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**Hearing Held On Accounting On 2 Garwood Firms**

A hearing was held on civil suits involving Thompson Fertilizer, Inc. and Thompson Aircraft Supply, Inc. on December 6, 1977 in Judge B. B. Schraub's District Court in Columbus.

In June of this year, the Court appointed Randy Wallinga Receiver for Thompson Fertilizer, Inc. and Thompson Aircraft Supply, Inc. to protect the interest of Neal and Mary Stallman until an accounting of the books could be made. A full accounting of the books was done by Troy Lively, accountant, El Campo, Texas, and the final audit reportedly showed charges made against Leonard N. and Norma J. Thompson were not proven.

Owners of the firms make the following statement: "As a result of the lengthy receivership and accounting, both companies have plunged downward rapidly financially. Due to the financial status of the two corporations now and the accusations made by the Stallmans against Leonard

**WCJC Spring Registration Jan. 10-12**

The doors to Wharton County Junior College in Wharton officially opened for the first time in 1978 on Monday, January 9 when the administration and faculty convened to prepare for a three-day student registration period January 10-12 prior to the start of Spring Semester classes January 16.

Most 1977 Fall Term students have registered early for spring classes but new students should contact the Registrar's office to obtain a time permit for the three-day general registration period. The Registrar's office is located in the WCJC Administration Building, 911 Boling Highway, the telephone number is 532-4500.

College officials encourage enrollment of both recent graduates and those who wish to upgrade their skills and continue their education. National figures reveal that one third of all students in higher education are over 25 or older. The projection for 1980 is 40 percent.

Although the majority of students at WCJC are between 18-20 years of age, a sizeable percentage who are older, states Registrar Ernie Halby.

Last Spring's computer printout from the Texas Coordinating Board for colleges counted 263 scholastics between 25-30 and 24 who were 31-40. There were 46 full-time students ages 41 and over.

WCJC's "average student" is 21.8 years of age. Eighteen were 17 and 368 were 18 years of age. There were 986 who were 19, 119 twenty-one year olds and 61 twenty-two year olds.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. on the day of the tournament. The event will be held in the new Knights of Columbus Hall, and food and refreshments will be served throughout the day.

**CB Radios Stolen At East Bernard Are Recovered**

Wharton County sheriff's deputies have recovered a number of items stolen at East Bernard. The items recovered are the CB radios taken from cars while East Bernard football fans who owned the cars were at College Station witnessing the football game between East Bernard and A.P.

The cars from which the CB radios were taken were left parked on the streets or in the yards of the owners. The officers immediately figured the thief or thieves were from out of town, as almost everybody in the vicinity of East Bernard had motored in buses, etc. to the game.

At least ten CB radios were recovered as well as a chain saw. Some items were said to have been thrown by the thieves into the river.

Acting as a tip, Officer V. E. Steptoe, Captain Joe Covarrubio, Chief Deputy Earl Winebrenner, and Deputy G. W. Steen arrested five boys, all students at Brazos High School at Wallis.

The boys were taken into custody and placed in the Wharton County Jail pending bond. They will be subject to the action of the next session of the Grand Jury which will meet in January, 1978. All of the boys were charged with seven counts of burglary, according to the report received. East Bernard Tribune.

**December Drains Blood Bank Inventories**

Some blood banks are running in the red, trying to make up for shortages that occurred during December. A blood bank's inventory can be strained because donations usually decrease in December. At the same time, needs increase due to larger numbers of traffic accidents and illnesses.

The Texas Medical Association hopes many people can overcome any uneasiness about giving blood so they can help fill the important need. The entire blood-giving procedure usually takes about 30 minutes, including getting a brief medical history from the donor. Actually drawing the blood takes approximately 10 minutes and has been refined so that there is little or no discomfort.

Most people are able to give blood about once every two months. Medical conditions can prevent some people from donating that often and some cannot give at all. Anyone who has had hepatitis anytime in his or her life cannot ever donate. People who have taken an antibiotic or certain other drugs cannot donate if he or she took the drug within 30 days of the time they want to donate. A person who has had malaria or tuberculosis symptoms within the last three years also is excluded. People who have had a baby or major surgery within the last six months cannot donate because their bodies need to keep the blood materials to build up their own bodies. People unsure about their status can call a blood bank to see if they are eligible to donate.

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**2 New Deputies, JP Take Office In Fayette Co.**

Two new sheriff's deputies and a new Justice of the Peace assumed their duties in Fayette County on January 1, 1978.

Sheriff T. J. Flournoy announced the appointments last week of Joe Boyd, who will work in the Patonia area, and Lloyd Goehring, 48, of Giddings.

Boyd is replacing August Brunner, who retired Jan. 1. Sheriff's Deputy Charlie Pripoff of La Grange also retired Jan. 1.

Clarence Roitach, also known as "Tex" or "Butch" Roitach, took office the first of January as Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, according to County Judge Fritz Lobpreis.

Roitach was appointed by the Commissioners Court to replace A. V. Smith, who recently retired.

**Reflections On International Sunday School Lesson**

(Jonah 3:3-5; 4:1-11)

Whenever a big job needs to be done, the first thing that is necessary is to find the person who can do it. Then that person needs to be prepared to do the job. Often it is the more difficult task. Skills must be sharpened. Confidence must be built. Then proper attitudes must be constructed. An outstanding football coach once declared that "building a team requires three things. These are: emotional and physical conditioning, technical skills, and a heart to win."

When God wants an important mission accomplished he first seeks a man. Then he equips the man with what he needs to do the job. A basic rule of the spiritual world is: whatever God demands, he enables. The tiny Book of Jonah is a classical illustration of this truth. The prophet was called by God to become a missionary to the ancient city of Nineveh. The city was the center of a vast pagan empire. The people had made a world wide reputation for their cruelty. They magnified their terrorism as a tool for frightening their enemies into quick submission. Jonah had a natural hatred for these dreaded enemies. It is only natural that Jonah was reluctant to become a missionary to these people.

The prophet fooled himself into believing that he could run from God. He fled in the opposite direction. God's reason for calling Jonah was so he could declare that the God of Israel was also the God of the heathen. How strange that the prophet should feel it possible to run away from him. The running he made was not a preparation for the job. Finally, the prophet was thrown from the ship by bad weather. He was taken to shore. It is this incident that has caused many to miss the primary message of this book. The great missionary message is missed because people take up the fruitless task of measuring the size of the mouth of a fish.

After the experience of being swallowed by a fish, the prophet willingly went to the city to preach. The people listened and the entire population repented of their sins and turned to God. Such a spiritual awakening should have thrilled Jonah. Instead, he sorrowed. He really wanted God to destroy his enemies. That would have been much easier to explain to the people back home. In his anger he camped on a hillside to watch, just in case God decided to go ahead and destroy these pagan people. He dozed off and was awakened by the hot sun on his bald head. A cutworm had destroyed a castor bean plant he was using for shade. He lamented the loss of his shade. Then God reminded him that he was more concerned about a plant that shaded him from the sun than a city of people who had turned to God. This lesson is compassion for the final course in his preparation for becoming a missionary to the world. The account of Jonah's ministry to Nineveh illustrates God's great concern for the world and the important fact that He does everything necessary to prepare people who will make that love known to the world.

**Big Field Expected For Domino Tourney**

A record number of domino players are expected to be on hand for the 25th State Championship Domino Tournament to be held Jan. 22 in Hallettsville.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. on the day of the tournament. The event will be held in the new Knights of Columbus Hall, and food and refreshments will be served throughout the day.

**Free Immunization Clinic Jan. 13**

The Free Immunization Clinic sponsored by the Texas Department of Health will be held on Friday, January 13, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Mission Center, 400 W. Prairie Street, in Eagle Lake.

Immunizations for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP), Polio, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella will be given to infants, pre-schoolers, and school-age children. Tetanus and/or Diphtheria will be given to adults.

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**Hallettsville Crash Claims Life Of Bryan Man**

A head-on crash 2.5 miles west of Hallettsville at 6:05 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24, left one person dead and two hospitalized.

Henry Tobols, 64, of Bryan was pronounced dead on arrival at Lavaca County Medical Center. He was the driver of one of the cars.

Donald Berkenhoff, 24, of Houston, driver of the other car, was reported in stable condition at Citizens Memorial Hospital in Victoria.

Berkenhoff's wife Carolyn, 25, suffered minor injuries. She was admitted to Lavaca County Medical Center for observation.

State trooper Robert Simson said Tobols was apparently driving on the wrong side of U.S. Highway 90A when the wreck happened. Both cars were demolished.

Simson said Tobols was headed west and Berkenhoff east when the vehicles collided.

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