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CCTC Announces Photography Contest

Coleman County Telephone Cooperative is offering all photographers the opportunity to showcase their works for the 1998 Coleman County Telephone Directory. The photo will be credited in the telephone directory to the photographer.

In order to be eligible, photos must be taken in the Coleman County vicinity. They will be judged on color and suitability for reproduction. Please identify location on the back of photo: Photos must be turned in with negatives. Deadline is February 20.

The photo that is chosen will be returned after publication. All others will be returned by March 6. Mail or bring your photo to Coleman County... Telephone Cooperative, P. O. Box 608, Santa

Anna, Texas 76878. **Chamber Will** Host A "Trade Off" **Blood Drive**

Gary Karshner, United Blood Services Community Relations New Water Lines Representative in San Angelo will provide entertainment for the Chamber of Commerce Banquet on March 20. With a stage name of Zechariah Teague, Karshner is a cowboy poet, historian, humorist and storytellers who beguiles listeners with tales of the old west and the cowboy's part in it.

In return the Chamber will spon-



Santa Anna School Children In The 1920's Hensley and Oliver McClellan; and third row, Berniece Traylor,

This photo contributed by Nowlin and Nell Myers is from the mid 1920's and shows some Santa Anna School students. They are first row, Elucian Niell, Vernon Campbell, Bill Creamer, Otto Moglin, Morris Pope, Unknown--David?, Walter Jones, Alton Blevins, Forest Marshall, James Simpson and Bowden Cheaney; second row, G. A. Ragsdale, Darrell Ashley, Paul Oder, Sam Phillips, Dillard Freeman, Raymond Harrod, Sparks Whetstone, B. N. Myers, Reubin Fulton, J. C. Nichols, Jesse Phillips, John William Burden, G. A. (Tode)

Santa Anna Cemetery Association To Install

The Santa Anna Cemetery Association met Friday, January 23 with five directors and three guests attending.

Newstand Price 50c

Problems presented at the meeting were discussed.

Mike Pritchard was contracted to do the water system which will go around the entire cemetery with new

pipe. There will be four hydrants

The association appreciations all

the donations they have received and

are in hopes they will not have to

borrow the money. They voted to

do the project due to the many

Everyone is asked to remember

this project with memorials and do-

on each roadway.

leaks

nations.

Parker, Annie Stiles, Virginia Pieratt, Nell Sue Nabours, Lois Adele Adams, Buster Woodward, Johnnie Pearce, Bill Harvey, Letha Smith, Unknown, Doris Lee Franklin, Gay Turner, Tommie Tisdale. Charlotte Oakes, Jean Irick and Roxie Gassiot. Sponsors are T. H. McDonald and Maude Evans.

Hunter Woodruff, John Allen Todd, Unknown, Mildred Nichols,

Maurice Hall, Marion Polk, Nettie Yancy, Mary Adams, Adilene

School Board Discusses Payment On New Construction

The Santa Anna ISD Board of Trustees met in their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 13.

Board members present were Roddy Dean, Edwin Hipsher, Marty Donham Mike Britchard, Sharon Guthrie, Gay Abernathy and Dickie Homer. Others present included Dean Bass, Superintendent of Schools; Debbie

Local Post Office **Announces New**

Bacon, Assistant School Principal; Lee Coffman, District Principal; Judy Hartman, Business Manager; and David Robinett, Athletic Director.

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"He Profits Most Who Serves Best

Superintendent Bass informed the board the school attorney has received a Hetter from DRL Construction requesting payment. Mike Marrs of Marrs Architects was to be in town on Wednesday, January 14 for the final inspection of the new building.

Bills for the month of January were approved with the exception of Marrs Architects which the school district

library building.

school year.

District Principal Lee Coffman explained the Public Education Grant (PEG) to the Board. The program allows students in low-performing district to transfer to other districts. The receiving district receiving additional funding for the transferring students.

Information about possible bad weather school closing was distributed to the Board by Superintendent Bass. The second reading of the school policy for the use of school vehicles by non-school personnel will be held next.

City Begins Enforcement Of Ordinances On Abandoned Cars, Vacant Lots

Thursday, January 29, 1998

Beginning March 1, the City of Santa Anna will begin enforcing City Codes Section 4, Chapter 3 and 6.

Chapter 3 pertains to vehicles parked on city streets that have been abandoned or unattended for more than 10 days. Chapter 6 is about vacant and/or grown up lots in town.

The City is currently warning people that they have until March 1 to remedy the situation or be fined up to \$200 for not complying with the City Ordinance.

All vehicles will be tagged by the police department. Letters on lots or house will be mailed through the Municipal Court.

Anyone having questions or complaints should contact the Police Department or Municipal Court.

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Vacant House **Total Loss In Fire Thursday Evening**

A house fire on South Second Street last Thursday evening completely destroyed the vacant residence owned by Dr. Filemon Cabansag.

According to a fire department spokeperson the call came in about 7:30 p.m. and is being investigated as arson by the fire department.

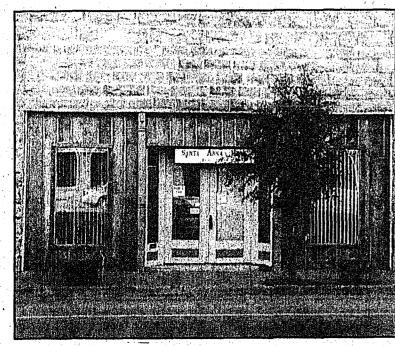
With a number of vacant houses in town, persons are asked to notify the police or sheriff's department of any suspicious activity around these houses.

sor a Blood Drive Saturday, February 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Santa Anna school cafeteria.

At least 25 pints of blood are needed to supply the Chamber's part of the bargain.

Potential donors may schedule an appointment with Debra Smiley, Celeste Simmons or any chamber director. Walk-ins are welcome.

Donors are required to bring identification such as a driver's license or blood donor card and a list of medication they are currently taking.



NEWS Office Gets Face Lift

The front of Santa Anna News office received a face lift the last week of 1997. The weathered wooden front is in keeping with restoration of other buildings in the downtown area and the new new wall also serves to add strength to the front of the building.

City /County Maps Available From Local Businesses

Through a project of the Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce, various local businesses are making available free of charge or at minimal cost, maps of Santa Anna and Coleman County. Be sure to pick one up.

Lobby Hours

Postmaster Gary Absher has announced new window service hours for the Santa Anna Post Office be- survey of staffing for the coming ginning Monday, February 2.

New hours for the window service lobby will be from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and will be open during the lunch.

Full service will be provided every Saturday morning from 8 until 10 a.m.

The Santa Anna Post Office offers 24 hour stamp purchases with both stamp coil vendor and booklet vending machine in the box lobby. Parcels may be picked up 24 hours a day with the lobby parcel lockers.

David Elliott, officer in charge of the Santa Anna Post Office, has received a promotion to Postmaster of Desdemona effective February 2. He expressed his appreciation for the support the people of Santa Anna has shown him the last few months.

Susie Voss, a 17 year veteran with the post office, will assume charge of the office for approximately 90 days pending back surgery and recovery of Absher.

Icy Roads Contribute To Wreck Friday

Patches of ice were attributed to an traffic accident last Friday morning on the west side of town.

Genese Reese of Santa Anna was driving west on Highway 67 just inside the city limits when her 1985 Lincoln Town Car his a slick spot. She lost control, crossing the median and hitting the guard rail before bouncing back into the west lane.

Reese was taken to Coleman County Medical Center for undetermined injuries and was released on Saturday. The Lincoln substained heavy damage.

Santa Anna Police Officer Carlos Torres investigated the accident.

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People

will withhold further payment until they monm.

The are satisfied with the work on the Board raised Superintendent's salary to \$52,000.00 for the remaining year on The administration will conduct a his current. This is for the 1998-1998 school year.

Superintendent Bass informed the the board of the resignation of Orvel Hall, a maintenance/custodian for the school. An ad had been placed in the local newspaper seeking applications.



Teddy Bear Clinic Held At Local Clinic

Peggy Hensley, MSN, RNCS, Family Nurse Practitioner of the Family Health Care Clinic held a Teddy Bear Clinic last Thursday for children from the Central Texas Opportunities Head Start in Coleman. Children brought a teddy bear or favorite doll and were exposed to a medical office in an unthreatening manner. The clinic was to help them feel more comfortable in getting checkups and sick visits. The Teddy Bear Clinic was a community partnership in education and health care. Pictured above is Katie Collins of Santa Anna with her doll visiting with Peggy Hensley. Katie is the daughter of Albert Collins and Roxie Hastings.

Saying "Hello" to Chrystene Downs of Lancaster

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Cleveland

Cemetery

Memorials

following memorials:

Carolyn Covey;

Sharon Taylor.

Cemetery

Association

Memorials

Februarv 4

SATURDAY NIGHT: Praise and Prayer Hour

6:00 p.m. in sanctuary - a time of

contemporary music and old fashioned prayer

directed toward Jesus.

Carolyn Covey; and

In memory of Tom Molden from

S. D. Cupps, Sydney Burleson,

Thelma Fleming and Ernest and

In memory of Mark Genz and

In memory of C. E. and Vera

Wise and Jimmy Lovelace from

The Trickham Cemetery

memorial in memory of Johnnie

Mack Richardson from Sug

Stearns, Pat and Edna Stearns and

A representative of the

Brownwood Social Security office

will be on the second floor of the

Coleman County Courthouse on

Wednesday, February 4 from 9 to

FEB. 9 LAST DAY TO

REGISTER TO VOTE IN

MARCH PRIMARY

ELECTIONS

SUNDAY MORNING

"The State of the Union"

SUNDAY EVENING

reaching From REVELATION

Death, Resurrection

But No Burial"

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship - 10:45 a.m.

Evening Worship - 6:00 p.m.

An alternative Children's Church

(ages infant to 10 vrs.) on Sunday

evenings - a separate worship

designed for children.

Ruth Genz Banta from Ernest and

Obituaries W. F. Campbell

W. F. (Willie) Campbell, 82, longtime Coleman resident, died Friday, Jan. 23, 1998 at Coleman County Medical Center.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, 1998 at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Reed Justus officiating, assisted by Rev. Pat McClatchy. Burial was in Coleman Cemetery, under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

He was born April 4, 1915 in Melvin, the son of the late Fred Lee Campbell and Bess Parsons Campbell. He grew up in Santa Trickham Anna and Coleman where he graduated from Coleman High School. He graduated from Southwestern

State University in Weatherford, Okla with a Bachelor of Science degree in Pharmacy.

On July 20, 1941, he and Ruby Association has received a Nance were married in Ballinger. He was a long-time pharmacist and owner of Campbell Pharmacy in Coleman. In recent years he Arvil and Verna Bolton. worked part-time at the former Phillips Drug in Santa Anna.

He was a member of the Social Security Coleman Rodeo Association, a former member of the Rotary Club Rep. In Coleman and served on the board of Overall-Morris Hospital. He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a son and daughter-in-law, Nance and Patricia Campbell of Coleman; a daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Kyle Moseley of Rochelle; a 9:30 a.m. brother and sister-in-law. Herbert

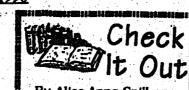
and Venia Campbell of Dallas; a sister and brother-in-law, Reba and Thurston Owen of Abilene: two grandsons; one granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

FBC

First Baptist Church

Marty Reed, Pastor

915-348-3725



The Cleveland Cemetery By Alice Anna Spillman Association has received the

> Ovella and I were in Abilene Tuesday for the Big Country Library System Mid-Year System Meeting. Although we are not votderstand what's going on in the sys- in Stanislaus' of California; and Pat tem. The Texas system has allowed us such privileges as advice from all staff, attendance for any training schools, books from the circulating library, to name a few. We must continue these privileges to improve this library.

Of special interest are new standards for libraries and personnel. Also the budget for the next few years.

On Saturday, Ovella, Betty Kay and I will attend our first computer school. The CAP school will provide this training. Thanks to the generous gift given to us earlier we can attend.

Each year we are given the opportunity to request the types of books. that Big Country (Abilene) will send us. We requested one inspirational book in each shipment. The books sent so far have been outstanding. For example: The Joyful Christmas C. S. Lewis--short devotionals; The Second Kingdom Pat Robertson-are you a member?; The Spirit Controlled Temperament Tini LaHoye--can you change from being melancholy--looking at things in a bad light; Life's Not Fair But God is Good Robert Schuler. There are several others that most of us could use. Why not take a look?

Pat Vance dropped off two new hard backs. One's a fat book with three mysteries by Patricia Cornwell. There's PostMortem. Body of Evidence and All That Remains. Amanda Ellerbe had three more boxes of good books that we are processing. Two of the paperbacks were too close to the truth. Carrier Patrick Lynch and Ebola William Close, MD sound like science fiction but are based on information coming from world health sources. The later from a man who was there.

Mr. and Mrs. Whisenant donated two new paperbacks. These are historical fiction and romance type.

Several adults have been in to pick up books to share with children. It is said that the 20 minutes that you spend reading to or with a child may be the most important to his education. Can you believe that we read to Monique and played soothing music before her birth. I do know that those same records

Rockwood Supper A Success Contributed

Twenty-four people enjoyed visiting, talking and 'eating' Saturday. night, January 17 at the Rockwood "Community Center."

Houston. Thursday night previous Out of town folks enjoying all of they were overnight guests of Mr. this were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Warren Barton in Waco Rutherford of Whon and their visiand a visitor with them one day this ing members, it is necessary to un- " tor from the East Coast: Paul week was Mr. John Hood of the Brownwood lake. Greener and Judy Bryan, both of Dallas.

Tona Holland and children were Homefolks were Lois Bryan. Tim and Amy Kirk and Alexis of Minnie Bray, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brownwood and Greg Kirk. Cooper, Claudia Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Duus and Robert. Saturday night with her parents Mr. Vera Faye Wise, Coleta Pearson, and Mrs. Billy Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Elec Cooper, Vivian Steward, Blake Williams, Mr. and Talmadge McClatchy Sunday were Mrs. Mike Chance and Mr. and Mrs. L. Brusenhan, Jr.

Hope to see you next month.



Ross and Tara Bradley of Brownwood announce the arrival of a daughter, Kynedi Katelynn, born Jan. 13, 1998 at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 19 inches long.

Grandparents are Dale and Donna Bradley of Santa Anna and Janice Scott of Abilene and Lupe

Great-grandparents are Donald and Jeanette Strickland of Santa Anna, Izora Bradley of Coleman and Leroy and Florence Reynolds of

Great-great-grandmother is Ruth Breeden of Moran.

Salinaz did a wonderful singing is only 10 years of age with a won-

Judges who scored the contestants,

The audience found the Forever Young Club's annual event enjoyable and relaxing which may only

Trickham Tidbits By Anna York

Felton and Bettie Martin returned

home Monday after visiting over

the weekend with their daughter and

grandson Ann Nelson and Jhett in

Sunday visitors with Shane and

Barbara Horner of Holiday spent

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs.

Jeannie and Fred Drienhofer and

Nicholas of the Brownwood lake

and Justin Seale of Brownwood.

Joining them in the afternoon were

Merridee McClatchy and Bob

Anderson who came to watch the

Jim and Sherrie Blake and Megan

visited with Terry and Helen McIver

and Ben Saturday. Ben was cele-

brating his 9th birthday and several

Mrs. Mary Lea Mitchell and her

daughter Lea Mock of Post came by

Janet Dunn and children Crystal

and Kathryn of Brownwood were

Sunday dinner guests of Natalie and

When we think of drugs, most of

us think of marijuana, heroin and

Today, many young people in

fact is each year hundreds of chil-

Inhalants are third most abused

substances among 12-14 years olds

in the United States, coming right

behind alcohol and tobacco. And as

many as one in five children have

dren die from inhalant abuse.

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Rankin McIver and Sherrie and Megan Blake visited in the afternoon.

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Mary Lea Mitchell visited Saturday afternoon with Annie Lou Vaughn and Earlene Dockery visited one day during the week.

Ladies that met and quilted Monday at the community center were Reba Cozart, Helen McIver and Annie Lou Vaughn. There were 10 present Thursday night for the eighty-four club party.

Ray and Jodie Henderson of Ozona spent Tuesday night with Leona Henderson.

Sherman Stearns of McGregor spent Monday night and Tuesday with his mother Novella Stearns and took her to the eye doctor Tuesday where she underwent cataract eye surgery.

Royce and Wanda McIver spent Friday at Midland visiting their daughter Sabrina Smith and family. Saturday they were at Kerrville to visit their two grandsons at Schreiner College . Sabrina and Artie Smith met them there also.

of his friends came to be with him **Bliss Named To** Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kirk were ASU Dean's List Thursday afternoon visitors with

Ryan Bliss, a computer science major, of Santa Anna is listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester at Angelo State University.

To be eligible for the Dean's LIst, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.



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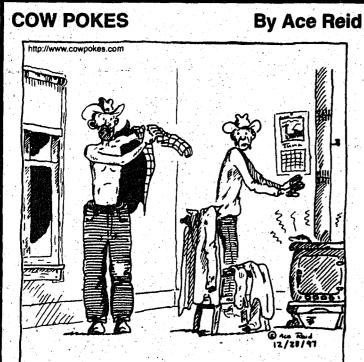
Salinaz Named crack cocaine. Bust some of the most lethal drugs are far simpler **Forever Young** and easier to obtain. In fact, they are in every home in the nation. Club's Star Things such as magic markers, Erika E. Salinaz of Coleman is white out, lighter fluid, paint and the Forever Young Club's Bright cooking sprays are a few of the Star found in the "Search for a Star' products that when inhaled have theme of their 4th annual event proved fatal. "Trip to the Land of Paradise". The event was held January 17 at the our community abuse such products Coleman Junior High School Gym. to get a quick high. Unfortunately, kids are not aware of the high risks performance during the event. She that come with this behavior. The

derful talent. She received a medal, ribbon, certificate and gifts. The other winners also received prizes.

were Marjorie Wheeler of Santa Anna, Albert Brashear of Santa Anna Evyonne Curry of Coleman.

"sniffed", "huffed" or "bagged" (inhaling the product intentionally) by the time they have reached the seventh grade. While many kids

Armendarec of Early. Brownwood.



"I probably can't ride that horse with all these clothes, but I'd rather git throwed off than freeze solid and fall off!"

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would stop her crying after birth. She loves to read but I can't say exactly why.

We have received a memorial to Mack Baucom. He was one of those who sent their family Christmas presents to our library. The library staff also made a memorial in Mr. Baucom's name.

Santa Anna Cemetery Association Memorials, **Donations**

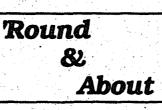
The Santa Anna Cemetery Association has received the following memorials and donations: In memory of Floyd Gilbreath

from Lorene Rice; A memorial in memory of Dick

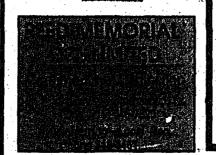
and Eunice Longbrake; In memory of loved ones from

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Close; and In memory of Oscar (June) Hill from Gwendolyn Walker.

Donations have been received from Karen Morris, Mr. and Mrs. David Karthauser, R. A. Lucksinger, Mr. and Mrs. Joe B: Baker, Jr., Gladis Barnes and Lt. Col. Durward Brandon.



Visiting with Pete and Winnie Rutherford Saturday were Joe and Ann Rutherford and Julie of Grape Creek and Stacie King and Doug of Anson. Joe, Ann and Julie also visited with Ann's parents Omer and Vidy Cullins.



happen once in Coleman

Birthdays Anniversaries

JANUARY 29 Mary DeLeon Laska Bree Dillard

Sage Allen **JANUARY 30** Delisa Coyle **Robbie Puckett** Weston Cade Tucker

LaTosha Railsback Watts

JANUARY 31 James Simmons Mr&Mrs Ken Bowker *

FEBRUARY 1

Misty Bradley Aaron Guthrie Scotty Herrod Mr&Mrs Roy Joe Harvey *

FEBRUARY 2 Ronnie Hartman **Ruby Halmon Darla Jones Enriquez**

FEBRUARY 3 Mr&Mrs. Gary Hubbard *

FEBRUARY 4 Cody Fellers William Loyd Shane Taylor Angela Warnock

FEBRUARY 5 Christy Casey Taylor Brad Peacock Mr&Mrs Gene Watts * Mr&Mrs Dink Wristen *

Kevin Hale Sarah Pelton

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admit to sniffing toxic items, they do not consider this to be "inhalant abuse". That is because these products are readily available, inexpensive and legal to purchase.

Children, and all people, who abuse inhalants and do not die put themselves at risk for permanent and severe brain damage. Inhalant vapors react with the fatty tissues in the brain, literally dissolving them. Therefore, chronic inhalant abusers may permanently lose the ability to perform everyday tasks such as walking, talking and thinking.

We must warn our children of the dangers of inhalant abuse, and make sure they know enough not to try them.

If you suspect your child, or someone else is using inhalants please contact a school counselor, a drug counseling center or the Poison Center for help. Sincerely,

Paul Lockman, RN, BSN, CSPI Panhandle Poison Center.

Flag Football Meeting To Be Held Feb. 3

There will be an organizational meeting for the Flag Football League for Coleman County Youth.

Board officers and members will be elected in the meeting to be held February 3 at 7 p.m. in the First Coleman National Bank Club Room.

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A Public Service Message from the Internal Revenue Ser

LEFT-HANDED MEN outnumber left-handed women-about 6.6 percent of all men are left-handed, only about 3.8 percent of all women.



Black bass an smallmouth are fair to good on Texasrigged worms and on crank baits fished in deep water. Crappie action has been fair to good fished in deep

water around brush. White bass are fair on live

bait. Catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with live perch and cut bait over

baited holes. Yellow catfish are fair to good on trotlines baited with live perch fished in the river. Listed in area lake records are Eric Halfmann who holds the Lake lvie record for Bluegill with a fish weighing 0.91 and measuring 10.25, caught in August of 1997. Sam Keel holds the Hybrid striped bass record with one weighing 3.83 and measuring 20.13, caught in May of 1997.



Who Am I?

By Jennie Wagner Why are you letting me die?

I want to live and grow as I once

I want my children to once again be proud when they some home. I was here for your parents and

grandparents.

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I was here for your births and deaths.

I will be here for many years if you will help me.

I am not unlike your belief in God.

I loo need to be believed in. I am the place God chose for you

to be born. Who am I?

I am Santa, Anna, your hometown.

Self Culture Club **Tours New School** Library Building Contributed

Santa Anna Culture club met Wednesday, January 14 at 2 p.m. in the new library building at the school. Dean Bass gave the ladies a tour of the almost completed build-

ing, Bass began by saying that no one is pleased with the way the new building looks on the outside. Something will be done to the outside. Options being considered include paint, stain or maybe taking off all the brick and starting over. They are looking into all the options and the decision about what to do has not yet been made. The inside of the building is beautiful with blue carpeting, cream colored walls and beautifully stained wood work and bookshelves along the walls. They plan to use the tables and free standing bookshelves from the existing school libraries.

The library takes up about half of the new building. One large room will hold the combined school libraries. There will be a reading room with comfortable chairs and a large office-workroom for the librarian. The new library will be fully automated with books listed on the computer instead of the old fashion card file and checked out by a computer scanner. This gives children the opportunity to become familiar with one practical application of the computer. Each classroom will also have a computer with world wide connections.

The new building also has space for offices. By moving the administration offices to the new building, additional classrooms could be created in the junior high building. The rooms currently being used for libraries will be used for additional classrooms in the elementary and

The Vanishing Dialect?

By Trudi Rutherford

in the Texan language! Is it fast disappearing from the thin or full, uttered! But, that presented a cracked or chapped lips of Texans? Or have my ears grown so incoherent to my ears. Not a word accustomed to its drawl that it sounds normal to me? Most of the time.

I recall the first time I visited Texas. It was an ordeal I shall remember for a long time. I'm now aware that the farther into the country one goes, the deeper the twang, although I didn't realize it at the time. And Thomas's family was as deep as one gets without dropping off the side!

We'd been married exactly two days when Thomas went out with his Dad that morning to help with chores. When I finally saw light of day, his Mom was busy with housekeeping duties but quickly offered me something to eat. I saw by the bacon and egg platter proffered to me, I say, because I couldn't understand a word she said. Nor did she understand me, although I didn't know it because she covered up by talking incessantly thus allowing me no time to

bathroom and other room in the homemaking cottage. The kitchens will be left in case they are needed in the future. The large sewing room with electrical hookups for many sewing machines will become a computer lab and distant

learning center. The Distant Learning Center is another miracle of the computer age. It is a system of instant twoway communication. Our school will be able to connect with a classroom in a large high school or a university to see and talk to the teacher and other class members. This will allow our students to take classes that are not offered in our school. Our students will be able to take languages such as German, French or Russian, advances science and math classes or even college level classes. The Distant Learning lab may be open in the evening for adult classes. They will begin using the new library in the near future. Work on the distant learning perhaps, but all I could see was lab has not yet begun.

business meeting. Suzie Bass read was stored. the minutes and called the roll. It I continued walking, cupping my

speak, freeing her from the At last, I find no accent or twang embarrassment of constantly asking me to repeat the words I'd just problem for me because she was

could I make out! After filling my fact, I decided to go see what Thomas and his Dad were doing. I asked his Mother in which direction I should go. That was my first mistake! This is what

I heard: "Therutchiandreathfeedlat."

I gaped at her like a fool, so she repeated the phrase with the same inflection, except that she smiled, like you would a child who was dim-witted. I smiled back and mumbled my thanks, inching backward toward the door, going through it as if crawling back into my hole.

Once outside, I reviewed in my mind and on my tongue, 'utchiandreathfeedlat' many times. From out of my past somewhere, I detected a phrase: from a movie, a book, it didn't matter; what did matter is that I thought I was getting some of what she'd said, Probably.

They're out yor.der, but where yonder? After more figuring and repeating, and doing alot of presuming I figured she meant 'at the feed lot'!!

Now picture a wide open space as Texans may very well do, but for a first time visitor, a wide open space with a sky as big as you've ever seen; a nearly flat surface on that space for ground with mounds slightly larger than speed bumps here and there but not many, then add a couple mesquite trees that sort of look like the northern fruit trees. and a few live oaks, midget sized to the ones up north and I'm supposed to find the 'lot out yonder'! I could see the horizon, which looked to be about a hundred miles, and wondered how far I'd have to walk.

And so I began, looking around me to commit signs to memory for my way back, all the while thinking of Thomas's mother's words: 'At the feed lot'. The phrase should give me a clue. To me, a lot was a piece of land on which one built a house. Fifty by a hundred, an acre land, miles and miles of it, and no After a tour of the new building, houses. Oh, there were buildings,

club members went to the collapsing shells of homes here and Methodist Church for a business there but I was sure they weren't at meeting and refreshments. Vice any of those. Perhaps I should President Cathy Ellis conducted the look for a barn where the cowfood

was decided to donate a book to the eyes against the sun to better see public library in memory of long- my outer surroundings, hoping I'd time club member Mae Blue. come into sight of some storage Refreshments were served by host- buildings, barn, or silo. I walked

Reaching them at last, I pantingly said, "Hi, there!" To which they hardly looked up from their work to reply in kind.

Quite some time before all this happened back in New Hampshire, Thomas had shown me a book called the Texas Dictionary, written, I believe, by a Texan, Jim Everhart, and given to him by Belva Dene, a born Texan, long before Thomas brought me here. I studied it then and laughed about the absurdity of the expressions mentioned in it. Little did I realize that to an outsider, this dictionary depicts alot more clearly how differently we hear your language with

our unaccustomed ears. For example, when you say, Isn't anyone going to help me? We hear, 'Ain't nobody gonna hep me? You say, I just hate to look at myself in the mirror, we hear, 'Ah jes hate to look at mahsef in the mere'. 'Fear' to you sounds like 'fair' to

us; 'time' to you sounds like 'tom' to us, and 'else' like 'ails'. Are you getting an inkling of the impairment we have when we first drop out of the sky into this great big land of yours?? Now put all these words together and what do you get? Or more precisely, what do I get? 'The first tom Ah met fair was was when ah saw mahsef in the mere.

Can you guess what 'Markin' would be translated to mean for me? Or squire? Or maybe harket? Idee? Thang? Small? Sect? Owe? Or even yet tarred? Prod? And suede? How about cheer?

Then one day last September, Verna Bolton sent me "How to Talk Texas" (in one easy lesson), just one sheet filled with Texan words and their meanings. Wow! What an education I got! And SO true to life. (My brothers-in-law are living proof!) No doubt many of you have seen this abridged form of the Texas Dictionary through the courtesy of the Sherman Chamber of Commerce. It's certainly worth passing around; to New Englanders like me at any rate.

On the other side of the coin, to be fair, I've been teased about 'cah' (car), 'garahge', 'gahbage', and many more words and expressions because New Englanders broaden their words and don't pronounce their 'r's enough, or at least, less than Texans do. I'm sure it's difficult to understand them if you're not of them.

There isn't to my knowledge however, a New England dictionary, published to emphasize our accent There are, of course, areas where the accent is heightened to the extent where it's a dialect, as in Texas. Like the old farmers in the backwood towns in Maine, for instance, say 'eyah, for yes, heah, for here,

etc. Since I'm accustomed to thi

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CAP High School Offering CAP High School will be offering a 6-hour Computer Technology class to the public on January 31.

cover the concepts of using Windows 95 and the Internet.

February 14. The class will be County Courthouse. Office 97 version of Microsoft Word and Intermediate Windows 95. The first half of the class will cover Intermediate levels of Windows 95, basic knowledge of this program will be needed for this class. The second half will consist of basic use of Microsoft 97 Word, no previous word training is needed. These classes will be at the CAP High School campus. Classes will be hands on with new Windows 95 workstations and T1 Internet access. Paul and Gay Martin will be the instructors. The class will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a 1-hour lunch break. Cost will be \$35.00. Classes will be limited to 15 peo-

To enroll call CAP High School at 915-636-4355.

Cleveland Chats by Clara Cupps

Jerry Ellis visited his parents the Cecil Ellis Sunday.

I visited a while on the phone with my sister El Freda Mendol in Houston Sunday. Virgil visited us Friday morning.

Miller Dee Fleming visited Thelma Sunday and Ivy Hitchcock of San Angelo visited Friday.

Ray and Jane Boyle and Clara Martin of Plano and Melvin and Betty McCarroll of Alze visited last Saturday with the A. C. Pierces.

LaDell Morris said her mother is in the hospital with pneumonia. Thursday and Monday morning Brodie and Kathleen went to the nursing home to visit her mother Mrs. Ruth Hibbits.

We were sad to hear of the passing of Smiley Sudderth, the husband of Mrs. Jewel (Taylor) Sudderth. Our condolences to the family:

Carmilla and her sister Nancy went to Bangs to the funeral of Murlene Stephens Thursday. They visited with Mrs. Sylvia Perkins. Saturday Carmilla and Dixie Joe went to San Angelo.

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Coleman County Tax Assessor Computer Classes Offers Information On Voting

The last day citizens may register The class will be Basic Windows to vote in the March 10 primary 95 and Internet. This class will clection in February 9. Early voting for the primary election begins February 23 in the office of Future classes will be offered on the County Clerk, Coleman

The 1998-1998 voter registration cards were mailed from the voter registrar's office at the end of December, Many cards were returned because of an incorrect address. Anyone not receiving their card, may call the office of the Tax Assessor Collector at 915-625-2153 to inquire or come by the office in the courthouse. Any person not registered to vote may pick up an application in the tax assessor's office.

Donna Seymore and her staff will be glad to assist anyone who has questions about their voter registration certificate.

Leona Henderson visited Rachel and I Friday afternoon.

Sug and Leona visited Winnie Sunday.

I talked to Pete Moore Sunday night. Was glad to hear he was doing well.

Ovella visited with Rachel and I last Sunday.

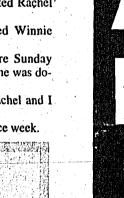
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high school buildings. The new buildings also has handicap accessible restrooms.

Santa Anna schools no longer offer home economics classes because students no longer elect to take home economics. Good use will be made of the home economics rooms. The living room with its built in bookshelves and brick fireplace will make a very attractive superintendent's office. A new office for the school nurse and a connecting classroom for health occupations classes makes use of the

ess Suzie Bass and Carmilla Baugh. and ambled, strolled and shuffled, Baugh, Novelle Boylston, Cathy Spillman and Pat Vance.

Wednesday, February 11. The group will meet at the Presbyterian Church at 12:30 and travel to Coleman High School. At 1 p.m. program about the home economics program in the Coleman schools.

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Attending the meeting were Gladis toddled and waddled, and sure Barnes, Suzie Bass, Carmilla enough, when I felt too weary to go on, there up on a knoll was a great Ellis, Billie Gatlin, Bettie big structure. How to get there. I Henderson, Oma Dean Horner, followed several roads for what Lodema Jones, Betty Key, Alice seemed like miles. I turned back and traveled another road, coming to Thomas and his Dad how long I'd The next meeting will be a fork. Which way? Seems like after about fifty miles of treking and circling, after seeing cattle aplenty and cactus aprickly, some

armadillo and jack rabbits who van-Mrs. Bonnie Brown will present a ished as soon as they saw me, the sky around me so vast and true blue, I was totally awed by such

expanse, but just when I was ready to give up, I heard voices...out yonder!

Or thought I did.

I continued on the way only faster, and heard them again, louder. They sounded real close but I saw nothing in the immediate area. After a very long time of trudging along, I looked up and there, about a mile ahead beyond and previously hidden by the building, was Thomas and his Dad loading the truck with hay bales.

dialect, even if it hurts my ears, I can understand it. As I'm sure there are inklings of it in my speech, but not many (I hope)!

To get back to the subject at hand, I wasn't fool enough to tell been searching for them, but I insisted on waiting until they returned to the house for dinner so I could ride with them. My feet were so sore I wasn't sure I could have walked back. Especially not the way I'd come!!

Texas **Translations:** Markin--American; squire--square; idee--idea; small--smile; owe--awe; prod--proud; cheer--here; rang-wring; harket--haircut; thang--thing; sect--sick; tarred--tired; suede-sweet

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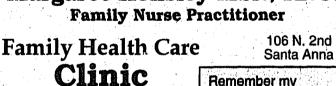
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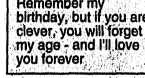
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Helpful Tips From Santa Annu Elementary Building Self-Esteem

Instead of 'Time-Out' ... Try 'Time-In' With Your Child

Many parents use "time out" when their kids misbehave. So if your child is doing something positive, why not use "time in?"

Robert Ward, Matthew Hoag, and Edward Christophersen, part of the Behavioral Pediatric Psychology Unit at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, recommend "time in" as a way to let children know they are loved and valued.

Explain to your child that "time in" is something parents do not because the child has camed it, but because the child is treasured.

Without speaking, just gently touch your child's arm, head, or shoulder for two or three seconds. If you have a tendency to talk too much, they recommend using one

1998 Varsity

Tennis

Schedule

March 20-21: Breckenridge

DUAL MEET

March 13-14: Santa Anna

March 27: Brownwood

March 3: Miles (Here)

April 3-4: Mason

April 14-15:

School

(Brock)

March 6-7: Grace Christian

(Mason)

District

hand to touch your child and the other to cover your mouth to remind yourself to keep quiet! Source: Robert Ward, Matthew Hoag, & Edward Christophersen, "Time-In: Two-Handed," ADHD Report, August 1997 (Russel A. Barkley & Associates, The Guilford Press, 72 Spring Street, New York, NY).

Volunteers **Needed Feb 7th To Help Assemble New Playground** Equipment

Students at Santa Anna Elementary have been participating in fund raising activities for the past two years. They have been raising money for new playground equipment.

The new equipment will be delivered on Saturday, February 7.

The school is looking for workers to help construct the playground equipment. The school will provide lunch for those people working. This will be a fun day with a rewarding outcome.

Various tools are needed for this construction and the school is looking for persons who might be willing to loan their tools or come help with the project. For more information contact the elementary office at 348-3138.

WAR GAME

THESS was invented in India in the seventh century A.D. as a war game to illustrate and rehearse proposed army movements for real engagements. Its name comes from the Indian "chaturanga" meaning "consisting of four divisions," the four kinds of troops in the traditional Indian army-infantry, cavalry, chariots, and elephants, along with the Supreme Commander (King) and the Minister (changed by Italians to the Queen).

Don't Let Your Child Be **A TV Junkie!**

By Carol Katzer County Extension Agent--Family & Consumer Sciences

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New Year's Resolutions are in thoughts and discussions at this time of the year. As you work on your adult, personal resolutions, give some thoughts to life style adjustments for the young family members, too. The following information from The American Council of Life Insurance/Consumer News on Life Insurance, Finance, Health & Safety Issues, gives an insight in nurturing environment for the children in our homes.

Television can be educational and help spark a child's imagination, but too much is not good either. In the United States, a child entering school has watched an average of 4,000 hours of TV. Most experts agree that this is too much television. It can expose children to sex and violence and give them a poor model for good behavior and determining right from wrong. Young children also have difficulty understanding complicated plots or scary scenes. In addition, too many hours in front of a television creates passiveness, which can slow a child's intellectual and social development.

Help your child develop good viewing habits at an early age. Starting at age three, help your child choose appropriate programs to watch. Watch TV with your

child so that you can talk together about the show and offer guidance for scenes that may be difficult to understand. Only turn the television on when it is time for the show to begin, and turn it off when the show is over. Follow-up television viewing with activities and games. You might have your child tell you a new word that he or she learned or make up a story about a favorite TV character.

Finally, try to limit your child to two hours of television a day. (Source: U. S. Department of Education).

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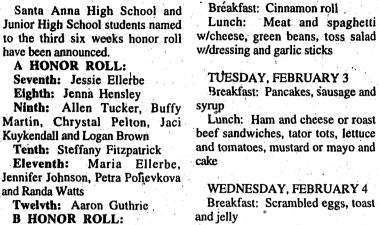
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Lunch: Chopped turkey w/gravy, Seventh: Evan Jones and whipped potatoes, english pea salad Jennifer Pelton Eighth: Heather Bradley, and hot rolls Crystal Isbell, Adam Lapin and THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5 Daena Castillo Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage Ninth: Mosies Mata

Tenth: Jesse Castillo Eleventh: Chris Boyet, David Penevac and Jeremy Tomme

Twelvth: Josh Daniel, Shane Watson, Rene Yancy, Hector Patino, Amanda Lishka, Diana Porter and Lupe Castillo



gravy and jelly

WHEN HORSES TRAVEL ON SNOWY roads, balls of snow often clog their hoofs and hinder them. From this comes the phrase, "all balled up"»»

Lunch: Taco bowl w/meat.

cheese, lettuce and tomatoes, refried

beans, brownie and picante sauce



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If you live in a town or city, the trees near the street (often between the sidewalk and street), are probably city-owned. The city should have a program for planting and

caring for these trees. Support the Tree City USA community forestry program. where you live. Respect local ordinances as to what trees can be planted, how to prune, etc. Encourage your town to fully fund quality treeplanting and treeare program.

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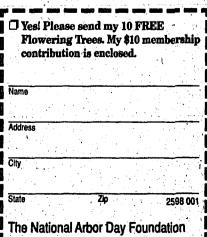
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Karthausers Make Return Trip To Africa

By David and Margaret Karthauser



Margaret and David Karthauser pose with native Africans while vacationing,

After the visit to the village, we went back to the Lodge for breakfast. After breakfast, we packed all of our things in preparation for our trip to the Aberdare Country Club. After we packed the vehicles and went on our way, David and Margaret did comment about how different this year's visit was from last and how much it was the same. 'After this visit, we feel that if we went back to the same place ten times we would get ten different views.

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We drove south out of the Samburu Game Reserve and over the rough roads that we had traversed four days before. We stopped every hour or so at the same stops eight for a rest stop or to get fuel. This time we counted each of the speed bumps as we went through the town. There were twenty-nine rather than twenty-six and it seemed like it took forever starting and stopping to get across the bumps. Most of the road south was paved after this town except for the last five miles or so as we approached the Country Club. When we pulled off the paved road, the roads looked very muddy and almost impassable. The land rovers are able to traverse the seemingly impassable roads. The last quarter of a mile or so inside of the Country Club was paved. However, the mud began falling off from underneath the vehicles making the road a little treacherous.

The weather was quite good and we really enjoyed the very good lunch we had at the Aberdares. The

and all of our luggage except for our overnight cases and our cameras. We boarded the buses and were soon on our way. There seemed to be a very mad dash for everyone to get into the buses and we and the rest of our group were forced to get into a very small bus that became overcrowded. Soon they closed the doors and we were underway.

We were trying to make the best out of a less than desirable situation when we noticed our little bus was the last one to leave. I believe there were three buses. The reason there was a mad scramble for the buses was there was a large number of people that were on safari. They became downright rude when it came to waiting your turn to get on a bus or other such activity.

Most of the roads we drove on were paved but the park road is still a dirt road. Anyway, as we traveled on, we tried not to have too bad feelings toward the people who had done all of the pushing and shoving since their actions are probably perfectly necessary in their highly populated country. As we started up the mud road, David had contemplated how well these vehicles would do on the big muddy hill that we were approaching.

As we approached the bottom of . the hill all the vehicles were* stopped at the bottom. Near the top were two vehicles that were in the ditch. One of them was spinning its tires inching its way closer to the top. After what seemed an eternity, the vehicle made it to the top. David thought

the fog bothered our viewing so much that we went to bed rather than stay up and watch. This year it was clear and perfect viewing weather. Unfortunately there wereno animals to view so once again we found great comfort in the wool blanket covered hot water bottles that warmed our feet while we slept. During our early morning breakfast Jeannie informed us that we had seen all the animals that came through that night. The lone elephant came before dinner. After breakfast, we made our way to the departure point early enough so that we were able to get a seat on the first bus. We needed to be early so we could the strict schedule for the rest of the day. This was another experience that reinforced the idea that one visit to any place is not enough to get the true picture. The muddy roads going down hill

lot of fog. We did complain that

wasn't any more fun than the trip up, however, we were able to stay in the middle of the road and made the trip without incident. Since we would only be on the paved roads for the rest of the day, our drivers had gotten our ranger rovers washed so they looked even better compared

Our whole bus cheered as we

reached the crest. We chose the

proper side to slide off the road

because the ditch on the right still

held a stopped vehicle. We

continued our drive to the Ark. As

we were unloading we didn't think

it unusual that no other vehicle

things in our room and made our

way to the lounge. As we were

areas, we did notice there were very

few people. We did discuss that the

road looked pretty bad when we

went up and wondered how the

other buses fared. As we were

getting in line for dinner later, the

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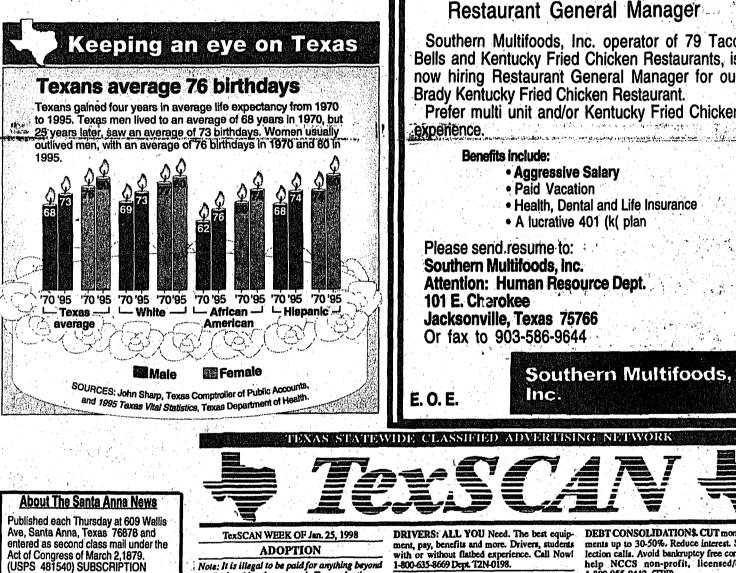
bus was not worth the effort.

We quickly went in and put our

followed us right away.

to the muddy buses. We quickly rounded up our belongings and our drivers quickly started our drive back to Nairobi. This time we stopped at the equator so that we could once again see the coreolis effect demonstration. The prices seemed to be much higher this year sitting in the open air viewing and the vendors much less willing to bargain. We were, however, able to strike some good bargains by being patient. After the equator we had one more stop before lunch to look for souvenirs. This is the place with the factory for wood carvings and since this was our third visit we did not make any purchases. Our next stop was the Carnivore restaurant for lunch.

we decided that getting on the first In the daylight some of the Last year when we were here, mystique leaves the restaurant, but there were very many animals and a it is unusual that even lunch in



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broad daylight is an experience. David and Margaret only ate wild game for our meat choices while the rest of our group stuck mostly to the beef and chicken and pork dishes. We were somewhat rushed in that we had to catch an airplane. We hurriedly finished lunch, paid our bill, and race for the airport. We barely had enough time to get our luggage on board before the

plane took off. We were not too concerned, however, in that the only passengers aboard were the fifteen or sixteen of our group and Lucy, the social director from the Mara. Lucy became our friend last year. Being an almost scheduled airline we don't think they would have left without us.

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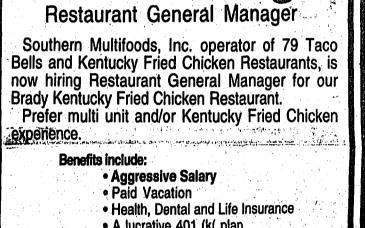
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with beautiful flowers that we had seen in our last visit. Around 3 p.m. we bade farewell to our drivers

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the two buses in front of us would get stuck or at least tear up the road so that we could not continue. Without any warning our bus pulled out of the line and passed all the vehicles at the bottom of the hill. The driver had the vehicle going as fast as it could in a very low gear and the engine noise was terrific. We got to the bottom of the hill without any trouble and started flying toward the top. About two-thirds the way up the hill the rear end of our bus slid into the ditch on the left side. The driver never changed his speed. As the rear end of the bus bounced agains the hillside several times and continued up to the top of the hill.



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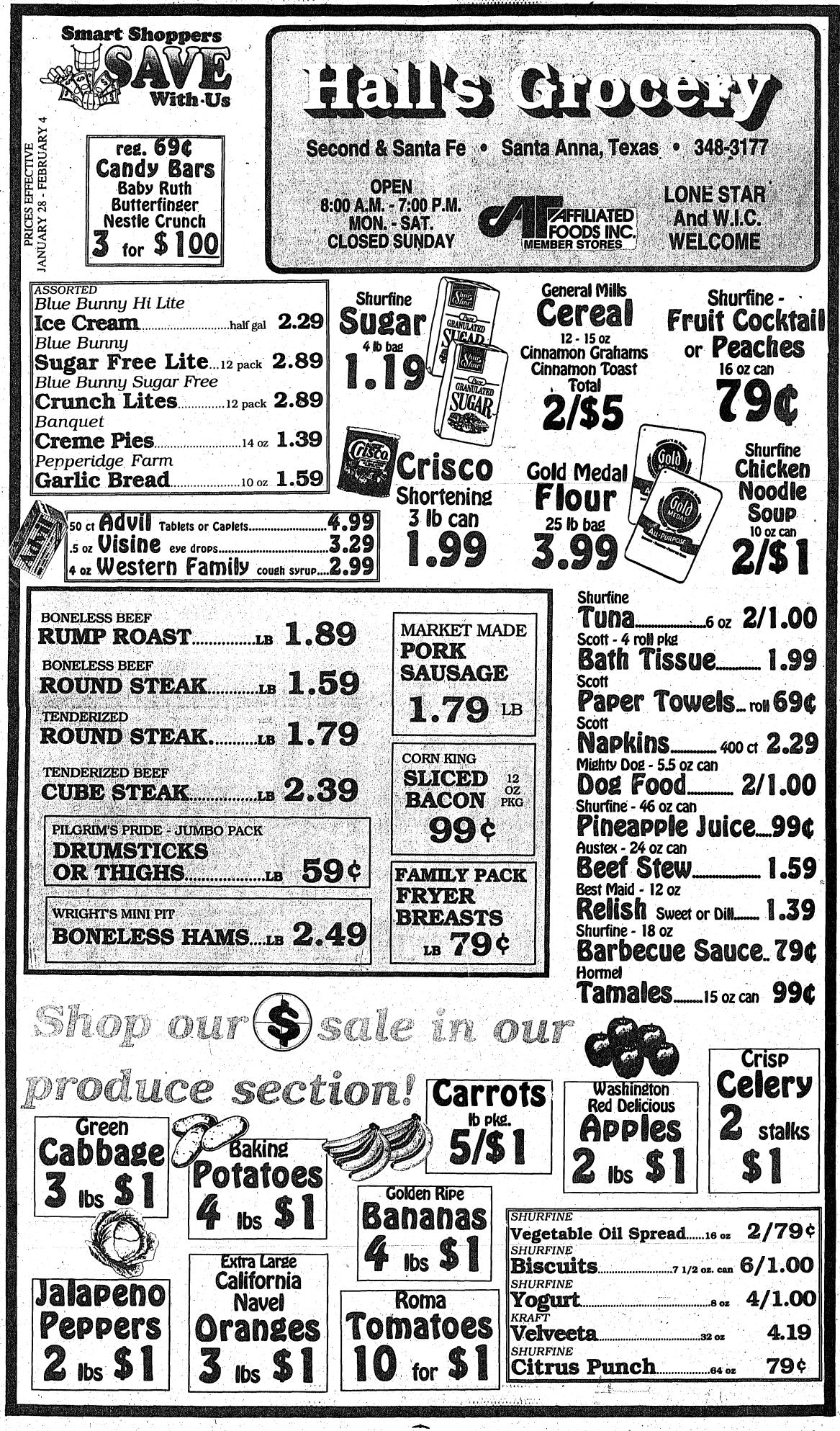
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