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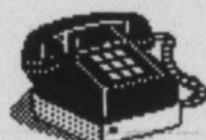
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Crime Line



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is offering a reward of

\$1000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons who stole a show lamb from the New Home ag barn on Christmas Day. The lamb is owned by Rick Clem.

Woodwork...



by Dalton

IF YOU'RE GOING TO resolve to quit eating so much, or to quit smoking, you need to write your resolution down on paper and be specific about what you want to do, says Dr. Francis Pirozzolo of the Baylor College of Medicine.

According to the doctor, whose name sounds like a new dish at Orlando's, a notebook can be your best friend in seeing to it that this year's resolutions are kept. He suggests a four-part plan:

1. Give careful thought to your goal. If it is losing weight, exactly how many pounds and in how much time? If it is quitting smoking, by what date will you have quit or at least cut down on the number of cigarettes? Be specific, he says, write it down.

I immediately sat down and wrote "I would like to lose 30 pounds by noon Saturday". But his second part of the plan destroyed that idea, because his second suggestion is:

2. Set realistic, attainable goals.

3. Keep a written record of your progress. "I try to encourage people to think about what causes them to fall into the behaviors they want to change," he said. "You need to know what triggers your eating or what prompts you to reach for that cigarette." He said that every time you eat or light up, record your emotional state at the time, who you were with and what was going on around you. After a few days, look at your notes and search for patterns that seem to trigger eating or smoking.

4. Maintain a positive attitude that focuses on your successes rather than your failures.

Above all, says the doctor, keep written records of your progress. I guess that's because the more time you spend writing, the less time you'll spend eating.

It's hard to keep a positive attitude about something you have failed at so many times already. I've been on a hundred different diets. And once, I did keep a notebook to record how I was doing on losing weight. And this worked for a few days, until the time I decided I either had to have steak and gravy and French fries or else I was going to eat my notebook.

A notebook with the metal spiral removed and covered with chocolate icing is not half bad.



DOWNTOWN LIGHTS—The Lynn County Courthouse, with its manger scene, lighted Austrian pine tree, other lighted trees and "Merry Christmas" sign, won first place in the municipal division of the Christmas lighting contest this year.

Weather

| Date | High | Low | Precip. |
|---------|------|-----|--------------------|
| Dec. 19 | 67 | 28 | |
| Dec. 20 | 68 | 28 | Trace |
| Dec. 21 | 12 | 10 | .01" |
| Dec. 22 | 15 | 5 | Moisture from snow |
| Dec. 23 | 28 | 4 | |
| Dec. 24 | 41 | 4 | |
| Dec. 25 | 43 | 11 | |

Precip. for year to date: 17.42"

Newspaper Office To Close Tuesday

Most businesses in Lynn County, including the Lynn County News, will be closed next Tuesday, New Year's Day. Some also will be closed on Monday, New Year's Eve, but many will be open that day. A few businesses will be open on New Year's Day also.

The News office will close today (Thursday) at 2 p.m. and will be closed Friday. The office will be open all day Monday, closed Tuesday, and open again Wednesday, Jan. 2 on regular schedule. Persons with news or advertising copy for next week's paper are asked to call or bring it the material or mail it so that the newspaper will receive it by 4 p.m. Monday.



Batting helmets were introduced in major league baseball by the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1941.

Collision Is Investigated In City Dec. 22

A collision investigated in the city by Tahoka Police Dept. Saturday, Dec. 22, was the only report of activity on file during the last week at the police department.

The Sheriff's Dept. also had only one report, theft of a show lamb on Christmas Day from the New Home ag barn. Crime Line, 998-5145, is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the clearing of the theft of the animal owned by Rick Clem.

An accident at the corner of Ave. B and S. 6th St. Saturday involved a 1990 Chevrolet pickup driven by Ronnie Wayne Haircrow of Lubbock and a 1989 Pontiac driven by Rachelle Marie Thomas of Tahoka. According to the police report, no injuries resulted from the collision.

Four persons were in jail during the last week. Two were charged with driving while intoxicated, one was charged with public intoxication, and the fourth person was held for driving without a seat belt, failure to have a child restrained in the vehicle, no liability insurance, and on a Lubbock warrant for an earlier charge of injury to a child.

Tahoka Woman Wins Trip, Gives It To Friends

Marguerite Sawyer of Tahoka recently won a week-long cruise trip to the Caribbean by calling in the answer to a puzzle on "Wheel of Fortune" on CBS television and then having her name selected by computer as a regional winner of the free trip.

Regional winners were chosen after entrants called in on a 900 number for the "Play-by-Phone" competition.

"I must have entered about 14 times," she said. She then said her winning the trip was a good news/bad news event, since she and her husband, Bill, could not go on the cruise at the specified time, because he had a medical procedure scheduled which could not be changed. So the Sawyers gave the trip to Mike and Nell Cotter of Tahoka, and they went on the cruise on the SS Norway, which left from Miami, FL. and returned on Dec. 22.

When they returned, the Cotters advised Mrs. Sawyer that she had won a great trip.



BEST DOOR—This door at the home of David and Sylvia Chapa, 1818 N. 2nd, was judged best in its class by the Tahoka Garden Club. Three of five winners in residential lighting are on N. 2nd.

Score Big With a Winning Super Bowl Sunday Party

Call up the gang and have them meet at your house on Super Bowl Sunday because entertaining is easy with this great starting line-up of high-energy, low-fat menu ideas from the Wheat Foods Council. And, just because you're entertaining doesn't mean you have to watch most of the game from the kitchen. These recipes can be made in advance and timed for serving during the pre-game show, as the half-time highlight, or for the post-game victory party. "All-Pro Pasta Pizza" is a new twist to a traditional favorite. Made with lasagna noodles, garden-fresh ingredients and a special tangy sauce, it'll be a hit with all those armchair quarterbacks. To make ahead, prepare the pizza on Sunday morning, and refrigerate for later baking. Or make the sauce several days ahead of time and freeze.

As a great side-line addition, the low-fat "Blitz Sticks" are fast to make because frozen bread dough is used. Pop the frozen loaf into the refrigerator the night before and you'll be ready to shape and bake these fresh the day of the game.



Score big with a winning Super Bowl Sunday Party menu of All-Pro Pasta Pizza and Blitz Sticks.

All-Pro Pasta Pizza

- Sauce:**
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
 - 1/2 cup chopped onion
 - 1/4 cup chopped celery
 - 1 garlic clove, finely chopped
 - 1 can (8 ounce) tomato sauce
 - 1 can (6 ounce) tomato paste
 - 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
 - 2 teaspoons dried oregano
 - 1 teaspoon dried basil
 - 1/2 teaspoon sugar
 - 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 - 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- Pasta Crust and Toppings:**
- 15 lasagna noodles
 - 3 cups shredded Mozzarella cheese, divided

- 3 ounces thinly sliced pepperoni
 - 1 can (8 ounce) mushrooms, stems and pieces, drained
 - 1/4 cup diced green pepper
 - 1/2 cup pitted ripe olives, sliced
- In medium saucepan, heat oil; saute onion, celery and garlic until onion is golden. Stir in tomato sauce, tomato paste, Parmesan cheese, oregano, basil, sugar, Worcestershire sauce and pepper. Simmer until thickened, about 15 minutes.
- Cook noodles according to package directions until tender but firm. (Adding 1 tablespoon oil will help prevent sticking.) Drain. Rinse in cold water; drain again. Lightly coat a 15x10 inch pan with cooking spray. Arrange 5 noodles in pan. Sprinkle with 1 cup Mozzarella cheese. Continue to layer with 5 noodles, 1 cup cheese and 5 noodles. Spread pizza sauce evenly over noodles. Bake at 350°F. for 10 minutes. Remove from oven; arrange pepperoni,

mushrooms, green pepper and olives over pizza. Sprinkle with remaining 1 cup cheese; return to oven. Bake until cheese melts, about 15 minutes. Makes 1 large pizza, about ten 3x5-inch pieces.

Blitz Sticks

- 1 loaf (1 pound) frozen bread dough; white or whole wheat
 - 1 egg white
 - Sesame seeds or poppy seeds
- Thaw dough according to package directions. Roll into an 8x10-inch rectangle. With kitchen shears, cut dough into 10 strips; roll each strip until rounded and about 12 inches long.
- Place strips on greased cookie sheet; let rise, uncovered 30 minutes. Spray occasionally with water. Brush with egg white; sprinkle with sesame seeds or poppy seeds. Bake at 375°F. for 20 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 10.



Clean Hands Help Kids Stay Healthy

Another season of colds and flu is almost upon us, and children are prime candidates for infectious viruses. A child's relatively undeveloped immune system has difficulty fighting the rampant germs of winter, which are easily spread from direct contact with playmates, desks, chairs, toys, and more. This winter, help your children stay well by encouraging a simple hygiene practice—hand-washing.

Washing hands frequently is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of infection among children, and, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics, hand-washing ranks second only to immunization as the best way of preventing sickness. A recent study by The John Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health found that hand-washing programs at child care centers cut the incidence of diarrhea in half when compared to centers that did not practice the same techniques.

"Simple hand-washing is one of the best ways to protect children from contagious diseases," says Sallye Blake, children's education specialist at Kinder-Care Learning Centers, Inc., the nation's largest provider of child care services, caring for more than 130,000 children nationwide. "Encouraging thorough and consistent hand-washing now will help your child develop good habits for a lifetime of good hygiene," states Blake.

Here are some tips from Kinder-Care for helping your kids keep their hands clean:

- Make sure your child washes his or her hands before each meal or snack.
- Pay close attention to hand-washing during toilet training—make sure that children wash their hands after **every** use of the bathroom.
- Check on the hand-washing practices of your child's caregiver. If you have reason to believe that proper hygiene is not being enforced, complain. The Centers for Disease Control found that 60 percent of all infections spread in centers could be prevented if staff members use proper hygiene practices.
- Help small children reach the sink by putting a non-skid "step-up" next to the sink.
- Make hand-washing fun by giving children their own playful soaps and hand towels.
- Set a good example for your children by washing your hands frequently as well. The National Association for the Education of Young Children stresses that parents and caregivers should frequently wash their hands with warm water (120 degrees) and liquid soap after tending to children.
- Hand-washing may sound simple, but don't underestimate its importance in preventing the spread

Out of the Woods

The wayward thoughts of Juanell (Wood) Jones

Christmas is over, and sort of done with. I still have to find the money to pay for some of the gifts we bought, and find a place to put all the new toys the kids received, and find a place in the refrigerator for all the leftovers from Christmas dinner. We had a good time visiting with friends and family.

and faster. But I want it all. I want to be popped out of bed when the alarm rings and transported to the bathroom where my toothbrush awaits on an electronic arm, and an electronic hair dresser attends to my hair while I am suspended there in comfort. I want to poke my face into a computerized makeup gadget and come out looking like a fashion model.

Our children were pleased with their gifts (as well they should, seeing as how we bought twice as much as we should have). The one thing my son asked for that he didn't get was a robot. I wouldn't mind having one of those myself... one like that one on the Jetsons cartoon, who is their maid. She could have bulldozed through all the discarded boxes and wrapping paper on our living room floor in nothing flat. As it is, I'm still trying to sift through it all to make sure nothing important gets thrown away.

Then I would like to be whisked through my closet and come out in five seconds, dressed to the nines in the latest fashion outfit, color coded to make the utmost of my assets (assuming I have any). Breakfast should be poked into my hand as I am transported to the dining room, where the morning newspaper is spread open for my perusal. When it's time to be at work, I just want to step into the transport room and beam myself over to the office.

Now I know that life is easy compared to 50 years ago, or even 20 years ago. We have all sorts of gadgets and appliances which are designed to make life a little more comfortable, easier

That's all I want. I don't know, maybe that's expecting too much. I guess I could brush my teeth with my own hand, if I really had to. Nah. If I'm going to dream, I may as well wish for it all.

Poka-Lambro Telephone Cooperative Offers New TelCard For Customers

As part of their continuing service, Poka-Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is offering its customers the new "Poka-Lambro TelCard". The calling card, which is free, will keep long distance and local charges on one bill and will work with most long distance carriers.

The new TelCard will replace the calling cards currently issued by Poka-Lambro. Poka-Lambro will be mailing its customers a form for the new card in billing statements.

Amy Preston, Public Affairs Manager for Poka-Lambro, said, "We believe this card offers distinct advantages over other cards. For example, the Poka-Lambro TelCard will allow our customers to use most any long distance carrier. Another

advantage is that in most instances, customers will receive one combined bill for long distance and local charges. With other cards they could begin receiving separate bills. Research shows that customers definitely prefer a single telephone bill."

Mrs. Preston added that customers also like a calling card issued by their local telephone company. She said customers have developed a personal relationship with Poka-Lambro and would have more confidence dealing with them.

The Poka-Lambro TelCard can be used in practically any location nationwide. For more information, contact the Poka-Lambro business office at 806-924-7234.

of infection. Keeping hands clean helps children avoid unnecessary illness, and develops good habits for a lifetime of wellness.

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AgriDirections

Credit for Soviets? Markets Await Answer

The Soviet Union is again figuring prominently in the direction of grain prices.

At issue is whether President Bush will lift the ban on providing government-backed loans for Moscow to buy U.S. grain. Washington has withheld the credits, worth billions of dollars, since 1974, to punish Moscow for restricting emigration by Soviet Jews.

President Bush had maintained he would grant Moscow the credits if it passes a law liberalizing emigration. Critics say now is not the time to change the policy, as they question whether the Soviets are sufficiently credit-worthy and whether credits would perpetuate the failed Soviet economic policy.

But, in early December, on the heels of angry sentiments from farmers that withholding the credits

constitutes a grain embargo, the President hinted that he favors lifting the ban, particularly since the Soviet Union has relaxed its emigration policy in recent years.

"We're seeing rallies at the Chicago Board of Trade based on the recent statements made by the President that indicate a change could be made soon," said Dan Cekander, a grain analyst with the Chicago trading company Rodman & Renshaw. "What we don't know is the level of those credits. That would certainly determine the level of impact if the credits are granted."

The questions now are whether those credits will be enough — and whether they are too late. With Moscow in an economic crisis, Germany, Canada and other Western producers have already granted billions of dollars in food aid or

farm credits to Moscow.

"Have we lost out by coming in last? For the wheat market, the answer is yes," said Cekander. "Since the first of July the Soviets may have bought around 7 million to 9 million metric tons of wheat elsewhere, but none from the U.S."

The wheat market has been plagued by oversupply — and the lowest prices in a decade.

"Soviet buying is way down. By the first of December, which would be into the first three months of the current marketing year, the Soviets bought just 402,000 metric tons of corn from the U.S. according to official figures," said Cekander. "Last year at this time, they had bought 8 million to 9 million metric tons of corn."

While Cekander said every year is different with Soviet buying, this year's sales are unusually small.

Even if the credits are granted by the Bush administration, Cekander said, any effect on grain prices will be determined by how much credit Washington gives Moscow as well as the Soviets' ability to buy using credit from other sources.

AgriDirections is a monthly column provided by the Chicago Board of Trade, 141 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60604.

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- Tuesday: Closed for New Year's Day
- Wednesday: Barbecue Chicken, potatoes, green beans, roll, plums, milk
- Thursday: Roast beef, gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll, fruit cup, milk
- Friday: Fried fish, corn, cole slaw, roll, cake, milk

Letter To Santa

(Editor's Note: This letter to Santa was sent to Santa Claus before Christmas, but the Lynn County News did not receive the letter until this week.)

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl all year long. I would like a pre computer 1,000 and some stuff in my stocking. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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In round figures, the 500,000-bale increase in USDA's December crop production estimate for 1990 was offset by a comparable increase in the combined projection of domestic and export consumption. That left unchanged last month's estimate of a 2.6 million bale carryover at the end of the current marketing year.

That carryover figure, plus projected production and offtake for the 1991-92 year, are key elements in estimating the volume of U. S. cotton production needed next year — which in turn is USDA's starting point in determining the 1991 crop set-aside or ARP requirement.

Aside from a possible real or imagined effect of 1990 offtake on next year's domestic and export consumption, it would not appear that earlier USDA calculations of 1991 production need would be significantly altered. Nevertheless, according to Charles Cunningham, Chief of USDA's Program Analysis Division, his shop has been asked to update all previous calculations to reflect the new production-consumption report. It's then up to Secretary of Agriculture Clayton Yeutter, with approval from the Office of Management and Budget, to fix the 1991 crop set-aside at a level that will achieve the stated objective of the 1990 farm act. The objective is to achieve production which, after meeting 1991 market requirements, will produce a carryover at the end of 1992 equal to 30 percent of offtake.

The size of each year's set-aside is critical to farmers applying fertilizers and herbicides and carrying out other preplant operations. And, the 1990 crop now harvested, producers are anxious to get those operations underway.

Under the 1985 farm law the set-aside announcement was required by November 1 of the year preceding each year's production and was not subject to change. The 1990 act also sets a November 1 deadline for announcing the set-aside, but the announcement is tentative, subject to revision at the Secretary's discretion up to January 1.

While producers and producer advocates are united in their desire for an early set-aside decision, most are mindful as well of the unprecedented complexity of predicting what set-aside will be needed to secure the desired volume of plantings under the "triple-base" provisions of the 1990 act.

Under the triple-base plan, 15 percent of each commodity base is ineligible for deficiency payments and, at the producer's option can be "flexed" into virtually any other program or non-program crop. Also, producers willing to sacrifice the portion of payments they would otherwise get on another 10 percent of any crop base, may transfer those acres to another crop.

This hands the Secretary the unenviable task of assessing the aggregate effect of individual producer crop choices in every area of production, says Donald Johnson, Executive Vice President of Plains Cotton Growers, Inc., Lubbock.



SPECIAL AWARD — Senator John Montford, with wife Debra, after accepting a special award from the Texas Civil Justice League.

Texas Civil Justice League Honors Senator Montford

The Texas Civil Justice League, largest tort reform organization in America, has given a special award to Texas State Senator John Montford of Lubbock for outstanding contributions to the cause of civil justice reform.

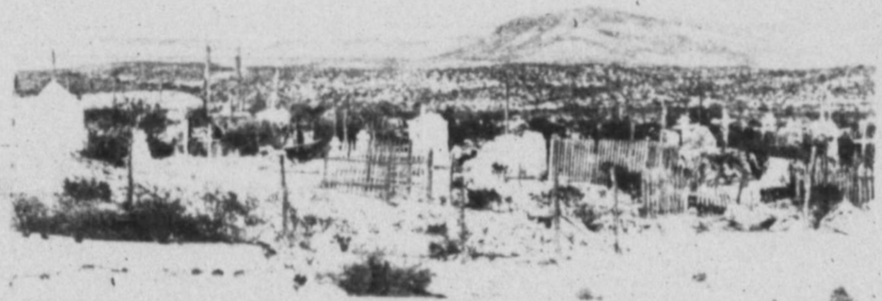
J.P. Word, executive director of the Consulting Engineers Council of Texas and president of the League since its creation five years ago, said Montford provided strong leadership for badly needed reform bills in the 1987 and 1989 Legislatures.

"Taxpayers and consumers pick up the tab for lawsuit abuse," Word said. "Without the dedication of John Montford, the people of Texas would have made no headway in bringing

more equity to the civil justice system."

The Texas Civil Justice League is a coalition of cities, hospitals, builders, engineers, physicians, architects, accountants, law firms, school districts, railroads, manufacturers, and businesses dedicated to ending lawsuit abuse and the high cost of liability insurance.

Its goals are to eliminate cases without merit, resolve legitimate claims fairly and quickly, provide reasonable compensation to injured parties, maintain full access to the courts, and curb excessive and unjustified awards which ultimately result in higher taxes and insurance premiums.



In the Big Bend region of Texas, Terlingua's graveyard is the final resting place for mercury miners of the early 1900s. The town of Terlingua is a ghost town with a general store that serves as the central meeting place for people who live in the area. Each November, the world's best-known chili cookoffs are held near Terlingua, attracting thousands of chiliheads and tourists alike. All visitors eventually stop at the graveyard to reflect on the lives that were spent in this seemingly barren land. Texas Department of Commerce photo.

Texas Tourism Survey Packed With Facts

Twelve-month statistics on monitoring visitors to Texas are now available from the state highway department.

The Texas Auto Visitor Survey shows that the time spent by short-term visitors from the United States was 6.8 days. Each party was composed of an average of 2.2 visitors and spent \$582 during the trip. Long-term visitors spent an average of 71.2 days and spent \$2,405 in Texas per travel party of 1.9 visitors.

Among short-term visitors (those staying 30 days or less), Louisiana was the number one point of origin, with 14.1 percent of the total. Oklahoma, Florida, California and Illinois sent smaller contingents of tourists. Among long-term visitors (including many "Winter Texans"), Illinois held the top spot. In fact, the top 10 home states of long-term visitors were in the Midwest, except for number eight California, with 4.2 percent.

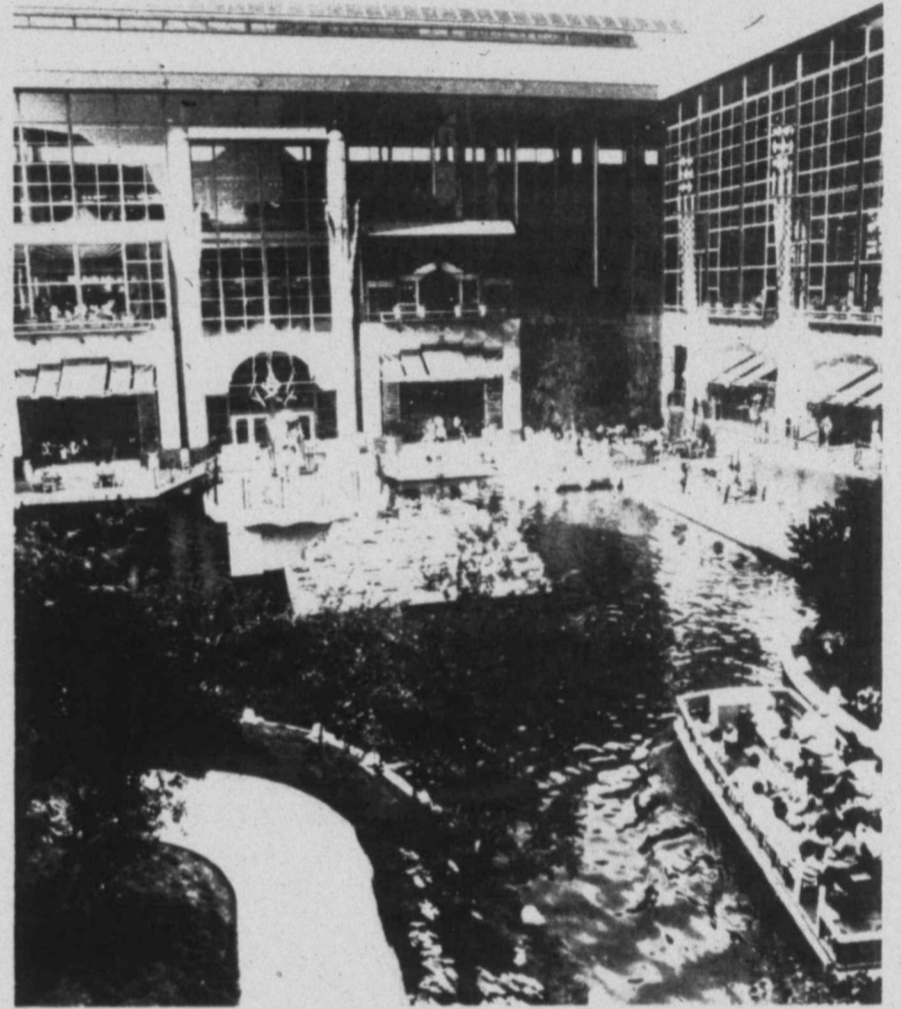
San Antonio was the most popular destination among both groups of visitors, attracting 31.1 percent of short-term visitors and 35.4 percent

of those staying more than a month. The Alamo, the San Antonio River Walk, Big Bend National Park, the Capitol complex, and the LBJ National Historical Park were the top five attractions visited by short-term travelers this year.

The survey report includes statistics for the previous four quarters and an annual average. The 17 survey questions include the average age of the travel party, accommodations used, miles driven, and activities the tourists engaged in.

The survey is completed by out-of-state visitors who stopped at Texas Travel Information Centers. The centers serve as Texas' front doors, where travel counselors extend hospitality to tourists arriving from all directions. More than half of Texas long-term visitors in 1990 said their information-center stop influenced them to see more attractions; 34 percent of short-term visitors surveyed agreed.

A free copy of the detailed report is available by writing Texas Auto Visitor Survey, Box 5064, Austin, Texas 78763.



More than 130 specialty shops and restaurants are featured at Rivercenter, a 10-acre shopping, dining and entertainment complex in San Antonio. Among the more prominent tenants of the downtown mall are a new 1,000-room Marriott Hotel, and the IMAX Theater which boasts a six-story high screen and features "Alamo...The Price of Freedom," a reenactment of the 13-day siege that sparked the Texas Revolution. Texas Department of Commerce photo.

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FmHA To Take Loan Applications

The Farmers Home Administration, preparing to ease its ban on granting emergency loans to farmers without crop insurance, has instructed local FmHA offices to begin accepting loan applications, says U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm.

"The 1990 farm bill specifically waives the crop-insurance requirement, and now FmHA is moving to reverse its policy as the law requires," Gramm said.

Specifically, FmHA's Washington office has advised its state directors, district directors and county supervisors to begin processing emergency loan applications from farmers who did not carry crop insurance in 1990.

"Clearly, FmHA intends to complete the procedure in January by revising an old regulation under which even accepting the applications was prohibited," the senator said.

In fact, the FmHA directive instructs local officials to advise farmers of the waiver and for those who appear to meet other eligibility standards, to process loan applications "to the point of approval."

"Such applications will be held for final action by the County Committee and the loan approval official when the revised regulations are issued," says the FmHA directive.



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NEW HOME NEWS

by Linda Reed

The annual Balch family Christmas party was held Sunday, Dec. 16 at the Senior Citizens Hall in Slaton. Don, Nell, Laurie, Greg and Kim Balch were host and hostess for this year's party. There were 44 in attendance. They were from Plains, Denver City, Austin, Amarillo, New Home, Lubbock, Slaton and Post.

New Home's own Kyle James was a December graduate of Texas Tech.

Christmas came early for the Gill family, Thursday night, Dec. 20. All the kids, grandkids, and friends were there. The four kids, ten grandkids in order (Tara, Tobie, Martin, Abbie,

winner Leonard Nettles, Courtney McNeely, June Davis, Scooter Sharp and Roger Blakney.

Hilburn and Fern Roberts, parents of Jerry Roberts, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 19. A reception in their honor was given by their children, Ann and Manley Hudgins of Sweetwater, Jerry and Joyce Roberts of New Home and Larry and Quay Roberts of Odessa. The reception was held at the North 14th Church of Christ in Lamesa on Dec. 16. Many friends from Lynn and Dawson County came to congratulate them.

A Christmas dinner for the Huse family was hosted by Joyce and Jerry Roberts of New Home Sunday evening, Dec. 23. Attending were Joyce's parents, Raymond and Gladys Huse of Lamesa. Also attending from Lamesa were Harri and Mari-

lyn Kiban, Craig Martin and Tina Martin, Vernon and Pam Huse, Brander, Brooke and Bruce Huse, Jerry and Joyce's children, Rhonda and Ken Wearden, Michael and Patrick of Albuquerque, and Steve Roberts of Lubbock.

The annual Christmas get-together of the Roberts family was held Dec. 25 at the Punkin Center home of Hilburn and Fern Roberts. Food, folks and fun was the fare for the day. Attending were Manley and Ann Hudgins of Sweetwater, Keith and Robin Hudgins and Beverly Ann of Lubbock, Jerry and Joyce Roberts of New Home, Ken and Rhonda Wearden and Michael and Patrick of Albuquerque, Steve Roberts of Lubbock, Larry and Quay Roberts of Odessa, Todd and Amy Roberts of Weatherford, Okla., Lanette Roberts of Odessa and her fiancée Jason Romberger of Abilene.

What Investment Portfolio Mix Is Right For You?

By Elise Neal Davies
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Dean Witter Reynolds, Inc.
Lubbock, Texas

Financial experts have often said that there is no such thing as a single "ideal investment", because each investment involves a trade-off between desirable and undesirable characteristics. For example, a municipal bond may provide tax-free income, but may not provide the potential for capital growth that many investors require from investments such as common stocks. You can, however, own a comprehensive investment portfolio that is structured to meet your personal preferences and financial goals. A well-balanced portfolio should contain investments which react differently to specific economic events.

A financial professional can help you select specific investments for a diversified portfolio which can provide an appropriate mix of the following investment characteristics:

(a) *Liquidity.* Liquid investments can be converted quickly into cash to meet unexpected needs or to take advantage of emerging opportunities. Before investing, determine what portion of your funds must be allocated to liquid investments to meet your personal and/or business needs.

(b) *Cash Flow.* Some of your portfolio's investments may be chosen to provide a steady income stream to meet your current expenses or for re-investment purposes.

(c) *Growth.* Many investors hold growth-oriented assets in their portfolio as a "hedge" against inflation.

(d) *Safety.* Safety of income is the likelihood that anticipated income from an investment will continue to be paid in the amount and the time expected. Your level of demand for investment safety depends on your circumstances and your attitude towards risk. For example, safety of income may be less important to working people than to retirees living on a fixed income.

(e) *Preservation of Capital.* Adding "safe" financial instruments to your portfolio, such as those guaranteed by agencies of the federal government, will help to preserve your capital.

(f) *Lower Volatility.* Significant fluctuations in value can occur with any investment. A well-balanced

portfolio, however, lowers overall volatility by spreading risk over diverse investments.

Allocating Assets Within A Portfolio

A financial professional can help you develop a portfolio that reflects an investment strategy based on your particular needs.

The first step in creating such a portfolio is to set aside a cash reserve to cover living expenses and emergency situations, as well as funds to meet your short-term goals.

Next, divide your remaining funds into:

- Fixed-income securities
- Growth securities
- Tangibles
- Liquid Assets

The amount you allocate to each category should depend on your personal situation, as well as your expectations of where the economy and financial markets are headed.

The fixed income allocation should be based on your current income needs and perhaps on your projection of the future direction of interest rates. Similarly, the growth allocation should depend on your long-term financial needs, as well as your view of the general health of the economy, the outlook for inflation, sustained or increased corporate and the relative attractiveness of different industries at different points along the economic cycle.

You may wish to devote a certain portion of your total financial resources to tangible assets in order to diversify your portfolio and protect against inflation. Tangibles are "real" or "hard" assets that may include real estate, oil and gas, commodities, collectables and precious metals.

Finally, the liquid asset segment of your portfolio consists of funds that you have placed in a money market in order to provide current disposable income to cushion against emergencies, or to enable you to take advantage of future investment opportunities.

The overall objective is to build a well-balanced and diversified portfolio of investments which are, in the aggregate, suited to your financial circumstances.

For additional information or assistance in allocating assets within your portfolio, call me at (800) 827-4282 or (806) 747-4684.

New Home School Menu

Jan. 2-4, 1991
BREAKFAST
Wednesday: Cinnamon Toast
Thursday: Cinnamon Rolls
Friday: Biscuits & Jelly
LUNCH
Wednesday: Chicken Fried Steak, Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Corn, Hot Rolls

Florence Davies is in St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock. She fell and broke her hip. She has had surgery to repair the hip and is taking therapy. She is in room 511.

Thursday: Soft Tacos, Salad Bar, Cheese Cup, Lettuce/Tomato, Spanish Rice, Orange Half
Friday: Spaghetti, Corn Dog, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cup, Garlic Sticks

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F. 28-Ounce Spray Bottle
G. Washcloths, s/3
H. Assorted Cleaning Aids
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K. 16-Pack Utility Pins
L. Vinyl Coated Hangers, s/10
M. Dustpan w/Rubber Edge



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