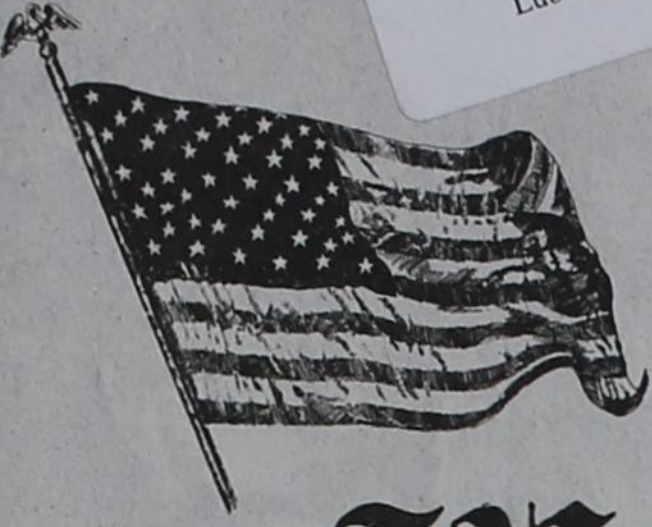
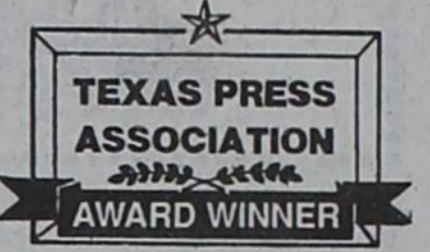


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Roaring Springs native celebrates 100th birthday



Happy 100th!

Cora Mitchell celebrated her 100th birthday with a party hosted by her daughters, November 24, in Amarillo. She was born November 30, 1901. Mrs. Mitchell is a former resident of Roaring Springs.

A birthday party celebrating 100 years, honored Cora P. Mitchell Saturday, November 24, 2001, in Amarillo at the Bell Avenue Church of Christ.

Hosting the event were Cora's daughters, Cliff and Johnnie Lowrance of Amarillo, and Buzz and LaVoe Thacker of Roaring Springs.

Mrs. Mitchell was born November 30, 1901 at Darden Canyon to Mr. and Mrs. William G. Phipps. She attended school at Roaring Springs, graduating in 1920, and married Clyde E. Mitchell November 16, 1921 at Roaring Springs. Mr. Mitchell died in November of 1963. The couple were parents to five children, Clyda, (now deceased), Donald Ray, (now deceased), Dell Mitchell of Trinidad, Colorado, Johnnie Lowrance of Amarillo and LaVoe Thacker of Roaring Springs.

Attending the celebration were son-in-law, Bill Nichols of Apple Valley, California; daughter-in-laws, Patsy Mitchell of Burneyville, Oklahoma and Ida Mitchell of Trinidad, Colorado.

Grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other relatives were Jerry and Kathy Nichols, Jeremy and Andy of Columbus, Michigan; Michael, Shauna and Shawn Brogan of Las Vegas, NV; Randy and Michele Lowrance of Santa Fe, NM; Dan, Zoe, Kate and Ben Lowrance of Amarillo; Ricky, Tammy and Crystal Mitchell of Burneyville, Oklahoma; Jeff, Pam and Brad Thacker of Roaring Springs; Weslyn Maupin of Gruver; Joe and Ann Thacker, Amanda, Isaiah and Emmalea of Lubbock; John and Jana Thacker, and Melanie

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Santa, I want ...

Natalie Jameson was serious about making her Christmas wishes known to Santa Claus when he was in Matador to visit with children at the Late Night Shopping event last Saturday night. Natalie is the three-year-old daughter of Jeromy and Danika Jameson of Matador.

AROUND THE COUNTY

News briefs of area events

Lipham family will hosts lunch, musical concert at First Baptist Church Sunday

There will be a special afternoon concert and worship service at First Baptist Church, Matador this Sunday, December 9, and everyone in the community is invited to attend.

Leroy Lipham and other members of the family of Roy and Nellie Lipham have planned the service in memory of the couple and in appreciation to the church for its part in their lives.

The service, which will feature members of the Lipham family concert, will be held immediately following the noon meal. The Lipham family will provide the meat for this meal, and everyone who attends is asked to bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert, if possible.

Everyone is invited to be a part of these events on Sunday, as well as to attend Sunday School at 10:00 a.m. and the regular morning worship service at 11:00 a.m.

There will be no worship service that evening, but the cantata choir and youth will meet for rehearsal at 6:00 p.m.

November weather like roller coaster ride

by Earlyne Jameson

Roller coaster temperatures and weather was experienced in Motley County during the month of November. The thermometer dipped from 80 degrees to 18 degrees and unpredictable weather of rain, a sandstorm and a snow storm that resulted in the first taste of winter.

The freeze Tuesday and Wednesday night, Nov. 27-28 was welcomed in the fields of cotton as there are many acres to be stripped. The record for latest first freeze is January 4th and the area's earliest re-

corded freeze is October 15. Last year, the first freeze arrived November 7.

Total moisture for the month of November reported by the Motley County National Weather Service Volunteers is: Betty Simpson, Northfield 2.76 of rain and 4 inches of snow; Buzz Thacker, Roaring Springs 3.02 and 6 inches of snow; Kelly Meyer, Matador 3.10 and 7.5 inches of snow; Jim Stockton, Whiteflat 2.15 and 7 inches of snow and Tommie Jo Cruse, Flomot 2.63 and 4 inches of snow.

Motley County sends funds to Red Cross

A total of \$162, donated by Motley County residents, was recently forwarded to the American Red Cross for the victim's families of the September 11, 2001, attack on our Nation. This money was collected at

the annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet as a Girl Scout project. Additional funds were also collected at

the local Farm Service Agency prior to sending to Red Cross.

Matador First Baptist Church to present Christmas Cantata December 16th

The Matador First Baptist Church choir will present their annual Christmas Cantata, Sunday, December 16, at 11:00 a.m. The cantata, "Welcome To Our World," is a

musical selection of songs welcoming Jesus into our lives.

A potluck lunch will be served after the services.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Only 19 days 'til Christmas!



December 7th will mark sixty years since Pearl Harbor attack

by Amanda Hurt

The morning of December 7, 1941, America was sleeping. A surprise attack threatened America's freedom and forever changed us. At 7:55 am. Japan launched their surprise attack on Pearl Harbor catapulting the United States into WWII.

It was one of the greatest military surprises in the history of warfare. In less than 2 hours the U.S. Pacific fleet was almost destroyed, and more than 3,500 Americans were killed or wounded.

"Yesterday, December 7, 1941 a date which will live in infamy, the United States of America was suddenly and deliberately attacked by naval and air force of the Empire of Japan", a quote from President Roosevelt's speech on December 8.

Although Pearl Harbor was many miles from Motley County, Texas the impact of the tragedy was just as strong. The headline of the December 11th edition of the *Matador Tribune* read "Nation Declares War After Japan Strikes." The following reports were taken from the *Tribune* in the days following the attacks.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Mitchell of Roaring Springs, received a letter from their son, PFC. Frank Mitchell, who was aboard a U.S. S. Aircraft carrier located in Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7. The letter, written December 8, stated that Frank was safe, and advised relatives not to worry.

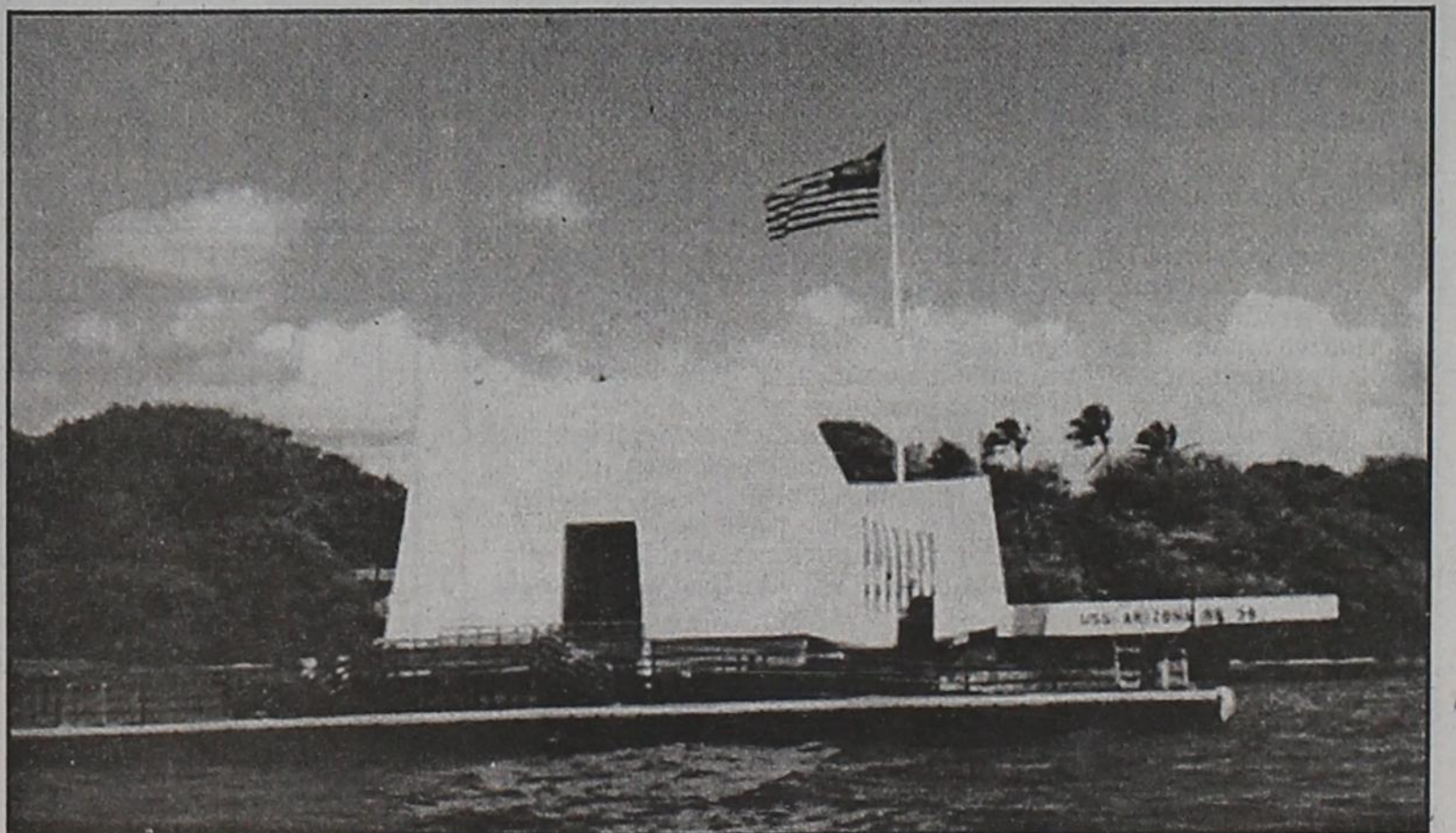
The following letter is a firsthand account of the Japanese raid on Pearl Harbor and was written while the smoke boiled from ships and buildings set afire by the Japanese bombs. It was sent from Honolulu by Wesley

Green, son of Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Green, who were former residents of Roaring Springs, and lived in Los Angeles, California, when this letter was written. Wesley Green left Roaring Springs in July to take a civilian job in Hawaii.

Dear Folks:

"This Sunday morning at 10 a.m. I had just got out of bed when a fellow who works with me at Pearl Harbor knocked on my door and said an air raid was on at the harbor. We have no details at all except that from here we can see huge quantities of black smoke boiling up from Pearl Harbor, about 12 miles from here. We could hear the bombs and see the anti-aircraft fires. It lasted about two hours, assuming it is over now. I just took a

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Pearl Harbor, today. This picture was taken in August by Cassie Campbell, while on vacation with her family in Hawaii. See more of Cassie's pictures on page 6.



Christmas is getting closer! Saturday night in Matador really gave the feel of the holiday season. Talk about busy sidewalks, there were a lot of people who came out to shop at the special Late Night Shopping event. The kids were lined up to see Santa! The musical entertainment, provided by local group, The Great Unknown, was great.

I am going to have to do some magic to get all my Christmas jobs done. This is one of my busiest times at work trying to get the special Christmas edition completed, so I don't really get to do all the things I want to do at home. But I really do enjoy putting the Christmas edition together. It's my favorite edition of the year.

My favorite event of this season will take place this Sunday, when I take my little granddaughter, Morgan, to the Nutcracker Ballet. Morgan loves the Ballet. She told me she wants to get on the stage and dance the Nutcracker, too. I hope that someday she will.

This is a busy time for everyone, but we all need to remember to take time to think of the reason we celebrate Christmas - Jesus Christ our Savior.

Here are a few Christmas suggestions from the book, *Of Christmas Traditions*.

— Help your children bake Christmas breads or cookies to give to teachers, coaches, and school bus drivers.

— Add a new Christmas cassette or CD to your music collection each

year.
— Give someone who's disappointed you the gift of a clean slate this Christmas.

— Write with a red or green pen during the holidays.

— Load the family in the car, slip in your favorite Christmas tape, and drive through the neighborhood looking at the Christmas decorations. Roll down the windows and shout "Merry Christmas" to everyone you see.

— Take turns opening presents on Christmas morning. When the gift is an article of clothing, it's always fun to ask the recipient to model it.

— Take a scrumptious Christmas dinner to a shut-in.

— Don't count calories from December 15 through January 2.

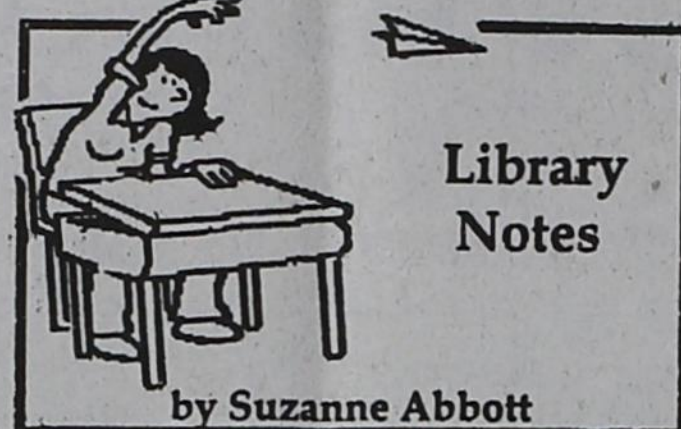
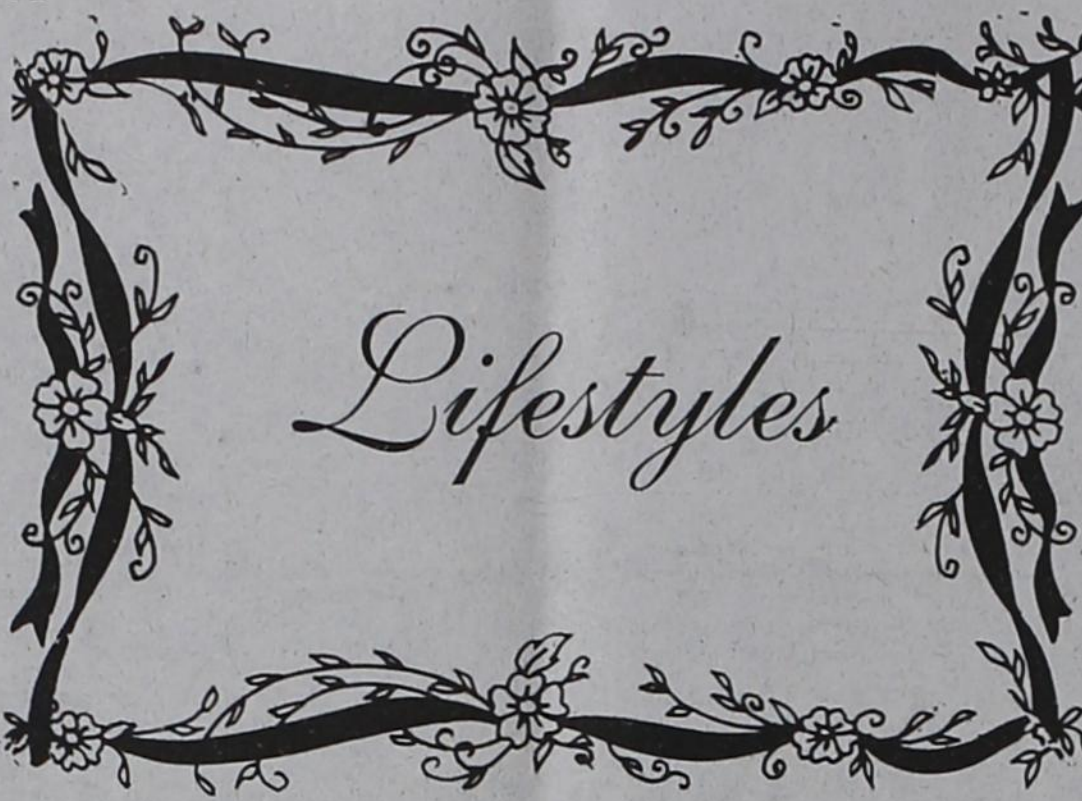
— Write a Christmas greeting at the top of your business faxes.

— Start a family tree-trimming tradition. Serve the same refreshments and play the same holiday music every year.

— After opening the presents, hug all your family members and tell them they are the best gift of all.

— If you can't fit all your guests at one table for Christmas dinner, set up a second table in another room and have them exchange places between dinner and dessert.

"God rest ye, merry gentlemen!
Let nothing you dismay,
For Jesus Christ, our Saviour,
was born on Christmas day."
— Dinah Maria Mulock Craik



We want to thank everyone who participated in the Late Night Shopping at the Library. We had a great time with lots of people visiting and buying books. The winner of the "Name the Raptor" contest was Shane'a Russell. She submitted the name "Sunny" and won the "Boom box." Now, the library's permanent resident Velociraptor has a name.

We thank all those who helped at Late Night Shopping: Jo Scott, Marihelen Wason, Ruby McGuire, Patricia Green, and Betty Henry. Jeanette Case provided some delicious apple cider.

We had another lively book discussion Wednesday. We munched on our

brown-bag lunches and chewed pretty good on John Grisham's *A Painted Horse*. Thanks to all who came and participated. The topic and time of our next book discussion will be announced later.

A new book in the adult fiction section is David Baldacci's *Last Man Standing*. Also, we have *The Things They Carried* by Tim O'Brien. This novel is about Vietnam and the things that the men and women in the armed services carried with them into that war.

A special thanks goes to Joyce and Janie Campbell for another great Grannies Teaparty. The little ladies were darling and they were served some great goodies.



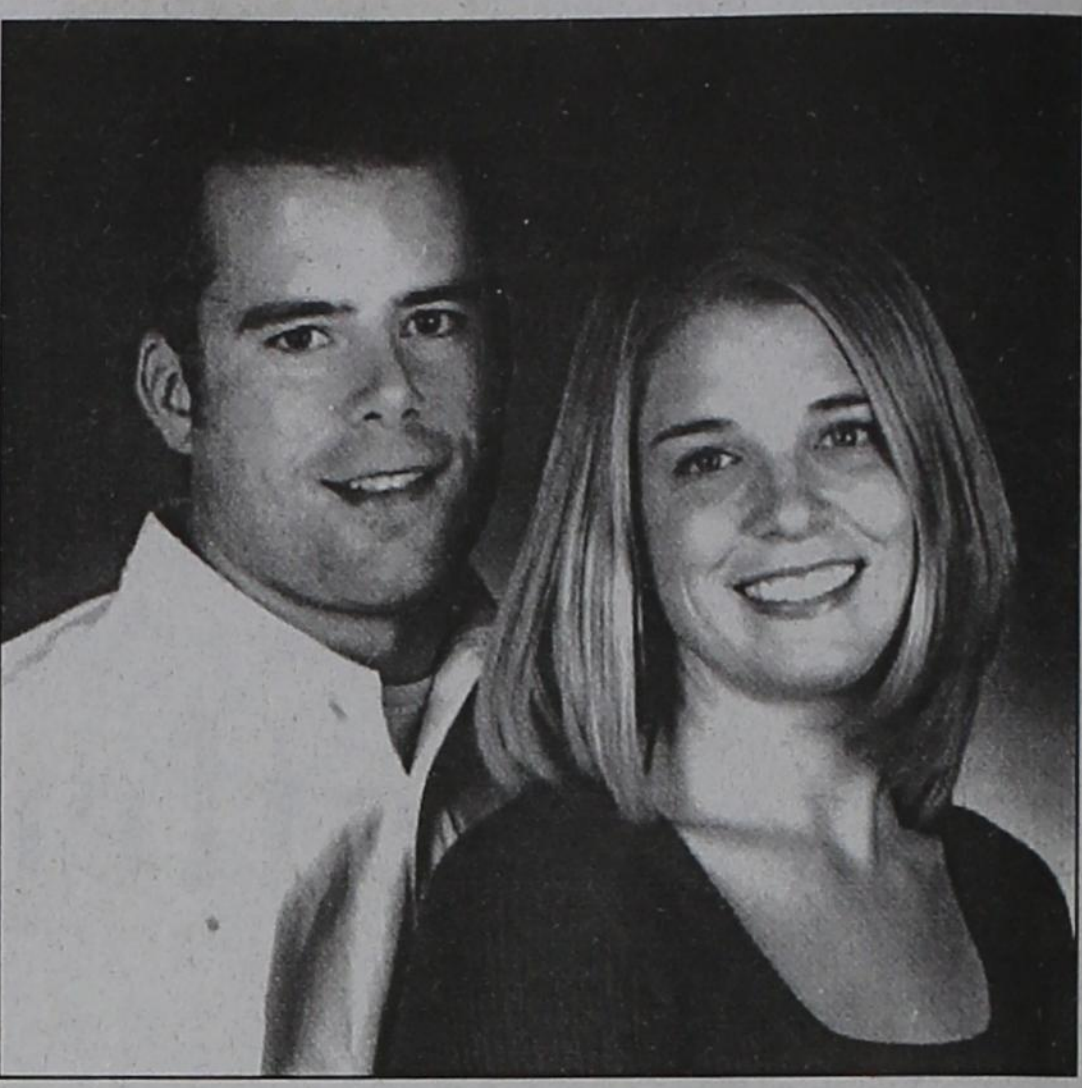
SUNNY IS THE NAME! — Shane'a Russell won the "Name the Raptor" contest at the Motley County Library. She submitted the name "Sunny" to win the boom box, presented by Librarian, Suzanne Abbott.

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100th Birthday
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and Matt Paul of Abilene; Amy Thacker of Austin; Ryan Mitchell, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Chryslyn Slaughter and Landon, Los Alamos, NM; Mark and Christi Davis, Los Alamos, NM; Lare' Mitchell of Amarillo; Claudean McGee and Kathy, Blythe, CO; Gay Phipps; Tracy Phipps of Denver, CO.

Out of town friends attending were Joyce Smith of Roaring Springs; George and Selbia Swint of Midland; Johny Collett of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Lowrance of Amarillo; Mr. and Mrs. Red Lowrance of Andrews; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lowrance of Colorado; Mrs. Bertha Gunter of Amarillo; Debra and Rocky Cain of Canyon.

Mrs. Mitchell's great-grandson, Brad Thacker, wrote and sang a biographical song, "An Angel in Disguise" about Cora's life. Her great-grandson, Andy Nichols, and great-granddaughter, Crystal Mitchell, also sang.



Bradley Thacker & Weslyn Maupin

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Maupin and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Thacker announce the engagement of their children, Weslyn M. Maupin and Bradley C. Thacker. The wedding is planned for December 22, 2001 at Gruver United Methodist Church in Gruver.



FIVE GENERATIONS — Little Katherine Echols is the fifth generation in her mother's family. The ladies recent got together in Lawrenceburg, Tenn. for this picture, while celebrating Thanksgiving. Pictured above are left to right Annette Hollinsworth, of Roaring Springs, little Katie's grandmother; Teresa Beckman, 91, of Lawrenceburg, Tenn., great-great grandmother; Rose Ann Carl of Loretto, Tenn., great-grandmother; Pamela Echols, of Flower Mound, mother; and six-month-old Katie. Annette, accompanied by daughter Kayla, enjoyed the trip and family reunion held in Saint Joseph, Tennessee.



Donalda Letkeman of Matador is pictured above with her painting of an original Schweitzer saddle. Mrs. Letkeman won first place with the painting at the recent Spur Art Guild Homecoming Art Show. The painting is on display at the Motley County Library.

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Francis of Assisi once remarked, "Preach the Word at all times. If necessary use words." That is a powerful statement about how loud our actions speak. Once we began to live Christ, then we are learning why we believe in the Christian way of life. Now real sharing the "truth of the gospel" can now begin. "That's my opinion" is not a persuasive argument for Christianity. Knowing what the Bible teaches and practicing it is of paramount importance.

Whatever is done in the name of Christianity, whether it is inviting a friend to worship services or discussing beliefs with someone of another faith, we must remember that love is the key. Our Lord said that we would be known as His people when we love one another. So in doing our best to show anyone how practical Christianity can be we must first show that we care. We share the love of Christ. That is very practical.

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Motley County School News

Lady Matadors win two games at Valley tournament

The Motley County Lady Matadors participated in the Valley Tournament last weekend. Their first game, November 29, was with Trinity Fellowship, Amarillo. The Ladies were defeated in a very close game, with the final score, 42-49.

Brittany Moore led in scoring, putting in 14 points. Chasity Holman added 11; Lisa Perryman, 5; Courtney Hays, 4; Mandi Ream and Brittany Moore (Jr.), 3 each; and Brittany Donaldson, 2.

Chasity and Brittany Moore led in rebounding, grabbing 5 each. Brittany Donaldson pulled down 4.

The next game of the tournament, the Ladies went up against Holy Cross, and got a big win, 70-23.

Brittany Donaldson was leading scorer with 14 points. Brittany Moore (Fr.) added 13; Courtney Hays added 12; Lisa Perryman, 11; Chasity Holman, 10; Mandi Ream and Brittany Moore (Jr.), 4 each; and Kelsi Wallace, 2.

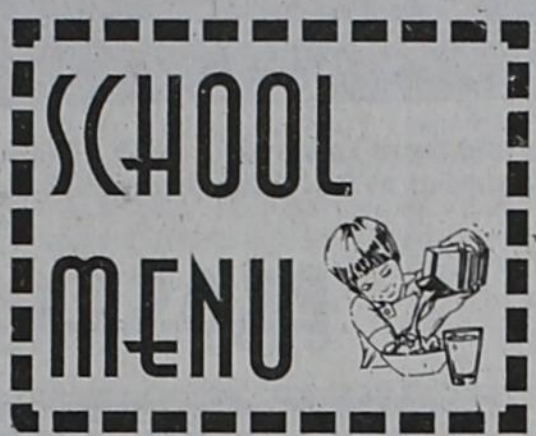
Brittany Donaldson led in rebounding, pulling down 8. Courtney Hays had 7; Lisa Perryman grabbed 6; Kelsi Wallace, 5; and Brittany Moore (Fr.), 2.

The Ladies had another big win for their last game of the tournament, defeating Patton Springs, 63-33.

Chasity Holman led in scoring with 23 points. Brittany Donaldson put in 16; Brittany Moore (Fr.), added 13; Courtney Hays, 9; and Brittany

Moore (Jr.), 2. Brittany Moore (Fr.) led in rebounding with 9. Lisa Perryman and Courtney Hays had 8 each.

Motley County will participate in the Patton Springs tournament this weekend, December 6-8. They will play Spade, there at 6:30, Tuesday, Dec. 11.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 10

Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Spanish Rice, Chips, Frozen Yogurt, Milk.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Vegetable Beef Soup, Toasted Cheese Sandwich, Veggie Sticks, Fruit, Milk.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Breakfast: Biscuit, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Fish Sticks, Macaroni and Cheese, Salad, Hushpuppies, Fruit Jello, Milk.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13

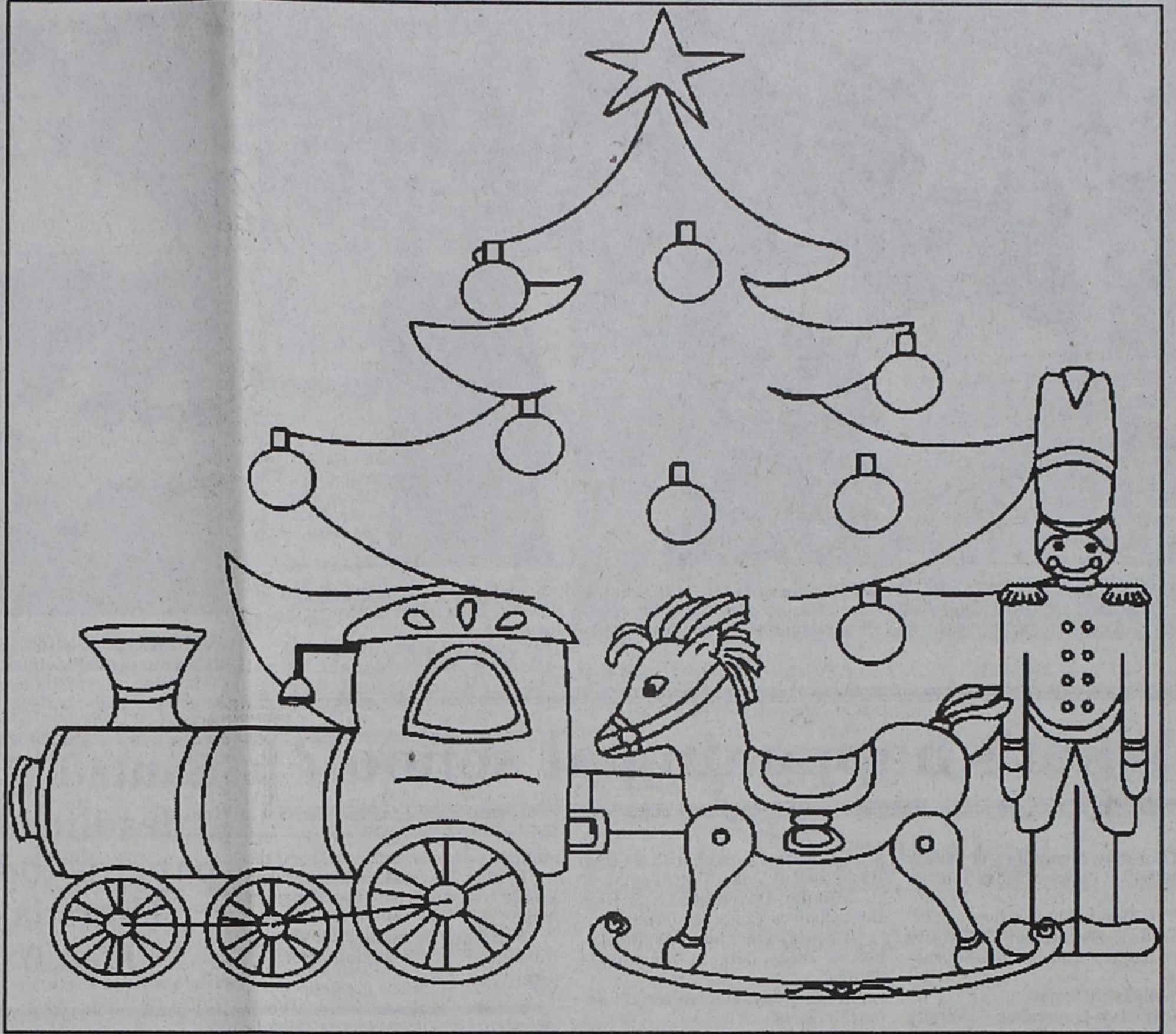
Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Fruit, Milk.

Lunch: Hamburgers, Lettuce Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Chips, Fruit, Vanilla Wafers, Milk.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

Breakfast: Breakfast Pizza, Juice, Milk.

Lunch: Turkey, Dressing, Gravy, Italian Green Beans, Homemade Bread, Layered Jello, Milk.



Coloring Contest

The MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE is sponsoring a Christmas Coloring Contest for children, ages 3-9. There will be three age divisions (3-4; 5-7; and 8-9). First and second place winners will be chosen from each age group. Prizes will be awarded to winners and first place winners will have the honor of having their pictures published in the December 20th issue of the paper. All entries must be submitted no later than 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 13. Prizes are on display at the MOTLEY COUNTY TRIBUNE office. Entrants must include the entry blank with their picture. (Family members of Motley County Tribune staff are not eligible)

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94 Taurus LX Loaded, With Leather S/L #AT005A Was \$6,995... \$3,995	00 Contour SE Sport 4 Dr., V-6 S/L #17043A Was \$13,995..... \$10,995	99 Toyota Camry LE Extra Nice S/L #AC039A Was \$14,995..... \$11,995	00 Taurus SES 4 Door S/L #AC012 Was \$13,995..... \$9,995	95 Infiniti J30 4 Dr., Extra Nice S/L #AC025 Was \$13,995... \$11,995	99 GMC 1 Ton Crew Cab 4x4 S/L #17250B Was \$19,995..... \$16,995
01 Taurus SES 4 Door S/L #AC044 Was \$15,995..... \$12,995	00 F150 S/C Lariat 4x4 S/L #17619A Was \$22,995..... \$19,995	01 Merc. Grand Marquis LS Leather, Loaded S/L #1M035A Was \$25,995..... \$21,995	99 Chevy Cavalier Sport S/L #2M006A Was \$10,995..... \$8,995	01 Windstar LX Rear Air S/L #AT004 Was \$21,995..... \$18,995	94 Ford Explorer 4x4 XLT S/L #1C358 Was \$8,995 \$6,995

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GRANNIE'S TEA PARTY — These little ladies attended the annual fund-raising event, Grannie's Tea Party hosted by Joyce Campbell, Janie, Cassie and Kittie Campbell, Sunday, December 2. Proceeds from the event go to the children's department of the Motley County Library.



THE GREAT UNKNOWN — Band members Yancey Meredith, Jason Jameson, Brody Davis, and Rickey Carson, provided musical entertainment at last Saturday night's Late Night Shopping event, held in Matador.

What's happening at school?

Thursday, December 6: Varsity Basketball at Patton Springs Tournament.
 PTO Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
 Friday, December 7: Varsity Basketball at Patton Springs Tournament.
 Ineligibility begins.
 Saturday, December 8: Varsity Basketball at Patton Springs Tournament.
 ACT at MC ISD
 Monday, December 10: Board meeting at 7:30.
 JH Basketball at Guthrie at 5:00 p.m.
 One Act Play auditions at 6:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, December 11: Basketball vs. Spade, here, at 6:30 p.m.
 Thursday, December 13: Elementary Christmas Program at 7:00 p.m.
 Friday, December 14: Basketball vs. Silverton, here, 4:00 p.m. (4 games).

Saturday, December 15: Jr. High Basketball at Valley Tournament.
 Monday, December 17: Jr. High Basketball vs. Valley at 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday, December 18: Basketball vs. Valley, here, at 4:00 p.m., (4 games)
 Wednesday, December 19: Semester Tests.
 Thursday, December 20: End of 3rd 6 weeks.
 Semester Tests.
 Early out at 1:30.
 Friday, December 21: Teacher Workday.
 Saturday, December 22: Gyms closed.
 Sunday, December 23: Gyms closed.
 Dec. 24 - Jan. 2: CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY!
 Thursday, December 27: Varsity Basketball at Crosbyton Tournament.

Friday, December 28: Varsity Basketball at Crosbyton Tournament.
 Saturday, December 29: Varsity Basketball at Crosbyton Tournament.

Santa Letter deadline to paper is today!
Thursday
Dec. 6

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NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

Roaring Springs News

By Odessa Mullins

Those enjoying coffee and visiting at the Methodist Fellowship hall on Monday, December 3, were Ruby and D.A. McGuire, Buzz and LaVoe Thacker, Mrs. Rita Groves, Mrs. Reva Sweeney, Dean McInroe, Larry Watson, Cleo Watson, Lula Swim, Gale Stafford, and Dennis and Donalda Letkeman. LaVoe, Cleo, Rita, Donalda, Lula, Dean, and Cynthia Stafford brought refreshments. Larry Watson and Dean McInroe cleaned up the kitchen.

Julian Zabielski of Cleveland, and Bunnie and Jamie Zielinger and children Zachary, Brook and Blake of Longview, visited Ray and Grace Zabielski for Thanksgiving.

Onie Bell spent Thanksgiving in Amarillo visiting her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Quin Okley, and her niece Gloria and sister, Ona Bell of Hereford. She went to Amarillo on Wednesday and returned to her home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jose Torres and sons, J.D., J.R., Emilio and Andy and Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Torres, Roman and Emily of Lubbock visited Sunday with her mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins.

Buddy Allen and son Darrin of Pampa visited his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Patten, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rowe spent Saturday night at home after being in Lubbock while he recuperated from a broken leg, he suffered during a hunting accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McGee, Audie and Brandy of Lake Summerville spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her mother, Venita Sedgwick.

Chad Smith and a friend of Lubbock have been here visiting his grandmother, Joyce Smith, and doing some hunting. Pearl Patten and Mary Lumsden spent Monday in Lubbock on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burton kept a doctor appointment in Lubbock Monday.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

Bud Lane of Lockney visited from Tuesday until Saturday with Trula and Wilburn Martin. Visiting in the Martin home, Friday, Nov. 23 was daughter and husband, Marilee and Fred Cooper of Borger. They celebrated the birthdays of Marilee and Wilburn on the 53rd wedding anniversary of Trula and Wilburn.

Visiting Friday night and Saturday with Mrs. Tommie Jo Cruse were her grandchildren, Tory Ann, Teah and Tally Patton, children of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Patton of Silverton.

Cara Franks of Canyon visited from Saturday until Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks.

Dodie Morris of Lubbock and Rebecca Morris of Amarillo visited during the Thanksgiving holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin visited in Arlington from Sunday until Tuesday with Mrs. Lula Cramer.

Mary Ellen Barton visited in Floydada,

Friday with her sister, Mrs. Mollie Burleson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ross attended to business in Plainview Sunday afternoon.

Virgil George is under medical treatment for cardiac and kidney illness at Veterans Hospital in Amarillo.

Emily Milam of Petersburg visited Friday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter. Their grandson, Brian Sehon of Ropesville visited from Friday until Sunday. His parents, Keri and Kevin Sehon visited Sunday as they were en route home from Denton and accompanied Brian home.

Clois Shorter accompanied his mother, Mrs. L.E. Shorter to Lubbock, Monday for a medical checkup on her injured arm.

Shannon Roy Nall of Bushland, Kansas and Mrs. Merie Nall of Amarillo visited Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers.

Whiteflat News

By Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD

A group of senior citizens at a retirement home are sitting around discussing their ailments.

"My arms are so weak I can barely lift a cup of tea to my mouth," says one. "My cataracts are so bad I can't even see my cup of tea," says another. "I can't turn my head because of my arthritis," comments a third. "My blood pressure pill makes me dizzy," replies a fourth. "I guess that's just the price you have to pay for living to be old," sighs a man as he shakes his head.

There is a moment of silence as they all nod their heads in agreement. Finally, a woman pipes up: Well, thank goodness we can all still drive!"

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Risser of Matador and Mrs. Frances Dixon attended the American Family Christmas program presented by the Music Ensemble of Wayland University Department of Music, Saturday night. It was held at the Herral Auditorium in Plainview. Kaci Risser, stu-

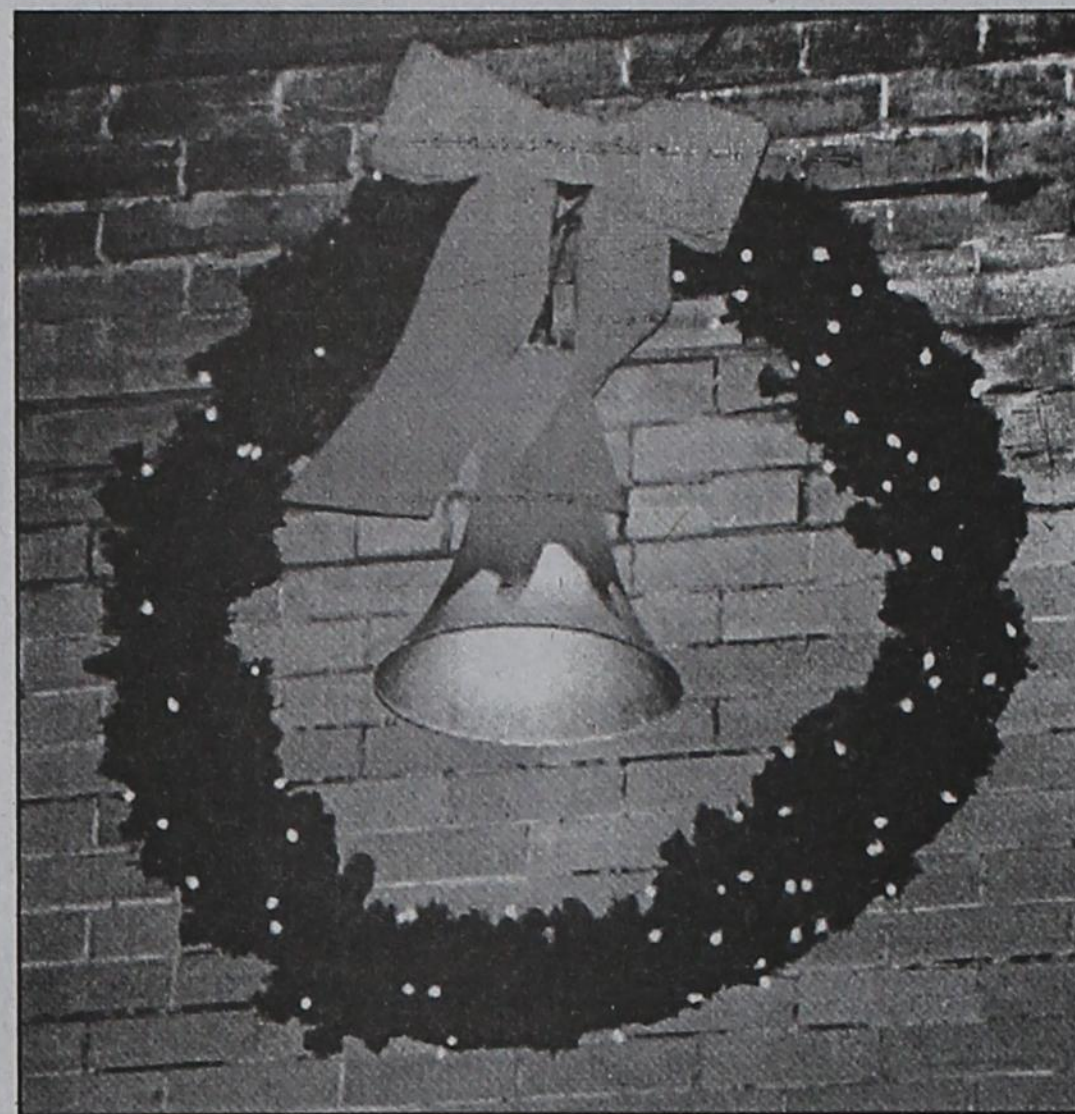
dent at Wayland University, performed in the Music Ensembles.

Jack Samford of Matador and Mrs. Juanita Cooper enjoyed the many entertainers at the Turkey Jamboree Saturday night at the Bob Wilks Community Gymnasium in Turkey.

Ryan Martin, student at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, visited with his parents on the weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin. Guest in their home, Sunday was Jamie Pigg of Turkey, student at Clarendon College.

Mrs. Frances Dixon and Mrs. Juanita Cooper attended the bridal shower honoring Jolie Robnet, bride elect of Matt Crawford, the Matador Baptist Youth Minister, held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hoyle in Matador Saturday afternoon.

Jack Samford of Matador accompanied Mrs. Juanita Cooper to Lockney Friday morning for a medical appointment. They continued to Lubbock and attended to business and enjoyed entertainment.



IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE CHRISTMAS — This beautiful wreath, mounted on the Library building, is only one of the lighted wreaths decorating downtown Matador.

Motley County graduate assigned to Japan for Air Force duty

Air Force Airman 1st Class Jerod B. Rieger has arrived for duty at Yokota Air Base, Tokyo, Japan.

Rieger is a medical service apprentice assigned to the 374th Medical Services Flight.

He is the son of Dana Graham of Roaring Springs and Bruce Rieger of

Venus, Texas.

His wife, Candace, is the daughter of Bucky and Debbie Marvel of Roaring Springs.

Airman Rieger and wife Candace are both 2000 graduates of Motley County High School.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you dear ones for all the prayers on my behalf before and following surgery. All your acts of kindness are sincerely appreciated, especially your prayers.

Our love,
Red & Elwanda

Matador News

Billy Paul and Betty Simpson of Northfield were host of a traditional turkey luncheon with all the trimmings in their home Thanksgiving day. Guests enjoying the good food and visiting were

Tanya and Warren Multer, Cory, Amy and Katy of Garden City; Finis and Cynthia Brown and Davis Brown of Adrian; Rene Carter and Ronald Bourland of Amarillo; Cari and Toby Castleberry of Vernon; Jim,

Marilyn and Jim Childers, and Genelle Lowery of Canyon; Guy Garrison of Floydada; Gayland and Jo Simpson, Tim, Missy and Fischer Davis of Midland; Susan and Todd Thompson of Grand Prairie; Angie Simpson of Dallas; Mollye Simpson of Northfield; Tim, Dorothy and Jordan Green of Austin; Virginia Green of Whiteface; Andy and Gay Green of

Keller; Adam Green, U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland; Katy Green, A&M student in College Station; Dennis and Donalda Letkeman and Luther and Edna Ruth Green of Matador.

Edna Ruth and Luther Green of Matador and their Thanksgiving guests Tim, Dorothy and Jordan Green of Austin; Virginia Green of Whiteface; Andy and Gay Green of Maryland and Katy Green, A&M student at College Station. Other guests at a holiday luncheon Friday in their home was his brother, Art Green and friend, Mrs. Kathryn Martin of Matador.

Visiting during the Dec. 1-2 weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Paul Simpson were daughter and family, Tanya and Warren Multer and children, Katy, Cory, and Amy and friend, Cade Doss of Garden City.

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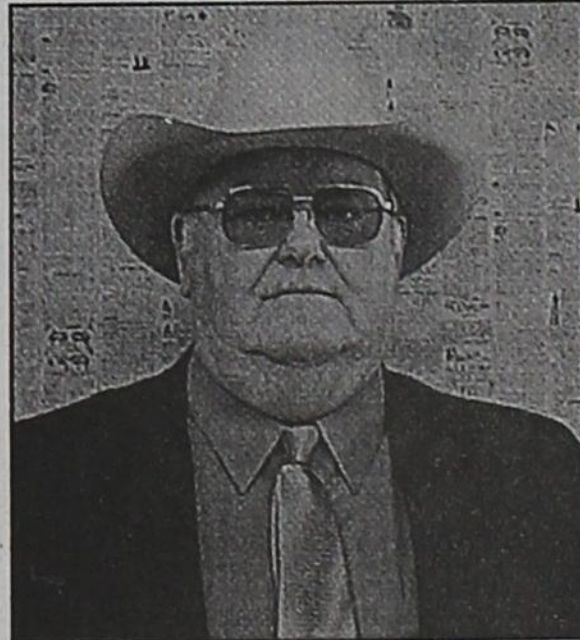
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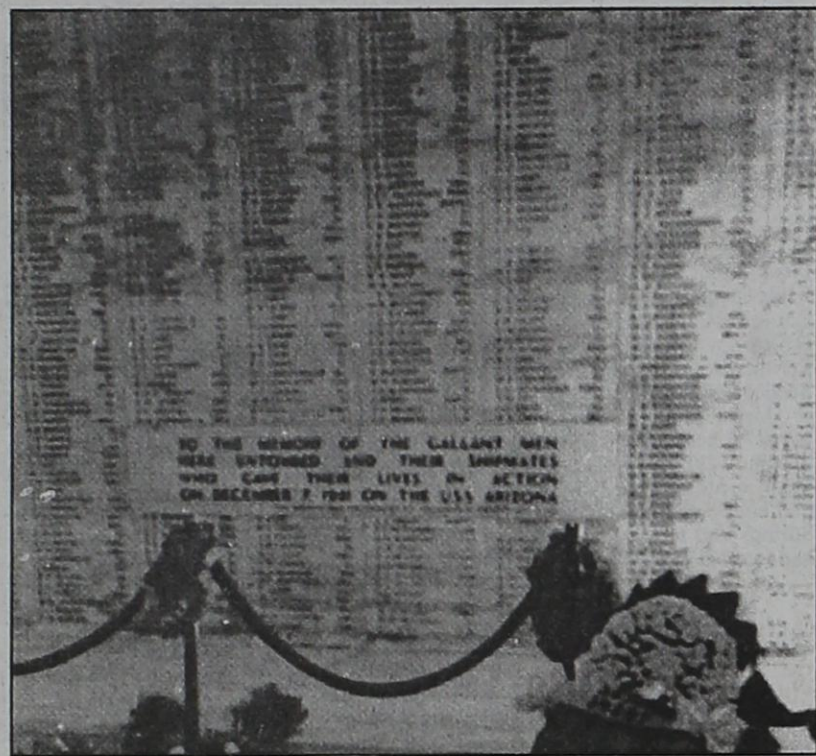
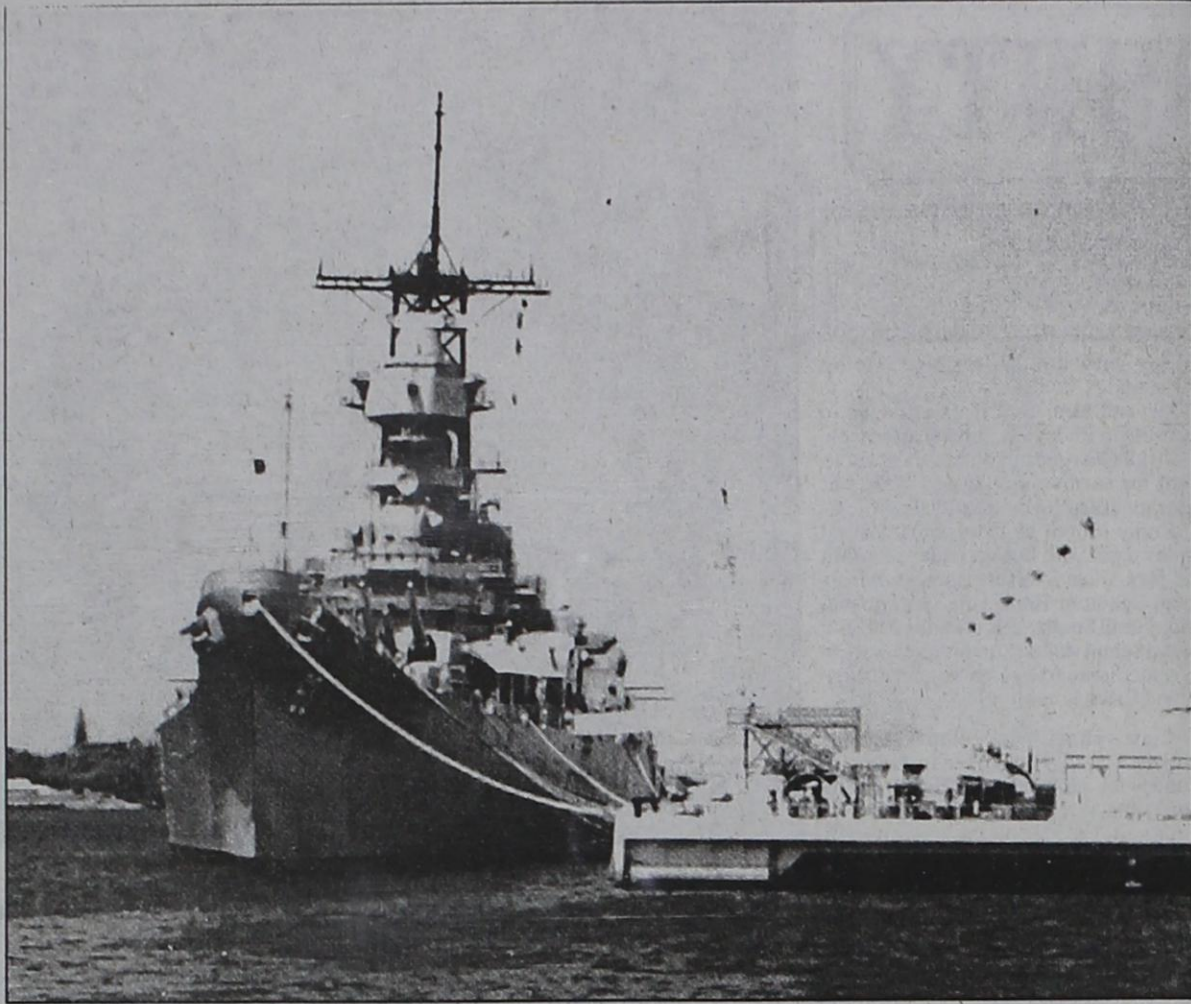
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photos by Cassie Campbell

Motley County voter turnout very low for Senator run-off election

Voter turnout in Motley County was extremely low for the Special Election held Tuesday, December 4. Voters elected a State Senator, District 30, to fill the seat left vacant by the death of Tom Haywood. The Wichita Falls Republican had Parkinson's disease and died in July after a suffering a heart attack. Tuesday's run-off election was

between Republican Craig Estes, who nearly won the seat outright in the Nov. 6 special election after receiving 47.2 percent of the vote. Estes, in his first bid for public office, was among six candidates in the November election.

Democrat Greg Underwood, who lost the race to Haywood in 1998, received 23.2 percent of the vote Nov.

6. Craig Estes received eight early votes and 21 votes on Tuesday, while Greg Underwood received nine early votes and one vote on Tuesday, in Motley County.

The term expires in January, 2003.

TxDOT offers winter driving tips

Rain during very cold temperatures can often develop into sleet or snow, which can create roadway hazards for motorists. To minimize the potential hazards The Texas Department of Transportation offers the following tips for safe winter driving:

1. Make sure vehicle is maintained for winter weather conditions by checking fuel and antifreeze levels. Check tires, lights, and battery. Use no-freeze fluid in the windshield washer reservoir to help keep vehicle

windows clear in cold temperatures.

2. Listen to weather broadcasts prior to and during travel. Call TxDOT's toll free highway conditions line at 1-800-452-9292 or check Texas road conditions on the Internet at www.dot.state.tx.us/hcr/main.htm During these conditions only make trips that are necessary.

3. Drive with caution on bridges and overpasses since elevated roadways freeze over first.

4. Stay in the vehicle if stranded or stalled and wait for help. Use car heater sparingly and with plenty of ventilation while doing so. Stay awake and move around as much as possible to maintain circulation and

body warmth.

5. For severe winter weather keep flashlight, new batteries, jumper cables, matches, abrasive material (sand, kitty litter, even floor mats), shovel, ice scraper, warning devices (like flares) and blankets in the vehicle. For long trips, take along water, nonperishable food, medicine, and a cell phone. Inform others of your anticipated route and arrival time.

6. Plan ahead by allowing plenty of time for travel. Be prepared for possible delays by leaving early.

7. Buckle up and use child safety seats properly.

8. Do not drink and drive.

Pearl Harbor

from page 1

look and could see no more anti-aircraft fire. By dark yesterday, the enemy could have been far enough away to be out of our patrol and they streamed at full speed all night and launched the planes at dawn. It apparently was a heavy raid with many casualties. It took our defense by surprise. Will write again soon, but please don't worry if you can keep

from it."

Motley County was affected by the attack like the rest of America who were now in the fight for freedom in WWII. To those who were at Pearl Harbor from Motley County, and all over the United States, thank you for your bravery and commitment to this country.

I apologize if there are veterans of the Pearl Harbor attack living in the Motley County area, that I am not aware of. You will never be forgotten.

The 60th anniversary of Pearl Harbor is Friday, December 7. Look back on that day and think of those Americans and what they had to go through to secure our freedom. Always remember Pearl Harbor.

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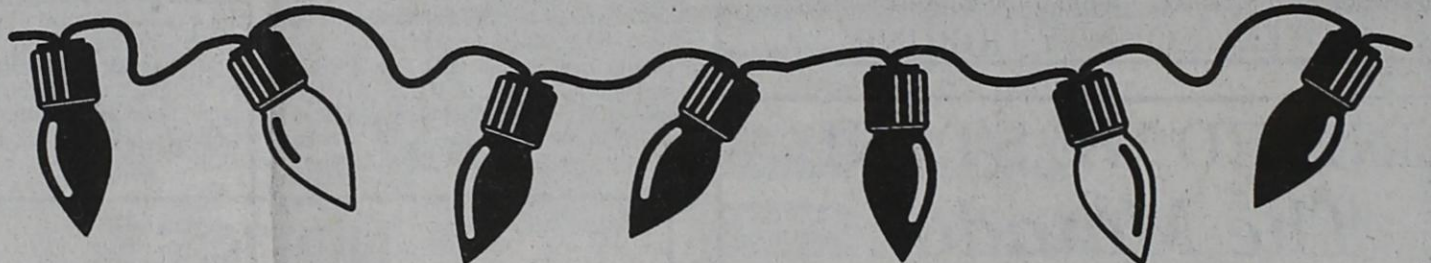
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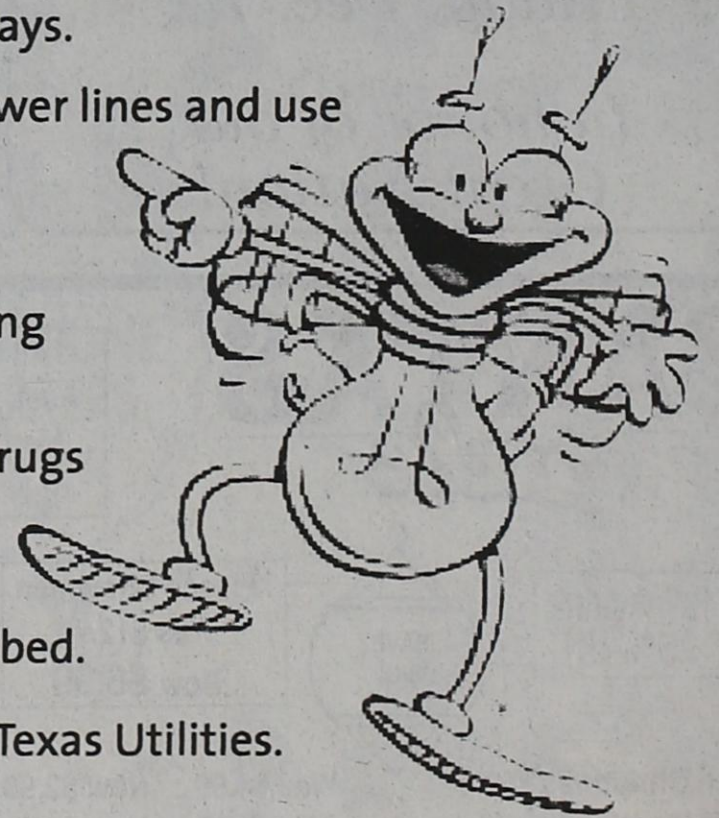


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FARM AND RANCH NEWS

Farm Service Agency News

by Debbie Shaw, CED



In the November newsletter just mailed last week, I told you that Monday, December 17, was the final date to certify permanent grass. We have received official notification, that since perennial forage acreage exists year round and is not subject to a planting date like annual planted crops, the acreage reporting date for perennial forage crops has been modified for the 2002 crop year only. The final date to timely certify native and improved grasses (perennial) for 2002 only is the earlier of:

- When you purchase 2002 NAP coverage.
- The date damage to the perennial

crop acreage becomes apparent to the producer.

- May 15, 2002.

The Notice of Loss deadline MUST be strictly applied, i.e. provided within 15 days after the disaster occurrence or date damage to the specific crop acreage is apparent to the producer. For example, for grazing, an increase in supplemental feed or a reduction in the stocking level is reasonable indications of a loss of forage due to damage caused by a natural disaster.

If you have questions concerning this new policy, please contact the office.

County Agent's Report

by Lonnie Jensechke - Motley County Extension Agent



CLOSTRIDIAL VACCINATION

Arkansas researchers conducted three experiments involving vaccination for clostridial disease. All vaccines were injected subcutaneously in the neck. In one study, mature cows were vaccinated once with 2ml of Alpha-7 (A-7) about 90 days before calving. At birth, half of their calves also received 2ml of A-7. Blood samples taken every 28 days for four months indicated no difference in antibody response between vaccinated and non-vaccinated calves. In a second study, weaned heifers received either 2ml of A-7 or 5ml of Ultrabac 7 (UB7) boosted 28 days later. Blood samples were taken every 28 days, UB7 was higher at 56 days, by 112 days there was no difference, and by 140 days there were no detectable levels. In the third study, weaned heifers received A-7. After 28 days, 65% had visible injection-site lesions. Heifers with lesions had higher antibody responses at 28, 56, and 84 days, but not by 112 days. So, if there is a knot on the neck you're pretty well assured that the cattle were vaccinated, it was done in the right location, and the vaccine probably took. But you still might be docked at the sale barn. Some things are hard to change.

ARE CATTLE REALLY BEING DOWNSIZED

It's generally agreed that a lot of cattle got too big in the race for size, and that we have been "downsizing" in recent years. True? Perhaps the best guide is genetic trend of yearling weight in registered cattle. Since 1972, Angus have increased about 75 pounds genetically, going up steadily each year and still going. (Average actual yearling weights of Angus bulls have increased over 250lbs.) What about larger breeds? Simmental have increased genetically about 45 lbs since 1973 (and are still going up), not as much as Angus but Simmental were pretty big already. All breeds show the same trend. What about frame? Frame score of Angus plateaued in 1990, and has averaged mid-4 since. So, cattle are heavier and height isn't changing. The purebred industry is selecting for larger bodies on the same frame. That's enlarging and reshaping, not downsizing.

PICK A TREE!

Texas Christmas trees are looking good, and buying one is becoming more and more of a tradition. But consumers should be careful of where the trees are coming from. Trees coming from out of state are at least a week old, and they will dry out quicker. The average price for a six-foot tree is between twenty and sixty dollars for a pre-cut. Look for trees that are cut nicely, have a good shape, and deep color. The best thing to do when buying a pre-cut is to clean the stand with a mild mixture of chlorine and water. Then, cut slices off the bottom of the tree until fresh wood is reached, and water it instantly. Never let the tree run out of water. The myth about mixing water with sugar to prolong the life of the tree only increases the possibility of mold. Periodically check it for dryness, and if the needles begin to fall, be aware of the tree becoming a fire hazard.

REPLACEMENT HEIFERS - SAVE, BUY OPEN, OR BUY BRED?

Virginia researchers used computer simulations to compare saving heifers to grow out and breed, buying open heifers to grow out and breed, or buying bred heifers to replace open cows 60 days after the end of breeding season. Economics favored saving or buying open heifers over buying bred heifers. (Also, net profit was higher from grazing weaned calves for 80 days than from selling at weaning.) In some studies, economics favors buying bred replacements. Remember, you know the genetics and background of raised heifers. That may or may not be true when buying heifers.

Cotton News



from Plains Cotton Growers, Inc.

FARM BILL DEBATE STILL PENDING IN SENATE

Action on the Senate version of Farm Program legislation is still unfinished as other issues take precedence.

Knowing that a considerable amount of legislation remains to be completed in the next few weeks, time has always been considered critical to getting a new Farm Bill approved this year.

At this time it appears that the earliest the Senate's Farm Bill (S. 1731) will be able to be taken up is Tuesday, December 4.

The Bill was officially reported to the Senate November 27 and received its official Congressional Budget Office score November 29.

Congressional Budget Office projections for the cost of the Bill have not yet been reviewed in detail, but it appears that the measure has undergone significant modifications to keep it under the allowed budget allowance.

CBO estimates of the House and Senate offerings indicate little overall difference in total expenditures

over the ten-year projection.

The big differences, however, appear in the first five years over which the Senate Bill is designed to operate. Over that time frame the Senate Bill is some \$5 Billion more expensive than the House version, presumably as a direct result of the costs associated with higher loan rates and updated yields and acreage bases.

The good news is that the Senate CBO is in line with the Budget agreement and should not be vulnerable on that front when it gets to the Senate floor for debate.

Growers and allied industry members are watching the developments closely. Growers are encouraged to contact their Senate members to ask for their help in moving the process forward.

It is estimated that a Conference Committee to reconcile the House passed Farm Security Act of 2001 and the Senate's final version would take about a week.

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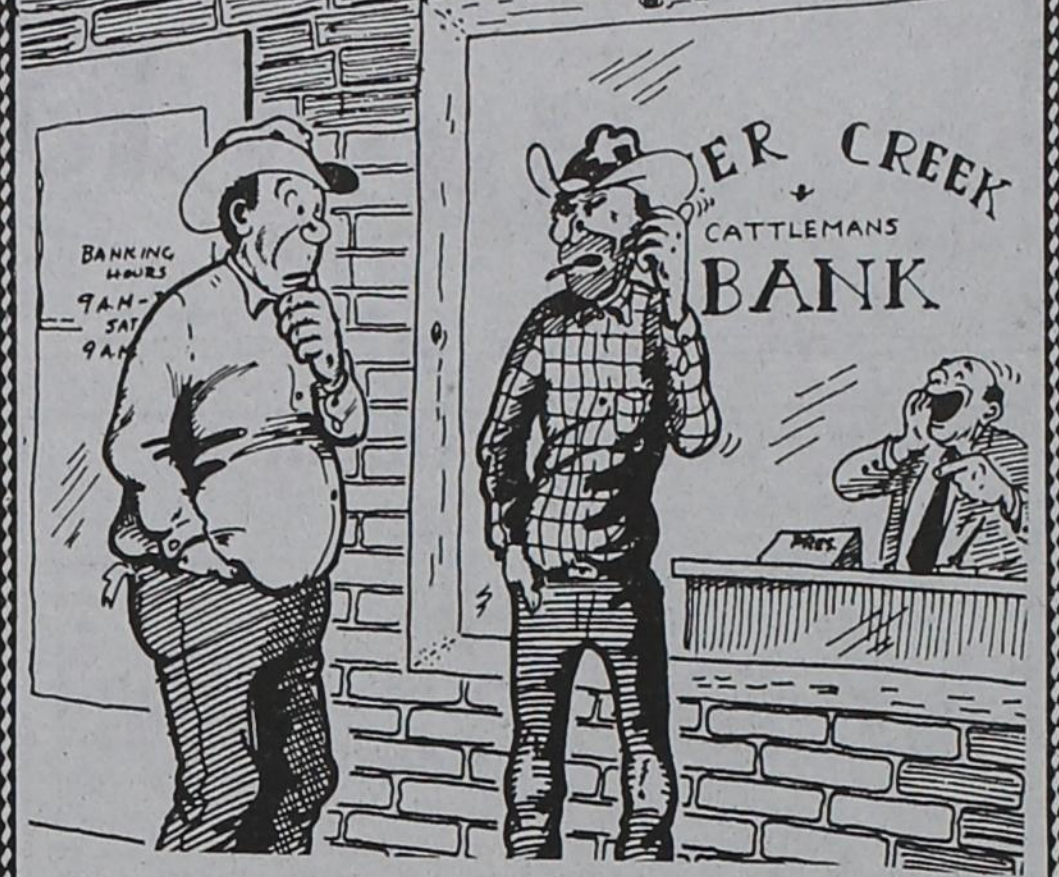
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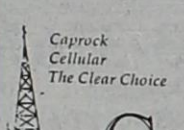
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