

## Hourly Maintenance Men Due 40-Hour Week

"This is one of the most constructive moves the Department has made in a long, long time as far as maintenance employees are concerned," said Al Jennings, maintenance foreman of San Angelo, District 7.

Jennings' favorable reaction was typical of response throughout the state as word was released that, effective March 1, hourly maintenance employees would be getting the same amount of money for fewer working hours. The Texas Highway Commission has reduced their normal work week from 45 to 40 hours a week.

The action was taken to bring the work week of hourly-paid maintenance employees into line with those of salaried employees of the Department who have been on a regular 40-hour work week for several years.

Continued Jennings, "I think it is a wonderful thing. It is going to increase morale and I am looking forward to having a happier organization. The men in the field are very happy they are going to be working under the same condition as other highway employees."

"Most of us believe it will lead to better things for all of us," said Ernest Morris of Austin, District 14. "We had heard talk about the possibility of the change for several years and were glad to see it come about.'

A Salute For THD

A special on-the-air salute honored the Texas Highway Department on Station KNOW January 18 through January 22. The tribute was aired between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. and 5 and 6 p.m. daily.

The public service announcement was sponsored by Austin Savings and Loan Association in recognition of the Department's contributions to the Austin community.

Jerry Schriewer of Seguin, District 15, thinks the "change is real nice" and hopes they will get an hour off for lunch now. The men have been working from 7:30 a.m. to noon and from 12:30 to 5 p.m.

"I haven't really minded working the extra time because those were the conditions under which I accepted employment," says Schriewer.

One of his District 15 cohorts, Elton Hoffman, is pleased with the change, too. "It will give us more time off. It seems like most places have 40-hour work weeks and we are getting in line with the rest of industry.



MONA Mathias of D-16 displays the 1971 Official State Highway Map, which was recently released by Travel and Information Division. About 1.4 million copies of the popular map should be distributed this year. Employees may get copies of the map from D-16, the Department's tourist bureaus, and district offices. Photograph by Bob Gates.

## By the Way ...

Andy Blaschke of Highway Design Division trys to watch the Jim Nabors Show whenever possible. His first cousin, Holly Smith, is a dancer on the television show. Before she was married Holly was one of the Gold Diggers on the Dean Martin Show. The husband of the brunette beauty is a Hollywood agent for a rock and roll record company.

"He handles most of the records for the Supremes," says Andy.

Early one cold Wednesday morning recently Hilton Hagan of Travel Division jumped out of bed and went to get the morning paper. He opened the door, and there it was-"the world at my doorstep."

Returning to the warmth of his favorite reading room, he eagerly began to read. The first two or three items were familiar. So was the rest of the front page.

"Boy, have they been scooped on this," he thought in disbelief. Then Hagan noticed the dateline: the delivery

HOLIDAY REPRIEVE--With cancellation of the December letting because of the shortage of federal funds, Jeff Sauls didn't have to get the contracts and blueprints out to contractors last month. Normally, he figures he lifts, wraps, and ships about 1,500 pounds per month for this operation. That takes a lot of muscle.

boy had thrown him a two-day old newspaper.

His world crumbled.

**John Dodson** is more than a Sunday afternoon quarterback. He is a coach. At least in his dreams.

A few days before the Texas-Notre Dame game, Dodson dreamed he was coach of the Texas team.

"In the latter part of the fourth quarter, we got into a tight situation, and I decided the best way to get the points was to run the play myself. If you want the job done right, do it yourself. All I remember was a tremendous flap on the field and a fight. I don't remember if I made it to the goal line, but I do think we won."

Early in January florists delivered a big bouquet of orange mums to N. M. Goodwin.

"There must be some mistake. These must be for someone else," said the Highway Design engineer.

The florist insisted the flowers were for him, so Goodwin opened the card. It said, "Rest in peace. Sorry for the loss of your steer."

The mums were from his nephew, a **Notre Dame** graduate.

Despite Departmental efforts to educate the public and the press about the differences between the Texas Highway Department and the Department of Public Safety, tell a person you work for the Highway Department, and nine times out of ten, they ask, "Oh, do you patrol the highways?"

This bugs Frank Lively of D-16 as much as anyone. He gets especially annoyed when the news media run a story on the Highway Department, then headline it with, "DPS Does Such and Such."

Last week he came to work in disgust.

"My own son came home from school and asked if I drove a patrol car!" he fumed. "Lance said, Well, you work for the Highway Department, don't you?' "



WITH the help of his fellow hunters, C. E. Wells of D-10 bagged a four-point armadillo. He also killed a deer. "It wasn't very big, but it was younger, tenderer, and better eating than some of the bigger ones," he declares.



ONE of the Department's sharpest sharpshooters, Bob Newton of Equipment and Procurement Division, again bagged a deer.

#### In Memorian

FRED T. BENNETT Personnel Division (Ret.) December 15, 1971

### **Deducations Change**

Finance Division is being "bombarded" with inquiries about changes in payroll warrants. The changes in the January warrants are due to an increase from 4.8 percent to 5.2 percent in F.I.C.A. tax; withholding decreased based on the increase in the standard deduction; and insurance premiums increased based on salary October 31, 1970, and age as of December 31, 1970.



Peggy Stieler and . . . . her paintings



COSTUMED in a pink and white pinafore, Bella Blum of Automation Division sings, "All I Want for Christmas Is My Two Front Teeth." Bella was one of the crowd pleasers at the Christmas program given by the Camp Hubbard choir. "We added fun songs to the program this year and audience reaction was great," says Choir Director Hanson Clark, also of D-19. "Choir members had more fun, too."



THE barbershop quartet proved popular, too. From left: Terry La Fortune, Bruce Swihart, Hilliard Smith, and Hanson Clark. To add to the informality of the program, there were no formal announcements and choir members wore casual dress. The choir deserves an award for special effects, too. When they sang, "Let It Snow."-it did!

## **Painting Profitable**

Suddenly last summer--Peggy Stieler of Finance Division made a discovery. She could paint!

Soon after, she signed up for her first art lesson and began to paint in earnest. Her friends and co-workers ask to buy the oils almost as quickly as completed, so Peggy's new-found hobby is paying for itself.

"I'm still studying, of course, but my commissions are keeping me busy," smiles Peggy.

She is thinking about specializing in animal portraits-"everybody has a pet"--and has already done several. She has even done an oil of a deer. The 20x24-inch oil was her husband's Christmas present, and he was so proud of it he even took it to the dentist.

As busy as she is, Peggy is making time in her schedule to help a young friend.

"She's coming over on Saturday mornings," says Peggy, "and we'll paint together. I'll criticize her work. I think I'll learn something, too."

Peggy's painting is proving good therapy, too. A painful back ailment, which began two years ago, prevents her from doing many favorite activities, like working in her garden and riding horses.

"God closes one door and opens another," says Peggy. "When I paint, I get so absorbed I forget about the pain."

# Dingwall Appoints New Committee

Richard Vander Straten, Bridge Division, has been appointed chairman of the 1971 Employees Advisory Committee by State Highway Engineer J. C. Dingwall.

Others appointed to the committee are Robert Gorham, vice-chairman, Motor Vehicle Division; Laura Dodd, Travel and Information; Jackie Johnston, Right of Way; Jack Housworth, Highway Design; Bill Grote, Finance; and Larry Walker, Automation. The latter two served on last year's committee but were reappointed to provide continuity.

In making the appointments, Dingwall expressed his "deepest appreciation" to the retiring committee chairman Larry Walker, vice-chairman Bill Grote, Anne Overcash, Patsy Stanley, H. D. Butler, John King, and Bob Hays "for the time and effort contributed during the past year."

Dingwall also said that the outgoing committee had processed "in good manner" more suggestions than had been received in the entire history of the Department.

"As a matter of fact," said Dingwall, "the 1970 committee will best be remembered for solving the dilemma in the 'year of the pant suit.'"

"The pant suit was our most eagerly pursued suggestion," admits Larry Walker, "but we dealt with a wide variety of ideas. We received suggestions for use of D-16 travel pictures, payment of hourly checks, new methods for making United Fund contributions, proposals for waste disposal facilities, clerical procedures, employee safety measures, and purchase and storage procedures. One suggestion even proposed a plan for rerouting railroads around the Austin area.

"Some very constructive suggestions have been passed on to applicable

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#### **COMING ATTRACTIONS:**

... watch for stories on the annual Credit Union meeting, Chapter 1's new officers, engineers' week, Horace Warren's tale of old times, mustache fever, and more.

## A STYLE SHOW WITH STYLE

Dark-haired Linda Winfrey walked down the long ramp, twirled slowly, then paused so everyone in the crowded room could get a good look at her elegant evening ensemble.

Awed, the crowd sat in stunned silence. Finally, a man yelled out, "Hey, what's that collar made of?"

"Pampas grass," she called out.

Like the rest of the clothes modeled in the unique style show, Linda's outfit looked more like a Dior original than one made by a hometown girl with home-grown products. That was the fourth year Linda had modeled in the style show, one of the highlights of the nine-day Texas Citrus Fiesta which is held each January in her hometown, Mission. As usual, her dress won a prize.

Linda, who has worked for Personnel Division since moving to Austin two years ago, didn't enter competition this year, but is going to Mission to see the style show tonight and the Parade of Oranges tomorrow. The style show will also be held Sunday afternoon.

The Texas Citrus Fiesta is the annual salute to the chief crop of the region, the ruby red grapefruit, and other valley products. Queen Citriana and King Citrus reign over festivities, which also include a golf tourney, an art show, window displays, and fruit shows of luscious-looking lemons, limequats, oranges, and tangelos.

"Mission is a small town of 14,000, but during the Citrus Fiesta you can hardly walk. People come from Canada,



SEEING is believing, supposedly, but many of those attending the Texas Citrus Fiesta style show in Mission found it almost incredible that this beautiful evening ensemble was made from citrus fruits instead of silks and laces. Linda Winfrey of Personnel Division designed the costume. She completely covered white flannel with citrus seeds and other valley products. The collar is made of pampas grass.

Mexico, Michigan-everywhere."

Almost every civic, social, and church organization in town takes part in festivities. Even the children participate in the style show.

"One three-year old boy who was modeling a costume got nervous and didn't watch where he was walking. He fell off the ramp," laughs Linda.

"The style show is something to see," says Linda. "It's different."

Part of the excitement comes from the suspense.

"Nobody knows until the night of the style show what the costumes will be," says Linda. "Everything is very secretive because originality and use of new material counts so much in judging.

"Anything goes-seeds, vines, leaves, vegetables, fruits-but the rules are stringent. Any material that shows must be covered with a Valley product, even shoe fabrics. You are allowed to use five percent glitter on a costume," avows Linda.

Unfortunately, the dresses have brief moments of glory. Most decay within weeks.

"They can be preserved, but it is expensive," says Linda.

Although the dresses are beautiful, they are not always comfortable. One year Linda's dress was "scratchy and stiff." She had to have help to get up and couldn't sit down. When she and some friends went to a restaurant before the style show, Linda had to stand by the table while the others sat. One of the other models had on a dress of fresh parsley.

"The tiny little thing only weighed 95 pounds. Her dress weighed 65 pounds," recalls Linda. "To keep the parsley fresh, the dress had to be refrigerated and she almost froze to death when she put it on."

A lot of models didn't work on their own dresses, but Linda always designed and worked on hers, with help from members of the Home Demonstration Club which sponsored her. To complete her costume in time, Linda usually spent lunch hours and nights until midnight applying citrus seeds and such.

"It was a headache, but worth it in the long run," says the multi-talented girl who also makes elaborate doll dresses and flower pots out of old four-ply tires.

Ingenuity was the byword and every-

day kitchen helps the key to mastery of the painstaking process. Linda used a blender for chopping, a window screen for sifting seeds into powder, a paper punch for making "sequins" from onion skin, and a hair dryer for drying seeds.

Linda used dried skeletonized leaves quite a bit for decoration on her costumes. It was tedious and taxing to de-vein a leaf.

"You take a green leaf, soak it in a



LINDA'S Cheyenne Ceremonial Dress, made of powdered pomegranate petals and trimmed with tepejuaje tree seeds and citrus seeds, brought her the prize for greatest use of new materials in one of the style shows. Linda later modeled the costume when she represented her area in Rio Grande Valley Day at the San Antonio Livestock Show.

lye solution, then scrape the leaf away gently because it is fragile," directs Linda. "I worked on my leaves under water instead of in the lye solution, however, because lye is hard on hands."

Linda's first entry was made of skeletonized leaves and pulverized pomegranate blossoms. Her favorite was a Cheyenne Ceremonial Dress, duplicated in detail from a picture in a book on Indians. Powdered red pomegranate blossoms were applied on a cotton base. A two-inch cuff on the hem and neck was trimmed with a solid mass of tepejuaje tree seeds and dangling citrus seeds.

"It took two weeks just to glue the seeds on," says Linda, who also made a necklace from palm tree bean and citrus limbs and covered mocasins with palm dust and ground up citrus leaves. She wore a pampas grass plum feather in her headband. With her black hair parted on each side, Linda attracted a lot of attention.

"Why, she even looks like an Indian," one tourist said.

"I ought to. I'm part Iroquois," Linda replied.

### Committee...

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divisions and several have already been implemented," Walker added.

Several suggestions were sent in near the end of the year, says Walker. One was from Bill Clark of Materials and Tests Division. Clark suggested that a trash container be placed at the service pumps of district service stations and maintenance warehouses.

"These containers would benefit not only district personnel, but also highway employees who travel from one district to another," says Clark. "I have found that the lack of trash containers represents a definite problem when I stop for fuel. There never seems to be one available for trash."

Employees may drop suggestions in the boxes at Camp Hubbard (Camp Hubbard Cafeteria, Reproduction and Computation Center, Materials and Tests Building, and Equipment and Procurement Shops and Offices Building) or the one in the Main Building coffee shop.

## "...something to be proud of"

Letters, we get letters. At the start of a new year, it's nice to know that we're appreciated, that the public takes time to say, a job well done. Here's a sampling of some of the letters the Highway Department receives each year.

A lady from Ohio writes, "I want to thank you so much for the excellent information you sent me-and so fast. We plan to spend two weeks in Texas and it is so nice to be able to sit down ahead of time and map out what we want to see and do..."

Writing with evident pride, a woman from Fort Worth says, "We traveled in seven states and we must say our rest areas are the best! This is something to be proud of."

From Florida: "I would like to thank you for the beautiful maps. They should be a format used by every state in the union.

"My only deep regret is that during our five-year sojourn in the Houston area, we did not take advantage of all the wonderful historical places to visit. Who knows, maybe they will move the Kennedy Space Center to the Manned Space Center and then, like McArthur, "We shall return!"

From Pennsylvania: "Thank you so much for the beautiful literature. I visit in the winter San Antonio, Padre Island, and thereabouts. Hope to see more. Bluebonnets-Ah!"

A lady from Anson writes, "We love the beauty of finished construction and watching the progress made by the Department from year to year; how they make the most of the beauties of nature along the right of ways. We know highway construction is here to stay, although we cannot imagine the changes and accomplishments that may be wrought in the next 20 years . . ."

"Your highways are excellent and the tourist information centers are very helpful," writes a couple from New York, who passed through Texas en route to the Grand Canyon.

Another New Yorker had this to say: "The eastern part of Texas was very clean and beautiful. Your rest areas were the nicest I have ever seen--unique, attractive, and clean."

"Texas is doing a fine job of preserving its natural and historic areas. Please continue this," writes a botanist from Oklahoma.

"The scenery in Big Bend and Fort Davis was magnificent. Touring on Texas highways was delightful," said a traveler from Tennessee.

"Thanks to travel bureaus at the border we spent four extra days in Texas. We were impressed and hope to return." This was from a native of Idaho.

Two Louisiana people enthusiastically wrote, "The flowers along the highways were simply beautiful, especially the bluebonnets and Indian paint brush. The ruby red grapefruit was really enjoyed."

A Michigan man said, "Your roads are in very good condition. We appreciated the wide shoulders for pulloffs with a trailer."

A Kansas couple write, "We were impressed by your freeways. It was easy to get on and off. The people are friendly, helpful, and courteous."

"I like Texas. Expecially the Hill Country. It's beautiful. Our hat is off to LBJ and 'his' country. Thank you for so many rest stops." Colorado.

Some visitors from Ohio said they enjoyed their trip and liked Texas, but had one complaint: "The weather was terrible; try to control the Texas gods more."

Then there was the letter from some Washington travelers: "We're three hippies looking at US to see what's going on in the country. Not much of a revolution going on in Texas. We enjoyed your highway department."



BIG SPREAD--Ray Brown of Planning Survey Division killed this big deer, which has 15-points and a 36 1/2-inch spread, near Chama, New Mexico. The deer weighed almost 300 pounds.



A SPECIAL landscaping surface of AstroTurf, the wonder fabric of the synthetic world, is being tested on a median in Austin. Time will tell about its durability. If it stands up well this year, the Highway Department may install AstroTurf on other medians and traffic islands. The test section, being inspected by Clarence Rea and Bob Reed of Bridge Division and District 14's Ben Alley, is on RM 2222, part of Austin's Mo Pac Expressway project.

## - Around the Buildings -

#### **FILE DCG**

Clara Bewie's sister, Dorothy, passed away early in January.

#### **AUTOMATION**

Mike Peterson has a new daughter, Christine Gay, born December 24.

Terry Crawford got his limit in deer this year.

Jim Sharkey resigned to accept employment in Dallas.

#### BRIDGE

Richard Wilkison recently graduated from The University of Texas with a BS in civil engineering.

Dennis Gudat, Vernon Harris, and Hayden Denham each shot two deer this season.

Bobby Winn and Bobby Joe Blackmon won the first-place trophy in the Balcones Bass Contest at Alcoa Lake. Winn also won the big bass trophy.

Mounir Mahdi has returned to work after an auto accident.

Four employees have resigned: James Wall, to attend UT; George Davis; Maurine Hirsch, to await arrival of her baby; and Ronny James.

New employees include Windal C. Kennedy, Rhonda Willard, Richard Shield, Floyd Dietzmann, Michael Peeples, and Fawnette Ingram. Fawnette previously worked in El Paso and was one of three pretty faces on the inside back cover of the August 1970 issue of Texas Highways.

Vacationers included Brian Bourg, Louisiana, and Leroy Crawford, Virginia.

#### CONSTRUCTION

Elizabeth Wilder has returned to work after increasing her family by one-a son, Steven Wayne. Carol Faria has returned after staying with her husband three months at Fort Gordon, Georgia, just before he was sent to Viet Nam.

Jose Luis Hernandez (a bachelor), an engineering graduate from A&M, is a new employee.

#### **EQUIPMENT AND PROCUREMENT**

Josie Warner, daughter of D-16's Bob Warner, was married to Paul Gomez December 19. She leaves February 1 to join him in Turkey where he is stationed with the US Air Force.

Wilson Turner traveled to Orlando, Florida, to see his son graduate from the Naval Training School.

Ernest Spradling announces the arrival of Bryan Leslie, Novermber 13; Larry Williams' son, Larry Gaylon, was born January 4.

Three offered resignations: Cindy Hamm returns to school at San Marcos; Jenny Craig's husband has accepted a job with a law firm in Houston; and John Miller has graduated from UT Law School.

Jocelyn Lamb is a new employee.

Patricia Amthor and Kathy Ellis vacationed in Nuevo Laredo.

Hazel Forister bagged a deer.

#### FINANCE

The division's Christmas party was held at The Barn December 17.

Betty Henry has a grandson, Joe Kevin, born to her daughter, Nancy, December 13. Patsy Wenzel has a girl, Tammi Lynette, born December 22; and former employee Charlotte Sautter a girl, Rhonda Kay, November 21.

Frank Vaden is back after an extended illness.

Loyce Moore is a new employee.

Diane Grubert transferred to Yoakum (District 13), her hometown.

Harry Bouchard's father passed away January 5.

Diana Japko spent the holidays in New York visiting with her husband's family. Harriet McElrath's daughter, Mikey and family from Buffalo, N. Y., spent the holidays here. Eleanor Jordan went to Colorado during the holidays.

Bill Grote killed 11-and eight-point bucks and a huge bobcat and caught a string of black bass.

Juan Vega vacationed in San Salvador, Central America.

#### HIGHWAY DESIGN

Jerry Keys, an electrical engineering graduate from UT, is a new employee. Jim Johnson, who worked two summers, now works part time while attending UT.

N. M. Goodwin has earned a private pilot's license.

Ruby Baker's grandson, Michael Brent, was born December 8.

Brad Hubbard hunted deer in Big Bend country near Terlingua.

Hugo Orellano spent Christmas in Equador. Jack Boyer vacationed in Atlanta, Georgia, during the holidays; Norma Shaw traveled to Chicago; Garland Coker's daughter and family were here from Montana.

Ray Babue's wife passed away in December.

Evalyn Carr and Betty Blake spent the Thanksgiving holidays in California.

#### MAINTENANCE OPERATIONS

Maybe it was the high cost of the holidays, but the Jack Gerlings spent New Year's Eve around a fire at City Park. Successful deer hunters include Craig Steffens, Kenneth Collinsworth, and Jim Lewis. Irl Larrimore's children, Kevin and Jennifer, both first-year hunters, each bagged a buck on their grandmother's ranch.

Linda Olson has joined her husband while he attends James Connally Technical School in Waco. Peggy Gaddy replaces Linda. Three UT engineering grads have been added: Bill Tucker, Pat Coyn, and Randy Kier. Former employee Sue Moore has returned.

Carol Heiden vacationed in Illinois. Ray Tucker had the ideal winter vacation—in Hawaii. He returned on a 747 jet via San Francisco.

Ed Smith solved his Christmas gift problem by taking the family to Mexico City.

Ralph Banks has been elected secretary, Travis Chapter, Texas Society of Professional Engineers. Ralph has been limping around since he began parachute jump training with the reserves.

Betty Shaw's daughter, Nancy, married Ronald Goble December 19. Harold Beasley's daughter, Anita, received a degree in environmental health and civil engineering from UT.

#### MATERIALS AND TESTS

Cathy Carroll and Pat Dromgoole's husbands have returned from Viet Nam.

Charles Hughes, Charles Dumas, and David Moon are lucky hunters.

Belinda Menking flew to Hawaii November 27 to marry Captain Ronald Beyer.

James (Muley) Shaw and Susan Smith were married December 27 and honeymooned in Guadalajara.

It was a girl for Richard Hamilton November 28, and a boy for Russell

## - Around the Building's -

Behrens on December 30. Former employee Richard Engledow's son was born December 13. Glen Watson is a grandfather for the sixth time. The latest, and fifth grandson, Michael Scott, was born December 29. (Not bad for a 39-plus-year-old granddad.)

The *lutfisk* prepared by Harry Sandberg and Gladys Johnson was the highlight of the annual Swedish smorgasbord held for the division at Christmas.

Rex A. Bigham, Kenneth M. Pfluger, Thomas C. Simpson, and Kerry Kinchloe have resigned. New employees include Diane Swinney, Charles B. Yarling, William H. Hicks, Linda F. Hutchinson, and Diana W. Fitch.

Bruce N. Maxwell, who just received his BS in civil engineering, is employed in section one.

Lucky D-9 hunters are Charles Hughes, Charles Dumas, and David Moon.

#### MOTOR VEHICLE

Mable Travis' husband returned home from active reserve training in Fort Benning, Georgia.

Seems like wedding bells rang continuously during December and early January. Department employees Rickie Smith and Patsy Melcher were married December 19; Butch Pagnozzi and Karan Kazak, December 5; Bob Doetsch's daughter, Lessa, to Ken Anderson, December 11; Margaret Hergotz to Tilvern D. Stubbs, December 8; Miriam Schwab's daughter, Janet, to George W. Hoffmeyer, January 9; and Dorothy Childer's daughter, Peggy, January 7, to Paul Buford Yates.

Anyone wanting to go fishing can call Howell Wilhite. He has a new 16-foot Crosby boat.

Elmer Hunley won a turkey at the MVD Christmas party drawing.

Former employee Dorothy Williams

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gave birth to Deck Allen on December 16. Also, former employee Flo Savickas had a girl, Jennifer Lynn, on January 6.

Holiday vacationers included Stella Bolen, a white Christmas in New Jersey; Joel Pickens, hunting in Colorado; Mary Blair, New Mexico and Colorado; Bruce Gardner, California; Agnes Ingrahm, Memphis; Harold Horner, Tennessee; Lillian Krause, Kathleen Wooley, Missouri; and R. W. Townsley began the New Year right—in Hawaii.

Ruby Feuerbacher's daughter and son-in-law visited from Florida during the holidays.

#### **PERSONNEL**

T. C. Julian's daughter, Suzanne, became the bride of John C. Burns on December 19. Betty Jensen and J. D. Bailey wed on November 20.

The division had a Christmas gettogether at Scholz Garten on December 18.

#### **PLANNING SURVEY**

Harrison Scott transferred to D-10 from District 15. New employees include Gerald Reavis, Randy Nickerson, and Nancy Lann. Charles Hawn, Kenneth Welch, Duane Barr, and Seab DeBerry resigned.

Wayne Arnold's daughter, Janice, married Captain Tom Pilgrim on December 28. Myrtle Schaefer's daughter, Deanna, became Mrs. Stanley Stout on November 14. John Simmons announced the arrival of his grandson Melvin Thomas, on November 13.

Wayne and Cindy Belyeu received an unexpected Christmas gift. They got their adopted son, Jeffrey Wayne, on December 23 and the mother and daddy are still on Cloud Nine.

#### **ROAD BOND BOARD**

With one shot Louis Dannelly killed two wild turkeys. It was no accident, either. "The turkeys, about 45 yards away, were eating. I picked me out the biggest one and waited until another turkey walked beside him-then shot," says Dannelly, who also killed two deer-eight and ten pointers-during hunting season.

#### TRAVEL AND INFORMATION

Marjie Mugno did her annual thing: skiing. This time the scene was Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Jan Skapple vacationed in New Orleans.

Sally Murphy is a new employee.

Joyce Hall, D-16's sharpshooter, killed two deer. Nica Eckols downed her deer at 265 yards. Nica resigned December 21 to accompany her husband to Port Arthur.

John Suhrstedt's son, Ian, was born on October 23.



"There was a yellow light just before a green with two little green arrows and then a flash of yellow again, a red, a honk, and then this whistle blew WHEEEEeee and----"