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The National Farm Summit... up to examine important issues... tural economy, will feature agri... culture Secretary Bob Bergland... and U.S. Sen. Robert Dole... Kansas as speakers.

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After the summit concludes... Dec. 6, farmers will head the... caravan to the Houston port.

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Floyd County Ninth In Ag Income Over \$89 Million In '77



WAVELY WASHINGTON (right) gets a nice plaque of appreciation for his service as president of the Floyd County Jr. Livestock Show this year. The congratulations comes from Edwin Nutt, this year's president. (Staff Photo)

The Texas Department of Agriculture recently published its "1977 Texas Agricultural Cash Receipts Statistics" book which reveals Floyd County now in the top ten in agriculture income.

Floyd agriculture income amounted to \$89,707,000 in 1977 for crops, livestock and government payments.

County Agent Doyle Warren is advancing from the number nine county to the number one county in the state. Here are the state top ten:

- Hidalgo \$220,445; Deaf Smith \$209,403; Parmer \$164,232; Hale \$157,582; Castro \$156,272; Lubbock \$116,507; Lamb \$112,368; Swisher \$110,059; Floyd \$89,707; Cameron \$89,097.

Floyd County income breakdown includes a little over \$74 million for crops, 11 million for livestock, four million government payments.

Most of Hidalgo's money was from crops, mostly cotton. Deaf Smith cattle feedlots made it strong in livestock income. Castro, Swisher and Parmer were all strong in livestock money.



GOING BALLOONING...In the gondola with owner Elaine Kramer: Ida Palomin, Boyd Jackson and Sandra Castro. Also in the picture: Ben Reece, Paul Reece, Jeff Reece. (Staff Photo)

Ballooning Returns To Lockney

By Jim Higgins

High above northwest Floyd County we floated majestically, surveying the landscape, able to see forever across the plains from our viewpoint, the gondola of a seven-story hot-air balloon.

Well, actually I was maybe 50 feet off the ground on the end of a tether line, and could see Aiken and the top of the grain elevator in Lockney. But the experience did qualify as a first-time balloon flight for this reporter and entitled him to participate in the post-flight ceremony, which involved kneeling facing the east, hearing a "balloonists prayer" and getting doused with the contents of a half-pint can of what, when you've said its brand name, "...you've said it all..." (Which took some explaining when I returned to the office.)

It happened like this:

A hot-air balloon, piloted by Elaine Kramer of Albuquerque, was inflated and flew from the Lockney Elementary School playground about 7:30 Friday morning. Nearly two hours later, she set down in a pasture north of Aiken.

From several miles away, the pink-and-purple balloon looked like a floating advertisement for Brach's Candy. The pilot later said she hoped someday it would be.

After the landing, Kramer told about the balloon. It's co-owned by her and another Albuquerque woman, Paula O'Brien. They purchased the craft, a Barnes Firefly II, nearly two years ago for \$6100 (the same balloon now sells for about \$8300), and dubbed it "The Ladies Choice" for the obvious reasons. The partner didn't make the trip

to Texas—the lady balloonist was assisted on her Floyd County flight by her fiancé, Ben Reece, a former Lockneyite who now lives in Albuquerque. (He's Paul Reece's brother.)

Both balloonists have FAA licenses, obtained after passing written tests and flight tests with FAA examiners on board. The balloon must be inspected every year or every 100 hours air time, whichever comes first.

Propane tanks in the gondola provided the fuel to heat the air to lift the balloons.

Inflated, the "envelope" stands about 50 feet tall and has a volume of 55,660 cubic feet.

After learning about the balloon, I accepted an invitation to go on a "tether flight". The balloon crew inflated the envelope, using a fan powered by a small gasoline engine. I climbed in the gondola, being careful not to get mud from my boots on the padded leather section which topped the sides on the gondola. The pilot opened the valve on the propane burner momentarily a couple of times, and shortly we were airborne, waving to the people on the ground.

Then your reporter and several others who'd taken their first balloon flight that morning participated in the "first-timers' ceremony." Honest—that's the reason we smelled like a brewery Friday, gang.

Lockney-area folks got a good look at a hot-air balloon back in the summer when a film crew was filming a herbicide commercial for television, using one of the lighter-than-air craft.

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Wavely Washington, Teacher With Religious Background, Praises God

For the first time Wavely Washington of Lockney was when the president of Butler College called him to be his assistant at People's Bank.

He was in 1953. Wavely had just finished his Bachelor of Science Degree from Butler. His four years' study in social science and elementary education. During that time, he had been president of the college P.A. and secretary of his college.

At the same time, he had worked time at People's Bank where he still employed.

When the president of Butler called him, he asked me if I was interested in a teaching position in Texas. I was very interested. To me, I was interested in the teaching profession. The chance of going to West Texas added to my excitement, he remembers.

Where he hardly knew what was going on, he had contacted Superintendent Irons of Lockney and had a bus for the 550-mile trip to Lockney. He had no reason to regret the long bus trip.

For the first, I was interviewed by Superintendent Irons and Whitley Foster. Following this, we had a meeting with the school board and I agreed to teach at the Lockney Elementary school and Mr. Nicholas called Washington Elementary.

My wife, who had her B.S. Degree from Texas College, was also hired. Washington remembers that he was impressed by the kindness and politeness of the board members and the guidance of God in my life. I would be nothing, I believe in a hereafter.

"My grandmother on my father's side lived to be 100 years old.

"Since I was brought up in a religious family, I was taught to believe in God and the equality of man. I always felt and believed that I could get along with anyone. I have always thought that I could treat others as Christ would have me. It has always been satisfactory to me. It has always been in the Bible, I believe in believing in the Bible. I believe Christ came and died. We have to give a little if we believe that." (This is not my farewell address," he adds as he laughs.)

As a corporal in Combat Engineers in the Second World War, he was in England, Scotland and through the Panama Canal to the Philippines and New Guinea. There were short stops at each of these places, but he spent 18 months in Japan as an occupational soldier. He was in armed service two and a half years.

The E.A.M.E. Campaign ribbon, Asiatic and Pacific Campaign Ribbon, the Good Conduct Medal, the Philip Liberation Ribbon, the Army Occupation Medal (Japan) the Victory Ribbon and Over Seas Service Bars are the decorations and citations received for army service.

Now he would like taking an overseas trip as a civilian.

"I spent two hard years farming

write, but were able to work hard enough to buy land. That's the land we still have in our possession. Eleven years after slavery, he was buying property. He bought better that 300 acres of land.

"The people who owned my grandmother were good to her. My grandfather had an extremely hard time.

"My grandma on my father's side must have had good slave owners."

"On my mother's side, the people who owned my grandfather were good people. He learned to read and write and teach music. He wrote songs. Since he had good slave owners, he did well. He accomplished quite a bit.

"My dad owned his own farm. His objective in life was that all his children get an education, but he and my mother passed away when I was young—Father when I was seven and Mother when I was nine.

"My older sister was old enough to be a mother to us. She was a teacher. There were 12 of us in the family. Each of us have a high school education or more. One brother is a principal of a school in Dallas.



WAVELY WASHINGTON is a Lockney fifth grade teacher and a bus driver.

after I came out of the Army. Each year, the ball weevil would gather my cotton crop in East Texas. We decided to enter college which had been what my wife had wanted to do when we first married.

"I am happy here in Lockney. The people are good. I try to live a life where they will appreciate me," he says.

For 17 of his 26 teaching years in Lockney, he has been a bank clerk in Tyler in the summertime. At the same time, he did study toward a Master's Degree at Texas Eastern University. He did some study at Texas College, Tyler State and Texas Eastern University.

"I will not finish for the masters at this late date," he says.

While working in Tyler in his own home on his farm land. He still maintains a dwelling there.

Also during his 26-year tenure in Lockney, he has driven a school bus for 13 years.

"When I first began driving, I had 73 passengers on Route 2 southwest for 56 miles. With that many, I started out at 6:45 and arrived at school at 8:20.

"Now, people are moving off the farm, so I have as few as 18 passengers. I begin the route at 7:45 and arrive at school at 8:30. There are not so many stops. The children have been wonderful.

So far as he knows, no children on his bus route drive their own cars to school.

He mentions the in-service program at school as being profitable for him. "I enjoy in-service days when I get together with other fifth grade teachers and talk with the principal. We share information with one another on the fifth grade level. Teachers' meetings on our level are very profitable.

"I enjoy working with youth in trying to make them worthy citizens of the future."

Outstanding 4-H Youth Honored

Outstanding youth from twenty South Plains counties held the spotlight in Lubbock Monday night, November 20, at the annual 4-H Gold Star Banquet.

Forty boys and girls received the highest county award offered in the 4-H club program—the Gold Star Award—at the program in the Coronado High School cafeteria. And with it, each received the acclaim of parents, fellow 4-H'ers, government officials, Extension leaders and other community leaders.

Twelve member-owned electric cooperatives serving Extension District 2 were hosts for the event. The 4-H program in Texas is directed by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Honored from Floyd County were Jili Whitfill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Whitfill of Lockney, and Byron Brock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Brock of Lockney.

Pro-Family Rally Thursday At Dimmitt

There will be a Pro-Family Rally Thursday, November 30 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Dimmitt High School.

Dr. Arthur Johnson, a psychology professor at West Texas State University, will speak on "Humanism in the Public Schools." Also, Lottie Beth Hobbs from Fort Worth, a well-known writer and president of the National Pro-Family Forum, will speak on the International Year of the Child.

All ministers, elders, deacons, other church officials, and all parents are urged to go and see what their children are being taught and what they will be taught in the future.

NO TYPING CLASS TUESDAY EVENING

The adult typing class will not meet Tuesday, November 28, because the typewriters are being serviced. The class will meet December 4 and 5 for makeup lessons.



HELLO DOWN THERE...The view from the gondola while aloft. (Inset: inflating the balloon.) (Staff Photo)

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Society News

Salinas, Cox Vows Pledged

In Plainview



ALPHA SIGMA UPSILON pledges (l to r) Donna Bingham, Gaya Hale, Vikki Yeary and Audrey Thomas.

Sandra Lee Salinas and Leonard B. Cox of Levelland were united in marriage November 23 in the First Spanish Baptist Church in Plainview. Glen E. Gódsy, minister of the church, officiated at the 6:30 p.m. double ring ceremony. The special Thanksgiving marriage service was scheduled to "change the family Thanksgiving tradition."

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. A.Z. Salinas of Lockney and the late Mr. A.Z. Salinas, Mr. and Mrs. Emory H. Cox of Floydada are the parents of the groom. The groom is a police officer in Levelland.

Rev. W.C. Carrasco gave the bride in marriage. Miss Salinas wore a floor length dress of lime satin organza, which featured a high waist, U-neckline, and lace edged chiffon sleeves. The back skirt fell into a chapel train, which was outlined in lace. The dress was made by her mother. She wore a crocheted headpiece trimmed in pearls and carried an arm bouquet of white material roses, beige shade, with baby's breath and crystals trimmed in greenery. She also carried a white Bible in a lime satin cover given to her by her father on her 15th birthday. She wore a diamond dinner ring given to her on her 15th birthday by Mrs. V.E. Robles of Lubbock and the late Mr. V.E. Robles, uncle and aunt of the bride; and a three sapphire stone

golden bracelet the bride's mother wore at her wedding which was passed down by her great grandmother. Maid of Honor for the occasion was Sonia L. Salinas, sister of the bride of Lockney. Sylvia T. Salinas, Sue E. Salinas, and Sally E. Salinas, also sisters of the bride, were bridesmaids. Flower girl was Holly Daniels of Floydada. The bridesmaids wore yellow floor length dresses and carried yellow carnations decorated with lime ribbon.

Kenneth Cox of Levelland, brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Ricky Rios of Plainview; Teddy Salinas, brother of the bride from Lockney; and Andy Castillo, also of Lockney. The groom and his groomsmen wore lime green tuxedos. The altar was decorated with candlelight yellow chrysanthemums and ivy. The bridal chorus and Wedding March were played by Cynthia L. Salinas, sister of the bride and registration was presided over by Karen Cox, sister of the groom. Songs were presented by Sylvia Salinas and Osas Alaniz of Lockney with Kim McKade playing the accompaniment. Others contributing to the music were David Morin and Mrs. Morin; and Miss Yolanda Gódsy.

Other attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Rodriguez of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Noe Blanco, Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Luna,

Lockney; Mr. and Mrs. Dennis, Lockney (Wedding Sponsors) Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ortiz, and Mrs. Uvaldina Gaitan of Plainview.

Special out of town guests included Reverend and Mrs. W.C. Carrasco from Monahans; Silver L. Robles' two sons and daughter of Phoenix, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. Cox of Amarillo; Mrs. Joan Cox, Amarillo and Mrs. Andy Mendoza, son and daughter from Lubbock.

The reception which followed the wedding ceremony was given by Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Rodriguez of Plainview. The brides table was centered with a five-tier cake, forming an altar decorated in white and lime colors with wedding doll figurines. The table was laid with a lace cloth and was candle lighted.

Serving at the bride's table were Miss Linda Mendoza of Plainview; Selma Ortiz, sister of the bride; and Mrs. Anita Maldonado of Plainview. The groom's table was decorated with a white lace table cloth and centered with the groom's cake and silver appointments. Serving at the groom's table were Mrs. Arnold Garza and Mrs. Raulvera, serving at the supper table were Mrs. Adela Franco; Mrs. G. Vega of Idalou; Mrs. Joe Mendoza; and Mrs. Modesta Villareal. The supper was given by the parents of the bride and groom.



MRS. LEONARD B. COX

Miss Jackie Allison Is Recent Shower Honoree

Miss Jackie Allison, bride-elect of Tim Mercer, was honored at a shower November 18 in the home of Mrs. Tom Duvall, Aiken.

Miss Allison, her mother, Mrs. Jack Allison, and Mrs. Dub Mercer, mother of the prospective groom, received guests. Their corsages were made of pink carnations and gypsophylla tied with satin. The guests were registered by Mrs. Henry Sue.

Assisting in displaying the shower gifts were Miss Melissa Lomax and Miss Teresa Duvall.

Mrs. Robert McCrary of Andrews served the refreshments, pink punch, assorted cookies and nuts. The serving table was laid with the bride's chosen colors of burgandy and pink. The centerpiece was a formal arrangement of pink pixie carnations with burgundy accents, frosted with gypsophylla. The floor-length pink tablecloth

was overlaid with white lace, and the pink napkins were engraved with the words "Tim and Jackie."

Hostesses were Mmes. Paul Reece, R.D. Baccus, David Frizzell, Raymond Watson, Bill McCarter, Buck Kellison, Archie Bybee, Owen Thornton, Les Ferguson, Royce Hillman, Marten Bradley, Jeff Terrell, R.H. Ford, Harmond Andley, Joe Cunyus, G.B. Johnston, Henry Sue, Emma Thomas,

Glen Cooper, Tom Marr, M.E. Cooper, Uene Owens and Kelton Shaw, and Mrs. Duvall. Their gift to Miss Allison was a vacuum cleaner.



The Friends of the Floyd County Library will hold their regular meeting Tuesday, November 28 at the Lockney branch at 7:30 p.m. A film strip, "Pyshanka's Ukranian Easter Egg," will be shown. Anyone from Floydada who needs a ride should meet at the Floydada library at the courthouse at 7 p.m.

Senior Citizen Bake Sale

The Floydada Senior Citizens will have a bazaar and bake sale at 308 E. Georgia December 1 from 12:30 to 5 p.m. and on December 2 from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. Remember these dates and help the Seniors while enjoying some delicious goodies.

Alph Sigma Upsilon Has Pledge Rituals

Alpha Sigma Upsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Tuesday November 21 in the home of Lynn Daniel. Kathy Burk from Light House Electric gave the program on crafts for Christmas. Each member received an illustrated booklet with patterns, instructions and recipes of all items included. Various items included a straw wreath, popcorn snowman, popcorn wreath, soap ball hangers, Christmas tree, Christmas money holders, chicken potholders. During the business meeting it was decided that the chapter would have a Christmas party for the Day Care Cen-

ter in early December and help them decorate their tree, and would purchase a Christmas tree for the Senior Citizens. The work schedule for the Christmas Bazaar was assigned. Pledge Rituals were held for four new members. New pledges include Donna Lipham, Gaya Hale, Vikki Yeary and Audrey Thomas. Refreshments of vegetable soup, pimiento and cheese sandwiches and cokes were served by hostess Lynn Daniel to lantha Smith, Ilene Kendrick, Rhonda Guthrie, June McGaugh, Vickie Latta, Gaya Hale, Audrey Thomas, Vikki Yeary and Donna Lipham.

1934 Study Club Hear

Girl Scout Program

The November meeting, of the 1934 Study Club was held to order by the president Effie Parker. The secretary called the roll and read the minutes. The president announced the Mace defensions ordered through the sheriff's department were read and should be picked up.

Lorene Newberry introduced her granddaughter Roxanne Jones, who is a Girl Scout from Lubbock. She gave an interesting talk about her work and also showed slides of her trip to Hawaii last summer. Connie Bertrand also presented a talk about Girl Scouts in

Parental Acceptance Aids Personal Growth

COLLEGE STATION--Parents can help their grown children seek independence and acceptance--and they too can grow, learn and adapt to continue improving family relationships.

At age two, children become aware of themselves as individuals, and they begin the struggle between clinging to mother and family and setting out to try things on their own. Patricia Lamson, a family life education specialist, explains.

From these early attempts right on through adulthood, the process of separating and achieving independence continues, she says.

Ms. Lamson is with the Texas Agricultural Service, The Texas A&M University System.

Parents can help smooth this phase of their children's development and ease some of the pains for themselves by preparing for the inevitable changes to come.

ACCEPTING CHANGE Parents often find it difficult to accept the actions of their grown children, or are unsympathetic to them. They must take into account how strong the impact of the changing outside world is

upon young adults, the specialist points out.

Young adults must function in many situations which force them to compromise or alter values they learned from their parents.

Parents must recognize that their children are not rejecting them personally even though they may reject their values or standards. Parents and children can accept each other even if they cannot accept different habits and ways, she says.

HUMAN NEEDS Even though values and habits change, the basic human needs do not change from generation to generation.

Underneath the sometimes exterior or seeming indifferent attitude lie the same human needs to be loved and accepted by the families they love.

"Regardless of the differences that may exist between the attitudes and ways of life,

young people do wish to remain close to their families.

"They want their families' support," Ms. Lamson says. In a world in which little is permanent, the only thing that offers some permanence and continuity is the family.

FAMILY TIES However, often it is close family ties which make it difficult for young adults to leave the cozy home situation and set out on their own.

They are caught between the urge to become independent and their guilt about wanting to leave home, she contends.

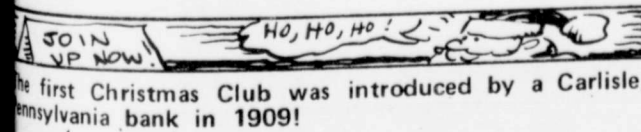
If warm, supportive family contacts are to be maintained over the years, roles need to be modified.

Both parents and grown children must give and take. Communications must involve talking "with" each other, not "at" or "past" one another, the specialist recommends.



Brynn Wade is the new baby of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Nichols of Floydada. He was born November 21 in Central Texas Hospital in Plainview.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Neal Smith and Mr. and Mrs. James Lee Nichols of Floydada. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.T. Freeze of Estelline and Mrs. Lloyd McRay of Floydada. Great grandmothers are Mrs. Kose Osborne of Estelline.



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Trilateral Government Plot Seen

By SHAUNA HILL
Avalanche-Journal Staff

LEVELLAND — The Trilateral Commission, a group of prominent business and finance leaders, and the Council on Foreign Relations, a national study group, is "trying to bring a loosely knit world government into existence by 1980," charged an Oklahoma farmer here Monday night.

J. C. Lewis, a retired Air Force colonel and a member of the American Agriculture Movement, told about 1,000 persons at a junior high school here that "the Trilateral Commission and the CFR can control the world through our food, energy and international commodities systems."

Trilateral Commission members include business, finance and political leaders from the U.S., Japan and Western Europe. The CFR is a group of prominent educators, professionals and public leaders from across the U.S.

Food, Energy Threat
During his two hour speech, Lewis claimed the two groups could control "our food, energy and money by destroying our families, our willingness to sacrifice for our country and our belief in God."

"The methods they will use have been used throughout history by all of the dictators in the world. They will use power over education, the media and the national police force," he said.

"Eighteen members of President Carter's executive staff are high ranking officials in the Trilateral Commission," Lewis said.

"Every president since Franklin D. Roosevelt, with the possible exception of Lyndon B. Johnson and all presidential candidates except Berry Goldwater have been members of the CFR, and you can bet the next president-elect will be a member, too," the former officer said.

Textbooks Criticized
He also alleged that "every textbook published since World War II has helped destroy Americans' belief and sacrifice for their country."

According to Lewis, the national media is virtually controlled by members of CFR. He cites statistics showing 121 of the top brass of the New York Times, the Washington Post, the three television networks and Time and Life magazines are members of the CFR.

"Local media in Washington covered the national agricultural strike earlier this year, but the national networks ignored the whole issue. The 27,000 farmers who participated might as well have stayed home, judging by the national coverage," Lewis said.

Cited "American Conspiracy"
What Lewis called "the American conspiracy" controls world food and energy supplies.

Lewis said the American corporations which have supposedly lost control of Middle East oil production still have a great deal of control.

"The oil companies would not still be there unless they were making a profit through the prices they helped to raise," Lewis said.

He claimed the U.S. branch of the Trilateral Commission controls food supplies to Japan and western Europe because those countries are dependent on imports.

Incredible Edible Cut-Outs



Deck the boughs with edible decorations made from a basic confection mixture. Pack wafers into gift boxes. This treasured recipe uses Certo fruit pectin and gives the option of flavoring or tinting the mixture. It's time to get out your cookie cutters!

QUICK CREAMY WAFERS

- 2 pouches liquid fruit pectin*
- 2 pounds confectioners sugar
- 1 pound (about) confectioners sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon peppermint, rum, almond or orange extract (optional)
- 6 drops food coloring (optional)

* Or use 1 bottle (6 fl. oz.) liquid fruit pectin

Pour fruit pectin into a bowl! Gradually add 2 pounds confectioners sugar, mixing well after each addition. (Mixture will be very stiff.) Divide into four parts; wrap in wax paper or cover with a wet cloth. Use remaining 1 pound (about) confectioners sugar to dust board and rolling pin.

Place one fourth of the mixture at a time on a pastry board, well dusted with sugar. Add flavoring and food coloring, if desired. Knead until smooth, adding sugar to board as needed and lifting with a spatula to prevent sticking. (Any unrolled portion may be wrapped in wax paper or plastic wrap and stored at room temperature overnight.)

Roll out with sugar-dusted rolling pin, about 1/4 inch thick, turning often and dusting with sugar to prevent sticking. Cut with cookie cutters dipped in confectioners sugar. If desired, make a small hole at top of each wafer with a wooden pick. Place, top side down, on wax paper on baking sheets or trays. Press leftover mixture together; knead again until smooth, roll and cut, or shape into small balls. Allow to dry, uncovered, for 24 hours, turning once. Pack wafers in layers between wax paper in a loosely covered box. Makes about 2-3/4 pounds.

Spicy Relish Makes Tasty Holiday Gift

SPICED CRANBERRY ORANGE RELISH

- 1 pound fresh cranberries (4 cups)
- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cloves

Place cranberries in a medium saucepan with sugar and orange juice. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, until skins burst, 8 to 10 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in orange rind, ginger, nutmeg and cloves. Cover and refrigerate. Serve with meats and poultry. This recipe may be doubled or tripled. Yield: 3-1/2 cups.



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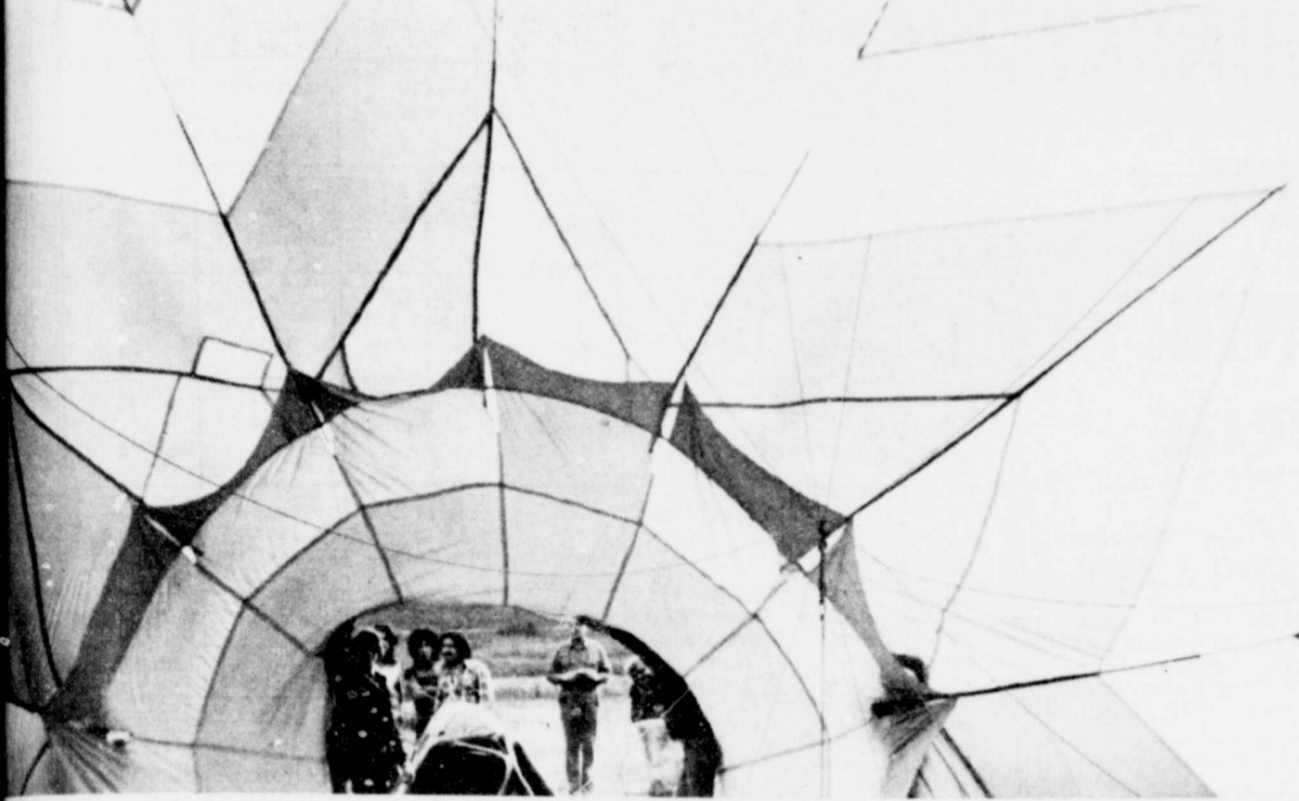
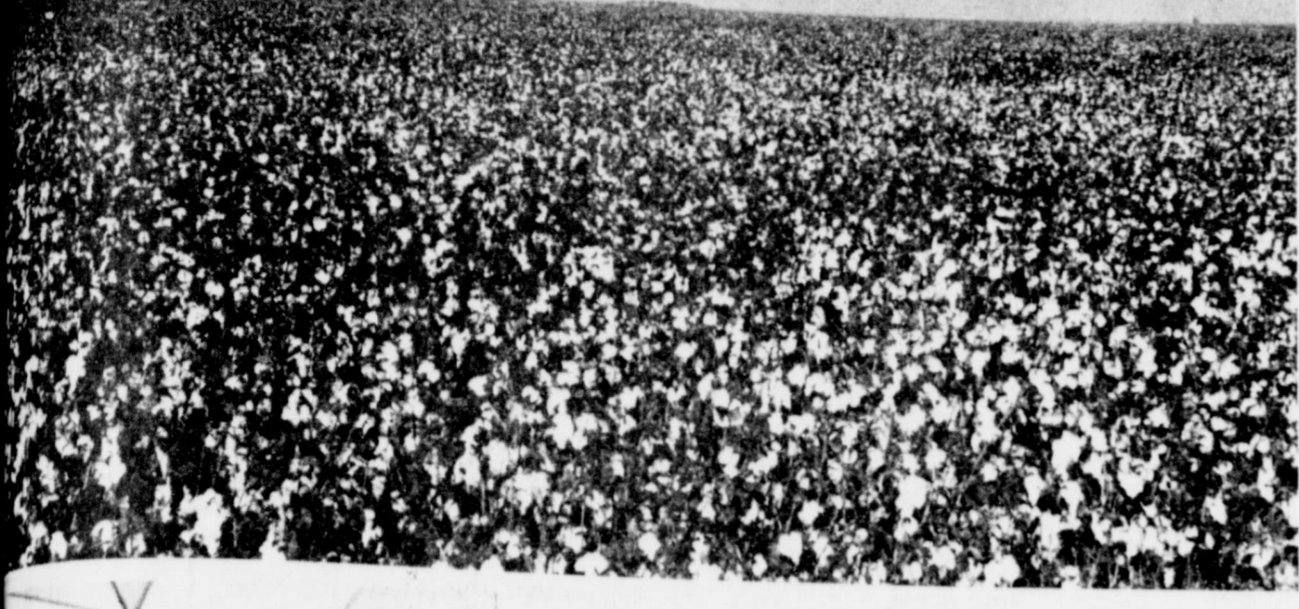
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FLYING OVER THE PLAINS...A hot air balloon took off from Lockney Friday morning, set north of Aiken near this cotton field. (Staff Photo)
INSIDE A HOTAIR BALLOON...as it was being inflated in a pasture north of Aiken Friday morning. (Staff Photo)

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...I like making a contribution... they will grow up to be good and to contribute to our way of life.

24 years Wavelly has taught a school class at Lockney Evans Church. He has served on the board of Deacons for 20 years. The school is located on Shubert Street and was the former school house of Washington Elementary for 10 years.

The school house was at first located on Shubert Street one block to the north in a low place that held water in it snowed or rained. Wavelly and his wife taught in that school until 10 years after the law of integration. After the Washington Elementary School children were moved out of the school on Shubert to regular classrooms, Superintendent Nichols made a comment that the black children have been here for the first six weeks, we are proud with their progress. They are doing so well.

The Washingtons thought the neighborhood good because the two of

them had the responsibility of teaching all the grades before the move. This meant that sometimes one teacher had to teach two or three grades.

The Washingtons themselves sent five of their own children through Lockney schools. They had three when they moved here. The other two were born here. All five graduated here and have gone through college.

"It is wonderful and we thank God for it," Wavelly says in mentioning his children's education.

"We trained our children to overlook circumstances—to respect themselves as people. We taught them that a just God love's them. We had to train them that no matter what happened to them, they could use it as a spring board to success.

"You can't be changed," we told them, "but you can be improved. You can't be improved just sitting around holding grudges. By all means never return a grudge to another person. We taught them to use cross or angry words as a bridge to draw us closer together."

Mae Francis is employed as an evaluator for Texas Rehabilitation Center in Dallas.

Bettie is employed by the State Welfare Department at Tyler.

Wavelly Junior is employed by Rockwell Industries in Dallas.

Bettie is employed by the State Welfare Department at Tyler.

Travis is employed by GM Manufacturing in the batteries department.

Of the six grandchildren, one is a boy. Three are enrolled in public school, one is enrolled in private school. Just last week, the Washingtons bought the house they have lived in since they came here in '53. It had formerly been the teacherage at Lone Star and had been moved to town when Lone Star became consolidated with Lockney.

"We are grateful to the school board and to Lockney for allowing us to purchase our house," he says.

"We have a varied activity away from the school room. We love going to football games. In fact, we like all sports. We enjoy television.

"Occasionally, we go out to dance with former college friends in Lubbock and Amarillo. We also go to entertainment on the Tech campus at times.

"As we grow older, we appreciate more and more kindness of the people of Lockney. Their support gives us faith in the parents of the children that we teach."

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Master of ceremonies for the banquet was Bob Etherege, farm director for KCBD-TV, Lubbock. Guests were welcomed by Parker Wetsel, general manager of Midwest Electric Cooperative, Inc., Roby, on behalf of the chairman.

A boy and a girl from each of the sponsoring cooperatives.

Entertainment was provided by Kim Wills, Borden County 4-H'er, at the piano. Other 4-H'ers on the program were Martha Beavers, Scurry County; Otis Johnson and Linda Sellers, both of Gaines; and Katrina Reid, Dawson County, former District 2 4-H Council twenty counties in the Extension district are eligible to receive the Gold Star Award each year. It is based on outstanding achievement, leadership and contributions to the county 4-H program. To qualify, a 4-H member must be at least thirteen years old, have completed at least three years of club work, and be currently active in 4-H.



JILL WHITFILL AND BYRON BROCK, were among 40 young people honored at the annual Gold Star 4-H banquet held in Lubbock November 20.

Tax Up

AUSTIN, Tex.—State Comptroller Bob Bullock Wednesday said Texas cities will receive \$19.8 million as their November share of the local option one percent sales tax.

Money that Texas cities will receive this month total slightly less than last month's rebate, but the yearly total is about \$42 million ahead payments made over the same period last year.

The November checks raise the cities' total to \$349.8 million.

Floydada sales tax was up from \$61,354.99 this time last year to \$71,443.5, an increase of 16 percent. Lockney sales tax was up 4 percent, from \$29,543.53 to \$30,779.35.

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GUEST EDITORIAL - TULIA HERALD

Our Basic Economic Need

While unemployment continues to be billed as a major national problem, personally we can't become too excited over the problem.

For one thing, not since we became associated with this newspaper 32 years ago have we been able to find competent help... with a VERY FEW exceptions.

Before we start talking about 6 per cent unemployment rates, let us examine the figures a little more closely.

Racially, 11.9 per cent of blacks are unemployed compared with only 4.9 per cent whites. It isn't that we must not be concerned about black unemployment—quite the opposite. But the problem is somewhat different.

Women have a harder time than men in finding work. Their unemployment rate is 6.1 per cent, against 3.9 per cent for men.

There are many situations where women MUST be breadwinners. There are many times when it is highly desirable that women hold jobs as well as their husbands.

The rate of unemployment among teenagers, those aged 16-19, is 14.2 per cent and over. Again, this is a problem to be dealt with. Teenagers need jobs, especially those who have graduated from high school.

thing other than a stimulus to the economy, new jobs, and the like. Perhaps they need on-the-job training at a figure a business can afford to pay.

Comparing the extremes, unemployment for minority teenagers, 37.1 per cent, is more than ten times as high as the 3.4 per cent rate for adult men.

In 1950, only about one third of all women over age 16 had jobs or were looking for work; today almost half of all women are doing so.

The preponderance of adult male workers has been sharply reduced. In 1950 men over age 24 accounted for 59 per cent of the work force; by 1975 their share had fallen to 46.9 per cent.

Changes in the work force have added 1.5 percentage points to what would be considered the "full employment" rate. That means that if unemployment could drop to four per cent in the 1950s without spurring inflation, today the trigger level would be 5.5 per cent.

Deducting our chronic unemployables among our adult white work force, our low unemployment figure is no problem among that group.

If we have a large number of female breadwinners who are unable to find jobs, the problem deserves national attention.

If we have large numbers of black breadwinners who are unable to find jobs due to lack of skills, certainly the problem deserves national attention... but not created jobs!

Certainly something should be done for teenagers of all colors who are without skills.

Lowest priority should be given jobs for the second or more breadwinners within a family unit. If a community wants to develop jobs for wives who want to work, fine! But this should not be the concern of either the state or local government and this category should NOT be considered in setting goals in connections with Humphrey-Hawkins type legislation.

Our basic need today is not for WPA-type or artificially created jobs... our basic need is for skills for all breadwinners and teenagers.

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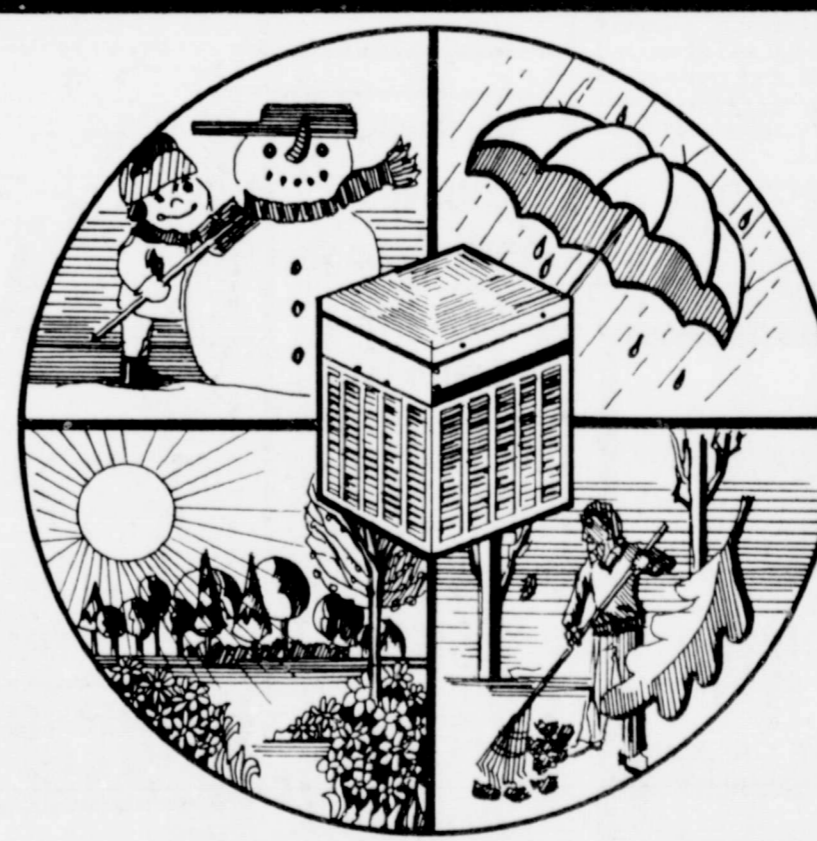
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Book Review And Autograph Party New Book Stimulates Children's Fantasies

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"Children need to find out that everything grows at his own rate, just as nature intended him to grow," says Wallene Dockery, Lubbock author of children's books. Mrs. Dockery says that of her newest book "Gabby's Christmas Wish."

Children's literature is into a streak of realism, she says she learned in a meeting of the South Plains Writers' Club, so she decided to publish a book which stimulates children's imagination and fantasy is very difficult. She terms this form of events "part of a cycle" and describes it as unfortunate "Whatever happens to good animal stories" she asks naturally.

Children and the way they grow are very important to Wallene Dockery. She and her husband, Rex Dockery, who just happens to be the head football coach at Tech, are the parents of two boys; Texas, age 13, and Dee, age 3. They are in the eighth grade at Evans Junior High School, and, yes, he does play football. Two lovable canines, Kikie, a chow, and Ranger, a dachshund, complete the Dockery household.

Young Dee is just becoming aware of his mother's accomplishments. "That's my mama," he says proudly pointing to the author's name on the copy of "Gabby's Christmas Wish" she is browsing through. How do you find time to write, the visionary blond author was asked. "Fortunately," three-year-olds take naps," she says. "I don't know what I'll do when Dee stops taking naps, but I'm thinking about it."

Writing fiction is like building a house, Wallene says. She emphasizes the importance of planning and plotting a story line carefully if an author is to "build" a satisfying story. She feels she has been very fortunate in working with W. L. Thompson, president of Shoal Creek Publishers in Austin. After receiving several rejections of her story from other publishers, she heard Thompson speak to the South Plains Writers' Club about children's books and he was interested in "Gabby's Christmas Wish." He agreed to have his staff work with her on a rewrite of the story preparatory to their publishing the work. By June, final arrangements had been made and the book was scheduled through for the Christmas book trade.

Maurine Zook, the artist who did the whimsical illustrations for the new book was chosen by the publisher. The pictures were originally done in oils. Mrs. Dockery and Mrs. Zook have never met, but the author hopes they will before too long.

NEWS 'N' NOTES (by Sharon Hillis)

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consider these special greetings. miniature God's (Dios) to wreath with toothpicks and bread. Apples, oranges, or

Mrs. Dockery has written. While she was a weather lady for a TV station in Tennessee, she wrote "Weather Or Not," a book aimed at explaining the causes of weather to elementary school children.

The Dockery family moved to Lubbock from Nashville more than three years ago when, as Red Raider fans all know, Rex joined the coaching staff then headed by Steve Sloan. Wallene, who was 8 months pregnant at the time of their Lubbock arrival, came prepared to dislike Texas. But such has not been the case. "I love traveling with my husband and the team, but it always feels good to be back home in Lubbock," she says. Although she grew up in large cities in the South, she thinks Lubbock is just about the right size to have a good atmosphere in which to raise children.

While obviously quite comfortable with her own professional identity, Wallene Dockery also takes pride in her involvement in her husband's work. "It is fun to watch the boys grow; you do get attached

to them," she says of the football team. The couple also enjoys entertaining informally, especially on weekends of home football games. Their home has a comfortable charm and they enjoy sharing it with their friends.

The story of "Gabby's Christmas Wish" is very special to its author. The basic story of an evergreen tree which wanted to be big and beautiful enough to become a Christmas tree was told to her by her father in her childhood. She started with that idea and developed it into the present story which includes many animal characters. The book is dedicated to her father, Oscar W. Threadgill, who died last December. Ironically, his death occurred the same day Coach Dockery was being interviewed for the job of head coach at Tech.

What's ahead for the author and her young reading public? "After the football season," she says, she will work on another children's book. Its subject will be football.



WALLENE DOCKERY
A special book review and autograph party for Wallene Dockery will be presented in the Floyd County Library in Floydada on December 7. Mrs. Dockery will present an entertaining program for parents and their children from 3:30 to 5 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend.



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