

Devout writer, composer celebrates 100th birthday

by Jean Ann Behney

"In this beautiful vast open space in North Texas Where the Buffalo one day roamed Here it was in March nineteen hundred eleven Ed and I established our 'Home Sweet Home'"

Thus begins Elma Alicia Greever's poem "The Old Country Home of Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Greever," which she wrote in 1974 at the age of 85 years. This week this inspirational Spearman resident will celebrate her 100th birthday with a special party on Sunday, October 23 from two to four p.m. at the Home Demonstration Club Room.

Elma is an amazing "pioneer" woman whose personal life history is of interest to most local people, whether or not they have Panhandle roots themselves. As she nears her century mark in years, she lives alone in her home on Bernice Street and continues to write inspired religious messages each week which she leaves in a front yard container for others to read.

The day of our interview, she was standing at the kitchen sink scrubbing a potato for her lunch when her daughter and I arrived. As we shook hands, she laughed, indicating her wet fingers, and said, "Well, I'm clean, as you can see!" She merrily led the way to her front room, unaided by a cane, and reminded me of a small, alert songbird as she perched on the edge of a sofa, her bright eyes examining me from head to toe. Elma is a neat, pretty little woman who has a melodic voice and an obvious zest for life.

"We early Panhandle folk loved our neighbor as ourselves Our homes often shared by weary travelers on their way Travel so slow, often muddy roads, rain and howling blizzards caught up with them But with good neighbors were sheltered at the close of day."

Elma recalls with a mischievous grin that her husband, Edwin Adams Greever, asked her to marry him three times and warned her the third time that he wouldn't ask again, "so I said yes, and then he moved out to the Panhandle (from Missouri) with his family and it took him five years to come back for me!" In 1911 they were married, although the groom was a week late for his own wedding when his train failed to get through that year's March blizzard. The

couple set up housekeeping in the stone home Mr. Greever had built for his parents, which still stands eight miles east of Spearman. She and Mr. Greever were married 64 years.

"Two children were welcomed born in this home We felt two wonderful gifts sent us from above..."

The Greever's son, William Robert (W.R.) was born in 1912 and twelve years later, after much prayer, Kathleen (now Mrs. Sutton) came into their lives. Elma had promised herself twenty years earlier that if she ever had a daughter, she would name her Kathleen after she heard "the most beautiful song" titled "I'll Take You Home Again, Kathleen." "I delighted in my children," she says, and the same is true of her six grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Today Elma says the most important thing she has done in her life was to be her farmer husband's wife. "I have always been a farmer's wife and daughter and in that, I fulfilled my mission," she says. "But," she reminds me, "Our work is nothing to compare with the Lord's work."

"I recall early day Sunday afternoon gatherings of neighbors Meeting together to mingle their voices in song As the notes were played many voices were raised To the giver of life, all praise to Him belongs."

At the age of 20 years, Elma had been "saved" at a revival in Missouri and she explains that "All my spirit for the Lord has come since then. I had peace with God from that very night." Later, in Texas, she heard the message of sanctification and that was when Elma "surrendered" her life completely to the Lord and began to work for Him. To this day, she is "Sister Greever" to her church friends and considers herself a minister. Once she was overheard at the altar saying, "Lord, use me."

The Greevers were part of a new church in Spearman in the 1920's which later split into two non-denominational groups, one which became the Union Church on Endicott Street and the other, which met for years in the Greevers' garage and finally found a home in 1957 as the Apostolic Faith Church on Barkley Street. Music has always been im-

portant to Elma, and she has composed and written the lyrics for dozens of hymns. Without further invitation than an encouraging look from me, she places her hands on her knees, leans forward and sings gladly "It was Jesus," in a voice filled with feeling. She has also written over one hundred poems and still writes her weekly messages for the outside container. "It's all inspiration from the Lord," she says. "I'd wake up with a verse in my mind and as fast as my pen would write, the words would come. Then I'd go to the piano and the music would follow."

In addition to her Bible study, writing, and singing, and piano playing, Elma has long enjoyed doing crewel yarn work. Attending church is her greatest joy, and she admits with a chuckle to an overwhelming fondness for chocolate.

She attributes her great age to God's grace in sparing her from death. "I've trusted Him from the crown of my head to the soles of my feet, and that's why I'm living today," she says emphatically. (Elma does not seek outside medical help of any kind during illnesses, nor has she for over sixty years.)

"My mother is a wonderful Christian woman," Elma's daugh-

ter tells me, and her eyes fill with admiration just in saying the words. "Her dedication to God makes her different and special. We're so elated that she's turning one hundred years old!"

During this, the week before her birthday, Elma receives more than a dozen cards a day. "Every card I get says, 'You've been an inspiration to me,' and that's a shock to me," Elma says, but her face registers great pleasure. Her delicate hands wave as she says, "Oh, I never get discouraged and how I love to have the chance to talk about the Lord!"

When asked at the end of the interview about her plans for 1989, Elma replies spiritedly, "I'm gonna do everything I can for the Lord. I can't do as much now, but I'm not expecting to be blind, either! My eyes are like the rest of my body...it's older, and I'm kind of bent in the back, too, but I'll stay right here in this field of labor."

Elma's mother called her "the angel of my life." Elma hasn't changed at all in her first one hundred years, except for becoming the angel in many, many lives.

One of Mrs. Greever's favorite compositions is published on page two of this edition as a sample of her songwriting talents.



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At homecoming game . . . Spearman Lynx sting Hornets

The Lynx celebrated Homecoming 1988 in fine fashion as they came away with a 47 to 6 victory over the Highland Park Hornets

Friday night at Lynx Stadium. After three exchanged possessions early in the game, the Lynx offense finally began to click and

they scored with 2:20 remaining in the opening quarter.

The points came on an 11-play, 79-yard drive with Haskell Garrett diving over from the two yard line for the score. Matt Tucker kicked the extra point to give Spearman the 7 to 0 lead.

Again the two squads exchanged possessions. The Hornets took control of the ball for the fifth time with 8:25 to play in the first half. Solid defensive performances by the Lynx Ed Mayfield, Tucker, Lance Swan and other Lynx defenders forced the Hornets to punt the ball back to the Lynx.

Shawn Cook took the punt at the Lynx 45-yard line, spotted running room and dashed the distance for the Lynx second score. The breathtaking 55-yard return made the score Lynx 13, Highland Park, 0 with 6:18 left to play in the half, as the point after try failed.

The Hornets next series ended abruptly when a hard strike on the Hornet quarterback by James Tindell and Mayfield jarred the ball loose and the Lynx recovered on the Hornet 25-yard line.

Two plays later Garrett motored in from eight yards out to give the Lynx a 19 to 0 cushion. J Garnett connected with Shawn Cook on the two point pass play to make it Lynx 21, Hornets, 0 with 5:36 to play in the first half.

The Lynx threatened again with time running out on the first half clock, but one of many 15-yard penalties against the Lynx killed a Lynx drive which had reached the 17-yard line and the score remained the same at halftime.

On the Lynx third possession of the second half the Lynx scored again. This time a Garnett flip to senior end Keith Slaten (#84) for 26-yards and a TD capped off a six play, 90 yard march.

A key play in the drive was a 35-yard burst by Garrett. The point after try went wide left and with the third quarter clock showing 59 seconds to play, the Lynx had extended the margin to 27 to 0.

A good defensive surge by the Lynx opened the fourth quarter of

play, and stand-out performances by Tucker, Swan, Frank Salgado, and Mark Garcia gave the Lynx the ball back at the mid-field stripe with 9:55 to play in the game.

On the Lynx first play from scrimmage Garrett exploded for a 50-yard touchdown run, breaking numerous tackles along the way. The Tucker kick was good and the Lynx were ahead 34 to 0 with 9:47 left in the game.

If the partisan purple delegation had not already received their monies worth from this contest, they would just three plays later when the best play of the night took place.

The Hornets owned the ball on their own 30-yard line and faced a third down and nine situation. Highland Park's junior quarterback and safety Mike Tyree (#10) launched a pass for junior split end Billy Noland (#84).

The Lynx front line main-stay and newly crowned "Homecoming King", Matt Tucker, leaped high in the air and intercepted the ball. On their feet, the delighted crowd cheered Tucker as he powered his way into the end zone from 35-yards out.

The PAT attempt failed, but the jubilant crowd barely noticed, and the score stood at 40 to 0 in favor of the Lynx with 8:44 to play.

The Lynx defense rose to the occasion again, as they halted a Hornet drive at the Lynx 46-yard line and the offense took over again.

It took the Lynx just four plays to punch it in from 54 yards away. The key play in the drive was another exhilarating run by Garrett of 49 yards. Dependable Cook charged three yards for the score, and the Tucker kick made the tally Lynx 47 to Hornets 0.

The Hornets did manage a score with only :16 seconds remaining on the game clock. A 15-yard pass completion from #10 Tyree to #84, Noland would make the final score Spearman Lynx 47, Highland Park Hornets 6.

With the win, the Lynx improve to five wins and three losses on the

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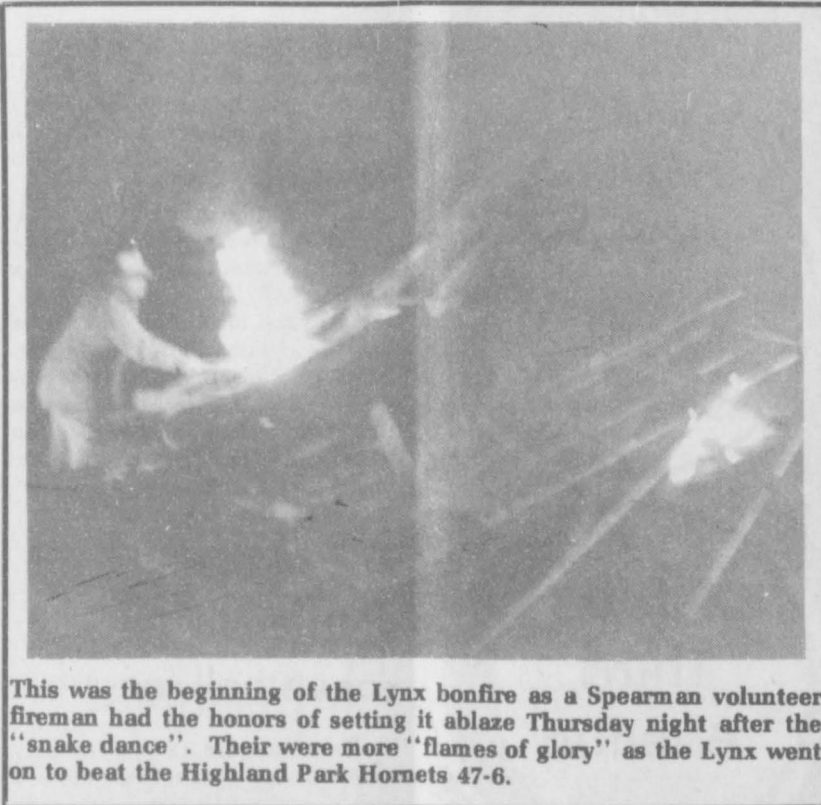
Women's Division C of C sponsor Style Show

The Women's Division of the Spearman Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Style Show and luncheon on Nov. 5 from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church. The theme for the show is "Holidays-Spearman." Tickets are \$7 each and must be purchased in advance due to limited seating.

Tickets may be purchased from any Women's Division Chamber of Commerce member or the Chamber Office or any of the following participating retail merchants: McCrory-T.G.&Y., Cates Men &

Boys Wear, Country Stitches, Lady Fair, Horse Creek Boutique, Bunkhouse, Cha Lor's, Fuller's Jewelers, Kids' Stuff, Sacks Third Avenue, Hickerson Jewelers, J.G.'s and McClure Paint and Supply.

The Women's Division is also selling chances on a \$300 Spearman shopping spree to be spent locally. Chances are being sold at \$2 each or three chances for \$5. The drawing for the winner will be held on Nov. 5 in conjunction with the Holidays-Spearman Style Show. Those purchasing tickets need not be present to win.



This was the beginning of the Lynx bonfire as a Spearman volunteer fireman had the honors of setting it ablaze Thursday night after the "snake dance". Their were more "flames of glory" as the Lynx went on to beat the Highland Park Hornets 47-6.

Members of council discuss zoning change

The City of Spearman held a planning and zoning commission meeting on Wednesday Oct. 19 at City Hall. A public hearing was held concerning an amendment to specific zoned districts and amending a zoning ordinance.

The matter considered was the rezoning of lots 1 through 9, block 64, first addition and lot 7 outlot 26, Clark subdivision, in the city of Spearman, to be changed from a Texas zoned single family district to a mobile home residential district. These lots are located on the second and third block of Hazelwood and the Southwest corner of third and Hazelwood.

It was recommended that these zoning changes be put on the agenda of the next meeting of the



These two third graders look quite serious, and they had some serious issues to address. Lana Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Martin, [left] was Dan Quayle last Thursday in Sandee Smith's third grade class. Jamie Townsen, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Don Townsen, posed as George Bush in the mock Republican convention the class participated in. Both students gave brief speeches on their platforms. And the class is bipartisan, they held a Democratic convention the day before.

Doc Blakely's

Pokin' Fun



Smoking Discovery

The latest news is that technicians have discovered a way to convert old tires into electricity through closed controlled incineration. One tire can produce enough watts to run an average home for one day. T P & L could stand for Tire Power & Light.

There are 42 billion worn-out tires in the U.S. "At least half of them were produced by irresponsible drivers," I told a friend.

"Who told you about by kids?" he replied.

What do they do with old tires? Environmental laws prevent open burning and production of black, polluting smoke. Garbage dumps won't take them because they won't stay buried. You can only give so many to your neighbor's teenagers.

Older people drive on their tires until the tread is a little thin. Working class people take the same tires and run them until they

think they are worn out. Poor people take the same tires and wear them until they ARE worn out. Then my brother-in-law gets them. He drives them to wherever he's going.

Eventually a tire has no more possible use and winds up in a huge dump. There is one in California that covers 10 acres and is high as a mountain. A meteor fell on it and bounced over to Oregon.

Next to this dump, they built a huge recycling plant that burns the tires converting the heat energy into electricity. There is only a little stream-like smoke emitted and that is very clean. Probably comes from the white sidewalls.

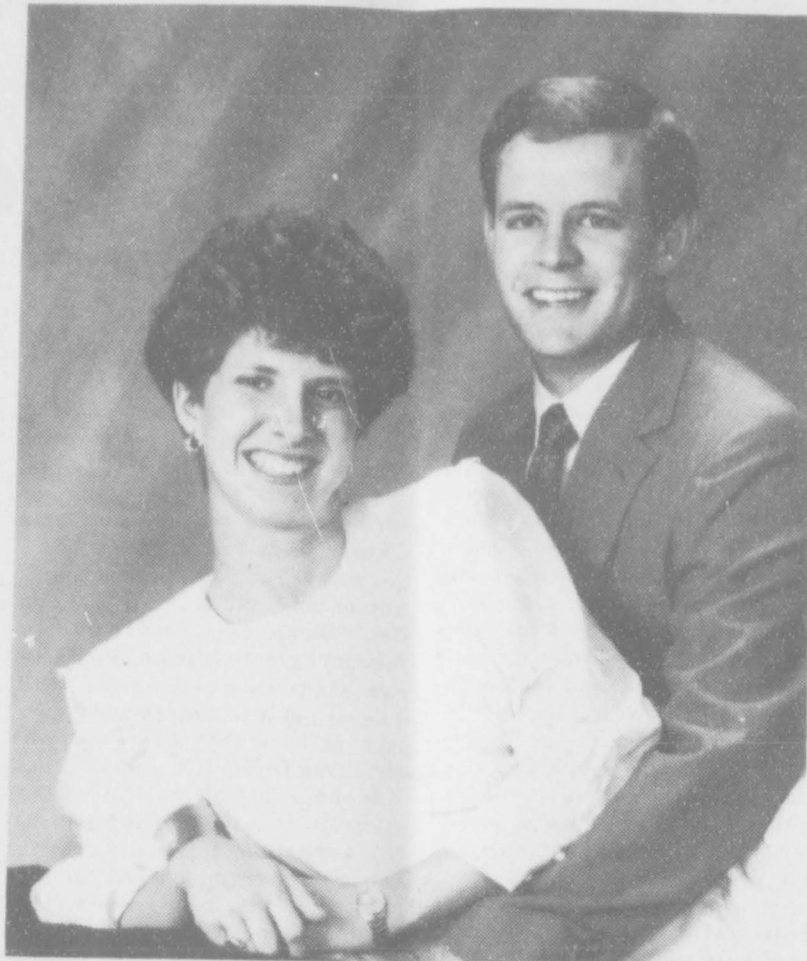
The residue is collected and recycled also. There is iron, copper, and cadmium. And all along, you thought you had steel belts.

It would take some advertising man to sell the public on "Cadmium Belted Radials, wear like copper." Apparently, steel was a compromise when they ironed out the details.

This plant can product electricity in AC or DC. Sure gives a higher class meaning to "burning rubber."

Of course, there are a few side effects from this new form of energy. Everytime your air conditioner motor kicks on, it sounds like the Indianapolis 500.

Light bulbs will only go on in the house when you open a door. The dishwasher now requires a



The engagement and approaching marriage of Janet Elaine Wygant to Rory Sheppard is announced by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wygant of Amarillo and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sheppard of Spearman. The bride-elect is a senior student at West Texas State University and the prospective groom is employed as a microsystems coordinator by Western Merchandisers in Amarillo. A Jan. 7 wedding is planned at St. Stephens United Methodist Church of Amarillo.

regular oil change.

All the electric alarm clocks honk.

The radio stations periodically fade in and out.

And soon the Federal Government will step in and reduce your allowance to 55 milliwatts per hour and have a highway patrolman hide behind a bush and read your meter.

Now that old tires have a use, they have a value. Like aluminum cans, people are collecting them. I rushed out to the tree in the backyard to check the dangling rope. Thank goodness my favorite swing was still there with my favorite tire. It was the one that so suits my personality -- Wide Track, Mud Grip ... Slightly Balding.

Obituary



Louise Linn Mackie

Louise Linn Mackie, 68, of Amarillo, died Wednesday.

Services were held Friday, Oct. 21 at the First United Methodist Church of Spearman with the Rev. David Camp, pastor of Dumas' North Plains Christian Church officiating. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors of Spearman.

Mrs. Mackie was born in Mangum, Okla. in 1919. She moved to Spearman with her family in 1923. She graduated at Spearman High School. Mrs. Mackie was preceeded in death by her father, Fred Linn in 1946 and her mother, Ruth Caro in 1984. She moved from Spearman to Amarillo in 1960.

While living in Amarillo, Mrs. Mackie was employed by Alexanders Department store. She was a Methodist.

Survivors include a son, Don Mackie of Amarillo; a daughter, Paula Venable of Dumas; a brother, James P. Linn of Oklahoma City, Okla.; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and aunts, uncles and friends.

Activity Center starting men's raquetball league

The Hansford County Activity Center is trying to get together a men's raquetball league. Anyone interested in being on the league should contact the Hansford County Activity Center at 659-2591.

There will be a \$5 league fee charge to be in the league. The league will have an A and B division and the first meeting for the league is tentatively set for the week of Nov. 14.

Extension club host "Festive Food" program

Hansford County Extension Homemakers Clubs will have their Annual Meeting and Membership Tea at the Extension Clubroom on Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 7 p.m.

Claudine Clark, Spearman High School Home Economics instructor, will present the program on "Festive Foods."

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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Words and Music by Mrs. E. A. Grever

1. Just to know that I'm hid-den, in Christ to-day Yes, hid-den in
 2. Just to know that I'm sheltered by pre-cious blood, the ransom was
 3. Just to know that I dwell in the Shep-herd's fold; To feel His strong
 4. Just to know that His bless-ings are at God's right hand; That all I need must

God, For He is my star! Just to know that I'm lost in His mar-velous
 paid by God's own dear Son! Just to know I'm kept un-der His wings of pure
 arm my be-ing en-fold, in the warmth of His love I am safe from the
 see at His blest command, Just to know that some day in His likeness I'll

Chorus
 love, is all that I need to-day, Just to know where He leads I can
 cold, stand,
 safe-ly go; Tho' the au-gry winds of ad-ver-si-ty blow, Just to
 bear His sweet voice say, "Peace be still," is all that I need to-day.

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Spearman junior varisty and 7th graders beat ' Hornets

In the Lynx battles with Highland Park Hornets Thursday night in Amarillo, Lynx teams came out on top in two out of three games. The Spearman Lynx 7th grade team put in on the Hornets with a whopping 30 to 0 victory. The Spearman eighth graders lost to the Hornets 0-34, and the Lynx junior varsity shut out Highland Park 24-0.

All three Lynx teams will battle the West Texas Comanches in Lynx Stadium on Thursday, Oct. 28 with the 7th graders starting the games at 5 p.m. Fans are en-

couraged to come cheer the teams on.

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Space exploration of vital importance

With America back in space, a new future beyond Earth looms bright, a future embodied in a 11-nation space station pact.

After a frustrating three years for the American space program, the successful flight of Discovery has healed for the nation the tragic shock of the Challenger disaster which cost the lives of seven astronauts. And now, the agreements for a permanent orbiting space station, signed between America, Japan, Canada and a consortium of nine European nations and endorsed by both American presidential candidates, set the date of 1996 for deployment of the first stages of the "Freedom" station.

"This project will be a shining symbol of the commitment of those who place a high value on political and economic freedom," said U.S. Secretary of State George P. Shultz at the signing ceremony in Washington, D.C.

Such rhetoric surrounding these new agreements might well be considered by many as political gobbledegook. The multi-nation station represents far more than a competitive ideological challenge to current Soviet presence in space -- the U.S.S.R. has had its Mir (Peace) orbiting station manned in space for the last 1 1/2 years.

Space visionaries have for years argued that space is a frontier vitally important beyond just economic or ideological profits. "Civilization cannot exist without new frontiers," wrote science fiction author C. Clarke a number of years ago. "It needs them both physically and spiritually. The physical need is obvious -- new lands, new resources, new materials. The spiritual need is less apparent, but in the long run it is more important."

"We do not live by bread alone; we need adventure, variety, novelty, romance."

In the post-war days of the 1940s and '50s, a number of scientists and science fiction writers like Clarke recognized the real value of space exploration. They had the ear of the government and beat the drum for the space program -- Robert Heinlein and L. Ron Hubbard among them.

A widely acclaimed and very popular author even then, L. Ron Hubbard then concentrated his attentions on another frontier -- exploration of the human mind and the true extent of human capabilities.

But he did not change his views on the vital role space could play in world peace and prosperity.

"The solution to the international problem does not lie in the regulation or curtailment of weapons nor yet in the restraints of men," he wrote in his New York Times best-seller Dianetics, the book that records his new discoveries about the frontiers of human mind. "It lies in the definition of political theory and policy in such terms that there can be no mistaking the clear processes; it lies in the establishment of rational goals towards which societies can collectively and individually work; and it lies in an intersocial competition of gains so great that none become dispensable to any other."

"The harnessing of atomic power puts other worlds within his (man's) reach. Why haggle for this one?" he asks.

"There is a higher goal, a better goal, a more glorious victory than gutted towns and radiation-burned dead. There is freedom and happiness and plenty and a whole universe to be won."

"He who would not see it is far from worthy to rule. He who would indulge his hates is too insane to advise."

"How much can man conquer? He loses if he conquers man. He wins if he conquers his own fears and conquers then the stars."

The new frontiers of the human mind and space provide hope for the future. Without them, the decay already visible in our society can only spread.

The space station is another step in the grand adventure of man and we should recognize it for what it is.

PTA sponsors Halloween carnival Oct 29

The Spearman PTA is again sponsoring the annual Halloween Carnival. It will be held on Saturday, Oct. 29, from 7 to 10 p.m. at the County Barn.

Anyone interested in sponsoring a booth (individuals or businesses) please call Jan Williamson 659-5108 or Gayle Smith 659-2202.

Date set for Halloween activities

Bob Pearson, the mayor of Spearman, has signed a proclamation encouraging children in this community to participate in trick or treating on Oct. 29.

The PTA will be sponsoring a Halloween carnival also to be held on Oct. 29, and most of those "suing up" for Halloween will want to wear their costumes to the carnival.

The mayor is also encouraging those citizens who wish to be visited by "trick or treaters" to turn their front outside light on to let the "goblins" know which houses to go to and to allow them to arrive there safely.

Nasa to present aerospace education services project

Spearman I.S.D. will host the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's lecture-demonstration program which will be conducted by Mr. Angelo Casaburri. Casaburri will lecture to Spearman 7th and 8th grade students on Monday, Oct. 24.

Mr. Casaburri is an Adjunct Assistant Professor, College of Education, Oklahoma State University, representing the Johnson Space Center of Houston. He is serving as an Aerospace Education Specialist for NASA.

Mr. Casaburri received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Biology at Fresno State University, Fresno, Calif.; and his Master of Science

degree in Entomology at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., and has an extensive background in the areas of chemistry, geology, mathematics, and counseling college students in the area of teacher training in the Biological Sciences.

As a Peace Corp Volunteer Teacher he taught biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics for two years in Swaziland, Africa. He has also taught Physical Science, Geology, and Environmental Science for three years in the public school systems of California and Texas.

His work experience in science also included two years as a Detection Biologist for the California

Department of Food and Agriculture, and one year as an Insect Toxicologist for Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

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season and two and one in district. The Lynx travel to Stinnett next Friday night to take on the West Texas High Comanches. The Lynx must win their remaining two outings if they are to have a chance of making the playoffs.

Kick-off time is once again at 7:30 p.m. The Lynx deserve your support. Let's all back them on to another win!

Good for You

Spearman Lynx for representing Spearman and Spearman schools so well this year.

We congratulate you on your Homecoming victory and we welcome Spearman Alumni who were on hand to celebrate Homecoming.

A special good for you to Ginger Pearson and Matt Tucker Homecoming Queen and King for 1988.



Ginger, you make such a beautiful Queen that your team and school are proud of, and you had a beautiful court consisting of seniors Heather Murrell, Krista Kirkland, junior attendant Laci Lasater, sophomore, Kyla Nelson and freshman Mendy Lasater.

Congratulations to you all and thanks for a great homecoming celebration.



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Among the Neighbors

Helen Fisher

Elsewhere in this issue is the obituary for Louise Linn Mackie. Louise was well-known here, the daughter of the late Ruth and Fred Linn. She attended school here as did her children, and she left about 20 years ago.

She passed away in High Plains Baptist Hospital on Wednesday evening. Services were held Friday afternoon at the First Methodist Church in Spearman with David Camp of Dumas officiating. Interment was in Hansford Cemetery.

Survivors known to Spearman are Paula Venable, Dumas; Don Mackie, Amarillo; Jimmie Linn, Oklahoma City; and Mozelle Sparks, J.D. Beeson and Jimmy Beeson, of Spearman. She leaves 6 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Phillips Sanders, 10 year old son

of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Sanders is back in school after a bout with parotitis. He was attending a swim meet in Amarillo when he was stricken. He was a patient in Northwest Texas Hospital for several days.

Rubyjo and J.D. Wilbanks returned Monday afternoon from attending the funeral services for her brother-in-law in Globe, Ariz. on Friday. Her sister was unable to attend because of her ill health.

The Wilbanks were gone a week. Surprising her doctors, Mrs. Inez Holland is making a rapid recovery from surgery and is already back at home, ready for visitors.

Just a little more than a week ago, she underwent surgery in Northwest Texas Hospital.

No pass/no play rule scored a major victory in Waco, Texas

The state's no pass/no play rule scored a major victory in Waco where a federal court jury awarded \$77,000 in damages to a high school teacher who was herself disciplined for refusing to illegally change the grades of an academically failing football player.

A four-man, two-woman jury handed down its verdict against the Waco Independent School District, superintendent James Hensley, and principal Wilbur Luce on Friday evening, Oct. 14, Waco High School's homecoming night.

The 95,000-member Texas State Teachers Association backed teacher Sue Collins in the case, which sends a clear message that academic performance must be the top priority of all Texas schools.

Citing violations of Collins' constitutional First Amendment rights and the Texas "Whistle Blower

Act," the jury for the trial presided over by federal Judge Walter Smith directed the Waco ISD to pay Collins \$25,000 and Hensley and Luce to pay her \$1,000 each for "stress and mental anguish." In addition, Hensley and Luce were ordered to personally pay Collins \$25,000 each in punitive damages, sums not covered by district liability or other insurance and for which the two men are personally liable. The school district and two administrators also were ordered to pay \$1 each for the First Amendment violations.

TSTA President Charles N. Beard, Jr. hailed the verdict and said, "It tells the teachers of Texas that they can't be forced to violate the rules, the law, or their conscience and that TSTA is going to stand by them whenever they are. Administrators and school boards

are not above the law."

A jubilant Collins said, "This is not my victory. It's a victory for all Texas teachers. And without TSTA, none of this would have been possible."

The no pass/no play rule, which is part of the education reform package enacted by the Texas Legislature in 1984, is intended to place an emphasis on academic courses over extracurricular activities, including athletics. Under the rule, any student who is failing one or more academic subjects for a six-week grading period cannot participate in extracurricular activities during the following six-week period.

Collins, a member of TSTA, was suspended with pay from her teaching duties by Hensley immediately after she reported to the University Interscholastic League (UIL) on Nov. 23, 1987, that she believed she was being forced to illegally change a student football player's grades.

Collins, a psychology and sociology teacher, was reassigned two months later to teach physical science, for which she is not certified, at the Waco Ninth Grade Campus. In the meantime, the UIL formally reprimanded the Waco ISD and its football team was forced to forfeit six games for allowing an ineligible player to participate in the football program.

Prior to contacting the UIL, Collins repeatedly had been pressured by a coach to alter the student's grade. The coach suggested that she allow the football player failing her class to

"borrow" up to 15 points from the following six-week period in order to maintain his athletic eligibility. She agreed to follow that advice. But when the same student was still failing the next grading period and she was being pressured by coaches and her administrative superiors to alter the grade, Collins contacted the UIL.

An out-of-court settlement was reached a few weeks ago in favor of another Waco teacher and TSTA member involved in a similar case. Also pressured to change grades for athletes, the second teacher asked Luce what the district policy and state law are regarding grading. He advised the probationary teacher that she had total discretion over grading and could do "anything" she wanted to do with grades.

Upon receiving better advice, the teacher reported the chain of events to the WISD school board. Instead of taking any action against the principal or superintendent, the local school board fired the teacher.

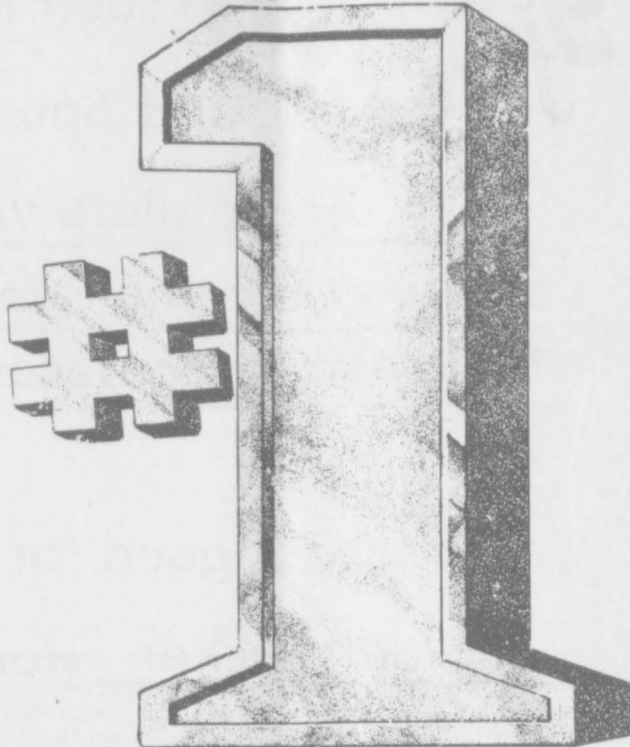
Hensley did conduct his own investigation, which included interviews of all of the more than 100 Waco High School teachers, of the grade-changing scandal. After he issued a report that found no wrongdoing, eight teachers filed a formal grievance, which was denied by the Waco school board.

When the TSTA-retained attorneys return to Judge Smith's court in two weeks to settle their fees, also awarded against the defendants, they will seek Collins' reinstatement to her regular teaching position at Waco High School.

Collins was represented by attorneys Katherine Moore and Truman Dean of the Houston law firm of Waterman, Dean, Gross, and Moore.

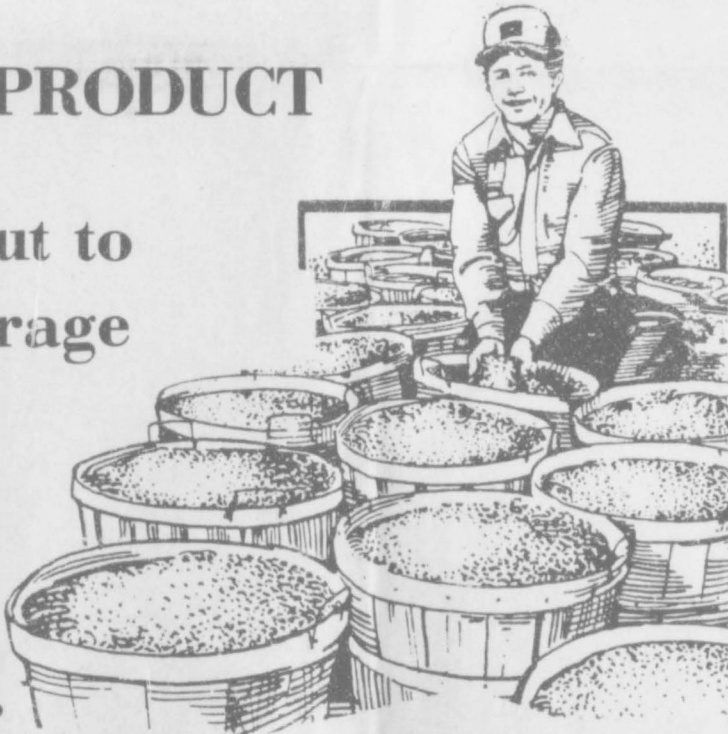
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Representative of social security to be here Oct 27

A representative for the Pampa Social Security office will be in Spearman on Thursday, Oct. 27 to assist anyone needing help with Social Security matters. Social Security also has a toll free number that can be called to handle most Social Security matters. The number is 1-800-2345-SSA. It is available 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

For more information on filed Medicare claims call 1-800-442-2620 in Texas and 1-800-522-9079 for Oklahoma residents.

Reunion held for Reynolds family Oct. 16

Sixty-two members of the family of the late Dallas Reynolds of Spearman and Fred Reynolds of Booker, Tex., gathered at Ivey's Banquet Room on Oct. 16. A pot luck dinner was served to everyone and an afternoon of fellowship followed.

Deana Turner sang a song called 'Friends' and a letter was read that was from Orene Winters Dellinger of Tucson, Ariz. on the Reynolds genealogy. Each descendant of Dallas and Fred Reynolds gave a short talk on their families.

Five generations were present at the family reunion on the Dallas Reynolds side. They were Mattie Reynolds, Nathalie Reynolds Turner, Patricia Turner Cudd, Teressa Cudd Creswell, and Cody Carl Creswell.

Program to be offered for real estate agents

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is offering a training for Real Estate Agents on "Packaging the Home for Sale" on Thursday, Oct. 27. The training will be held at the Texas Agricultural Extension Center in Amarillo.

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Club News

Town & Country Homemakers by Carma Dorton

Town and Country Extension Homemakers met Oct. 18 in the club room. Vice President Wanda Eakin called the meeting to order. Roll call was answered by seven members.

Dixie Smith reported on the Halloween Carnival on Oct. 29. Members were asked to bring cupcakes or cookies. The worksheet was passed around.

Janie Kunselman reported on the Extension Homemakers annual meeting to be held Oct. 25 at 7 in the club room. Members filled out invitations to the event.

Election of new officers for 1989 are: president - Darrie Francis, vice president - Delinda McLaughlin, secretary - Carma Dorton, treasury - Pam Ledgewood, and council delegate - Janie Kunselman.

Kunselman reported on the State TEHA meeting in Abilene.

Members who attended were: Dixie Smith, Darrie Francis, Wanda Eakin, Jeanie Laughlin, Delinda McLaughlin, Janie Kunselman and Carma Dorton.

Her classes have a longer segment of fat and calorie burning aerobic exercise than the usual exercise classes and shorter floor segment due to the use of Dynabands (rubber bands) for the fast toning and firming of the arms, hips, legs and buttocks.

Classes are set for women between 4:30 and 5:15 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. These classes are dance exercise for beginners through advanced students.

There are coed classes between 5:30 and 6:30 on Wednesdays and Fridays for low impact exercise. And the same hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays for coed exercise are low to moderate impact aerobic classes.

In all the classes students are urged to go at their own pace. Measurements for waist, hips, thighs, biceps, and body fat percentage are taken once a month to monitor progress. The heart rate is taken after most aerobic segments to make sure the student is working at a safe rate while working hard enough to do some good. Call the Hansford Activity Center for prices at 659-2591.

Hansford County Activity Center by Wanda Archer

Regular exercise (at least three times a week) is an excellent way to handle the extra stress felt during the hurry-scurry of the upcoming holidays and also the extra calories taken in at parties or family dinners.

One way to get that exercise is at Wanda Archer's classes. She is certified by both the National Y.M.C.A. and the National Dance Exercise Instructors' Training Association. She also has a current C.P.R. card and eight years experience teaching.

Rho Rho Sorority by Janie Kunselman

The Rho Rho Sorority met in the home of LeAnn Gillaspie on Oct. 13. Tina Wilmeth, president, called the meeting to order. After the opening ritual, roll call was taken and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected.

Elaine Morris gave the treasurer's report. The next meeting was set at Tina Wilmeth's home with the revealing of secret sisters. Rho Rho will honor the members moving to another sorority.

The Halloween Party will be Oct.

22 at 7:30 at Mike and Pat Cudd's home. Dress theme is the 50's and 60's for the party.

Samme Goehring passed around a sign-up sheet to work at the Carnival.

Stephanie Crossland reported that the Dog Show was successful. Rosebud chairman announced the birthdays and anniversaries.

Discussion was held on the Firework Stand. Barbara Townsen made the motion to have a caramelized apple booth at the carnival. The motion was approved. Barbara Townsen and Pat Cudd will be in charge of the booth.

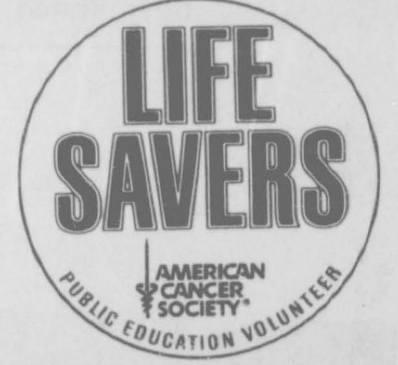
The Sorority voted not to change any by-laws concerning length of membership.

The closing ritual was repeated. Refreshments were served, and Linda Butt gave an interesting "Oil of Mink" demonstration with Denise Harbour and Francis Cudd as models.

Honorary Members present were: Francis Cudd, Peggy Archer, and Alta Fisher.

Pledges present were: LeAnn Sheets and Lori Scroggs.

Members present were: Tina Wilmeth, Barbara Townsen, Pat Cudd, Janie Kunselman, Elaine Morris, Leslie Cazares, Stephanie Crossland, LeAnn Gillaspie, Samme Goehring, Donna Murray, Jan Williamson, Tammy Benton, Denise Harbour, Michelle Mahaney, and Joyce Vanderburg.



The bonfire got pretty hot Thursday night, and so was fans enthusiasm, as the cheerleaders led cheers of victory for the Lynx Homecoming game. Staff photo by Karen Goodman

NEWS

Cuban Crisis Anniversary

The recent climate of good feelings between the United States and the Soviet Union is a departure from the days 26 years ago when our two countries stood at the brink of war over the Soviet Union's placement of

nuclear missiles in Cuba. On the night of Oct. 22, 1962, President John F. Kennedy went on national television and demanded the immediate withdrawal of the Soviet missiles from Cuba under the threat of a nuclear strike. A tense week fol-

lowed as both countries refused to back down. It was not until Oct. 28 that the Soviets finally complied and announced they were removing the missiles. **ll**
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Smokers Win Job Ruling

The Minnesota Department of Human Rights recently found that the 'non-smoker only' hiring policy of a Minnesota firm violated the state's anti-discrimination law.

In the first ruling of its kind, Human Rights Commissioner Stephen Cooper decided that DCA Inc.'s policy of excluding smokers from employment because of a perceived disability violated the Minnesota Human Rights Act. **ll**
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Mars "Invasion" 50 Years Later

Fifty years ago this month, panic seized the American public when simulated news bulletins of a Martian invasion of New Jersey in Orson Welles' broadcast of the radio drama "War of the Worlds" were mistaken for the real thing. The event established not only the influence of radio but Welles' reputation as a director. **ll**
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Queen, Ginger Pearson, escort James Tindell and King, Matt Tucker
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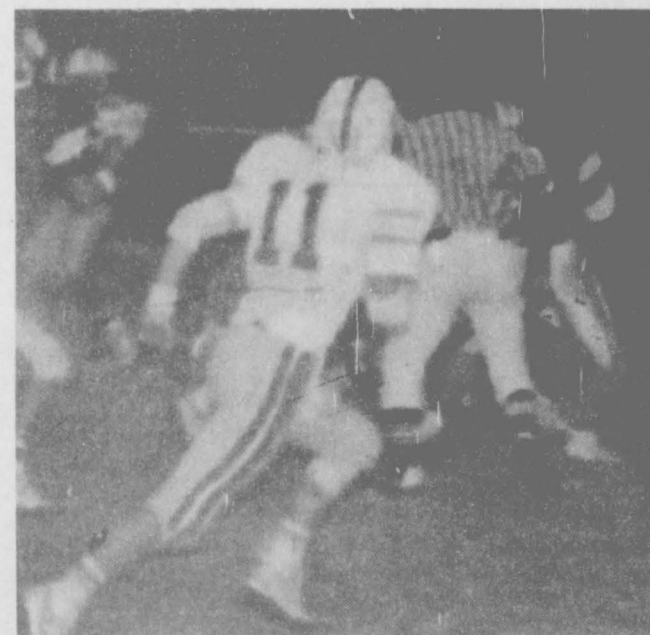


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