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Margaret Mead, who has written a book on "Culture and Commitment," claims young people today are too smart for their elders and this is the generation gap. I'll admit most young people really believe that, and will not be convinced otherwise, but until they attain maturity, a family, children and real responsibility. Then the gap narrows considerably.

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COST OF SHOPLIFTING

As the memory of Christmas fades and the hills take the care of most people have a relief, the cost of Christmas is over—they think. But there's wrong, you pay one of the costs of Christmas all year long—the year-end prices required to cover the losses from shoplifting, which reach their peak during the Christmas season.

Aside from the expense, there is a substantial percentage that is misundertaken by the general public. Shoplifting, in itself, is not a crime, but is made one by imprisonment. It establishes a permanent arrest record. It may prevent holding a position of trust for the rest of a person's life. It forever marks the shoplifter as a thief. The shoplifter because he may escape the penalty of a shoplifting offense because he is a juvenile is making one of the most mistakes of his life. One shoplifting conviction can stand as a permanent bar to a responsible position. Each year, the shoplifter faces a greater possibility of arrest as protective measures become more sophisticated.

Shoplifting is one of the biggest businesses in the criminal world. Nationwide, it is estimated that \$8 million in goods is stolen each shopping day. Thieves on this scale is bound to resort to the most stringent protective measures and in the apprehension of a substantial percentage of the light-fingered crooks who think they can get away with committing an offense, they are not only the merchant, but every consumer's pocketbook.

Well, Spiv Agnew has done one thing. I saw in the big papers the other where he was being golfing again and hit some spectators as he attempted to drive a ball down the runway. It was only a few months ago that he bounced a ball off the nose of a professional pilot, Doug Sanders.

And only a short while ago he became a fellow tennis player in Washington.

You know, I like that fellow Agnew. I hope you will that kind of an athlete can't be all bad, but, like I've said before, as much as I respect the Vice President, I wouldn't want to bear hunting with him.

There is some talk about freezing prices and wages. This perhaps should have been done some time ago before prices went so high including interest rates. From Washington comes the word—"Hold the line." This is good advice and until this is done, inflation is going to keep rolling upward. The part that does not fit the picture very well is the fact Congress raised

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## Zoning Change On Council Agenda

City Council is scheduled to consider a zoning change recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission at the regular monthly meeting Thursday night. The request for the change was made by M. R. Swanner and I. W. Reed, Western Hills Developers, for construction of a 100-unit apartment complex on Haining Street and Wester Hills Drive. Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the change following a public hearing February 11. Council will also study plan for new sewer lines to be installed to the Coliseum building in North Howe.

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Trustees Study Contract Renewals Of Administrators

School Board Monday night named election judges for the trustees election April 3. Names, subject to their acceptance were Mrs. Lucille Thompson, Mrs. J. Moore and Mrs. Ray Henderson.

Members were presented two letters in support of a letter appearing in "The Howe Enterprise" written by Principal L. H. Linker. One was signed by Ray Houston, President of Howe State Bank, and the other contained the signatures of several citizens (see letters to the editor page 2), both were read to board members. Appearing before the board were Billy Joe Wheeler, James Rayburn, Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Melton and Mrs. Joan Thornhill.

Houston's letter expressed appreciation "for your leadership and concern for academics in the local school system."

Board President Grady Lanford then called the board into Executive session to consider renewal of contracts for administrative personnel. Contracts being studied included those of Supt. Charles Thompson, Principal Linker, and Elementary Principal Mrs. C. R. Pool.

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SPRING IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER—This was a typical scene in Howe Wednesday morning following a snowfall which began here around 7:00 p. m. Tuesday. The white stuff was short-lived, however, as sunshine and warmer temperatures Wednesday morning melted the ice.

## Winners Named In 4 H Rifle, Tractor Contests

Steve Melton had an outstanding day last week as he won both the tractor contest and the rifle contest. These are two of the more popular contests conducted each year for the 4-H clubs in Grayson County.

In the Junior Division, Terry Thomas won the rifle contest and Bruce Melton won the tractor contest. Terry is a member of the Whitebright 4 H Club and Bruce belongs to the Helping Hands 4 H Club of Sherman.

Other ribbon winners in the tractor contest were: Kerry Thomas, Shaun Hamilton, Monty Fairon, Kenneth Franklin, Mike Oakley, Stephen Whitley, Les Gaines, and Sharon Oakley. Red Ribbon winners were: Bruce Melton, Tom Dudley, Ken Helvey, Jerry Galnes, Bill Faison, Allen Layman, Debbie Franke, Roger Urey, Steve Sasser and John Merriman. Those receiving white ribbons were: Charles Francis, Betty Morse, Bill Holloway and Cheryl Frantz.

These boys and girls were from Howe, Pottorbo, Tom Bean, Southmayr, Sherman, Denison and Whitebright. Those assisting with the contests were Tony Clark, implement dealer; Don Merriman, adult leader; Tom Williams, implement dealer; and Gerald Cleveland, sheriff department.

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Set a Child Free



March 1-April 11

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## CANDIDACIES FILED IN CITY SCHOOL RACES

Two candidates have filed for the Mayor's race here up to Wednesday noon, with the deadline only hours away. And

for the two city council positions, three names were on the registration form at noon Wednesday, incumbent Jimmy Don

McMillon placed his name on the list for a return to office. Other candidates for one of the two post



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Saddle Club Membership Increasing

The Van Alstyne Saddle Club is continuously growing. The club membership include families from Howe, Gunter, Anna Melia, Denison and Sherman, Van Alstyne.

The Club is planning a year of activities for the whole family including Play Days, Trail Rides, Relay Racing, Roping, Parades and Club Dinners.

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Commissioners Court Proceedings

\$683.00 to City Paint and Body Shop for work done on car belonging to the Sheriff's Department.

George Schumacher, Tax Assessor-Collector, requested that the Court give him the authority to refund \$1,98 to Mr. Clifford C. Mott on an overpayment of taxes. The Court so granted the request.

two positions are Dwin Roberts and Herman M. Cate and I. W. Reed.

Six candidates had filed for one of the two trustee positions. Incumbent Dr. Ned Culp filed for re-election, but Bill McDowell of Dochester had not filed as at noon Wednesday. Other candidates are Mrs. Shirley Melton, Ray Bechler, Donald R. Baird, Eva Lois Smith, Jack Norman and John Hahn. Holdover Council members are President Grady Lanford, James L. Davis, Bob Fagala, Leon Thornhill and Jimmy Stansell.

Election calls are named at the board meeting Monday night. Election calls are named at Mrs. Mode and Mrs. Ray Henderson.

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Essay Contest Winners Named

J. H. Bayer, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Upper Elm-Red Soil and Water Conservation District, announced the winners in the 11th Annual Essay Contest today. Bayer stated, "The Soil and Water Conservation District Board had 194 entries in the contest from 10 schools all over the three county district and that competition was keen among the best entries. This is great participation by the schools and we are thankful to all who took part in the contest." First place winner was Robert Winter, Prairie School, and second place was Patsy Arendt, Lindsay High school student took second place honors and Carolyn Ann Kemp-lyn from the Sanger High School was the third place winner. The Soil and Water Conservation District Board will present awards to the winners within the next few days which will be \$10.00 for first, \$10.00 for second, and \$5.00 for third place.

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