

So now the emissary of Mr. Bush is going to Baghdad and the emissary of Saddam Hussein is coming to Washington. Each is to tell the other, if we believe what we have been told, exactly what each has said in public for lo these months.

Despite the incongruity of the situation this might be a hopeful sign for some sort of peace in the mideast, at some point in the future. For despite the rigidity at this point, among both camps, there is a chance, perhaps a slight chance but nevertheless a chance, that something will be said that will lead to something else being said, which might eventually prove useful.

We most earnestly hope so. If we are going to war, it would be far better, in our view, to exhaust every other possible remedy before the shooting starts. Our President, and the United Nations, have set forth conditions for the absence of war in the region, and Iraq has come forth with its own conditions. In the meantime our soldiers do what they are paid to do, train and wait. There seems to be little the rest of us can do, except wonder at who is giving the President political advice, and at the gutless nature of our Congressional "leadership" who, in traditional fashion, want to be able to carp from the sidelines until the time they can claim credit if things go right and complain if things go wrong. But for now the die is cast. We will wait, hope, and move on to other things.



TRIMMING THE TREE--After Miss Floydada, Deanna Watson, threw the switch, on Monday, that lit up the courthouse Christmas tree, many of the onlookers then adorned the tree with red ribbons to remember the men and women serving in Saudi Arabia. The tree has been newly decorated this year with brillant white lights. The chamber of commerce is urging downtown business to decorate with white lights with the hope that one day the whole square and courthouse will be decorated in the same fashion. Staff Photo

FUMC presenting "Everybody Loves Opal"

# Judge's actions void says Texas AG office

District Judge David Cave exceeded his authority when he appointed a special auditor to examine the books of District Attorney Becky McPherson, according to the Texas Attorney General's office.

Judge Cave also lacked the authority, the Attorney General said, to order the County Clerk to turn over to him tapes of a closed meeting of the Floyd County Commissioners Court, given the circumstances prevailing when the controversy erupted.

# **Coleman family home** suffers fire damage

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eral people."

surgeon."

E. Grover.

follows:

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A wood frame house, at 406 E. Grover, was heavily damaged in a fire, Monday, December 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coleman and their two daughters, Shandra and Shelly, were not at home at the time of the blaze.

Four trucks and 17 firemen responded to the call at approximately 5:45 p.m. The fire started in the living room, but firefighters are still investigating the

The opinion called into question who, if anyone, is going to pay the bill.

The Attorney General, ruled in the decision dated Nov. 29, and returned to District Attorney Becky McPherson, that, "A district judge has no authority to appoint a 'special auditor' to conduct a limited inquiry; his authority is limited to the appointment of a regular county auditor."

The opinion further stated, "A district -judge also lacks the authority, absent pending litigation under the Open Meet-

living room furniture, the refrigerator and cook stove. The rest of the house

suffered severe smoke and heat damage. "We don't know just yet what clothes we will be able to salvage from the smoke damage," said Mrs. Coleman. "We are still working on cleaning up. The house is not liveable right now, but we hope to be able to fix it back up."

The Coleman's were in the process of buying the house and did not have insur-

"This is particularly bad for us right

now," said Mrs. Coleman. "We are still

recovery from an accident that my hus-

band suffered and he has not been able to

go back to work. I am the only one

working. I'm doing housework for sev-

Mr. Coleman was severely injured

September 3 when an air compressor

tank blew up in his face. The injury

required a great deal of surgery. "We

still have doctor appointments," said

Mrs. Coleman. "He still has to see a

nerve neurologist, a dentist and a plastic

Anyone wishing to donate furniture

or clothing to the Colemans can take the

items to the home of Mrs. Thelma Giv-

ens, 507 N. 12th, or Dorothy Curr, 509

Clothing sizes for the children are as

Sandra Coleman, 13 years old, 5'6",

ings Act .... to order a county clerk to turn over possession of a tape recording of an executive session of a meeting of a commissioners court."

McPherson had requested the ruling by the Attorney General, July 9, 1990. According to McPherson, "I asked for the opinion concerning the Judge's authority to order an audit of the District Attorney's books and I questioned his authority to seize the tape recording of the executive session of the Commissioners Court meeting in October 1989." (It was during this meeting that the commissioners discussed the appointment of McPherson as County Attorney Pro Tem and her payment as such).

A controversy arose after this decision by the commissioners court. Judge Cave ordered an audit (by, Love Hayes & Musick, an auditing firm he appointed) of McPherson's records because he believed double billing to counties in the 110th Judicial district had occurred. He also questioned expenses incurred by McPherson during her prosecuting misdemeanor cases for the county.

McPherson has questioned the impartiality of Cave and the auditing firm he appointed. She has also contended that

Down in Austin the new Governorelect is beginning to name those who will govern our state agencies, and therefore influence our lives over the next four years. First to be named is a young 33-year-old Austin legislator, Lena Guerrero, to the powerful Texas Railroad Commission, replacing John Sharp who was elected State Comptroller. The job entails regulation of the state's transportation industry as well as its petroleum industry. Ms. Guerrero's background, in addition to political activism, is in the advertising business. During the press conference, Ms. Guerrero admitted she knew little about the job she was going into, but said she would try hard to learn. Ms. Richards said she wanted the appointment to "send a message" about her new Administration.

It did.

And the word, in supposedly knowledgeable circles, is that a Beaumont citizen named Walter Umphrey will be named to a highly sought-after seat on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission. His principal qualification seems to be that he and his law firm gave, or "loaned", the governor-elect some \$350,000 during the campaign. Plus, reports say, she got the use of his company plane on occasions. If the appointment comes through, this will also send a message.

Also in Austin a group of individuals banned together to raise a few extra sheckles for the University of Texas' head football coach. He now has a base pay of about \$105,000 per year, almost as much as a Congressman makes (in base salary). His new income level will be between \$200,000 and \$300,000. (It's hard to get an exact fix on his yearly income, just as it is hard to get an accurate fix on a Congressman's yearly income from various sources.) We thought we would pass that information along, just in case any of our readers may be thinking about pursuing a different line of work.

Still trying to be helpful, we make note of the fact that Willie Nelson fans are making a mighty effort to help keep the IRS wolves from his door. As you no doubt have heard Willie has been somewhat active in politics of late. During the recent campaigns he was up north boosting the efforts of some guy who was **Continued On Page 2** 

cause of the blaze. Lost in the fire was all of the family's

# Caprock Hospital Board begins revitalization efforts

The board of directors for Caprock Hospital District met on November 29. Major topics of discussion revolved around the particular means to be used to revitalize the hospital operation and improve service to those using the facil-

Hospital administrator Leroy Schaffner told the board that tax collections were 48% complete as of November 21. He added that after meeting the debt obligation to the First National Bank of Floydada, the district had \$8,000 in the operating account, \$10,000 in the tax account and \$3,000 in the escrow account. The escrow account was allowed

Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. in fellowship

hall with the curtain going up at 8:00 on

Zimmerman house

The Texas Historical Commission

has approved the designation of a Texas

Historic Landmark on the Zimmerman

House, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert

The home is located at 516 S. First

Street in Floydada. According to the

letter, received by the Turners, by the

Historical Commission, "this special

status, awarded to properties deemed

worthy of preservation for their archi-

tectural integrity and historical associa-

tions, conveys a measure of legal protec-

The exact date of the arrival of the

marker is unknown at this time.

tion to the building."

**Historical marker** 

is approved for

Inc., New York.

Turner.

interest to be credited at the end of the month.

Schaffner also reported on the statistics of hospital usage during the month of October. Caprock Hospital had a total of 127 inpatient days and 176 custodial care days according to Schaffner. There were 34 admissions and 38 dismissals for the month and 23 observation days logged for a total of 326 total patient care days or a daily average of more than 10 patients. There were 264 outpatients served and 165 emergency room visits during October.

Molly Stringer, Director of Nursing, to remain open in order to collect the presented a brief report on quality assur-

ance. She told the board that some improvements in means and methods have been made and that more will be implemented as identified or needed.

Jim Bullard of Methodist Hospital reported on an analysis made of Caprock's accounts receivable by Methodist Hospital analyst Jerry Osborne. Osborne's analysis revealed that the district has 439 accounts in the under 30 day category which owe a total of \$172,958. There are also 302 accounts with balances totaling \$103,151 **Continued On Page 2** 



YOU WANT WHAT!!--Santa's eyes look a little startled as if expressing a little bit of surprise at the secret wish list of this little girl. Santa was on hand, Monday evening at the local Sears store and the Christmas lighting ceremony, **Staff Photo** to hear the "I Want's" from children and grown-ups alike.

Cave did not have the authority to order such an audit.

While waiting for the attorney general's opinion, McPherson requested that the county have her books audited by the firm of Davis, Kinard & Company (the firm that normally handles the yearly audits for the county.) That audit which was completed on August 17, found that "the records were being properly maintained and an appropriate accounting system was utilized."

However, in a ruling on Oct. 4, 1990, visiting Judge McCoy ruled that Love Hayes & Musick could continue their audit, but the results would have to be turned over to McCoy for review. The results of this audit are pending. It is this audit which was questioned by McPherson and ruled on by the attorney general's office.

The Attorney General also stated in his ruling, "Since the appointment of the auditor was void, and the commissioners court had no part in his appointment, we know of no legal basis to assess any charges against the county for services performed by the auditor."

This attorney generals decision will no doubt play an important role in future possible litigation between the commissioners court and Judge David Cave, concerning who will be paying for the audit by Love Hayes & Musick, and for the attorneys (special prosecutor, District Attorney Pro-Tems, and lawyers representing the firm of Love Hayes & Musick) which were all appointed by Cave.

"In view of the attorney general's opinion," said County Judge Bill Hardin, "we will be discussing (at the next commissioner's court meeting) with our attorney, the avenues available to the court and his advice regarding any action we might take and whether or not we will pay any bills presented to the court in the future."

Judge David Cave was unavailable for comment.

The ruling from the Attorney General's office was prepared by Rick Gilpin, Assistant Attorney General.



Tickets are selling rapidly for the the stage upstairs. (A chair lift will be dinner theater on Dec. 6, 7 and 8. The provided for those who need it). Reserplay is "Everybody Loves Opal" by vations can be made by calling Peggy John Patrick. It is presented by the Wright after 5:00 at 983-2240 or the Chancel Choir of First United Methodchurch office before 5:00 at 983-3706. ist Church through special arrange-Cost of the tickets is \$12.50 for dinner ments with Dramatists Play Service,

United Methodist Church.

the local cast includes Frances Puckett

Opal is a collector (art or garbage is the question). She also collects a group of con artists and ne'er-do-wells. Included in that group are Grant Hambright as Bradford (a chemist with evil intent), Kay Brotherton as Gloria (a frowsy blonde with ambition if not brains), John Odom as Sol (a chubby

Edd Henderson Jr. is Officer Jankie (Opal's friendly police officer of Swedish ancestry), and Bill Wright is the stiffnecked and thoroughly frustrated Doctor for an insurance company.

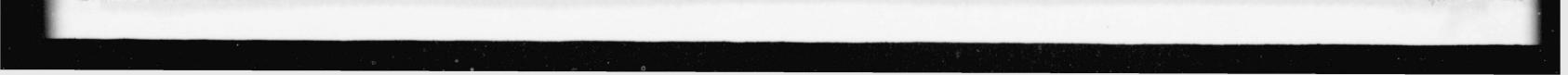
Opal's problem is that she just can't see anything bad in anyone. Her faith in people is pitted against the power of greed in others. The play ends well, but getting there is quite a drama.

and play or \$6.50 for the play only.

Refreshments will be served to everyone present during intermission. Proceeds benefit the organ fund at First

Under the direction of Bobby Rainer, in the title role of Opal.

con artist who gets hooked on love).



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#### Way Bvhe By Alice Gilroy

The nice thing about having a column is getting to have space to say anything I want to and I don't have to pay for the advertising space.

I heard a rumor about myself last week, and I'm going to take this space to set it straight. Anybody else there who has rumors going on about them, should probably take out a full page ad and set the record straight. (Hopefully next week the paper will be full of full page ads-maybe I should start a few rumors myself).

Anyway-the rumor is that Lennie and I are moving. In Lockney, I heard that Lennie was being transferred. In Floydada I just heard that we were moving.

We aren't even considering it. We like it here. I have absolutely no idea where that could have gotten started, unless it was started by someone who wished we would go away!

Lennie and I would like to know where we were moving to, if we would like it and if we were going to get more money working there. If you had heard the rumor and can answer any of those questions, please let us know. We were just curious.

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Did you know that Dec. 21 is Underdog Day? That's what a news release we got told us.

The article said the day is set aside to pay homage to all of the No. 2 people who contribute so much to making top dogs look good, like: Robin (Batman's sidekick), Dr. Watson and Tonto.

The news release said to mark your calendar and be sure to thank the underdogs in your life on that day.

Personally, I don't want to know If I'm an underdog to anybody. I'm sure Tonto and Robin didn't think that way.

If you were thinking about telling somebody thanks for being an underdog, make sure they already know it. It could be a pretty depressing thought. \*\*\*\*\*\*

The Methodist Church in Floydada is

The Lamplighter... **Continued From Page 1** 

running for governor on a platform of

putting on a Dinner Theatre, Dec. 6, 7, and 8. I went to take a picture of the cast Monday night. They look like they have been having fun getting this play together, so I know it's going to be fun watching it. It's called "Everybody Loves Opal." There is a story in this week's paper about it. Try and get out one of those nights and attend, but be sure and make reservations, they can only sit so many. The proceeds go to

#### Methodist Church.

benefit the organ fund at First United

While your out spending money on people this Christmas, who probably don't need whatever it is you have racked your brain over, please remember the Coleman family, who lost a great deal of their belongings in a fire Monday night.

If you've gotten yourself a new dress because your old one doesn't fit anymore, maybe it will fit one of the Coleman girls. There is a story in the paper about the sizes that is needed in clothing and about the furniture that was also lost in the blaze.

There Christmas is sure to be skimpy unless the community comes through

and helps them out.

To the People of Floyd County,

Thank you very much for all the cards, gifts and especially your prayers while I'm in the Middle East. I'm proud to live in such a wonderful and concerning community.

L/CPL Adolfo Garcia Jr.

Citizens of Floydada,

As the sun rises over the sands of Saudi Arabia, I arise to the feeling of prayers and support from friends and family of Floydada and all American citizens. It is impossible to put into words the strength I receive from your support. Time and again I have received letters of encouragement. I have also received the card that was signed by the people of Floydada at Pumpkin Day and care package from my home church. I am writing this letter to extend my appreciation to all of the citizens of Floydada for all they have given to me and other service members here. You are in my thoughts and prayers everyday. I would like to wish all of you a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year, and a safe holiday season.



**EVERYBODY LOVES OPAL--The cast of the upcoming** dinner theatre presented by The First United Methodist Church stopped to pose for a picture. The play "Everybody Loves Opal," will be presented Dec. 6, 7 and 8. Make your reservations early. Shown here are: The doctor (Rev Bill Wright, back left) examines Opal (Francis Puckett)

for a three hundred thousand dollar insurance policy, as Brad (Grant Hambright, center) and Saul (John Odam, far right) and Gloria Gulock (popping gum bubble) greedily look on. Edd Henderson Jr., plays Officer Friendly and is not pictured here.

**Staff Photo** 

### **Cancer Society** annual brunch is December 15

A highlight of the Christmas season in Floydada is the annual Christmas brunch sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Floyd County Unit.

A come-and-go affair between the hours of 9:30 and 11:30 a.m., this year's festivity will take place on Saturday, Dec. 15, in the L.V. Assiter home at 900 W. Mississippi St. in Floydada.

L.V. and Addie Assiter always decorate their home beautifully inside and out in preparation for hosting this Christmas event, available to the public for a donation of \$5.00.

The variety of delicious Christmas foods will be prepared by members of the local unit board; and, the board members will be calling with tickets for which you may donate now. You may also get tickets at the door on Saturday, morning, Dec. 15.

Put the date on your calendar now, and plan to attend this Christmas event filled with good food, good fun, good fellowship! In addition to all of this, there will be door prizes, too!

# **Hospital Board begins revitalization efforts**

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in the 31 to 60 day category.

217 accounts are listed as being in the 61 to 90 day category with balances totaling \$70,173. Another \$49,248 is in the 91 to 120 day category divided between 191 accounts. Currently, the hospital has more than 2900 accounts on the books.

The suggestion was made to the hospital, that it would be effective to assign a clerk to work part time in the evenings as an emergency room admissions clerk and to handle collections for services at the time they are rendered. This evening clerk could also do routine filing and the daily close out, thus allowing the day shift to begin work on the system about two hours earlier. She could also make collection calls to accounts needing to be contacted at home in the evening. Schaffner went through an outline of the goals the hospital has set for itself concerning the collection of up-front charges from hospital admissions and setting up an estimated list of charges so that collections or arrangement to pay may be made before the patient leaves the hospital.

Other changes in the works include job descriptions with necessary performance evaluations for each employee as well as regular staff meetings on a rotating monthly basis to allow each employee to attend several each year regardless of shift. Schaffner reported that the first of these meetings took place on November 27 with a good turnout and excellent discussion and input from those attending.

Among the items discussed for making the facility more aesthetically pleasing to those being treated and employed there were the installation of a flag pole, painting the lab and x-ray rooms, improving the lighting in the hallways, repairing the sidewalk around the clinic, removing the loose gravel and painting curbs and signs around the grounds. None of these items is excessively exing \$75.00 or under. Services must be paid for at the time rendered and the patient must file their own insurance claim or Caprock will file the claim for a fee. Forms will still be filed for services of \$75.00 or more, but the charges still need to be paid at the time incurred with insurance reimbursement being made to the patient.

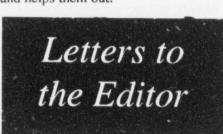
The board approved the sale of a tax title lot to Amado Morales for \$200. The sale will be final when all taxing entities involved have approved the transaction.

The hospital is still seeking coverage under a group insurance plan. Employees are currently not covered by a plan. If no carrier can be found for the insurance, employees will be paid the money scheduled for payment of the premium and they will need to obtain insurance on their own as the county employees are now doing. Board members asked that the administrator and the advisors from Methodist present a plan for payment of debts at the next board session. Board president William Bertrand stated, "We need to see something to indicate that the tax dollars we are receiving are being used to the best advantage of the district, the patients and the taxpavers."

Thursday were board members Kenneth Pitts, Fred Thayer, Joy Assiter, Melba Vickers and William Bertrand. Also present were Leroy Schaffner, Molly Stringer, Steve Grappe, Jim Bullard, and the Hesperian reporter.

# DPS REPORT

Capt. L.A. Reinhart, District Supervisor of the Lubbock Highway Patrol District comprising of 21 counties said, "For the month of October, our troopers investigated five fatal accidents, 54 personal injury accidents, and 68 property damage accidents. There were five persons killed and 89 persons injured in these accidents."



legalizing what we might call "mind altering" chemicals. He lost that one. And he was very active in the campaign of Ann Richards. They won that one. While worrying about things like that, Willie evidently neglected to worry enough about his own situation. The government says he owes \$16.5 million in back taxes. He says his business manager didn't do his job right, which, if true, is obviously an understatement. Evidently the money that was supposed to go to the government went to the purchase of vast amounts of property in six states, property the government has now seized. So Willie fans are trying to raise money to help. The first effort brought in some \$250. The second, held at the Broken Spoke in Austin, a bar and nightclub where lobbyists, legislators and the like hold forth quite often, looks a little better. It may net a couple thousand. If you want to help out, you may mail your contributions to the "Willic Aid" account at NCNB Bank-Austin. The government would appreciate it.

This Week MISS FLOYDADA PAGEANT

The Miss Floydada Pageant has been re-scheduled for Januray 19, 1991. The rehearsal for the pageant has been set for January 18, at 5:00 p.m. at the Floydada High School Auditorium. The deadline for entry in the pageant is January 11, 1991.

#### EMT CLASSES

Caprock Hospital and Floydada EMS will be offering EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) classes starting in January. Classes will last until May. Anyone 18 or older who is interested in working for the ambulance service in Floydada should contact Caprock Hospital at 983-2875 or Rhonda Guthrie at 983-5089.

#### WEATHER

С	ourtesy of	Energas
DATE	HIGH	LOW
Nov. 28	52	39
Nov. 29	53	28
Nov. 30	62	36
Dec. 1	56	43
Dec. 2	66	31
Dec. 3	46	31
Dec. 4	55	23

I urge you to continue to pray for me and all of the service men and women in Saudi Arabia. We will do our best to protect the United States' best interest. We all hope that this problem will soon be peacefully solved. I hope to soon be home among friends and family. Thanks for the support.

God Bless You All, Cpl. Fannon, James C. 461-53-0770 USMC

"A" Co. Det. 7th MTBN, 1st FSSG. FPO San Francisco, Calif. 96608-5700

#### Courtroom Activities

In county court, on Nov. 28, Joel Kent Borchardt filed a speeding appeal. There was no disposition on this case. Also on Nov. 28, Francisco Morales, Jr., was charged with causing bodily injury to another. He pled not guilty on

Dec. 4. On Nov. 29, Modesta Baez-Garcia, 48, of McCoy, pled not guilty to his Nov. 27 charge of DWI. He was also appointed an attorney at this time.

In J.P. court, there were 60 misdemeanor cases filed, for the week of Nov. 27-Dec. 3. Of these 60 cases, two were public intoxication, including: John Abel Arellano, 21, of Floydada, who was fined \$177.50 for his Dec. 2 charge of public intoxication, and;

Rene Jimenez, 19, of Floydada, who was fined \$127.50 for his Dec. 2 charge of public intoxication.

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pensive and each will be undertaken as funds are available.

The board approved a motion by Kenneth Pitts, seconded by Melba Vickers, concerning filing of insurance forms for outpatient charges. The approved plan calls for no filing of insurance forms for outpatient services total-

Other business at the session included the approval of invoices for payment and the reading of the minutes of past meetings.

Attending the 7:00 am session on

Sgt. Glenn Fant of Crosbyton stated, "In Floyd county, our troopers investigated no fatal accidents, two personal injury accidents, and two property damage accidents in the month of October. No persons were killed and three persons were injured in these accidents."

MINUTE MEN FOODS delivers Prater's Products Call...1-799-5784 (Lubbock)



SALVATION ARMY DELIVERS--Monte Williams and Martha Lotspeich delivered care packages to the residents of Floydada Nursing Home, on Tuesday, courtesy of the Salvation Army. The packages contain toiletries and necessary items that many residents are not supplied with by family members. **Staff Photo** 

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By: Darla C. Chappel, CPA AMT AND YOUR BUSINESS

Corporations as well as individuals have been hit with the Alternative Minimum Tax that makes certain that everyone pays a certain minimum tax. What this has cost business, generally, in addition to accelerated tax liability, is the requirement that they keep three or four sets of financial records. Companies must figure their financial statement income (or book income), their alternative minimum tax income, adjusted current earnings and ACE depreciation.

As with taxes for the individual, the AMT is determined by adding certain

preference items -- net operating losses and foreign tax credits, for instance -- back to regular taxable income. New rules somewhat simplify AMT planning using adjusted

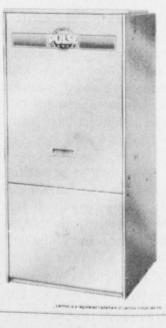
Because "S" corporations pay no taxes of their own but pass liability directly to their shareholders, those owners must shift their own personal income to avoid the AMT in years when the company has a large number of preference items. FURNISHED BY: Edd V. Henderson, CPA's, 201 W. California, P.O. Box 98, Floydada, Texas, 79235 (806) 983-3700

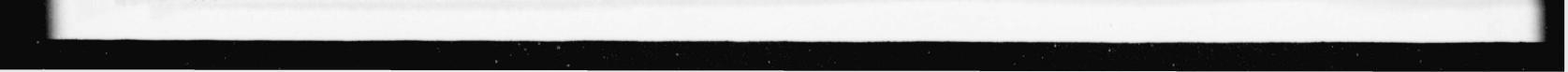
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### **Candy Thrasher joins Floyd County Farm Bureau as agent**

Floyd County Farm Bureau welcomed a new insurance agent, Candy Thrasher, into their office, on December 3.

Although this will be Mrs. Thrasher's first time selling insurance. She has been training and testing for the position for three months.

Candy has lived in Floydada for 12 years, ever since her marriage to A.T. Thrasher (who was raised in Floydada). The Thrasher's have a ten year old boy, Jacob.

Candy was born in Union, Mississippi, and traveled around a lot while she was growing up. She graduated from Pampa High School, and continued on to Hardin Simmons College in Abilene, for two years.

After Hardin Simmons, Mrs. Thrasher attended West Texas University in Canyon, and then, in 1982, received her LVN certificate from South Plains College.

Candy still juggles a nursing career with her new insurance position. Two weekends in the month, Candy continues to work in critical care at Methodist Hospital. She has been with Methodist for one year.

will win a Winchester Ranger 12 Gauge

A donation of \$5.00 will enter you in

the contest. All proceeds will go to the

Floyd County 4-H Club. Sign up is at

Nielson's Restaurant. Deadline to enter

is 12:00 noon Saturday, December 8,

Pheasants with the tail feather still

attached should be brought to Nielson's

Restaurant back door. You will have

until dark Saturday and til 4:00 p.m.

The shotgun will be given away to the

longest tail feather at 4:00 p.m. Sunday,

This year's Pheasant Shoot is spon-

sored by Nielson's Restaurant & Cater-

ing, Caprock Motor Parts and Hardware

# Annual pheasant shoot planned this weekend

Shotgun.

1990.

Sunday.

December 9, 1990.

and Floyd County 4-H.

Pheasant season opens once again this coming weekend. Hunters from all over Texas and surrounding states swarm Floyd County in hopes of bringing home a couple of pheasants.

The opening weekend usually starts bright and early Saturday morning. Floydada is usually hopping around 5:00 a.m. with all the hunters geering up to be out and on the look out right at sunrise.

For the past two years Nielson's Restaurant & Catering and Caprock Motor Parts and Hardware has sponsored this Pheasant Shoot. The hunter that brought in the pheasant with the longest tail feather won a shotgun, and the proceeds went to Muscular Dystrophy Association.

This year, the hunter who brings in a pheasant with the longest tail feather

# Adult Education Classes slated to begin in January

Adult Education Classes will start in Floydada January, 7, 1991, at 6:30 p.m. don't go on to college.

Myth: Adults who take the GED tests

Classes will be in the new building at **Reality:** In 1989, an estimated 200,000 GED candidates (or 33%) took



**CANDY THRASHER** New agent at Farm Bureau



## Where's The Fire?

**By Paul McIntosh** The Floydada Volunteer Fire Department would like to remind everyone that with the Christmas season near, residents should use extreme caution around live Christmas trees. They ask that you keep your trees moist so that the risk of them catching fire will be reduced. They recommend using sugar water in your tree stand, as this will help retain moisture in the trees. Also be sure and check the wiring on your Christmas lights before trimming your tree.

The FVFD was kept busy this week

fire. The fire was started by a discarded

Thirteen firemen and four fire trucks

responded to a fire at Caprock Motor

Parts and Hardware, 114 W. California,

on Thursday, Nov. 29, at approximately

12 noon. The cause of the fire was due to

cigarette in the back seat.

# Thursday, December 6, 1990 - The Floyd County Hesperian - Page 3 PUC, Southwestern Bell agree to improved regulation plan

The Public Utility Commission has approved an agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone which will boost the Texas economy and provide customer benefits worth more than \$1.2

billion over the next four years. "Telephone customers all across the state were the big winners today," said Jim West, Area Manager-External Affairs of Southestern Bell. "With this bold, decisive action, the PUC has not only approved more than \$1.2 billion in customer benefits, it has moved to put Texas at the forefront of telecommuni-

cations in the U.S.' "The negotiated settlement was a product of months of intense discussion among the PUC staff, Southwestern Bell and 23 separate intervening groups," said West. "This is an example of a broad base of diverse interests joining with the PUC and Southwestern Bell Telephone with a common goal to improve the telecommunication infrastructure of Texas."

The settlement includes the largest rate reductions and most ambitious modernization of the telecommunications network in Texas history.

Consumers will see the customer credits and rate reductions starting shortly, according to West. "And we will begin work immediately on the network modernization program."

Highlights of the agreement include: \* A four-year cap on basic local telephone service rates.

\* A one-time refund of approximately \$8.75 for residence and \$10 per access line for business customers.

\* Reductions in Southwestern Bell's long distance, WATS and 800 Service rates.

\* Reduced access charges to long distance companies in Texas. These savings will flow through to customers.

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\* A four-year, accelerated program to ring digital technology to 196 communities now served by older, less versatile equipment.

\* Eliminate party-line service and mileage charges for more than 300,000 rural customers residing outside "local calling areas." The upgraded service will not increase customers' monthly bills.

\* Expanded optional toll-free calling to 32 cities around Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio.

\* Touch-tone rate reductions of 60 percent for residences and 33 percent for business customers at the end of four years.

\* Residential service connection charge reductions from \$60 to \$38.35. \* A Lifeline program for eligible lowincome customers.

"The telecommunications industry has changed dramatically since the Bell System was broken up, and our system of regulation has to keep pace with those changes," said West.

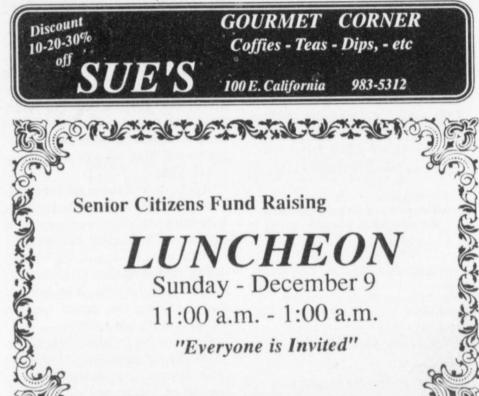
"The agreement provides an incen-

tive to build a telecommunication network that should attract new businesses and jobs to Texas without increasing telecommunication costs to the Texas ratepayers," said West.

West said Southwestern Bell will be allowed to earn 12.06 percent return on investment (ROI). Half of all earnings from 12.06 percent to 14.5 percent ROI will be returned to customers. Earnings above 14.5 percent ROI will be returned to customers in full.

According to West, a number of states, including California, have adopted similar progressive regulatory approaches to telecommunications. "Now Texas can join other states in trying to attract the burgeoning number of companies which use advanced information networks."

"What's really exciting is the chance to bring the most advanced communication technology to parts of Texas where, without an incentive, the present rate of growth would not justify this kind of investment for years to come," West said.



high school each Monday and Tuesday from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

For more information call Kathy Green at 983-5233 or 983-2413 or Grace Gomez at 983-5279.

#### The following is from Excerpt from G.E.D. Profiles:

As we approach the 21st century, more people will earn educational credentials outside of the regular classroom environment. The rise of the nontraditional learner will have a profound impact on both the workforce and the higher education community.

the GED tests in order to enroll in postsecondary education programs.

well in school.

Reality: Only 6.4% of GED candidates reported that their main reason for dropping out of high school was not doing well in classes.

well.

graduates, on average, surpass those of graduating high school seniors.

On Wednesday, Nov. 28, eight firemen answered the fire page at 10:50 a.m. One fire truck was taken to the My-T-Burger parking lot, where a car was on

# Coleman home suffers damage

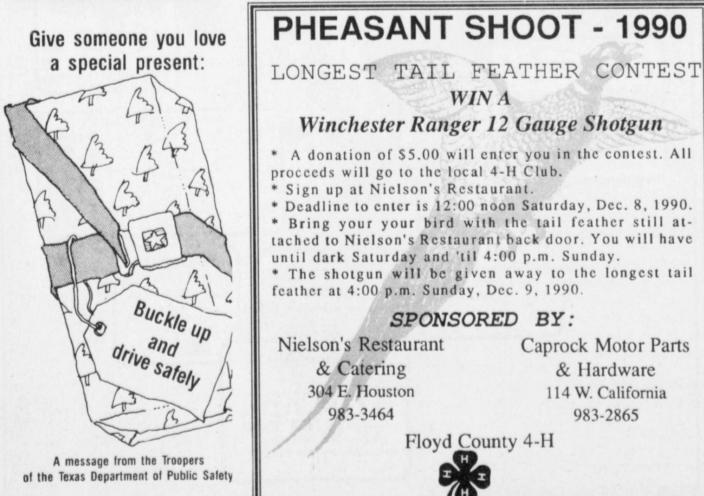
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size 9 shoe.

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slender build; size 10 jeans and dresses, medium size tops, 32A bra, 9 1/2 shoe size;

When business is good, it pays to advertise; when business is bad, you have to advertise."



with several fire calls. Myth: GED test takers dropped out of

high school because they weren't doing

Myth: GED graduates do not read

Reality: The reading abilities of GED

Shelly Coleman, 14 years old, 5'8",

Mrs. Coleman, 5'11", size 40 pants

and dresses, extra large tops, bra 42C,

Mrs. Coleman, 32 inch waist, 31

The family is also in need of twin size

bed linen, queen size bed linen and

towels. The pots and pans in the kitchen

are unharmed, but the dishes and glasses

were broken and melted by the heat.

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Some silverware is also needed.

length pants, 15 1/2-16 1/2 shirt, and

slender build; size 12 jeans and dresses,

medium top, 34A bra, 9 1/2 shoe size;

a malfunction in a light ballast. While firemen were still at Caprock Motor Parts, a call came in of a burr fire at Blanco Gin. One fire truck and two firemen assisted the Crosbyton Fire Dept., McAdoo Fire Dept. and the Dougherty Fire Dept.

At 5:45 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, firemen responded to a structure fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coleman, 406 E. Grover. The fire apparently started in the living room. Sixteen firemen and four fire trucks were called to the scene. Also on Monday, a fire was reported at 8:30 p.m. of a cotton stripper on fire at the Cecil Jackson farm. Nineteen firemen and three trucks responded.

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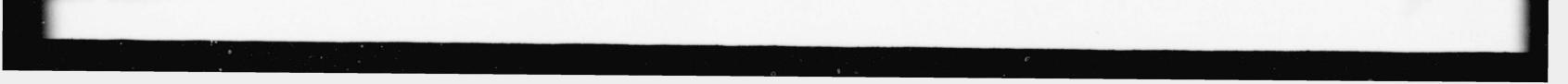
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# **Zippy** Dips for Holidays

What better way to treat your guests this holiday season than with festive food. Whether a traditional favorite or a new recipe, each dish is prepared to tempt the taste buds.

This year, you can add zip to your holiday menu with these tangy Zip Tip dip recipes. Miracle Whip salad dressing turns shrimp, cheese and other favorites from the ordinary to the sensational

The ingredient lists are short and preparation time is a snap - ten minutes or less!

#### **Zippy Shrimp Dip**

1 cup Miracle Whip salad dressing

- 1/2 cup lowfat lemon yogurt 1 (4 1/2 oz.) can tiny shrimp,
- drained 2 tablespoons each finely chopped green onion, ketchup

1/4 cup prepared horseradish • Mix salad dressing, yogurt, shrimp, onion, ketchup and horse radish until well blended. Chill. • Serve with chips, crackers, or

vegetable dippers. 3 cups. Prep time: 5 minutes plus chilling.

#### Easy Taco Dip

1 1/2 cups Miracle Whip salad dressing 1 1/2 cups sour cream

1 (1.25 oz.) package taco seasoning mix

• Mix ingredients until well blended. Chill.

· Serve with assorted chips or vegetable dippers. 3 cups.

Prep time: 5 minutes plus chilling.

#### **Olive Chili Dip**

- 1/2 cup Miracle Whip salad dressing
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup sliced pitted ripe olives 2 tablespoons chopped green chilies

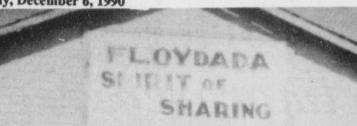
1 teaspoon chili powder

· Mix salad dressing, sour cream, olives, chilies and chili powder until well blended. Chill.

· Serve with chips, crackers or vegetable dippers. 1 1/3 cups.

Prep time: 5 minutes plus chilling.

#### **Garlic Cheese Dip**





SCOUTING FOR FOOD DAY--This group of Boy Scouts from Troop #357 delivered the food gathered from the Nov. 17, Scouting For Food Day, to the local S.O.S. chapter. The troop went door to door and collected over 1600 pounds of canned or packaged foods.

### Carl Lemons' News and Views from Cedar Hill

Circumstances beyond your writer's control have kept N&V out of the paper most all of November. However the column was written. It has been redone and most of it updated, but the inevitable deadline is upon me this Tuesday so it has to be submitted. Some parts needed further polishing, but now it is yours! WEATHER

Age has a debilitating effect on individuals, so I have been told, and it finally has taken it's toll on the weatherman. He toggled the "over-ride" switch on his weather-control board, the switch marked "Indian Summer extraordinary" then he picked up the Hesperian and started reading that article Lemons wrote about the Fortenberrys.

Well the article was so long that he dozed off, read some more, then dozed again. Eventually he forgot that override switch, got up and walked away

cotton is off the stalk; safely stored! Yep! The responsibility attached to columneering is overwhelming! Oh, lordy, lordy!

**CROP COMMENTS** 

COTTON: Wind-wise, Monday was a wooly booger, but the cotton stripprs kept right on rolling. It would have been considered too windy in years past, but neighbors, as soon as they finished their own fields, had joined forces with those still harvesting, and suddenly plains cotton was within hours of all being in the module. A strange fervor seemed to take possession of harvest crews last Monday, and, with the end so near, they found it difficult to stop. One of Bud Taylor's machines was sidelined near sundown Monday, still the other crew members refused to quit; dumped their last basket at 10:20 p.m.

The final days of harvest saw cotton

# SOS appreciative of donations from residents

canned or packaged foods. The scouts

delivered the food to the S.O.S. build-

ing. Included in the very welcome dona-

Once again the Floydada Spirit of door and collected over 1600 pounds of Sharing wishes to express appreciation to the people of the Floydada area for their wonderful generosity at this Thanksgiving season.

The activities began on November 17, designated as Scouting for Food Day, when 30 members of Troop and Pack #357, plus eight adults, went door-to-

tion were 12 cases of food from Furr's and three cases from Pay-n-Save. Also members of the Methodist church donated and delivered 20 large sacks of food.

# Senior Citizens News

**By Thelma Jones** Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Aten and baby and Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Payne visited Mrs. Mattie Wester last week.

### Senior Citizens Menu

**December 10 - 14** Monday:

Baked fish with tarter sauce, tomatoes with okra, carrot and raisin salad, yeast roll, margarine or butter, bread pudding, beverage choice

**Tuesday:** 

Beef stew/vegetables, cooked cabbage, combread, margarine or butter, gingerbread, beverage choice Wednesday:

Spaghetti with meatsauce, brussel sprouts, tossed salad/dressing, garlic bread, peaches, beverage choice Thursday:

Roast turkey/gravy, mashed potatoes/ milk, cornbread dressing, cranberry sauce, brussel sprouts, brown -n- serve roll, margarine or butter, pumpkin pie/ cobbler, beverage choice Friday:

Chicken fried steak/gravy, scalloped potatoes, peas and carrots, yeast roll, margarine or butter, apricot cobbler, beverage choice

> Happy 100th **Birthday**

Lula Teague visited her son in Pampa

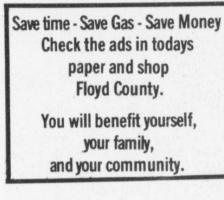
last week. Senior Citizens luncheon will be Sunday, Dec. 9, at 11:00.

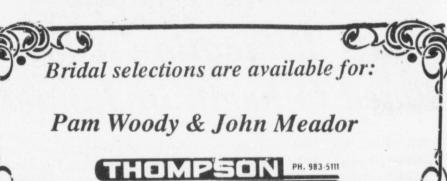
Mrs. Cager Carmack and Mrs. Vonceil Colston visited Mrs. W.J. Wilks Friday afternoon.

Still a lot of sickness. Ruth Trapp returned home last week after having visited with her sons, one in El Paso and the other in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Warren visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stout in Levelland Saturday.

Sympathy to Mrs. Ollie DeFreese in the loss of her son-in-law in Ralls Friday. Funeral is today.





The community worship service on November 18 was a true blessing in itself. The leadership in music by Todd Keller, Roberta Hardin and Penny Giesecke, the ladies' trio from the Bible Baptist Church, and the congregational singing were truly inspiring. The service involved the pastors of seven churches, and the sermon brought by the Rev. Larry Perkins of Calvary Baptist Church points up the fact that thanksgiving is an attitude, a lifestyle in which we give thanks in everything if not for everything.

The offering received totaled over \$3000, which certainly gives S.O.S. a sound financial boost.

All of these persons, programs and projects truly express the thankfulness and the concern of the people of Floydada. The Spirit of Sharing is grateful to be the organization pledged to help pass the generosity of the community on to those who need it.

### Floyd Data

Harvey Bishop of Littlefield and his daughter, Barbara Conlee of Sudan, visited with his sister, Illa Belle McPeak last week. Also, her nephew and niece from Levelland, Travis and Teena Th-

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ompson. HOLIDAY GREETINGS

1 cup Miracle Whip salad dressing 1 cup sour cream 1/2 cup (2 ozs.) 100% grated parmesan cheese

1 cup (4 ozs.) 100% natural shredded cheddar cheese

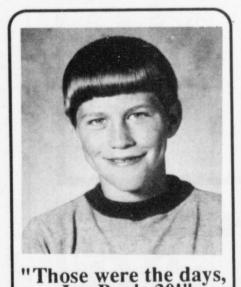
1/2 cup green onion slices

1/2 teaspoon garlic popwder

· Mix ingredients until well blended. Chill. 3 cups.

Prep time: 10 minutes plus chilling.





Jay Boy's 30!"

thinking he had left the weather set on automatic, like he usually does. Days passed and we West Texans got a record breaking number of beautiful, wonderful, fall days. But last Monday the old coot came to himself and remembered leaving that fair-weather switch turned on.

Age, coupled with the making of a first class boo-boo, can be quite unsettling, so I have been told, and our embarassed weatherman moved directly from boo-boo number one to boo-boo two. For last Monday he reached over and flipped the switch marked "TSWWHW," that is "typical spring weather with high winds." Imagine getting a spring windstorm on November 26! Nevertheless, all day Monday shutters banged, buckets and leaves went skittering across lawns, shingles stood on end, and eaves howled in the windy turbulence. Now Tuesday is starting with more of the same!

It is humbling, the knowledge of power that emanates from this electronic pen, this keyboard, how it is mightier than the sword. But there is no disputing the result of accomplished facts! Remember how cotton futures collapsed, opened limit down in fact, on the New York Cotton Exchange that Monday morning in October after N&V announced to the world that West Texas cotton was no longer in the doldrums, and that an excellent harvest was in the offing. And now, thanks to the keyboard's lulling the weatherman into such a wonderful mistake, all the area's

on-the-stalk a mite too dry for the best harvesting. Some bone-dry stems, brittle and glass-like, when brushed by the strippers, would snap and the boll would be sent flying to the ground. A little more moisture in the air would have helped. However the bolls that were lost were looked on as something like an insurance premium. A loss that must be endured rather than risk a winter storm's weighting the locks with ice, pulling them from the burrs, then their falling to the ground, thus exacting a much greater loss.

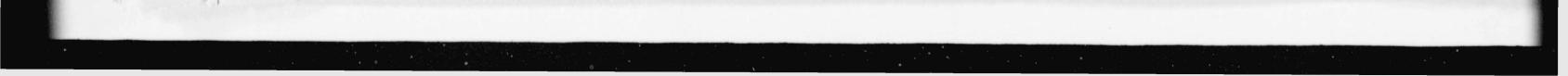
It is like a different world when one looks eastward below the caprock, their killing frost was weeks behind the freeze up on the Plains. Sunday afternoon many fields just west of Flomot were still untouched by strippers. If your stripper is still chomping at the bit, raring for more work, go check out Motley County, there is some mighty fine cotton there, and lots of acres.

Apparently irrigated yields are setting new records across the area. Individual fields are reaching heights only dreamed about a few short years ago. Rumors of four-bale yields along Floyd **Continued on Page 10** 









# Patterson-Lindsey exchange vows

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ashcraft of Tahoka was the setting for the Nov. 20 wedding of Jeffery Scott Lindsey, son of Darryl Lindsey and LaJuana Ashcraft to Miss Helen Shea Patterson of Aledo, Texas.

The Doctor Farrar Patterson, father of the bride, performed the 4:00 candlelight ceremony while traditional wedding selections were played by the bride's mother, Mrs. Edwina Patterson. Given in marriage by her father, the

# Floydada Nursing Home Happenings

#### **By Jo Bryant**

Hi, once again on this crisp, cold morning. Well, time is rushing by and everyone seems to be preparing for the most wonderful season and time of year. Isn't it great?

Monday, Bro. Bill Wright couldn't be with us, we shared the word on when we are going through a storm, we can have peace. It takes faith and trust and perserverance. Irene Wexler played the piano for us, she is a faithful servant. At 1 p.m. the residents had ceramics, they painted a squash.

Tuesday started the day as usual with coffee and juice. Dolores Cannon came and did some of the ladies hair and the men's. At 2 p.m. the residents had music, Good Ole Days and Rhythm Band.

Wednesday was the usual Bingo day, Charles Breeding had the first bingo. Mary Alice Davis came and assisted the residents. We had a full house. Candy, bananas and cheese balls were the treats.

Thursday the residents had current events, games and popcom.

Friday, Evelyn Latta came and played the piano for us and we just sung and praised the Lord for His Goodness and all that He has done for us.

In the afternoon we went to Plainview

on the bus ride. Stars treated the residents to some ice cream. Some of the residents went shopping at Wal-Mart. Must say that our birthday party will be Dec. 13. This is the second Thursday, instead of the third Thursday due to the conflict of the resident, family Christ-

mas party on Dec. 10. Also our open house is on Dec. 16 from 2 to 4 p.m.; the staff party is at 7 p.m. Dec. 17.

We want to welcome a new resident, R.B. McCravey of Ralls. He was reared in Floydada. Mrs. McCravey is Dessie Mae West, sister of Adrian West and Leona Neff.

Our love and sympathy go out to the family and friends of Lucille Poage. She was a special lady. We will miss her.

In the quiet of winter countryside, There's a magic in the air. For the beautiful spirit of Christmas,

Surrounds us everywhere. Visitors were: Betty Holmes, Artie

Webb, Bernie Coleman, Linda Crader, Irene Wexler, Evelyn Latta, Ernest

Smitherman, Phillip Smitherman, Roger Poage, R.G. Dunlap, Roberta Hardin, Nora Hatley, Pat Bullock, Pauline Robertson, Willie Mae Smith, May Sue and Melvin Johnson.

Look Who's New

ALVAREZ Benito Jr. and Carmen Alvarez are very proud to announce the arrival of

and was 20 inches long. Grandparents are Jose Carmen and Maria de la Luz Suarez of Floydada and

bride wore a white satin gown with chapel length train. The Victorian styled gown featured a modified neckline with an opened back which enhanced the droplets of seed pearls which hung from the choker-styled neckline. The bodice, sleeves, and train of the gown were embellished with motifs of seed pearls and irridescent sequins. A three layered obi bow at the waist back held the train of the gown during the reception. The bride's veil which encircled the hairline repeated the seed pearl motif and droplets and fell to fingertip length. Her nosegay was of red rosebuds and baby's

breath which accented chosen colors of hunter green and burgundy.

Both bride and groom are graduates of Monterey High School in Lubbock. After their honeymoon to New Mexico, the Lindseys will be residing in Lubbock where they are pursuing degrees at Texas Tech University.

Special guests of the family in this celebration were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rimmer and family, Mrs. Doris Ashcraft, Blake Ashcraft and grandmothers of the groom, Mrs. Virginia Carver of Floydada and Mrs. Vera Rimmer of Plainview.

News at Caprock Hospital

**By Molly Stringer** The past few weeks have been a flurry

of activities around our hospital. We express our appreciation to the community for your continued support. This is a fine community that we choose to live in. We have many benefits and blessings not available and experience I by many. Our Health Fair was well received and many came for the testing we offered. We appreciate all those who participated in this. The ladies auxiliary always comes through and are willing to give of their time to help. Those helping from the auxiliary included: Beth Tye, Juanita Henry, Shirley Varner, Ethel Carmack, Mildred Cates, Diana Glover and Ethel Barker. Thank you ladies for your help.

Patient census today is 11. We saw 165 patients in the emergency room last month.

Many employees enjoyed Thanksgiving with their families. Leroy Schaffner and his family traveled to Colorado to visit their parents.

Molly and Bill Stringer accompanied by Paul and Christy Newberry of Dallas traveled to Cortland, Ohio, to spend Thanksgiving with Jack and Jo Boggs. They were met there by Jim and Melody

on December 14 at the Massie Activity Center.

We have a new Morale Committee elected by all the employees at the hospital. Serving on this committee are Helen Teeple, Rhonda Stovall, Jean Jarrett and Sue Fuller. This committee will plan activities and supervise the employee luncheons.

**HEALTH INFORMATION** Vitamin C and Your Health Most people know that Vitamin C is important for maintaining good health and that oranges are a great source. But

how much of it do we need? Vitamin C, or Ascorbic acid, helps heal wounds and broken bones. It is needed for maintaining healthy teeth, gums and blood vessels and it helps the body resist infection. In addition, Vitamin C helps the body use iron, especially when it is consumed with ironrich foods.

exactly what does Vitamin C do, and

All citrus fruits and juices, green peppers, broccoli, brussel sprouts, cauliflower, cabbage, spinach and strawberries are good sources of Vitamin C. The recommended daily allowance for most adults is 60 mg a day, that's about a half cup of orange juice. Because smoking tends to drain the body of Vitamin C smokers need at least 100 mg a day.

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their daughter, Crystal Linda Alvarez. She was born at University Medical Center in Lubbock on Friday, Nov. 23, at 1:41 p.m.

Crystal Linda weighed 6 lbs. 7 ozs.



LOOK WHO'S 40!



Benito and Romana Alvarez of South Plains. Great-grandparents are Canutu and

Josepha Alvarez of Old Mexico.

#### TRUE

Mark and Mary True are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Kaitlyn L'Na born at 4:58 p.m. Nov. 28 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

She weighed 5 lbs. 10 ozs. and was 18-3/4" long.

Grandparents are Latina Smith of Morton and Riley and Margaret True of Plainview.



Roberts. The Stringers along with the Newberrys and Roberts went to Pennsylvania, New York, Niagara Falls and Canada. We all arrived home tired but still friends.

Frances and Doyle Miller went to Lubbock and had Thanksgiving in Lubbock with their daughter-in-law's family.

Susan Green, her girls and Sam's mother had dinner with Susan's mom at Plainview.

Our condolences to Jean Jarrett on the loss of her brother before Thanksgiving. Our hospital Christmas party will be

# **Floyd Data**

Deeota Odam returned home Wednesday, Nov. 28, after spending the holidays in Lubbock in the home of her sisters, Jinnie and Kyle Hollomon and Odessa Cage.

Wednesday evening, Nov. 21, Mr. and Mrs. Hollomon were hosts to a family gathering. Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Orville and Maurette Poore of Springfield, Missouri, Odessa Cage of Lubbock, Deeota Odam, Floydada, and Clay Cage, Lubbock.

Thanksgiving Day Odessa Cage was hostess to a family gathering. Those in attendance included Orville and Maurette Poore, Kyle and Jinnie Hollomon and Deeota Odam, Stanley and Virginia Waits, Hale Center; Debra Rushing, Crystal, Angie and Michael, Gary Hill of Plainview and John and Jackie Waits of Irving.

On Saturday those visiting in the Cage home included Orville and Maurette Poore, Mr. and Mrs. Kerry and Elaine Siewert of San Angelo, Leah and Heather, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle and Jinnic Hollomon, Decota Odam, Floydada.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Poore also visited in the home of her brother, Weldon and Claudia Thornton while in Lubbock.

Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Poore left for Ft. Worth where they were overnight guests of her sister, Bill and Lou Snow. Other relatives of Lou and Maurette also visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Snow while Mr. and Mrs. Orville Poore were in Ft. Worth.

Monday Odessa Cage and Decota Odam visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Hollomon.

Orville Poore is the brother of Deeota, Jinnie and Odessa.

Have A Good Week!

Caprock Hospital Report

Homer Farmer, Floydada, adm. 9-11, continues care, Lopez Leona McCray, Floydada, adm. 8-18,

continues care, Jordan Walter Hanna, Floydada, adm. 11-9, continues care, Lopez

Angela Huerta, Dougherty, adm. 11-26, dis. 11-30, Lopez Robbie Hatley, Floydada, adm. 11-

19, continues care, Jordan Gladney Stubbs, Turkey, adm. 11-24,

dis. 11-28, Hale Ruth Smitherman, Floydada, adm.

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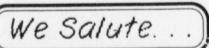
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30, continues care, Lopez Santos Sanchez, Floydada, adm. 12-1,

continues care, Lopez



#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Thursday, Dec. 6: Heather Henderson, Erma Meyers, Kevin Northcutt Friday, Dec. 7: Lindsey Moore, Jack Daniels

Saturday, Dec. 8: Adam Gonzales, Laura Cheek, Anthony Emert, Erica Equia, Miguel Rangel Jr.

Sunday, Dec. 9: Linda Harbin, Don Chessir, JenniSu Smith, Joy Allen, **Rusty Galloway** 

Monday, Dec. 10: Steve Stringer Tuesday, Dec. 11: Edward Rodriquez, Emily Mercado, Rodney Ferguson, Aaron James Hernandez

Wednesday, Dec. 12: Martin Morales, Branda Breed, Kathy Becker

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Monday, Dec. 10: James and Lee King

Wednesday, Dec. 12: Mr. and Mrs. Manuel V. Garcia

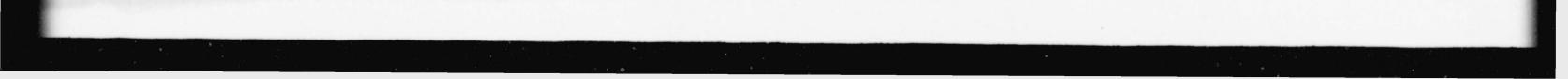
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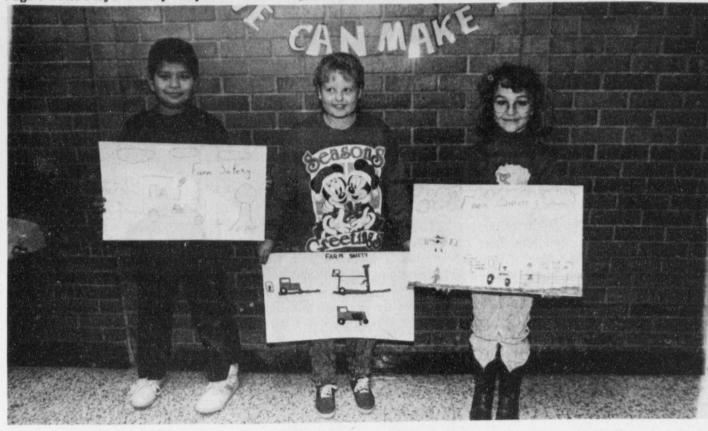
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**POSTER CONTEST WINNERS** — Winners of the farm safety poster contest sponsored by Farmers Home Administration were Marcus Riojas, Na'lyn Simpson and Kember Everett. Each student received a T-shirt as a

reward for an imaginative and effective postor depicting some form of farm safety message. The contest was held under the auspices of Farm Safety Just For Kids.

**Staff Photo** 

# Senior Stars of '91

#### **By Becky Porter**

1972. He is the son of June and Larry Richardson. Donelee has one brother, Michael, and one sister, Donna Gail. Donelee has lived in Floydada all of his life. He plays basketball and he runs

track. Donelee works at City Hall everyday after school. Donelee attends Mt. Zion Baptist Church where he is very active in the choir. He plays the tamborine and sings.

When asked, "What are your plans for the future?", he responded, "get a job, marriage, and enlist in the Army."

When asked, "What do you like best about FHS?" Donelee responded, "Going to CVAE to see Mr. Galloway."

We wish you the best of luck in your job, marriage and the military service. Good luck and God Bless.

Maggie Ramirez was born September 30, 1972. She is the daughter of Noe and Armandina Ramirez. Maggie has two sisters, Christina and Priscilla, and one

brother, Isaac. She has attended school Donelle Cooper was born May 31, at Floydada for 4-1/2 years and previously attended Lockney Elementary and junior high.

> Maggie has participated in ag and as a cornet and flute player in the band. As a summer job Maggie worked in the field.

When asked, "What is your favorite subject in school?" she replied, "Government." Maggie attends St. Mary Magdalen and is very active as an altar girl.

When asked, "What really makes you happy?" Maggie responded, "When we win our football games!"

Maggie plans to attend college in Dallas to become a fashion designer. She says marriage isn't important right now, but she would like to be married someday.

When asked, "If you had one wish, what would it be?", she responded, "I would meet Metallica in person."

Good luck Maggie in the future and God Bless!

# Local students given chance to study abroad

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High school students interested in becoming an exchange student in one of 12 European countries, Canada, Mexico, or New Zealand are being sought by the nonprofit ASSE International Student Exchange Program.

Exchange students live with caring host families during a summer holiday

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Students interested in more information should call 1-800-333-3802 or call Sheila at 806-794-9194.

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# Whirlwind varsity boys win two, lose one

The Floydada Whirlwind Varsity traveled to Ralls to play two match games last weekend. The first game was against New Deal on Friday, November 30.

The 'Winds blasted New Deal 104 to 66 in regulation play. Contributing greatly to the victory was Kenneth Collins who broke a school scoring record by netting 45 points during the four quarters of play in the game.

Jamie Suarez was the next highest scorer with 25 points and Ryan Burns followed with 9. Michael Henderson made 8 points and Michael Aleman added another 7. Both Donelee Cooper and Chad Williams each had 4 points and Billy Villarreal had 2.

Coach Mike Cocanougher said of the team, "The boys played very well."

Score By Quarters Floydada 21 27 23 33 104 New Deal 12 11 17 26 66

saying, "The boys are starting to play a lot better. We had good hustle and they close game on Tuesday, December 4, played good defense."

**By Christy Benjamin** 

The Lady Winds traveled to Hale

Center on Tuesday, Nov. 27, to go up

against the Owlettes. They did very well

against their competition, but in the end,

Hale Center racked up more points. The

The leading scorer was Tonya Powell

with seven points. Other Varsity players

were: Elisa Suarez, Kalli Hicks, Trish

Pernell, Linda Suarez, Lesha Black,

Kerrie Pitts and Branda Breed.

final score was 33 to 28.

Score By Quarters Floydada 26 21 28 18 93 14 10 8 15 47 Ralls

### **Basketball Business**

times to help them score.

63-62 in the Owls favor.

The Varsity girls' teamwork was shown throughout the game by every teammate.

Other girls playing Friday were: Tian Younger, Linda Suarez, Kerrie Pitts, Branda Breed and Mandy Bailey.

HALE CENTER EDGES 'WINDS

The Whirlwind varsity played a very

dropping the match to Hale Center by

one point. Final score in the game was

The Lady Winds' determination was evident in the second game of the tournament, but it just wasn't enough to outscore Ralls when the final buzzer sounded.

Kerrie Pitts had a very impressive

Coach Cocanougher states, "The boys had a great game. We got down by two at half then came back to tie it up near the end. We fouled and the Owls made their free shots to go ahead by one. With five seconds to go, we had a chance to win but missed a layup at the buzzer. It was a great effort by the team."

Collins once more lead the scoring for the 'Winds, toting up 34 points. Aleman made 7 and Suarez had 6. Williams, Burns and Henderson each netted five points.

The team now has a season record of 3-3 as they prepare to enter district competition.

Score By Quarters Floydada 22 9 8 23 62 Hale Center 14 19 14 16 63



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**WINDS TAKE RALLS** 

The second day at the Ralls event, Floydada's varsity played the Ralls varsity. Floydada again blew away their opponent, 93 to 47.

Collins was the leading scorer with 32 points. Suarez followed with 19 and Aleman made 12. Williams and Henderson each scored 10 and Burns and Cooper each made 4. Villarreal netted 2. Coach Cocanougher praised the team,

The Lady Winds started off the Ralls tournament with a win Nov. 30, defeating New Deal 47 to 34. The leading scorer was Trish Pernell, totaling 17 points.

Kalli Hicks made three steals. Trish Pernell deserves a pat on the back for her five offensive rebounds and four defensive rebounds. Kalli Hicks made four defensive rebounds as well. Elisa Suarez assisted her teammates four

SCHEDULE FOR

night with her shots, netting a total of 26 points. Elisa Suarez should be recognized for making three steals and having four assists. Tonya Powell had an impressive five offensive rebounds.

Both Kalli Hicks and Trish Pernell made four offensive rebounds.

Other girls playing Saturday night were: Tian Younger, Linda Suarez, Branda Breed and Mandy Bailey.

APPLE OF OUR EYE - Beth Faulkenberry has been selected as the Apple Of Our Eye for the week of December 3 at Duncan Elementary. She has been teaching for 24 years. She graduated from high school at Springlake-Earth and attended West Texas State University. She is married to local farmer Scott Faulkenberry and the couple has three children, Kay Rainwater, Julie Knight and Joe Scott Faulkenberry. Her hobbies include handwork and playing with her four grandchildren.

**Staff Photo** 

Serving In the Midule

#### East

(Editor's Note: The Hesperian will be publishing a list of Floyd County servicemen, who have been sent to the Middle East. If anyone in the county has a son or daughter there please let us know and we will add their name to the list, so that other residents may remember them in their prayers.)

Cpl. Able Ballejo - son of Dora Ballejo of Lockney.

Sgt. James C. Burns - son of Clara Vickers and John T. Burns, Floydada; husband of Teresa A. Bums.

Marine Cpl. Laron Cheek - son of Carolyn Cheek, Floydada.

Cpl. James Fannon - son of Weldon and Gloria Fannon, Floydada. Marine Lance Corporal Adolfo Garcia Jr. - son of Adolfo and Irma Garcia, Floydada.

Russel Graves - husband of Lonna Graves of Post, formerly of Floydada.

Henry P. Howard - son of Al Howard, Tenaha, Texas, and Lisa Howard, Lubbock.

Lt. Jayme Jones - granddaughter of Dorothy Merrell.

PFC Shawn P. Moore - grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bennett, Floydada. Kelly Reed - son of Mr. and Mrs. Connie Reed, Panhandle, formerly of Floydada.

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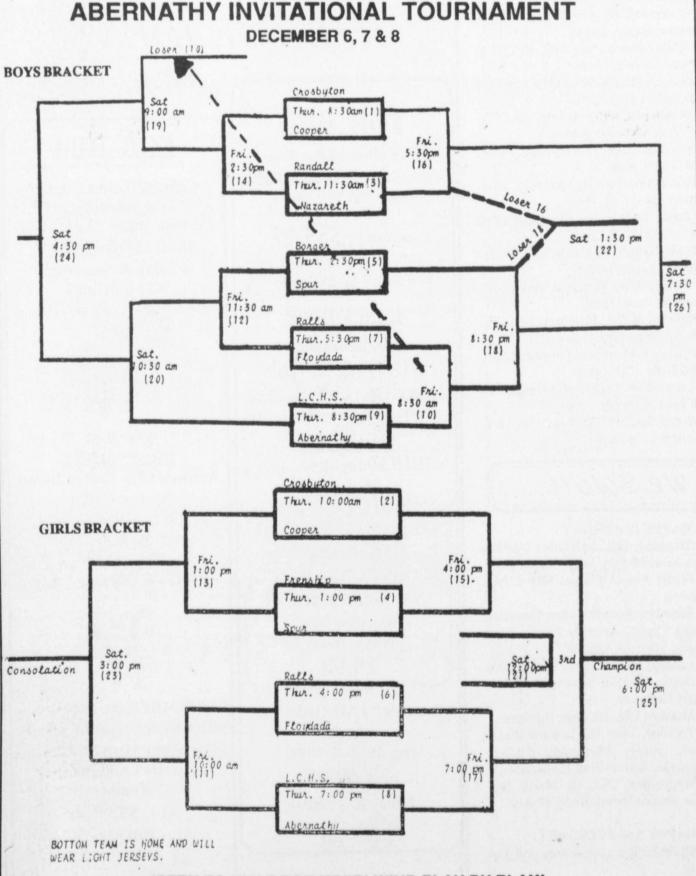
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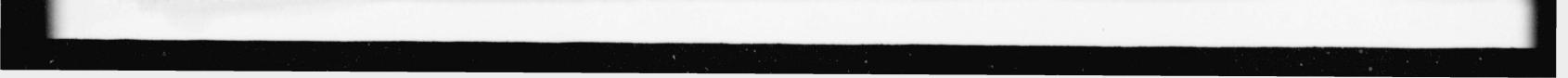
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### Andrews students to visit TSTI Friday

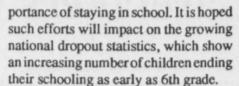
The 4th and 5th grade students and six counselors from the R.C. Andrews Elementary School will tour the TSTI-Amarillo campus on Friday, Dec. 7. The tour will begin at 10:15 a.m.

prize winning Chevy Monza drag race

partment and a tour of the Drafting and Design Department. A wienie roast lunch will be provided.

Following the visit to TSTI-Amarillo, the students will tour the Amarillo Dis-Highlights will include viewing of the covery Center in the afternoon.

This is part of an effort toward early car in the Automotive Department, a exposure of students to educational visit to the Aviation Maintenance De- opportunities and emphasizing the im-







HAVE BABIES WILL TRAVEL--The babies at the Floydada Day Care have got a new way to get around with the help of this six seater stroller. The stroller was bought with the proceeds from the recent spaghetti supper served by the Day Care staff. Also bought from the proceeds was a refrigerator and carpet for the baby's room. Shown

sitting are: (front, left-right) Tana Lloyd, Ashley Taylor and Kevin Smith; (2nd row) Christopher Hayter and Kami Holbert; (3rd row) Dustin Corsey and Cody Smith; (back row) Charlie Beedy and Brandon Monreal.

**Staff Photo** 



### **Insurance board offers advice** on extended auto warranties

Extended warranties on automobiles can be a blessing if your car breaks down after the manufacturer's warranty expires. But they can be a headache when you can't get anybody to honor them.

The State Board of Insurance has In one case, an unlicensed extended received a number of complaints and warranty company agreed to leave the inquiries from consumers about extended warranties.

The State Board of Insurance and the Texas Attorney General currently regard extended warranty policies sold by unlicensed entities other than dealers to be unauthorized, illegal insurance.

> state and refund \$1 million in premium to policyholders after the Attorney General sued to shut it down.



DUNCAN STARS - Chosen Duncan Stars for the week were: (front row, left to right) Esmeralda Ybarra, Marcus Valadez, Scotty Gilbert, Tara Williams, Blanca Martinez, Cayla Tierce, Leroy Garza, David Rodriquez, Laura Reddy, Kayla Stovall, Adriana Rodriquez; (middle row) J. R. Ochoa, Yesena Erlas, Mark Gutierrez, Roger Men-

doza, Tamara Black, Ismeal Arvello, Alicia Hinojosa, Sylvia Munez, Austin Campbell, Rudy Trevino, Nancy Van Hoose; (back row) Leon Guzman, Veronica Lopez, Brandi Gordon, Scotty Lopez, Zach Logan, Darryl Ortiz, Erika Miller, Nancy Chavez, Jessica Johnston, Marcus **Riojas and Kember Everett. Staff Photo** 

### **R. C. Andrews Honor Roll**

**2nd Six Weeks GRADE 4** Straight "A" - Victoria Cummings,

McHam, Angela Rodriquez, Paul Ross, Christopher Sanchez, Dane Sanders, Katie Sanders, Meredith Schacht, Shonda Smith, Cody Stovall, Chad Zan Daniels, Fabian Falcon, Lance Turner

"A" Average - Christina Arellano, Ruben Barrientoz, Anna Campbell, Ivan Cervera, Carissa Coursey, Dusty Duke, John Dunavant, Amanda Green, Micah Marble, Royanne Mercado, Nikki Meyers, Karen Resio, Oscar Sanchez, Angela Verone, Mandi Yeary, Reagan Pernell

Straight "B" - Mark Lucio, Joey Snell, Jennifer Trevino

"B" Average — Amber Arney, Tamisha Burks, Elena Chairez, Carmela Chavarria, Rita Coronado, Brent Cruz, April Diaz, Tony Diaz, Lupe Duran, Jaron Everett, Ty Fawver, Cindy Fonseca, Oscar Garza, Emory Gilly, San Jui Gomez, Ruben Guzman, Ticen Harper, Amy Hernandez, Daniel Herrera, Elizabeth Irlas, Keith Ledbetter, Jose Luna, Israel Martinez, Marcie Mendoza, Sonya Mendoza, Erbey Molinar, Monica Morales, Hanna Morris, Patrick Odom, April Pena, Adam Perales, George Perez, Jamie Reyes, Justin Robinson, Tammy Sanchez, Tim Simpson, Valerie Taylor, Jacob Thrasher, Linda Vargas, Wade Wiles, Ashleigh Williams

#### **GRADE 6**

Straight "A" - Monty Anderson, Christy Hale, Laura Hale, Will Warren

"A" Average - Chad Benjamin, Laci Christian, Emilio Guzman, Chad Harmon, Carlos Hernandez, Chad Hinkle, Stacey Lloyd, Erika Martinez, Lydia Mendoza, Alycia Porter, Peppre Selman

Straight "B" - Lisa Crader

"B" Average - Audrey Aguilar, Angel Aleman, John Arredondo, Tomas Barrientoz, Kelli Bertrand, Johnny Briones, Jesse Cabello, Jessica Charles, Cristina Chavarria, Tammy Cisneros, Todd Cocanougher, Marcus Collins, Vernon Cooper, Nicole Coronado, Robert Cuba, Belinda de la Fuente, Ricky Derryberry, Omar Eguia, Shondra Emert, Chris Enriquez, Melissa Enriquez, Cassy Fawver, Jennifer Forbes, Elizabeth Galvan, Norma Gonzalez, Juan Hernandez, Julian Hernandez, Rachel Hinojosa, Todd Hinsley, Kenny Holmes, Orlando Lira, Susy Maldonado, Griselda Martinez, Patricia Martinez, David Mercado, Vickie Ochoa, Dustin Owens, Angelek Ratliff, Angie Rea, Shirley Rodriquez, Mary Romero, Blanca Segura, Scott Smith, Adam Soto, Joey Vargas, Donnetra Williams

SQUEEZEABLE SPARKY -- Sparky the SPS Mouse accompanied Santa Claus to the square on Monday to assist in the tree lighting ceremony on the courthouse lawn. Sparky got a lot of hugs from the many children who came Staff Photo to the ceremony in anticipation of Santa's lap.

#### Floydada School Menu

Monday: Breakfast --- Pears, cheese toast, milk Lunch - Fish w/catsup, baked beans, cole slaw, wild cherry cake, hot roll, milk **Tuesday:** Breakfast - Pineapple juice, hot hot roll, milk oatmeal cereal, toast, milk Lunch - Spaghetti chicken casserole, fried squash, English peas, cakes, syrup, milk peaches, hot roll, milk

Dec. 10-14

Wednesday:

Breakfast - Grape juice, cinnamon pickles, ice cream cup, milk

toast, milk Lunch - Corn dogs, tator tots, tossed salad, pineapple tidbits, milk Thursday:

Breakfast - Apple juice, dry cereal, toast, milk

Lunch — Turkey w/dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, fruit cup,

Friday: Breakfast - Orange juice, two pan-

Lunch - Char broiled burgers w/ mustard, French fries, lettuce, tomatoes,



At least three different kinds of extended warranty arrangements are known to exist:

\* Direct contract between the dealer/ manufacturer and the automobile purchaser.

\* Contract between the dealer/manufacturer and the purchaser, but with a separate firm performing such administrative functions as claim approval.

\* Separate, unlicensed entities that solicit new car buyers and sell them "policies" which promise to pay their repair bills.

The State Board of Insurance does not regulate or enforce extended warranty contracts between dealers and auto purchasers at this time.

But the Board does regulate mechanical breakdown policies that may be sold by any licensed insurance company that is authorized to write automobile insurance. Mechanical breakdown policies are written on standard forms approved by the Board. Except when sold by county mutual insurance companies, these policies must be priced at rates prescribed by the Board. County mutuals are authorized by law to set their own rates. Mechanical breakdown policies may be sold only by licensed agents, appointed by the insurance companies to represent them.

Christmas shopping in Floydada First!

The Attorney General sued another extended warranty company, Griffin Systems, Inc., of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1990 at the request of the State Board of Insurance. That lawsuit is pending.

Suits against several other extended warranty companies are in various stages of preparation.

Decisions on extended warranty contracts can be difficult and should not be made hastily. Here are a few pointers:

\* Do not buy an extended warranty contract from someone other than the dealer except for a mechanical breakdown policy sold by a licensed insurance company through a licensed agent. \* Consider the automobile dealer's reputation for fair dealing.

\* Read the extended warranty agreement before you sign it or pay any money for it.

\* Make sure you understand who is responsible for paying for repairs performed under the extended warranty contract and confirm this with the dealer.

An extended warranty contract between you and the dealer/ manufacturer usually makes the dealer responsible for covered repairs-even when a hired administrator processes the claims. In these circumstances, the dealer/manufacturer is ultimately responsible for fixing your car if you have one of these contracts.

\* Be clear on how your extended warranty will be handled if the dealer goes out of business.

Melanie Phillips, Dianna Romero, Scott Salazar, Jennifer Van Hoose, Dea Wat-

#### **GRADE 5**

Straight "A" - Leigh Dawdy, Crystal Driver, Amanda Fawver, Jason Henderson, Tara McCandless, Jamie McGuire, Bruce McHam, Jennifer Noland, Maria Nunez, Kyle Pierce, Karen Smith, Tyson Whittle

"A" Average - Elizabeth Cuellar, Monica Galvan, Abel Lopez, Jennifer Luna, Lisa Martinez, Angie Medrano, Crystal Meyers, Jeannie Ochoa, Michael Palacios, Shelby Romero, Neisha Simpson, Sherry Williams, Katrina Smith

Straight "B" - Erin Abshier, Marty Herrera

"B" Average - Daniel Arellano, Albert Bermea, Jason Campbell, Rosantina Cervera, Pedro Chairez, Ubaldo Chavez, Stephanie Emert, Leo Esquivel, Ryan Fowler, Adam Garcia, Betty Gomez, Diane Gonzales, Mary Jane Gonzales, Dusty Jahay, Lisa Lopez, Joe Lucio, Marina Luna, Derek Martinez, Dane Nichols, Hilda Ocasio,



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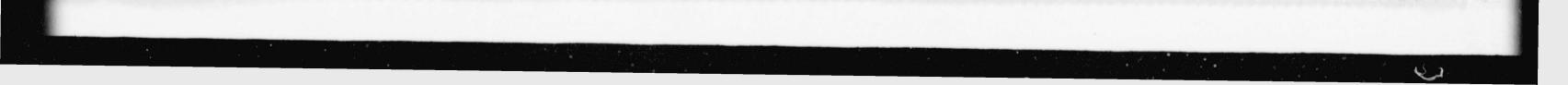
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# How the Congress stole Christmas

#### **By Edwin Feulner**

One of my favorite holiday stories is the Dr. Scuss classic, "The Grinch That Stole Christmas." For those who don't remember, the fable goes something like this: The dastardly Grinch hates happiness so much that he decides to ruin Christmas for the people of the adjacent valley by dressing up like Santa Claus and stealing their presents. On Christmas morning, however, he has a change of heart and, infused with the holiday spirit, returns the stolen presents to the children.

This year, Congress is playing the part of the Grinch. But unlike Dr. Seuss' villain, the thieves on Capitol Hill are not going to return the toys.

people by enacting the largest tax increase in U.S. history - more than \$170 billion during the next five years. That's an increase of more than \$300 a year for the average American family - a sizeable chunk of the Christmas fund.

To pay the new tax bills next year, a lot of families simply are going to have to eliminate the annual holiday trip to grandma's house. Thanks to new federal taxes on gasoline and airline tickets, the cost of going home for Christmas just went up.

At first, an additional five cents per gallon of gasoline doesn't seem like much, but for commuters, the nickels quickly add up. The Federal Highway Administration reports that New Yorkers can expect to pay an additional

Congressional Budget Office, families earning less than \$5,000 annually pay eight times more of their income in gasoline taxes than those earning \$50,000 or more. For poor families, a hundred dollars can mean the difference between Christmas and no Christmas. Of course, long distance is the "next best thing to being there." But with new federal taxes on telephone service, the cost of calling grandma to wish her a Merry Christmas is going to take a big jump. New federal "sin" taxes on alcoholic beverages will raise the price of Christmas eggnog and New Year's Eve brew, whether your choice is champagne or a cold Coors.

It'll even cost you more to raise your children. Under the budget deal, the value of personal exemptions, for children and other dependents, will be phased out for taxpayers earning more than \$50,000. The Grinch didn't like children, but only Congress would stoop to taxing them.

#### Awards nominations being accepted

# Caretakers of heritage recognized

The Texas Historical Commission currently is accepting nominations for awards to recognize the outstanding preservation efforts of Texans across the state.

"Each year hundreds of individuals and organizations in Texas are deeply involved in and committed to preserving our heritage," said Curtis Tunnell, executive director of the THC. "Their activities contribute to the cultural enrichment of us all, and we would like to honor some of their best efforts."

Recently revised and broadened, the preservation awards include the following:

The Governor's Award for Historic Preservation recognizes the highest achievement of an individual or organization in preserving Texas' prehistoric and historic heritage.

The Ruth Lester Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes those individuals who have made a significant, long-term contribution to historic prescrvation in Texas.

The Glenda Morgan Award of Excellence recognizes the significant contributions of an individual or institution in the areas of historical interpretation, museum education, conservation of collections, and/or community involvement.

The Award of Excellence in Historic Architecture honors exemplary work that has made a significant contribution to the preservation of Texas' architectural heritage.

The Award of Excellence in Preserving History honors an individual, organization, or project that has significantly contributed to the understanding or preservation of Texas history, specifically in the areas of preservation planning, historic site identification, preservation of archival or artifact collections, or research.

The Award of Excellence in Archeology recognizes outstanding achievements in the field of archeology, technical scientific research, and archeological site and/or archeological collections preservation.

The John Ben Shepperd Leadership Award recognizes outstanding leaders of nonprofit heritage organizations.

The Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award recognizes outstanding volunteer service to historic preservation efforts in Texas.

The Governor's Award will be presented in Austin during 1991 National Preservation Week. Other awards will

be presented at the THC's preservation conference in Beaumont, April 25-27.

Nominations may be submitted by any interested person, and all Texans involved in preservation/heritage activities are encouraged to participate. The nomination deadline for each award is 5 p.m., February 28.

For complete awards guidelines, contact the THC, P.O. Box 12276, Austin, TX 78711, 512-463-6100.



CHRISTMAS PACKAGES .- The Salvation Army, represented by Monte Williams and Martha Lotspeich (left-right), present Jo Bryant (the Activity Director at the Floydada Nursing Home) with Christmas packages for the residents at the nursing home. The packages contain toiletries and necessities that many residents need but are not supplied with by any family members. **Staff Photo** 

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by John Patrick

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Unwilling to balance the budget by cutting "pork" and capping spending increases at four percent, as my colleagues have proposed, Congress and the Bush administration have instead

\$101.52 annually, while Wyoming drivers - faced with huge distances between towns - will spend nearly \$150 more in gasoline taxes.

Worse, gasoline taxes unfairly punish shown their contempt for the American the working poor. According to the

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The Conservation Trees brochure

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\* The right way to plant trees

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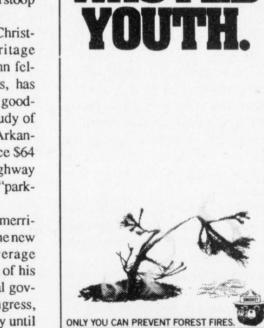
"The National Arbor Day Foundation's Conservation Trees program encourages Americans to plant and manage trees to conserve soil, energy, water, wildlife, and the atmosphere," John Rosenow, the Foundation's executive director said.

"The Conservation Trees brochure is a central part of this educational project. It serves as a useful guide for people in all areas, whether they live in America's largest cities or in the country," Rosenow added.

For your free brochure, send your name and address to: Conservation Trees, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

So what are you getting for Christmas? Scott Hodge, The Heritage Foundation's Grover M. Hermann fellow in federal budgetary affairs, has compiled an extraordinary list of goodies, including \$3 million for a study of zebra mussels, \$3.8 million for Arkansas' "Poultry Center of Excellence \$64 million for "intelligent vehicle/highway systems," and \$428 million for a "parking garage revolving fund."

It's enough to depress even the merriest of Santa's elves. Even before the new taxes were approved, the average American paid nearly 40 percent of his income to federal, state, and local govenments. Now, it appears Congress, unlike the Grinch, won't be happy until it has taken all the presents from under the tree.



# Facts About Your City

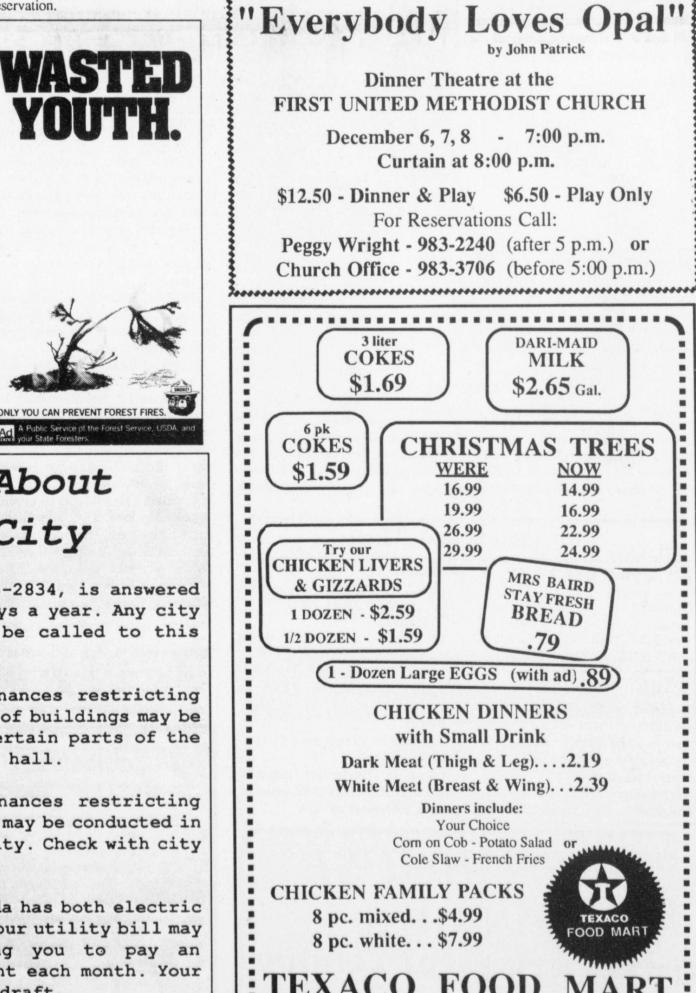
1. The city phone, 983-2834, is answered 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Any city type problems should be called to this number.

2. The city has ordinances restricting what types of or sizes of buildings may be built or moved into certain parts of the city. Check with city hall.

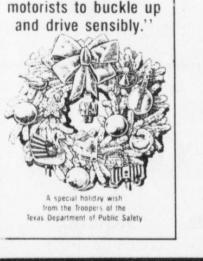
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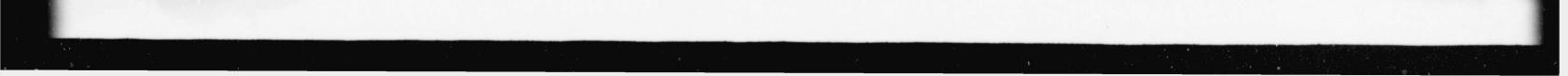
4. The City of Floydada has both electric and water utilities. Your utility bill may be averaged, allowing you to pay an approximate same amount each month. Your bill may be put on a draft.

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# Time to mull over plans for 1991

In late October the casual High Plains visitor with even an ounce of poetry in his soul saw a beautiful sight - field after field of cotton shimmering whitely under the autumn sun as far as the eye could see.

Now, proving beauty truly is in the eyes of the beholder, that scene has been lost to the visitor and has become something even more beautiful to High Plains producers - a sea of murky brown dotted by tons and tons of "white gold" stored in the relative safety of eight to ten-bale modules.

The prevalence of the latter sight means most producers in the area have now won the harvest race against the threat of losses to winter weather. And one by one they are finding time to mull over plans for 1991. However, according to Charles Cunningham, Chief of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Program Analysis Division, completion of such plans faces what may be a protracted delay pending top-level decisions on details of the 1991 government program. Fortunately, he adds, one of the most important announcements, the size of the acreage reduction program (ARP), may be out by mid-December. Other details, he says, will be slow in coming.

Although the new flexibility feature of the 1990 farm act adds another dimension to the always difficult projections required to determine the ARP, Cunningham says his division has completed the initial number-crunching. A few weeks ago he and others and others in USDA and in the industry had talked of an ARP in the range of 10 to 15 percent. But that talk has subsided of late and Cunnningham declines to even hint at what size ARP may be indicated by his latest projections. All he will say is "Somewhere between zero and 25 percent." Assuming the Secretary's office has no problem making its decision or with getting the required approval from the Office of Management and Budget, which Cunningham says would be a rarity, an announcement could come as early as the first week in December.

Meanwhile, judging from questions being fielded by Lubbock-based Plains

law's so-called "triple-base" flexibility plan which, along with cutting the number of payment-eligible acres of each commodity, grants unprecedented planting options. "Admittedly these are uncharted waters," says PCG Executive Vice President Donald Johnson. "And on balance they'll no doubt make for an unpleasant experience." However, Johnson adds, by taking advantage of new planting freedom, some producers should be able to at least mitigate the adverse effects.

Born of budgetary restrictions, the foundation of the whole triple-base concept, PCG explains, is the removal of payment eligibility on an acreage equal to 15 percent of the crop acreage base for each commodity. It's important to understand, Johnson notes, that 15 percent of the full acreage base, not 15 percent of permitted acres, is the acreage ineligible for payment. Put another way, the maximum acreage for payment will equal base acreage minus the ARP minus 15 percent of the acreage base. thus a 100-acre cotton base and a 10 percent ARP would yield 75 paymenteligible acres (100-10-15). That amounts to a 16.67 percent reduction from the 90 acres that would have been payment-eligible under the 1985 act. With a 25 percent ARP, it's easy to see that the reduction in payment-eligible acres would climb to 20 percent.

The 15 percent of crop acreage base that cannot under any circumstances draw a payment is known as the MNA or Maximum Non-payment Acres. At the producer's option, MNA acreage may be "flexed", or shifted, to any other

program or non-program crop, excluding fruits and vegetables.

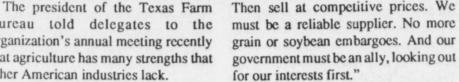
Then there's the Optional Non-payment Acreage, or ONA, which equals another 10 percent of each commodity's base acreage. The ONA also may be flexed to other crops, bringing the total flex acres to 25 percent of all crop acreage bases on a given farm.

program crop to another will be eligible for payment, but all will be eligible for loan programs.

For one oversimplified example, assume a 15 percent ARP for cotton, 15 percent for feed grain and 15 percent for wheat, on a farm with 100-acre base for each crop. On such a farm a producer could plant a maximum of 135 acres to cotton (85 permitted acres + 25 flexed from feed grain + 25 from wheat). Only 70 acres (85 permitted - 15 MNA) would be eligible for payment, but all 135 would be eligible for the loan. On the same farm if the producer didn't want to voluntarily sacrifice payment-eligible acres of any crop, he could plant a maximum of 115 acres to cotton (85 permitted + 15 MNA from feed grains + 15 MNA from wheat).

In either case, if the full ARP for all crops is met, all bases are protected. However no base building for any crop can occur on any farm with any crop enrolled in the program. For other purposes, both cross and offsetting compliance are banned as conditions of program eligibility.

PCG invites questions at its office, 4510 Englewood, Lubbock, telephone wants," he said. "We must produce 792-4904.



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True reminded the delegates that export markets were vital to American agriculture.

"It's no longer a question of do we want to get into the world market," he said. "We're in it, like it or not."

The farm leader said U.S. farmers exported one-fourth of their production last year, which comprised 14 percent of the total world agricultural trade.

"There must be a political solution if we are to have a chance at a larger share," he said. "We are shut out of many markets by actions of governments around the world."

True charged that European Community countries pay some subsidies to their farmers that are 20 times larger than in the U.S.

"These artificial incentives result in a glut that is dumped on world markets, thus destroying our markets," he said. "The EC also bans products like our beef and pork for what they claim are health reasons. Everyone knows it's done to keep out competition."

The cotton, grain and beef producer said input costs must be controlled if U.S. farmers and ranchers are to compete in world markets.

"This is hard to do when we are at the mercy of world and domestic politics," he said. "The Iraqi invasion caused our fuel costs to jump by a third. Extreme

environmental regulations prevent us from using our resources economically. Animal rights extremists challenge our right to raise livestock. New taxes are added to our already spiraling costs."

The farm leader said current normal problems in agriculture are bad enough without farmers having to overcome "incorrect perceptions" in the public's mind.

"It isn't always what the public knows that can hurt you," he said. "It's what the public perceives to be the truth, and isn't. You know these myths as well as I do.

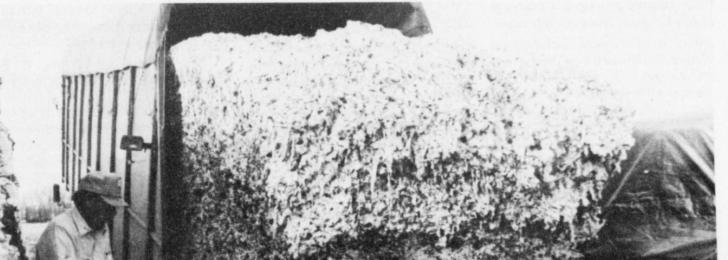
"The public perceives that using hormones in promoting growth in beef animals endangers their health. The truth is, hormones are not in any way dangerous.

The public perceives that farmers' use of agricultural chemicals results in widespread pollution of their water supply. The truth is, the EPA announced two weeks ago that the first national survey of pesticides in groundwater has found only one Texas well with an unhealthy level of nitrate and none with pesticides," True said.

The farm leader said farmers have quite a story to tell, a story that consumers and voters need to know.

"Americans should be thankful for an abundant and safe food supply at reasonable prices," the speaker said. "Only two percent of the U.S. population lives on farms and ranches, yet we manage to feed the other 98 percent and others overseas.'





### Agriculture has many strengths None of the acres flexed from one

Bureau told delegates to the organization's annual meeting recently that agriculture has many strengths that , other American industries lack.

> "While productivity in many segments of the economy is going down, ours is going up," S.M. True of Plainview said in his annual message to the 1,300 delegates representing 214 county Farm Bureaus.

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"On a level playing field, we can outcompete any farmers anywhere for world markets," the cotton, rain and beef producer said. "These are strengths we can build on."

True told the delegates that the political action fund they established four years ago "lived up to all your expectations" in the recent general election.

Of the 59 candidates TFB supported for state, congressional and state legislative offices, 48 won their races, he said, including "the best of all," State Rep. Rick Perry's election as Texas Agricul-

ture Commissioner. The farm leader warned that competing in the world markets is not easy.

"We've got to know what the market quality products that fill that demand.

Cotton Growers, Inc., most producers still lack a clear understanding of the new law. Especially confusing is the





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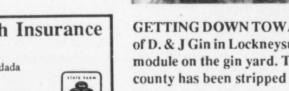
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GETTING DOWN TOWARDS THE END--Eddie Foster fields for the gins to pick up. The weather cooperated with **Staff Photo** 

**By Ace Reid** 

### Funding base COW POKES could increase

The 1990 Farm Bill includes an amendment to the Cotton Research and Promotion Act of 1966 which could substantially increase the funding base for the Cotton Research and Promotion Program.

Administered by the Cotton Board and conducted by Cotton Incorporated, the Cotton Research and Promotion Program's mission is to develop, maintain and expand markets for U.S. Upland cotton.

Currently, the program is funded by U.S. cotton producers through a perbale assessment collected at the time of first sale. The assessment rate is one dollar plus a supplemental rate of sixtenths of one percent of the value of the bale. Producers may request a refund of their assessment under the existing Order.

The provisions of the 1990 Farm Bill authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a referendum that, if approved, will extend the assessment to imports of raw cotton and cotton textiles. The amendment will also eliminate the refund provision. Both importers and U.S. cotton producers will be allowed to vote in the referendum.

From the date of enactment of the Farm Bill, the Secretary of Agriculture is allowed a minimum of five and a maximum of eight months during whir'i to set up a referendum.

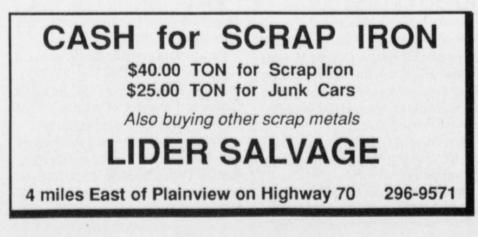
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# Carl Lemons' News and Views from Cedar Hill

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County's western edge are afloat, however among the highest yields east of the Silverton highway was the 1500-plus lb. yield from the Bill Beedy home place NE of South Plains. Truly it was a poor field of irrigated cotton that failed to yield a bale per acre in 1990.

Cotton prices have softened a few dollars per bale during the harvest period which is more or less normal for the last few days of harvest. Any sharp upturn in prices will likely be delayed as long as a few bales keep straggling in from the fields.

Maybe you really ought to take your stripper off the cap and help get that "last bale" to the gin! Then prices can begin to advance and everybody will benefit.

WHEAT: Even as the last bales of cotton, are being rounded up on the Texas plains, wheat farmers almost a thousand miles to the north, on the vast plains of Canada, are locked in a desperate struggle to get in the last of their wheat crop ahead of winter's paralyzing snows. In fact market psychology, together with the examples set in other years, tells us that wheat pricces should have already passed their lows, and presently be working their way upward. The present price of wheat futures, by their their repeatedly continuing to make new contract lows, are made conspicuous by their failure to follow the usual pattern. That in conjunction with the world's rapidly changing political situation constitutes a red flag, waving blatantly so that every commercial wheat grower may see it.

Landlords, stop and think! Have mercy on that poor renter out there trying to produce a crop for you. To him wheat will be a liability, not an asset.

Government appraisers judged Texas wheat 80% of normal recently and your writer was ready to take those birds to task. This crop looked all pluses, why didn't they rate it 100% of normal. The acres have been planted, as much as the allotments will allow, and then some, and it is up to an excellent stand. Then it dawned why they called it 80%; it had been seeded a month or so late! But it's being late only enhances it's potential to

dew checks at 3:00 in the morning, on windrows that stayed too dry for baling all night long. But, slow and tedious as it has been, very little hay remains to be baled. The last bale of hay and the last bale of cotton will be wrapped up at virtually the same time. But, once the strippers have finished, the hay will be moved to the stack-lots in short order. The gins will still be running long after the fields have been cleared of hay.

If hay is to be all that west Texas cattle have to depend on this winter we will see some very thin cattle before '91 grass comes on. But there is a star player on the sidelines, an injured polayer named "Wheat!" The 64,000 dollar question is, "Will Wheat recover in time to play in this game?"

PEOPLE: THE LEANING CE-DARS

Nov. 1 Terry Harris, grandson of Cephus and Imogene Fortenberry, suffered his second broken arm since football practice began in August. His left arm was broken during practice before the formal opening of school. This break, during a game at Tulia, was his right arm, and will limit his ability to write, affect his performance in school. That 's some record Terry! Don't be discouraged, there is still basketball season ahead, then track, plenty of time left to work on the two good legs you have left.

Nov. 6: Edna (Easly) Love, sister-inlaw to Imogene Fortenberry and former teacher of the primary rooms at both the Cedar Hill and Lakeview Schools back in the thirties, passed away in a Bridegeport hospital early Tuesday morning. She had been a resident of a Bridgeport care center since suffering a stroke several months ago until her recent move to the hospital.

Nov. 15: Claudie Gene Hammit, nephew of Edna Gilly, a widely known businessman in the Lockney area a few years back and a childhood resident of Cedar Hill, was claimed by death, due to an apparent heart attack, at his business apartment in Denver, Colo., on November 15.

He is survived by his wife, Darla; three sons, Donnie, Mike, and Stanley;

shower? The address is Mrs. Clara Mize, Holiday Palms, 9302 E. Broadway #142, Mesa, Arizona 85208.

THE EVERYDAY CEDARS Nov. 12: Reverend Willis and Mrs Mary Dewey were honored at a goingaway dinner at Edna Gilly's home Monday noon. The Deweys were moving back to Pampa where Mrs. Dewey's mother is in delicate health. Despite the pressures of cotton harvest, most members of the Cedar Hill Assembly of God Church were there to see the Deweys off, and wish them well.

Nov. 17: Notes from '89 remind us that Cecil Whitehead observed her 82nd birthday Saturday. Cecil is somewhat improved over the last few months. Her crutches and walker are used much less frequently now. Her daughter, Ethel Brown, drops in on week-ends and takes her to purchase groceries and other necessities. Cecil spent Thanksgiving week visiting in Ethel's home in Lubbock.

Nov. 18: Cephus and Imogene Fortenberry returned home, Sunday afternoon, from being with their daughter, Melba Jean and Troy Smith in Dumas. Jean had undergone surgery on Wednesday and by Sunday she was doing better.

Nov. 22: Phyllis, Mychelle, and Terry Harris took Thanksgiving dinner at Cedar with Cephus and Imogene Fortenberry. Later Mychelle and Terry drove on to Paducah to spend some time with their Harris relatives

Nov. 22: Charla, Mandi, and Brad Yeary took mother Vikki over the hill and through the woods to Grandmother Betty (Beard) Applegate's house in Idalou for their Thanksgiving turkey.

All of Betty's closest, including her mother, Sarah Beard, were there, except for one son, Max, and one grandson, Jennifer O'Brien. Max was stripping Craig Gilly's cotton, while O'Brien had to stay in Odessa helping build the nation's petro reserves. Max ad-libbs (I'll bet that surprises you!) that he, "did too have Thanksgiving dinner, a whole burrito between a couple'a cotton stalks!"

Nov. 22: Durrell and Alpha Fortenberry took Thanksgiving dinner in Floydada with his son, John and Cindi, and grandchildren, April and Michael Shawn.

them with Melba Jean, Troy, and their grandsons at suppertime.

Nov. 22: The Taylor harvesting crew chose to allow the cotton to be well dried before starting; chose 2:00 as start-up time. Those at Junior and Martha's table were as follows: from Plainview, Mattie Davis, Agnes and Gus Wesley, Rex, Wanda, and Kandi Davy; Mae (Hammons) Taylor, Hollis, OK; Mr. and Mrs. Dean Wesley and daughter, Abernathey; and Bud, Penny, and Erin Taylor, Cedar Hill.

Nov. 22: The Phil Lemons family, with Carl F. in tow, had Thanksgiving with the W.T. and Laverne Cooper clan in Lockney Thursday evening.

Nov. 25: A mix-up of schedules caused Thanksgiving at the Phil Lemons home to be on Sunday. Present were Jenese (Lemons) and Tonya Lissenbee, Seagraves; Twyla Lemons, Amarillo; Marvin, Diana, and Cory Lemons, Lockney; Jessica Lemons and boyfriend, Estefano Quiensabe, Lockney; and Carl F., Cedar Hill.

Nov. 28: Craig and Trudy Gilly, their cotton in the module at last, joined friends, Oliver and Linda Clark, and took in the Amarillo fair Wednesday. J.A. and Norma Welch were also fairgo-

ers last week.

Nov. 26: Lindsey and Billy Ruth Lackey returned home Monday from taking Thanksgiving and spending a few days visiting and sightseeing in the metroplex.

Nov. 30: Cephus and Imogene Fortenberry went to Methodist Hospital to visit her nephew, Eldon Love, who is a patient there. Imogene remained a few days to help the family.

Dec. 2: Various activities had the Langley family flitting over the nation's highways and airways Thanksgiving week. It was something of a coincidence but all of Mrs. Esther Langley's children touched base at her home last Sunday. Dec. 3: Craig and Trudy Gilly made a

busines trip to Holly, Colorado, and back last Monday. Try it some day, it'll stress you!

FROM THE POST YARD SUBJECT: THE SONS OF ISH-

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what appears to be huge and over-shadowing proportions. Now, if you will

come along with me, we will reach through the dark haze that shrouds those mysterious mid-eastern countries and transport them a few thousand miles nearer to us so that we can properly measure and appraise them in the brilliant light of a West Texas sun.

First we take scissors and cut poor, abused little Kuwait from a map, and place a pin through it's center. Now we locate Floyd County on a Texas map, find the center of the county, a point somewhere between the old Center School and ancient Della Plains, and we'll pin our cutout of Kuwait at that point. Now we smooth out Kuwait on the Texas map and see what we have.

Wonder of wonders! Kuwait's north edge is still in Briscoe County! And the south edge !? Why, going south Kuwait doesn't span all the way across Crosby County either! Since Kuwait has an area of only 6,000 square miles, Floyd County and the eight counties that touch her, very easily contain all of Kuwait and still have enough spare room left for several more Cedar Hill communities. Of course our natural Texas tendency to think "big," makes the land mass of Kuwait seem awfully small. However, if you start using oil as a yardstick with which to measure countries, Kuwait quickly gains a lot of stature. Geologists, the sniffers who supposedly can smell oil thousands of feet underground, tell us that 1/4th of the world's oil reserves lie beneath the surface of that tiny postage stamp country. So, if you choose to measure countries by the amount of oil they possess, Kuwait quickly becomes paramount; the biggest oil country on earth!

Now let us examine Iraq. With 171,579 square miles, Iraq is bigger than any of our United States except for Texas, and perhaps that block of ice up north. Of course after the "green-house effect" has melted the ice from around Alaska so that we can see how small she really is, she will then be smaller than Texas.

Texas has 262,015 square miles so it could easily hold all of Iraq and half of

tary assistance should she ever need it. The English already had more troubles than they could handle so they quickly agreed to the dissolution. In 1961 Kuwait became an independent nation, even became a voting member of

the United Nations. But a few short months later Iraq, Kuwait's big cousin and neighbor to the northwest, suddenly became her serious suitor, and showed signs of moving right in and annexing her, with or without her consent.

Thoroughly alarmed, Kuwait quickly rushed back into the arms of the English, and once more British troops returned and bivouacked on Kuwait soil. At that time The Arab League was quite young, but rapidly growing. Within a few weeks they too sent troops to Kuwait and guaranteed that she would have eternal protection. The British soldiers happily folded their tents and quietly faded from the scene.

Years passed and Iraq's interest in Kuwait seemed to wane. The Arab League became more and more complacent, continually they reduced their military presence in Kuwait. In the meantime Iraq fought a long and bitter war with Iran; she developed an army that was big and tough.

With peace returned Saddam Hussein found himself with a big, well trained army available; an army which, if left idle, could become a can of worms, a real troublemaker. Then his eyes fell on Kuwait once more, still a beautiful plum, and once again virtually defenseless!

The Arab League was stunned when, in their weakness, they were forced to stand helplessly by and watch the biggest, meanest, and by now far the most powerful of their cousins, brutally rape and despoil the fairest and most supportive of their family; also a cousin, a cousin they had guaranteed eternal protection.

Militarily impotent, guilt-ridden, and filled with deadly anger, the Arab League unleashed on the attacker earth's most powerful weapon, public sentiment. They pounded the doors at the United Nations, they formed impossible alliances with former enemies, and they fed the world's news media regularly and they fed it well! Now, with world attention focused on the Persian Gulf, with universal wrath directed at Saddam Hussein, all they needed was someone with military clout to be their bell-weather; to serve as a rallying point for their forces. Then they played their trump card; across the Atfantic, loud and clear, they sent their clarion call, "Sam! Come help us! Only you can save the world! Remember human decency! Remember human rights! Remember freedom!", remember this and remember that, on and on without end, until finally George Bush heard them. And now, lo and behold, WE ARE THERE! IN UNTOLD THOUSANDS!

yield, it is better off for it! Being late reduces competition from winter weeds! The only difference is that it prevents a lot of top growth and probably takes off 60 days of grazing time for cattle.

Boy, we've a bin-buster of a wheat crop coming on! Whatever will we do with it? Graze every bite you can get down those cattle! It looks like every bushel of wheat in 1991 will be a 60 pound problem. A problem of surplus while poor souls in Africa and South America are starving! People who have no way of getting it!

been wasted, this November, making

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and one daughter, Jana, a college student. Claudie Genbe, his wife, Darla, and one of their sons, Donnie, operated a multi-faceted business, largely agricultural, from their headquarters in Holly, Colo. Mike and Stanley operate a trucking partnership in a nearby town.

Edna, Craig, and Mark attended his funeral services in Holly on Nov. 18.

Nov. 19: '89 Albert Seay, ex-resident of Cedar Hill, passed away in Carrizzozo, N.M.

Nov. 27: An inquiry about Clara Mize this Tuesday indicates she is well but lonesome for Floyd County people. HAY: Alot of sleeping hours have Dosen't look like she will be coming back soon, so why not give her a card

Nov. 22: The J. D. Busbys were lucky this year! All children and all grandchildren were home for Turkey.

Nov. 22: Clint Ware was one of those whose policy was "strip while the sun shines, be thankful when the job is done." Dara took Cody and Clay to their grandparents, the Wayne Garvin's, in Silverton, but Clint stayed and stripped a lot of Gilly cotton before he went.

Nov. 22: Cephus and Imogene Fortenberry took their turkey fixin's to Dumas Thursday afternoon and shared

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Come, let us consider the news headlines of today. Let us consider that festering boil on the body of humanity, that small but sensitive area of the earth's surface which our leaders deem to be of such great political and economic importance that the lives of at least 1,000,000 of the earth's brightest and best, including the opposing forces, have now been placed in jeopardy in a monumental effort to reestablish the world's international boundaries as they existed prior to August 1, 1990.

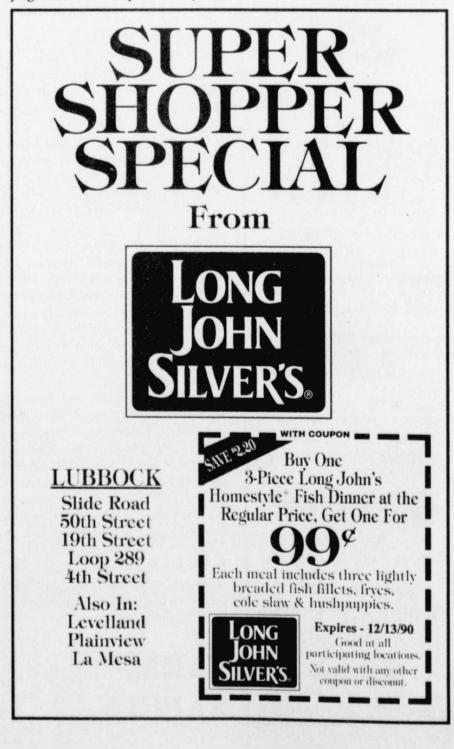
Media coverage, by repeatedly pinpointing certain places, so stimulates human imagination that otherwise small and obscure localities often assume

another one. Now Texas has some neardesert land, but virtually one half of Iraq is sand dunes, hardly fit for man or beast. Iraqi population is concentrated along the valley of the Euphrates river which flows the full length of Iraq; some 600 miles. The Iraqi capitol, Baghdad, is roughly in the center of the nation, builded on the Tigris river shortly before it flows into the Euphrates.

The latest World Almanac fixes the population of Kuwait at 1,967,000, according to Mrs. Sandra Crawford of the FC Library. Iraq's population is estimated to be 9,000,000, while Texas has approximately 15,000,000 people.

In the early years of this century Kuwait was an emirate under the protection of Great Britain. With the development of her oil industry in the 1940's, Kuwait experienced a surge of nationalism and proposed to Great Britain that they agree on a "friendly divorce" pro-

The best way to forget your own problem is to help someone else solve theirs.



1990, at his residence after an illness. He was born in Motley County but dren. had been a New Mexico resident for loway, 88, of Belen, New Mexico, were at noon Tuesday, Dec. 4, in Romero many years. He was a retired Santa Fe Railroad employee and a member of the Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Church of Christ. He married Mary Wednesday, Dec. 5, in East Mound

Ferguson in 1927. Survivors include his wife; and two brothers, Otho of Matador and Brooks of Floydada.

EDGAR JUDY SR.

Services for Edgar L. Judy Sr., 89, of Lubbock were at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, in Sunset Church of Christ with Cline Paden and Leslie Rickerson, ministers, officiating.

Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Park under direction of Sanders Funeral Home.

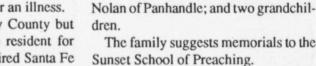
Mr. Judy died at 11:05 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, 1990, in Methodist Hospital after a brief illness.

He was born in Munday and moved to Lubbock in 1962. He married Alice L. Hemphill in 1925, in Dallas. He had farmed in Floyd, Carson and Cook counties.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Edgar Jr. of Texarkana; a daughter, Wilma Jean Judy of Lubbock; a brother,

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#### **CARRIE PARRISH**

Services for Carrie E. Parrish, 90, of Lubbock, were at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, in Moore-Rose-White Funeral Home, Floydada, with the Rev. Glen Border officiating. Burial was in Floydada Cemetery.

She died Friday, Nov. 30, 1990, in Silver Seasons Care Center in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Brown County and moved from Floydada to Lubbock in 1978. She married Omer Parrish in 1922 in Crosby County. He died in 1969.

Survivors include three daughters, Lola Lampe of Lubbock, Etola Bunch of Houston and Mary Helen Watson of Idabel, Okla.; two sons, Raymond of Lubbock and Richard of Fritch; one sister, Girlie Willard of Lubbock; two brothers, Cecil Mallow of Lubbock and J.T. Mallow of Plainview; 20 grandchildren; 32 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

#### LUCILLE POAGE

Services for Lucille Poage, 76, of Plainview were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 5, 1990, in College Heights Baptist Church with the Rev. Don Robertson, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens by Lemons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Poage died at 10:45 p.m. Monday, December 3, 1990, in the Floydada Nursing Home.

She was born Lois Lucille Hampton on Feb. 3, 1914, in Lockney. She grew

up in the Irick community, graduated from Irick schools and after her marriage Oct. 26, 1935 to Earl Mitchell Poage in Lubbock, farmed in the Irick community. They lived in Floydada, moved to Olton in 1956, to Abernathy in 1959, and moved to Plainview in 1964. She was a member of College Heights Baptist Church. Her husband died April 9, 1984.

Survivors include four sons, Roger Poage of Floydada, Larry Poage of Austin, Ray Mac Poage of Midland and Glyn Earl Poage of San Antonio; two sisters, Mrs. Blackie Dollar of Lockney

Services for Lee Seymour, 77, of Turkey were at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3, in Turkey Church of Christ with Ellmore Johnson of Lubbock officiating.

The Rev. Melvin Clinton, pastor of First Baptist Church, assisted. Burial was in Dreamland Cemetery under direction of Schooler-Gordon Funeral Home.

Seymour died at 8:40 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, 1990, in Lockney Care Center after a lengthy illness.

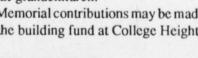
He was born in Arkansas. He married Josephine Richmond on Sept. 23, 1933, in Gasoline. She died in 1984. He was a farmer and member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include three sons, Irwin of Floydada, Mack of Turkey and David of Buffalo Gap; a brother, Buck of Lubbock; and two sisters, Zell Auberg of Friona and Tot Autebarn of Lubbock.

She was a Baptist.

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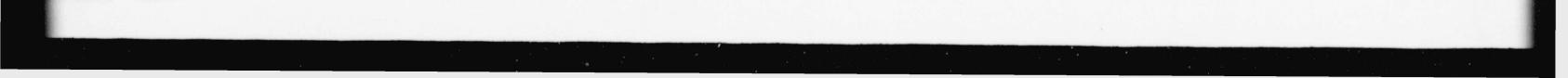


and Mrs. Pauline Robertson of Floydada; 11 grandchildren and three



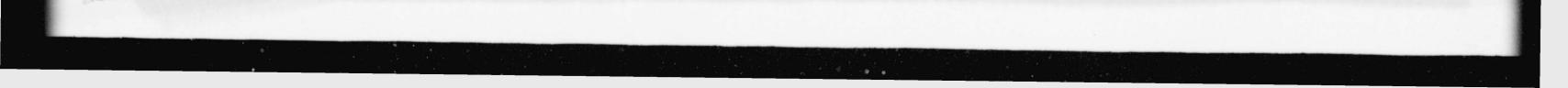
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