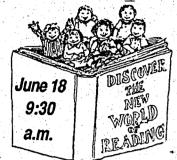
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Summer Reading Program Begins Thursday With Visitor From Australia

The Summer Reading Club sponsored by the Santa Anna Library will be Thursday morning, June 18 at 9:30 a.m. at the Coleman County Cooperative Telephone Building,

The program this week will be a visitor from Australia. The children will learn about life in Australia and the differences between life here and there.

Children ages from pre-school through upper elementary are invited to come and participate in the reading club.

A new feature this summer will be a drawing for prizes. Each time a child attends the reading program he can sign-up for the drawing. A drawing will be held each week for small prizes. On July 30, the tickets from all the weeks will be combined for a grand prize drawing. KTXS-TV in Abilene is provided tickets to Fiesta Texas in San Antonio as a grand prize.

Other meeting dates will be July

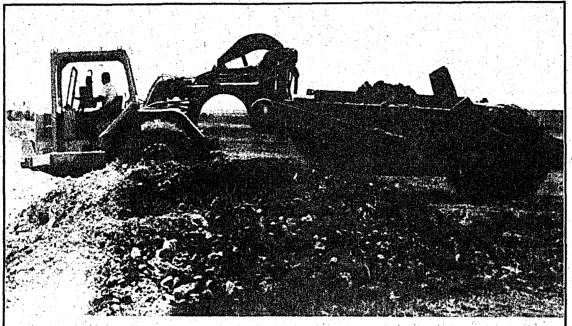


Photo by Polly Warnock

Construction At Waste Water **Treatment Plant** Right On **Target**

After several years of negotiations with state agencies and landowners and many hours of negotiations with General Electric Credit Corporation, construction is now underway on Santa Anna's new wastewater plant. The plant will utilize the two ponds already in use, but will also consist of two additional 1.7 acre ponds, one a faculative pond and the other an oxidation pond. The plant will include about 50 acres of berich level terrace system, triflex lift station, concrete work, piping and valves. Gravity flow will do away with approximately \$1300 a month in electric bills for the irrigation. D & D Construction of San Angelo is the general contractor for the job but dirt work is being done by Frerich Construction of Rowena. Mr. John Frerich is shown here on one of several big earth moving machines working on the site. His wife also operates one of the big machines. The new plant will allow the City of Santa Anna to be in compliance, even with a 10% growth per year, until the year 2020. The City crew has performed several tasks on the job, including clearing of the fence right away and then building the fence around the complex.. The job is expected to be completed by mid-July.

Bob Turner Appreciation Day in Brownwood on Thursday

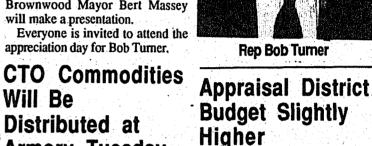
State Representative Bob Turner will be honored in Brownwood on Thursday (today) at a Bob Turner Appreciation Day at Riverside Park, starting at 6:00 p.m. The event will also serve as a fundraiser for Turner.

There will be an old-fashioned hamburger cookout and donations will be accepted. Turner will received honors from both the **Brownwood Chamber of Commerce** and the City of Brownwood.

Several state representatives will be present and will speak. Brownwood Mayor Bert Massey will make a presentation.

Everyone is invited to attend the appreciation day for Bob Turner,

Will Be



Armory Tuesday Central Texas Opportunities, Inc., will distribute USDA Commodities in Santa Anna on Tuesday, June 23, 1992 between 9 a.m. and 12 noon.

Items available this month are butter and peanut butter.

C.T.O., Inc., has no control over what items are available or the quantity of the items. All locations of all commodities depends on the availability of food items from USDA.

All eligible persons will receive emergency food assistance without regard to race, sex, political beliefs, age, national origin, or handicap. Shut-ins are encouraged to designate an authorized representative to pick up for them.

Volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated to help with this much needed program.

Northside Baptist

night June 26, 1992. The services

will be at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday

and Bro. G. W. McFadden, Pastor.

recently had four additions to the

church. Bro Marvin Hale, wife,

Cathy and children, Sam and Rachel

came here from Hacienda Baptist

Church in Las Cruses, New

Mexico, where Bro. Hale had been

This year the church will cele-

brate their 42nd anniversary. The

church was organized on August

13, 1950. Bro. Gary Lawrence will

be preaching the morning service at the Homecoming Service on August 16, 1992. There will be a

covered dish luncheon after the ser-

vice with an afternoon of music and

fellowship. All former members

and pastors are cordially invited.

Worship services will begin at

For further information, call Bro.

G. W. McFadden at (915) 348-3721

Church Revival

Begins June 21

The new budget is slightly higher than the current year, with increases in about five categories. The budget will be submitted to the taxing entities and a hearing held so that questions may be answered or protests made. Taxing entities pay their pro-rata share of the amount, with excess funds returned at the end of the fiscal year. Chief Appraiser Bill Jones

The 1993 budget for Coleman

County Appraisal District was

adopted at the Monday, June 8,

meeting of the Board of Directors,

held at the District office.

reported that tax collections during the month of April totaled \$53,708.00, slightly above the same month last year, and the May collection was about the same. Tax collections for the county entities totals \$3,153,000.00 with is \$71,000 behind the same period last year. However, the percentage rate is the same or more than 1991.

Other routine business was attended to by the group, with Barbara Kingsbery, chairman, leading the meeting. Others present Revival services will begin June were Dwight Nanny, Jack Knox, 21, 1992 and run through Friday Max Horne and D. G. Allen.

The next meeting of the group will be on Monday, July 13, at 5 night and 7:30 p.m. Monday p.m. at the office in downtown through Friday nights. Bro. Coleman. Visitors are welcome to Marvin Hale will be the evangelist; attend.

Bro. Lee Moore, Music Director; MADD Meeting The Northside Baptist Church has Tuesday, 23rd

The Coleman County Chapter of MADD will meet Tuesday, June 23, in the hospitality foom at First Coleman National Bank.

The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Highway Patrol SGT. Ronald Snow of Brownwood will be the guest speaker.

Everyone, youth and adults, is invited to attend all meetings of the MADD chapter.

Well Said

We are all manufacturers; making goods, making trouble, or making excuses.

or write the church at P. O. Box 415, Santa Anna, Texas 76878

Annual Camp Meeting Begins Friday

Evangelist Rick Ingle will be the featured speaker Tuesday and Wednesday, June 23-24 at the 26th annual Cowboy Camp Meeting in Santa Anna. Evangelist Ingle has conducted over one thousand revival campaigns across the world, including 5 of the top 10 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, honored for outstanding baptismal records. He was the only Texas Evangelist honored this year at the 135th annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana for twenty-five years in full time evangelism.

Before his conversion, Ingle was a gang leader in the ghettos of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. His



Rev. Rick Ingle

personal testimony has been broadcast world-wide on every con-



Revs. Bill Thompson & Joe Price

tinent and beamed over the Iron and Bamboo Curtains on over 400



Coleman County Youth Killed In Wreck

This was the scene at the site of a collision between a pickup and train in which a youth was killed Tuesday afternoon. The accident took place at the railroad crossing one-half mile east of Coleman on FM Road 568. Zachary Wayne Moore, 16, of the Talpa community, was "killed instantly as the result of massive internal injuries," said DPS trooper James O; Shields, the investigating officer. "The subject was pinned in the vehicle when we arrived at the scene," O'Shields said. "Efforts were made to resuscitate him by the ambulance service and a physician's assistant." The accident happened at 3:35 p.m., and Justice of Peace Nance Campbell pronounced Moore dead at the scene at 4:10 p.m. He was the son of Wayne and Terri Moore and was a student at Panther Creek High School, J.M. Burkett of San Angelo witnessed the accident. "The train whistle was wide open and the signals were working," Burkett said. The 60-car eastbound Santa Fe train was traveling approximately 50 mph when the impact occured, said O'Shields. Moore, who had obtained a driver's license May 28, was driving a 1988 Dodge Dakota pickup. "The train drug the pickup 1,600 feet before stopping," O'Shields said. The body was taken to Stevens Funeral Home in Coleman. Five train-vehicle accidents in Coleman County have killed four and injured two others since October of 1990.

radio stations, according to a news

The Cowboy Camp Meeting was founded by the late Little George Havens and starts June 19 and runs through June 28. It is located on Highway 84 at the Flying H Acres Ranch, between Santa Anna and Coleman.

Other speakers will include: Friday and Saturday, June 19 and 20--Evangelist Buck Hatfield

of Snyder: Sunday, June 21--Rev. Bob Muncy, originally of Ballinger,

now of Daisy, Oklahoma, last spoke at the camp meeting in Monday, June 22--New to the camp meeting is Rev. Jerry

McDonald, owner and director of a boys ranch in Eufala, Oklahoma. Tuesday and Wednesday, June

23 and 24--Rev. Rick Ingle. Thursday and Friday, June 25 and 26--Rev. Orbie Flatt of Mesquite and pastor of the Northside Baptist Church in Mesquite, has been preaching the gospel for eighteen years.

Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28--Rev. Joe Price of Mesquite has pastored five churches, started a mission church, a Christian school and maintained a Gospel radio program over six different radio stations for a combined total of seven years.

Continued page 4

Crime Stoppers Crime Of The Week

11:00 a.m.

pastor.

WANTED FOR JAIL **ESCAPE**

At approximately 9:00 p.m., Friday, July 12, 1992, EDGAR LEE CARRAWAY, escaped from the Coleman County Jail, where he was being held on Parole Revocation for Texas Department of Criminal Justice-Institutional Division.

Carraway is known to have several relatives in the Coleman County, Texas area.

Edgar Lee Carraway is described as follows: White Male; 24 years of age; 5'9"; 175 lbs; Light Brown Hair; Green Eyes.

Coleman County Crime Stoppers will pay a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and indictment of Edgar Lee Carraway for this felony of-

Remember -- You can remain anonymous.

Call Crime Stoppers at 625-BITE or 348-BITE.



Happy Father's Day

City Employee On Call This Weekend

The City Crew member on call this weekend is Tommy Jackson. Call collect to 625-4753.

Watch the Santa Anna News each week for the city employee to call in case of a city utility emergency.

NOTE FROM CITY HALL

You are reminded that all garbage must be bagged in plastic garbage bags. City garbage collectors are not obligated to pick up any garbage not properly bagged. This is a matter of ried Stacy Stephens April 19, 1945 health protection and citizens must comply with the regulation. Please also refrain from overloading bags. The full bag must be of the weight that one person can lift it without injury to the back.



Summer Reading Program Starts Thursday. See Page 1 For Details



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COWPOKES

-Obituaries-Mrs. Stacy

Stephens BANGS--Graveside services for Mrs. Stacy (Corene) Stephens, 73, of Bangs were at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Bangs Cemetery with Wallace Pierce officiating. Bangs Funeral Home was in charge of ar-

rangements. She died Thursday, June 11, 1992 at Brownwood Regional Hospital.

Born March 11, 1919, in Coleman County, she had lived in Bangs most of her life. She marin Coleman. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church of Bangs.

Survivors include her husband. Stacy Stephens of Bangs; one son, Roy Stephens of Waco; and one brother. Fred Strange of Brownwood.

She was preceded in death by one son, Joe Stephens.

Jewel Miller

87 of Brownwood passed away Brownwood Regional Hospital. C.) Winkler of Belton, eight grand-Services were held Wednesday at 2 children; and 11 great-grandchildren. p.m. at the Early First Baptist Funeral Home was in charge of ar- John Porter.

Mrs. Miller was born December Edrine Tyson 24, 1904 in Abilene. A resident of Brown County since 1938 she was Davis a member of the Early First Baptist Church.

her death in 1983.

Damon Miller, of Austin; one Mrs. Davis passed away June 14, daughter, Lois Ledbetter of Reno, 1992 at Crossroads Community Nevada; one brother, Robert Hospital in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Jameson of Coleman; three sisters, Oleta Elliott of Midlothian, Pearle in Santa Anna to Dr. Jason and Horne of Coleman and Ruth Julia Lee Baxter Tyson. She mar-Glasson of Coleman; six grandchil- ried John D. Davis on October 8, dren, seven great-grandchildren and a 1937 in Santa Anna. He preceded number of nieces and nephews.

the Early First Baptist Church Presbyterian Church of Mt. Library.

Cemetery, Memorials

"Don't leave, I came back here 3 years

ago, got lost, ain't seen a human

bein' since!"

Santa Anna

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in memory of Charlie Bruce from Hartman of Odessa and several great Ray Owen and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. nephew and great nieces. Guthrie, Jr.

When you rejoice over being young, and notice how well you

—Jules Renard

By Ace Reid

C. D. Bruce

Services for C. D. "Charlie" Bruce, 91, of Santa Anna were at 2 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church. Burial was in Santa Anna Cemetery under the direction of Henderson Funeral Home.

He died Thursday, June 11, 1992 in a local nursing home.

Born in Mills County, he was raised in Kimble County and moved to Santa Anna in 1933. A rancher, he was a member of the Coleman Rodeo Association, the American Quarter Horse Association, the Beefmasters Breeders Universal, the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association and the First Baptist Church.

He was the widower of Leona Banister Bruce who died in 1986.

Survivors include three daughters. Margaret (Mrs. Tom) Robin of Houston, Evelyn (Mrs. Jack) Kingsbery of Crystal City and Barbara (Mrs Tom) Kingsbery of Santa Anna; four brothers, Woodrow Bruce of San Antonio, D. Mrs. William C. (Jewel) Miller, C. Bruce and Roy Bruce of Fort Worth and George Bruce of San Monday afternoon at the Angelo; one sister, Dot (Mrs. W.

Pallbearers were grandsons Bob Church with burial in the Eastlawn and Bruce Kingsbery, Walter Memorial Park. Davis Morris Robin, John Bell, Bob Otto and

Services for Edrine Tyson Davis, of Mt. Vernon, Illinois were held Mrs. Miller was married to June 17, 1992 at 1 p.m. in the Williams C. Miller in 1929 in Hughey Funeral Home. Burial Coleman, Texas. She preceded in took place June 18, 1992 at the Alleghney County Memorial Park Survivors include one son, in Allison Park, Pennyslvania.

She was born August 27, 1904 her in death on January 16, 1967.

The family requests memorials to Mrs. Davis attended the First Vernon, Illinois.

Mrs. Davis was preceded in death by her parents, husband and one sister, Annetta T. Bailey.

Survivors include a nephew, The Santa Anna Cemetery Thomas C. Bailey and wife, Lanell, Association has received memorials of Granbury; a niece, Julia A.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

JUNE 18

Helen Haynes

Rosa Castillo Glenda Cook Mr&Mrs Eddie Voss* Rosa Bernal Julie Bernal, Jr. JUNE 19 Meagan Lishka JUNE 20 Briana Horner Lee Keeney **Ashley Johnson** Darla McIver Mikka Dean Mr&Mrs Steve Peacock* JUNE 21 **Bobby Diaz** Kim Head Mr&Mrs R. C, Smith* JUNE 22 Tommy White Montana Salazar Mr&Mrs Benny Guerrero* JUNE 23 Rita Luera Cody Slate **Betty Jinright** Venino Vasquez, Jr. Mr&Mrs Travis Watts* Mr&Mrs R.V. Baker* JUNE 24 Margot Rutherford **Edith Dodson** Michael Donham JUNE 25 Mr&Mrs Bobby Pritchard* Seth Aaron Beal Casey Herring **Tommy Snipes** Daisy Buse

Ken is the son of Ken and Jan Brixey of Santa Anna. Huggins and **Rutherfords Tour** Washington, D. C. and New York Lee Ray and Syble Huggins and Pete and Winnie Rutherford have recently returned from a seven day Dan Dipert Tour to Washington D.

Service.

C. and surrounding areas. Highlights of the trip included an airplane ride from Dallas to Washington, D. C., visiting the White House, Washington Monument, U. S. Capital Building, Lincoln and Jefferson Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery, Smithsonian Institute, a cruise down the Potomac River to Mt. Vernon to George Washington's tomb and home place and a musical show at the Ford Theatre where

Lincoln was shot. From Washington, D. C. the tour group traveled on to Yorktown, Jamestown and to Colonial' Williamsburg. In Colonial Williamsburg many historical sites were visited before returning to Washington, D. C. for the return flight to Dallas.

One with the law is a

-Calvin Coolidge

Thoughts From Our Pastors

Jasper McClellan Presbyterian Church

Library

V Notes

Alice Anna Spillman was busy

this past week getting everything

ready for the Summer Reading Club

at the library and was unable to find

the time to write her regular col-

umn. She brought us this poem

THE LIBRARY

By: Barbara A. Huff

about a library:

It looks like any building

Made of iron and concrete.

A camel or a train,

Feel a hurricane,

How to bake a pie,

Go to sea, plant a tree,

Find how airplanes fly,

But once inside you can ride

Visit Rom, Siam or Nome,

Meet a king, learn to sing,

Train a horse, and of course

Have all the dogs you'd like,

See the moon, a sandy dune,

Everything that books can bring

A world is there for you to share

You'll find inside those walls.

Or catch a whopping pike.

When adventure calls.

You cannot tell its magic By the way the building looks. But there's wonderment within it,

The wonderment of books.

Marine Corps

Commendation

Lance Corporal Kenneth J.

Brixey recently received a

Certificate of Commendation from

the United States Marine Corps for

superior performance as a Rifleman,

Company C, 1st Battalion, 9th

Marines, during the 1992 Marine

Division Annual Rifle Squad

According to J. M. Myatt, Major

General, U. S. Marine Corps

Commanding General, Lance

Corporal Brixey's professional skill

and commitment to excellence en-

abled his squad to win the Division

Championship despite keen inter-

Division competition. His perse-

verance throughout rigorous pre-

competition training required per-sonal sacrifice and is a measure of his discipline and loyalty to his fel-

low squad members. His superior

performance throughout the six day

competition is a direct measure of

his personal infantry skills and ded-

ication to the Marine Corps. Lance

Corporal Brixey's contribution to

his squad earned him the respect of

his fellow Marines and reflected

great credit upon himself, the

United States Marine Corps and

was in keeping with the highest tradition of the United States Naval

Competition.

Brixey Receives

When you pass it on the street,

Made of stone and glass and marble,

Check It Out

Alice Anna Spillman

"Living Thieves"

Dr. Adrian Rogers tells a story that goes something like this; A local pastor had been trying for sometime to get a certain person to participate in church and to make a commitment to a life of service through the church. After all, the person did claim to be a Christian, but he offered one excuse after another. "The dying thief on the cross did not get baptized and he went to heaven so I won't be baptized. The dying thief did not visit the sick or shut-ins, so I won't either. The dying thief did not have to join a church, neither do I. The dying thief didn't evangelize, neither will I. The dying thief didn't teach a Sunday School class, sing in choir, or serve on a church board, neither will I. And one thing is for sure, pastor, the dying thief did not tithe his income, so I will not tithe

The faithful pastor listened to all the excuses then said "Sir, there is ONE significant difference between you and the thief on the cross." "Yeah, tell me what," the person replied, "The only difference," said the pastor, "He was DYING thief, you are a LIVING thief."

"Will a man (person) rob God?" the Scripture asks. Obviously, many people do just that. Rob God by not giving of themselves who belong to God anyway. "You are not your own, you have been bought with a price.'

Yes, you can be saved in the "eleventh hour" as the dying thief was, but as a friend of mine used to say, "a lot of people died at 10:30." Are you a living thief? Non-believers, non-committed Christians, and non-tithers

MARANATHA

Around & About

Tuesday of last week and will be grandson Jeremy play baseball. spending the next four weeks at Riverside Manor in San Angelo while underging treatment.

Room D-5, 609 Rio Concho Drive, San Angelo, Texas 76903.

Out-of-town relatives attending the funeral services for C. D. Bruce on Saturday included a brother and and son of San Antonio; a sister-inlaw, Mae Banister of Austin; and nieces and nephews, Mr. and Mrs. David Cade of San Angelo and their daughters, from Abernathy and Banister of Austin and Mr. and Woodward of Dallas.

David and Betty Key spent several days last week in the Lubbock couple of weeks. area visiting with their daughter Linda Miller and family. While there, they attended son-in-law Gary Janet Bryan

Area Students Named to ASU Spring Honor Roll

Four area students attending American Scholar. Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Honor All-American Scholar Award Roll for the Spring Semester at the Program in order to offer deserved University.

Rae, a kinesiology major.

Lutz, a Psychology major all from Gouldbusk, James Edward Hartman, a kinesiology major and Alex other awards given by the USAA. Frausto, an undecided major from Santa Anna.

Keys' Son-In-Law Graduates **Nursing School**

Gary Lynn Miller of Lubbock was a member of the 1992 graduating class of Methodist Hospital School of Nursing. Graduation took place Friday evening June 5 at the First Methodist Church in Lubbock.

Gary and his wife, the former Linda Key, have three children, Alesha, age 10; Jeremy age 8 and Michelle age 5. The Millers live in the Lubbock area. Gary is em-Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. He will be continuing his education at West Texas State University at Canyon where he will be working toward his BSN.

and Betty Key of Santa Anna.

Miller's graduation from nursing Mary Lela Clifford was dismissed school. They also attended several from Concho Valley Hospital on ballgames to watch their 8-year old

Lance Corporal Kenneth Brixey of Camp Pendleton, California is She may be addressed there at spending a few days visiting with his parents, Ken and Jan Brixey and other relatives and friends in the Santa Anna area.

For those remembering Tye Vasquez and his illness, Tye has refamily, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Bruce cently received a very good

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Derriel and Polly Warnock accompanied by granddaughter Stephanie Warnock of Quanah were Abilene; Irene and Lynn Vaden of at Buescher State Park at Belton and their daughter from Smithville over the weekend for the Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. Bill annual Little Family Reunion. Stephanie went from there to Mrs. Bruce Taff of Rio Frio. Also Mesquite to spend some time with here were Dr. and Mrs. John her father and stepmother, Marty and Cathy Warnock. Brent Warnock of Houston returned to Santa Anna with his grandparents to visit here a

Named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Janet E. Bryan has been named All-

The USAA has established the recognition to superior students Those listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 who excel in the Academic discihonor roll include Shawna Denean plines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3 grade point average. Those listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 Only Scholars selected by a coach, honor roll include Wendy Danielle school instructor, counselor or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for

Janet E. Bryan who attends Howard Payne University was nominated for this National Award by Dr. Ian Jones.

Janet will appear in the All-American Scholar Directory, which is published nationally. "Recognizing and supporting our

youth is more important than ever before in American history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Scholar Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects All-American Scholars upon the excluployed in the Critical Care Unit at sive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors, Once awarded, the students may be recognized by USAA for other honors. Janet E. Bryan is the daughter of

Gary is the son-in-law of David Lester and Ludy J. Bryan of Santa Anna.

Santa Anna Funeral Home

Wallis at N. Lee

Mr&Mrs Derriel Warnock*

Mr&Mrs Donald Strickland*

348-3153

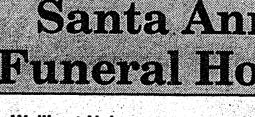
Jimmy & Dorothy Eisenhower

We are grateful for the many expressions of

sympathy shown us at the death of our father and grandfather. Your cards, calls, visits and prayers have been a comfort to us.

Thank You

The Family Of C.D. Bruce





Rasch-Fortune To Wed August 8

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Huston of Brownwood and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Rasch of Weatherford have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Dena Maria Rasch, to Bradley Garth Fortune, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Griffin of Early and the late Bobby Fortune. The brideelect is a 1986 graduate of Brownwood High School and a 1990 graduate of Howard Payne University with a bachelor of science degree in education. She is presently employed with the Gatesville Independent School District as a fifth grade teacher. Her fiance is a 1984 graduate of Early High School and a 1990 graduate of Texas A & M University with a bachelor of business administration. He is currently employed with Texas Communications. The wedding is planned for 6 p.m. August 8 in the First Baptist Church in Brownwood. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Dena is the granddaughter of Calvin Campbell and the late Margaret Campbell of Santa Anna.

Russell Cousins **Hold Annual** Reunion

The following descendants of Samuel M. and Mary Mell Russell met in the home of Wilmoth Russell in Santa Anna on Saturday, June 13 for a cousin reunion. Those in attendance were Wilburn and Lois Havner of Longview, Sharon and Jimmie Carter of Tyler, D. T. and Patsy Granad of Carlsbad, New Mexico, Bob and Marilyn Russell of San Angelo, Mary, Ted and Gary Dawson of Fort Worth, B. J. and Joyce Scot, John, Ronnie, Chris and Laura Russell, all of Brady, Roy and Betty Henderson, Lynn, Lubbock, Joe and Inez Morrow, Jaye, Ashley and Bradley Hendrick of Bluff Dale, Stanley and Betty Russell, Brownwood, Donna Crawford, Early, Dian Bunn, Aaron and Ryjn Foust, all of for Felony DWI, a class 3 felony. Neosho, Missouri, Mike, Cordie, Coppell, Michael Powers, Abilene, Two no bills were returned by the Michael and Manda Havner, Bangs, Connie, Gena and Krys Lopez, Grand Jury. Michelle and Manda Havner, Bangs, Connie, Gena and Krys Lopez, Ruth Walling, James and Drew Hondo, R. D. and Doris Penny, Moir, Dallas, Bob, Nancy and Michelle Penny, Denise, Danielle,

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Cookies

Town Talk

Gandy's

Bread....69¢

Moore Reunion Held June 13

The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the late Sam and Nola Moore held their reunion at the Hi-Rise Center in Santa Anna on June 13, 1992.

Children present were Velda Mills, Pete and Iona Moore, Edd Anna, Odell and Re Box of Brady, Helen and Wayne Hawthorne of Crane, and Doris and R. D. Penny of Robert Lee. Edd Moore of Tomball was unable to attend.

Towns represented were Benbrook, Bangs, New Braunfels, Habitation, a class I felony. Coppell, Snyder, Crane, Arlington, Hurst and Santa Anna.

voted to have the reunion at the felony. same time and place next year. There were 42 present.

Robert Lee, Tom, Bobbie, Amy, Jennifer and Brittany Howard of Zephyr, JoAnn McAlidon, David, Lauri and China Rose all from Haltom, Sammie, Imogene and Laurie Powers, Teresa, Kelly and effrey Havner, Lora Russell, Wilmoth Russell, all of Santa

Shiloh Inn in Coleman Sold to **Three Brothers**

Arvind, Ramesh and Ketan Bhakta, who are from India originally have purchased the Shiloh

Inn, a motel and restaurant that has been vacant for a year in Coleman. The Bhakta brothers who have

lived in the United States for 11 years bought the inn on Thursday from Bluebonnet Savings.

Plans are to have at least 30 of the motel's 50 rooms open in time for the Coleman Rodeo July 2-4. Arvind Bhakta said the plan is to

leave the name of the motel the same but to lease out the restaurant. Ketan Bhakta will move to Coleman from San Antonio to operate the motel.

vote.

Dear Editor

Perhaps it would be a good idea to remind all the little thieves roaming our town looking for things to steal that there are two sets of law: civil laws and God's

Obviously, they are not afraid of our civil laws with their being so lax in regard to their "rights". But God's justice is different....in his court He is the Judge and there are no plea bargains commuted sentences, paroles, air-conditioned cells, color televisions, only Hell which goes on forever.

Patsy Isenhower

Grand Jury Returns 14 Indictments

The Coleman County Grand Jury was in session on Tuesday, June 9, 1992. District Attorney Ross L. Jones presented the following cases at that time:

Daniel Lee McKissack was indicted on Aggravated Sexual Assault, a class I felony.

Walter Maurice Estes was indicted on Aggravated Sexual Assault, a class I felony.

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Daryl Dwayne Lindsay was indicted on Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, a class 3 felony. Daryl Dwayne Lindsay was in-

dicted on Indecency with a Child, a class 2 felony. Janice Wells was indicted on

Tampering with a Governmental Record, a class 3 felony. Raul Garcia Capuchin was in-

dicted on 5 counts of Burglary of a Habitation, a class I felony, and one and Ruby Hartman all of Santa count of Aggravated Assault, a class I felony. Joe Nathan Whaley was indicted

for Burglary of a Building, Class 3

Tommy LeRoy Westerman, Jr. was indicted for Burglary of a Donald Glenn Parks was indicted

for Felony DWI, a class 3 felony. Midland, Dana, Mattox, DLots of good food, "42" and visit-Albuquerque-New Mexico, Sharlet ing was enjoyed by all. It was dicted for Felony DWI, a class 3

Ira Dan Carraway was indicted for Felony DWI, a class 3 felony. Billy Wayne Slayton was indicted

Number of Cases Disposed On In **District Court**

District Attorney Ross L. Jones Judge Donald Lane, District Judge of the 42nd Judicial District of Coleman County on Thursday, June 11, 1992:

Kevin Diaz pled guilty to



Troy Pierce ASME Certificate of Recognition

Troy Pierce, son of Linda White of Waco and Jacky Pierce of Raton, New Mexico recently returned from a trip to Fayetteville, Arkansas where he attended the ASME Region X Conference of the American Society of Mechanic Engineers.

Troy was awarded a certification in recognition of outstanding efforts and accomplishments in behalf of the ASME Student Section of Texas A & M University School of Engineering Technology for 1991-1992. The award was presented by Regional Vice President Reed McNally.

The American Society of Mechanic Engineering was founded in 1880.

A candidate for graduation in December of 1992, Troy received a semester grade of 3.8.

Troy is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robinett and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Pierce all of Santa

Burglary of a Habitation, a class 1 felony. Mr. Diaz was sentenced to ten (10) years confinement in the Department of Criminal Justice, payment of a \$1,000.00 fine, court costs, court-appointed attorney fees. restitution totaling \$2,747.15 to Germania Insurance Farm Mutual, term of ten years, payment of court and restitution totaling \$250.00 to Robert and Brenda Griffis.

Edgar Lee Carraway pled guilty to Aggravated Sexual Assault, a class 3 felony. Mr. Carraway was sentenced to five years confinement in the Institutional Division of the to Burglary of a Habitation, Class 1 Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for a term of five years, payment of a \$1,000.00 fine, court costs, restitution insithe Texas Department of Criminal amount of \$87.20 to Jimmy Diaz, Justice, payment of a \$500.00 fine.

confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for a term of ten years, payment of \$1,000.00 fine, court costs, courtappointed attorney fees, restitution to First United Methodist Church presented the following cases to in the amount of \$93.75, restitution to Otto Rosales in the amount of \$386.00. The sentence imposed in this cause will run concurrently with the sentence imposed in Cause No. 547. It was agreed that Causes

The Way We Were

June 15, 1962

Raymond L. Gary has accepted the pastorate of the Northside Baptist Church.

Three Santa Anna airmen were reunited recently for the first time in 10 years at Bitburg, Germany Air Force Base some 5,000 miles from Santa Anna. Those reunited were Staff Sergeant Bennie Bass. Technical Sergeant Doug Moore and Technical Sergeant Billy Mills.

Weldon Haynes, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Haynes was appointed to pastor the Wingate Methodist Church recently.

Funeral services for Mrs. Ann Kulp, 84, were held at the Gause- Saturday. Ware Funeral Home in Haltom June 9. Graveside rites for Mrs. J. M.

Rouse, 80, were held in the Santa Central Baptist Church. Funeral services for Foy Santa Anna at the Brady Jubilee.

Williams, 63, were held at the Christ Monday afternoon June 11.

needed one inch of rain Tuesday Anna Cemetery. morning.

Miss Mabel Williams with a sur- last week. prise birthday party Thursday afternoon, June 7.

No. 546 and 548 would be dismissed as part of this plea bargain. Thomas Leslie Barnett Weems

pled guilty of Burglary of a Institutional Division of the Texas Building, class 3 felony. Mr. Weems was sentenced to ten years confinement in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, probated for a costs and court-appointed attorney fees. The sentence imposed in this cause will run concurrently with the sentence imposed in Cause No.

Raul Garcia Capuchin pled guilty felony. Mr. Capuchin was sentenced to ten years confinement inthe Institutional Division of the and probation fees of \$30.00 per court costs, court-appointed attorney fees, and payment of restitution Thomas Leslie Barnett Weems to the Santa Anna Housing pled guilty to Burglary of a Authority in the amount of Building, a class 3 felony. Mr. \$150.00 and to Brownwood Weems was sentenced to ten years Regional Hospital in the amount of



points for a person on one bank to see the opposite shore.

Miss Nancy Eugenia Smith, daughter of Mrs. Nancy Mingus became the bride of Joe Elmer

Dawson Friday evening, June 8. Mrs. Hyatt Moore was honored on her ninety-second birthday Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Claud Box of Rockwood.

June 20, 1952

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Rockwood at 4 p.m. Sunday, June 15 for Finis Moses Bryan.

Twenty seven cars of an 82 car freight train jumped the track about one mile west of Coleman

About 7 p.m. Friday, June 13, J. City, near Fort Worth Saturday J. Gregg was involved in a traffic accident at the San Angelo cut-off just this side of Coleman.

Annette Johnson, daughter of Mr. Anna Cemetery, Tuesday, June 5, and Mrs. George Johnson has been following regular services at the selected by the Community Chamber of Commerce to represent

Funeral services were held at the Inglewood California Church of First Methodist Church, Thursday, June 12 at 3 p.m. for Felix T. Santa Anna received a badly Jeffcoat. Burial was in the Santa

L. A. Welch, a member of the Mmes. Leonard Williams, Jesse City Council since April, 1951, Williams and Grady Williams of offered his resignation to the other Shield, honored their sister in law members of the council Thursday of

On June 12, Miss Kelley Wise was honoree at a bridal shower.

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June 17, 1932

Twenty two years ago a postcard was mailed at Coleman to Mrs. C. Y. Douglas of Pampa. It was recently delivered.

The spirit of Mert Wells, 56, took its flight shortly after 2 o'clock here Monday.

Funeral services for Mr. E. P. Rendleman were held today. Interment was in the local

Sealy Nursing School holds Graudation is the headlines in this issue of the News along with a program, in raidifficial Sad The Friends here will note with

interest the announcement of Rev. Bradley Allison's marriage to Miss Eunice Powell, May 28 at Kaufman. Funeral services were held Friday

afternoon for Mrs. Nancy Brannan, one of the earliest settlers of this section of the state.

Miss Mary Alice Mitchell was hostess to a slumber party last

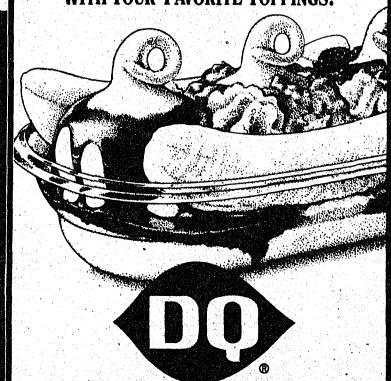
Thursday night. Misses Mary Alice Mitchell and Hettie Fae Todd entertained last Wednesday and Thursday afternoon at the home of the former with

bridge parties for girls of the

younger social set.

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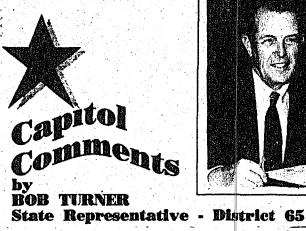
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Minutes were read and approved.

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Texas Sheep And Goat Raisers' **Awards Committee** Will Meet Tues.

SAN ANGELO--The once-ayear meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association's Awards Committee will be Tuesday, June 23, 1992 at 2 p.m. in the TS&GRA headquarters at 233 W. Twohig, San Angelo, Texas.

The purpose of the meeting is to select the recipient of the awards given by the Association at the annual convention and to finalize the budget for the various other awards given throughout the year. If readers have someone in mind for one of these awards--Outstanding County Extension Agent-Agriculture, Outstanding County Extension Agent-Home Economics, Outstanding Vocational Agriculture Teacher, Outstanding News Reporting or Trapper of the Year, letter of nomination should be sent to J. D. Cook, TS7GRA Awards Chairman, by June 19. His address is P. O. Box 769, Mertzon, Texas 76941.

The person whose name is submitted should have accomplished a substantial record in wool, mohair and/or lamb promotion, with the exception of the trapper, who should have established an efficient and effective

Minutes Show Routine City Council Meeting

Mayor Gale Brock called the to fix it Chief of Police Carlos Torres monthly meeting of the Santa Anna City Council to order on Tuesday told the council that it had been a evening, June 9, 1992 in the very busy month and he was Coleman County Telephone looking to have a very busy summer. The council reviewed the Cooperative Meeting Room. Others present were Betty Sue police report, and there were no questions asked. Cupps, Jasper McClellan, Carlos Councilperson Karen Morris and Torres, Derriel Warnock, Alys Pelton, Pearl Wilson, Rev. D. C.

Fireman Clint Day reported to the council that the fire truck project Rev. Jasper McClellan gave the was about as far as it could go without some council action. Morris has received information regarding a grant for new fire Betty Sue Cupps addressed the trucks, with money available up to council concerning the roof leaking \$50,000. She expects to receive at the armory and asked if anything the application and qualifications

soon. If the city could get a new fire truck, the new truck would be for about seven years due to the in service longer and would go to way the building was built with the crediting the key rate longer, also. two separate levels of roofs. A used truck would not last as long Derriel Warnock, Superintendent of and the city would be looking for Operations said that the roofer had another truck sooner. The general repaired the roof and was due back consensus was if at all possible to to redo it as the warranty will not obtain a new fire truck. The be out for another four months, but council would like to see what the

possibilities are for getting some of the grant money to help with the purchase before taking any action.

The livestock ordinance was read and Councilman Jim Spillman made the motion to pass and approve the ordinance. Councilman Emmitt Simmons seconded with the motion carrying.

Rev. D. C. McNeal and Pearl Wilson asked for the support in a allow expansion of the computer community garden and the program; repair bathrooms and rededication of New Hope Church, concession stands at the football The community garden will be used to raise food for the needy and stadium press box; enhance the perhaps someday sell that which is parking facilities at the football grown for a non-profit organization. Mayor Brock promised the support school lawn to deter vehicle access of the community garden and the to the campus; a barrier also around rededication of the church.

Derriel Warnock told the council that he had an estimate of \$4,500 to equip the trash truck for dumpsters. The City just has to take the truck in and get the equipment installed. Most of this month's work has been on the building of the fence at the sewer farm. Derriel was notified Friday that the city may be ale to get reimbursed for money farm project is about 45% complete.

Warnock also stated that it was Community Development Grants. tried to get a grant for fire plugs and attended. repairs on the water line loop. Warnock would like to try again this year with a new engineering firm, Todd Engineering from Abilene. Out of the six projects

School Board **Discusses** Maintenance, Repair **Priorities**

The Santa Anna School board met in regular session on Tuesday of last week, June 9 to address some routine matters.

After a review of accounts payable, the board authorized the payment of the June bills.

The board voted to retain the firm of Colyer and Lowry of Brownwood as auditors for the 1991-92 fiscal year annual audit of record.

A request from Band Director Tom Stroud was granted for the Santa Anna Mountaineer Band to participate in Bill Sims' "Governor for a Day" swearing in ceremony to take place on Saturday, September 19. Invitations had been sent to all high school bands in the Senatorial district. Each band will have several minutes to perform individually during the ceremonies.

After several workshop sessions. the board gave final approval to a TASB Policy service questionnaire. Using state references and local requests, TASB will develop a policy manual for the local district. The manual is expected to be ready by the end of July or first part of

The board discussed major maintenance items and set projected time line for completion. Some of the items to be considered as time and funds permit include, repair or replacing the ceiling in the school cafeteria; eliminating a drainage problem at the elementary school. probably caused by settling of the foundation; leaking roofs; remodel balcony of the high school auditorium for use as classrooms to stadium; repair or replace the stadium; put a rail around the high the tennis courts that are not Superintendent of Operations presently fenced in; repair of Gym

> floor and several other long range projects.

Superintendent Jim McPherson stressed that these items will be taken care of when funds permit so as not to jeopardize a management

spent on the fence, as it looks like represented five. Councilman money may be left over at the end Danny Kellar made the motion to of the project. The whole sewer proceed with the application and Councilman Tom Hays seconded with the motion carrying.

Montie Guthrie was unable to time again for applications for attend to report on the Council of Governments Economic For the last two years, the city has Development Program meeting be

> Councilman Karen Morris made the motion to pay the accounts payable. Councilman Kellar seconded. Motion carried.

by AARON PASS

Taking the Sting **Out of Summer**

The bugs of summer range from the pesky to the downright painful. Mosquitoes and gnats and even the creepy, crawly woods ticks mean us no ill will. They are just looking for a free meal, and we are a

Bees, wasps, yellow jackets and hornets are another matter. These are bugs with an attitude and a stinger to back it up. They are not looking for trouble; they too are looking for a meal. However, they aren't inclined to take much guff from picnickers in the process.

The bee taking a sip of your sweet soft drink thinks it has discovered the mother lode of nectar. Wasps, hornets and yellow jackets are predatory scavengers that think a shred of lunch meat is a feast. If you sip your soft drink and pin a bee or yellow jacket down with your lips, or sit down on a hornet trying to drag away a sandwich scrap, they get pretty hostile.

For real hostilities, disturbing a wasp nest or beehive will unleash an aerial attack smaller in scale but similar in ferocity to the Battle of Midway. The stinger and its venom are the primary defense of these insects. Bee stingers actually rip out with the venom sac attached and continue to inject venom while the bee dies in defense of its hive.

Bee, wasp, yellow jacket and homet stings cause significant local pain, redness and swelling for up to 48 hours. Multiple stings, common when a nest or hive is disturbed, can be serious enough to require a doctor.

With all stings, clean the area with soap and water. With bee stings, scrape the stinger from the skin. Do not squeeze it with the fingers, as that will inject more venom from the sac.

In the rural South, a wad of well-chewed chewing tobacco, applied as a poultice, was a common folk remedy. Perhaps this was not so farfetched. A modern home remedy is, a paste made of dampened meat tenderizer. Both saliva and meat tenderizer contain enzymes that help counteract the venom. Cold compresses and mild analgesics for discomfort also help.

For certain hypersensitive individuals, a bee or wasp sting is truly dangerous. An allergic reaction to insect venom is characterized by a rash (hives), dizziness, nausea, facial and throat swelling (regardless of sting location), difficulty in breathing and even collapse in anaphylactic shock.

This is a serious medical emergency that requires immediate medical attention. Mild antihistamines may aid breathing if medical aid is distant. Allergic individuals should consult their doctor about a special firstaid kit containing epinephrine before embarking on outdoor adventures.

Avoiding confrontation with the stinging insects is the best policy. Keep a clean campsite and don't leave food scraps in the open. Rinse food and drink containers immediately after use.

Check porches, sheds, outhouses, etc., at summer cabins for wasp nests. Removing a wasp nest is a challenging venture and not without risk. Wear protective clothing or call a professional. Id

Aaron Pass has written hundreds of articles about hunting, fishing and camping for newspapers and magazines. © 1992, PM Editorial Services

lead of Santa Ames enjoyed Inach.

The board caccepted the resignation of second grade teacher Karyn Kingsberry whose husband, Bruce Kingsberry, is relocating his ranching operation to near Uvalde. Debbie Nixon, who has been employed with the Coleman school

district, was hired to replace Mrs. Kingsberry, Mrs. Nixon previously taught in the Santa Anna schools in the late 70's. The board voted to delay the July

meeting until the 21st due to staff vacations and other considerations. The board regularly meets on the second Tuesday of each month.

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The Gary James Park Board Monthly Honey-Do Award was awarded to Carl Squyres for the month of June. Squyres was presented his award by his wife, Cindy.

He was chosen for the award for having rebuilt the stage at the park, put sand around playground equipment and repaired park bathrooms.

He has also been the good husband and father, watching the children while Cindy helps at the baseball concession stand which is being operated this summer by the park board.

Camp Meeting Continued

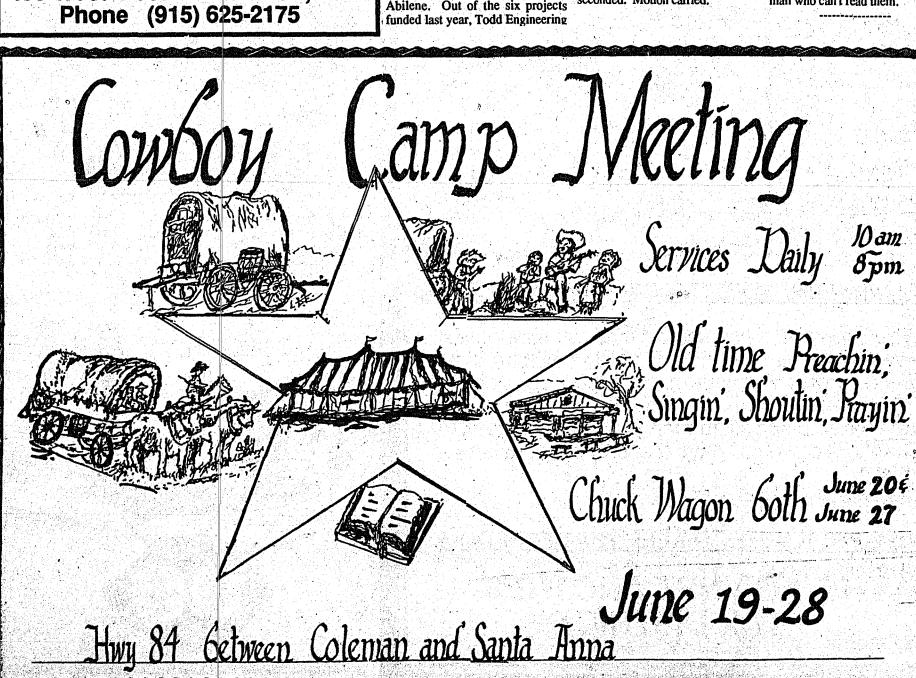
Bobby McMeans will be directing the singing each night.

The public is invited to all these services at 8 p.m. nightly and 10 a.m. daily under the big tent surrounded by covered wagons.

Presenting special music will be Bill Thompson, a pastor-evangelist, who before his conversion was a recording star and regular performer on the Louisiana Hayride. He was, last year, presented with the Keys of the City of Dallas by Mayor Strauss, recognizing him as an outstanding disc jockey and country musician and singer.

Emphasis will be placed on the Native Americans (Indians) during this years camp meeting. A large teepee (Comanche style) is being erected in front of the campground. Stories will be told about Indians who lived in this area.





Trickham News

By Amma York

Mr. Ben Bilbrey and children, Elizabeth and Brice of Goldsmith spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Barton.

Visitors during the week with Mrs. Mary Lea Mitchell were Mr. and Mrs. Ross Griffin, Jr. and children of Beeville, Mrs. Lois Ledbetter of Reno, Nev. and Mr. and Mrs. Damon Mills of Austin.

Janet Thompson and children of Colorado City spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Natalie McIver and Mr. McIver.

Sherrie Blake and Megan spent a couple of days recently at Waco visiting relatives, the John Boyd Family. Her aunt, Mrs. Letha Lewallen of Sweetwater came by briefly.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Lee and children, Cheryl Campbell, Doyle Laughlin and C. W. McBride of Brownwood were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Edna Laughlin and Mrs. Daisey McClatchy was an afternoon visitor.

Saturday evening visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Hilburn Henderson were Kenneth and Gene Henderson of Odessa, Wanda and Tom Johnson of Odessa, Mrs. Bea King of Coleman, Mrs. Nancy Gafford and Zerne Lance of Weatherford. On Sunday the group all attended the Henderson reunion in Coleman where there was around 35 present. Overnight guests of Hilburn and Leona on Sunday were Wanda and Tom Johnson of Odessa and Ray and Jodie Henderson of Ozona.

Rev. Don Elrod, the Methodist pastor brought a good sermon Sunday at church. His message was on the Holy Trinity.

There were twenty-five present for the Haynes reunion at the community center Sunday and all seemed to enjoy the day with visiting, picturing taking and eating.

Mrs. Laverne McClatchy attended the Cattlewomen's meeting in Brownwood at Mr. Gatti's pizza on Monday.

Mrs. Clara Cupps visited on Saturday with Mrs. Winnie Haynes and Mrs. Novella Steams visited Sunday afternoon.

C. B. and Lanora Alexander of Bangs visited Thursday with Mrs. Annie Lou Vaughn. Reba Cozart of Round Rock visited on Friday and Royce and Wanda McIver of Houston and Gayla Sellers of Weatherford visited Sunday after-

The ladies of the quilting club met Tuesday afternoon at the community center and finished a quilt for Mrs. Leona Henderson and will not meet any more this month but will meeting July each Monday.

The 84 party was held Thursday night with fifteen attending. Mr. and Mrs. Rankin McIver hosted.

Reba and Elvis Cozart of Round Rock spent the weekend at their place here. The two of them and Lois and Frank Wallace of Santa Anna visited and had lunch together on Friday.

Mr. Arvil Bolton of Rockwall visited on Tuesday awhile with Mrs. Florence Stearns and Mrs. Elsie Jones of near Abilene visited with her aunt Florence Sunday afternoon.

Whon News

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

Weather has been the main topic of discussion the past week. Harvesting grain has not advanced too much due to showers of rain. Lots of grain still in the fields. Although some has been harvested. We are wishing for a few days of sunshine.

Loyd Rutherford visited briefly Sunday morning with Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Fellers in Santa Anna and came and had dinner with me and visited awhile afterwards.

Mr. Douglas Avants of Brady was on the Avant farm here Tuesday morning and went to Santa Anna and had dinner with his mother, Mrs. Pearl Avant. His brother, James Avant of Coleman came and enjoyed Tuesday dinner with them.

I had a nice telephone visit with my daughter Lynda Wheeler of LaGrange Sunday afternoon. All is well there only wet weather. Also talked with my son Thomas Ray in New Hampshire on Saturday afternoon. All is well there.

Todd Rutherford of Bangs and friend Kim Hardy of May visited with his father, Loyd Rutherford, late Sunday afternoon.

I talked with Mr. Graham Fitzpatrick Tuesday night and he told me his hand he had surgery on was doing real good. The soreness is not all gone but improving daily. He had assisted with taking his friend, the husband of Mrs. Martha Fast to the Veterans Hospital at Kerrville on Tuesday and he was not feeling so well. And also Mr. Bruce Estes had been visiting with Graham first of the

Mr. Leon Carter was with his sister Lorene Black in Brownwood

Coleman was with me on Thursday taking care of some work needed doing.

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Cleveland News By Carol Herring

The Fleming Reunion will be held this Saturday, June 20, 1992 at the Charlie and Thelma Fleming Picnic Grounds. Everyone is invited to come out and visit.

Recent visitors with Charlie and Thelma have been Joe Wallace. Darrell Cupps, Evaline and Casey Herring, Tex Wright, Terry Fleming, Shirley Baker of Brownwood, Dessa Hanes and daughter Misti of Eureka, California. Saturday, Charlie and Thelma visited with Margie

Fleming and Mutt Fleming. Rachel and Clara Cupps enjoyed sons from Wednesday until Friday.

a visit from Billy Don Cupps and Kasha Cupps was out to visit with her daddy and brothers.

Mrs. Velda Mills was visited by Maureen Blair of Coleman on Friday. She attended the Moore Reunion on Saturday.

Vera Wise had Sunday lunch with Juanita and Doyle Ward. Visitors have been Dorothy Lee Alsbrooke and Helen Taylor.

Lee Ray and Syble Huggins have recently returned from a tour of Washington, D. C. area. Leon Phillips visited on Saturday. David Huggins and Amber were in and out during the weekend.

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Rockwood News By Billie Gay Abernathy

Everyone is invited to attend the special celebration of the 80th birthday of Mr. Jack Cooper on Saturday, June 20 at the Rockwood Community Center from 2-4 p.m. The children and grandchildren hope everyone will join in on the fun and have a part in the special birthday

party. No gifts please, Saturday night visitors with Jack and Skeeta Cooper were Mrs. N. V. Bolton of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hamby of Arizona and Elec and Rose Cooper and granddaughter Casey Cooper.

Tracy Wheeler and Dustin of Glen Rose are spending a few days Saturday visitors were Joe Ed and with her parents Roland and Bettle

Duus. Lawrence Jr. and Nell Brusenhan were business visitors in Brady on Monday and had lunch with Mrs. Freddie Polk and her guest Mr. and

Mrs. Baily Hull. Casey Cooper granddaughter of Elec and Rose Cooper visited with them from Wednesday to Sunday. Sunday morning visitors were Mrs. N. V. Bolton and Mr. and Mrs.

Paul Hamby. Blake and Wilma Williams have enjoyed visits from Mrs. Doris Korky Wise of Vernon. Richardson and her daughter Betty on Thursday. Bill and Ruth McGill

of Houston were weekend visitors. Mrs. Minnie Bray spent the weekend in San Angelo with her on Thursday. daughter and family Kim Bloom, Clay and Katy.

Rutherford of Abilene visited with Center.

Claudia Rutherford on Saturday and Sunday. Gay Abernathy visited on Sunday afternoon. Grandson Mark Rutherford of Brownwood visited with Claudia during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Deal visited on Monday and Tuesday with Norene Winsted of Coleman. Joe Deal of Santa Anna enjoyed lunch on Saturday with Dick and Johnnie. joining the group was Tony Cheatman of Eldorado and Terry Deal of Weatherford.

Joe Ed, Ruth Ann and Nathan Wise of Santa Anna visited on Wednesday with Joe and Faye Wise. David and Weeda Bratton of Rochelle visited on Sunday. Doug and Billie Schrader and E. W. Frost all of Lohn came by on Monday to bring peaches to Joe and visit.

On Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wise. Darla and Hunter Wise were in Abilene to attend the Texas High School Rodeo Finals watching granddaughter and niece. Shawn Wise competed in the Breakaway Roping event. Shawn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Hunter and Hayden Wise visited with grandmother Janet Barker of Coleman and great-granddaughter Hettie Scarborough of Santa Ann

Don't forget to come out and help Jack blow out all those candles on Bob Rutherford, Margot and his birthday cake Saturday, June 20 Meagan, Majetta and Jennifer at the Rockwood Community

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Gramm Reminds Taxpayers Of Rights In Dealing With IRS

By Senator Phil Gramm

Now that you're past the April 15 tax deadline, the last thought on your mind may be what to say if the IRS comes knocking on your door with a question or two.

It probably won't happen, but if you haven't dealt with the IRS in the last couple of years, you may find a gentler approach than the one of myth and history. And even if you don't, you should know that you have a legal right to fair treatment.

U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm noted recently that a General Accounting Office study of the IRS found that the Taxpayer Bill of Rights, passed in 1988, has made a real difference in the way the agency treats taxpay-

"The Bill of Rights created an ombudsman with the power to demand fairness and to intervene in hardship cases, Gramm said.

Recently, Ombudsman Damon Holmes said that the we-can-workit-out approach pays off for both

taxpayers and the IRS "We're much more effective if we treat taxpayers the way we'd like to be treated ourselves, " he said. Some of the highlights of the

Taxpayer Bill of Rights law are these provisions: -- The agency must tell you your

rights when they contact you regarding the determination or collection of taxes. -- The IRS is barred from impos-

ing production quotas on its workers or using tax enforcement records for employee evaluations. New rules cover any meeting

you may have with the IRS. - The ombudsman has authority to issue "taxpayer assistance orders" when taxpayers suffer a hardship because of the way IRS deals with

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By Lyndell Williams TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN — Texas Democrats flexed their political muscle in Washington and Austin last week, combining to kill a proposed balanced-budget amendment and caucusing to retain leadership of the

Texas House. Proponents of the amendment, which was sponsored by Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Stamford, fell nine votes short of the required two-thirds majority in a 280-153 roll call vote.

Republicans in the Texas congressional delegation were aided by several Democratic colleagues, but a group headed by Reps. Jack Brooks, D-Beaumont, and Albert Bustamante, D-San Antonio, prevailed in defeating the proposal. Bustamante was one of eleven cosponsors who abandoned the measure.

Meanwhile in Austin, House Democrats convened their caucus and, in a show of unity sparked by fears of growing Republican influence, agreed to endorse one of their nine candidates after the November election, rather than risk divisiveness before the session begins in January.

Republicans Uncommitted Only the week before, the House Republican Caucus met but failed to endorse a single candidate, all of which are Democrats.

Their strategy is obvious: with a heavier-than-usual turnover expected in the fall elections, they

will count GOP heads after the candidate Buddy Temple, said he election.

If they are short of the necessary support Perot. 76 votes, they will determine which of the candidates is still standing tee chairmanships and other plums of power.

Demo Party Purity

The second alternative is what has been to win by rewarding stole 2,000 lottery tickets. Republican allies.

Last week's meeting was apfrontrunners, Pete Laney and Jim misdemeanor forgery. Rudd, from doing that.

Some Democrats confessed worswap plums for votes from disgruntled Democrats.

Others fear that the Democratic party purity pledge will only inform Republicans that they have nothing to lose by fielding their own candidate earlier than planned. **Rockefeller Endorsed**

At the Democratic Party convention, state chairman Bob Slagle said year for the third time struck down he wants West Virginia Sen. Jay a school funding law. Rockefeller to be the party's can-

didate for vice president. The likely nominee, Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, picked up several uncommitted delegates, and Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, his friend since the 1972 George McGovern campaign, said Clinton was gaining "real momen-

Temple Backs Perot But another long-prominent Texas Democrat, Arthur Temple Sr., who has contributed to Mauro in the past, said he was backing Ross Perot, a serious blow to Clinton in East Texas.

Both Temple and Perot grew up in Texarkana, four blocks from each other with a 10 year age difference. Temple's father sometimes drove Perot to school.

Meanwhile, Arthur's son, former legislator and gubernatorial

may also abandon the Democrats to

Lottery Officials Charged Criminal charges have been filed and is most likely to share commit- against the fired supervisor of Houston's Texas Lottery claim cen-

ployee working there. Authorities said claim center has House Democrats alarmed; the supervisor Mark Thierry, 27, and pattern forry for past speakers Burke Stutes, 20, a comptroller Bill Clayton and protege Gib Lewis enforcement officer, admitted they

ter and a state comptroller's em-

Thierry is charged with tampering with a government document, parently a maneuver to stop two a felony. Stutes was charged with

Finance Master Sought

Property-poor school districts ries that Republican gains might asked a state judge last week to have spawn a GOP candidate who could a hearing by the end of June on their request that a court master be appointed to write a constitutional school finance plan for 1993-94, in case lawmakers fail to do so.

> Al Kauffman, representing the school districts, made the request in a letter to state District Judge Scott McCown.

> The Texas Supreme Court this

Other Highlights

m Highway officials this month will change the signs on U.S. 59 connecting Houston with Laredo, renaming it the U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen Highway.

■ Bentsen had less luck with his request that President Bush nominate Texan Oveta Culp Hobby, the first commander of the Women's Army Corp in World War II, to brigadier general on the retired list. Bush declined.

■ University of Texas regents approved the system's 1992-93 budget of \$3.6 billion for the next school year.

u U.S. Rep. Jake Pickle, D-Austin, said he would vote for his party's nominee if the presidential election were thrown into the House of Representatives — unless someone else was the clear-cut favorite in his district.

Hospital Tax District Facts Discussed At Local Meeting

About 60 people were in attendance for the meeting held at the high school auditorium last Thursday concerning the hospital tax district election.

The interim board of Coleman County Medical Center was there to explain the facts concerning the operation of the hospital and why they believed that the tax district was the only viable way to support the facility. Members of the interim board are Don Rhone, Clyde D. Autry. Hospital administrator John Martin was also on hand to help answer questions.

The plan would levy a property tax of 24 cents per \$100 valuation. Of that amount, 20 cents would generate \$400,000 a year to operate the medical center, while the other four cents would provide \$79,000 a year to operate an ambulance service. Don Rhone, chairman of the interim board emphasized that the board has looked at all ways to subsidize the medical center, and a hospital taxing district is the only way that it can be financed in Coleman County so that funds can be generated this year.

"Our sales tax is at 8.25 percent, and this is the maximum that any county can collect. So that eliminates the raising of sales tax to finance the hospital," Rhone

He added that Citizens Against the Formation of a Hospital Tax District say that the alternative is for the county commissioners to levy a tax to subsidize the medical center and let the commissioners and county judge oversee the hospital.

"This is not a viable option due to the fact that the county commissioners cannot amend the budget on an emergency basis to increase the tax. because they have

already called for an election to support the hospital with a 24¢ tax increase by forming a hospital taxing district."

Rhone says that another reason that the commissioners would not increase taxes is because they would be subject to a rollback election.

"I hope that the citizens of Coleman County will look at all the facts before they vote," Rhone

The Coleman County Medical Allen, Joe Johnson and Steve Center is a new entity and has no connection at all with the previous owners of Coleman County Community Hospital. It was emphasized that the medical center would not be obligated for any debts owed by the previous owners.

One question was why not apply for grants to operate the medical center. It was explained that an entity must have a tax base in order to qualify for most grants.

Another concern is that the tax, once approved, can be raised. The board explained that the tax can only be raised by the same process that called for this election. A petition would have to be circulated asking for an election to raise the

Board members once again urged voters, especially landowners, to contact the appraisal office for a complete picture of their tax should the propsal pass. They said that the avaerage cost per acre would be about 12 cents per year with others ranging from 9¢ for the poorest land in the county to 18¢ for the best cultivated land in the county.

If the hospital district is established, a board has already been appointed by the commissioners court to oversee the medical center's operations. They are Danny Kellar, Virginia Jameson, James Barr, Bruce Pittard, Janet Johnson, Clyde Allen and Don Rhone. That board will serve until May of 1993 when an election would name board members to staggered terms.

scalp expand and contract to produce programs followed the patients for a throbbing pain which is often synchronized with the pulse beat.

The best known and probably the most debilitating of the vascular headaches-are migraines - in which the pain starts on one side of the head and generally remains one-

Migraine: Although migraines can be hereditary, recent research struation and changes in altitude and temperature. Foods such as chocolate, red wine and aged cheese can provoke a migraine, as can noise, certain odors, bright lights and

watching television. Migraines are divided into two categories: classic and common. The difference is that the classic symptoms I0 to S0 minutes before the headache begins. This symptom, known as an aura, can include lights, zigzagging lines or areas of total darkness; tingling or numbodors; restlessness, confusion; or speech impairment.

Headache prevention and treat-

CAATS (Citizens Against determine is the voters want to Another Tax District) held a meeting last week in Coleman. About 100 people attended that meeting. The group, organized by Charlie Hunter, is urging other ways of supporting the hospital, saving that the commissioners court has all the power to provide funding for the medical center. They stress they are not against the hospital, but against a new tax to subsidize it.

Hunter says, "Give us a chance to let the system work."

Whatever the case the voters will have a chance to voice their opinion on June 30.

Other informational meetings are to be held this week at Panther Creek and Novice. One is also to be scheduled to be held in Coleman. No matter which side of the "fence" you are on, these meetings will bring out some very important and interesting information, pro and

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and avoiding headache triggers, such as foods or stressful situations you know provoke the headaches, to seeing your physician for medicaindicates they do have physical tion for migraine headaches. In causes. Migraines may be caused by many cases, osteopathic manipulastress, poor sleeping habits, men- tive treatment, provided by an os-

teopathic physician (D.O.), can bring relief from an attack already in progress or help prevent further Dr. Cronen said you should con-

sult your physician if you answer 'yes" to any of the following questions: Is the headache sudden and severe, does it affect one side of the migraine gives the victim warning head? Is it associated with a pain in the eye or ear? Is it accompanied by nausea, vomiting, hallucinations, sensitivity to light and sound? Does visual disturbances such as flashing it recur in a definite pattern? Does it result in confusion or loss of conness in an arm or leg; strange interfere with your ability to funcsciousness? Is it persistent? Does it tion normally at work or in social situations? And, is it similar to headaches suffered by other memment can range from taking aspirin bers of your family?

Prairie dogs "kiss" by pressing their teeth against each other's face. The kiss enables each animal to tell whether the other belongs to the same family group.

Musical Set For Friday

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Local and area musicians are invited to attend a musical Friday at the Santa Anna Armory from 8 p.m. to midnight.

The event will be conducted monthly, with no charge for admission. A concession stand will provide drinks and snacks for those attending, with all proceeds to be given to the Gary James Memorial Park. Interested persons are invited to bake a pie or cake to be given away during the evening.

The musical is sponsored by the Santa Anna Park Board. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed at the family entertainment. Persons of all ages are welcome.



A Public Service Program from The Texas Highway Patrol Association

This is a drawing of a suspect wanted in connection with sexual assault and aggravated kidnapping of two children. The incident occurred near a San Angelo elementary school. The suspect is described as 6 feet tall and weighing about 175 pounds, with light hair.



Persons with any information are asked to contact the San Angelo Police Department at 915-657-4314.

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Hospital Administrator Says Survey Data 'Misleading' "Misleading" is the way John B. oversees Medicare and Medicaid

Martin, administrator of Coleman County Medical Canter described a recent survey published last week by the Federal Health Care Financing Administration.

. The government listed Coleman's Overall-Morris Memorial Hospital as being among those having significantly higher mortality rates than reported 10 years ago. Overall-Morris Memorial Hospital is a forerunner of the present Coleman County Medical Center.

Don Rhone; chairman of the Coleman County Medical Center board, said that last week's reports concerning the normal death rate of Coleman hospital patients contradict

themselves. "The average age in Coleman County is over 60 years. For this reason, the majority of the people entering the hospital are well up in their years," he said.

"After these patients were released from the hospital, the health care financing administration which

180 days after they were admitted to the hospital. If they died, the survey attributed the death to the hospital,"

The hospital board chairman also emphasized that the Health Care Financing Administration said in its

release that "we contend certainly there is no correlation between the gross mortality rate and quality of health care." Martin added that the wire story

about the high death rate does not warrant publication because it is so misleading.

"It does not give a true picture and doesn't take into consideration the average age of the patients that enter the Coleman hospital," he said.

"Following these patients for days is so misleading because they could die from any number of causes other than what they were admitted for," the administrator said. "It is a gross waste of federal dollars to conduct the survey such as this one was."

Different Headaches Call For Different Treatments

Although the headache you may have suffered from overdoing it on New Year's Eve has subsided, for 45 million Americans who suffer from chronic, recurring headaches, New Year's Day comes all too

According to Michael C. Cronen, D.O. of Louisville, Ky., some people who are freating these headaches with aspirin or an aspirin substitute, might be better off visiting their physician to determine which type of headache they suffer from and how to treat it.

Headaches come in various forms, and each type has its own treatment:

Tension: This is by far the most common form of headache, and it is characterized by a dull pain and a feeling of tightness around the scalp or neck. Tension headaches commonly affect the entire head and are not localized to one side. They can be triggered by emotional stress, fatigue or depression.

Cluster: The pain associated with this type of headache is generally very severe, developing around or behind one eye. It usually occurs at night and awakens the victim from sleep. The affected eye may tear and the nose may become congested on

the same side as the headache.

Attacks occur in clusters, or groups, for days, weeks or months at a time - then they may disappear for a year or more. Most cluster headache sufferers are men, and there's some evidence that excessive smoking and/or alcohol consumption can trigger an attack.

Sinus: When sinuses become infected or inflamed, a gnawing pain may develop in the nasal area, often increasing in severity as the day goes on. One of the most common symptoms of a sinus headache is a rise in temperature. In most instances, nasal decongestants and antibiotics are used to treat sinus headaches, although draining the affected sinus also provides relief.

Temporal Arteritis: This type of headache normally affects older adults and is associated with a low grade fever, problems with eyesight, weight loss and a pain on one side of the jaw while chewing.

The headache is caused by an inflammation of the temporal artery resulting in a jabbing, burning pain around the ear. Serious complications can develop unless you seek medical attention.

Vascular: A vascular headache occurs when the blood vessels in the



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Mary Sawdon, Employee of the Month.

Mary has been at Ranger Park Inn five months, but has worked in Long Term Care for eleven years. She has four married children.

She enjoys working with the elderly, when they say thank you or smile at you they really mean it.

Mary, like her co-workers is always willing to do that little extra that makes for outstanding Team Work. She is always smiling and has an excellent sense of humor.

Congratulations Mary! We all enjoy working with you.

The following Senior Citizens from Coleman were here Thursday afternoon to play 42 and dominoes with our residents: D. G. Allen, Cora Lee Evans, Ethel Smith, O. V. Byerly, Herman Estes, Jeffie Allen and Lemman Fuller.

Our residents had a special treat Friday afternoon as Kenneth Williams in from Fort Worth sang some beautiful songs, some of which he had written.

Thanks to Bill and Pat Cox for the donation of clothing for our res-

Alberto Stamper was visited by Corina and John Salazar, Virginia and Stephanie, and Delia and Kalham Salazar.

Lucille Diamond was visited by Julie Wells and John Collins. Mae McFarlin was visited by

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Donna Cummings and Bea King,

Wynn, Joe Grant and Letha Martin.

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Mary Davis.

Maria Anderson.

Sybil Summers was visited by Julia Wells, Bessie Parish, Vernon

Tavy Ford was visited by Betty Rowe and Gladys Day. Louise McCaughan was visited

Margaret Wilson was visited by Myrtle Pepper, Ann Stephens, Billy Jack and Carolyn Wilson, Lillie Knotts was visited by Ila Jennifer Montgomery, Ed Wilson, Veta Wilson, Everett and Bonnie Lorene Wynn was visited by Joe Yeilding, Lera Guthrie, Otis and Thelma Throgmorton and Maureen Julia Wells, Bessie Parish and Joe and Russell Wilson.

Madie James was visited by Curtis and Dixie Alvey, Jewel Lee, Oneta James and Letha Martin.

Robert Anderson was visited by Ray Findley.

Buna Baucom and Gilbert Pfluger. Lois Haines and Myrtle Estes were visited by Jewell Lee, Jeff Pat DeWitt was visited by Jasper Estes, Joe Estes, Ray Estes, Frank McClellan, Lera Guthrie, Etta Earl Buse, Timothy Pallett and Buna Beaman, Terri Beaman, Kristen Beaman, Vikki Estes and Carolyn Baucom.

Vera Dorris was visited by John

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SECTION 2: EXEMPTIONS

A. This ordinance is not intended to apply to domestic pets such as dogs, cats, chickens, rabbellied pigs, except for the maincompliance with requirements exist. relative to the health ordinances Texas.

B. In the event animals are for stock show projects of 4-H and FFA members, it shall be the responsibility of the owner to obtain a permit to keep the animal in the City Limits for feeding. training, and grooming. The GALE ALLEN-BROCK, Mayor permit can be obtained from the Mayor or City Secretary upon the ATTEST: presentation of a notice of ALYS PELTON, City Secretary

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Hospital Facts

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Why not raise the sales tax rate to take care of the Hospital?

ANSWER: The sales tax rate is at the legal cap of 8.25% and cannot be raised.

Have larger hospitals in towns around us offered to help us before, and during, this crisis?

ANSWER: We did not, and have not, received even one call at all from Humana or Hendricks. Brownwood called and said a Doctor and his wife were coming to look at Coleman, and they did, but stated they wanted to be in a larger town.

The only hospital that helped us out during the time Mr. Hisey notified us that he was closing the hospital, and presently, is Shannon Hospital from San Angelo. They are helping us by evaluating the different departments at the hospital, and helping us to update our business office. They had people here yesterday (Monday, June 15th) evaluating our emergency room and procedures.

Our hope is that all the voters will consider ALL THE FACTS before they cast their vote.

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A Comprehensive Plan FOR HEALTH CARE For Coleman County

Using Our Existing Hospital Facilities at Coleman County Medical Center

The acting Board of Directors of the Coleman County Medical Center would like to submit the following as a proposal for a comprehensive plan of health care for Coleman County. This plan will center around use of the existing facilities, formerly known as Overall Morris Memorial Hospital. Holiday Hill, Inc., doing business as Coleman County Medical Center, began operation of the hospital facility at 12:01 a.m. April 24, 1992. This action was taken on very short notice, due to the imminent closing of the facility by Coleman County Community Hospital, Inc., the previous operator. The interim Board has spent the last six weeks helping to keep the facility operating, and at the same time undergoing a crash course in rural health care. We realize that many people have questions about the type of facility to be supported by the proposed tax district, and this proposal is our attempt to answer many of these questions and to give the voters of Coleman County a summary of some of the things we have learned in the past few weeks.

Let us say at the outset that all of the consultants we have spoken with have said that a County of our size badly needs primary medical service, and we can afford to provide it if we will bring our thinking and our program up to the 1990's. We can make it work by (1) focusing on those programs where the government wants to help us and (2) reducing or eliminating those hospital services where the government wants to penalize us. This new proposal offers the voters of Coleman County a fundamentally different proposition than was voted on last year. We must keep in mind that any plan must fulfill our most basic needs at an affordable price, with a goal of eventual self sufficiency.

This plan consists of four major categories, which we will discuss as follows:

IDENTIFY AND PROVIDE FOR **MOST IMPORTANT**

MEDICAL NEEDS First, any plan must start from the standpoint of identifying those hospital needs which are most important to the citizens of this county. After analyzing our facility and upon advice of consultants, we propose that our hospital facility focus on two major areas. The first of these areas is emergency care. This means that we must provide an emergency room and an ambulance service. Second, we feel that our hospital should be reoriented to specialize in those areas which comprise approximately 90 percent of our patient load on an historical basis. These areas include principally those health care needs of the plder segment of the population, namely, the Medicare patients. We also must provide for a first level of hospital care for patients coming through the emergency room, keeping those who we can serve adequately until their recovery, or serving as a place to stabilize patients who need to be moved to a larger hospital for more specialized care. These, we feel, are the two most critical needs of Coleman County. How will this change our hospital? It will change our way of thinking to help us realize that except in extreme emergencies, we will not be performing surgery, delivering bables, or providing specialized needs. Some of these services may be possible in the future, but we cannot include them until they can be proven to be needed and economically feasible. This also means that we recommend that the hospital will likely become a 12 to 15 bed facility, and that other portions of the building will be used for other programs as will be discussed in greater detail below.

INCREASE REVENUES

Many of the existing departments of the hospital have been reviewed and analyzed by consultants, either from the Texas Hospital Association or from Shannon Medical Center. We have come to the conclusion that it will be possible to increase the revenues of the facility in several different ways.

a. Increased efficiency

of hospital staff Our hospital operation lives or dies on Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements. This system is too complicated to explain in this plan, but you can rest assured that it is a highly complicated system of reimbursement, requiring great expertise and sophisticated equipment to maximize the benefits to the medical providers, such as our hospital. Shannon Medical Center evaluated our billing and collection procedures and came to the conclusion that our employees have not received adequate training and are seriously lacking the proper computer hardware and software in order to maximize revenues from Medicare and Medicaid. They believe it is possible for us to increase revenues by as much as 30 percent on this one area alone. This is no criticism of the employees at the hospital: in fact, Shannon complimented them on doing so well with as little support as they have had. Their computer system is seven or eight years old, which is obsolete in this day and age. Their computer software has not been updated in several months, and it must be kept undated on a regular basis in order to use the proper Medicare codes. Further, it is now possible to install additional computer programs which help the billing department analyze the patient records in order to maximize the potential economic return from each patient. Shannon has had great success with this program and recommends that we should have it also. Our employees have already been receiving training from Shannon, but this must be an ongoing process and they must be supported with the proper equip-

b. Cooperation with

the medical staff We recommend to the permanent Board that the doctors serving the hospital maintain a close relationship with the Board and that they work together to stay up to date on Medicare regulations and that medical records be maintained and treatment offered in a manner that will maximize Medicare reimbursement for each patient, while staying within the bounds of acceptable standards of care for the patient.

c. Rural Health Clinic One of the major new programs proposed is the establishment of a Rural Health Clinic to be operated out of the hospital. Simply put, this is a doctor's office owned and operated by the hospital, in which the doctor and one or more Physician's Assistants work on a salaried basis, providing the care that you ordinarily expect to receive at any doctor's office. The Rural Health Clinic does not provide any inpatient care or hospital beds but is strictly a doctor's office as we are all accustomed to using. However, it can place patients in the hospital when our hospital can meet their needs. We are classified as a medically underserved area and when our Rural Health Clinic receives certification, it is reimbursed at a more advantageous level by Medicare and Medicaid than a private doctor can receive. This is one of the areas where the government wants to help rural communities, and we must take advantage of it. This is a facility that will not only serve Medicare and Medicaid patients, but will also be available to any citizen of the community on a private pay basis who wishes to use the doctor or doctors and Physician's Assistants in the Rural Health Clinic. This facility will be located in the hospital with good access to the other services of the hospital when needed. Our discussion with various consultants assures us that this

from establishing offices in the d. Home Health Care

This is a profit center which is compatible with hospital operations. It must be administered by a registered nurse, and the staff can simply expand as needed or be used in the hospital if necessary. Like--wise, hospital employees can be

Rural Health Clinic is compatible

with private doctors, and that it will

not discourage private physicians

used in the Home Health Care operations. It does not require a great deal of capital investment and can be headquartered in the hospital facility using existing floor space. This is another program that the Medicare rules favor. The patient may be discharged from the hospital sooner if care can be continued in the home under proper professional supervision. In addition, it would serve as a way for the hospital, after releasing patients, to continue to be in touch with their needs and well-being.

e. Grants There are a number of grants available through various channels for rural hospitals. A number of hospitals in our Congressional District have already received grants totaling up to \$150,000.00, paid over three years. In addition, there are other avenues to seek financial assistance. We believe that the grant avenues must be pursued at all times. No one brings you a grant unless you actively seek it. It does involve some work on the part of the Medical Center, but it can yield great rewards. We must bear in mind that the chances of successfully obtaining grants are greatly enhanced by the existence of a taxing district. In other words, the chances for obtaining a grant improve greatly when a community can show that it is putting something of its own into the program. Committees reviewing grant applications do not look favorably on a community who is asking for help without any evidence that it is helping itself.
f. Sole Community

Provider Status On Monday, June 8, 1992, the hospital was designated as a "Sole Community Provider" by Medicare, which will increase our reimbursement from Medicare and Medicaid.

III. **INCREASE EFFICIENCY**

We have now defined the Coleman County Medical Center as something more than just a hospital. The hospital and emergency care services described above would only be a part of the overall program. However, although enhanced billing procedures, income from the Rural Health Clinic and home health care center, and other programs will go a long way toward reducing, if not eliminating the deficit of running the hospital services, it is critical that hospital and emergency room costs be minimized, while still providing the necessary level of service.

a. Employee efficiency In a facility of our size, it's going to be essential that a number of employees are cross trained to do more than one job. This will give the Administrator greater flexibility in handling varying patient loads, and covering for employees who are ill or on vacation. Of course, not all of the staff can be cross trained, as there are certain services that can only be provided by specialized and licensed personnel. However, this can be a significant benefit, both to the employees and to the facility. An employee who gains additional skills not only enhances his or her own career but benefits the Medical Center at the same time. Perhaps the most obvious example of this would be to train ambulance personnel to help with certain clerical work, nursing, inventory control, or other areas where they could stay busy during idle time between calls. b. Coordination with

local doctors The hospital must work closely with doctors on the staff to be sure that treatment decisions are kept in conformity with Medicare standards of reimbursement, to the greatest extent possible while still keeping the interest of the patient of primary importance. Unnecessary tests or procedures for which Medicare will not reimburse can adversely affect the profitability of the facility. The Board must become familiar with these standards and work closely with the administration and the medical staff to see that the hospital meets Medicare standards at the lowest possible

One of the most expensive items in the hospital can be maintenance State required 24 hour emergency room coverage by a physician. In recent months, with only one physician in town, the hospital has spent as much as \$20,000.00 per month with a contracting company to send doctors for emergency room coverage, as it is physically impossible for a single doctor to provide that much coverage. This cost can be kept down if additional doctors can be brought into the community. Under these circumstances, it would be customary for the local doctors to rotate emergency coverage as has been done in the past, thereby eliminating this cost factor for the hospital. It will probably take a minimum of four doctors to accomplish this. Doctor Oral is committed to stay in Coleman and Shannon Medical Center, which recently bought Dr. Pope's clinic building is committed to placing two doctors in Coleman. The new Board must continue efforts to find at least one additional doctor to make the medical staff grow to at least four doctors, thereby greatly reducing, if not eliminating, contracted emergency

room coverage. c. Bad debt losses

This is not always a popular subject, but the permanent Board of the district must have an aggressive policy of cutting bad debt losses from private pay patients. Although the relative percentage of private patients is low in our hospital at this time, we must seek to increase the number of patients who are not on Medicare or Medicaid, particularly those who have private insurance coverage. However, at the same time, though this will be a community Medical Center, its services cannot be free to the public at large and the public must understand that if they are not covered by Medicare or Medicaid, that deductibles on private insurance or uninsured services must be paid the same here as they would be at out of town hospitals. It is never pleasant to be in the collection business and even more difficult to occasionally have to file suit to collect debts. However, if it is going to stay in business, it must be run like a business.

d. Rural Health Clinic

We spoke above about the Rural Health Clinic helping to support the other functions at the hospital. The Rural Health Clinic can also go a long way to cutting costs for the hospital. This is because you can allocate a certain amount of the floor space, utilities, maintenance, insurance, and other overhead items to the Rural Health Clinic, thereby relieving the hospital itself from the burden of these overhead costs. In addition, the Rural Health Clinic can also use the hospital billing office for its billing functions and pay a portion of those salaries which are attributable to the Rural Health Clinic's business. Overall, the Rural Health Clinic can have a significant effect in shouldering much of the overhead of the hospital building. By the same token, space allocated to administration of the home health care service can be paid for by it, thereby further reducing the overhead costs of the facility to the hospital operations.

SERVE A BROADER

BASE'OF COUNTY CITIZENS This is actually the most important part of the plan, one that all other parts of the plan must work toward. The Board must ask itself, every time it meets, "Are we reaching more people of Coleman County with quality primary medical care?" If the Medical Center cannot accomplish this, it's a failure by the most important standard. In the past few months, the number of patients in the hospital has averaged around ten per day, and this is well above what it was at this time last year. In addition, the emergency room is having 250 to 300 visits per month, although many of these visits are not true emergencies, but are people needing to see a doctor for less serious problems. However, the hospital and emergency room, even at present levels, do not reach enough of our citizens. This can be better accomplished by adding the Rural Health Clinic and home health care. The Board must constantly strive to see that all of these programs, taken as a whole, serve the purpose of providing this quality primary care to all the county citizens. These programs also allow for certain outreach in the communities all over the county, including taking care of the nursing homes in Coleman and Santa Anna, wellness programs, and other programs that are not presently available for citizens of the county.

SUMMARY OF PLAN

In summary, this plan provides first that we identify the most urgently needed areas of hospital care, being emergency care and ambulance service, together with a reasonable level of hospital care in the setting of a 12 to 15 bed hospital operation. The plan provides for an increase of revenue through better training and equipment for the employees, and the addition of profit centers (swing bed and home health care)/which can generate additional revenues to help subsidize deficits in the hospital operations. At the same time, it is clear that the whole operation can be restructured and managed to cut costs while maintaining an acceptable standard of care for the patients. The ultimate goal of this plan is to thereby serve a wider range of people within Coleman County. The facility must be operated in a manner to instill confidence in our county citizens so that they will come first to this facility for primary health care, knowing that they will be well cared for here when possible, but then referred to other facilities when specialized care is appropriate.

WHY HAVE A TAX DISTRICT? The question of the Tax District is now the big question to be determined by the voters. In discussing this question, several things must be made clear. First, a hospital cannot simply run itself; it must have a governing board or entity willing to take responsibility for keeping it in operation. The Holiday Hill Board has stepped in to keep the hospital open on a temporary basis. Should the tax district election pass, the tax district board of directors would then take over this function. Holiday Hill, Inc. has taken on the hospital only on a temporary basis and absolutely will not continue to operate the hospital should the election fail. No other organization or individual, private or governmental, has stepped forward or indicated any interest in taking over responsibility for the hospital.

Without the creation of a tax district, there does not appear to be any entity who can or will take this responsibility. Therefore, the facility must close, irrespective of its prospects. Once the facility closes the license will be forfeited and recertification in the future, should we decide we need a hospital after all, could run over one-half million dollars, in addition to the difficulty faced in organizing employees and staff. We can only hope that the opponents of the tax district who feel that there is "a better way" are prepared to come forward with their own plan, money, and the leadership to implement it should the election fail.

No one is eager to see any new tax, and we too wish there were other alternatives. The property tax we must have is required by law, and we cannot do this by sales tax, income tax, or some other tax that is perceived to be more fair. It is a great responsibility to ask citizens for tax money and if this district is created, the elected board must never forget this responsibility to the taxpayers of this county. Our citizens must demand that this board continue to seek the goals of cost reduction, revenue enhancement, and better service, to the end that taxes can be minimized. However, this cannot be accomplished overnight and this Medical Center must have an infusion of capital, through the backup of tax money, to implement these plans, to make necessary investments in equipment, and to cover any short falls until these

programs can have a reasonable chance to be put in place and to

Many people have suggested that the tax district just be created for a certain number of years and then automatically terminate. Unfortunately, the law does not allow us to do this. However, this is not to say that this tax is "forever". In all honesty, it is likely that the initial board will have to set the rate for the first year at the maximum of 24 cents, because there will be too many uncertainties and unknowns. However, after one year, the Board should be in a position to accurately determine the rate necessary for the second year of operation, and should have a much better idea of the potential success of these various parts of the plan. One of the benefits of the Tax District would be that the Medical Center Board will be a governmental entity with open meetings and open records. Representatives will be elected periodically by the voters, and therefore the facility should be more responsive to the needs of the citizens of the county. The District Board should never get too comfortable with the idea of collecting taxes, and must maintain a goal to reduce or minimize taxes in the long run by efficient and profitable operation of the facility.

It is time for straight talk. Just as you can create a hospital district by petition and election, you can dissolve one also. If this hospital district does not perform its mission, two steps should be taken by the voters: First, if it is the fault of the Board, go to the polls and replace them with board members who will better represent the needs of the public. Second, if after giving the hospital district a fair chance, a majority of the county citizens think that the costs out-weigh all of the benefits, and Coleman County cannot afford medical services, then call an election and vote it out of existence.

CLOSING STATEMENT TO THE VOTERS

We have attempted to offer a plan that we believe has promise of being affordable for Coleman County, as well as providing the type of medical care that Coleman County citizens need. There is nothing to stop this program from being expanded, if it is successful. However, we must start small and use those programs that have the greatest chances of success from an economic standpoint. No one can promise that this program will work, but we believe that these are reasonable goals and this is a reasonable plan. We do not represent that this is a perfect plan there is still a lot to learn - but we believe that this plan deserves a chance. If the plan is successful, Coleman County will have quality medical care, best serving the needs of our communities, and more importantly, it will show that Coleman County people can work together and demonstrate that we can maintain a quality lifestyle in rural Texas. If the plan fails, we can say that we gave it our best shot, saved a few lives along the way, but had to yield to insurmountable odds.

Thank you for hearing our message. We realize that no matter what we say or do, not everyone is persuaded, and we respect anyone's right to disagree. Our only request is that each voter fairly consider the issue in view of the plan as we have set it out. We respectfully ask for your vote and support in favor of continuing to keep medical services available in Coleman County.

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