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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR

By Louis C. Stas

The winter storm forecast to deliver 7-10" of snow in Wheeler did not develop, as of Wednesday morning.

Moisture began falling Tuesday afternoon with a coating of ice by 5 in the evening.

Moisture measured Wednesday morning was 0.11". The snow accumulation was not over 1/2".

Girl Scout Cookies are once again on sale. The little ladies will be around, so be generous.

Have you notified the Chamber of Commerce of who you think is deserving of the 'Outstanding Individual' awards. Here is your chance to get some individual the recognition they

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Joint Worship Service Is Planned for Sun., Jan 21

A joint worship service has been scheduled for Sunday evening, January 21, 2001, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The service will include congregational singing as well as special music presentations from area churches, represented.

Area pastors will read from the Bible and make short commentary. Each church represented will be allowed seven minutes for music to enable all congregations an opportunity to participate without the service being excessively long.

This month's service will be hosted at the Country Chapel Church facilities with refreshments and fellowship after the service.

Everyone is invited to come and participate. For more information or to schedule your church, please contact Pastor Jerry Jewell at 826-3511 or 898-5835 or 826-5031.

Horace Gordon, M.D., 80 Dies Dec. 12 In Ohio

Horace G. Gordon, M.D., passed away December 12, 2000, at 9:20 p.m. His death was the result of multiple strokes.

Dr. Gordon was born December 1, 1920, to Genevieve and James Gordon in Mobeetie, Texas.

He was a 1951 graduate of the University of Texas Medical School. His internship was served at Flower Hospital, Sylvania, Ohio. Dr. Gordon was a devoted family practitioner. He served the residents of this area for 43 years, having enjoyed caring for second and third generations.

Dedication to his patients and to his medical career was a priority in his life. He also enjoyed gardening and spent much of his free time in his yard. Furthermore, watching football, especially Texas football, was a favorite pastime and topic of conversation.

Dr. Gordon was the Director of Student Health Services at the University of Toledo from 1952 to 1964. In 1979, he obtained, by examination, the Diplomate of Family Medicine Diploma.

After his retirement in 1994, he

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Immunization Clinic To Be Thursday, Jan. 25

An immunization clinic sponsored by the Texas Department of Health will be held **Thursday, January 25, 2001**, from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. in the Wheeler ISD Auditorium. The following immunizations will be available: DTP, Oral Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hib, Td, Hepatitis, and Varicella.

They will be charging a fee to pay for the cost of the vaccines. Please bring Medicaid card if applicable. No one will be refused treatment regardless of income.

Each child must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Please bring immunization records if possible. This clinic is open to all individuals.

The Texas Department of Health will offer the hepatitis vaccine to all children from birth to age 19.

Bradstreet, Carpenter Are On ASU Honor Roll

Two Wheeler area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester at the University.

Those listed include Sandý G. Bradstreet, a Biology major and Billie Jo Carpenter, a Spanish major all from Wheeler.

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



SCIENCE LAB DONATION: The Wheeler High School Science Department would like to extend many thanks to Kinder Morgan. The gas company was kind enough to donate glassware and other lab supplies that were not in use to our program. Our students are fortunate to have such a generous donation from Kinder Morgan. Thanks to Dan Sams also for acting on our department's behalf. Senior science students pictured are (l. to r.) Rachel Riemer, Jotana Simmons, Mrs. Keys, Creede McQueen, Jennifer Carpenter, Caleb Finsterwald, Bobbi Gentry, Lacey Bryant and Megan Hampton

Wheeler I.S.D. Board Has Regular Meeting

January 11, 2001
A regular meeting of the Wheeler I.S.D. Board of Trustees was held with all members present except Mr. Ledbetter and Mr. Sams. Secretary, Lee Ann Hillhouse called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M., issued a welcome and invited public comment. School personnel present were: Supt. Brooks Symank, Business Manager, Donna Walsler, Principal Dale Pulpan, James Hubble and teachers, Kay Batton, Connie Porter, Judy Woollard and Becky Hardcastle. Guest present was Tonya Finsterwald.

1. Motion by Dr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Burch to approve the minutes of the previous meeting as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Motion by Mr. Ford, seconded by Mr. Osborne, to approve the December accounts as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Funeral To Be Thursday For Morea Bowles, 92

Morea Bowles, 92, died Monday, January 15, 2001, in Pampa.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 18, 2001 in Wheeler Cemetery with the Rev. Charles Ballard, pastor of Church of the Nazarene in Wheeler, officiating. Arrangements are by Wright Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bowles was born November 2, 1905 in Hendrick, Okla. to John Daniel and Minnie Armstrong Cornelius. She was raised on Sweetwater Creek in Wheeler County and moved to Pampa in 1963.

She owned Morea's Cafe in Wheeler and worked at The Rogue Theatre. She was a member of Wheeler First Church of the Nazarene.

Mrs. Bowles was preceded in death by a son, Chester Kenneth Bowles; a brother Conley Cornelius; two sisters, Helen Florence Cornelius and Edith May.

Survivors include a daughter, Kelly Wilcox of Lefors; and several grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to Pampa Meals on Wheels.

Willetta Smith Will Be Honored On Ninetieth

Willetta Smith will be the guest of honor at a 90th Birthday Party on Sunday, January 28, 2001. The 'come and go' reception from 2-4 p.m. will be hosted by her family in the Smith home at 307 North Wall in Shamrock. Everyone is invited.

Local SWOSU Students Named To Honor Rolls

Honor rolls at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford have been announced for the 2000 fall semester.

An undergraduate student earning all A's in 15 or more hours during a semester qualifies for the President's Honor Roll. There were 190 students named to the President's Honor Roll during the fall semester.

There were 688 students on the Dean's Honor Roll after completing 15 semester hours of undergraduate work with a grade point average of 3.0 ("B") or higher with no grade lower than a "C".

Named to the fall semester President's list were Kyle Russell Zybach of Briscoe and Courtney Elizabeth Girdley of Wheeler.

Named to the fall semester Dean's list were Ronal Wayne Stas Jr. of Sherman and Heather Gail Hardcastle, Jennifer Dawn Johnson and Dana L. Trimble of Wheeler.

County Jr. Livestock Show Jan. 26-27

Wheeler County Junior Livestock Show Set for January 26-27

Everyone is invited to attend the Wheeler County Junior Livestock Show January 26 and 27, 2001 at the Wheeler County Show Barn. County 4-H and FFA members have entered 221 animals, including 166 swine, 30 lambs, 17 steers and 8 heifers.

The schedule of events is as follows:

Friday, January 26th
2:00 p.m. - Weigh steers, lambs and swine

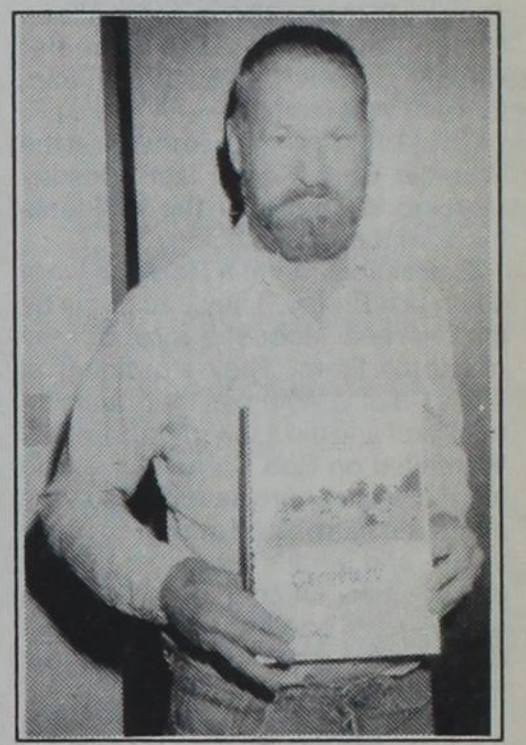
Saturday, January 27th
8:00 a.m. - Swine show followed by the lambs, steers and heifers

5:00 p.m. - County-wide Barbeque
6:00 p.m. - Recognition Program and Premium Sale

Exhibitors have been working with their animal projects for many months to prepare for this event. Livestock Show Association Directors hope that many county residents will attend the show to support and recognize the work and accomplishments of these youth. Boosters will be able to financially reward these youth during the premium sale. Make plans to attend this event and support the Wheeler County youth.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating



ON SALE: Dale Corcoran is shown here with the book he has researched and published on the Mobeetie Cemetery. The book has the lots and graves located at the cemetery, as well as birthdate and deaths, military service, etc. Information has been gathered from death records on unmarked graves. Dale has spent 5 years gathering information for this book and offers the book for 12.87 w/ tax; postage and handling is an additional \$4. The Mobeetie Cemetery was established in 1876. Copies of the book have been donated to the Wheeler and Pampa Libraries. Dale may be contacted at 806/845-3401.

County 4-H & FFA Youngsters Participate In Top O' Texas Show

Several Wheeler County 4-H and FFA youth, along with their parents and advisors, traveled to Pampa to exhibit their livestock projects in the Top O' Texas Junior Livestock Show. Approximately 100 lambs, 55 steers and 300 swine from the nine county area show up to compete in the event January 12 - 14. Wheeler county 4-H and FFA youth exhibited 14 lambs, 3 steers and 14 swine.

Kenny Brdecko, Wheeler County Extension Agent expressed, "I am very proud of all of the Wheeler County youth that exhibited at the show, not only for how well they placed, but also for the sportsmanship they displayed and their willingness to work at help-

ing each other." He went on to add, "this region of the state has a reputation of showing some of the finest junior livestock projects, and this was a tough show. Our youth placed among the best.

Congratulations to all of them."

The results of the Wheeler County 4-H and FFA youth were as follows:

Lamb Show
Tyler Burch - 5th place Southdown

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Services Fri. In Canyon For Helen Ruth Pond, 72

Helen Ruth Pond, 72, died January 16, 2001 at Amarillo, Texas.

Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Friday, January 19, 2001 at First United Methodist Church in Canyon with Dr. Richard Bales, Big Spring District Superintendent; Rev. Clark Williams, pastor of First United Methodist Church; Rev. Kevin Deckard, pastor of Westover Fellowship Church of Amarillo and Bruce Parks retired Methodist minister officiating. Family will receive friends from 7-9 PM Wednesday and Thursday at Brooks Chapel. Graveside Services will be at 4:00 PM Friday, January 19, 2001 at Kellon Cemetery in Kellon, Texas by Brooks Funeral Directors. Family will also receive friends at Billy Buckingham's following graveside service.

Helen Ruth Pond was born on June 21, 1928 to Bailey and Lucille Whiteley in Kellon, Texas. She married H. D. "Teed" Pond in Shamrock, Texas on September 15, 1946. He preceded her in death in 1996. She lived in the Kellon, Texas community and in Stinnett, Texas before moving to Canyon in 1975. She was a homemaker and worked for the Mother's Day Out Program at the First United Methodist Church. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and a member of the Crusaders Sunday School Class. She was preceded in death by a son, Gary Keith in 1953.

Survivors include 4 daughters, Linda Jaggard, Glenda Abernethy, and Sharon Tillman all of Canyon, Texas, and Brenda Knoll of Amarillo, Texas; 9 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 1 brother, Lawrence Whiteley of Lubbock, Texas.

Memorials can be made to First United Methodist Church 1818 4th Ave. Canyon, Texas or BSA Hospice P.O. Box 950, Amarillo, Texas 79176.

Andy King Is Inducted Into Phi Kappa Phi

One hundred Kansas State University students recently were initiated into the Phi Kappa Phi national academic honor society.

Membership to the society is by invitation only. To be eligible, students must be second-semester juniors with a 3.7 point average on a 4.0 scale and be in the top 5 percent of their college; seniors with 3.4 grade point average and in the upper 10 percent of their college; or be in the top 10 percent of candidates for graduate degrees.

Students from every college at K-State, including the College of Technology and Aviation at Salina, were initiated into the society. New initiates include:

David 'Andy' King, graduate student in animal science from Wheeler. A graduate of Wheeler High School, he is the son of Don and Wanda King.



FIVE GENERATIONS: Five generations gathered together at Christmas, 2000. Shown here are (right to left) Elsie Cox Hughes with daughter Joyce Ford Perkins, both of Wheeler, with her grandson Dewayne Ford, great-grandson Chris Ford and great-great-grandson Taylor Bryce Ford. The Fords are from Canadian.

No. Wheeler County Hospital Board Meeting

January 8, 2001

The meeting of the North Wheeler County Board of Directors was called to order by Dean Tippes, chairman, at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospital Board Room.

Those present were: Dean Tippes, chairman; Thomas Helton, vice chairman; Dave Britt, secretary; Jim Batton, member; and Bob Dukes, member. Also present was Bill Robertson, administrator.

Approval of the minutes: The minutes of the December 11, 2000, board meeting were approved as presented. Jim Batton made motion to approve the minutes. Thomas Helton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Payment of bills: Dave Britt made motion to pay the bills. Bob Dukes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Financial statements and statistics: Financial Statements and Statistics were reported by Mr. Robertson. Bob Dukes made motion to approve the statements as presented. Jim Batton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Non-Discrimination policy: Jim Batton made motion to adopt the Non-discrimination Policy as presented. Copy attached to minutes. Bob Dukes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Indigent Care Countable Income Standards: Dave Britt made motion to adopt the (January 2001) Indigent Care Countable Income Standards.

Hospital Notes

Old Admissions

Estelle Orr
Virginia Frye
Ruth Ledbetter
Verne Lohberger
Ardie Martin

New Admissions

1/3 Dena Simmons
1/8 Alta Jean Davis
Bessie Callaway
Joetta Bailey
Bessie Stokes
Gwen Robertson
1/10 Yreva Sue Topper
Keli Crockett
1/11 Leola Farris
1/13 Daniel Gonzales
1/14 Evelyn Riley

Dismissals

1/9 Howard Lohberger
1/10 Bessie Callaway
Opal Davidson
Mae Pigg
Alta Jean Davis
Gladys Richardson
Joetta Bailey
1/11 Lillian Bailey
Yreva Sue Topper
1/12 Keli Crockett
Dena Simmons
Wendell Moore
1/13 Cathrine Dick
Bessie Stokes
1/14 Leola Farris
1/15 Daniel Gonzales
Gwen Robertson

Blood Drive Scheduled For Wheeler Monday

A blood drive will be held Monday, January 22, 2001, at the First United Methodist Church from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.

T-shirts will be given to each donor.

Copy attached to minutes. Jim Batton seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Quality Improvement Minutes: The Quality Improvement Minutes of the January 3, 2001, meeting were reviewed. Dave Britt made motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Thomas Helton seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Executive Session: No business transacted.

Administrator's Report: Mr. Robertson updated the Board on the repair and service of the Teleradiography Machine and why the delay in getting it repaired.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Eddie John Pannell, 91 Rites In Wheeler Friday

Eddie John Pannell, 91, died Tuesday, January 9, 2001.

Services were at 10:30 a.m. Friday, January 12, 2001, in Wheeler First Baptist Church with the Rev. Toby Henson, pastor, officiating. Burial with Masonic graveside rites were in Wheeler Cemetery. Arrangements were by Wright Funeral Home.

Mr. Pannell was born in Sallisaw, Okla. to Homer and Bertha Pannell. In 1928 he moved to Wheeler County and farmed near the Briscoe community until 1951. He moved in 1953 to Skellytown, where he worked at Skelly Oil Co. He retired in 1973 and returned to Wheeler.

He was a member of the Berean Sunday school class and had served as deacon of the First Baptist church. He was a fifty-year member of the Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Pannell married Gladys Standridge on December 11, 1928 at Sallisaw. He was preceded in death by three children, Betty Dean Pannell in 1933; Freddie Pannell in 1949; and Dortha Calcutt in 2000.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Imogene Murray of Childress; a son, Eddie John Pannell, Jr. of Briscoe; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a great-great granddaughter.

The family suggests memorials be to First Baptist Church of Wheeler; Meals on Wheels or the American Cancer Society.

Lorene Lawrence Buried At Mobeetie On Jan. 12

Lorene Lawrence, 81, died Wednesday, January 10, 2001.

Services were at 2 p.m. Friday, January 12, 2001 in Carmichael-Whalley Funeral Directors, Colonial Chapel, in Pampa with Andy Wilson, minister of the Jehovah's Witnesses, officiating. Burial was in Mobeetie Cemetery.

Mrs. Lawrence was born in Hemphill County and was a longtime resident of the Mobeetie area. She was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses in Pampa.

She married Britt D. Lawrence in 1941. He died in 1974.

Survivors include four sisters, Minnie Evans of Pampa, Eunice Seay of Canyon, Ida May Sinclair of Amarillo and Susie Rhoades of Sulphur Springs.

The family suggests memorials be to a favorite charity.

the eighth. Roma and Merlyn and Lou went car shopping for the Roma Browns. While they were car shopping Billy and her sister-in-law, Charlene Brown, were shopping at the Mall. Ruby Craig met Calvin Farmer in

Pampa last Friday and picked up her three grandsons, Ryan, Matthew and Cory Farmer of Amarillo and they were with Ruby until Sunday afternoon. Their mother, Lisa, was in the hospital, the boys went back to Amarillo with Kim Thompson and her fam-

ly. Sue Chandler attended her granddaughter, Audra Weatherly's, second birthday party last Thursday, the eleventh, at their home. Grandma Sue had made her a dalmatian puppy birthday cake, which Audra likes puppies very much. Others there were her great-grandmother, Mary Dreiling, from Kingman, Kan. Sue's sister from Amarillo, Sharon Cook, and her niece, Sara Maul, and her son, Braxton, from Pampa, Mayor Wanda Herd also grandmother Debra Weatherly, Nancy Reimer, Heather Marshel and Ronnie and Melody Alls and their three children. They all had fun.

Glen and Nona Elmore took Sue and Ray Giddens out to eat to celebrate Sue's birthday at McLean at Red River Steakhouse. Ray and Sue visited with Glen and Nona in the afternoon and played some games.

Rita Grayson's Saturday evening visitor was her granddaughter, Keri Dukes, from Guymon, Okla.

Pearl Harrison's dinner guests last Tuesday were Louise Boydston, Wanda Walker and H. B. and Cheryl Dupont. Pearl visited Wednesday afternoon with Wanda Walker and Melody Draper and her children, Victoria, William and Elizabeth. Pearl was in Elk City on Friday and attended the funeral of Shady Dittmore, Pearl's nephew by marriage.

Saturday night supper guests at Eddy and Wanda Walker's were Pearl, Richard and Melody Draper and children from Whitehouse, Tex., Clifton and Louise Boydston, H. B. and Cheryl Dupont and Sabrina.

Clifton and Louise's last Sunday dinner guests were Kim Thompson, Kimber, Britney and Chance and Kimber's friend, Whitney, Hershel Sanford, Nadine Reynolds, Bennie and Debbie Boydston, Heather and Jason, H. B. and Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody, Eddy and Wanda Walker, Melody Draper and her children.

Edna May's last Saturday night guests were Virginia Puryear, Lou Dean Douthit and Nadine Reynolds and they played 42.



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Beloved now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be; but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him for we shall see Him as He is.

And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

The snow is all melted around Allison, but I hear there is another one on the way, but this Monday has been pretty nice, and Sunday was a beautiful day.

The Allison FFA local Show will be January 25th at 6:30 p.m. at the Allison School Bus Barn. The Wheeler County show will be Saturday, Jan. 27th, at Wheeler.

The U. P. Church ladies were at the Wheeler Care Center last Tuesday morning to entertain the residents there with gospel singing.

Darrel and Johnnie Harrison were down last Friday. They had come by the farm near Mobeetie and took care of chores there. They ate dinner at Mel's Diner in Wheeler, then came on to Allison and did a few chores for me. We called on Bob Cornell for a little help, always appreciate Bob so very much. He has helped me out so many times, and what's more, he does it with a smile. Of course my kids are always very good to help me, don't know how I would make it without them. I am blessed.

Rev and Mrs. Joe Hall were visiting minister at the U.P. church last Sunday night and had a very spiritual and annotated service.

Roma and Billy Brown, Merlyn and Lou Miller were in Amarillo Monday

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FT. ELLIOTT MENU

MONDAY, January 22, 2001 — FRI-
DAY, January 26, 2001

MONDAY
Breakfast: Malt O Meal, Toast, Jelly,
Juice, Milk

Lunch: Meat Chalupas, Refried
Beans, Salad, Fruit, Milk - Tea

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Waffle Sticks, Syrup, Lil
Smokies, Peanut Butter, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Pork Chops, Roasted Potatoes,
Broccoli & Cheese Casserole,
Hot Rolls, Fruit Milk - Tea

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Sausage, Biscuits, Gravy,
Juice, Milk

Lunch: Lasagna, Salad, Green
Beans, Bread Sticks, Fruit, Milk - Tea

THURSDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Raisin Bagels,
Peanut Butter, Cream Cheese, Juice,
Milk

Lunch: Mini Corn Dogs, Baked
Beans, Macaroni & Cheese, Fruit,
Milk - Tea

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Toast, Hash
Browns, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Hot Ham & Cheese Sand-
wiches, French Fries, Fruit, Milk - Tea
(Menu subject to change)

MEALS on WHEELS MENU

MONDAY, January 22, 2001 — FRI-
DAY, January 26, 2001

MONDAY: Fried Chicken, Mashed
Potatoes/Gravy, Seasoned Broccoli,
Pears

TUESDAY: Fried Chicken Livers,
Macaroni and Cheese, Mixed Veg-
etables, Roll/Margarine, Plum Pudd-
ing

WEDNESDAY: Smothered Pork
Chops, Blackeyed Peas, Fried Okra,
Cornbread/Margarine, Pineapple
Bake

THURSDAY: Chicken Rice Casse-
role, Broccoli, Roll/Margarine, Cake

FRIDAY: Frito Pie, Spanish Rice,
Tossed Salad/Dressing, Bread/Mar-
garine, Bread Pudding

You don't write because you want to
say something; you write because
you've got something to say.— F .
Scott Fitzgerald

Sweetwater News
By Lois Flowers

Still just a little snow. Weatherman says rain next week or maybe snow again. Spring is months away but my flags don't know it. They are 8 inches tall. It may be a long winter. I can remember wearing winter coats on Decoration Day.

Bonnie Rice attended a postal meeting Wednesday and Randa Coffey kept the post office. Maybell Worley and Judy Clay went with her.

L. G. and Ann Reed took me over to New Liberty to church Sunday night. We used to live there.

Iona Miller is improved and home from Elk City Hospital.

Charlie Lenderman sent word he'd like to have a Sweetwater School reunion. Contact Mary Lou Kendricks, Sayre, Ok.

Word was received of the death of Gladys O'Conner Davenport, 90, in Calif. She was Joe's cousin.

Services were Monday at the Baptist Church for Ralph French. He was a son of Jess & Lola French. He is survived by a sister, Lola Bell Elliott, two brothers, Alvie and Ray.

Services were in San Antonio for Ivan Stone, son of Mellie Stone, our neighbor. Burial was in the Mission Burial Park.

Shannon Anderson was on the Sayre SWOSU honor roll.

We had .5 inches of moisture the last snow. Mary Ann Harding and Maudeen Rodgers were out to take me to Sayre to visit Joe in the hospital. He is back in the nursing home now.

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Higgins came to Ft. Elliott Tuesday night. Big crowd of Cougar fans. Ft. Elliott girls won 51 to 32 with everyone (10) playing. Ft. Elliott boys won 77 to 35 with all 12 playing.

Pray for Jane (Puryear) Carter. Linda Davis and Bob and Virginia Puryear went to Hemphill, Texas, and brought Jane up for Christmas with them. Then Jane had to have surgery at Amarillo Friday, Jan. 5, at B.S.A. in

Amarillo. Linda and Bob and Virginia were there for the surgery.

Pray for Bob Puryear. He is recovering from surgery to replace a heart valve and is having trouble with blood being too thick or too thin. He had to spend a few days in Amarillo to check on it.

Keep praying for Sandra Meek. They can't operate on the cancerous lump in her neck, but she will be having chemo and radiation. Pray for Evelyn Meek, too. This is devastating

to Evelyn, but we have a great God. Saturday Mary Margaret Dodd, Lula Buice, Mary Mitchell and her cousin, Marge, took Elva Wood out to eat at Maxeys for lunch to celebrate Elva's 82nd birthday. Happy Birthday, Elva, and many more.

Visiting Doris Finsterwald Saturday night and playing 80 were C. B. and Maurine Brotherton and Jo Redding.

Bevard and Diane Dukes went to Amarillo Friday night and visited Deidre and John Paul Harris. They are doing well. Andrea and Tracy Auldridge went to Amarillo to celebrate their wedding anniversary. Tysen and Tanner visited Tracy's sister, Lisa, for awhile. Happy Anniversary, Tracy and Andrea.

"We do not know how long we have Till time for us is past. So let us live as if this day is going to be our last."

from *Daily Bread*
Happy 40th anniversary to Harold and D'Ann Stone of Miami. D'Ann is a rural mail carrier for Miami and Briscoe routes.



Mack and Linda Sides visited J. P. and Martha Meek Saturday night.

Verneal Prater and Jeanette Jahnel and Deseray went to Amarillo Friday and took Deseray to the dentist and visited with Mary Lou Carter, who works at B.S.A. They came back to Furr's at Pampa for lunch and Coconut Cream pie.

Pray for Verneal. He fell putting out hay and hurt his hip and leg. Mary Lou enjoyed seeing her little granddaughter.

Good to see Sonya Hudson and Patrick at the Pannell funeral. Sonya had helped some with them. Patrick is a sweet kid and really growing and handsome.

Nice to see Hugh and Mae Bailey at Canadian Dairy Queen Sunday. Think they attend Central Baptist church at Canadian, as Mae has for many years.

Hello to Georgia Cain Warrick in California. Hope all o.k.

Nice to see Mrs. Audie Siviage at Mobeetie Bank with Olaf Siviage. She is a sweetheart. Amazing what she still does at 97 or so. William Zumstein played on the White Deer J.V. team at Ft. Elliott J.V. tournament Saturday. We went over to watch William. (He did well) and visited with Don and Cindy and Daniel. We went to Maxeys for lunch together.

Ft. Elliott defeated White Deer and won their other game. (Everyone played 2 games). Congratulations! Some on their team were Daniel Schmid, John Butler, Wesley Hathaway, Larry Lee Horn, George Helton, Calvin Helton and Caleb Kirkpatrick. Good work, aggressive playing.

Rita and David Pearson went to Amarillo Saturday and met Lindsey Criswell. They took Rita's brother, Joe Lackey, out to eat with them and they went to a Poetry Book, signing. Joe's book was "From the Other Side of Death." The signing was at Hastings' Book Store. This makes six books of poetry that Joe has had published. Congratulations, Joe. He is a special fellow. Very talented!

Johnny and Patty Crawford, Rosalie Keelin and Wanda Childress went to Wheeler Sunday night to the Country Chapel to hear the Larry Ford concert. Also with him were Larry Nance and locals, Lee Hibler and Geoff Caldwell, helping with the music. All very good.

Evangeline Wills brought this cake to the Pannell family dinner at the Baptist Church. Really made a hit. Very delicious.

German Chocolate Upside Down Cake
from Andrea Sims
3 cups powdered sugar
8 oz. cream cheese
1 stick margarine
1/2 to 1 cup pecans, chopped
1 cup coconut
1 German chocolate cake mix
Mix powdered sugar, cream cheese and margarine together. Set aside. Generously butter bundt cake pan. Sprinkle coconut and pecans in the bottom of the pan. Mix cake as directed. Pour 2/3 of cake batter over nuts and coconut. Pour cream cheese mixture over cake batter. Add remainder of cake batter. Bake 350 degrees about 45 to 55 minutes. Cool a few minutes before turning out on a plate.

Abby Gilmer, daughter of Casey and Misty Gilmer was honored with a big birthday party for her first birthday Saturday, January 13, 2001, at Briscoe School. Some others there were grandparents, James and Mardi Ogle and Jim and Vickie Gilmer, Mindy Morgan and James and Lezi and Kent Hutchins from Albuquerque, great-grandma Nadine Lane, David and Linda Gilmer, Dewayne Lane and Calvin and Morgan, Kerri Koelzer, Dana Trimble, Shellie Johnson and Tanner Melody Morgan, Teena Robinson and Alisha Franklin and Kara Lane, Alan and Cheryl Lane and J. W. and Jimmy Alan, Laurie Poindexter and Caaron Neighbors. Birthday cake and punch were served and many gifts received.

Mindy Morgan and Lezie and James and fiance, Kent Hutchins, were weekend visitors to James and Mardi Ogle.

Many relatives and friends gathered at First Baptist Church in Wheeler to bid farewell to Eddie Pannell, a fine man. Good to see all his kids, grandkids and great-grands there at the dinner at the church. He and his sweet wife, Gladys, had been married over 72 years. Pray for Gladys and her family. Sincere sympathy to all. He will be missed, but is in a better place.

Big crowd out to Briscoe Friday night for exciting games with Miami and Ft. Elliott. Ft. Elliott girls won 64 to 24 with all 11 girls playing quite a bit. Boys game was closer but all 10 boys got to play a lot. Final score was 48 to 39 in Ft. Elliott's favor. The ball games are the social center. Not much else going on in Briscoe. But good to eat delicious supper and watch the kids play and visit. Nice to see William and Jeremy Cornell from Bessie, Okla., out to the games. Jeremy is a senior at Cordell and will be going into the army reserves when school is out. They visited Bob and Mary Cornell at Allison.

Best wishes to Donnie Bell and Suzann Robinson, who were married December 23, 2000, at Suzann's grandmother's house in Samnorwood. They are making their home in Weatherford. Suzann has a 4-year-old daughter, Shelby, and is a beautician. Donnie works at Ghost Mountain, a place for troubled boys. Donnie is the son of Barbara and Mike Bell and grandson of Betty Bell and the late Tom Bell. He grew up at Briscoe and graduated Briscoe School and Weatherford college. Suzann's parents are Kay and Larry Anderson of Wheeler.

Some at the wedding were Mike and Barbara Bell, Keith Bell and Jayton and Michael, Larry and Kay Anderson, Wayne and Rebecca Bell, Betty Bell and others.

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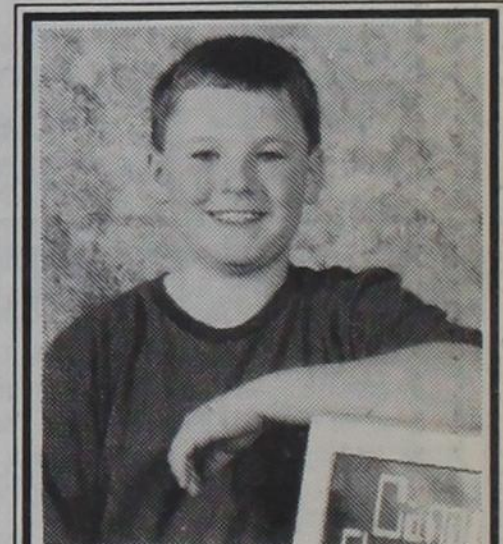
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Breakfast: Breakfast Bars, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Rolls, Fruit, Milk/Tea
TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits w/Gravy, Sausage, Eggs, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Soft Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Peaches w/Cottage Cheese, Milk/Tea
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Oatmeal, Muffins, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Stew or Chili, Cornbread, Crackers, Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Fruit Salad, Milk/Tea
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Ham, Hash Browns, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Baked Potatoes, Ham/Chili, Broccoli, Cheese, Rolls, Jello w/Fruit, Milk/Tea
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Cowboy Bread, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, French Fries, Corn, Brownies, Milk/Tea
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Lunch: Fish Strips, New Potatoes, Cole Claw, Corn Bread, Fruit, Milk
TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits/Gravy, Sausage, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Beef Taco Salad, Grated Cheese, Salad, Chili Beans, Fruit, Milk
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Chicken Nuggets, Peas & Carrots, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Hot Roll, Fruit, Milk
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Pancake Pup/Syrup, Sausage, Hash Brown, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Meat Loaf, Fried Okra, Corn on the Cob, Bread, Fruit, Milk
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Toast/Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk
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Breakfast: Cereal, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Meat Nacho's w/Cheese, Corn, Salad, Applesauce, Milk
TUESDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, Gravy, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Stew, Peanut Butter Sandwiches, Cornbread, Pears, Milk
WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Waffles, Syrup, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Pizza, Corn, Salad, Jellin/W Fruit, Milk
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Biscuits, Jelly, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Hamburger's w/Trimmings, French Fries, Ice Cream/W Strawberries, Milk
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Sweet Rolls, Toast, Juice, Milk
Lunch: Fish/Tartar Sauce, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Cornbread, Fruit, Milk
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Mobeetie Fire Dept. Annual Banquet

The Mobeetie Volunteer Fire Department held their annual Banquet Tuesday January 9 with cater steak dinner by Steve Walker. Following the meal Calvin Kincannon selected the door prizes to be given away. He gave thanks to all that donated the door prizes. Those winning door prizes were a drop light won by Steve Walker, set of pry bars won by Joyce Walker, \$20.00 Gift Certificate from New Heirlooms, Hammer and cap Bill Ridgway, Gloves and WD 40 Tim Adcock, Silver \$1.00 Virginia Ridgway, 1948 Model Ford pickup Melba Corcoran, \$25.00 Doug Corse, \$50.00 saving bond Richard Dickey, Picture frame Kathleen Jones, \$10.00 gift certificate to Mel's Cailtynn Walker, Spotlight and W D 40 Tonya Finsterwald, \$10.00 gift certificate to Mel's Harold Jones, Pocket Knife Evelyn Kincannon, Gloves and caps Calvin Kincannon, Screw driver set Sallie Aycock, Cup and rolodex file Daryl Snelgrooves, 2 movie rental and liniment Alice Corse, M & M dish Houston Barr, Level Doris Whaley, \$20.00 gift certificate James Gatlin, picture frame and boot vase Tillie

Snelgrooves, \$10.00 gift certificate to Soto's Randy Barr, subscription to Wheeler Times and liniment Joe VanZandt, Chevrolet model pickup Virginia Ridgway, case of Cokes Dale

To The Editor
The Wheeler Times
Wheeler, TX 79096

To Editor of Wheeler Times
Dear Editor,

I want to thank you for printing the letter of Mary Guynes Smith last November. It seems that other people do a better job of keeping family treasurers than we Cleppers do. This letter has been reproduced and passed down to family offspring 4 generations down. (My wife and I have just returned from visiting our new great-granddaughter in Augusta, Georgia. Her grandfather (my son) was a baby when I moved to Wheeler in 1947 as H.S. Vo Ag teacher and 3 when we left. For you old timers who remember him as the baby with a handmade F.F.A. coat, you might ask your dentist (if he does implant dentistry) if he has heard of Dr. Douglas P. Clepper of Augusta, Ga, who authored the only complete text book on implanted dentistry that exists in the world.

Others of Mr. Clepper's offspring have reached very high places too.

Another of Mr. P.A. Clepper's grandsons (Russell Clepper) is a songwriter and has written a song about the hill in Mr. P.A. Clepper's letter (my father). We called the hill "Dyson Hill" as the Dyson family owned the land when we grew up. The name of Russell Clepper's song is "Dyson Hill". It is in honor of his father (my brother Pat, who drowned in 1987) and tells of his desire to climb Dyson's Hill one more time.

Incidentally, I still own the old Clepper home place (all the buildings burned last Sept.) and have it in C.R.P. I was back to a Wheeler Reunion 2 years ago (as an ex-teacher. I graduated from Briscoe in 1940). All my remaining active siblings will be visiting me here in the Rio Grande Valley this weekend to attend the Rio Grande Children's Home "Music Fest" (which I originated 4 years ago). My sister, Iris is with the band (record keeper) "Clear Creek Bluegrass". Her husband, Bob Pair, is band leader. This band is one of the favorite groups of this event. My brother, Ed, who was high point track star of the Border Conference in 1950 at Texas Tech, is now in an alzheimer hospital in Houston. We ask prayers for him.

Thanks again for your article and may God Bless you and Mrs. Smith. (signed) Jim Clepper
2700 Atlanta Drive
Pharr, TX 78577
956-781-0603

P.S. I forgot to mention Juanita, my youngest sister, who was a basketball star for Briscoe and later for Wayland College when she was All-American. She lives in Midland and has 3 doctor sons. (2 are Ph.D.'s and one is M.D.) and the other a business tycoon.

My brother Warren lives in San Antonio. He is retired too. His youngest son is a major in the air force.

CARD OF THANKS

Many thanks to our loved ones who have prayed, took time to call, the delicious food and beautiful flowers that helped through another difficult time! I've been home since December 28, and am doing well. Thanks to the Lord, who steaded the doctor's hand and to many who have braved the weather and been to see us.

May the Lord continue to bless each of you.

J. P. and Martha Meek

Corcoran, clutch purse Randy Barr, \$15 gift certificate for manicure Kathleen Jones, Free oil change Joyce Walker, Boom box Harold Jones, M & M Car and cap Tonya Finsterwald, Flashlight Steve Walker, Gloves and cap Calvin Kincannon, Subscription to Wheeler Times Melba Corcoran, Tools and flashlight with carrying case Sallie Adcock, Dish

MOBEETIE NEWS

By: Melba Corcoran

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Amarillo Tuesday and picked up the rest of the Mobeetie Cemetery Books. They also visited with Aaron and Arica Lancaster and delivered their books. They also donated a book to the Amarillo Public Library and Lovett Memorial Library in Pampa.

Our sympathy goes out to Larry Schoenhals family. He will be missed at the appraisal office. He was always nice and helpful when I was city tax collector.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Eddie Pannell. He was a sister of Lorene Burgess Sims, and Lillie Newman. In the early 30's he worked for John Ribble on a dairy east of Old Mobeetie. He moved here about 1928 and then he moved to Briscoe.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Lorene Lawrence. She was buried here Friday.

Aaron and Arica Lancaster and Dale and Melba Corcoran went to supper Thursday night at Soto's. Visiting with Lorene Rector Saturday was D. L. and Coleen Rector and Bradley Stone of Amarillo.

The Girl Scouts are selling cookies. If no one catches you and you want cookies contact Patricia Kephart or Pat Jones. The girls are trying to raise money to go to camp on.

Sallie Adcock was honored with a birthday dinner at the Texas Rose in Pampa. Those attending were Sallie and Tim Adcock, Joe Shelton, Amanda Childress, Jayton, Jarrett Brown and Garrett and Antonio Salas all of Mobeetie, Cindy Newman of Elk City, OK, Nancy Shelton and Cheyenne Shelton of Pampa.

Tim and Sallie Adcock and Jayton spent Sunday afternoon in Canadian with Tim's parents Jim and Carol Adcock.

Dale Corcoran visited Sunday afternoon with Delmar and Elisabeth Newman.

Gladys Richardson went into Parkview Hospital last Monday with pneumonia and congestive heart failure. She got home Wednesday. Visiting with her in the hospital were Dale and Barbara Richardson Elk City, OK and their great-granddaughter, Cara, Jimmy Richardson of Oklahoma City, OK, Jerry and Cheryl Richardson and Eddie Richardson of Wheeler. Leola Stuart spent most of the time with her in the hospital.

Eddie Richardson of Wheeler visited Thursday with Leola Stuart and Gladys Richardson.

Alvern Hutchinson of Wheeler visited Sunday night with her Aunt Orville Greenhouse.

Dale and Melba Corcoran went to Amarillo Monday. They did research at the library. They stopped by Pampa to the Sheriff's office and viewed the display they have for the early Wheeler County Sheriffs when Gray County was part of Wheeler County. They also have all of the Gray County Sheriffs. It is a neat display. The display is done by Gary Noblett. He is with the sheriff's department. He is also the nephew of Odessa Scribner.

Jack and Bernice Hefley took Opal Hefley from Wheeler to the doctor in Amarillo Monday.

Melissa Kephart went back to the doctor Monday. She has a bone broke in her heel. She goes back Tuesday to the specialist. Then they will decide what kind of cast to put on it.

network certification Tillie Snelgrooves, \$10.00 gift certificate to home sporting goods Tim Adcock, gift certificate to Dairy Queen and cup Evelyn Kincannon, Gloves and cap James Gatlin, candle and 2 caps Richard Dickey, AM& FM radio Doug Corse, M & M dispenser Cailtynn Walker, Gloves and cap Aline Corse, Dog or Cat shots Wheeler Vet Clinic Bill Ridgway, Oil Change Daryl Snelgrooves, Case of oil Doris Whaley, 40 piece socket set Joe VanZandt, Flashlight, Richard Dickey, Tool Box Houston Barr, Gear Wrench and plus 51 piece set Melba Corcoran, notebook and calculator Sallie Adcock. Drawing for the centerpieces boot vase Melba Corcoran, shoe vase Joyce Walker and fire truck vase Doris Whaley.

Fire Chief James Gatlin thanked Steve Walker for the meal. He also welcomes Daryl Snelgrooves as a guest.

Sallie Adcock secretary reported the department was called out 7 times for storm watch. Those responding were Sallie Adcock 6 times, Tim Adcock 6 times, Doug Corse 3 times, Aline Corse 3 times, Frances Dickey 2 times, Toney Dickey 2 times, James Gatlin 4 times, Wade Hathaway 1 time, Calvin Kincannon 3 times, Joe Shelton 2 times, Bill Ridgway 5 times, Virginia 3 times, Dale Corcoran 1 time, and Melba Corcoran 1 time.

Sallie Aycock reported that they had been called out 11 times for fires. Those that responded were Sallie Adcock 10 times, Tim Adcock 9 times, Sam Childress 1 time, Doug Corse 2 times, Frances Dickey 2 times, Toney Dickey 1 time, James Gatlin 8 times, Wade Hathaway 2 times, Ronnie Hungate 1 time, Calvin Kincannon 6 times, Kent McLaughlin 1 time, Bill Ridgway 5 times, Virginia Ridgway 1 time, Joe Shelton 2 times and Joe VanZandt 3 times.

Key Chains were given to everyone that responded to a storm watch or fire.

James Gatlin, Tim Adcock, Randy Barr and Doug Corse were recognized for their work on the new fire truck. An award handed out was a clock to Doug Corse for the hours spent on the fire truck. Bill Ridgway was awarded a fireman wind chime for the many hours he put in as treasurer. Calvin Kincannon was awarded a firehouse wind chime for the many extra hours he had put in. The award for the one that attended the most fires went to Sallie Adcock. The special award of Fireman of the year went to James Gatlin.

Those attending were Doug and Aline Corse, Tim and Sallie Adcock, Daryl and Tillie Snelgrooves, Dale and Melba Corcoran, Bill and Virginia Ridgway, Calvin and Evelyn Kincannon, Steve and Joyce Walker, Harold and Kathleen Jones, James Gatlin, Frances Dickey, Randy Barr, Richard Dickey, Tonya Finsterwald, Doris Whaley, Joe VanZandt, Dennis Wilsford, Jackie May, Houston Barr, Cailtynn Walker.

Everyone wants to thank those that donated door prizes. Those donation prizes from Mobeetie was First State Bank Mobeetie and Wheeler Branch, Doug Corse Pioneer Seeds and Frances Dickey Insurance of Mobeetie. Those from Pampa were Holmes Sporting Shop, Advent Auto Parts and Fashion Tips to Toes. Those from Wheeler were Dairy Queen, Hefley Hardware, Main Street Communication, Wheeler Times, Wheeler Lumber, Marshall Auto, General Store, County Star News, Jones Fuel, Wheeler Flower Shop, Wheeler Banking Center, Mel's Diner, Hyland Pharmacy, Mustang Video, Soto's Family Restaurant, Thriftway, Hibler Implement, Ware Chevrolet, Wheeler Vet Clinic, and Production Credit. Those from Shamrock were Adams Hardware, Franks Napa Auto, Pedal Patch, Christner Oil Company, New Heirloom, Turks General Store, Mankin Drug Store, Bartlett Lumber Company, C & H Supply, and Cantrell Oil Company. Those from Canadian were Black Gold Supply, Bartlett Lumber Company, Canadian Parts, Redman, and Big O Tires.

The business meeting was called to order by James Gatlin. Sallie Adcock read the minutes for the December meeting. They were approved. Bill Ridgway gave the financial report, which was approved. It was reported that the department had bought a freezer for the ice cream at the music festival. Sallie reported that the Canadian Sheriff Department was having a meeting January 16 from 6 to 10 PM on what to look for in a fire at a crack house. Several of the members are planning to attend the meeting. Sallie will be setting up a storm watch class and inviting the neighboring fire departments. James Gatlin reported on the contract with Gray County on fires in their county. Election of officers was next. The fire chief is Tim Adcock; Assist Fire Chief is Calvin Kincannon, Secretary Sallie Adcock and Treasurer Bill Ridgway. The Music Festival was discussed. Doug Corse made a motion to adjourn.

OLD JAIL MUSEUM NEWS

Those working at the Mobeetie Museum Thursday were Louise Hogan, Melba Corcoran, Arica Lancaster and Maurita Stribling. Louise Hogan worked on reports. Maurita Stribling filed cataloging cards. Melba Corcoran and Arica Lancaster worked on the Festival Newsletters. Friday morning Melba Corcoran got the letters mailed and went to the museum and printing out several e-mails on the Bowers Family. She also did some reports. If you have not checked out the web site it is www.mobeetie.com. It is being updated all the time. Rob Hogan has done a great job on keeping it updated.

Food was first served on a commercial airplane in 1919.



Opportunities Offered To Local Youth In 4-H Work

Consumer Decision Making Project will begin soon. Making consumer decisions can be confusing. We are overwhelmed by the sheer number of consumer choices available to us in the actual and electronic marketplace. In the supermarket alone, there are thousands of goods to choose from. The purpose of the Consumer Decision Making Project is to help you become an informed consumer and a smart shopper. You will learn how to decide which goods and services best meet your needs. And you will learn a fail-proof process for making wise consumer decisions. The district contest will be March 31, 2001. Teams or individual qualifying 4-H members can enter. The categories will be auto insurance, bottled water, cameras, laundry detergent, on-line shopping, watches, and luggage. Study guides are available at the Extension office and practice situations will be provided during the project. Please call the Extension office at 826-5243 if you are interested in this project. Times and locations of project will be determined by interest. You can participate in the project with out competing.

Clothing Educational Activity can include related topics to any area of clothing, such as economics, social roles, textiles, fashion or creation and design. Group could opt to make football, basketball or other applique sports clothing. Lamb blankets would be another option. The opportunities are endless.

The 4-H Fashion Show provides opportunities for members to exhibit skills in application of knowledge of fibers and fabrics to wardrobe selection.

Dear Young Friends

By: Lorena g. Males

I started to write my Swedish-American granddaughter a heart-to-heart letter when the idea struck me to write an open letter to teen-agers, a letter from one in the golden age group—a senior citizen.

Older people always feel they have so much to impart to the young. I'd like to sift out a few precious nuggets I've unearthed in my long interesting life.

1. Like yourself.
2. Boost yourself.
3. Believe in yourself.

1. Look in the mirror. If you don't like what you see, change it. Your attitude shows on your face. If you don't like it change it. But be sure the change is real. People don't like a fake.

2. Motivate yourself to become somebody. Search for your talents and then hone them to perfection. Make the most of what God gave you. Say thanks to Him in service.

3. Notice everything centers around you. You steer the ship. You have to go out and find it for yourself. You're the only one who can make you like you want to be so give yourself a pat on the back and go to it.

Good luck,
A Senior Citizen

tion, clothing construction or comparison shopping, fashion interpretation and understanding or style, good grooming and poise, and modeling and presentation of themselves and their garments at county, district, and state levels. The Fashion Show has two divisions, buying and construction. The four categories in each division are casual dressy, formal and speciality. Making jewelry bracelets, earrings, and necklaces could be a part of this project.

Parental support is vitally important to the 4-H program. Your help is needed if Wheeler County is to have a successful 4-H program. More importantly, your participation shows your child that you are interested in what he or she is doing. If you know how to sew a little, a lot or not at all, your time would be helpful to make the clothing project a success. Leaders can volunteer for one project. Depending on volunteers projects can be conducted in several different towns with different groups of participants. Please contact the Extension office for more information about projects or about volunteering. Please let us know your interests at 826-5243.

Karen Tellman, CEA-FCS
P.O. BOX 505
WHEELER, TX 79096

It's Nice To Have A Boy Friend

By: Lorena g. Males

Hazel has a boy friend. His name is Logan. "He makes my day," says she. "Shurry around so we can eat breakfast together every morning. He always notices what I wear and tells me what he likes best. I know his favorite foods. We are special to each other and those with us in the cafeteria are green with envy. They'd like a boy friend too.

No matter where I am he's looking for me. He runs up and down the hall calling my name in such a sweet voice.

Hazel—HAZEL—He runs to me with open arms and gives me a little hug. I give him cereal.

He comes in at noon to find me. Hazel HAZEL I can't visit with him. I'm busy serving lunch.

He cheers up everyone. He's that kind of guy. I love him so.

One morning he asked for juice when he had a choice of milk or juice.

"I want juice."

"Now Logan you know you don't like juice. Take milk. It does the body good."

"Don't want milk" stubbornly, ne said.

"You must have some with your cereal. He took one swig of juice. "Give me the milk. "It does the body good," it does the body body good."

All the other girls wish they had a sweetheart like my loving Logan. What does he find so appealing about me?

We're having a birthday party for Logan. He's five!

In music, a 1/16 note is also called a "semiquaver".

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Congregational Concerns:

On this coming Sunday afternoon, January 21st, a baby shower will be held for J. D. and Rebecca Christian in the home of Kim Goad from 2:00 to 4:00 p. m. Their daughter, Cheyenne, was born on January 2nd. For the last few years, this congregation has held an event that is known as, "An Evening With Friends". This annual event, which is held on a Sunday night, consists of an evening of worship and fellowship. And the members of this congregation are asked to invite their friends in this community to attend this event with them.

The next "An Evening With Friends" will be held on Sunday night, February 25th. Following the evening worship service, a chili supper will be held in the multi-purpose building. And at the conclusion of this chili supper, a singing from West Texas A & M will perform. Greta Bass is scheduled to have surgery on her elbow in Dallas on Tuesday, January 30th.

Don Edwards continues to suffer with back problems. He has a doctor's appointment in Plano this week. Hopefully, Don will receive some treatment that will improve his condition.

Elmer Ware, the father of Peggy Carter, has not been feeling well for the last several weeks. He is confined to his home near McLean. Ardie Martin and Clara Holmes remain in the local hospital. The ladies should remain in our thoughts and prayers.

From The Minister's Desk:

One of the most impressive descriptions that Jesus gave of His disciples is recorded in Matthew 5:13-14. This text reads: "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how will it be made salty again? It is good for nothing any more, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men. You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden." Notice the verb tense that Jesus used in this description. Jesus used the verb, "are", the simple present. Therefore, the disciples of Jesus "are the salt of the earth" and "are the light of the world." Simply put, every disciple of Jesus must have a personal faith that has a very powerful influence upon other people. But there are unfortunately some disciples of Jesus who minimize the importance of a personal faith by saying: "I can't do anything! My influence is insignificant! No one will listen to me." However, there are some things that every disciple of Jesus can do. For example, they can—

Mend a quarrel.
Search out a forgotten friend.
Dismiss suspicion and replace it with trust.
Write a letter of appreciation.
Give a soft answer.
Manifest loyalty in word and deed.
Keep a promise.
Refuse to hold a grudge.
Forgive an enemy.
Listen.
Apologize when they are wrong.
Try to understand.
Think first of someone else.
Smile and laugh.
Deserve confidence.
Resist malice.
Express thanksgiving and gratitude.
Worship God in spirit and truth.

Bill Morrison, Minister
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Teach Me To Read

By: Lorena G. Males

"Daddy read me a story" a five year old begged.

"I'm too tired. I've had a big day." "I like your stories, you're the best story teller in the whole wide world," she pleaded.

"Some other time. Not tonight."

Another father was wiser.

"Daddy, read me a story."

"Which one?"

"I like the *Three Bears*."

"Won't you ever get tired of that story?"

"I've read it to you a million times."

"It's a good story and so is the *Three Little Pigs*."

"Well, I'm tired but climb up on my lap and we'll find the *Three Bears*."

Bring me your old dog eared book."

What a world of children have been introduced to the wonderful world of stories by the *Three Bears* and *Three Little Pigs*.

Reading to your child, sharing a story, is a wonderful way to bond. It is the first step in learning to read. A child who loves stories will be aroused with a burning desire to be able to read on his own steam. He is motivated. His imagination is ignited. He wants to read.

I tried to teach our Swedish speaking grandchildren to read English when they visited us. Know what we used for a text book? The cereal boxes on the breakfast table.

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in the outhouse. You learn to read by reading!

Part II Master Teacher: Oweita Calvert

Sometimes famous people live right among us and we don't even realize it. Such a one is Oweita Calvert State Director, Okla. Celebration of Reading. Under Oweita's leadership other teachers have joined her to teach the world to read.

I knew when Oweita was in the seventh grade that she'd do something unusual. She was smart, full of drive, ambition and dedication. She'd tackle any assignment and succeed. I was her teacher and I loved to send her to the blackboard and see how long she could spell without missing a word.

In a recent interview I learned about Oweita, the master teacher.

What are some common problems in teaching reading?

The number one basic problem is The Teacher. It does not matter if it is a million dollar school with all kinds of luxuries or a one-room school with one reader, the teacher makes the difference.

If the teacher is not a reader or not

a believer in reading, the instruction is going to be dull.

Some students are so preoccupied with other things that they have no desire to learn to read. Again, the teacher makes the difference.

Another major factor is what the school expects the teacher to do in the classroom. If it is so "dogmated" that they can use only certain materials, then reading is going to be stifled.

Teachers spend more time getting ready for tests than for regular instruction. It's a national disgrace.

Schools don't give the children time to read.

There are basic rules that every reading teacher must use: teach the vocabulary, read to students every day, let the students see you read. Share your stories with them they learn by example. Make reading games. Children love them.

Are there some who just can't learn to read?

There are children, because of neurological or brain problems that are unable to read. The vast majority can be taught to read with patience and a knowledge of teaching reading.

P.S. Help your child learn to read. You don't have to be a professional

teacher to share a story—read a book.

We need professional teacher like Oweita as our leaders. We can each one follow. Each one, teach one. L.g.M.

Closing thought from Oweita:

We must keep on striving to make certain that we continue to be a literate society because if we are not, we will fail.

Experience is by industry achieved, and perfected by the swift course of time.

—William Shakespeare,
Two Gentlemen of Verona



Millipedes actually have between 120 and 160 legs.

Free Photography Contest Open To Wheeler

The International Library of Photography is pleased to announce that over \$60,000.00 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Amateur Photography Contest. Photographers from the Wheeler area, particularly beginners, are welcome to try to win their share of over 1,300 prizes. The deadline for the contest is January 31, 2001. The contest is open to everyone and entry is FREE.

"Everyone has at least one memorable photo that captures a special moment in time," stated Christina Babylon, Contest Director. "When people learn about our free photography contest, they suddenly realize that their own favorite photos can win cash prizes, as well as gain national exposure," continued Babylon.

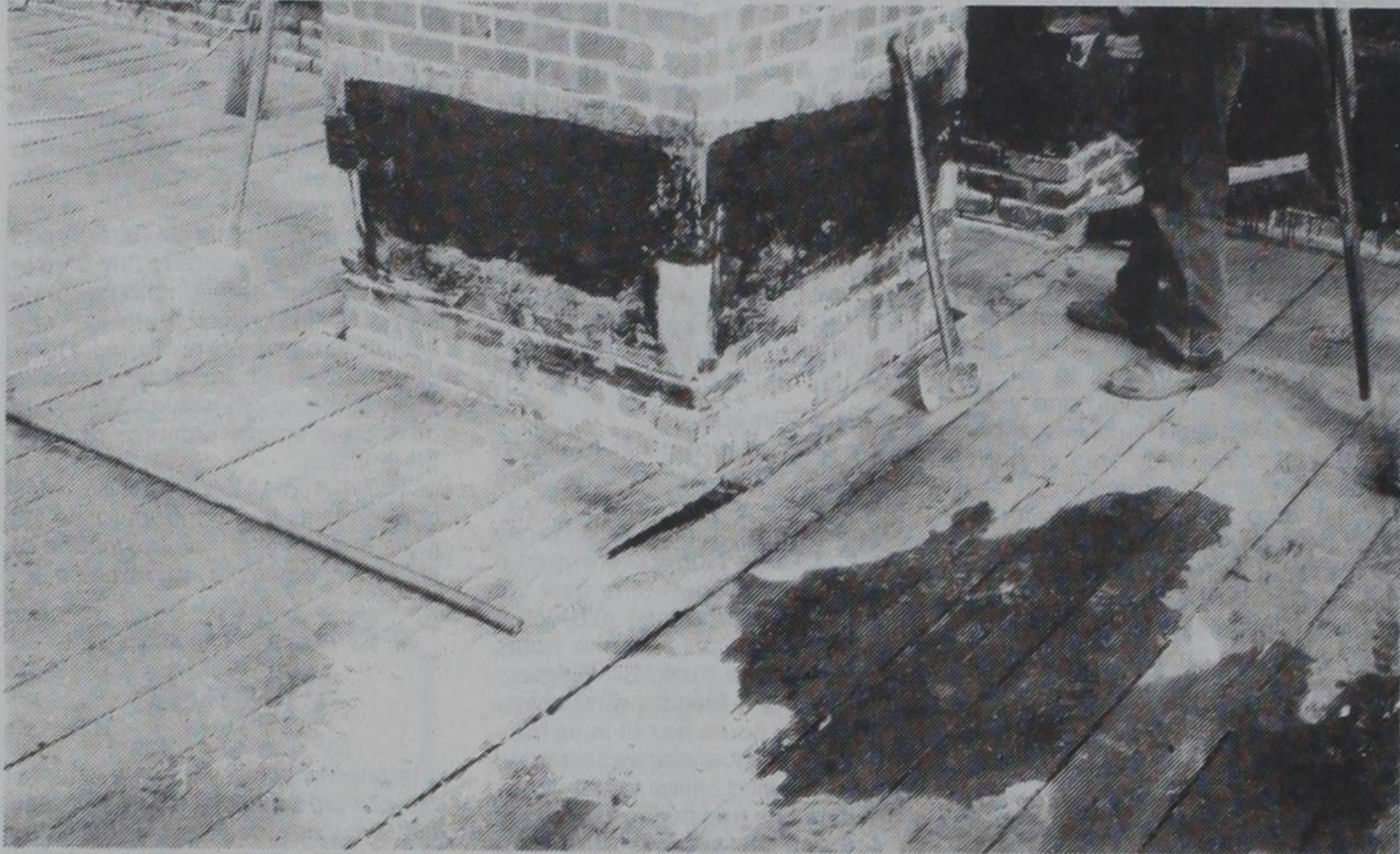
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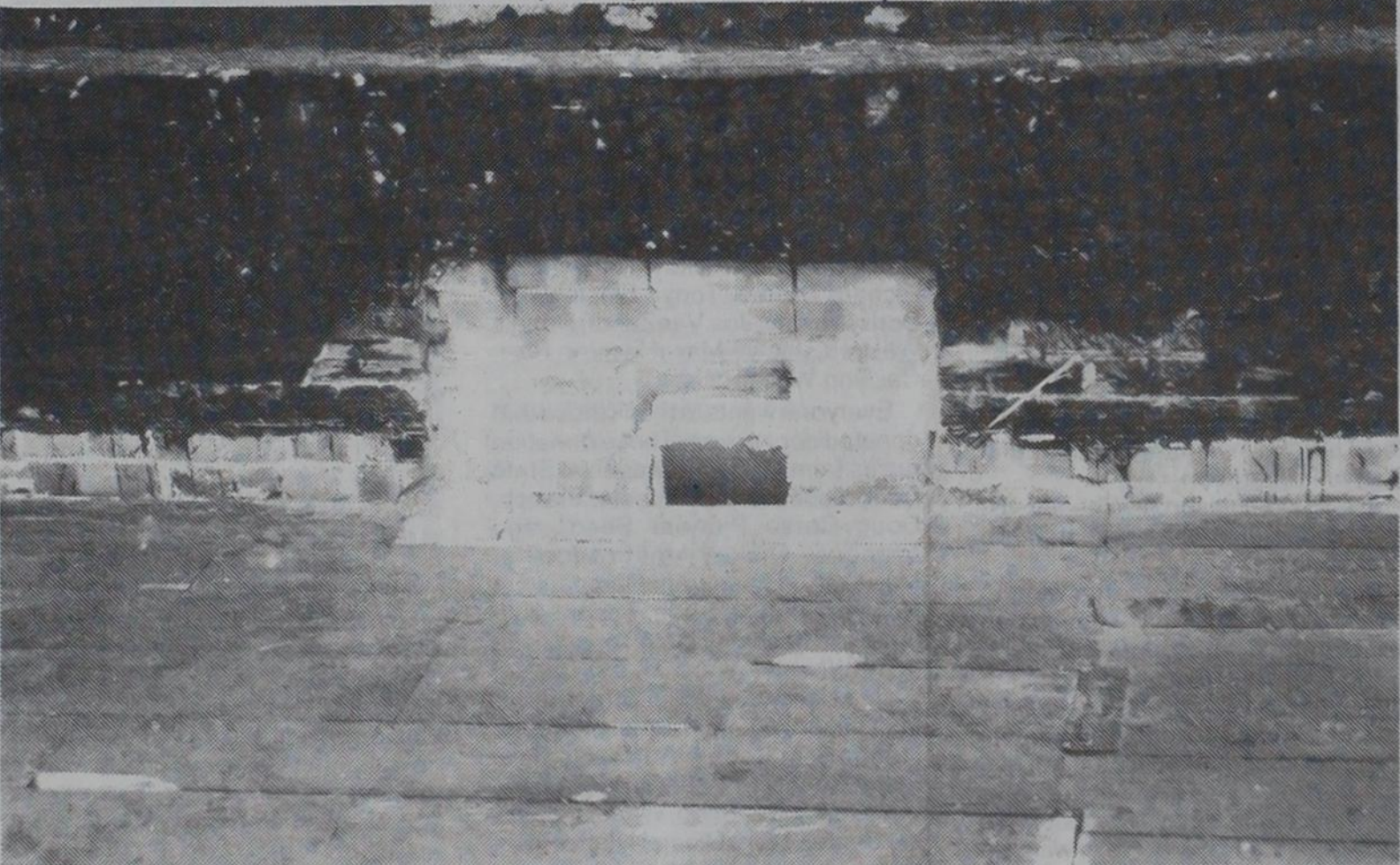
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COURTHOUSE ROOF IS BEING REPLACED

—Photos by Rob Schaffer



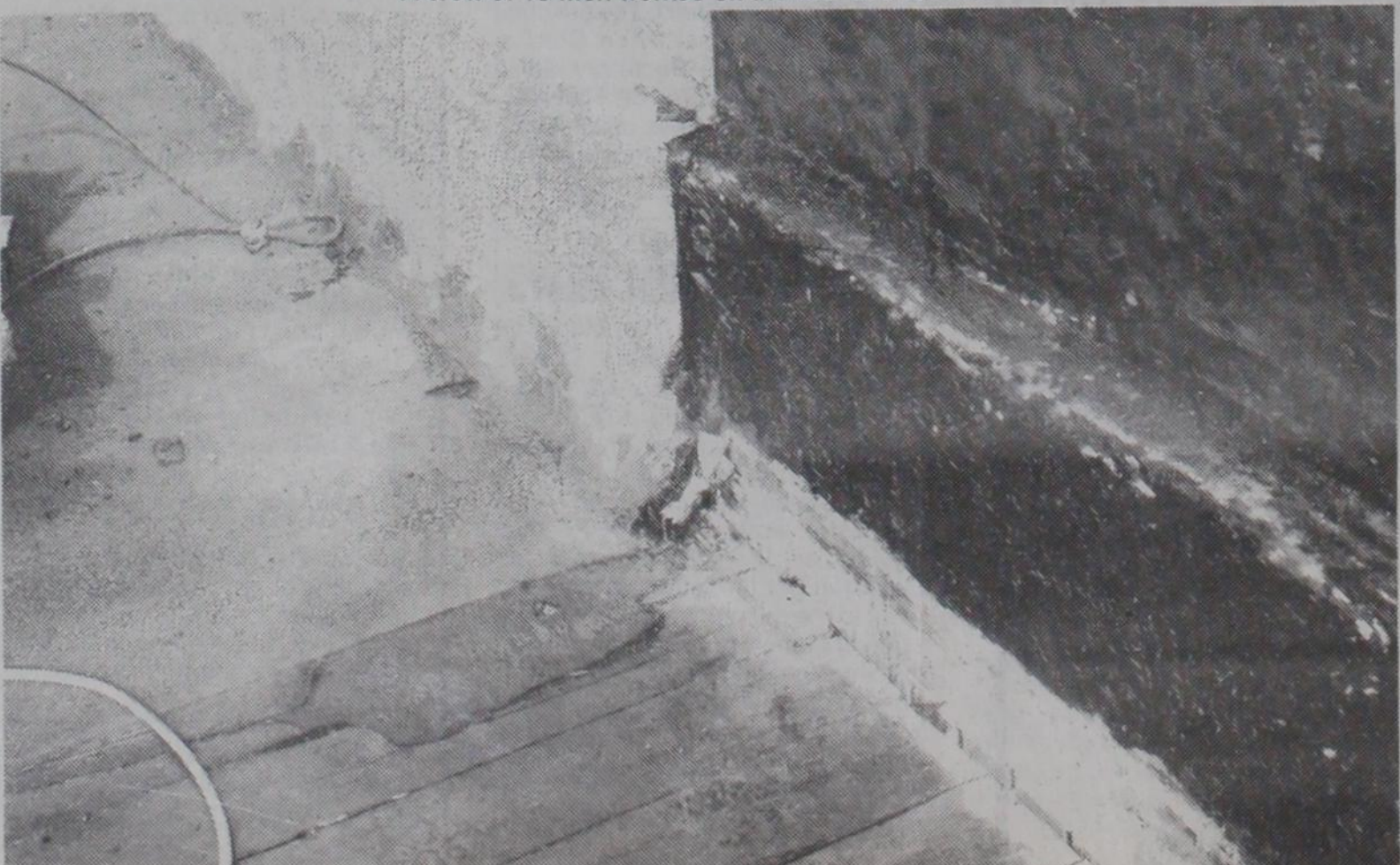
Several spots required the wood be replaced.



The old down spouts needed lots of work.



A crew of 19 men worked on the roof at one time.



All of the old roof is being removed.

Stockshow

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- Kendra Gaines - 5th place Medium Wool
- Trent Gaines - 1st place Medium Wool
- Josh Hardcastle - 1st place Medium Wool
- Nick Hardcastle - 4th place Medium Wool
- Nick Hardcastle - 4th place South-down
- Justin Hefley - 6th place Medium Wool
- Amber Maddox - 6th place Medium Wool
- Amber Maddox - 8th place Medium Wool
- Shantell Meek - 1st place South-down and Reserve Breed Champion
- Tommy Meek - 3rd place Southdown
- Cole Nall - 6th place Medium Wool
- Morgan Nall - 8th place Medium Wool
- Rafeal Robles - 3rd place Medium Wool
- Steer Show**
- Morgan Nall - 1st place European Cross
- Morgan Nall - 3rd place European Cross
- Morgan Nall - 5th place European Cross
- Swine Show**
- Brittany Bryan - 3rd place Yorkshire
- Mike Gaines - 6th place Duroc
- Amber Maddox - 3rd place Cross-bred
- Amber Maddox - 4th place Hampshire
- Tommy Meek - 3rd place Hampshire
- Garret Rhine - 2nd place Duroc
- Travis Bryan, Tyler Burch, Jackie Dukes, Caleb Gaines, Garrett Hamp-

ton, Shantell Meek, Braden Moore, & Kenzie Watkins also exhibited their market swine, but did not place in the top six of their class.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating

ALLISON MENU

MONDAY, January 22, 2001 — FRIDAY, January 26, 2001

MONDAY
Breakfast: Breakfast Bar, Biscuits, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Hot Rolls, Chocolate Yogurt, Milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast: Pancakes, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Indian Tacos, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Cheese, Sour Cream, Refried Beans, Fruit, Milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast: Sausage Gravy, Hashbrown, Biscuits, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Chicken Noodle Soup, Bologna n Cheese Sandwich, Crackers, Carrot Sticks, Fruit, Milk

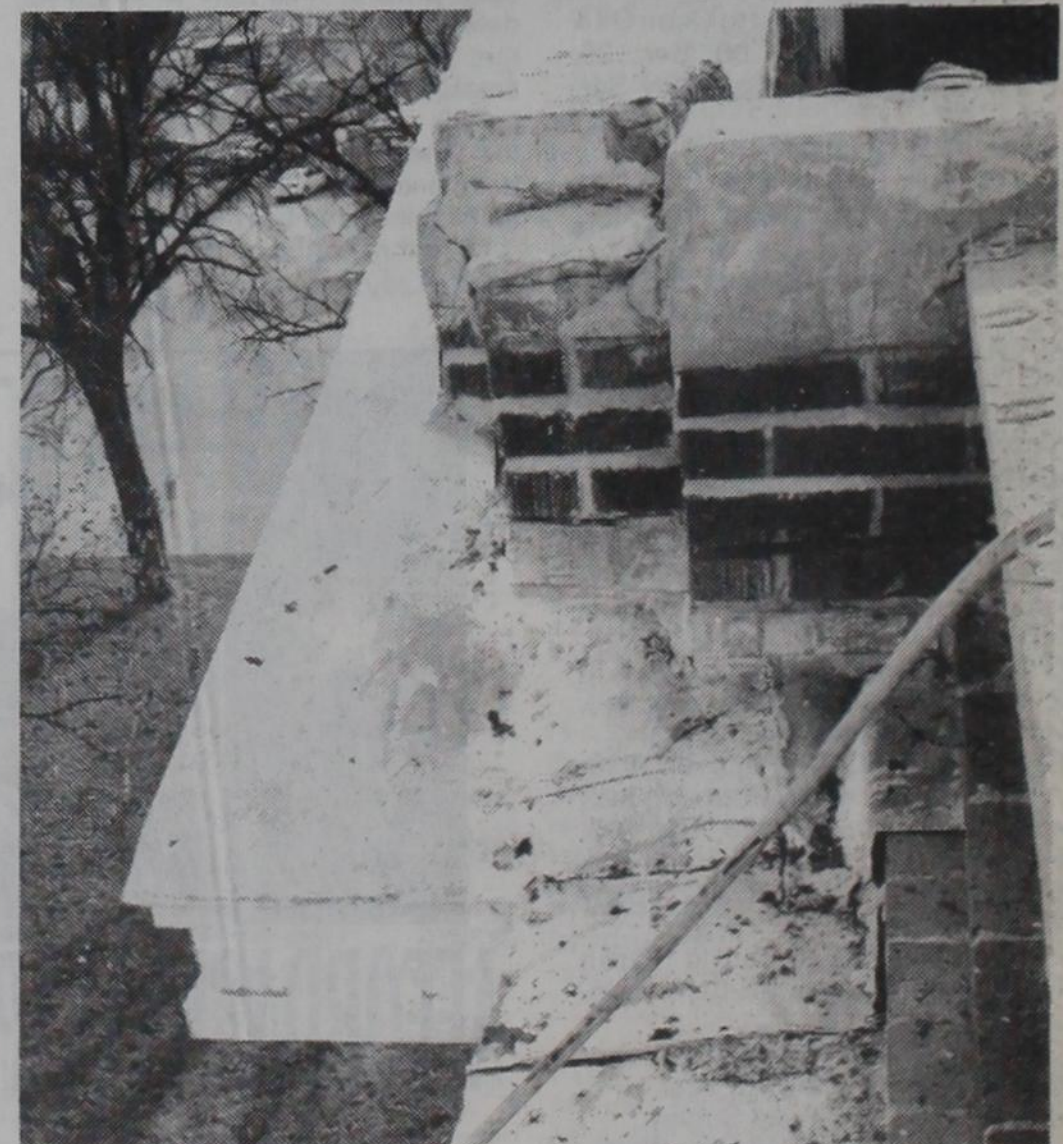
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, Oats, Toast, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Chef Salad, Santa Fe Chicken, Salad, Tex-Mex Pasta Salad, Grilled Cheese, Fruit, Milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Sausage Patty, Biscuits, Juice, Milk

Lunch: Ham n Cheese Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Chips, Fruit, Milk (Menu subject to change)

CONSIGNMENT AUCTION
SATURDAY, FEB. 24, 1995
At Wheeler County Show Barn
Consignments must be in by Thursday, February 1 to be advertised!
LYNDON LOYD AUCTIONEERS
806/826-5850



Tin to be replaced and masonry work to be done.



The crew starts to put down the felt paper.

Gordon

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worked at the Sera Tech Technical Center. He was a member of the Ohio State Medical Association and the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County.

Serving in the United States Air Force from 1940 to 1945, he was sent to the Philippines Islands and saw military action in Saipan. During his military training, he attended AAF Statistical School at Harvard University. Upon the conclusion of his military service, Dr. Gordon had attained the rank of 1st lieutenant.

Surviving him is his wife of 26 years, Barbara; daughters, Elizabeth Angelicoussis and Maryann Gordon; granddaughter, Maria Angelicoussis; step children, David Wetmer and Joanne Wetmer Wolff; step-grandchildren, Zachary Wolff and Natalie Wolff; one brother and three sisters; and nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were his parents, his first wife, Jean; five brothers, one sister, a niece and nephew.

Expressions of sympathy in memory of Dr. Gordon may be offered to a charity of the donor's choice.

Board

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Recognition Month.
Mr. Ford left the meeting at this time.

3. Motion by Mr. Sams, seconded by Dr. Smith to regretfully accept the resignation from the Board of Dell Ford, due to moving from the school district. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Motion by Mr. Osborne, seconded by Dr. Smith, to elect by acclamation Dan Sams to the office of Vice President. Motion carried unanimously.

Dan Sams took over as presiding officer.

5. Motion by Mr. Burch, seconded by Mr. Osborne, to approve the two amendments to the retirement/resignation incentive plan presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Motion by Mr. Osborne, seconded by Mr. Burch, to accept the proposed retirement/resignation incentive plan to be presented to teachers, full time librarians, counselor and nurse. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent and principals reports were given by Mr. Symank and Mr. Pulpan. The board retired to Executive Session at 8:05 P.M. as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071. The Board returned to Open Session at 11:59 PM.

7. Motion by Mr. Osborne, seconded by Mr. Burch, to extend Mr. Symank's contract for one year and at a salary to be determined at a later date. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Chat

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Nominations are open for Man, Woman, and Employee. The 'Outstanding Teenager' is selected by the school, and the 'Farmer/Rancher award is selected by the different businesses which work with farmers and ranchers.

—cwe—

The individuals will be recognized at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet on February 17.

—cwe—

Congratulations to our college students named on the President's and Dean's Honor Rolls. We are proud of each of you.

—cwe—

Oops! We owe Yreva Topper an appology. We failed to list her as a great-grandparent in Eastern Panhandle's ad last week, featuring Grant Mitchell Ledbetter. We should have caught the omission.

—cwe—

Once again, we remained in the Wheeler area over the weekend. We were dinner guests at the home of Willetta Smith in Shamrock. The Meriwethers were also present.

—cwe—

It was cards as usual Monday evening. Jane, Ben and Dwight scored the most points the first game, but could not out score Barbara, Mike and I the last two games. We have enjoyed having Ben home from college.

—cwe—