The other place is currently held by Bill Hammons and his intentions have not been public at press time.

Anyone desiring to run for the Stratford ISD board of trustees must file their name at the school business office prior to the March 7 deadline. The elections will be held on April 6.

Two places open on the County School Board are currently held by W.N. Bridwell of Texhoma for Precinct 3 and a Trustee At Large position now held by T.F. Baskin III who was appointed to fill out the term last year.

Anyone desiring to seek this office may contact Sherman County Judge Bill Frizzell's office at the Court House.

Picture-Taking Tips

- For advice on how to take good snapshots, ask a teenager. Still photography and movie-making have caught on and because these young people are not the least accomplished of whom is Rebecca Sue Jones of Boise, Idaho, who has won a \$1,000 scholarship in the Kodak Junior Miss Photo Awards.
- Know your equipment.
- Read the instruction manual that came with it.
- Hold the camera steady.
- Keep it handy for unexpected snapshots.
- Try for simple backgrounds like sky.
- Vary your photographic angles.
- Include people in pictures.
- Have fun.

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New Map Available By THD

AUSTIN--Initial distribution of the 1974 Texas Official Highway Travel Map was announced today by the Texas Highway Department.

During the year some one million copies will be distributed to Texas drivers, making the map one of the most popular publications in the state.

In this era of fuel conservation, an accurate, up-to-date map is a valuable tool in charting short-line distances, a Highway Department spokesman said.

Although other means of transit are much in the news, the spokesman emphasized that highway travel by all types of motor vehicles will remain the dominant mode of transportation because of the state's sprawling geography.

Travelers are reminded that the map offers far more than most users realize. Study of the 1974 map legend shows that map typography indicates relative sizes of all cities and towns. Each type of highway is scribbled differently, from Interstate routes to Farm Roads. Convenient red mileage figures tabulate total miles between major points.

Every rest area along Texas highways is indicated; those with rest rooms are shown by a different symbol. All state parks are pinpointed by number, symbol, and grid coordinates. There are even altitude readings for each county seat.

The back of the map is devoted to enlarged diagrams of all major population areas, with main-line "Through routes" clearly shown. On the Dallas-Fort Worth diagram, the fourth place national winners receive scholarships increased to \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively.

The test personal observations and interviews are all prepared and conducted by Science Research Associates of Chicago.

Copies of the free map can be obtained at the tourist information centers, Highway Department district offices, or by mail from the Texas Highway Department, Travel and Information Division, P.O. Box 5064, Austin, Texas 78763.

TEXHOMA LIVESTOCK

3600 cattle and calves were sold thru the arena at Texhoma last Friday. The better steer and heifer calves sold about steady with the previous week. Yearling and feeder steers sold \$1 to \$3 lower. Feeder heifers were steady for the better kind. Plainer heifers were \$1 to \$2 lower.

Some representative sales were as follows: 24 WF and Blk Steers Av. Wt. 448# at \$59.75

Betty Crocker Winner Named At SHS

Debra J. Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Williams and a senior at Stratford High School, has been named Stratford High School's 2974 Betty Crocker Family Leader of Tomorrow.

Miss Williams won the honor by scoring high in a written knowledge and attitude examination administered to high school seniors here and throughout the country Dec. 4. She will receive a specially designed award from General Mills, sponsor of the annual Betty Crocker Search for Leadership in Family Living and also remains eligible for state and national honors.

From the ranks of all school winners in the state, a State Family Leader of Tomorrow is selected through judging centered on test performance and receives a \$1,500 college scholarship. The second-ranking student in the state will receive a \$500 scholarship. Encyclopedia Britannica Educational Corporation will present "The Annals of America", a 20 volume reference work, to the state winner's school.

Representing every state and the District of Columbia, the 51 Betty Crocker Family Leaders of Tomorrow, together with a faculty advisor, will gather in Washington, D.C., in April, for an expense-paid educational tour of the capital city and Minneapolis, Minn. During the tour, personal observations and interviews are added to state level judging which results in the selection of the All-American Family Leader of Tomorrow, who receives a \$5,000 college scholarship. Second, third and fourth place national winners receive scholarships increased to \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000 respectively.

There are no toll facilities on any Texas State-maintained highway.



BETTY CROCKER WINNER--Debra Williams, left, is a senior at SHS this year and is shown here with Home Economics Instructor Mrs. Barbara Bowman. Debra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Williams and won the school's Betty Crocker Cookbook Award. As a winner she will now compete with other winners for various scholarships and awards.

John Wheeler

On PSC Judging Team

John Wheeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wheeler of Stratford and a student at Panhandle State College, was a member of the Junior Livestock Judging team from PSC which finished 8 in the Ft. Worth Southwestern Exposition in Ft. Worth, Texas.

Bob Montgomery from McClure, Colorado finished 11 in cattle and was 19 overall individual high.

Tom Merritt from Buffalo, Oklahoma finished 6 in cattle; 6 in hogs; and was 18 overall individual high.

The team finished 3 in cattle and 5th in hogs.

Other winners included: Mike Flores, 2 place \$9; Annette Flores, 3 place \$8; Merlene Williams, 4 place \$7; Charlotte Sutterfield, 5 place \$6; Belinda Sladec, 6 place \$5; Leslie Flores, 7 place \$4; Kristi Doshier, 8 place \$3; Shrona Olson, 9 place \$2; Tommy Cross, 10 place \$1.50; David Owen White, Daryle White, Brenda Wheeler, Honey Hart, Ricky Olson, and Max Christian, 11 place, \$1.00.

Record Book

Winners

Jeff Flores, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pete Flores, won first place for his 4-H Record Book and received a \$10.00 cash award given by Sherman County Farm Bureau. Farm Bureau gives cash awards to the record book winners annually at the Jr. Livestock Show.

There are no toll facilities on any Texas State-maintained highway.

GREETINGS TO ALL CATTLEMEN

FRIDAY, February 15, we sold 3,600 cattle and calves. The auction began promptly at 11:00 AM Central daylight Time and was completed at 8 PM.

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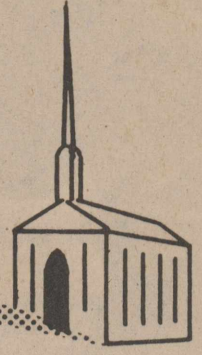
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"And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones; and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isaiah 58-11

The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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 Evening Worship.....6:30 p.m.
 Rev. J. Frank Peery

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 Evening Worship.....6:00p.m.
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Approaching Marriage



Mr. and Mrs. Everett Like of Kenton announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Miss Diane Sue to Mr. Ben D. Wheeler Jr., son of Mr. & Mrs. Ben Wheeler Sr. of Stratford, Tex. They are planning a March 23 wedding at the Kenton Methodist Church.

Garden Club Meets With Mrs Smith

The Stratford Garden Club met in regular session Thursday morning, Feb. 14, in the home of Mrs. Peach Smith with fourteen members present. The hostess served delicious Valentine refreshments on arrival of the guests.

The meeting was then called to order by the vice president, Mrs. Eugene Wilson. The Club collect was given in unison, followed by roll call which was answered with a new plant on shrub in my garden.

Following the business, Mrs. Harold Roberts gave a very interesting program on the subject "What's New in Gardening." She said the producing of new plants was always an interesting phase of something new in gardening. Other things of interest was: the practice of putting cut flowers in hot water, 110 degree temperature, as soon as cut and let cool gradually to room temperature which would cause the plants to stay fresh longer; In watering lawns, deep watering once a week is preferable to shallow watering more often, as shallow watering encourages weed growth, and left the root system of the grass at a shallow depth. Tall cutting of the grass was also recommended. In the discussion that followed, Fair Haven was recommended as a good peach tree for this area.

The club then adjourned to meet March 14 in the home of Mrs. Flo Hudson, with Mrs. Peach Smith as program leader.

Contemporary Club Sponsors Street Signs

New street signs for the Casa Bonita Addition were made possible by members of the Contemporary Study Club and have been in place since last fall.

The continuing placement of street identification signs all over town is a project of members of the Contemporary Club, says Mrs. David Hayes, project chairman.

Presently the club has made possible five signs in the Casa Bonita Addition and is sponsoring a Bake Sale Thursday with the proceeds earmarked to go for the purchase of additional signs.

The Bake Sale will be held at the Woolsey Appliance store beginning 9:30 a.m.

As of October 31, 1973, there were more than 71 thousand miles of designated highways in the Texas highway system, of which about 40.6 thousand miles were Farm to Market Roads.

Of Interest To THE WOMEN



VALENTINE DANCE HONOREES--The 1974 Valentine Dance for Beta Sigma Phi Chapters was held Saturday night in the Legion Hall in Stratford. Sweetheart for Nu Beta Chapter is at left, Mrs. Verna Cross and her husband, Fred. Shown at right is Xi Epsilon Iota Queen Mrs. Betty Brown and her husband, Baskin.

Busy Month Slated By Club Members

March will be a busy month for Prospectus Study Club. They meet Friday, March 1, 2 p.m. at the home of Ione Kendrick. Co-hostess is Mary Hill.

The program is a panel based on the book "Fascinating Womanhood". Topics covered are The Angelic Qualities: Understanding Men, Deep Inner Happiness, Worthy Character and Domestic Goddess. The Human Qualities are Femininity, Happiness, Appearance and Manner and Childlikeness.

This program will have open discussion and exchange of ideas led by Oline Caraway, Home Life Chairman.

Saturday, March 9, 7 p.m. will be the annual couples party at the Country Club. A covered dish dinner is planned.

Mrs. Levi Reynolds of Dalhart is slated to speak on Cattle Brands and Barbed Wire and will sing old ballads of the West, accompanying herself on the guitar.

The social committee members are hostesses.

REQUESTS THE HONOR OF YOUR PRESENCE.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Joe Willey request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Janice Marie, to Mr. David Alan Brown on Sunday, February 24, 1974 at 2:30 p.m. in the Church of Christ of Stratford, Texas. A reception will follow the ceremony.

Older Texans To Meet Next Thursday

The second monthly meeting of the Sherman County Older Texans will be held Thursday afternoon Feb. 28, at 2 p.m. at the Sherman County Barn in Stratford.

Anyone desiring transportation to the meeting may call 396-2178 or Martha Mitts at 396-5521.

The Stratford Elk Stage Band will present musical entertainment plus a representative from the Governor's Committee on Ageing will be on hand at the meeting. These events plus fellowship will highlight the meeting.

All citizens 55 years of age or older or urged to attend to meet old friends and make new ones at this meeting. The group meets the fourth Thursday of each month throughout the year.

Brenda Taylor Honored

Brenda Jo Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Taylor of Kerrick was honored as Best Pledge of Kappa Delta Social Sorority at West Texas State University recently.

The award, the Pat Wieck Memorial Scholarship Award, was presented at a dinner. Brenda was also on the Dean's Honor Roll with a 2.5 out of a possible 3.

Named as best Big Sis and Best Little Sis were Julie Fisher and Rosan Christian. Rosan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Christian of Stratford.

Kappa Delta is the newest social sorority on WT Campus with 35 members.

TOWN TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ethridge are spending a two-week vacation in Hawaii. Howard and Mary left Stratford Wednesday (Feb 13) and will return on Feb. 26.

Mrs. Kidwell Hostess For Embroidery Club

The Embroidery Club met last Thursday in the home of Mrs. John Kidwell for their monthly meeting.

The afternoon was spent doing handwork and refreshments and fellowship was enjoyed by members Mesdames Ben Biddy, G.L. Taylor, Horace Sneed, B.L. Crutchfield, Elmer Hudson, E. Ramey, Leo Meeks, H.T. Galloway, Bernice Dortch, Sam Wakefield, E.W. Butler and Glenn Reed and host Mrs. John Kidwell.

Music Club Set For Tuesday

Music Club meets Tuesday, Feb. 26, 2 p.m. at First Christian Church. Hostesses are Mrs. Floy Yates, Mrs. Lowell Armstrong, Mrs. Don Dietrich and Mrs. Fred McDaniel.

This is the members concert and they are observing the Parade of American Music, a program recommended by the National Federation of Music Clubs.

Solos, duets, ensembles, and piano selections will be featured by various members. All members are urged to participate, even if their names aren't in the year book!

Guests are welcome!

Wedding Announced



M/Sgt. (Ret.) and Mrs. Kenneth C. Maas of Tacoma, Washington announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Karen to Gary McMillion, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. McMillion of Stratford. Karen is the niece of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Maas, and is presently employed as a secretary at Stratford of Texas and Gary will be entering the U.S.A.F. late August or early September.

A late August or early September wedding is planned.

TOWN TALK

The Harold Bennets returned home Monday from a trip to South Texas.

Confirmation Order Slated At St Joseph's

Bishop Lawrence M. DeFalco, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Amarillo will visit St. Joseph's Parish on Sunday, February 24 at 3:00 p.m. to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. A number of priests from the neighboring parishes will also be present. Those from the parish who

will be receiving the Sacrament are: Velma Martinez, Judy Stork, Cindy Stork, Kelly Irbeck, Margaret Romero, Lori Stroud, Bill Stroud, Danny Husmann, Connie Wethington, Josie Rendon, Lucy Sandoval and Benjamin Sandoval.

Our friends in the community are welcome and invited to attend.



The Stratford 4-H Club met Thursday the 7th at the county barn. Annette Flores called the meeting to order. We studied dogs. Jill Pronger served refreshments. Those present were: Annette Flores, Jill Pronger, Jacque Shields, Susan Fesler, and Clint Fesler. We missed Emily very much. Reporter: Leslie Flores.

The Stratford 4-H club met on Valentines Day. We studied the milk group, and made 3 kinds of pudding. We will meet every week from now until the Food Show on March 16th. Those present were: Susan and Clint Fesler, Emily McReynolds, Jill Pronger, Annette and Leslie Flores and the leaders Mrs. Pronger and Mrs. Flores. Leslie served Refreshments. Reporter: Leslie Flores

The Clover Club met Saturday at the County Barn for our regular meeting.

After a short business meeting, several musical games were enjoyed by those present.

We received fact sheets on a Plan for Food Shopping and discussed it. It will help us in our spending at meal time. We also received a dairy food nutrition report and a nutrition chart book to help us plan for our favorite Food Show project.

We made sugar cut-out cookies and Kool-aid for our refreshments.

Our next regular meeting will be March 2 and it will be our last meeting before the Food Show, so everyone try to be there.

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Cook of Week

Kerrick News

by Mrs. Fred McDaniel



COOK OF WEEK--Linda Oquin is the coffee gal at The First State Bank and usually keeps a plate or two of special "goodies" around for those who don't count calories. She is the daughter of Jerry Oquin and the late Jim Oquin.

Coffee Room Gal!

Our cook for this week is most assuredly a good cook because Linda Oquin is employed by the First State Bank as the gal in charge of cooking and the coffee room. Linda does most of her baking at home and brings it to the bank. Linda keeps the coffee made

and all the employees at the bank happy.

Our cook is the daughter of Mrs. Jerry Oquin and the late Jim Oquin of Stratford. Linda is a native of Stratford and graduated from Stratford High School in 1966.

Linda is a member of the First Christian Church.

Linda has one sister, Dana Craig of Amarillo.

Linda says that she is a dog lover and has one dog at home.

Our cook is engaged to Ken Forthman, who is employed by Walter Lasley and Sons.

Linda has given us three recipes that she says are the favorites of the employees at the bank. We hope everyone will enjoy them as much as the workers over at the bank.

NUT BARS

- 1 c. margarine
- 1 c. light brown sugar
- 2 c. flour

Combine margarine and sugar and cream until fluffy. Stir in flour until blended. Spread on bottom of well greased 13" x 9" x 32 baking pan and bake at 350 degrees for 10 minutes. Bake 20 minutes longer with topping added.

TOPPING: 4 eggs, 1/2 t. salt, 2 c. light brown sugar, 2 t. vanilla, 2 T. flour, 2 c. nuts chopped, 2 cans flaked coconut mixed together.

APPLE CRUNCH CAKE

- 2 eggs well beaten
- 1 1/2 c. sugar
- 3/4 c. wesson oil
- 2 c. flour
- 1 t. soda
- 1/2 t. salt
- 2 t. vanilla
- 2 c. raw chopped apple

Beat together eggs, sugar and

Kerrick HD Club had a "fun" luncheon last week at the community center when the meal consisted of food prepared with appliances--electric skillets, deep fryers, blenders, and fondue pots. Mrs. Hank Rogers was hostess and she prepared potted chicken with corn and tomatoes and a strawberry-cream cheese dip (fondue pot). Mrs. Fred McDaniel prepared skillet pizzas and Mrs. Bill Boren made a hot Spanish rice. Indian Eggs (deep fryer) was Mrs. Ralph Hampton's specialty and Funnell Cakes (deep fryer) were made by Mrs. Ted Irlbeck. Mrs. Kenneth Wells cut the cabbage and carrots for cole slaw in a blender.

Mrs. Pete Taylor used her fondue pot for a chocolate sauce in which to dip a variety of cakes, fruits and nuts. Banana pudding was made by Mrs. R.E. Florida.

It was decided that all was extra good and probably because it was fattening! It was voted that anytime we have such a luncheon at the center, husbands are invited to eat with us.

The club again assisted at the Junior Livestock Show Monday by furnishing hamburger, pies and help. They also voted to offer assistance to SCOT (Sherman Co. Older Texans).

There will be a Cancer Seminar at the Hilton Inn in Amarillo, May 1. Pre-registration should be made by April 26 with Sue Farris, Box 9198, Amarillo 79105. Lunch is \$3.75. This is similar to last year so successful Heart Seminar.

Those who were attending the Paint Workshop had their concluding meeting following the club business. Participants have been Joyce Irlbeck, Minnie Hampton, Pat Boren, Brenda Strader, Lou Robinson, Miranda Florida, Polly Durr.

John Whitson of Texhoma, father of Mrs. Gail McDaniel, is reported doing better after about with pneumonia. He has been in an Amarillo hospital, but expected to be released by presstime.

J.C. Robinson expected to be released from Dumas Hospital early this week after a recent heart attack.

wesson oil. Add flour, soda, salt, vanilla and stir in chopped apples and 1 c. chopped pecans. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes.

7 UP POUND CAKE

- Cream: 2 sticks oleo
- 1/2 c. crisco
- 3 c. sugar
- ADD: 5 eggs [1 at a time]
- Beat Well
- 1 1/2 t. vanilla
- 1 c. 7 Up
- 3 c. flour

Grease and flour tube pan and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hr and 15 minutes.

Local Churches Cooperate For World Prayer Day

The women of three local churches will lead the celebration of World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 1, from noon until 1 p.m. in the Chapel of First Christian Church. Women in thousands of local communities and in every state will unite in prayers for "Peace-Building" with women in 168 lands on this 88th World Day of Prayer.

The theme for World Day of Prayer this year is "Make Us Builders of Peace." The worship service will be prepared and given through the combined efforts of the women of First United Methodist Church, St. Joseph's Catholic Church and First Christian Church. A salad luncheon will be provided free of charge from 12 until 12:30 p.m. Those who attend need not

bring any food. The meeting has been planned so that working women may be back to work by 1 p.m. Child care will be provided, but each child should bring a sack lunch.

Everyone is invited to join in this celebration of our faith in God and His power to help us through our prayers for peace in the world.

World Day of Prayer was begun in 1887 by a small group of women who believed that the mission work for which they were responsible needed their support in prayer as much as in giving. Today this annual event on the first Friday in March was developed into a truly ecumenical and international celebration based upon the grass root support of women throughout the world.



VISIT TO SPAIN--A portion of the group of Sherman County residents who flew to Spain a week ago are shown above, left to right, seated, Suella Bennett, Kenneth Borth, Lucille Borth, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dettle. Standing, left to right, Hal Bennett, Barbara Schabacker of Denver, Belinda Bornstein, LaVelle Haggard, Dorless Wells, Kay Hudson and Buddy Miller. The group spent about five days visiting sites of interest in Spain. This photo was taken in Madrid.

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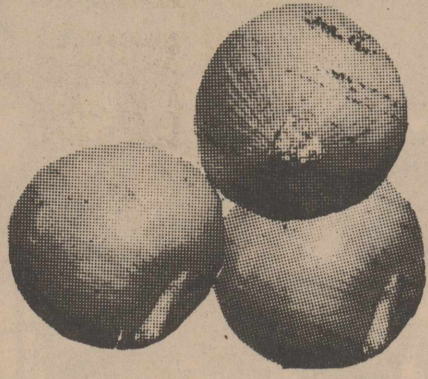
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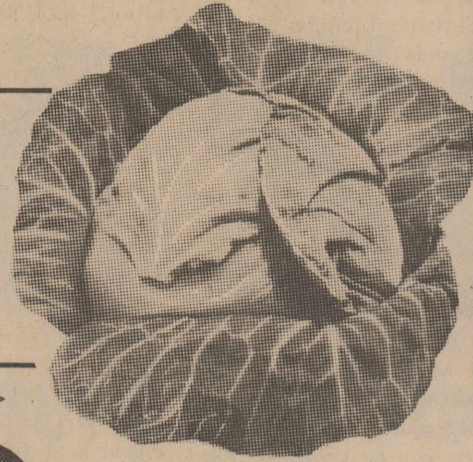
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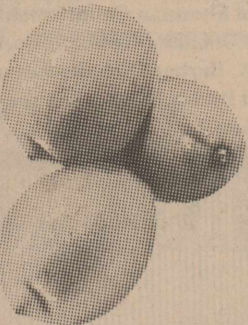


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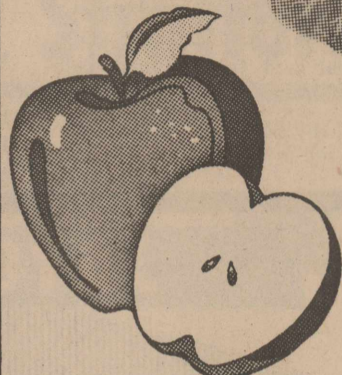
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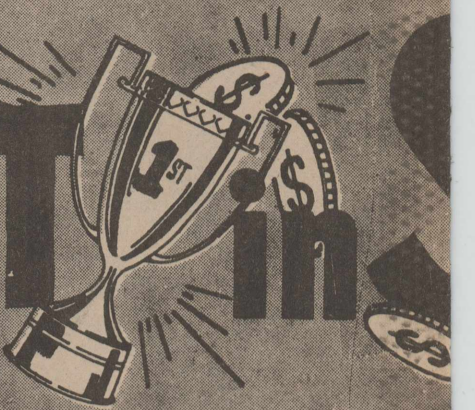
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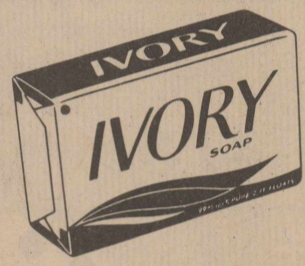


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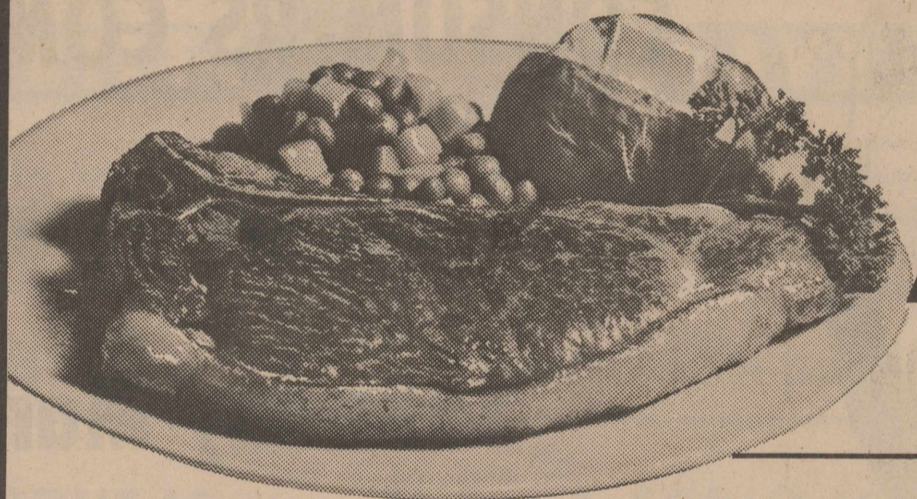
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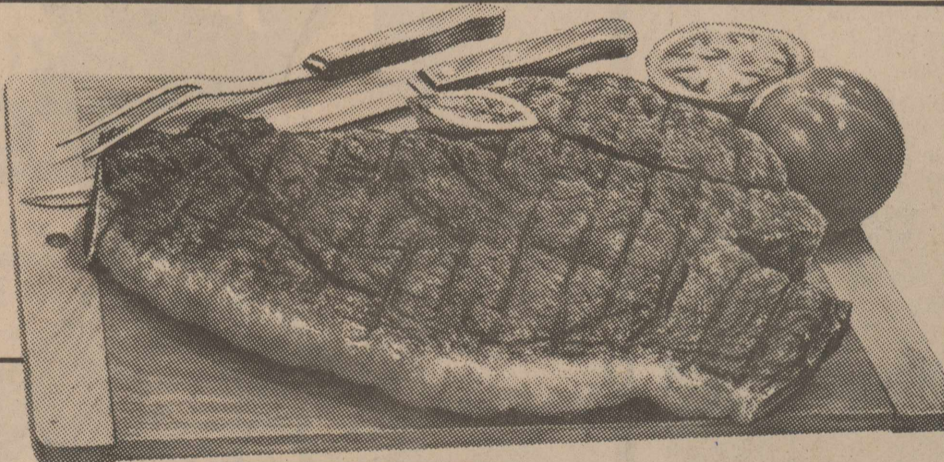


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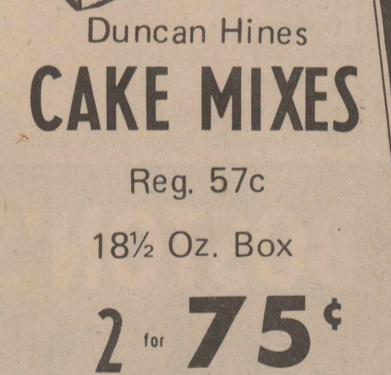
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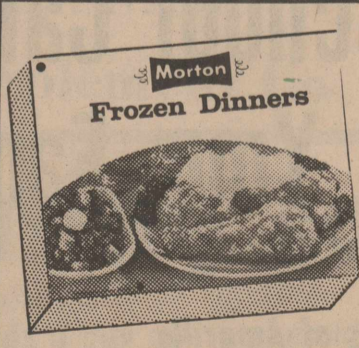
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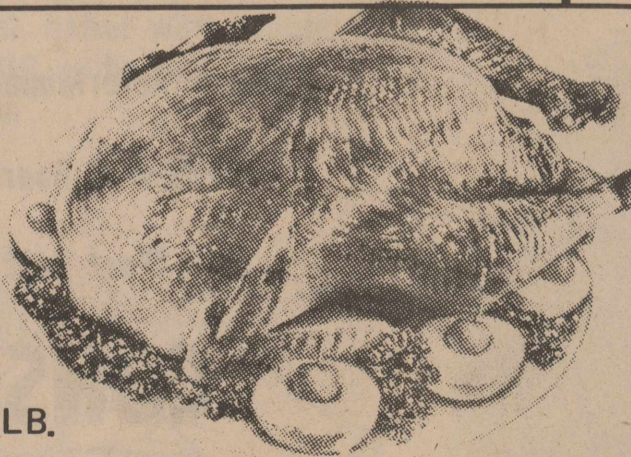


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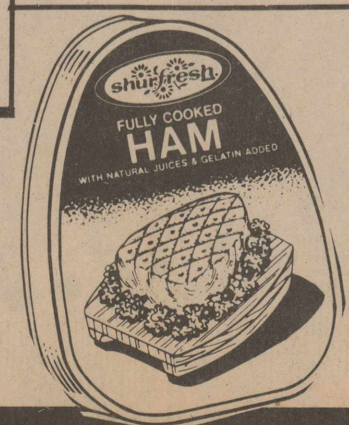
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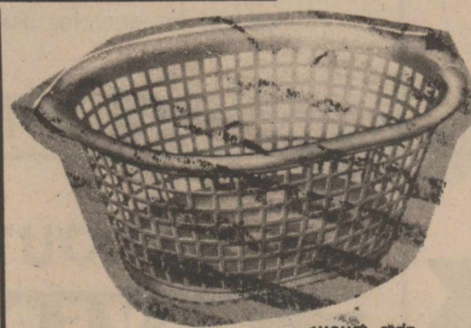
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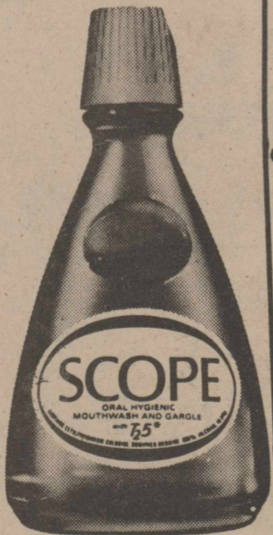


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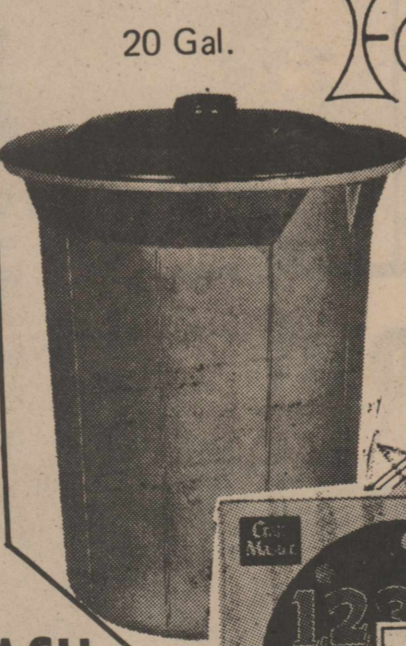
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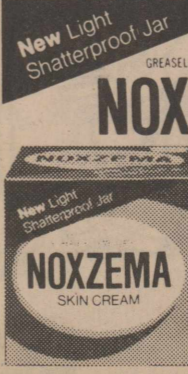
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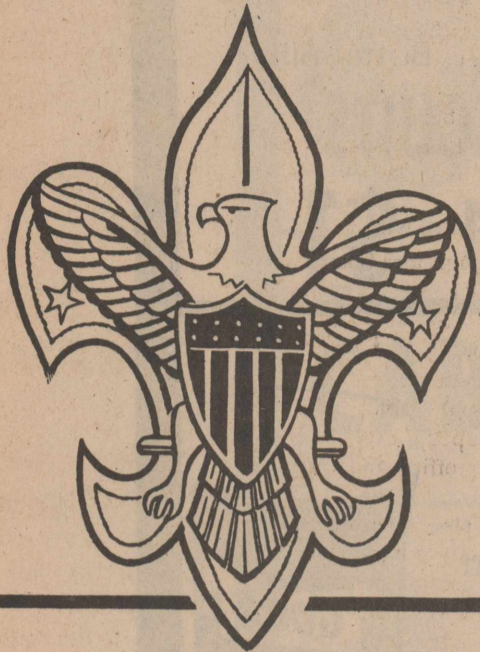


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He is polite to all, especially to women, children, old people, and the weak and helpless. He must not take pay for being helpful or courteous. He shows appreciation.

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He is a friend to all animals. He will not kill nor hurt any living creature needlessly, but will strive to save and protect all harmless life. He seeks to know wildlife.

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Stratford Dept. Store

A SCOUT IS CLEAN

He keeps clean in body and thought; stands for clean speech, clean habits; and travels with a clean crowd. He practices clean sportsmanship and a clean outlook.

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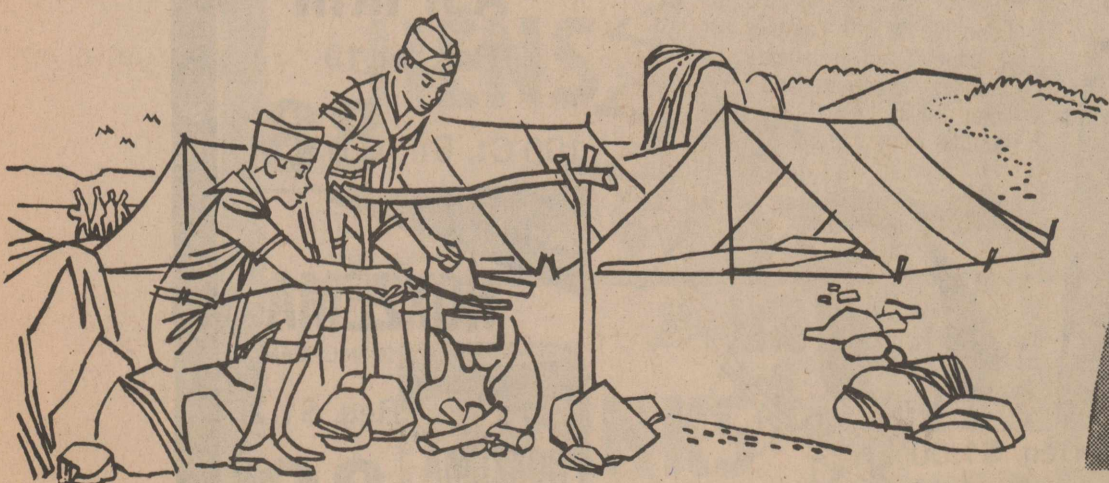
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CONGRATULATIONS ON ANOTHER GREAT YEAR!

PREP BASKETBALL Four Losses, One Win

In Thursday night's action against Dalhart, Stratford lost 4 games and won only 1.

In the seventh grade girls game Dalhart took an early lead and led throughout the game. The score was 9-8 at the end of the first; 14-12 at the half; 25-20 at the end of the third and 28-27 in the fourth.

Barrie Donelson put up 16 for the losers followed by LaRonda Stacy with 9 and Jana Wiley with 2. Ramirez was high for the winners with 18.

The only winners for the night were the eighth grade girls, who beat their opponents with a grand score of 29-12. Stratford and Dalhart were tied at the end of the first 4-4; but Stratford pulled out in front to end the second 17-6 and continued to lead 22-10 at the third and won the game by 17 points.

Kay Lewis was high for Stratford with 11 followed by Patti Dietrich with 10 and Pattie Pool with 6 while Connie Moore put up 2. Saunders and Gallegos each put up 6 for the losers.

Stratford's boys traveled to Dalhart only to lose all three games there.

In seventh grade boy's action, Dalhart led 15-0 at the end of the first; 33-1 at the half; 37-7 at the end of the third and 47-16 at the end of the fourth. Noel Chesmer was high for the losers with 10 followed by Johnson and Phillips with 2 each. Keel was high for Dalhart with 11.

The Eighth grade boy's action, the story was about the same. Dalhart led 14-0 at the end of the first; 24-3 at the half; 32-7 at the end of the third and 35-13 at the end of the game. Keener was high for Stratford with 6 followed by Johnson with 3; Ingham and Luther each with 2. Ramirez was high for the winners with 12.

The freshmen boys started out leading the game with 11-8 at the end of the first. Dalhart tied it up at the half with 19 all and again in the third with 30 all. Dalhart really pulled it out in the fourth to end the game 48-37.

Stratford's scorers included Ewers with 13; Stroud with 7 and Duncan, Allen and Harris with 4 each. Albert, Kendrick

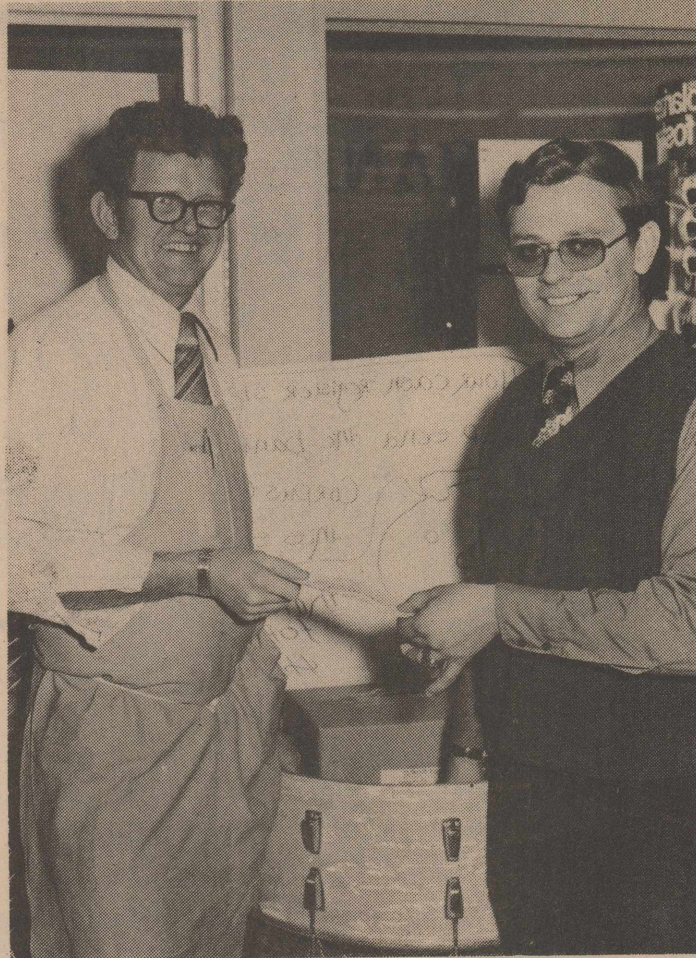
New Scholarships Available At West Texas

Fifty \$500 scholarships will be available for entering West Texas State University freshmen for academic year 1974-75. Called the "WTSU Residence Hall Scholarships," the awards consist of funds derived from rentals and services available in WT residence halls.

Applicants for the Scholarships must be graduates of an accredited high school and eligible for admission to WTSU as beginning freshmen.

Unlike many scholarships, the Residence Hall scholarships will not be awarded according to financial need. Selected on a competitive basis, scholarship criteria to be considered will be academic qualifications, including grade point average, rank in class and competitive test scoring on the American College Test. Recommendations from the applicant's superintendent, principal or counselor should also be included. Other criteria considered will be demonstrated student and community leadership, and extra-curricular activities and honors received.

Applications, supporting data and three character recommendations should be submitted by April 15, 1974, to the Scholarship Committee, WTSU, Box 728, WT Station, Canyon, Texas 79016. Incomplete or late applications may be considered by the committee at its own discretion.



CHECK FOR ELK BAND--Cut Rate Grocery Manager Ed Staton presents a check for \$158.48 to Elk Band Director Gary Laramore. The check represents about two weeks worth of cash register receipts collected at Cut Rate. The store is paying one percent of the total cash register receipts to the band to be used for their upcoming trip to Corpus Christi Music Festival in April.

Local Students To Travel In Europe

Several high school students from Sunray, Dumas, and Dalhart are making plans to visit Europe this summer. They are going on a five-week study and travel program which will take them to England, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, and France. The program is offered by ALSG (American Leadership Study Groups of Worcester, Massachusetts). Mrs. Loraine Wylie, a teacher at Sunray High School, is coordinating the program. A guide will accompany the students to Europe as their teacher-counselor. Academic credit is available to participating students.

Students registered in the program are: Charlotte Cartrite, Brenda McEntire, and Tammie Phelps. Sunray; Cathy Roberts, Lois Criswell, Vicki Schuman,

Georgina Brown, Crystal Brian, Dumas; and Rhonda Lloyd, Dalhart.

In addition to extensive sightseeing, theater performances, and other special activities, the program features a series of multi-media presentations conducted by a staff of American and European university professors, American Embassy personnel, and local civic personalities. This series investigates the art, history, and cultural foundations of Western Man. Students also go to concerts museums, beaches, and discotheques.

There are additional openings in the group and any area students who are interested in joining up should contact Mrs. Wylie at her home (Tel. 948-4260) or write Box 292, Sunray, 79086.

However large or small a person is, there's a ruler, tape measure, yard or metre stick made by Lufkin to measure him.

Lions Hear Lieu Hoang On Monday

Lieu Hoang, American Field Service exchange student from South Vietnam, spoke to members of the Lions Club at their regular meeting Monday night at the County Barn.

Lieu told briefly of his country then showed slides of various places around his home city of Hue. He was accompanied to the meeting by his American father, Dave McReynolds.

During a brief business session, Boss Lion Bill Sladek called on Secretary Bill Dyess for a report on the Pancake Supper and Dyess told the group the event will net over \$500 for benefit of the High Plains Eye Bank and other Lions Club projects.

PRPC Receives New Grants For Area

AUSTIN--Governor Dolph Briscoe today awarded an \$897,560 grant to the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, Amarillo, for improving law enforcement in the area.

The money comes from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office. CJD administers the state's block grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration under the Crime Control Act of 1973.

The award will provide high-band radio communication equipment for 73 participating area law-enforcement agencies. When the system is integrated with the statewide communication equipment for 73 participating area law-enforcement agencies. When the system is integrated with the statewide communication system, agencies of the PRPC area will have reliable communications via radio with all other law-enforcement agencies in the state.

The PRPC award was among 31 for \$3,666,023, which the governor approved today for improving law enforcement and justice in Texas.

Chamber Collum

Final plans are underway for the March 9 banquet. It will be served at 7:30 p.m. at the Stratford School Cafeteria. Sutphens will furnish the food, and the entertainment will be furnished by Bellinda Myrick, 1970 Miss Texas. Miss Myrick is talented in many fields, including Country Western. We promise you won't be disappointed! Tickets will be on sale soon. The decoration committee is working on their plans for the tables. All in all, it will be an event you can't afford to miss.

The monthly board meeting was held with members W.D. Brannan, Lance Harrington, Martha Mitts, Marilyn Albert, B.A. Donelson, and Chamber Manager George Jeffcoat present. Also present were Lorel Haile, C.C. Plunk, Joe Wells and Rex Christian, all newly elected board members.

Board members discussed the dues schedule, new chamber members, and the Budget for 1974. The various committees reported with the Banquet committee having quite a bit to discuss.

It was voted to have representatives check on movie theatre operations in other

towns the size of Stratford, and also concerning policies in other cities on extension of utilities. The housing shortage in Stratford is a prime concern to our Chamber.

Elwyn Bass gave a report on the co-op or work-study program. At the present they have nine boys taking part in this through agri-business. The Chamber agreed to survey their members to see if there is a need for girls to work in a business course. If you could use a part time secretary, bookkeeper, etc., call the chamber office and relay your needs.

Bass also reported on their adult study program which has been a great success.

Martha Mitts reported on The Woman Division Activities.

The Board elected their president for 1974, Lance Haarrington. Retiring board members are W.D. Brannan, Bill McMinn, Kenneth Melton, and Jim Matthews.

The meeting adjourned with all present agreeing that new, exciting things are in the future for Stratford. Join In! Take part with your Stratford Chamber of Commerce.

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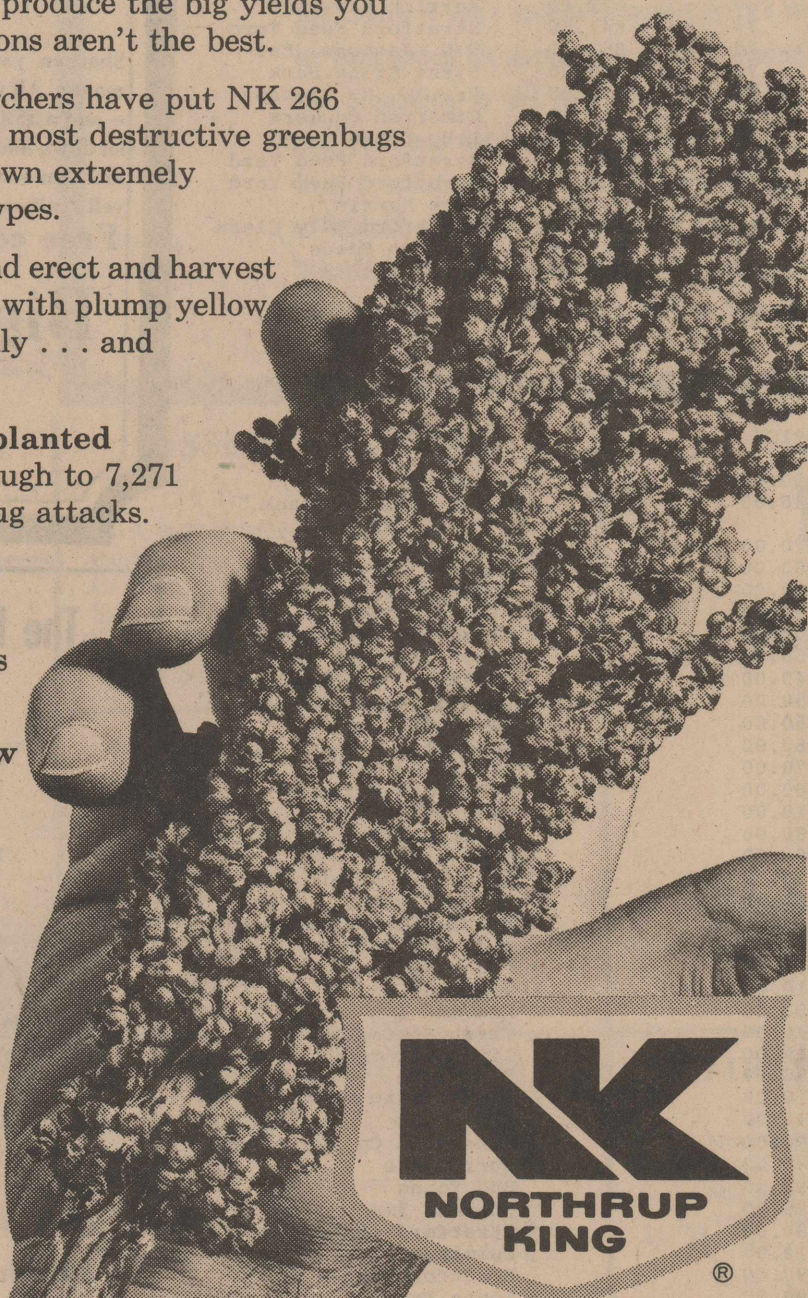
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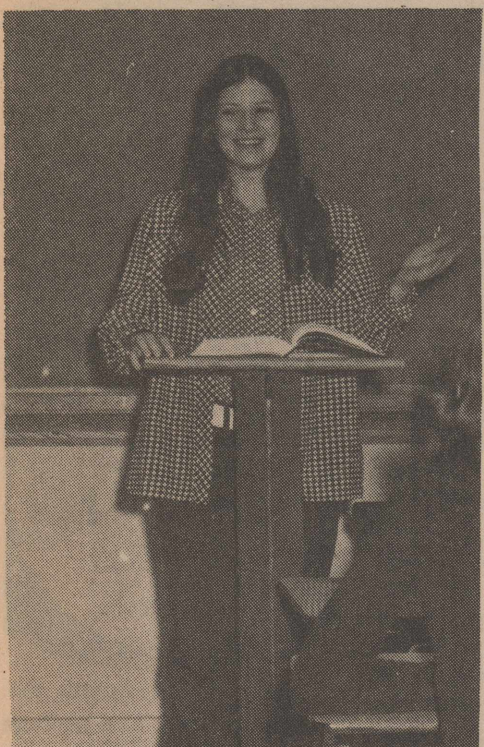
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What's New At Your School. . .



As basketball draws to an end, speech students begin to prepare for the literary contests.

Recently the Speech Department has been working to organize the U.I.L. literary contest which Stratford holds annually. This year the date has been set for March 23.

Steak Eating Championship At Big Texan

The fourth annual Texas steak eating championship will be held February 26 at The Big Texan.

Contestants from throughout the panhandle area are expected to participate in this state wide event which is scheduled to begin at 6 P.M. and end at 8 P.M.

Last year's winner, former Golden Gloves champion Carl McClure of Dumas, Texas

Sunray and Texline have been invited to compete for ribbons and trophies.

The University Interscholastic League Contest, which follows shortly thereafter at Frank Phillips Junior College at Borger will be held on two dates, April 2 for one-act plays and April 6 for the individual events.

became the steak eating champion by devouring twelve one pound steaks in a little less than two hours. For his efforts he received the \$100 cash first prize. His closest competitor quit eating after putting away eleven and a half pounds of steak.

The Texas Highway Department operates toll-free ferry service at Galveston and Port Aransas.

Gilley Heads Easter Seals In Area

Jack C. Gilley will head the 1974 Easter Seal Appeal in Sherman County. It was announced by Thomas N. Jenness, Jr., Fort Worth, President of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of Texas.

Residents of Sherman County will receive the annual Easter Seal Appeal letters in the mail beginning March 1. The Easter Seal Appeal, conducted yearly to provide treatment and services to disabled persons and their families, will continue through Easter Sunday, April 14.

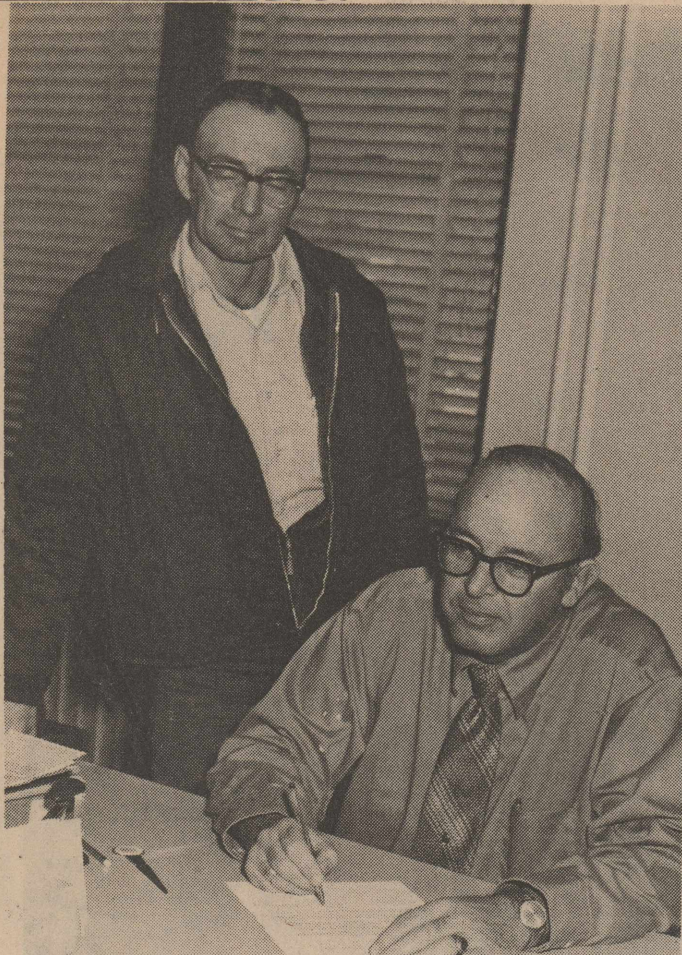
Gilley is one of 223 men and women throughout Texas who are serving in this capacity. The cost of the statewide Easter Seal program is over one million dollars, financed mainly by the Easter Seal Appeal. Almost 90 percent of all funds raised by the Texas Easter Seal Appeal remain in Texas to support the growing needs of the disabled in the State.

Special emphasis is being given in the 1974 Easter Seal Appeal to the disabled citizen in the County who may need assistance and not know where to obtain it. Any disabled person can contact Gilley at Box 657, Stratford 79084 to receive the request form for a determination of the extent and type of assistance needed and the most efficient means of obtaining that assistance.

CHEMICAL MEETING SET W.D. Brannan and Sons will host a Ciba-Geigy meeting on Aatrex and Milo-gard on Thursday, February 28th.

TOWN TALK

There will be a covered dish supper at 7 p.m. on Friday at the Community Center. Lieu Hoang, AFS student, will show slides of his country and will be accompanied by his American parents, the Dave McReynolds.



FARM BUREAU WEEK--Farm Bureau Week is officially proclaimed by Sherman County Judge W.S. Frizzell Jr., as FB President Joe Everett looks on.

Farm Bureau Week Cited In County

February 11-15 has been proclaimed "Farm Bureau Week" in Sherman County by County Judge W.S. Frizzell Jr.

Joe Everett of Stratford is president of the local county Farm Bureau.

The county president said farmers and ranchers need an organization more than ever before.

"We producers need a stronger organization to help solve problems in marketing, agricultural public relations,

taxations, as well as other matters affecting our net incomes," Everett said.

Part of the proclamation issued by Judge Frizzell reads: "Agriculture is vital to the economy of Sherman County, our State and Nation. Many of our citizens are dependent directly or indirectly upon agriculture for their livelihood. All of our people benefit from the productive efficiency of modern agriculture."

"Farmers and ranchers have learned to promote their industry through organization. Four out of five agricultural producers in this Nation belonging to a general farm organization are members of Farm Bureau."

STRATFORD BUTANE'S Turnrow Topics

by Charley Lamb

Say-- we really "goofed" on the day and date of our Geigy chemical meeting. Jodie Reising came by the office Monday morning, asking how I managed to schedule a meeting on a Thursday night, February 22.

Actually, our meeting is this Friday night, February 22nd. We will meet at the County Barn at 7:30 P.M. If you haven't returned your card, reserving a steak, please do so immediately. If you have lost your card, give us a call at the office, and we will take care of the steak for you.

XXXX We are having considerable interest shown in several foliar fertilizers, along with questions being asked about the results one might expect from Medina and other soil bacteria activator materials. This interest has increased, due to the shortage of fertilizer.

XXXX As many of you know, we have worked with Medina on an experimental basis for four years. To date, we have not been able to get any economic returns on this product. Farmers in surrounding areas claim advantages gained in yield, and improved soil till following use of this product. We will continue to experiment with it on a limited scale.

XXXX Last year, following the hail storm that went through the south part of the county, we

applied a product called Gro-Green on both milo and corn. We did get a yield increase, but the test plots were not weighed separately, so we don't know exactly how much. We will again experiment with Gro-Green.

XXXX Tri-40 is another foliar fertilizer that needs to be experimented with. We used some on wheat several years ago, and at that time failed to get a response. Perhaps the product has been improved since then.

XXXX Microtil, yet another soil bacteria stimulator, is showing promise on a plot located on the Martin Gosset farm. This material contains both the live bacteria, and food for bacteria already in your soil. We plan to put out several twenty acre plots of this material.

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Table with columns: OWNER'S NAME, WEIGHT, PER/LB, TOTAL, PURCHASER. Lists swine auction results including names like Terri Young, Kerr Bell, and various buyers like Stratford Butane and Burr Blake.

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Table with columns: OWNERS NAME, WEIGHT, PER/LB, TOTAL, PURCHASER. Lists steers auction results including names like Maria Jurado, Mark Wright, and various buyers like Stratford Grain and Sherman Implement.

Table with columns: OWNER'S NAME, PRICE, PURCHASER. Lists lambs auction results including names like Bryan Wright, Jimmy Wright, and various buyers like Foodway and First National Bank.



It is said to Aesop that having borrowed some fire from a neighbor, he was asked, on the way home, why he carried a lantern in the daytime. He responded that he was looking for "A man who will mind his own business."

LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Scaled proposals for Seal Coating approximately 64,293 S.Y. of City Streets, 325 S.Y. 1-1/2" Hot Mix patching, and 970 S.Y. of seal patch will be received at the office of the City Manager, City Hall, Stratford, Texas until 7:30 P.M., February 28, 1974 and then publicly opened and read.

All proposals shall be accompanied by a cashier's or certified check written upon a national or state bank in the amount of five (5 percent) of the total maximum bid price payable without recourse to the City of Stratford, or a bid bond in the same amount from a reliable surety company, as a guarantee that bidder will enter into a contract and execute performance bond within ten days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without check or bid bond will not be considered.

The attention of bidder is called to the special provisions concerning minimum wage rates and hours of employment included in House Bill No. 115 of the Forty-fourth Legislature of the State of Texas. Compliance with the above work and hour bill is required.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and to accept the bid deemed to be the most advantageous to the city. All bids received after the above closing hour will be returned unopened.

Plans, specifications and bidding documents may be secured from the office of McMorries and Burns, Inc., P.O. Box 142, Dumas, Texas 79029, on deposit of Fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per set, which sum so deposited a total of Ten (\$10.00) dollars will be refunded, provided: (1) All documents are returned in good condition to McMorries and Burns, Inc., not later than 48 hours prior to the time for receiving bids; or (2) The Contractor submits a bid and all documents are returned in good condition to McMorries and Burns, Inc., not later than five days after the time that bids are received.

CITY OF STRATFORD, TEXAS
By **Annell Wall**
MAYOR

(Published Feb 14-21, 1974 in The Stratford Star)

SEALED BIDS
Sherman County will accept sealed bids on a 1974 half-ton, long wheel base, narrow bed pickup, with four-speed transmission, 6-ply mud & snow tires on rear, with at least a 350 cc horse power engine, pickup to have a rear bumper, front grill guard, and custom cab. Will have a 1967 Chev. pickup trade in. Sherman County reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. on March 11, 1974. S.J. Lavake
Sherman County Commissioner
Precinct #4
(Published in The Stratford Star Feb. 21, & Feb. 28, 1974)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
The Texas Highway Department will conduct a public meeting in the Dalhart Elementary School, 1401 Tennessee Blvd., Dalhart, Texas on March 26, 1974 at 7:30 PM. The purpose of this meeting will be to gain general knowledge and information to be used in a report to Congress on the feasibility and necessity for constructing to appropriate standards a proposed highway from Wichita, Kansas or its vicinity to Tucuman, New Mexico or its vicinity. This alignment is to serve Stratford, Texas; Dalhart, Texas and other listed towns and cities in Kansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. This route will generally be along U.S. 54. This meeting will pertain only to that portion of this route in Sherman, Dallam and Hartley Counties in Texas. All interested individuals and groups are requested to be present at this meeting. Come prepared to submit all pertinent data which you may have, both oral and written, that would have any bearing on this feasibility study.
(Published in The Stratford Star Feb 21-March 21, 1974)

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8-2tc

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We can get a hint at 1974 developments by taking a look at the preliminary Gross National Product figures for the last quarter of 1973 which were just released. The rate of inflation in the last quarter was 7.7 percent the highest in 23 years. From just November to December, consumer prices for fuel oil and coal rose by a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 132 percent. The price of gasoline and motor oil rose at an annual rate of 50 percent.

The numbers themselves are not so important. It is the change in trends that we try to spot early in order to get some insight on what will happen to the economy, the stock market and your pocketbook during 1974 and 1975.

We can assume that 1974 fuel cost, on the average, will be double the 1973 prices. The Administration hopes to stabilize food prices late in the year, but you will see food prices rising sharply through most of 1974.

The unpleasant fact is that we will see a rate of inflation of 8 percent to 9 percent in 1974 and in some months it will probably exceed 10 percent. Inflation will also continue to plague us in 1975 and 1976. In fact, inflation is almost chronic in our economy.

It's important to point out which areas of our economy are showing real growth and which are not. Residential construction, consumer durables (automobiles account for 50 percent of consumer durable spending), aircraft and international trade are showing declines. The key point to remember here is that most of the areas of softness, though vital to real economic growth, involve only a small amount of industrial production. For instance, residential construction involves very little industrial production in our economy. As we stated earlier, about half of our consumer durable spending is for automobiles. Yet automobile production in the aggregate accounts for only 3 percent of the total industrial production in the U.S. Industrial production will hold up well in 1974, assuming the Administration is successful in restricting fuel demands by consumers while maintaining an adequate flow to industry.

These industries will show increased sales in 1974: Railroad equipment, machinery, steel & aluminum, chemicals, rubber products, paper, foods & beverages, tobacco, textiles, apparel, leather products and mining.

To sum it all up, the slowdown in our economy will be moderate in 1974 with the second half beginning to show increases in corporate earnings. The stock market will move above the 900 level for two reasons. Stocks are the only way to purchase a stream of earning power at knockdown prices and they do not have an inflation premium built into their prices. Remember, you have to make 10 percent on your money just to offset the loss in purchasing power caused by inflation. If earnings increases come through as they appear likely, these bargain prices on many stocks aren't going to be around six months from now.

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