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ANNUAL CHAMBER BANQUET IS MONDAY

Senator Haywood To Address Group, Outstanding Citizens To Be Recognized

The 1997 Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet will be held Monday evening, February 10, in the Wheeler School cafeteria. Speaker for the evening will be State Senator Tom Haywood.

Recognized each year by the Chamber are the Outstanding Man, Woman, Teenager, Employee and Farmer/Rancher. A plaque is presented to each individual.

Added recently to the awards is the Pioneer Award. This award recognizes a local 'pioneer', who has worked for many years for the improvement of the community.

The Chamber will be bringing to a close an excellent year and President Rodney Bass, urges the members to show their support with their attendance. You will receive good food, good fellowship and entertainment for your \$12.00.

The banquet will begin at 7:00 P.M. Wheeler is one of the 36 counties represented by Haywood in the state senate. Haywood is a small businessman, community leader and former college professor; he brings a background of leadership, education and entrepreneurial spirit to the Texas Senate.

Presently residing in the Wichita Falls area, Haywood was born and raised in the Dallas area, where he met and married his high school sweetheart Pat. The Haywoods have been happily married for 36 years and are the proud parents of four children and grandparents of four grandchildren. Haywood and most of his family currently reside in Wichita Falls, where he owns and operates a property tax and real estate consulting firm.

Haywood is a former Professor of physics at the University of North Texas and Midwestern State University.

While at M.S.U. he served as the Director of University Affairs, while simultaneously working as an associate professor. In 1979 Haywood left the education field to become Executive Director of the North Texas Oil & Gas Association. Under his leadership, NTOGA became one of the most respected industry organizations in Texas.

A conservative Republican, who served on the Education, Natural Resources, and Economic Development Committees during his initial session in the Texas Senate, Haywood's 75th legislative session

highlights include: juvenile justice reform, reduced regulation for the oil & gas industry, and many local reforms for District 30. He is an active advocate of streamlined government, individual responsibility, less regulation and equitable tax system.

Tom and Pat Haywood are active members of the First United Methodist Church in Wichita Falls.

Tickets are available through the Wheeler Chamber of Commerce office. The office is located in the H&R Block building at the corner of Main and Oklahoma Streets. Phone: 806/826-3408.

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
By Louis C. Stas

Congratulations, Bryan Judd!
Bryan was named to the Texas Sports Writers Association Class 1A All-State third team.

The picture of the Mustangs is a (Continued Page 7)

Valentines To Be Printed In Times Thurs., Feb. 13

Valentine's Day is upon us. Remember that special person with a Valentine in the February 13 edition of the Times. Let your sweetheart know that you are thinking of her/him and don't forget the parents and grandparents.

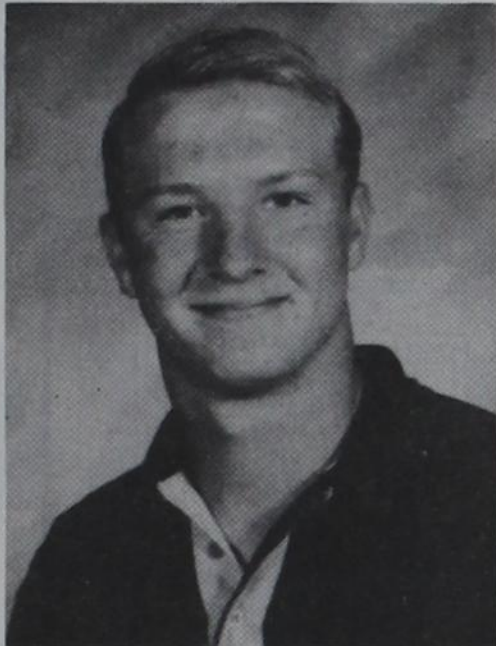
We will publish the valentines and then make a proof of them to be delivered or mailed to the intended individual(s).

The cost is \$6 for a "billfold" size valentine with writing or add a picture. The design is up to the individual. Your orders are needed at the office by Monday morning, February 10. We had previously given today as the deadline, but we are giving an extension to all you a little more time to get into the spirit of the season.

You can have the Valentine delivered attached to flowers, a teddy bear or any other item from Wheeler Flower and Gift Show. We will deliver the proof of the valentine to the flower shop and they will make the delivery. Call the flower shop for this added service.

Or, you can pick up the proof of the valentine at the Times office on Thursday morning and attach it to a box of candy.

If you desire a picture, we can make the picture fit the area without hurting the picture.



WHO'S WHO: Jeremy Davis has been named to: Who's Who Among American High School Students for 1995/96. Outstanding students are chosen for their achievement in academics, athletics, school, and community service. Of the 14 million students enrolled nationwide, only 5% are named to Who's Who. Jeremy has attended Wheeler Schools all of his life, and has been in the scouting program since he was 7 yrs. old. He has been a member of the Wheeler Mustangs football team, basketball, track, and weightlifting for 3 yrs. Also a member of the FFA for 3 yrs., and he is a member of the First Baptist Church. Jeremy is the son of Eddie and Lucretia Davis of Wheeler, and a 17 yr. old junior at Wheeler High School.

Band Boosters Plan Meeting for Feb. 11

There will be a Band Boosters meeting Tuesday, February 11th, 1997, at 7:00 P.M. at the Wheeler School Cafeteria. They will discuss the Peeewe Basketball Tournament and the Band Banquet. All parents need to attend.



GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Laurel, Gayle, Lajo and families honored E. G. and Willa Fillingim with a surprise anniversary party Feb. 2

Fillingims Honored with Anniversary Party

E. G. and Willa Fillingim were honored with a surprise party Sunday, Feb. 2, to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary hosted by their family. Delicious punch and cakes, fruit and vegetable dippers were served. Pictures were taken. Some there were Ed and Laurel Hershman, Gayle and Helen Singleton, Maralee Singleton, Charles and Lajo Crownover and Londa and Terri, Boyce and Jill Crownover and Jodie Crownover from Amarillo, Faye Sell from Perryton, Leon and Vea Fillingim, Dick and Ruth Irvine, Horace and Juanita Fillingim, Willis and Verna Fillingim, J. P. and Martha Meek, Harold and Katherine Jones, Lucille Underwood, Tom and Alice Bell Helton, David and Winnie Gilmer, Richard and Bonnie Meadows, Lois Meadows, Lou Dean Douthit, Ray and Pat Hudson, Aaron and Claudetta Laverty, James and Alesha Moffett. It was a nice party, and a complete surprise to E. G. and

Willa. February 9, 1947 Willa Singleton and E. G. Fillingim were united in marriage in a double wedding with William Fillingim and Elton Rose at the home of Leon and Vea Fillingim on the Teas place in Hemphill County. Willa, Elton and Vea are all sisters. E. G., William and Leon are brothers. Willa's first husband, Hershell Singleton had been killed in a tractor accident not long after he got out of the service leaving two small children, Laurel and Gayle, who were also at the wedding. Some others there were Anna Dell, Evalyn Ruth, Violet, Estelle and Mozelle Fillingim, I. G. and Laura Fillingim, Willis and Verna Fillingim, Faye and Donald Sell and Flora Rose. None of us can remember just who all were there. There was a lovely reception. Don't know how Vea managed everything with twins only a few months old.

Alma Lucille Slepko, 76, Is Buried Sun., Feb. 2

Alma Lucille Slepko, 76, a former Wheeler resident, died Saturday, Jan. 25, 1997, in California.

Services were at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, February 2nd, 1997, in the Church of the Nazarene with the Rev. Kerry Moore of Wheeler officiating. Burial was in Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home.

Ms. Slepko was born in Shamrock, TX., and was a former Wheeler resident. She had been a longtime resident of Lemon Grove, Calif. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include two sons, Benny Graves and Charles Graves, both of San Diego; three daughters, Ladonna Pollard of Rosemead, Calif., Joyce Johnson of Dallas and Bonnie Vining of Princeton; two brothers, Bill Switzer of Midland and C. H. Switzer of Hobbs, N.M.; four sisters, Hazel Shaw, Mable Adams and Artie Harrington, all of Pampa, and Irene Rogers of Wheeler; 25 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services Are Today For James 'Cotton' Turner, 70

Funeral services for James "Cotton" Turner will be conducted Thursday, February 6th at 10:30 a.m. from the Martin Funeral Chapel in Sayre with Rev. Andy Taylor and Rev. Eddie Wrather officiating. Burial will follow in the Erick Cemetery under the direction of the Martin Funeral Home of Sayre.

James "Cotton" Turner was born June 14, 1926 in Odell, Texas to Alford (Sal) and Enda (Sis) Turner and passed away Tuesday at the age of 70. Cotton moved to Delhi at an early age and attended Delhi School. He graduated from Southwestern State College in Weatherford and taught school in Texas at Harrold; Shade; Hart; Briscoe and Mobeetie and in Oklahoma at Delhi; Frederick; Duke and Keyes. He owned and operated Turner's Western Store in Sayre and Cheyenne and also Turner (Continued Page 8)

Wheeler High School To Have Blood Drive Mon.

A special Thank You to Wheeler Blood Donors. See you at the Wheeler High School Blood Drive. Time: Mon. Feb. 10th, 3:00 - 7:00 P.M. Place: Home Economics Dept. Blood donors may give every 56 days! Please contact the Blood Center if you are unsure of your eligibility to donate! Phone 358-4563.

Bryan Judd Is Named To All-State Running Back

The Texas Sports Writers Association's Class 1A All-State honors were announced on Sunday. Wheeler running back Bryan Judd earned a spot on the third team offense.

Baby Picture Contest

Pretty Baby Picture Contest sponsored by the Country Chapel Youth. Deadline is February 21, 1997. Entry Fee is \$5.00. Photo size wallet to 5X7. Age Groups: 0-18 months, 18 months-36 months, 37 months to 5 years. 1st Place in each division will receive a \$25.00 savings bond. Winning entries to be published in the Feb. 27 issue. Pick up entry forms at local businesses.

Mustang Boosters To Have Meeting Feb. 6

The Mustang Boosters Club will have a meeting on Thursday, February 6, at 7:00 P.M. in the school cafeteria.

The Wheeler track meet and sports banquet will be topics of discussion. Be There!



SEASON CLOSURES: The Wheeler Mustangs will play their last game of the scheduled season Friday night at the meet Higgins at Higgins. Pictured are (back row, l. to r.) Jorge Salas, Dean Hutchison, Andy Bradstreet, Jason Porton, Bryan Judd, (front) Aaron Dunnam, Kirt Boedecker, Travis Stevens, and Ramon Meraz.

City Council Conducts Regular Business

Mayor Wanda Herd called the regular meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Mark Frankenbery made motion, seconded by Don Rose to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Barbra Koelzer made motion, seconded by Bob McCain to pay bills as

presented. The motion carried. Frank Clymer reported on the activities of city employees.

Walter Simmons made motion, seconded by Mark Frankenbery to enter into an agreement with PRPC authorizing the city's enrollment in (Continued Page 7)



Donnie Barr & April Purcell -photo by Tonya Finsterwald

Ft. Elliott Crowns Basketball Royalty

By Tonya Finsterwald
Amid bouquets of red and black balloons, the coronation of Ft. Elliott's basketball king and queen took place Tuesday, January 28, before a teaming crowd of fans. Prior to the Cougar's district game with the Higgins Coyotes, Donnie Barr and April Purcell were crowned the 1997 Basketball King and Queen.

Candidates for queen were freshman Carissa Dukes, the daughter of Bevard and Diane Dukes, sophomore Ja'Nae Goad, daughter of Mike and

Sweetheart Banquet

Feb. 14 is Valentine's Day. The County Chapel Youth will be sponsoring a Sweetheart Banquet on Feb. 15 at 7:00 p.m. They will be serving Grilled Chicken Breast, Baked Potato, Salad, Dessert and Tea or Coffee. This will be done on a donation basis. Please call Janet at 826-5578 or 826-3480 to make your reservations. Deadline is Feb. 7. Reservations only. Please.

Win a Dinner for Two

Xi Upsilon Eta is sponsoring a \$25.00 certificate from Maxeys to be given away on February 10th. Take your sweetheart out for dinner on Valentine's Day. All proceeds will be given to a worthy cause in the Wheeler area. Pick your tickets up from Kara at the Chamber of Commerce and help us to help someone else.



Curt Smith & Ja'Nae Goad -photo by Tonya Finsterwald



Tanner Smith & Susie Luttrell -photo by Tonya Finsterwald



Clay Zybach & Carissa Dukes -photo by Tonya Finsterwald

Hospital Notes

New Admissions	
1-27	Barbara Beard
1-28	Myrtle Allen
1-29	Birdie Hudson
	Ann Jones
1-30	Bob Dukes
	Lina Jackson
2-2	Lois Risner
	Lillie Billingsley
Dismissals	
1-28	J. C. Patton
	Velma Kinard
	Harold Jones
1-29	Eb Smith
2-1	Bob Dukes
	Lina Jackson

MOBEETIE NEWS
By: Sue Mayfield

Happy Birthday: to Bob Mayfield, Carolyn May and Max Nichols on February 6th, to Lonnie Shelton, Sherry Wash, Joe Shelton, Benjamin Howard and Evelyn Gist on Feb. 7th, to Dakota Jones, Alyssa Robertson, Colden Neilson, Ricky Pfeil and Jason Kysar on Feb. 8th, C. W. Burch, Bill Ridgway, Charlotte Coward and Alma Seitz on Feb. 9th, to Bill Caswell, Darren Hefley, Kandi Jones and Tisha McLaughlin on Feb. 10th, to Gary Morris on Feb. 11th, to Jason Kinkead, Tina Watson-Johnson, Mary Margaret Quarles and Anna Mae Lancaster on Feb. 12th, to Paul Hathaway, Ethel Grimes, Judy Parker, Cathy Hunt, Gina Herd, Peyton May and Addie Swift on Feb. 13th, to Bill Bailey, Nelda Dukes, Edith McLaughlin, Kent McLaughlin, Zachery Quimby, Olivia Abercrombie, Jeremy Childress and Russell Laverty on Feb. 14th, to Clifford Hefley, Richard Laverty, Thelma Chamberlain, T. C. Lemons and Christian Wright on Feb. 15th, and to Edna Crow, Cheyenne Shelton and Jerry Rector on Feb. 16th.

Happy Anniversary: to E. G. and Willa Fillingim and W. O. and Elton Fillingim on February 9th, to Fred and Jackie Thrasher on February 10th, to Don and Cindy Zumstein and Grant and Karen Meek on February 14th, and to Ulrich and Nova Stippel on February 16th.

Sunday, January 26th Loretta Clay of Shamrock visited with her cousin, Choice Scott.

Choice is expecting her new hearing aid any day now. Can't wait to be able to hear better and to visit more.

Tuesday, January 28th, Choice got her Life-Line communicator installed. Glenn came from Amarillo and got it all hooked up and on-line. Then had to go to Canadian and install one.

This is a wonderful service this company provides. It's center of com-

munications is in Northwest Texas Hospital and Health Care Systems. It is manned 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Choice wears a necklace all the time, it's even waterproof, so all she has to do is press the button and they receive a distress signal at Life-Line. They then call for assistance. A neighbor or friend is notified if possible. Or

they'll notify the sheriff's department. It's quite a comfort to know help is coming. It also eases everyone's mind that under most circumstances the client is able to request help, also long as they can push the button.

We're very fortunate to have such a valuable service so far from "big city" conveniences.

I think if I remember right Willie Morris of Wheeler was their first client in Wheeler County about 15 years ago. Willie's at the care center now. Hi Willie!

It gives everybody involved a sense of security and peace of mind.

It was so nice to meet Mrs. Elizabeth Newman finally.

Slowly but surely I'm getting to meet our community neighbors.

Ray and Velma Forbes are doing pretty good this week. Of course the old arthritis has to keep reminding them it's there.

They had a nice surprise Sunday, February 2nd. Ray's niece Patsy Sprigg of Waxahatchie called to see how they were doing. Ron and Patsy have three daughters. One married and two in high school, so they stay busy. All were well.

Patsy's sister, Ruby Jean Allen hasn't been doing very well since her knee replacement and leg surgery several months ago.

Ray had gone so well a couple of years ago that they had hoped Ruby's would do as well.

It was good to hear that Odon Hudson was home from the Amarillo hospital. Sorry to hear that he was so uncomfortable at home. They had to put him in the Wheeler hospital with dehydration. Sure hope this finds you feeling much better Odon. Please keep Odon and Lois in your prayers.

Ray Forbes enjoyed a short visit with the Hudson's daughter, Sharon Granstaff, from Amarillo.

Our sympathy goes out to Gary and Diana Larkin of Skellytown in the death of his grandmother. Diana is the Briscoe postmaster.

Shara Bell worked for Diana on Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 3rd & 4th. Jayton came and spent part of the day with me. Then late in the afternoon "Pappa Joe" Kelley came and took Jayton to Amarillo with him.

Jayton's a busy 2 year old and doesn't appreciate it at all when he has to come in the house.

So sorry to hear that Lillian Bush isn't doing well. Please keep her in your prayers. The families are all spending time with her. Hospice is such a blessing.

Melvin and Helen May from Pampa and Helen's sister, June from Berger are staying at night with "Grandmother Bush."

Friday (Jan. 31st) Jackie Thrasher and I took Michael and Brianna to Amarillo to meet their mom, Michelle. They were all dressed up in their black wranglers and boots and thought they looked pretty "Sharp". But they were real good.

It was a mad dash to Amarillo and back as we were expecting company about 4:00. So we didn't let any grass grow under us. Made it home, had salad going and picking up all the kids evidence and got the call for a schedule change. Boy! Talk about letting the air out of my balloon!!! I just threw the towel in.

Thursday, Jan. 30th, the Mountain View Quilting Club got together at the Totty Schoolhouse. The first time in several weeks, what with the holidays, illness, and cold weather.

Some there were Audrey Seitz, Betty Haines of Pampa, Melba Corcoran and Martha Meek. They finished Audrey's quilt.

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Estelle Hodges' fingers are itching to get back to her sewing and quilting. Sunday, Estelle got to go to church for the first time in almost 3 months.

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She really enjoyed it. Was quite tiring but well worth it all.
Wasn't Sunday a beautiful day? Sure made you think spring is right around the corner.

Saturday evening Doyle and Bulah Grimes visited with Glenn D. and Estelle. They enjoyed some "42".

Sunday afternoon Gail and Eddie Moke of Amarillo were out. Having an RN in the family is great. But you sure can't sneak anything by her I bet.

The home health care nurses are very pleased with the way Estelle's wounds are finally healing. Her legs gave her so much trouble. The only draw back to finally healing is that eventually she won't need the nurses.

Monday afternoon Brother Johnny Crawford visited with Estelle.

Please keep Deanna Mixon in your prayers. Tuesday, Jan. 28th, she found out the cyst is already back.

The doctors changed her medicine for her blood pressure hoping to get a handle on it. Pain pills don't help her much. But the ice packs have become her best friend. Dr. Black and Dr. Grabato are checking to see if they can get out of putting Deanna through another surgery right now.

Gary and Marilyn Grimes spent part of the day Saturday, Feb. 1st, with Doyle and Bulah.

Sunday, January 26th, Carolann Aycock was baptized at the morning service at the Mobeetie First Baptist Church. Congratulations Carolann!!! It's a beautiful thing to see these young people give their life to the Lord.

Carolann's mother, Joyce Aycock, and sister, Virginia Hungate, were there to share this wonderful event with Carolann.

Carolann and several of the area youths have been enjoying and benefiting from the One Eighty Youth Club in Wheeler.

Lots of good fun, good friends, fellowship and food tossed lightly with faith and good Christian guidance and supervision. They don't pressure or "brainwash" anybody. They just tell the "truth".

Thanks to all the adults that take the time to share with our area teens. With good Christian guidance and supervision they'll have a great time, learn something, learn to share something and have lots to treasure.

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Happy Birthday to Jason Miller and Alma Seitz on Feb. 9, Darren Hefley on Feb. 10, Ethel, Grimes, Cathy Hunt, Gina Herd and Payton May on Feb. 13, Don and Cindy Zumstein, Addie Swift, Jeremy Childress, Russell Laverty, Kent McLaughlin and Nelda Dukes on Feb. 14, Cliff Hefley, Richard Laverty and Edith McLaughlin on Feb. 15.

Happy Anniversary to W. O. and Elton Fillingim and E. G. and Willa Fillingim on Feb. 9, Grant and Karen Meek on Feb. 14.

Don't forget XYZ at Mobeetie Friday night at Baptist Church about 6:30. Delicious pot luck meal, devotional and games. Blood pressures earlier. Always fun and fellowship.

Ft. Elliott High School plays basketball at Higgins Friday night, Feb. 7, at 6:30. Last Game.

Caaron Parker was a weekend visitor to Aaron and Claudetta Laverty. Nice to have her out to church. Another welcome guest was Mary Ruth Morris at Gageby Church with James and Alesha Moffett.

Sunday guest preacher at Gageby Church was Rev. Claude Chambers from Moore, Ok.

Londa and Terri Crownover vis-

ited E. G. and Willa Fillingim Saturday and helped with house cleaning and animal chores. That is a big help to Willa.

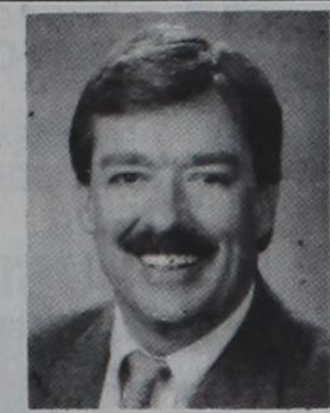
Sam and Barbara Meadows recently attended the National Sales Cattle Assoc. annual meeting at Denver and enjoyed seeing old

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friends and the different activities planned.

Sharon Granstaff has been staying here with her parents, Lois and Oden Hudson, to help out where she can.

David and Phyllis Hefley celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary Sunday by going to Pampa. They ate at Furr's and watched a movie. They were married February 2, 1964 at Allison Baptist church. They spent the night at Pampa. There was a very big snowfall next day that snowed them in.

Everyone is invited to a baby

shower for Leslie Meadows Wilson at Briscoe Cafeterium Saturday, Feb. 15, at 3:00 p.m.

David and Phyllis Hefley had some excitement Monday at the Hefley ranch north of Shamrock. Apparently they started a fire with their pickup in the dry grass. They were lucky to have a cellular phone and called in. Several fire departments battled the blaze for some time before it was under control. The only thing besides grass destroyed was some hay for a neighbor.

Phyllis Hefley is the daughter of Carl and Josephine Giddens, now deceased.

There was a very large crowd out to the Ft. Elliott-Higgins High School games at Briscoe Tuesday night and the delicious rib supper. Our girls played a super game to win 52-34. Our boys had more problems. Higgins has an undefeated season for the boys. Ft. Elliott boys lost 53-71.

April Purcell and Donnie Barr were chosen Basketball Queen and King for Homecoming. Other candidates were Susie Luttrell and Tanner Smith, JaNae Goad and Curt Smith and Carissa Dukes and Clay Zybach.

Tuesday Allison boys defeated Follett 59-40. Allison girls lost 29-35 to Follett at Allison.

Visitors always welcome at Miami Senior Citizens Monday night, Feb. 10, at 6:00 p.m. sharp.

Lots of Ft. Elliott fans went to Allison Friday night to watch the High School basketball games. Our kids worked hard, but lost. Our girls were close, but lost 37-42. Our boys also lost in close game 50-52.



Matt, David and Tracy Young spent a few days with grandparents, Genise and Lee Young. Friday night Genise and the children and Tyna Horn and Larry Lee, Megan and Sarah went to Elk city and watched movies. Then Tracy, 6, stayed to spend the weekend with Megan and Sarah. Larry Lee went with David and Matt, Craig and Cindy Young went to Kansas City for a few days.

Melody and Misty Morgan are planning to move to Amarillo in a few days to a Fountain Apartment. Melody will be working at Bivins Nursing Center. Misty thinks she has a job at a motel. Good luck girls!

KNergy has bought the Natural Gas Briscoe Plant. James Ogle, Myron Jolly and Russell Gaines still work at Natural Plant for KN.

Larry and Vickey Nelson enjoyed supper at Maxeys Friday night for a rare night out.

Brenda and Ernie Wood and Trey and Ty are all doing well at Colorado City, Texas. Brenda manages a slaughter plant with computers and will soon have a fresh meat market along with it. Good luck to the Woods family.

Evelyn Meek attended a special dinner Saturday night at the Country Barn to honor Allene Stovall. About 40 ex-students and friends of Allene's gathered to visit and reminisce.

Bob and Gena Zybach and Ruby Zybach went to Elk City Saturday and shopped some and ate out.

Jimmy and Tammy Maddox and Jennifer and Amber went to Amarillo Sunday to "Outdoor World" and enjoyed looking at the boats and all. Dean and Georgia Tipps went along with them.

Sincere sympathy to Pat Smith and family in the death of Pat's sister at Ft. Worth suddenly in her sleep. She had rheumatoid arthritis. Pat flew down to be with the family.

Pat ate lunch and visited with Rosalie Keelin Thursday. Friday Diane Larkin ate lunch and supper with her aunt, Rosalie, and went to the basketball game at Allison with Ft. Elliott.

Sunday morning at Briscoe Community Church Rev. John Catt with New Life Christian Ministries gave a Gospel Concert. Also there were Tommy Forbes and Ryan with Rev. Catt.

We had a good singing Sunday night at Gageby with Winnie Gilmer in charge. Rosalie Keelin also helped with the music. Singers included Winnie and Rosalie, Alesha Moffett, Lois Meadows and Martha and Evelyn Meek. All sounded good. Harmonica solos by Willis and poem by Willa. Lots of good congregational singing and food.

Keep praying for Oden and Lois Hudson and family. He got to come home from Amarillo Wednesday He has had problems and had to go back to Wheeler hospital. He keeps being in such pain and dehydrated.

Sonya Hudson and Patrick from Amarillo were weekend visitors to Ray and Pat Hudson and Oden and Lois.

There was a large crowd over at Mobeetie Saturday night with participation in different age groups. Everyone was having fun. Ladies playing against the Christian School girls included Christina Swift, Tammy Jolly, Melinda Landsberger, Debbie McLaughlin, Gayla Hathaway, Deedy Zybach, Corina Keuhn, Lacy Hathaway and Kendra and Angela Jolly and Julie Zybach and others. Lots of Little Dribblers, 6 & 7th grade boys and men playing Christian School boys. We enjoyed watching some of the basketball games and eating supper there.

Evelyn Meek went to Canyon Friday and visited daughter Kathy Meek and watched Kaleb Meek's basketball game at Canyon Friday night.

Evelyn also went to the ceremony at Amarillo Sunday that inducted Allene Stovall into the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame. Allene was instrumental in getting women's basketball, volleyball, golf, softball, cross country and other sports established at WTAMU. There was no funding and few teams to play at first, but they made do. Started back in 1963 and 64. Congratulations, Allene.

Dick and Ruth Irvine took Grandma Grace to Amarillo for her check-up on her broken leg Thursday. Hasn't completely healed, so she must keep that

hated and ignored walker for 6 more weeks. Keep praying for them all and the dedicated ladies who stay with her.

Nice to have Clifford and Pauline Hefley and Yvonne Topper come by and visit awhile Saturday afternoon.

One of the sorority is preparing a delicious dinner to honor all Senior Citizens of the area. It will be at the Church of Christ multi-purpose building on Monday Feb. 17 at 6:30. All Senior Citizens are invited to come and eat and visit. Thank you! What a nice thing to do!

We enjoyed going to Wheeler Senior Citizens Monday night. 19 present; lots of delicious food, fun games and friendly people to visit with. I didn't win any games, but it was fun anyway.

Nice to have Homer Sanders and Edna May join us for supper at Maxeys Thursday night and come out and play 88 with us and J. P. and Martha Meek. Also at Maxeys were the McCurley family: Randy and Carol McCurley and Collin, Matt and Holly and Ted and Dorothea McCurley. Also Debbie Glassey and Joe Dan and Christy and Trenton and grandmother Doris Shirey. Also Joe and Sherry

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To The Editor
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Celebrate Mardi Gras?

by Donald Ford

I have heard, "Mardi Gras is simply a time to have some fun, and it doesn't really hurt anyone. Why do you want to be such a killjoy?"

Mardi Gras is a season of the year which begins on January 6th, and ends on Shrove (Fat) Tuesday - Mardi Gras day. "Fat" Tuesday, is the day before Ash Wednesday, which begins the forty-five (some say forty) days of Lent, which ends on the eve of Easter.

Under the Mosaic Law, the eating of fat was forbidden to those who followed Jehovah as their God. Those who truly desired to please God; followed all the Law, to the best of their ability, from one Day of Atonement to the next, when the sins of the nation would be purged through blood sacrifice. Others of the Jews, however, those who served God only as a matter of religious form, whose real God was their carnal desires, had a different concept of life. They would follow the Law as a matter of social custom, as long as it served their purpose (and to keep from getting stoned), but behind closed doors it was a different story. Eating fat was one of those "acceptable" sins that believers "should have been able to get by with." After all, "Just a little sin won't hurt," or, "Just watching others sin can't harm me." They really believed there was a God, but that they could "outsmart" him. Other less restrained Jews would wait until the eve of The Day of Atonement to go on a gluttonous sinful binge, thinking they also could "skate by."

The same mentality is prevalent

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today. There are still those who "serve" God only as a matter of religious form. These include the ones who wait until just before Lent to do their greatest sin, thinking they too will skate by, "unnoticed" by God, because their repentance follows so quickly behind their sin.

I have no problem with the truly Christian spiritual aspects of Catholicism and the observance of Lent. In New Testament times, because of Jesus' forty days in the wilderness, and the forty days between Jesus' resurrection and Pentecost, the number forty took on great significance. Thus, the forty day season of Lent was initiated, by true believers, as a period of spiritual discipline and renewal. This renewal was in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, at Easter. At least in the early days of the Faith, Lent was a process and time of self-conditioning in the weeks before Easter when candidates for baptism fasted and received religious instruction. On the eve of Easter, only after this period of innerspection, repentant Christians were accepted back into the Faith. Mardi Gras season (and day) should be a time of self-examination, as should every day for the Christian, instead of being a time of seduction into pagan ritual and gluttonous behavior.

Some people seem to be of the opinion that they need to sin abundantly today so they will have something to repent of next Holy day. I don't think a lack of something to repent of is our problem. Many years ago, Mardi Gras degenerated into a socially acceptable time to sin: much like Saturday night, Halloween, spring break, graduation, when no one is watching, etc. How many people die during their season of revelry, without any time to repent? I say it is more than we care to think about.

Prostitution is defined: The act or practice of using one's body, honor, talents, or other gifts in a base way ... for money, goods, or favor. "The Tonight Show - with Jay Leno" recently aired a segment showing scenes from New Orleans during Mardi Gras. In the segment, females were shown (certain body parts blacked out) baring themselves to receive gaudy bead necklaces in reward from whomongers. This is blatant prostitution, even if sexual "favors" were not exchanged. The Tonight Show promoted this ritual through the encouragement and participation of their flunky with the microphone.

A travelogue I saw, on New Orleans and Mardi Gras, displayed a picture of the king of Mardi Gras, "King of Rex," riding on his crown float in the Mardi Gras parade. This is the greatest perversion of the whole Mardi Gras extravaganza.

In every book-of-names I have checked, the Latin name "Rex" is always defined as meaning "King." Therefore, the designation "King of Rex," means, KING OF KINGS. Coming at the focal point of the whole Mardi Gras orgy, this float, with its "king," is a giant slap in the face of God. To depict the King of Kings (truly Jesus Christ) participating in this type display and behavior, is one of the most ANTICHRIST exhibits and perversions accomplished. This even outdoes the picture of "Jesus on the cross, submerged in a container of urine," sponsored and encouraged by the National Endowment for the Arts, and displayed in "art" galleries. In my opinion, this "Rex" is an acronym for Repulsive, Excesses, and X-gender.

Many people seem to think, "I'll have my fun today and repent in the dull tomorrow." Repentance is not feeling sorry for what you did, sorry that you got caught, or sorry that you got sick as a result of your act. Repentance is not about "feeling sorry" at all.

It is not possible to plan to do something that is truly spontaneous; therefore, it is impossible for true repentance to be planned for a future time. Repentance is a spontaneous act which occurs when the Holy Spirit is finally allowed to have contact with our mind. During and after this contact we make the conscious decision to accept, and continue to accept, the Truth and Wisdom of his counsel and to irrevocably change our way. Aside from their spiritual ignorance, how genuine can a person's repentance be if they continue to go back to the same hog trough time and time again, and "repent" afterward. The ability to truly repent is a great blessing given by God, but its religious counterfeit is a curse of curses perpetrated by the Enemy of God. What is the quality of the repentance that disappears after Easter, other Holy days, or any day?

It is not my intent to condemn the people who participate in Mardi Gras, but to focus on the display of lewd behavior. As the apostle Paul said in Romans 6:1-6 (NIV):

"What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through

baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

If we have been united with him in his death, we will

certainly also be united with him in his resurrection. For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be rendered powerless, that we should no longer be slaves to sin."

It takes a twisted form of logic to make a "rational" decision to participate in perverted behavior, and a righteous commemoration at virtually the same time; and expect no negative spiritual impact. The logic is, that those who participate in the perversion known as Mardi Gras are either spiritually dead or severely wounded, and the righteous aspect of the season means nothing more to them than blank-minded religion.

My responsibility is to love the sinner, no matter how hard it may be at times, while hating the sin in which they participate. I urge everyone to indulge in fasting, prayer, and self-examination with the help of the Holy Spirit; and refrain from indulging in "...the pleasures of sin for a season." (Heb. 11:25, KJV)

We, as Christians, are a chosen and blessed people. Galatians 1:15-16 says, "God called us by his Grace ... to reveal his Son in us." In this light, should we, in collaboration with the ignorant masses, pervert the vision of Christ by participating in Mardi Gras? People, even other Christians, desire

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to see someone who is more truly righteous than the world around them. This gives them a fresh perspective and point of reference. What point of reference are we establishing?

Should we, as Christians, compromise Christianity, and our own spiritual integrity, in order to have "fun," or to keep from being branded a prude? We make a statement of what we

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By A Resident Reporter

Trinity Lutheran Church came Sunday to do church service.

Monday, Barbara read us the paper. Several of us ladies played cards that afternoon.

Barbara has been decorating for Valentine's Day. It is sure looking pretty.

Tuesday we played cards; then that afternoon we had sing-a-long and happy hour.

Wednesday, Barbara read the paper to us. Then several of the employees and a few residents did the bunny hop for exercise. Lots of fun. Bingo was a big event in the afternoon. Tom Helton and Shorty Crawford were our faithful helpers. Ruby Brown was our blackout winner.

Thursday, Rozena Zybach, Ila Collins, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Farris, Roy and Bev Laufue, Melinda came to do Inspirational. We sure look forward to these coming and we had a large crowd.

Bud Williams had a birthday this week and guess what happen to him? Several of the employees picked him up and carried him to the big whirlpool bath and some said it had ice in it. But then they served Birthday cake to all. So Bud hope you had a nice birthday.

Several of us played cards while some play dominoes; then we had pop corn.

We have a new resident Don Burns from Pampa. He is a really nice man. We welcome him to our facility.

Saturday, Steve Austin came and gave us a concert. It was really good. Then Shorty and Tom came to play Bingo. Mae Welch and Tom Helton were our blackout winners.

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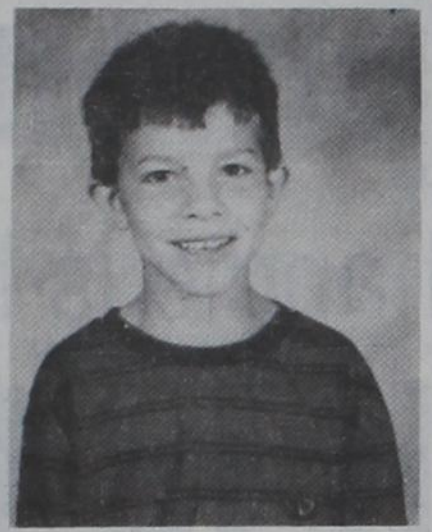
Mobeetic (from Page 2)

The grassfires have started again already.

Please be extra careful. Sorry to hear that Clarence Walsler hasn't been feeling well. Please keep Clarence and his family in your prayers.

All has been pretty quiet at the Stuart Casa. Sunday after church Calvin met Leola and Mrs. Richardson at Sparlin's for dinner. Then they went to Briscoe to visit with Fat and Wanda Childriss.

While they were there Aunt Addie



Ethan Tyree, age 7, is the son of Sonya and Thomas Tyree, Wayside, TX. Grandparents are Jimmy and Bobbie Hill of Wheeler, TX, and Johnny and Cleeta Tyree, Claude, TX.

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Swift came over to join the fun.

Seems like everyone is bothered by the upper respiratory stuff or congestion.

Ronnie Stuart had called Monday night (Feb. 3) to check in with his folks. All were pretty well at Lawton. Except Tanya.

Her recovery is slow. But can see a little improvement. But Tanya wanted it completed "last week".

Mack and Peggy Shelton of Perryton were down Friday. They all had an informal mini-family reunion at Sallie's Cafe. Lots of family and friends in and out. They all had a great time. Between the Shelton's and the Hooker families there was never a dull moment. Now that's the families to party with!

Sunday afternoon, Feb. 2, Bob's brother from Cheyenne, Oklahoma and his wife came over. Wynne had made a delicious lasagna. So a salad and relish tray and some Garlic Bread and presto! Dinner.

Ralph and I were sort of on the losing end of the cribbage board, but we had fun anyway. Bob and Wynne beat us 3 out of 5.

Saturday night Fred and Jackie Thrasher came over for a quick game of Canasta. The guys played hard ball. So we'll just have to wait until Wednesday to redeem ourselves.

Sunday afternoon Leighann Sherman, her sister Shonda Alfaro and their mother all came to have Bible study with Jackie. They get into some really deep and interesting discussions. When they got ready to head back to Sharmock they had a low tire.

They limped up to Barr's old station hoping to at least find the air hose on. Last week Martha Meek should have gotten the good neighbor award. This week Randy Barr gets it.

He happened to be working at the shop. He found a nail in the tire on Leighann's car. So he just proceeded to take the tire off and fix it for them before he sent them on their way.

Thanks Randy!!!

Randy's always coming to someone's aid. We appreciate you! Pierce Walker is slowly getting some strength back. Not ready to run a foot race yet. He's really enjoying his satellite dish. He'd be a great salesman for them.

Nettie's cough is some better. Sure good to see Melba Corcoran feeling better.

Hope ya'll have a great week. Count your blessings.

Our prayers and concerns: Mack and Peggy Shelton, Doug and Doris Whaley, Jud and Lorene Rector, Doyle and Bulah Grimes, Odon and Lois Hudson, Choice Scott, Alice Bailey, Edith McLaughlin, Wilbur Beck, Ernie Gordon, Pierce and Nettie Walker, Jess and Deanna Mixon, Ray and Velma Forbes, Ruby Jean Allen, Glenn D. and Estelle Hodges, Audrey Seitz, Dale and Melba Corcoran, Lester Leonard, Aaron and Claudetta Laverty, Gary and Dianna Larkin and family, Ed and Lillian Bush and family, Clarence Walsler, Peeler and Evelyn Haning, Margaret Trout, Gary Morris and Mary Ruth Morris.

To The Editor The Wheeler Times Wheeler, TX 79096

Letter to the Editor: My dreams and many prayers from all of you and others ground the world. The last 20 years.

Tuesday, January 28, 1997, Morning.

As I was getting ready for my day's work, as I looked into the mirror. I thank the Lord for the wonderful things he has done for me and others. The Lord knew about my family problems as well as others.

Then I began to feel the presence of the Lord, speaking to me how I must pray together with my wife, Irene. And as we were praying, a wonderful thing happened. We were crying and became one flesh. Again, again, Thank You Lord.

The next three days so many of the dreams began to happen. New laws especially cursing, where anyone may be fined. The smoking law looks better—Some may be fined. These dreams are for now.

Only God knows how long.

We have come a long ways on these subjects, but still have a long way to go. Good water and clean air to breathe. Like a lot of others—we are tired. Same as others.

Ernest and Irene Lester

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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

Gageby (from Page 3)

Wagner from Canadian who will be married 28 years on Feb. 1. Several Hathaways: Dale and Kathy Hathaway and Sarah and Jade, Clarice Hathaway, Lacey Hathaway and Cole and Aspen and others.

Celeste Wiley and Ruth Wiley, Leña Jackson with Katie Gallardo and Kayla were also at Maxeys. Ruth was Ruth Dill and they lived in the Wagoner Community sorta in the vicinity of where Lessie Austin lives. That was the Tamsy Riley place. There should have been a book written about Tamsy. She was a real hardworking pioneer lady, school teacher. She was interest in people and all plants.

"God uses us to show his love To people who are suffering; Our deeds of kindness light the path To God that they are traveling."—Sper

Saturday Childresses gathered at Pampa at the bowling alley to celebrate Amanda Childress' 16th birthday and Jackie Dukes 12th birthday. Some others there were Pat Childress, Clyde and Jane Dukes and Stacie, Jeremy Fitzer, Melvin and Cathy Hunt, Shawn Hunt, Kimberly Winter, Scott and Kay Luttrell and Susie, Fat and Wanda Childress, Addie Swift, Brandi Luttrell and friend Blue. They ate at different places. They also visited some with Kelley, Brian and Robin (Mrs. Morris Swift) at Wal-Mart.

Sunday visitors at Fat and Wanda Childress home included cousins Calvin and Leola Stuart, Leola's mom (and Addie's sister) Gladys Richardson and Addie Swift. They played some games of dominos. Addie is still making all the ball games that Fort Elliott play in. But nearly over.

Nice to have Mona (Sumpter) and Jim Betzen and Cody and Mona's sister, Lily Moore and Derrick join us for lunch at Luby's Tuesday. Willis was having his check-up on his hip replacement surgery. Dr. Berg thought all o.k. Some others we saw at Luby's were Bonnie Davidson and her dad, Jack Lyles, Jerry and Kathy Gilmer, Mr. and Mrs. George Earl Tubb from Canadian and R. J. and Georgia Smith from Wheeler.

Lily has been staying with Mona and her family and taking training to be a prison guard, subject to assignment. She quit the army in June after several years; she didn't want to go to Bosnia or Saudi again. She has two little boys: Ty 6 and Derrick 4. She graduated Monday night after 10 weeks of training to be a guard.

Sandra Christner was with her brother Bill and Kay Stiles at Luby's. They were shopping some and planned to attend the horse show Tuesday night.

"God be with you till we meet again."

Wheeler Church of Christ

Congregational Concerns:

On this coming Saturday morning, February 8th, the younger ladies of this congregation will host the older ladies at the annual "love luncheon." This luncheon will begin at 11:30 a. m. in the multi-purpose building.

The men's monthly business meeting will be held in the multi-purpose building on this coming Monday night, February 10th. A fellowship meal will be served before this business meeting is held. This meal will be served at 7:00 p. m.

The "Evening With Friends" will be held on Sunday night, February 16th. At the conclusion of the evening worship service, a chili supper will be held in the multi-purpose building. After the chili supper, Mrs. Loralee Cooley, a professional storyteller from Pampa, will provide the entertainment.

The spring quarter of the Bible school program will begin on Sunday morning, February 16th.

Registration forms for the 1997 sessions at Camp Blue Haven are on the table in the lobby.

There are some dishes on a table in the lobby. These dishes have been in the multi-purpose building for several months. Please see if any of these dishes belong you.

Clarence Walsler has not been feeling well for the last several weeks. Vergia Reagan has been sick with the flu.

Francis Sipes, the father of Pam Jones, has been having some health problems.

From The Minister's Desk:

Olden Cook, the minister of the church of Christ in Kerrville, Texas, recently wrote an article that every sincere Bible student needs to read. This article was entitled, "It's In The Book", and it said: ---

"Do you remember Tom Sawyer's classic dialogue with Huck Finn about their becoming pirates? The conversation reflects a dimension of human nature characteristic of young and old alike. Tom is trying to persuade Huck to join him in forming a band of robbers and to take captives like the pirates used to do. Huck asks Tom what pirates do with the captives they take, and Tom answers, "Ransom them." "Ransom? What's that?" asks Huck. "I don't know," says Tom, "but that's what they do. I seen it in the books; and so of course that's what we got to do." "But how can we do it if we don't know what it is?" insists Huck. Exasperated, Tom replies, "Why, blame it all, we got to do it. Don't I tell you it's in the books? Do you want to go doing different from what's in the books, and get things all muddled up?"

"This represents a way of thinking not much different from what Jesus

encountered in his day. The people were always quoting things from the book—the Old Testament. But they were merely mouthing words—the conclusions they drew were totally separated from the spirit of the original revelation. By citing Mosaic regulations and principles of conduct completely out of the original context, the questioners were trying to justify their personal vengeance vindictiveness. A good example of this is the action of the Saducees in Mark 12:18-23. Jesus told them: "Are you not therefore mistaken, because you do not know the Scriptures not the power of God?" Just because it was "in the book" and they had quoted it "from the book" did not mean they understood what the book said! They had it "all muddled up."

"This should be a reminder to us. When we quote a Bible passage, let's be sure and certain we understand its meaning and context. Remember, a text out of context is often a dangerous pretext.

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Wheeler Co. Translator System Annual Meeting

The Wheeler County Translator members held their annual meeting on January 25, 1997. The meeting was called to order by President Gary Davis. There was no annual meeting held last year so there were no minutes to read. The financial report was read and approved. The report revealed that the expenses for last year were \$8,020.15 and the donations were \$7,735.36. Greenbelt Electric was \$2,758.22, insurance was \$2,335.00, repairs and other expenses were \$2,926.93. With this information the board members are considering asking for donations of \$5.00 a month (\$60.00 per year) instead of \$4.00 per month (\$48.00 per year). This increase would cover expenses even if the insurance premiums are raised next year when the contract will be renewed. If donations are not increased the only other alternative would be to shut the system down. If you wish to comment on this action, please fill free to contact any of the board members or be at any of the board members meetings. The board members meet once each quarter on the last Saturday morning in the month at 6:30 A.M.

A motion was made and seconded to change the fiscal year from January 1 to October 1 with the annual meeting being held on the first Saturday in October. The motion carried. A motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion carried.

The board members present were: Gary Davis, Tim Ray, Bill Ridgway, Jack Hefley, Bill Atherton and Leona Coates. Others present were: Frank Coates, Bernice Hefley, Virginia Ridgway, Clinton Stribling and Maurita Stribling.

Animal Buyer Is Named

At the recent Wheeler County Junior Livestock Sale, I purchased an animal for Paymaster Gin of Lakeview, Texas. I found out later due to a misunderstanding on my part that this gin chose not to participate in our sale. Therefore, the animal purchased and credited to this business will be paid for by Southern Cotton Oil Company of Quannah, Texas, and Paymaster Gin of Lelia Lake. I apologize for any inconvenience to the Association resulting from this.

Gary Hardcastle

Chat (from Page 1)

little dark. Even changing the setting on the camera, it went back to the same darkness.

-cwe-

When I take these pictures, I have to rely on one of the teenagers to identify the individuals. Sally Smith performed this service last week and Trevor Burton named the young men for me.

-cwe-

Vincent Smith came recently to have business cards printed. If wild hogs are a problem, he will hunt them for you. And I did not know the county had wild hogs.

-cwe-

Vincent brought us some pork chops, sausage and ham from the game he had killed. It is delicious.

-cwe-

Don't forget to bring in that Valentine. You are getting an extension. We need the valentine by Monday morning.

-cwe-

Monday is the Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet. See you there!

-cwe-

I suppose the Chamber banquet will take precedence over our Monday night card game. We may just have to play after the banquet.

-cwe-

The spring-like weather we had last weekend got me in the mood to go to the garden. I tilled the area Friday evening. It will soon be time to start putting those potatoes and onions in the ground.

-cwe-

City (from Page 1)

PRPC's Panhandle Environmental Partnership Regional Recycling Contract. The motion carried.

Walter Simmons made motion, seconded by Barbara Koelzer, to approve a resolution authorizing the city's enrollment in the Panhandle Regional Planning Commissions Panhandle Environmental Partnership Regional Recycling Contract. The motion carried.

Charles Kuntz presented receipts and disbursements and discussed same. The motion carried.

Sheriff Jimmy Adams recently requested a 3% increase in the City's monthly contribution for law enforcement. The City is currently paying the County \$4070.00 for police protection. Bob McCain made motion to approve a 3% increase for police protection. Mark Frankenbery seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Barbra Koelzer made motion seconded by Don Rose to adopt Ordinance No. 171 approving the Municipal Maintenance Agreement between the City of Wheeler and Texas State Highway Dept. The motion carried.

Don Rose made motion, seconded by Barbara Koelzer to approve a Resolution in support of the Senate Bill as proposed by Senator Tom Hayward, District 30, to return five percent of the proceeds from the Texas Lottery to local governments. The motion carried.

Don Rose made motion the meeting adjourn. Mark Frankenbery seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Those present: Mayor Wanda Herd. Councilmembers: Walter Simmons, Mark Frankenbery, Barbra Koelzer, Bob McCain, and Don Rose. Charles Kuntz, Frank Clymer, and Claudine Finsterwald.



Dues Paying Subscribers Of Translator System

The board members of the Wheeler County Translator System would like to thank each one who sent in their contributions to the translator in the past year. This is the only way that the system can stay on the air. Those who sent in their contributions this year are: Fred Allison, Jim Alvey, Mike Arrington, Billie V. Atherton, Darville Atherton, Boyd Austin, Mrs. H. S. Austin, Hugh Bailey, Wayne Baker, James Batton, Roy Bradstreet, David Britt, Mike Bryant, C. B. Brotherton, Jr., Claudy Brotherton, J. W. Buckingham, Don Burke, Austin Caldwell, Sandra Christner, Ariza Corcoran, Douglas Corse, Steve Corse, Pearl Darby, Joe Darnell, Opal Davidson, Gary Davis, W. A. Davis, C. G. Dodd, Jr., B. T. Dooley, Bus Dorman, Lou Dean Douthit, Bill Dyson, Robert Echols, Don Edwards, Wayne Edwards, Wallace Ehmann, Gordon Estes, Leola Farris, E. G. Fillingim, Willis Fillingim, Billy Finsterwald, Bobby Finsterwald, Katie Finsterwald, Donald Finsterwald, Doris Finsterwald, Mobeete First Baptist Church, Tom Frye, Darrell Gaines, Richard Gaines, James Gatlin, Eddie George, Preston Glazner, Mike Goad, F. W. Gorden, Richard Graham, Loreta Grayson, Great Plains Breeders, Doyle Grimes, Gaye Hale, Curtis Hall, Buster Haning, Harold Haning, Gene Harrison, Ruth Hathaway, Paul Hathaway, Dennis Hefley, Jack Hefley, Wanda Hefley, Perry Helton, Thomas Helton, Lee Hibler, Reed Hill, Bob Hink, Chuck Hogan, Robert Hogan, Pauline Hooker, Keith Horn, Thurman Horn, Oden Hudson, Harold Jones, Wayne Johnson, J. P. Keeton, Jeff Kelly, H. B. Krug, Lester Leonard, Ada Lou Lester, Keith Locke, Alton Lohberger, Suzanne Lohberger, Verne Lohberger, Agnes Lott, Mickey Macina, Paul Macina, Royce Marlon, Robert Mayfield, Randy McCarly, Elmer McLaughlin, Eddie Meadows, Evelyn Meek, Grant Meek, D. V. Miller, Gary Miller, James Moffett, Darrell Moore, Garland Moore, Izv Moore, Jess Moore, Mary Ruth Morris, Mrs. Calvert Norris, Jerel Norris, Estelle Orr, Cleve Parsons, Plippien Patterson, Foy Perkins, Jim Porter, Mrs. L.C. Powell, Mankin Drug, Doyle Ramsey, Tim Ray, J. B. Rector, Kenny Reed, Bill Ridgway, Clara Ridway, W. H. Riley, Glen Scott, Choice Scott, Monroe Seitz, Monroe Seitz, Jr., Anna Lee Sims, Byron Simpson, Blondell Skaggs, Wesley Steen, Bill Stiles, C. W. Stribling, Calvin Stuart, Earl Tabor, Larry Taylor, Albert Thomas, J. T. Tidwell, Mildred Treadwell, Ella Trout, Robert Trostle, R. D. Underwood, James Verden, Pierce Walker, Clarence Walsler, Clifford Walsler, Jack Wardlow, Hyland Weaver, Harold Williams, Bob Willis, Elva Wood, Rich Woollard, Lee Young, Ruby Zybach, Eric Zybach, Bob Zybach and Wheeler T. V. Systems.

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Weeping Lovegrass is the preferred grass on sandy soils. Plains Bluestem is the preferred grass on clay loam soils. The native grasses are the preferred grasses on sandy and clay loam soils. Your local NRCS would like to urge all CRP producers to plant their land to native grass. There are advantages and disadvantages of planting and improve grass and native grass.

Local Scout Troops Extend Thanks for Cookie Sales

Troop leader, Michelle Carey, would like to thank the people of Wheeler and surrounding towns for making the first part of Girl Scout cookie sales a great success. Girl Scout Troop 147 includes Camielle Carey, Crystal Newsted, Rebecca Monroe, Brentney Taylor, Katie Richardson, Lauren Meadows, Tracy Jones, and Jennifer Scales.

Girl Scout Troup 149 includes Karry Meadows, Melissa Diera, Sarah Crouch, and Amy Monroe.

Troop 161 includes Amy Hubble. Anyone interested in joining Girl Scouts, is encouraged to still join. Cookies will be delivered Feb. 18-20-March 6. The Girl Scouts of Wheeler will be having a booth sale in March. Anyone who would like to still order cookies can call Michelle Carey 826-3257.

THANK YOU
I would like to thank all the fire departments that fought the fire northwest of Shamrock on Monday, February 3. A special thanks to all the volunteers for their hard work.
David Hefley

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FHA: Members of the Wheeler FHA pictured here are (from left around table): Jennifer Haning, Hayley Hipkins, Whitney Simmons, Kristen Marion, Stacy McWhorter, Mika Goad, Lacey Smith, Kenzi Chick, Lorena Martinez, Sandy Bradstreet, Shea Lewallen, Lynna Watson, Krista Murray, Penny Dollar, Kara Keelin, J.J. Johnson, Rachel Montgomery, Alli Moore, Brooke Stevens, Stephanie Lee, Kara Emmert, Ashley Ware, Kalli Bradstreet, and Hillary Mitchell.

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Submitted by: Stacy Ann McWhorter, Vice President of Public Relations

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Weeping Lovegrass is a very fast growing grass. Weeping lovegrass is adapted to very sandy soils. Weeping lovegrass can be planted with or without a covercrop. The seeding rate for weeping lovegrass is 1.5#/ac.

Plainsbluestem is another fast growing grass. Plainsbluestem is adapted to clay loam soils. Plainsbluestem must be planted into a covercrop. The seeding rate for planting plainsbluestem is the 15th of March. The seeding rate for plainsbluestem is 1.8#/ac.

Native grasses take a little longer to grow into a stand of grass. Native grasses can be planted to sandy and clay loam soils. Native grasses must be planted into a covercrop. Most of your native grasses can be planted as early as the 15th of December. The seeding rate will vary with the species of grass chosen.

Your local Natural Resources Conservation Service encourages all farmers to come by the office to discuss their CRP contract. The Natural Resources Conservation Service crew is looking forward in working with the producers. For more information contact the local NRCS office at 826-3565 or 826-3566.

"Programs and services of the Natural Resources Conservation Service are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, marital status or handicap."

WTAMU To Host Dance Camp Dates Announced

The West Texas A&M University Dance Department is making plans for the 1997 Dance Camp. This is the seventh year that the camp has been in existence and year after year has been a great success. The camp is staffed by professional dancers from the Lone Star Ballet as well as dancers from the Texas musical drama and guest artists. The camp offers classes in ballet, tap, jazz, modern, pas de deux, and pointe taught by the camp staff as well as professional guest teachers. The camp also offers activities that take up what little time the dancers have outside of the classes. The dates for the camp are July 27-August 2nd (first session) and August 3rd-August 9th (second session). For more information on the camp call (806) 656-2820 or write to WTAMU Dance Camp '97, WT Box 879, Canyon, TX 79016.

Merger Brings Changes In SPS Personnel

Final employment levels expected by Southwestern Public Service Company and Public Service Co of Colorado following their planned merger as New Century Energies will reflect job reductions resulting directly from the merger and from other preparations of competition in the electric utility industry, yet will assure continued quality service, the companies announced today.

Most of the anticipated staffing reductions are in customer-attending and corporate support areas. Service personnel, such as a power plant employees and linemen, will be affected only minimally.

Thirty percent of the merged companies' combined personnel will be in the SPS service area, and 70 percent in the PSCo service area. The ratio of positions was 29 percent to 71 percent before the companies began merger discussions.

Significant staffing reductions and high attrition already have occurred. An anticipated further combined reduction of 399 positions will allow the combined companies to remain low-cost suppliers-of-choice in increasingly competitive environment, said SPS Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Bill D. Helton, who will become chairman and CEO of New Century Energies.

Total reductions in the SPS area will be 418 jobs. Of that amount, 169 reductions already have occurred through a merger-related hiring freeze and attrition, leaving 249 to go. A total of 1,831 SPS-area jobs will be retained, compared with 2,249 in 1995, the year the merger was announced.

Total reductions in the PSCo area will be 1,039 jobs. Of that amount, 889 reductions in positions already have occurred through a hiring freeze, attrition, and previously planned reductions, leaving 150 to go. A total of 4,356 PSCo-area jobs will remain, compared with 5,395 in 1995.

The overall reduction of 1,457 positions, or 19 percent of the combined work forces is greater than the original projection of 8 percent, because of the expanded scope of expected competition. Employees of both companies were told last year that the reductions would be higher than originally estimated.

"We regret having to reduce our work forces; we greatly value all of our employees," Helton said, "But we find that we must make these changes to continue to prepare for the future."

"We have worked the past year and a half to prepare to operate as a low-cost, competitive, combined company. We chose not only to look at savings and efficiencies directly related to the merger, but also at customer convenience, new business practice and, especially, savings for our customers," he said.

Proposals to allow direct competition between electric utilities for retail customers are expected this year in Congress and in states served by PSCo and SPS. "New Century Energies' preparations for such competition," Helton said, "emphasize involvement in the communities we serve and continuing high-quality service."

SPS will refocus the operation of its 43 business offices later this year. The offices will no longer handle customer payments. Next week SPS will be announcing details of more-convenient, alternate payment centers in businesses such as supermarkets, and a centralized call center that can respond to customer questions for extended hours during the day.

Twenty-six of the businesses offices will remain open as bases of operation for employees involved in providing electric service, engineering, sales, economic development and other functions. Seventeen of the offices will be closed, and remaining personnel will be relocated to service centers and other SPS facilities in the communities.

"We will still have employees in the

WHEELER MENU

February 10, 1997 to February 14, 1997

Monday: Breakfast: Juice, Cereal/Oatmeal, Toast/Jelly, Milk.

Lunch: Chili Dog/Cheese, Pickle Spear, Tater Tots, Milk/Tea, Peaches.

Tuesday: Breakfast: Juice, Biscuits/Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Peanut Butter/Honey, Milk.

Lunch: BBQ Chicken, Scalloped Potatoes, Corn, Bread, Milk/Tea, Peas.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Juice, Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Blueberry Muffins, Milk.

Lunch: Cheeseburgers, French Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle, Onion, Milk/Tea, Grapes or Mixed Fruit.

Thursday: Breakfast: Juice, Pancake Pups/Syrup, Toast/Jelly, Sausage, Peanut Butter, Milk.

Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, Hot Roll/Butter, Milk/Tea, Appricots.

Friday: Breakfast: Juice, Cereal/Oatmeal, Toast/Jelly, Milk.

Lunch: Baked Potato, Chopped Ham, Grated Cheese, Sour Cream/Butter, Celery and Carrot Sticks, Bread, Milk/Tea, Pineapple.

(Menu Subject to Change)

ALLISON MENU

February 10 thru February 14, 1997

MONDAY: Fish, Coleslaw, Hush Puppies, Oven Fries, Ice Cream, Milk.

TUESDAY: Lasagna, Broccoli and Cauliflower Salad, Corn, Garlic Bread, Pudding, Milk.

WEDNESDAY: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Carrot & Raisin Salad, Hot Rolls, Rice Krispie Treats, Milk.

THURSDAY: Enchiladas, Refried Beans, Nasso Round, Jello, Milk.

FRIDAY: Hamburgers, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Chips, Fruit, Milk.

(Menu Subject to Change)



communities to assure reliable electric service," Helton said.

"Our employment plans are significantly more comprehensive than we first anticipated. We have had literally hundreds of employees from both companies working together to design a new company ready for a drastically changed environment of national competition in our industry," he said.

Helton said the employment reduction figures reflect elimination of overlapping positions, efficiency-related reductions under way the year the merger was announced, and other reduction developed by employee teams.

Late next week or soon thereafter, the companies plan to provide individualized packets of information to each employee whose job is identified as "merger-affected." "Merger-affected" positions are those that will be reduced in number or eliminated, or will be subject to significant job-duty changes or geographic relocation.

Many positions in both companies, including most jobs directly related to providing electric service, will not be "merger-affected."

Employees in merger-affected positions may apply for up to four positions in the merged companies. Employees who apply but are not selected will be eligible for involuntary separation packages of one-and-a-half week's pay for each full year worked and other benefits, including job counseling and outplacement assistance. Some employees will be eligible for early retirement.

The companies also will offer a voluntary severance package for merger-affected employees who choose not to apply for continued employment. The voluntary severance package benefits include one week's pay for each full year worked.

If the merger continues to progress before utility regulators, the re-staffing process could begin late next week and be completed by March 31, 1997.

The merger has been approved by regulators in Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas and New Mexico and agreed to in Oklahoma. Administrative law judges have recommended approval in Texas and at the federal level. Texas regulators are expected to act on the merger Feb. 5, 1997; federal regulators have not scheduled final action. Completion of the merger is targeted for this spring.

SPS is retaining the following local business offices, and their operations will be refocused. They will continue as bases of operation for employees providing electric service and involved in community development, sales, engineering or other responsibilities. These offices will no longer process bill payments. The change in operations will be effective approximately the dates shown.

Wheeler and Canadian are named on the list local business offices to be retained. With the change to take place in May, 1997.

LIBRARY NEWS

Another week flew by. A lot was accomplished this past week. We have acquired a new book spinner which will hold 650 paperbacks, so we have been busy making a new home for this and rearranging books.

Of course, we are still working on the Dewey Decimal subject file, but will soon have that put to rest. Or I should say, put to use!

A bunch of new books went on the shelves Thursday. They are as follows: McCrumb—Bimbos of The Death Sun, Steel—Silent Honor, Iles—Mortal Fear, Guest—Errands, Spencer—Small Town Girl, Parker—Criminal Justice, Clancy—SSN, Clancy—Mirror Image, Kelton—The Man Who Rode Midnight, Douglas—Last Tango in Brooklyn, Roberts—Heart Braker, Ely—Night Shadow, Connally—The Poet, Patterson—Silent Witness, Stein—Infinity's Child, Sanders—In The Valley of The Shadow, Glass—Loving Time, Davies—Nest of Vipers, Spruill—My Soul to Take, Krentz—Deep Waters, Collins—Vendetta (Lucky's Revenge), Bush—Wings of a Dove, Tanneberg—Pursuit, and Rivers—the Scarlet Thread. These are all fictions.

The new non fictions are Dysart's Like Whispers in the Wind (This is about Mobeete and Bat Masterson), Bigger's Buffalo Guns and Barbed Wire, Lindmier—[See By Your Outfit, Florin—Ghostowns of the West, McQuarrie—A Ledgend Lives on (Rodeoin), Erickson's Catch Rope, Robertson's Panhandle Pilgrimage, Russell's Guns on the Early Frontiers, and Davis's Don't Know Much About the Civil War. Lots of good reading in both fields.

Thanks to Nancy Clymer for the nice books she donated. We appreciate all donations and memorials that we receive. We would also like to have more audio and videos that anyone might like to donate. We have lots of calls for both. We have quite a good collection of audio tapes, if you are interested, stop by and investigate these.

Two of the staff members attended the bimonthly meeting in Amarillo. As usual this meeting was very informative and timely. This, along with our e-mail keeps us up to date on TPLS.

That's all for this week. Come by soon and meet some new books; they are waiting to give lots of pleasure.

Continuing Education For Pesticide Application

Right-of-way pesticide applicators can earn five continuing education units (CEUs) by attending a seminar sponsored by the Texas Department of Agriculture on Monday, Feb. 10 in Amarillo.

The free course will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Service office at 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West in Amarillo.

Included in the five hours is credit for 1 1/2 hours in laws and regulations and one hour of integrated pest management, both required to renew an applicator's license. Commercial and noncommercial applicators are required to obtain five CEUs each year to renew their license. Private applicators must obtain 15 CEUs over five years.

Topics that will be covered include pesticide laws and regulations, weed identification and herbicide selection, equipment characteristics and calibration, herbicide mode of action, label comprehension and transportation regulations.

For more information, contact TDA's Amarillo office at (806) 358-7285.

February Designated Spay/Neuter Ed. Month

The Pet Sterilization Program of the Panhandle, a reduced cost pet spay/neuter program based in Amarillo, is observing February as spay/neuter education month.

PSPP is a not for profit corporation. The purpose of this corporation is to reduce the number of unwanted cats and dogs in this area and to educate people as to the benefits of owning a sterilized pet.

PSPP became operational in January, 1994 and by December, 1996, a total of 1,876 reduced cost surgeries had been performed by seven participating veterinary clinics in Amarillo.

The PSPP reduced cost program is made available to anyone who has a pet in need of sterilization and has been utilized by clients in Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. This program is unique in that it is open to everyone who has a pet in need of sterilization, regardless of the individual's income.

For more information about PSPP, please call 372-7777 or write to: PSPP, 4414 West 2nd, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

Local Seniors Citizens Use Valentine Theme

Valentine decorations were used throughout the dining room area by Foy and Joyce Perkins at the Senior Citizens meeting on Feb. 3rd.

Our new president Lou Dean Douthit presided at the meeting.

Laverna Fillingim baked a delicious Italian Cream birthday cake for Marie Gudelg, our only birthday honoree for February.

It was announced that the Alpha Mu Alpha Sorority will be serving a meal for senior citizens on Feb. 17th at 6:30 P.M. at the Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. All senior citizens in the area are urged to attend. These young ladies go to a lot of trouble to serve such a delicious meal and there is always an abundance of food, so please plan to be there.

The hearing-aid man will be at the senior citizens building on the morning of Feb. 13th.

Those present at this meeting were: Willis and Laverna Fillingim, Foy and Joyce Perkins, J. P. and Martha Meek, Marie Gudelg, Fanny Mae Bradstreet, Nellie Horton, Mary Margaret Dodd, Evelyn Meek, Elva Wood, Nova Powladge, Lois Meadows, Lou Dean Douthit, Helen Sabbe, Katharine Eads and Doyle and Beulah Grimes. Games of 88 and 42 were enjoyed by all after a delicious meal.

Exchange Students Look For Local Host Families

The American Intercultural Student Exchange, a non-profit educational foundation, is seeking local host families for high school foreign exchange students for the 1997-98 school year. Every year, AISE places thousands of exchange students with host families throughout the United States. AISE exchange students live with American families and attend local high schools during their ten month cultural exchange. American host families provide these young ambassadors with a room, meals, and a loving, family atmosphere in which to live. AISE students are eager to learn about our government, history, customs, and language, while at the same time leaving a lasting impression of their cultures in the minds and hearts of their American host families and peers. Call AISE at 1-800-742-5464 or visit the AISE web site at http://www.sibling.org for more information on hosting a foreign exchange student in your home.



Let bar cookies cool slightly before you cut them or they may crumble.

Wheeler County COURT RECORDS

List of Instruments filed in the Wheeler County Clerk's office from January 22, 1997 to January 27, 1997.

JANUARY 22, 1997

D—Porter Rogers, et ux to Rogers Family Living Trust, 12-31-96, S 1/2 E 1/2 Blk. 49, Stanley Add., Wheeler.
D—Porter Rogers, et ux to Rogers Family Living Trust, 12-31-96, Sec. 5, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman Survey.
DT—Mark Cadra, et ux to First Bank & Trust, 12-20-96, S 1/2 N 1/2 Sec. 125, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
MML—James L. Bohls, et ux to Reeder Construction, 1-15-97, Lots 11, 12 and 13, Blk. 77, WSSA, Shamrock.
TRUST AFF—Elsie Pauline Nichols to Elsie Pauline Nichols Revocable Living Trust, 1-20-97.
D—Elsie Pauline Nichols to Elsie Pauline Nichols Revocable Living Trust, 1-20-97, Pt. Outlot 8, Shamrock, NW 1/4 Sec. 35 and W 1/2 NW 1/4; NW 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 26, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
MD—Elsie Pauline Nichols to Elsie Pauline Nichols Revocable Living

Farm Service Agency Has Loans for Disadvantaged

The Farm Service Agency has loan funds to help members of socially disadvantaged groups, including minorities, buy land for farming or operate farms in Gray, Donley, Armstrong, Wheeler, and Carson counties, Larry J. Goetz, FSA Ag Credit Manager, said today.

Under this program enacted by Congress, socially disadvantaged population groups are Hispanics, Native Americans, African Americans, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

FSA tries to find members of those groups who are interested in farming and qualify for an FSA farm ownership loan. The agency can sell or lease to those who are eligible for a farm held in our inventory or make a loan for purchase of land on the open market, Goetz said.

FSA can also provide other loan assistance, including operating loans, and advice, if needed, to help the borrower get started.

People who think they may be eligible, whether they already are in farming or would like to become farmers, are urged to contact the Farm Service Agency county office in their area.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination its programs on the basis of race, color national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, and marital or familial status. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (braille, large print, audiotape, etc) should contact the USDA, Office of Communications at (202) 720-5881 (voice) or (202) 720 7808 (TDD).

To file a complaint, write the Secretary of Agriculture, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, or call (202) 720-7327 (voice) or (202) 720-1127 (TDD). USDA is an equal employment opportunity employer.

PRIORITY MAIL

Last week, we talked about Express Mail which is the overnight service to most locations.

This week, we want to talk about Priority Mail. Priority mail is the first class mail of parcels. The Post Office has free boxes and envelopes for your use. We prefer you use our supplies, for two reasons. First, they are free to you. When you figure the price of a padded envelope and the postage, many times it is cheaper to use a free Priority envelope and boxes. Second it makes your parcel easily recognizable as priority. Each Priority container has bright red, white and blue coloring with the Postal Eagle on it. We also have what is called a flat rate Priority Envelope. The price of this is \$3.00, no matter what it contains, as long as you can seal it without tape. If it will seal on its own, you can put one piece of paper or a brick and it will be the same price. If you must use tape when mailing a package, please use reinforced tape, or even duct tape. Do not use masking tape. The price of this is \$3.00 up to 2 lbs., 3 lbs. is \$4.00, 5 lbs. is \$5.00, and 6 lbs. is \$6.00. Depending on the zone it's going to on the weight it increases in price. Next to Express mail, this is the next best way to send your important documents. This late in the year, Priority Mail is what we recommend if you are mailing overseas and want to get your package delivered by Christmas. I hope this has helped you in deciding the best way to send your mail.

Ada Lou Lester
Postmaster
Wheeler, Texas, 79096

Turner (from Page 1)

Indoor Arena at Sayre and Mobeetie. Cotton was married to Fern Taliaferro on May 28, 1949 at Canute, Oklahoma. Cotton was also an avid golfer. Survivors include his wife: Fern Turner of the Sayre home. 1 son; James Turner, Jr. and his wife Lora of Guymon; 1 granddaughter; Kylee Nicole; 1 bother; Travis Turner and his wife Betty of Erick; 3 sisters; Frances Noble and her husband J. W. of Claude, Texas; Hazel Jewett of Oklahoma City and Lillian Turner of Erick. Brother and sister in laws; Wayne and Bonita Wraether of Canute and Levi and Bea Taliaferro of Elk City and his good friend: Burt Hall and many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Trust, 1-20-97, Secs. 26 and 35 and the SE 1/4 Sec. 35, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN—Mississippi River Transmission Corp. to Noram Field Services Corp., 9-1-96, See Instrument.
C/O ORDER FINAL ACCOUNT—Robert E. Kershaw, Sr. to Ex-Parte, 11-12-96, See Instrument.

MD—Laura Jean Kershaw to Tex-Min, Inc., 12-31-96, See Instrument.
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POA—Doris Fay Finsterwald to Billy Wayne Finsterwald, et al, 1-22-97.
AOL—James W. Cloud Jr. Inc. to Hanna Oil Properties, Inc., 12-31-96, Secs. 9 and 18, Blk. RE, Roberts & Eddleman Survey.

ASSIGN—Phillips Pipe Line Company to 66 Pipe Line Company, 12-31-96, See Instrument.

ASSIGN—66 Pipe Line Company to Phillips Texas Pipeline Company, 12-31-96, See Instrument.
MD/ROY D—F. Lee Bruno to Kelly H. Baxter, 12-30-96, Secs. 43, 44 and 57, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MD/ROY D—F. Lee Bruno to Kelly H. Baxter, 12-30-96, Sec. 112, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.
MML—F.C. Hilburn, Jr., et ux to Vinyard Water Service, 10-15-95, Lots 7 and 8, N 1/2 Lot 9, Blk. E, Potts Add., Shamrock.

EXT DT—Clifford Oldham, et ux to First Bank & Trust, 1-21-97, See Instrument.
OL—Weldon H. Smith to Raydon Exploration, Inc., 10-29-96, E 1/2 Sec. 55, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

D—Evelyn Wadean Stone to Evelyn Wadean Stone Family Revocable Trust, 1-20-97, N 1/2 Sec. 34, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN—Nortex Corporation to Robert W. Kent, 1-10-97, S 213 acs. Sec. 57, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and 7 1/2 acs. SW 1/4 Sec. 9, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

MML—Blackjack Oil & Gas, Inc. to MKM Energies, Inc., 1-21-97, See Instrument.

TRUSTEESHIP AFF—Craig Everts to Boatmen's First National Bank of Amarillo, et al, 12-11-96, See Instrument.

MD—Christine C. Atkinson Testamentary Trust to William T. Atkinson, 12-11-96, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 47, Blk. 23, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

C/O WILL—Daniel Crawford Atkinson, Jr. to Ex-Parte, 12-4-96.
C/O ORDER PROBATE—Daniel Crawford Atkinson, Jr. to Ex-Parte, 12-4-96.

ROW—Nancy Leona Sharp Shelton to Phillips Petroleum Company, 11-6-96, Pt. NE 1/4 Sec. 99, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Jack Hefley, et ux to Phillips Petroleum Company, 11-8-96, Pt. S 1/2 Sec. 73, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ROW—Jack Hefley, et ux to Phillips Petroleum Company, 11-8-96, Pt. S 1/2 Sec. 73, Blk. M-1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CORR MD—William E. M. Rives, et ux to Douglas Preston Rives, 1-23-97, NE 1/4 Sec. 15, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CORR MD—William E. M. Rives, et ux to William Don Rives, 1-23-97, NE 1/4 Sec. 15, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

STL—State of Texas to John A. Mann, 1-21-97.
MODIFICATION MML—B. D. Hardin, et ux to FirstBank Southwest National Association, 1-8-97, See Instrument.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Linda Hall Smith to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, Secs. 44, 46 and 47, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and Secs. 29 and 30, Blk. A-9, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OL—Barbara Baird, et vir to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-22-96, NE 1/4; S 1/2 SE 1/4; NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 16, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Herman Gerald Beaty to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-4-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Robert L. Beaty to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

H&GN RY. COMPANY SURVEY—Sharon Ann Smith to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—William Harold Beaty to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Gina Evans Culbertson to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-29-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 12, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Frankie Franks to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-9-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—David Keith Henderson to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-26-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Leonard Don Henderson to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-25-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Glynn D. Carver to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-15-96, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Ruth Ann Richardson to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-8-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Mickey L. Benson Porter to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-16-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 11 and SW 1/4 Sec. 13, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—David Scott Edwards to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-2-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

Lackey to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-9-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Jerry Lackey to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-9-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Glen Rives to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-26-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Pam Vaughan to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-10-96, N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 98, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Imogene Clay to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-14-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Wenna Rea Lois Smith to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-9-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Ann Nora Fern Scott to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-7-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—John I. Mundy to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-25-96, N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 98, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Dorothy Hall Miller to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-7-96, Secs. 44, 46 and 47, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and Secs. 29 and 30, Blk. A-9, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Kenneth Wayne Meek to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, N 1/2 Sec. 39, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Oleta Faye Levitt to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-15-96, N 1/2 Sec. 17, Blk. L, J. M. Lindsey Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Gregory K. Dorman to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-30-96, NE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Michael Floyd Carver to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-9-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Viola Carlton to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-13-96, See Instrument.

AMEND OPTION—J. R. Austin, Jr. to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-12-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 46, Blk. A-4; SW 1/4 Sec. 47, Blk. A-4 and All of Sec. 55, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Cecil Clay Edwards to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-8-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Orvil Kenneth Edwards to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-6-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Eunice V. Edwards to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-4-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Preston L. Glazner, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 22, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Gertrude A. Green to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-11-96, 106.4 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Vergie Guynes to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-12-96, 106.4 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

RATIFICATION OPTION—Linda Marie Weems Johnson to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-30-96, N 1/2 N 1/2 SW 1/4; NW 1/4 Sec. 23, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—James Lendon Jolly to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-12-96, S 126.35 acs. NE 1/4 Sec. 25, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Shirley Moore Patterson Jolly to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-15-96, Sec. 21, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Norma Keelin to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-8-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 27, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Roy Kroeker to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-7-96, Sec. 1, Blk. E. E. J. Campbell Survey and Sec. 2, Blk. 3, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Lillian Lee to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-7-96, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Agnes Lott, et al to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, Sec. 1, Blk. E. E. J. Campbell Survey and Sec. 2, Blk. 3, Brooks & Burleson Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Margaret Kite Martin to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, Sec. 50, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Danny McNeil to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-8-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 27, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Vera Moore to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-15-96, NE 1/4; W 1/2 Sec. 21, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Robert Norman to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, Sec. 50, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Stephen J. O'Gorman, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-5-96, SE 1/4 Sec. 98, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Eddy R. Patterson, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-12-96, S 1/2 NW 1/4; S 1/2 E 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 2, Camp County School Land; S 1/2 Sec. 5, Camp County School Land.

AMEND OPTION—James Marshall Porter, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-7-96, NE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Ruth Ann Richardson to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-8-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

Schilling to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-4-96, W 1/2 SW 1/4; NW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Brenda Schuman to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-8-96, Sec. 56, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Sherry Swires to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-13-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 27, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Bessie Ludean Syrus to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-6-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Joan Thornberry to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-13-96, 106.4 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Ellie Jane Wilkinson, et vir to Brigham Oil & Gas, LPT, 11-5-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 4, Camp County School Land.

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D—Lillian Elizabeth Bailey to Clarise Hathaway, 1-24-96, 70 acs. NW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey and NW 1/4 & W 1/2 NE 1/4 & W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

QCMD—Gwynn E. Crossland, et ux to Crossland Family Revocable Living Trust, 1-14-97, NW 1/4 Sec. 24, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

CERTIFICATE OF MERGER—Kerr McGee North American Onshore Corporation to Devon Energy Corporation, 1-10-97.

ASSIGN/OVERRID ROYALTY—Taylor Energy Corporation to Brad D. Taylor, et al, 1-15-97, Sec. 2, Blk. H, W. H. Simpson Survey.

RDT—First Bank & Trust, Shamrock to Lawrence Cook, et ux, 1-22-97, Pt. Sec. 64, Blk. 17, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

DT—Jerry Bob Jernigan, et ux to First Bank & Trust, Shamrock, 12-23-96, All Lots 9 and 10 and S 33 1/4' Lots 8 and 11, Blk. J, Potts Add., Shamrock.

AMEND DT—Collins & Ware, Inc. to Bankers Trust Company, 1-10-97, See Instrument.

JANUARY 27, 1997
MML—Roberta Kay Weeks to Reeder Construction, 1-14-97, Lots 2 and 3, Blk. 73, WSSA, Shamrock.

TMMML—Reeder Construction to First Bank & Trust, 1-14-97, Lots 2 and 3, Blk. 73, WSSA, Shamrock.

EXECUTOR DEED—Betty Ann Bates Toon to Harvey Wilson Toon, 1-15-97, S 1/2 Sec. 62, Blk. 24, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

ASSIGN—PC, Ltd. to States, ITC., 1-9-97, See Instrument.

AMEND OPTION—Lowell A. Pendleton to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-3-96, NE 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Lillian Bailey to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, 70 acs. W 280 acs. Sec. 1 and the NW 1/4; W 1/2 NE 1/4; W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Olin W. Pendleton, Jr. to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, NE 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Roy M. Bradstreet, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-2-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 34, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Nathan R. Barr to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-29-96, SE 1/4; E 1/2 SW 1/4; E 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Frank D. Walker, Jr., et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-29-96, Sec. 44, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Frank D. Walker, Jr., et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-29-96, Sec. 4, Blk. E, Henry Parris Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Frank D. Walker, Jr., et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-29-96, Sec. 45, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Robert Edward Gilbert, Sr., et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-22-96, NW 1/4 Sec. 11, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—John Paul Gille, et ux to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-16-96, See Instrument.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Judy M. Youens to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-13-96, N 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 98, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Tim Eads to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 1-2-97, SE 1/4 Sec. 37, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Edith A. Smith to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, 106.4 acs. W 1/2 Sec. 30, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Margaret Moore Pendleton to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-10-96, W 1/2 SW 1/4; NW 1/4 Sec. 1, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Melvin Ray Coate to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-6-96, E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 30, Blk. A-3, H&GN Ry. Company Survey; N 1/2 Sec. 1, H&GN Ry. Company Survey, Cert. #13/2763; S 1/2 Sec. 41, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

AMEND OPTION—Phyllis Aileen Pearce to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-4-96, N 1/2 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec. 16, Blk. A-4, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Joe Lackey to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-13-96, S 1/2 SE 1/4 Sec. 28, Blk. A-8, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Glynn D. Carver to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 11-15-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 10, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.

OPTION AGREEMENT—Mickey L. Benson Porter to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 10-16-96, SW 1/4 Sec. 11 and SW 1/4 Sec. 13, Blk. A-7, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.



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AMEND OPTION—Cecil Dewayne Sanders to Brigham Oil & Gas, LP, 12-17-96, NW 1/4; W 1/2 NE 1/4; W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 20, Blk. A-5, H&GN Ry. Company Survey.