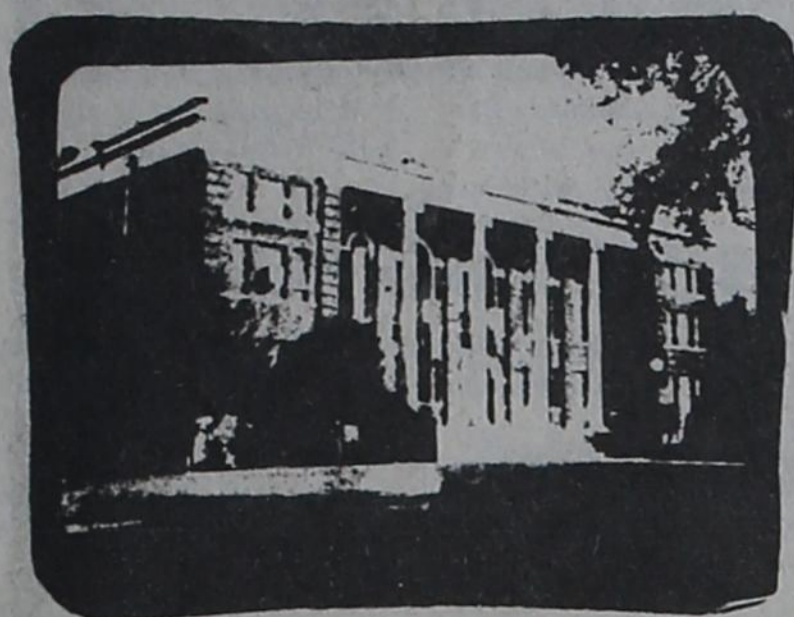


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John Phillip Sousa: Each year the John Phillip Sousa Award is presented to an outstanding senior band member. The selection is made on the basis of musical capability and leadership. The winner for 1981-82 was Beth Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown. Beth is shown here receiving the award from band director Chris Kosterman. The plaque was presented at the band banquet Monday evening, April 26.



JAZZ AWARD: Curtis Johnson, a junior member of the Wheeler Mustang Band, was recognized as the student most deserving of the Louie Armstrong Jazz Award. Curtis is a member of the jazz band and plays drums for the group. The jazz band will play in concert Tuesday May 4, 9:30 a.m. in the band hall. Curtis's name will be engraved and placed on this plaque which remains at the school. The presentation was made at the annual band banquet Tuesday evening, April 26, at the school cafeteria.



ALL AMERICAN: Beth Brown and Randy Lee were named to the All American Hall of Fame; they were presented the award by Chris Kosterman, Wheeler Mustang Band Director at the annual band banquet on the evening of April 26. Both are seniors at Wheeler High School. The award is presented by the All American Hall of Fame Band Honor Foundation, a non-profit organization.



1982 BAND SENIORS: The Wheeler Mustang Band will lose seven members when the diplomas are handed to the 1982 graduating class at Wheeler High School. These seven students were recognized at the Wheeler Mustang Band Banquet Tuesday evening, April 26. Pictured are (front row, l. to r.) Marilyn Berry, Sherri Lewallen, Michelle Cross, (back row) Tonia Giddens, Randy Lee and Beth Brown. Wade Moore is not pictured.



SCHOLARSHIP: The Wheeler Band Boosters each year presents a \$150 scholarship to a senior member of the band. In selecting the student to receive the scholarship, the student's intentions to continue his education in music is taken into consideration. Michelle Cross was presented the scholarship by Bobby Hill, president of the Band Boosters. Michelle Cross is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Cross.



CONCERT: The Outstanding Concert Student for eighth through eleventh grades were recognized at the Wheeler Mustang Band Banquet Monday evening, April 26, at the school cafeteria. Students recognized for their concert ability were (front row, l. to r.) Susan Willis, eighth; Jay Kennard, freshman; Ann Wright, sophomore; (back row) Curtis Johnson, junior; Scott Wright, junior; Wade Wills, junior and Edwin Ellison, eighth.



MARCHERS: Named the Outstanding Marching Students in their respective classes as members of the Wheeler Mustang Band were (l. to r.) Curtis Johnson, junior; Teresa Martin, junior; Sid Whiteley, sophomore; Shawna Hampton, freshman and Lori Lee, eighth. The students were recognized by their band director, Chris Kosterman, at the annual banquet Monday evening, April 26.



BAND SWEETHEART: Through the process of secret balloting, the Wheeler Mustang Band selected their Band Sweetheart for 1982. The young lady selected is Kristi Baker, a junior and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Baker. Kristi was presented a bouquet of roses by Curtis Johnson, a junior member of the band. The presentation was made Monday evening, April 26, at the annual band banquet.



CAPTAINS: The Wheeler Mustang Band is divided into three groups, the marching band, the flag corp and the rifle corp. Each group works on their routines and they are put together for contest or half-time shows. The team captains of each of the three groups has a big responsibility and received their deserved recognition at the annual banquet for the Wheeler Mustang Band. Pictured are (l. to r.) Tonia Giddens, 2nd lieutenant in flag corp; Marilyn Johnson Berry, flag captain; Kristi Baker, 1st lieut. in flag corp; Kristi Pierce, rifle co-captain, and Beth Brown, drum major. Cheryl Henderson, rifle co-captain, is not pictured.



THANK YOU: Beth Brown, drum major for the Wheeler Mustang Band presented Chris Kosterman with a plaque in appreciation for the past year of hard work as director for the band. This is the first year of teaching for Mr. Kosterman and he has done a fine job with the local group.



GOLDEN PLUNGER: Robert Meadows was the recipient of the Golden Plunger Award, presented at the Wheeler band banquet Tuesday evening, April 26. Robert is a freshman member of the Mustang Band. Even though recognized as the "clown", Meadows is recognized as an excellent band student when time for fun is over.

Kelton United Methodists Schedule Revival May 3-5

The Kelton United Metho-

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, in honor of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, the world's largest Greek letter women's service, cultural and social organization with many chapters in the city/state of Wheeler, Texas, this day of April 30, 1982, has been designated as Beta Sigma Phi Day; and WHEREAS, Beta Sigma Phi is an organization that has grown to include 250,000 members in 12,500 chapters, located in 36 countries across the world; a group of women that has worked for every known charitable, health and cultural organization, raising money and donating time and effort to those in need everywhere; THEREFORE, I Louis C. Stas, Mayor of the City of Wheeler, Texas, do hereby proclaim April 30, 1982 BETA SIGMA PHI DAY and ask that other Beta Sigma Phi sisters everywhere join with Xi Upsilon Eta, Alpha Mu Alpha and Phi Theta Zeta of Wheeler, Texas in saluting Beta Sigma Phi Day.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Wheeler this 29th day of April, 1982.
Louis C. Stas, Mayor

dist Church will hold revival services each evening beginning Monday, May 3 and continue through Wednesday, May 5. Speaker for the meeting will be Albert F. Lindley of Spearman. James Pearce of Abilene will lead the music. Services will begin each evening at 7:30.

Albert F. Lindley is serving his first year as pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Spearman, Texas.

He was appointed there after serving as pastor of

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FESTIVAL OF PRAISE

The Festival of Praise choir will minister in music, praise, and worship on April 29, at Christian Center, at 7:30 p.m.

Produced by internationally acclaimed conductor, Thurlow Spurr, and under the direction of Bob Pickett, the touring choir is made up of adult singers from all walks of life who take two weeks of their vacation to travel with the group. Also appearing with the choir are the Spurrrows who have been front runners in Christian music for over 20 years. The Festival of Praise Choir and Spurrrows will be supported by the Concert Brass and special featured soloists.

The program of choral, solo, and instrumental music is specifically designed to praise God. It includes songs that are traditional, contemporary, and well known, along with some new selections, all arranged with an excitement and freshness by Terry Winch. Festival of Praise has released two albums which praise God for His gifts to man. A third album has just been released which emphasizes how to praise the Lord, and includes several upbeat scripture songs as well as some very worshipful numbers.

In its fourth year of ministry, Festival of Praise has been in

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Rites Read For Truman Scott

Truman C. Scott, Mobeetie, 74, died April 22nd at St. Anthony's Hospital after having heart surgery.

Services were held April 24th at 2:30 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Wheeler with Rev. Glen Lester of Briscoe officiating. He was buried in the Wheeler Cemetery by Wright Funeral Home.

Mr. Scott was born in Coryell County and moved to Wheeler County in 1928. He was a farmer and lived in Mobeetie except for the few times spent in Arkansas. He married Choice Durham in 1941 in Wellington.

Survivors include Choice of the home, his stepmother Mrs. Edna Doherty of Houston, a brother, Hubert Scott of Alexandria, La. and three sisters, Mrs. Armanda Walker and Mrs. Eva Binnicker both of Houston and Mrs. Katherine May of Troup.

MOBEETIE SCHOOL Visitation Date

The Mobeetie School extends an invitation to all boys and girls who will be in our Kindergarten Class next school year to visit our school on the morning of Wednesday, May 5th. This will include all boys and girls living in our school district who will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 1982.

Visitation will be in Mrs. Tabor's Room from 8:30 to 11:30. All Kindergarten visitors will be invited to have free milk that morning and have lunch with us free of charge that day, if they care to stay for lunch. Moms or Dads will be asked to come for their child at 11:30, or when they finish with their lunch.

Letters will be sent to known prospective Kindergarten students, but if your child will be a kindergarten student here next year and does not receive a letter they are cordially invited to be here that day.

Mobeetie School Awards Banquet

The Mobeetie School's Annual Award Banquet will be held on Thursday evening, May 6th at 7:30 p.m. in the Mobeetie School Gymnasium.

Recognition will be given students for accomplishments made during this school year. Everyone in the community is cordially invited to attend. There will be no admission charge, but each family is asked to bring a salad or dessert, with the exception of those who have been asked to bring something specific by the Banquet Committee.

We'll be looking for you on the 6th.



Julia Harrison
Receives Scholarship
Story Page 8

Mobeetie News

by Goldie Gordon

Our sympathy to Choice Scott and the family in the loss of Truman Scott or Shorty as he has always been known to all of his friends for so many years. Our love and prayers are with you at this sad time.

Denny and Michallene Minor went to Amarillo Tuesday night to visit with Mark Hamilton at St. Anthony's Hospital. They reported he was improving and is getting up a little now.

Ronnie and Tanya Stuart Chad and Jerrod from Sayre, Jeanette and Amy Stewart from Wheeler recently visited with Leola and Calvin Stuart.

Dinner guests Sunday in the home of Mrs. Flora May Kelley and Joe were Judy and John Walters from Stillwater, Dave and Sue Kemp and son Bill from Perryton also Mr. Zachery, Jeff Kelley, Ernest and Goldie Gordon. Shari Lynn Kelley had a grand time this weekend as her best friend Robin Mickey spent the weekend with her.

Alvern and Dorsey Hutchinson from Wheeler and Orville Greenhouse went to Amarillo on April 21st for the heart surgery of Orville's nephew Eugene Morris from Borger. We hope he is doing fine.

Jess and Gazelle Patterson visited Friday in Pampa with their daughter Marcella, LaWayne, and Brian visiting in the homes of Ab and Ella Trout, Mary Ruth, Walter and Gary Morris was their sister Mrs. Jimmy Rogers and son Steven Rogers and Kyle from Columbus, Missouri. They also visited in Lefors with Mrs. Dorothy Painter.

We were very sorry to lose some of our old timers and friends Ada and Leon Anglin who moved to Pampa last week.

Mary French of Lubbock and her mother, Mrs. Sam Thomas of Claude spent the weekend on their farm working in the garden and soaking up the sunshine.

My aunt from Colorado visited last week with Ernest and I and we have so few aunts or uncles left we were very happy. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carrington from Hatchkiss, Colorado spent several days seeing the county.

Leola Stewart and Novelene Simpson visited Ronnie and Tanya Stuart and the boys and Leala's parents Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Richardson in Sayre.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Sam W. Dougherty wish to thank the friends and relatives who sent flowers, food, and cards during the sickness and loss of their loved one. Thank you for the kind words of sympathy and the many prayers offered in his and our behalf. May God Bless each one of you.

- Mr. & Mrs. Darville E. Atherton
- Mr. & Mrs. Gene E. Dougherty & family
- Mr. & Mrs. S.W. Dougherty and family
- Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Don Dougherty & family

Later they shopped in Elk City. Visiting April 20th with Doyle and Bulah Grimes were Betty Tallev Miami Andrew

Alexander, White Deer their niece Arletta Moore and baby and freind Lovell Gaffney from Pampa.

Doyle and Bulah Grimes visited L.D. McCauly in the Shamrock hospital and his daughters Shelley, Marie and Pat.

Jess and Gazelle Patterson and Jewel and Lester Leonard visited Mrs. Doshia Dix in the Wellington, hospital reported to be critically ill.

Sure was sorry Jake Allen is still in Parkview Hospital. Mada is in intensive care.

Margaret and Richard Kysar are back in Parkview Hospital and hope by now they are better.

Earl Whitten hasn't been feeling very well lately so some of their neighbors and

friends drop by for a visit. Sunday visitors were Doyle and Bulah Grimes and Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gatlin, recently Orville Greenhouse and Lorene Rector visited.

Gene and Marie Gudgel visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifford

Hefley in Wheeler on Thursday.

Fannie West from Pampa enjoyed a visit with her sister Elnita and Herk Atkins Sunday.

Ernest, Jennifer and Carlenia Lancaster spent Sunday

with Anna Belle and Ariza Corcoran.

Nicole Cudwell, Borger spent last week with Walter and Charlotte Coward and her grandmother Sandra Randolph.

Visiting Sunday with win

and Claudia Quarles were Mary Margaret, Don, Kelley, and Donna Quarles and Kevin Crawford from Pampa, Shonda and Bobbie Hamilton and Maryln, Bob and Shelley Howard from Laketon.

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Co. Agent's Column

By Joe Don King
LONG-RANGE PROGRAM

A long-range program about Wheeler County has been developed and published, according to Wendell Morgan of Shamrock chairman of the County Program Building Committee.

"The document, developed by committee members, contains detailed description and analysis of county situations, points out problems and program areas of concern, and provides long-range objectives for continued growth and development in economic and social areas important to county citizens," Mr. Morgan said.

Morgan urges all interested individuals and groups to become familiar with the Long-Range Extension Program and to support the Wheeler County Program Building Committee in helping achieve the long-range objectives. The document will serve as the blueprint for the program building committee in developing annual educational programs through the local office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

The Program Building Committee is composed of 47 county citizens who work closely with the County Extension Agents to develop and carry out educational programs needed, according to Don King, County Extension Agent. Besides the chairman, Committee officers include: Jerry Berten of Shamrock, Vice-Chairman and Valetta Frankenberg of Wheeler, Secretary.

King said the contributions of county citizens through the program building committee "are vital to an effective Extension program. All members of the county committee are listed in the new Long-Range Extension Program."

In developing the Long-Range Extension Program 5 program area committees of the County Program Building Committee helped in studying the county situations. These committees are Livestock, Range & Pasture, Crops, Community Development, 4-H and Family Living. The committees gathered and analyzed background information and noted changes and trends in order to identify major problems and opportunities. From these they established long-range objectives. Additionally, the Program Building Com-

Annual H.E.C. Appre. Dinner

The Annual Appreciation Dinner, hosted by the Home Economics Cooperative Class, was held on Friday, April 16, at the Beef Country Steak House at Canadian. Honored guests were the school administrators, employers of the Coop students and the Home-making Advisory Council Members.

Chip Haws and Marilyn Johnson Berry were in charge of program arrangements. Jeff Edwards, President of the Class, welcomed the group and expressed appreciation for support given the program. Each student introduced his employer Special recognition was given Mr. Charles Hix, Parkview Hospital Administrator, and Mr. Johnny Velasquez, owner of Thriftway, for having employed Coop students each year since the program began in 1975.

Those attending were Superintendent and Mrs. Bynum Smith; Principal and Mrs. Bob Wills; Judge and Mrs. G.W. McIlhany, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Velasquez, Mr. and Mrs. Lavon Williams, Mr. Charles Hix, Mr. Bob Stiles, P.D. Topper, Mr. Jim Wright, Gary Forrester, Mrs. Agnes Lott, Jeff Edwards, Chip Haws, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Woollard and Mr. and Mrs. Max Wiley.

GUEST SPEAKER

Everyone in the Mobeetie Methodist Church enjoyed the guest speaker Gordon Estes Sunday Morning very much.

MOBEETIE TAKES FIELD TRIPS

The Mobeetie school took their annual field trips on Friday, April 23rd.

"The booklets contain information which related to other aspects of county program needs."

"The booklet contains information which related to formation and data on such things as county history, population trends, family living, youth, agriculture, natural resources, community services and facilities and major income sources. There is probably no other single reference that contains such a broad description of our county and its people," the agent said.

If you want to know more about your county and the Extension program, you will find the new document an informative and valuable reference. Since the supply is limited, contact your county Extension agents about borrowing a copy. The office is located on the second floor of the County Courthouse in Wheeler.

The Kindergarten through the sixth grade went to the Cheyenne Star Newspaper and the Black Kettle Museum. The students took a sack lunch and were back at school by 3:40 P.M.

The students from 7-12 went to the Canyon Museum and for a tour of the Palo Duro Canyon. They reported they all had a very enjoyable time. Teacher who accompanied the children were Mable Tabor, Kay Batton, Vicki Reeces, Wilhelmina Sherrill and Bob Mickey.

James Moffett took the following F.F.A. Students to Lubbock on April 16th to participate in the Texas Tech Judging Contest. Those who went were: Dennis Stuart, Dean Randolph, Jimmy McDaniel, Russell Laverty, Lynn Rector.

We are very glad to hear that Superintendent Bob Mickey's mother Mrs. Eva Mickey who is in Aztec, N. Mexico is improving.

Bridal Shower Honors Couple

A bridal shower was presented for Lacy Swift and Dean Hathaway on April 20th 7:00 p.m. in the hospitality room of the First State Bank.

The bride and honored mothers were presented with a lovely corsage made in the brides colors of burgundy, pink and white. The tables were covered with snow white table cloths with a white cake decorated in burgundy and pink with white bells.

Refreshments of cake, punch, mints and nuts was served to the many freinds present.

The couple will make their home in Chester, Oklahoma after their marriage.

Hostesses: Nadeen Morris, Shirley Dyson, Sue Seitz, Fern Turner, Betty Howard, Wanda Estes, Sue Harrison, Inez Moore, Kay Hamilton, Ada Lou Lester.

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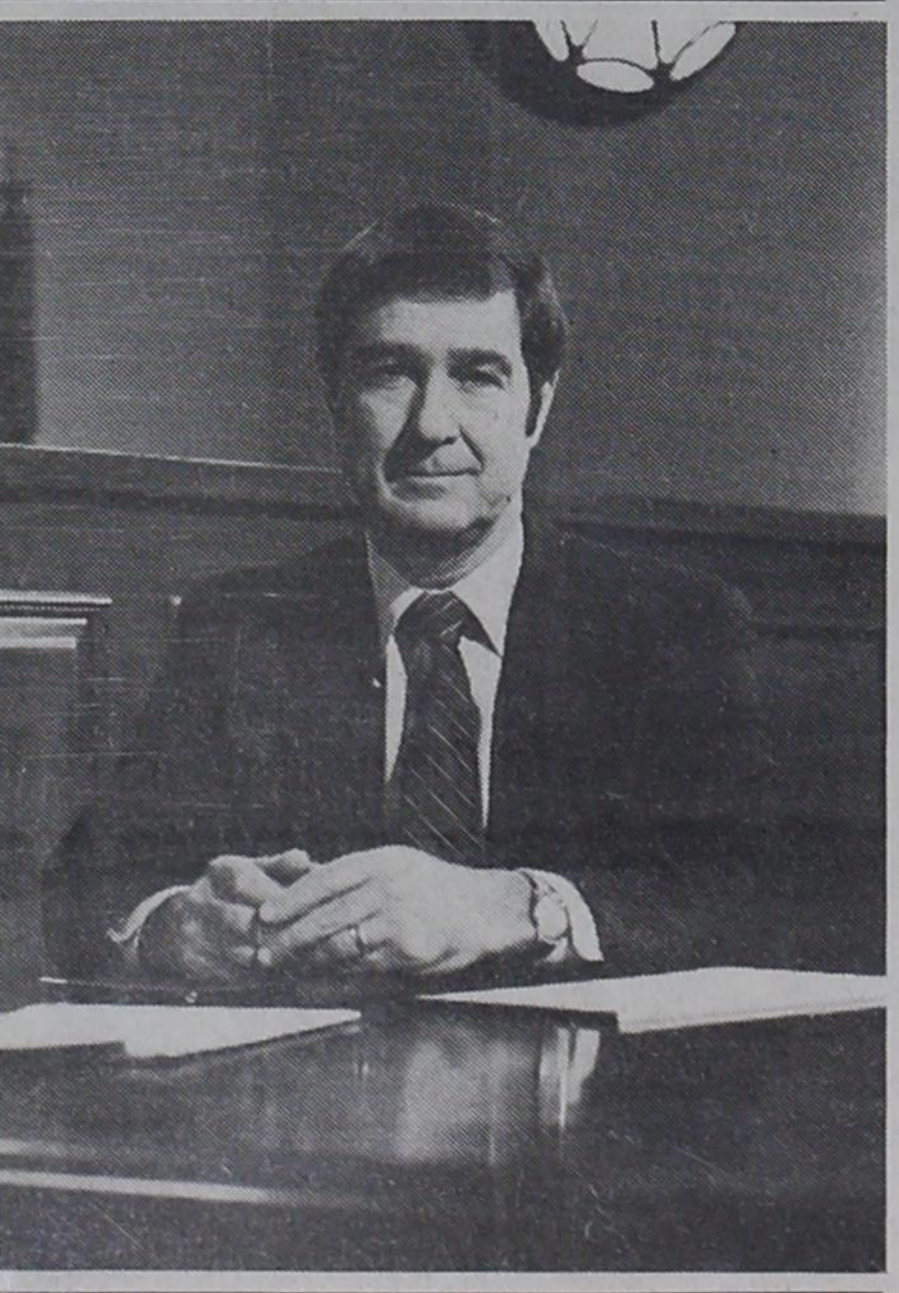
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Allison News

by Donna Jo Nall

The annual REA meeting in Perryton Monday night was attended by Nova and Leonard Powledge, Iris and John Glisan and Susie and Verne Lohberger. A large crowd was in attendance for the program presented by the Booker Banknotes and Bar-B-Que catered by the Perryton Shriners. Leonard Powledge was the recipient of one of the many door prizes, given away that evening.

Bruce and Pearl Harrison have returned from a week's fishing trip to Proctor Lake where they fished and visited Rev. and Mrs. Oscar Welch.

Suzanne Lohberger has been employed to finish the school year teaching the third and fourth grades. She is filling the vacancy Mrs. Hudgens left when she moved. Suzanne, daughter of Verne and Susie Lohberger, has previously taught 6 years in the Reydon Schools.

Weekend visitors in the Zeland Rainey home were his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rainey and Kristi from Hobart, Oklahoma. Joining them for Sunday dinner at Zeland and Charlene's were: Mike and Teresa Dyer, Amber, Danette, and Scott, Les and Shrona Seamster, and Janette and Winston Rainey.

Guy and Sylvia Brown from Wheeler were guests in the Bruce Harrison home Sunday evening after church.

Brother of Frank George, Jeff George, 80 years old, a resident of Live Oak, Florida, passed away April 24.

United Methodist Women met in the church Wednesday evening, April 21, with Iris Glisan as hostess. Shrona Seamster presided at the meeting. Winnie Kiker brought the devotional on the Book of Joshua entitled, "As for Me and My House." Refreshments of chicken salad, jello, dips, chips, and coconut cake were served to the following: Avis Parker, Charlene Rainey, Emma Rogers, Winnie Kiker, Darena Begert, Edyth Donaldson, Irene Zybach, Juanita Fillin-

gim, Susie, Suzanne and Ariel Lohberger.

Sunday visitors in the Richard Kiker home were Carol's parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Nachlinger from Pampa and Mr. and Mrs.

Kenny Nachlinger and children from Amarillo.

Weekend visitors in the paternal Verne Lohberger home were Howard, Dawn and Justin from Sweetwater, Oklahoma. Also calling in the afternoon on Sunday were Donna and Richard Nall.

Doris Newsom and Edna May were in Shattuck, Oklahoma last Friday for medical reasons. Ruben May and

Edyth Donaldson accompanied them. On the way home they visited the Antelope Hills and enjoyed the view.

Sunday guests of Wilma Gilmer were: Alberta Estes; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Estes; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Mitts of Guymon, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. Jess Jessup and Julie of Hollis, Oklahoma; Lamar and Jean Giddens of Arkansas; Rhonda McWhorter of Wheeler; Polly Jean Thorn of Woodward, Oklahoma; and Ruby and Lisa Craig.

Visitors in the Ruben May home Sunday afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ford from Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Burgess and Jessie from Pampa, Doris Newsom, and Edyth Donaldson.

Winnie Kiker was in Amarillo, Monday to visit her niece, Mary Ann Kelley Chandler who was hospitalized. Mary Ann, the daughter of Audrey Kiker Kelley, passed away the following Thursday at the age of 42, leaving her husband, a daughter, and many, many friends.

Sunday dinner guests in the Clifton Boydston home were: Bruce and Pearl Harrison, Jimmy and Vivian Wallace, Inez Townsley, and the hosts.

Clyde and Anna Dukes drove to Sandy Soil, Colorado on Monday where Joe and Nelda Dukes have been holding a meeting at the Church of

Christ Church. They returned on Tuesday only to leave Wednesday for Whiteface to visit Adeline and Tommy Hays and to attend the District Track Meet at Sundown where grandson, Jimmie Hays, age 13, was competing. Jimmie won the district first place in pole vaulting. Dennis Hays, a younger grandson, in the 4th grade assisted his team in winning the district basketball

game much to the delight of his already exuberant grandparents. Clyde and Anna returned home on Friday.

Ona Black has recently returned from her daughter's home in Muskogee where she has been visiting for several weeks. Henry Dupont, her son-in-law, returned home with Ona to stay the remainder of the week.

Ann and Clyde Dukes, Min-

nie Belle and Clyde Vincent attended a gospel meeting at Berlin Saturday night. They returned Sunday after church for dinner on the ground and an afternoon Gospel Singing.

Virgil Burress from Raymondville, Texas and W.T. Burress from Levelland, Brothers of Nadene Reynolds were weekend houseguests of Monroe and Nadene Reynolds as the family gathered before journeying to the Abraham Memorial Home to honor their mother, Ura Burress, a resident in the home in Canadian, on her 90th birthday. Grandchildren Vicky Lay and family, Debbie Reynolds and Linda Hall and family were also present.

Eddy and Wanda Walker have returned from a two weeks fishing trip to South Padre Island. They fished for salt water trout near the island and for red snapper while deep sea fishing.

New residents of Allison are Darrell, Peggy, Bryan, Kevin

and Aaron Moore moving here from Mansville, Arkansas. Two of the boys are school age. Welcome to our town!

LaQuinta, Mike and Michelle Hulse from Amarillo arrived Sunday night to spend several days with Clifton and Lousie Boydston.

Tuesday Wanda Walker went to Hereford to the District I Homemakers meeting. Those members having fifty year memberships were recognized and presented certificates. The main speaker for the meeting was from Rape Crisis Center in Amarillo.

Eddy and Wanda Walker accompanied Ellie and Sherry Boydston as they traveled Monday to Witcherville, Arkansas. Ellie and Sherry are moving back there after living here since January. Eddie and Wanda also visited other relatives in the Fort Smith area while there.

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QUARLES AND HAMILTON UNITED IN MARRIAGE

Shonda Lynn Quarles and Bobby Hamilton were united in marriage on Sat. April 17th in the First Methodist Church in Mobeetie with the Rev. Allan Hale officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Don Quarles of Pampa. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hamilton of Mobeetie.

Music was provided by Carla Sims, organ and Jim and Jamee Batton, vocals.

The bride was attended by Donna Quarles, maid of honor, and Shirley Simpson, bridesmaid. The groom was attended by Billy Pat Underwood, best man, and James Moore, groomsman.

A reception followed the ceremony with Cindy Harrison and Debbie Dyson serving. Kim Hamilton registered the guests. Mike Kelsey and Wade Hathaway were ushers.

The couple will make their new home in Mobeetie.

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GAMBLING IS MORALLY WRONG

The Christian cannot point to a "proof-text" for a position on gambling. It might be helpful if there were a commandment, "Thou shalt not gamble." There is no such passage. The Bible often speaks to moral issues in principles rather than prohibitions. The spirit or basic intent of the Scriptures reveals that gambling is morally indefensible.

The spirit of the Scriptures as it applies to gambling is indicated in the following statements:

1. God's Word demands love of God and neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40). Gambling contradicts such love.
2. God's Word condemns covetousness and materialism (Matthew 6:24-34) which is at the heart of the gambling process.
3. God's Word repudiated theft (Matthew 19:18) while gambling is theft by mutual consent just as dueling is murder by mutual consent.
4. God's Word encourages honest work (Ephesians 4:28; II Thessalonians 3:10-12) while gambling encourages an attitude of something for nothing.
5. God's Word demands stewardship of life as well as of possessions (Matthew 6:33; Romans 14:12; Colossians 3:17) while gambling rejects the concept of stewardship.
6. God's Word demands the worship of God alone (Exodus 20:3) and recognition of his sovereignty (Matthew 10:29-30) while gambling is the worship of luck.

Some Facts About Legalized Gambling

1. Neighboring states which permit pari-mutuel have never grossed an amount that exceeded 7/10 of 1% of their state budget. The argument of increased revenue for the state is therefore a camouflage.
2. The record shows that legalized gambling always brings an influx of criminal elements into a state.
3. The National Gambling Commission states that "participation in illegal gambling is greater in states where legal gambling is available than in states where no form of gambling is legal."
4. Gambling nets tremendous profits for organized crime. This was confirmed by testimony of an active member of the Florida underworld before a U.S. Senate Committee. He said, "Bookmakers, connected with organized crime, frequent every south Florida thoroughbred racetrack and often handle as much wagering as authorized tellers working in the legal pari-mutuel booths."
5. Gambling victimizes those who devote themselves to it. Compulsive gamblers have less restraint upon their impulses to try to beat the pari-mutuel betting machines. If gambling is legal, these type of people are much more likely to use money which should have gone towards paying grocery bills, rent, and other necessities.
6. In gambling, only the operator consistently wins. To legalize an activity that victimizes the people is one of the worst errors a government can make. The overwhelming majority of the "investors" must eventually lose their money in order for the gambling enterprise to survive.
7. While the Republican referendum this Saturday is non-binding, be sure that a favorable vote would result in continued pressure by racetrack gambling interests on legislators in the next legislative session.

GAMBLING AND CHARITY

Advocates of gambling are often found in churches and civic organizations. They see it as an easy way to raise money for good causes. The fact that bingo games and raffles are often illegal should solve the problem for Christians. It is not enough, however, to contend for keeping the law. Because "it's for a good cause," communities often stretch the law a little and sponsor such activities anyway. Such events should be avoided by Christians because (1) they precondition communities and individuals to more damaging kinds of gambling, (2) they undermine the integrity of honest law enforcement officers who must look the other way because of the good cause and the urgings of community leadership, and (3) they exploit the covetousness of man in the name of a good cause in the community. This contaminates the good in the good cause. For churches to do this is blasphemous.

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Cole's Hosts Clay Reunion

the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. R. (Ott) clay, former Wheeler County residents, gathered at the T. J. Cole, Jr. farm east of Wheeler on Sunday, April 18. The reunion was hosted by T.J. and Lottie (Clay) Cole.

the late Ott and Della (Bradstreet) Clay and their daughters, Lottie, Vivian, Estelle, Doris, and Dolly lived on a farm 5 miles northwest of Wheeler (now the Truman Bradstreet farm) in the early 1930's. The four oldest girls attended the Wheeler schools.

The family moved to Dozier (Collingsworth County) in 1934 and all of the girls graduated from Sam-

norwood Rural High School. Lottie Cole, the hostess, Vivian Sikes of Mablevale, Arkansas (near Little Rock), Estelle Surber, Shamrock, Doris Crandall, Amarillo, and Dolly Bradstreet of Tucson, Arizona were reunited for the first time since 1966.

Other family members present were T.J. Cole, Jr., the host, Deward L. Sikes, Mablevale, Arkansas, Rev. Dennis Surber, Shamrock, And Richard C. Crandall, Amarillo.

Also, Paul Hicks, Shamrock, son of Lottie Cole, Richard Perry and Russell Brian Crandall, sons of Doris and Richard Crandall, Amarillo, Jamie Loyd, Shamrock, grand-daughter of Estelle and Dennis Surber, and Mrs. Rozena B.

School Is Not Three R's Anymore

School isn't just the "three R's" anymore.

Instructional programs are changing with the times as learning materials play an increasingly important role in the classroom.

This year, more than 70 schools in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arkansas are using materials provided free by General Telephone of the Southwest as teaching aides in business, economics and social studies classes and to assist in career development. Some of the learning materials are also used to assist in teaching good communications habits.

"We recognize our responsibility to education and strive to meet the needs of the

Horn and Mrs. Fannie Mae Bradstreet, aunts of the five sisters.

educational system, particularly in those area we have unique knowledge and skills," said Charles Watkins, community relations manager.

"The materials we provide educators will assist in explaining to students the importance of telecommunications and the changing environment of the industry in the 80s," Watkins added.

Among the materials available are:
-Teletrainers. These "phones" not only help students learn telephone usage, they also assist in sharpening communications, speech and listening skills. Teletrainers can be geared to any age group.

-Teletonia. This program is rich in audiovisual materials. Geared for elementary grades, subjects include emergency

ness and explains how telephone equipment and services are used in a variety of business situations.

-Anything You Want to Be. For use at the secondary level, this multimedia package uses the technique of value clarification to help students evaluate various careers.

Other offerings include:
-Films. GTSW's film library covers a variety of subjects including telephone usage, science, safety and history.

-Booklets. Prepared in comic form, the booklets assist in instructing small children how to use the telephone in an emergency.

-Tours. Students can see the inner workings of a telephone switching center, service office or operator center by arranging a tour.

-Service Technician Visits.

Developing 4-H Leaders

4-H leaders help boys and girls grow to be responsible, creative, worthwhile adult citizens. They give vitality and strength to the 4-H program.

However, adult leaders also can make use of an important source of help -- the junior leader -- in carrying out their leadership responsibilities. In other words, a good leader is one who develops leaders while leading.

This added benefit to 4-H Club work can come through careful planning by the adult leader, junior leader and club members.

Look at the potential junior leader. He is the older, more experienced, more mature member. He wants to share with others the experience and knowledge he has gained in many phases and activities on the 4-H program.

This older member is seeking additional opportunities and incentives for self-development. Through his efforts, more young people will have a chance to be 4-H members with more projects and activities available.

The junior leader will, in fact, be challenged to greater accomplishments and longer 4-H membership himself. So he needs to be involved to the fullest extent possible by adult leaders.

Educational programs conducted by the Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion or national origin.

Educators in some GTSW areas can arrange for a telephone service technician to visit the school with a truck and equipment. The technician shows the pupils the importance of safety and neatness on the job, explains the use of the equipment, and shows how to climb a pole and connect the schools' telephones to the telephone network.

-Lectures. Company officers and directors are available for university and seminar lectures and for consultation with students working on special projects.

Additional information on programs provided by General Telephone can be obtained by calling Charles Watkins, Community Relations Manager, at 915-944-5721 or by writing Watkins at P.O. Box 1001, San Angelo, Texas, 76901.

Allison Seniors Attend Banquet

Members of the Allison Baptist Church honored the 1982 seniors and their families with a banquet Friday, April 24th. The ladies prepared the Bar-B-Que meal and the men served it. Decorations consisted of blue and white senior caps and diplomas with an '82 Graduation theme. The program was presented by: Wynetta Hill and Janet Whitsell from Pampa. Pastor Ronnie Chadwick presented the seniors with Bibles. Attending were: Tina Black with her parents, Leota and J.R. Black; Carol Hall and her parents, Clydene and Lester Hall; Marki Chandler; Jay Robertson and his parents James Roy and Pat Robertson and Judi and Anthony Cornell and Ruth and Ronnie Chadwick.

The Milky Way can be easily seen as a bright haze on a clear summer night.

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THE BIBLE SPEAKS

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish, but have eternal life. Jn. 3:16 Whosoever believeth...

The phrase "whosoever believeth" represents both the universal appeal of the gospel and the limited nature of its practical application. The sacrifice of Jesus was for all men. It was for the sins of all mankind. If you will read the book of Hebrews carefully, you will find that the shedding of Jesus' blood was the only appropriate sacrifice for the sins of mankind for all time. The blood of bulls and goats could not take away sin. (Heb. 10:4) But Christ entered into the sanctuary not made with hands, once for all, and offered, not animal sacrifice, but his own blood; "once for all". (Heb. 9:24-28) So we see that the salvation of God is offered to all men. As Paul told the young man, Timothy:

This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior (meaning that praying for all men-see Vs. 1-2), who would have all men to be saved, and to come to a knowledge of the truth. (1Tim. 2:3-4)

But, because salvation is offered to all men, it does not necessarily mean that all men will receive it. The phrase taken in its entirety places a condition upon man's salvation. It says, "whosoever believeth might not perish." So, although it is offered to all, it is given only to those who meet the condition of believing upon him. Now, the word "believeth" encompasses much more than some would like us to think. By a careful study of the entire book of John, not to mention the rest of the New Testament, we find out that, in order to receive the salvation of God, we must show or demonstrate our belief by our obedience to His will. For those who protest by saying, "That puts pre-conditions upon our salvation," I agree. But, you see, God put them there when he said, "whosoever believeth." And it's God's definition of what constitutes acceptable belief that counts, not yours or mine.

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Standing left to right, Doris Crandall, Estelle Surber, Vivian Sikes, Lottie Cole.

Seated left to right, Dolly Bradstreet, Arthur Randall (Ott) Clay and Della Lee

Clay. Photograph taken in 1945.

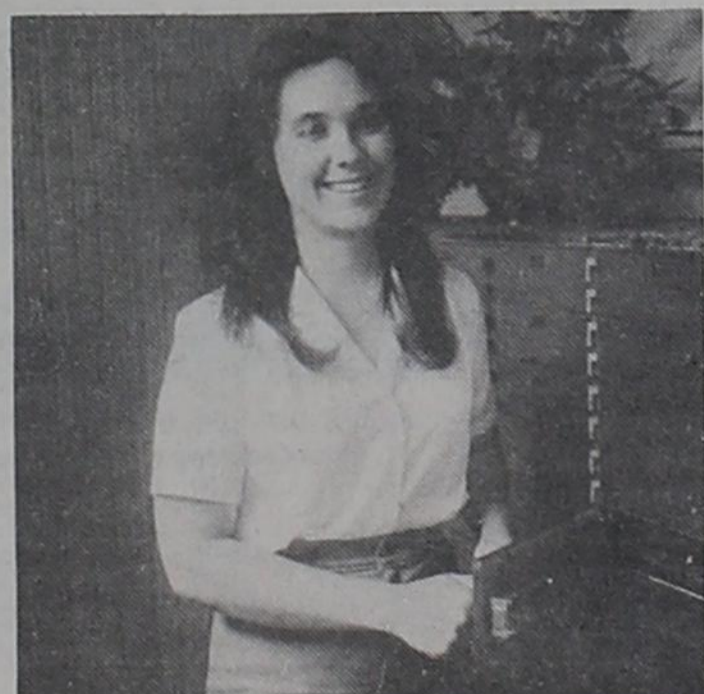
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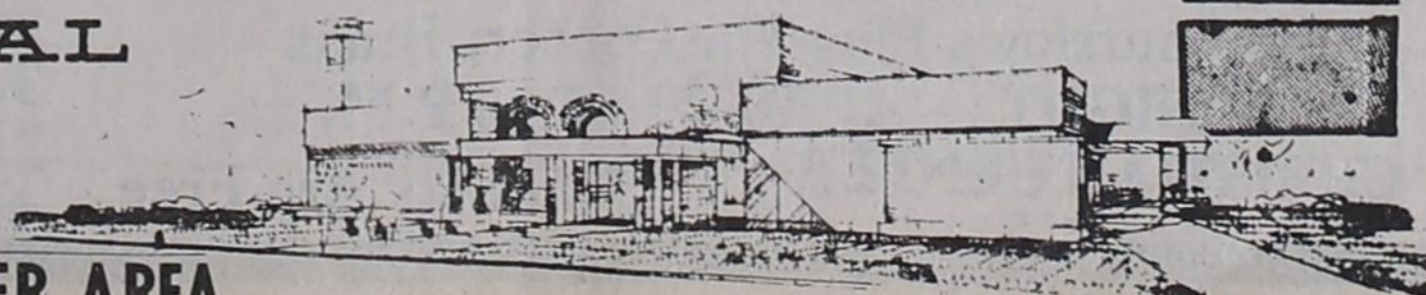


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