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Down Home

'These Little Piggies Went To Market'

By VANDA KING
Editor

Looking back, I realize that my grandfather, the late Ben Atwood, was ahead of his time by applying psychological theories to producing weaning pigs.

He raised pigs up to weaning size and they were sold to a feedlot type operation. Granddad had some very unique ideas concerning his piglets, however. He always had a rooster which served as a baby sitter for the little pigs.

In the evening you could see the rooster rounding up the pigs and they followed him in a single line up the well beaten trail to the barn. He was clucking to them as if communicating.

One thing for sure, he kept them in line. He would allow them to play with him up to a point, but if it became too rough he would flog them good and scold them with his chatter.

One rooster's over protective attitude cost him his life. My daughter, Blandye, was about three years old when she was at the barn with Granddad Ben and decided to reach for a little pink pig. The rooster headed straight for her and Blandye's Cock-a-poo, Racer, went for the rooster. Granddad saved Blandye, but the rooster spurred him badly in the leg. He decided that particular rooster just had to go.

On another occasion, granddaughter, Staci Watson, narrowly escaped harm. She came in the house and announced that she had been in Granddad's barn rearranging the baby pigs. She was about four years old and we could all imagine her moving them from one mother sow to another. How she managed to not be hurt was a miracle, because if you have ever been around mother pigs you know they are very fierce. The sows my dad owned were so mean that I had to sit in the pickup while he fed them. They are even notorious for devouring their own young.

Granddad decided that the little pigs needed something fun to do which would also be good exercise. He hung a cow bell from a rope with the other end of the rope hanging low enough for the pigs to reach it. The first time they managed to ring the bell cost him one pig, as the entire bunch ran in fear and one ran into a pitch fork lying on the ground.

After that it was play time for the cute Hampshire, Duroc, and Yorkshire pigs. Watching them pull on that old bell and run and play was quite a sight. I can just see Granddad watching them with that amused little smile on his face.

He was proud of his pigs and spent many nights at the barn helping deliver little ones and making sure they didn't freeze.

He was a man of few words. I felt like he didn't think you had much to say until you were at least thirty years old. He loved children up till about age 6 and then he cooled it with you until your later twenties. I see now he was a pretty smart man, not attempting too much conversation during the unstable period of your life, but as he grew older he did talk to me more and I treasure the talks we had. I am amazed at how well he knew me; better than I knew myself.

I can close my eyes and see him lying on the floor with his head up against the door (without a pillow) and the newspaper covering his chest while he took a little nap. I never knew how he could sleep in that uncomfortable position, but that was his way. He was one of a kind.

House Fire Claims 28-Year-Old Man's Life

Billy Glenn Kelley, age 28, of Cross Plains was killed early Sunday morning, December 23, in a house fire.

The Cross Plains E.M.S. transported one victim to the Brownwood Regional Hospital suffering from smoke inhalation.

Kelley's body was discovered when the fire was extinguished. Justice of the Peace Rolan Jones ordered an autopsy which was performed at Dallas.

The cause of the fire is currently still under investigation.

Graveside services were held at the Cross Plains Cemetery on Wednesday, December 26.

Kelley was employed by Merryman Drilling of Cross Plains.

His wife, Cindy Austin Kelley, his mother, Arlene Laney, and brother, Ricky Kelley, are all residents of Cross Plains.

Colonial Oaks Services

Temple Baptist Church will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, January 6, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

Blood Pressure Clinic Changed To Tuesday, January 7

The blood pressure clinic has been rescheduled for Tuesday, January 7, at 10 a.m. at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center.

Those needing this service are reminded to note the change.

Project Pride Banquet Tickets On Sale

By ERA LEE HANKE

Project Pride is launching their new year with their second annual banquet, which is set for January 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center on North Main Street in downtown Cross Plains.

Tickets are \$6 each and may be purchased at Greenwood Insurance, The Back Room, Tim's Floral or from any member of Project Pride. Last day for reservations is January 11. The meal will be catered, and fish and/or chicken will be available.

C.J. Ledet of Coleman will be providing entertainment.

The public is invited to attend.

An afghan, which is on display at The Back Room, will be awarded to a lucky person on the evening of the banquet. A \$1 donation will give you an opportunity to receive this beautiful piece of work.

Fort Worth Robbery Claims Life Of Penny (Odom) Heath

Penny Jo Heath, age 35, and a co-worker, Leslie Graves were robbed and attacked shortly after closing time at Mervyn's Department Store in southwest Fort Worth Saturday, December 29, where they were employed. Penny was pronounced dead at the scene and Graves remains in critical condition at Harris Methodist Hospital in Fort Worth.

A security officer for the department store has been arrested and charged.

Services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Susan Trammell officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

Born February 5, 1955 in Coleman, she was a 1973 graduate of Cross Plains High School. She was a popular student elected class favorite and cheerleader. She was also active in basketball.

On June 28, 1979 she married Glenn Heath at Marble Falls. She had been employed at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene several years ago and was a secretary at Mervyn's Department Store. Penny was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She had resided in Fort Worth for approximately six months and lived in Austin previously.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn Heath of Fort Worth; one daughter, Chandra Heath of Fort Worth; one son, Dillon Heath of Fort Worth; parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.F. Odom of Cross Plains; one brother, Gary Odom of Tuscola; and a grandmother, May Bell Odom of Cross Plains.

Her mother, Becky, is an employee of the *Cross Plains Review*, and her father, Franzel, was the County Commissioner for many years.



HO HO HO — Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus charmed "Learn About..." Program children.

The Claus Couple Visited Library Children

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus visited the children in the "Learn About..." Program Wednesday morning, December 19, at the Cross Plains Public Library. It was the first time that Mrs. Santa had made the trip with Santa, and the children saw to it that

Santa didn't forget her when he left. Santa had a sack of goodies for every child in the program and a few extras for special guests. After pictures, hugs, and good-byes to Mr. and Mrs. Claus, the children enjoyed special Christmas tree cookies brought by Connie Kirkham, who has been baking for Santa for several years.

The group will meet next on Wednesday, January 2.

AARP Meeting Monday, Jan. 7

The regular meeting of the local AARP is scheduled for 11 a.m. on Monday, January 7, at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center. Members are to bring a covered dish for the luncheon.

Jack Scott, former publisher and editor of the *Cross Plains Review*, will be the featured speaker. His presentation will be a reminiscence of past happenings in the community. This is sure to be a special treat.

Local Residents Dominate Pecan Show Winnings

The Eastland County Pecan Show announced Lorene Jennings Champion in the Commercial Division with her giant Mohawk pecans. James Alexander was the Champion in the Classic Division with Schley pecans and also in the Native Division. Dan Childress was determined the Champion in the Western Division.



TRACY ERWIN ...audition bound

Tracy Erwin Gets New York Audition

Tax Payments Coming In Slowly

Property tax payments to Callahan County taxing jurisdictions are coming in slowly, according to Callahan County Tax Assessor/Collector Wauneta Estes.

Mrs. Estes said Friday, December 21, that countywide, 15.81 percent of all property taxes have been paid as of November 31. She said that figures for the end of December have not been reported.

According to Mrs. Estes, 17.66 percent of the City of Clyde's property taxes has been paid. The Clyde school district reports 14.57 percent of taxes paid. Property taxes for Callahan County are 17.89 percent paid. The City of Putnam has the highest percentage of taxes paid with 24.07 percent paid. Other taxing jurisdictions include: City of Baird, 13.32 percent; Cross Plains, 18.56 percent; and the Farm-to-Market road tax, 17.95 percent. The tax collector said that taxes will become delinquent on February 1, 1991.

Good Luck, Tracy!

Tracy Erwin, a senior at Cross Plains and daughter of Bobby and Vicki Johnston, has accepted an audition for the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York. Her audition is in Dallas on February 23. Tracy has been a member of the One-Act Play for the past three years.

This year in the play, "And They Dance Real Slow in Jackson," she will be the lead actress.

COUNTY COURT
Mack Kniffen, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings
Joe Cisneros Ramos, DWLS.
Eddie Dean Hedrick, DWLS.
Charged with theft of property by check: Eddie Adams, Susan Maxwell, Louise Stanley.

Misdemeanor Minutes
James B. Loyd, DWI, \$400 fine
\$127.50 court costs, 10 days in jail.

MARRIAGE LICENSE
Lesla Reena Nicholson, Clyde, Randy Ray Snow, Abilene.
Paula Jean Fears & Willie Ernest Barron of Baird.
Cynthia Shumaker White, Clyde, &

Almond Stanley Mallard, Jr., Abilene.

NEW VEHICLES
Michael Parr, Baird, GMC Housecar.
Penny A. Smith, Dallas, Chev 2 dr.
Joe South Trucking, Clyde GMC PU.
John Michalik, Abilene, Chev 4 dr.
Melissa Tatom, Snyder, Chev 4 dr.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
Don Lane, presiding

Civil Filings
Graham, Linda Fay and Elmer Lee, divorce.

Civil Minutes
Susan Sharpe vs Bryan Switzer, dismissed with prejudice.

Burkett News
Intended For Last Week

By LOVERA STRICKLAND

Clairene Edgar of Millersview spent Tuesday morning to Wednesday afternoon with her sister and husband, the Virgil Burketts. The Burketts spent Christmas at Zephyr with her sister, Celeste Young and husband, David "Brig."

Visiting the Jack Stricklands Sunday were Eureka and Jody Whitley of San Saba, Melissa Strickland, Deonna, Staci, and Jacob of Brenham, Mark and Marsha Turney and Jon of Santa Anna, and Lat Mountain.

Andrew and Doris Walker had Christmas dinner with their son, Darrell and family of Nimrod community. Their son, Paul, also was home for the holidays.

Bessie Wooten is in the Brownwood Regional Hospital. She had surgery Monday. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Wilda Tomlinson is in the Humana Hospital in Abilene. We also wish her



Best wishes for a happy and successful year.

Tapes Donated: John Bureson and James Trimble.

Membership: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rodenberger, Patron; Mrs. Mable Halsell, Friend; Clara Nell Spencer, Friend.

Christmas Gifts: Robert and Mary Childress for Nancy and Dan Childress.

Memorials: Jack and Kathryn Tunnell for A.L. Breeding (11-21), Guy and Elsie Stroud for Mrs. Harold Canty (11-26).

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a speedy recovery.

Lanette Burns and Lat Mountain had Christmas dinner with Jack and Lovera Strickland.

Russell, Eli, and Alisa Gould of Abilene, Marty and Glenda Callaway, Brooke and J.J., and Dalton and Lucille Gould of Burkett had a get-together at the home of Mike and Linda Brady. They all stayed and had a good Christmas dinner with the Bradys. Jacky and Melinda Dodgen came home for the Christmas holiday.

Furman and Helen Kearley of Monahans visited with the Dalton Goulds last Monday. They also visited other friends in Burkett.

Junior Key of Cross Plains visited Dalton Gould Thursday afternoon.

Visiting Montie Jennings over the Christmas Holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Hutchins and son, Harrison, and Wesley Hutchins of Stephenville, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Hutchins, Kenneth and Brent Ray of Bangs, Evelyn Williams and Ada Slayton of Coleman, Jill and Randy Jennings of Tye, Shirley, Jeremy, and Patrick Farris of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Butts and Kimberly, and Letta Vallier of Abilene.

Coleman Musical
Friday, January 11

A Country Western Musical is held each second Friday at the Coleman V.F.W. in the West Ward School building on Gray and Oak Street. Concessions open at 6 p.m. and musical entertainment begins at 6:30 p.m. All musicians in the area are welcomed to participate.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the performance and fellowship.

OBITUARIES

Billy Glenn Kelley

Billy Glenn Kelley, age 28, died in a house fire Sunday, December 23, at Cross Plains.

Graveside services were held at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Cross Plains Cemetery with Michael Ingram officiating. Higginbotham Funeral Home directed the services.

Born in Abilene, he lived in Cross Plains. He was employed by Mertryman Drilling Company.

Survivors include his wife, Cindy Austin Kelley of Cross Plains; his parents, J.M. Kelley of Granbury and Arlene Laney of Cross Plains; four brothers, Danny Joe Kelley of Granbury, Ricky Lynn Kelley of Cross Plains, Cecil Ray Byrd of Hobbs, New Mexico and Jerry Mark Kelley of Willis; and a sister, Linda Kelley of Ozona.

Ray Trent

Ray Trent, 74, died Sunday at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, December 26, at the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains with the Rev. Mark Lowthorp officiating. Burial was in Burkett Cemetery, directed by Stevens Funeral Home of Coleman.

Born in Cleburne, he grew up and attended school in the Rae-Echo communities, lived in Denver City and moved to Cross Plains in 1988.

He was a retired oil field pumper and real estate broker and emceed the South Plains Gospel Music Festival for many years. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Emma Crawley Trent of Cross Plains; two daughters, Glenda (Mrs. Ted) Bunning and Peggy Dennis of West Allis, Wis.; two sons, Billy Trent of Odessa and Wayland Trent of San Diego, Calif.; two sisters, Mae (Mrs. J.A.) Hunter of Coleman and Eunice Yates of Odessa; two brothers, H.O. Trent of Coleman and J.M. Trent of Brownfield; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Guss Mabry Simons

Guss Mabry Simons, 95, died Monday, December 24, in a Brownwood hospital.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Thursday at Higginbotham Chapel with the Rev. Phillip Schaefer officiating, assisted by Jimmy Maples. Burial was in Cross Plains Cemetery.

Mr. Simons was born in Lott. He was a rock mason, a Pentecostal, and he was the last veteran of World War II in the area.

Survivors include two sons, Mabry Guss Simons of Enfield, Conn., and Ire Simons of Bangs; two daughters, Ruby Martell and Maxine Dimitri, both of Cross Plains; three sisters, Annie Potter of Abilene, Eunice Larson of California and Letha Smart of Irving; eight grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-

grandchild.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Scott Simons of Enfield, Connecticut; Ronny Simons of Lubbock; Perry Lynn Jones of Abilene; Darrell Smithson of Austin; Rusty Dimitri of Cross Plains; and Tony Dimitri of Austin.

T. J. 'Jesse' Wright

COLEMAN — T.J. "Jesse" Wright, 75, died Sunday at a local nursing home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Burkett Cemetery.

Mr. Wright was a lifetime resident of Coleman County, grew up in Coleman and Burkett and attended school at Conway.

He retired in 1981 from Santa Fe Railroad where he was a railroad trackman. He was a member of Northside Church of Christ in Santa Anna.

Survivors include his wife, Bessie Wright of Coleman; two stepdaughters, Sharon Black of Mesquite and Patsy Newton of Layton, Utah; a brother, L.K. Wright of Santa Anna; three sisters, Omie Slate of Santa Anna, and Mary Johnson and Christine Dempsey, both of Coleman; and several stepgrandchildren; and nieces and nephews.



By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

On Tuesday of last week (Christmas Day), I got in my 'trusty Olds' and drove to Cisco. There, at my sister's home, we were joined by our brother, Max, and his family.

We drove to the ranch home of our sister, Opal Cox, in the Necessity community near Breckenridge. Her home was elaborately decorated and very pleasant. There were at least fifteen present. We exchanged gifts and enjoyed a bountiful Christmas feast.

I got back here before night, exhausted but happy.

The past two Sundays have been 'snow-covered' and I didn't dare drive out on the highways. I enjoyed church services on the TV. This Sunday I had First Baptist in Abilene, which I enjoyed very much. One of Dr. Elwin Skiles' sons dismissed the services with the closing prayer.

I appreciated my good friend, Lucile Callaway, and her concern for my welfare. She called through the weekend to make sure I was okay — staying warm, etc.

Bobby and Sally Roady enjoyed the holiday week. Their children were there during the week — also Billie and H.A. Freeman. Cindy has gone back to her work — George is still here. They are planning a New Year's get-together. They visit Ms. Nettie at the nursing home often.

Mrs. Norman Lee was cheerful this morning, chalking up the good side of the cold spell, and not the bad side. I like that! They didn't have any special news for this column.

J.T. and Betty Beggs were not at home. I talked to Rex in the city. He said there were only a few people at the church on Sunday morning.

Nell Fleming was her usual gracious self. Joe is only fairly well. Mrs. Vince Meiron of Anson visited them on Christmas Day. I wish for all of them a better New Year.

Marianne Taff and Mack spent part of Christmas holidays in Mason with his parents and a sister. Amber and Andrew spent Christmas in Phoenix with relatives. Vanessa visited a friend in Brownwood just before Christmas.

John Ross McCaghren
Arrival Announced

Johnny and Cindy (Montgomery) McCaghren of Meriden, Kansas are proud to announce the birth of their first child, John Ross McCaghren. He was born Thursday, December 27, at 8:11 a.m. at Stormont-Vail Hospital in Topeka.

He weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces and was 20½ inches long.

His grandparents are John D. and Wanda Montgomery of Cross Plains, Joyce and Ralph Berry of Cisco, and the late Ross McCaghren.

Locally Known Couple's
Home Burns

Chick and Glenda Laster of Early lost their home to a fire on the evening of December 24. Mr. Laster was the only one at home during the incident and received slight burns. Nothing

was salvaged from the blaze. Glenda will be remembered as the daughter of Lorene Jennings of Cross Plains.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Old Time Gospel Mission
East 8th Street

Sunday Morning.....	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening.....	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday Evening Services.....	7:00 p.m.
Michael Ingram, Pastor	Everyone Is Welcome

PIONEER PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
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Sunday Morning Worship.....	10:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....	6:30 p.m.
Thursday Night Service.....	7:00 p.m.
Ruby McCowen, Pastor	Phone 725-7265

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
CROSS PLAINS (817) 725-7629

10TH & MAIN	9:45 a.m.
Sunday School.....	11:00 a.m.
Morning Worship.....	6:00 p.m.
Church Training.....	7:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....	7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....	7:00 p.m.
Michael Hale, Pastor — 725-7556	Rob Sarles, Music/Youth — 725-7550

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Cross Plains Phone 725-4117

COME WORSHIP WITH US WHERE CHRIST IS HONORED

Sunday Morning Bible Class.....	9:45 A.M.	Wed. Morning
Sunday Morning Worship.....	10:45 A.M.	Ladies Bible Class
Sunday Evening Worship.....	6:00 P.M.	(Seasonal) 10:00 A.M.
Wed. Evening Bible Study.....	7:00 P.M.	

Come now, and let us reason together" Isaiah 1:18
WE WELCOME ONE AND ALL

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH
"WHERE JESUS IS LORD"

SERVICES: Sunday School.....	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....	11:00 a.m.
Training Union & Youth Choir.....	6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....	7:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening Prayer Service.....	7:30 p.m.
Sunday Choir Practice.....	6:00 p.m.
KNOX WAGGONER, Pastor	

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
North Main at George Scott Cross Plains, Texas

Sunday School.....	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....	10:45 a.m.
Youth Meet Sundays.....	6:00 p.m.
Choir Practice Wednesdays.....	6:30 p.m.
Women's Group - 3rd Monday.....	5:30 p.m.
Men's Group - 3rd Wednesday.....	7:00 p.m.
REV. SUSAN TRAMMELL, Pastor 725-7377	

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
9TH & AVE. D CROSS PLAINS

WORSHIP SERVICE.....	9:30 A.M.
BIBLE CLASS.....	10:30 A.M.
Jasper McClellan, Pastor	Everyone Welcome

BELIEVER'S FELLOWSHIP
Udenominational — Evangelical
EAST HIGHWAY 36

Sunday School.....	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship.....	10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship.....	6:15 p.m.
Wednesday Night Family Bible Study.....	7:30 p.m.
Charlie Fortenberry, Pastor 725-6607	

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
9th & N. Main Cross Plains

"Spirit Filled Worship"

Morning Worship.....	10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship.....	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study.....	7:30 p.m.
Phillip R. Schaefer, Pastor	817-725-7140

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH
8th & Ave. D — Cross Plains, Texas

Sunday School.....	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening.....	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting.....	7:30 p.m.
Rodney Mulvane, Pastor	Phone 725-7122

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Sunday: Family Bible Teaching 10-11:30AM, 6:30-7:30PM
Wednesdays: 6:30PM
ALL WELCOME & accepted on their merits. Mt. 7:12

Happy New Year!

We hope your New Year will be prosperous, healthy and filled with happiness!

It is time to thank nice people like you for the support and strength you have given us throughout the year. We're grateful for your help and hope that our relationship lasts and lasts.

With friends like you we can face the future with confidence. We hope you will stop in frequently and let us prove it.

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FDIC

Oil News

New Tests
Brown

Twin Drilling Co. Inc., Rising Star, will drill No. 1 George Steel "C" to 1,400 in the Blind Hog (Cross Cut) seven miles southwest of Rising Star on a 20-acre lease. Spots 525 FSL and 600 FWL, Stanley Lackerman No. 796, A-1496.

Callahan

Creston Petroleum Corp., Dallas, will drill No. 3A McCrea to 4,000 in the Grand Old Oplin three miles west of Oplin on a 191-acre lease. Spots 2,514 FSL and 1,266 FEL, Section 386, G.W. Denton, A-248.

Comanche

Pan Petroleum Corp., Cross Plains, will drill a wildcat, No. 1 Gore, to 4,500 feet a half-mile south-southeast of Mercer Gap on a 160-acre lease. Spots 534 FNL and 379 FEL, S.W. Derryberry, A-1260.

115 Horizontal Permits Issued In November

The statewide pace of horizontal drilling continued in December, with the Railroad Commission issuing 115 permits.

This raised the 11-month total for 1990 to 985 permits. A total of 1,185 permits have been issued since January 1, 1984.

The RRC issued 141 horizontal permits in October and 104 in September, compared to just 127 for all of 1989.

The Pearsall Field southwest of San Antonio remains the nation's No. 1 location for horizontal drilling, with 58 permits issued in November for an 11-month total of 740 permits. Giddings is the second-busiest Texas field with 233 permits issued in 1990.

The horizontal drilling boom has encompassed a total 51 Texas counties. That includes eight counties and 15 wells in the Abilene area. They are: Brown 1; Coke 2; Coleman 2; Haskell 1; Nolan 6; Parker 1; Runnels 1; and Tom Green 1.

WHAT THEY
THOUGHT...

President Calvin Coolidge issued this penetrating statement. "We do not need more material development; we need more spiritual development. We do not need more brains; we need more character. We do not need more of the things which are seen; we need more of the things which are not seen."

A significant utterance of the power of God's Word in our national life was made by President Herbert Hoover who said "We are indebted to the Book of books for our national ideals and institutions. There preservation rests in adhering to its principles."

President John Quincy Adams: "So great is my veneration of the Bible that... the earlier my chil-

dren begin to read it, the more confident will be my hope that they will prove useful citizens of their country and respectable members of society."

President George Washington: "It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible. True religion affords government its surest support."

President Thomas Jefferson: "I have always said that the studious perusal of the Sacred Volume will make better citizens, better fathers, and better husbands."

President Abraham Lincoln: "All the good from the Saviour of the world is communicated through this Book... All the things desirable to man are contained in it."

—The American
Way Features

Area high school basketball results



game to Gustine and then went back on to win their second one to Water Valley and their third one to Eden for the Consolation trophy.

Scores are as follows:
Cross Plains: 28
Gustine: 56

Cross Plains: 64
Water Valley: 49

Cross Plains: 48
Eden: 33

Stats for Eden tourney:
Points

Montgomery	41
Bagley	18
Williams	18
Abernathy	22
Wheeler	16
Sowell	9
Kirkham	7
Newman	5
Renfro	2
Franke	2

Sowell	12
Montgomery	8
Wheeler	8
Newman	6
Purvis	5

Over the Christmas holidays the girls participated in the Coleman Christmas Classic. The girls played 4 games in 2 days against very fine teams.

Scores are:
Cross Plains: 41
Ballinger: 55

Cross Plains: 43
Beckenridge: 40

Cross Plains: 50
Winters: 36

Cross Plains: 42
De Leon: 60 (Consolation game)

Points for tournament:

Abernathy	46
Montgomery	39
Williams	26
Wheeler	23
Bagley	23

Girls travel to Bronte January 4. They start the New Year with a 10-6 record.

The bright flowers of the prickly pear cactus bloom for only one day.

Tourneys

Coleman
Christmas Classic

Cross Plains 65,
De Leon 62

Boys consolation				
Cross Plains	14	26	6	19-65
De Leon	12	16	7	27-62
Cross Plains — Walker 29,				
De Leon — B. O'Donald 20.				

Forsan 69,
Cross Plains 57

Boys consolation				
Forsan	10	28	21	10-69
Cross Plains	10	16	12	19-57
Forsan — Josh Wooten 15,				
Cross Plains — Colby Walker 24.				

Brownwood
Holiday Classic

Wall 68,
Cross Plains 51

Div. 1 Boys 9th Place				
Wall	13	14	16	25-68
Cross Plains	11	15	13	12-51
Wall — Shawn Box 26, Kevin Jackson 23.				
Cross Plains — Matt Sovell 17.				

All-Tournament Teams
Division 1
Anthony Deal (MVP), Bangs; Bryan Branch, Coleman; Shawn Box, Wall; Chris Campbell, Atolley County; Brandon O'Donnell, De Leon; Keith Gerhart, Winters; Cory Calvin, Bangs; Colby Walker, Cross Plains; Joey Conaway, Forsan.

Division II
Richard Griffin (MVP), Brownwood; Boyd Sharp, Lampasas; Johnny Phillips, Lampasas; Jeremy Denning, Brownwood; Corey Jones, Crane; Chris Thomas, Brownwood; Jackie Jeffries, Crane; Joel Shields, Brady; Chris Graham, Lampasas.

Company Matches
Students With Funds

Over a \$100 million in scholarship funds went unclaimed last year because students and parents did not know how to tap into these resources.

A National Company, using computer matching is now making this possible.

Scholarship Research Group has more than 200,000 sources of aid representing \$14 billion in financial aid. Begun in 1981, Scholarship Research Group helped over 35,000 students last year by supplying them with financial aid information. With college costs ranging from \$35,000 to \$60,000 and cutbacks on educational funds, more students and their parents are finding college is out of sight.

Virtually all families, regardless of income, can qualify for scholarships and other forms of financial aid. Although grades count in some areas, many grants and awards do not consider a student's GPA when awarding funding.

Using the information supplied by a student, SRG will send a printout listing the awards that match the student's qualifications and needs. The printout will list the name of the award, its value, whether it is renewable, address of the provider, and why the student was matched to this source.

For information write Scholarship Research Group, 3220 "N" Street, NW, Executive Suite 318, Washington, DC 20007. Or call toll-free at 1-800-334-3881.

PERSONAL

Kye King spent several days in the home of his father, Tommy King, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester King, during Christmas and New Year's vacation.

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Spec. David B. Alford has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal.

COLONIAL OAKS
NURSING HOME
NEWS

By LINDA EDINGTON
Activity Director

Ruby Casle and Reba Lane took several of our residents out for a night on the town to see how pretty our town and the people's homes were decorated. They commented on having such an enjoyable and beautiful ride.

We appreciated the fruit and candy that the Tiger Cub Scouts brought to our residents.

Our heartfelt sympathies goes out to the Simons family on the loss of their loved one.

Barbara Jackson, N.A. is having a birthday tomorrow. Happy Birthday, Barbara.

Mary Weaver from Houston, Carol, Craig, Charlie, and Carrie Beth Rogers from Cottonwood were here visiting Lora Pugh. Joe Bentley from Eula was here visiting Bertha Bentley and others. Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Chambers from Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. T.J. Chambers, Kay Hager from Lueders, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Gregg from Granbury, Jeff and Cathy Smith, Randy Chambers from Topeka, Kansas, David Chambers and family from Abilene, and Joanna and Michael Pankey from Houston were all here visiting with Madie Chambers. Andra Adams from Colorado Springs, Colorado was here visiting AnneBelle Vaught. Morris and Nelda Renfro, Becky and Kristy Dickens from Denton were here visiting Mrs. Lee. Pete Golson and Luther Rhoads from Coleman were here visiting Nora Golson. Rolan Jones and Barbara Young were here visiting Midge McCall. Randy, Judy, and Blake Foster were here visiting Ressa Glover. Frances Goswick from Breckenridge was here visiting Lucille Stone. Dorothy Petty, Mike, Paula, and Ginger Kelley from McKenzie, Tennessee, Kellie and Alyssa Lanham from Graham were here visiting with E.K. Coppinger. Ricky Canfield from Austin was here visiting Phyllis Eichler. Leo and Jewel Thompson were visiting everybody. Dude Webb was here visiting Verna Swan.

Activities during the week:
Monday: Bingo winners were Mable Burchfield, Madie Chambers (2), Ressa Glover (2), Bertha Hoyt, Helen Wood, AnneBelle Vaught, E.K. Coppinger, and Vera Belyeu. Exercise class, nine attended, in room activities.

Tuesday: Art class. Dominoe games, popcorn.

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Pearl Greenwood, Sally Roady, and Vernie McMillian. In room activities.

Thursday: Linen folding, dominoes.
Friday: Bingo winners were Ressa Glover, Vera Belyeu (3), AnneBelle Vaught (3), Bertha Hoyt (3), Lucille Stone (2), Helen Wood, and Mable Burchfield. Afternoon singing with Ruby and Bobby Jack McCowen, with special entertainment from Blue Boy, the robot.

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The medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other outstanding accomplishments.

While serving as a driver for students at the U.S. Army Military Police School, Fort McClellan, Alabama, his high standards and impeccable personal example contributed positively toward fostering a healthy and vigorous learning environment for the students.

The soldier is a senior military customs inspector at the Grafenwoehr Training area, Germany.

Alford is the son of Ronald J. and Sharon K. Alford of Rural Route 1, Rising Star.

He is a 1984 graduate of Bible Baptist High School, Wichita Falls.

Tommy Ames Texas
Tech Graduate

Tommy Ames recently graduated from Texas Tech University. While attending his last semester, Tommy was named to the Dean's List. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural Education.

Donna (Erwin) Ames is his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ames are his parents. His family is very proud. Congratulations, Tommy!

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Lady Buff's
Best

By ELAINE SHEDD

To fill you in on all the action since we last left you in December, this one may be a little long.

December 14 and 15 the Lady Buffs traveled to Eden to participate in their tournament. The girls lost their first

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

JANUARY 7 - 11

(Subject to Change)

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WEDNESDAY — Pizza, salad, corn, Jello, milk.
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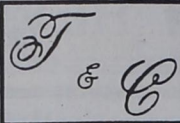
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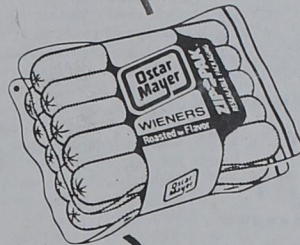
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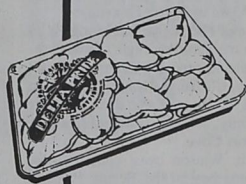


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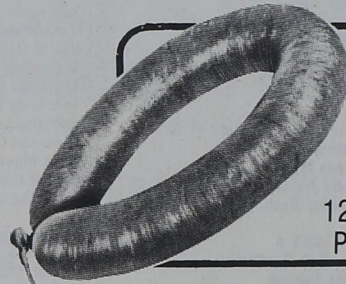
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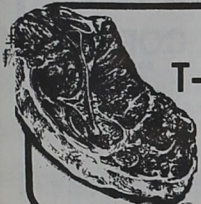
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"I am always so impressed by the high caliber of candidates that apply to my office each year," said Stenholm. "But it certainly makes a selection decision all the more difficult."

Ten individuals per academy were nominated to compete for one appointment each at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado; the Military Academy at West Point, New York; and the Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York. Twenty individuals were nominated to compete for two appointment slots at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

The individuals, and the academies to which they have been nominated, are: Bryan Baird of Ballinger, Air Force; Paul Boatman of Weatherford, Naval and Military; Charity Breidenback of Abilene, Air Force and Naval; James E. Collins II of Azle, Naval and Merchant Marine; Bryan Conlon of Weatherford, Air Force and Military; David Erwin of Jacksboro, Military and Naval; Christopher Ficke of Big Spring, Military and Naval; Aubrey Gabriel of Dyess Air Force Base, Naval and Merchant Marine; Bobby Holloway of Decatur, Air Force; Tony Horn of Jacksboro, Military and Naval; Keith Horton of Abilene, Naval; Jason Hull of Bryson, Naval; James Ray Johnson II of Abilene, Naval; Robert Manore of Abilene, Naval and Merchant Marine; Layne McDowell of Crosbyton, Naval and Merchant Marine; Alex McKinney III of Mineral Wells, Naval; Jason Mosley of Abilene, Naval and Merchant Marine; Wade Parks of Big Spring, Military and Merchant Marine; David Peterson of Springtown, Air Force, Naval, and Merchant Marine; Michael Radle of Post, Naval and Merchant Marine; Ricky Roberson of Clyde, Military and Merchant Marine; Robin Russell of Mineral Wells, Air Force, Naval and Merchant Marine; Zachary Staples of Abilene, Air Force, Naval and Military; Matthew Thornton of Springtown, Air Force; Patrick Villa of Sweetwater, Military; Blair Williams of Snyder, Air Force and Naval; Colin Witt of Abilene, Naval, Air Force, and Military.

The nominees will now be contacted by the academies with additional information and instructions, and will be scheduled for medical and physical examinations. The academies will make appointment announcements by late spring.

Rowden News

By MRS. N.V. GIBBS

Here we are Saturday, gripped in a dark, cloudy day with a little mist. The severe cold predicted by the weatherman has not entered this area yet and it is hoped it will play out before it does. At 4:30 p.m. it is 32 degrees.

1990 has only two more days to go before the New Year begins. Weather-wise this area had some extremes of hot and cold and wet and dry. One could say it was a good year for cotton, but late peanut crops were non-productive.

New Year's resolutions could be to be a better neighbor to those living near you and elsewhere in the community. Also keep in mind the conflict in the Persian Gulf. They are men and women willing to fight for this country, even to give their lives. Let's support them with our prayers.

One beneficial happening in the community was Contel Telephone Company placed private lines to each house owner. By that, it is hoped the service will be good.

The population of the community was increased by one in the Nicky Harris home when Emily Marie Harris was born.

Relatives and children meeting in the James Reynolds home Christmas day were his sister, Mary Beth Gooch of New Orleans, and her son, Gary Hill of Hampton. Also Jim and Creca Reynolds and children, Chris and Colby of Midland, Tan and Janet Flippin and children, Drew and Erin of Ruston, Louisiana. Also Ellen Carpenter and son, Dalton Carpenter of Azle.

Company in the Don Harrell home this week has been relatives from Austin, Melissa Andrews and son, Billy, and the Mark Shrievers and children.

The Gene Mauldin home was visited by Irene and Willie Masters of Snyder, their daughter and family, Melinda and Bob Maninger and daughter, Laura of Weatherford. Also Roland and Faye Mauldin of Denton Valley and their sons, Kenneth and Douglas of Dallas.

James and Dorothy Reynolds visited their Pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Randy Hatfield in Clyde during the week.

Joyce Odom had all of her children and grandchildren in her home Christmas Day. They all brought parts of the good dinner with exchanging of gifts later. This company included the Ralph Trevey family from Snyder, the Charles Palmer family of Clyde, and Ivon Odom. This writer also visited in the home.

This week's visitors in the Robert Watson home were Dutch Watson of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beck of Lake Leon, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Watson and son, Zachary of Basye, Virginia. Also their father, R.G. Watson of Baird. Mrs. R.G. Watson is a resident of the Baird nursing home but was unable to be with her family.

This writer had Christmas dinner with her family, Tony and Judy Steele and children, Tonya, Connie, and Bill. Lee Jernigan of Lake Proctor came up Thursday to hunt.

Lori Ann Dye of Abilene attended the dinner for her parents, Ed and Ann Dye, on their twenty-first wedding anniversary. Also there for the occasion was Bob and Kathy Dye of the community.

B.J. Anderson and his friend of Rising Star brought food for Emma Johnson and Lizzie Burks during Christmas. Their company was a niece and family, LeeAnn Burleson of Abilene.

Wishing all readers of this column each week a happy and prosperous New Year.

(Intended For Last Week)

It's Christmas again and light snow has covered the ground in this community. Kids back about 60 years ago thought Santa could only come on a sleigh riding in the snow. Also back then many gifts were ordered from the Sears and Montgomery Ward catalog. Stores did not have toys on display until Christmas was near.

This has been our coldest spell for 1990. Thermometers have dropped to 8 degrees at the Gibbs place. No frozen water lines yet and hope that will continue. At least the wind has quieted by late Saturday. It is good that roads are not iced over.

Visitors of Emma Johnson and Lizzie Burks were Mrs. Jack Davis and her daughter, Eloise Disney of Cross Plains, and B.J. Anderson of Rising Star. Emma reported getting a newy letter from a former Rowden resident, Nadene (Mauldin) Paxton of Oklahoma, who sent Christmas greetings. She also recalled days in school in Rowden when Lizzie Burks was her teacher. Carroll Burks of Abilene visited in the Burks home one day.

Charles and Michael Palmer of Clyde stopped for a visit with Joyce Odom.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Jim Forbes
N.L. Dillard
Mrs. Treva Garrett
Danny Myrick
Michael Chase Childers
Troy Stone
George Hoover
Shana Bagley
Brian Odom
Ronald Allan Steele
Kayla Michelle Cupit

JANUARY 5
Jo Boatright
Peggy Hilburn
Mike Bowden
Wanda Ruth Anderson
Donald Rhodes
Ronald Rhodes
Clara Smart
Tye A. Flippin
Vernon H. Simpson
Jo Rhodes
Debbie Wilson
Bobby Joe Sheppard
Clarence Bush

JANUARY 6
Mrs. Bob Henderson
Kathy Parrish
Tommie Connelly
Betsy (Bowden) Kington
Troy Shane Knowles
Betsy Holland
Mrs. O.B. Byrd
Mrs. Jerry Whiteside

JANUARY 7
Randall Kyle Foster
Mrs. Roy Thornton
Dick Koenig
David Grider
Glenda Lane
Deloras Stover
Mrs. H.L. Halbrook
Karen Ringhoffer
Bobby Oliver
Ricky Purvis
Mrs. Carl King
James Crowley
Betsy Strength
Bridgette Allen
Maud Byrd
Shea Connelly

JANUARY 8
Joe McWilliams
Claude Boyd
Johnny Nunn
Bill Forbes
Jimmy Hargrove
Jean Johnson
Mrs. L.M. Barrow
Allen Bland
Jay Staggs
Mrs. Eugene Strickland

JANUARY 9
Mrs. Clyde Sims
Carol Parsons
Charles Williams
Alvie Hutchins
Karen Suzanne Dunn
Ronny Nunn
Doris Armstrong
Patrick Sadler
Cathy Meroney
Teri Brown
Kim Koenig

JANUARY 10
Russell Barnes
Karan Wise
Ricky Wayne Waddell
Mrs. M.F. Dill
Ellen Brown
Lila Payne
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Eddie Edington

Hearing Aids



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by Lee Carlisle

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Weekly Health Tip

INFANT DIARRHEA

Diarrhea in infants should be treated with the BRAT diet. (Bananas, Rice, Applesauce and Toast). Bananas replace sodium and potassium lost during diarrhea. If diarrhea is severe the child's mouth becomes dry and urination almost ceases) take the child to a hospital emergency room to replace essential body fluids, or death may result.

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1990 Cross Plains Retail Sales Higher Than Last Year's

The City of Cross Plains is reporting 1990 one percent city sales tax payments running 6.13 percent higher than the 1989 payments of the tax. Cross Plains 1990 sales tax payments have amounted to \$49,565.62, while the 1989 sales tax rebates were \$46,701.07.

The city's monthly sales tax check for December 1990 was 1.08 percent lower than the December 1989 check. Bullock reported. Cross Plains' December 1990 check was \$3,260.88, while the December 1989 check amounted to \$3,296.56.

Sales tax rebates for the City of Clyde have amounted to \$81,552.00 so far in 1990. The 1989 payments to the city were \$86,996.87, a 6.26 percent decrease in sales tax collections.

The monthly payment to the City of Clyde in December 1990 amounted to \$4,483.35, while the December 1989 payment to the city was \$4,359.03. The monthly check this year was 2.85 percent higher than the same month last year.

The City of Baird reported that sales tax payments in 1990 are 4.19 percent higher than the 1989 payments. The city had received \$35,535.48 so far in 1990, while the 1989 tax payments to the city were \$34,106.37.

The town's monthly payment for December 1990 was 3.32 percent higher than the December 1989 payment, according to Bullock. The December 1990 check to the city was \$1,711.59, while the December 1989 payment to Baird was \$1,656.61.

The City of Putnam is reporting 1990 city sales tax payments amounting to \$8,540.38 so far, a 9.26 percent decrease from tax payments to the city in 1989. The 1989 checks to Putnam amounted to \$9,412.14.

Putnam did not receive a tax rebate check for December 1990, while the December 1989 payment was \$637.99.

Countywide sales tax payments for 1990 in Callahan County are running 1.14 percent lower than the 1989 payments to the county. Callahan County towns have received sales tax payments in 1990 amounting to \$175,193.48, while the 1989 payments to the county towns totalled \$177,216.46.

For the month of December 1990, sales tax payments in Callahan County are running 4.97 percent lower than those in December 1989. Callahan County towns received \$9,455.82 during December 1990, while December 1989 payments to the county amounted to \$9,950.19.

Some area towns reporting sales tax payments for the month of December 1990 and whether it's an increase or decrease over December 1989 sales includes: Albany, \$5,629.67, 16.54 percent increase from December 1989; Anson, \$4,299.95, .87 percent decrease from 1989; Stamford, \$22,096.95, 73.14 percent increase from 1989; Cisco, \$8,491.90, 18.21 percent decrease from 1989; Eastland, \$22,774.38, 9.95 percent increase from 1989; Merkel, \$3,701.71, 16.65 percent increase from 1989; Ballinger, \$17,040.51, 39.58 percent increase from 1989; and Haskell, \$9,343.71, 2.01 percent decrease from 1989.

Statewide, sales tax payments in 1990 are 8.23 percent ahead of 1989 rebates, according to Bullock's figures. The state has sent out checks totalling \$1,131,282,064.23 in 1990, while the 1989 payments in the state's cities were \$1,045,300,211.41.

For the month of December 1990, sales tax payments are running 9.18 percent ahead of December 1989

checks. The state sent out checks amounting to \$79,106,919.13 in December 1990, while the December 1989 payments amounted to \$72,452,236.19.

Comptroller Bob Bullock said, "This month's checks show a nice increase over last December's and that's a good indication of a healthy and growing state economy."

Merchants collect the state and local sales tax and send it to the Comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its 6 percent share and returns the local one percent sales tax each month to local governments. Cities and counties may levy a combined tax of up to two percent above the state's sales tax, however, all Callahan County towns' only levy a one percent city sales tax, Bullock said.

This month's checks reflect taxes collected on October sales and reported in late November by businesses filing monthly returns.

All local sales taxes must be approved by local voters and may be used for any legal city or county expenses. Most areas put the money in their General Fund and use it for normal operations like fire fighting, maintaining roads and law enforcement. Bullock said. Some cities use an additional 1/2 percent city sales tax to help fund local economic development and to reduce property taxes.

ON THE CORNER

God Is Like...

By DON TABOR
Publisher

Otis Conlee brought in a unique Christmas card to the Journal the other day.

It was a little essay, author unknown, titled "God Is Like..." I'm going to pass it along.

God is like Coke...He's the real thing.

God is like Pan Am...He makes the going great.

God is like General Electric...He lights your path.

God is like Bayer Aspirin...He works wonders.

God is like Hallmark Cards...He cares enough to send the very best.

God is like Tide...He gets the stains out that others leave behind.

God is like VO5 Hair Spray...He holds through all kinds of weather.

God is like Dial Soap...Aren't you glad you know Him? Don't you wish everyone did?

God is like Sears...He has everything.

God is like Alka Seltzer...Try Him, you'll like Him.

God is like Scotch Tape...You can't see Him, but you know He's there.

I imagine many of you could add others. Here's mine: God is like Allstate...You're in good hands.

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PERSONALS

Vanda King and daughter, Leah, spent Christmas holidays in Abilene visiting in the home of Darwin and Wanda Anderson and Blandye Harris. Guy Evans and Jean Vaughn of Cross Plains and Joe and Guy Watson were guests in the Anderson home Christmas Eve. ***

Celebrating Christmas with Chuck and Elva May Woody was Allen and Diana Woody of Abilene; Elva's sisters, Wilma of Abilene and Alma of Tuscola, and brother, George of Cedar Gap. Sixteen nieces and nephews also attended. Marvin and Allie Dickson of the community and Billie and Janie Woody from Phoenix, Arizona were also guests. ***

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Watson and Vera Pearl Bunnell spent Christmas Holidays in Richmond with the Billy Watson family and in Houston with the Max Watson family. Other guests of the Max Watsons were his daughter, Becky Watson, and Robert and Holly Cipperly and their daughter, Laurel Ashley from Opelika, Alabama. ***

Bo and Pat Allen of May being warned of the forthcoming cold spell and realizing some of their children and grandchildren had to travel quite a distance, held their Christmas celebration a few days early. On Christmas Day, Pat took her aunt, Kate Watson, to Brownwood for Christmas dinner. At one of the few places open that day, it was necessary to stand a while before being seated. The feast was lavish and the turkey dressing actually was flavored with sage. ***

Sam and Eva Fleming of this town visited in the home of their son, Fred Marcus Fleming and family, on Christmas Day in Abilene. ***



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT — accepting a scholarship from Bill Dean Students Association. Melissa Montgomery (right) is shown of The Texas Tech University Ex-

Melissa Montgomery Receives Scholarship At Texas Tech

LUBBOCK — The Texas Tech University Ex-Students Association recently recognized academic scholars and members of Phi Theta Kappa at a reception during fall semester. The campuswide reception honored more than 80 scholars and members of the Texas Tech chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, a junior college honor society. Deans of the seven university colleges and administrators at the university attended the afternoon gathering.

The Ex-Students Association annually awards one-year academic scholarships to Texas Tech freshmen who have graduated from high school as valedictorians and salutatorians. The scholarships are open to graduates of high schools in Texas and around the nation. Melissa Montgomery was among the elite. She is majoring in Family Studies Home Economics. She is a 1989 graduate of Cross

Plains High School. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Randy Montgomery.

Ethel Anderson Honored On 88th Birthday

Ethel Anderson was honored with a reception at the White Elephant Restaurant in Cisco on Wednesday, December 26. Teresa Martin, her niece, hosted the celebration.

She was born on December 26, 1902 in Mississippi. She recalls the rough trail to Texas in a wagon when she was very small. She has lived most of her life in Callahan County.

Both her children, Jeri Renfro of Cross Plains and Darwin Anderson of Abilene were present.

Grandchildren include Vanda King, Barbara Sowell, and Rod Renfro. Her great-grandchildren are Blandye Harris, Carie Renfro, Matt Sowell, Sonya Renfro, Leah King, Mandi Sowell, Malysa Sowell, Kye King, Sarah Beth Renfro, and Jamie Jean Renfro. Relatives and friends joined her in the celebration of 88 years of life.

Pastoral Care And Counseling Seminar Scheduled

On Monday, January 7, 1991, George Butler, staff therapist, will present an hour-long seminar entitled "Building Spiritual Foundations for the New Year." The hour-long program will begin at 7 p.m. in the conference room at Pastoral Care and Counseling Center and is free to the public, thanks to sponsorship of Skiny's. For more information call (915) 672-5683.

Six Flags Over Texas Sets Show Auditions

ARLINGTON — Auditions for Six Flags Over Texas' 1991 musicals will be held January 11 and 12.

The location for the try-outs will be the Sheraton CentrePark Hotel in Arlington.

Auditions for dancers will begin at 10 a.m. each day, with singers auditions beginning at 1 p.m.

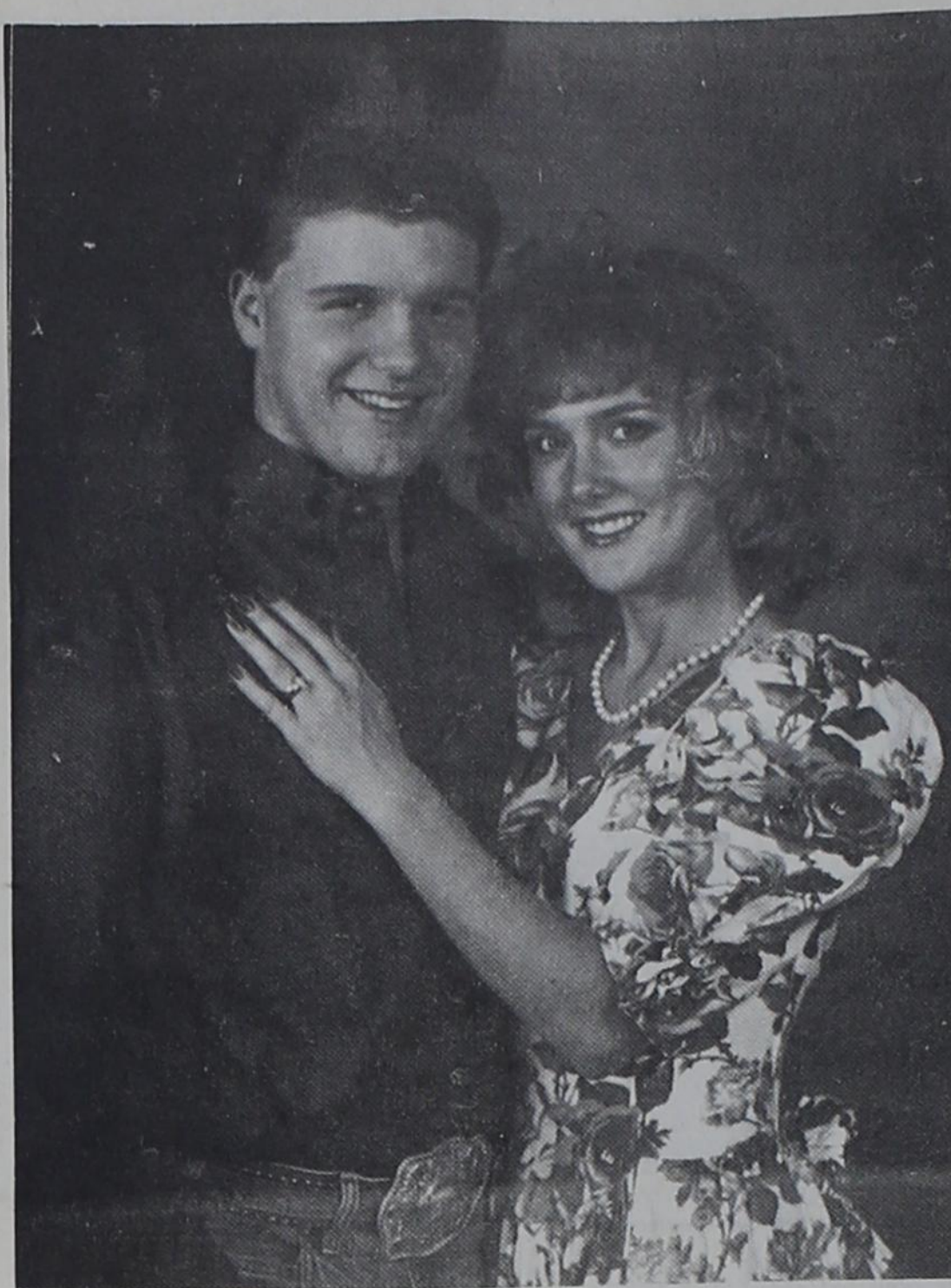
There will be a special call for prospective actors in the park's gunfight show at 10 a.m. on January 12.

The minimum age for performers in the theme's park's shows is 16.

Auditions will be strictly limited to two minutes. Singers must bring music in their key and may be asked to dance. Dancers will be given a combination by Six Flags' choreographer and should also be prepared to sing. No a cappella auditions are permitted, nor can there be recorded accompaniment. A piano and accompanist will be available.

Six Flags will be premiering new shows in both the Southern Palace Music Hall and the Crazy Horse Saloon when the park's 30th anniversary season begins March 9.

Contact Lynda Doty (214) 988-8332 for more information.



DWIN NANNY and SALLIE MARIE WALKER

Engagement Announcement And Approaching Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Walker of Burkett announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Sallie Marie, to Dwin Nanny, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Nanny of Gouldbusk.

Sallie is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Collin Campbell of Carbon. Dwin's grandparents include Mrs. Lee Williams of Gouldbusk and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sargent of Tolar. He is also the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Monsey of Gouldbusk.

Both Sallie and Dwin are 1987 graduates of Panther Creek High School and are attending Tarleton State University, Stephenville, as senior students. She is majoring in Social Work and his major is Ag Services and Development.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, January 5, 1991 at the First Baptist Church in Coleman beginning at 2 p.m. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. Reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall.



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Texas Assessment Of Academic Skills Results Announced

AUSTIN — Preliminary results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills administered to 1.4 million public school students in October were released December 13 by the Texas Education Agency.

The results show that 67 percent of third graders taking the new test passed all sections of the examination, as did 53 percent of fifth graders, 47 percent of seventh graders, and 50 percent of ninth grade students.

On the TAAS exit-level test — which students must pass in order to receive a high school diploma — 68 percent of the 174,644 high school juniors who took the examination passed all sections of the test.

The results are preliminary because complete results are not yet available for the writing portion of the examination. As part of the writing test, students were required to write essays, which are still being scored. Approximately 60,000 to 80,000 writing essays per grade are still being scored. Results are expected to be available in January. Students must perform successfully on the writing essay in order to pass the writing test. Because of that, the percentage of students passing all tests taken may drop by four or five percentage points.

Commissioner of Education W.N. Kirby said the results reflect the more rigorous nature of the TAAS test, which is a more difficult examination than the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills or TEAMS test the state previously administered.

"These results show the more difficult nature of the TAAS test, which measures more of students higher-order skills, such as critical thinking and problem solving, whereas TEAMS tested students on minimum-level basic skills," Kirby said. "In addition, the TAAS exit-level test requires students to write an essay, whereas the TEAMS exit-level test did not." Passing percentages on the TEAMS during 1989-90 ranged from 74 percent to 80 percent.

Kirby said, however, that he is concerned that only 68 percent of the high school juniors who took the TAAS exit-level test for the first time in October passed the examination.

"The exit-level results show that nearly one-third of our juniors do not currently meet all the requirements for high school graduation and will have to take the test again and pass it in order to be eligible to receive a high school diploma," Kirby said.

Students have five opportunities to pass the exit-level test. Juniors who failed the October administration will be able to re-take the test in April, twice during their senior year and again the following summer. Under

state law, school districts must provide remedial education to all students who fail to pass any section of the TAAS test.

A breakdown of TAAS results by grade level shows that at grade 3, 69 percent of students passed the writing section of the examination, while 84 percent passed the reading section and 86 percent passed the mathematics portion of the test. On the reading test, 47 percent of third graders achieved the academic recognition standard, meaning that they demonstrated mastery of every objective measured by the reading test.

Grade 3 Spanish results show that 45 percent passed the writing test, 66 percent passed the reading test, and 73 percent passed the mathematics test.

At grade 5, 80 percent of students passed the writing test, 68 percent passed the reading test, and 60 percent passed the mathematics examination. Seventh-grade students show passing rates of 72 percent on the writing test, 59 percent on the reading test, and 61 percent on the mathematics test.

Sixty-seven percent of the ninth grade students passed the writing test, 76 percent passed the reading test, and 57 percent passed the mathematics test.

Among high school juniors, 83 percent passed the writing test, 88 percent passed the reading test, and 74 percent passed the mathematics test.

The TAAS passing standards established by the State Board of Education in July were 60 percent for the tests given at grades 7, 9 and the exit level, and 65 percent for the third and fifth-grade tests for the 1990-91 school year. By the 1991-92 school year, students will have to correctly answer 70 percent of the test items in order to pass the examinations.

Kirby said he is optimistic that student performance on the TAAS will improve over time as teachers, students, parents and others grow accustomed to the more difficult test. Unlike the TEAMS test, which focused on a narrow set of instructional objectives, the TAAS is a broader examination which measures students' mastery of a larger group of the essential elements of the curriculum.

"I am confident that as we continue to administer the TAAS test, school districts will broaden instruction to encompass all of the essential elements of the curriculum and results will improve accordingly over time," Kirby said.

Performance on the TAAS is one measure the state will use when accrediting school districts and assigning performance ratings to individual school campuses.

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NEW WORKERS' COMP REGULATIONS DUE OUT SOON... THEY TAKE EFFECT JANUARY 1, 1991

Dear Commissioner Nabers, Is it true that the new Workers' Compensation law requires employers to do workplace drug testing? If so, how are we supposed to go about it? And, when are the rest of the rules going to be available?

J.H.
Corpus Christi

Dear J.H., The new Workers' Compensation statute requires employers to have a "drug prevention program," but it does not specifically mention drug testing. The Workers' Compensation Commission is in the process of promulgating rules which will more clearly define what is involved in a drug prevention program and these should be available before the first of the year. All other rules must be publicized by then as well.

I would also remind you that the Texas Employment Commission doesn't oversee Workers' Compensation issues. The agency that regulates this law is the Workers' Compensation Commission. You might want to contact them for the new rules that will apply to employers. Their phone number is 1-800-252-7031.

Dear Commissioner Nabers, I am 57 years old and plan to retire when I am 62. I have the feeling lately that my employer is trying to squeeze me out to make room for younger people in the office. It seems to me that the more



COMMISSIONER
Mary Scott Nabers

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responsible tasks are being delegated to others and that I have less and less of real substance to do. I have also noticed that the president of the company ignores me while talking to other employees about business matters.

Our business fluctuates considerably in activity, and I am concerned that if there were a reduction in force I would be the first to be dismissed even though I have been given no reason to believe that my work is unsatisfactory. I received raises steadily up until the last five years, and no one in the office has gotten a raise in that time due to the economy.

Do I have any recourse at this time? Should I be documenting what goes on at work? What is your advice?

D.B.
Houston

Dear D.B., My first recommendation to you is to talk frankly with your employer about your concerns. Your employer may not be aware that you feel slighted. Or, perhaps

your employer is not happy with your work but has found it easier to ignore the situation than to deal with it...just as you yourself have to this point. It is also possible that your employer thinks you might welcome less work or responsibility. There is considerable opportunity for misunderstanding in this situation and you will not know what is going on until you take steps to open the lines of communication.

The law does not protect any of us from hurt feelings, but it does prohibit adverse employment action being taken against an employee strictly because of the employee's age. If you were to lose your job or suffer a demotion or reduction in pay solely because of your age, then you would have a strong equal employment opportunity complaint. Such complaints may be filed through your nearest equal employment opportunity office or through the Texas Commission on Human Rights.

Commissioner Mary Scott Nabers represents all Texas employers. If you have any questions you want answered, please write Commissioner Nabers at: TEXAS BUSINESS TODAY, 614 TEC Building, 15th and Congress, Austin, Tx., 78778.

Billions Available For Home Repair Grants And Subsidized Loans

Most homeowners are unaware that regardless of their income there are Federal, state and local programs that will help them repair and remodel their homes.

Government at all levels recognizes that neighborhoods are the basis of life in our country. When a neighborhood deteriorates, many things happen both physically and socially. Homes that are shabby seem to make a neighborhood more attractive to crime and criminals. An area in decline is like a spreading cancer. As homes become rundown and in need of maintenance, the residents lose their desire to keep up the neighborhood. Streets become receptacles for trash, schools lower their standards and very quickly the selling price of homes in the area drops sharply. This accelerates the cycle of degeneration.

In order to keep and maintain the nation's housing and neighborhoods, government at all levels have programs to give homeowners money (that does not have to be repaid) for repairs or to lend them money at below market levels or at no interest. In many areas utility companies will do energy conservation work free or at low cost and in other places will lend homeowners money at no interest to pay the contractor of their choice for the necessary work. In addition, there are tax incentives to promote efficient energy use.

These programs are not restricted to low-income people, slum areas or urban neighborhoods. Owners of single or multi-family dwellings are eligible for some programs regardless of income. Most of the loans offer long terms and low payments.

Some of the other home improvements covered under these programs are: attic and wall insulation, new windows, outerwall siding, security doors and locks, window guards, sidewalks and masonry work, bathrooms and kitchens, electrical and plumbing work, new roofs, gutters or downspouts.

Consumer Education Research Center, a national non-profit con-

sumer group, has just published CONSUMERS GUIDE TO HOME REPAIR GRANTS AND SUBSIDIZED LOANS, a 208-page book which lists over 8,500 sources of loans and grant programs offered by all levels of government, utility companies and others, typical programs offered and eligibility requirements. Form letters for inquiries to these loan and grant sources are included as well as detailed instructions on determining your debt-to-income ratio for eligibility. The book can be obtained for \$10.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling from CERC GRANTS, 350 Scotland Road, Orange, NJ 07050 or by calling 1-800-USA-0121 for credit card order.

Robert L. Berko of CERC, tells us, "Some of these programs have no income ceiling and others allow income of as much as \$100,000 per year. There are even programs for which tenants are eligible and many allow loans or give grants to poor credit risks. One of the authors of this book received a \$5,000 N.J. grant plus a \$4,000 interest free loan from his utility company. In many areas, people with disabilities can receive grants to pay for needed repairs such as access ramps and widening of doorways."

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