

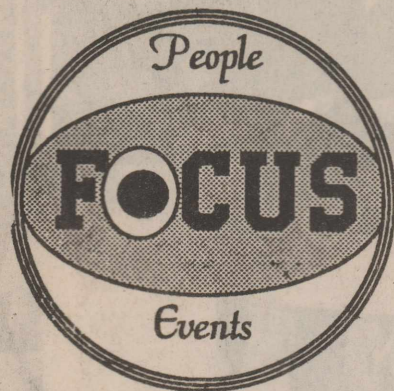
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First Baptist to present musical drama

"Room in the Inn", a musical drama depicting the birth of Jesus Christ, will be presented by First Baptist Church, Haskell, on December 18, at 6:00 p.m. in the church auditorium.

The story is told from the perspective of the homeless people of today. Everyone is encouraged to dress as they would do manual labor around the house or farm. Following the presentation the entire community and area is invited to a soup and cracker meal in the fellowship hall.

Toys (in new or excellent condition) will be gathered along with food supplies for the Christmas boxes to be distributed by the Lion's Club of Haskell. Boxes for collection of these items will be in the foyer of the church.

Goodfellows donations continue

Donations this week include:

Eula Orr	20.00
In memory of Lon & Dovie Pate by Sue Pate and Patsy Cobb ..	50.00
American Legion Auxiliary ..	50.00
Dee and Ruth Larned	50.00
Eldon and Edna Anderson in memory of our parents ..	25.00
Pearl Walker in memory of my husband Henry Walker and two sons, Charles and Richard Walker	25.00
Anonymous	25.00
Billie and Ellis Bean	25.00
Previous total	\$225.00
Total to date	\$495.00

Decoration contest set December 15

Home and business lights and decorations will be judged Thursday, Dec. 15 from 6 until 10 p.m.

"To enter residents and business owners are asked to simply have lights and decorations turned on during this time", said Chamber manager David Middleton.

The contest is sponsored by the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

Elementary Open House tonight

The Haskell Elementary will hold their Open House today, December 15th from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Haskell C.I.S.D. will dismiss at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, December 16th for the Christmas holidays. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 4, 1995.

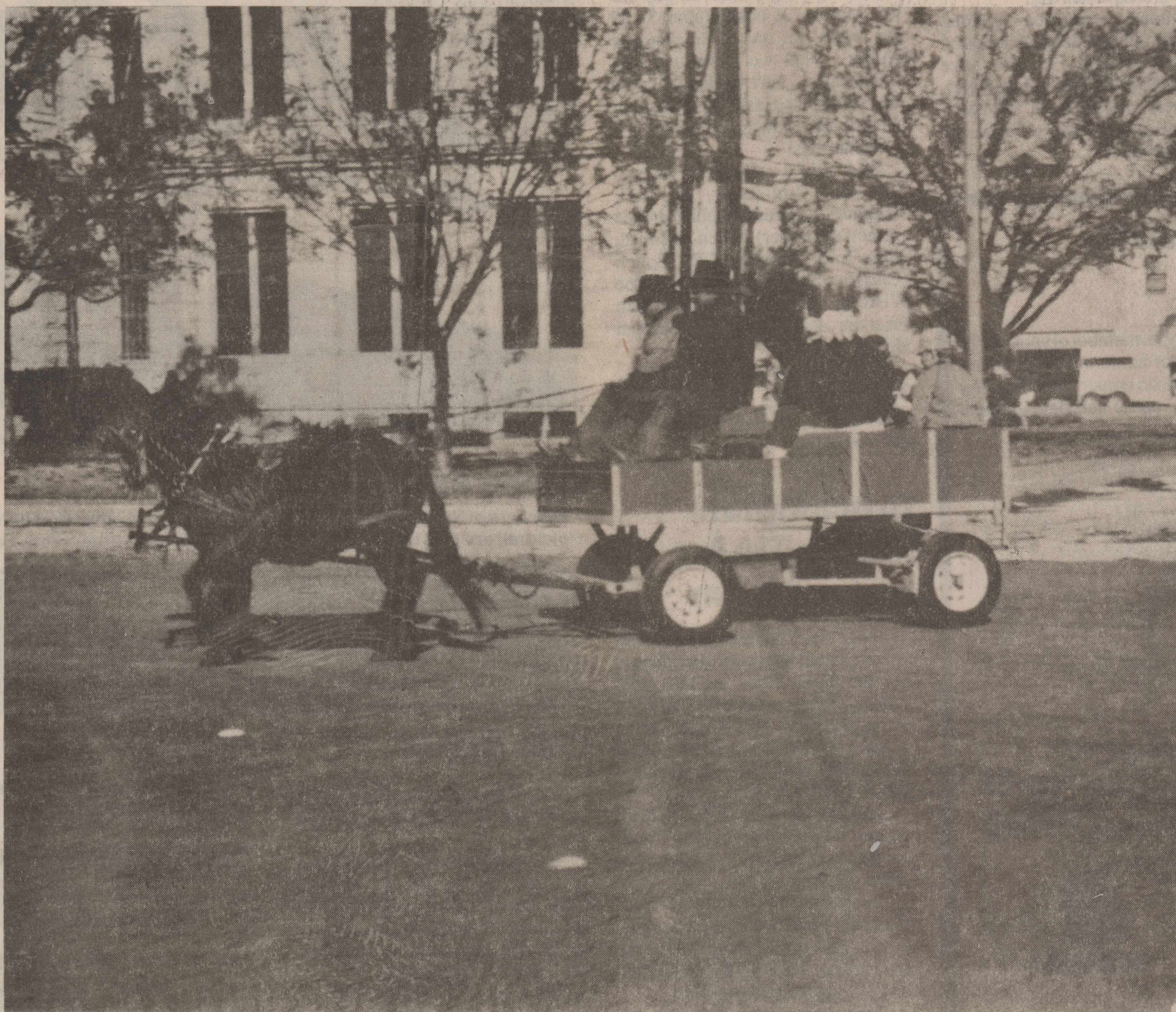
Santa letters due Friday

Santa Claus letters will be published in the Haskell Free Press in its Christmas edition on December 22.

All letters to Santa must be received in the Free Press office by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 16.

Lutherans to perform "Incredible Christmas Search"

The "Incredible Christmas Search" will be performed Sunday night at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church. The public is invited to attend.



Santa, please bring me—

Wagon rides with Santa were a hit with those making their Christmas wishes known during the Haskell Business Association's Super Saturday.

Applications for disaster payments being accepted at local FSA Office

Producers who suffered 1994 crop losses due to weather-related conditions may apply for disaster payments through March 31, 1995, at the Haskell County Farm Service Agency (FSA) office.

While the 1994 program is similar to those of recent years, which provided partial reimbursement for losses exceeding 35 percent of normal production for insured crops (40 percent for uninsured crops), producers should be aware of several changes, according to Glenn Brzozowski, Haskell County FSA executive director.

Several specific program changes were mandated by law to improve the integrity of the program.

For 1994, producers will need to provide more complete information at the time they apply on the disaster condition affecting the crop and their production practices prior to the disaster. Records of current or historical actual production and production costs will be needed for nonprogram crops, except for tobacco, peanuts, soybeans, minor oilseeds, sugar beets and cane and hay. When the county office is authorized to sell multiperil crop insurance, producers also be required to provide proof of insurance.

This year, state and local FSA committees have been given more authority and responsibility in several areas, including upfront

checks on gross income limitations, setting payment levels based on crop development, applying a "reasonableness" factor to nonprogram crop yields on any given farm and the ability to gather additional data from producers when needed to make accurate determinations. Local committees may reduce payment yields if production evidence is incomplete or deny disaster applications if they question the accuracy of producers' documentations.

"The FSA believes that farm programs work best when decisions are made as close to producers as possible," Brzozowski said. "The program changes and improved oversight procedures for the 1994 disaster programs will significantly improve the accuracy of eligibility determination and payments and reduce the risk of potential abuse of the program. We want to assure that all eligible producers receive the payments to which they are entitled."

Producers who suffered crop disasters this year should contact the Haskell County FSA office for more detailed information on applying for disaster assistance.

The FSA is the newly created agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture which combines the commodity and main conservation functions of the former Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation

Service, farm lending programs of the former Farmers Home Administration and the entirety of the Federal Crop Insurance

Corporation.

County offices began accepting applications for disaster assistance this week.

Santa distributes certificates

Santa spread Christmas gift certificates to Haskell shoppers during the December Super Saturday promotion held last Saturday. The gift certificate given away was sponsored by members of the Haskell Business Association.

Various local merchants donated the gift certificates to thank shoppers for shopping Haskell.

Those providing certificates were Dairy Queen, Haskell Tire & Appliance, Haskell National Bank, First National Bank, The Drug Store, Sonic Drive In, Lane-Felker.

Roma's Pizza, Perry's, Cecil's Country Meat Market and Grocery, Personality-Slipper Shoppe, M-System, Modern Way, Hassen's, Barbara's.

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F&D Electronics/Texas Cellular, The Haskell Free Press, Haskell County News, West Texas Utilities, Smitty's Auto Supply and The Carousel.

Rule church to have special guest

The Rule First Baptist Church will have a special guest, Dr. Tonu Lehtsaar, during the morning worship services Sunday, Dec. 18. Dr. Lehtsaar is visiting from Estonia.

Sunday night the choir will present their Christmas Cantata, "The First Noel." Churchwide fellowship will follow the cantata.

The public is invited to attend this Christmas-filled evening of worship.



Prize winner

Deanna Jordan is shown with the microwave she won during the Open House held by West Texas Utilities December 3.

8 residents win drawings

Eight Haskell residents got Christmas presents Saturday at the downtown drawings sponsored by local merchants.

Winning \$100 awards were Annie Wolf on a ticket with no name and Kenneth Jarred on a ticket from the Carousel.

Winning \$50.00 each were Doris Roberts on a ticket from Modern Way, Karen Mitchell on a ticket from Modern Way, Debra Medford on a ticket from Boggs & Johnson, Patty Herrera on a ticket from Sonic, Hattie Phillips on a ticket from Personality-Slipper Shoppe and Curtis Weise on a ticket from



--Library Notes--

by Joan Strickland, librarian

Books have been arriving almost daily at the library this month. Besides new books from the publishers, we also have had a few books donated and an abundance of magazines. The Drug Store donated a series of children's classics (Tom Sawyer, King Arthur, The Time Machine, Frankenstein, etc.) A

friend from Dallas also sent over 250 books that are mostly paperback romances. I haven't had time to process them yet.

Our donations are coming along very well. Of the \$800.00 we need to raise by Sept. 95, we have received \$387.85 (including fines). I feel very confident we will reach our goal and be able to keep our state accreditation.

The state report that I file every year is about due and while working on this report I found some figures that I thought our readers might find interesting. From Oct. 1, 1993 until Sept. 30, 1994, we circulated 15,495 books. That is 2.27 books per person in Haskell county. We had 380 Interlibrary Loan transactions, hence our asking patrons to please offer to pay for ILL books. It costs about \$1.00 per book to return to lending library. And we circulated 426 audio tapes. Isn't it nice to know that people in Haskell are reading and not just "watching T.V."!

Memorials:

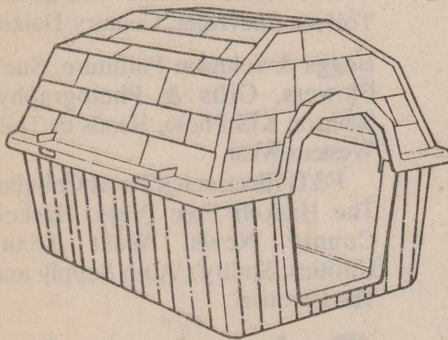
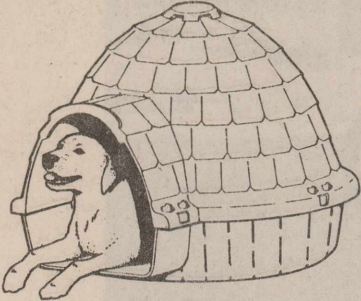
Eva Dell Hester, Alvin Sherman, Bud Lane, Dr. J.G. Vaughter, Gertrud Ehrenhard (Lee Barnett's mother), Oren Howard, John Earl Anders, J.E. Couch (Christie Stapleton's father), Joe Wilfong, Opal Adkins, Caleb Frierson and Nettie and Herman Henry.

We will be closed Dec. 23 - Dec. 26 and Dec. 30. Have a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you at the library!

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Brockington makes TIAA second team

TIAA Tri-Champion Midwestern State University placed four players on the First Team of the 1994 Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association All-Conference Football Team. Five MSU football players were also picked to the all-conference second team.

Making the ALL-TIAA Second Team from Midwestern State include tailback Stephon Brockington.

Brockington, a junior from Haskell, joined the team in mid-season and started three games for the Indians, rushing for 223 yards and scoring three touchdowns.

Midwestern State finished the 1994 football season with a 5-5 overall record and in a three-way tie for the TIAA title with both Hardin-Simmons and Howard Payne.

Thank you for reading The Haskell Free Press.



Bake sale

Members of Haskell's Troop 136 were out in a fund raising effort during Super Saturday. Members of the Troop pictured are (left to right) Jason Trammell, Dawson Druessedow, Craig Cunningham and Brent Watson.

--Obituaries--

Otis Baker

Otis Baker died Tuesday, Dec. 6 at Haskell Memorial Hospital. He was 101.

Graveside services were Thursday afternoon at the Rule Cemetery with Steve Ridgell and Rev. J. R. Williams officiating. Burial was under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Born April 5, 1893 in Brown County, he was a lifetime farmer. He had been a Rule resident for 90 years. He married Mary Ruth Knowles Jan. 4, 1925 in Rule. She preceded her in death Aug. 10, 1983.

Survivors include two daughters, Patricia Medlen of Lodi, Ca. and Mrs. Don (Jean) Hertenberger of Abilene; and six grandchildren, Larry Barbero, Marty Barbero, Tom Barbero, Don Hertenberger, Jr., Phyllis Hertenberger and Marsha Ridgell.

Pallbearers were E. L. (Tick) Elmore, Delbert LeFevre, Ron Landis, Malcolm Hertenberger, D. K. (Speedy) Smith, Earnest

Simpson, John Pike and Joe Mathis.

Memorials may be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Ermenejildo Ruiz

Ermenejildo Ruiz died Saturday, Dec. 10 at his residence. He was 75.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Haskell Church of Christ with Dale Huff, minister, officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Born April 13, 1918 in Liton Springs, Ruiz was a resident of Haskell for 27 years moving here from Jayton. He had spent his lifetime as a farmer before his retirement. He married Julia Hernandez March 3, 1938 in Lockhart. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife of Haskell; nine daughters, Rufina Garcia of Lockhart, Gloria Capetillo of New Mexico, Eugena Trevino and Trina Flores, both of

Corpus Christi; Iren Segura and Mary Diaz, both of Weatherford, Lucy Anguian and Rose Guadalcazar of Haskell, Janie Ramirez of Abilene; three sons, Ben Ruiz and Joe Ruiz, both of Haskell and Frank Ruiz of Dallas; seven brothers and seven sisters, 71 grandchildren and 48 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three daughters, Sahra Segura, Cielo Ruiz and Dominga Ruiz.

Pallbearers were Ricky Ruiz, James Ruiz, Gabrile Capetillo, Phillip Segura, Paul Ramirez, Eric Ramirez, and Andy Anguiano.

Maria Garcia

Maria Elvia Garcia of Rule died Sunday, Dec. 11 in Hendricks Medical Center in Abilene. She was 54.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in St. George Catholic Church in Haskell. Burial was in Rule Cemetery under the direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 8, 1940 in Mexico, she was a member of St. George Catholic Church and a homemaker. She married Claudio Garcia in 1972 in Old Mexico.

Survivors include her husband of Rule; two sons, Jesse and Saul Garcia, both of Rule; one daughter, Yolanda Garcia of Rule; her mother and step-father Nolasca (Mrs. Antonio) Rincon of Rule; six brothers, Juan Morales of Mexico, Clemente Morales of Abilene, Manuel Morales of Seattle, Tony Rincon of Breckenridge, Jesse Rincon of Little Elm, and Richard Rincon of Rule; three sisters, Guadalupe Morales of Mexico; Elvira Carter of The Colony, and Laura Carranza of Little Elm.

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Fidelis class holds Christmas party

Thursday afternoon, December 8, the Fidelis Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church held their Christmas party in their classroom in the church.

Sammie Turner brought the Christmas devotional on Bethlehem. A crocheted basket was given to her in appreciation. The class also presented a gift to their teacher, Billie Cadenhead.

The serving table was covered with a white cutwork cloth and centered with an arrangement of greenery and a large red candle. Other tables held Christmas arrangements by Juanita Rhea. A small lighted tree and a poinsettia basket completed the decorations.

In lieu of exchanging gifts, the class brought food and toys to aid the Goodfellows.

Cookies, punch and coffee were served to: Faye Gray, Emma Bland, Juanita Rhea, Ethel Lou Shelton, Allene Wheatley, Olevia Leonard, Grace McKelvain, Billie Cadenhead, Violet Earles, Pauline Derr, Ruby Smith, Earmel Bevel, Pearl Walker, Iola Henshaw, Lois Sherman, Lorene Adams, Lois Redwine and special guest, Sammie Turner.

Rochester Hobby Club has luncheon

The Rochester Hobby Club met in a regular session for a day of quilting and a luncheon.

Member present were: Helen Cox, JoVeta Ellison, Evelyn Underwood, Ida Pack, Eda Fay Pounds, Myrtle Townsend, Tennie Mae Short, Annie Marshall, Emily Wilson, Johnnie Bell King, Laverne and Truett Kuenstler. One quilt was quilted on but not finished.

Due to the weather and the holidays this will probably will be the last meeting for December.

London, Ham to be wed

A December 29th wedding is planned at Bethel Lutheran Church in Ericsdahl for Tanna Michelle Ham and Jeffery Scott London.

The bride-elect, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ham of Lueders and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Patterson of Haskell. She attends Stamford High School.

The prospective bridegroom, son of Mike London of Stamford and Shirley London of Baird, attended Paint Creek High School. He is employed by Pizza Hut in Stamford.



MRS. LOUTINA WHITE

Hadaway, White united

Loutina Dawn Hadaway was married to Jimmy Kyle White in a ceremony performed Saturday, December 10, at the Church of Christ in Haskell. Jimmy Hackney, uncle of the groom, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of David and Louetta Davis of Haskell and Jerry and Debbie Hadaway of Midland. The groom is the son of Jimmy and Gayle White of Weinert.

The Church of Christ singers sang "Only God Could Love You More" as the grandparents were being seated and "Unchained Melody" as the parents were seated. "The Lord's Prayer" and "Now That I Belong to You" were also sang during the ceremony. A special reading of "The Wedding Prayer" was given by Debbie Earles.

Escorted by her father and given away by her father and step-father, the bride wore an elegant bridal satin gown by the designers of Sweetheart gown. The traditional gown featured a sabrina neckline and full length tapered sleeves. The Alencon lace bodice was delicately adorned with pearls and sequins. A fitted but slightly dropped torso line was accomplished with French pleats in satin tucked at the torso that allowed the full ballgown skirt to float gracefully to the floor and sweep into a mid cathedral train. For her hair, she wore a delicate headpiece accented with multi layers

of illusion that floated just the torso line.

She carried a Christmas cascade bouquet which included stargazer lilies, Lily of the Valley, springeri, small pine cones, and winter red berries.

Something old was a gold band that belonged to the bride's Great Grandmother. Something new was her dress. Something borrowed was a diamond necklace belonging to her mother, and something blue was her garter.

Matron of honor was Gina Meinzer of Big Spring. Bridesmaids were Amanda Hadaway of Haskell, Misty Hadaway of Midland, and Kristi White of Weinert. Carson Hadaway of Haskell was junior bridesmaid, and Jamie Ricker of Abilene was flower girl.

The bride's attendants wore tea length dresses with white long sleeve lace bodices and black moret skirts. The dresses were accented with red taffeta cummerbands adorned with rosettes. They carried a single red poinsettia decorated with English ivy and winter berries.

Best man was Kevin White of Munday. Groomsmen were Shane Hadaway of Haskell, Nole Hadaway of Haskell, and Daniel Earle of Weinert. Ring bearer was Jonathan

Hadaway of Midland. Ushers were Cody Cypert, Aaron Earles, both of Haskell and Joe Bunton, and

Michael Bunton from Munday.

The groom and his attendants wore Christian Dior Black Notch tuxedos with cherry red cummerbunds and bow ties.

A reception, hosted by the bride's parents, followed the ceremony.

Stacey Swoyer and Dala Young registered guests and passed out programs.

The houseparty included Peggy Darden, Debbie Earles, Dalyn Griffith, Brenda Hawkins, Sheila McMeans, Florence Peden, Stacey Swoyer, Mayree Turnbow, Darlene Walton, Dala Young, and grandmothers.

The Christmas theme wedding and reception was decorated by Mayree Turnbow, and the cakes were made by Flora Pace.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents on Friday in the annex of the church.

The bride graduated from Haskell High School and from McMurry University with a B.S. degree in Multidisciplinary Studies. She teaches pre-kindergarten at Haskell Elementary School.

The groom graduated from Knox City High School and Abilene Christian University with a B.S. degree in Animal Science. He is self-employed.

After a ski trip to Angel Fire, New Mexico, the couple will make their home in Haskell.

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-LETTERS-

Dear editor:
On behalf of the Red Cross Blood Services, I wanted to thank Haskell and Haskell County for a most successful blood drive on November 15th. With a goal of 45 units, 54 generous residents volunteered to give the "gift of life."

The blood donated helps patients in more than 110 hospitals in Texas and Oklahoma. When one unit can help up to 4 patients, it is easy to see the impact this drive had on the Texoma blood supply.

Thanks also to Brian Burgess, blood drive chairman, and the many volunteers who donated their time to make this a great drive. The Red Cross thanks Brian Burgess Insurance for sponsoring the t-shirts that all donors received.

Thanks again Haskell!
Sincerely,
Jenny Barnore
Consultant
Red Cross Blood Services
Wichita Falls

Dear editor,
May I take the opportunity to congratulate Michael Copeland and the Haskell Indian Band on a great job done during the recent football season. The exciting sound of the band added greatly to the enjoyment of so many of us each Friday night as we cheered the Indian athletes on!

Last Sunday we again were able to hear that polished sound, this time in a concert setting. The selections of Christmas music and the obvious preparation made in rehearsal gave each of us in the audience one of the most personal gifts we could ever receive at this season of the year! Thanks, Mr. C., and the Indian Band. You have done well and we are eager to hear from you again in the near future.

Sincerely,
Ford Cole

Police Report

The November police report was submitted by the Haskell Police Department.

- November activity includes:
- 6 arrests
 - 20 citations
 - 7 traffic accidents
 - 4 students given citations for fighting at school
- Offenses:
- 4 assaults:
 - (2) family violence assaults
 - 1 complainant filed charges resulting in an arrest.
 - 1 complainant did not file any charges.
 - 2 criminal mischiefs (2 houses egged)
 - 6 thefts
 - Recovered stolen property:
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 - 1 bicycle
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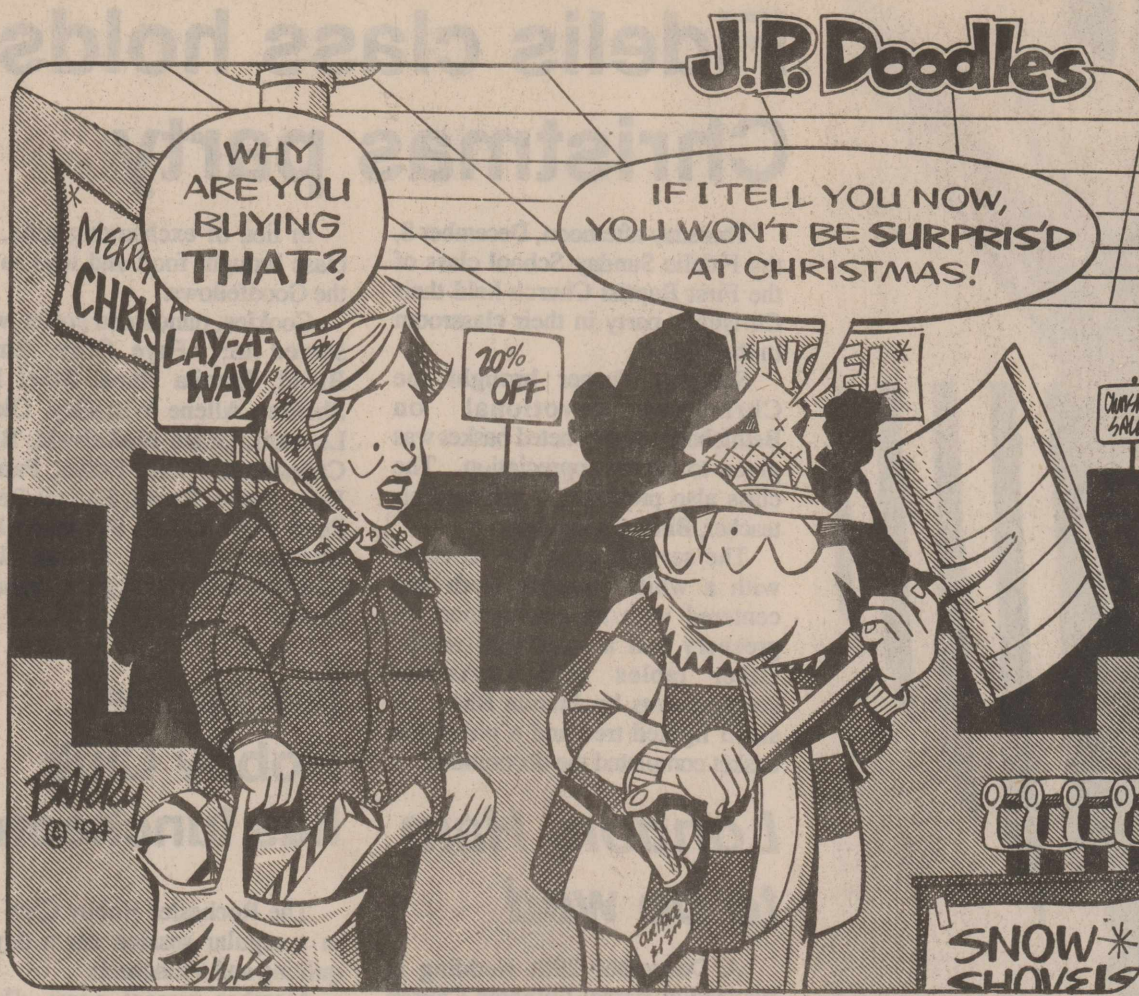
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--From Out of the Past--

From the Files of The Haskell Free Press

**20 Years Ago
December 19, 1974**

County Judge B. O. Roberson presented retiring County employees with plaques during their Christmas party. Receiving plaques were Slover Bledsoe, Artie Bradley, Jessie Vick, and E. C. Collins.

Firemen receiving serving pins at the annual firemen's banquet were J. C. Short 5 year pin, Wilburn Klose 10 year pin and Dugan Starr 35 year pin.

Piano students of Pam Gibson performed Dec. 14 in a Christmas mini-recital party in the Gibson home.

Cynthia Escobedo was named to the first team all tournament following the Hardin-Simmons Girls Basketball Tournament held Dec. 12, 13 and 14. She was the first Haskell girl ever named to the all tourney team.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Roy O'Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fouts attended A&M graduating exercises Sat. to see son and grandson, Randy O'Neal graduate with honors.

**30 Years Ago
December 17, 1964**

Members of an expanded steering committee representing three counties, Haskell, Stonewall and Knox, exploring the possibilities of establishing a public junior college district and building a junior college to serve this area conferred on how to attain their goals in a meeting at the Weinert High School recently.

Haskell Indian Band members picked for all-district were Larry Long, Wayne Cadenhead, David Follstaedt, Ken Barnett, Harold Ivy, Randy Wiseman and Lon Barnett.

Kraig Kupatt of Sagerton is staying at home this week with the chickenpox.

"Spiritual Enlightenment" was the program when the Rule Philadelphian Club met on Dec. 10 at 3 p.m. in the Philadelphian Club House.

**60 Years Ago
December 10, 1930**

Server Leon, owner and manager of the Texas Theatre, has announced a free Christmas show for children of Haskell next Monday morning starting at 10 o'clock.

The Lions' Club has assembled a

large number of toys that will be distributed to children of needy Haskell families on Christmas morning.

A Community Christmas Tree will be erected on the Courthouse lawn here, and an old-fashioned Christmas program will be held there Christmas Eve night. The event is being sponsored by the Lions Club.

The annual Christmas cantata was presented Sunday night at the First Christian Church by members of the Harmony Club.

The Senior Class of Haskell High School is sponsoring a homecoming of ex-students to be held in the high school auditorium Dec. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Crawford entertained members of the Pep Squad and their sponsor, Mrs. Wimbish, with a banquet and party at the Tonkawa Hotel.

**70 Years Ago
December 19, 1924**

Several hundred school teachers are here for the Four-County Teachers Institute, Haskell schools have been dismissed for the week,

and classes will not be resumed until after the Christmas holidays.

C. L. Bird, a prosperous farmer of this section, is driving a new Maxwell automobile he purchased last week.

M. F. Hammett and C. R. Cook returned Tuesday night from a trip to the South Plains. Mr. Cook says they encountered quite a bit of bad weather on the trip, and a sandstorm going and a snowstorm when returning. They visited O'Donnell, Tahoka and Lubbock while away.

**90 Years Ago
December 18, 1904**

C. D. Grissom, while out hunting the other day, made a pretty good record. He says he fired 22 shots and brought down 19 quail, one hawk and two doves.

Mrs. L. T. Cunningham entertained with a party in her home Thursday night.

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Rev. Miles Olsen is new associate pastor

Trinity Baptist Church of Stamford has called Rev. Miles Olsen to be their new associate pastor and minister of music, under their pastor, Rev. Vergil Smith.

Previously, Olsen has served as pastor to two churches in Texas, and has been a youth pastor and minister of education for a church in Pennsylvania. Additionally, he has directed youth and adult choirs in Colorado, Pennsylvania, and Texas.

Raised in Colorado, Rev. Olsen earned a Bachelor of Biblical Education degree at Western Bible College (now Colorado Christian College) in Denver, Colorado. More recently he earned his Master's degree from Criswell College in Dallas, graduating Magna Cum Laude. For the last

three years Olsen has been listed in "Who's Who in American Education", having developed and taught numerous church courses.

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Written By
James E. Rodgers, CPA

"Nanny-Tax" Law Passes

Congress finally enacted legislation that changes the payroll tax rules for household workers. The bill was signed into law by President Clinton on October 22, 1994.

Employers of domestic help - nannies, housekeepers, and the like - have had to deal with cumbersome withholding and filing requirements for payroll taxes on these employees. The new law attempts to ease the rules a bit.

The law raises the wage threshold at which social security and federal unemployment taxes must be paid for household workers from \$50 per quarter to \$1,000 annually. The new \$1,000 threshold will apply retroactively to 1994, so employers who have paid taxes for employees earning less than that will be due refunds. The \$1,000 annual threshold will be indexed for inflation after 1995.

The law also eliminates the requirement for quarterly filing of Form 942 for wages paid after 1994. Employers of household workers will report social security and unemployment tax obligations annually, probably as part of their individual income tax returns (Form 1040). Also after 1994, household workers under the age of 18 will be exempt from social security tax unless their principal occupation is household employment.

If you employ household help, you should be aware of the new requirements effective in 1995. You must -

- Deduct the employee's portion and pay the employer's portion of FICA (social security and medicare) taxes on wages paid if the \$1,000 threshold is reached.
- Pay FUTA (unemployment) taxes on wages paid if the \$1,000 threshold is reached.

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Young shoppers

Many children were seen shopping Saturday. Weston and Brittany Rutkowski are shown at the Personality-Slipper Shoppe.

Treating ulcers inexpensively

Is treating the ulcer burning your stomach burning a hole in your wallet? Conventional ulcer treatment is under fire from gastroenterologists who now believe that a less expensive way to treat ulcers is by fighting a bacterium known as *Helicobacter pylori* (*H. pylori*), a culprit in ulcer formation.

While conventional therapy may be a lifetime commitment, taking antibiotics to combat *H. pylori* infection may shorten the treatment time, said Dr. Walter L. Peterson, professor of internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. He urges using less expensive antibiotic drugs to treat ulcers.

Peterson found that *H. pylori* infection is a precursor to ulcer formation. This discovery was made when people with high stomach acid-levels who were not

infected with *H. pylori* bacteria did not develop ulcers. However, those who were infected with the bacteria and had lots of stomach-acid secretion developed ulcers.

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Holiday Recipe

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 - 1 1/2 - 2 cups sugar
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- Mix all ingredients well. Store in tight container. To serve, use 2 teaspoons to a tea cup of boiling water.

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Social Security cards carry new message

"Protect both your card and your number to prevent their misuse" is the message on the new version of the Social Security card issued since early summer. For years the message was "Carry your card in your purse or wallet." Times have changed and so has the message, according to Glyn Hammons, manager of the Abilene Social Security office.

"Social Security now encourages people to record their numbers and to keep their cards and numbers in a safe place," Hammons said. "The message on the stub attached to the new version of the Social Security number card also reminds people to show their cards to their employers when starting a new job," Hammons said. It is important that the employer gets the employee's Social Security number and name right so that his or her earnings can be recorded correctly. Social Security benefits are based on the earning information recorded under a person's Social Security number. Missing earnings could result in failure to qualify for benefits or in receiving lower benefits.

Exercise good for all ages

You are never too old to start pumping iron.

We lose muscle as we age, according to Dr. Jere Mitchell, professor of internal medicine and physiology at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

"You may weigh the same amount at 61 that you did at 21, but your body composition is quite different because you lose skeletal muscle mass," Mitchell said.

"Older people should do some kind of low-intensity exercise and use some light weights. By increasing your strength, you're less likely to fall, and you're able to do your daily activities a lot better."

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More suggestions for low fat recipes

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By Lou Gilly, County
Extension Agent-FCS
Using vegetable oils

The liquid vegetable oils, or margarines high in polyunsaturates, can be used in many ways in cooking which requires the use of fat. For example: To brown lean meats, and to pan or oven-fry fish and poultry; to saute onions and other vegetables for soup; in cream sauces and soups made with skimmed milk; in whipped or scalloped potatoes with skimmed milk added; for making hot breads,

pie crust, and cakes; for popping corn, and making cocktail snacks; in casseroles made with dried peas or beans; in browning rice and for Spanish rice or curried rice; in cooking dehydrated potatoes and other prepared foods which call for fat to be added; and for pancakes or waffles.

If you want to adjust your own recipes, this is what you do. If a recipe calls for 1 cup oil, use 1 1/4 cups margarine; 1 tablespoon oil, use 1 1/4 tablespoons margarine; 1 cup margarine, use 3/4 cup oil; 1 tablespoon margarine, use 3/4

tablespoon oil; 1 tablespoon butter, use 1 tablespoon margarine or 3/4 tablespoon oil.

Low Fat Recipes:

Baked Pumpkin Pie
1 9-inch pie shell, unbaked
2/3 cup granulated sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ginger
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
pinch of ground cloves
1 1/2 cups of canned pumpkin
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 1/2 cups evaporated skim milk
1/2 teaspoon orange rind
3 egg whites, slightly beaten
Preheat oven to 450 degrees F. Combine the sugar, salt, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and cloves. Stir in the pumpkin. Add the vanilla, evaporated milk, orange rind and egg whites. Beat with an electric mixer until smooth. Pour into the unbaked pie shell and bake 10 minutes at 450 degrees. Reduce the heat to 325 degrees and bake until a knife inserted in the filling comes out clean, about 45 minutes. Yield: 8 servings. Approx. cal/serv.: 210 (or 165 in 10 servings)

Pie Pastry

Pie pastries made with oil are tender through not as flaky as pastries made with harder fats. They are, nonetheless, pleasing as well as simple and quick to make.
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/4 teaspoons salt
1/3 cup oil
3 tablespoons cold skim milk
Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Sift flour and salt together into a mixing bowl. Mix the oil with the cold milk, and pour all at once into the flour. Stir lightly with a fork until blended, adding more liquid if

necessary to make dough hold together. Divide into 2 portions. Refrigerate for a few minutes to make dough easier to work. Flatten one ball of dough slightly and place on a sheet of wax paper or cellophane wrap. Put another sheet over top and roll out quickly. Do not roll too thin. Remove top sheet of paper and turn over dough onto pie plate. Remove second sheet, and lift crust around the edges so it settles into the plate. Trim and flute the edges with a fork or your fingers. Crust may be refrigerated before filling, or frozen if not needed for several days. Bake according to pie recipe. Yield: pastry for a 9-inch 2-crust pie. Approx. cal/serv.: 735.

Poly Whipped Topping

This polyunsaturated substitute has a taste and consistency closely resembling whipped cream, but it has no saturated fat.
1 teaspoon gelatin
2 teaspoons cold water
3 tablespoons boiling water
1/2 cup ice water
1/2 cup nonfat dry milk
3 tablespoons sugar
3 tablespoons oil
Chill a small mixing bowl. Soften gelatin with 2 teaspoons of cold water, then add the boiling water, stirring, until gelatin is completely dissolved. Cool until tepid. Place ice water and nonfat dry milk in the chilled mixing bowl. Beat at high speed until the mixture forms stiff peaks. Add the sugar, still beating, then the oil and the gelatin. Place in freezer for about 15 minutes, then transfer to the refrigerator until ready for use. Stir before using to retain a creamy texture. Yield: 2 cups. Approx. cal/serv.: 1 cup = 320, 1 tablespoon = 20.

Garden Club holds Christmas salad buffet

The Haskell Garden Club met December 8 at Gladys O'Neal's home for their annual Christmas salad buffet.

The theme of the program was "The Bountiful Gifts of Joy". Mona Gibson, the president, welcomed everyone with introductory remarks concerning Christmas and its joys and all the happiness it brings. The roll call was answered by each telling their most memorable Christmas. The Christmas prayer was given by Mrs. Sprayberry. After the meal was served, Marsha Whittemore directed the program.

Mrs. Ozell Frierson made gold written place cards complimented

with white satin handmade roses. They were elegant and enjoyed by all. Mrs. Frierson opened the program by a presentation of "Gardens of the Bible" and Mrs. Bevel gave "The Legend of the Christmas Tree". Mona Gibson led a Christmas carol sing along.

The hostesses were all club members. Those present were: Ruby Holt, Lorene Dewey, Linda King, Florence Peden, Dee Sprayberry, Neat Bevel, Mary Bischofhausen, Peggy Burnett, Martha Bruns, Helen Cox, Margie Dorer, Ozell Frierson, Mona Gibson, Juanita Rhea, Marsha Whittemore, and Gladys O'Neal.

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Rochester youth wins swine showmanship award

Ryan Byrd of Rochester earned the prestigious Swine Showmanship award at the Rochester Jackpot Swine show last Saturday.

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Laci Townsend, Rochester; 2. Ryan Byrd, Rochester.
SWINE SHOWMANSHIP - Ryan Byrd, Rochester.

B.T. Ferguson of Oklahoma judged the show.

Other Haskell County youths who placed include:

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- Mediumweight Durocs - 2. Cody Byrd, Rochester.
- Heavyweight Durocs - 2. Jonathan Allison, Rule.

- Lightweight Hampshires - 2. Wesley Lefevre, Haskell.
- Mediumweight Hampshires - 1. Ryan Byrd, Rochester.
- Heavyweight Hampshires - 2. Chase Demeritte, Rochester; 3. Laci Townsend, Rochester.
- CHAMPION HAMPSHIRE - Ryan Byrd, Rochester, with mediumweight.

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Postal Service expects busy holiday mailing season

The U.S. Postal Service Has Plans For Hectic Holiday Mailing

The U.S. Postal Service is geared up for another busy holiday mailing season -- ready for Americans to send an estimated 17 billion pieces of mail through post offices nationwide. That's an increase of 4 percent over the same time period last year, and an additional 3.7 billion cards and letters and 30 million parcels compared to the normal mail flow.

"To ensure that all mail flows smoothly during this high-volume period, the U.S. Postal Service has implemented specific steps to meet our customers' special holiday needs," said Sid Winn. "We have examined the needs of consumers during this busy season and have developed ways to meet demands."

In September, the USPS opened a state of the art National Control Center. Located at Postal Service

Migraine headaches can be identified

Since "migraine" is one of the most frequently overused medical terms, sufferers have complained that they encountered skepticism from doctors when suggesting they might be experiencing migraine headaches.

Neurologists at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas offer some recommendations on how to identify migraines and convince your doctor.

Try to determine what triggers your severe headaches by keeping a diary that lists the specific times and circumstances of your headaches. Doctors will recognize certain migraine triggers, said Dr. Hal Unwin, assistant professor of neurology. Also, be prepared to describe your symptoms in detail. If the pain is throbbing, if you feel it on only one side of your head and if activity worsens it, your doctor probably will identify you as a migraine sufferer.

headquarters in Washington, D.C., the National Control Center monitors the national mail flow to ensure that processing and delivery are accomplished efficiently as possible during the holiday season and throughout the year.

Area wide the U.S. Postal Service is providing additional transportation to all of its offices in the Abilene area. There will be additional dispatches from Abilene on an as needed basis. Locally there will be added collections from local drop boxes to ensure cards and letters are processed more quickly. There will also be Express Mail delivery each Sunday between now and Christmas.

To make sure those cards and parcels arrive on time please take time to ensure your Christmas greeting contains the following:

*The U.S. Postal Service delivers by the "address" on the item; therefore, always include the apartment or suite number and use the correct directional (N, S, SW,

etc) and street name (AVE, BLVD, ST, etc.)

*Never guess a ZIP code. Call your local post office to verify.

*When sending a package, use filament tape to seal the package; make sure the contents are well padded with nothing rattling; make sure the only writing on the package is the address and your return address; and please don't forget to include your return address inside the package.

These steps should enable your Christmas greeting to arrive in time for Christmas but don't wait too late to send your loved ones Holiday Greetings.

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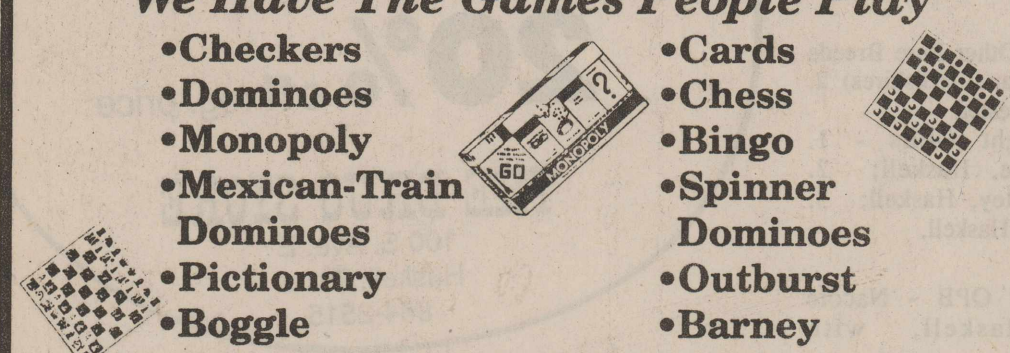
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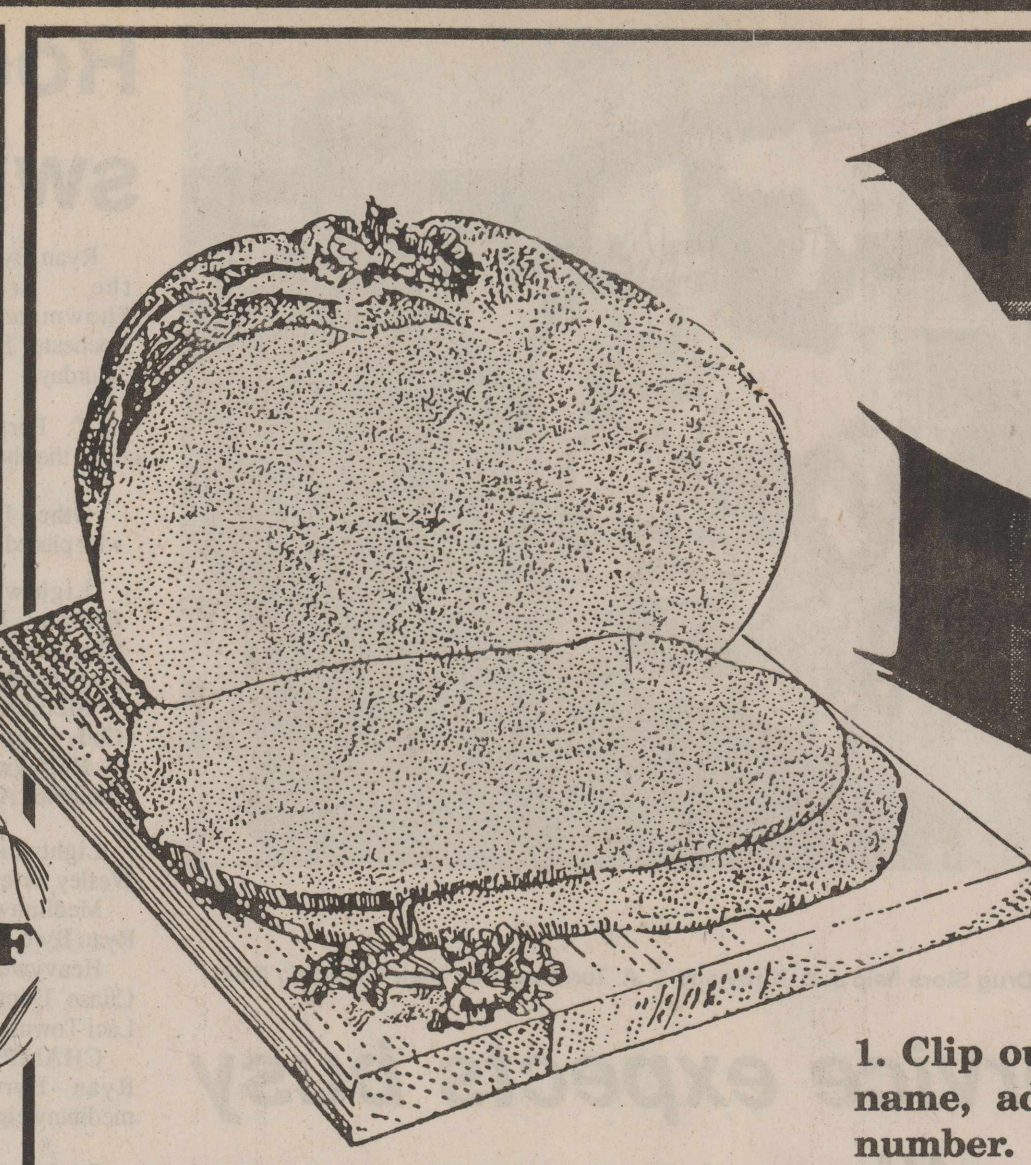
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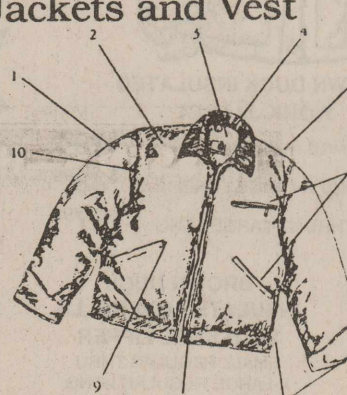
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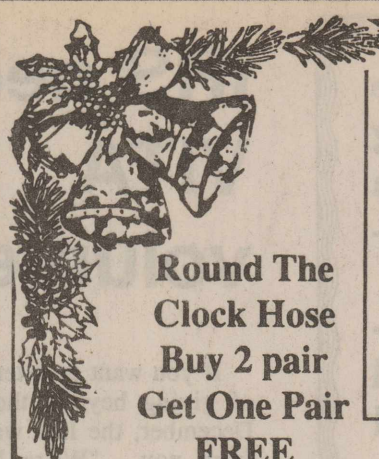
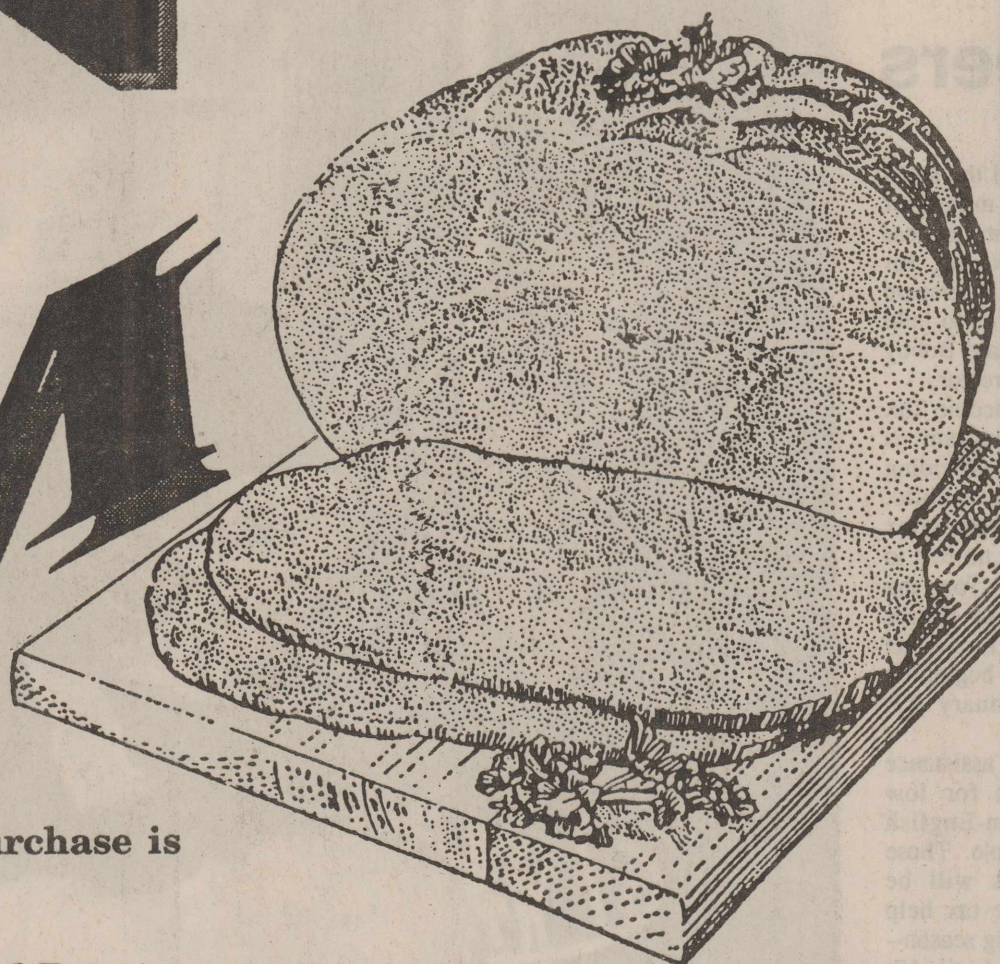
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IRS needs VITA volunteers

If you want to extend the spirit of giving beyond the month of December, the IRS wants to hear from you. "We're looking for people who want to learn to prepare federal income tax returns to help those who aren't able," said Bobby E. Scott, IRS District Director.

The IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is entering its 25th year of providing free tax help to the public. Beginning and advanced income tax classes will be offered at no cost to those who volunteer for the program. Day and evening classes are scheduled at locations throughout North Texas beginning this week through January 13, 1995.

VITA offers free tax assistance and return preparation for low income, disabled, non-English speaking and elderly people. Those completing the classes will be certified to provide free tax help during the upcoming filing season--mid January through April 17, 1995.

"A tax background isn't necessary," says Scott. "The only requirements are an interest in learning about taxes and a desire to help others by putting that knowledge to use."

Last year, 47,000 north Texas residents were helped with tax returns by 811 volunteers at 160 VITA locations. "The VITA program was, and has been successful," says Scott, "because people care enough to volunteer."

If you are interested in becoming a VITA volunteer, want more information, or want to sign up, contact the IRS now at 1-800-820-1040. Or you can write to Taxpayer Education, 1100 Commerce Street - Stop 6610 DAL, Dallas, Texas 75242.

"Help us help others," says Scott. "Become a VITA volunteer and make taxes less taxing for you and others in your community."



Christmas serenade

Rylie Tatum offered his version of his favorite Christmas carols while on a Saturday shopping trip to the Carousel. Children were busy showing parents just what they wanted for Christmas.

Red Cross to offer babysitting classes

The Taylor County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer two babysitting classes during the midterm break. One class will be December 27 - 30, 9:00 a.m. to

noon each day. The other class will be January 3 - 6 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day.

Registration fee for the twelve hour class is \$15.00 and students must register before December

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By Louis Chedester, TAEX Entomologist and Max Stapleton, Haskell County Extension Agent-Ag.

Greenbugs are aphids that suck plant juices and inject toxins into small grain plants. These aphids are pale green, approximately 1/16 inch long, with characteristic dark green stripes on the back. Greenbugs develop in large numbers under favorable conditions and may cause economic losses. Greenbugs reproduce rapidly at temperature between 55 and 95 degrees F. Natural enemies, however, reproduce slowly when temperatures are below 65 degrees F. Thus, in cool weather the greenbug may increase to enormous numbers while its natural enemies multiply slowly. The average temperature must be below 20 degrees F for at least a week to kill 99 percent of the green bugs. The population also must be without protection from snow cover.

During the winter, infested fields may have yellowed spots preceding the appearance of small, deadened areas. Later, greenbugs in these spots may increase and spread throughout the field. Greenbugs cause more damage when small grain crops suffer from deficient moisture during a mild winter and a cool spring. Greenbug damage may be confused with moisture stress and/or nitrogen deficiency or foot rot.

While walking diagonally across the field, make a minimum of five random counts per 20 acres of field area, each consisting of one linear foot or row. Greenbugs can be counted on small plants. On larger planter, slap the plants against the ground to jar greenbugs loose for counting. If green bugs are numerous, estimate the number present. Make counts during the warmest part of the day when

greenbugs are most likely to be exposed on the above ground part of the plants. During periods of cool, dry weather, greenbugs may congregate in loose soil at the base of plants, making detection and chemical control difficult.

The need for applying insecticide depends on the number of greenbugs present, size and vigor of plants, temperature, time of year, moisture conditions, state of growth and effectiveness of parasites and predators. Irrigated small grains can withstand larger greenbug populations than dryland small grains without yield loss.

Greenbug populations may be reduced by predators and parasites, including lady beetles, parasitic wasps, spiders, damsel bugs, lacewing larvae and syrphid fly larvae. However, cool conditions greatly limit the activity of these beneficial insects. The convergent lady beetle and the parasitic wasp, are the most important of these beneficials. They are able to reproduce during warmer periods of the growing season, and under conditions favorable for their development they can suppress greenbug infestations.

It is impractical to outline specifically all conditions under which insecticides should be applied for greenbug control. However, the following information may serve as a general guide in determining the need for treatment. Plant height 3-6 inches 100-300 greenbugs per linear foot, 4-8 inches 200-400 greenbugs per linear foot, 6-16 inches 300-800 greenbugs per linear foot. The appearance of dead plants caused by greenbug feeding in spots within the field also may indicate a need for treatment. Occasionally, populations of 25 to 50 greenbugs per foot of drill row in very young small grain plants may warrant treatment.

--Sagerton--

Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer visited with several people in the rest home in Stamford last week which were Mrs. Lena Schaake, Mrs. Lillian Rogers Bean, Mrs. Velma Lou Hertel and several others.

Get well wishes go to Reece Clark and Charles Clark who are both in the hospital in Abilene.

Bill Tabor of Sweetwater visited in the home of his mother, Mrs. John L. Brooks, and his brother, Jack and Peggy.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Teichelman, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer went to bowl Thursday in Abilene with the group that meet there every Thursday.

Those who were at the Friendship Club Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse, Mrs. Doris Lehmann, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Mrs. Sylvia Crowe, of Haskell, Mrs. Pauline Dick of Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Toney, Pastor Jeff and Marie Zell, Mrs. Mary Neinast, Mr. and Mrs.

Franklin Mrazek, Mr. and Mrs. G.W. LeFevre, Leroy and Polly Nehring, Clarence Stegemoeller, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Clancy and Helen Lehmann, Mrs. Meta Kupatt, Leonard and Hilda Kieke, Ed Fouts, Herbert Lammert, Ken Brown, and Larry LeFevre.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer ate at the VIP Friday which is always a joy to see so many people you know.

The flowers in the Faith Lutheran Sunday were given in memory of Michael Nauret by his parents of Aspermont.

Daniel Clarence Turner was baptized Sunday morning. Sponsors were Susan Stegemoeller, Marla Hawkins, and Dennis Stegemoeller.

So nice to see so many people in the Faith Lutheran Church Sunday. Had several visitors which are welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mrazek visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse Sunday.

We want to thank you again for each expression of care and concern for us during Odell's continued illness and the death of our beloved grandson, Scott Powers.

Your prayers, calls, flowers, food and other help given have ministered to our hearts as well as our comfort and needs. Your caring concern continues to warm our hearts.

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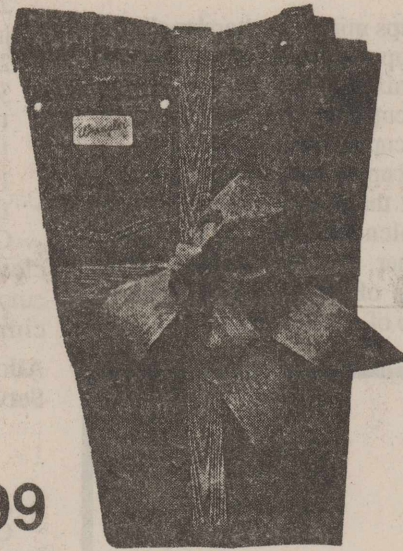
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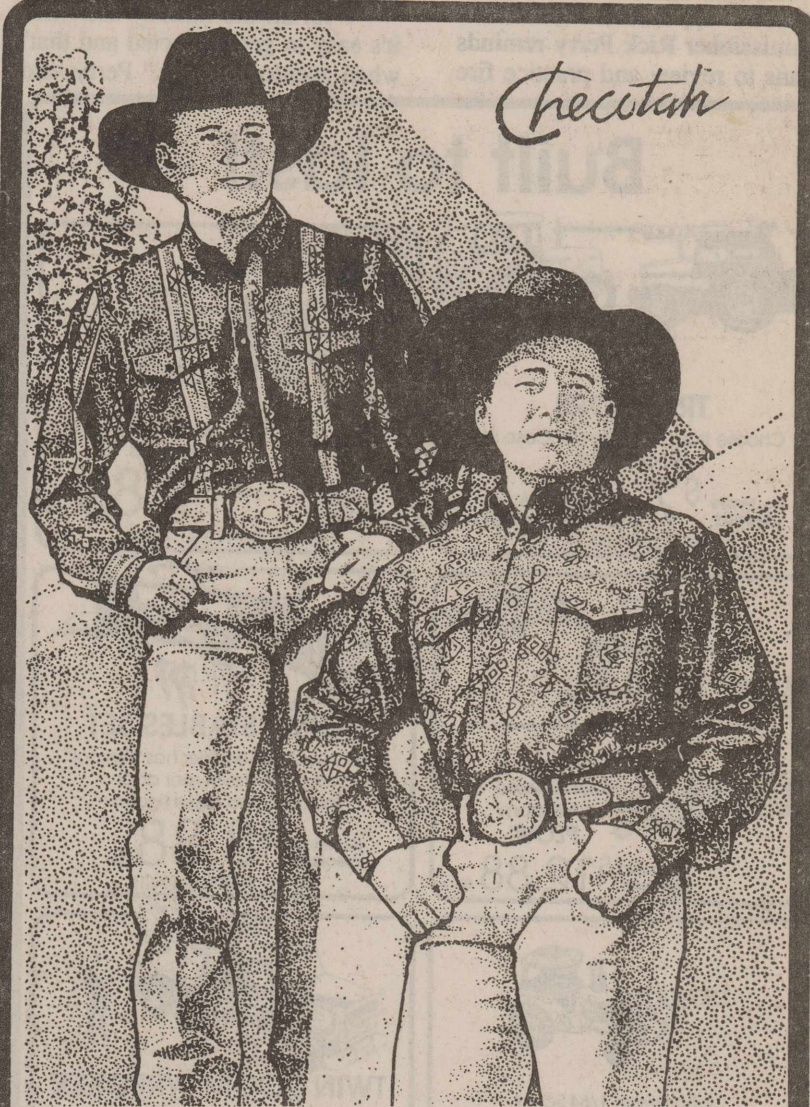


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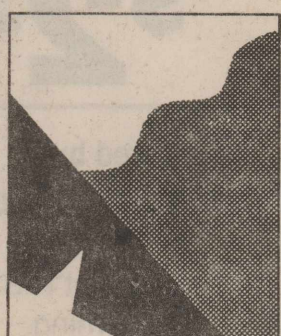
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Perry reminds Texans to follow fire safety rules

As cooler weather and holiday festivities approach, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry reminds Texans to review and practice fire

safety measures around the house. "With all the holiday activities, it's easy to get distracted and that's when accidents occur," Perry said.

"But if we just take a few minutes to remind ourselves about the safe way to do things, we can all have a happy holiday season."

Fire safety becomes important as people use fireplaces, put up Christmas trees and decorate with candles. Before building a fire, make sure your chimney is clean and in good repair. Check the roof and gutters to be sure they are clear of debris such as leaves or other items that might catch fire.

Christmas trees are a frequent source of fire problems. Perry said buying a Texas grown tree can lessen that risk.

"Many Texas Christmas tree farms allow people to come and cut their own tree. This makes for a great family outing and assures you a fresh tree. Texas trees on a lot have usually been cut within the previous three days, as opposed to trees shipped in from other states that may have been cut weeks before. Buying a Texas Christmas tree will give you a fresher, longer-lasting tree and help our Texas grower," Perry said.

The Texas Christmas Tree Growers Association publishes a director of tree farms, available through the Texas Department of Agriculture or your local extension office, to make finding that special Christmas tree easier.

Once you find that special tree it should be watered daily to prevent drying out. Use caution with lights and don't leave them on unattended. Check lights each year for fraying or other wear. Never use candles on

a tree.

Other fire safety rules include:
*Check your smoke detector weekly to make sure it's working. Change the battery twice a year.

*Clean or change your furnace filter each month. This lessens electric or gas consumption and decreases chance of fire.

*Use caution with space heaters and be sure to use them in ventilated areas to prevent carbon monoxide buildup.

*Defective appliances and overloaded circuits are major causes of home fires. Check power cords frequently and replace them if they are damaged.

*Keep matches and lighters away from small children. Children should never left alone near an open fire, fireplace or heater.

*Plan an escape route in case of fire and practice with your family. Have a designated spot to meet outside the house.

*Install a fire extinguisher in the kitchen and know how to use it before an emergency arises.

*Watch clothing when cooking to prevent sleeves from coming in contact with a burner.

"This is a great time to review safety habits with your children," Perry said. "Talk to them about proper use and fire and matches. Review the family plan for getting out of the house in case of fire. Practice safe habits yourself, like wearing protective eye wear when cutting firewood. Your children will learn by watching you."



Decisions, decisions

Peggy Hairgrove and Lois Redwine are trying to make holiday gift selections during Super Saturday at The Drug Store.

Stenholm accepting page applications

Congressman Stenholm is now accepting applications from college students and educators interested in participating in the 1995 Washington, D.C. Internship

curriculum at the U.S. Capitol Page School.

Page positions are open to students in the 17th Congressional District who will be juniors in September 1995. Pages must have a "B" average in four major courses, excluding electives.

Four interns are selected to work in the Congressman's office for one month intervals in June or July.

Interns are involved in the daily operation of the Congressman's office and will help research constituent inquiries.

College students from the 17th Congressional District or those attending college inside the district, teachers and administrators are eligible for the internship program. The interns are paid a one-month stipend to cover basic living expenses.

Page and intern applications and information can be obtained by contacting Elaine Talley in the Abilene district office at 915-673-7221.

Applications are due by January 17, 1995. They will be forwarded to a Selection Committee who will notify finalists by February 22, 1995. Interviews for all positions will be held in Abilene on March 18, 1995, and selections will be made at that time.

program, as well as applications for page positions in the House of Representatives.

Completed applications must be submitted in person or postmarked by January 17, 1995, to be considered for either position.

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Christmas recipes

Carnival Mix

- 2 1/2 cups nonfat dry powdered milk
 - 2 cups miniature marshmallows
 - 1 cup Nestle Quick strawberry drink mix
 - 1/2 cup powdered sugar
 - 1/3 cup non-dairy creamer
 - 1/3 cup powdered buttermilk
- Mix the above ingredients until well blended. Store in airtight container. To mix a cupful, place 1/3 cup of dry mix in a cup with 3/4 cup of very hot water.

Hot Spiced Percolator Punch

- 2 cups unsweetened pineapple juice
 - 2 cups cranberry juice cocktail
 - 3/4 cup water
 - 1/3 cup brown sugar
 - 1 1/2 teaspoon whole cloves
 - 1 stick cinnamon, broken
 - 1/8 teaspoon salt
- Combine all ingredients except cloves, cinnamon and salt in an automatic percolator. Place cloves, cinnamon and salt in basket. Allow to go through perk cycle. Serve piping hot. Yield: 10 cups.

The Fragrance of Christmas

Christmas Boil: To fill the house with the aroma of Christmas spices, brew a spicy mixture on the stove.

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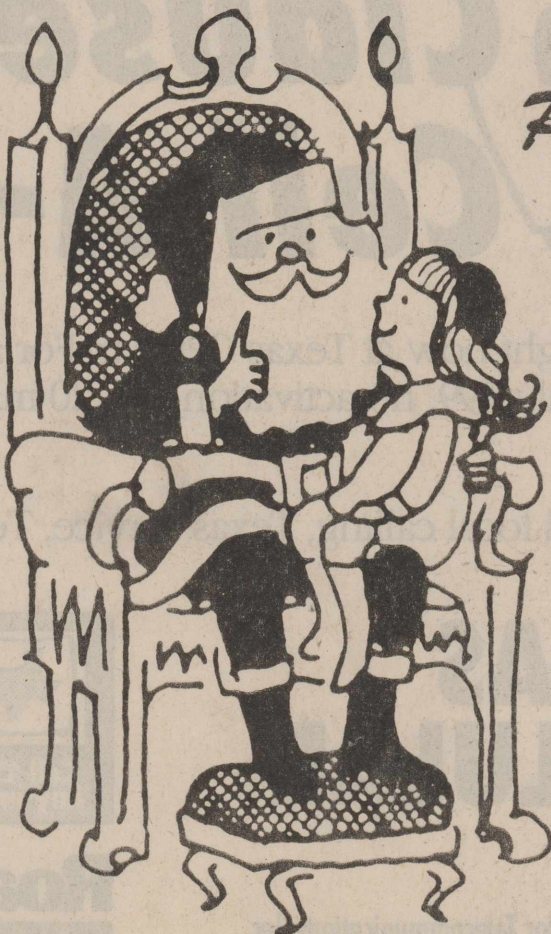
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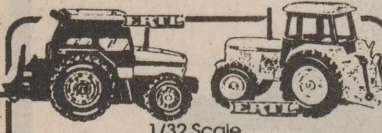
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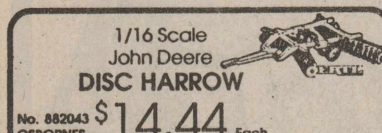
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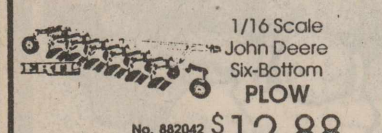


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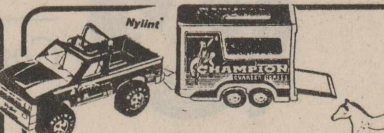
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Happenings...

by Lois Redwine

On Tuesday, December 6, the WMU of the First Baptist Church hosted a foreign mission study directed by Billie Cadenhead. Others on program were Gladys O'Neal, Donna Cole, Tami May, Jennifer Burgess and Lois Redwine. Lunch was served to WMU members and guests from the First Baptist Church, Rule and the Greater Independent Baptist Church, Haskell.

Henrietta Sego spent Friday night in Abilene with her daughter and family, the Jay Berrys. They attended a Christmas musical at the Southwest Park Baptist Church. The musical depicted Christ's life from birth to the crucifixion and was entitled, "He Sent a Babe".

An early Christmas celebration was held in the home of Chunky and Viola Tidwell last weekend. Those present were, Pat, Sue, Eric and Penny Glover, Roy, Mareta, Dana, Angela and Stefani Glover and Casey Waits, all of Richardson; Wallace and Imogene Dobbs, Charles and Daisy Smith, Abilene; Gene Harrell, Tuscola; Bob and Lois Glover, Amarillo; Scott Shipley, Dallas and from Haskell,

Mike and Julie Harrell. All enjoyed eating, visiting and taking pictures.

Navy Airman Recruit Christopher H. Green, 1991 graduate of Haskell High School, graduated from the Aviation Structural Mechanic Hydraulics Maintenance Course at Naval Air Station Memphis in Millington, Tennessee. He is the son of Robbie Harris.

Janice Hill and son, Justin, of Abilene, spent Sunday with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burson.

Birthday visitors last Wednesday with Frieda Nehring in Rice Springs Care Home were Louis and Adeline Spitzer from Old Glory and LeeRoy and Polly Nehring of Stamford. Visiting Mrs. Nehring on Monday were Burnis and Dewey Escue of Olney.

Visiting with Gladys O'Neal last week were her sisters, Edye Davis from Dallas and Frances Lee from Wichita Falls.

Mae Lou Yeldell, WMU president of the Greater Independent Baptist Church expresses thanks to everyone who helped make the Harvest Festival program a huge success.

A Christmas program will be held Sunday morning, December 18, at the Greater Independent Baptist Church. All parents are urged to bring their children. The Church's Financial Program will be Sunday, January 1.

On Saturday, December 10, in an impressive ceremony, the 111th Engineer Battalion, 49th Armored Division of the Texas National Guard in Abilene. Change of Command went from Lt. Col. Larry N. Patterson to Lt. Col. Ronald L. Hilliard of Odessa. Hilliard joined the National Guard in 1970 and has served in numerous capacities. A Haskell native, he lives in Odessa and is very active in community affairs. Hilliard holds a

Masters Degree in Education. He is the son of E.L. and Bernice Hilliard, is married to Edith and has two sons, Jarred and Jason. Attending the ceremony were Edith and Jarred Hilliard, friend, Polly, of Odessa; Jason Hilliard, Lubbock; Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Hilliard, Haskell; Gary and Pat Shaw, Roscoe; Ken and Terrie Hilliard, Waco; Linda, Mary Jane and Ross Short, Rochester; Tom and Myrtle Kutch, Rule; and Ellen Hilliard and Jean Ballard, Abilene.

At the Dairy Queen, on November 30, Elmer and Bernice Hilliard boarded a Leisure Time Travel Club bus bound for Branson, MO. The first night out was spent in Tulsa, Okla. then on to Branson until Dec. 4. Shows they saw included Bobby Vinton with Glenn Miller Orchestra, Andy Williams, the Osmond Family, Shoji Tabuchi, Mel Tillis, the Bass Pro Outdoor World in Springfield, Mo., and tours of the Precious Moments Chapel and Port of Lights at Kimberling Lake. They returned to Haskell on Dec. 5.

Saturday afternoon, in Abilene, the E.L. Hilliards attended a Leisure Time Travel Club Christmas party

and unveiling of 1995 tours. Saturday night, they attended the Country Cousins Christmas dance at the Wagon Wheel. Leon Ivey was square dance caller, Maxine Ivey was country line dance caller.

The Johnnie Billington family had a very busy Thanksgiving. First, there was the wedding of Cathy Rodriguez and Johnnie Billington, Jr. The reception was held at the Billington home. After the wedding cake was cut, dinner was served, then the bride opened gifts. The Johnson family also held their 4th annual Thanksgiving reunion at the Billington home. These are the children of George Johnson, Buffalo, Tx. and the late Alice B. Reed Johnson. Attending were sons, Glendel Johnson, his daughter Belinda and Kenneth Johnson (wedding pianist) from Dallas; daughter and son-in-law, Joe and Marie Hammon, their son, Jason, daughter, Gay Thomas and La Christa, all from Abilene; daughter and son-in-law, Johnnie Billington, Sr. and Gussie, Haskell. Grandchildren include James and Linda Billington, Richard Billington, Lynelle Robertson, Tina Starks, Regina Billington,

Georgia Ned and Kenneth Billington, Dumas; Quiten, Syrette, Kevin and Tyrone, Cynthia Johnson, Haskell. Great grandchildren include Cassie and Shy Ann Billington of Hawley,

Timothy and LaKiesha Roberson, Tylyn Johnson, Kaylie, Bridgett, Destini Billington, Shanessa, Jamie and E.J. Ned, Blake Billington, Izaia Shields, Kendrick and Kendra Starks.

VA proposes rules for compensating Persian Gulf vets

The Department of Veterans Affairs announced that sick veterans are one step closer to receiving additional assistance from VA for undiagnosed illnesses that may be the result of their service in the Persian Gulf War.

VA is publishing in the Federal Register a proposed rule on compensation payments to chronically disabled Persian Gulf veterans with undiagnosed illnesses. VA began developing the rule last

month after President Clinton signed the Veterans' Benefits Act of 1994, which authorized the compensation.

Said VA Secretary Jesse Brown, "I have taken steps under this law to expedite compensation payments to chronically disabled Persian Gulf veterans while we continue to look for the causes of their health problems and to study the health status of their spouses and children.

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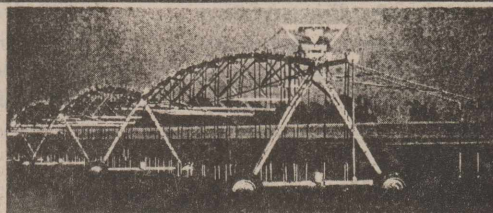
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The Third Annual
Larry Chittenden Memorial

Cowboy Celebration

A Festival of Cowboy Poetry,
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Friday, December 16 and Saturday, December 17

11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day

The Opera House
Anson, Texas

Admission is Free

Red Steagall will be the featured attraction on Friday, December 16, in the Opera House following his appearance at the Holiday Open House at First American Bank in Anson from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Red Steagall's entertainment career spans a period of 25 years, following a career as a music industry executive. During that 25 year period of time, Red has been a recording artist, songwriter, cowboy poet, author and television and motion picture personality. As a songwriter, over 200 of Red's compositions have been recorded. As a recording artist, Red has produced 26 consecutive records on the national charts and released a total of 13 albums. He is best known for his wonderful Texas Swing dance music and such songs as Here We Go Again, Party Dolls and Wine, Freckles Brown, and Lone Star Beer and Bob Wills Music.

In 1993, Texas Christian University Press published Red's first book, Ride for the Brand, a collection of poetry and songs that embrace the Western lifestyle that Red loves and lives.

Red Steagall's Cowboy Corner, a weekly radio series celebrating the magnificent Western heritage through poetry, music and stories, can be heard on 140 radio stations in 42 states, including KVRP-AM & FM in Haskell, and KCBY-FM (Y=99) in Abilene.

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Curtis Potter and the Texas Playboys will be the featured attraction Saturday afternoon. The Texas Playboys, under the guidance of Bob Wills, developed a special style of music known as Western Swing that is still magic in the western dance world. Curtis Potter and the Texas Playboys still have the western dance beat that cowboys and ranchers love to hear, a beat that sets their feet to dancing.

Members of the Texas Playboys, many of whom played with Bob Wills, who will make an appearance in Anson at the Third Annual Larry Chittenden Memorial Cowboy Celebration include Leon Rausch, Tommy Allsup, Tommy Morrell, Jimmy Benjamin, Bobby Boatright, Jimmy Young and Larry McWhorter.

Larry Scott, host of the Interstate Road Show at radio station KWKH AM & FM in Shreveport, Louisiana, will be Master of Ceremonies for the third annual Larry Chittenden Memorial Cowboy Celebration. Larry has emceed major country music shows all across the country, from Carnegie Hall in New York City to the Grand Ol' Opry in Nashville to the Cowpalace in San Francisco. Since 1976 he has devoted a considerable amount of time emceeding for the Texas Playboys and other Western swing groups.

Larry was chosen to emcee the Golden Anniversary of Bob Wills' Texas Playboys in Tulsa in 1984. Larry is a member of the Texas Western Swing Hall of Fame and has been honored as major market Disc Jockey of the Year by the Country Music Hall of Fame; Disc Jockey of the Year 4 times by the Academy of Country Music and Country Music Disc Jockey by Billboard Magazine.

A Bits, Spurs and Trappings Show will be on the first level of the Opera House. Other vendors of cowboy gift items will also be showing their goods on the first level of the Opera House. More than 30 vendors will feature cowboy items which you will not want to miss.

The Bryson Trading Post Chuckwagon will be cooking up some excellent chuckwagon vittles which they will be serving at \$6.00 per plate. Their chuckwagon will be located just north of the Anson Antique Mall. These people also build authentic chuckwagons, just in case you have been looking for a chuckwagon of your own.

Cowboy Poets, Musicians And Storytellers who will appear on stage at the Anson Opera House include Gil Prather, Clay Lindley, Curt Brummett, Fletcher Jowers, Larry McWhorter, R. W. Hampton, Jackie Green, J. W. Beeson, the Davidson Family, Bill Wolf, Jean and Gary Prescott, Dancer Davis, Jeff Gore, Stan Mahler, Washtub Jerry, Tater Pascall, Wayne Cornett, Steve Schike, Wallace Reynolds and Steve Rogers.

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BEFORE THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION
LONE STAR RAILROAD, INC.—ABANDONMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF TRACKAGE RIGHTS—IN WICHITA, ARCHER, BAYLOR, KNOX, HASKELL AND JONES COUNTIES, TX
DOCKET NO. AB-425
SOUTHERN SWITCHING COMPANY—DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE—IN WICHITA, ARCHER, BAYLOR, KNOX, HASKELL AND JONES COUNTIES, TX
DOCKET NO. AB-426
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Company ("Southern") give notice that on or about December 16, 1994 they intend to file with the Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, DC 20423, a joint application for certificates permitting (1) Lone Star to abandon a portion of its Abilene-Wichita Falls rail line extending between Milepost No. 142.8 near Lanius and Milepost No. 8.0 near Howard, and to discontinue its trackage rights over Burlington Northern Railroad Company (BN) between Milepost No. 8.0 near Howard and Milepost No. 0.0 at Valley Junction and from Valley Junction east for 331 feet to point of switch in Sunshine Yard, Wichita Falls, a total distance of 143.43 miles in Wichita, Archer, Baylor, Knox, Haskell and Jones Counties, TX; and (2) Southern to discontinue service over that rail line that Southern is providing pursuant to an operating contract with Lone Star. The line for which the joint application will be filed includes the following stations:

Station (all TX)	Milepost No.
Valley Junction	0.0
Dundee	25.7
Seymour	50.3
Bomarton	61.8
Goree	68.9
Munday	74.2
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Stamford	111.1

The reasons for the proposed abandonment and discontinuance are that continued operation of the line would result in operating losses, opportunity costs and rehabilitation costs. Based on information in our possession, there are no federally granted rights-of-way on the line. Any documentation in our possession will be made available promptly to those requesting it. The line of railroad has appeared on Lone Star's and Southern's system diagram map in category 1 since August 15, 1994. The interest of railroad employees will be protected by the imposition of employee protective conditions as specified in Oregon Short Line Railroad Co. Abandonment, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). Any interested person, after the

application is filed on or about December 16, 1994, is entitled to file with the Interstate Commerce Commission written comments concerning the proposed abandonment or protests to it. Protests must contain the following:

- (1) Protestant's name, address and business.
 - (2) A statement describing protestant's interest in the proceeding including:
 - (i) A description of protestant's use of the line;
 - (ii) If protestant does not use the line, information concerning the group or public interest it represents; and
 - (iii) If protestant's interest is limited to the retention of service over a portion of the line, a description of the portion of the line subject to protestant's interest (with milepost designations if available).
 - (3) Specific reasons why protestant opposes the application including information regarding protestant's reliance on the involved service [this information must be supported by affidavits of persons with personal knowledge of the facts].
 - (4) Any rebuttal of material submitted by applicant.
 - (5) If an oral hearing is desired, a request for and reasons why an oral hearing is necessary. In addition, a commenting party or protestant may provide a statement of position and a summary of evidence regarding:
 - (i) Intent to offer financial assistance;
 - (ii) Environmental impact;
 - (iii) Impact on rural and community development;
 - (iv) Suitability of the properties for other public purposes;
 - (v) Recommended provisions for protection of the interests of employees; and
 - (vi) Prospective use of the right-of-way for interim trail use and rail banking under 16 U.S.C. 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. §1152.29.
- Written comments and protests will be considered by the Commission in determining whether an investigation is needed to assist in

determining what disposition to make of the applications. The Commission will automatically direct investigation if a protest is filed which demonstrates: (1) The protestant filed a feeder line application under 49 U.S.C. 10910; (2) the feeder line application involves any portion of the rail line involved in the abandonment application; (3) the feeder line application was filed prior to the date of the abandonment application; and (4) the feeder line application is pending before the Commission. If an investigation is conducted, the commenting party or protestant may participate in the proceeding as its interests may appear.

Those parties filing protests to the proposed abandonment should be prepared to participate activity in either oral hearing or through the submission of additional material in the form of verified statements. Parties seeking information concerning the filing of protests should refer to §1152.25.

Written comments and protests should indicate the proceeding designation Docket Nos. AB-425 and AB-426, and should be filed with the secretary, Interstate Commerce Commission, Washington, DC 20423, no later than 30 days after the date the application is filed. Interested persons may file a written comment or protest with the Commission to become a party to this abandonment proceeding. A copy of each written comment or protest shall be served upon the representative of the applicants, Thomas F. McFarland, Jr., Belnap, Spencer, McFarland & Herman, 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3118, Chicago, IL 60606-3101, (312) 236-0204. The original and 2 copies of all comments or protests shall be filed with the Commission with a certificate of service.

If no protests are received within 30 days after the application is filed, the Commission will grant the abandonment request and issue a certificate which permits the abandonment to occur within 75 days after the application is filed. The line sought to be abandoned will be available for subsidy or sale for continued rail use, if the Commission decides to permit the abandonment, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations (49 U.S.C. 10905 and 49 C.F.R. 1152.27). Applicant will promptly provide upon request to each interested party an estimate of the subsidy and minimum purchase price required to keep the line in operation. The carriers' representative to whom inquiries may be made concerning sale or subsidy terms is Thomas F. McFarland, Jr., Belnap, Spencer, McFarland & Herman, 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3118, Chicago, IL 60606-3101, (312) 236-0204.

Persons seeking further information concerning abandonment procedures may contact the Interstate Commerce Commission's Office of Proceedings or refer to the full abandonment regulations at 49 C.F.R. Part 1152. Questions concerning environmental issues may be directed to the Commission's Section of Energy and Environment.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection on or after December 16, 1994, at the office of Lone Star and Southern located at 300 South Swenson, Stamford, TX 79553. The carriers will furnish a copy of the application to any interested person proposing to file a protest of comment, upon request directed to carriers' representative, Thomas F. McFarland, Jr., Belnap, Spencer, McFarland & Herman, 20 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3118, Chicago, IL 60606-3101, (312) 236-0204.

An environmental assessment (or environmental impact statement, if necessary) prepared by the

Section of Energy and Environment will be served upon all parties of record and upon any agencies or other persons who commented during its preparation. Any other person who would like to obtain a copy of the EA (or EIS) may contact the Section of Energy and Environment. EA's in abandonment proceedings normally will be made available within 33 days of the filing of the applications. The deadline for submission of comments on the EA will generally be within 30 days of its service. The comments received will be addressed in the Commission's decision. A supplemental EA may be issued where appropriate. 48-50c

NOTIFICATION
Notification of the City of Haskell providing for the publication and notice that the City has a Fair Housing Ordinance that provides for equal opportunity in housing.

Whereas, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the City of Haskell to bring about through fair, orderly, and lawful procedure the opportunity for each person to obtain housing without regard to race, color, sex, religion, or national origin; and

Whereas, it is further declared that this policy is based upon a recognition of the right of every person to have access to adequate housing of his own choice without regard to race, color, sex, religion, or national origin; and further that the denial of such right through considerations based on race, color, sex, religion, or national origin is detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Haskell and constitutes an unjust denial or deprivation of such rights which is within the power and proper responsibility of government to prevent; and

Whereas, the City of Haskell has a copy of said Fair Housing Ordinance for review as part of its educational and public information programs, said Ordinance is available for review by all interested persons at City Hall during regular office hours.
Ken Lane, Mayor 50c

PUBLIC NOTICE
Bids are being received by the Paint Creek Independent School District, Route 2 Box 190, Haskell, Texas 79521, for computer equipment as described by the bid specification sheet. Contact Jerry J. Morgan, Superintendent, at 817-864-2471. Bid opening at 1:00 p.m. January 3, 1995.

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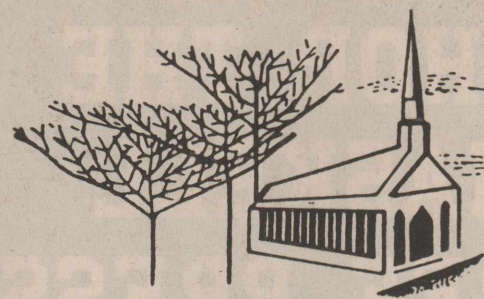
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