



**MOUTH FULL OF FIRE** — Although it appeared to be gnawing on an electric fence, this coyote was found dead in this position on his Floyd County farm by Wyatt McLaughlin. The animal apparently was either running with its mouth open when it reached the "extremely hot" fence or was stunned by the blow and snapped at the wire. Regardless, it was a fatal mistake. — Photo by Wyatt McLaughlin

## West Texas Opry To Be Held January 14

Tickets for the next West Texas Opry, set for 8:00 p.m., Jan. 14, at its original location in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium, are now on sale at Luskey's Western Wear.

The lineup for the show includes many of the Opry regulars and several new faces on the Opry stage, according to producer Cecil Caldwell, a member of the Opry cast since its beginning.

Appearing on the Opry stage on the second Saturday in January along with Caldwell will

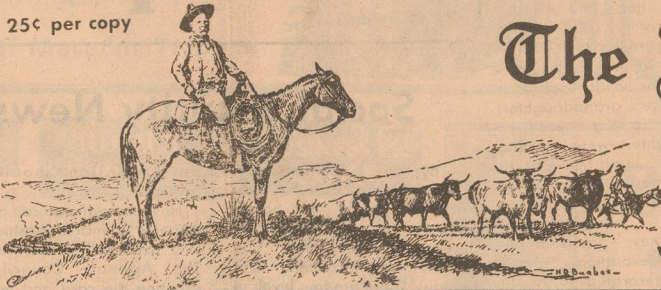
be Rex Thomas, Tommie Anderson, Gail Veach, Albert Mendoza, Don Caldwell and Travis Ware.

Also appearing will be the Bill Raines Bluegrass Band, Debbie Eaton, Tracey Brasell, Richie McDonald, Lloyd Watts, Ricky Turpin and the Lynn Daniel Opry State Band.

All reserved seat tickets are \$5 and also will be on sale at the door the night of the Opry.

For further information call Maxine Caldwell at 806-793-5848.

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### Post Scripts



Due to bad weather and the holidays the Christmas Musical of the Methodist children was postponed until Sunday, January 8.

The Musical will be performed at 6 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Matador.

The First United Methodist Church and Parsonage in Matador has a new telephone number. The new number to call is 347-2727. The pastor of the church is Rev. Eddie Marcum.

Mrs. L. L. Lynn attended graduation exercises at Texas Tech University on December 16 for her granddaughter Connie Lynn of Childress. Mrs. Lynn accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Lynn to Lubbock for the graduation.

Visiting Mrs. L. L. Lynn during the Christmas holidays were several members of her family. They were Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lynn of Dumas, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Lynn, Connie and Michelle of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Caldwell and Lacy Guthrie, Mrs. Gene Jolley (Daphene) and Steven of Dalhart and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Noland, Aaron and Jennifer of Floydada.

## Senate Candidate Challenges Opponents To Debate

Democratic Senate Candidate Kent Hance has challenged his two chief rivals to a series of televised debates throughout Texas.

"It's time for the voters of Texas to see first hand, just how sharp the contrasts are between me and my opponents," Hance said.

When he issued his debate challenge, Hance noted that the Federal Communications Commission recently relaxed its equal time requirements for political campaigns. In the past, a third party has had to sponsor a debate in order for broadcasters to cover it as a "bona fide news event," and be exempt from equal time provisions of the Communications Act of 1934. The Hance campaign has invited every television station in Texas to provide time for a debate.

Hance said he hopes Texas broadcasters take advantage of these new provisions designed to provide greater flexibility in their news programming and to promote the political education of viewers and listeners.

"The FCC ruling will be good news for the voters, if my opponents will agree to debate," Hance said.

"I know why I'm in this race," said the Lubbock Democrat. "I want to take a Texas vision for America's future to the United States Senate."

"That means holding the line on government spending and taxes and a recognition that here in Texas, hard work, independence, courage, and

ingenuity still count for something."

But Hance said, "It is also a vision that includes equal opportunities for all Americans, and the need for government programs to help those people who cannot help themselves."

"I know why I'm running for the Senate," Hance said, "but I'm not sure about the other two candidates, and I bet the voters of Texas aren't either." A debate, Hance said, "would allow voters to make an

informed choice, on the issues and the candidates."

The Hance campaign also announced today that Walter Mischer of Houston, and Rick Strauss of Dallas have agreed to be State Finance Co-Chairmen.

Hischer is Chairman of the Board of Allied Bancshares, and Chief Executive Officer of the Mischer Corporation of Houston.

Strauss is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Realty Development Corporation of Dallas.

## Savings Bond Sales Up 20% In Texas

Sales of U.S. Savings Bonds during the period January through September 1983 in Texas amounted to \$202,122,865, an increase of 28.5% over the same period a year ago, John W. Dixon, Chairman of the Board and CEO of E-Systems, Inc. in Dallas and Volunteer State Chairman for Texas, announced today. These sales represent 90.0% of the state's 1983 assigned dollar goal of \$224,700,000.

Sales of Series EE Bonds were \$1,300 during September 1983, for a total of \$14,146 for the first nine-months of 1983 in Motley County, John Barnhill, Volunteer County Chairman, said. These sales represent 40 percent of the County's 1983 assigned dollar goal.

Nationally, September 1983 sales of Series EE Bonds amounted to \$315 million, up 22% over September 1982, making a nine-month total of \$3.06 billion, an increase of 32%. Savings Bonds held by the public amounted to \$70.6 billion

as of September 30, an increase of \$272 million for the month.

According to County Chairman Barnhill, the U.S. Treasury Department has announced a market-based interest rate of 9.38 percent for the first semiannual interest period of Series EE Bonds issued between November 1, 1983 and April 30, 1984. This is the third semiannual rate to take effect since the market-based, variable rates were introduced a year ago.

The combined market-based rates -- 11.09% from November 1982 to April 1983; 8.65% from May to October 1983 and this latest one of 9.38% for November 1, 1983 to April 30, 1984 -- make the average yield 9.70 percent for the three periods. Older Series EE and E Bonds and U.S. Savings Notes also receive the variable rate; however, all Bonds must be held at least five years from their date of purchase or November 1, 1982 (whichever is later) to receive these rates.



**NEW KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS** -- Motley County students who started to Kindergarten for the first time Tuesday are (top picture back row, left to right) Joseph Martin, Veronica Gonzalez, La Tisha Griffin, Bradley Thacker, Kevin Keltz. Front row top photo (L to R) Laurie Hoyle, Jody Boykin, Lee Jones, Elizabeth Martin, Beth Bingham, Lindsey Williams and Holly Tippin. In picture 2 back row (L to R) are Manuel Sanchez, Cara Franks, Lanie Barton and Luke Richards. In front row (L to R) Stephanie Knight, Quintin Brandon, Leigh Ann Pipkin, Kyle Brandon and Lawrence Bowden. The Kindergarten teacher is Mrs. Larry Hoyle.

## Christmas Visitors

Spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Russell were their children: John Douglas from Texas Tech; Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hicks and children, Kevin, Jason and Lara of Kermit; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Roy and children, Emily, Matthew and Luke of Tyler; and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Perkins, Jeremy and Jessica of Snyder. Also, Mrs. Russell's mother, Mrs. Meddie McElroy of Crosbyton, and for Christmas dinner, Mr. Russell's mother, Mrs. Olive Russell and his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mantoath of Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craven, with their families spent Christmas here, and included Mr. and Mrs. Bill Harrison and Kyle of Brownfield; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Green and Angie of Tahoka; also Tracey from Sul Ross College, Alpine, and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Green of Lubbock; Mrs. Richard (Patti) Hamilton from Eagle River, Alaska. Also a granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Berry and children, Casey and

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**LIGHTING CONTEST WINNERS** -- Winners in the Lions Club Christmas Lighting Contest were presented plaques for the business winners and checks for the residential winners at the Lions Club meeting Tuesday in First United Methodist Church. The winners are (L to R) Mickey Bostick 1st place residential, Louise Robbins, accepting for Matador Variety Store, 1st place business, Pennie Keltz for Matador Floral 2nd place business and Margaret Stanley, 2nd place residential. At far right is Boss Lion Gerald Pipkin who made the presentations.

# In the Rough

By Hazel



## Christmas Coffees Held

Holiday festivities started on Thursday, December 15. Lucretia and Olivia entertained the golfers with a morning coffee in Lucretia's ideal home. Green and white colors were used in the beautiful decorations -- from the front door throughout the house to the back door.

The tree had all green and white decorations and the packages underneath the tree were wrapped in green and white.

Coffee and hot punch served with a variety of tasty canapes and candies. One unusual tidbit was ham pieces in a pastry. The affair was most enjoyable on a cold morning.

Frances Moss was hostess to friends, Saturday morning December 17 at her spacious ranch home. She presented an enchanting appearance, as she greeted her guests, attired in a green velvet skirt with a red blouse.

Her lovely home was beautifully decorated -- Frances' artistic flair was much in evidence. The focal point on the bar was a pecan tree -- some 20 years (or more) old. She had created and made it. Also a fabric Christmas tree on a coffee table.

Mamy unusual hand made ornaments on the tree (Your reporter didn't get to stay long enough to note more things).

Lillian and La Voe presided at the silver punch and coffee services. Many delicious hors d'ouvers, canapes and candies were served.

Over the snow, Tuesday

morning, December 20 to La Voe's for hers and Lillian's annual Christmas coffee. Lillian and La Voe greeted their guests -- wearing lame pants suits -- adding to the holiday look. Julie Smith (Joyce's granddaughter) and Blair (La Voe's youngest granddaughter) were assisting the hostesses in attractive frocks and Christmas corsages.

There was a kissing ball of red nylon net -- borrowed from Freda Keahey -- used in the interesting decorations. From a tastefully decorated table an assortment of tid-bits, hors d'ouvers, cake and candies were arranged. The chicken wings were delicious. There was a Wassail bowl and coffee.

Friday morning, December 23 Hazel was hostess to the same "ole coffee as usual" annual holiday affair in icy, snowy weather. New ornaments on the tree were inspected and admired as well as the old ones.

Hot punch and coffee served along with various breads, cheese balls, party mix, cookies and candies. By special request, Hazel showed her "crazy patchwork embroidered quilt" designed and created by her with many different and various stitches and finished with green velvet ining and ruffle.

### 1925 Club Entertained

Hazel had a Christmas luncheon Saturday, December 31 for this club. Attending were Lillian Thacker, Emma Miller, Lillie Barkley, Bertha Stearns, Opal Pipkin, Winifred Parsey and Myrnavae Baumgardner of Lubbock. After delicious lunch, bridge was enjoyed. Lillie made high score, Bertha second high, Lillian had low and Opal won Bingo.

# Perspective

Guest Columns  
And Opinions

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## Social Security News

By Terry J. Clements

Appeal rights exist for most decisions made on Social Security or Supplemental Security Income claims and matters involving continuation of benefits. There are four levels of appeal available to a claimant or beneficiary who disagrees with a determination made by Social Security Administration. They are: reconsideration, hearing, appeals council review and litigation. It is important to note that there is a 60 day time limit for filing requests at each appeal level.

The reconsideration stage calls for a review by an SSA official who had no role in arriving at the determination being contested. However, a new feature is being added for persons whose Social Security benefits are being stopped due to medical recovery. In addition to the independent review, these individuals also have the right to a face to face hearing with an official who has the authority to change the final decision. This special feature addresses the concern of many that an "in person" conference was not available until the 2nd stage of the appeals process.

The hearing level of appeal allows the dissatisfied claimant to appear before an Administrative Law Judge. At that time additional information, evidence or witnesses can be introduced to support the individual's position on why the

determination should be favorable.

Next, the claimant can ask the Appeals Council in Washington, D.C., to formally review the case. The Appeals Council will examine the case and has the option to either grant or deny the request for review.

Finally, the individual can file a Civil Suit in District Court and ask the court to review the final decision of the Social Security Administration.

If you have a question concerning the appeal process please call us at 293-4371. If you need to visit our office our address is 1401-B West 5th Street in Plainview.

Tanner of Denver City.

The John V. Stevens home was the scene of a family Christmas gathering of their children and grandchildren. The group included Mr. and Mrs. Mike Patterson, Michael and Megan, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Cox, Ron and Shawn, all of Bryan, and local residents, Mr. and Mrs. Vann Francis, Pam from Texas Tech and Rob from Clarendon College, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones and children, Lisa and Lee, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stevens and daughter, Ashley.

Visiting here since mid-December with Mrs. Lillie Barkley have been her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell

Barkley and daughters, Tanya and Llan of Jakarta, Indonesia. Joining them here for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Haynes Baumgardner of Lubbock and their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jan Baumgardner, Brandy and Brake of De Sota. The family group included also, Mr. Barkley's daughter and family who live here, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gray and son, Johnny.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelton Hendrix and family of Jacksonville visited here during the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Thacker, as they were en route home from a skiing vacation in Eagle Nest, N.M. Their seven children are Adam, Penny, Mandy, Annisa, Meg, Patrick and Cara. Mrs. Hendrix is the former Clyda Middlebrooks, whose mother, Marcia Gilbert was reared here.

Mrs. Frances Craven of Abilene, and her son, John of Washington, D.C. visited here during the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craven.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCallie and sons, Trey, Tony and Charles spent Friday night, Dec. 23, but returned to their home at Boys Ranch Christmas Eve.

## CHRISTMAS VISITORS

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## Instant Household Hints

By Catherine Henderson

1. About 9:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., open your front door and air your house out for at least ten minutes to remove carbon monoxide and let in fresh oxygen.

2. Through the winter if your car or house door key hole is frozen over, turn on your lighter over the key hole and remove the ice. Then turn the lighter on the key until the key is hot. Insert key and open the door. Wear gloves to prevent burning your

hand.

When first time guests are invited to your home at night, use a green light bulb in the front porch light or door entrance. Tell the guests about the green light before-hand. They will be able to spot your house a block away.

4. When you awake, remember we people are no larger than a tiny, tiny grain of sand and we all know God has the whole wide world in His hands.

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# Roaring Springs News

By Odessa Mullins



Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Fulkerson

## Anniversary Observed By Former Residents

Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Fulkerson of 4823 45th Street, Lubbock, were honored December 18 with a reception at the Highland Baptist Church Activity Center in Lubbock, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Hosts for the event were their son, Gerald Fulkerson of Lubbock, and their daughter, Mrs. James Miller of Robert Lee, the former Nola Lee Fulkerson.

Nolan Fulkerson and the former Opal Lee Tipton were married December 17, 1933 at the parsonage of the First Baptist Church in Matador, with the Rev. A. L. Jordan officiating. They have four grandchildren: David Aaron and Cara Lee McCaleb of Robert Lee, and Toby Scott and Justin Bradley Fulkerson of Lubbock, all of whom participated in the anniversary activities.

Mrs. Fulkerson's dress for the occasion was a long, wisteria, sheer gown fashioned with ruffles at the wrists and neck, and covered buttons to the waist.

The reception hall featured a Christmas and golden decor in keeping with the occasion. Garlands and a large, lighted Christmas wreath over the fireplace mantel framed a pair of praying hands. To the left of the fireplace was a lighted tree which formed the background for two gold easels on which were displayed pictures of the couple on their anniversaries, dating back to the year of their marriage, and also pictures of the couple when each was five years old, and when they graduated from high school, Mrs. Fulkerson from Caruthersville (Mo.) High School and her husband from Matador High School.

Other decorations included a large 50th anniversary floral arrangement of gold and red mums, and a gold arrangement and basket trimmed in gold, which held ornamental gold

balls, on tables about the room.

The registration table, to the right of the fireplace, was draped with a white damask cloth and held a floral arrangement of gold spider mums, a gift from Mr. Fulkerson's nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Fulkerson of Wylie, and a gold epergne, the gift of Mr. and Mrs. Don Finkner of Lubbock, Mr. Fulkerson's cousin and her husband. The epergne held scrolls that were given to each person who registered in the 50th anniversary album, a gift from Mrs. Fulkerson's sisters, Mrs. Douglas Meador and Mrs. Jack Crider, Presiding at the registration table were the couple's granddaughter, Cara Lee McCaleb, and a great niece, Christi Watters of Odessa.

Crystal and gold appointments decorated the refreshment table, which was draped with a white damask cloth. A white iced cake, decorated with roses of gold colored confection, placed on a crystal base, served as the centerpiece. A crystal punch bowl and gold coffee urn complemented the arrangement. Presiding at the table were nieces of the Fulkersons: Mrs. Dale Watters, Odessa, at the punch service; Mrs. Ken (DOnna) Kirkland also of Odessa, at the coffee urn, and Mrs. Eddie Hepting Jr., of Harvey, La., who served the ake. Others who assisted were Mrs. Robye Baker of Lubbock, and Mrs. Crider.

Background stereo music was played during the reception, from 2 to 4 o'clock and included popular selections from the eras of 1910 and 1919, the 1920's and 1930's, and also favorite Christmas music. The couples' grandson, Aaron McCaleb tended the stereo.

Messrs. James Miller, Eddie Hepting and Jack Crider were other family members present for the celebration.

Bess Ferguson was dismissed from Central Plains Hospital, Plainview, Friday after a week's hospitalization for a severe bronchial infection. Mr. and Mrs. John O. Meason, former longtime Roaring Springs residents, and now of Plainview accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Marshall had Christmas dinner with their daughter, Mrs. Rick Futrell, Mr. Futrell and their three daughters, Tara, Tammy, and Traci in Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Polk Cooper drove to Lubbock Christmas Day to the home of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Cooper, who hosted a gathering of the Cooper family. Mr. and Mrs. Orval Doak of Portales, N.M. and Knox Village, Lubbock and Willis Cooper of Lubbock were also guests.

M. D. Freeman spent several days and nights recently in Floydada to be with Mrs. Freeman who is a resident of the Floydada Nursing Home. He was there for the Christmas party held Thursday, December 22 at the home.

Billy Joe Dillard explained at Lubbock Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with his family in the Oklahoma City area. Tommy Wilson accompanied Mr. Dillard to the airport.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Palmer and children visited Christmas Day in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Palmer. Miss Jennifer Palmer of Lubbock was a holiday guest of her grandparents.

Mrs. Marian Burt, longtime resident of this area, moved to Texas City to make her home. She has relatives in that area, including one sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Skidmore and two children of Shallowater and Mrs. Kelly Harmon of Lubbock visited their grandmother, Mrs. Polk Cooper and Mr. Cooper Christmas Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Miller visited recently in Spur with his sister, Mrs. Pearl Costelow.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Moore during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Kerry Moore and son of Odessa; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hall and son Buddy and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Selman and daughters Didget and Tiffey, all of Big Spring. Mr. and Mrs. Moore and their guests were joined by local residents, Mrs. I. W. Lefevre and her daughter, Miss Sheila Lefevre.

Spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Carol Pierce were their children and grandchildren Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pierce of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pierce and Christi of Roaring Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis White, Dustin and Kandi of Plainview; Melinda Brawner of Lubbock; Leslie Nillson of Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Patti Menefee of Plano; Sherilyn Warden of Lubbock; Chris Christensen of Lubbock; and Naomi Huddleston of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Thacker of Corpus Christi spent the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. M. S. Thacker and other relatives and friends.

Beginning Friday afternoon through Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Mullins had as holiday houseguests Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mullins, Brandy and Mikale of Midland; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Mullins and Eddy of Hereford. Christmas day they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mullins, Dene and Deana of Plainview. On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Doug Darrow, April and Justin and Mrs. Dorothy Darrow of Shamrock; Ross Odell of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rivenbark and Kelly Odell and Mr. and Mrs. Todd Mullins of Lubbock joined the group. Also visiting were local residents Bessie Saulcy and Allie Lawrence.

New Year's guests of Bessie Saulcy and Allie Lawrence were Ted and Reta Alsop of Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rivenbark

of Lubbock and local residents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Mullins and Bess Ferguson. Lena Cook visited with them on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Mullins visited Saturday in Lubbock with his mother Gracie Mullins and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Roller. They were joined there by Pat Mullins, Billie Rivenbark, Kelly Odell of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Vester Roller of Plainview.

Among the visitors joining M. D. Freeman to visit Mrs. Freeman in the Floydada Nursing Home during the holidays was their son, Earl Freeman of Odessa, his daughter, Carlotta, her husband, John, and their baby. They visited there Monday, December 26.

Mrs. Selma Meyer of Quitaque was a New Year's Eve visitor in the home of her

longtime friend, Mrs. Roxie Lewis.

Mrs. J. T. Swim accompanied Mrs. Zona Ruth Cammack to Abilene to visit their children, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Swim, Edward and Emily. They went Monday and came home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewell Lawrence of Mineral Wells were in the area to attend funeral services for his brother-in-law, Luther Lancaster. They visited Mrs. Lawrence's mother, Mrs. Lois Green until Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Polk Cooper met his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Doak of Knox Village, Lubbock, in Dickens for lunch New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Fletcher and Darla hosted the annual family get-together of the descendants of the late Herman

and Ruth Marshall of Roaring Springs and Matador on New Year's Day.

Those present included Mrs. Hattie Marshall, sister-in-law of the Herman Marshalls; Olan and Letty Cooper, Morton; Lawrence and Ella Marshall and Virgie Clower, all of Plainview; Tressia Warren of Lubbock; Darwin and Donna Marshall of Guthrie; Don and Pat Warren, Donna Kay and Joe Don, Matador; Kim, Dusty and Kevin and Mrs. Neva Smith, also of Matador; Tracy Jackson, Levelland; Gary Marshall, Lawton, Okla.; Curt and Jeanie Marshall, Plainview; Dwight Clower, Clovis; Dahl and Delores Clower and son Deran, Amarillo; Buck and Bessie Mae Marshall, local residents. Mrs. Minnie Dye, local resident came by to visit with the family.

## Local News

Burrell Tipton of Dayton, Tex., left Friday to return home after spending the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Douglas Meador, here, and with his other sisters and their husbands, Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Fulkerson, Lubbock, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Crider, Odessa. He came to accompany Mrs. Meador to the Fulkersons' anniversary celebration, but due to the ice storm that week end, they were unable to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Watson and sons, Chris and Darren of Casper, Wyoming, spent the holidays visiting here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Watson, and in Afton with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bunch Williams, and with her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hamilton of Eagle River, Alaska were holiday visitors here with

their parents, Mrs. John Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Craven and with other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Russell of Hale Center, and Mr. and Mrs. James Ed Russell visited on Sunday, Dec. 18 with Mrs. Eddie Russell, mother of the gentlemen.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Clifton and children, Jamia and Landy of Miami, Tex., visited during the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Briscoe, and her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Warren, and also in Roaring Springs with Mr. Clifton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Clifton.

Mrs. John Hamilton spent Christmas holidays in San Saba, with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carter and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mantoath of Cape Girardeau, Mo., visited during the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Olive Russell, and

with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Neighbors spent Christmas holidays with their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Rudder of Hereford.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fulkerson of Odessa visited here during the week end as they were enroute to Quitaque for a visit with her sister and family.

Leroy Scott of Lubbock, the son-in-law of Elgie Evans came to Matador the Saturday before Christmas to pick up Mrs. Evans, Grant Carlson and Roger Evans and take them to Lubbock to spend Christmas.

While there Mr. Carlson visited his sister Frances Sherrard. Another son-in-law, Ceaman Scott brought them back on Monday.

John Jameson visited his daughter Ellen in Amarillo over the Christmas weekend.

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# Obituaries

## Jack L. Swain, 63

Services for Jack L. Swain, 63, of 5526 17th St., Lubbock were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Monterey Baptist Church with the Rev. Ken Jenks, associate pastor, and the Rev. Jack A. Welch, pastor emeritus at Central Baptist Church, officiating.

Burial was Monday under direction of Rix Funeral Directors. He died at 7:07 a.m. Thursday at his residence after a brief illness.

A native of Honey Grove, Swain came to Lubbock in 1924. He married Dale Findley in Lubbock July 16, 1939. He served in France in World War II. He formerly was employed by

Cecil Jennings, a builder in Lubbock and by Maxey Lumber Co. At the time of his death, he was employed as plant superintendent at First Manufactured Homes.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Betty Vandiver of Matador and Janet of Lubbock; two sons, Jack L. Jr. of Stratford and Billy Tom of Leesburg; two sisters, Doris Sparkman of Lubbock and Virginia of Mexia; a brother, Richard of Dallas; and six grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Henry Huneke, Floyd Altman, Barney Merritt, Clarence Parker, Kurt Harris and Dr. Carl Dean.

## Coyal L. Francis, Sr., 75

Services for Coyal L. Francis Sr., 75, of Wichita Falls, were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Hampton-Vaughan Chapel with Dr. John Muir of First Christian Church and Dr. Morris Chapman of First Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in Crestview Memorial Park in Wichita Falls under the direction of Hampton-Vaughan Funeral Home.

Francis died at 11:55 p.m.

Saturday at Wichita Falls Hospital after a brief illness.

Born January 13, 1908, in Thalia, he had lived in Wichita Falls since 1940. He was chairman of the board of Nunn Electric Supply and a rancher in Matador.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby; two sons, Coyal Jr. of Wichita Falls and Vann of Matador; a sister, Mrs. J. W. Hill of Wichita Falls; and four grandchildren.

# Flomot News

By Earlyne Jameson

## ATTEND GRADUATION AT TEXAS TECH

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse, her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Marricle of Snyder, their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Wason of Matador attended the Texas Tech graduation ceremonies of their brother and son, Mark Wason, held at the Texas Tech Coliseum in Lubbock, Friday night, December 16.

Following the ceremonies, MR. and Mrs. Wason were hosts of a graduation dinner in Lubbock honoring Mark.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ken Pilcher of Fritch visited from Friday until Sunday of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin. They were guests Saturday in the home of Mrs. Lennie Gilbert. Other guests at the Christmas Eve dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lane of Lockney, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lane of Dallas, Mrs. Bessie Martin of Floydada, J. H. Lane of Quitaque and Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Gilbert, local residents.

Mrs. James Monk, son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Don Monk of Quitaque visited Christmas Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Moss, Nancy and Jeff of Floydada. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie (Sherri) Robertson and baby daughter, Rachel Lee of Duncan, Okla. They continued to Tulia and visited overnight with Mr. and Mrs. Jean Pope.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvia Joe Calvert and children of Dumas visited Dec. 23-24 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert. They continued to Dallas to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. LaQuay. Other holiday visitors were Mrs. Sherrilyn Cook and son, Keith of Lubbock and Glen Calvert, student at SPC in Levelland. Mrs. Cook and Mrs. Doyle Calvert visited in Turkey, Sunday with Mrs. W. E. Lyles. Keith remained to visit until Monday, Jan. 2.

Mrs. Ervin Merritt, Mrs. Steve Merritt and children of Plainview visited Mr. and Mrs. Wade Martin, Wednesday. Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sauls of Quitaque and John Jones, local residents.

Viola Stinson and Mary Ellen Barton were guests Christmas Eve Day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jones in Paducah.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Clay visited the Christmas week end in Canadian with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Arrington, Wade and Daggett. Daggett returned home with Mr. and Mrs. Clay and visited until Friday when they met his mother in Wellington on his return trip home.

Mrs. Bobbie Morris of Manteca, Calif., and Mrs. Colleen Burns of Grandbury visited from Tuesday until Thursday with their mother, Mrs. Doris Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Bond and Mrs. James Monk attended a Christmas Eve party in Tulia in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Pope. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pope of Dodson, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Pope and children, Mr. and Mrs. Monte Cannon and children of Tulia.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Shorter recently moved into the former Raldo Martin home, located east of Flomot. They were hosts of a Christmas Eve dinner in their home. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rhodes, Rickey and Russell of Amarillo, Louis Shorter, Beverly Lawler and Jennifer of Lubbock, Salina Shorter of Floydada and Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter, Cindy, Christi and Kerri, local residents. Salina Shorter and Mrs. Rhodes visited the Shorter families during the holidays.

Local residents attending a family dinner, Christmas Day in Tulia at the home of Mrs. Lillie Tannner were her daughters and families, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay and children, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Martin, their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clois Shorter and daughters.

Holiday visitors of Mrs. Jeff Sperry were Mr. and Mrs. E. R.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ervin (Nita) Merritt of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald (Wadetta) Clay, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin enjoyed their annual brothers' and sisters' New Year's dinner, Friday night, Dec. 30 in Plainview. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Cruse had a pre-Christmas dinner in their home, Dec. 22. Those attending were Derinda Cruse, student at Texas Tech in Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Browning of Turkey, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Clifton and children of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn of Whiteflat, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Cruse and children and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse and children, local residents.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Green were Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Rice and Jennifer, Mr. and Mrs. David Wood and Amber, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Green and Aaron and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Green of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Green and Shea, Mr. and Mrs. Hoss Hamilton of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beasley and Alex McAnear of Clarendon, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Helms, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Edd Helms, Paula and Robbi of Quitaque, Mr. and Mrs. Hal Martin and Ryan of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. Don Lewis and Darren, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Keyser of Vernon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Ewing and children of Perryton visited during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Herb Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ike Clay and children.

## Whiteflat News

By Earlyne Jameson

Mrs. Dickie Garrison and sons, Dowell and Dane visited from Tuesday until Sunday in Abilene with her mother, Mrs. J. G. Johns.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spray during the Christmas and New Years holidays were Mrs. Melba Rosser and son, Tony of Lewisville, Mrs. Geney Stan and daughter, Cassandra of LaPlata and Lennie Stan and son, Jonah of Afton.

David Dixon of Lubbock visited from Thursday until Monday with his grandmother, Mrs. Janice Dixon and uncle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Dixon. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Card of Lubbock came to accompany him home, Monday. David visited from Christmas Eve

until Thursday in Flomot with his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Elliott.

Visiting from Saturday until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. James Gwinn was his mother, Mrs. W. T. Gwinn of Matador. Mrs. W. T. Gwinn, who had recent eye surgery, was accompanied to Lubbock, Tuesday by her daughter, Mrs. Larry Crouch of Roaring Springs, for a medical check up.

Shannon Jameson, Texas Tech student in Lubbock, visited the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Jameson. En route to Lubbock, Sunday, he visited in Dougherty with his grandmother, Mrs. Beulah Jameson.

## Lions Choose Winners For Lighting Contest

The Matador Lions Club met Tuesday, January 3 in the Fellowship Hall of the First United Methodist Church for regular meeting.

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In the residential division, Mickey Bostick received first place and Margaret and James Stanley, second place.

For the businesses, Matador Variety was named first, with Mrs. Louise Robbins accepting the plaque on behalf of Laura Jacobs and Mack Jacobs. Matador Floral received second place in the business division with the new owner, Pennie Keltz accepting the plaque.

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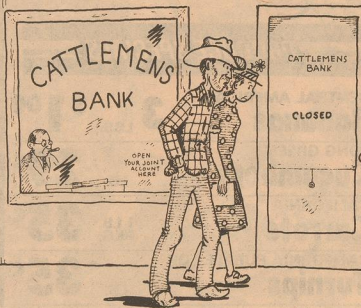
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## Bob Krueger Comments

### Steps Needed to Preserve the Family Farm

America's agricultural policies, although not as headline-provoking as foreign affairs or domestic strife, affect not only the dawn-to-dusk farm workers of this country, but affect just as surely the health, pocketbook and future of both urban and rural dwellers.

I recently completed a week-long tour of Texas during which I talked to farmers, agricultural economists, grocers and others who have grave concerns about the status of farmers and the agriculture marketplace.

When one looks at the statistics—19,000 farming operations will go out of business this year—that concern is more than justified.

Across the country, farmers' interest rates are exceeding net incomes, and average return on equity is only 4.3 percent while industrial manufacturers get a 13.7 percent return.

Yet in 1983 alone Washington will spend \$11 billion on one program, PIK (Payment-in-Kind) which in the minds of many has done little more than "pick" the pockets of American taxpayers.

To me, the most important element in rebuilding a strong and productive agricultural economy is preservation of the family farm, an institution that was once the backbone of American tradition.

Now, such family-oriented endeavors simply cannot withstand the unfair economic policies being foisted upon them by current policy. Only the giant conglomerates that have already absorbed too much of what I call "original America" can do a "Mom and Pop" operation, but I do not believe consumers are best served by the impersonal, mass production techniques of conglomerate America are applied across-the-board to the production of our food supply.

I prefer instead programs that shore up and give renewed hope to those men and women, to those entire families, whose work have fed this nation better and more efficiently than any nation has ever before been fed on the face of this earth.

In other words, I think we can do without nationwide "McFarms."

To preserve the family farm, and to restore full productivity to our farm programs, I am proposing four basic initiatives as the foundation of a farm program I will work for in the U.S. Senate.

First, we must establish policies that provide full parity for the American farmer. The federal government must again become a partner with, and cease being an adversary of, the family farmer. Necessary to that is a loan program that

meets the cost of production for all farm commodities.

That is a principle established in the Depression era and it was a policy that saved the family farm then and it will work in the 1980s, too.

Second, we must establish a supply management system to prevent needless and costly over-production.

To accomplish that, I believe mandatory set-asides are necessary.

Such set-asides would allow farmers to plant only a certain percentage of their cropland in some instances. Therefore, those farmers must also receive just, and I stress that word just, compensation.

We are not talking about a handout to the farmers, but merely a fair method of compensation so their capital investment is protected so they will remain in place when demand of farm commodities increases.

The 1981 Farm Bill brought us serious over-production, farm foreclosures, high interest rates and a loss of personal income not seen since the 1930s. The failures of that program are positive proof that we need a supply management program that balances supply with demand and restores commodity prices to levels that meet the cost of crop production.

PIK has provided none of that and the programs I envision are replacement programs, and will not call for additional funding beyond that which is already being allocated.

Third, we must better develop domestic and international marketing and food distribution systems that fully utilize our agricultural production capacity.

PL-480, the Agricultural Trade and Development Assistance Act, is a strong beginning, a beginning brought about by Democrats by the way, and programs such as that, which are indeed Food for Peace endeavors, should be expanded. They are our nation's best ambassador to a hungry world.

Fourth, it is imperative that we combat with vigor current efforts to weaken the Rural Electrification Administration (REA).

That ongoing attack on REA is a direct attack on rural America and it is imperative that it be curtailed. The low cost of electricity brought about by REA is a factor that Washington now seeks to reverse.

Instead, focus should be put on better programs for rural Americans, better hospitals, better highway maintenance, disaster programs that recognize that a drought can be as harmful as a hurricane, and programs that recognize that the farmer's stock in trade is unlike that of the typical American businessperson.

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