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Wait a minute...

By Kerry Craig

Well, we have waited for more than a minute, more like a week and a few days.

As we start a brand new year, we would like to say thanks for allowing us to have the holidays off.

Maybe it is just a guilt feeling that accompanies a journalist when he enjoys a holiday, but whatever the reason, we have caught up for all the Monday holidays that we had to miss during the past year.

Looking to 1985, we hope to continue to provide complete, up to date, news coverage for our county and our area.

There have been many stories that have been written during the past year, too many to summarize in this issue. Rather than dwelling on the past, we will look ahead in 1985 and work to provide the residents of our county the best in reporting and news coverage possible.

Thank you for 1984 and thank you for the years to come.

From all of us to all of you, HAPPY NEW YEAR, 1985.

Holidays quiet in Runnels County

Law enforcement agencies in the county report one of the quietest holidays ever for 1984-85.

Police departments in Winters and Ballinger reported a minimum of activity as well as the Runnels County Sheriff's Department and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Officials at the Runnels County Jail said that only a few charges of driving while intoxicated



April fire at Dry Manufacturing

Headlining the top news story of 1984 was that fire that caused very heavy damage at the Dry Manufacturing Plant in Winters.

In this file photo, firemen from Winters and Ballinger and other volunteers attempt to bring the blaze under control.

The heavy, black, smoke from the fire was visible from as far away as Rowena and Tuscola.

An ironic note about the fire was that the local fire department was preparing to host the Spring Meeting of the Hill Country Firemen's Association the next day.

Dry fire tops 1984 news

In looking back over the past year, the top news stories included a major fire that destroyed a portion of the Dry Manufacturing plant at Parsonage and Melwood Streets in Winters.

Other major news stories in the county included the severe water shortage at Ballinger and its temporary solution and the naming of a new city administrator in Winters.

In recapping the top news story, Winters firemen, assisted by firemen from Ballinger fought several hours before containing a major fire that swept through the tool shop, electrical shop and warehouse space at Dry Manufacturing on Friday, April 6, 1984.

The blaze was thought to have originated from a welder's torch which ignited some air conditioner pads.

The smoke from the fire could be seen from as far away as Rowena and Tuscola.

One person was injured in the blaze, Jimmy Walker received facial and hand burns when he tried to extinguish the fire as it was just getting started.

The fire was one of the worst in Winters' history and required firemen from Winters and Ballinger along with numerous pieces of firefighting equipment as well as transport tank trucks from Mac Oil Field and Bishop and Sons to haul water to some of the fire trucks.

Ranking as probably the top news story in the county, and this area of West Texas was the drought and the related water shortage in Ballinger.

Construction was nearing completion on a new lake for Ballinger when the water level in the old Ballinger City Lake dropped to a point where pumps could barely pick up the water.

Although water rationing was not implemented in Ballinger, voluntary conservation helped see the community through the crisis.

The release of water from Lake Spence, near Robert Lee, into the Colorado River saved

Ballinger from running completely out of water.

A temporary dam was constructed in the river and water was pumped into the new lake bed. That water, along with the remainder of the water released from the old city lake kept residents there from being completely out of water.

The combination of the rather salty water from Lake Spence and the water from the bottom of the old lake resulted in a smelly, off-colored fluid, that sufficed for water.

Although the taste was far from palatable and the smell was unpleasant, the water was proved safe for drinking by daily testing.

Even though the water was safe to drink, Ballinger residents purchased large quantities of bottled water or hauled their drinking water from other areas.

Continued pumping from the Colorado River and runoff from the fall rains have increased the water level in the new Ballinger lake to the point of having a six-month supply of water in the lake.

City officials say that the pumping from the river is increasing the water level about one foot per month.

In January of 1984, Winters first city administrator, Glenn Brown, resigned to accept the position of assistant city manager in Kerrville.

After several months of searching and reviewing applications, the Winters City Council selected Scott Epperson, of Pecos, to fill the top administrative post in the city of Winters.

Although there were many other news items of major importance, these items ranked among the top three.

There were stories of tragedy, stories of inspiration, and stories of controversy in 1984. There were fewer stories that involved the violent loss of life than in years past. The news coverage of the past year also reflected a decrease in the crime rate in our area.



Just inches away

Heavy rains during the last two days of 1984 have brought the level of the old Winters Lake to within scant inches of running over the spillway and into the new lake.

Reports late Monday indicated that Elm Creek was still bank-full, or out of its banks,

with water headed for the lake.

The water which would go through the spill way will help bring the new lake up to normal level while the water remaining in the old lake can be pumped into the new lake to maintain the level and provide a long-term water supply for Winters.

Winters man burned seriously

A Winters man was rushed to the Hendrick Medical Trauma Center Sunday evening, December 23, following a smoldering mattress fire at a residence on North Armbricht Street.

Fred Harris, 66, of Winters was pulled from a smoke-filled house, owned by Max Silva, by neighbors. He was treated at the scene by North Runnels Emergency Service paramedics for serious burns to his back and arms and for smoke inhalation.

He received second- and third-degree burns over about 25 to 30

percent of his body and also was suffering from severe smoke inhalation.

Nursing supervisor, Sherry Ketner at Hendrick Medical Center said that Harris was now listed in stable condition and a family spokesman said that he was responding to treatments and inhalation therapy and was much improved.

Emergency service spokesmen said that Harris had apparently fallen asleep while smoking a cigarette. The smoking material then caused the bedding to begin smoldering.

Police, municipal court make December report

The Winters Police Department, in its monthly report, showed a total of 23 cases filed by the department in municipal court. The total of fines collected in the court and turned over to the city totaled \$627.50 for the month.

Driving while intoxicated charges accounted for four of the total offenses handled by the police department.

There were three citations issued for improper lane changes. The incidents were resulted in traffic accidents.

Three citations were issued for speeding, clocked by radar. Officers also issued two citations for no liability insurance.

Citations and accidents resulted from two failures to yield right-of-way at unmarked intersections, one from improper right or left turn, and one from failure to control vehicle.

Two persons were arrested on charges of public intoxication and one for disorderly conduct.

One citation was issued for each of these offenses: no drivers' license, failed to stop at stop sign, unsafe control of vehicle, and one charge of no headlights.

Municipal Court Judge J.C. Hodnett said that the total fines collected, so far, on the charges netted the city \$627.50.



Caught in the act

Charges of illegal dumping on city property were filed against Kenneth Lee Neal Monday in connection with the dumping of old tires on city property, north of the old lake, north of the city.

City officials had received a call about someone dumping the tires and Police Chief L.C. Foster and officer Tim Dexter took Neal into custody at the scene. Neal's pick up, still loaded with tires, was impounded in the city yard.

While filing the local charges against the man, a routine check

with the state-wide crime computer revealed that the man was also wanted in Mineral Wells on two warrants issued by the Department of Public Safety.

Other local charges against the man were filed for no motor vehicle registration and no valid driver's license.

Neal was placed in the Runnels County Jail on the charges and officers said that, as a part of his fine, he would be required to pick up the tires that he had dumped at the lake.



Close call

An Austin woman narrowly escaped serious injury Monday afternoon when her small Datsun collided with the rear of a truck-trailer loaded with a bulldozer.

The woman, identified as Kimberly Louise LaGrone, was taken to North Runnels Hospital by a private vehicle where she was kept for a short time for observation and then released.

The accident occurred when the woman apparently attempted to pass a truck, driven by

Blake Odell of Winters. The truck was attempting to turn off of F.M. 53, just west of Winters.

Most seriously injured was the young woman's pet cat, which was taken to a local veterinarian clinic for treatment.

The accident was investigated by Highway Patrol Trooper Tom Barkley, Police Chief L.C. Foster and Sheriff's deputy Barry Hilliard and J.C. Gore assisted in working the collision.

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Poe's corner

by **Charlie Poe**

EDITOR'S NOTE: The Winters Chapter of the FFA fills an important place, not only in the Winters School System, but in the community. The following article, written as a regular feature, "Poe's Corner," by Charlie Poe, is not only interesting, but is important enough to require special handling.

Charlie, a prolific writer is to be again commended for her work in gathering information for this article, which, as she said, required several years to complete.

OOO

Sometimes it takes a while to gather information for an article—like 13 years for this one.

Back in 1966, Harvey Dale Jones told me that Winters had the first Chapter of Future

Farmers in Texas to receive a charter.

Harvey, one of the early members, wanted to secure an historic marker for the Winters FFA Chapter, but he could remember very little except a few names: Clarence Spill, Owne Forbus, Lawrence Green, O.C. Stooksberry, Eugene Polk, Reginald Polk, and Joe B. Wilson. He suggested that I write the Texas FFA at Austin, also to R.E. (Dick) Homann, advisor at the time, for the information.

The letter that I received from Don Jones, Jr., executive secretary, gave the following report:

"According to our records, the Winters Chapter does hold the first State Charter issued in Texas. The Charter was issued April 10, 1930. The offices and members will have to be obtained from chapter records as we do not have this type of information in our office."

If the local chapter had the list of these first members, they were unable to find it.

A reply from Mr. Homann of Junction gave little added help, but with a promise to look for some pictures that he had filed away, just as soon as he finished rearranging his office.

"First, 39 years is a long time, secondly we were never one to keep a lot of records," he wrote.

"Harvey Dale Jones has properly recalled the earlier members of the First Recognized Future Farmers of America Chapter in Texas. The year must have been in 1928 because I came to Winters in July, 1927, to take over the department which had a Mr. Patterson for its teacher the year before. I left in July, 1929. It is bound to have taken a year to get things going."

He did not recall many of the names of the students, but mentioned Graydon Nicholson, Marshall Chapman, Collingsworth Ueckert, Williamson and the Davis boys, also that E.R. Alexander was district supervisor.

I did not hear from Mr. Homann again and Harvey died in 1967, so the subject was not pursued any further.

Several weeks ago, I borrowed a 1929 Glacier from Fay (Mitchell) Pinger in an effort to bring Newton Robertson up-to-date on his classmates. He lives in Arleta, California, and had written asking if anything had been planned for the class's 50th anniversary. He left Texas in 1930 and had lost all contact with other members of his class.

While looking through the Glacier, I found the Future Farmers Club organization and officers listed: Reginald Polk, president; Oran Dorsett, vice president; Owen Forbus, secretary; Lawrence Green, treasurer; and R.E. Homann, advisor.

"The first Chapter of the Future Farmers of America Club of Texas was organized in the Winters High School on September 7, 1928. Because of this recognition, the thirty charter members are duly proud, and the organization date shall always be foremost in their minds."

Blackwell

by Savannah Thompson

The Women's Missionary Union of the Blackwell First Baptist Church did not meet last Thursday for their regular meeting as the ladies were decorating the Fellowship Hall for their Christmas program they had Sunday evening at 6 p.m.

They had a real good crowd in attendance and so many small children in the program and they all did real good. At the program they handed out a bag of fruit and candy to each one there and the ladies served punch and cookies.

A page of pictures showed the boys with their projects of terracing, poultry culling, pigs, cows, and cream testing — and the first Father and Son Banquet November 1, 1928.

"As members of the vocational agriculture class, these boys earn as they learn and have set a pace for a real program in the Winters community," was the last comment.

I'm sure that none could predict at that time the rapid expansion of the FFA work in Winters and its far reaching results.

But what of that first vocational agriculture class taught by B.A. Patterson, a science teacher. Tom Poe filled me in on the details. It was the 1926-27 year and they had their projects on a small scale. He and R.P. Penny raised pigs and Chester Collingsworth had chickens.

Tom moved to Abilene the next year, but he remembered the name of every boy in the class: Ted Williams, R.P. Penny, J.P. (Pete) Davidson, Tom Poe, Bernie Robinson, Chester Collingsworth, Clifton Wyatt, Raymond Cooke, Alfred Bishop, Antheil Fisher, J.L. King, Ray Rogers, Martin Kennedy, Harold Stooksberry, and Henry Orr.

Pete Davidson had his second year prize money of \$175 for a registered Jersey heifer for Lawrence. He had let him have one to raise on the strength of it.

Mrs. R.P. Penny, a long time member and worker of the Winters Livestock Association, learned that the three men responsible for getting the first chapter for the FFA were J.G. Key, H.O. Jones and C.L. Green, who spend time in Austin.

EDITOR'S NOTE: In 1982, two years after this article first appeared, the Winters Chapter of the Young Farmers erected a large sign just west of the City of Winters that proclaims Winters as the home of the first Chartered FFA Chapter in the State of Texas.

The norther blew into Blackwell by 3 p.m. Monday evening and by 5 p.m. a sheet of ice was forming. There was some ice Wednesday morning, but it soon melted and a heavy fog was in which lasted until Friday afternoon. The sun came out for just a little while. During the early hours Friday morning, a light mist began falling, but only a trace was received.

Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Oden and son Larry had as their visitors during the Christmas holidays, their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dan Oden and their children, Sarah Joy, Melissa, Tommy, Robert and Allen from Albany. Her daughter, Kathy Carlton and her children, Ron and Cyndi of Blackwell were also there.

Sharon Scott and her son Kyle had as their visitors over the holidays Gloria Lyons from Hobbs, New Mexico. For Christmas dinner she had her mother, Lillian Ragland, Gloria Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Ragland and daughter Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Shaffer and son Allan, and Shelly Jo Ragland.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lewis went to Brady to visit with Pat's mother and dad, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Oldham for the holidays. Also at the Oldham's was Pat's daughter and her husband Mr. and Mrs. Bob Herring and children Ryder and Tripp from San Angelo, another daughter, Cheri Kordek and her husband Mike, from San Angelo, a son Jimmie Petty and his wife Karen and son Del from Ft. Stockton, another son Tim and his wife Janice and children Marcie and Julie from Rising Star, her sister Juanita Griffin and her daughter Christy from San Angelo. Mrs. Lewis brought back her grand-daughters Marcie and Julie to spend a few days in Blackwell before going back to school.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Chew had as their visitors during the Christmas holidays some of their children, grand-children and great grand-children. Their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Chew and son Jody came Christmas Eve from Abilene, then on Christmas Day another son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Chew, their son LeRoy Chew, and his son, Coy, also from Abilene. Their daughter and her children, Mrs. Frank (Helen) Hargrave and children David Calvert, Elizabeth Ann and Connie Rhea and another daughter of Helen's, Mrs. Bud (Carla Deniece) Adams all from Bronte. Their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. George Chew with Donna Sue, James and Carrie Ann, all from Blackwell. This was the first time the new baby had been to visit her great-grandparents.

Girls Basketball results told

Last December 20, the Varsity girls played Baird in a District Contest. The game was close until the middle of the third quarter when Baird scored 15 points to 8 points for Winters.

Playing well for Winters was, Maggie Compos, LaShea Guy, Michelle O'Neal and Nelinda Sims. The high point for Winters was Guy with 16 points. The Final score, Winters, 39, Baird, 60.

On December 28, the Varsity girls played excellent defense with key scores coming in the 4th quarter to defeat a good Ballinger team, 30 to 29.

We played very good defense since Christmas break. When we can get better offensive performances with our defense effort, we will increase our total goals for this year.

Playing well for Winters was Bedford, Campos 6 points, Guy 11 points, Sims 6 points, Poehls, Pruser 4 points, O'Neal 2 points, Rice 1 point and Garcia.

On January 4, the Varsity Teams play at Ranger at 6:30, then have Jim Ned January 8 at home.

Card of Thanks

I would like to express my sincere appreciation for all the cards, calls, prayers and visits while in the Humana Hospital and after I returned home. Special thanks to Pastor Byrne and Pastor Flatmann.

My family joins me in saying thanks to you all.

Charles Matthies

"THOSE CRAZY EPISCOPALIANS"



how do they stand the ritual?

Monday night, Jim Farbusch wore a feathered headdress to a boys' meeting with his son.

Tuesday, for the neighborhood cookout, he donned an apron embellished with funny slogans.

At the Wednesday civic-club, he kept things lively ...noisily shaking coins in a coffee can as he assessed fines from derelict members.

Thursday was lodge night. No special rites, so a simple fez sufficed.

Friday? High-school home-coming game. In a coonskin coat, reeking of mothballs, Jim chanted the traditional incantations: "Two, four, six, eight... who (sic) do we appreciate?"

Saturday chores found him bedecked in a rather gaudy uniform-of-the-day: silky-shiny coveralls in chic burnt-gold hue.

And on Sunday, as he passed his acquaintance, the Episcopal rector, in front of the church, Jim chuckled: "Those crazy Episcopalians! How do they stand all the robes and ritual?"

Maybe you, too, wonder what makes Episcopalians tick. They have some rather interesting thoughts on religion. Your nearby Episcopal neighbor or minister would be flattered if you'd ask him to discuss these with you...and he'd likely be the last person in the world to "twist your arm."

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Mrs. Brian Keith Minzenmayer

Shamone Jones, Brian Minzenmayer marry

Miss Shamone Michelle Jones, daughter of Mrs. W.J. Byler, Jr. and Bill W. Jones of Ballinger and Brian Keith Minzenmayer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Minzenmayer of Ballinger, were united in marriage December 22, 1984 at 3 p.m.

The couple exchanged vows in a double ring ceremony at the First United Methodist Church in Ballinger. Reverend Stephen Byrne, pastor of the St. John's Lutheran Church in Winters was the officiating minister.

The Church altar held an arrangement of White Antherums, scotch broom, cedar and holley, accented by footed votive candles. A brass candleabrum, brass kneeler and the church's traditional hanging advent wreath completed the altar. The chancel rail held votive candles, holley and cedar to compliment the altar arrangement. Pine and

applies. Pearls and floral appliques covered the fitted bodice. The cathedral train flowed from a wasp waist with delicate fabric flowers streaming down to the crystal pleated flounce around the skirt. Sheer long sleeves fell from a gentle puff at the shoulder. Her headpiece was a wreath of silk gypsophelia with intertwining pearls. A bouquet of silk roses and pearls accented the back. Pearls edged the ivory veil of bridal illusion. The bride carried a natural cascade of English ivy, white roses, stephanotis, dendrobium orchids, gypsophelia and cedar. Dainty ivory satin ribbon and strings of pearls intertwined the bouquet, falling into love knots. The brides mother designed the bouquet.

For something old, the bride wore her grandmothers first wedding band; something new was a watch given to her by the groom; something borrowed was a necklace belonging to her mother; and something blue was a garter fashioned by Mrs. Earnest Brown. Her grand parents furnished a six pence for her shoe.

The Maid of Honor was the bride's sister, Shannon Marie Jones.

Bridesmaids were: Angie Jones, San Angelo; Misty Gordon, Ballinger; Elizabeth Wilson, Waco; Brenda Niehues, Wall.

The flower girl was Shy Ann Mayfield of Bangs.

The maid of honor and the flower girl wore waltz length gowns of primrose morie taffeta. Their gowns featured empire waists, popular puff sleeves and square neckline with a sash of the same material.

The bridesmaids wore burgandy taffeta gowns of the same style as the honour attendant. Each wore a gold bracelet given them by the bride. The bride's attendants carried free form bouquets of red roses, dendrahium orchids, gypsophelia and cedar. They were accented with dainty satin ribbon of burgandy and primrose. The flower girl carried a miniature replica of the bridesmaids bouquets.

The best man was Alton Schaefer of Norton.

The groomsmen were: Michael Minzenmayer, the groom's brother, of Winters; Bernard Schaefer of Norton; Howard Pruser of Winters; Dwaine Giestman of San Angelo.

The ring bearer was Jason Hambright, the groom's nephew from Abilene.

The groomsmen, ring bearer and candlelighters wore grey tuxedos, matching grey vests, grey ascots and white pleated shirts.

Ushers were: Rodney Hambright, the groom's brother-in-law, Dennis Minzenmayer, the groom's brother of Rowena; Mark Schaefer of Norton; Todd Holley of Ballinger.

The rehearsal dinner was given by Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Minzenmayer at the Lowake Steak House.

The reception was at the Ballinger Country Club hosted by Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Byler, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. G.F. Lloyd. The houseparty included Shirley Hambright, Kelli White, Pam Halfmann, Janet Minzenmayer, Gayle Minzenmayer, Charlotte Miller, Pat Williams, Clydelle Selby, Bettye Irby, Jo Parks and Nancy Davis. Registering guests was Melissa Benson.

The bride's table was covered with a pink cloth and white eyelet overlay. A Tuscan glass vase belonging to the bride's grandmother held an arrangement of white roses and holley. These complimented the bride's tiered cake which was surrounded by four heart-shaped cakes. Each tier and surrounding cakes were covered with fresh arrangements of red and white roses, dendrodium orchids, and miniature carnations. The appointments for the table were crystal.

Covering the groom's table was a burgandy cloth with an ivory eyelet overlay. The groom's German chocolate cake was topped with an arrangement of red roses, and the appointments for his table were silver. His table was centered with a glass hurricane globe, a portrait of the bride and her bouquet.

Both the bride and groom's cakes were created by Teresa Steele.

Talpa

By Maggie Ruth Stokes

Mrs. Vivian Parker, of Santa Anna, died Friday, December 21, at Brownwood. She was buried Saturday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock in the Talpa Cemetery.

She was born June 10, 1907, in Milam County to Mr. and Mrs. Tillet Sharpton. She was married to John Parker and was a resident of Talpa many years before moving to Santa Anna.

She was survived by a daughter, Frances Carroll of Red Oak, and a son, J.R., of Houston, a sister, Margarite Shelton of San Angelo, and a brother, Regional Sharpton of San Angelo, seven grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

The Talpa Centennial High School faculty and wives had a Christmas party at the home of Larry and Pat Gilder in Coleman Thursday night, December 20th.

Visitors in our home during the Christmas Holidays were Jim and Karen Cate, Steven and Brad of Bryan and Brian Stokes.

We visited on Christmas Night in the S.J. Brevard and Edgar Whitley homes.

Bill and Jo Rae of Hamlin came on Friday and stayed until Sunday in the George Rae Home. On Saturday, Kay Browning, Chris Morris of Hammond Louisiana came and Chris will stay until the second of January with his grandparents.

Jim and Gayle Lammon, Glenn and Jennifer Hayden of Houston spent from Sunday until Tuesday in the Clyde Hollinger home for Christmas.

On Saturday, December 29, Clyde and Edith Hollinger went to Llano to visit her nephew, Kenny Sanders, and his mother.

Ricky Hallford had a kidney transplant in the Humana Hospital in San Antonio on Friday morning. The operation was successful as of this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bailey and grandson Shon Sadler, of Garland, and Mrs. Ethyl Bell, of Ft. Worth, spend a few days at their farm and while here visited Anna Lee Ray, and she visited them one day.

Christmas Day's visitors with Loweta Pope were Dale and Patti Hicks and children of Brownwood and her mother Pearl Thomason.

Thora Irwin, of San Antonio, visited in our home on December 26.

I attended the Golden Wedding anniversary reception on December 23rd at Hopewell Baptist Church in honor of Noble and Harvey Mae Faubion.

Merl and Don Smith went to Hawaii on the 22nd of December and returned on the 29th. They visited the Maui and Kauai Islands.

Mike and Debbie Priddy, Julie and Matt spent Christmas Eve with her mother, Mrs. Roy Routh, and Janice of Ballinger, and spent Christmas Day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Priddy of Winters.

Brenton and Pat Cassaday and Zane spend Sunday before Christmas with his mother, Jewel Cassaday in Llano. Buddy and Frances Henderson, Julie and Mark were there also.

Wayne and Ludie Rudolph, of Ft. Worth, Roger and Karen Bains, of Rankin, and Bradley and Cheryl Bains, of Lubbock, visited Newt and Marie Bains the week-end following Christmas for their dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horton of Seattle, Washington, visited a week during Christmas with

The rest of the clubhouse was decorated in the Christmas theme with the bride's chosen colors of ivory, primrose and burgundy.

The bride is a graduate of Ballinger High School in 1984 and presently attending Angelo State University Majoring in Education.

The groom is a graduate of Ballinger High School in 1979, and graduated from Angelo State University in 1983 with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree, Majoring in Accounting.

The couple will spend their wedding trip in Ruidoso, New Mexico. They will reside at 805 9th Street in Ballinger.

his mother, Mae Horton, and brother Julian.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Moreland, of Goldthwaite, spent Christmas Day in the Mae Horton home.

In the Gordon Brookshire home during Christmas were Judy Brookshire of Odessa, Robbie and Carol Jones, Shon and Brook of Sonora and Annisa Brookshire came the week-end and following Christmas on her way back to Ft. Worth.

Donnie Dunn of Aspermont, son in law of Darrell and Ann Green, was injured in a hunting accident, near Talpa on Christmas Eve. He was taken to the Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene and is out of intensive care now.

Visitors in the Johnny Decker home on Christmas Day were Mike and Patti Decker, Alexis and Bonnie, of San Angelo, for the noon meal and Howard and Dinah Taff, Jonna and Jeff of Ballinger, Johnnie B and Linda Decker of San Angelo and their family were there Christmas Night.

Johnnie and Duleie Decker went to Menard one day before Christmas to place flowers on their parents' graves.

Everett and Eva Evans went to Sweetwater to the one of Wayne and Barbara Rainey on Christmas Eve and all of Eva's children and grandchildren were there.

On the day following Christmas, Gene and Sue Evans of Columbus, Smedley Evans of Austin, and Scott Evans and family of League City had their Christmas tree in the Steve Evans home and their Christmas meal in the Everett Evans home.

Rhonda Barnett, Edward and Angela, of Temple spent Christmas week with Leonard and Scotty Greer.

Kenneth and Jo McWilliams' children all visited home at different times during the Christmas holidays, Craig McWilliams and family of Abilene, Kerry McWilliams and family of Lake Palestine, and Jo Lynn Bragg and family of

Hondo.

Bill and Lillian Turk's family, Larry and Shirley Williams of Shields, Gary and Patti Williams of Rosenberg, and their Children, Billie Turk's family of Ballinger and Bill's father, of Rosenberg.

We had three inches of rain here on Sunday and Monday.

Vena Bob Gates and Mildred Pauley's visitors on Friday were Sandy Gates, Jennifer and Tamara of Austin, Debbie Gates, Terra, Jacy, and Justin, of White Chapel.

Vena Bob Gates and Mildred Pauley enjoyed an early Christmas supper on Sunday, December 23, with the Edward Gates family of White Chapel, Bill Gates of Austin and Tommy and Lou Ellen Gates and Ben of Buffalo Gap were there also.

Orby and Thelma Sikes were Coahoma on Sunday before Christmas for a family Christmas dinner in the Jeanette Brooks home.

On Christmas Day, Shirley Hallford of Ballinger, Baker and Hiawatha Hallford of Midland, and Bill Gates enjoyed dinner in the Orby Sikes home.

Mrs. Carol Storey, Kelly and Katy, of Tyler, visited in the Sikes home on Friday with them and Jeanette Brooks.

Thelma Sikes, Jeanette Brooks and Mildred Pauley spend Thursday in San Angelo.

U.S. Air Force seeks graduates - seniors

"The United States Air Force is currently accepting applications from highly qualified college graduates and seniors. Several challenging positions ranging from Space Shuttle Operations Officers, to pilots are currently available," according to Captain Mark Bornbusch, Air Force Science and Engineering Recruitment Officer here.

Minimum qualifications for these programs are: 18 to 30 years of age, 2.8 grade point average on a 4.0 scale, from an accredited college, good health, good character and U.S. citizenship.

Interested persons may obtain additional information by contacting Captain Mark Bornbusch at 817-261-2946 collect.

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Leader training to be given

County Extension Agent H.E. Dana Craddock, will be giving a leader training meeting on Thursday, January 3 at 2 p.m. in the third floor conference room of the courthouse. This leader training is open to all organizations and clubs in the county. Any organization is welcome to send one or two representatives for the training. The representative will be given program packets and ideas for presenting this program to their own organization.

The training will be on "The Three R's for the 80's—Roles! Relationships! Responsibilities!" If you find that juggling a job, a home, a marriage and children difficult, even when everything is going well, then this leader training is for you. Learn to differentiate between roles you can handle and those you can't, then mobilize the resources to deal with the problem.

If you are interested in attending this leader training, please call 365-5042 to have your name placed on the list.

Due to health problems we will be closing our store "The Bargain Counter" and also the Income tax office Sat., Jan. 5. All lay-aways must be taken care of immediately. We appreciate the patronage you have given us. Thanks to everyone.

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NEW LISTING: cozy 2 BR, 1 bath, large living area with cathedral ceiling.

NEW LISTING: very neat 2 BR, 1 bath on two lots, mid 20's.

PRICE REDUCED: 3 BR, 1 bath, carpeted, H/A, near school

NEW LISTING: 3 BR, 1 1/2 bath, H/A, insulation, fenced, mid 30's.

LIKE NEW: 2 BR, 1 bath, all new appliances, on corner lot.

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ALMOST NEW: 3 BR, 2 bath, brick, fireplace, central H.A.

INVESTMENT PROPERTY: 4, 1 BR, 1 bath apartment units near school.

MOBILE HOME, and lot with separate garage, 2 BR, 1 bath, close in.

100 ACRES: with small house, Hwy frontage. Call for more information.

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Obituaries

John R. Woodfin

John R. Woodfin, 91, of Winters, died at 8:45 a.m. Saturday in the Senior Citizens Nursing Home in Winters after a lengthy illness. Mr. Woodfin was born March 20, 1893 in Rockfort, Alabama. He moved to Texas at the age of 21 settling in DeLeon, where he lived a few years. He moved to Rannels County in 1916. He later settled at Pumphrey.

He married Johnnie Patterson on June 7, 1925 in Drasco at the home of the bride's parents. They moved to Winters in 1978.

He served in the Medical Division of the U.S. Army during World War I.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife Johnnie; two sons, Donald of New Orleans, La. and George (Woodie) of Abilene; two grand children; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at the Winters Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Harry Martin and Reverend Glenn Shoemaker officiating. Burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery under the direction of the Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were: H.M. Nichols, Barney Puckett, Charles A. Walt, Chester McBeth, G.W. Scott, Jr. and D.E. Pinegar.

Mrs. Marie Hickam

Mrs. Marie (Glaze) Hickam, 74, of Granbury, Texas, died December 28, 1984 in the Hood General Hospital in Granbury.

She was born July 5, 1910 in Hughes Springs, Texas. She married John Hickam on October 19, 1933 in Ballinger.

She was an Odessa resident from 1937 to 1974 where she taught piano lessons in her home for 20 years.

She was a member of the Hospice Auxiliary in Odessa and a former member of Crest Park Church of Christ in Odessa.

She was a Granbury resident for 10 years where she was a member of the Paluxy Road Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, John Hickam of Granbury; a daughter, Sherri Cunningham of Dallas; a son, Sam Hickam of Arlington; three grandchildren, Staci, Lance and Lisa Hickam; a brother, Frank Glaze of Midland.

Services were Saturday, December 29, 1984 at 1 p.m. in Martin's Chapel. Burial was in the Ector County Cemetery at Odessa with Choice L. Bryant, Minister, officiating.

Mrs. Monroe Kurtz

Mrs. Monroe Kurtz, 79, of Winters, died at 12:30 a.m. Friday morning at Shannon Memorial Hospital in San Angelo after a lengthy illness.

She was born Matilda Bredemeyer on September 27, 1905 in Winters.

She married Monroe Kurtz on January 11, 1924 in Winters. They had been stockfarmers and she had lived in Winters all her life.

She was an active member of St. John's Lutheran Church serving as a Sunday School teacher, and she was involved in the Ladies Aid Circle and A.L.C.W.

Survivors include: two sons, Herbert (Buster) Kurtz of Arlington and Billy Kurtz of San Angelo; two daughters, Darlene Bachman of Wingate and Dorothy Chambers of Midland; one brother, Herman (Slim) Bredemeyer of Winters; three sisters, Dora Busher of Winters, Bertha Frick of Winters and Augusta Salge of Abilene; six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Services were held in St. John's Lutheran Church at 2:30 p.m. Saturday with Pastor Steve Byrne officiating. Burial was in the Lutheran Cemetery under the direction of Winters Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were grandsons: Jimmy Sparks, Tommy Chambers, Scott Kurtz, James Hindman, Lynn Bachman and Glenn Lanier.

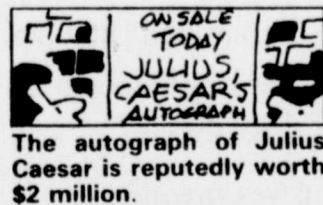
Maude White

Maude N. White, 79, of Midland, a former longtime resident of Blackwell, died at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Midland. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Blackwell Cemetery, directed by McCoy Funeral Home of Sweetwater.

Dr. Don Goates, pastor of Sweetwater First Baptist Church, officiated.

She married Willis J. White. She was a member of Hospice of Midland and Allison Diagnostic Clinic in Midland. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter, Elsie Stewart of Midland; a son, L.F. J. White of Odessa; a sister, Eunice Helms of San Angelo; two brothers, Jeff Harvick and Emmett Harvick, both of Glen Rose; two grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.



The autograph of Julius Caesar is reputedly worth \$2 million.

James H. Bryant

James H. "Cotton" Bryant, 67, of Oak Creek Lake, died Tuesday, December 18, in the VA Hospital in Big Spring.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2 p.m. in the Sanders Funeral Home Chapel in Lubbock.

Survivors include his wife, Sybil; one daughter, Brenda Reed; and one grandson, Jeffrey Jackson, both of Plano.

Christmas visitors

Those visiting Mrs. Harold Wilson and Billy during Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Reel, Leigh Ann and Jodie of Paint Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Waggoner and girls and Magel of Glen Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Dupre, Janie, Micheal and Matthew of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Don Wilson, Kris and Kacey of Greenwood and Robert Harville of Ovalo, Mr. and Mrs. Harlen Meyer and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Gunn of Midlothian, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Meyer of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Denzil Riggan of Sweetwater, Cheryl Riggan of San Angelo, Joyce Harville, Reba Walters and son of Ft. Worth, Mr. and Mrs. Winford Reel Heather and Kira Reel of Winters, Mrs. Bartis Knight of Lawn, Earnest Wilson of Anson and Ima Shelton of Abilene.

Singing whales

Male humpback whales are underwater singing stars, says National Wildlife's *Ranger Rick* magazine. When they decide to sing they dive to about 80 feet, rest their heads down, stretch their flippers out, and begin a tune of moans, moos, grunts and groans that lasts up to 30 minutes.

A total of 73 million men, women and children, or one third of our population, have chronic respiratory illnesses.

Charity-wise giving

"One of the prime motivations for giving to charity is to help those in need," says Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service home economist Nancy L. Granovsky. "Yet, the charity industry is one of the largest and least regulated, so consumers cannot always be sure their dollars are being used legitimately." But consumers can now check out charities just as they would any other type of business or investment, she says. The Philanthropic Advisory Service of the Council of Better Business Bureaus (BBB) and the National Information Bureau (NIB) both serve as voluntary watchdogs for the charity industry. Granovsky explains. They rate charities according to their use of funds, fundraising practices, public accountability and ethics. Both groups publish lists telling which charities meet their standards and which ones fail. For more information consumers can write to the Philanthropic Advisory Service at 1515 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va. 22209, or the National Information Bureau at 419 Park Ave. So., New York, N.Y. 10016.

NEWS IN PICTURES

LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS



A spectacular new dove has been added to the dramatic 80-by-300 foot "Doves of Peace" sculpture that was presented as a Christmas gift last year to the residents of The Woodlands, a new city 27 miles north of downtown Houston, Texas. The new dove, bearing a banner saying "Season's Greetings" and topped with a sparkling star rises to a height of 60 feet off the ground. These international symbols of peace boast 30 foot wing spans and 2,146 lights. 1,500 feet of gold garlands and a 20-foot live tree base. The new dove was constructed by Bailex and Company of Houston, and erected by The Woodlands Corporation, a division of Mitchell Energy & Development Corp., developers of the new community.



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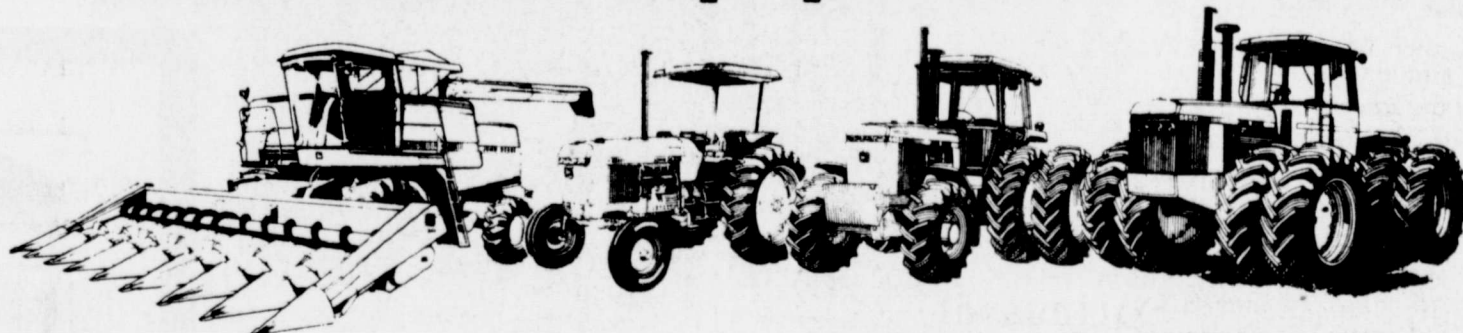


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MODEL	DISCOUNT IN LIEU OF WAIVER		
	During DEC	During JAN	During FEB
8450	\$2100	\$1725	\$1350
8650	2575	2100	1625
8850	3225	2625	2050
8440	1725	1400	1100
8640	2125	1725	1350

Outstanding savings on used 4WD tractors, too, with no interest to pay until June 1, 1985, with John Deere financing.*

DEAL 2. ROW CROP TRACTORS

Huge pass-along savings on units listed here plus interest-free financing until June 1, 1985.* If you prefer, take an extra discount in lieu of finance waiver.

MODEL	DISCOUNT IN LIEU OF WAIVER		
	During DEC	During JAN	During FEB
100-hp 4050	\$1000	\$ 825	\$ 650
120-hp 4250	1075	875	700
140-hp 4450	1200	975	750
165-hp 4650	1450	1175	925
190-hp 4850	1675	1375	1075

Huge savings with the same Deere financing interest-free offer on used equipment, also.

DEAL 3. UTILITY TRACTORS

Get unheard of savings that we're passing along from John Deere on new Utility tractors shown in this chart. Then, get interest-free John Deere financing until June 1, 1985. Or, take an additional discount in lieu of finance waiver.

MODEL	CUSTOMER DISCOUNT
40-hp 1250	\$ 550
50-hp 1450	625
60-hp 1650	700
45-hp 2150	650
50-hp 2255**	675
55-hp 2350	750
65-hp 2550	850
75-hp 2750	1400
2750 High Clearance	1000
85-hp 2950	2700

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DEAL 4. COMBINES

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MODEL	CUSTOMER DISCOUNT	
	SERIAL #600000 TO AND BELOW \$ 5,000	SERIAL #600001 TO SERIAL #610000 \$ 3,500
4420	5,000	4,000
6620	6,000	4,500
6620 (SIDEHILL)	10,000	7,000
6622	7,000	4,500
7721	4,000	2,500
8820	10,000	5,500

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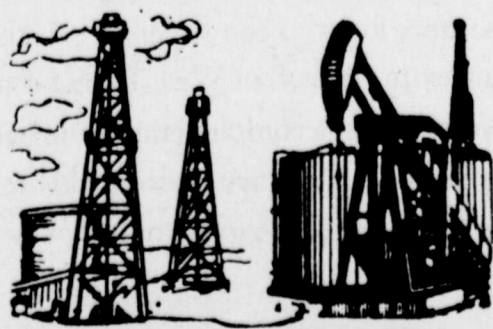
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Bill filed to reduce teacher paperwork

State Senator Lindon Williams (D-Houston) has pre-filed two proposed bills in the Texas Legislature to relieve the state's schoolteachers of the burden of increased paperwork and to facilitate the operation of tutorial programs for students.

On November 30, Williams filed the two pieces of proposed legislation to clear up misinterpretation of the education reforms enacted last summer by the State Legislature. The purpose of the bills is to enable schoolteachers and school districts to implement the reforms with greater ease and to achieve the results desired by the reform effort.

The paperwork reduction bill will require the Texas Education Agency to conduct yearly accreditation audits of local districts to insure that they are implementing the intent of the bill.

The tutorial bill seeks to allow school districts to use volunteers, such as college students or accelerated high school students in tutorial programs, instead of requiring that only certified classroom teachers tutor. If passed by the Legislature, the bill also would entitle classroom teachers to extra pay if they tutor in addition to teaching.

Not requiring classroom teachers to tutor would also reduce paperwork by relieving teachers of the extra work required to formulate tutorial lesson plans in addition to their lesson plans for regular classes.

In seeking to reduce the paperwork burden, Williams' bill echoes the sentiments of teachers, their representative groups, and Texas Gov. Mark White, who earlier this month urged the State Board of Education to examine and alleviate the paperwork burden so that teachers can spend more time teaching and less time filling out forms.

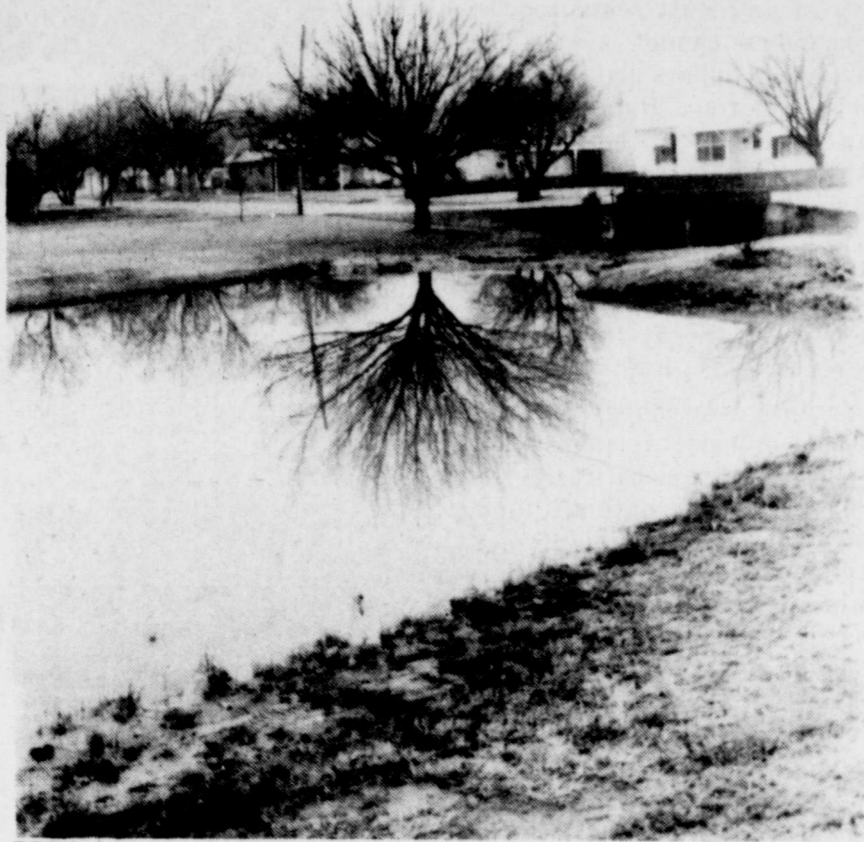
"By filing this bill, we are sending a clear message to educators that the State Senate is serious about allowing teachers time to teach," Williams said.

Just as the state's elected leaders legislated the education reforms, they must be willing to clarify and fine tune the legislation to make it practical, Williams explained.

"The bureaucracy must take the first step in eliminating duplication of effort, record-keeping and paperwork," the senator added.

Williams has already drawn praise for his efforts from the 40,000 member Association of Professional Educators (ATPE), the state's second largest teachers' association.

Williams represents Senatorial District 6, which includes part of Harris County.



Wintertime

The stark beauty of a wintry tree is reflected in the pond next to George Brown's home on West Dale Street in Winters.



Unusual

This unique growth of fungus was found on only one of the pecan trees behind the Winters City Hall.

While the saying states that

moss is found on the north side of the trees, the same is not true for this parasitic fungus which is on the southwest side of the tree.

Largest antlers

The Alaskan moose is possibly the largest antlered animal ever to live on Earth, says *National Wildlife* magazine. Their racks can exceed six feet in width.



In 1900, Jhann Huslinger walked from Vienna to Paris, 871 miles, on his hands. At 10 hours a day, the journey took Huslinger 55 days.



The Great Seal of the U.S. has 13 of each of these items: stars, stripes, clouds, arrows, laurel leaves, berries, feathers in each wing and tail, and rows in the pyramid.

Hospital

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ADMISSIONS

December 18
Wallace Watson
Debbie Dexter

December 19
Alicia Romeriz

December 21
— none —

December 22
— none —

December 23
Annie Williams

December 24
Ted Meyer

December 25
Ruth Healer

F.O. Minzemayer

December 26
— none —

December 27
Johnnie Woodfin

Troy Conner

December 28
Ila Afflerbach

R.Q. Marks

December 29
— none —

December 30
— none —

DISMISSALS

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Mabel Thomason

Debbie Dexter

December 19
Ruby Tharp

December 20
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December 21
Thelma Cummings

Wallace Watson

Ellawayne Russell

December 22
Alicia Romeriz

December 23
Paula Powers

December 24
Susie Bryant

Willie Pritchard

Barbara Moore

December 25
R.L. McFarland

December 26
— none —

December 27
Ted Meyer, transfer

December 28
Ruth Healer

Eugene Traylor

December 29
Annie Williams

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F.O. Minzemayer

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Saint Francis notes time change

The Congregation of Saint Francis Episcopal Church announces a time change from 8:15 a.m. Sunday morning to 10:45 a.m. every Sunday. Saint Francis began as a house church meeting in the home of interested adults several years ago. They now meet, and will continue to meet, in the Christian Education Hall at Saint John's Lutheran Church, 1100 West Parsonage, in Winters. The Reverend Steve Byrne, Pastor at Saint John's invited Saint Francis to use their facilities, with the approval of his congregation, as a result of

his previous experience of hosting Saint Alban's Episcopal Church while pastor of a Lutheran Church in Odessa.

The Reverend Bob Maxwell, vicar at Saint Mark's in Coleman, is priest-in-charge and is assisted by the Reverend Jim Considine, the retired vicar at Sweetwater. Mrs. Elsie Belk is warden of the congregation and Mrs. Erlene Springer and Mrs. Margaret Speer serve in the Bishop's Committee which is responsible for the life of Saint Francis. Mr. Leon Springer is treasurer. Those who have never experienced the Episcopal Church or are former attendees are invited to worship at this 10:45 hour.

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