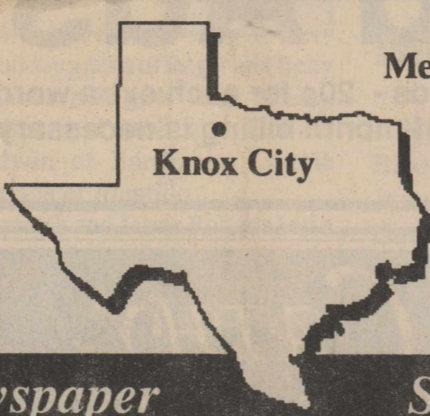


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New County Officials Take Office



TAKING THE OATH OF OFFICE Tuesday of last week in the Knox County Courthouse at Benjamin were these county officials, from left, Knox County Judge David N. Perdue; Michael L. (Mike) Carlson, County Sheriff; Johnny Birkenfeld, Commissioner, Precinct 4; Danny Speck, County and District Clerk; and Jerry

Parker, Commissioner, Precinct 2. Front row, left to right, are Imagean Young, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1-2; Judie Whitten, County Treasurer; and Charles Pankhurst, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3-4.

(News Photo)

Retiring Officials Honored



THESE RETIRING KNOX COUNTY OFFICIALS were honored Tuesday of last week with a retirement reception in the Knox County Courthouse at Benjamin. From left is County Treasurer Evelyn Balls who began work for the county in February, 1979; Precinct 2 Commissioner Bobby Roberson who started January 1, 1971; and County and District Clerk Gloria L. West who began her duties on July 15, 1964. Retiring Justice of the Peace Guy Bradley of Precinct 1, who was not present for the special occasion, began January 1, 1970. The combined total years of service of these county servants is almost one hundred years!

January Immunization Dates Are Listed

The Texas Department of Health will hold immunization clinics on the following dates and locations:

- January 4 - Haskell County Courthouse, third floor, 1:00-3:00;
 - January 12 - Aspermont, behind Library, 10:00-3:00;
 - January 17 - American Legion, Haskell, 10:00-3:00;
 - January 23 - Knox City Community Center, 212 South Third Street, open through lunch;
 - January 24 - Haskell Courthouse, third floor, 10:00-3:00.
- Adult TD's (Tetanus-Diphtheria) will be available at all clinics. A parent of legal guardian must accompany minor children.

Hayes Benefit Bloodmobile Is Held Tuesday, December 6

Fifty persons presented themselves as donors at the December 6 Bloodmobile. This Bloodmobile was to replace blood for the late Rayland Hayes, who died December 8.

J.O. Brothers became a three gallon donor. He stated the reason he is a regular blood donor is "Because I have a common type of blood and hopefully it will help someone who needs it. Several of my family members have needed blood and at one time, they had a hard time getting enough to start giving."

Presenting themselves as donors were Jesse Agraz, Farrell

Lemings, Daniel Godsey, Joseph Godsey, Wanda Barnett, Bruce Campbell, Bobby Barnett, Bertie Ivie, Marla Hawkins, Ramona Helms, Rita Rosencranz, Michael Davis, Jeff Jones, Danny Reece, John B. Lippard, Eileen Rolo, Jessie Roberts, Dalton Harrington, Kay Adkisson, Leon Watson, Elizabeth Agraz, E.G. (Mutt) Ivie, and Charles A. Schur.

Also, James Reid, Rick Reid, Rita Houck, Morris J. Houck, Sharla Carver, David Carver, Bobbie Harrison, Amy Daniel, David Daniel, John Picklesimer, See *Bloodmobile*, Page 3

Houndettes Win Consolation At Archer City

The Knox City Houndettes won consolation in the Archer City tournament last weekend by defeating Crowell, 58-49. Highpoint was Chrystal Tankersley with 16 followed by Angie Kepley's 14 and Felicia Collier with 12.

In Friday's action, Knox City slipped by Chico, 50-47. High point for KC was Christie Manning with 14.

Thursday's opening round saw the Houndettes fall to Holliday 73-37. High points for Knox City was Angie Kepley with 16 points.

Tackitts To Celebrate 65th

Longtime residents Lena and Brownie Tackitt will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on Sunday, January 8, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Gillispie Baptist Church fellowship hall.

The Tackitts were married January 2, 1930, near Knox City and have lived in the area all of these years.

As noted in an invitation elsewhere in this week's *News*, friends are invited to join them in celebration of this time of their lives.

Angie Williams Redwine Receives Tech Degree

Angie Williams Redwine participated in commencement exercises December 17 at Texas Tech University. Exercises were held in the Municipal Coliseum.

Angie received a bachelor of science in agricultural economics in August.

Attending the graduation was her husband, Buster Redwine; her parents and sister, Kelley, Debbie and Kendra Williams of Guthrie; and her grandfather, Boyd Williams of Shamrock.

Former Resident Is ACU Summa Cum Laude Grad

Karomy Shelton, daughter of former Knox City residents Carolyn and Tommy Sloan of Archer City, graduated from Abilene Christian University, Friday, December 16.

Karomy received a bachelor of science in interdisciplinary studies, a specialization in physical education and an early childhood endorsement.

Karomy's father was her escort and "hooded" her during the ceremony. She graduated summa cum laude, with highest honors, and had an overall GPA of 3.82.

During her years at ACU, Karomy was involved in many activities including Sing Song, four years; Dance Company, one year; Tri Kappa Gamma women's social club, three years; treasurer and vice-president of Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society, Alpha Chi Honor Society, ACU's



KAROMY SHELTON

"W" Club, Who's Who Among American College and University Students, the National Dean's List and the Paul Douglas Teacher's Scholarship for three years.

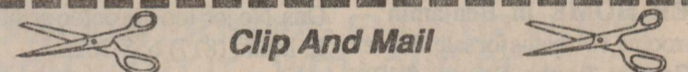
Help Your Town, Submit Your Ideas...

The Knox City Chamber of Commerce is actively soliciting ideas and suggestions from residents on what they feel could or should be done to improve the downtown area of Knox City, and the overall development of the entire community. Your ideas and thoughts on the subject will be appreciated, just take a few moments to jot down your suggestions, then you can either mail

or drop the form off at the Knox City Chamber of Commerce, the Citizens Bank or the Knox County News Office.

You may either sign your name or leave it off, all forms will be reviewed in a January meeting of chamber officials, community leaders and interested citizens.

Please take a moment to help out and fill out the form, the future of Knox City may be at stake.



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You may put your name down, or mail the form in without a name on it. Please write down your ideas or suggestions and mail the form or bring by any of the following locations:

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NEW LISTING - Trailer house on large corner lot. Three bedroom, one bath with appliances. Water well. 501 North Second.

NEW LISTING - Two bedroom, one bath house on approximately 1/2 acre at the north edge of city limits on Highway 6.

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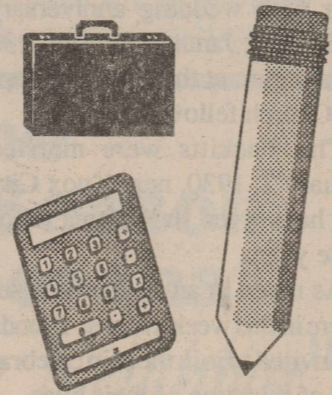
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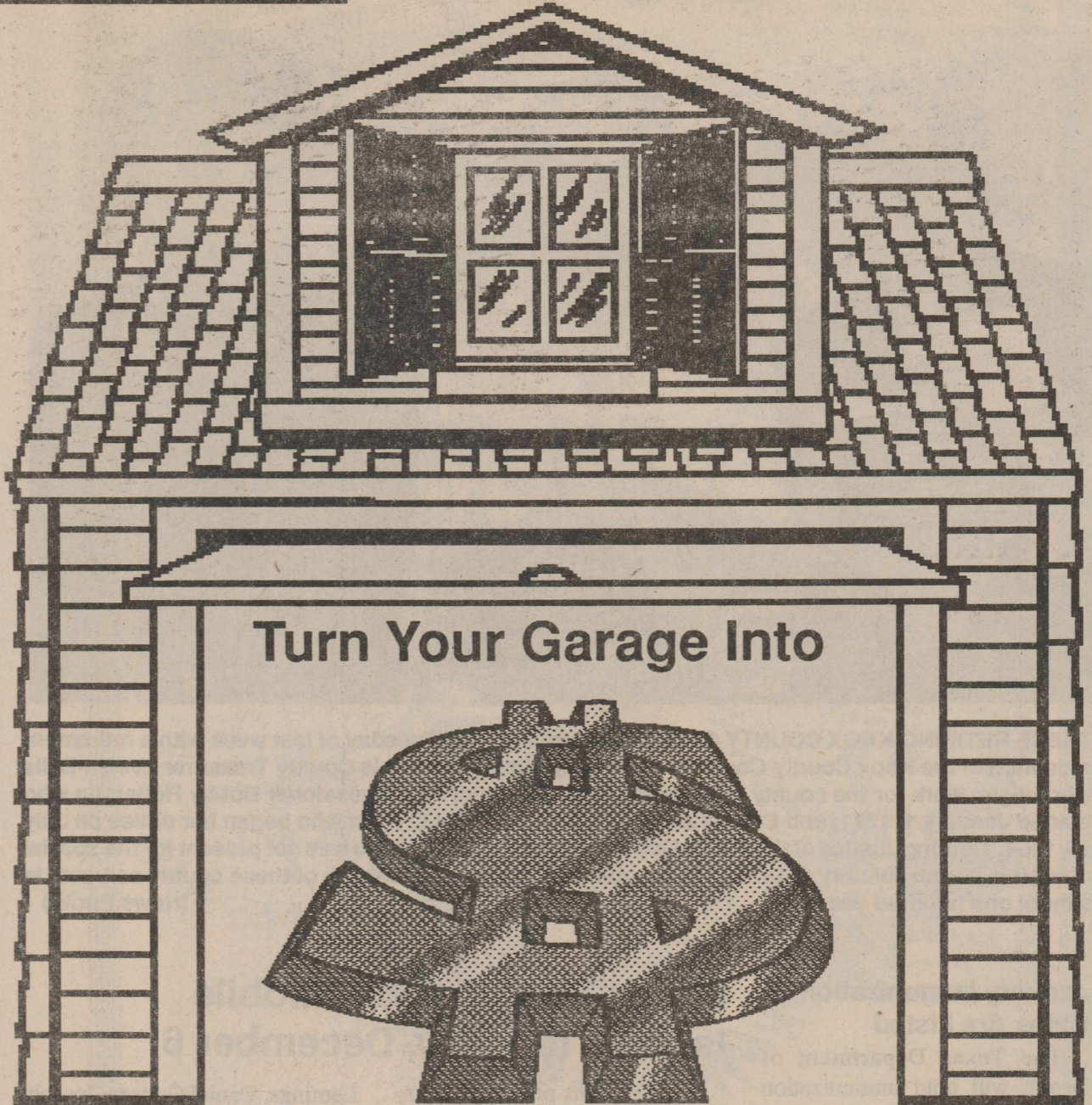
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O'Brien Happenings

By Audle Johnston

"I get a charge out of Christmas shopping; picking presents gives spirit a boost. Come January; however, the charges come home to roost."

HERE AND THERE

Kevin Jr. Urbanczyk returned home with his great-grandparents, Ranzy and Adelle Herring, last week and spent several days with them. He's the son of Julie and Kevin Sr. Urbanczyk and grandson of Alvin and Pansy Hines of Lubbock.

J.O. and Charlene Brothers spent a few days last week in Fort Worth with their son, Jerry, Rosa and children and her sisters, Marvelene Lancaster and Jean and Larry Gibson and families.

Sam Cameron returned his mother Fannie Cameron home after spending Christmas with all

her children, Sam, Billie Ruth and Mary Beth. On Saturday, they were in Plainview to visit a relative of Fannie's.

Cheryl and Clint Cooper of Snyder visited L.A. and Eva Covey Saturday and attended the funeral for Lucian Covey.

Visiting Edrie Barnard last week were her grandson, Richard Barnard and wife Norma and twin girls Kathi and Kelli and Payton and Peter Sykes of Odessa.

Bro. George, Gena, Sara and Jonathan Yarger were in Midland during the holidays to visit George's parents.

Myra Reeves, Frank and Billie McAuley and George and Laverne Bumett of Childress were in Wellman Monday to attend the funeral for Minnie Reeves Rex. She was the wife of the late Charlie

Rex. The burial was in a cemetery in Brownfield.

Visiting Evelyn Underwood last week were Bobbie and Carol Lanham of Amarillo. They were on their way to Zapata for the winter months.

Butch Banner of Hawley visited his grandfather Berlie Banner and Rose Marie Johnston and his grandmother Fannie Cameron Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ratliff of Dallas and Mrs. O.B. Ratliff and Skeet of Lubbock visited Dwight Gothard Monday morning.

"A friend of mine was waiting for her dog's turn at the veterinarian's office when a man came in with two German shepherds. The receptionist asked their names. "Timex and Bulova," he replied. "They're watch dogs."

Rites Are Held In Benjamin For Kathleen Melton

Funeral services for Kathleen S. Melton of Benjamin were held Tuesday afternoon, January 3, at two o'clock in the First Christian Church in Benjamin. Officiating were the Rev. Derrell Marion, Dennis Duke and Ronnie White. Burial was in the Benjamin Cemetery with Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Melton, 82, died Sunday, January 1, at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock.

Born July 18, 1912, in Benjamin, her parents were the late Earl and Frances Sams. She married Homer T. Melton on August 8, 1931, in Lubbock. Mr. Melton preceded her in death on January 22, 1990. She had worked in the Knox County Tax Assessor Collector office in Benjamin. She graduated from Benjamin High School, attended Texas Tech University and was a member of the First Christian Church.

Survivors include a son, James Earl Melton of Tuscola; a daughter, Mary Jane Young of Benjamin; a brother, Van Earl Sams of Denton; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were W.T. Cartwright, Bobby Roberson, Dutch Young, Tom Moorhouse, Wyman Meinzer and Bud Clower.

Bloodmobile

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Bobbie Hager, Robby Hager, Karen Patterson, David Adkisson, Richard Amaro, John E. Helms, Leeland Tucker, Peggy Guinn, Tim Moss, Donna Daniel, Fred Daniel, J.O. Brothers, Raymond Garcia, June Moss, Pam Mongrain, Lois Richardson and Tracy Carter.

CHRISTMAS VISITORS

Guests in the home of Romain and Jack Stubbs during the Christmas holidays included their daughter Sandy Smethers, her husband Gary and children Shanna and Garret of Georgetown who are moving to Tulsa, Oklahoma; daughter Rolanda Bowman, husband Barry, and children Angela and Christine of Pampa; daughter Shea and husband Scott Edmonds; Romain's brother Bobby Day, his wife Patsy and daughter Natalie of Lubbock; and Romain's sister, Dessie Egenbacher.

While here, Shanna celebrated her 12th birthday.

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PACK VISITORS

Suzanne and Emily Pack of Odessa visited here last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Pack, who enjoyed getting acquainted with new granddaughter Emily.

Randy was unable to accompany them on the trip.

Suzanne's mother, Patricia Bush of San Antonio, joined them here.

IN WHITE HOME

Enjoying an early Christmas on December 17 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam White were Karen, Ronnie, Chris and Matt White of Graham; Bobby, Teresa, Whitney and Ross Baker of Weatherford; Sam Jr., Rene and Samantha White of Austin; and Ron's mother, Gloria White of Graham.

AMARILLO VISITORS

John and Peggy Gillispie were holiday guest in the home of their daughter and husband, Kim and Pat Daily. On Christmas Eve, Beverly and Shaun MaGourik of Amarillo; Darlene, Chris and Jason Nunn of Panhandle; Jacque, Joe and Randi Riley of McLean gathered at Kim's to enjoy a delicious meal, open presents, look at wedding pictures, take pictures and read cards from people in churches where Bro. John had pastored the past 42 years.

John and Peggy were dinner guests in the home of Robert and Mary Daily on Christmas Day.

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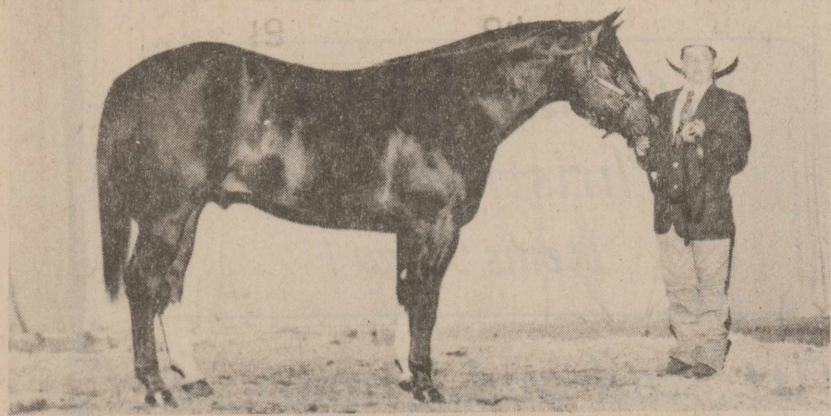
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Guthrie Youth Win Honors During 1994



RYAN ANTILLEY, 12 year old son of Stasia and Gary Antilley of Guthrie, showed "Spanish Pald" during the 1993-94 show year. He has also shown in the 4-H and American Quarter Horse Association shows. In AQHA, Ryan won Grand Champion Youth Gelding that qualified him to go to the Youth AQHA World Show in Fort Worth during August. He also competed at the West Texas Fair in Abilene, High Sky Breeders Association in Sweetwater, San Angelo Stock Show, Quarter Horse Classic in Amarillo, and the Big Country Quarter Horse Association in Abilene. In 4-H, he won Grand Champion Gelding at the Paducah Horse Show, District 3 Horse Show in Vernon, Reserve Champion Gelding under five years at the State 4-H Horse Show in Abilene. At Fort Worth during the Youth World Show he placed 13th in his class. He showed against horses from Oklahoma, Georgia, Missouri, Arizona, Illinois, North Carolina, Nebraska, Virginia, Wisconsin, New Jersey, Louisiana and others from Texas. Ryan placed higher than the others from Texas. He also showed at a three day Big Country Quarter Horse Association Mini Circuit in Abilene winning Grand Champion each day to get points for the 1995 World Show. Ryan is a seventh grader at Guthrie Schools where he plays football and basketball. He has been a 4-H member for six years and enjoys roping and team penning. (NEWS Photo)



KENDRA WILLIAMS of Guthrie, 17 year old daughter of Debbie and Kelley Williams, took second place honors in the reining competition at the Texas State 4-H Horse Show held in Abilene. Williams put her nine year old gelding, 'Model Eddie' through his paces making near flawless runs to earn her second place honor only 2.5 points behind first place. Kendra and her dad raised, broke and trained the talented gelding. Kelley works for the famous 6666 Ranches. Kendra is no stranger to winning. At Guthrie High School, she has gone to state in UIL Literary Math (her mother, Debbie, is the math teacher); went to nationals in parliamentary procedure in FHA and was District FFA Vice President. She is also 4-H President of District 3 and a Gold Star Winner; competed in state horse judging and was high point in the nation in 1993 in Working Cow Horse in American Junior Quarter Horse Association. She placed fourth in Working Cow Horse in 1994 at the state show. At the district level, she won Working Cow Horse and the Reining. She has been a 4-H member for 11 years. (NEWS Photo)

ested in learning more about this educational opportunity, they should contact the Knox County Extension office in Benjamin at (817) 454-2651.

4-H To Meet Tuesday

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REPRESENTING KNOX COUNTY at the District Family Community Education (FCE) training meeting on December 8 were, from left, Ramona Helms and Jane Rowan of Knox City, Lula Baty of Gilliland, and Eileen Rolo, also of Knox City. (Courtesy Photo)

FCE Members Receive Training

Family Community Education (FCE) met Thursday, December 8, for a District FCE training meeting.

The District FCE Director Rhonda Welch of Kent County conducted the training meeting which provided for FCE members from across the Rolling Plains.

Twenty-four counties in the Rolling Plains District have County Extension Agents-Family and Consumer Sciences who provide leadership as advisors for the FCE clubs.

Family Community Education members learn leadership skills, new ways to network together to strengthen family life, support the 4-H youth program and provide community service in their communities.

Those attending from Knox County included Lula Baty, Gilliland; Eileen Rolo and Ramona Helms, Knox City; and Jane Rowan, County Extension Agent

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Benjamin News

By Gladene Green

With Christmas behind us, we look forward to a New Year. I hope everyone has an enjoyable 1995 and that it is all you hope for. Especially do we wish good health for all our readers.

There's sadness in our town today. Kathleen Melton passed away in a Lubbock hospital Sunday after several days illness. Her funeral is Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. Certainly our sympathy to Kathleen's family.

Bud Clower is back at home after being at M.D. Anderson in Houston for some tests and briefing on what to expect from his treatments for leukemia. He is awaiting word that a bone marrow donor has been located. Please continue to pray for Bud and his family.

Zula Conner was taken to Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene today for tests. Zula has not been well for several weeks so hopefully she will start to feel better. She has had a heart attack within the past week.

Latest word on Lewis Lyles is that he seems to be gradually improving. Though he still has a long way to go, any sign of improvement is greatly encouraging.

Nora Hertel seems to be doing well in the nursing center in Munday. Hopefully, her stay will not be very long and she can return to her home. She is still recuperating from the broken hip received a couple of months ago.

As always, I urge you to remember all these friends in your prayers. HERE 'N THERE

Much visiting has taken place during the past couple of weeks. I hope I can cover at least a part of it this week. Folks have been so good to call. Just remember, if I don't have the news, I can't report it!

Jan and Fred Carver had a "bunch come-a-visiting" during Christmas week. They were Dennis and Evelyn Anderson of Miami; Darin, Brandi and Madison Eschle of Lewisville; Jerry and Barbara Anderson of Waco; Russell and Sheila Anderson of Gainesville; Gary, Stasia, Ryan and Callie Antille of Guthrie; Dorothy Anderson, Dorothy Carver, John Lewis, Ricky Joe Carver, Julie and Jael Webb and Steve, Virginia and Will McNelly, all of Knox City and

Mike and Tammy Lyles, Tom and Joy Lynn and Jaci, Tyler and Cassie Collins, all of Benjamin. Visiting Jonnie Williams and Mary Bohannon during Christmas were Jack "Corky" Barker of St. Louis, Missouri; L.O. and Bess Jackson of Munday and Brandi and Kayla Hacker of Stamford. New Year's weekend guests of Jonnie and Mary were Tommy Latimer and son and Betty Mancille of San Antonio.

Christmas guests of Dub and Jo Cartwright were Terry, DeeAnn and Philip Cartwright of Plano, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Ressel of Dickens and Tracy, Susan, Ashley, Matthew and Lucas Cartwright and Ruth Ressel of Benjamin. Jo and her mom, Ruth Ressel, visited relatives in Littlefield on Wednesday after Christmas.

Kenneth Lloyd of Lexington, Kentucky, was a Christmas guest of his mom, Dickie Lloyd. Dickie and her family enjoyed a Christmas get-together at Salado.

Zula Conner had lots of holiday company including Larry and Jeff Conner and Jeff's friend, Stacy of Lubbock; Keith and Pam Conner of Forsan; Steve Conner of Lubbock; Lee Looney of Truscott; Jimmy and Linda Redwine and family of Knox City; Buster and Angie Redwine of Lubbock; Rosie Brown and grandson Zack Brown of Trenton, Georgia; and Mark, Michelle and Samantha Brown of Saudia Arabia.

Keith, Pam and Casey Conner of Forsan, Stephanie Conner of Texas Tech and Steve Conner of Lubbock spent Christmas with Hazel Stockton and Bud Conner. Hazel returned to Lubbock with Stephanie for a New Year's weekend with her brother and family. Clayton and Blaine Conner spent last week in Lubbock with their dad.

Bud Conner and I had Christmas with my girls and their families on Friday before Christmas Eve in the home of Debbie and her family. The trip was saddened by word of the death of my sister-in-law later that night. But we did enjoy the kids and had a real special first visit with great-grandson, Dillon Hutson, who by the way is just as pretty and sweet as they said he was!

Holiday guests of Roger and Betty Bohannon and girls were Johnny Robbins and Bob and Bobbie Goodwin of Earth and Lonnie Bohannon of Amarillo.

Kenneth and Jessie Roberts had a nice group for the holidays. Visiting during this time have been Donnie and Diane Roberts and family of O'Brien; Ken, Gaye and Mark Roberts of Munday; Lucy Ming, Bea Parks and Phil and Rebekah Boone of Wichita Falls and their "Benjamin kids", the Dennis Dukes and Fred and Nancy McGreger. Visiting after Christmas were Chris and Nancy McGreger of Victoria.

Debbie, Richard and Megan Goforth of Fort Worth and the Mark Browns of Saudia Arabia were Christmas guests of Sonny and Doris Bufkin.

Christmas guests of Don and Louise Hertel were their sons, Craig of Lindsey, Kent of Coppell and Scott of Plano.

Eunice Friday spent part of her Christmas holiday with her daughter and son-in-law, Charles and Lynn Fancher in Vernon.

Togo and Lucille Moorhouse had their annual Christmas Eve Dinner at the recently completed League Ranch Bunk House. Beautifully decorated it was truly a place to get and keep everyone in the Christmas spirit. Attending were Ed Moorhouse of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. John Moorhouse and Ryan of Seymour; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moorhouse, Jody, Seth and Gage of Benjamin; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moorhouse, Amy and Kerri of Guthrie; Mabel Moorhouse of Benjamin; Vicki Stephens and daughters of Dallas; Tim Allen and sons of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie White and sons of Graham; Caley White of New Braunfels; Gloria White of Graham; Mr. and Mrs. Vic Thornton of Fort Worth; Mrs. Jean Horne of Sweetwater; Brad Walker of Galveston; Mr. and Mrs. Jed Moorhouse and Lauren of Colorado Springs, Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Reno Livingston of Seymour; and Karen Allen of Dallas. Also visiting from Knox City were Pat Barton, Jan and Homer Rolston, Jennifer Rolston and Brittany Coop.

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Sue Woodall has returned from Stayton, Oregon, where she spent the Christmas holidays with her daughter and family, Rev. John and Nancy Peterson and daughter Heather, and granddaughter and family, Stephanie and Darby Fender and children, Zack and Karley.

Mrs. Woodall was in Oregon from December 10 until December 31.

HELMS VISITORS

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Helms the weekend before Christmas were John, Anna, Natalie and Barry Helms of Las Cruces, New Mexico; Robbie, Karen, Cami, Shawna and Patrick West and Jim, Vanessa and Chandler Helms, and Diane and Breanna Wachsmann, all of Wichita Falls; and Virginia Griffin and Waynelle Clark.

Ramona and John enjoyed their family attending church services with them at First Baptist.

The John Helms family of New Mexico spent a few more days here.

IN DALLAS

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lawson and Otto Lawson spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. James Eiland in Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Lawson and Sara of Austin joined them.

IN DALLAS

Jack Fisher returned home Tuesday after visiting several days in Dallas with his son and family, the Danny Fishers.

IN FITZGERALD HOME

Visitors during the holidays in the home of the Alton Fitzgeralds were Dr. and Mrs. Claude L. Ricks Jr., Gayla Cantrell, David Buxmaster, Lisa Woods and sons, Aaron and Alexander, all of Lubbock; Terrell, Laura and Don Brandon Cantrell of Dallas; and Lou Vail of Fort Worth.

Guthrie Bloodmobile In Memory Of Rayland Hayes

When the American Red Cross Blood Drive comes to Guthrie on January 11, the residents of Guthrie and King County will have the chance to donate blood to benefit and in memory of Rayland Hayes of O'Brien.

Before Hayes passed away in December, he used numerous units of blood.

"We had citizens from the area asking how they could help. This Bloodmobile will give everyone a more tangible way to offer help to the family of Hayes," DeEtte Criswell, Bloodmobile chairman, said.

All units donated will help to offset some of the processing fees. Jenny Barmore, consultant with the American Red Cross Blood Services, explained that the American Red Cross does not charge for blood or blood products. However, as a non-profit organization the Red Cross does not recover its costs to collect, process, test, and distribute the

blood.

It will only take about 1 hour to 1 1/2 hours to donate blood, but the donations will mean so much to the family of Rayland Hayes, both in terms of loving memory and helping to offset the costs, Ms. Barmore said.

The blood drive on Wednesday, January 11, will last from 2:00 until 7:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Guthrie with appointment as well as walk-ins welcome.

As a benefit to all donors the American Red Cross now provides cholesterol screenings from the blood drawn at the Bloodmobile. Within two to four weeks, the donor will receive their cholesterol results in the mail.

To become an American Red Cross blood donor, a person must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 and be in good health. For more information, call DeEtte Criswell at (806) 596-4598.

KC Circle Club Enjoys Christmas Celebration

By Eileen Rolo
Club Reporter

The KC Circle Club met December 13 at the home of Marie Darr for the Christmas Party.

Each member brought something they liked to fix at Christmas to eat. A gift exchange of a homemade Christmas ornament was enjoyed by members and guests.

Sixteen members and ten guests were present.

Guests were Lillian Hester, Jewell Worley, Donna Davis, Charlene Brothers, Mary Edge, Tonya Tears, Erin Mongrain and Eloise Vaden, all of Knox City; Lavina Reid of Alaska, guest of Vera Reid; and Joyce Wille of Abilene.

All members enjoyed the time of visiting.

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Comments On Recent Changes In Social Security

By Patty Brandt, Resident Representative in Vernon

President Clinton signed the Social Security Independence and Program Improvements Act on August 15, 1994, establishing Social Security as an independent agency. In addition to separating Social Security from the Department of Health and Human Services, the Act also contains several provisions which will have an important effect of certain groups of people. They include the following rules:

-- Effective January 1, 1995, election workers and officials may not be required to pay Social Security or Medicare taxes on wages of less than \$1,000 a year. Currently earnings of \$100 and over (but as low as \$50 in some states) are subject to taxes if the states have a coverage agreement with SSA. The new law allows states to modify their agreements with SSA to adopt the \$1,000 limit for years 1995 and after. If a state does not act to adopt the \$1,000 limit, the current \$50 or \$100 limit remains. If a state never acted to cover the earnings or election workers under the agreement, the current limit of \$100 for excluding earnings will increase to \$1,000 effective January 1, 1995.

-- Ministers who were U.S. citizens and residents of Canada and who did not pay Social Security self-employment tax for taxable years 1979-1984 because they paid taxes to the Canadian Social Security system will be exempt from paying back taxes and penalties to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) for those years. Individuals who qualify for this exemption must file a certificate with the IRS within 180 days after IRS issues the regulation implementing the provision.

-- Wages paid to aliens who hold "Q" visas issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service do not have to pay Social Security tax on their earnings. These visas are issued to aliens who visit the U.S. for a period of less than 15 months as participants in cultural exchange programs.

-- Federal employees who normally contribute to Social Security in their regular jobs and who are temporarily transferred to work in an international organization will continue to pay Social Security. Under current law, they are exempt from these contributions if working overseas, or treated as self-employed individuals if working in the United States.

-- Unauthorized disclosures of information contained in Social Security files and fraudulent attempts to obtain personal information under the Social Security Act is now a felony punishable by a fine not to exceed \$10,000 or imprisonment not to exceed five years, or both. Under current law, violations are a misdemeanor carrying a \$1,000 fine and one year imprisonment, or both.

-- The extension time that can be granted for filing an annual earnings report to Social Security has been extended from three to four months. Annual earnings reports must be filed by people under 70 who receive Social Security benefits, work, and earn over a certain amount. The reports are usually due by April 15 of each year, but extensions of time for filing can be granted if there is a valid reason for delay. For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 1994, the extension of time for valid reasons is increased from three to four months.

-- People who receive both Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) and are getting Medicaid because they get SSI will not lose their Medicaid coverage when an annual Social Security cost of living increase causes their SSI to stop. Medicaid will continue even for SSI recipients who were not getting any SSI payments because of participation in an SSI work incentive program. Medicaid should continue so long as the person would still be eligible for SSI payments or participation in the work incentive without the cost of living increases.

-- The formula used to calculate benefits for workers who are eligible to receive Social Security based on work in the U.S. and work in certain foreign countries will be the same as the regular one used to calculate the benefits of beneficiaries who do not have foreign work. Previously, a person whose benefit was based on U.S. and foreign work had his/her benefit figured using a less generous formula than the one that is normally used. Beginning with benefits payable after December, 1994, benefits based on U.S. and certain foreign work will be figured on the regular, more generous formula.

Local Man's Brother Dies Dec. 26 In Cisco

Paul J. Ivie of Cisco, 78, brother of E.G. (Mutt) Ivie of Knox City, died Monday, December 26, at his residence.

Services were held Wednesday, December 28, at 10:00 a.m. at East Cisco Baptist Church with the Revs. Larry Linam and Michael Young officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery.

Born in Strawn, he married Marie Smith in 1937 in Kilgore. He worked as a field mechanic for Exxon Oil and was a member of East Cisco Baptist Church. He lived in Knox City during the early 1970's, working for Exxon.

Survivors include his wife of Cisco; three sons, Joe D. Ivie of Lubbock, Marvin L. Ivie of Virginia Beach, Virginia; and Vaughn M. Ivie of Sweetwater; a daughter, Paula Arnold of Athens; three brothers, Marshall Ivie of Cisco, W.D. Ivie of Midland and Mutt Ivie of Knox City; ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Chamber Lighting Contest Winners

The Knox City Chamber of Commerce has announced winners of the 1994 Christmas Lighting Contest.

First place went to the Danny Lewis residence. The Derrell Marions were second with the John Grindstuffs third.

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The parade committee, Roger Rosencranz, chairman; the businesses and individuals who entered floats in the parade and brought all those large toys - Bless You.

The many individuals, businesses, churches and organizations who gave donations of money, making it possible to purchase a sweatshirt and two pair of socks for each child.

The Harrison family for the use of their building to sack and distribute the gifts to the children.

The Girl Scouts and their leaders who in July went door to door picking up groceries. Their efforts provided 16 sacks of groceries for needy families this Christmas.

A special thank you to all of you who provided names of children, who needed a love touch.

Last, but not least, the four board members and their families who serve the west portion of Knox County, (Knox City, O'Brien, Benjamin). The reward comes by seeing 103 children happy. We also saw tears in Mom and Dad's eyes as they said, "You made our kids' Christmas".

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