

# No Relief In Sight From Commissioners Court

Another fruitless trip to Commissioners Court in Littlefield last Thursday resulted in "no solution" to the problem of the County paying the bill for paving a county road.

Nine residents from the City of Earth met with the Commissioners' Court and asked that the court pay a \$12,881.43 paving contract that was entered into by the City of Earth and paving contractor Jake Diel and engineer Bill McMorris and Associates. The contract was

for paving a county road outside Earth along with some road work for City of Earth and the Springlake-Earth School District. That portion of the bill concerning the City and School District has been paid and the

contractor and engineer are looking for the City of Earth to pay the remainder of the contract, as the City had been the one to enter into the contract on the word of Precinct Two Commissioner Clarence Kelley.

It seems that after Mr. Kelley had agreed to the contract, he failed to present the proposal to the full Commissioners' Court and herein lies the reason cited by the court for not paying the bill.

Judge Ruth Kirby, who runs the Commissioners' Court with tight reins, said she had looked into the possibility of the county paying the bill and it could not be legally accomplished, unless she had overlooked something.

"And I'd keep an open mind in that case" she said.

"We'd be flagrant violation of the law if we did pay it" she said. "The county can't enter into a contract over \$3000 without going through a public notice to bidders county wide.

"We can't ratify a contract we couldn't make in the first place. We couldn't have made this one in the beginning because of no notice given to bidders."

Doug Parish who is a member of the City Council at Earth signed the contract and said that the contractor is looking to the City of Earth for payment.

Judge Kirby's said that her sympathies lie with the City of Earth, "but the paving contractor doesn't have a call on our sympathies and loyalties. Let Diel (the contractor) pursue his remedies. The county shouldn't use county funds for moral obligations. It

wouldn't be in the best of the county to condone individual action, in the past and future, in matters that should be taken up by the court as a whole."

Judge Kirby's reference to "moral obligation" was a result of a statement made by Parish that the City of Earth was reluctant to cause the contractor to initiate suit for his money, since Parish felt the City of Earth has a moral obligation to try to have the bill paid without the expense of a

lawsuit.

W.B. McMillan maintained that Larry Tunnell and Doug Parish had represented the City in the negotiations and presumed Mr. Kelley was acting as a representative of the "Commissioners' court" and had discussed the paving contract with the full court.

Judge Kirby, it seemed, turned a deaf ear to any of the pleas and said that she was satisfied that the only way the county can pay the bill is to

have an order from district court. She said the court can't pay the bill without such a ruling. "It's not that we're trying to beat the bill, we cannot pay it," she said.

Parish said this had made three trips the people from Earth had made to Commissioners' Court and we are in the same spot we were in to start.

The City Council at Earth is of the opinion that the bill will eventually be paid by the county, but only after legal action has been taken. The City Council would like the county to pay the bill without the City of Earth or the contractor having to go to the time and expense of a law suit.

(EDITORS NOTE) Following is a complete statement as presented to the News-Sun by Commissioner Kelly, in defense of his actions. Hopefully this will help to bring to light some of the information that heretofore has been missing.

Concerning the meeting at Springlake-Earth School in January 1976 I did meet with the school board also Larry Tunnell who was Mayor of Earth at that time and did discuss road repair in Pleasant Valley Community. But didn't discuss whether I had the money to pay for it. If I didn't have the money to do it I would not have been there in the first place.

I did not tell Larry Tunnell to go ahead and take the lead in preparing the contract but would work with him when he got ready, or ask anyone else to do as job I was supposed to do myself.

After the meeting at the school in January, I did not talk to Larry Tunnell at anytime about the road work.

And at any time no one advised me of any meeting about advertising for bids or did anyone ever notify the bids would be opened.

(Quote) Larry Tunnell said that he advised me that the bids on the project would be opened on May 1. He said he told me in the cafe in Earth and that W.B. McMillan was with him at that time (unquote).

What Larry Tunnell did tell me in the cafe that he had signed the contract for the job and at the same time W.B. McMillan said to me you had better come down and see what you are spending your money for.

At that time I did go to the City Hall and asked Betty if she could let me have the bid sheets, which I would have to have to take to the court and did tell her that since the bids were already signed by someone other than myself, that I might have trouble getting my money, but thought that if I had them I might take them to Littlefield and hope could get the money—but until this day I haven't seen any bid sheet which I had to have before I could do anything. Although I did know what the amount of the bids were at this time I could do nothing without the bid sheets.

## Connie Cain

Connie Cain, age 9 is in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. She was admitted Friday, November 12 with pneumonia. We are happy to report Connie is responding well to treatment.

Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Cain of Springlake. Connie also attends the 3rd grade at Springlake-Earth School.

We all wish you a speedy recovery.

## FFA Junior Takes Second Place

The members of the Springlake-Earth FFA just recently returned from the district competition, where they were in competition with 14 other teams.

The Junior Chapter conducting team placed 2nd in the district. Junior team members are Kevin Riley, presiding officer, Stan Runyon, Lonnie Neinst, Chris Elkins, Kim Haydon, Loretta James and Donna Smith.

The Senior Chapter conducting team placed 4th in the district. Senior team members are Keith Clayton, presiding officer, Lexie Fennell, Lloyd Smith, Jeff Washington, Ray Van Banks, Jimmy Randolph and Hoby Matlock.

The FFA is also taking orders for their annual fruit sale.

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## For The People New Ambulance Required

The City Council at Earth met Monday, November 15 at 7 PM in the Community Room of City Hall.

The primary concern of the Council at this meeting was the possibility that the ambulance used by the city will have to be replaced.

The Earth Fire Department and the Springlake City Council were represented at the meeting, as they are also involved in the use of the ambulance.

It appears that the City of Earth and Springlake will have to replace the ambulance service with a newer vehicle.

A preliminary cost study has determined that the approximate cost of this replacement vehicle and the related equipment would amount to \$15,000 or \$16,000.

The Council also intends to confer with communities in the surrounding area who have purchased emergency equipment and make a determination as to whether their estimates are within reason, and to make evaluations as to upkeep costs of the service.

The Council also intends to check into the possibility of State or Federal grants that may be available to help defray a portion of the cost.

## Earth 4-H Meeting

The 4-H Club met November 15 at the Earth Show Barn. The meeting was called to order by Tommy Graham.

The motto and pledge was led by Sam Lewis. The inspiration was by Danny Randolph. The minutes were read by Petra Lewis.

Announcements were-The Lamb County 4-H Food Show will be held Saturday, November 20 at the school cafeteria in Sudan.

The next 4-H Club meeting will be held on December 15. Plans are to go to the Aherst Rest Home for a visit. If you plan to go, the girls need to bring a women's gift, the boys need to bring a man's gift. The members will leave the school house at 4:00 and be back at the show barn by 6:00.

The program included a film about what to do if someone is choking. It showed the process of dislodging an object that is lodged in a persons throat. It explained the do's and don'ts of eating your food.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Randolph and Mrs. Kelley.

Recreation was fruit basket turnover led by Darcy Randolph.

## Extension Entomologist Named For South Plains

The South Plains has gained the services of another Texas Agricultural Extension Service entomologist.

He is James F. Leser who will be primarily involved in educational programs related to pest management and insect control in cotton. Leser will be headquartered at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center at Lubbock.

"We are pleased to have Mr. Leser join our staff to give leadership to educational programs in cotton pest management," said Dr. Daniel C. Pfannstiel, Extension director, in announcing the appointment. "He will be working closely with Dr. William Morrison and other Extension specialists and with county Extension agents and program building committees in planning and carrying out programs designed to increase both crop efficiency and production."

## Springlake-Earth Bows to Farwell

The Springlake-Earth Wolverines closed out the 1976 football season on a sour note by dropping their last game of the season 22-6 to Farwell.

Farwell scored in the first quarter on a pass play by quarterback Russ Jones to Rowdy Chandler. Travis Bibbs added the two points to close out the scoring in the first half.

In the second half the Wolverines came out and scored on a Rodney Giessler four-yard run. The attempt for the two points missed.

At the end of the third quarter the Steers held an 8-6 lead. But

the Steers soon added 14 more points in the fourth quarter for a 22-8 win.

The first of two fourth quarter scores came on a plunge from the one half line by Russ Jones. Jones hit Chandler in the end zone for 2 points.

Farwell's last tally came on a 1-yard run by Bibbs.

Offensive standouts for the Wolverines were Mark Barton, who had 52 yards rushing and Beissler who had 30 yards rushing.

The Wolverines defensive standout was Brian Taylor who collected four of the Steer's fumbles.

## MAIL EARLY

Because of the unprecedented mail volume generated by the 15-state United Parcel Service strike, the Postal Service has been compelled to advance its suggested Christmas mailing deadlines for domestic parcels and letter mail. This is Postmaster Harold Miller urging you to mail your parcels by December 2nd and your greetings by December 10th to assure delivery by Christmas.



Christmas scene comes early to Earth

## Students of the Month

The monthly meeting of FTA of Springlake-Earth High School was called to order by Kelly Jo Wheatley and the election for students of the month followed. Those students named were Brent Been, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Kelley and Alayne Slover daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Slover.

It was decided that the FTA should put their money to work in this area instead of attending the state meeting. It was also decided to go to Balanger School in Lubbock on a field trip.

The featured speaker at the meeting was Hershul Hulcy who spoke about high blood pressure. He explained how to take your own blood pressure and how to read the measurement.

Refreshments were provided by Vicki Freeman and Jill Barton.

## Springlake-Earth School Menu

MONDAY  
Fish Krispies with Tarter Sauce  
Onion Chips  
Green Limas  
Applesauce Cake  
Hot Rolls and Butter Milk

TUESDAY  
Corn Dogs-Mustard  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Stuffed Celery  
Cherry Cobbler  
Milk

WEDNESDAY  
Turkey & Dressing  
Giblet Gravy  
Candied Yams  
Cranberry Sauce  
Green Beans  
Pumpkin Pie-Topping  
Hot Rolls and Butter Milk

## Mahon and Carter Meet

George Mahon, U.S. Representative, announced today that he had accepted the invitation of President-elect Jimmy Carter to meet with on Wednesday of this week on Senator Herman Talmadge's farm near Atlanta.

About six or eight members of the House and a similar number from the Senate had been invited to the Carter's meeting. This was the first meeting with congressional leaders since the election.

Mahon said he welcomed this opportunity to express his views and the views of West Texans in regard to major issues confronting the Congress and the country.

The meeting with congressional leaders was scheduled to last for several

hours. 'I am quite hopeful' said Mahon. 'That the exchange of views will be helpful to Mr. Carter and members of Congress that attended. I welcomed the opportunity to participate.'

## Turkey Dinner By Lions

The Earth Lions Club is planning to sponsor a Turkey Dinner to raise funds for the various programs and charities they sponsor.

The dinner will be served from 12 noon until 2 on Sunday, November 21 in the Cafeteria at the Springlake-Earth School. The price for Adults will be \$2.50 and Children under 12 will be served for only \$1.50.

## Citizens of the Week



BEVERLY KING and GLENN CRAFT

Beverly King is the 14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otis King. She has blonde hair and blue eyes. Her favorite TV Show is "Starkys and Hutch". Beverly's favorite food is Mexican food and her favorite subject is math. Her favorite color is blue and her future is undecided.

Glenn Craft is the 13 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Craft. He has dark brown hair and brown eyes. His favorite TV Show is "Charlie's Angles" and his favorite food is seafood.

Glenn's favorite subject is sports and his favorite color is blue. His future is undecided.

## Bentson Says People Demand Their Money's Worth

Senator Lloyd Bentson Monday said in his travels across Texas during the recent campaign he found that more and more people feel they are not getting their money's worth from government.

"The people I talked with as I travelled around our state said a government that takes a dollar from them—whether through taxes or higher prices—and then gives back far less than a dollar in services or benefits doesn't deserve their support," Bentson said at a news conference in Washington Monday morning.

Senator Bentson said one of the first orders of business for the new Congress and the new President next January must be to reorganize the Federal Government 'to cut out some of the deadwood and weed out unnecessary regulations.'

The Senator listed two legislative items he will be pushing: the 'Sunset' bill and a bill that would require Federal agencies to cite specific legal authority for regulations they issue.

"I sponsored the 'Sunset' bill in the last Congress and I regret that it was not passed into law. It means the sun will set on wasteful and outmoded

governments programs and I'm going to push for early approval of it in the new Congress," Bentson said.

"I also want to take away some of the latitude that government regulators have. Right now they have sweeping power to issue regulations without specifying exactly where they get their authority; all they have to say is which law is involved. That's pretty vague. And it is far too broad. I think they should be required to specify what section of what law grants which authority when that regulation is printed in the Federal Register," Bentson said.

"The people don't want more government but they are demanding better government. They are demanding value received from government for value given to government. And the Congress had better pay attention," Senator Bentson said.

Bentson said he will also continue to push his proposal that all new legislation include an assessment of the number of new federal employees it will require and the amount of government paperwork it will generate.



Jennifer Foster from Waco, sees her first heavy snowfall.

## 4-H Gold Star Winners To Be Honored

LUBBOCK — Thirty-eight outstanding 4-H'ers will be special guests of honor at the District 24-H Gold Star Awards Banquet here at Coronado High School Monday night (Nov. 22).

The program begins at 6:30 p.m., in the high school's cafeteria.

Billy C. Gunter and Catherine B. Crawford, district agents for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, say some 450 persons, including parents, distinguished guests and special friends of 4-H will be on hand to congratulate the youths.

A boy and girl from each of the 20 counties in District 2 are eligible to receive this highest county award each year. The award is based on outstanding achievement, leadership and contribution to the county 4-H program.

The event is sponsored annually by the following 12 member-owned electric cooperatives serving District 2: Bailey, Dickens, Lamb, Deaf Smith and Swisher counties, and Lea County, New Mexico. Also, Caprock, Lighthouse, Lone Wolf, Lyntegar, Midwest and South Plains electric cooperatives.

Speaker for the special occasion will be Jim Cobb, general manager of Texas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., Austin, Texas.

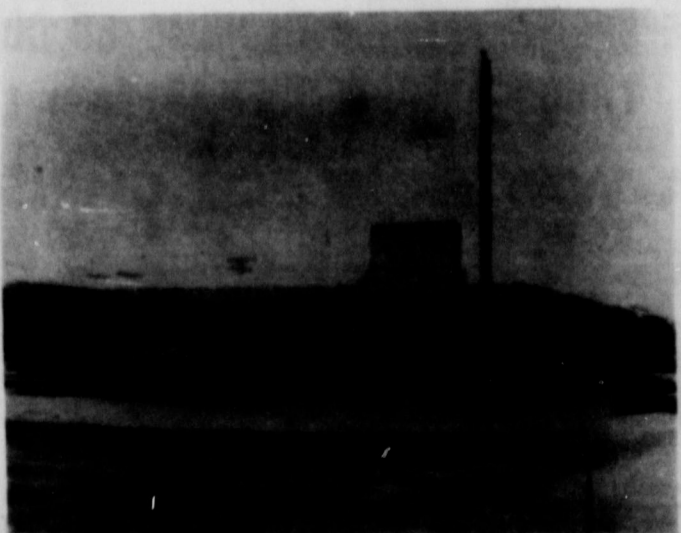
Senator Kent Hance will be master of ceremonies, and Spike Wideman, farm services director for KKYV Radio in Plainview, will narrate the presentation of awards.

Special guests will include parents, adult leaders, Extension Service officials, representatives of electric cooperatives and other supporters of the 4-H program.

To qualify for the special award, a 4-H'er must be at least 13 years of age, have completed at least three years of club work and be currently active in 4-H.

According to the district agents, the Gold Star Award is intended to stimulate winners through higher achievements and to encourage other young people to participate in the county 4-H program.

## News-Sun Classifieds Bring Results



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**Letter To The Editor**

Dear Editor:  
I wish to take this means of explaining my feelings and position on the matter of the county road seal coating that the city and county are at odds about.

I did read the bids presented to the City Council that included the city's seal coating, paving and curb and gutter, county road seal coating and the school parking lot seal coating. I felt that by putting all of these jobs on the same contract, we the City would save a considerable amount of money. I then voted for the low bid and agreed to enter into contract for the paving and seal coating. I did this believing that all party's were in agreement and that the school and the commissioner from Precinct 2 would do what ever necessary to insure payment of their part when the work was completed.

When payment time came the school and the city paid their part to the contractor. The county did not and to this date have not made payment.

After attending two meetings of the commissioner court I have come to the conclusion that the reason the County has not paid the bill is due to the fact that the commissioner from Precinct two had not presented

anything to the cost to even let them know he had entered into a verbal contract with the city of Earth. The first the commissioners court knew of this matter was when the bill for payment was presented to them for payment.

At both meetings it was suggested that we, the city of Earth, let the contractor sue the City and the county for the bill. This I don't agree with and feel that I, as a member of the City Council have a moral obligation to see that the contractor is paid, and to the best of my ability intend to do so.

I will agree that I was in error to vote for and enter into a contract of this sort. However, I made the mistake of taking someone's word that everything necessary had too would be done to ensure all payments would be made on time. But at the same time I feel if this had been properly handled by the commissioner from Precinct Two, none of this would have happened and all payments would have been made in full. I also feel that all interested parties saved a considerable amount of money by combining our separate jobs under one contract.

Sincerely,  
Raiford Daniel



**The Speaker Reports**

by Bill Clayton

AUSTIN—After reviewing the draft license written by the Department of Transportation for deepwater ports, I am concerned that the license would damage the incentive of any private business to build a deepwater port because of a number of regulations that are ambiguous.

The license says Seadock's purpose is to "reduce the costs to the public of energy and products derived from oil."

I believe such an unrealistic and unreasonable statement will mislead the American people. The price of energy cannot be kept low as a result of a deepwater port. Transportation costs, however, can be lower if crude oil is imported in very large crude carriers rather than in conventional tankers.

certainty and duplication in the draft license would make it difficult for any business to operate successfully.

As now written, the Department of Transportation would have jurisdiction over the economic regulation of Seadock and Seadock's status as a common carrier. I do not feel this is consistent with the legislative intent of the Deepwater Port Act of 1974.

If this question of jurisdictional responsibility is not resolved, the State of Texas may request that Congress clarify the Act.

I believe Florida's request that deepwater port tankers be prohibited from traversing the Florida Straits is unreasonable. Texas offshore industry has operated for years with minimum delay and costly regulation. Since 1948, the industry has drilled more than 19,000 wells and produced more than 6.5 million barrels of oil from offshore waters.

In that time, there have been only four significant oil spills, none of which have resulted in permanent dam-

age to the environment.

The industry's success has been the result of a reasonable concern for the environment and a minimum number of regulations.

The 64th Texas Legislature passed the Texas Deepwater Port Procedures Act to facilitate coordination between state agencies and deepwater ports. I think this is sufficient indication on the part of the state to see that everything necessary is done to facilitate the project and protect the environment.

While regulations to protect interstate commerce and the environment are necessary, I would hope the Department of Transportation would establish rules that are not restrictive or burdensome with overlapping jurisdiction if this nation is to benefit from the most efficient mode of transporting crude oil.

Private enterprise will develop deepwater ports to the benefit of this nation if given the freedom and incentive to do so.

Although government monitoring of Seadock's operations may be warranted, Seadock should not pay the cost of such regulations. Whenever the regulated pays the cost of regulation, the opportunities for overregulation are greater. The consumer will eventually pay the price of the regulation.

In addition, no deepwater port can be expected to continue an uneconomical operation as is stipulated under the terms of the license. I am likewise concerned that the license would allow the Secretary of Transportation to mandate the expansion of Seadock's facilities. The un-

School-age children eating breakfast make sharper decisions, become less tired and work and play longer than children who omit breakfast. Breakfast should supply one-fourth of the day's intake of calories and nutrients.

**Texas Taxes**



By BOB BULLOCK, State Comptroller

AUSTIN—One of the least understood of the taxes I administer is the use tax.

Few people realize that when the Texas Legislature enacted the state sales tax, it also enacted the use tax. Actually, the tax is called the "Sales AND Use Tax."

Essentially, the use tax affects purchases that wouldn't be covered by the sales tax: if one doesn't get you, the other one will. Both are four percent.

We've made some effort to inform the public about the use tax, but it hasn't done the job yet. Out auditors still find that most merchants don't understand the use tax.

As a matter of fact, many of the questions raised about the use tax have come from the news media themselves—many of whom have been audited and required to pay the use tax they didn't know they owed.

Technically, the use tax is a tax on the storage, use, or consumption, within the State of Texas, of taxable items purchased, leased or rented on which the Texas sales tax has not been paid.

The use tax applies to taxable items purchased out of state and later used in Texas. The most frequent examples are boats, aircraft, machinery and equipment.

Many newspapers, radio and television stations have learned belatedly that their printing or broadcasting equipment—purchased from out-of-state firms—is subject to the use tax.

Other businesses, such as banks—who wouldn't think of themselves as subject to the sales tax—have learned that they owe the use tax on sophisticated equipment they bought out of state and put to work for them.

The use tax also applies to taxable items bought tax-free because they were intended

for resale, but later converted to personal use or consumed in the regular course of business.

An example: if a grocery store buys brooms for resale—then uses some of them to sweep out the store, the use tax is due on those used in the store.

IF YOU HAVE ANY STATE TAX PROBLEMS OR QUESTIONS, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL COMPTROLLER'S FIELD OFFICE OR CALL TOLL-FREE: 1-800-252-5555.

**Letter To The Editor  
County Should Honor Contract**

Editor:

As you are aware, earlier this year the city council entered into a contract with Jake Deil contractors for a paving and seal-coating project. The city, school, and county combined all projects, at a school board meeting to get a lower bid. The city contracted their engineer to prepare the bids, and opened them according to law. The city also signed the contract, acting as agent for the school county and, of course, the city itself. The city and school have fulfilled all their obligations, and paved their respective share of the coats. The county has refused to honor their part of the contract. Our county commissioner has denied that he authorized the work, even though there were witnesses to all communications with him. Granted it was a verbal commitment, I still believe the county should honor this commitment and pay the bill.

City officials have met with county officials a total of four

(4) times to try to solve this problem. We have received no co-operation whatsoever. At the last meeting we were told to remain silent unless asked a direct question. To me this would be in conflict with the open meeting laws of the state of Texas.

We would like to find some way to work with the county and solve this problem without going to court. This would cause a considerable expenditure of tax money, on both sides that we believe could be avoided.

If the commissioner that we elected and that we pay is not going to co-operate and work for our best interest, which is his job. I believe he should step aside, and be replaced with someone who will.

I am beginning to wonder if we are still a part of Lamb County.

Respectfully,  
Glenn Bulls  
City Councilman  
Earth, Texas


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## Marshall Heads Professional Ag Workers

COLLEGE STATION—Four new officers and seven directors have been named by the Professional Agricultural Workers of Texas to serve during the coming year.

J.A. Marshall of Austin, director of agricultural education with the Texas Education Agency, is the new president. He was named at the organization's annual meeting here to succeed Bruno Schroeder of Austin, who represented the Texas Federation of Co-operatives.

A.H. Walker of College Station, formerly with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, is first vice president, and Bruce Miller of Corpus Christi, representing Central Power and Light Co., is second vice president.

Foy Page, coordinator for the teaching materials center of Texas A&M University's Agricultural Education Department, is secretary-treasurer.

Directors elected for three-year terms were Mrs. Gloria

Schwarzlose of Uvalde, district Extension agent for District 13 of the Extension Service; U.S. Adams of Austin, vocational agriculture teacher; Orval Allen of Dumas, representing the High Plains Underground Water Conservation District; B.J. Carthel of Amarillo, agricultural representative with the Pioneer Natural Gas Company; and George Logan of Waco, with the First National Bank of that city.

Two directors were named to fill two-year unexpired terms of Miller and Page. They were Wylie Roberts of Kaufman, county Extension agent; and J.A. Chandler of Huntsville, representing Sam Houston State University.

Holdover directors who will serve during the coming year include Royce Bodford of Amarillo, with KGNC Radio; J.D. Crutchfield, Houston, with American Rice, Inc.; Homer Gibbs, Dallas, Texas Power and Light Co.; Mary Mahoney, representing the Extension Service and the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station; Clemon Montgomery of Austin, Texas Department of Agriculture.

Also, Jay Naman of Waco, Texas Farmers Union; Yates

Smith, representing the Tennessee Valley Authority and A&M's Soil and Crop Sciences Department; and Charles Taylor of Dallas, Texas editor, Farmer-Stockman.

At the 50th meeting of the professional organization, talks carried out the theme of "Remembrances of the Past—Problems and Challenges for the Future." Eugene Butler of Dallas, Progressive Farmer editor and board chairman, presented historical highlights during the annual dinner meeting.

Dr. H.O. Kunkel, A&M's dean of agriculture, welcomed the group. Outlook talks were given by Dr. Ed Uvacek, Extension livestock marketing specialist, Pearson Knolle of Sandia, dairy farmer and agribusiness leader; Bill Nelson, Amarillo, Wheat Growers Association; Earl Sears, Memphis, National Cotton Council; L.O. Tiedt, Houston, American Rice, Inc.; Wayne Showers, McAllen, with Griffin and Brand, Inc.; Carson E. Watt, Extension recreation and parks specialist; and Dr. Ron Knutson, Extension economist in agricultural policy and marketing.

## Avoid Mail Order Fraud

If you read ads like "Make easy money at home, send \$3 for details" do you obey their command?

If so you may be defrauded says Claudia Mitzel, consumer information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The Texas A&M University System.

"This type of ad may be one of many that defrauds consumers seeking to supplement their incomes at home" she added.

Dishonest ads for business opportunities may promise payment for at-home work only to send the hapless consumer a letter on how to start his own mail order business or inform him he must pass a test or pay a registration fee before qualifying, she explained.

"Frequently the victims are homemakers with young children at home, shut-ins, elderly persons and the unemployed.

"Unfortunately, many consumers who fall prey to these schemes never complain because of the small amount of money lost. But these small amounts add up when there are tens of thousands of responses" she said.

Before investing in a work-at-home opportunity, be cautious—the advertisement promises large profits for little work.

—the ad requires you to send money to receive further information.

—the ad tells you that no experience is necessary.

—the company will not supply the names of other employees so that you can check on their experience.

—you are required to buy and then resell a product at a profit; the item may be of poor quality and unsaleable.

"If you do plan to invest in a work-at-home plan, call your local Better Business Bureau or Retail Merchants Association to find out if the company has a

good reputation. Always think twice before paying for the chance to work," she reminded.

AGRONOMISTS TO DISCUSS FOOD PRODUCTION—More than 3,000 agronomists from across the nation will gather in

Houston Nov. 28-Dec. 3 for the joint annual meetings of the American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America and Soil Science Society of America. Theme of the meetings is "Agronomists and Food: Contributions and Challenges." More than 1,100 research papers will be presented in 21 different subject matter divisions scheduled during the weeklong affair.

FEED ADDITIVE TESTED IN BREEDING HERDS—Research conducted by Texas Agricultural Experiment Station scientists shows that monensin, a new feed additive cleared only for feedlot rations, may be profitably fed to the

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## Cotton Prices Steady

Grower prices remained steady to firm during the week ending November 12, according to Paul R. Dickson, in charge of the Lubbock Cotton Classing Office.

The USD's Agricultural Marketing Service reported trading was moderate to active. Growers offered small lots of cotton in moderate volume.

They sold small mixed lots of mostly grade 31, staple 32, mike 3.5 through 4.9 at about 74.00 cents per pound. Mixed lots of mostly grades 32 and 42, staples 31 through 33, mike 3.5 through 4.9 brought 71.50 to 72.50 cents.

Demand was good, Dickson said. Prices paid growers for cottonseed ranged from 80.00 to 100.00 dollars per ton. Grades 32, 42, and 52 were predominant grades classed at Lubbock this week. Grade 32 was 20 percent, grade 42-34 percent, and grade 52-10 percent. Bark reductions were assigned to 29 percent of the samples classed.

Staples 30, 31, and 32 were predominant lengths. Staple 30 was 24 percent, 31 was 27, and 32 accounted for 21 percent.

Mike readings 3.5 through 4.9 amounted to 72 percent of the total. Mikes above made up eight percent and mikes below

were 20 percent.

Pressley tests indicated breaking strengths at Lubbock averaged 83,000 pounds per square inch.

About 35,000 samples were classed by the Lubbock Classing Office during the week ending November 12. This season's total stands at 48,000 samples compared to only 53,000 on the same date a year ago.

## Littlefield Scout Earns World Conservation Award

Joey Zahn, a Scout in Troop 641, of Littlefield, sponsored by the Littlefield Lions Club has earned the new World Conservation Award announced Bob Bouse, Scout Executive of the South Plains Council.

The award is made by the World Wildlife Fund of Washington, DC through the Boy Scouts of America and recognizes achievement in environmental improvement, natural resource conservation, and an understanding of world conservation problems.

The purpose of the award is to point out to young people that countries of the world are closely interrelated through natural resources and that we in this country are interdependent with our world environment.

To win this award, Scout Zahn earned Conservation and En-

vironmental skill awards, merit badges in Environmental Science, Soil and Water Conservation, Fish and Wildlife Management, and Citizenship in the World.

He is the son of Anthony Zahn, Star Rt. 1, Littlefield.

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## New Weed Threatens West Texas Cotton Fields

LUBBOCK - A weed scientist with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station says a tough, prolific new weed pest is invading West Texas cotton fields, and may be as tough to live with as any weed farmers have encountered.

Dr. John Abernathy says the weed, Rough Blackfoot, is a native of the Trans Pecos area of Texas, and has been steadily moving up the state over the last three years.

According to the Experiment Station scientist, there were several severe infestations of the weed in Hockley county near the Whittarrel community, where it is sometimes called Duckweed.

"During the past year the plant has spread eastward into Lubbock county where several plants were seen along roads north and northwest of the city," Abernathy says.

"Rough Blackfoot is a very prolific seed producer," he adds. "Equally important, the

seeds are resistant to the preplant incorporated herbicides normally used in cotton."

"Rough Blackfoot can emerge either early or late in the growing season, depending on available soil moisture," he says. "The flowers on the plant are very distinctive in that they appear as yellow clusters at the junction of the branch and the stem. The plant can become four or five feet tall by harvest and turn very woody upon maturity. This can severely interfere with the stripper harvest of cotton."

In research tests conducted by Abernathy and his research assistant, Wayne Keeling, the only treatments giving acceptable results for controlling the weed were herbicides such as Caparol and Sancap when applied preemergence and in combination with a preplant incorporated herbicide. However, the researcher cautioned that enough rainfall

must occur to activate the preemergence herbicide treatments.

"Farmers should be aware of Rough Blackfoot and do everything possible to dispose of isolated plants," he says. The plant produces such a tremendous amount of seed that what might be one plant this year could become a sea of troublesome weeds next year.

## November, December A Good Time To Collect Soil Samples

Profitable fertilization depends on utilizing soil nutrients. Although most soils contain some of all the essential nutrients needed for plant growth, the amounts vary greatly between soils due to past fertilization and cropping as well as native fertility. Thus a soil test is a good method for measuring soil nutrient levels, contends Buddy C. Logsdon, county agent for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The first step in soil testing is to use a map or sketch and divide the farm and fields into sampling units or areas. If the area represented by each sample is too large, the information obtained may not be much better than a general fertilizer recommendation.

Under today's conditions, a major objective in soil testing is to determine the level of available nutrients in a soil so that fertilizers can be selected that will supplement the soil supply and provide enough for

## As Cotton Sets Records, Synthetic Prices Suffer

While American cotton producers are commanding record high prices for this year's crop, U.S. synthetic fiber manufacturers are seeing their profits fall below expectations—and, in some cases, dip into the red. Many are having to sell their artificial fibers below the cost of production.

Not too many years ago the situation was reversed, comments Dan Troxler, associate director of demand economics for Cotton Incorporated, the fiber company of U.S. cotton

producers. The difference between then and now is consumer demand—which cotton producers can claim some credit for building, Troxler explains.

Troxler points out that U.S. cotton producers are now receiving the highest average prices of the twentieth century for their fiber. At the same time, recent corporate earnings reports show the depressed state of the synthetic fiber industry.

DuPont, the giant of the industry, reported losses in its fiber division for the third quarter of 1976 and indicated that it is selling its synthetic fibers below cost.

Celanese informed its stockholders that polyester textile filament demand and prices remain in the doldrums because of the weakness of double-knits and industry overcapacity. The company reported lower than expected third quarter earnings, which it attributed partly to the low demand for its fibers.

One conglomerate, the El Paso Company, is trying to sell a fiber and fabric operation, the Beauvit Corporation, because of the depressed state of the synthetic fiber and textile industries.

Cotton's picture is a bright contrast, says Dave Jordening, associate director of supply economics for Cotton Incorporated.

Jordening anticipates that when the final prices for the 1975-76 crop year are in, they will show that cotton producers were paid about 10 cents a pound more than the previous record prices of 1973. He expects that the average price received by producers for the 1975-76 crop will be in the low 50-cent range.

Producer prices for the first two months of the new crop year are already running 15-20 cents a pound ahead of last year's level, Jordening adds.

"With demand high relative to supply, next year looks like

another profitable year for cotton producers," he predicts.

Troxler points out that even though cotton is priced higher than synthetics, mills are finding that consumer demand for natural fibers requires continued purchasing of cotton. "This reinforces what we have been saying all along, that a good price for cotton doesn't mean it can't be sold. The important thing is to build strong consumer demand," he declares.

Jordening also points out that by maintaining strong demand for cotton—and the strong prices it brings—cotton producers can offset the rapidly increasing costs they face.

Cotton's share of the fiber market bottomed out at 29 percent in 1973, Jordening notes, and it has risen to over 30 percent this year, despite the prices. "I think this is evidence that the advertising and research efforts carried out by U.S. cotton producers are proving effective," he adds.

The strong demand for cotton, according to Troxler, is based on a combination of factors. Consumers are turning away from synthetics for a variety of reasons, he says. At the same time, they are expressing an increased awareness of the benefits of cotton.

"What has been depressing the synthetic fiber industry most has been polyester double-knit," says Troxler, who worked for a number of years at a synthetic company. "Double-knit came on strong with the consumers, and the synthetic fiber companies kept increasing their capacity."

"But the bubble burst. Polyester double-knits have proven to have serious defects. Consumers have turned to new cotton fabrics that offer the same performance as polyester double-knits without the drawbacks of picking, snagging, pilling and clamminess."

## Cattle Producers Conference

More than 150 cattle producers are expected to attend a conference at Texas Tech University, Dec. 9, to learn, among other things, proposed revisions to the U.S. standards for grades of feeder cattle.

Frame size and degree of muscling are likely to be included in the revised standards, and Ned Tyler of the livestock division marketing service, United States Department of Agriculture, will discuss the changes and their effect on the producer.

"Beef Production—Tools for the Future" is the theme of this second annual Beef Business Conference, which will also feature talks by a leading beef producer and several animal scientists. Most of 150 delegates are expected from Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

Tyler will only discuss the changes under consideration by the USDA. Final draft of the revised standards will be announced later.

How ranchers can use wind and solar energy will be discussed by Dr. James H. Strickland, assistant professor of mechanical engineering at Texas Tech.

Rob Brown, cattle producer from Throckmorton, Tex., will make a joint presentation with Dr. Leif H. Thompson on artificial insemination.

### Earth Fire Department

The Earth Fire Department was called to the Sandy Sanders farm about noon Friday, November 12. The farm is located 7 miles west and 1/2 mile north of Earth.

The fire was confined to a bale of cotton and some damage to the cotton trailer. The cause of the fire was undetermined.

Brown, a breeder of purebreds, has been using artificial insemination techniques for almost eight years. Thompson, assistant professor of animal science at Texas Tech, has as his current research interest reproductive physiology.

Genetics in improved beef production efficiency will be the subject of Dr. Robert A. Long's discussion. Long, professor of animal science at Texas Tech, is conference coordinator.

Dr. Billie E. Dahl, professor of range and wildlife management at the host university, will talk on brush control. Following will be a discussion on feed processing by Dr. Reed C. Richardson, ruminant nutrition specialist and assistant professor of animal science at Texas Tech.

The chairperson of the Animal Science Department, Dr. Max A. Lennon, will review current beef cattle research at Texas Tech.

Registration for the conference begins at 9 a.m., with individual sessions beginning an hour later. The conference will end at 4 p.m.

Proceedings of the conference will be published by the Texas Tech College of Agricultural Sciences. Copies will be available on the day of the conference.

### Springlake Lions

The Springlake Lions Club met Thursday, November 11 at 12:00 p.m. in the Springlake Community Center.

Lunch was served to the 25 members present.

Following lunch, Mr. Bob Mills, who is the director of Public Relations for Pioneer Natural Gas gave a very interesting talk on the shortage of natural gas and other fuels in the United States and how it will affect the future.

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## Unexplained Cattle Deaths

Most sudden and unexplained deaths of cattle in autumn can be prevented if the cattle producer will look at his forages and management practices with a critical eye, says Buddy C. Logsdon, county agent with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The most common cause of sudden death in cattle this time of year is blackleg. Soils in most parts of the state are generously seeded with spores of the organism causing this fatal disease, and dry weather and shortage of forage cause cattle to graze closer to the soil. Most cases of sudden death occur where vaccination of young cattle has been neglected.

Since several other members of the blackleg family also cause sudden death in cattle, producers should consult with the local veterinarian about appropriate vaccines to provide protection.

Another cause of sudden death in cattle is the poisonous plants which grow in various parts of the state. If forage is abundant, cattle can coexist with poisonous plants. However, fall pastures are usually short and cattle often eat plants they ordinarily wouldn't. A common cause of cattle death in the fall is acorn poisoning. Calves are especially prone to feed on acorns.

Fall is also the season when anaplasmosis causes a number of deaths in cattle, says Logsdon. Mature cattle are most likely to be affected. Producers will likely blame a poisoning for cattle deaths since animals will exhibit signs of struggling and extreme spasms in the last stages of anaplasmosis. Again death is quick with few signs of clinical illness.

Stomach worm parasitism may also be a cause of sudden illness and death in young cattle if they are fed a low quality forage in the fall.

Producers confronted with the sudden deaths in cattle may or may not be able to determine the cause of death. The local veterinarian will be able to diagnose acorn poisoning, anaplasmosis and the blackleg family of fatal diseases for cattle.

Pastures may need renovation to help reduce the danger from poisonous plants, notes Logsdon.

If the cause of cattle deaths is not determined, producers want to review their total management program. A sound management program includes preventative vaccination against various diseases, routine treatment for stomach worms, a quality forage program, and the proper ratio of cattle to pasture. Such a program will do much to reduce the possibility of sudden, unexplained deaths in cattle in the fall, contends Logsdon.

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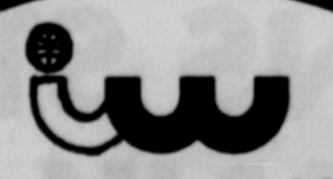
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### Cottonseed — A Bargain Winter Supplement For Cows

COLLEGE STATION — Both cow-calf producers and cotton farmers could benefit by doing some business with each other this year. If cattlemen would boost their winter feed supply by purchasing whole cottonseed from cotton farmers, they would be able to save on feed costs while at the same time helping cotton farmers sell their cottonseed.

Cottonseed was once a common cow feed, but its use has declined in recent years as the value of cottonseed oil has increased, point out Dr. Dennis Herd and Don Parks, beef cattle specialist and area economist, respectively, with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Cattlemen now commonly feed cotton oil by-products such as cottonseed meal, cubes and hulls. But current cottonseed and feed prices indicated that feeding whole cottonseed should be reconsidered.

Herd and Parks note these advantages of feeding whole cottonseed:

1. Feeding value—Whole cottonseed, with 23 per cent protein and 90 per cent total digestible nutrients (TDN), contains 10-15 per cent more

protein and 30 to 60 per cent more digestible energy than the typical 20 per cent protein range cube which may vary in fiber from 10 to 20 per cent. The extra energy is particularly helpful in successfully breeding and wintering fall calving cows.

The two Extension specialists suggest feeding 10 pounds of whole cottonseed whenever it may be fed cheaper than 3.5 pounds of cottonseed meal and 6.5 pounds of milo. Costs should consider differences in labor, waste and storage which will vary greatly among cattlemen.

2. Amount of feed required—Less whole cottonseed is required compared to range cubes, particularly for cows nursing calves. A 1,000-pound, fleshy, dry pregnant cow on dead fall grass or poor hay consuming 16-18 pounds of forage would need 1.9 pounds of whole cottonseed as opposed to 2.25 pounds of a 20 per cent all-natural protein cube. Extra energy in the whole seed should decrease weight loss and encourage rebreeding.

A 1,000-pound cow nursing a calf should perform about the same when receiving 2 pounds of whole cottonseed and 22

pounds of average quality hay or 3.75 pounds of a 20 per cent protein cube, with fiber 10 per cent or less, and 20.25 pounds of hay. Because of the extra energy of whole cottonseed, fewer pounds are needed, thus allowing greater use of normally cheaper hay (22 versus 20.25 pounds). Greater and more nearly equal amounts of the two supplements would be required (5 to 6 pounds) to supply adequate protein where only dead grass or poor hay is available. Other higher protein feeds may be needed where forage protein is extremely low.

3. Feed costs—Many cotton producers are receiving less than \$100 per ton for their cottonseed. If range cubes are costing \$150 to \$165 per ton (depending on quality) and cottonseed can be purchased for \$100 per ton, a cattleman can supplement feed a lactating cow at about one-half the cost with whole cottonseed as compared to range cubes. Whole cottonseed is also a less expensive winter supplement than range cubes for a pregnant dry cow.

As far as disadvantages associated with supplementing cattle with whole

cottonseed, Herd and Parks list these:

1. Storage—The rancher will need storage facilities for the cottonseed because most cotton is harvested before winter feeding begins. Cotton producers commonly sell their cottonseed to their gin during harvest to recover ginning costs. A rancher offering competitive bids to cotton farmers prior to or during cotton harvest would enable purchasing direct from the farmer. The cottonseed can be received from the gin and stored until fed.

2. Seed handling—Cottonseed stored in bulk will not handle as easily as supplemental feed purchased in sacks. Feed troughs may be required for cottonseed where cattlemen have fed cubes on the ground.

The cost of storing and handling whole cottonseed may be small when compared to the savings of feeding cows this high quality but inexpensive feed, contend Herd and Parks. So, cattlemen can reduce their winter feed bill with cottonseed while cotton producers can increase their cottonseed selling price by catering to this need.

### Doug Jones Winner of Weekly Contest

Winner of this weeks contest is Doug Jones. Second place is Dave Cleavinger and third place went to Mike West.

Those with seven games correct were Glenn Branscum, Keevin Kelley and Mona Price. With six games correct were Kelley O'Hair, Brad Barden, Loyd Hood, J.W. Dmear, Shawndi Geissler, Jimmy Randolph, Novella Price, Larry Price, Bennie Prather, Cliff

Follis, Tom Sanders, Toni Sanders and Bill Weldon.

Clifford Moore, Allen Moore, J.D. Barden, Danny Randolph, William P. Holland, Jr., James Hanson, Mary Fulfer, Pat Fulfer, Rocky Lunsford and Edna Sanders had 5 games correct.

Those with 4 games correct were Rodney Geissler, LaJuana O'Hair and Edwin Fulfer.

### Several Types Of Flu May Strike

Several varieties of flu besides swine (A-New Jersey) flu may be stalking the scene this winter. A-Victoria and B-Hong Kong are expected to appear but no one can predict if they will be as bad as in past years, the Texas Medical Association (TMA) says.

When the Hong Kong flu first appeared in 1968, it caused approximately 33,800 deaths. Since the virus has been around several years now, many people have built up some immunity to the virus so it should not be as dangerous as in 1968.

The Victoria flu caused about 11,000 deaths last year. Federal Center for Disease Control officials say increased immunity may cut down on its severe effects this year. In 1975 this flu affected mainly the elderly and the chronically ill so Victoria vaccine is included with swine flu vaccine for those two high risk groups.

A physician may advise that high risk persons also get a Hong Kong vaccine shot. Flu shots need to be taken at least two weeks apart in case a person has a reaction to a shot. Most reactions involve a sore are and-or a mild fever and minor aches and pains for not more than two days.

Drug companies are making mainly swine flu vaccine, swine and Victoria flu together (bivalent vaccine), and Hong Kong vaccine this year.

Generally firms base their production on federal predictions of major flu varieties expected to appear. Only one company is making anything

different. It is producing a vaccine that has A-Scotland and B-Hong Kong vaccine mixed together.

Of course most types of flu have similar symptoms so it makes little difference to the victim what type has got him.

Symptoms may include headache, cough, sore throat, runny nose, fever, muscle aches and a general feeling of sickness. The most uncomfortable symptoms usually end in a few days but the patient may not recover full strength for a week or more. There has been so much alarm about New Jersey flu because people may have no natural immunity to it and symptoms might be worse.

There is no cure for flu. TMA advises people to stay home, rest, drink enough fluids and eat a light diet. If fever is high or persists, a doctor should be consulted since other diseases may have symptoms similar to flu. A physician also can treat any flu complications which range from pneumonia to ear infections.

Avoiding the flu is of course the best thing to do. Vaccinations may help but it takes about a month after inoculation for the body to build up its defenses using vaccine materials so people should get shots before the flu season hits hard. Local health departments and some private physicians are giving swine flu and bivalent swine vaccines. Only private physicians are giving other types. Drug companies are practically out of Hong Kong vaccine but some doctors still have adequate supplies.

### Contest Standings

Larry Price, Jimmy Randolph and Doug Jones-75; Novella Price, Bill Weldon and Mike West-73; Edna Sanders and Tom Sanders-71; Mona Price and Glenn Branscum-70; Danny Randolph-69; LaJuana O'Hair, Cliff Follis, William R. Holland, Jr. and Keevin Kelley-66; Shawndi Geissler-65; Loyd Hood and Brad Barden-64; James Hanson and Kelley O'Hair-63.

Others are Rocky Lunsford, Rodney Geissler, J.D. Barden and Allen Moore-62; Mary Fulfer and Toni Sanders-59; Jamie Myers-58; Lexie Fennell-56; Wendy Branscum and Ricky Castaneda-52; Edwin Fulfer-48; Pat Fulfer-46; J.W. Dear-43; Mark Parish-41; Vicki Freeman-40; Bennie Prather and Terry Conner 28; Jerry Bean-27 and Lonnie Neinast-22.

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## Turkey Tips For Holiday Buying

"Turkey and all the trimmings" make the holiday festive for most people.

Mrs. Sally Coble, a foods and nutrition specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System, offers consumers some tips on buying and storing, along with cooking and serving the turkey.

"Turkeys are a good buy, because they're in season now. The amount to buy depends on the appetites of those eating, but a guide for servings per person may help plan how much to buy. If cooking for persons with hearty appetites, figure the number of servings needed—not how many people are to be fed" she advised.

### STORING METHODS

Fresh, ready-to-cook poultry (whole or in parts) is available in plastic wrapping. Remove the wrapping and place the meat on a dish or tray, covering loosely with waxed paper or foil. Refrigerate immediately. Turkey stored this way will keep for a few days.

Frozen turkey should be placed in the freezer and held at 0 degrees F, or below, until time to thaw for cooking. For top quality, do not keep longer than six months.

Frozen whole turkeys and parts need to be cooked soon after thawing. Frozen turkey also may be placed directly in the oven, but the cooking time will be longer.

### COOKING TURKEY

Ready-to-cook turkeys require little cleaning. Wash the bird in cool water and dry with paper towels.

Salt the body cavity well. Grease the skin of the bird with softened fat or oil. Place breast-side-up on a rack in a shallow pan and roast at 350 degrees F, until the internal temperature reaches 180 degrees F. A meat thermometer may be inserted into the thickest part of the breast or thigh muscle.

"The goal of turkey cookery is to have the meat completely done, but still juicy and tender. The skin should have a brownish-yellow color and be moist and tender to the touch. Consumers should pay close attention to cooking instructions on the bag for best results," Mrs. Coble said.

### STUFFING A TURKEY

A stuffed turkey is an ideal place for harmful bacteria to grow. But if special precautions are followed, stuffed turkey can be safe to eat.

Stuffing should be placed inside the turkey cavity just prior to roasting. Never hold a stuffed turkey at room temperature or in the refrigerator. The roasting time will be longer to reach the desired 180 degrees F. in a stuffed turkey,

she said.

After serving, remove the remaining stuffing from the cavity before storing in the refrigerator or freezer.

Remember, you can still bake a dish of stuffing alongside the roasting unstuffed turkey, the specialist said.

### SERVING THE HOLIDAY MEAL

Turkey will be the highlight of the holiday meal. Allow the turkey to stand 30 minutes before carving. This makes carving easier and the turkey tastier, she said.

"Most families have special foods they serve for Thanksgiving meals. Remember to include foods from the basic four food groups to insure good nutrition," she said.

"Take care in storing leftovers so they will be safe to eat and good for another meal. Leftover turkey may be stored in the refrigerator for a few days—or longer in the freezer," she added.

### AGRICULTURAL BRIEFS

FARM INPUTS PLENTIFUL—Although farmers and ranchers are facing many problems today, at least most of the inputs they need remain generally plentiful, points out an economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Fertilizers will be ample to meet farm and ranch needs this fall and next spring although prices will be slightly higher. Pesticides should also be sufficient but prices are likely to increase due to larger crop acreages next year. A good selection of machinery is available but a shortage should develop later. And the fuel situation should remain stable unless there's a long, frigid winter or an oil embargo.

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## Couple Exchanges Vows in Amarillo

The wedding of Miss Holly Grace Hite to Mr. Terry Lee Slagle was held recently at St. Joseph's Church in Amarillo, Texas. The bride is the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Kenneth F. Hite, currently living in Hawaii. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam L. Slagle of Canyon, Texas.

The Rev. Michael Pintacura of St. Joseph's Church performed the double ring ceremony. Special tropical flowers — deep red anthurium and ti leaves — were flown in to decorate the church and reception. The reception was held at the Garden Center in Amarillo.

The bride wore a gown of champagne slipper satin, overlaid with lace at the V-neck, empire waist, and long tapered sleeves, with a chapel length train. Her veil of matching candlelight lace was attached to a Juliet cap and was also chapel length. She carried a traditional nosegay of white roses. Miss Suzanne M. Hite,

sister of the bride, of Dallas, was maid of honor. She wore a full length gown of yellow nylon marquisette and a matching short fitted jacket with elbow length sleeves falling into large ruffles. Mrs. Jerry Ray of Pampa, Texas, was matron of honor. She wore the same costume in light blue. Both carried white chrysanthemums

with streamers to match the gowns.

Mother of the bride wore a full length gown of pale yellow jersey, with a boat neckline, belted at the waist. She wore a corsage of white roses.

Mother of the groom wore a full length gown of antique gold, outlined in sequins at the neckline, with an empire waist.

Her corsage was of white roses. Mr. Terry McQuiston was best man. Groomsman was Mr. Pat Cannon. Ushers were Mr. Ken Slagle, brother of the groom, Mr. R. Douglas Hite, brother of the bride, and Mr. Don Deberry.

Out of town guests of the bride included Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hite, Enid, Oklahoma Mrs. C.J. Ricketts, McLean, Virginia; Mrs. Gilbert V. McGurl, Sr., McAllen, Texas; Dr. Gilbert V. McGurl, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Haberer, Earth, Texas.

Out of town guests of the groom included Mrs. W.C. Rettiger, Galveston, Texas; Mrs. Dewey Stanford, Beaumont, Texas; Mr. Bill Slagle, Lubbock, Texas.

Mrs. Slagle attended West Texas State University. Her father is in the United States Air Force.

Mr. Slagle attended West Texas State University and is a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity. His father is affiliated with the Mesa Petroleum Company. His mother is an employee of the University Library.



MR. and MRS. TERRY LEE SLAGLE

## Lisa Boardman To Represent Area at the TFB Contest

Miss Lisa Boardman of Crosbyton will represent 16 counties in this area at the Texas Farm Bureau Queen Contest December 6 at the Tarrant County Convention Center Theater in Fort Worth.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Boardman, Lisa will compete with 11 other district winners for the state crown. She is the reigning Crosby County and District 2 Farm Bureau Queen.

Selection of the 1976 queen is one of the activities scheduled for Texas Farm Bureau's 43rd annual convention. The state winner will receive expenses for herself and a matron escort to attend the American Farm Bureau Federation Convention to be held in Hawaii, January 9-12.

Miss Boardman is a 16-year-old junior at Crosbyton High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Future Homemakers of America, Melody Misses, and the annual staff.

the yard, playing basketball, and listening to the radio. Her plans for the future include attending Baylor University and majoring in business.

## Springlake Home Demonstrators Club

The Springlake Home Demonstration Club met November 11. The opening presentation was delivered by the president of the club, Mrs. Keith Boone. The devotional was entitled "Good Morning" and was also presented by Mrs. Boone.

Roll call was answered by eight members and each gave a comment on the theme "I waste time".

A program of hooked and braded rugs instructions was presented by Mrs. Leon Foster with information on different types of rugs and yarns.

Wiona Trustee gave a demonstration on hooked rugs and Dorothy Powell showed some rugs and helped with the needles.

## Grandmother Shower

The fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church in Earth was beautifully decorated Sunday afternoon for a lovely grandmother shower for Mrs. Guy F. Kelley, honoring little Eric Kyle Kelley, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kelley of Dallas.

The serving table was covered with a white lace floor length cloth centered with a blue and white centerpiece using the traditional birthday candle.

Delicious punch strawberry shortcake, nuts and mints were served in crystal appointments. Corsages were presented to grandmother Jane and great-grandmother Sally.

Those assisting with hostesses duties were: Mrs. Bill Anderson, Mrs. Pete O'Hair, Mrs. Hershel Hulcy, Mrs. M.G. Kellar, Mrs. John Bridgss, Mrs. Bryan Dutton, Mrs. G.E. Kellar, Mrs. Marvin Sanders, Mrs. Lillian Hamilton, Mrs. Paul Wood, Mrs. Dorothy Chance Mrs. W.G. Sanderson and Mrs. A.E. Patterson.

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Selections have been made at Whites Auto Store, Bee Hive Mall and Earth Dry Goods.

## An Appeal From T. and C. Study Club

Town and Country Study Club has been asked by M.D. Anderson Clinic to be a collecting agency for wigs to be distributed to their patients. The wigs are to be washed. They will be styled and fitted at the clinic.

The state president of TFWC has also asked for eye glasses for children and adults in state supported institutions. Please leave wigs or eye glasses at the Bee Hive Mall or with Mrs. Wayne Rutherford either at the bank or at Wayne's Station.

## Town And Country Study Club

The Town and Country Study Club met Thursday, November 11 in the home of Mrs. Carra Morgan.

During a business session conducted by President, Mrs. Gladys Parish, it was reported that a new shipment of pecans would soon be arriving. The President requested the Christmas gifts for Girls Town be turned in by December 12.

The Freedom Idea, Yesterday Today and Tomorrow was the theme for the Americanism Program. Roll call was answered by a Bicentennial fact.

Mrs. Lottie Orteg gave the devotional, followed by a prayer by Mrs. Bessie Wood.

A historical writing, "The Hidden Side of George Washington" was given by Mrs. Helen Kelley.

American's birthday was the topic of Mrs. Lucille Campbell's discussion.

Delicious refreshments of chicken salad sandwiches, pumpkin pie coffee and tea were served to the following: Mrs. Mary Butter, Mrs. Lucille Campbell, Mrs. Bessie Cearley, Mrs. Grace Hooley, Mrs. Helen Kelley, Mrs. Lottie Orteg, Mrs. Gladys Parish, Mrs. Zella Mae

Rutherford, Mrs. Jessie Sanders, Mrs. Adria Welch, two visitors, Mrs. Lena Grace Griffin, Mrs. Bessie Wood and hostess Mrs. Morgan.

The next meeting will be

December 9 in the home of Mrs. Helen Kelley. At this meeting gifts will be brought for the Vernon Rehabilitation Center and the members will exchange gifts.

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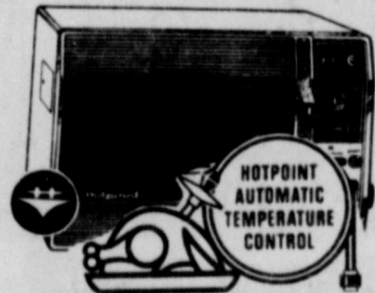
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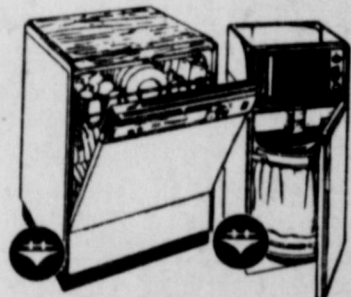
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## New Tax Legislation Affects Estate Planning

The new tax legislation that has just become law will have a big effect on farm and ranch families, contends Tom Prater, an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Most of the legislation is effective after Dec. 31, 1976, although gifts are effective as of Sept. 8, and trusts as of April 30.

"One item in the legislation that will affect the estate planning and management of Texas farm and ranch families will be the 'current use base' for establishing the value of farm and ranch lands," says Prater. "This will reduce the valuation below the fair market value approach which is now used."

However, there are qualification considerations for using the "current use" value: —50 per cent or more of the adjusted value of the gross estate consists of real and personal farm and ranch property and passes to a qualified heir (member of family).

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"The new tax law will also increase the exemption level as far as estate taxes are concerned," points out Prater. "A unified tax table would include estate taxes and gifts."

The economist cites these examples of estate taxes. Starting in 1977, there will be a tax credit of \$30,000 for any estate having a death; \$34,000 in 1978; \$38,000 in 1979; \$42,500 in 1980; and \$47,000 in 1981 and thereafter. Comparing this to the exemption equivalent would mean \$120,667 in 1977; \$134,000 in 1978; \$147,333 in 1979; \$161,563 in 1980; and \$175,625 in 1981 per individual.

The new tax bill also provides a change in marital deductions, enabling one spouse to leave \$250,000 or one-half of the estate, whichever is greater, to

the surviving spouse. In addition to this deduction, there is an additional \$100,000 lifetime marital deduction gift exemption that one spouse can give to the other spouse with no tax, notes Prater. This has to come from separate property.

"Another important feature is the privilege of paying estate taxes over 15 years at 4 per cent interest if 65 per cent of the adjusted tax estate qualifies as a farm, ranch or closely held business. The federal government will have a first lien on property during this period of tax payout," explains Prater.

The recapture of estate taxes is also affected by the new legislation. If farm or ranch is sold out of a family within 10 years, estate taxes on the total fair market value can be recaptured. If the property is held 10 to 15 years, the taxes can be partially recaptured.

State of Texas inheritance laws remain the same.

"All of these plus other changes brought on by the new tax legislation make it important for managers and

owners of farms and ranches to review and revise estate plans so that all management opportunities are realized," emphasizes Prater.

### Pork Best Buy

Low meat prices appear on at least several items in all major meat sections in Texas grocery stores currently—with pork leading in price-drop.

"Pork prices, already much lower than last year for several weeks, declined again this week," Gwendolyn Clyatt, consumer marketing information specialist, said.

"Look for specials on loin cuts—chops and roast, Boston butt roasts (both bone-in and boneless), pork steaks, semi-boneless hams, bacon and sausage," she advised.

Mrs. Clyatt is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

At beef counters, features include chuck cuts, ground beef, steaks for broiling, Boston roll roasts, corned beef and liver.

At poultry counters, turkey specials are offered, and fryer prices remain low.

Fresh vegetable economy focuses on cauliflower, cabbage, Brussels sprouts, broccoli and collard greens, Mrs. Clyatt said.

Other economical choices include carrots, celery, cucumbers, dry yellow onions, green peppers, rutabagas and squash.

Fresh fruit in best supply at the most economical prices are apples, bananas, oranges, grapes and pears. Cranberries have moderate prices.

Along grocery store aisles some features may appear on canned corn, and tomato products, such as catsup, sauce and stewed tomatoes.

At frozen food sections, look for specials on orange juice.

## Vitamin C Better Than Vaccine

Nobel laureate Linus Pauling believes large doses of Vitamin C should be as effective in building up a body's defenses against swine flu as the vaccine the government will use in its mass inoculation program this fall.

The 75 year old scientist made the controversial claim at an American Chemical Society meeting Monday and said "a scare campaign" was responsible for pushing through the \$135 million swine flu vaccination program.

And he said there was little likelihood that a feared swine influenza epidemic would develop anyway.

Pauling has been a long-time advocate of the use of vitamin C to ward off or ease the symptoms of the common cold and claimed there is a large body of evidence showing it helps. He said it now appeared the vitamin would help against other viral infections, including influenza.

"In the future, any influenza epidemic can, if one starts, probably be brought under control by proper use of ascorbic acid (Vitamin C)," Pauling said. He said antibiotics would help fight any secondary infections that might stem from swine flu.

Dr. Bruce Dull, assistant director of the National Center for Disease Control in Atlanta, said, however, there is no test evidence to support the claim that Vitamin C would help against flu. And in Washington, a spokesman for the Public Health Service urged people "not be misled to equate Vitamin C with vaccine as a protection against influenza."

Pauling acknowledged that there is not much evidence supporting his claim but cited a University of Toronto study which he said showed that Vitamin C had a general antiviral capability.

Although Pauling does not think the swine flu vaccine is necessary for the general public, he said people at high

risk to the new strain of influenza probably should be protected by the inoculation.

For the rest of the people he said Vitamin C should be as effective as the vaccine in preventing the flu.

"I think that people should take Vitamin C regularly in the amount that puts them in good health and very large doses if they feel they are coming down with an infectious disease to see if they can stop it," Pauling said.

Vitamin C is found in fruits and leafy vegetables but Pauling said supplements ranging from 250 milligrams to 10 grams a day are needed to protect against colds. Some doctors, however, have warned against self-prescriptions of large Vitamin C doses because little is known about their long time effects.

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### "Myth" Stakes About Your Home

A child learns to love by being loved, reminds Mrs. Ilene Miller, family life education specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Are you a "mything" person? Do you lead people astray with old wives tales about hazards at home?

Things like, "Quick, tornado coming! Get in the southwest corner of the house!" An updated report carried in the National Safety Council's Family Safety magazine tells of a new study carried out—in all places—the home state of that famous tornado-tossed duo—Dorothy and Toto!

University of Kansas geography and meteorology professor Joe R. Eagleman, after investigating actual tornadoes and conducting wind tunnel tests, concluded the northwest corner of the house closet to the approaching tornado (usually the southwest

corner) is the first part of the house to be damaged. Debris from the ruined walls and roof is apt to drop straight down. The corner of the house farthest away from the approaching tornado appears to suffer the least damage and to offer more protection from debris, Prof. Eagleman reasoned.

"That's why it's good policy to keep up on new studies and developments to help you make appropriate decisions when danger strikes," advised the Texas Safety Association. Since a "near myth" can be as deadly as a myth—here are some others offered by TSA.

**MYTH 1**—If carbon monoxide were leaking into my house, I'd know it!

The facts are carbon monoxide is odorless, colorless, tasteless. You can't feel it or hear it escaping. A gas, carbon monoxide is produced any time a material containing carbon burns. Common sources of CO around the home are ranges, central heating units, space heaters, water heaters and fireplaces. An estimated 900 persons die annually in the U.S. from CO gas in their homes. Many others were sickened by it which suffocates victims by "crowding" out oxygen to the blood supply and, of course, the brain. Persons who have been poisoned often say they knew something was wrong but were so confused and weak they could do nothing about it. Your best defense against this invisible killer? "Have all your home combustion appliances checked and cleaned periodically," TSA counseled.

**MYTH 2**—You can kill yourself by sticking your head in a gas oven.

Dramatic film and stage suicide scenes to the contrary, it's not easy to end it all by poking your noggin into a gas stove. Why? Most utility gas piped into homes today is natural gas. Years ago, the gas used was of the more toxic, manufactured variety and some communities may still be using this form of energy. But for the most part, natural has the cooking gas concession. A far greater danger with either type of gas is explosion. Improper stove use, poor maintenance and use of flammable liquids near pilot lights are all setups for home tragedy.

**MYTH 3**—There's nothing like a roaring fire in the fireplace to heat up a room quickly.

Fact is, that cozy blaze in the fireplace may be pulling more heat out of the house than it's putting in. Until the masonry around the fireplace is heated through, and that may take some time, the flames may be sending more heat up the flue than they're sending out to you. A medium-sized steady fire is

better than a real roarer since high flames and sparks could set the chimney on fire by igniting resins coating the flue lining.

**MYTH 4**—Watch out for the flames. They're the real killers in home fires.

Studies of home fire deaths prove the majority die from asphyxiation—and poison gases with flames ranking last. The secret to living through a fire in your home is to get you and your family out as soon as possible before fire poisons the air and drains life. Smoke detectors, available for \$30-\$50 and easy to install, help to insure your family will escape with plenty of time to spare.

**MYTH 5**—A fuse is an electrical "Safety Valve" and will "Blow" before any danger develops.

Actually, frayed wires, internal overheating and a multitude of other electrical sins may never show up at the fuse box. That's why it is always good practice to monitor electrical devices as you use them for shabby wires, strange smells, overheating, etc. and other noticeable danger signals.

**MYTH 6**—Medicines get weaker with age.

This is not always true. Some, such as tincture of iodine, get stronger as time passes. Check with your pharmacist or doctor before using medications of questionable age. Vintage may not work to your advantage.

**MYTH 7**—People with pacemakers should avoid microwave ovens.

Only those people with original pacemakers implanted fifteen years ago or more might experience a hazard. Modern pacemakers and microwaves are not incompatible.

**MYTH 8**—Spoiled food always smells or tastes funny.

Some food can be overrun with bacteria and still not have an off-taste or detectable odor. Sometimes just the opposite is true. Meat may have a very unpleasant smell yet be perfectly safe to eat. Putrefaction, the decomposition process that produces offensive odor, has nothing to do with food poisoning. Keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold—and throw out any doubtful food without a taste test. Even a tongue flick at foods containing botulism can result in paralyzing death.

"Be in the know about the safety and health of your family," Texas Safety Association urges.

### Consumers 'Undesirable' Material

The postal service is no longer judge of whether materials sent through the mail are objectionable, Lynn Bourland, a family resource management specialist, says.

She is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

"Formal rules, published July 28, 1976, now make it the consumer's responsibility to determine if the material is 'undesirable,'" she reported.

Persons who wish to remove their names from such mailing lists may do so by requesting

Form No. 2150 from their local post office. This form calls for a prohibitory order that will be in effect for five years, the specialist explained.

"If consumers find it inconvenient to pick up the form at the post office, they may receive the same service by

writing a letter to the postmaster. "Philosophy behind the new rule is to enable consumers to have an effective way to decide for themselves what they wish to receive, rather than having a government agency decide for them," she said.

### CITY OF EARTH, TEXAS

#### Comparative Summary Of Receipts And Disbursements:

Fund Balance 10-1-75	1975-76	1974-75	INCREASE (DECREASE)
	\$ 37,639.25	\$ 43,465.36	\$ (3,826.11)
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>			
Taxes	\$ 22,034.67	\$ 21,801.84	\$ 232.83
Sales Tax	19,194.37	13,413.64	5,780.73
Utilities and Penalties	62,656.02	52,748.35	9,907.67
Franchise Tax on Utilities	7,254.80	6,132.52	1,122.28
Revenue Sharing	10,311.00	10,423.00	(112.00)
Fines	463.75	544.51	(80.76)
License and Permits	746.00	1,027.75	(281.75)
Swimming Pool	2,377.71	1,861.29	516.42
Mosquito Spraying	2,569.00	2,764.00	(195.00)
Rent - Community Room	409.38	406.90	2.48
Sale of Trash Barrels	480.00	367.00	113.00
Dump Grounds	1,093.00	1,082.50	10.50
Interest on Time Deposits	1,310.96	964.00	346.96
Meter Deposits - Net	770.00	1,135.00	(365.00)
Paving Participation	34,825.34		34,825.34
Other Income	1,297.76	1,429.59	(131.83)
Sale of Warrants	19,300.00		19,300.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$187,093.76</b>	<b>\$116,101.89</b>	<b>\$ 70,991.87</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE</b>			
	<b>\$226,733.01</b>	<b>\$159,567.25</b>	<b>\$ 67,165.76</b>
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>			
Administrative Expense	\$ 18,207.07	\$ 18,394.49	\$ (187.42)
Police Department	13,378.22	13,402.59	(24.37)
Fire Department	2,924.62	3,498.28	(573.66)
Parks and Street Department	13,453.43	14,145.38	(691.95)
Dog Pound	926.39	65.56	860.83
Swimming Pool	4,823.14	5,617.14	(794.00)
Health	1,092.98	1,673.18	(580.20)
Scout Hut	303.19	501.34	(198.15)
Community Room	2,223.81	1,200.98	1,022.83
Water and Sewer Department	27,833.46	22,695.77	5,137.69
Sanitation Department	12,507.16	12,937.62	(430.46)
Other Disbursements		35.05	(35.05)
Capital Outlay	69,072.01	10,378.06	58,693.95
Bebt Service	13,391.34	15,382.56	(1,991.22)
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>\$180,136.82</b>	<b>\$119,928.00</b>	<b>\$ 60,208.82</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE 9-30-76</b>			
	<b>\$ 46,596.19</b>	<b>\$ 39,639.25</b>	<b>\$ 6,956.94</b>



**if you really want to rid your home of bugs... Call a DI-TOX Pro!**

Those spray cans you get at the store are nice... but if you're serious about killing insects, forget the sprays. You simply cannot buy the professional strength insecticides that are needed to get rid of roaches, ants and other insects.

The modern, sure way to get rid of insects and keep them out is to contact your Di-Tox Pro. He uses the most effective professional insecticide available today - DI-TOX. Di-Tox has the power to not only kill the resistant strains, but has a flushing action that drives the hidden insects from cracks and crevices.

Your Di-Tox Pro will explain how Di-Tox can keep your home or business insect-free. Remember, insist on Di-Tox. It's your insurance for a job well-done.

**IN YOUR AREA, CALL:**

**TEXAS EXTERMINATING CO.**  
1208 NASSAU  
293-3368  
PLAINVIEW



### SPRINGLAKE-EARTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET (Exclusive Of Enterprise Funds) AUGUST 31, 1976

SPRINGLAKE-EARTH INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT :  
BALANCE SHEET (EXCLUSIVE OF ENTERPRISE FUNDS) :  
AUGUST 31, 1976 :

SCHEDULE 1

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	10	20	50	90	TOTAL
	GENERAL OPERATING FUND	DESIGNATED PURPOSE FUND	INTEREST & BONDED DEBT FUND	GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	
<b>CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS</b>					
1110 - Cash In Bank	\$13,879.00	\$ (4,805.41)	\$ 1,286.46	\$	\$ 10,360.05
1172 - Certificate of Deposit	266,000.00		43,000.00		309,000.00
<b>1100 - TOTAL CASH AND TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$279,879.00</b>	<b>\$ (4,805.41)</b>	<b>\$ 44,286.46</b>		<b>\$ 319,360.05</b>
<b>RECEIVABLES</b>					
1220 - Property Taxes	\$ 9,741.12	\$	\$ 1,416.71	\$	\$ 11,157.83
1230 - Due From State	5,900.36	8,650.00			14,550.36
1260 - Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes	(2,922.34)		(425.01)		(3,347.35)
<b>1200 TOTAL RECEIVABLES</b>	<b>\$ 12,719.14</b>	<b>\$ 8,650.00</b>	<b>\$ 991.70</b>		<b>\$ 22,360.84</b>
<b>LAND, BUILDINGS &amp; EQUIPMENT</b>					
1510 - Land				\$ 40,329.39	\$ 40,329.39
1520 - Buildings & Improvement				976,556.76	976,556.76
<b>FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT</b>					
1541 - Furniture				241,348.67	241,348.67
1543 - Vehicles				90,634.00	90,634.00
<b>1540 TOTAL FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT</b>				<b>\$ 331,982.67</b>	<b>\$ 331,982.67</b>
<b>1500 TOTAL LAND, BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT</b>				<b>\$1,348,868.82</b>	<b>\$1,348,868.82</b>
<b>OTHER DEBITS</b>					
1610 - Amounts to be provided for payment of Bond Principal			\$231,000.00		\$ 231,000.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</b>	<b>\$292,598.14</b>	<b>\$ 3,844.59</b>	<b>\$276,278.16</b>	<b>\$1,348,868.82</b>	<b>\$1,921,589.71</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, FUND BALANCE AND RESERVES</b>					
<b>LIABILITIES</b>					
<b>CURRENT PAYABLES</b>					
2130 - Bonds Payable - Current	\$	\$	\$ 34,000.00	\$	\$ 34,000.00
<b>2100 - TOTAL CURRENT PAYABLE</b>			<b>\$ 34,000.00</b>		<b>\$ 34,000.00</b>
<b>BONDED DEBT</b>					
2710 - Bonds Payable			\$197,000.00		\$ 197,000.00
<b>2000 - TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>			<b>\$231,000.00</b>		<b>\$ 231,000.00</b>
3100 - Fund Balance	\$292,598.14	\$ 3,844.59			\$ 296,442.73
<b>INVESTED RESERVES</b>					
3220 - Reserve for Retirement of Indebtedness	\$	\$	\$ 45,278.16	\$	\$ 45,278.16
3240 - Reserve for Investment in Fixed Assets			\$ 1,348,868.82	\$	\$ 1,348,868.82
<b>3200 - TOTAL INVESTED RESERVES</b>			<b>\$ 1,394,146.98</b>		<b>\$ 1,394,146.98</b>
<b>3000 - TOTAL FUND BALANCES AND RESERVES</b>	<b>\$292,598.14</b>	<b>\$ 3,844.59</b>	<b>\$ 45,278.16</b>	<b>\$1,348,868.82</b>	<b>\$1,690,589.71</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, FUND BALANCES AND RESERVES</b>	<b>\$292,598.14</b>	<b>\$ 3,844.59</b>	<b>\$276,278.16</b>	<b>\$1,348,868.82</b>	<b>\$1,921,589.71</b>

### Save money. Save gas. Shop FUL-LINE'S AC Sparkplug Sale!



Give your car the "spark" it needs to start fast, run smooth, and get full mileage from your gas. Put in new AC sparkplugs now and SAVE MONEY during FUL-LINE'S November Special.

Regular AC Plug **69¢** ea.\* CASH-N-CARRY Limit 8 Plugs  
AC Resistor Plug **79¢** ea.\*  
\*Prices may vary among AC-Delco outlets

**PEAK**  
ANTIFREEZE AND COOLANT

**\$3.49** gallon  
Plus 50¢ refund per gal.  
Pick up refund coupon, mail to Peak.



**DU PONT CAR CARE SALE**  
YOUR CHOICE...  
**69¢** CASH-N-CARRY



**FAST FLUSH**  
2212N - 11 oz.  
Liquid radiator cleaner removes rust and grease.  
**SALE 69¢**



**COOLING SYSTEM SEALER**  
2312N - 11 oz.  
Stops cooling system leaks and seals pressurized systems.  
**SALE 69¢**



**ANTI-RUST CONCENTRATE**  
2412N - 11 oz.  
Protects cooling system metals against rust and corrosion.  
**SALE 69¢**



**WINDSHIELD WASHER SOLVENT**  
4012N - 14 oz.  
Concentrated detergent solution cleans in any weather.  
**SALE 69¢**

SALE PRICES AT ANY OF THESE PARTICIPATING BULL PARTS FUL-LINE ASSOCIATES: Sale prices end November 27, 1976.

1st and Main Earth **Q-P PARTS** 257-2140



## Dimmitt Ready-Mix Concrete

Located at 718 E. Bedford in Dimmitt, phone 647-3171, Dimmitt Ready-Mix Concrete is a good place to order all of your ready-mixed concrete. By doing business with these professionals, you can be assured of scientifically mixed concrete that will give beauty and strength to all of your construction projects.

Their transit mix concrete delivery service has been a great asset to the construction industry throughout this area and knowledgeable contractors specify Dimmitt Ready-Mix Concrete for all of their concrete needs. The excellent service offered by this outstanding firm has helped builders meet tight schedules time and time again.

For the homeowner, Dimmitt Ready-Mix Concrete offers the same fast service and quality products. Many do-it-yourselfers in this area have successfully laid their steps,

slabs, and other concrete work with the help of this fine company, and we the editors of this 1976 Progressive Message recommend that you call the best when you need concrete.

## Gibson's Discount Center

Spending more and buying less? Maybe you should be shopping at Gibson's Discount Center in Dimmitt where your dollar goes a lot further! Conveniently located at 108 West Jones, phone 647-3158, this full line store offers something that most other stores can't compete with...the area's very lowest prices on EVERYTHING!

Here you'll find clothing for the entire family, sporting goods, household needs, appliances, tools, auto accessories, and nearly every little thing you

## Dimmitt Printing Co.

Dimmitt Printing Company located at 200 East Bedford in Dimmitt, phone 647-3286 can do printing for any needs. They specialize in all types of quality offset and letter press printing. If your work calls for writing or typing your name, address, date or special information on

various papers, you can save many men hours by having these combinations printed.

They now offer a full line of office equipment, supplies and repair service is the most efficient to be found.

Dimmitt Printing Co. has a wide selection of wedding invitations to choose from and also print business cards, letterheads, statements, invoices, hand bills, booklets, direct mail advertising and special forms of many descriptions.

All of these have proven themselves to the public as a timesaver and have thus become popular in usage. Stop by their office the next time you are in Dimmitt and let them take your order. They offer every customer a personalized service and all orders are given prompt attention.

The editors of this 1976 Progressive Message point out the advantage of having a concern in our area, such as the Dimmitt Printing Co. that is known for the quality of their work and for doing what is asked of them. Be sure to see them for all your printing needs.

## Ann's Steak House

Ann's Steak House is the popular meeting place for folks in this section. Stop here for a meal the next time you are in Dimmitt. They are located at 113 S.E. 2nd phone 647-5354. The management invites you to drop in for some of the fine cooked foods in which they specialize, such as: homemade enchiladas, tacos (tamales) or a mouth watering steak dinner.

There is something about this restaurant that sets it apart from other eating places and makes it highly satisfactory. The extreme care and thought that goes into everything—the cooking, service, and arrangement, create a dining atmosphere that should be visited regularly.

In making this 1976 Progressive Message, we the editors, wish to compliment Ann's Steak House for their good food and friendly service, and suggest to the people of this area that they stop in anytime.

## Henderson Foundations, Inc.

Even in a tough, durable product like concrete, delicate hands are required to artistically finish a job. Henderson Foundations, Inc. are the artists of the concrete contractors and have the know-how and the tools to do a perfect job every time! Phone 647-3664 or 647-4119 or stop in at 106 Grant Street in Dimmitt and

discuss YOUR next project which requires the BEST in concrete work!

Whether it's a new sidewalk, a set of steps, curbs, gutters, patios, or foundations, the skilled professionals at this firm understand the concrete business completely! Why settle for less when the very best costs no more.

The satisfied customers of Henderson Foundations, Inc. are their best references! Ask to see their referral sheet before you have them begin YOUR job, then sit back and watch the experts in action! As the editors of this 1976 Progressive Message, we feel that you can place your complete faith in this reliable firm for ALL of your concrete work.

## Stacy's Annual

Levelland  
Brownfield

# Fall Sale

Littlefield  
Odessa

Yes, FALL SALE time has come again to Stacy Mason. Now you can shop the complete fall collection of better home furnishings at SALE PRICES. This is a store wide sale. Everything in the store is on sale. Don't wait, shop as soon as you can.

## La-Z-Boy Recliners

Stacy Mason has over 500 La-Z-Boys in stock for immediate delivery. You really should shop the place where you have the best selection and lowest prices too.

1. TRADITIONAL STYLE La-Z-Boy Rocker Recliner. Your choice of three colors in a beautiful heavy vinyl fabric. A regular La-Z-Boy designed to sell for at least 249.95

149.95

2. La-Z-Boy SWIVEL ROCKER. The all new rocker that breaks its back to give you real comfort. Choice of olive, gold, or rust velvet. Reg. 229.95

159.95

3. La-Z-Boy WALL RECLINER. Actually gives you the comfort of a recliner yet operates as close as one inch from the wall. Available in velvet or vinyl colors. Reg. 299.95

189.95

4. La-Z-Boy POP-UP RECLINER. The occasional chair looks that turns into a comfortable recliner. Just right for those rooms where you really don't want a recliner but need one. Your choice of styles and fabrics. Reg. 229.95

149.95

## Dining Room Groups

Stacy's dining room is well stocked to give you a good selection. The winter sale gives you low price, together you get the best values in town.

1. TELL CITY OVAL TABLE. 42" x 56" with two leaves. Formica top. Solid hard rock maple. Limited quantities. Reg. 219.95

199.95

2. SAVE UP TO 40% on other Tell City pieces. Most are limited in number. Please check our inventory for the very best buys in Tell City maple dining room furniture.

3. AYERS GAME TABLE SETS. All sets are sale priced. Choose from the "Deerstalker" and other groups now in stock.

4. SPRAGUE CARLETON. A fine old name in dining room solid rock maple. Now in stock at Stacy's. The 42" pedestal base table in antique finish (the original one!) Reg. 279.95

229.95

5. SPRAGUE CARLETON. Pine is called Parson Pine and it is beautiful. It is the finest north eastern pine wood in real authentic styling. Round pedestal table. Reg. 259.95

259.95

## Occasional & Book Cases

Stacy's have the LIVING ROOM TABLES you want at SALE PRICES. Or new bookcase collection is now complete.

1. OUR NEWEST EARLY AMERICAN GROUP "Buck's Country". Outstanding design with practical high pressure laminate tops. No water rings on these table tops. Choose from several different pieces in this group. The cabinet end tables were \$159.95

139.95

2. STAND-UP BOOKCASES BY BASSETT. These six foot tall beauties give you storage and styling. Choose Early American or Traditional looks in open bookcases, door bookcases, or desk bookcase units. The open bookcase regular 169.95

109.95

3. THE SPOT TABLE. A beautiful oak creation that sets in a small spot by a chair and does many things. Holds your glass or cup on a under pull-out tray. A very special item to be moved about too. Reg. 99.95

81.95

4. HOW ABOUT OAK FLOORING FOR A TABLE TOP? Well this is what you get in the Heirloom Group. Beautifully styled pieces in hand laid up Parquet tops of solid oak. These practical tables really will interest you. A good stock of sizes and pieces. Rectangle end tables. Reg. 149.95

149.95

## Bedding

Stacy's specializes in SEALY BEDDING simply because it gives you that very best. As the largest Sealy dealer in West Texas, other people must think so too, look at these great values.

1. SEALY POSTURE FIRM. Our good bedding that features famous Sealy firmness with a deep quilted surface for lasting comfort.

TWIN SIZE EACH PIECE Reg. 59.95 Sale 39.95

REG. SIZE EACH PIECE Reg. 79.95 Sale 59.95

QUEEN SIZE SET EACH PIECE Reg. 199.95 Sale 149.95

KING SIZE SET Reg. 269.95 Sale 199.95

2. SEALY POSTURE FIRM SUPER. Our better quality with an extra measure of firmness. Features Sealy exclusive high compression foundation.

TWIN SIZE EACH PIECE Reg. 69.95 Sale 49.95

REGULAR SIZE EACH PIECE Reg. 89.95 Sale 69.95

QUEEN SIZE SET EACH PIECE Reg. 249.95 Sale 199.95

KING SIZE SET EACH PIECE Reg. 329.95 Sale 259.95

3. SEALY POSTURE PILLOW. Sealy firmness and plush comfort with an elegant cover, an unbeatable buy.

TWIN SIZE EACH PIECE Reg. 79.95 Sale 59.95

REGULAR SIZE EACH PIECE Reg. 99.95 Sale 79.95

QUEEN SIZE SET EACH PIECE Reg. 299.95 Sale 239.95

KING SIZE SET EACH PIECE Reg. 369.95 Sale 329.95

4. SEALY POSTUREPEDIC is not actually on sale. Yet it still represents the finest bedding value on the market. If you're looking for the best in a good night's sleep, you really should choose the one and only Sealy Posturepedic. From 109.95 each piece.

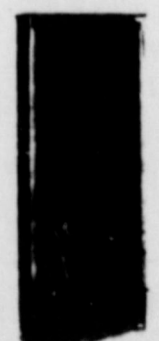
5. GODS AND EMDS. Mattress or foundation. All made by Sealy. All are priced to move, so be sure and ask about our mismatched and odds and ends goods if you need something special. Reduced up to 1/3 price.



La-Z-Boy Rocker Recliner  
Your choice of vinyl colors only.  
Big and comfortable. 149.95



Princess Chair  
19.99



Six Gun Cabinet  
Made of select hard woods and veneers. Drawer and glass doors lock. Reg. 199.95  
99.95



Grandfather Clocks  
Your choice of three styles. Imported movements with chimes. 299.95



Sewing Rocker  
Maple finish. Choice of seat fabrics. 39.00



## Living Room Groups Sleepers

Sofas, Love Seats, Sleepers. Stacy's complete "Fall Collection" is on SALE. You can now select from the latest and finest in beautiful home furnishings.

1. EARLY AMERICAN Tufted back sofa. Our most popular sofa style. Really good looking. Choice of elegant velvets or long wearing Herculon fabrics. Reg. 399.95

275.00

2. TRADITIONAL STYLE SLEEPER. Regular size that makes a good sleeping bed. Durable tweed fabrics. Made by Welshite. A very special sleeper. Reg. 299.95

149.95

3. A BRANDT EARLY AMERICAN SOFA AND MATCHING SWIVEL ROCKER. Both pieces feature maple wood trim on wings and arms. Choice of heavy duty brown vinyl or easy clean Herculon. Both pieces. Reg. 599.99

399.95

4. QUILTED VELVET SOFA. Beautiful floral print pattern. By Swithe. This beautiful sofa represent really great value and good styling at Reg. 399.95

299.95

5. SOUTHLAND QUILTED VELVET SOFA. Elegant La France velvet for years of long wearing beauty. Traditional styling with reversible seat and back cushions. Reg. 399.95

399.95

6. EARLY AMERICAN SLEEPER. Wood trim for authentic styling. Makes a good comfortable bed for your guests. Choice of velvet or Herculon fabric. Reg. 499.95

349.95

7. LOVE SEAT SLEEPER. Great for the bedrooms or the living area. Makes a good twin size bed for really comfortable sleeping. Early American design in variety of fabrics. Reg. 399.95

275.00

8. AYERS "SLEEPY HOLLOW" and "DEEP SLAYER". The two most popular wood arm den groups to be found. We have both groups in stock now and they are SALE PRICED. See these complete groups, they have matching end tables and even party table sets, at really great SALE PRICES.

## Bed Room Groups

1. HAMPSHIRE HOUSE PINE. The sought after look of dark Colonial Pine. Stacy's offers you the big triple dresser with an exciting hutch mirror. Cannon ball head board and side stand. All four pieces. Reg. 549.95

399.95

2. EARLY AMERICAN MAPLE. Authentically styled with a practical view point. Features high pressure laminated tops, wall case pieces. Large double dresser, plate glass mirror, panel base and side stand. All four pieces. Reg. 539.95

299.95

3. HARRISON SOLID OAK BED ROOM in the Mediterranean flair. Beautiful dark finish that purely shows the elegant graining of 100% oak solids and oak veneers. Open stock, you can add to this group at anytime. Choose from beautiful hutch mirrors, massive case pieces or cathedral headboard. The triple dresser and landscape mirror. Reg. 549.96

399.95

4. FROM THE INDOOR WORLD OF ARMSTRONG comes bedroom furniture that is your best buy. Durable, stylish, and value all describe these Armstrong first family groups. Choose "Imagery" big triple dresser, vertical mirror, headboard and side stand. Reg. 559.95

349.95

## Carpet

Stacy's carpet department features America's best buy from people like EVANS BLACK, BIGELOW, PHILADELPHIA, and LEISURE-TEX. Shop and compare. You will see the Really Big Values offered by Stacy-Mason.

1. 100% Nylon, stylish, sculptured shag in solid hiding tweed colors. Choose from 5 different colors in stock now. Reg. 9.95 installed.

7.95

2. KITCHEN CARPET Beautiful pattern prints from Evans Black. Our finest selection of solid and static resistant kitchen carpets. Reg. 10.95 installed.

8.95

3. LENKORA. 100% acrylic fabric with the famous "sculptured" printing process. Stacy's bought the whole inventory at the mill to get a special price concession. The savings are passed on to you. Lenkora works in any extra heavy wear area, kitchen, office, den. Reg. Price \$16.95 installed

10.95

4. SURPRISE. A special group of first quality carpets of various styles and colors. All priced to really move out. You must see these rolls to really appreciate the values. Regular in 12.95 installed

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## Texan Invents New Brick

Alfonso Monteros has invented a neat modification of the conventional brick form that lets even the complete novice lay a brick wall quickly and perfectly. His invention is now being introduced to industry with the help and guidance of the Raymond Lee Organization and is covered by a patent application pending in the U.S. Patent Office.

struction time on commercial building contracts.

According to Raymond Lee, founder president of the Raymond Lee Organization, "Almost everyone has invented something at one time or another, usually in connection with his home, hobby or occupation. We believe there are many ideas which could be of interest to industry if their inventors would come forward." Says Lee, "Our company helps independent inventors throughout the U.S. and Canada with the commercial development and presentation of their ideas to industry."

Mr. Monteros' Quick Brick has small triangular extensions on the bottom and one side, exactly defining the right spacing between one brick and its neighbors. Mortar is laid in the usual way, but constant use of a level is no longer required to assure accurate spacing between a row of bricks and the one below it. The job is easier for the amateur and goes much more quickly for the professional. The bricks therefore could reduce con-

An Inventor's Kit with information on how to develop, safeguard and market your invention may be obtained free of charge by requesting Kit No. IM from the Raymond Lee Organization, 230 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

## Cattle Feeding Shows Increase

Although many people are talking about the return of grass-fed cattle because of increasing feed prices, the latest cattle-on-feed statistics show significant increases are still coming in cattle feeding, notes a livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Ed Uvacek points out that the number of cattle on feed in the seven major cattle feeding states on Sept. 1 was up 8 per cent over last year's totals, at a total of 6.4 million head. In Texas, the number of cattle on feed was even up higher—10 per cent above year ago levels.

Placement of cattle and calves on feed during August was up 10 per cent over last year in these seven states, while Texas figures showed a 25 per cent increase in feedlot placement during that month.

On the marketing side, Uvacek points out that fed cattle marketing were above a year ago by 31 per cent in the seven states during August, while Texas marketings showed a 38 per cent jump.

"The interesting thing about this data is that they indicate a somewhat more positive attitude about cattle feeding among Texas feedlots," contends Uvacek. "It might also indicate that more cow-calf operators are placing their stock on feed, rather than selling them as feeders."

# SUNNYSIDE NEWS

By TEENY BOWDEN



Dina Jo Hampton was named Lamb County 'Gold Star Girl' for 1976 at the Lamb County 4-H Achievement Awards Banquet at the Agriculture and Community Center in Littlefield Monday night.

She was recognized as a 5 year member of 4-H who has completed projects in Clothing, Food and Nutrition, Beef Cattle, Dog Care and Training, Horse, Citizenship, automobile Care and Safety, Home Environment, and Junior Leadership. She has served the Springlake-Earth Club as Communications Officer and has been active in the Horse Club.

She has participated in Rally Day, 4-H Fair, County and District Horse Shows, Sward Banquets, Leadership Lab County and District Dress Reveal, County and District Food Shows, and many livestock shows. She has helped judge the Bailey County Food Show Junior Division.

Her 4-H Record Book in Dog Care and Training has won County and District and was entered at the state level. Her book has won first alternate at state for the past two years. In addition to the 'Gold Star Girl' award she received a special award in Food Show and Bread.

Others from the community receiving special awards at the Lamb County 4-H Achievement Awards Banquet Monday night were Belinda Hampton, Dress Reveal; Bridget Hampton, Home Environment; Duke Hampton, Gardening; Tommy Hampton, Poultry; Heath Hampton, Gardening; Kevin Riley, Food and Nutrition; Jodie Riley, Poultry; Tommy Graham, Automotive; and Michael Graham, Petroleum Power.

Participation Awards went to Tommy and Michael Graham for Farm and Ranch Management Demonstration Contest, Dina Jo Hampton, Record Book, Cimpetition;

Tommy Graham, National 4-H Citizenship Short Course and Heritage Tour and also Secretary County Council.

Those receiving 7 year pins were Tommy and Michael Graham. 5 year pins went to Dina Jo Hampton, Belinda Hampton and Kevin Riley. 4 year pins were received by Tommy Hampton, Duke Hampton and Lynn Brown received 3 year pins, and Bridget Hampton, Heath Hampton and Jodie Riley received 1 year pins. Tommy Graham led the motto and pledge at the banquet. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hampton David and Denise, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Graham, and Mrs. Ray Jo Riley. All of the children were present except Lynn Brown.

Snow began falling late Friday afternoon and covered the ground by dark. About 6 inches accumulated during the night and Saturday morning. 40 inch of moisture collected in the rain gage.

Pvt. Daniel Montiel was recently assigned as an artillery crewman with the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Brown and Lynn attended the diabetic clinic at Anherst Monday night. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parson attended the Unit I Foster Parents Organizational meeting in Dimmitt Tuesday night.

The Lion's Club met Monday night to make plans for a turkey shoot on Saturday afternoon. The shoot was held in spite of the snow and cold weather.

Mrs. Embree Roy Sadler and Mrs. John Gilbreath attended the Plains Memorial Hospital Auxiliary board and general meeting at the hospital Wednesday morning. Mrs. Sadler presided.

Mr. and Mrs. JC. Holbrooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Louder returned home Tuesday from a few days visit in Houston with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Messer, Bart and Shelley.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Morris of Tulia spent the day Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phelan.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Graham helped with the concession stand at the game Friday night. Springlake-Earth was defeated by Farwell 6-22.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Epperson of Ropesville came up for the Springlake-Earth-Farwell game Friday evening to see their granddaughter, Daneen Wilson twirl. They spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Wilson and Samantha, and had dinner with them Saturday along with Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Wilson and Daneen, and Mr. and Mrs. Doug Freeman.

Mrs. Hershel Wilson visited with her sister, Mrs. Jim Collins in Ripesville Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Jones and Hershel Wilson left after the Sunday evening worship services for San Angelo to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Jones, Ray and Darla Kay and deer hunt through Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gilbreath and boys and Gabriel Montiel attended the Dimmitt-Littlefield game in Littlefield Friday night in the snow. Dimmitt won 27-14. Matt Gilbreath, David Montiel, and Susan Sadler rode the band bus and participated with the band.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Waggoner visited with Mr. and Mrs. Grady Herrington of Farwell Wednesday. Mrs. Waggoner visited with them again on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Waggoner and children visited in Lubbock Saturday night with friends from San Antonio.

Mrs. Carl Dean Carson and Deakon went to Odessa Tuesday to spend a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Buford Newton. Carl Dean took them to Brownfield and visited for awhile with the Newtons and she went on with them to Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Tina Walling of Palsade, Colorado spent Monday night with her parents.

John Gilbreath, Ray Joe Riley and others visited with Carter aids in Georgia the first part of the week to relate the needs of West Texas cotton and grain sorghum growers to the new administration. They also visited with Congressman Mahon in Lubbock today (Monday.)

## Springlake - Olton

OLTON-'Mark Your Possessions Day' Saturday, November 20, is sponsored by Olton Police Department and Volunteer Fire Department. Persons are invited to bring CB's, tape decks or any other articles to have engraved with Social Security number, drivers license, or any identifying mark the owner desires. This service is free of charge and is scheduled anytime after 10 a.m. at the Fire Station.

SPRINGLAKE-Sunday morning Lee Brown of Sunnyside addressed the congregation of Springlake First Baptist Church relative to the drive for benefit of Bangladesh sponsored by Baptist Student Union at Texas Tech University, Lubbock.

The fund is to be used in aiding the recipients in becoming self-sustaining. Brown is a member of the Texas Tech b.s.u. The church responded with a contribution of one hundred and fifty three dollars, the greatest sum per capita of any church in the area.

SPRINGLAKE-The young people of Springlake First Baptist Church were guests at a Harvest Banquet Saturday evening in the church fellowship hall. Hosting the event were ladies of the congregation.

The harvest theme was featured in the display of a scarecrow near a basket filled with farm products including

corn, pumpkin, cotton bolls, squash, potatoes and onions.

The tables lighted by kerosene lamps were decorated by autumn leaves, pine cones, cotton bolls and ears of corn.

Kent Parish was Master of Ceremonies.

The Rev. Glen Smith, pastor, offered the invocation. Clint Kniffen presented devotional thoughts.

Musical selections were provided by guitarist and vocalist Randy Eagan student of Eastern New Mexico State University, Portales. Rev. Smith related humorous incidents throughout the evening.

Benediction was by Mike Jones of E.N.M.U.

The menu was turkey, dressing, ham, hot rolls, fruit salad, cranberry salad, tossed salad, whipped potatoes, candied yams, fried pies, bundt cake and ice tea.

Out-of-town guest was Leland Harrison of the New Mexico University in Portales.

OLTON-Jean Wilcox Green of Olton now has ten oil paintings on exhibit at North Plains Savings and Loan Association in Dumas. The works of art vary in size from 8" x 10" to 18" x 24". They depict floral arrangements and rustic scenes. Mrs. Green specializes in paintings of our fading heritage including weathered buildings, windmills, wagons and old cars.

She had an art show recently in El Paso where she taught a three day work shop. Last summer a number of her productions were displayed in First State Bank, Stratford. One of her pictures is shown in our state capitol building. Tuesday she gave a demonstration of oil painting to Muleshoe Art Association in the State Bank there. She has an art shop and teaching studio in Olton.

Mrs. Green has studied with Conny Martin of Lubbock, Ruth Barnett of Hale Center, Tom Knapp of Ruidoso N.M. and Ben Konis of Amarillo. She considers the greatest com-

mentation on her work to be a request from Knapp to exchange of his bronze productions for a painting she had done.

Daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. V.F. Wilcox, Mrs. Green was reared in Kress and is a graduate of high school there. She started painting at the age of twelve years and began her study with private instructors during her sophomore high school year.

She and Willie Gene Green of Olton were married in 1951. Their son Nicky is 21 and their daughter Tammy is a senior

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# Hunter's Hazards Many And Varied

Hunting to most of America's early settlers was not a sport. It was a means of survival. The hazards of hunting game in a wild and untamed land were many, but it was often the only alternative to starvation.

During this fall and winter season, more than 20 million Americans will again take to the open country to hunt. Today's hunter may have different motives and rewards, but many of the hazards our ancestors faced still exist.

For this reason, The Texas Safety Association has issued a call for all hunters to take extra precautions during this Bicentennial hunting season. TSA Vice President for Recreational Safety, Gawain Bonner, points out that:

"Although the primary hazard to earlier hunters was a hostile environment, today's hunter carries his primary hazard with him - his gun. Fortunately, hunting and firearm accidents have something in common with all mishaps... they are preventable."

"Prevention," Bonner continued, "requires that we first identify the problem areas and place them in proper perspective. Then, effective countermeasures and precautions can be taken."

"The Texas Safety Association has identified ten major hazard areas related to hunting. A brief description of the ten follows, and includes measures for preventing and/or minimizing the possibility of accidents."

### FIREARMS

Two cardinal rules of gun safety are (1) don't load a gun until you're ready to shoot, and (2) don't point a gun at anything you don't want to shoot.

Many accidents occur when hunters transfer loaded guns in and out of autos, campers, boats, etc. Loaded guns also are a hazard when hunters are climbing fences, walls, trees, or moving quickly through rough terrain.

It might sound absurd to advise a hunter to be sure of his target before pulling the trigger, but casualties mistaken for game number in the hundreds every year.

### OVEREXERTION

In addition to the danger of a heart attack, overexertion can cause fatigue, which in turn exposes the hunter to all sorts of additional and unnecessary hazards. If you're not acclimated to the rigors of your sport, spend enough time to get in good physical condition; which, by the way, would be good for you in any event.

### FALLS

Falls, mostly from trees, ledges, slopes and rocks, ac-

count for many hunting accidents. Remember, even simple injuries and sprains can lead to serious consequences when you're far from medical care. Try to avoid climbing that tree, chasing that doe, jumping that stream, or taking that 'shortcut'.

### DROWNING

Water is a silent menace to all hunters, not just waterfowl hunters in boats. If you find yourself suddenly in water, don't thrash about in panic. Think. Don't remove your clothing, trap air in your clothing which will float you to the surface. From this floating position, the hunter can move toward safety in a modified breast stroke.

### HYPOTHERMIA

Severe injury and death can occur from prolonged loss of body temperature, or hypothermia. Dress warmly and keep dry. If you're in an open fast moving vehicle, the wind-chill factor can cause rapid loss of body heat even in above freezing temperatures. Wear clothing in layers which will provide better insulation.

### EXPOSURE

Severe and crippling injuries can result from simple frostbite, and prolonged exposure can be fatal. One early sign of frostbite is intense tingling discomfort followed by loss of sensation and a peculiar stiffness. Treatment consists of rapid rewarming, in lukewarm water if possible. Extremities such as toes, fingers and ears are most susceptible to frostbite.

### LOST

If you become lost, stay put. If you must move, try to find a high vantage point to spot help and be spotted. Conserve food, water and energy. Improvise a

shelter, keep warm. Remember the international distress signal is three short blasts fired into the air in quick succession. Many hunters carry whistles for use as a safety communication device.

### ANIMAL ATTACKS

In some of the wilder areas, hunters may have to be on guard against animal attacks. Remember, almost any wounded animal can be dangerous, and blood sometimes attracts predators. Local information and advice should always be sought.

### ALCOHOL

A swig of spirits may seem to have a warming effect on a cold day, but its value is deceiving (alcohol actually lowers skin temperature). Alcohol impairs judgement and coordination. It creates additional hazards, and is not used by responsible hunters.

### IN FROM THE FIELD

Hunters would be remiss if they limited their firearm safety concerns solely to the open field. National Safety

Council statistics show that 900 persons died in firearm accidents in public places in 1975. It is estimated that about half of these deaths were related to hunting. At the same time, 1,600 persons died from firearm accidents in the home environment. Obviously, the

hunter's concern for his gun must not end when he returns from the field.

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**CATTLE FEEDING SHOWS INCREASE**—Despite high feed prices and continued pressure on fed cattle prices, cattle feeding increased in the seven major cattle feeding states during the past year, notes a livestock marketing specialist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The number of cattle on feed in these states on Sept. 1 was up 8 per cent over

last year's totals while in Texas the increase was even higher—10 per cent. Placement of cattle and calves on feed was up sharply in August compared to

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## Farm Inputs Plentiful

Despite the many problems facing farmers and ranchers today, agricultural inputs remain generally plentiful, notes an agricultural economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Wayne Hayenga points out that the availability of farm and ranch inputs is a bright spot in an otherwise bleak outlook for agriculture.

For example, fertilizers will be ample to meet farm and ranch needs this fall and next spring. But, prices can be expected to increase slightly in the near future.

Pesticides will probably also go up in price, primarily due to more cotton, soybean and sorghum acreage, although supplies should be sufficient.

As far as machinery is concerned, farmers can expect a slight shortage of machinery ahead and costs will inch upward. "If you are going to buy machinery soon, it makes sense to hop to it now," contends Hayenga. "There is a good selection, and you will qualify for investment tax credit by buying this fall."

The fuel situation should remain stable unless there's a long, frigid winter or an oil embargo.

Although farm income will be off this year and farmers' debts continue high, they can still rely on a fairly steady rate of credit in the coming months, adds the economist.

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