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SWPC Elects Officer for Tuco

The board of directors of TUCO INC. at their quarterly meeting Monday, July 25, elected Dale T. Garner vice president and principal operating officer. The announcement was made by Berl M. Springer, vice chairman of the board of directors of the Amarillo-based firm.

TUCO INC. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southwestern Public Service Company and provides a large portion of the electric company's fuel requirements, including natural gas, coal and fuel oil. TUCO INC. also produces other liquid hydrocarbon by-products for sale to non-related wholesalers.

Garner is a native of Lansing, Kansas and is a graduate of Oklahoma State University. He joined Southwestern Public Service Company on April 1, 1977 as an executive assistant in the finance department. Before coming to SPS, Garner served as a systems analyst for the Occidental Exploration and Production Company and administrative manager for Esso Exploration, Inc. in Tokyo, Japan. His past experience also includes various financial and operational positions with the Creole Petroleum Corporation and the Carbon Oil Company.

"The management of TUCO INC. carries with it the extremely important responsibility of providing fuel for Southwestern Public Service Company," Springer said. "Garner is a seasoned oil and gas executive and brings to TUCO a wealth of world-wide experience."

A. To Have Covered Dish Dinner Aug. 11

The Alcoholics Anonymous will be having a covered dish dinner on Thursday, August 11 in honor of an area member who will be celebrating 10 years of sobriety. The meal will begin at 6:30 p.m. Anyone who is interested in Alcoholics Anonymous is invited to attend and learn more about it.

Robert Blackshear is a resident in North West Hospital this



EDUCATION HEARINGS—Marcene Thaxton, who owns a farm near Del Valle, Texas along with her husband, Hugh B. Thaxton, testifies during House Public Education Committee public hearings July 7-8 in Austin. Mrs. Thaxton, who was joined by several other agribusinessmen from throughout the state, said she strongly objects to the heavy tax burden placed on agricultural land by school districts and other taxing bodies. She commented that land used for agricultural production can no longer generate enough revenue to meet these obligations, when taxed on full market value.

McLean Native Is Florida Power- Light Officer

Joe L. Howard was elected Treasurer of Florida Power and Light Company by the Board of Directors at the regular July Board meeting. Prior to assuming the position, he had served as Assistant Treasurer.

Mr. Howard has been associated with the company for four years. Florida Power and Light Company is the eighth largest electric utility in the United States, with annual revenues in excess of \$1.2 billion.

The company serves some 1.8 million customers located in southern Florida and the eastern coast and lower west coast of the state.

A native of McLean, Texas, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Howard.

He is a graduate of Texas Tech University.

Nursing Home Letters Get Good Response

Recently the citizens of McLean were asked to write letters stating their reasons that McLean needs a nursing home.

The response to this request was reported to be very good.

McLean needs and could use a nursing home with many of our residents having to go to area homes.

Everyone hopes this will be a reality soon.

Jack Hightower Night Planned In Amarillo

The Amarillo Chamber of Commerce has arranged a "Meet Your Congressman" night with U.S. Representative Jack Hightower, 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 15 in the new addition of the Big Texan Steak Ranch, 1-40 and Lakeside.

The dinner will be the first of group-size to meet in the new addition of the steak ranch according to Joe Healy, Legislative Affairs Committee Chairman.

Congressman Hightower will discuss the new farm bill, wheat and corn support prices and answer any questions from the floor. Healy said.

The Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, all committee chairmen, members of the Agri-Business and Legislative Affairs Committees have been invited to attend. In addition, the meeting will be open to the public, Healy said.

Reservations must be in at the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce offices, 301 S. Polk, 374-5238, noon Friday, August 12th. There will be a cost for the dinner.

This will be the only Legislative Affairs Committee meeting of August, Healy said.

Washable wall covering in the kitchen can save continual repainting, suggests Mrs. Sue Young, housing and home furnishings specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Hightower Announce Wheat Increase Passes In Congress

Congressman Jack Hightower announced the increase in the target price for wheat passed by the Congress last week will mean additional payments to wheat farmers of approximately \$822,665.25 in Gray County. This figure is an estimate based on the county allotment and the historical yield.

The House passed the 1977 Agricultural Act with the 1977 target price for wheat set at \$2.90 per bushel. The corn target and loan were raised to \$2.00 per bushel for the 1977 crop. The current wheat target is \$2.47 per bushel and the House committee had approved a \$2.65 per bushel level.

"When you consider that 'new money' in our local economy will turn over an estimated seven times, it is clear what this 43¢ per bushel increase means in dollars and cents to this county and the entire Northwest Texas area," stated Hightower. He went on to point out that although during consideration of the far bill in the Livestock and Grain Subcommittee he had worked for a \$3.20 per bushel figure, the compromise figure will mean a good number of both farmers and local businesses will be able to continue to operate. "With every penny added to that target price," said Hightower, "fewer a fewer of our people will be forced to leave the farm."

Hightower has been one of several farm state Congressmen fighting for higher target and loan rates. Depressed prices in commodities like wheat and corn have created severe financial crisis in the farm sector. Hightower emphasized this to the members of Congress in a floor speech during the first day of debate on the farm bill. He referred to a report released in April of this year predicting over 3,000 Texas farmers would declare bankruptcy before the year was over.

A woman usually recognizes herself "as 'his wife' and 'their mother.'" Until marriage, her identity is in a holding pattern, says Dorothy Taylor, family life education specialist, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.



NORMAN TRIMBLE

McLean Native Is Power and Light Officer

Norman R. Trimble and William E. Perrine were elected to the posts of vice president of Ashland Oil, Inc., by the corporation's board of directors at its July 21 meeting.

Trimble was elected vice president of personnel and employee relations. He had been director of personnel since 1971. Trimble joined Ashland in 1963 when the company acquired United Carbon Company where he was manager of industrial relations. In 1968 he was named deputy director of personnel for Ashland. He is a graduate of West Texas University. He reports to William H. Gammon, senior vice president and chief administrative officer.

Perrine was elected vice president of government relations with responsibility for the corporation's federal, state and local government relations. A vice president of Ashland's petroleum division since 1974, Perrine joined Ashland as a refinery process engineer in 1959 and has held a variety of management positions, including coordinator of crude oil supply, transportation and refining. Perrine is a chemical engineering graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology. He reports to Robert E. Yancey, president.

Both will remain in Ashland in their new posts.

Norman Trimble is the son of Corinne Trimble of McLean.

Pour leftover coffee over ice and top with whipped cream or ice cream--to refresh and to save that coffee, suggests Marilyn Haggard, foods and nutrition specialist, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

R. L. Wright, 57, Dies at Dumas

Funeral services for Robert Lee Wright, 57 of Dumas, and a former resident of McLean. Officiating were Rev. C. Comstock of Urbana, Ohio and was assisted by Rev. Conard Miller of Dumas.

Graveside services were held at 4 p.m. at the Dumas Cemetery. Arrangements were handled by Lamb Funeral Home of McLean.

He is survived by his wife Frances of the home; five stepchildren, Kayla Marie Wright and Toni Annette Wright of the home, Mrs. Deborah Smith of Dumas, Mrs. Roberta Mattacks of Dumas, Miss Diana Wright of Houston; three daughters, Mrs. Sue Key of Vernon, Rovena of Amarillo, Elizabeth of McLean; and one son, Doyal Wayne of California; one sister, Mrs. Elaine Duncan of Biloxi, Miss.; parents Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wright of Erick, Okla.; and 13 grandchildren.

McLean Lions Entertain Foreign Students This Week

From Belgium, Germany, France and Morocco they hailed twenty-six of them. These were foreign students who spent two days with local Lions and families.

The short but meaningful visit ended on the Sam Haynes ranch with horseback riding and American baseball. Kirk Merrell played the guitar and Johnny Haynes the banjo while all the rest sang.

Lion Secretary Casper Smith was chairman and hosts for the students were the families of Sam Haynes, James Merrell, President Slick Boyd, Carey Don Smith, J. T. Pennington, Jim Allison, Johnny Haynes, Ken Gabehart and Thacker Haynes.

Local Man Is Ordained At Hurst

Guy Don Pharis Jr. of Fort Worth, Texas was ordained into the Ministry on July 17th at the Bellvue Baptist Church of Hurst, Texas. Guy Don works at the Fort Worth State School with crippled children. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pharis of McLean.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Registration Open

A Community Service course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation will be offered to the public as a nine-hour course beginning Aug. 9.

The class will meet from 7 to 10 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for one week.

George Nussbaum, registered nurse and clinical director of critical care service at Northwest Texas Hospital, instructs the training during the course.

"The purpose of cardiopulmonary resuscitation are summed up in four ways," said Charlie Gaither, supervisor of the Community Service program at AC. "It will give training to provide cardiopulmonary resuscitation to an infant, a person with an obstructed airway, an unwitnessed cardiac arrest victim and a witnessed cardiac arrest victim."

Those who complete the course will be certified by the American Heart Association, said Gaither.

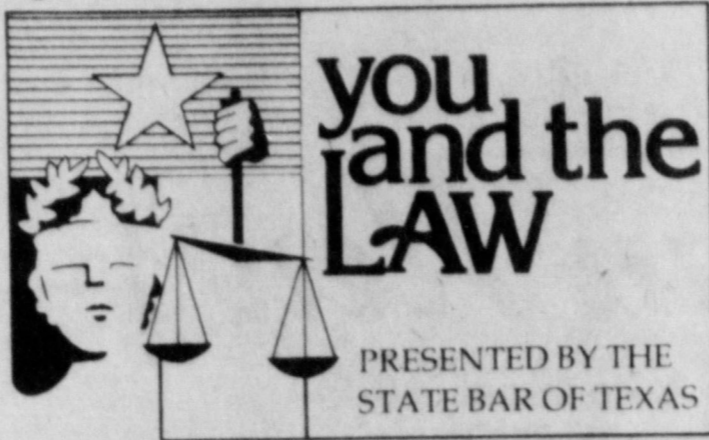
Registration can be accomplished in the registrar's office located in the Administration Building on the Washington Street campus. Enrollment for the class is limited.

NOTICE

About 5 p.m. Tuesday at Commerce and 4th St. a 1974 blue car ran the yield sign at a high rate of speed and caused Mr. Elmer Day to have to stop so quickly that it ruined a tire and wheel on his car. He would appreciate whoever this person was helping him with the cost of the repair of his car.

People have been very negligent in not stopping at these yield signs and looking. This can be very dangerous.

Angela Bailey is a patient in St. Anthony's Hospital Amarillo, this week.



you and the LAW

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Q: If a woman remarries, does she need to have her will revised to show her new name?

A: No. But she will probably want to re-examine her will because of her changed status. A new marriage imposes new legal obligations. Factors which could affect a will would include children born after the new marriage and the rights of the husband to property acquired after the marriage.

Q: Before my marriage, I bought a home with funds I inherited from my grandfather. We're moving to another city, and I want to have the proceeds from the sale of the house kept separate because my wife and I are having problems. Can this be done? Can my original equity be kept from becoming community property if it's used to buy a new home?

A: Only the original amount invested would be separate property. The difference between that figure and its value today would be community property. A lawyer can help you put together a schedule of separate property.

Q: I would like to know how I can get my birth certificate. I was delivered by a midwife and the county where I was born has no record of my birth. What can I do?

A: Write the Bureau of Vital Statistics at the Texas Department of Health Resources in Austin. Their address is 1100 West 49th, Austin, 78756. Tell them your full name at the time of birth, the date and place of birth and the full names of your parents including your mother's maiden name. Also

enclose the statutory \$2 fee. Sometimes midwives sent the information directly to the state instead of the county, so they may have your certificate on file. If they don't, they'll send you the necessary forms and instructions to obtain a delayed certificate.

Q: I want to contest a ticket for speeding - do I need an attorney?

A: While it is advisable to consult an attorney anytime one is involved in court, most citizens represent themselves in Municipal Court. You may want to attend prior court sessions on similar cases in order to familiarize yourself with the type of questions asked and the type of evidence used, and also to determine whether you should bring witnesses for your case to the trial.

Mary Martha Class Has Meeting

by Lucille Cullison

The Mary Martha Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Levie Smith for their monthly social and meeting Saturday, July 23.

Mrs. Louise Dickinson offered the opening prayer. Mrs. Loree Barker, president, presided over the meeting and took care of class business. The devotional was brought by Mrs. Bea Lester.

The fun and games were led by Mrs. Loree Barker, which were enjoyed by all.

The birthday girl was Gladys Smith.

Refreshments were served to Margaret Chapman, Loree Barker, Louise Dickinson, Verna Hudgins, Gladys Smith, Essie Howard, Pauline Miller, Bea Lester, Clara Hupp, Lucille Cullison, Vera Young, Jessie Watson and the hostess.

Summer sun is hard on hands, warns Margret Ann Vanderpoorten, clothing specialist.

Sunning lotions and moisturizers keep hands soft and healthy, the specialist says.

Texas Wheat Crop Harvest Larger Than First Predicted

AUSTIN—Revised figures which show an increase in the amount of wheat harvested in Texas this year could mean mixed blessings for the citizens of the state, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown said this week.

"Our new estimate of 115,000,000 bushels is a five per cent increase over estimates given in June by the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service," Brown stated. "This abundance will not benefit the farmer, who now loses almost \$2 on each bushel he produces, due to the glutted market. However, it will assure continued stable prices on products for the consumer."

Brown added that Texas' harvest, with the summer crop in its final stages, will contribute to the estimated 3.2 billion bushels of wheat available on the U.S. market at the end of the season.

"The losses our farmers are suffering are a direct result of the lack of long-range food planning," Brown commented, "and the haphazard reactions to up-and-down demand situations by previous Federal administrations."

Brown also said that food shortages around the world have been eased somewhat by good crops in several major wheat producing countries. This is certain to affect Texas' export markets, to which a major portion of the state's producing land is devoted.

"Much depends upon the federal farm legislation we soon expect to come from Washington," Brown said. "We need acreage controls and price supports based on solid economics and not influenced by outside politics. Hopefully the farm bill will contain these items."

Mr. Smith was driving through the country when his motor stopped. He got out of the car and raised the hood to locate the trouble. "The trouble is in the carburetor," a man behind him said. Smith turned, surprised, but saw only an old man standing nearby. Not believing his ears, he asked, "Did you say anything?"

"I said you'd better check the carburetor," replied the horse.

Rushing to the nearest farmhouse, Smith excitedly told his experience to the old farmer. "Was it a bay horse with one flop ear?" asked the farmer.

"Yes, yes, that's the one!" "Well, don't pay any attention to him," the farmer scoffed. "He knows anything about automobiles anyway."

Constructive Criticism.



In 1833, people thought the idea of a "balloon frame" house was full of hot air.

Back then, houses were built with massive beams by skilled craftsmen. But Augustus Deodat Taylor had a new idea. Just build a cage-like frame of two-by-fours and nail the siding and roof right to it.

"A house like that would be picked up and blown away by the prairie winds like a toy balloon," the critics cried.

Not so. For it turned out the "balloon frame" house was even stronger than conventional models.

Taylor's new idea made quick and easy settlement of the West a reality. And helped build a strong, new country.

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BROTHER ACT

DID YOU KNOW THAT TWO OF THE SIGNERS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE WERE BROTHERS? THEY WERE RICHARD HENRY LEE AND FRANCIS LIGHTFOOT LEE OF VIRGINIA.

1977-78 Hunting-Fishing Guides Are Available

The 24 page "Guide to Texas Hunting and Sport Fishing Regulations" is now available at Texas Parks and Wildlife Department offices across the Panhandle and South Plains and most license vendors will be receiving copies soon. The regulations which become effective Sept. 1, 1977 and continue through Aug. 31, 1978, are condensed for hunting and sport fishing in Texas. These booklets are designed as a guide only and specific questions about particular counties should be directed to Texas game wardens or PWD offices. The guide does not include commercial fishing regulations or information on migratory birds such as ducks and geese.

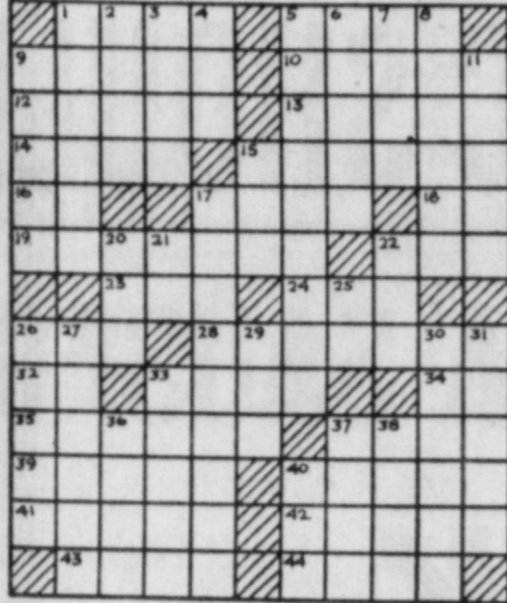
Information on hunting and fishing licenses are included with the correct method of attaching tags and permits to various species of game. Other sections of the guide include information on lake regulations; pinnows; furbearers;

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- Mother
 - Equip
 - Danger
 - Blundered
 - Silly
 - Nasser's capital
 - Rendered fat
 - Stagger
 - King of Bashan
 - Cupola
 - Nickel (sym.)
 - Small restaurant
 - Roman money
 - Lolter
 - Audience
 - Viper
 - Male geese
 - Solar deity (var.)
 - Be undecided
 - Chinese measure
 - A wrong
 - Storage battery plate
 - Worship
 - Dimes
 - Unusual
 - Plague
 - Agrees (slang)
 - Marries

- DOWN**
- A household

CROSSWORD

- Answer**
- Sundae
 - Sun god
 - Exist
 - Sale notice
 - Of a continent
 - Pekingese
 - Some mammals (colloq.)
 - Soapy
 - A thick soup
 - Jupiter
 - Departed
 - Peel
 - Crow's cry



tropical fish and aquatic plants; various protected species of wildlife and general saltwater fishing regulations including shrimp, crabs and oysters. A detailed drawing of

white bass, striped bass and the hybrid bass is displayed on the back of the guide. The recent success in stockings of stripers and hybrids across Texas has created much interest in catching and identifying these fish by local anglers.

A thorough coverage of firearms, archer, falconry, dogs and methods and means of hunting are listed under general hunting regulations. Shooting hours and bag and possession limits are also discussed in detail.

A list of regional and district law enforcement offices is located on the back of the guide. The name and phone number of your local Texas game warden can be obtained by calling the nearest P&WD office including Amarillo 806/355-9246, Abilene 915/673-3333 or Lubbock 806/744-0213.



Use fresh pineapple juice or slices to tenderize meat, but don't marinate longer than two hours. The natural enzyme works fast.

Park Funds Are Approved

A \$478,044 development project for the City of Amarillo has been approved by Governor Dolph Briscoe. Costs for the project will be equally shared by the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and the City of Amarillo.

Phase II development of Southwest Park by the City of Amarillo will include site preparation, utilities, roads and parking, restroom/concession building, score-keeper-box building, restroom, picnic units, lighted baseball fields, playground equipment and landscaping.

Phase II should be completed by the summer of 1978 according to Mary Noble, Parks department. An additional 40 acres of land will be added to the present park site as the city develops the area for recreation.

A.C. To Administer Entrance Exam

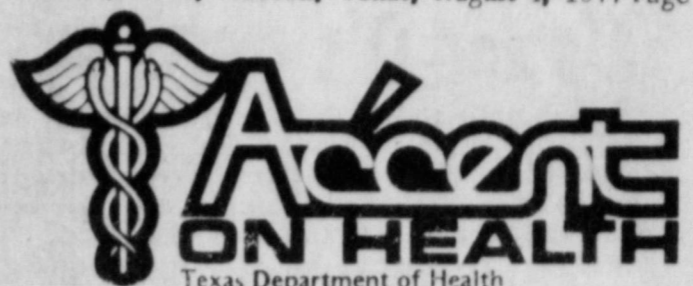
The Amarillo College Testing and Counseling Center will administer the American College Testing (ACT) exam to AC students who do not have these test scores on file.

Persons taking the test will meet at 8 a.m. Aug. 10 in Ordway Auditorium on the Washington Street campus.

"The ACT test is for students who have recently graduated from high school," said Fred Dodson, director of the Center. "The test will take approximately four hours to complete."

There is a fee which must be paid prior to Aug. 10 in the AC Business Office located in the Administration Building. The payment receipt is to be used as an admission slip for the ACT TEST.

More information may be obtained from the Testing and Counseling Center.



Mother nature has many faces. In spite of all her gentleness there is a destructive side as well. Consider, for example the tornado, one of the deadliest phenomena in nature.

Many of these violent storms occur during the springtime when the earth is waking from its winter slumber. The destructive whirling wind may strike almost without warning and seemingly at random, sweeping everything out of its way with a whiplash that moves in a narrow path across the land.

At one time about all that people could do to guard against being killed or injured by a tornado was to be on the alert for tornado weather and to move underground -- into a storm cellar -- when conditions warranted.

While oldtimers had to rely on experience to assess the possibility of a tornado, electronics plays a major part in today's alert system. Radar storm warning sets are used in almost all major cities in the state. These stations are connected by teletype and radio. Any station is able to instantly apprise all other stations of tornado activity and the path of a tornado. Then, all communities in the vicinity of the twister can be warned of the tornado's approach through normal channels of communications, or through special warning devices.

The Texas Department of Health Resources has joined with other state and federal agencies and medical associations in efforts aimed at disaster preparedness. It is ready

if worse comes to worst and a tornado does strike a community, the state's public health agency, can provide vaccine, public health engineering, medical emergency nursing know-how and other vital services to stem the threat of disease or further complications while disaster relief is underway.

One of the best examples of public health action following a highly-destructive tornado occurred in Lubbock, several years ago.

Although storm warnings were in effect, the tornado which actually hit the city appeared out of nowhere -- forming just above the downtown section at 10 p.m. One of the first things knocked out was the emergency warning system.

With much of Lubbock's communication system knocked out the health department staff and other city personnel were on their own following the emergency procedures that had been established in advance. Vaccines and other medical supplies were dug out of the demolished health department building for transfer to an emergency clinic.

State health department engineers and other personnel arrived on the scene early the next morning. Food and drug investigators were assigned to Lubbock immediately and within a week had disposed of all spoiled foods and drugs. A large supply of tetanus vaccine was sent by the Health Department laboratories. Rapid insect control activities were vital because of the large amounts of rain.

As in all similar disasters, the one great lesson learned was the value of being prepared. Today, public health personnel throughout the state are better prepared than ever before to respond to any disaster--natural or man-made.

Over the years, the National Weather Service has developed a system to accurately report severe weather conditions. The public is informed by radio and television advisories.

For tornado activities the terms used are "Tornado Watch," indicating the possibility of a tornado; "Tornado Warning," meaning that a tornado has been reported in the general area; and "Tornado Alert," meaning to act fast, that a tornado is known to be in the area.

What can you do in the face of a tornado alert? If it's daylight, or if you can see the funnel advancing toward you, you may have time to move out of its path. If you have a storm cellar you should move into it.

If you can't get out of the way and you don't have a storm cellar you can still protect yourself.

In homes, open some windows and then keep away from them. Get to the center of the house, or to a basement if there is one.

In schools, move to prearranged shelter areas. Post a lookout if it can be done safely.

In shopping areas, go to designated shelter areas.

In mobile homes evacuate the area. If no shelter is nearby, leave the trailer park for low protected ground.

In open country, move away from the twister's path. If there isn't enough time lie flat in the nearest depression with hands shielding your head. If heavy rains accompany the twister be alert for flash flooding.

ACCIDENT CONTROL

More than 775 work-related deaths were reported through workman's compensation procedures in Texas during 1976--over three deaths per county. Accident prevention requires continuous attention of employees, management and equipment designers, says the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The Purpose of Miracles

Are the miraculous gifts, listed in 1 Cor. 12 for Christians today?

Perhaps, if we can understand from the Bible the purpose for miraculous gifts, we can come to a better understanding of why NO ONE today has the miraculous gifts listed in 1 Cor. 12.

Jesus performed miracles to cause people to believe that he was the Son of God, and that what he taught was from God (John 12:32-38). How many followers do you suppose Jesus would have had if he had not performed these miracles? Few, if any! But, if this man could make blind people see, crippled people walk, raise people from the dead, he would have multitudes following him everywhere he went. Not only would these miracles get your attention, but they would give you a good reason to believe that what he said was true. The purpose for these miracles that Jesus performed was to confirm that what He said was true. This was also the purpose of the miraculous gifts that the apostles and some of the Christians in the first century had. These miracles, or signs, simply confirmed that what they said was truth, the Word of God (Heb. 2:1-4). In Mark 16:20 we are told that "... they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following."

Because of God's "power hath given unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue" (2 Peter 1:3), and because we are to "... earnestly contend for the faith which was ONCE delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3) there is no additional revelation from God to be revealed, and thus the purpose for miraculous gifts no longer exists. There is nothing to confirm that hasn't already been confirmed.

The claim to present day possession of those gifts requires a demonstration. Immediately "speaking in tongues" is pointed out as such a demonstration. However, the unintelligible so-called "ecstatic utterances" of today in NO WAY resemble or compare to the intelligible miraculous speaking IN A KNOWN LANGUAGE of the first century. Also, IF the miraculous gift of "tongue speaking" is still with us, then all nine gifts are with us! Why do ALL ATTEMPTS to raise the dead fail? As goes the proposition (the claim of present-day miraculous gifts) so must go the demonstration!

God's Word has been confirmed once for all time. The function of Jesus' miracles, and all the other recorded miracles are now fulfilled by the WRITTEN WORD! "And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples which are not written in this book; but these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ..." (John 20:30-31).

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by Bill Coward

The forty-fifth annual Texas High School Coaching School is now history. A record breaking enrollment of over 7,000 coaches sweltered in 100 degree plus weather in Dallas last week. We heard such outstanding speakers as Denny Stolz of Bowling Green University, Ron Ekker, basketball coach at West Texas State and Steve Sloan of Texas Tech. Also speaking were several of the top high school coaches from around the state. We heard some good new ideas and refreshed our memory on the basics of football and basketball. In addition, all the major sporting goods dealers and manufacturers were present to show off the latest in all types of equipment and training aids. The highlight was the all-stars staged a comeback to defeat the North 101 to 97 in a close game. Then Thursday night, the highlights was the all-star games. Wednesday night the South basketball all-stars staged a comeback to defeat the North 101 to 97 in a close game. Then Thursday night, the North and South football all-stars battled to a 20-20 tie in an exciting game. We are truly fortunate in belonging to the largest coaches association in the United States. The Texas High School Coaches Association is a well organized membership of all Junior High and High School Coaches in Texas. It is through the association that we make recommendations concerning sports in high school. It is truly a great organization.

With August 8 only a few days away, we are making final preparations for the coming season. We are involved in staff meetings in the mornings and work sessions in the evenings. Already we have issued shoes, socks, shorts and T-shirts to many of the boys who will begin work outs at 6:30 a.m. Monday morning. The coaches are really looking forward to getting the team ready for the first scrimmage which will be August 19 at Happy. I believe that the atmosphere in McLean is truly positive toward this year's football team and I am looking forward to a good year in all sports. I think the young people want to have one of the best years sports wise in some time. Let me invite you to come and watch the team work out any time.

By the way, if you haven't seen the refinished gym floor, you should get

by some evening when it is open and look it over. I think it looks as nice as any floor in the district. Thanks to Mr. George Terry for donating a refrigerator to the athletic department. It will really come in handy in the treatment of injuries where ice is needed.

William Blake wrote in "Anguries of Innocence": A truth that's told with bad intent, beats all the lies you can invent.

HEALTH TIP

Reye's Syndrome

Reye's Syndrome is a serious illness that often is fatal to children. It usually follows shortly after a viral illness, such as flu or chicken pox.

Of the thousands of children that come down with the flu each winter, only a few, statistically, will develop Reye's Syndrome. But for those few it will be very serious.

Usually the child will have completely recovered from the first illness and be back in school or at play before the symptoms of Reye's appear. Sudden, persistent vomiting is almost always the first sign, followed closely by complaints of fatigue, general listlessness, apathy.

If your child shows these symptoms, contact your doctor immediately. Mental disorientation occurs soon after the vomiting ceases. The child may become totally irrational--screaming, striking out and unable to recognize family members and other familiar faces. Unconsciousness soon follows.

Reye's Syndrome is not always fatal. Sixty percent of children affected in a 1974 epidemic recovered completely and doctors now are guided by lessons learned during that outbreak. You can better the odds of recovery watching your child carefully after any viral illness and by acting quickly to get help if he displays any of the symptoms of Reye's Syndrome.

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A popular song during World War I, "How You Gonna Keep 'Em Down on the Farm?", comes to mind whenever I think of our decreasing farm population and what this means to Texas and the nation.

Our farm population began its decline after World War I. I'm not certain that it was, as the song claims, "after they've seen Patee" that started the migration from the farms and rural towns and villages. But whatever the cause, it must have been contagious because the fever remains. Texas and the other 49 states continue to record a decline in farm population.

The exodus from the farm to the city where job opportunities and the easy life abound is placing great pressures on those who remain on the land. The dwindling numbers of farmers and ranchers are called upon to produce more food and fiber for more and more of their city cousins. And they have responded very well to the challenge.

In the "good old days," which most of us so fondly recall, each farmer produced enough food and fiber for himself and four other citizens. Today, despite the vagaries of the weather, the high cost of farm equipment necessary to till the land, increasingly restrictive government regulations, increasing costs of energy, spiraling interest rates, and high labor costs - if he can find labor to work on the farm, the farmer today feeds himself and 52 of his fellows. That's progress!

There are many, many reasons why today's farmer is able to produce more and more food and fiber than ever before. And as we move toward the end of the century and the beginning of the next, fewer and fewer farmers will feed more and more people because of their continued willingness to accept new technology and explore new avenues of production.

Although great progress has been and is being made in the production of food and fiber, there still remains that single ingredient that makes us the best-fed people in the world, the farmer and his eternal optimism and his love of his land. Without that ingredient we are lost.

MARKET REPORT

Vegetables offer numerous buys to Texas consumers as they appear at grocery markets in fresh and canned forms, according to Mrs. Gwendolyn Ciyatt consumer marketing information specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.

This week's most economical buys are:

Items in best supply at the most economical prices are corn, cabbage, carrots, cucumbers and head lettuce-- along with yellow and zucchini squash, green onions and radishes.

Plum supplies are in their peak season with prices reaching to a low point. Cantaloupe and watermelons are in good supply; prices are moderate. Grape supplies are increasing.

Budget prices appear on a variety of canned vegetables and economy prices are showing up on canned luncheon meat and vienna sausage. Rice is an excellent bargain.

Best values likely will be chuck roasts, steaks, round steaks and roasts, ground beef and liver.

Good values are picnics, hams, shoulder roasts and steaks.

Frozen turkey has attractive prices. In egg buying, Grade A, large size egg usually offer the best combination of quality and economy for the money.

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Most cattlemen have been keeping fairly close watch over the inventory of all cattle and calves in the United States. These inventories are issued twice a year by USDA and the most recent July 1, inventory of 130,565,000 head was a decline of 2 percent from levels on July 1, 1975. Calves born and to be born during 1977 are expected to total 6.1 million; a decrease of 3 percent from 1976 and a 9 percent decline from the 1975 calf crops. Apparently we are seeing the cattle situation get in a little better position for prices to be able to improve at some time in the future--the big question is, WHEN?

From another USDA publication economists discuss the cattle herd liquidation. The economist discuss two alternatives based on favorable weather nationwide or continued drought across a lot of the nation. It will serve as a little food for thought.

Under the favorable weather alternative they assume improved moisture conditions that would support the present herd size in all areas of the county. It also assumes adequate seed grain supplies and more favorable livestock-feed price ratios than in the past year. Under these conditions the current rate of herd reduction and cattle slaughter would moderate in 1977 and bottom out in 1978. Under this alternative, per capita beef production would probably taper off through the end of this decade, with output in 1980 some 10 to 1 percent below last year's figure.

With a growing economy and strong demand for beef, prices for live animals and consumer beef prices would probably turn higher but not as high as under poorer weather and pasture conditions.

This brings us to the

AROUND TOWN



"I'M SURE HIS WORK WOULD IMPROVE, MR. PLUMB, IF HE COULD ONLY TAKE HIS MIND OFF THE GIRLS."

second alternative which assumes poor growing conditions for forages and grains this year and in early 1978, followed by favorable conditions through 1980. Poor weather and short feed grain supplies would cause herd reduction to continue at a rapid clip, possibly not easing up until 1979. Such a situation could develop if drought persists, feed costs rise and financially strapped cattlemen are forced to reduce herds.

Per capita beef production would hold up well this year and next but would decline in 1979 and 1980 as the rebuilding phase of the new cattle cycle begins anew. By 1980 beef production per person could decline by more than 20 percent below last year's level. This could cause consumer prices to go so high that consumers would turn to other meats the high prices could also trigger over-expansion and again producers would fare the same burdensome supplies and dwindling prices.

WILDFIRE POTENTIAL HIGH

With angeland generally in the best condition in many years, the danger of fire is great as the dry summer has cured most grass. There is generally abundant fuel to carry a range fire and ranchers should take precautions to protect rangeland against wildfires.

Fire guards of plowed or graded lands can be built or repaired. Old fire guards grown up in weeds and dry grass are of little value until they have been reworked. Sprayers should be kept in good repair and you may want to keep your sprayer loaded with water ready for use.

Lightning can start fires, which cannot be prevented. However, man-caused fires can be prevented. Smokers should be doubly sure their cigars and cigarettes are snuffed out and preferably placed in an ash tray rather than thrown out on the ground.

WHEAT VARIETIES

As farmers are beginning to make plans for planting another crop of wheat, some may wonder about which varieties are



FARM FOUNDER--Louis Koenig, founder of the Koenig Farm in DeWitt County, and nine of his 12 children pose before their farmhouse in the late 1800's. The Koenig farm was recently certified under the Family Land Heritage Program of the Texas Dept. of Agriculture. The farm has been under continuous operation by the Koenig family since 1877.

recommended for his area. The Extension and Research Agronomists have compiled the following recommended list of wheat varieties for dryland or irrigation: Centurk Concho, Eagle, Improved Triumph, Lancota Lindon, Osage, Palo Duro, Rall Sage, Scout 66, TAM W-101, and Tascosa. These varieties are recommended only with irrigation: Caprock, Sturdy and TAM W-103.

STRAWBERRY DISEASE
Some strawberry plants belonging to Bans Cole were brought by the office several days ago. They had two ailments--slime mold and scorch.

The leaves had spots on them caused by a fungus which caused the disease scorch. Fungicides can control the disease best by starting control measures early in the season. Captan should be used at 7 to 10 day intervals. Captan is quite safe on edible fruits and therefore is preferred to other fungicides.

The slime mold was fairly large, whitish balls formed around a stem. It is not harming the plants and can be removed by washing with water or brushing the dried spore masses from the plants.

Some Home Energy With Plants

Summer air conditioning as well as winter heating costs can be significantly reduced with landscape plants, says a landscape horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Shade trees or trellised vines on the south and west sides of the home will help with cooling. Deciduous trees and vines will provide shade in the summer and then will shed their leaves to allow the sun to provide warmth in the winter. Plant evergreen trees along the northern and western sides of the home as a windbreak during the winter.

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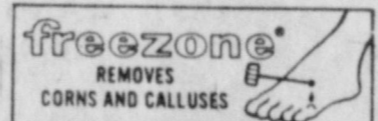
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Texas Poultry Picture

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The Registry, published by the Texas Dept. of Agriculture, lists farms and ranches in the state which in 1976 qualified for the Family Land Heritage Program. This program honors lands which have been under continuous production by one family for 100 years or more.

Although individual distribution of the book is limited to honorees, Commissioner Brown said that besides placing the Registry with all Texas public libraries, his staff is in the process of mailing copies to each school library in counties in which 1976 honoree lands are located.

The 1976 Registry contains narratives about some 164 properties out of 1,112 which have been recognized since the program was initiated in 1974.

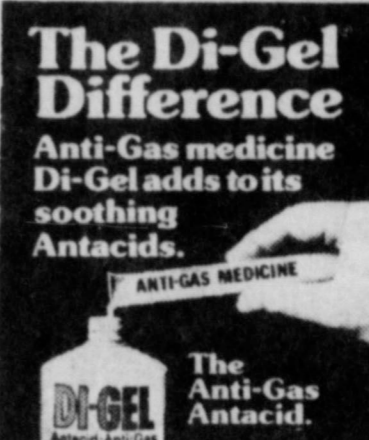
Commissioner Brown said that the registration period for 1977 reopened on May 1. He added that anyone interested in applying for the current year's program may obtain registration forms from their county judge or county Historical Commission chairman or by writing to the Texas Dept. of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12845, Austin, Texas 78712. Deadline for the current registration is Aug. 15.

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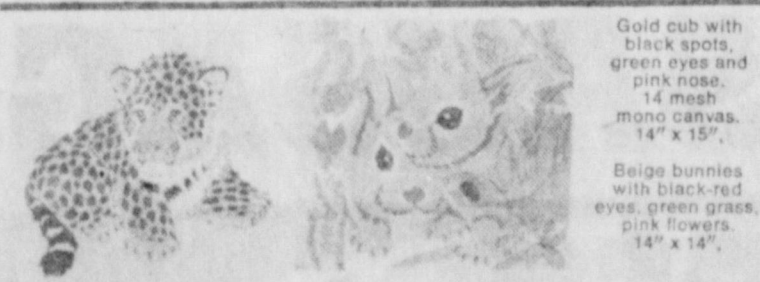
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TIME FOR FALL GARDENS

During the sweltering summer heat is the right time to start thinking about a fall vegetable garden, points out a horticulturist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Fall gardens often produce better quality vegetables than spring gardens because the crops mature as the days begin to get cooler. The big problem is getting the seed to germinate during hot weather. Soak the seed overnight and water seed furrows before planting. Then cover the seed with a light layer of compost, potting soil or vermiculite. Protect young seedlings from the sun with boards or a draped cloth.

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Future Safaris In Texas Can Promote Big Game

Exotic game herds in Texas have grown from a few odd animals kept as a curiosity to dozens of herds involving thousands of animals.

At a time when world population pressures and the demand for protein has resulted in thinning of many wild herds, Texas has begun a serious expansion of big game numbers.

Some of the big ranches of Texas, working with the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences of the Agricultural Experiment Station and some of the big zoos in the state, have imported and multiplied more than two dozen kinds of big game animals.

At present, the eight most important (together with their estimated numbers) are: axis deer, 6,450 on 69 ranches; 4,125 blackbuck antelope on 56 ranches; 1,300 aoudad sheep on 40 ranches; 10,000 mouflon sheep on 121 ranches; 10,000 European wild boar on over 100 ranches; 4,000 nilgai antelope on 7 ranches; 875 sika deer on 22 ranches; and 445 fallow deer on 43 ranches.

Dr. James Teer, head of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences for the Experiment Station, is project leader of the Caesar Kleberg Research Program in Wildlife Ecology. This privately-funded program has assisted in the rapid expansion of this important new source of income to many Texas ranches.

More and more ranchers are realizing that wildlife can be an income producer that rivals their domestic livestock. In many places in North America, wildlife resources on private lands are being recognized as an economic asset that needs to be encouraged, guarded and harvested.

Present trends in many of the 50 states where there is little public land suggest that we are adopting the traditional European system of producing and harvesting game animals. This not only involves the big

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This raises problems. How willing do you have to be? If the job is good but the hours are bad, must you accept anyhow—or lose your right to compensation?

Generally speaking, the law makes reasonable allowance for hardship cases. For example:

An unemployed woman was offered a job on the night shift at a nearby factory. When she refused to take it, her unemployment compensation was cut off.

But in a court hearing, she told the judge that she would have had to walk home in the dark through a tough neighborhood—and that she had been terrorized twice by nocturnal assailants.

The judge decided that her refusal to take the job was justified, and ordered her compensation payments reinstated.

That does not mean, however, that you can wait serenely until the perfect job comes along. Another case involved a restaurant worker who, accustomed to working from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m., turned down a job that started two hours later in the day.

"Frankly," he explained, "it's just too hard for me to change my hours. I'm used to the old way."

But this time, a court denied his right to unemployment compensation. He was out of work, noted the court, more by choice than by necessity.

Suppose a job that is offered would create religious conflicts. A number of cases have arisen involving Seventh-Day Adventists who were not willing to work on Saturday.

Almost invariably, the courts have accepted this as a legitimate reason for rejecting a job, with no effect on the person's right to collect unemployment compensation.

"Work which requires one to violate his moral standards," said one court, "is not suitable work."

Chemist honored

AUSTIN, Texas (Spl.) — A new endowed professorship in The University of Texas Chemistry Department has been established to honor a chemist who long taught there.

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