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A look at our area's happenings in 1986

Here is a shortened view of 1986 in review for the Texico-Farwell area:

JANUARY

Judge J.Q. Warnake Jr. was named guest speaker for this year's Farwell Chamber of Commerce dinner.

The first Farwell Sesquicentennial event was announced: designing a flag for the city. Also, the State Line Tribune began two special features -- a Historical Recipe of the Week, provided by the Farwell Study Club, and a weekly column on historical Texan events.

County office-holders announced re-election bids: Judge Porter Roberts, Clerk Bonnie Warren, Commissioner Ray McGehee, District Judge Jack Young and District Clerk Marjorie Watkins.

In Texico, filing for mayor were Max Carter and John Hadley; for the two council posts, Lewis Cooper, Butch Tharp and Doyle LaRue.

The Farwell City Council began discussing a Neighborhood Watch program after Colleen Stover, a resident, suggested it be revived.

Ann Norton announced she was running for the county treasurer's post after Benna Felt said she planned to retire.

Jim and Carolyn Burrows told the Texico City Council they were planning a subdivision in the southern part of the city.

Farmer employees got 5 percent pay raises.

Billy "Shorty" Hughes and Albert Smith announced for the Farwell Justice of the Peace post.

The Farwell City Council met with Clovis artist Cherokee to plan a Sesquicentennial wall mural.

FEBRUARY

Farwell Mayor Walter Kaltwasser announced he would resign the post in April. He has been mayor since 1977.

Between Feb. 7 and 12, 11 inches of snow fell.

Jerry Davis announced for the county treasurer's post.

Seeking the Farwell mayoral post were Chris Gikas and Cecil Rundell. The merger of the Farwell and Oklahoma Lane Baptist churches was approved.

Named as Farwell's Man and Woman of the Year were Walter Hughes and Leslie Lunsford.

The Farwell flag design contest was won by Sonny Kelm, an eighth grader.

Named Mr. and Miss Texico High School were Mark Meek and Kelly Lynn.

MARCH

A meeting was held to restart Neighborhood Watch programs in Texico and Farwell.

John Hadley was re-elected Texico mayor. Butch Tharp and Doyle LaRue were elected councilmen.

Carl Standefer, New Mexico state fire marshal, will be the Texico Chamber of Commerce speaker.

An open house was held for the new addition to the First Baptist Church of Farwell.

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce agreed to begin a "Teacher of the Year" program.

APRIL

Texico's Tasha Rucker and Konni Warmuth entered the New Mexico state science fair.

The Texico City Council approved the Burrows' subdivision plat.

In the Farwell election, Chris Gikas was named mayor along with councilmen Martin Kube, Fred Chandler and Elizabeth Phillips.

Elected to the Farwell School Board were incumbents Richard Haseloff and Seve Pierson.

Curtis Smith was named to head Border Town Days.

Farwell Farm Supply, owned by Floyd and Wynona Coates, opens.

Bryan Kube was elected Texico Chamber of Commerce president.

Texico's Man and Woman of the Year are Joe Helton and Fern Tharp.

MAY

A mobile home owned by Danny Folks in Texico burned; there were no injuries but all the contents were lost.

Texico City Marshal Fred Hamner was dismissed.

Farmer primary election winners

included Anne Norton, Albert Smith and Porter Roberts; the three had opponents.

Heritage Square Garden Apartments, senior citizens' homes, were to be built adjacent to the Farwell Convalescent Center.

Steve Breckenridge was named Farwell Chamber of Commerce president.

The Farwell Steer of the Year was Jesse Anzaldua; Steerette of the Year was Shonda Foster.

Texico's top scholars were Mark Meeks, valedictorian; Lucia Jesko, salutatorian, and Melissa Singletary, historian. Farwell was led by DeAnn Curtis, valedictorian; Alma Nicolas, salutatorian, and Sheryllyn Thigpen, historian. Lazbuddie's top scholars were Aaron Hargett, valedictorian; Melissa Sanchez, salutatorian, and Wendy Jarman, historian.

Buddy and Wanda Brothers are the new operators of Oklahoma Lane Farm Supply.

One of Farwell's oldest homes, the Hopping-Aldridge house at 710 Fourth St., is dedicated as a Texas Historical Landmark.

Paul Gonzales and Traci Elliott receive Lazbuddie Athletes of the Year awards.

Fourteen Texico High students receive scholarships. Getting the top athletic awards are Kelly Lynn, Coy Jo Burk, Loretta Gonzales, Mark Meeks and Kyle Snipes.

JUNE

Farwell School employees retiring are R.T. Langston, Frances Boling and Edith Martin.

Frances Boling wins the first Teacher of the Year award.

Four Farwell students receive scholarships.

Monte Barnes resigned as Farwell athletic director.

An area girls' basketball team coached by Larry Gregory and Patsy Camp won the New Mexico AAU State Tournament (12-and-under team).

A shrine, the Statue of San Jose, was dedicated at San Jose Catholic Church in Texico.

Mike Marcedes was named associate minister at the First Baptist Church of Farwell.

A survey of Farwell residents showed that a vast majority favored more business and industry.

Mark Williams was named to head the Texico-Farwell Rotary Club.

David Wheeler was hired as Texico City Marshal.

Texico applies for state funds for a new water well.

JULY

Rex Cumpton is hired as Farwell Athletic Director.

Stewart Pike of Lariat won the ninth annual Bob Fesist Invitational Team Roping Classic at Reno, Nev.

Named as Border Town Days' Pioneers of the Year are Mitz Walling and Vashti Fowler.

New Mexico approved funding Texico's proposed water well.

Patty Cavallero is named Miss Border Town Days. More than 2,000 attend the annual Day in the Park.

Glenden Sudderth wins the pickup giveaway. ESA Sorority dedicates the new city park playground equipment it bought.

Frederick Albert Cantrell and his wife Pearl are charged in connection with the shooting death of Carl William Moore II.

AUGUST

A Muleshoe man is a suspect in the shooting death of a Muleshoe woman on FM Road 2290, six miles west of Bovina. The man allegedly kidnaped another Muleshoe woman, sister of the slain woman.

Ysleta Kittrell is named Farwell municipal judge.

The Parmer County Appraisal Board announce a 20 percent reduction in its new fee schedule for homeowners, rural improvements and small retail businesses.

A four-part series of the infamous Hassell murders of the 1920s begins in the Tribune as a prelude to the newspaper's Diamond Anniversary issue.

The Texico Booster Club decides to expand its scope to include other aspects of school support, not just

sports.

SEPTEMBER

The Tribune prints an extra 200 copies of its special 75th Anniversary issue but sells out nonetheless.

The 28th annual Area Merchants Football Contest begins.

Steer Stadium is renamed W.M. Roberts Stadium in honor of the longtime former superintendent.

Shonda Foster and Jason Schilling are Farwell Homecoming King and Queen.

Texico wins a traveling sportsmanship trophy from a Roswell TV station.

OCTOBER

Lazbuddie cancels its football schedule after going 0-4 due to the lack of participants.

Texico School Board discusses a possible bond election for new classrooms.

Work starts on the new Texico fire station addition.

Paul Clevenger is the new pastor at the Calvary Missionary Baptist Church.

NOVEMBER

An orthodontist opens an office in Farwell.

Texico School Board hires Eldon Smith as the architect for its construction program.

Lazbuddie will play six-man football next year.

Muleshoe Hospital closes.

Farwell agreed to let Texico use its dog-catcher and dog pound.

Farwell agrees to have an election next spring to eliminate the personal property tax and increase the city sales tax from 1 to 1.5 percent.

Fred and Pearl Cantrell plead guilty to charges of murder after plea bargaining. Fred is sentenced to 10 years in prison. Pearl gets 10 years' probation and must stay out of Parmer County for that period.

Rene Garcia, the Muleshoe man who is a suspect in the death of a Muleshoe woman in August, is caught in Florida.

Gabe Anderson, prominent civic leader, dies.

Cheryl Scott wins the annual football contest.

DECEMBER

Dana White is named BTQ Queen after her predecessor relinquishes the crown.

The Farwell City Council discusses land annexation ideas. The council plans to leave the Sesquicentennial mural where it is for the time being.

The Texico City Council abolishes its planning and zoning Commission, which never got off the ground.

Arlye Crooks and Terry Winkles file for Texico School Board.

Bill and Betsy Stone, former Texico residents, are the victims of a double homicide in Persidio County.

A dedication of the remodeled Parmer County District courtroom is held.

McCain Brothers to be guests

The Farwell Chamber of Commerce Tuesday voted to have the McCain Brothers be the special guests at the Chamber of Commerce annual banquet this year.

The McCain Brothers, from Bovina, have appeared on "Hee Haw," "Nashville Now" and other TV shows. They do a humorous routine.

No school candidates so far

As of 10 a.m. Tuesday, there were still no candidates for one of two Texico School Board seats on the Feb. 3 ballot.

5 p.m. Tuesday was the deadline for signing up. If no write-in candidates file, the school board will appoint a new board member after the Feb. 3 election. The post is currently held by Roy Thornton.

The other post is sought by Arlye Crooks, the incumbent, and Terry Winkles.

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

And taxes will go up

Has a new year rolled around that quickly?

Don't we all have a habit of saying "why, it just seems like yesterday that...?"

Last year at this time, my thoughts were on planning our Sesquicentennial features. I hope you folks enjoyed them: the Historical Recipe of the Week, from the Farwell Study Club, and "This Week in the Republic of Texas," sponsored by Sherley-Anderson Grain (Lariat), Worley Mills, ENMR, Five Area Telephone Cooperative, West Texas Rural Telephone, Franse Irrigation, Farmers Cooperative Elevator and Security State Bank.

Those features have now ended. I, for one, will miss them. I learned quite a lot about the history of this area through them. Remember that classic recipe calling for "five cents worth of steak"?

Anyway, thanks again to our sponsors of the historical column. It was appreciated.

I'm writing this column still stuffed from our Christmas dinner. I'm sure you folks didn't eat as much as I did. It was positively shameful. But good.

We continued our traditional practice of enjoying all major holidays at home with just our immediate family. I'm not a great believer of hitting the highway on a holiday weekend; I prefer to leave the car in the driveway.

Now, y'all come today (Friday, Jan. 2) to our mini-open house to show our new printing equipment. Texico-Farwell Printing is now at your service.

It feels kind of funny to write about the "new" equipment since much of it goes back a few years. But we've rejuvenated it. And, fortunately, it's the kind of equipment that lasts a long time if you properly maintain it.

It will be fun to see how this works out. I think it will be good for Texico-Farwell.

Ever wonder where your Texas taxes go to? In the last issue of "Fiscal Notes" from Bob Bullock, comptroller of public accounts, there were these statistics:

The state's expenditures in September totaled \$1,739,800,000. Of that total \$874,500,000 went to education. Yes, those totals are billions and millions -- and for ONE month.

Other September totals: highway maintenance and construction -- \$263.5 million; welfare -- \$251.3 million; law enforcement -- \$15.9 million; executive departments -- \$35 million, and so on.

Draw your own conclusions.

Reminder for Farwell folks: U.S. Rep. Larry Combest will have a community meeting Jan. 14 at 3 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center.

Y'all come.

Now that the new year is upon us, it's time for some predictions. That's the inherent duty of every newspaper columnist, right? So here goes:

The Dallas Cowboys will win their division, with Danny White back in form and flinging pass after pass to Dorset and Walker.

Texas Tech may not win the Southwest Conference in football but they sure as heck are going to beat the living tar out of Texas when they meet.

Harold Stassen will announce for presidency.

Russia will announce a successful conclusion to the Afghan War since all the Afghans will either be dead, maimed or in Pakistani refugee camps.

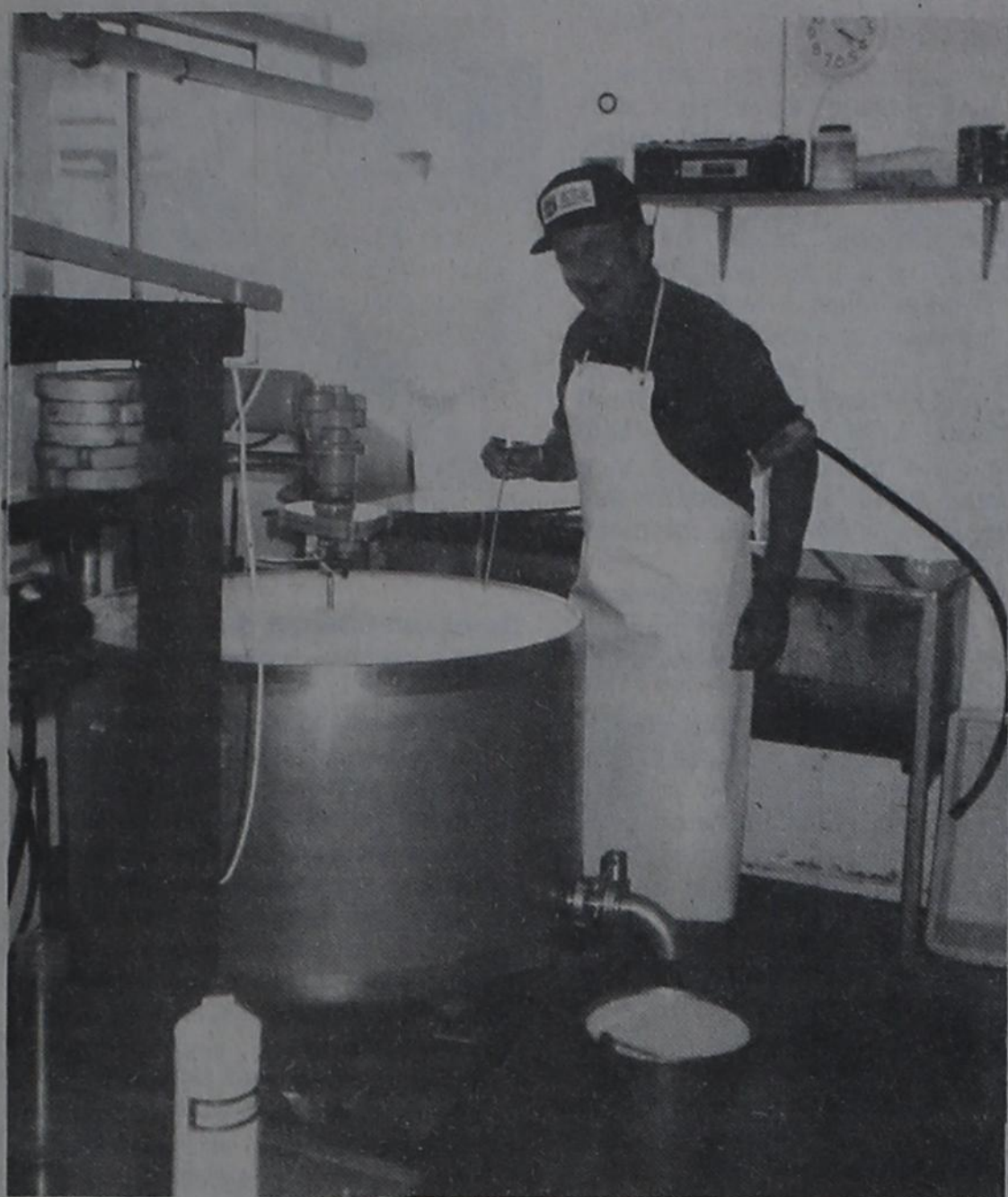
No solution will be found to the Northern Ireland mess or the plight of the Palestinians.

President Reagan will blame the mess in Washington on the Democrats and the news media.

The Democrats will blame everything on the Republicans and the news media.

And, most importantly, life will go on and taxes will go up.

A note from Farwell Municipal Judge Ysleta Kittrell to folks who take their animals from the country side and drop them off in the city: "Please take them to City Hall. We can handle them that way."



Ben Mesman is shown checking the temperature of the milk.

The Mesman family

Making cheese in Parmer

BY JENINE FOSTER

The Mesmans, Ben and Mary, have been residents of the United States for 27 years, and have lived in Oklahoma Lane for 18 years.

The Mesmans and their four children, Ted, 25; Tom, 24; Johanna, 22, and Bernie, 21, arrived in Parmer County in March 1968 to start their dairy business with 110 cows.

Ben lived in Holland for 27 years. He married Mary in May 1959. Ten days later they flew to the United States, with only \$200 in his pocket and Mary's hope chest. It was Mary's idea to come to the United States, but Ben says they moved when the city grew so much that it was moving onto his land.

Ben and Mary worked for nine years at a dairy in California. They saved all the money they earned by working in the dairy, babysitting and taking on three boarders in their rent home. All their children were born in California.

When the Mesmans had saved up enough money, they decided it was time to move on, so they looked around and decided Texas would be the best place to start a dairy.

They bought their land from Marvin Newman, who had set up a small dairy operation for his son. Marvin's son was unable to keep the hours required to keep the dairy going so they sold it to the Mesmans.

Mary stayed in a hotel at Texico until everything was moved into their home. Ben made all the improvements and did all the work himself on the farm. He built up the place with his own ideas and hard work.

Ben says that he made the improvements on the place to make it easier for his family. He worked 20 hours a day, seven days a week. Ben

says that in the dairy business he has to be ready for any change in the work schedule, 24 hours a day.

Ben says that if you want to do it yourself and never say that you can't, always try and you can do more than you think you can.

Ben, Mary and the family now run about a 500-cow operation.

The Mesmans are members of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Bovina and are involved in many church activities. Mary is a volunteer worker at the Farwell Convalescent Center. The Mesmans are also involved in 4-H activities and have had several 4-H exchange students to stay with them.

Ben and his family are also involved in the farming business. They grow a lot of their own feed to feed their cows. They also operate a bucket calf operation.

The Mesmans are proud of the fact that theirs is a family operation involving all the members of their family. They have specialized in making Dutch cheese for two years.

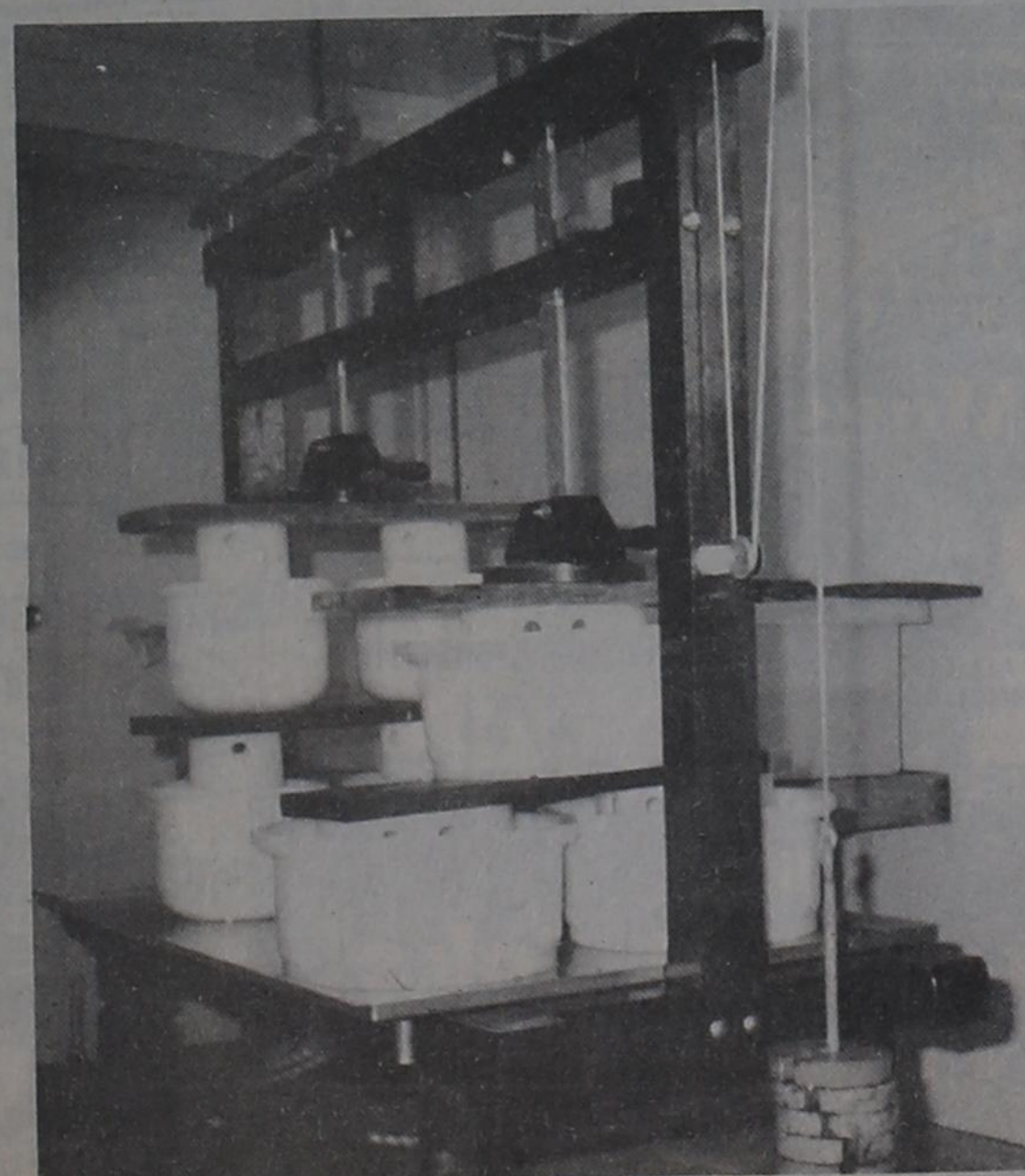
The Mesmans first began making cheese after Johanna went to Holland. Johanna stayed at her aunts and uncles for awhile, then worked for a relative as an apprentice in his cheese factory. She brought her knowledge home and taught her father the fine art of making Dutch cheese.

They began their cheese-making by importing the equipment and the cultures from Holland.

"The type of cheese they make is called "Gouda Cheese" or in Holland, "Goudse Kaas." It is a relatively white cheese and no artificial colors or additives are added," said Ben.

"After everything has been thoroughly cleaned, the milk is pumped straight from the cows into a stain-

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Show are the molds used on the cheese when it is in the pressing stage. During this time the cheese gets its form. It takes approximately 3 hours.



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Murder indictment returned

A Presidio County Grand Jury has returned a capital murder indictment against Shannon Douthit, 22, of Valentine, Texas, in the Dec. 13 homicides of Bill and Betsy Stone, former Texico residents.

The bodies of the Stones were found Dec. 15 at the Chillicothe Ranch, near Marfa, Texas, where Stone had been foreman for three years.

Texico trees to be picked up

It was announced at the Texico City Council meeting Dec. 23 that discarded Christmas trees are to be placed by residents' dumpsters for pickup on Jan. 2.

In other business, councilman Bryan Kube said he is trying to get the county to haul caliche for Hereford and Eulie streets.

Cheese

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less steel cheese vat. It takes about 80 gallons of milk to fill the vat. The vat has a double stainless steel wall. Warm water is pumped into the double wall brings the milk to a temperature which allows clotting. If the temperature gets too hot, the curds will be a different texture.

"Then a stainless steel measuring staff measures the amount of milk. The milk is then ready for the starter to be added.

"When the milk reaches the right temperature, starter culture is added. The milk has to have the natural bacteria for the culture to work. The culture helps the milk coagulate and separates it into curds and whey. Then I wait 30 minutes for the milk to curdle."

Ben then places the cutting frame into position to cut the curds. The stainless steel knives are moved very slowly. The curds must be treated carefully in the beginning.

"The cutting causes the whey to separate from the curd, said Johanna. "In the beginning it is like making cottage cheese, except with cheese, all of the whey is drained."

"The milk is cut for about 10-15 minutes. After the cutting, we add the spices or flavoring to make the different types of cheese."

Ben uses bacon bits, celery and onion or caraway seeds to make the different types of cheese.

Then he pours the whey off, partially. This whey is sometimes used to feed farm animals. The whey is poured off until about two-thirds of the original quantity is left.

The warm water then warms the whey and curds. Then another third of the whey is drained off and the milk is stirred and the temperature raised.

After that, Ben lets the curd settle for half an hour. The curd is moved to one side with a special instrument, and is then cut into pieces and put in nets.

Ben fills the molds. He uses mostly five and ten pound molds.

"It takes about 5 to 6 quarts of milk to make one pound of cheese," said Ben. The molds that Ben uses are made of hard plastic with small drainage holes in each. Ben said that if he made the cheese in a smaller mold that it usually had more crust. "The bigger the mold, the less waste."

Ben turns the molds upside down and allows them to sit 10 minutes. Eventually the curd takes the shape of cheese and is turned.

Ben starts pressing the cheese. The pressing makes the form. Weights are used in the pressing process. Ben says that the pressing of the cheese takes four hours. After pressing and waiting 10 hours, the cheese is put into the brine. "The smaller the mold the shorter the time the cheese has to set in the brine," said Johanna.

After having absorbed enough salt, the cheese is put on shelves for drying. Two days later a coating is applied to prevent the cheese from drying out or becoming moldy.

The cheese must then age for 60 days. "As the cheese ages, the



The cheese is shown in its finished stage, in the storage room where it

must age for at least 60 days.

flavor gets stronger and the cheese turns a creamy yellow color," said Ben.

"Altitudes may make a difference in the cheese," said Ben. "The cheese is stored at 60 degrees during the aging process. The cheese may be stored for a year or longer. After 6 months we have sharp cheese. For Longhorn or Colby, the cheese is aged 4 to 6 months."

Ben said that if you store the cheese in the freezer it slows down the aging process.

Ben and Mary said that in Holland, people eat a lot of cheese.

"For breakfast they usually would eat bread and cheese. In fact, some cheese in one form or another is eating at every meal. The Dutch

don't usually eat bread at dinner, nor do they drink anything with their meals," said Mary.

Ben said, "I really enjoy making the cheese, but so far it's been more or less a hobby for me. I hope later to see more cheese and be able to make a profit on what I have invested."

Auxiliary to meet

The Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary will meet Jan. 5 at 4 p.m. at the center.

The election of officers and the planning of the activities for January, February and March will be discussed. Anyone interested in joining may attend.

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Obituaries

Madge Lovett

Madge Lovett of Scottsdale, Ariz., a former Texico resident, died Saturday.

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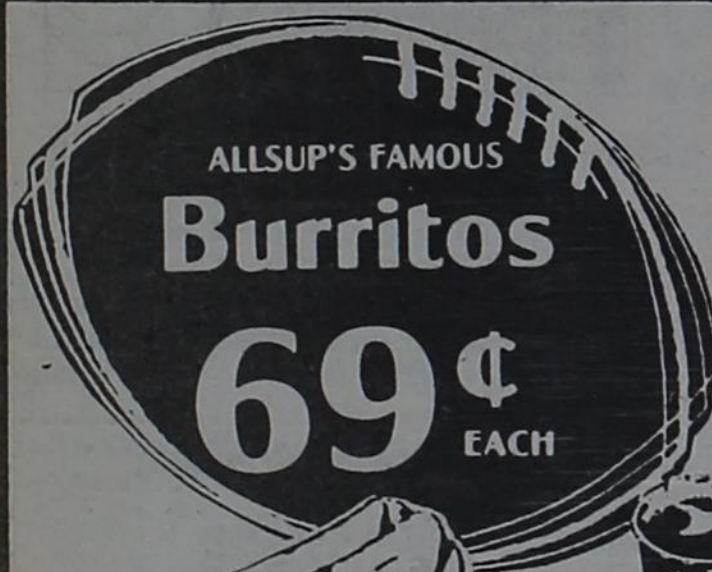
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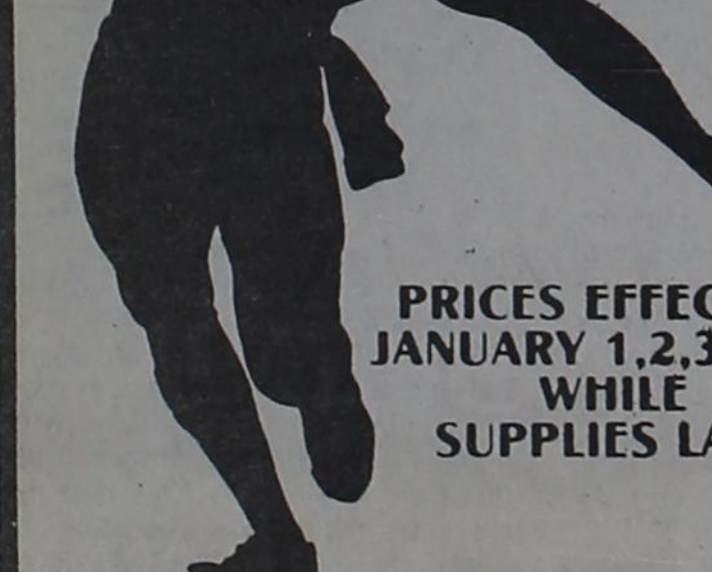
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Courtroom dedicated

A dedication ceremony for the newly-remodeled 287th District Courtroom at the Parmer County Courthouse was held Tuesday.

District Judge Jack Young opened the ceremony and introduced the guest speaker, Judge John Thomas Boyd, Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals in Amarillo.

Boyd had served on the trial

bench for 64 years in Plainview. He has served five years on the Court of Appeals. His first case that he ever tried was in Parmer County's courtroom.

Boyd commended Young for being recognized as an outstanding trial judge in the United States. Boyd said the courtroom was important to everyone and that it stands for a rule of law, which sets man apart from the barbarians. He reminded us that the colors in the flags remind us that we live under a rule of law.

Boyd spoke about the right to have a trial by jury. He said that out of 170 countries only 9 have such trials.

After the dedication speech, Young presented a painting print of the Parmer County Court House to Boyd in appreciation for his delivering the dedication speech.

Young recognized the painting contractor, Larry Price; the carpenter, George Servantius and the contractor, Jay Sherrill of Bovina for the work they did in remodeling the courtroom.

Young also presented the members of the commissioners court a special plaque of recognition for the contributions they made to help with the remodeling.

Young recognized Dolly Aldridge as an honored guest.

Hugh Moseley gave the benediction. Refreshments were served.

The courtroom was remodeled after part of the ceiling gave way last December.



Judge Jack Young awards the members of the commissioners court a special plaque of recognition



Dedicating the courtroom are, from left, Judge Jack Young and guest speaker, Judge John T. Boyd from Amarillo.

for their contributions to the remodeling of the courtroom.

Steers to be in tourney

The Farwell Steers varsity boys and girls will play in the Bovina Tournament Jan. 1, 2, and 3.

The boys will play Hereford, Friday at 11 a.m. and if they win this game they will play Vega at 5:30 p.m.

The girls will play Bovina JV Friday at 9:30 a.m. If they win they will play at 4:30 p.m.

The Steers district play will begin Jan. 6 at Farwell against Kress.

Twins born

Twin girls were born Dec. 27 to Betsy Black of Farwell.

Teryn Nikkole weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces. Kaylee Janai weighed 5 pounds, 3 ounces. They were born at St. Mary's of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock.

Grandparents are Delbert and Annette Black of Farwell. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C.R. Black of Muleshoe and Mr. and Mrs. Vira Fry of Oklahoma City.

Anniversary celebrated

Bill and Gertrude Foster celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary Dec. 26 at their home with family members. They also had their family Christmas celebration that same day.

Hospital Notes

Erbie Williams is in the Clovis High Plains Hospital.

Emmie Clark is in Clovis High Plains Hospital after having suffered a stroke Dec. 24.

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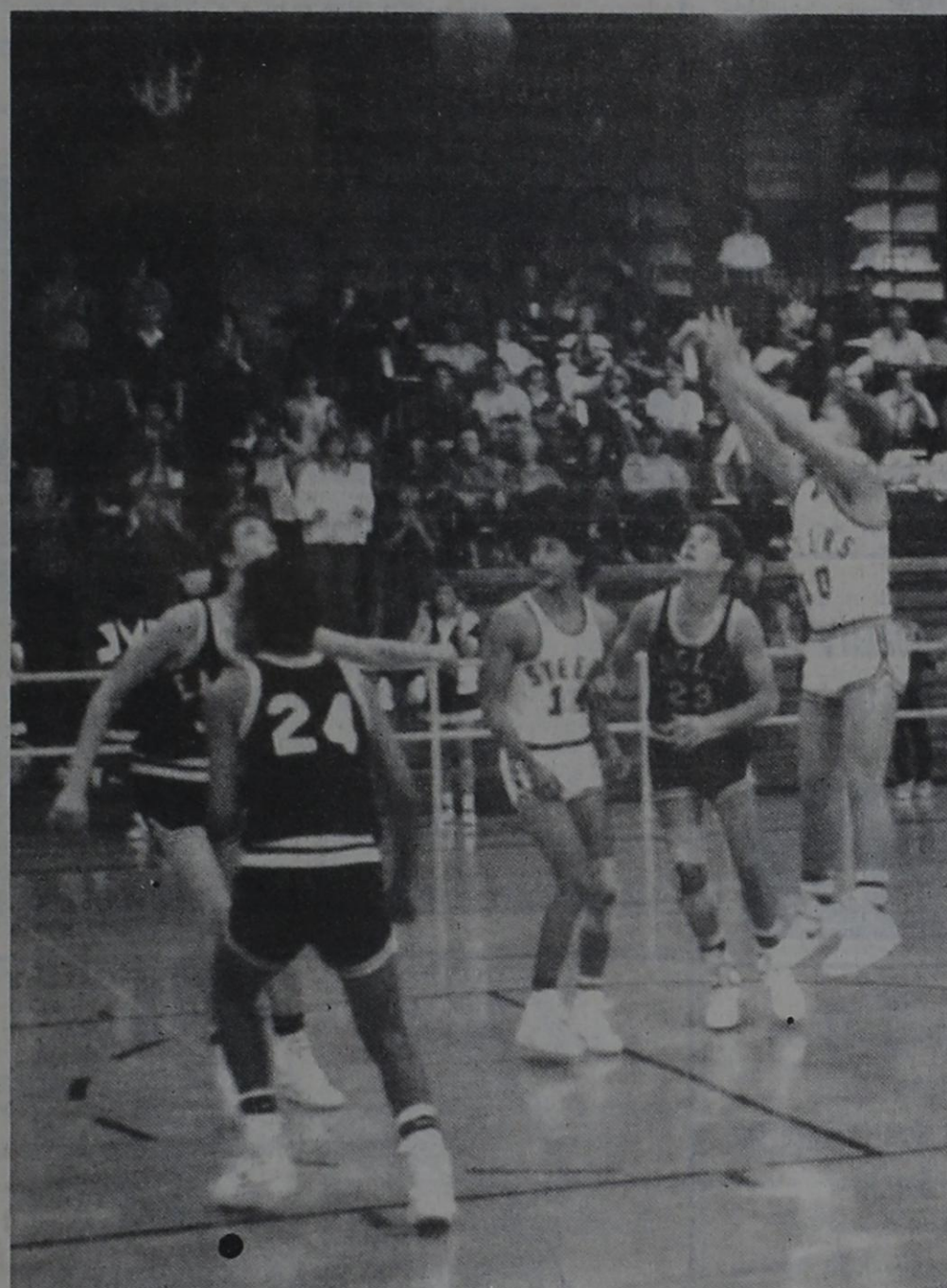
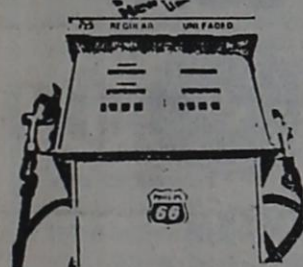


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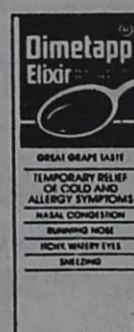
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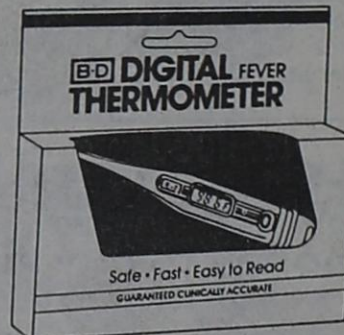
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Felts retires

Benna Felts retired Tuesday as Parmer County Treasurer after 13½ years. She received several gifts from courthouse employees and a plaque from the other court-

house officials. She is shown getting a hug from longtime friend Bernice Pennington, left, during an open house honoring her Tuesday.

Texas agriculture should improve in '87

Texas farmers and ranchers should see somewhat better times in the year ahead.

"Agricultural income next year may rise moderately over 1986 levels," says Dr. Carl Anderson, economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System. "Higher cattle prices and better cotton markets are the main reasons for the improved prospects."

Although grain prices will remain under pressure from too many supplies, government payments will support income, notes Anderson. Production expenses will be held in check by low rates of inflation.

Even though demand for grain will benefit from higher livestock prices, total feed usage is expected to decline, says the economist. As a result, combined domestic and export demand for feed grains and soybeans will be below production levels. However, stocks of wheat, rice and cotton are expected to decrease as use exceeds production.

"Because market prices will remain depressed, participation in farm programs will be high in

1987," Anderson points out. "This will hold back production some while usage improves."

The number of Texas farmers forced out of agriculture in 1986 due to financial reasons beyond their control is expected to exceed 2,800, says the economist. That number is up moderately from the year before and about twice the number two years ago. Heavy debt loads, low prices and low yields are the main causes forcing farmers to quit.

The largest number of farmers forced out are in the intensified farming areas of the Panhandle, Southern High Plains and Rolling Plains. Anderson estimates that more than 100 farmers will leave farming in each of three West Texas counties where crop yields have been extremely low for several years.

Agricultural prosperity will be slow in coming during the rest of the 1980s. U.S. farm exports should expand gradually while heavy government income support will continue for crop farmers, says Anderson.

Courthouse Notes

Instrument report ending Dec. 19, in County Clerks Office, Bonnie Warren, County Clerk.

WD - J.D. McFarland - St. Esther Baptist Church - all of lot 11, Blk. 76, OT Friona.

WD - Hurshel R. Harding - Ricki E. Shumate - N75' of lot 9 & the S15' of lot 10, Blk. 5, Mimo Add; Farwell.

WD - Julian E. Lenau - City of Farwell et. al. - al of lot 18, Blk. 4, Mimo Add; Farwell.

WD - Francisco DeLaRosa - Oscar Rodriguez - all of lots 1-3, Blk. 10, OT Bovina.

Spec. WD - Joe Earl Watts - Don Bandy - part of lots 1 & 2, Blk. 112, OT Bovina.

Spec. WD - Tobrina Dawn Bandy - Don Bandy - part of lots 1 & 2, Blk. 112, OT Bovina.

WD - Linda Kay Drake - Robert Earl Drake - all of lot 14, Blk. 1, Lakeside Add; Friona.

WD - Joe Mack Dutton - Floyd Dutton - the N/30 ft. of lot 10 & the S/35 ft. of lot 11, Blk. 2, Drake Rev. Sub. Friona.

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TUESDAY, JAN. 6
The Texico Booster Club will meet at Luce's Restaurant at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 8
The Texico/Farwell Senior Citizen's Potluck will meet at the Texico Center at 5 p.m.

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Your friend,
Brice Foster
Grade 1 Lazbuddie

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Your friend,
Deon Gallman

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Your friend,
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Dear Santa,
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Jose Morquez
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Please bring me a BB gun and a tractor that has duels. I wish my Grandpa would come to see me.
Your friend,
Jr Godinez
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Dear Santa,
Please bring me a toy telephone and a play gun. I hope my mom gets a telephone.
your friend,
Frank FS.
Grade 1 Lazbuddie

Dear Santa,
Please bring me a long shirt and some books with tapes. I hope my dad gets a new job.
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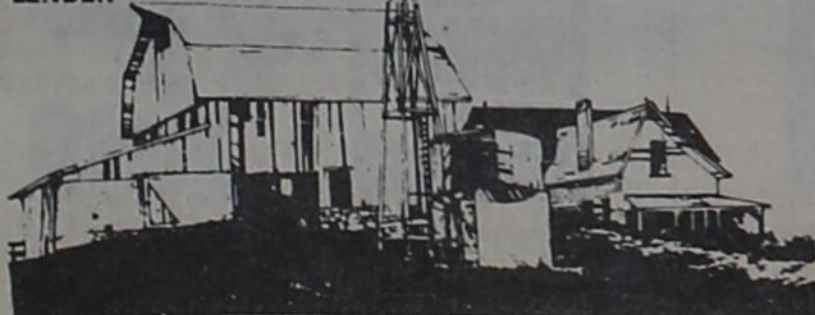
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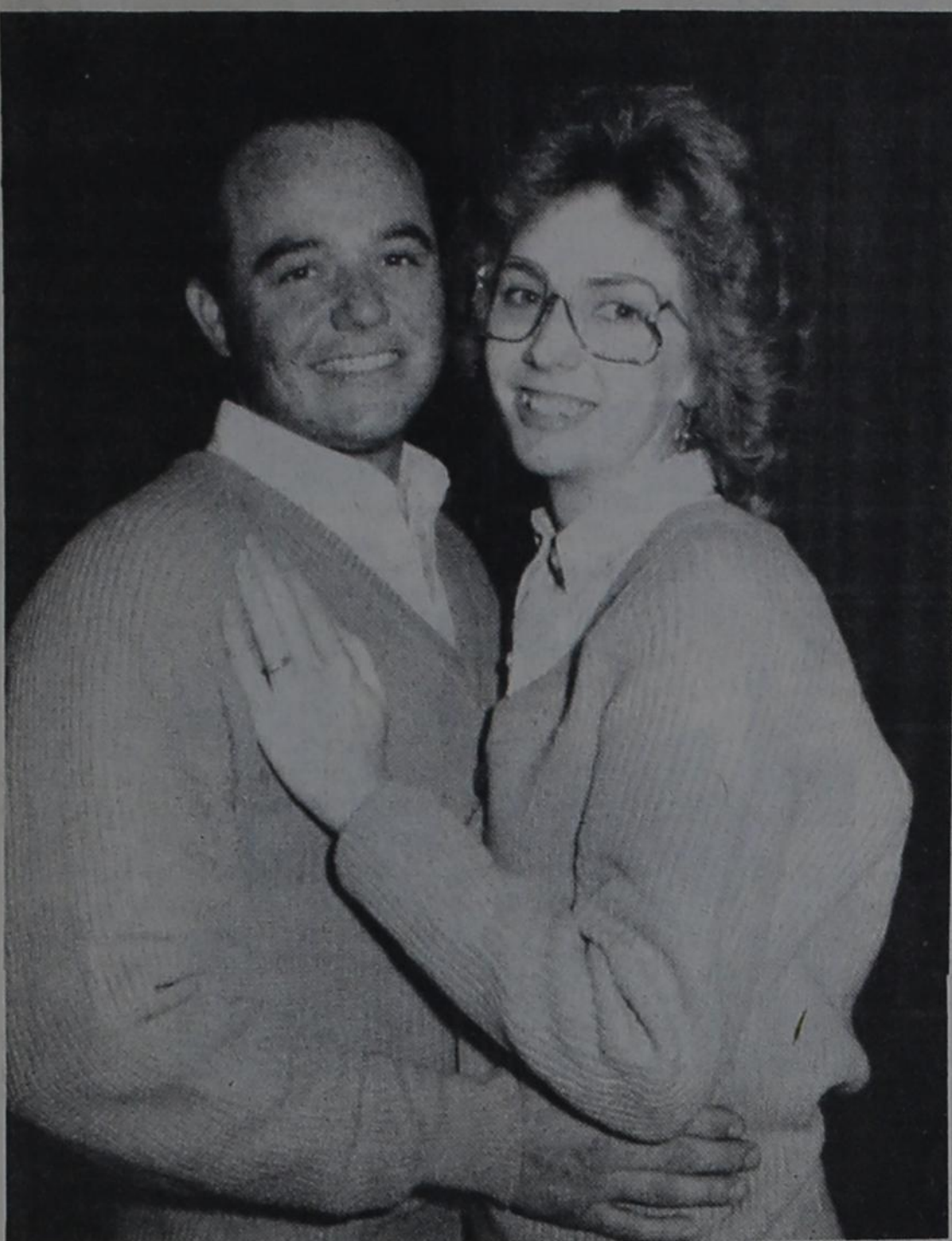
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RHONDA DALE AND CHIP GRISSOM

Engagement told

Cyrus and Freda Dale of Oklahoma Lane announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Rhonda, to Chip Grissom, son of Herman and Mardee Grissom of Farwell on Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Farwell.

Rhonda is a 1980 graduate of

Farwell High School and is employed at Aldridge, Harding, Aycock and Actkinson in Farwell.

Chip is a 1979 graduate of Bovina High School and is employed at All-Parts Supply in Clovis.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend. No invitations are being sent.

Recipe of Week

SPICY APPLE BARS

¼ cup butter
1 cup brown sugar
1 egg

2 cups apples, chopped
½ teaspoon vanilla
1 cup flour
½ teaspoon soda
¼ teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon cinnamon
½ teaspoon nutmeg
½ cup chopped nuts, optional
Powdered sugar

Microwave butter on high 30 to 60 seconds or until melted. Blend in brown sugar; beat in egg. Stir in apples and vanilla. Add flour, soda, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg; mix well until combined. Stir in nuts. Grease bottom only of 10x6 inch microwave-safe baking dish or a 10-inch round glass pie plate. Spread mixture evenly in dish. Microwave on high, uncovered 7½ to 8½ minutes or until no longer doughy, rotating dish twice; cool. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Cut into bars. Makes about 40 bars.

Christian graduates

J. Stephen Christian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Christian of Texico, was among 69 students who were graduated during the winter commencement exercises, Dec. 20, at East Texas Baptist University in Marshall, Texas.

A Bachelor of Applied Science was conferred upon Steve. He holds a double major in accounting and computer science. He will be relocating in Austin, where he will join Gerald Christian's accounting firm.

Attending the graduation were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Christian and Jason, Texico, and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Christian, Lubbock.

Farwell Convalescent Center Chit Chat

BY LYNNE GANN
Activity Director

Every year at this time we hear about every kind of New Years resolution imaginable.

Ruby Johnston wants to be extra nice to people. Hazel Camp says if she can't say something nice about someone she won't say anything at all. Helen Uhlhorn wants to get better physically. Dolly Spill wants to make a resolution she won't break. Harvey Jordan to quit drinking. Phyllis Coburn to lose 20 pounds. Norma Henninger to quit smoking. Alice Head to live for those who love you. Jovita Sepeda wants to become a nurse. Patricia Holdridge wants to lose 40 pounds. Ollie Graves wants to get back into circulation. Fairy Stovall wants to walk. Linda Winegeart wants to live to be as good as it has been. Helen Meissner wants 1987 to be as happy as December of 1986 was.

See what I mean? Everyone has wants and needs to make better - something to do for others or themselves. If we were as my Grandmother used to say - If wants were warts - we'd all be covered!

My New Year's resolution - May all your warts come true. Happy New Year!

MEALS ON WHEELS

Noon meal can be delivered to your door. For further information contact Farwell Convalescent Center. This program is for elderly, handicapped and temporary illnesses.

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The Latest

Visiting in the home of Ophell McDonald and sharing in the Christmas Holiday festivities were J.J. and Anna Marie McDonald from Farwell and their daughters, Pam from Amarillo and Kim from Plainview; Roy and Pauline McDonald from Hereford; Don and Marline McDonald from Lazbuddie; Bill and Margy McDonald and their children Brian and Tonya from San Antonio; David and Caroline McDonald and their children Jerry and Laurie from Hereford; Donny and Jo Ann and their children Julie and Joshua from Lazbuddie; Jet and Connie Thomman and their children Russell, Ros and Robin from Levelland; Keith and Dana Rampy and Jennifer from Wichita Falls, Texas; Charla McDonald from Lubbock, and Tammara McDonald from Clovis.

Visiting in the home of Bill and Gertrude Foster were Jack and Ernestine Fegan from Mission, Kan.

Visiting in the home of Buck and Onie Brandshaw over the holidays were Lewey, Lisa, and David Bradshaw of Humble, Texas; Zaydene, Renessa and Chad Bradshaw of Arlington; Janie Williams of Lubbock and Karen and Kathy Williams of Arlington.

Visiting in the home of Willie and Elsie Hardage over the holidays were Glyn and Barbara Hardage and Teresa and Stacey, of Hermittage, Tenn.; June and Jim Fisher of Dimmitt; Tony, Donna and Dalton Fisher of Dimmitt; Reggie and Cindy Laurant and Jim Don, Kody and Tabitha Laurant both of Dimmitt; Truit, Correen and Suzzan Hardage of Hereford; Mr. and Mrs. Carliss Woods and David of Farwell; Myrtle Withrow of Farwell; Greg and Cheryl Taylor, Brock, Matthew and Shara of Farwell; and Mike and Leigh Ann Woods, Chelsey and McKinzie of Farwell.

Visiting in the home of Earl and Janette Hurt last weekend were Bobbie Grant from Colorado Springs, Colo.

Visiting the guest speaker at the Farwell Baptist Church, Dr. Bergstrom, were Mr. and Mrs. Charles marquis of Weatherford, Okla.

Visiting at the Farwell First Baptist Church this last weekend were Paul, Sue and John Paul Patton of Conway, Ariz.

Visiting in the home of Carrie Christian Dec. 21 were Wendol and Louise Christian, Oklahoma Lane; Ed and Gwen Corn and children, Farwell; Joe and Loy Beth McLellen and children of Friona; Tammy and Dennis Willard and children of Bovina; Donald, Dot and Charles Christian of Oklahoma

Lane; Troy, Lillie and Todd Christian of Oklahoma Lane; Vick and Denise Christian and family of Oklahoma Lane; Benny Darnell and Children, Ray Darnell and Family, Randy Darnell and family and David Drnell and family of Amarillo and Van and Phyllis Crume and family of Amarillo.

Visiting in the home of Vernon and Julia Symcox over the holidays were Leonard Hillock; Judy and Millard Murray, of Clovis; Harold and Janis Murray of Amarillo; Janis and Gene Snell, Jean Jesse, Douglas and Rebecca and Catrina and Jim Cane of Muleshoe; Gloria and Lee Hutchins, Geretta, Carl and Daniel of Farwell; Steve and Mary Lou Hillock, Terri and Mitchell and Cherie and Kevin Welch of Farwell; Della, Chad, Heather, Holly and Brian Symcox of Clearlake, Texas; Susan and Jimmy Franse, Jarrod, Julie and Paul of Farwell; and Linda and DeWitt Burton, Arron, Amber and Amanda of Muleshoe.

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Menning over the holidays was their son, Wesley, from Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio.

Visiting in the home of Mae Goldsmith over the holidays were Doyle and Jennie Goldsmith of Ruidoso, and Mrs. Gary Capps of Panhandle, Texas.

Visiting in the home of Maurine Caywood over the holidays were Phyllis Arnold and Terri of Alamogordo, N.M.; June Arnold of Canyon and Don Arnold of Clovis.

Visiting in the home of David and Sherry White and Gary and attending the White's annual family Christmas celebration were Kenny, Lydia and Mark White; Kathy, Lesley and Brett Curtis; Quinton and Johnnie Jenkins; James, Tina, Jacque, Jim Bob and Ginger Sides; Richard, Sheree, Melody, Sarah and John Paul Montgomery; Jet, Gay, Becky and April Wilmeth; Robert, Dorris, Dana and Angie White; Cyrus and Fred Dale; Rhonda Dale and Jeff Grissom and Candy Davis.

Texico pair to graduate

Two students from Texico are among the 202 candidates who will complete graduation requirements from Eastern New Mexico University this fall and will be eligible to participate in spring commencement ceremonies May 15 in Greyhound Arena.

Nikie Laquetta McDaniel Bonner will receive a bachelor of business administration degree in business administration, magna cum laude; Berta Alicia Loera, bachelor of university studies in university studies.

White family gathers

Christmas at the Joel White home began with the reading of the Christmas story, Luke 2:1-15.

A dinner of turkey, ham and all the trimmings was enjoyed by everyone. Visiting, games and eating again made up the day.

Enjoying the day were Joel, Katherine, Boyd and Bruce; Rick and Joyce Ketcherside and boys, Nicholas, Preston and Spencer; Mike and Peggy Goettsch, Derek

and Devin; Robin and Lynne Mahaney, Jody, Justin and Jade; Velma Magness; Janie bowery; Irene Bowery and sons, Carles and Bobby Hammit; Bessie and Tim Ingram and Amanda from Austin; Charles and Cindy Bowery and Brett, Brandi and Shay; Tom and Linda Jupe and Russel and Eric; Leroy and Teresa Jupe and Lee and Billie Jupe.

Fire Calls

The Farwell Fire Department had two calls this week.

On Dec. 24, an ambulance was dispatched to 406 1st St. at 7:24 p.m. The patient was transferred to the Clovis High Plains Hospital.

On Dec. 25, an ambulance was dispatched to 200 8th St. at 9:57 p.m. The patient was transferred to

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The Texico Fire Department had one call.

On Dec. 29, an ambulance was dispatched to pick up a patient at 1400 Wheeler at 11:15 a.m. The patient was transferred to Clovis High Plains Hospital.

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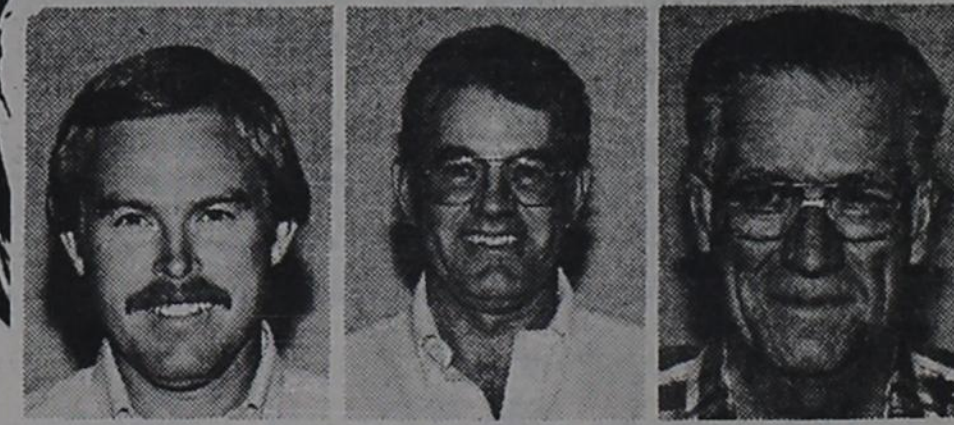
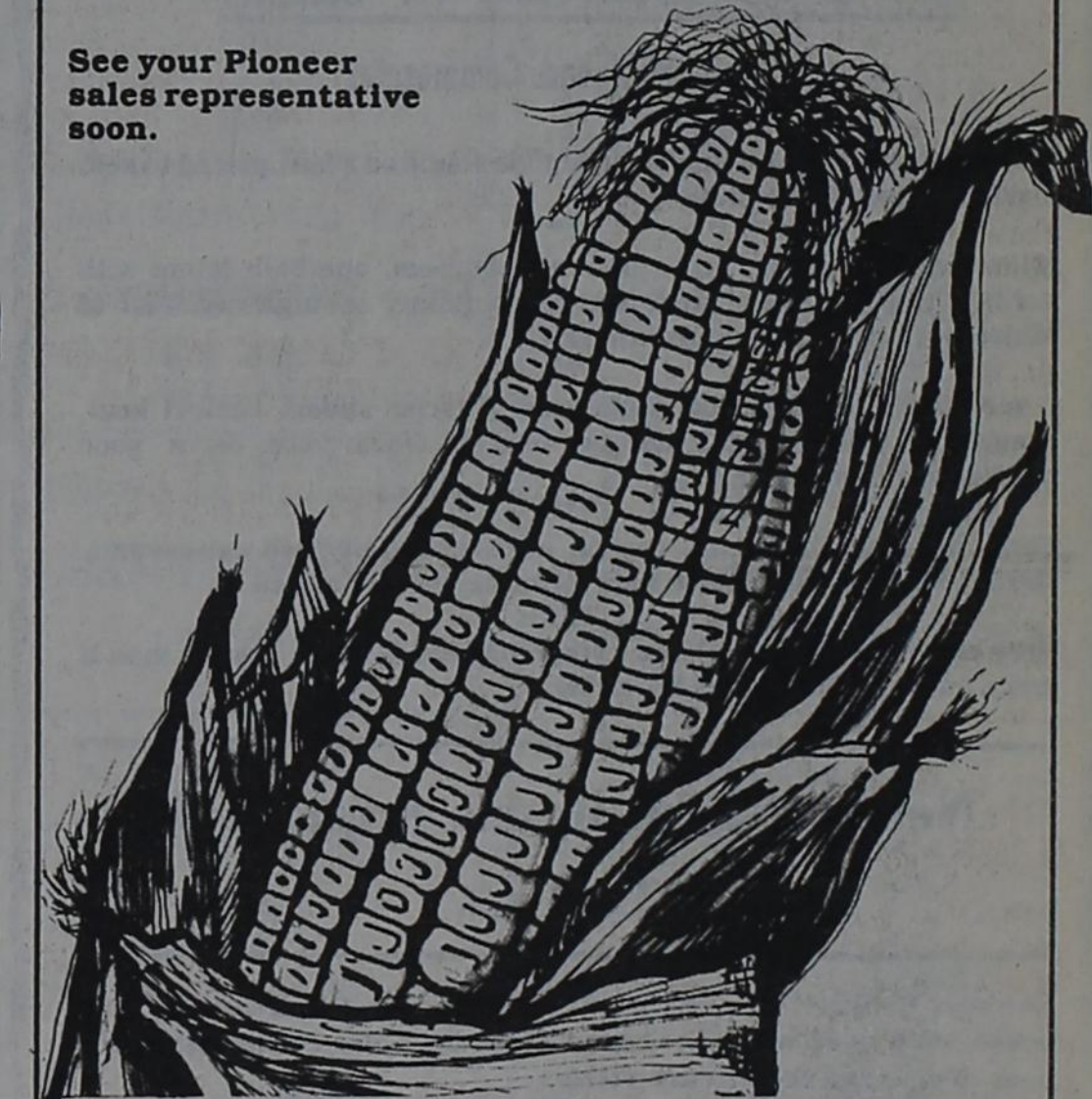
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San Jose Catholic Church Texico Fr. Gordon Blank Sunday Mass - 9 a.m. MST Wednesday - 7 p.m. MST Confessions Before & After Mass	Hamlin Memorial United Methodist Church Rev. Steve Stephens Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. Monday Prayer Breakfast - 7 a.m.	Texico First Baptist Church Rev. Joel Horne Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. MST Worship 10:45 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. MST Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. MST
St. John's Lutheran Church Lariat Rev. Mac Bears Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m.	United Pentecostal Church Texico Pastor Raymond Parks Sunday School - 9 a.m. MST Worship - 10:15 a.m. & 6 p.m. MST Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. MST Thursday - 6:30 p.m. MST	Good Will Spanish Mission Pastor - Frank Ancira Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. MST Worship - 10:45 a.m. MST Training Union - 5:30 p.m. MST Worship - 6:30 p.m. MST
New Light Baptist Church Pastor - Thomas Spikes Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m.	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Rev. Jack Moore Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. MST Worship - 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Church Training - 5:30 p.m. MST Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. MST	Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church Rev. Clark Williams Worship Service - 9 a.m. Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Lariat Church Of Christ Sam Billingsley - Minister Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7:30 p.m. winter Summer 8 p.m.	Calvary Missionary Baptist Church Farwell Rev. Paul Clevenger Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - Bible Study - 7 p.m.	Temple Baptist Church Sunday School - 10 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m.

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Bids will be opened January 13, 1987, at 5:15 p.m.
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CITY OF FARWELL
S/ Chris Gikas

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Published in the State Line Tribune January 2, 1987.



Above, modeling the garments that they made in their Home Economics I class are, from left, Ruben Galvan, Jose Reyna, Joe Alcalá, Darran Roach, Doug McGimpsey and Ron Williams; Front row are, Lupe Arce, Rosa Linda Deleon and Nancy Garcia. Below, some of those who modeled their garments they made are, from back left, Linda Duran, Amy Johnson, Heather Moss, Kelly Kelm, Edith Ausburn and Nicki Garza; front row kneeling are Kelli Anderson, Joanna Yruegas and Christy Vidana. Not pictured are Paul Meeks, Michael Lovett, Leslie Monk, Stephen Ketcherside, Dana Haseloff, Cindy Jones, Richard Turner, Lisa Gerles and Lisa's nieces, LaDon and Maxanne Lonsdale.



Style show presented

The Farwell Home Economics I class, instructed by Judy Abernathy, hosted a Style Show Dec. 19 at the Farwell High School Library. All the parents of each student were invited to attend. A variety of garments were modeled including Jams, aprons, skirts, blouses, jogging suits, gown and one sheet blanket. The style show was to demonstrate the work that each student had done in his clothing project. Those who were unable to model their garments, but had participated in a clothing project, were Gina Ortiz, Lucretia Foster, Kristi Treadway and David Moseley.

How are the reindeer?

- Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. So I would like to have a Cabbage Patch kid and a A.M. F.M. radio with headphones. How are Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vickson, Comet, Cupid, Doner, Blitson. I hope they are ok. Well I'll leave some cookies and milk on the table.
Love,
Amy Hartzog
- Dear Santa,
I would like to have a Pound Puppy and the little commuter. My mom would like to have a new house. Well I'll leave you some cookies and milk on the table. Oh, I have been very good this year.
Love,
Ashley Hartzog
- Dear Santa,
Are you feeling well? How is Mrs. Claus and the reindeer? Will you please bring me a cordless telephone, and a construx set, and a camera. And I also want some 2x4 or 2x12 wood, and some models.
Sincerely,
Keith Burch
Grade 3 Lazbuddie
Merry Christmas
- Dear Santa,
I want a my child doll. My brothers they want a lunch box and transformers and cars and trucks. I want for my mother a new watch and new dresses and shoes. I want for my father new tools and new pants and shirts and shoes. I want a Cabbage Patch kid for my birthday and I want a lunch box and Kicky Baby and Barbies and books and my own room. I want a bunch of boxes under the tree. Come from the door and we don't have lights. I want lights and a bike. I want a big and a girl Cabbage Patch Kid. I hope you are happy and glad and I want for next Christmas a big Christmas tree. I want five bikes. I want a radio. I want a basketball and another ball. I want a swimming pool.
Love,
Marisol Godinez
Grade 3 Lazbuddie
Merry Christmas Santa and all!
- Dear Santa,
This is what I want for Christmas. I want a Jem Barbie and a bicycle. I want a swimming pool with a slide built in it. I want a doll house.
Love,
Laine Feagley
Grade 3 Lazbuddie
Merry Christmas Santa!
- Dear Santa,
How are you? I wam fine. I just want to tell what I want for Christmas. This is what I would like. I want a record player, a bike, a tent, a computer, and a typewriter. Thats all I want this Christmas. Thank you.
Love,
Socorro Reyes
Grade 3 Lazbuddie
- Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Baby Talk and an Etch-o-Sketch. I wish my mom would feel better.
Your friend,
Melissa Aguirre
Grade 1 Lazbuddie
- Dear Santa,
Please bring me a bean bag and a ballerina suit. I hope that my aunt and a cousin have a merry Christmas.
Your friend,
Alexis Anderson
Grade 1 Lazbuddie
- Dear Santa,
Please bring me a pink radio and a toy telephone. I wish my grandpa's fingers will get well.
Your friend,
Sarah Lee
Grade 1 Lazbuddie
- Dear Santa,
Please bring me a mother and baby pound puppy. I wish my Daddy would get well.
Your friend,
Deanne Clark
Grade 1 Lazbuddie
- Dear Santa,
Please bring me a Cabbage Patch doll and a skate board. I hope everyone has a nice Christmas.
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County sales tax explained

One of least understood provisions in the tax bill passed during the summer special sessions was the one that allowed counties to impose a half-cent sales tax in exchange for lowering property tax rates.

Little was known about the provision because it was overshadowed by the tax bill's primary purpose, which was to raise the state sales and motor fuels taxes. The county sales tax has begun to attract attention only recently as a number of counties debate the merits of implementing it.

A case in point is Potter County, where the commissioners are considering levying the tax. The advantages of the tax seem too good to resist, yet many residents appear suspicious of it because it represents the first they ever will have paid a sales tax to the county.

Perhaps a closer look at the tax - and the history behind it - is in order. Such in-depth study might help residents in Potter County and other counties considering the tax better understand what they are facing.

The county sales tax provision was included in the tax bill primarily to give counties (and cities, which have a similar option) an opportunity to roll back property taxes that are excessively high. The idea was to spread the burden of local government to all who use its services instead of balancing those local budgets strictly on the backs of property tax owners.

According to the provision, a county that chooses to implement the half-cent tax in return must

reduce property taxes by an amount equal to the amount generated by the new sales tax. From then on, property taxes could be increased only when sales-tax revenue failed to grow while excessive growth in sales-tax revenue would mandate further property tax reductions.

In Potter County, implementation of the new tax would cut the average property owner's tax bill in half, an awfully tempting proposition. At the same time, some legitimate questions about the tax are being raised by county residents.

Could Potter County commissioners quickly raise the property tax back up after adopting the sales tax? No, the tax bill specifically prohibits such action. Property tax increases will be tied to sales-tax revenue.

What would happen if Potter County adopted the tax and Randall County didn't? Would merchants in Randall County have an unfair competitive advantage because their goods would cost less?

That's a much tougher question, and one each county considering the tax must address. Anytime items for sale in an adjacent county are even slightly cheaper there is a risk of lost business.

These questions, tough, point out the single best aspect of the county tax provision. No county sales tax can be levied without voter approval. That means you, the taxpayer, have an opportunity to judge the proposed tax thoroughly and the final say on whether they pay it. Also, an election to rescind the tax can be called at almost any time.

It was because of the voter-approval safeguards that we, along with State Reps. Buck Buchanan, Pete Laney, Jim Rudd and Chip Staniswalis, supported the county sales tax provision of the tax bill.

Each of us realized the tax wasn't going to be perfect for every county, but we also knew it just might be the

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only way to lower alarmingly high property taxes in a few. At any rate, we all thought you, the taxpayer, had the right to choose.

Christmas dinner held

The Pleasant Hill Womans Club met for their Christmas meeting and dinner at Wilma Barnes, Lala Barnes, and Wilma Teague. The meal was the traditional turkey and dressing with desserts and salads.

Following the meal, Lala Barnes conducted a short business meeting after which Wilma Whitener, gave a Christmas devotional. Gifts were then exchanged. Then the group

went to the home of Tommie Skeen to view her lovely home decorated for Christmas.

Those attending were: Jo Mae Priest, Ogetha Langford, Tommie Skeen, Gladys Pierce, Lueta Clark, Ima Kimbrough, Wilma Whitener, Rozeltha Clark, Linda Servatius, also the hostesses mentioned above. There were three guests: Nancy Barnes, Melissa Teague, and Lorado Servatius.

Rose wins tail feather contest

Charlie Rose of Farwell won the annual Pheasant Tail Feather Contest for Farmer County.

He turned in a tail feather that measured 23 inches long. The feather came off the first pheasant Rose shot on the season's opening day at Friona.

Rose received a check for \$30 from the contest sponsors, Farwell Hardware, Security State Bank and Sherley-Anderson-Pitman.

Receiving the second place of \$15 was Leonard Hillock of Oklahoma Lane. The feather he turned in measured 22 15/16 inches.

Kerry Ford of Farwell received the third place prize of \$10 for his tail feather which measured 22 7/8 inches.

Others who entered were Robert Boone with a tail feather that measured 22 3/8 inches and Dutch Quickel with a tail feather that measured 22 3/4.

Here's a look at the contest's past winners and the length of the tail feathers turned in:

- 1968 - Ronnie Wines, 25 7/8.
- 1969 - Henry Haseloff, 24 1/2.
- 1970 - Mark haseloff, 24 1/2.
- 1971 - Bill Johnson, 25 1/4.
- 1972 - Gene Beavers, 24 1/2.
- 1973 - Pete Jesko, 27 3/4.
- 1974 - Mike Haseloff, 26 3/8.
- 1975 - Boyd White, 25 1/6.



Charlie Rose displays the pheasant feather that won the contest.

- 1976 - Johnny Haney, 26 1/2.
- 1977 - Ralph McClardon, 24 13/16.
- 1978 - Ed Lingnau, 24 15/16.
- 1979 - Roy Lovelady, 25 13/16.
- 1980 - Don Lovelady, 25 3/8.
- 1981 - Hayden Smith, 25 7/8.
- 1982 - Todd Lingnau, 25 5/16.
- 1983 - Bob Harmon, 26 3/8.
- 1984 - Ben Ashton, 24 5/16.
- 1985 - Gary White, 25 3/8.

Upcoming Sports

THURS.-SAT., JAN. 1, 2, & 3
The Farwell Steers Varsity boys and girls teams will play in the Bovina Tournament.

The Lazbuddie Longhorns varsity boys and girls will play in the Lazbuddie Tournament.

MONDAY, JAN. 5
The Lazbuddie Junior High will play Bovina at Bovina at 5 p.m.

The Farwell Junior High seventh and eighth grade boys and girls will play Vega at Vega at 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, JAN. 6

The Farwell Steers varsity boys and girls and the JV boys will play Kress at Farwell at 5 p.m.

The Lazbuddie Longhorns Varsity boys and girls and JV girls will play Bovina at Lazbuddie at 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 8
The Texico Junior High girls 7-8-9 teams will play Portales at Texico at 4 p.m.

The Texico Junior High boys 7-8-9 teams will play Portales at Portales at 4 p.m.

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TUESDAY - Chicken nuggets w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Pizza, corn, green salad, pudding and milk.

THURSDAY - Fish, macaroni and cheese, peas, hot bread, fruit and milk.

FRIDAY - Hamburgers, French fries, lettuce, cobbler and milk.

Farwell

MONDAY - Chicken nuggets with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, butter, honey and milk.

TUESDAY - Taquitas with hot sauce, buttered corn, taco salad, peach cobbler and milk.

WEDNESDAY - Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, French fries with catsup, banana pudding and milk.

THURSDAY - Tacos with cheese, lettuce and tomato salad, chocolate chip cookie and milk.

FRIDAY - Fish nuggets with tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, tossed salad, hot rolls with butter, fruit and milk.

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