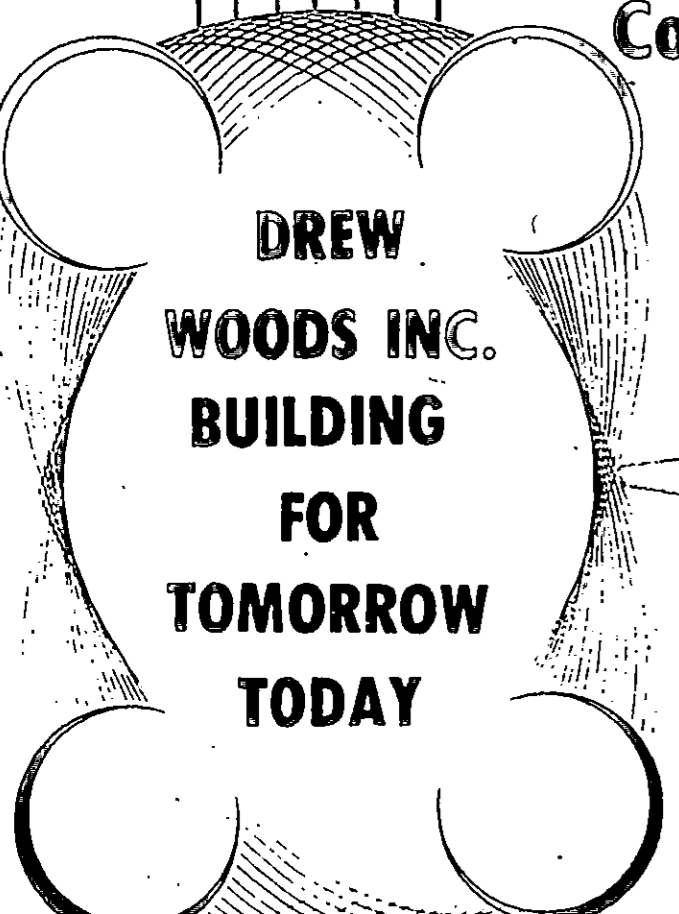


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Ad Valorem Tax Big '73 Story

Taxes were the big news in Panola County during 1973, overshadowing even some national problems as far as local citizens were concerned.

The issue, which revolves around a revaluation program conducted by Professional Appraisal Company of Fort Worth that was completed this year, is still undecided in some cases with suits pending in local courts.

Panola County was hardest hit by the tax situation as county residents insisted that the revaluation program, which they claimed contained too many inequalities to be workable, be abandoned and last year's valuations be used instead.

Major oil and gas companies in Panola County filed suit to force the county to use the updated property values.

Of four taxing bodies in the county who undertook the revaluation program, only Gary and the City of Carthage followed the program through. Both Panola County and the Carthage Independent School District bowed to voter pressure and followed valuations other than those completed by PAC.

In turn, Panola County filed suit against PAC claiming that company did an inadequate job and asking the courts to return any money spent for the program.

As a result of court action stimulated by oil company suits, the CISD was ordered to include personal property such as automobiles and trailers on this year's tax rolls and to equalize taxes.

The county received a stay in court when it was ordered to have property valuations equalized by next year. However, certain on the county suit is still pending, with jury trial set for January.

Other top stories during 1973 included:

The Panola Watchman announced plans to publish a Sunday newspaper to be called the Sunday Review. James Smith, late publisher, said he felt the growth of the community and the bright future of Panola County merited the addition of a Sunday edition of the Watchman.

Rise Care Corp.'s local plant closed its doors during December, laying off about 200 people, due to "economic" reasons. Officials said they hoped the shutdown would not be permanent.

The City of Carthage called a special election for Jan. 8 to allow local citizens to determine whether or not a \$5,000 tax exemption will be granted locally for resident homestead owners who are 65 or older.

County Extension Agent Harold G. Wells filed a grievance against Panola County claiming there is a disparity between his wages and those paid his white counterpart by the county. The grievance was filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

A 16-year-old Carthage girl died in Willis-Knighton Hospital in Sharpsport of injuries sustained in a car-truck collision on Farm-to-Market Road 10 south of Carthage Oct. 18. Dead was Melody Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis of Carthage.

Her death, the second such recorded in the county during 1973, prompted local civic and governmental bodies to seek more adequate railroad crossing signals for the city—a request that to date has produced little more than promises.

A proposal to consolidate all tax assessor-collector offices in the county under one roof was revived by the Combining Tax Authority Committee of the Panola County Chamber of Commerce. The suggested combination that would save about \$65,000 annually was first suggested a year earlier but abandoned until after tax revaluations were made throughout the county.

A federal price freeze and rising feed costs caused area poultry producers to kill baby chickens and broiler hens in efforts to reduce financial loss. The action was expected to mean drastic shortages in the availability of chickens to consumers.

The First National Bank was robbed of about \$2,600 in cash by a gun-wielding bandit who approached teller Mrs. Sue Luber and ordered her to hand him "a stack of bills." The bandit was arrested only a few hours later by Texasians authorities who recovered the full amount taken in the hold up. He later pled guilty and was sentenced to 15 years in prison.

The CISD called an election Feb. 24 for the sale of \$1,200,000 in bonds for improvements and \$220,000 in bonds for four additional projects. The issue was defeated almost 2-to-1.

Floyd Socia, who had been city manager here for nearly three years, resigned his position effective March 1 and announced he would move to Mt. Pleasant to become city manager there.

Mrs. Shirley Emberton resigned as a Carthage City Commissioner because she no longer owned property in the city, a pre-requisite for service on the commission, and Edhon Birdwell was named to fill the vacancy.

The Texas Highway Commission gave approval to a proposal made by the East Texas Parkway Association for a regional, four-lane highway running from Fort Arthur to the Oklahoma border.

A 29-year-old DeBerry man died Monday, May 21, after rescuing a fellow worker from a gas-filled dehydration tower at United Gas Pipe Line Company's Carthage Plant. James Roberson, a three-year employe of the local company, was pronounced dead at Panola General Hospital following the industrial accident.

The Panola County Commissioners Court voted to liquidate its Permanent School Fund and divide the money among school districts serving Panola County students.

Two DeBerry children, Betty Ann Gibbs, seven, and Ernest Melvin Gibbs, five, died when fire swept through their home Monday, April 9. The two were asleep in the west end of the home when fire broke out, burning the home to the ground. Jimmy Gibbs, father of the two, received burns on his hands during efforts to rescue the two children. Three other children in the house were rescued by the father.

Salaries for county employes were raised 10 per cent across the board following two public hearings on the matter. Approval to raise salaries was given Monday, Jan. 15 and passed without a dissenting vote.

Ray Vandgriff was named Citizen of the Year and Alvin Walker was awarded Sales Person of the Year Honors in highlights of an award-filled Panola County Chamber of Commerce banquet held Thursday, Feb. 15.

Carthage Postmaster David Clabough was reassigned here after six-month tour in Marshall as officer-in-charge of that city's post office. Clabough requested the return to Carthage.

A delegation from the East Texas Parkway Association, headed by W. C. (Buster) Hebert, met with the Texas Highway Commission March 1 to outline its proposals for the Oklahoma border.

The Texas Employment Commission announced plans to offer service to Panola County residents on a one-to-one basis.

W. C. (Buster) Hebert was named chairman of the board and Rich Martin Taylor was named president of the First National Bank of Carthage.

A heretofore owned by June Baker was judged Champion Steer in the Panola County Junior Livestock Show and was sold for record \$1,200 per pound for the First National Bank.

J. C. Bardwell, manager of Budgie's, announced plans for the construction of a new 22,000 square-foot supermarket next to its old location.

The Panola Watchman received three awards at the 47th Annual North and East Texas Press Association's convention at Arlington. James A. Smith, the late publisher, was awarded first place in column writing and the Watchman received second place in general excellence and best local features.

Doug Cariker assumed duties as city manager of Carthage in April, filling the vacancy left by the resignation of Floyd Socia who moved to Mt. Pleasant to become city manager there.

Jim Stevens, city editor of the Marshall News Messenger, was named editor of the Panola Watchman by Publisher James Smith.

Direct Distance Dialing was initiated locally by Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.

Carroll and Mrs. Shirley Emberton won re-election to the Carthage City Commission in heavy voting.

Incumbents fared well in School Board elections in the county with five of six being re-elected to their posts. John William Coche was re-elected to the CISD Board, Lovell Kelly and Leland Holland both gained first-term elections to the CISD Board, Tommy Gene Williams gained re-election and The Rev. Leo Willard gained first-term election to the Rockville Board and in Gary, incumbents Billy Anderson, Boston Harvey and Ronnie Griffith were re-elected while newcomer Hooker Hall gained a seat on that Board of Trustees.

A resolution citing the Panola Watchman as "one of the outstanding weekly newspapers in Texas" was passed by the Texas Senate.

Panola Junior College celebrated its 25th Anniversary with an open house May 8 that included the first public showing of the Q. M. Martin Auditorium. More than 500 people attended.

Billy Mack Still was named Jaycee of the Year during an Officer Installation and Award ceremony held at the First National Bank's lake house at Murvaul.

A 34-year-old Carthage man was fatally wounded in a shooting incident in front of his home at 606 Vine St. Dead was Raymond Lee Ware who was shot five times with a .22 caliber weapon. Don L. Gibbs, 406 Boyton St., was arrested and charged with murder in connection with the shooting.

Mrs. Nettie Shaw announced her retirement from the Carthage Independent School District after 44 years of service in the field of education.

Bill O'Neal, history instructor at Panola Junior College, was named "Teacher of the Year" at the college Wednesday April 25, and received a \$500 check from the First State Bank and Trust Company of Carthage. O'Neal was elected by the students, faculty and administrative board of the college, receiving the greatest number of votes in each of the three polls.

James A. Smith Sr., publisher of the Panola Watchman for the past 10 years, died of a heart attack on Nov. 23. A week later, Mrs. Doris Smith, the late publisher's widow, announced that she would assume the position of publisher of the Watchman and continue publication of both the Thursday and Sunday edition of the paper.

Heavy Turnout Is Predicted For Jan. 8 Special-Election

Voting in the Jan. 8 special election to determine whether or not \$5,000 of the assessed value of resident homesteads of persons 65 years of age and over shall be exempted from ad valorem taxes in the city is expected to be "heavy," according to City Manager Doug Cariker.

Cariker said Friday afternoon, however, that only one absentee ballot had been requested for the election and that it had not been returned. Absentee balloting began last week and will continue through Jan. 4, Cariker said. Persons wishing to cast absentee ballots may do so at a City Hall or by requesting a ballot by mail.

The election was called by the Carthage City Commission in compliance with the Texas Constitution that stipulates such an election on the tax exemption issue must be called if 20 per cent of the voters who voted in the last city election petition for the election.

The Commission was presented such a petition at their last meeting held Dec. 17 and called the election at that time.

Cariker said he expected a particularly heavy turnout of older city residents and of blacks, adding that the election could very well draw large numbers of voters of all ages.

The tax issue will be decided by a simple majority of voters with polls being open from 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 8 through 7 p.m. that day. Cariker said results of the election would be known shortly after the polls close, but said the results would not be official until after the City Commission canvasses the vote.

The Commission is not scheduled to meet again until Jan. 14 and would not take action on the election until that time unless a special session is called. Cariker said he doesn't expect that to happen.

Only property owners who are residents of the City of Carthage and who had registered to vote prior to at least 30 days prior to the election date—or by Saturday, Dec. 8—will be eligible to vote in the election, Cariker said.

Only one polling place will be open for

voting, according to city officials. That single ballot box will be located in the Commission Chamber at City Hall.

All citizens of Carthage are urged to vote in the election.

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To Panola County Residents Number And Amount Of SS Checks Rising

The number of Panola County residents who are getting Social Security checks each month from Washington continues to rise.

And the amounts that are going to them are increasing as well. The latest upward revision, just acted upon by Congress, will boost their payments by 11 per cent during 1974.

A total of 1,027 persons in the local area, more than ever before, are now on the receiving end. Three years ago there were 2,497.

They are benefiting from the contributions they made to the Social Security Trust Fund over the years via money deducted from their pay envelopes.

The majority of the recipients are retired workers. The others include disabled workers, widows, children and other dependents.

The facts and figures are contained in the latest annual report of the Social Security Administration.

They show that the increase in the number of beneficiaries has been due, chiefly, to periodic revisions of the law. The changes have had the effect of bringing more and more people under coverage.

Nationally, as a result, more than nine out of every ten working people now have Social Security protection.

Along with the increase in the number of persons enrolled has been the big in-

Local Offices Set Holiday Schedules

City, County and Federal offices will observe a variety of holiday schedules for New Years, according to spokesmen for the various offices.

County offices will be closed both Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, according to County Judge Davis Bailey. The Sheriff's Department will be open to the public both those days, however.

The City of Carthage will close only Tuesday, Jan. 1, according to city officials. Carthage pickup will continue as usual through the holiday, however, and as is the custom, the Police Department will be manned and personnel will be available at the Water Department for emergencies.

The Post Office will definitely close Tuesday with mail service only to box holders on that day. One dispatch will be made from the Post Office and the mail box across the street at about 3 p.m. Tuesday, according to postal officials.

District Clerk Marie Pike Seale said her office would remain open to the public throughout the holiday period since her work load demands that she be at the office during that time.

Area Residents Comply With Presidential Request

Requests by President Nixon that the American public curtail their use of electricity are apparently being heeded in this area, according to officials of Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO).

For the week ending Dec. 15, the kilowatt-hour net output for the entire SWEPCO system was down 5.8 per cent and represented the fourth consecutive week that electricity production by the company had declined in comparison with the same time period of a year ago.

For the month of November, the most recent month for which figures are available, net output for the company was 569,924,000 kilowatt-hours—more than 14,000,000 kilowatt-hours less than had been forecast for that time period.

"In analyzing the decreases it must be recognized that SWEPCO is presently

and commercial customers is a reduction in non-production aspects of electricity usage such as lighting and certainly there has been an overall reduction in outdoor residential and commercial Christmas lighting as compared to last year.

When the decrease for the week ending Dec. 14 is compared to the national figures, it is noted that SWEPCO showed a downward trend of more than twice that reported from throughout the country. The national decrease was 2.4 per cent while SWEPCO's was 5.8 per cent.

"We would like to commend our customers for supporting the national conservation policy and note that we believe electricity is being used in a wise and efficient manner," Gardner concluded.



Capital NEWS

By Bill Boykin
Texas Press Association

Acting in a quick special session called by Gov. Dolph Briscoe, the Legislature voted to grant the State Highway Commission power to reduce speed on Texas highways.

The temporary measure is aimed at bringing the state into conformity with anticipated federal legislation.

Briscoe said Texas would stand to lose up to \$250 million in highway building funds from the federal government if it does not enact a speed limit approved by Congress as a fast-saving measure.

A reduction to 55 miles per hour, the limit expected to be set by the commission, would save a million gallons of gasoline a day, Briscoe told the Legislature.

Opposition to the bill centered largely on legislative reluctance to delegate more authority to the commission. Some legislators also wanted to get Briscoe to submit other measures to the pre-Christmas special session.

While they were at work, senators approved legislation by Sen. Peyton McKnight of Tyler calling for Congress to eliminate prior controls on materials used in producing oil and gas.

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Commercial Fertilizer Shortage Is Acute

Commercial fertilizer may be in short supply in the coming months, but there's another source of fertilizer that could help relieve that shortage—manure.

"Manure is more cumbersome to handle and its nutrient content varies, but it can get the job done if the situation warrants," believes Dr. John Sweeten, agricultural engineer specializing in waste management for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Manure contains essential plant nutrients such as nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, iron and zinc and is also valuable in improving physical properties of some soils, points out the Texas A&M University System specialist.

Consequently, manure acts as a fertilizer in such areas as the High Plains where large feedlots have an abundance of the material.

"Most feedlots are now selling all the manure they have and are at least covering the cost of handling it," points out Sweeten. "That's a switch from a few years ago when manure disposal was a real problem."

Most feedlot manure is being delivered for about \$1.50 per ton, which covers the cost to the feedlot for pen cleaning, stockpiling, transporting and spreading. Farmers in sandy areas may be paying higher prices since manure can give nitrogen and dust particles to soil structure.

Sweeten believes that at least a place a dollar value upon manure based on its nutrient content are sometimes misleading. Rather, it is better to look at increases in crop or forage production that can be obtained.

Some county Extension agents are cooperating with farmers in conducting demonstrations to determine the true benefit of manure on various crops and soils.

The engineer cites three studies in the Panhandle where corn silage and grain sorghum yield increases from manure were generally on the high side, 125 per cent compared to plots receiving no fertilizer.

"Physical properties" of manure should receive as much attention as nutrient content, points out the engineer.

To Constitutional Committees

Subjects will be announced to delegates and the news media. The constitutional revision process approved by voters at the polls in 1972 requires that Texas' views be heard on the content of a new Constitution.

The Constitutional Revision Commission, 39 citizens charged with studying the present Constitution and recommending revision, held 10 public hearings, held to listen to citizen opinion.

When their report to the Legislature was completed, the commission, through a small team of members and staff, returned to each of these cities to interview citizens and to report on progress.

As part of its effort to hear Texas opinion, the Commission installed a toll-free statewide telephone line, by which Texans could express views or ask questions on constitutional revision. The number of that information center is 1-600-292-9500.

Now as the Convention approaches, preparations are being made for even more public testimony to insure that every citizen who wishes to do so has an opportunity to make his or her views known.

Texans Urged To Make Views Known

The Co-Chairmen of the Joint Constitutional Convention Planning Committee have urged Texans citizens to make their views known to the 1974 Constitutional Convention.

Committee hearings are expected to continue until Feb. 15.

Tentative assignments are: Finance Committee, Senate Chamber, Capitol; Local Government Committee, Room 300, Capitol; Education Committee, 105 Reagan Building; Legislative Committee, Speaker's Committee Room, Capitol; and Judiciary Committee, Old Supreme Court Room, Capitol; General Provisions Committee, Room G13, Capitol; Executive Branch Committee, Room 201, Capitol; Committee on Rights, Suffrage, Amendments and Separation of Powers, Lieutenant Governor's Committee Room, Capitol.

Any person wishing to testify before one or more of the convention committees should call or write Glen Provost, Executive Director, Joint Constitutional Convention Planning Committee, P.O. Box 475-6431.

Committee hearings are expected to last approximately four weeks. Hearings on special

Volunteer Army Getting Fewer School Graduates

The Army got fewer high school graduates last month than it has in at least the last four years, raising the spectre that the all-volunteer force will be filled with low quality soldiers.

While the high school diploma is a common measure, officials have tried for some months to discount its importance.

Army Lt. Gen. Robert Taber, deputy assistant defense secretary for manpower, said two months ago the high school diploma was not watched as a measure of intelligence or trainability but because graduates "made out better" in the structured military society as regards discipline.

Official, said 70 per cent of the dropouts become problems for the Army — a much higher percentage than for graduates. But, Taber said, "remember, that four out of five non-high school graduates perform very well."

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Your HOROSCOPE

For The Week Of Jan. 1-5 by GINA

ARIES: (March 21 to April 19)—Also Aries Ascendant—Keep on your toes, in career matters—be observant. Possibility of long-held dream coming true. Rewards for past efforts seem likely. Be cautious about rushing into new venture. Review your security.

Taurus: (April 20 to May 20)—Also Taurus Ascendant—Utilize high energy period to launch new projects. Make plans for the year—solve problems left over from last year. Show kindness to a friend in trouble and offer assistance. Combine new work methods with old.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 20)—Also Gemini Ascendant—Utilize this low energy period for mapping plans for the year. Concentrate on adopting a more coordinated, routine way of working. Trust intuition. Resist impulsive action regarding competitors.

CANCER: (June 21 to July 22)—Also Cancer Ascendant—You will have new beginnings in work and career area. Now seek a new approach to an old job problem—adopt new standards if necessary. Trust intuition. Accept responsibility and consider others.

AQUARIUS: (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)—Also Aquarius Ascendant—If secret activities and scheming seem to be going on around you, stay objective and positive—don't be tempted to compromise your integrity. Push through goals now. Be alert for opportunities.

PISCES: (Feb. 19 to March 20)—Also Pisces Ascendant—Take a long, hard look at your finances and spending habits. Get budget. Reconcile old friends in influential positions. Make career plans now but keep them under your hat. Work behind the scenes.

LIBRA: (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)—Also Libra Ascendant—Reevaluate situation at home. Let go of the past and make way for the new. Bid yourself of outward, useful attitudes and goals. Complete unfinished tasks. Make important decisions at a later date.

SCORPIO: (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)—Also Scorpio Ascendant—Be considerate and helpful. Associate. Use high energy to flush up details of projects under way. Decisions regarding a situation started in July—reached now. You are more stable and mature.

SAGITTARIUS: (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)—Also Sagittarius Ascendant—Progress is yours now—restrictions are lifted. Possibility of new, meaningful friendship. Be cooperative and not pushy. Honesty and frankness pay off regarding finances. Curb temper.

CAPRICORN: (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)—Also Capricorn Ascendant—You may feel a letdown after recent disagreements. Apply energies to financial affairs and career areas. You are now laying the groundwork for later success. Utilize and trust your intuition.

LEO: (July 23 to August 22)—Also Leo Ascendant—Challenges greet you in the partnership and work areas of your life—draw on past experience for answers. Use your spirit of adventure to evaluate new situations. Compromise differences with business partner.

VIRGO: (August 23 to Sept. 22)—Also Virgo Ascendant—Future looks bright in spite of some disappointment or trouble. Be sure you can solve problems and meet challenges. A possible break with an old enemy harmful to those

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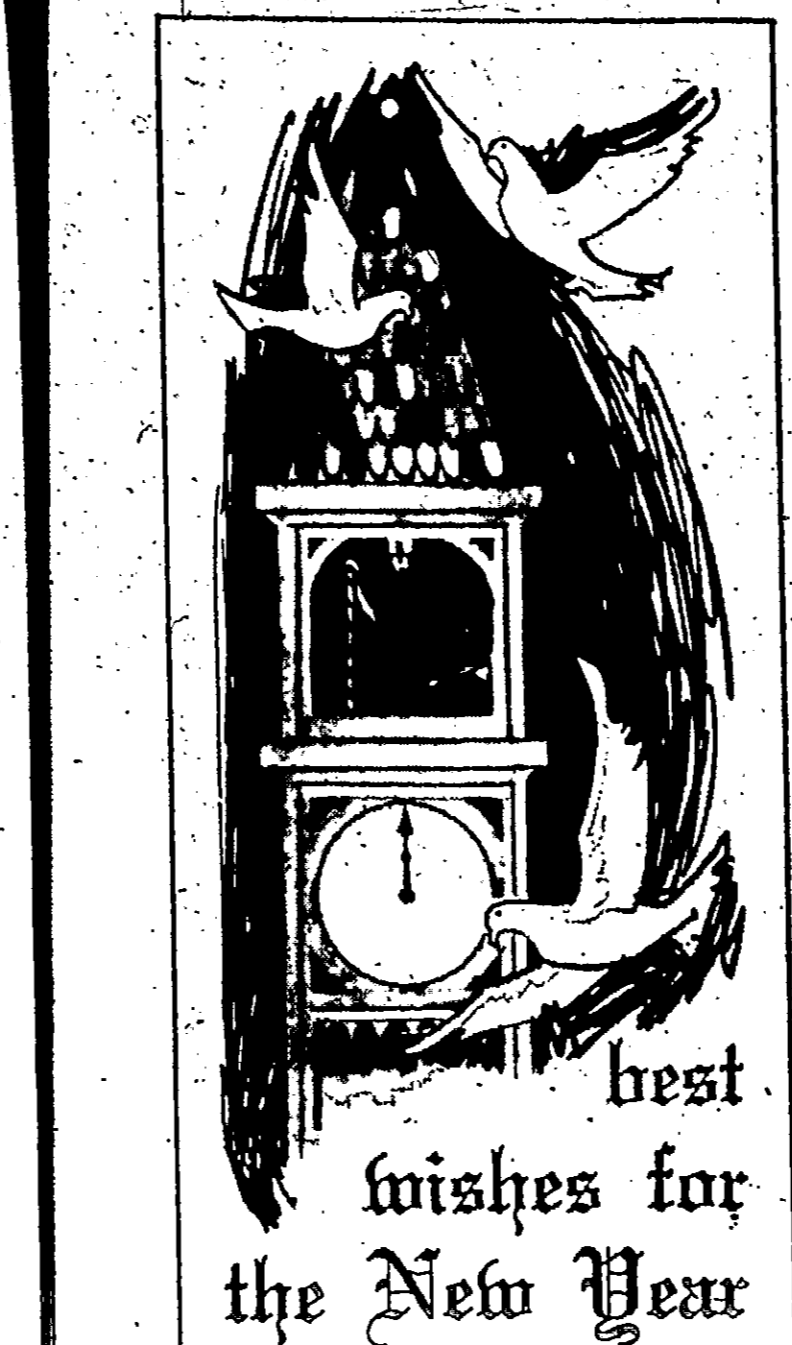
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GARY NEWS TOPICS

University of Texas is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Permenter. He received his B.S. Degree in Physics and will return to her home. The Christmas dinner was carried out throughout the home. The refreshment table was laid with a white and red cloth with a Christmas arrangement centering the table. Refreshments of pink frozen punch, sandwiches, cookies, candies, dips, chips, spiced tea and coffee were served. Enjoying the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lahey, Mrs. Mary Ann Frank, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Hooper, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Yarbrough, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Frazier, Rev. and Mrs. P. A. DuBoise, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Risher, Jan. Verbalen and Maria Craft, Mrs. Elmo Campbell, Mrs. Elmo Hunter, Mrs. Leon Young, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Johnson and hostess, Mr. Hooper and Mr. Yarbrough were presented with a zig-zag from the faculty and employees. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Latham and Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Cozart were also guests.

Rev. and Mrs. P. A. DuBoise, Brenda Loydecker and Arthur and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beatty attended graduation exercises for Daniel DuBoise who received his Bachelor of Science Degree from Texas A & M University Dec. 15.

DuBoise was commissioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force Reserve Dec. 14. He will report for duty at Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colo., on Jan. 15 and is visiting his parents during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Felton Beasley were in Shreveport Thursday for Mrs. Beasley to have a medical checkup.

Capt. and Mrs. Al Krebs of Fort Worth visited during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Davis, Stuart, Stephens and Sylvia.

Mrs. Ivan Ingram spent the holidays in Plano with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gaultier and Terry, Michael and Phyllis.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hudson are home after Mr. Hudson underwent major surgery at Shreveport.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Young were center visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gran Carter, Melissa Sherry and Terry of Lake Charles, La. visited over the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones and other relatives.

Marta Craft of Eastern Kentucky College spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby R. Carter, City, Virginia, Angela and Phyllis.

Bob Permenter of the

Panola General HOSPITAL NEWS

Discharged December 17: Mrs. Bob Hartley, Tenaha; Mrs. F. E. Allen, Tenaha; Mrs. James Curle, Gauthreaux; Mrs. Doris Ann Garrett, Center; Mrs. Robert L. Smith, Center; Mrs. Julia Reaves, Tatum; Mrs. Lerle B. Holley, City.

Discharged December 18: Mrs. Lela McDaniel, Tenaha; Mrs. Joseph Magee, Tenaha; Verner Pettum, Longbranch; Ross Moore, Gary; Mrs. Jessie McKee, Marshall; Edgar Ekalins, Timpson; Seburn Ridge Waldrop, City; James H. Hargett, Ray Starling, Easton; William Fae Patterson, City; Mrs. Crey B. Leary, City; Mrs. Johnnie Taylor, City; Mrs. Bobby Lynn Soape, City; James Langford, City; Mrs. Norman N. Jacks, City; Billy Joe Pierce, City.

Discharged December 19: Jake Watson, Beckville; Mrs. Harper Jolly, Beckville; Mrs. Jeff Hooper, Joaquin; Carl Neal Reeves, Logansport; Mrs. Baine C. Gillespie, Center; Mrs. Mamie L. Ingram, City; Mrs. Martha M. Spurlock, City; Bobby Curtis Harkler, City.

Discharged December 20: Johnny Dow Kelley, Beckville; Mrs. Thomas Roberts, Tatum; Dan Jackson, Joaquin; Tracee Kay Andrews, City; Barrie L. Waldrop, City; Mrs. Hazel Harris, City; Thomas Jeff Iferon Secrest, City; Cleve Hancey, City; Tom Edward Cox, City; Arthur L. Byrd, City.

Discharged December 21: Harry William Spradley, Beckville; Mrs. Della E. Weir, Beckville; Furman Williams, Center; Mrs. Fan Stephens, Logansport; Odie Williams, Logansport; Jerry Spurlock, Tenaha; Ricky Lynn Willis, Tenaha; Mrs. Bobby L. Ritter, Timpson; Miss Pamela Jean Parrish, London; Richard Lee Tondreau, City; Bob Scott Boyd, City; Corbett Downing, City; Mrs. Esther C. Williams, City; George Lynch, City; Eury A. Hudson, City; Miss Regina Ann Ingram, City.

Discharged December 22: Edward Lee Byers, Tatum; Mrs. Darwin Redmon, Sr., Tatum; Ronald Darrell Beeson, Garrison; Ina Michelle Beeson, Garrison; Johnnie Earl Haight, Joaquin; Mrs. Milton F. Spradley, Logansport; Clem L. Johnson, Timpson; Wadford W. Holland, Beckville; Mrs. Wendell Ray Lan Bowen, City; Mrs. Lester L. Bowen, City; Mrs. James Taylor, City; Mrs. Hollis O. Woods, City; Mrs. Herchel Menchue, City.

Discharged December 23: Mrs. Dottie Elizabeth Hesser, Marshall; Don Roy McDaniel, Logansport; Eugene W. Curry, Beckville; Marvin McClelland, Shelbyville; Karen Renea Ross, City; Mrs. Spence Midgett, City; Mrs. Bobbie Lela Hays, City; Mrs. Mary Juanita Hull, City; George A. White, City; Gordon Darrell, City; Mrs. Ruth Youngblood, City; Mrs. Elms L. Holloway, City.

Investment Credit Cuts, Taxes

Investment tax credit can put tax dollars into farmers' and ranchers' pockets.

According to Don L. Parks, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, "Investment tax credit reduces federal tax bills to the extent of seven per cent of qualified investment for the year."

"Qualifying property must be depreciable, have a useful life of at least three years, and be placed in service by you during the tax year. It also must be tangible personal property or

New Arrivals

A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Ray Stalling, P.O. Box 353, Easton, on Dec. 17, named Teri Jo Juan, weighing 7 lbs. and 10 oz.

A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Menchue, 701 W. Sabine, Carthage, on Dec. 20, named Jennifer Cheryl, weighing 10 lbs. 4 oz.

A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Ray Baker, 129 E. Melton, Longview, on Dec. 20, named Wendell Dean, weighing 7 lbs. 11 oz.

A boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ray Jacks, 701 W. Sabine Carthage, on Dec. 21, named Jeffrey Patrick, weighing 8 lbs. 3 oz.

A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Royce Glenn Hutto, Route 5, Box 500, Longview, on Dec. 21, named Kimberly Marie, weighing 8 lbs. 8 oz.

A girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Thomas Weaver, Jr., 107 N. Maple, Carthage, on Dec. 22, named Angela Kathleen, weighing 5 lbs. 9 1/2 oz.

One hour of farm labor in 1972 produced over twice as much food as it did in 1959-59.

During this same time, output per manhour in nonfarm work has increased 78 per cent.

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Claims A&M Specialist

Tangible real property which is an integral part of production, points out the Texas A&M University System specialist.

He lists farm trucks, agricultural equipment and breeding livestock (except horses) as examples of qualifying tangible personal property while livestock fences, grain bins and silos are examples of qualifying tangible real property. Barns, poultry houses and farm shops do not qualify since a qualifying structure must be essentially an item of machinery or equipment.

"The amount of investment credit allowed depends on the asset's useful life. A useful life of seven years or more qualifies 100 per cent of the investment; five to seven years' useful life qualifies two-thirds; and three to five years' useful life qualifies one-third of the investment. There is no credit under three years of useful life. Seven per cent of the qualifying investment is the tax credit, explains the economist.

before the end of its estimated useful life, you must recoupe the investment credit to determine the credit refund. Parks cites some limitations regarding the use of investment tax credit: "You cannot dispose of substantially similar livestock within six months before or six months after acquiring a qualifying investment. If you do, the credit cannot exceed your tax liability but can be carried back to preceding tax years or forward seven succeeding tax years.

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Park Facility Reservations Should Be Made Immediately

Report To Texas

Despite problems involving shortages of energy supplies, we Americans have much to be thankful for this holiday season as we observe the end of an old year and celebrate the birth of a brand new one. To me, the greatest reason for rejoicing in our own country is that for the first time in more than a decade, none of our servicemen are involved in a war anywhere around this globe of ours. If one were required to choose words that illustrate the Christmas season, none in the English language would be any more fitting than peace and joy.

In many ways, despite bitter partisan political wrangling in Washington over the Watergate affair, 1973 has been a very good year for us here in the United States. If we would but just pause for a moment and consider where we were at this time last year, we readily can see how our situation has improved. We were still involved in a divisive war in Southeast Asia, our bombers were being shot at in Vietnam. This war had divided our country as nothing had since our own Civil War more than a century ago. But 1973 saw us bring this conflict to a conclusion and bring all our POWs home.

But even though we brought the Vietnam crisis to a conclusion, 1973 likely will go down as the year that we seemingly moved from one crisis to another before the year was well along. In the time the Watergate affair grew to such an extent that it dominated virtually everything that went on in our national capital. Then Vice President Agnew resigned his office under a heavy cloud, and a new and dangerous war broke out in the Middle East between Israel and the Arabs.

To some, the situation appeared bleak indeed. In times like these, we tend to question the validity of our institutions. We tend to doubt our own judgement and to question our faith in those that have come to respect and admire. For weeks on end, many wallowed in a sense of depression and frustration.

But not everyone was caught up in gloom and despair. For when the chips are down, the American people do have a great capacity for self-analysis, for self-criticism, and even the capacity to admit guilt where necessary. We have witnessed all this in the past year, and the fact that we do these things underscores two major points worth remembering.

I think we have proved that we are a strong and viable democracy or we could not survive what has happened to us in 1973. We have proved that our institutions are capable of enduring this kind of trial.

I am confident we will survive all these problems and come out a better nation because of them. Despite the fact that many feel purely partisan reasons will want to keep the Watergate mess alive, we will survive this. We have proved that we can overcome the resignation of one of our top government leaders and replace him in an orderly and constitutional manner.

We do have sufficient confidence in ourselves to continue the great experiment of democracy that our founding fathers started 200 years ago. As slow and plodding and inefficient and sometimes as unresponsive as our system seems to be, it always weather's crisis and we always are able to make a series of mistakes and yet, in the final analysis, come up with good judgment.

Our system will survive because the American people are unshakable in their concepts of what is the greatest good for the country and what is the best way to maximum individual liberty, freedom of choice and prosperity for all.

Now, with 1973 ending and 1974 beginning, we have still another new chance to look at our mistakes of the past and try to correct them in the future.

If 1973 does go down in history as the year of crisis, 1974 likely will be remembered as the year of energy. We in the United States may have to do some readjusting in our way of life in the coming years, but we can do it.

When we do pause at this Christmas season and contemplate all the many blessings which the Almighty has bestowed upon us, we have much to be thankful for. Ours is

Need to reserve a cabin, lodge room, shelter or group facility in a state park for, say, Memorial Day next year?

Better get your name in to the park superintendent between Jan. 1 and 10 because the Parks and Wildlife Department is holding a drawing at 10 a.m. Jan. 11 in the respective parks to set reservations for high-use days during the coming year. Parks and Wildlife Department officials say that only cabins, lodge rooms, shelters and group facilities may be reserved. Campsites and trailer spaces in state parks may not be reserved but are continuously available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Those wishing to participate in the Jan. 11 drawing must submit their reservation requests to the park superintendent where the facility is desired. Reservation requests will not be accepted by the department until Jan. 1.

Additional dates should be indicated in the order of preference to insure a greater chance for obtaining a reservation. Requests for cabins must include the total number of persons in the immediate family who will occupy the cabin. Children under six years of age need not be included.

In the event one cabin will not accommodate the number of persons in the immediate family, two cabins will be reserved with the participant's permission, provided an adult occupies the cabin with the minor children.

A deposit - check or money order - in an amount equal to one day's fee must accompany reservation requests.

Participants in the drawing will be notified after Jan. 11 if their reservations have been confirmed. If not, the deposit will be returned.

After Jan. 11, reservations for cabins, lodge rooms, shelters and group facilities will be made on the usual first-come, first-served basis.

English novelist Jane Austen was born in Hampshire on Dec. 16, 1775.

People In The News

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Seale recently attended a retirement party in honor of their brother-in-law, Mr. F. J. Gove II, who has worked for the Texas Department of Corrections almost 25 years in Huntsville, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Brooks of Houston visited their sisters, Addie Ruth Lawrence and Eva Mae Brooks through the Holidays. They all enjoyed Christmas Dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Salter in Longview.

ETSU Studying Energy-Saving Plans

A special committee appointed by President F. H. McDowell is drawing up plans to help East Texas State University deal with energy crisis problems that could affect the university.

Headed by Dr. Richard C. Meyers, vice president for academic affairs, the committee has been studying the potential impact which various aspects of the energy shortage could have on ETSU.

Although the university does not anticipate making any immediate changes in its operating schedule, the committee has recommended a revised schedule for operating the university if curtailment of plant operation becomes necessary.

Registration for the spring semester at ETSU will begin at 7:30 a.m. January 10 (Thursday). Classes will begin at 7:30 a.m. January 14 (Monday).

"We don't want to overreact to a situation which you can't outguess," McDowell said. "However, we are developing a plan which we can implement to keep the university running smoothly if the energy shortage worsens."

For several weeks, the university has been helping students organize car pools as well as expanding commuter bus service to the campus from Dallas. Transportation Enterprises of Dallas operates a daily commuter service to Commerce.

The ETSU Housing System has launched a campaign to encourage commuter students to consider residing on campus. The campaign has emphasized that living on campus can be less expensive than daily commuting. Dr. H. Don Pope, housing director, has indicated that an additional 500 on-campus living spaces could be made available.

Although no major change has been made in the spring class schedule, the university has rescheduled a policy which requires full-time students to maintain a balanced class schedule. The change will permit students to complete more compact schedules by compressing a full course load into fewer days.

In an earlier effort to conserve energy, the university has ordered thermostats in all buildings be set at 68 degrees through the winter. All lighting and electrical devices be turned off when not in use, and all nonessential building lighting be extinguished each night.

Potted Plants Require Care

If you received a potted plant for Christmas, give it a little special care and it will give you pleasure in return.

Dr. William Welch with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service offers a few tips on caring for these living Christmas gifts.

Poinsettias, chrysanthemums, azaleas and most other flowering potted plants will last much longer if kept in a cool location away from drafts, says A&M University System horticulturist.

"Never place them where heating vents or other heat sources can blow or reflect directly on them."

Water is extremely important. Since your flowering plants are growing in a greenhouse where it has had all the water it could use, it will wilt quickly when deprived. So keep the soil fairly moist to the touch. This usually requires water about every other day, points out the Texas A&M University System specialist.

Overwatering is also a possibility, but if the plant's container drains well, this should not be a problem.

"Be sure the plant gets light. In the greenhouse, artificial lighting is helpful but most plants will remain attractive longer if placed near a window or other source of natural light. However, don't place the plant in direct sunshine or too near glass."

What about transplanting these flowering plants?

Many species are not well adapted for garden use, says the specialist. Most frost-tolerant azaleas are difficult to grow and are best enjoyed for their flowering period and discarded. Chrysanthemums, cyclamen and poinsettias are not good landscape plants for most of Texas. Poinsettias need a long, warm growing season to flower outside and could be transplanted in South and parts of East Texas.

Chrysanthemums will perform satisfactorily but the holiday season is not a good time to plant them outside. If they can be kept alive until early spring, cut them back to a height of three or four inches and plant them in well drained beds.

Flowering potted plants are great to receive or give during the holiday season. And with a little extra care, they can be enjoyed even longer," points out Welch.

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★ EDITORIALS ★ FEATURES

In Our Opinion SUNDAY REVIEW Social Security Myth

In the space of Social Security legislation over the last few months, it is unlikely that recipients, taxpayers or, for that matter, Congress itself are certain of the changes scheduled.

Even so, there can be little argument over the seven per cent - or more - increase in benefits now contemplated in separate House and Senate bills.

At any rate, the cost of living has soared to the point where the June benefit increase of 5.9 per cent is not only essential, but falls below the amount needed to keep pace.

In terms of compassion and responsibility, increased benefits and an accelerated timetable are more than justified.

Those who doubt the growing omnipotence of government obviously haven't heard of the latest activities of the Food and Drug Administration.

After seven years of study, the government has compiled a detailed definition of frozen cherry pie and how it must be made.

It seems I've resisted as long as possible The Watchman just isn't the same without a locally written column and I was unanimously elected to do the job.

So far, it's only taken about two hours to write this meager message. If I don't get faster, this column might have to be monthly instead of weekly.

1973: Landmark Year

As it rolls off the calendar, each year has one terminal characteristic in common with every other year - a mass of year-end reports, summaries and prospectives.

The reluctance of the American people to complain about the increasingly painful bite of the Social Security tax is a tribute to their concern of the aged and the acknowledged difficulty of survival in the 1970s on an income fixed at the bare existence level.

But isn't it about time that Congress abandon the myth of Social Security as a pension program financed by the workers to insure comfort in their old age?

Centuries ago, the forefathers of present generations of Americans came to the shores of what is now the United States to escape the oppression of kings.

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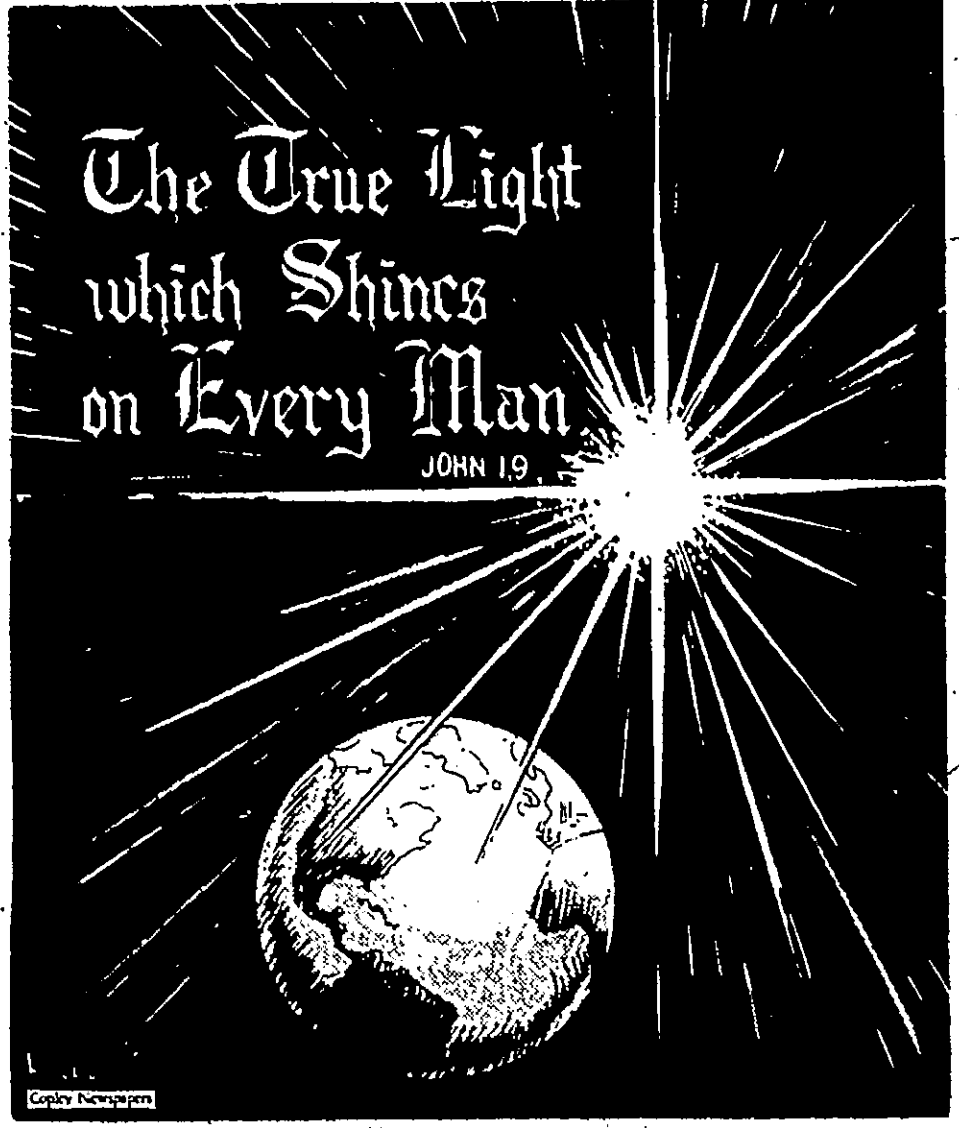


by Jim Stevens Editor. It seems I've resisted as long as possible The Watchman just isn't the same without a locally written column and I was unanimously elected to do the job.

My biggest fear is being unable to think of something to write about week after week. Traditionally, for many Watchman readers, this spot in the paper has been one of the first scrutinized.

There is one subject that should provide periodic material for this space. That subject is a young man named Andy. He's a very brilliant and very special youngster who now lives in Colorado near Denver.

There are occasions when Andy comes up with some deep, intellectual thoughts - especially for a four-year-old. For example, Andy and the family were recently traveling from Texas to Colorado and had reached a barren section of New Mexico when this astute nephew of mine, after gazing quietly and intently out his window for a lengthy period of time, suddenly turned to his father and quipped, "Gee, Dad, they haven't quite finished this part, have they?"



"Americans will put up with a great many things before they will put up with a shortage of gasoline or the inability to drive their automobiles.

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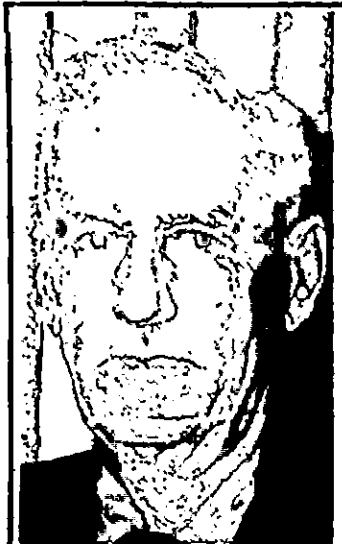
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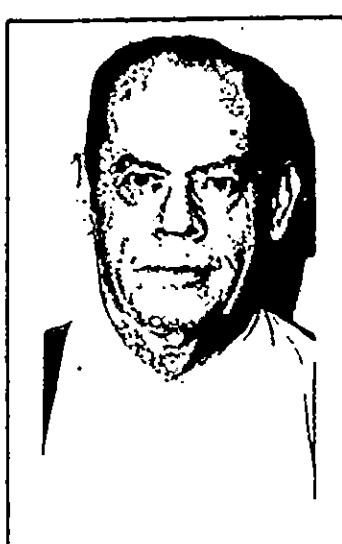
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