

Hance Demands Changes In Cotton Grading System

U.S. Rep. Kent Hance, D-Texas, for the second time in less than five months, demanded that the Secretary of Agriculture consider two additional grades of cotton for inclusion in the loan program.

In a letter to Secretary Block, Hance said that "many farmers in Texas are being punished by an antiquated system of cotton grading. The immediate implementation of two new loan eligible grades would eliminate much of the disparity created by the current cotton grading system. In many cases, a judgement call made by someone in the government classing office is the reason for a substantial discount in prices received by the cotton farmer. The disparity is created by the distinction made in classifying some cotton as below grade.

"Cotton that is designated as below grade is ineligible for the loan program, receives a lower price and is of little benefit to the producer. Additionally, the 'green card', which is the government classing office grade, affects only the first sale of the cotton. After the cotton leaves the farmers' hands, the 'green card' grade is of no value. The implementation of the two new loan eligible grades would eliminate this discrimination against cotton judged below grade by a government classing office."

The Texas Democrat, whose congressional district is one of the most prolific cotton-produc-

ing areas of the world, closed by saying, "I realize no cotton grading system can completely satisfy all concerns, but the use of an antiquated grading system that so obviously discriminates between

various classes of cotton must be changed. With the current economic problems plaguing the agricultural community, every attempt must be made to ensure farmers the best available commodity price.

ASCS Schedules Sign-Up For Conservation Program

Applications for Agricultural Conservation Program Practices in Motley County may be filed from December 12, 1983 to December 23, 1983 at the local office of the Agricultural Stabilization and

Conservation Service. Requests for cost-share assistance should be made during this period. Farmers may apply for the ACP Program at any time. However, the request will be considered after

the sign-up period. This will allow the County ASCS committee to review all of the conservation problems in the county when approving cost-share requests.

ACP applications were formerly filed on a continuous basis in Motley County. Farmers will now need to plan ahead if they intend to request and be approved for federal cost-sharing. Cost-share requests

will be approved on practices which obtain the most conservation. As in the past, all requests will be evaluated as to the loss of soil and/or water, and the amount that can be saved by performing the practice which has been requested. Priorities will be established and cost-share funds approved on practices which will obtain the most conservation for the dollars spent.

News Of Local Interest

OPEN HOUSE

The Rolling Plains Health Care will have open house on Tuesday, December 20, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.

CORRECTION

Last week when the honor roll was published, there were two first grade students left off the Distinguished List. They are Codi Williams and Carmen Zarate.

PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. Howard presented Angie Burkes in an Elementary Piano Recital held at Traweck House on December 4. Miss Burkes was assisted by Tim Terrell.

Piano pieces played

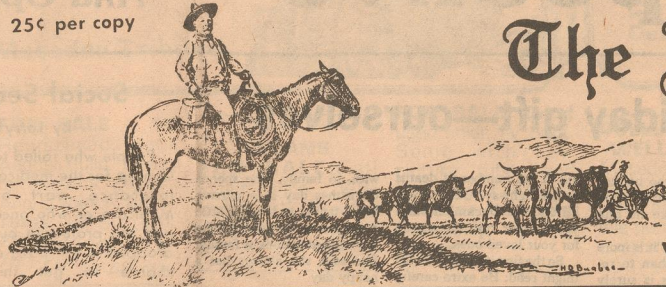
by Angie included Little Gray Donkey, Gypsy Gavotte, Argentina, Indian War Chant, The Swinging Sioux and Drifting Clouds, all by Gillock; Adventures of a Ghost by Garrow.

Tim presented Petite Gavotte, Sanucci; Castinets, Gillock; Hoe Down, Glover and Spanish Dances, Bastien.

Dance of the Panda Bears by Sanucci by Angie and Tim concluded the program.



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Voice of the Foothill Country



BOOK PRESENTED -- The Matador Garden Club presented a book to the Motley County Library Monday, as memorial to the late Vivian Jacobs, a longtime member of the club. Receiving the book "Texas - A Roadside View" by Lady Bird Johnson, was Gerald Garst (right), a member of the library board. From left are Mrs. R. E. Campbell Jr., and Mrs. W. N. Pipkin, sisters of Mrs. Jacobs, and Mrs. J. D. Craven, who made the presentation and Mr. Garst.

Local Dinner Planned For Christmas Day

Plans are being made for the Christmas Dinner again this year. The meal will be held at the American Legion again this year on Christmas Day at 12:30 p.m. We are asking for people to bring the vegetables and deserts. The meat (turkey and ham), rolls, and drinks will be furnished.

If anyone would like to help in any way, by donations, serving, or bringing food, please contact Loretta Thomp-

son or Billy Wason. Also needed are persons to help deliver plates to homes of people unable to get out. If you would like to help, please contact Loretta or Billy.

This meal is for ANYONE who would like to attend. There was a good turnout last year and a better turnout is expected this year. This is the time of year for giving, and we would appreciate the gift of your presence.

Matador Garden Club Holds Silver Tea

By Lila Meador

A Christmas Silver Tea held by Matador Garden Club Monday, Dec. 12 is an annual observance with contributions going to the State Garden Club Headquarters. Hostess Monday for the meeting was Mrs. Alvin Stearns, club president, who conducted a short business session.

A report on the club's participation in the Old Fashioned Christmas observed in Matador on Dec. 3, was discussed, and also discussed were plans for Arbor Day planting of a tree.

It was also announced that "Wild Flowers of the Llano Estacado" will be presented by Dr. Francis Rose, Professor of Biological Sciences, on Thursday, January 19, in an evening program from 7:00 to 8:00 o'clock at the Texas Tech University Museum.

Mrs. J. D. Craven, program leader, presented Mrs. W. N. Pipkin, who gave an interesting paper on Christmas Cactus. Other features of the program included a quotation by the leader from the National Gardener, a horticulture display of shrubs with berries by the members, and a preview of the January program. The leader also read the yearbook quotation: "Small deeds done are better than great deeds planned" by Peter Marshall.

A memorial observance honoring the late Vivian Jacobs, longtime member of the club,

was held, with Mrs. Craven presenting the book, "Texas - a Roadside View," by Lady Bird Johnson, to the Motley County Library. Receiving the book in behalf of the library, was Gerald Garst, a member of the Library Board. Mrs. Craven, a personal friend of Mrs. Jacobs, recounted many happy memories of activities they had shared ever since they were small girls and as classmates, and pointed out that among Mrs. Jacobs' admirable traits, was her gift of friendship which was shared by many.

Delicious refreshments were served by a tea committee composed of Mesdames Robert Dickson, W. D. Lipscomb and Tom Spears, from a table featuring a white decor. An arrangement

of Angel Hair and white poinsettias centered with a ceramic madonna, with votive candles at each end, centered the dining table, which was laid with a white embroidered cloth. Canapes, cheese and meat dips with candies and cakes, mints and nuts were served, with coffee and hot spiced tea. Mrs. Spears was at the silver service.

Other house decorations included angels and a white ceramic tree in greenery, on tables in the living room, to create a "white Christmas" decor.

Those present included guests, Mrs. R. E. Campbell Jr., and Mr. Garst; members, Mesdames Edgar Lee and Douglas Meador and Miss Rachel Patton, the tea committee, those on the program and the hostess.

Task Force Created On Health Care

Governor Mark White, Lieutenant Governor Bill Hobby and Speaker Gib Lewis have created a statewide Task Force on Indigent Health Care. The Task Force has been charged with identifying indigent health care issues and developing recommendations.

The Task Force will concentrate on five areas when making recommendations to the 69th Legislature. These include: eligibility criteria for indigents; defining the scope of services; developing an administrative structure to implement a program; developing methods of finance; and proposing a pilot program for the fiscal years of 1985 and

1986.

To acquaint members of the Task Force with indigent health care problems in the Lubbock and Pannhandle area a public hearing will be held in Lubbock at the Lubbock Civic Center. The public hearing will begin at 2:00 p.m. on December 8 in rooms 108 and 109 at the Lubbock Civic Center.

The testimony will relate to issues of eligibility, services, administration and financing of indigent health care. The Task Force is seeking information on successful indigent health care programs as well as problems in the current system of providing services.

Old Fashioned Christmas Set At Roaring Springs

Old Fashion Christmas Day will be held at Roaring Springs Saturday, December 17, with drawings for prizes, specials at the stores, refreshments and a visit from Old Saint Nick himself.

City Cafe at Roaring Springs will be serving free coffee all day Saturday, December 17. Celebrating the holiday season with drawings will be Stafford Feed Store for a western shirt, Thacker Jewelry for a \$25 gift certificate (coupons at Thacker Supply), City Laundry for \$5 worth of laundry, Davis Super Service for 10 gallons of gas, Red Ball Gin for a \$25 gift certificate

redeemable at Thacker Supply (coupons at Thacker Supply), Thacker Supply for \$25 gift certificate, Dean's Food for a turkey, Lula Swim for \$10 in stamps and Harold Parks Trailer Sales for \$15 redeemable at Dean's Food. Each business will have their own box and coupons except Thacker's Jewelry and Red Ball Gin.

Santa Claus will be at the park in downtown Roaring Springs at 3:00, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, Santa will be at the depot. Come join us in our celebration of Christmas.

Arts And Crafts Club Has Recent Luncheon

The Motley County Arts and Crafts Club met Monday in the home of Mrs. Bobby Jameson for their annual covered dish Christmas luncheon. There were fifteen members present. Following the busi-

ness meeting the members exchanged gifts.

Everyone is reminded that the Arts and Crafts members are still selling chances for a quilt. The drawing will be held on December 24.

Support Your Local Businesses Shop At Home This Christmas

Merchants To Stay Open Late Here Friday Night

Some Matador merchants are again planning to remain open late on Friday for the convenience of area shoppers.

Anderson's Department Store, Bob Stanley Pharmacy and Matador Hardware will remain open until 8:00 p.m. Anderson's will open at 10:00 a.m. and remain open until 8:00 p.m. Stanley Pharmacy will open at the regular time and remain open until 8:00.

Store will open at the regular time Friday and remain open later than usual, although they may not remain open until 8:00 p.m.

Stanley Pharmacy will again be serving stew and nachos as well as their regular menu, and are planning to provide additional seating space for their patrons.

Everyone is urged to take advantage of various specials at the stores and help support the local merchants.

Matador Variety

Perspective

Guest Columns And Opinions

Greatest holiday gift—ourselves

By ANN BROWN

THE CHRISTMAS season to our pioneers was Christmas eve and Christmas day. Now it begins the day after Thanksgiving.

Do you think of Christmas with joy and anticipation? Or does the season fill you with dread of all the added work, expense, and responsibilities?

It probably depends on whether you do what you honestly feel will make you and your family happy, or you try to "conform" to what you think is expected of you.

Do you plan to spend money you do not have to buy

gifts for people who neither need nor want them? If you do, you will make no one happy.

Of all the times "it is more blessed to give than to receive," Christmas is surely the greatest. What is your most vital concern? Not what you will get for Christmas, but what you will give.

What is the most cherished gift we can possibly give our loved ones for Christmas? Ourselves.

Just to be alive, well, and present if possible, is the most priceless gift you can give the people who love you.

Did you know that Texas ranks second only to Califor-

nia in the number of deaths on the highway? Get yourself killed this December, and you forever ruin the season for your loved ones.

So the first item on your list might read: Be extra careful while driving. (And don't ride with any reckless or drunken drivers.) In sparing your family grief, you might also save several others in your path.

It is impossible to bring grief on yourself without spilling over on others. It is equally impossible to bring joy to others without sharing that joy.

One of the most generous people in our area is a nurse

with no family. She spends Christmas day in a nursing home trying to bring a little happiness to the patients who are without friends or family. She says she always has a happy day.

Earth's most precious treasures cannot be purchased with money: It will buy medicine but not health; food but not ability; luxuries but not love; a bed but not sleep; a house but not a home.

If you can be home this Christmas with family who love you—you are blessed indeed. If not, find some lonely people you can make happy, and share that happiness.

Social Security News

By Terry J. Clements

People who failed to sign up for the medical insurance part of Medicare or who once had this protection but dropped it will have a chance to get this protection during the 1984 general enrollment period, January through March.

The medical insurance part of Medicare helps pay for doctor bills, out-patient hospital services, and many other medical items and services not covered under hospital insurance.

Protection for people who sign up during the general enrollment period will start July 1, 1984.

Medical insurance is financed by premiums

paid by those enrolled and the Federal general revenue. Currently, the Federal Government pays about three-fourths of the cost.

People who sign up during a general enrollment period may pay a higher premium. This is because the premium is increased by 10 percent for each full year a person could have had this protection but did not.

If you have a question concerning the general enrollment period contact our office by calling 293-4371. If you need to visit our office our address is 1401-B West 5th Street in Plainview.

Library Notes

By Beverly Darsey
Librarian

Children's Christmas movies will be shown Saturday, December 17, in the library's film room at 10:00 a.m. Bring a friend, and come to see **The Christmas Messenger** and **Santa's Toys**.

For the convenience of patrons in the Flomot area, a book return box is now located in the Flomot Cash Grocery. Books will be transported to the library bi-weekly.

We appreciate the recent gifts to the library in memory of David "Dusty" Burleson given by the Butch Renfro family, and in memory of Clay Hart given by Marisue Potts. We thank Virginia

Hoyle, Marisue Potts and Joan Patton for their volunteer services to the library last week.

We also thank Ray Zabielski for his donation of computer supplies.

Please note: The library will be closed December 24 through January 2. No books will have due dates during this period.

New arrivals: Getting Up and Down: Saving Strokes From Forty Yards and In by Tom Watson; The Westmacott-Christie Reader by Agatha Christie; and Giving Time A chance: The Secret of a Lasting Marriage by Ronna Romney.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir:

Last year in October I returned to Matador for our 40th Anniversary high school reunion. Seventeen of the 32 graduates were there. I had a great time, because I had not seen several of the group since I graduated in 1942.

My family used to come to Matador every year or two as long as my mother Velma Fulfer lived, but she died last September, so I guess I will not be returning as often as before. But my roots are still in Matador, and I love the people of Matador, and consider them among some of the dearest people in the world.

I am presently the pastor of First Baptist

Church of Pacheco, Calif., where I have been for about three years, after having been pastor at First Southern Baptist Church, La Puente, Ca for sixteen years in Southern California.

I enjoy receiving the Matador Tribune. It helps me to keep up with what is going on in my home town. Ben and Lila Meador were our dear friends. I thought the paper might not be so good after they were out of the picture. But you have done a great job. I especially like your editorials and some of the guest editorials you put in the paper. And, of course, keeping up with all of the people is what it is all about.

Sincerely,
Norris W. Fulfer

Letters To Santa

Dear Santa Claus, I have been a pretty good boy this year.

Please bring me a Man on a Motorcycle, a Farm Set, a Lego Set, and a clock for my room.

I will leave you some cookies and milk in the kitchen.

Love,
Bert Darsey
Rt. 1, Box 42
Roaring Springs
December 9, 1983

girl this year. What I want for Christmas is a Cabbage Patch Kid, tape player, Shelly West tape, Tanya Bucker tape, Crystal Gale tape.

Love,
Robin Long

Dear Santa Claus, How are you? I am fine. Dane and I have been good boys. Please bring us some new felt hats. Dane wants a Western Town. I would like a GI Joe and a Big Foot.

We left you some milk and cookies on the table.

We love you,
Dowell and Dane

Mr. S. Claus,
North Pole
Santa's Workshop

Dear Santa,
I have been a good

Ask For Credentials Of IRS Representative

Persons posing as employees of the Internal Revenue Service occasionally attempt to harass taxpayers or to collect money for what the imposter claims are unpaid taxes, the IRS says.

The IRS advises that taxpayers should request to see the credentials of any individual claiming to represent the IRS. Any IRS employee who makes contact with the

public is required to carry distinctive identification and must show this when conducting official business. Also, usually taxpayers who owe money to the IRS will receive written notification before being contacted in person.

Taxpayers who doubt the validity of the credentials offered can verify the person's employment by contacting the nearest IRS office.

*Mr. and Mrs. Danny L. Davis
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter*

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to
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Instant Household Hints

By
Catherine Henderson

1) To remove spots from rugs, try foamy shave cream. It is ready for instant use and often dryer and more effective than foamed whipped liquid or powdered detergent.

2) Now winter is almost here, people are beginning to have colds, try to rid yourself of a cold within 10 days. A cold sometimes affects the ovaries. If it continues it will go into T.B.

If a person has a cold and uses your telephone, goes in and out of your doors, mix one part Clorox and 8 parts water. Wash the telephone and also

doorknobs, unless doorknobs are silver.

3) Store eggs with broad end up. Eggs are less likely to get broken. Beat egg whites at room temperature. Egg yoke should be removed while eggs are cold. The egg shell has pores like a person's skin.

Please remember two cells united is the beginning of a human being. Do not destroy. If defective the body will throw the cells off, like an oak tree removes the leaves. If you abort it effects your body in different ways. In 18 days there is blood flowing through the tiny cells.

Lunchroom Menu

December 19-23

MONDAY

Breakfast- Grape juice, Cereal, Toast, ½ pt. Milk.

Lunch- Bar-B-Q Hot Dogs, Seasoned Corn, Green Beans, Roll Butter, Syrup, ½ pt. Milk.

TUESDAY

Breakfast- Apple Juice, Sausage, Waffle, Syrup, ½ pt. Milk.

Lunch- Hamburger

w/ Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles, Onions, Tots or Fries, Pudding, ½ pt. Milk.

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast- Fruit Juice, Cereal, Toast, ½ pt. Milk.

Lunch- Sandwich, Chips, Green Salad, Fruit, ½ pt. Milk.

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SPRUCE-BALSAM-FIR-SCOTCH PINE

Merry Christmas From Roaring Springs

Last Friday night when the Christmas lights were turned on, a feeling of pride and a sense of accomplishment was evident. The spirit of Christmas and community cooperation was shown again during the past month by the citizens of

Roaring Springs. In January of this year members of the Predicta Study Club made plans to build a Christmas sign to decorate the Roaring Springs Depot and continue their annual project of decorating the town for the holiday

season. Members saved one pound coffee cans, and with participation of local citizens, friends and relatives, they collected enough, and the work began on a Merry Christmas sign.

There was planning, drawing, sawing, painting, welding, drilling, assembling, raising, mounting and adjusting problems to be completed. Everyone donated their time and efforts free of charge.

Mrs. Buzz Thacker, chairman of the project, assisted by Mrs. Ted Sedgwick and Mrs. H. C. Smith, said it could

never have been accomplished without the combined efforts of everyone, and on the behalf of all members of the Predicta Study Club, we would like to say "Thank You To All."

The project would never have been completed without the engineering and consulting help donated by Buzz Thacker, Caldwell Smith, Kenneth Marshall, Joe Meredith and Ken Marvel. These men helped blueprint and begin the construction. Carl Barton did the electrical work and Elmer Parks built the frame.

Many other necessary

steps were completed by Luther Moore, Tom and Jeanie Adams, Joey and Jeff Thacker, Joe Vasquez and Vininti Saenz, Elmer and Mavis Parks, Don and Rae Baxter, Kelly Keltz and Wendell Wilkins, Charlie Long, Roy Hernandez, Tim Brooks, Gary Simpson, John Christopher, Kenny Rose and J. D. Palmer.

Thanks to the businesses who loaned their employees to us. They were Red Ball Gin, Thacker Supply Co., Thacker Jewelry, and Baxter Well Service. Our thanks to one and all -- and to all Merry Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Marshall were recent visitors in the home of their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Futrell and daughters Tara, Tammy and Traci of Lubbock. Mr. Futrell has satisfactorily recovered from a species of flu, for which he was hospitalized for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Palk Cooper shopped in Crosbyton Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Jeanie Adams drove the Senior Citizen Members to Crosbyton Wednesday. Mrs. Rose Wicher, the regular driver, is incapacitated by a heart attack.

Miss Lula Swim visited

her maternal aunts, Mesdames Viola Robinson and Beulah Underwood, and her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Van Camp in Amarillo Saturday.

Miss Swim took Mrs. Roxie Lewis to the home of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Stephenson, who lives near Miss Swim's aunts, and the sisters attended the Golden Wedding Celebration of their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Sibley, at Estacado Estates Community Center, hosted by their two daughters and their families, Saturday afternoon. The H.E. Sibleys are frequent visitors in Mrs. Lewis's home here.

John Peacock of Plainview spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B.L. Peacock. Mr. Peacock went to Plainview to get John Friday afternoon and returned him Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Margie Oldham of Lufkin was a weekend visitor in the home of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Dye; the sisters were joined for lunch Sunday by Mrs. Dye's daughter Mrs. Rollie McNutt, Mr. McNutt, R.A. and Ben.

Ted and Anthony Kingery of Silverton paid a belated birthday visit to their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Eliza Kingery Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mullins, Dene and Deana of Plainview spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Mullins. Joining them for lunch Sunday were local residents Bessie Saulcy, Allie Lawrence and Bess Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Spraberry of Earth spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Alma Spraberry.

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Mitchell were accompanied by their granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gossett of Palavera, N.M. on Wednesday of last week, to Granbury where they visited in the Clyde Willows home for the Holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell also visited her sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Les Kingery of Tolar and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kingery in Grand Prairie.

Dan Mitchell of Lubbock visited in the J.D. Mitchell home on Saturday.

Shower Is Courtesy For Recent Bride

A miscellaneous shower honoring Mrs. Troy Smallwood, the former Merritt Simpson, was given Saturday, December 10 in the reception room at Summit Savings and Loan. Guests called from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and were registered by Mrs. Givens Lawrence.

Hostesses for the courtesy in addition to Mrs. Lawrence were Mesdames Joe Smith, Billy Ray Slover, Clifford Martin, L. B. Campbell, James Taylor, H. A. Stephens, Dean Turner, Bennie Keltz, Carter Luckett, J. B. Cooper, Don Martin, Pete Williams and H. R. Jameson.

Mesdames Smith and Luckett presided at the silver tea and coffee service. The table and decorations featured Christmas holiday colors.

The table was laid with a white linen cloth and centered with green candles encircled with greenery and silk Christmas balls. White napkins imprinted in silver with Merritt and Troy completed the lovely decor. Decorated cookies, mints and nuts were served with spiced tea and coffee.

Red carnation corsages were presented to Mrs. Smallwood, her mother, Mrs. Gid Simpson and mother-in-law, Mrs. Bill Smallwood. The hostess gift was a bedspread.

Miss Merritt Simpson and Troy Smallwood exchanged marriage vows Monday, November 14 in Floydada. They are residing in Matador. Mr. Smallwood farms land in Motley and Floyd counties.

Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

L. D. Bilberry suffered fractured ribs Sunday morning when he fell in his bathtub at his home in Flomot. He received medical treatment at the General Hospital in Lockney.

Mr. and Mrs. Bilberry returned to their home in Flomot, Wednesday after living the past year at the Ralph Stapleton farm, northwest of Whiteflat. Their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Speer visited them Sunday.

Wade Martin returned home from Lockney, Wednesday where he had been a

patient in General Hospital. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Martin overnight Friday and Saturday were Mrs. Ervin Merritt and granddaughter, Aimee of Plainview. Other visitors, Saturday were Mrs. Allie Hart and Mrs. France Barton of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rhodes, Rickey and Russell of Amarillo visited the week end with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Shorter and Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter, Cindy, Christi and Keri.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Clary of Tulia visited Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Harley Gunn.

Friendship Coffee Sets Stage For Holiday Season

Mrs. Nell Clem, Matador Postmaster, with her mother, Mrs. Imogene Taylor of Portales, New Mexico, and her daughter, Mrs. Gary Weeks (Cathy) of Silverton were hostesses at a Friendship Coffee, Dec. 5, at the Summit Savings Association Community Room, which set the stage locally for the holiday season.

Entertaining the guests was two-year-old Lindsey Weeks.

Guests called from

9:30 a.m. until noon and were served coffee and hot spiced tea with an array of canapes, cakes, cookies, candy and nuts, from a colorful refreshment table.

A large red candle in a hurricane lamp, surrounded by poinsettias centered the table, which was laid with a red Christmas cloth. A decorated tree at the entrance, further accented the holiday motif and inspired the Christmas spirit.

The custom of "knocking on wood" began because people hoped the noise would prevent evil spirits from hearing about their good luck and taking it away from them.

SPECIAL GIFTS for those Special Someone

Shop Late Friday Night At Matador Variety

Come In Friday And Take Advantage Of Our In Store Specials
Matador Variety

Roaring Springs News By Odessa Mullins

Lions To Sponsor Lighting Contest

The Matador Lions Club will again sponsor their annual Christmas Lighting Contest for residences and businesses.

The judging for the contest will be sometime during the week of December 19.

The first place winner for the best decorated residence will receive \$30.00 and \$20.00 will be given for the second place residence.

The first and second

place business winners will each receive a plaque.

The Lions Club has sponsored the Christmas Lighting Contest for a number of years and invites anyone who would like to enter to have their decorations up and their lights turned on December 19 through December 24, as the judges will make their decisions sometime during the week.

The small letter "a" first appeared during the fourth century. It was a rounded letter used in place of a capital. By about 1500 it was seen in its present shape.



It is said that Andrew Carnegie, one of the richest Americans ever, was offended by the sight and touch of money and never carried any.

THACKER JEWELRY

Roaring Springs

Christmas Specials

	RETAIL	COST
7 inch 14 K Solid Rope Bracelet	\$80.	\$26.95
24 inch 14 K Solid Rope Necklace	\$250.	\$91.95
2 Diamond .43 Ct. Studs	\$1,180.	\$413.00
.46 Ct. Diamond Drop	\$1,420.	\$497.00
19 Diamond 1/2 Ct. Dinner Ring	\$1,260.	\$441.00
20 Diamond 1.71 Ct. Dinner Ring	\$4,500.	\$1,575.00
35 Diamond 3.28 Ct. Dinner Ring	\$10,320.	\$3,612.00

Twister Necklaces

	RETAIL	COST
Fossil Beads	\$8.00	\$4.00
Mother of Pearl	\$12.00	\$6.00
Amethyst	\$24.00	\$12.00
Agate	\$24.00	\$12.00

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County Agent's Corner

By Ray Minkley

COTTON SHOW
Last week's cotton show in Abilene was termed a success by those attending. A fairly good crowd attended and there were ample entries in the show and poster contest.
The two entries in the cotton show by Motley County residents did very well. Joe Edd Helms tied for 5th in over all scoring with an 88 out of 100 possible points. This was only 3 points behind the winner. Caldwell Smith's entry was in the top 16 with a score of 85. There were 180 entries in the contest. The winner received one ton of planting seed. Congratulations to both of these producers.
An entry was also made in the poster contest by Motley County 4-H'er Lacey Parks. There were about 100 entries in her age division.
A style show was presented as part of the luncheon program. It consisted of cotton and cottonblend clothes and the many materials that

and the uses in modern fashion. It was noted that cotton is now increasing its share of the fashion market but is a slow process competing with cheaper man made fibers.
Educational sessions were available all day on many phases of cotton production.
The day was ended with a Key note address by Nick Hahn, President of Cotton Incorporated. He cited the progress cotton had made in the market place since 1975, and what Cotton

Incorporated had done and can do to keep increasing demand for cotton using, research, testing, and advertising. He also noted that one company that produces man made fiber spends \$20 million in advertising. Cotton Inc. has only \$5 million to spend on advertising. He encourages producers and agribusinesses to support the self help organization.
I hope to have additional entries in the second annual Rolling Plains Cotton Show.



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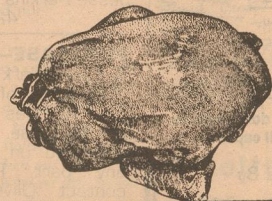
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