

From This Corner:

By GEORGE GAINES

When the chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers reported a short time ago that the average worker's ability to buy food had increased in the past year, he exposed himself to the inevitable blast of criticism from consumers acutely aware of one cold fact. The prices of many things are higher today than a year ago. But, the President's Economic Advisers spoke the truth when they reported that most consumers are better off.

As columnist John Cuniff puts it, "... American families spend a lower percentage of their disposable income on food than they did a year ago. This has been the case year after year since the end of World War II. Twenty years ago in 1952 the American family spent 23 percent of take-home pay on food. The percentage fell to 20.7 in 1957, to 19.3 in 1962, to 17.4 in 1967, to 15.8 last year. It continues to fall." Mr. Cuniff also pointed to a fundamental characteristic of American life—the desire to constantly improve in every way—from the cars we drive to the food we eat. Just as today people look for better cars than they did in the days of the model T, they also look for better cuts of meat and more prepared foods. But these cost more. Irritating as it may sound to the hard pressed housewife, who eats at a relatively lower cost today than ever before—and we eat higher on the hog.

Well that weatherman has been playing havoc with Martin County this week. Sunday, temperatures dropped to the middle 30's and that night saw snow and sleet coat the area. Monday did not thaw out and that night had more sleet added to it. Tuesday, schools were closed due to the icy conditions, but it was expected to begin thawing and gone by noon Tuesday.

Farmers had gotten quite a bit of cotton in before the moisture fell, the gin yards are fairly well covered with loaded trailers.

Mrs. Earl (Peggy) Creech was in the office last week. She said they had had temperatures of some 4 degrees. For those that would like their mailing address: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Creech, Rt. 1, Texico, New Mexico 88135.

It seems we were just saying at the beginning of school that it was just around the corner until Christmas, well, as this issue comes out, it's just 11 more days until. Where does time go?

AURORA, NEBR., NEWS-REGISTER: "There are some people in this world who not only demand something for nothing, but they want it gift wrapped."

Shoppers Taking Bonus Each Week

The second week of drawings in the Christmas Coupon Days saw Stanton stores give away some \$105 in gift certificates to shoppers.

For those who would like to join in on chances at \$5 gift certificates, just clip the

Stewart Attends Funeral

Lewis Stewart attended the funeral of his cousin Mrs. Mornen Williams, in Eastland, Saturday, December 9.



JUNIOR DIVISION WINNERS — Polly Lewis, left, Breads and Desserts; Amy Hazlewood, 2nd from left, Fruit and Vegetable; Debbie Glendening, 2nd from right, Main Dish; and Shana Briggs, right, Snacks and Beverages. These four girls won each respective group of the Junior Division in the Martin County Food Show Saturday at the Cap Rock Auditorium. All four will represent Martin County in the March District Food Show.

Food Show Winners Named Last Saturday

The Martin County Food Show was held Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Caprock Auditorium. Twenty participated in the four categories. The contestants winning were Lois Howard and Diana Wells in the senior group. In the junior division, Shana Briggs won the Snacks and Beverages group; Debbie Glendening won the Main Dish group;

Polly Lewis won in the Breads and Desserts, and Amy Hazlewood won in the Fruit and Vegetable group. The girls were judged on their nutrition knowledge, the food itself and their menu and recipe. Judging began at 2:30 p.m. The three judges were Miss Sherry Mullins, the County Extension Agent from Howard County; Mrs. June Williamson, the Home Service Advisor

for Pioneer Natural Gas Co. in Midland, and Mrs. Albert E. Rattan, home economist and high school teacher from Midland.

Following the judging, ribbons and awards were presented by Miss Victor Gene Hughs, the County Extension Agent.

During the judging a program for the guests was given at the Texas Electric Reddy Room. Jody Yates showed the film "How Hamburger Turns into You" for all those present.

Afterwards the 30 guests observed and sampled all the food show entries. The six winners will represent Martin County at the District Food Show in March.

Chamber Meeting Tonight

Don Tollison announced a change of the regular meeting date of the Martin County Chamber of Commerce. Conflicting interests on Tuesday night prompted the date to be changed to Thursday (tonight) night.

14 Band Members Rated All-Region

Stanton band musicians garnered their share of honors for All-Region Band in tryouts last Saturday at Lee High School in Midland. Every local student participating in the auditions was selected to membership in the All-Region Band for their class. Rehearsals will begin after the Christmas holidays and perform a public concert at Permian High School on January 13th.

Ronnie Henson succeeded in being awarded first chair of the alto saxophone section for the second consecutive year. Other repeat winners from last year included Jackie Jones in the Bb clarinets and Jimmy Jones in the percussion section.

Other students winning the coveted All-Regional designation included Carolyn Holloway, Molly Hughes, Nancy Glynn, Cheryl Bradshaw, Dale Henson, Patricia Ramos, Linda Woody, Karen Anderson, Jo Mims, Rae Avery and Mark Cook.

George Walker, director of the Buff Band, accompanied

the group and judged the proficiency of the Class AAAA flutes for their region band.

Approximately 750 area high school students from all class schools auditioned for the three separate University Interscholastic League Region VI Bands.

Demonstrating their ability to keep their poise under pressure, the Stanton Buffaloes won three close games to bring home first place honors

J. (Sonny) Myers Funeral Held Sunday, Quanah

Jack (Sonny) Myers, 36, a native of Martin County, died in a truck accident near Shreveport, La., about 7:30 a.m. Friday, December 8.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Myers, Ackerly. A resident of Quanah since he came from Houston in 1970, Myers drove a truck for George Pacific.

He was born Nov. 24, 1932, and married the former Vada Jean Stone in Clovis, N.M., in May, 1958.

Funeral services were held in Quanah at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Knowles Memorial Chapel. Dr. W. E. Norman, pastor of the First Baptist Church there officiated.

Survivors include his widow; one son, Richard Dowlin Myers, Quanah, three daughters, Marie Adell Myers, Carol Jean Myers and Leah Lynn Myers, all of Quanah; his parents; and one sister, Mrs. Clay Alexander, Denver, Colo.

in the Ballinger tournament this past weekend.

In the opener on Thursday night the Buffs trailed by three points with 37 seconds left in the game but did not give up and rallied for an 80-79 win over Haskell who were 5-2 before their encounter with the Buffs. Leading scorers were Tommy Deavenport with 18 points, Mark Elland with 14, Dwayne McMeans and Gene Louder with 11, and Rick Wilson and David Chandler with 8.

In the semi-final game against the host Ballinger Bearcats sophomore Gordon Elland came off the bench to spark a late Buff rally and a 63-61 victory. Elland hit eight consecutive free throws and two field goals in the fourth quarter. Leading scorers for the game were Tommy Deavenport with 21 markers, Gordon Elland with 14, and Dwayne McMeans with 12. Dwayne McMeans led the

'Cantata' Slated Thurs., Dec. 21

The Mission Bautista Mexicana will have a "Cantata" Thursday night, December 21, 7:00 p.m. Reverend Gilbert Diaz extends an invitation to everyone to attend, the program will last about 1 1/2 hours.

Christmas Program Location Changed

Stanton Youth Treats His Own Rattlesnake Bite Here

A 6th grade Stanton student didn't miss a day of school after being bit by a rattlesnake Saturday, December 2, and treating his own wound. Charles Lee "Chuck" Straub was riding his motorcycle with his brother Martin on his, just east of town on the edge of the Cap Rock.

The motorcycle trip had taken them there looking for a cedar Christmas tree. The boys' parents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Straub.

Chuck had been carving on a cedar when he slipped and fell a short distance. Sure enough, he landed among 3 or 4 rattlesnakes "sunning" with one of them striking him on the leg.

He reportedly used a sock and his belt for a tourniquet, and lanced the wound with his pocketknife, then he sucked the poison venom out by himself.

It was reported a Mr. Stanton White, who lives in the vicinity, came upon the boys soon after and brought them home. Chuck was taken to Malone-Hogan Clinic in Big Spring where he was treated and then admitted to a Big Spring hospital. He was kept overnight for observation and released the next day.

Mr. Straub and Martin returned to the area later and confirmed several rattlesnakes in the area that were striking at most anything.

We were told that the very next Monday morning Chuck was back in school and doing fine. He had just read instructions on snake-bite kits was the only training that enabled him to treat his own wound. It was noted he plans on becoming a Boy Scout.



GLAD TO BE ABLE TO TELL ABOUT IT—Charles Lee (Chuck) Straub, left, and brother Martin, are certainly glad to be able to tell of Chuck's rattlesnake bite. He didn't even miss a day of school.

The annual Christmas Program will be held on December 21st as announced earlier, but not at the Martin County Community Center currently under construction. The activities will be held in the vacant building next door (north) of the Post Office.

The Community Center competition deadline is set for Dec. 20, but bad weather can be expected to slow down construction.

For the youngsters on hand, Santa Claus will make an appearance and sacks of goodies will be passed out.

The Buffalo Booster Club will be hosting a Pancake Supper and Bingo will be provided that night also.

The Stanton High School Band and Choir have been included in the festivities to provide appropriate music and carols.

Word has been received also that Santa Claus will be making appearances at downtown merchants the next two Saturday afternoons.

Stanton stores have given away a total of \$105 in gift certificates for the second week in a row. Christmas shoppers are taking advantage of the opportunity to finish those Christmas gift lists and have the chance at the same time to maybe receive a bonus gift.

Santa Will Visit Stores

Santa Claus sent word to The Stanton Reporter for us to tell everyone that he will visit downtown Stanton stores the next two Saturday evenings. He stated his visits can be expected anytime between 1 and 3 p.m., so be sure to be downtown the next two Saturday afternoons.

John Zant Named Member Of Board

A meeting of the directors of the First National Bank, Tuesday, December 5, saw a new member, John Zant, appointed to the board. The announcement was made by R. O. Anderson, president and

chairman of the board of directors.

Mr. Zant has been farming and ranching in the Stanton area all of his life. He lives some 15 miles south of Stanton on Highway 137. John earned his B.B.A. degree from the University of Texas at Austin. He graduated in 1960, and is a member of Phi Kappa Psi.

His wife is the former De Ette Green of Pecos. Mrs. Zant is a graduate of Southwestern University at Georgetown.

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Buff's Nab Ballinger Tournament

Buff to a 73-71 win over the Abilene Cooper J.V.'s in the finals. McMeans scored 23 points against the strong Cooper J.V.'s. Cooper had a

6-1 record before this game scoring lop-sided wins over Junction and Comanche to reach the finals. Other scorers for the Buffaloes were

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Named to the all-tournament team from Stanton were Dwayne McMeans and Tommy Deavenport. Both of these boys played strong aggressive games and did an outstanding job for the Buffaloes. Deavenport was named as the most valuable player in the tournament for his all-round defensive abilities and scoring punch which netted him 53 points for the tournament. The Buffs next tournament will be this weekend when they journey to Iraan where they will open with the hosts in the Iraan tournament. Game time will be at 8:30.

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Board Hires 2 New Teachers Monday Night

Braving the cold temperatures, and the frozen sleet being poured out on the area, all members of the board of trustees of the Stanton Independent School District met Monday night.

All bills and general business were dispensed with as usual.

The board approved the in-

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Mrs. T. E. Belcher Rites Held Mon. In Big Spring

Mrs. Tom E. (Era) Belcher, 74, died in a Big Spring hospital at 3 p.m. Friday, December 8.

Last rites were said at 2 p.m., Monday in the Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel. Officiating were the Rev. Roy Honea of the Grace Baptist Church and the Rev. Earnest Newsom. Burial was in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Belcher was born April 5, 1898, in Birmingham, Ala. She married Tom E. Belcher June 20, 1918, in Greenville, Tex. They came to Big Spring in 1920.

Survivors include the husband, of the home; a son, Elmer L. Belcher, Big Spring; two daughters, Mrs. Larry Gault, Glendale, Cal., and Mrs. Leonard Carey, Van Wert, Ohio; four sisters, Mrs. Eva Henderson, Mrs. Jack Thompson and Mrs. Effie Felts, all of Big Spring, and Mrs. W. C. Boone, Stanton; one brother, James Larbar, Delano, Cal.; 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

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Help Wanted

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Lost & Found

LOST—Sissy 5-mo. blonde female part pekinese in vicinity of Broadway and St. Benedict. 756-2500.

Miscellaneous

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NAME _____

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Class of entry:
() Window-Door Combination
() Overall Outside Decoration

Oilpatch Outlook

RK Petroleum Corp., Mt. Carmel, Ill., staked No. 1 Woodward-Hall, et al, as a 10,500-foot Strawn wildcat in northwest Martin County, 2 1/2 miles northeast of Tarzan.

Location is 13 miles north of the Sale Ranch (Strawn) field seven miles east of production in the Lacaft (Dean) field and 3/4 mile southwest of production in the Spraberry Trend Area.

Drill site spots 1,320 feet from north and west lines of section 3, block 37, T-2-N, T&P survey. Ground elevation is 2,835 feet.

The Fran-Glass (Pennsylvanian) field of Martin County gained its second current producer and a 5/8-mile northwest extension with completion of Henry & Landenberger, Inc., of Midland, No. 1 Nail, about five miles northeast of Midland.

It finalized to flow 130 barrels of 52-gravity oil and five barrels of water daily, with gas-oil ratio of 2,469-1, through a 10-64-inch choke and perforations at 10,517-10,586 feet, which had been acidized with 2,000 gallons.

Location is 1,320 feet from north and east lines of section 4, block 38, T-1-S, T&P survey. The original pool opener has become depleted.

Martin Trend Produces UV Industries, Inc., Salt Lake City, has finalized two producers in the Martin sector of the Spraberry Trend Area, approximately seven miles southwest of Tarzan.

No. 2 Scharbauer, 3/8 mile northeast of the nearest production, completed to pump 152 barrels of 34-gravity oil, plus 60 barrels of water on a 24-hour potential test.

Production was through perforations at 9,178-9,327 feet, which had been fractured with 80,000 gallons, plus 160,000 pounds. Gas-oil ratio is 933-1. Location is 1,350 feet from south and east lines of labor 21, league 325, LaSalle CSL survey.

No. 3 Scharbauer was finalized through shot holes at 8,600-9,376 feet, to pump 202 barrels of 34.3-gravity oil daily, plus 24 barrels of water, with a gas-oil ratio of 1,150-1.

The section had been treated with 120,000 gallons and 240,000 pounds of fracture material.

Well site, 3/8 mile northwest of production, is 1,350 feet from south and 2,878 feet from east lines of labor 22, league 325, LaSalle CSL survey.

Dawson County Offsets Continental Oil Co. filed applications to drill four offsets to the two well Ackerly, North (Cisco) field of Dawson County.

Located approximately 11 miles southeast of Lamesa, they are scheduled to be drilled to 9,000 feet.

No. 1 A. M. Maxwell, one mile northwest of production, is 660 feet from north and 1,980 feet from west lines of section 10, block 34, T-4-N, T&P survey.

No. 1 T. L. Howard Jr., is 467 feet from north and 1,787 feet from east lines of section 15, block 34, T-4-N, T&P survey, 1/2 mile southwest and west of the producers.

No. 1 W. H. Moore is located 467 feet from south and 2,173 feet from west lines of section 10, block 34, T-4-N,

T&P survey, 1/2 miles west of the nearest producer.

No. 2 A. V. Stanfield Jr. is 467 feet from north and 1,667 feet from west lines of section 14, block 34, T-4-N, T&P survey, one location east of production.

Beta Sigma Phi News

Rho Xi

Rho Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Mary Deitiker on December 7. Marilyn Newman presided over the business meeting held. A thank you letter was received from the Mary Knight Fund, a Beta Sigma Phi from Sherman, Texas who has a kidney disease. Mary Sale reported on the City Council meeting. The Woman of the Year award will go to either a member of Beta Sigma Phi or an outsider.

Final plans were made for the Christmas party to be held at Marilyn Newman's on December 15 at 7:30 p.m. Members will take gifts to the State Hospital again this year. The date of the Little Miss Pageant was changed to April 7, 1973. Marilyn Newman presented the program, Our Own Home.

A salad supper was enjoyed by the following members: Mary Barnhill, Beth Black, Judy Brandenberger, Bonnie Franklin, Becky Graham, Paulette Hahn, Marilyn Newman, Beverly North, Brenda Robertson, Mary Sale, Sue Smith, Clara Stewart, Patricia Wilson, Bonnie Yater and hostess, Mary Deitiker.

Miller Oil Co., Midland, has re-scheduled as a 1 1/4-mile west outpost to the Ackerly (Dean) field of Dawson County, but separated by a producer assigned to the Spraberry Trend Area, 3 1/2 miles southwest of Sparenburg.

Originally slated as a 10-, 300-foot wildcat, it is to be plugged back to around 9,125 feet.

Drilled to 10,245 feet, it has 4 1/2-inch casing set at 9,120 feet.

Location is 660 feet from south and east lines of section 41, block 35, T-4-N, T&P survey.

Glasscock County Site Petroleum, Inc., Denver, Colo., plans No. 1 Buckner Baptist Foundation as a 1/2-mile north stepout to the Glasscock County part of the Spraberry Trend Area, 11 miles southwest of Garden City.

Drill site for the project, which is slated to 8,200 feet, is 1,980 feet from north and 660 feet from west lines of section 17, block 35, T-5-S, T&P survey.

The following projects have been plugged and abandoned:

HOWARD — The Desana Corp., No. 1 McDonald, offset to the Modesta, North (Pennsylvanian reef, North) field, 467 feet from south and 2,173 feet from west lines of section 19, block 33, T-3-N, T&P survey, 13 1/2 miles northwest of Luther, total depth 9,114 feet.

MARTIN — Monitor Petroleum Corp., No. 7-C Jones-Holton, 2,399 feet from south and 6,814 feet from east lines of Wheeler CSL survey 246, seven miles northwest of Tarzan, total depth 4,307 feet.



Lakeview HD News

The Lakeview H.D. club met Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Horace Tubbs. The home was beautifully decorated for the Christmas holidays, and it made each member realize that Christmas was here.

A short business meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. E. P. Madison with the reciting of the club prayer.

Mrs. Roy Russell, secretary, read the past minutes and roll call was answered "What we are going to do Christmas Day." Mrs. Bill M. Thain gave the treasure report. The

president read correspondence and ask for vote action on each. Mrs. Russell resigned as secretary and Mrs. E. L. Reynolds was elected to replace her.

Christmas games were played and from a beautifully decorated evergreen tree gifts were exchanged by members revealing their secret pal the past year. The members each drew names for new secret pals.

Refreshments of Christmas pie, coffee and punch were served to J. M. Mashburn, Lee Let the Want Ads serve you!

Castle, Alfred Franks, W. D. Bryant, W. J. Harlow, Ray Russell, E. P. Madison, H. Tubbs.

The next meeting will be Jan. 4, 1973 in the home of Mrs. Ray Russell County Agent Victor Gene Hughs will give the program on "Weekly and Daily Family Food Needs."

Shorts From The State Capital

Seguin Independent School District board of education was cited as the "outstanding school board of Texas" for 1971-1972.

Securities registered for public sale in Texas during the fiscal year which ended August 31 soared beyond \$1.5 billion.

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CORN	Our Darling	No. 303 Can	4 for 89c
SHORTENING	Snowdrift	3 Lb. Can	79c
CORN MEAL	Aunt Jemima	5 Lb. Bag	49c
COCA-COLA	King Size	6 Bottle carton	49c
DR. PEPPER or 7-UP	King Size	6 Bottle Ctn.	49c
FLOUR	Gladiola	5 Lbs.	59c
FLOUR	Gladiola	25 Lb. Bag	2.39
ICE CREAM	Gandy's	1/2 Gallon	79c

PRODUCE

APPLES	Calif. Delicious	lb.	19c
CELERY	Large Stalk	each	15c
AVOCADOS	Jumbo	each	19c
FRESH CORN	Florida	3 for	25c
POTATOES	Russets	10 Lb. Poly Bag	59c

MEATS

GOOCH BACON	1 Lb. Pkg.	87c
FRANKS	Decker Quality 12 oz. Pkg.	49c
FRYERS	U.S.D.A Fresh Whole	1b. 29c
GERMAN SAUSAGE	Gooch 12 oz. Ring	79c
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Stanton Food Market

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**First Baptist
 Presents Program
 Sunday Evening**

Love Transcending by John W. Peterson will be presented under the direction of Frank J. O'Banion at the First Baptist Church Sunday evening, December 17 at 7:00 p.m.

Soloists for the cantata are: Dr. Mike Fisher, Harold Carroll, Mrs. Bob Waddell, Louis Roten, and Bob Waddell.

Bro. Warren Hall will narrate the presentation and Mrs. Warren Hall and Mrs. Doyle Hughes will accompany the choir.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend the presentation of this beautiful story in song about the greatest event in history, the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Mission Bautista Mexicana

Guest Devotional

Mary, The Virgin Mother
 By Rev. Gilbert Diaz

It was a long way from the disaster at Eden to the triumph at Bethlehem! But woman would have the last word. Satan learned that at the Incarnation.

It seems to me that part of the Church worship Mary, and the other part ignore her. She should be recognized as the only woman in history chosen by God to be the mother of the God-man. There would be no Christmas without Mary.

Who is she? What made her unique? What does her life suggest to us?

FIRST, consider her relationship to God. Gabriel addressed her, "Hail, thou that art highly favored" (Luke 1:28) She was God's choice. God had long since chosen Israel as His vehicle. The mission of the Redeemer had been planned in eternity. Therefore the choice had to be a Jewess to fulfill Isaiah's prophecy. "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, the mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6) No Gentile woman could hope to be that choice. That hope belonged to the Jewish people.

Moreover, the birth had to be in direct line of David. The Bible tells me "Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh" (Romans 1:3). The human nature of our Lord was not derived from Joseph — Jesus was born of a virgin.

But she never called herself the mother of God. She used a humble term — the handmaid of the Lord.

SECOND, consider her relationship with Joseph. We do not know much about this man who was called to play a very important role in history — we know much, much less about him than most Bible characters.

I believe there was a nor-

mal, fully developed love life between Joseph and Mary. God's will and standards are outlined in I Corinthians 7:2-5. And Mary and Joseph would live under that pattern.

I believe that His brothers James, Josés, Simon, Judas, and His sisters (Matthew 13:55-56) was the children of Joseph and Mary born after the birth of Jesus. I believe the account just as it is written "And (Joseph) knew her not till she brought forth her firstborn son; and he called his name Jesus" (Mat. 1:35) Joseph became a full partner to and in the will of God. God simply asked for first place in both of their lives. Strange as it seems, He asked of us the same.

THIRD, consider her relationship with Jesus. Her body had been His tabernacle. She was His mother. She probably taught Him the first prayers. She kissed away the first tears. She bandaged bumps and bruises. He grew under excellent training. "And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man." (Luke 2:52)

But she lived with a mystery. At the dedication Simeon had said, "A sword shall pierce through thy own soul also" Luke 2:35). She lived with that.

We get a glimpse when Christ was 12. By that time the family had increased. There were heavy responsibilities. Jesus was separated from them, three days later they found Him. He was in the Temple, surrounded by the doctors of the Law. Mary addressed herself to the 12 year old son. "Son, why hast thou dealt with us? Behold, Thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing" (Luke 2:48)

It was a strange conversation Jesus said to His mother, "Woman, what have I to do with thee? It must of felt like a sword. Mary had everything to do with Him. If I believe anything, I believe that. But it really means "What do we have in common?"

Look at this words again.



"Woman, what have I to do with thee? (John 2:4) Mary can't save you, Mary can't speak for you. Jesus said "Him that cometh to me will in no wise cast him out" (John 6:37).

FINALLY, consider her relationship with the church. Mary was at the foot of the cross when Jesus died. She needed a Saviour. She faced the same temptations in life as we do. She needed the same atoning death and the same resurrection victory. Christ died for her sins.

She was in the upper room tarring for the Holy Spirit to be outpoured upon her. Rejoice in the new testament. (Acts 1:4)

Yes she will be in heaven but not as Queen of Heaven. Not as mother of God. She will be there as another sinner saved by grace. She is saved by the Blood that was shed — not by the birth she gave.

She is a woman — not a goddess. She is a great woman. Hail Mary, favored of God and happiest of women! It is a distinction that is respected everywhere, and it should be. She earned that right. But remember! There is only one Mediator between God and men, "the Man Christ Jesus" (1 Timothy 2:5).

God chose Mary, and Mary chose God. It is always like that. God had chosen you — the question now is, Will you choose Him?

Flower Grove 4-H News
 By Elonna Airhart

The Flower Grove 4-H club met Dec. 7 in the school cafeteria for the annual Christmas party. There were 23 members present and 14 visitors. Games were played and prizes given.

A business meeting was called to order by president Gar Webb and the club decided to donate goods to the Day Care Center in Lamesa as the next club project.

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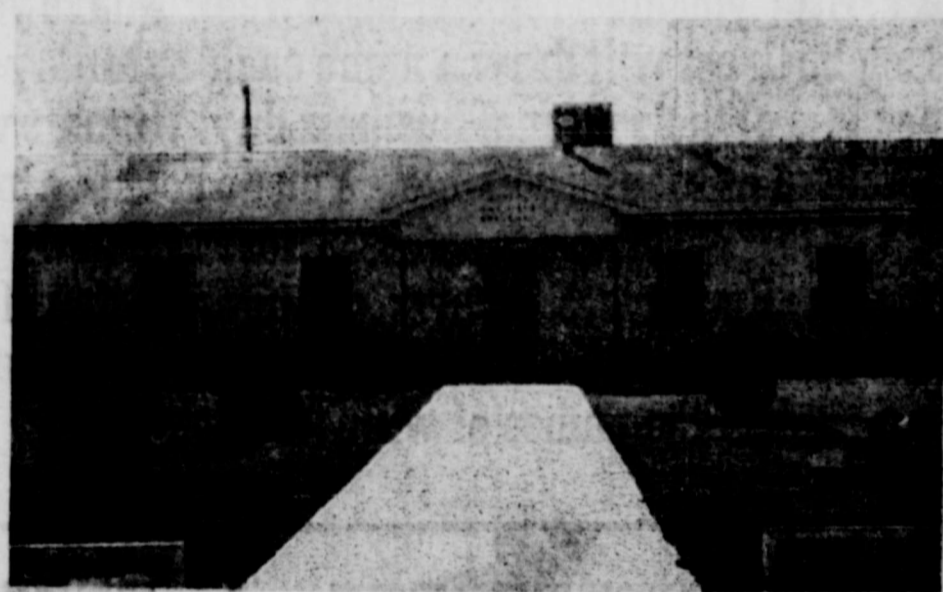
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Band Dons New Uniforms At Annual Concert

The refrains of "Adeste Fideles," "Silent Night," and "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" will echo through the hearts of music lovers as the band department presents its annual Christmas Concert next Sunday afternoon at 3:00 in the high school auditorium.

George Walker, director of the local bands, has stated there is no admission charge and the public is invited to attend the festivities.

Bright new uniforms will be worn for the first time by the high school members in their renditions of the sweet sounds of Christmas.

The program will feature all students in the instrumental music department beginning with the 6th grade members who will be playing several well-known carols. The Cadet Band members follow with seasonal renditions promising a host of Christmas musical favorites.

Bethany Sunday School Class

Mrs. J. A. Wilson was hostess to the Bethany Sunday School Class of the First Baptist Church on Thursday, Dec. 7. Her home was beautifully decorated in the Christmas motif.

Mrs. L. D. Stripling read the devotional from the 2nd chapter of the Gospel of Luke, followed by prayer.

Mrs. Hattie Estes and Lila Flanagan furnished readings and guessing games. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Delicious home-made refreshments were served to: Mrs. Oma Womack, Mrs. Ruth Holoway, Mrs. Mae White, Mrs. Eruda Towery, Mrs. Lila Flanagan, Mrs. Hattie Estes, Mrs. Vivian Tippit, Mrs. L. D. Stripling, Mrs. Mae Yater, and the hostess.

Two members were absent, due to illness, Mrs. Clyde Guerin and Mrs. Jane Stovall.

Hospital News

Admitted

12 4: Sylvia Solgado, Martha Low and infant daughter
 12 5: Juanita Guarjardo, Andrea Arguello

12 6: Jimmy Don Jackson, Andrea Frausto, Alvin Morgan, Linda Faye Graves, Harry H. Doshier

12 7: Fonza Brothers, Betty Ann Ford, Marjorie Dossey, Cindy Finley, Norman Lasater, Ida Fay Toney
 12 18: Francis Jenkins, Rheadell Hughes, Linda Marker and infant son, Verna Livingston

12 10: John M. Hall

Dismissals:

12 4: Richard Trevino, Janie Singleterry

12 5: Lyndon Marquez, Patricia Jackson and baby

12 6: Sylvia Salgado, Jimmy Don Jackson

12 7: Martha Low and baby, Juanita Guarjardo

12 8: Ila Morris, Andrea Arguello, Linda Graves, Harry H. Doshier

12 9: Alvin Morgan, Fronza Brothers, Cindy Finley, Ida Toney

12 10: Rhadell Hughes.

Former Resident Requests Letters

Dear Santa,

All I want for Christmas is letters from my former pupils. Since Mr. Batton died, King, my Siamese cat, and I have lived alone at our farm at Franklin, Texas.

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(Editor's note: Mrs. Batton contacted our office and requested us to print her letter as soon as possible.)

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Martin County Farmers, Ranchers

Crop and livestock surveys are intended to provide an accurate picture of agriculture for each county and for Texas. In turn, producers can use the information to make more intelligent production and marketing decisions. That's why it's so important that the surveys be completed accurately and rapidly and returned early, emphasizes County Extension Agent Billy Reazor.

A number of farmers and ranchers in Martin County are among the 60,000 across the state to receive a questionnaire regarding their crop and livestock operations for 1972. The survey is conducted each year at this time by the Texas Crop and Livestock Reporting Service, a joint agency of the Texas Department of Agriculture and the P. U. S. Department of Agriculture Statistical Reporting Service.

The agent points out that producers are selected on a sample basis from each size classification. The small producer sampled may represent many others of comparable



BUFFALO BASKETBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Dec. 14, 15, 16	BOYS A AND GIRLS A		
Dec. 19	Iraan Boys A & B, Girls	Here	5:30
Jan. 2	Garden City Girls A & B	Here	5:30
	Van Horn Boys A	There	5:30
Jan. 4	* Ozona Girls A & B	Here	5:30
Jan. 4, 5, 6	BOYS A BIG LAKE TOWN	There	5:30
	BOYS B McCAMEY TOWN	There	5:30
Jan. 9	* Crane Boys and Girls	Here	5:30
Jan. 12	* Coahoma Boys and Girls	There	5:30
Jan. 16	* Big Lake Boys A & B	Here	5:30
Jan. 19	* McCamey Boys and Girls	There	5:30
Jan. 23	* Ozona Boys and Girls	Here	5:30
Jan. 26	* Crane Boys and Girls A & B	There	5:30
Jan. 30	* Coahoma Boys and Girls A & B	Here	5:30
Feb. 2	* Big Lake Boys A & B	There	5:30
Feb. 6	* McCamey Boys and Girls A & B	Here	5:30
Feb. 9	* Ozona Boys A & B	There	5:30

COACHES
Boys Varsity—Jim Jensen
Boys B Team—Alvis Jackson
Girls Varsity—Tommy Gregory
Girls B Team—Pam Bass

7th and 8th GRADE BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
Dec. 14	Midland Christian (Boys A&B)	Here	5 p.m.
Dec. 18	McCamey (Girls and Boys A&B)	There	4 p.m.
Jan. 4, 5, 6	Stanton 7th Grade Tournament		
Jan. 8	Greenwood	Here	
Jan. 11	Forsan	There	
Jan. 15	Coahoma (Girls A&B)	There	
Jan. 18	Sterling City (Boys A&B)	Here	
Jan. 22	Garden City	There	
Jan. 25, 26, 27	Grady Tournament		
Feb. 5	Greenwood	There	
Feb. 8	Forsan	Here	

All games scheduled here include at least 2 games, a girls A game and a boys A game. Some games will have either a boys or girls B game or both.
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Barnes, Hale Plans To Wed Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Barnes, Stanton, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Peggy, to Rodney Hale, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Hale, Stanton.

The wedding date is set for December 23 at the Belvue Church of Christ in Stanton, at 8:00 p.m.

Martin County Farm Bureau Corrects Statement On Property Protection

A news story concerning Martin County Farm Bureau's new Property Protection "rural crime fighter" Program contained an error that needs to be corrected, according to Jack Kuhlman of Lenora, president.

The story, which was carried in the Nov. 16 issue, said that the \$200 reward money would be delivered to the property owner. It should have said that the money would be given to the reward recipient—the person supplying information leading to the arrest and final conviction.

Mr. Kuhlman said that the reward program which is offered to County Farm Bureau members has proven to be exceptionally popular. Already, more than 170 counties have signed up for the program, he said. The county leader said the program should act as a deterrent to the increasingly serious problem of break-ins and burglaries in rural areas.

All members in a participating county who have the official "No Trespassing" signs posted on their property are protected against trespass and other offenses. This reward program is provided by the TFB and its affiliated companies.

The new service-to-member program provides for the posting of property according to

the new anti-trespass law passed during the last regular session of the Legislature. A reward of \$200 is offered by the TFB companies for information leading to the arrest and final conviction of persons committing trespass, felony theft, or malicious mischief as defined by Article 1350 on property of a current Farm Bureau member.

Each member will automatically have protection if he has properly posted his property. Signs are available from the County Farm Bureau at a cost of 50 cents each. Name plates may be purchased at a cost of \$1.00 each. Decals for autos, trucks and other vehicles will be provided at no cost to the member.

In the matter of reporting claims, the County Farm Bureau completes the form furnished them and turns the matter over to a Farm Bureau adjuster who makes an investigation of the case. When conditions for the reward are met, a check is sent to the County Farm Bureau for presentation to the reward recipient.

Except for the cost of the signs, there is no charge to the member for this Property Protection Program. The County Farm Bureau assumes the cost of the program which is 20 cents for each current member not having a fire or casualty policy with the Texas Farm Bureau Insurance Companies.

Four Entries Received By Jaycees Tuesday

A request that entries in the Jaycees' 1972 Lighting and Decorations Contest be published so that everyone might drive by and enjoy them has been received.

As of Tuesday noon these are the only entries: —Vernon Cox, 800 E. Broadway;

—Jimmy Don Barnhill, 202 N. St. Charles; —Dewey Anderson, 207 N. St. Francis; —Homer Swinson, 503 Koone.

The Jaycees want to remind everyone of the deadline, which is December 15, so be sure and register. Seems the commercial divisions are lagging also. Some fine prizes have been pledged.

Beta Sigma Phi News

Preceptor Mu

Preceptor Mu met Dec. 7 in the Reddy Room of Texas Electric Co., with Sammie Laws as hostess. The room was decorated in a festive holiday mood made complete with a Christmas tree. Margaret Roueche turned the program over to Sammie Laws, who presented the title "Aromas From the Kitchen," and introduced guest speaker, Mildred Elland. Many quick recipes were demonstrated and as each was finished, it was placed on the table for serving. At the conclusion, members were invited to try the foods prepared.

Irene Long presided at the business meeting. Plans were made for remembering "shut-ins" at Christmas and suggestions were given for helping entertain the "Senior Citizens." A motion was made to make a donation to the Texas project of Beta Sigma Phi. June Reid gave a report on the meeting of City Council.

Members were asked to meet at 7 p.m. Dec. 21 at the home of Mary Kathryn Bristow for a dinner and the annual Christmas party.

Members present were: Mary Kathryn Bristow, Mary Prudie Brown, Irene Long, Mary Grace Latimer, Helen Dawson, Helen Ruth Louder, Sammie Laws, and Pauline Wood.

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town. She taught school in the Midland school system from 1961 through 1968. Mrs. Zant's interests include the Tri Delta sorority and the Midland Junior League of Midland.

Mr. Zant's family had a good bit to do with pioneering parts of West Texas.

His father, John B., arrived in Big Lake in 1924, and was a pioneer West Texas surveyor. John's mother, Mrs. J. B. Zant, currently resides in Glasscock County.

Mr. Zant's grandfather, W. H. Brunson, was a pioneer settler in this area. His interests included ranching and he was instrumental in the foundation of another area bank.

Still another member of John's family, Glenn Brunson, his uncle, is one of the prominent ranchers in the Stanton area.



SENIOR DIVISION WINNERS — Diana Wells and Lois Howard, left to right, won their senior division in the Martin County Food Show last Saturday. They will represent Martin County in the District Food Show to be held in March.

Mustang Soil Conservation News

An estimated 75 percent of the 107-million acres of Texas rangeland produces less than half of its potential because of range deterioration resulting from poor grazing management in the past. Overgrazing and subsequent range deterioration are problems created by man. Areas of high precipitation having generalized storms developed deep, rich soils and were the first to be converted to farming operations. Areas of lower precipitation generally characterized by localized storms, such as Martin County, were left to grazing by wild animals and subsequently were utilized by domestic livestock.

Prior to man's confinement of domesticated grazing animals and the restriction of wild animal movement, the open range was utilized in a natural deferred-rotation system of use. Unrestricted animals were able to follow the rains and obtain fresh green forage. They were also free to leave drier areas and thus provide needed rest. This pattern could still be observed in certain areas of the Western United States prior to World War II and may still be observed in areas of South America and Africa.

In 1899 Jared Smith described this natural grazing system, "Less than thirty years ago 4,000,000 buffaloes and countless numbers of

wild horses roamed unrestricted over the Southwest, gradually moving northward as the season advanced, returning south at the approach of winter. This natural movement of the stock permitted alternation of pasturing and rest for the land, resulting in the maintenance of the forage supply . . ."

From this it is certain that deferred-rotation grazing is not new. The native vegetation developed under alternate grazing and rest. This is the reason you produce more pounds of beef per acre in a deferred-rotation grazing system than under continuous grazing. The ranches use fences to replace rainstorms as the tool for grazing some areas and resting others.

It would seem that deferred-rotation grazing systems might better be called "mother nature's system" because they continue a grazing pattern established by mother nature.

Mrs. Elise Jessen Celebrates 90th Birthday Sat.

Mrs. Elise Jessen celebrated her 90th birthday on Saturday, Dec. 2, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Badgett. Mrs. Jessen was born on Dec. 2, 1882 in Germany. She came to the United States in April 25, 1906 where she made her residence in Chicago. Later she married Henry Jessen on Jan. 27, 1907 in Rice Lake, Wisconsin. Mr. Jessen died in 1947.

Mrs. Jessen has continued to make her home here since then. She has 5 children; Mrs. Mary Badgett; Mrs. Annie Stanfield, of Las Vegas, Nev.; Fred Jessen of Odessa; Herman Jessen of Lamesa; Henry Jessen of Phoenix, Arizona.

Those attending the celebration were: Mary Badgett, Anne Stanfield, Fred Jessen, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jessen, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jessen, Debrah, Randy, Paul, and Brian, and Mrs. Ella Allen of Lamesa; Mr. and Mrs. Luther Bedwell of Big Spring; Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Curry and Robert of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Corky Bell of Palfistine; Mrs. Herman Lander, Sr., Sonya and Ronnie Joe Deathridge of Tarzan; Mrs. Grace Mayberry and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hazlewood and Pam, and Mr. and Mrs. James Biggs, Lea Ann of Stanton.

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stallation of a new scoreboard at the Buffalo Football Field. The CVAE class has a new project also, they will be constructing a new press box.

Two new teachers were hired by the board. Bobby Richardson will be replacing Coach Alvis Jackson who resigned earlier. Also Sue Lynn Walker was hired to replace Mrs. Oletha Young.

The board approved the purchase of 72 new chairs for the SHS Band Hall.

A Textbook Committee for the '72-'73 school year was named and approved by the board. Some 15 school teachers and members of the administration make up the committee.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Nobby Hamilton and Leila recently were Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hamilton of Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. De Wayne Davis and son, Dean, and daughter of Midland, Mrs. Gary Selby and daughters Celeste and Sena Joy from Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hamilton of Big Spring and their son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Horace Hamilton and children, Gregory, Darrrell and Karl, and little daughter, Rhonda from San Antonio, Texas.



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