

SEVENTH GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM -- Left to right, top row, are Chris Moreno, Joe Ramirez, Jamie Vasquez, Brad Ashburn and Blaine McWhirter. Bottom row, Mtr, are Junior Lira, Michael Sainz, Manuel Chavez and Jason Wilson.


EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL TEAM -- Top row, ltr, are Johnny Vela, Garrick Engle, Sterling Lovelace, Lacy McAdams, Brandon McDonnell and Joe Martinez. Bottom row, Itr, are Edward Cerna, Michael Bernal, Justin Stowe, Jason Smith, Jimmy McGinty, Wade Redman and Jason Lewis.

## Teens In Crisis Program To Be Presented Jan. 14

Yoakum County Extension Service will sponsor a program, "Teens In Crisis" Thursday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Yoakum County Park Community Center.
Dr. Elaine Eassa of Charter Plains Hospital will discuss problems associated with teenage youth and suggest ways parents and teenagers can cope with those problems. The program will be directed
toward parents, but teens are also welcome to attend.
Dr. Eassa has a degree in Child Psychology and has been a member of Charter Plains staff since 1985. She serves as director of the adolescent childrens division at Charter Plains Hospital in Lubbock. There will be no charge for attending. A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

## Little Dribbler Boys Get Ready For 1988 Season

Boys' Little Dribbler Basketball season officially opened Dec. 17 at a meeting to elect 1988 officers. Elected were David Bunch, president; Ricky Bearden, vice president; and Linda Cole, secretary-treasurer. Shirley Bunch and Lynne Winn were elected to jointly handle the difficult task of organizing the concessions stand. A new office of coordinator was created to handle the scheduling of clean-up crews. Herschel Smith was elected in that capacity.

Applications were made available this week to any boy wanting to
play. Bunch asks that applications be filled out and returned no later than Jan. 11 to allow ample time for drafting of teams and time for each team to practice. He also invites all parents of the boys to participate in all the events and to make their contribution of time to the organization.
Bunch predicts the ' 88 season will be a success primarily due to the cooperation and help the organization receives from the Plains I.S.D. and community efforts. "Let's make this season the best ever!"

## Christmas Cantata Presented During Christmas Holidays

Choir members from area churches presented a Christmas cantata, "And We Beheld His Glory", Dec. 20 in First Baptist Church. Designed for choir and congregation, the cantata featured 12 sections, dealing with different aspects of the coming of Christ.

The title was taken from John 1:14, "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten son of the Father, full of grace and truth."

Directed by Michael Holster, Minister of Music and Youth for First Baptist Church, the cantata featured soloists Melba Crutcher, Linda Lowrey, Cynthia Blair, Randy Clay, Peggy Welch and Kay McClure and a trio, Pam Redman, Billie Zoe McCravey and Cynthia Blair.

Other choir members were Judi Addison, Lorelei Andrews, Jimmie Bayer, Robert Canon, Kelley Clay, Jack Cobb, Dolores Davis, Sarah Jane Field, Melba Fitzgerald, Louise Goehry, Mary Guetersloh, Greg McCravey, Shari McCravey, Gale McDonnell, Ken Peterson, Susie Powell, Jeff Redman, Randall Redman and Tim Smith.

The cantata also featured narratives from the Old and New Testaments. Narrators were John and Reta Nance and Robert and Janis Parks.

## Chamber Begins Plans For Banquet

Plains Chamber of Commerce met at 7 a.m. Tuesday in Johnnie's Restaurant and began plans for the annual banquet.

President Jim Warren announced the new contract for the "Adopt a Highway" project has been received and noted that dues for individuals and businesses are now due. Lea County Electric was selected as best decorated business and will receive a cash prize.

The Chamber expresses appreciation to all businesses who decorated for the holidays.

Attending were Johnnie Fitzgerald, David Bunch, Toni Jones, Jim Barron, Paul Cobb, Mary Jo StRomain, Dolores Davis, Carolyn Culwell and Warren.

Next meeting is 7 a.m. Feb. 2 in Johnnie's Restaurant.

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Plains High School National Honor Society held their annual Candlelight Ceremony to induct seven new members recently.
Micah Stowe, president, presided. Participating in the ceremony were Jesse Flores, vice president; Dundie Alexander, secretary and Shane McMinn, reporter.
Newly inducted were Lusema Luna, senior; Emedelia Luna, junior; and sophomores Daniel Canada, Sally Burrus, Lance Mor-
row, Nieves Garcia and Anthony Day. Other members are Brad McWhirter, Kenley Powell, Karen Cobb, Bertha Gonzales, Lisa Flores, Lydia Jimenez, Lynda Jimenez, Heather McGill, Nikki McGinty, Phillip Cowart, Chad Guetersloh, John Harris, Brian Livengood, Blake McWhirter, Lebert Powell, Jesse Ramirez, Kyle Stephens and Chad Wall.

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DENNIS LYNN CASEY \& RENEE NORMAN

## February Vows To Be Read

Wedding vows will be pledged in a 5 p.m. ceremony Feb. 20 in First United Methodist Church in Crowell for Renee Norman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Paul Norman of Crowell, to Dennis Lynn Casey, son of Pat Casey of Pettus.
Miss Norman graduated from Crowell High School in 1979 and received a bachelor of science degree in elementary education from West Texas State University in 1982. She teaches in Plains.
The prospective bridegroom graduated from Conroe-McCullough High School in The Woodlands in 1979. He graduated in 1984 from Sul Ross State University with a degree in secondary education.


TOM \& MARGUERITE BARRON

## Anniversary Reception Fetes Tom \& Marguerite Barron

Tom and Marguerite Barron were complimented Dec. 24 with a fiftieth wedding anniversary reception and dinner in the home of Darrell and Sue Barron. The couple were married Dec. 24, 1937 in Lamesa.
A two-tiered anniversary cake, holiday punch and coffee were served from gold appointments.
The honorees were presented with round trip tickets to San Diego, Ca.
where they will visit her sister, Frances Corey. A special computer card was designed for the occasion by Matt Barron.
Others attending were Tommy, Margie and Trey Barron of Seminole; Alan and Wendy Barron of Ft. Worth; Kim Koch of Minneapolis, Mn.; Jim and JoAnn Barron and Mark Barron.

## Eastern Star Meeting Held

Mary Lou Parks and Pat McNabb were hostesses Monday evening for the first meeting of the new year for Plains Order of the Eastern Star.

Louise Goehry and Glenn Morehouse, Protem Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron, presided. Greetings and wishes for a happy and prosperous new year were read from Worthy Grand Matron Sherrill Cain, Worthy Grand Patron B.F. Hutson and other grand officers.
Wishes for better health were expressed for June Anderson, Worthy Matron, Edna Chambliss, Pat McNabb's little son, and Helen Hunter's brother who suffered a heart attack. Sympathy was extended Shirley Sudderth for the loss of a sister and sister-in-law during the Christmas holidays.
Mrs. Goehry read Proverbs 16:9 and gave a eniritual message for 1988.

The February meeting will be held Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m.

## Filmtime

Plains Branch Library personnel issue a special "thanks" to Stacey and Amy Jones for untiring volunteer work at the Yoakum County Library during the month of December. They placed barcode numbers in books

The library is busy putting barcodes in books and entering this information in the computer. As soon as this information has been completed all books and information will be checked out by a program called "Circulation Plus". Entering this information takes time, and volunteers are certainly appreciated.
Other helpers during the holidays at the library were Randy Kennedy, Louise Goehry and Lisa Duran.

Filmtime will begin Wednesday morning at 10 a.m., Jan. 13. This program is for pre-school children. Mothers are always welcome to participate. Several mothers did programs during 1987 for filmtime and the children have really enjoyed their ideas.

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## Plains Independent School District

## From The Superintendent's Desk

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This article continues with statistical information taken from the 1986-87 Annual Performance Report.

Plains School system is represented by three campuses: elementary, junior high, and high school. Elementary is comprised of kindergarten through fourth grades. Junior high school includes fifth through eighth grades, and high school ninth through twelfth grades.

We have maintained a constant enrollment for the past eight years
Plains I.S.D. enrollment for September 8, 1987, the fifth day of classes was as follows:

| School | Boys | Girls | Total |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Elementary | 108 | 112 | 220 |
| Junior High | 74 | 70 | 144 |
| High School | 65 | 55 | 120 |
| TOTALS | 247 | 237 | 484 |
|  |  |  | Fifth Day: |
| First Day: |  |  | $1980-501$ |
| $1980-438$ |  | $1981-471$ |  |
| $1981-417$ |  | $1983-474$ |  |
| $1982-454$ |  | $1983-461$ |  |
| $1983-431$ |  |  | $1984-478$ |
| $1984-440$ |  | $1986-504$ |  |
| $1985-490$ |  |  | $1987-484$ |
| $1986-480$ |  |  |  |

## FINANCES

Our community and patrons have been extremely interested in providing funds for an outstanding school district. They have always been willing to provide funds for programs to meet the needs of our students. We are fortunate to be located in one of the richest oil fields in Texas and have a value of $\$ 846,669,590.00$ with a tax rate of 34 cents per $\$ 100.00$ value. Our budget for $1986-87$ was $\$ 3,603,147.00$. Our tax revenues, total revenue and expenditures are described in the charts below:


FOOD SERVICES
Our school cafeteria with eight employees, serves a delicious breakfast and lunch daily. All students are provided a free breakfast and lunch regardless of the economic condition of the family. We served 75,117 lunches, and 24,623 breakfasts during the 1986-87 school year. The total cost of cafeteria operations was $\$ 140,375.62$.

TRANSPORTATION
We run six regular route buses and one special education bus on a daily route schedule and travel 110,650 miles annually. Our activity trips will cover approximately 43,896 miles.

A transportation supervisor is responsible for the condition of twenty-eight school-owned vehicles and we employ seven bus drivers.
PROFESSIONAL STAFF
We have eighty-six employees and fifty are professional staff members. We pay $\$ 7,000.00$ above the state salary schedule for teaching. Our monthly payroll is $\$ 197,956.50$. Ninety-two percent of our professional staff remained in the system for the 1986-87 school year.
Plains I.S.D. Statistical Information
Certified Personnel
1986-87
Master's Degree............................................ $14 / 28^{8}$
Total years Teaching Experience.
$4 / 28 \%$
659.5


#### Abstract

Total Employees.. Average Age ...................................... Number of Men. 40 Number of Men. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 31 Faculty Living in Plains I.S.D............. 46 Total Yearly Payroll........................ $\$ 2,254,953$


In further news of the state's method of financing public education, Governor Bill Clements says the state will likely lose its appeal of the public school finance lawsuit that would force fundamental changes in the way Texas schools are organized.

Clements was questioned about the law suit on the public TV interview show "The Governor Reports". He said that reacting to the lawsuit will be the major issues facing the Legislature when it reconvenes in 1989.

Clements, Lt. Governor William Hobby, and House Speaker Gib Lewis have appointed a task force to explore possible solutions. The Governor said he is not prepared to suggest a solution, but that he will before January 1989.

Austin Judge Harley Clark ruled this summer that the current system of paying for education is unconstitutional and ordered officials to make changes so that every public school student has access to an equal share of education dollars.

Clements told his TV audience it was "the almost unanimous opinion" of people with whom he had talked that Texas will lose its appeal. He said lawyers from school districts, the Texas Education Agency, and the Attorney General's Office have told him "the appeals court will uphold Judge Clark and the Supreme Court will uphold Judge Clark...I'm just like a parrot. I accept their opinion."


## ON THE HARD COURT

## COWBOYS

Varsity Cowboys participated in the O'Donnell Basketball Tournament prior to the holidays and returned home with third place.
In action Dec. 15, the Cowboys were victorious over Meadow, $63-51$. Scott Lowrey led the scoring with 19 and pulled in 11 rebounds. Jesse Flores picked up 8 rebounds.
Shane McMinn scored 27 points in the Cowboys 63-67 loss to Ca nyon JV's Dec. 17 in a tourney in Bovina. Jeff Ashburn claimed 10 points. Eliminated in their second outing, the Cowboys lost 52 to 65 to Vega. Lowrey led with 16. Rebounding were McMinn with 8 ; Ashburn with 5 .

Action Dec. 22 at New Home found the teams deadlocked 61-61 at the end of regulation play. The Cowboys pulled out the win in overtime. Leading scorers were McMinn, 25; Doug Green, 14; Lowrey, and Micah Stowe, 10 each. Ashburn and McMinn got 11 and 7 rebounds, respectively.
It took two overtimes in the Cowboys next outing, Dec. 29 at Sundown. Green hit a three-pointer to send the game into the first overtime and repeated the feat at the end of that play.
Leading scorers were McMinn, 19; Stowe, 15; and Lowrey, 10. Re-
bounding for 12 and 9 were Stowe and McMinn.
Eunice visited the Cowboy gym Tuesday evening and took home a $97-82$ win over the Plains squad. Scoring included McMinn's and Lowrey's 24 and 23 points, respectively, with Ashburn and Stowe getting in 14 and 11 , respectively. Lowrey had 11 rebounds, Ashburn 10.

## COWGIRLS

The Cowgirls were defeated 79-70 in an exciting homecourt contest with the Eunice Cardinals Tuesday night. Lydia Jimenez led all scorers with 26 points. Juhree Stowe added 14 points, followed by Karen Cobb with 11 and Lynda Jimenez, 8.
Melissa Green tossed in 17 points to pace the Junior Varsity to a 48-41 triumph over the Eunice JV. Leslie Patton added 11 points. Vee Ann Fitzgerald and Michelle Lowe finished the game with 9 points each.

The Cowgirls began district play Friday night, Jan. 8, when they travelled to Wellman. They will return to action Tuesday night, Jan. 12 to take on Loop in an out-oftown contest.


FORMER PLAINS STUDENT INITIATED INTO average with 15 completed hours. Pictured from left, PHI THETA KAPPA - Twelve South Plains College students were recently inducted into Phi Theta Kappa National Honors Society during a special initiation ceremony at SPC. In order to be inducted into the organization, students must achieve a 3.5 grade point
back row, is Traci Nance, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nance of Plains. Other students pictured are from Levelland, Lubbock, Brownfield, Slaton, Hart and Littlefield.

## $1 / 2$ Pointers

Dr. Cantor, an international authority on youth suicide, is president of The National Committee on Youth Suicide Prevention and a member of the faculty at Harvard Medical School, Department of Psy. chiatry.


Though the statistics are grim- 5,000 young people take their lives each year-a message of hope can be found in a new educational film that helps adults prevent youth suicides. The film, "Young People In Crisis," shows who's at risk and how to recognize warning signs. These include a young person who has:

- Made a suicide attempt or gesture.
- Discussed or threatened suicide.
- Made specific plans to commit suicide and has given away prized possessions.
- Been preoccupied with death.
- Known someone else who has committed suicide.
- Become depressed. The depression may be rooted in such things as a divorce, a move, a new school, failure to get on a team, or
romantic disappointments. It can even be masked by apparent cheerfulness or serenity
- Become isolated or withdrawn from family, friends or activities.
- Taken to eating or sleeping too much or too little
- Unexplained fatigue
- Apathy.
- Hostility
- Alcohol or drug abuse.

The film, produced with a grant

## Alan Barron Receives Masters

Alan Barron received a master of science degree from Texas Tech University in commencement exercises Dec. 19.
A graduate of Plains High School and son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barron, he is currently employed by Price Waterhouse in Ft. Worth. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Barron.

What's
Cooking At School?


## BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Toast, oatmeal and raisins, grape juice and milk.
TUESDAY - Cinnamon roll, apple juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY - Toast, scrambled eggs, orange juice and milk.

THURSDAY - Waffles, syrup, butter, tomato juice and milk.
FRIDAY - Fruit Loops, pineapple juice and milk.

MONDAY - Spaghetti w/meat sauce, blackeyed peas, buttered okra, hot rolls, butter, spiced applesauce and milk.

TUESDAY - Chicken nuggets, French fries w/catsup, combination salad, hot rolls, honey and milk
WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, onion rings, potato chips w/bean dip, fruit, chocolate chip cookies and milk.

THURSDAY - Beef and vegetable stew, pinto beans, coleslaw, cornbread, peach cobbler and milk.
FRIDAY - Pork chops w/gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, hot rolls, Jell-O and milk.

RETURNS HOME
Joe StRomain has returned to work at a local firm in Plains. He has been living in Houston.


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## Soil Sampling Benefits Cited By County Agent

Two major reasons suggest the need for good soil sampling to have soil analyzed in Yoakum County. A primary reason is so the producer can apply the proper amounts and grades of fertilizer to his cropland. The second major reason is that following last year's crop yields in this area, soil test levels may be much lower for the 1988 crop.
A good sample and soil test will then reduce production costs, said David Kight, County Extension Agent.
PROPER TOOLS: As with all things, proper tools to accomplish the task are required. Suitable tools include the soil sample to probe, the auger or a sharp shooter shovel. Also a two to five gallon plastic bucket is needed for mixing the sample to prevent contamination of the soil sample and therefore, erroneous soil analysis, he noted.
Normally, the soil sample probe is best suited for sampling in Yoakum County. "The sandy soils are easily cored and sampled."

FIELD INSPECTION AND CONSIDERATIONS: Prior to going into the field, the overall appearance of the land should be inspected; and if aerial maps are available, look over them.
This gives the producer an opportunity to sample problem sites separately so problems associated with depression areas, old fence rows, seep areas, and gullies can be identified and eliminated.
Next, map all these unusual areas, note terrain features that will help locate problem sites and identify the farm for future reference.
Consider these points prior to sampling. How is the land irrigated, sprinkler or dryland. If stand problems due to salt have occurred, one should be sampling the top of the bed to determine salt levels and intensity of this problem.

Consider if the land was broadcast or band fertilized. Avoid sampling from last year's band, if possible, Kight said.
THE PRESENCE OF HARD PANS: Sampling time is a good period to take notes on soil compaction and plow pans. If the soil
prevents the probe from penetrating the soil, it is doubtful crop roots will penetrate. A good figure to keep in mind is a soil test probe will exert about 12,000 pounds per square inch if pushed into the soil by an individual weighing 200 pounds. If the probe does not penetrate, it is comparable to the penetration of a growing root on a vinyl tile floor.
PROPER SAMPLING: Normally, a soil sample at plow depth is adequate which is about six inches deep. If a subsoil sample has never been taken, then take samples from several sites to look at nutrients status below the surface. Subsoil fertility status is very important in deep-rooted crops such as coastal or cotton.
The next question that needs answering is, "How many subsamples and what size field should a single sample represent?" If a field is uniform, then 10 to 15 subsamples per 100 acres should be adequate for a good soil analysis. Fewer subsamples and a larger area are possible if the field has never been fertilized.
Prior to taking small samples, scrape the litter from the surface, then use a spade, soil auger or soil sampling tube. To use a sharp shooter, dig a V-shaped hole and take a $1 / 2$ inch slice of soil from the smooth side of the hole. Repeat in 10 to 15 different places.
Place subsamples in a clean container (plastic bucket, paper sack, etc.) mix thoroughly, and take out approximately one pint for the composite sample.
To aid in interpreting the soil test and making recommendations, fill in Form D-575, "Soil Sample Information Sheet for Field Crops" as completely as possible and submit with your samples.

Each soil sample should be marked with your name and sample number which would correspond with the information furnished on your information sheet. Mark the analysis desired and include the proper fee. Information sheets can be picked up at your county extension agent's office for the Soil Testing Laboratory in Lubbock.

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## MRS. DENNIS CRUTCHER

## Kitchen <br> Komer

Anticipation of a grandchild has made life very exciting for Melba (Mrs. Dennis) Crutcher. Daughter Lisa, Mrs. Jones Arnett of Cotton Center, is about to bring Melba and Dennis to that wonderful stage of life.
The Crutchers are also parents of sixteen-year-old Steven and eleven-year-old Amy.
Growing up in the Tokio Community, Melba is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Earnest. She attended schools in Brownfield.
Melba is employed as clerk for the Justice of Peace. Dennis has been with Shell Oil for seven years.

An aetive member of First Baptist Chureh and Fine Arts Club, Melba loves music and reading and enjoys playing the piano. She also likes to sew. She shares some of her family's favorite recipes.

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1 t vanilla
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CHOCOLATE CAKE
(mixes in 5 mins.)
$13 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ unsifted flour
2 c sugar
3/4 c cocoa
$11 / 2$ t baking soda
$11 / 2 t$ baking powder
1 t salt
2 eggs
1 c milk
$1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ vegetable oil
2 t vanilla

## 1 c boiling water

Combine dry ingredients in large mixing bowl. Add eggs, milk, oil and vanilla. Beat 2 mins at medium
speed. Stir in boiling water. Batter will be thin. Pour into greased and floured $13 \times 9 \times 2$ inch pan. Bake at $350^{\circ}$ for $35-40$ mins or until cake tester in center comes clean. Cool. Frost with White Mountain Frosting.

ORANGE FLUFF SALAD
$1151 / 4$ oz crushed pineapple; drained well
1 lge box orange Jell-O (use dry) 18 oz pkg Cool Whip
18 oz pkg cottage cheese
$1 / 2-1$ c pecan pieces
Mix together and chill til set.
BROCCOLI CASSEROLE
COOK TIL TENDER:
1 box of frozen broccoli
$1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ chopped celery
$1 / 2$ c chopped onions
ADD:
1 c cooked rice
18 oz jar Cheez Whiz
1 can mushroom soup
BAKE:
In $8 \times 8$ inch casserole dish at $350^{\circ}$ til it bubbles.

## Card Of Thanks

The Plains VFD would like to thank everyone who helped us at the Bayer Lumber fire. Your help was greatly appreciated.

Thank you,
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## A.B. \& Claudene Williams Repeat 50-Year-Old Vows

A.B. and Claudene Williams repeated the wedding vows they exchanged fifty years ago in a special ceremony and reception Dec. 20 in Tokio Baptist Church. They were married Dec. 13, 1937 in a Methodist minister's study in Brownfield.
Vows were repeated at 3 p.m. before an archway adorned with red silk poinsettias, flanked by branched candelabras. The Rev. Horace Kennedy of Albuquerque, N.M., former pastor of Tokio Baptist Church, spoke on love and the example the Williams' marriage has been throughout the years. Rev. Alton West, pastor, directed the exchange of vows.

Musical selections were presented by Dale Knight, Sheri Forbes and Carla Tyler.
Mrs. Williams chose a winter white suit with corsage of red silk poinsettias.

Attending the couple were their children and spouses, Sharion and Russell Stephens of Grand Island, Ne., Don and Nita Williams of Plains and Loretta and Joe Roberts of Welch.
Guests were seated by grandsons Guy and Ace Williams and Ken, Bryan and Daniel Stephens. Karen Williams, granddaughter-in-law, presided at the guest register.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in fellowship hall. The bride's and groom's tables were decorated with a red and white theme. Topping the bride's cake was a crystal basket filled with silk roses. The groom's cake was topped by a miniature John Deere tractor. Cake, punch, coffee, dips and finger foods were served.
Presiding at the table were Rheta Antwine and Susie Roberts, granddaughter and granddaughter-in-law of the couple. Young married couples of the church served in the houseparty.
Each guest attending signed a quilt block which will be completed as a record of the event. Displayed was a quilt designed with blocks made by relatives of the couple and given to the couple at their family reunion. Immediate members of the family had also made a special quilt for the anniversary. It was also displayed.
Seven great-grandchildren of the couple attended. Guests attended from Nebraska, New Mexico, Houston and other points in Texas.


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