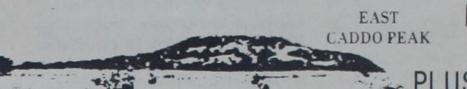
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# On The Corner

# Precaution Can Keep 'Merry' In Christmas

By DON TABOR Publisher

It's unfortunate at this time of year that we have to carry stories like this, but we do.

Christmas is a great time of year. families are together, good feelings abound, everybody gets the present they "always" wanted and everybody feels like an overstuffed chair when

It is also the season thieves look forward to all year.

Following are some tips from the Dept. of Public Safety to thwart these

Although it is the season to be jolly, many area residents will find this holiday season to be less than jolly according to the Texas Department of Public Safety. Many Texans will experience crime through negligence and carelessness during this holiday season according to Captain G. J. Matthews, Commander of the Texas Highway Patrol for the Abilene District.

"By taking a few simple precautions during this time of the year, it could make the difference in a happy holiday season or a sad one," Matthews stated.

"Since home burglaries seem to be on the increase, those who have been placing their Christmas trees in front of a large window to be seen from outside the home may need to reconsider that decision. We don't need to be tempting burglars," Matthews said.

Make sure all doors and windows are locked even though someone is home. Place those expensive presents somewhere else in your home to be placed under the tree just before you are going to open all packages.

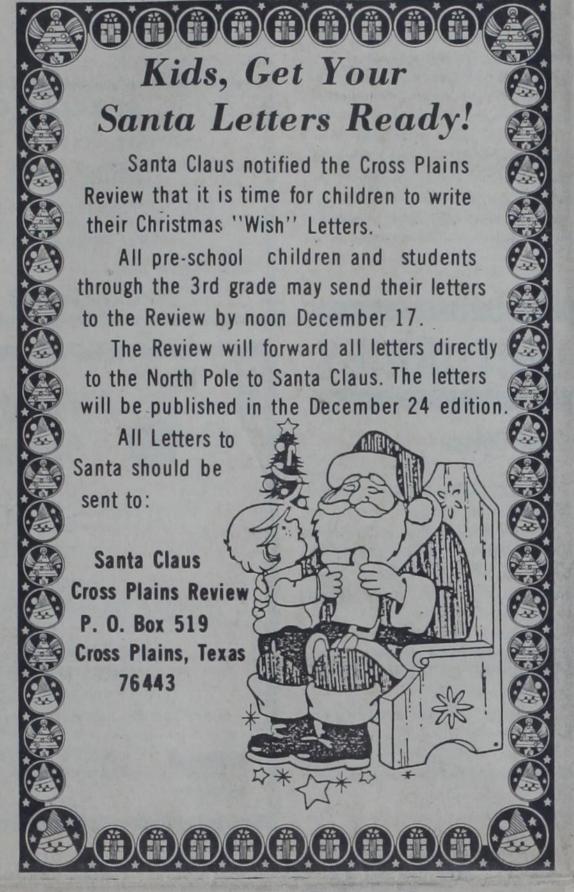
"While shopping, be careful of showing large sums of money. Don't try to carry too many packages that might block your vision or more than you can safely keep up with. Upon returning to your vehicle, place your purchases in the trunk of your vehicle, safely out of sight of the possible car burglar. Always make sure your vehicle is locked when you are out of sight of it."

Ladies need to maintain a secure hold on their purses while shopping to discourage the purse snatcher. If your shopping calls for being out after nightfall, try not to go out alone. Park in a well-lighted area and have the door key to your automobile in your hand before leaving the building. Don't have to search your purse for the key after reaching your vehicle.

"Taking a few simple precautions could mean the difference between tragedy and enjoyment for the holidays ahead," Matthews said.

TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS -Cross Plains Junior High basketball team with coaches are top row (from left) Coach Bill McKinnerney, Brenda Franke, Terry Abernathy, Lea Ann Baker, Michelle McNutt, Tracy Erwin, Denise Newman, Tonja Lane and Coach Diane Stover, and bottom row (from left) Tonya Steele, Carrie Renfro, Nicky Barron, Sherry

Williams and Jennifer Goble.



# Annual Yule Program Set

The Annual Christmas Program, sponsored by the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club, will be held downtown on the corner of 8th and Main Street by the Citizens State Bank on Saturday, December 20, beginning at 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The program will include drawings for cash and gift certificates donated by local business concerns.

The appearance of Santa Claus and

distribution of candy will be provided for children up to the fourth grade. The candy will be bagged by the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Depart-

A variety of entertainment will be performed between drawings. The Kiwanis Club invites everyone to come and enjoy the fun and get in the Christmas spirit. Maybe you will get lucky and win a prize!

# Jr. High Girls Champs At Jim Ned Tourney

Basketball Team defeated Coleman Junior High with a final score of 27-22. Terry Abernathy was high point with 10 followed by Sherry Williams 6; Nicky Barron 5; Tracy Erwin 4; and Brenda Franke 2.

Cross Plains played Jim Ned the first game and won 18-10. Terry Abernathy was high point with 6 points. The second game was with

The Cross Plains Junior High Girls Winters and they defeated them 26-16. Nicky Barron was high point

> The Cross Plains Junior High Boys Team challenged Jim Ned for the first game and were defeated 39-21. Colby Walker was the high point player. ACMS was victorious over Cross Plains in the second game by a close



# CSB Deposits Hit Record

Citizens State Bank is proud to announce an all time high in deposits was reached in November 28. Total deposits were \$22,484,457.64 on this date compared to the \$20,798,024.30 in 1985. Also, total assets reached \$26,027,965.46 compared to total assets in 1985 of \$24,557,054.96.

General economy was down during 1986, but a good agriculture year for this area helped contribute to the deposits growth. It is predicted that 1987 economy will not greatly improve, but is expected to be somewhat better than 1986.

Citizens State Bank extends their

# Post Office Open 2 Hrs. Saturday

The U. S. Post Office will be open for two hours on Saturday, December 13, between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., according to Joe E. Hanke, Jr., Postmaster.

The service window will be available to customers for mailing and picking up parcels and other services. The extra hours have been provided

for the Christmas mailing rush.

# Band Yule Store Open Dec. 17,18

Just a reminder that the Buffalo Band Christmas Store will be open on December 17 and 18 at the school cafeteria.

Little shoppers are ready and waiting to do their shopping. Elementary students have good taste and pick some excellent gifts for their family, according to Booster Club members.

Parents please have your gifts ready by the above dates! Your generous cooperation on this project will be appreciated by the Band Booster Club.

the confidence you have shown in the bank. They pledge to continue good all might continue to prosper.

appeciation to each customer and for service and wisely invest your deposits in the local community so we



ALL-TOURNAMENT PLAYERS elite team were (from left) Clay Valuable Player award.

Richardson, Sheila Payne, and Beth Local basketball players chosen to the Wood, also recipient of the Most

# Lady Buffs Win Tournament Here

The Invitational Basketball Tournament which was jointly hosted by Cross Plains and Rising Star proved the Cross Plains Lady Buffs and the Eula High School Boys champions.

The Lady Buffs were victorious over Jim Ned with a score of 53-46. Beth Wood was high point with 25 points. Melissa Montgomery scored 15, Sheila Payne 7 and Deana Conlee 4.

Girls chosen to the All-Tournament Team were Beth Wood, Cross Plains; Tracy Hampton, Bangs; Laura Bearden, Rising Star; Tasha Caffey, Eula; Kim Garner, Jim Ned; and Sheila Payne, Cross Plains. Beth Wood of Cross Plains was the Most

Coach McKinnerney said, "We had to play some defensive ball, especially with the Eula girls, and I am real proud of the girls."

Eula High School boys team defeated Bangs for the Tournament Championship with a score of 64-53. Galle was high point with 17 followed by Booth 16 and Burton 10.

All-Tournament players for the boys were Ronald Galle, Eula; Brad Holly, Cooper JV; Clay Richardson, Cross Plains; David White, Rising Star; Billy Baker, Bangs; and Jeff Bunten, Eula. Ronald Galle of Eula received the Most Valuable Player

# Choosing Own Christmas Tree Is the Tricky Part

By VANDA KING Editor

Last Friday evening we traveled out. the Cottonwood road directly to "downtown Cottonwood" past the store. We continued west and turned left at the Y in the road. About 1/2 mile down the road you can see the sign which says "Christmas Trees - Cut Down or Dig Up". You know you have found the pine tree nursery owned by Dan and Nancy Childress.

Two rows of giant pine trees greet you as you approach the Childress' authentic adobe house. The pine trees are just behind the barn with pecan trees sprinkled around.

For \$10 you can choose a pine tree from 2-10 feet tall. That's the tricky part, choosing one! You locate one that looks just perfect, but upon close examination you discover something that will not work for your particular space.

So on you go, up and down, row after row until you make the big decision. Of course, it is difficult for four people to agree upon one tree but

with a little finagling it was done. The trunk was easily cut and a strong pine scent was released when

the bark was cut. We loaded it up and headed back to Dan and Nancy's Dan told us that he had planted the

Afghanistan and Mediterranean pine trees 15 years ago. He said he use to work for the Forestry Department in New Mexico, and I asked if that was where he gained his expertise. He laughed and said, "Actually I worked with the cutting of trees, not the planting."

He spoke of his pine trees with great admiration and respect for God's creation. He told us that the tree which the Abilene Civic Center dug up and transplanted last year at Christmas was one of the largest ones ever removed from his place. He explained that the tree did not survive and he felt that too many main roots had been cut.

Another one of his trees is located at the Crossroad Shopping Center in Abilene. He has provided many hospitals and other buildings with

Two of his trees are right on Main Street in front of the late Dr. Carl J. Sohns' office. Mr. Childress had presented them as a gift to Dr. Sohns and they were special to him.

large trees.

We guestioned him about the color of the trees not being bright green and he replied, "The store bought trees are dyed green, because their needles would be completely white by the time they reached their destination."

As we started for home I began to wonder if the tree wasn't growing, because it sure looked big. It is the biggest and best tree yet! Sure to be one that will not be forgotten. Even the task of flocking it turned out to be fun and everyone got sprayed in the

If a trip to the Christmas Tree Nursery doesn't get you in the Christmas mood, you probably can't be moved. Make the holiday season a very memorable occasion and join in the celebration.

The children in the "Learn About ... " Program at the Cross Plains Public Library are expecting Santa to visit on Wednesday morning, December 17. In preparation for that event, they made ornaments and decorated a Christmas tree last Wednesday.

The tree has been placed in the library window so that families and friends can see the children's work.

For the special day next week, Bettye Greenwood will tell a Christmas story and read a poem. Connie Kirkham, who keeps in close touch with Mr. and Mrs. Claus at this time of year, will provide Christmas refreshments as she has for the three years of the program.

Thirty-five children between the ages of 31/2-5 are now enrolled, the

Knox Wagg

largest number yet. All want Santa to know how well they listen, how much they are learning and how good they have been.

#### AARP Christmas Holiday Meal

The AARP Chapter 3092 will have a Christmas Holiday meal on Tuesday, December 16, at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Ham for the meal will be furnished by the AARP Chapter and each person attending is requested to bring two dishes, either vegetable, salad or dessert.

The Good Timers Band from Brownwood will provide the entertainment.

Everyone 50 years or older is invited to attend.

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Notice - We are increasing the discount on our stock to 40%. Going out of business sale will continue thru Dec. 24th. That will be our final day. New price starts Dec. 10th.

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# **COURTHOUSE NEWS**

**COUNTY COURT** Mack Kniffen, presiding Misdemeanor Filings

Edward Gwane Honeycutt, DWI. Carl D. McBride, theft of property by check.

Bryan Samuel Stevens, DWI. MARRIAGE LICENSE

Joseph Harold Miller Jr., Rt. 1, Clifton, and Angela Lois Coon, Clyde. **NEW VEHICLES** 

National Car Rental, Minneapolis, Mn. Pont. 4 dr. Alton C. Yandell Sr., Clyde, Chev.

# Feed Grain And Upland Cotton Program Signup

The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service began accepting applications for the 1987 Feed Grain and Upland Cotton Programs.

The acreage reduction requirements are 20 per cent for feed grains - with an optional paid land diversion of 15 per cent, 27.5 per cent for wheat and 25 per cent for upland

"Farmers who meet these requirements and report crop acreages will be eligible to receive price support loans and deficiency payments, in addition to land diversion payments for feed grains," County ASCS Official Scott Odom

The 1987 programs offer price support loans or purchases at a rate of \$2.28 per bushel for wheat, \$1.82 for corn. \$1.74 for sorghum, \$1.49 for barley, \$.94 for oats and \$1.55 for rye. The loan rate is 52.25 cents per pound for upland cotton.

Estimated deficiency payment rates are \$2.10 per bushel for wheat, \$1.21 for corn, \$1.14 for sorghum, \$1.11 for barley, \$.55 for oats and 27.15 cents per pound for upland cotton.

According to Odom, land diversion payment rates are \$2 per bushel for corn, \$1.90 for sorghum, \$1.60 for barley and \$.80 for oats.

The ASCS official said farmers may request, at signup, 50 per cent of their feed grain diversion payments, 40 per cent of their wheat and feed grain deficiency payments, and 30 per cent of their upland cotton deficiency payment. These payments will be paid 50 per cent in cash and the balance in generic commodity certificates.

Further details on these and other 1987 farm program provisions may be obtained from the local ASCS office.

# Community Calendar

## **DECEMBER 11**

Commodities will be distributed at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center on Thursday, December 11, between 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

## **DECEMBER 12**

The Cross Plains Garden Club will hold its annual Christmas Dinner Friday, December 12, at 6:30 at the Garden Center. The Social Committee invites all members and guests to enjoy table games and fellowship following the dinner.

## **DECEMBER 14**

Colonial Oaks Nursing Home church services will begin at 3:30 p.m., conducted by the Evangelical Methodist Church.

The Second Sunday Gospel Singing will be held at the Pioneer Pentecostal Church, December 14, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Anyone who enjoys gospel singing is welcome.

## **DECEMBER 15**

The Woodmen of the World will have their regular meeting Monday, December 15, at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center beginning at 7:00 p.m. All members and prospective members are invited.

## **DECEMBER 16**

The AARP will be celebrating Christmas with a holiday meal on Tuesday, December 16, at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center beginning at 6:00 p.m. Anyone 50 years or older is invited to attend.

# M. E. Morrell, Albany, Chev. PU. Thomas J. Hicks, Rt. 1, Hawley,

GMC PU. Central Flooring Co., Abilene,

GMC PU. Sam J. Hance, Lafayette, La., Pont.

Charles Poe, Rt. 3, Clyde, GMC

J. Claude Whittle, Rt. 4, Clyde, Cad. 4 dr.

Jack Belsky Enterprises, Abilene, Cad. 4 dr.

#### 42nd DISTRICT COURT Don Lane, presiding **Civil Filings**

Jamie Lynn Estes and Diehlman Word Estes, suit for divorce.

Texas Employers Ins. Assn. vs. Brent D. Wilson, appeal of industrial accident award.

Doyle Wayne Clawson Jr., individually and as next friend of Lance Wayne Clawson, a minor, vs. Mitchell Atchley, suit for damages. John W. Brown Sr., et al vs. Joe F.

Wood, suit to rescind contract.

# **OBITUARIES**

BURKETT - Paul Golson, 78, died Tuesday at his home.

the Burkett Cemetery.

He was a life long resident of Burkett and was a rancher and a Methodist and the widower of Mary Edmondson Golson.

grandchildren.

# **Brown County Historical Book Being Published**

Northwest Brown County is to be included in a history being written. Book Committee members are: Ronnie Lappe, Bransford Eubank, Joe T. Timmons and Estill Franklin Allen, editor. The book is being sponsored by the Brown County Historical

Schools, post offices and most of the churches have been written by Mr. Eubank. Information sheets for family histories will be mailed to families by the editor. He may be contacted for these materials or other information as follows: Estill Franklin Allen, Star Route 2, Post 11, Box 6,

Brownwood, Texas 76801. If you prefer vou may call him at (915) 784-5542.

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The total book will include the rural area of the Brownwood School District.

Seven books on rural Brown County have been published. This book is to be the concluding book of the series.

Deadline for materials to be sent to the editor is August 1, 1987. The sooner materials are sent to him the

Publication date has been estimated, hopefully, by Christmas 1987.

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### **Paul Golson**

Services were held 2 p.m. Friday at Walker Funeral Home Chapel in Coleman with the Rev. Loyd Hagemier officiating. Burial was in

Survivors include a daughter, Barbara Kemp of Irving; a son, Billy P. Golson of Burkett; two sisters, Grace Green of Burkett and Mrs. Cleo Gill of San Marcos; and five



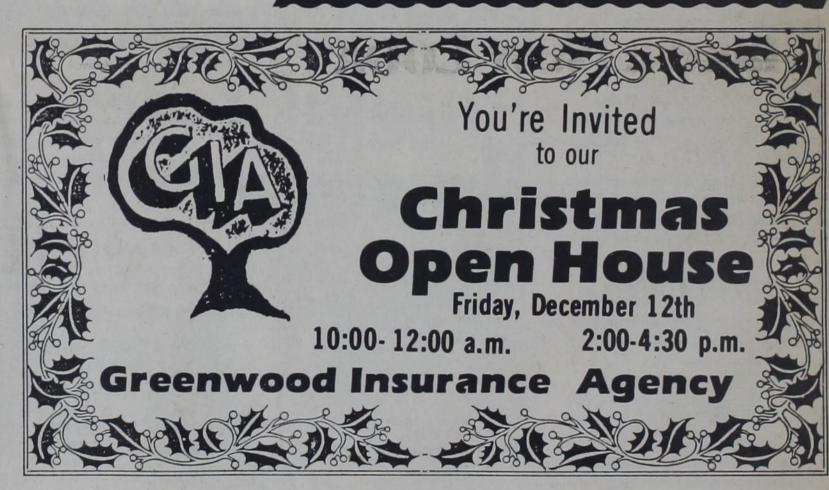
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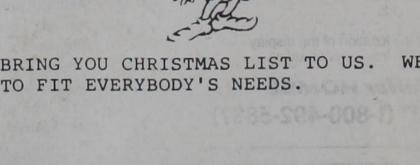
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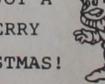
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# PIONEER NEWS

By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

My office-room is cold, cold this Monday morning - I haven't had a fire out here since my kids were here.

Apparently, most of my neighbors have been staying close in their homes this week, and because of illness, have not had much company.

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**Dry Goods** 

Several did not answer their phones. My health is excellent ("knock-onwood") - I haven't had company either - well, Sherry Goble stopped by briefly. She and David have installed a "casing" in my well, to keep it from freezing.

Betty Beggs' visitors this week were Rex and Tony Beggs of Cross Plains. J. T. and Rex were in Brownwood one day to check on cow prices, and to do some shopping. Mrs. Dick Smith and son, Mark, of Fort Worth visited last Sunday.

Betty attended the Week of Prayer at First Baptist Church. They prayed for our Missionaries all over the world - they need our prayers and our support.

Mr. and Mrs. Cundiff (Terry and Norma) of Aubrey spent the Thanksgiving Holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lee. They plan to be here for the Christmas Holiday.

Last week, when I was raking all those leaves out front, I lost almost 7 pounds. To all my "chubby friends" out there, there are still a lot of leaves in my backyard (hint, hint).

I received my first Christmas card last week - from a former sister-in-law - still a very dear friend. I look forward to a sweet message from her every Christmas.

December 7, 1941, was my daughter's 8th birthday - she had planned to celebrate - Pearl Harbor was a "foreign country" to her - but all her adult friends were so "long-faced" and shocked, all her joy was dampened and dispelled.

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# Art Lawler



It's tough being a kid in the eighties and not having your own bedroom rowing machine.

Classmates laugh at you. Teachers whisper about the poor child who has to get by on "free weights."

You really can't blame a kid for feeling denied. You've left him to lie on his waterbed, watch his aging color television set, listen to his sound system with "small" speakers and wonder, "Why me?"

It doesn't do any good to tell him you grew up in era when there was only one stereo in the entire house. It's fiction and he knows it.

Go ahead, tell him you remember Christmases when your only present was a toy truck, and how thankful you were to get it. Tell him your sound system was an RCA 45-RPM record player. No outside speakers. And that you bought your own records with money earned from mowing lawns.

Talk long enough he'll put on his Walk-Man and slide in a Ted Nugent tape. In the old days you put the palms of your hands against your ears to accomplish the same thing.

Sure, he's got his own telephone. It's remote control, so he can use it while he's sunbathing by the pool. But kids have always had that - at least all kids born this side of the pre-

You had these things yourself, and he's onto you. All he has to do is look around.

Moms don't sweat over hot stoves all day long. They've got microwave ovens, gas and electric oven ovens, teaster ovens, confectionery ovens, crock pots and woks, gas grills (outside and inside), popcorn poppers, patty makers, blenders, and electric skillets.

It has always been so, at least as long as he can remember.

You want to talk poverty? Let him tell you about the school's biggest nerd, the one whose antiquated sound system isn't even equipped to copy one cassette onto another on the same machine.

Try living that one down.

Don't talk about black-and-white TVs that could pick up one station. Parents have been known to embellish stories. He knows houses - like cars - come with standard equipment. When they build the walls, they build the televisions to go in them.

If he won't buy the one TV, one channel story, don't expect to convince him you grew up without a satellite, without M.TV, or ESPN. Perhaps in medieval times these things were endured, but not even you are

You can't expect him to believe there was a time when the whole family sat around one large radio and considered it an evening of entertain-

Radios are hearing aids. You have one in your bedroom, one in each room, including bathrooms, one in the shower and one attached to your ears at all times - except maybe when you're in school and it's time to

Was there really a time when people did their own arithmetic? When you couldn't copy your favorite late-night television show for viewing the next morning? When you had to wait for the wind to dry your clothes and your hair?

Did people really brush manually during childhood? Of course not. Next thing you know we'll be telling them of a time without FM radio, without automobile tape decks. A time when cars sped without fuzz busters. A time when budgets were drawn without home computers.

We'll be asking them to believe that a hot tub was just that - a tub of water that had been warmed over a hot

Once the imbelleshment begins, we're hard to stop. Stories of moms who had to be-head and be-feather their own chickens, peel their own potatoes and de-bone their own salmon, become rampant.

Admittedly, it does seem there was a time when fire places were installed without gas jets, when garage doors had to be lifted by hand, when cars were left unattended and without burglar alarms, when entertainment was perceived without electronics.

But it's only our minds playing tricks on us as we age.

Some of us are so bad off we can't even remember the rowing machines we grew up with in our bedrooms.

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Anyone wishing to address his, or her, comments to this columnist, should write P. O. Box 432, Buffalo Gap. Texas - 79508.

By MRS. N. V. GIBBS

If you have little ones around your house, you probably have been reminded that it's time to put up the Christmas tree.

Such was the case last week when little Chris Reynolds reminded his grandmother, Dorothy Reynolds. It happened that she had a storage space to store the tree with all the decorations intact. One little boy was ready for Santa.

Emma Johnson and sister, Lizzie Burks, have had company this week. Caroll Burks and his son-in-law, Sandy Bullock, of Abilene visited. Frank Aiken and his son came to get a Christmas tree from their pasture and in turn brought them a gift of fruit. Eugene Dillard, also of Cross Plains, was there with pecans.

Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs were in Abilene last Monday to see his doctor. He will be off medication for three months. He hopes to feel better soon.

Nell Gunderson, sister of Joyce Odom and Claribell Gibbs, called from their place in McAllen this week. Her husband, Gundy, will enter Seton Hospital in Austin Monday to

undergo by-pass heart surgery on Tuesday.

O. C. Burks of London was by the Gibbs home last Saturday for a short visit. He attended the funeral of Ruby Russell in Baird last Sunday.

Dorothy Reynolds attended the wedding of Becky Stone and Robert Wood at the Word of Faith Church in Brownwood Saturday afternoon. Becky's parents are Troy and Sue Stone of Cross Plains.

Carrie Lou Darby and her sister-in-law, Ruth Gibbs, of San Diego, California visited in the N. V. Gibbs home Thursday afternoon. Ruth will return to her home Sunday.

Visitors in the Gene Mauldin home during the week were Barry Morris of Baird and their neighbor, Joy West, of the community. On Saturday, Roland and Kenneth Mauldin visited in the home.

Don, Maryanna and Leigh Harrell were in Abilene to attend Leigh's Gymnastic Program Saturday morning. Kathy Taylor of Abilene is the Director of the classes. The family also was making a weekend trip to Fort Worth.

Blan and Jessie Odom, Meridith Odom, Bob and Kathy Dye and Julie, along with Robert and Dorothy Watson and sons, Robbie, Cody and Wyatt, attended the Baird-Throckmorton play-off game in Breckenridge Friday night. They reported a good game inspite of not winning.

Sterling and Joyce Odom visited in the Charles Palmer home in Clyde Friday.

Charles had undergone back surgery at Hendrick Medical Center and was recuperating at home.

Water is still standing in bar ditches and fields from last week's rains. Drizzle fell in the area Saturday. This makes working in fields impossible unless you want to get stuck.

# Gospel Mission Revival December 15-20

A Revival at the Gospel Mission will be held Monday, December 15, through Saturday, December 20. Services will begin each evening at 7:00 p.m.

David Wells of Abilene will serve as the evangelist. Wells is a former resident of Cross Plains and graduate of Cross Plains High School. He is also a former pastor of the Evangelical Methodist Church in Cross Plains.

Michael Ingram, pastor of the Gospel Mission, extends a welcome to everyone to attend the revival.

# **Exes Football Game** Scheduled December 20

Everyone who plans to participate in the Exes Football game, please report to the football field at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, December 14, even if the weather is bad.

If you plan to play, but cannot be there Sunday afternoon, call 725-7423.

The game is scheduled with Rising Star Saturday, December 20, at 2:00 p.m. at Wildcat Stadium.

# **Christmas Open House** at Local Nursing Home

All relatives and friends are invited to Open House and the Christmas Party for the Residents at Colonial Oaks on Sunday, December 21, at 2:00 p.m.



# New Ownership

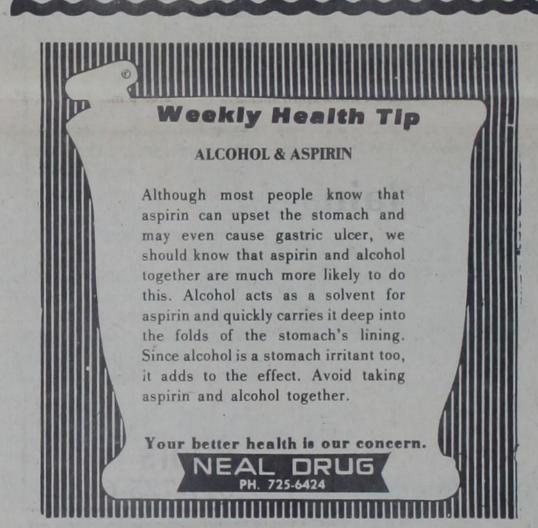
Cliff Kirkham has assumed ownership of Charles Dillard's Station.

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# BASKETBALL SUMMARY

By SHEILA PAYNE

Tuesday, December 2 Varsity Boys vs Lohn Score: Cross Plains - 53 Lohn — 60

High Point: Lee Meador - 17 Clay Richardson — 16 Troy Harris — 10 Stacy Montgomery - 4 Scott Cupit - 4 Chris Brown - 2

Varsity Girls vs Lohn

Score: Cross Plains - 77 Lohn — 25 High Point: Melissa Montgomery -

Sheila Payne - 11 Beth Wood - 11 K-Trina Meador - 8 Pam Helms - 8 Deana Conlee - 6 Staci Schlittler - 5 Stephanie Walker - 5 Kerry Pointer - 2 Kristy Pointer - 2 Tina Evans. - 2

Rising Star / Cross Plains **Basketball Tournament Results** Dec. 4, 5 and 6 (Played at Cross Plains)

Thursday's Results

Game 1 Eula — 56 Cooper JV - 30 (Girls) Game 2 Eula — 68 Cooper JV - 42 (Boys) Game 3 Cross Plains — 61 May - 32 High Point: Beth Wood - 24 Free Throws - 13/24 (Girls) Game 4 Cross Plains — 67 May - 53 High Point: Clay Richardson - 20

Friday's Results

(Boys)

Free Throws — 23/34

Game 1 Jim Ned - 48 Rising Star - 35 (Girls) Game 2 Bangs - 70 Rising Star - 42 (Boys) Game 3 Cross Plains - 37 Eula — 29 High Point: Beth Wood - 20 (Girls)

# Piano Recital December 20

Connie Swift, local piano instructor, will hold a Piano Recital on Saturday, December 20, at the Evangelical Methodist Church beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Students performing in the recital will be Amanda Dillard, Brittany Bennett, Amanda Clausen, Jason Clausen, Karen Dunn, Jake Hartman, Janet Hartman, Bettina Gomillion, Liz Cavanaugh, Rhonda Swift, Nathaniel Swift and May Wetsel.

Mrs. Swift invites everyone to attend the special performance of her students.

Game 4 Eula — 61 Cross Plains - 58 High Point: Clay Richardson - 26 Free Throws - 14/9

Saturday's Results Game 1 Bangs - 42 Cooper JV — 31 (Girls) Game 2 Cooper JV - 62 Carbon - 23 Game 3 Eula — 45 Rising Star — 35

Girl's Consolation Game 4 Rising Star — 57 Cross Plains — 54 High Point: Troy Harris - 20 Clay Richardson - 14 Free Throws — 14/16 Boy's Consolation Game 5 Girl's Championship Cross Plains - 53

High Point: Beth Wood - 25

Melissa Montgomery — 15 Sheila Payne - 7 Deana Conlee - 4 Free Throws - 7/8 Quarter Points: 1st — C.P.-18 — J.N.-14 2nd - C.P.-13 - J.N.-11 3rd — C.P.-12 — J.N.-8 4th - C.P.-10 - J.N.-13Game 6

Boy's Championship

Eula — 64

Bangs - 53

Jim Ned - 46

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TUESDAY — Cheese wieners, corn, salad, rolls, butter, nut clusters, milk. WEDNESDAY - Turkey and dressing, green beans, candied sweet potatoes, fruit salad, milk.

By CA

On Friday, December 5, there was

an impromptu Christmas lunch for the

High School faculty in the teacher's

lounge. Joe Coppinger mentioned to

Julia Wheeler the day before that it

sure would be nice if she had her

homemaking classes prepare the

Much to our surprise, when we all

congregated for midday pick-me-up

meal, there it was...our Christmas

teachers a Christmas lunch.

You Would Have Had To Have Been There

By Mass Media Class

# C. P. Student Review

Carol Atchley, Instructor

# Can You Guess How Many?

By PAUL BURNETT

The Cross Plains High School Cheerleaders are having a rather delicious contest to raise money for a worthwhile Student Council activity.

The contest involves guessing the number of peanuts in a big glass jar. For each guess, they are asking .25 cents donation. The jar is in the high school office and donations and guesses will be taken through Friday, December 12. The money collected will be given to the Student Council to go towards purchasing canned goods or other food to be distributed to some of the elderly Cross Plains citizens for Christmas.

The winner will be announced on Monday, December 15. That lucky person who guesses the closest number to the actual number of peanuts will be awarded a big batch of Christmas candy made from those very same peanuts.

So, come and take a few guesses or more, and you could be the winner, and you would also be helping in a very charitable cause.

# All This Just To Graduate

By AMY FOLLER

On Wednesday, December 3, the Seniors ordered some more of the paraphernalia that they invariably have to have for graduation. The list is monumental. It includes such things as announcements, name cards, memory albums, (choice of 2 styles), a photo name card album. appreciation gifts, deluxe announcement covers, thank you notes, class keys, class jewelry, cap and gown, etc., and the list goes on and

All these "necessary" items can cost in excess of \$200 (and this doesn't even cover the expenses incurred from bribing the teachers with money or with food - chocolate is particularly popular this year) for the passing grades.

Someone must think Seniors have an unending supply of money because we have already had to fork over a small fortune for Senior portraits.

Maybe, just maybe, there is something good coming out of all this, particularly for those of us who have had to pay for all this ourselves. We have certainly learned to appreciate the value of our hard-earned money.

# Student Council **Needs Help Helping**

By LEANN WEBB

The Student Council at Cross Plains started their annual canned-food drive on Monday, December 8. The purpose of the drive this year is to collect canned goods and other staples (such as sugar, flour, salt, rice, cornmeal, etc.) for the elderly.

The drive will run through Friday, December 19. At that time, the goods will be given to one of the local charitable organizations in Cross Plains to distribute to those local elderly persons which may be in need of some extra help this Christmas season.

The Student Council encourages everyone to remember the true spirit of Christmas is giving, and to bring at least one donation to put under the Christmas tree located in the lobby of the high school building. They are particularly asking parents to help by sending a donation to school with their kids. It would be nice if they were gift wrapped, but certainly not necessary.

December 19 will be here before you know it, so don't delay. Send or bring your donations and help the Student Council help the elderly enjoy a little better Christmas this year.



1. The Junior High and High School Basketball players are having their pictures taken for the annual on December 16.

will be at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 20, at Rising Star. 3. Basketball games for the week of

2. The Football Exes game this year

the 12th - 19th. A. Varsity Girls-Boys at Early Tournament 11, 12 and 13.

b. 7th and 8th grade girls—boys at Cross Plains - 4:00 on the 18th against Jim Ned. 4. FHA cookies have come in and

are being delivered, but total results are not available yet. 5. FFA is waiting for the Christmas

fruit to come in, which should be very 6. Mrs. Edington, the Kindergarten

teacher, was called to jury duty.

7. The Student Council decorated the Christmas tree in the hall Monday the 8th.

8. The Student Council met Monday at 7:30 a.m. before school to discuss and prepare for their food

# **Christmas Band Concert**

By PAULA KENNEDY

The Cross Plains High School and Junior High School band students will be having their annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 14, in the school auditorium. The program will begin at 2:00 p.m.

The groups are under the direction of band director, Ricky Beam. He would like everyone to come and enjoy the good Christmas music and see how well the band is progressing as the year goes on. There is no admission charge for the program and it will certainly help put everyone in a good Christmas spirit.

# **HONOR ROLL SUMMARY**

By LEANN WEBB

The Students of Cross Plains survived another six weeks grading period. They worked very hard this second six weeks in the academic fields, and as a result there are 20 more students that made the Honor Roll this six weeks compared to the last grading period.

First Grade

Jarrad Richards

Michael McClure Chancy West Nathaniel Swift Carlton Thomas Donna Horn Crystal Carouth Julie Bishop Jill Potter Jeremy Pancake Leifton Hunter Joseph Turner Kye King Dusty Hargrove Bay Kirkham Melissa Clark Jody Fortune Crystal Painter Nicholas Graves Kevin Nickerson Joshua Goble Latrishia Carroll Benji Blackstock Second Grade

Justin Richey Jake Hartman James Beaty Jim Hill Shawn Thaver Brandi Monsey John Chesshir Becky Foster Ashley French Lee Wheeler Crystal Davis Malyssa Sowell Candice Eppard Staci Lee Jaonna Harris Nikki Beggs Chris Nowell Jason Carey Justin Storch Connie Stout David Fritz Sabrina Townsend Jeremy Barnett Brook Harris Marchella Oliver Jamey Best

Third Grade Brock Walker Karen Dunn

Whitney Kirkham Amanda Tomlinson Crystal Fortune Emma Sue Albrecht De Anna Horn Scott Handeland Nathan Richter Brandi Adams Janeal Stephens Shawn Bennett Misty Strickland Patricia Lee

Fourth Grade Tonya Stover Sheryl Glover Amber Williams Scott Cheshier Leah King

Kristi Burns Jimmy Lee Kristy Webb Jared Harris Brittany Hinyard Renee Atchley Rachelle Bishop

Matthew Reed Michael Tollett Terry Shults

Allison McGowen Fifth Grade Tamara Flippin Shana Bagley Glenda Evans Heather Montgomery Lori Dillard Melissa Lee Samantha Newman Joy Klingberg Jason Fleming Tina Teague Cynthia Lee Jacey French Coby Childers

Kimberly Webb Mary Murphy Sixth Grade Janet Hartman

> Rhonda Swift Trey Fortune Jennifer Wheeler Carlile Albrecht Randy Stephenson Sonya Renfro Dustin Hinyard Bettina Gomillion

Jason Rutledge Sonia Murphy Kerri Higgins Charlotte Letney

Seventh Grade Holli Shults Darcie Graves Colby Walker Angela Purvis Jody Brown Courtney Kirkham Erlinda Cortez

Eighth Grade Regin Stover Brenda Franke Sherry Williams Michelle McNutt Nickey Barron Lea Ann Baker Tracy Erwin

Daniel Crockett Freshman Kristy Pointer Pamela Helms Tina Evans Becky McKeehan

Sophomore

Jeannie Barclay Regie Brown Cindy Engle Scott Crockett Glenn Webb Michael Franke Alicia Kirkham April Foller Shana Cowen Robert Teague Kevin Purvis

Melissa Montgomery Junior Kerry Pointer

Leeann Dominguez Donald Worley Barbara Strickland David Wilson Senior

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# lunch! And yum yum was it good. The 1987 Success Desk Calendar Refills

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main course consisted of leftover sardine chunks decoratively displayed between leftover broccoli. Also included on the buffet table were sweet potatoes mixed with some sort of nuts. In another dish, there was a mixture of something green (they said it was okra) with some more sardines and some unidentifiable brown things..mmmmmm. There was also a corn dish in which we did \_identify onion and green peppers. And the biscuits...well, if you like them small, flat and a little on the dark side, they too were food (oops, good). And do you remember the "student wedding" mentioned in last week's paper? Well, the rejected punch from their reception was the punch served at our lunch.

There's more. Not only was lunch provided, but the room was festively decorated. With the help of Jean and Cliffadean, there were Christmas lights, a wreath over the sink, garlands on the table, candles and individualized place settings. There were also magic marker decorated paper plates and placemats, paper towel napkins and name cards, and the cutest little spoons and knives.

You can imagine how delighted we were to walk in to our candle-lit "dining room" for this thoughtful break in our daily routine. We were all very appreciative of our special "Christmas lunch" provided by the experiments in the Homemaking

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# **COTTONWOOD NEWS**

By BEVERLY BROWN

The Cottonwood Quilting Club members will not meet the remainder of the month of December. Their first meeting will be held on January 8 in the Cottonwood Community Center. The Cottonwood Musical Night will be held in January, 1987. No musicals are scheduled for the month of December.

On November 21, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. "Dub" Moore went to Dallas-Fort Worth Regional to meet and pickup their daughter and family, Murtie and Schrec Schrecengost and granddaughter, Heather, of Ankorage, Alaska. They stayed over night in Lewisville with their son, Jimmy Moore, and family before returning to Cottonwood. The family traveled to Lake Dallas on November 26 to the home of their daughter and family, Karen and Don Stacks, Chris and Cory, to spend the Thanksgiving Holiday. This is the first time in eight years the Moores had all the family together. Dub and Patricia took Murtie and family to Dallas on the 30th where they left for Kitting, Pennsylvania to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Schrecengost.

Mr. and Mrs. Smokey Callaway and Blake Long left the Saturday before the Thanksgiving Day holiday to spend the week with her son, Brett, and Wyovve Long and granddaughter, Heather. They traveled to Central City and Estes Park while there. They left Denver last weekend when the snow storm was starting and arrived in Cottonwood on Sunday.

Miss Charlotte Albrecht of Jacksboro came in Thursday afternoon and stayed through Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Albrecht, Eddy Jr., Tresha, Carlile, Emma and Andrew, and visited with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Creamer. She spent Friday evening with Miss Audrey Sabaitis, who arrived at Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport from Naples, Italy on Friday afternoon. Audrey was met at the airport by her grandparents, Halley and Raymond Hartley, of Cross Plains where she will be staying. Audrey visited with the Albrecht family Friday evening.

Virginia Callaway, Ethel Champion and Beverly Brown were by to see Andrew Albrecht this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Robinson and Brian of Clyde spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. John Purvis left Cottonwood on November 22 to spend Thanksgiving with their daughter, Barbara, and Pat Batten and girls, Brooke and Brandye, in Orlando, Florida. They traveled to Austin to get daughter, Kathy, who went with them and visited with daughter, Peggy. They stopped in Houston Sunday morning to have a birthday breakfast with daughter, Betty Prall and family, celebrating Betty's birthday enroute on their trip. In Florida, they visited the Epcot. John and Janet returned home on Sunday, November 30.

Cottonwood is becoming a place for folks of surrounding areas to drop off unwanted pups and dogs. The folks in Cottonwood have dogs of their own and cannot keep or afford to keep additional animals. These drop-off animals either starve or are caught by wild life animals or have to be destroyed. To the party who dropped off a bunch of two week old puppies in Cottonwood over the weekend, they are dead. I hope you can sleep at nights remembering their fate.

On Saturday, December 13, at 6:00 p.m. the Cottonwood Baptist Church will have their regular monthly fellowship. Mary Beth Caffey, Baptist Home Missionary of Surry, Maine, will be visiting at this time. Following the program there will be a hay ride and Christmas caroling.

The Christmas program at the Cottonwood Baptist Church will be

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held Sunday, December 14, during the morning worship service. Starting time is 11:00 a.m.

# Personals

Visiting in Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dill's home were W. C. Pringle, Esther Kerr, Ella Dean, L. A. Richardson, Blanche Moore, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Breeding and Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Walker all of Cross Plains.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dill of Irving; Mr. and Mrs. Preston Dill of Houston; Kimberly Little of Fort Worth; David Dill of Fort Worth; and Howard Shanks of Big Spring.

A group of relatives visited in the home of Garrette Fomby in Cross Plains on Thanksgiving Day. The annual gathering included visiting, picture taking and a Thanksgiving

Attending the event were Dr. Henry B. Hardt, Fort Worth; Janet and Beth Dominey of Arlington; Dr. and Mrs. David Hardt, Bruce and Sheryl, Waco; Mrs. Clovis Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tyson, David and Heather, Coleman; Mrs. H. L. Evans, Brownwood; and Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Tyson, and the host, Garrette Fomby, Cross Plains.

The Truett Parson home was filled to bursting during Thanksgiving. Lillian served meals in shifts around the big kitchen table as little ones sat at a card table in an adjoining room.

The twenty-one children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren made it home for Grandma's terrific cooking.

Those enjoying all the elbow rubbing were Jimmy and Lola Parson and Patricia Parson of Friona; Carolyn Emerson and children, Jo Lynne, J. D., Anthony and Jamie; Keith and Cassandra Pelton of Amarillo; Dean and Dianna Hayes and children, Aaron and Michael of Amarillo; Eddie Carl Champion of Burkett; and Homer Don, Wanetta, Travis and Warren.

It was almost wall-to-wall beds with sixteen "bedded down" to rest up for another day of uproarious games, laughter and hunting.

Other guests were Glen and Bonnie Shadix; Charlett, Linda, Norman, Mary and Nikki Godfrey and Monday Bro. Rufus Wilson.

# LETTER to the EDITOR

Dear Editor:

My name is Sue Nelson. I am trying to find some relatives that may still live in Callahan County.

I was writing to see if you could print something in your paper about the people I am searching for.

The family name is BURCHFIELD. My great-grandfather's name was William Lee Burchfield and he married Nancy Ann McFadden on July 29, 1858, in Kaufman County

They then moved to Goliad County Texas and are there in the 1880 Census. In the 1900 Census, they were in Callahan County Texas.

William and Nancy had 10 children. One of the children was named John and I know he lived in Cross Plains. I was told that sometime in his life he went blind. He use to own the land ; that Libron and Earline Tate own

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Meekle Energy Co. Inc., Houston, completed No. 1 Jim Cox in the Morenco (Marble Falls) 5 miles southeast of Carbon. Spots 6,785 FNL and 330 FEL, Section 8, D&DA, A-1978. Elevation 1,427 GL.

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Tops: Marble Falls 2,651.

Meekle Energy Co. Inc., Houston, will drill No. 2 Jim Ray Cox to 2,900 in the Morenco (Marble Falls) 5 miles southeast of Carbon on a 122.7-acre lease. Spots 7,675 FNL and 406 FWL, Section 8, D&DA Lands, A-1978.

Prentice Petroleum Inc., Abilene, will drill No. B-8 Hollis Schults "B" to 1,600 in the regular, 3 miles east of Cross Cut on a 170-acre lease. Spots 2,653 FNL and 696 FEL, Section 151, P. Curlong.

Red Hawk Oil & Gas Co., Wichita Falls, will drill a wildcat, No. 2

Burnley, A-11.

Shawver "A" to 4,000 feet, 12 miles southwest of Cisco on a 65-acre lease. Spots 750 FSL and 1,938 FEL, Block 15, J. J. Butts subdivision of Albert T.

RAF Petroleum Inc., Van, will drill a wildcat, No. 1 Cimarron, to 3,700 in the regular, 1 mile south of Burkett on a 358-acre lease. Spots 4,451 FSL and 1,025FWL, Block 164, Isaac Harris, A-361.

#### STATE CAPITAL



By Lyndell Williams

TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN-Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox was full of fight last week, first blasting the state insurance board for raising workers' compensation premiums and then hopping on a GOP legislator for what Mattox termed a "racist" fundraising letter.

And House Speaker Gib Lewis ended a week of orientation for freshman lawmakers by predicting the Legislature will have to pass some type of tax bill in 1987, despite opposition from incoming Gov. Bill Clements.

Mattox blasted the insurance industry for requesting a 31

percent raise in workers' compensation coverage premiums, but said the state board staff's recommendation of 17.7 percent was no less "outrageous."

Instead, premiums should be cut by an average of 9 percent, he said. Mattox's figure was based on the advice of a Washington, D.C. insurance consultant hired by his office at \$125 an hour.

Meanwhile, the Texas insurance industry prepared to ask the state board for permission to exclude from negligence liability coverage family members injured in accidents caused by other family mem-

#### Official English

The letter decried by Mattox was signed by state Rep. Jim Horn, R-Lewisville, and sent to raise money for the proposed "English First" amendment to the Constitution.

Horn responded by stating that his letter and position has nothing to do with racism.

The letter indicates a radical movement in the U.S. is promoting foreign languages to the same status as English, and warns of fragmentation of society along language lines.

Taxes Needed

Speaker Lewis, who blocked the special session tax bill for weeks, told legislators-to-be that unless the numbers change on a projected multibillion-dollar deficit, they can expect to vote on whether to pass new taxes.

Incoming Gov. Clements won election by vowing to veto any tax increase approved by the Legislature, but Lewis said last week he doesn't see how Clements will do that.

Lewis favors broadening the sales tax base and perhaps lowering the rate in the process.

While he is waiting for Clements' plan, he said the idea of writing a one-year budget for 1988 in regular session and a 1989 budget in special session "might have merit."

One key senator, Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls, said the Legislature would probably make Mark White's temporary tax increases permanent, but that one-year budgets weren't feasible.

#### Anti-White Voters A follow-up Texas Poll to the

November election indicates that even though Republicans recaptured the Governor's Mansion, voters are not moving away from the Democratic Party into the GOP.

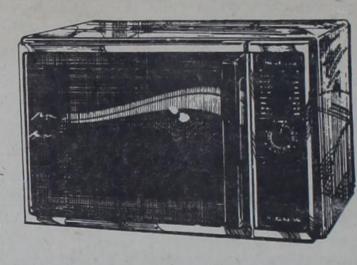
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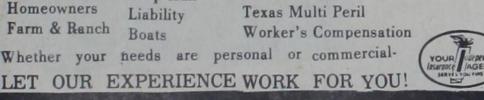


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# **BURKETT NEWS**

By FREEDA BURKETT

The local Baptist Church had their regular 5th Sunday dinner in their fellowship hall.

Those present were their minister and wife, Ted and Adelle Bigham of Bradshaw, Walter and Melba Walker, Billie Adams, Andrew and Doris Walker, R. E. and Nell Neff, D. J. and Lois Turner and Otis and Bill Mayfield.

Guests present were Betty (Walker) Wallace of Forth Worth and Mrs.

Alice Edington of Albany. Mrs. Edington expressed her great pleasure to attend church and fellowship dinner there because she became a member of this church seventy years ago.

Bill and Addie Walker and sons, Loren and Collin, and Mrs. Buddy Thate attended church services, but did not stay for lunch.

Latest Donations to the Burkett-Adams Cemetery Association Fund were three \$10 anonymous gifts and a \$15 gift from Mr. and Mrs. Burl McCowan of Cross Plains in memory of their aunt, Clara Brown. These gifts are appreciated very much for our Cemetery upkeep.

Lucille Cross, secretary of the Community fund, reports an anonymous gift of \$10.

The Quilting Club was given a beautiful quilt top by Emma Boyle. The Club furnished the batting, lining etc., and when it was quilted they sold it for \$125. Forty dollars was donated to the Community Center Fund and the remainder went in the Club's fund. Lucille, along with the entire Community Board appreciates these gifts for upkeep of the building.

The Quilting Club also quilted another quilt recently and received \$50 for their work.

The Club met Tuesday, December 2. with Ima Bludworth as hostess.

Those present were Ima, Iola Terry, Mozell Seamons and Addie C.Rhoads all of Coleman, Willie Mae Wilson of Santa Anna, Evelyn Henderson of Weatherford, Cleo Porter, Lucille Cross, Wilda Tomlinson and Freeda Burkett all local.

Each member always takes a covered dish and they enjoyed a delicious dinner together.

Russell Gould and Eli of Abilene and his sister, Linda Dodgen, and daughter, Elisa, of Burkett spent Friday to Sunday at Texarkana with their uncle and aunt, George and Virginia (Gould) Shewmaker, and enjoyed a lovely Thanksgiving Holiday weekend with them.

Visitors in the home of Walter and Melba Walker during the Thanksgiving Holiday weekend were their daughter and husband, Ned and Charlotte Pickett, of Fort Worth who spent the entire weekend with them. Walter's sister, Betty Wallace, her son, Bubba Wallace and son, Jacob, all of Fort Worth and Melba's nephew, David Condra, of Ballinger were all Thanksgiving Day dinner

David repaired a broken water line

Melba and Walter felt greatly blessed, and were so thankful and very God Blessed that they finally had water running in the home in time to have a good and plentiful Thanksgiving dinner.

Bill and Shirley Hunter had Thanksgiving lunch with her mother, Mrs. Lola Dodson, and Bobbie in

Others present were Randy, Sandy and Chase Hunter of Abilene, Henry, Margie, Lezie and Cole Dodson of Coleman.

Mrs. Dovie Harris and son, Johnny, of Coleman were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Birdie Helms and

Mr. and Mrs. Finis Brown of Fort Worth visited a few days recently with her relatives in Coleman.

They came out one day to visit his relatives, Birdie Helms and Eula Hunter. Finis visited one evening with Virgil and Freeda Burkett.

Marty and Glenda Callaway and son, Brooke, enjoyed Thanksgiving Dinner with her parent's, the D. R. Goulds.

They visited his father and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Callaway, of Cross Plains in the afternoon, and then went to a Cisco Thanksgiving evening dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jessup.

Bill and Joyce Strickland and granddaughter, Barbara, were Thanksgiving dinner guest at the home of their daughter and husband, Richard and Jan Pope.

Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Randy Strickland, Shana and Misty of Cross Plains, Jerry and Linda Strickland and son, Matt, and Linda's parents, Jeffand Evelyn Coker, all of Sabanno, and Mrs. Marsha Turney and son, Jon, of Waco. Marsha and

Jon stayed overnight with them. Sympathy goes to Bill and Joyce Strickland and their family at the recent death of her mother, Mrs. Elmer (Ella) Cox of Yucopia, California after a long illness.

Frankie Sortland of Temple spent a few days of this week with her aunts, Lois Garrett of Cross Plains and Jo and Bill Davee.

They spent some time in Coleman Thursday evening and then visited Jack and Zora DeBusk and their son, Pat, of Houston who was visiting

Lois, Jo and Franke went to Brownwood Friday and enroute home they visited their cousin, Bransford Eubank and wife of Cross Cut.

Sympathy goes to the family of Paul Golson who passed away Wednesday morning at his home. The funeral was Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. under the direction of Walker Funeral Home. Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery.

Charlie and Juanita Edington and Jim, Valeta, Chris and Jody Brown attended the annual Chambers Reunion at Brownwood Thanksgiving Day. A large number attended.

Charlie and Juanita Edington had their Thanksgiving dinner Friday. Those who attended were Mrs. and Mrs. Scott Edington and Toni, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Edington and Zackery and Stephanie and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown, Chris and Jody.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Byers of Abilene were Thanksgiving Day guests of Veima, Esther and Dan Byers.

Jackie Dodgen and Johnny Pricer of Crawford visited the Thanksgiving Thelma Ragland, of Abilene and their Holiday with Linda Brinson and the D. R. Goulds. They also visited Johnny Pricer's grandparents at Bangs, the Joe Pricers.

Yuna V. Burkett was a Thanksgiving Day dinner guest of Joe and Mary Burkett of Echo.

Recent visitors in Miriam Kuebler's home over Thanksgiving were her daughter and family, Joe and Joann Seddon, Chrisie, Loni, Elizabeth and Eric. Also her daughter-in-law and baby from Glen Cove, Cindy and Lynn

Winnie Melton's visitors recently were her two daughters and husbands, Sue and Ed Hill from Arizona and Elva and Bill Atkins form Missouri. Also two of her sons, Jim and Roberta Coffey from Arizona and Henry and Martha Coffey from Amarillo. Jim and Roberta are still here working on their house.

Visitors in the Jack Strickland home during the Thanksgiving Holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Darryl Tinney, Amy and Mindy of Dover, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tinney and Johnathon of Lefors, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Briggs, Shawn and Chad of San Angelo, Mrs. Lana Ketchum, Jason, Randy and Timothy of Midkiff, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Whitley and Michael and Mr. and Mrs. Jody Whitley of San Saba, Mrs. and Mrs. Jackie Strickland, Deonna, Staci and Jacob of Brenham, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Turney and Jon of Waco, Mr. and Mrs. Lat Mountain, Eddie Strickland and Jan Pope, Cory and Landon of Burkett.

## (Intended for last week)

Raymond and Lucille Cross left Thursday morning of last week for Engleside for a visit with their son and wife, Kenneth and Sherry Cross, Lisa and Randy. They will be home today, Tuesday.

Clay and Karen Garland of New Braunfels spent Friday evening and Saturday here with her folks, Virgil and Freeda Burkett.

Mrs. Michelle Wilkowitch and children of San Angelo visited her parents, Low and Liz Golson last weekend and are planning to be with them for Thanksgiving Day.

Mildred Low is feeling better after being on the ailing list last week. Others on the sick list the past week include W. B. Bludworth and Kathryn

Montie Jennings has developed a blood clot on her lung while at Brownwood Regional Hospital. Latest news is that she is feeling better, but doesn't know right now when she can be dismissed from the hospital. Get well wishes go to Montie.

Evelyn Henderson of Weatherford

# By Art Lawler

That horse-whipping the NCAA gave SMU last year really taught the Ponies a lesson, didn't it?

The loss of all those scholarships, the national disgrace over recruiting violations, why it was all SMU alums could do to show their faces in public.

They just went to work and cleaned up their nasty little athletic program, didn't they? Well, as a matter of fact,

Nobody tells SMU alums how they can

spend their dollars - which admittedly

Not SMU. Let the NCAA do what it has to do.

are many Then again You can't really blame everybody who has ever earned a diploma from the Dallas school for the excesses of a few. Most SMU grads I know would

give you the shark skins off their very backs if they could get a tax writeoff. So what do we do about the NCAA

bad boys of the eighties? Simple, isn't it? If the latest allegations about illegal payments to SMU players are proven, don't you just kick the Ponies out of the NCAA - for at least two years?

Hey, the school has been using drastic methods to win football games for years now. They're putting pros on the field with amateurs. The NCAA imposed one of its harshest penalties

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Didn't seem to help. Some people just get used to having their way. You're not going to shame these guys into repentance with national disgrace, that's for sure. What you do is take away their favorite toy -

and in this case, their favorite football No preaching. No shaming. No shouting. Just abolish the football program for two years and walk away.

Let 'em take it to court, if they choose. If the cheating continues when the Ponies are reinstated, suspend them again - this time for five years. Some

day they'll get the message. The NCAA has tried probation. It has withdrawn scholarships and the right to appear on national television. It has ruled school after school ineligible compete conference

championships. Yet the cheating goes on. What other choice is there but to start eliminating programs? If the Boards of Trustees at the different schools won't do it, the NCAA should do it for them

What's your alternative plan, then, and how are you going to execute It?

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has been staying the past several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. Bessie Wooten, who has had eye surgery.

Evelyn spent Sunday in Coleman with her mother, Mrs. Fannie Bennett and Mr. Bennett. Others present were her brother and wife, Verlin and daughter, Bonnie, and husband, Charles Campbell, and son, Joe, of Odessa.

The family enjoyed an early Thanksgiving dinner and a lot of good visiting together.

The Quilting Club met Tuesday a week ago and finished one quilt that was started last week, and then put another one in and worked on it today,

Those present were Addie C. Rhoads, Ima Bludworth, Iola Terry and Mozell Seamons of Coleman, Willie Mae Wilson of Santa Anna and Evelyn Henderson of Weatherford, Cleo Porter, Lucille Cross, Doris Walker and Wilda Tomlinson all local.

Delbert and Emma Boyle were Thanksgiving Day dinner guests of Raymond and Lucille Cross. Yuna V. Burkett visited them in the afternoon.

Yuna V. enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner with her son and wife, Joe and Mary Burkett, and other family

Evelyn Henderson's daughter, Karen Bass, and children of Weatherford visited her recently and while they were here they all did some more visiting. They were in Abilene and from there went to Westbrook to visit Evelyn's sister, Ruby Chambers, and to Coleman to visit her mother, Mrs. Fannie Bennett, and Mr.

Sunday guests of Walter and Melba Walker were Betty Wallace, her son, Bubba, and his son, Jacob, and a friend of Fort Worth.

Betty attended church with them and they all enjoyed the 5th Sunday dinner at church fellowship hall.

Then in the evening their niece and husband, Lavada and Carroll Burkey, of Coleman visited them and Grace Green of Burkett visited all of them.

Virgil and Freeda Burkett spent Thanksgiving Day with her sister and husband, D. A. and Celesta Young, of Zephyr.

Their other sister, Mrs. Clint (Clairene) Edgar, of Millersview joined them for a delicious dinner and supper. Freeda and Clairene stayed overnight with them.

They visited their nieces and families later that evening, Marsha Penson and son, Brian, of Zephyr and Janet and Jerry Smith and girls, Shannon and Lisa Ann, of Floydada who were spending the holiday with Jerry's parents of Zephyr.

Mrs. Billie McCormick of Fort Worth and Dutch and Barbara Evans of Sinton were at the Burkett Cemetery on Wednesday to visit the graves of their parents, Bert and Ona and sister, Shortey Montgomery, and placed flowers on the graves.

They went on to Coleman to visit their cousin, Addie C. Rhoads, and then on to Early to spend the Thanksgiving Holiday with Jerry and Sandra Biehl.

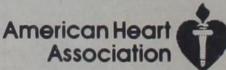
Get well wishes go to Beverly Strickland who is on the sick list. Guests of Mrs. Bessie Wooten

recently were her nieces, Wanda Jean Griffin and Betty Bennett, of San

Evelyn Henderson of Weatherford has been staying with her aunt, Bessie, for several weeks to help her during her recovering from eye surgery

During this time, she has had the pleasure of visiting and being visited by many of ner friends from way back when she lived here. She attends all the quiltings and wants them all to know how much pleasure each of her friends have been to her. She plans to be going home soon.

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A sequel to this historic broadcast, titled "Generation at Risk," will be aired on most PBS stations on Wednesday, January 28, according to Rolan Jones, president of the Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains.

"Kiwanis Clubs were among the most active organizers of community outreach activities for the Chemical People program," says Mr. Jones. "Our 7,000 US Kiwanis Clubs will be offering their support and assistance once again for this sequel."

"Generation at Risk" will be hosted by First Lady Nancy Reagan and the distinguished actor Sam Waterston. The program will expand the original concern with school-age drug abuse to also examine teen suicide, pregnancy and dropping out of school.

"There are many common factors in all these school-age problems," says Kiwanis Club President Rolan Jones. "The program will attempt to inform parents and other concerned adults, as well as young people themselves, about how to cope with challenges that have placed an entire generation at risk."

Kiwanis Clubs will support the broadcast by promoting viewership in each community and assisting PBS stations with local outreach activities. Last year, Kiwanis Clubs around the world raised and spent more than \$50 million for community service projects, and Kiwanis members donated more than 20 million manhours of volunteer time.

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