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Services For Lindsey Tyson Held Dec. 1 In Brownwood

Lindsey Wilson Tyson, 87, a Callahan County native died Tuesday, November 29, 1994 in Brownwood Regional Hos-

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 1, in Cross Plains at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel. Dr. Travis Summerlin, pastor of Cross Plains First United Methodist Church, and Dr. Jim O'Dell, pastor of First Baptist Church of Cross Plains, officiated. Jack Scott, a longtime friend, spoke of personal remembrances. Burial was in Greenleaf Cemetery in Brownwood.

Lindsey Tyson was born in Dressy, Texas, on February 16, 1907. His parents, the late Dr. John and Alabama Hay Tyson, and the family moved to Cross Plains about 1912, where Dr. Tyson practiced medicine.

Mr. Tyson attended the Cross Plains School and Howard Payne College

Christmas Concert **December 8**

All levels of band students at Cross Plains I.S.D. will be performing in the Christmas Concert Thursday, December 8, at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Andy Taylor will be directing each age

Admission is free to the public and everyone is invited to attend. Get in the holiday spirit as the bands play seasonal selections.

Evangelist To Speak At Jesus Holiness Missionary Church December 8-11

John Meador, an evangelist from Georgia, invites everyone to attend a Holy Ghost Meeting December 8-11 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Jesus Holiness Missionary Church, 701 Avenue E and 2nd Street, Cross Plains.

Jesus Christ is healing the sick. Hebrews Chapter 13, Verse 8. Everyone is welcome. If further information is needed, call 817-725-6782.

Project Pride Meeting Date Changed

Project Pride's regular monthly meeting will be held on Thursday evening December 15 instead of Tuesday. Meeting time is 6:00 p.m. at the Howard

House on West Highway 36.

Open House At Methodist Parsonage

By BETTY EDWARDS

Dr. Travis Summerlin will host open house Sunday, December 11, from 3-5 p.m. at the Methodist Parsonage on the Cisco Highway just at the city limits sign. Dr. Summerlin will have his Civil War and Star Trek memorabilia on display and refreshments will be served. All citizens of Cross Plains are invited to attend and get to know Dr. Summerlin.



LINDSEY WILSON TYSON

In early adult years, Mr. Tyson was employed by the ice company and later was employed as Cross Plains City Secretary. Later he was co-owner and then the sole owner of the Cross Plains Frozen Food Locker, a total of 25 years.

Lindsey Wilson Tyson married Frances Elizabeth Evans on June 30, 1951, in Coggin Avenue Baptist church in Brownwood. They made their home in Cross Plains, where Frances continued her teaching career. Lindsey was retired. Mr. Tyson joined the Cross Plains Methodist Church at age 17 and continued to hold membership there. He was a member of the Administrative Board of the church and had served as church treasurer and on various committees.

Lindsey served on the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department for 25 years, and had served on the Cross Plains Housing Authority. He was a member of the Cross Plains City Council for a number of years.

Lindsey Tyson is survived by his wife, Frances, of Cross Plains; mother-in-law, Mrs. H.L. (Josephine) Evans of Brownwood; five nephews, Grady Tyson of El Paso, Roger Williams of Cross Plains, Dr. David Hardt of Waco, Dr. John Tyson of Denison and Robert (Bob) Tyson of Coleman; seven nieces, Mrs. Hollis (Burdette) Galloway of Brownwood, Ida Nell Williams of Austin, Mrs. R.G. (Emma Jane) Hopson of Dumas, Mrs. T.J. (Sue) Lovett of Lubbock, Mrs. Al (Gail) Burries of New Bern, North Carolina, Mrs. Edwin (Glenda) Wheeler and Mrs. Gary (Janet) of Rosanky Locklin of Fort Worth; a niece-in-law, Betty Evans Young of Austin; a nephewin-law, Joe D. Evans of Garland; special family friends, Herbert and Helen Martin of Brownwood and several great and great-great nieces and nephews.

Lindsey was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, Grady Tyson, John J. Tyson, Clovis Tyson and Norman Tyson also, three sisters, Mrs. W.B. (Carrie) Williams, Mrs. Henry (Leo Marion) Hardt and Mrs. Garrette (Elizabeth) Fomby.

Pallbearers were Jack Scott, Roy Stambaugh, Alvin Hutchins, Jimmielce Payne, Franzel Odom, Tommie Harris, Richard (Dick) Wagner and O.B. Edmondson. Honorary pallbearers were Hub Freeman, Roger Watson, Hollis Shults, Dick Grider, Charlie Grider, R.E. Spencer, Greg Turner and James Ni-

Memorials may be made to Cross Plains First United Methodist Church, Cross Plains Fire Department, Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service or to the organization of your choice.

Colonial Oaks Services

First United Methodist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, December 11, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

Cowboy Christmas "A Trail Of Memories"

Editor

The first week of Cowboy Christmas Village in our community was a huge success. Downtown Cross Plains was packed with cars and people anticipating the festivities. One resident remarked that it reminded him of the Saturday night activities of the 1950's when everyone came to town to visit and

The Kiwanis tree lighting and drawing for gifts and cash was a big hit with the crowd, as usual. Christmas music provided by the Buffalo Band added that special holiday atmosphere. The little ones were more interested in the arrival of the big guy in red on the fire truck. A Academy and then Howard Payne Col- long line of children anxiously waited their turn to tell Santa their wishes.

Everyone was anticipating the tour through the Cowboy Christmas Village located upstairs at Higginbotham's. Deana Strickland headed the committee for this year's decorating and it was full of scenes from the old west and a variety of interesting items. Dr. Travis Summerlin, the local Methodist pastor, researched Cross Plains' history and gave informing tours about our city's

Dressed in his Confederate officer's uniform, Dr. Summerlin gave this brief history on Cross Plains. The first settlers began arriving in the vicinity of Cross Plains during the decade following the Civil War. The area was an open plain covered with luscious sedge grass. There was abundant game consisting of deer, antelope, quail, wild turkeys and occasionally some bears.

The main problem faced by early settlers was maintaining a sufficient supply of bread. The closest mill was located at Sipe Springs, where corn could be taken and ground into meal. All of the first homes in Cross Plains were made of logs from the Post-oak timber that was prevalent in the region. Usually neighbors assisted each other in the erection of home.

Life was simple. The early settlers did not have much money but found that they had little use for it as there was nothing to spend it on. Practically everything for the table was raised at home. Corn and wheat were taken to mill at Sipe Springs and made into meal and flour. Some sugar and coffee were all that were needed to complete the typical family's table fare. There was abundant wild game for meat and if a change was desired, one of the settlers would slaughter a beef and share it with his neighbors. When another beef was needed, another settler would repeat the performance. In those days, beef was never sold, but was kept for the family's

Many of the first settlers were former Confederate soldiers who had moved west to make a new beginning after the war. Some were of German ancestry. The first community was located on the banks of Turkey Creek. It was named Schleicher after Gustave Schleicher, a native of Germany who served as a representative from Texas in the United States Congress. He died in Washington on January 10, 1879 while serving in Congress. The community's name was soon changed to Cross Plains because of the important military roads that crossed one another in the vicinity. These roads were used to transport troops and supplies to the forts in the region which were built to protect the settlers from hostile Comanche and Apache Indians. These forts included Fort Griffin in Albany, Camp Colorado near Burkett, Fort Phantom Hill, Camp Cooper, Fort Concho in San Angelo and Fort Mason. Prior to the Civil War, Robert E. Lee

was stationed for a time at Camp Colorado while he was in command of the Second United States Cavalry and once camped on the banks of Turkey Creek,



BARBER SHOP/BLACKSMITH SCENE—Jeremy Tennison (left) is the

blacksmith, Joe Coppinger the cus-

tomer, and Tim Dillard the barber.



DEFINITELY A

CHRISTMAS — Santa and a little COWBOY

where the roadside park is located out-

side of Cross Plains on Highway 36. Callahan County was created from Bexar, Travis, and Bosque Counties in 1858 and was named for James Hughes Callahan, a hero of the Texas Revolution. A native of Marion, Georgia, Callahan came to Texas with the Georgia Battalion of volunteers in 1835 to aid Texas in its struggle for independence from Mexico. He fought in the Battle of Coleto Creek and was captured along with other members of Colonel James Fannin's command when Fannin surrendered to Mexican troops under the command of General Urrea. Callahan was among the handful of men who managed to escape the ensuing massacred Goliad where Santa Anna ordered the execution of Fannin and his men. After the war, Callahan served as a Lieutenant of Texas Rangers. He is buried in the State Cemetery in Austin.

The first white men to visit Cross Plains were members of the Chihuahua Expedition of 1839. This expedition was organized by the state of Chihuahua in Mexico for the purpose of mapping a trade route between Mexico and the United States that was shorter than the Santa Fe Trail. It was led by a physician from Missouri, Dr. H.C. Connelly and several other Texas Frontiersmen.

There was no permanent settlement until after the Civil War because of the danger of hostile Indians. The first Post Office opened in 1877 with William Mattox as postmaster. An 1880 census placed the population at 25. The first organized church was the Méthodist Church organized in 1882. Methodists had been meeting for Sunday School since 1875 in the log cabin home of

Charles Neeb on Turkey Creek. The

Baptist, Presbyterian and Church of

Christ Churches were formally orga-

nized a few years later.

The first general store was the trading post established by Jim Bloodworth in 1869, shortly after the end of the great Comanche Wars. His store was in the vicinity of Cross Cut and handled evcrything from fancy calico to grindstones to groceries.

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Buffalo Bucks Gift Certificates On Sale Now!!

The Cross Plains Chamber of Com-Bucks.

Buffalo Bucks are gift certificates that individuals can buy to give as gifts for any occasion. Buffalo Bucks can be especially convenient for Christmas. Chamber President, Steve Mack said, "These gift certificates are similar to those that you can purchase at the mall in Abilene, which can be spent at any store in the mall."

Individuals can buy Buffalo Bucks at Citizens State Bank in any denomination. The gift certificates can then be exchanged by the recipient at participating Cross Plains Merchants for merchandise. Buffalo Bucks will make the perfect

stocking stuffer or gift for any occasion. merce is sponsoring a new gift certificate
The program was derived from an idea program in Cross Plains called Buffalo presented to the Chamber by Cross Plains residents, Keith and Leslie Lawrence to encourage Cross Plains citizens to shop at home first.

Participating merchants include: Bryan's Variety, Citizens State Bank, Collum's Restaurant, Dairy Queen, Flip's Choice, Higginbotham's, Jack's Place, Johnson's Dry Goods, Koenigs Family Store, Lakeway Grocery, Lawrence Farm and Ranch Supply, Neal Drug, The Back Room, Tim's Floral and Village Market.

Other merchants not listed here who wish to participate should contact Steve Mack at 725-6141 to sign up.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Filings Donald B. Hitzelburger, DWI. Jeffrey F. Gordon, DWI.

Charged with TPC (theft of property by check): Kimberly Chapman, Lora Mosley, Dinah Hawkins.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Motions filed to revoke probations: Abel Lopez, Eliadora D. Keith.

Motions dismissed to revoke probations: Pamela Lee Crutchfield. Shannon J. Taylor.

Terri Bushnell, TPC, \$10 fine \$173 court costs.

NEW VEHICLES

Paula Curran, Breckenridge, Chev

Eric Levelle, Abilene, Ply Van.

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> **42nd DISTRICT COURT** John Weeks presiding

> > Civil Filings

Divorces filed: Castro, Gilberto & Alice. Sasin, Frank, Jr., & Shirley Ann, and in the interest of minor child.

Civil Minutes

McCorry, Susan & Gerald Wayne, case dismissed.

Felony Minutes

Robert R. Anguish, probation revoked; sentenced to 10 years at TDC.

USDA Commodities Distributed

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will Social Security Taxes distribute USDA commodities in Callahan county at Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center December 15, from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m.; at Putnam City Hall, De- If you hire someone to work in your receive refunds for their share of the cember 14, from 11:30 to 12:00 noon; at Clyde Senior Center December 14, from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. and at Baird VFW December 14, from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

C.T.O., Inc. has no control over what times are available or the quantity of the items. All locations of all commodities depends on the availability of food items from USDA.

All eligible persons will receive emergency food assistance without regard to race, color, age, national origin, political beliefs, religion or handicap. Shut-ins are encouraged to designate an authorized representative to pick up for them.

Volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated to help with this much needed program.

(817) 725-7629

Phone 725-6574

OBITUARY

New Law Makes It Easier To

Pay Household Workers'

LULA VEE OWSLEY

COPPERAS COVE-Lula Vee Owsley, 62, formerly of Abilene, died Friday, December 2, 1994, in a local hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in Southern Hills Baptist Church with the Rev. Kelly W. Boggs officiating. Graveside services were held Tuesday in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, directed by Crawford-Bowers-Brown Funeral Home.

Mrs. Owsley was born in Big Spring and graduated from Abilene High School in 1951. She married Bud Owsley in 1954 in Abilene and moved to Copperas cove in 1962 where she worked as a school secretary. She was past president of the Central Texas Exchange Club and was a member of Copperas Cove Exchange Club. She taught Sunday school in the High School department at Southern Hills Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, of Copperas Cove; three sons, Dr. Frank Owsley of Auburn, Alabama, the Rev. Imogene Johnson of Abilene and Pat grandchildren.

home, a new law makes it easier for you

to pay Social Security taxes on their

earning. You'll have fewer forms to

complete and, depending on how much

you employ outside help, you may pay

Workers covered by this change in the

law are maids, child care providers, gar-

deners, and others who provide house-

they're exempt from coverage unless

household employment is their main

Instead of filing a report each calendar

quarter and paying tax on the earnings of

workers who are paid \$50 or more during

the quarter, no tax will be due unless the

carnings are at least \$1,000 for the full

year. The tax rate is unchanged, with you

and your employee each paying 7.65

The new tax threshold is effective with

1994 earnings. In those cases where a

household worker was paid less than

\$1,000, the employer and employee will

percent of the gross earnings.

occupation.

hold services. If they are under age 18,5

Owsley of Columbus, Georgia; and six grandchildren.

DALTON LEHEW

SPUR-Dalton Lehew, 73, relative of three Big Country residents, died Friday, December 2, 1994, at his home.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday in Spur First Baptist Church with the Revs. Genoa Goad and Norris Taylor officiating. Burial was in Spur Memorial Cemetery, directed by Campbell Funeral

Mr. Lehew was born in Dudley and moved to Dickens County in 1941. He married Betty Miller in 1942 in Fort Worth and served with the 48th Corps of Engineers during World War II. He was a stock farmer and owned a John Deere dealership in Spur. He was also a Foremost Milk distributor. He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Spur Masonic Lodge and Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include his wife, of Spur; one son, Dennis Lehew of Coppell; one daughter, Lynna Shirk of Gainsville, Bill Owsley of Jacksboro and Charlie Florida; his mother Opal Crow of Owsley of San Antonio; one daughter, Abilene; three sisters, Pat Gibbs of Cathy Permenter of Bangs; one brother, Abilene, Thelda Jefferies of Houston and Bill Barlow of Colorado City; two sisters, Velda Stephens of Snyder; and seven

taxes. However, the employee won't lose

For 1994, you should file the quarterly

form 942 to report Social Security and

Federal unemployment tax obligations.

Beginning in 1995, you will be required

to report those taxes on your own Federal

tax return (Form 1040). During 1995-

1997, you can pay the employment taxes

in a lump sum when you file your tax

return, without incurring a late penalty.

Beginning in 1998, you will need to sat-

isfy the tax obligation by increasing your

quarterly tax payments or increasing the

If you have questions about the changes

in reporting household employment and

paying the Social Security taxes on

household employment, contact your

local Social Security office, or call our

toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213. Our

busiest times are early in the week and

early in the month. So, if your questions

can wait, it's best to call at other times.

tax withholding on your own wages.

his or her Social Security credits.

Rowden News

By MRS. N.V. GIBBS

Saturday, a most beautiful day of this week. Christmas will soon be here, with all of the activity of shopping, cleaning house and most of all to remember whose birthday the 25th will be.

Edna Dye attended the Big Country Art club Christmas luncheon at the Cypress

Street restaurant in Abilene Saturday. Dorothy Reynolds sang at the funeral of J.T. Beggs in Cross Plains Monday.

Ginni and Ralph Trevey and their daughter Jennifer of Snyder visited Joyce Odom last Sunday.

Visitors of Gene and Vernie Belle Mauldin were their grandson, Russell and his wife De Dee and baby who was named Danielle Elizabeth of Huntsville.

Joyce Odom attended funerals of J.T. Beggs and Lindsey Tyson in Cross Plains this week.

Company in the homes of Claribel Gibbs and Joyce Odom were their sister and brother Nell and Gandy Gunderson of McAllen. The group was in Clyde Wednesday to visit an Aunt, Jewel Swanzy. Also the group took a drive through Spring Gap to see all the colored leaves. Some were brought home and put in anti-freeze for curing. The will hod their colors for months.

Company of Joyce Odom Saturday morning were Bud and Dixie Ingram of Cross Plains and June Binion of Abilene who was enroute to Austin to visit kin

TMCN Goes To Work

Cross Plains is a member of the Texas dates about regional activities, success Midwest Community Network. This new organization is committed to creating ways for community representatives will provide sources of information for to work together for the good of the community representative.

held at Hardin-Simmons University De- to make a regional effort effective. cember 1, delegates from 29 towns par- Numbers is the name of the game to be ticipated in planning program strategies heard in Austin and to accomplish the for 1995. Steve Mack attended from many programs that will benefit the re-Cross Plains.

west to join forces and strengthen the NETWORK call 915-893-2099.

1) Legislative Concerns will be addressed through a "Texas Midwest Day" held in Austin where representatives from the region can collectively visit legislators about regional needs. Visits

will also be scheduled at state agencies. 2) Network Luncheons are planned for January and April when mayors, city administrators, county judges and commissioners as well as chamber executives and officers and economic development representatives will be invited to visit about challenges and concerns in their respective communities. Success stories will also be shared.

3) Motivation for Volunteers is a major concern of TMCN since many towns depend completely on volunteers for special events and community services. Ways to assist and reward volunteers are being developed.

4) Workshops on a number of topics will be offered in the region to assist community leaders with information and "how to" methods. The first workshop planned for February will focus on the sales tax for economic development. More workshops will be planned for assisting non-profit organizations, NAFTA and how it affects this region, and developing community volunteers and leaders.

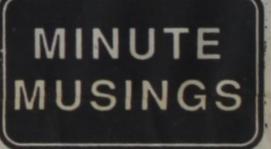
5) Marketing the region is essential for economic growth and job creation. Plans were made to develop a regional identity and encourage the use of "the Texas Midwest" phase. A regional map with information about each member town will be published and a regional calendar of events will be distributed to newspapers and chamber offices throughout the region.

6) Peer Review Teams will be organized and offer a free evaluation service to member towns for festivals, beautification programs and economic development projects.

7) Communications is the key to success for any organization or effort. Quarterly newsletters will be distributed to community representatives with upstories, legislative matters and economic development projects. A central office

8) Membership provides the base of During the TMCN Council meeting concerned citizens, businesses and towns

Eight committees moved into action to For more information about the plan ways for towns in the Texas Mid- TEXAS MIDWEST COMMUNITY



By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

One could not ask for a more beautiful morning. Here it is the first Monday in December. Services at First Baptist were beautiful. The church was beautifully decorated. Some dear ones spent a lot of time and effort to place all those colorful things in proper places. They are truly appreciated.

The Greg Turner family lighted the Bethlehem Candle. That is a beautiful effort in our Church--a time of personal prayers.

Betty Beggs is being a sweet, brave person since losing her dear one. I do pray the good Lord will help her to grow stronger as time heals her pains. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and Mark of Fort Worth visited her on Monday.

Sally Roady reported that she is somewhat improved. Bob visited his mother at the nursing home nearly every day. N.A. and Ghettie visited them this week. They talked on the telephone with Joe in Brownwood and with Cindy in Missouri.

The cole Tillotsons did not answer this morning. I hope to talk to them later.

Our long-time friend, Jimmy Lee Payne called me last week. He had recently seen a long-time friend of mine, Lavada McGowen. She told him that we had been friends for a good many years. I'm sure she once lived in the Necessity community where I was born and reared. I'm sure we went to school together in

Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship	
Church Training	6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship	7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service	7:00 p.m.
Dr. Jim H. O'Dell - Pastor	Tony Appuglies — MY Min. (817) 725-6530

CHURCH SERVICES

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 9TH & AVE. D **CROSS PLAINS** WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 A.M. BIBLE CLASS 10:30 A.M.

Rev. Henry Grubbs, Pastor Everyone Welcome

BELIEVER'S FELLOWSHIP

Inner-denominational - Evangelical EAST HIGHWAY 36 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. Evening Worship . Wednesday Night Family Bible Study . Bob Wallace, Pastor (817) 725-6607

Living Water Ministries

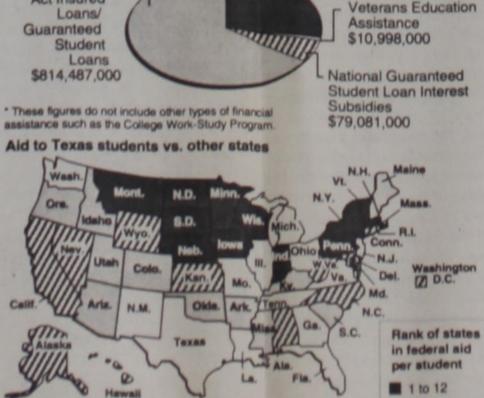
Evangelical - Non-Denominational Charismatic Hestoring And Equipping The Saints Meeting Temporarily in The Home Of T.W. and Colleen Anderson Sunday Morning 10:30 Thursday Evening 6:30 For Information Call (817) 725-6800 1-800-252-3629

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH Sth & Ave. D -> Cross Plains, Texas		
unday School	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	

Keeping an eye on Texas

Federal aid for Texas' college students

Students in Texas colleges and universities benefited from \$1.2 billion in federal support for loans and grants in the 1992-93 school year-the fifth highest total among the states. Federal spending on student grants and loans nationwide totaled \$24.7 billion in fiscal 1993. With a national average of \$1,712 per student, Texas ranked 30th of all states at an average of \$1,330 per student. Students in Indiana fared the best, with an average of \$12,145 per student.



Federal support for Texas students* In 1993, Texas received \$1.2 billion in federal higher education grant and loan aid Pell Grants Education \$344,152,000 Act Insured 13 to 25 SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, U.S. National Center for Education Statistics and U.S. Office of Management and Budget. 26 to 38 Z 39 to 51

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NEWS

Oil Completions

Callahan

Pitcock, Inc., Graham, completed No. 1 Pat Moore in the Cross Plains North (Upper Caddo) 5 miles north of Cross Plains. Spots 660 FSL and 1,855 FWL, GC&SF No. 1, A-824. Elevation 1,807 GL.

Daily flowing potential was 5 bbls. of 41-gravity oil, 150 mcf gas and 75 bbls. water through a 20/64-inch choke at 70 psi from perfs at 2,777-82. GOR 30,000:1. Total depth 3,954; plug back 3,945; top of pay 2,776; 4 1/2-inch casing set at plug back. Acidized with 2,500

Tops reported: Caddo 2,776; Duffer 3,697. Contractor: Duke Reynolds Drilling, Newcastle.

Wildcats

Callahan

Richard W. Thompson Inc., Plano, will drill a wildcat, No. 1 Snyder, a re-entry to 1,800 feet 6 miles west-southwest of Cross Plains on a 298-acre lease. Spots 2,067 FNL and 4,924 FEL, Section 189, John P. Carson, A-106.

Selected Scriptures

Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today and forever .. - Heb. 13:7-8

Paid Advertising — Irma Miller

Food Plaza 66

Weekly Deli Special

BARBECUE BEEF

SANDWICHES

Come On Down And Try Some!

In Saint Louis, Missouri, a man described by police as able to remove engines from

Volkswagon cars in fifteen to twenty minutes, made the mistake of selling one of the

"lifted" engines back to its real owner! The victim paid \$1,100 for the motor to replace the

one stolen from his car — only to discover that the serial numbers were the same. The

thief, a twenty-seven year old unemployed mechanic and former racing team member,

said he had stolen nine such motors from cars in downtown parking garages — before

finally caught. He was stealing them to support a \$50 a day heroin habit — and that was

I wonder if the pusher who started him on the habit warned him of what that so-called

"harmless little experiment" would lead to? Maybe, young person, this one's ill-fate - his

bad experience — will "breakthru" to you — anyone one of you — who might be dooped

into believing that "it won't hurt anything to try it just this once." That's a terrible lie and trap!

The wise person will listen to the words of Paul which "breakthru" to real happiness and

wisdom: "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your

mind..." Romans 12:2a. "Everybody's doing it"? If so, that's all the more reason for you

Come with us to a "renewing of our minds" — that we may prove what is that good and

about ten years ago prices!

and me to steer clear!

BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher

Cross Plains Church of Christ

433 N. Main At 12th

(817) 725-6117

Cross Plains. Just prior to employment with the Agency, Kara graduated from Abilene's American Commercial College with the medical office specialist certification. Commencing work with the Holmes Agency as a Life and Health Application OTrainee in March 1994, Kara was advanced to OAdministrative Assistant in August 1994 with advancement to OSupervisor in November. The David Holmes Agency started as a full time Christian low cost insurance and stewardship service in 1984 with its first full time employee in 1985. Licensed in 49 states and currently representing over 40 life and health companies, the Agency has grown to 4 full time and 2 part time persons and is the largest single-agent agency in America. David Holmes salutes Kara Lamb for her diligence, persistence and service. Kara is a true example of what's good in Texas and America.



Lisa Johnston and Jody Prestriedge are the proud parents of a baby girl, Josey Michelle Johnston, born Tuesday, November 22, 1994 at 12:35 a.m. She weighed in at 5 pounds 15 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Jparents are Clovie Johnston of Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Johnston of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Prestriedge of Dallas.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johnston and Ludie Norris both of Cross Plains.

Aunts and Uncles are Donna and Tommy Ames of Odessa; Tracy Erwin and Lori Erwin of Abilene; Patrick Prestriedge of Dallas and Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Prestriedge of Florida.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

DECEMBER 9 Bill Gunn Rhonda (Jackson) Francy Bud McCorkle Larry Bishop Gerald Holcomb Mrs. Troy Crockett J. A. Kirkham Darlene Dillard Gaye Archer Dale Hunt Leslie D. Arrowood John Ingram Bruce Region Mrs. A. H. Ringhoffer Mrs. J. D. Goble

Glenn Merrill

DECEMBER 10 Jimmy McCowen **Debbie Edington** Roger Wilson Jessie (Foster) Sparks Jimmy Gilmore Joe Dean Nunn **Burnice Webster** Mickie (Archer) Holmans Wayne Newton **James LeMay** Sherri Lynn Bassett

DECEMBER 11 Tommy Cavanaugh Waggonner Jill (Richardson) Betts Terry (Dillard) Nixon O. B. Edmondson Pee Wee Pickett Stuart Sowell Mrs. Eldon McIntosh **Peggy Purvis** Mrs. C. B. Shelton **Andrew Mark Young** Mrs. Byron Richardson Kay Horan Noah Sealy Johnson Shirley (Freeman) Bassett

DECEMBER 12 Steve Franke Mrs. Exa Williams Mrs. Jack Lacy K. C. Westerman

Mrs. Vernon Falkner Reggie Pillans Michael Allen Johnson

DECEMBER 13 Stanley Rex Dickie Kathy Nigar Tony bland David Browning **Danny Hutton** Wanetta Parson Mrs. Log Thompson Joe Everett Burkett Ken Horan Jeanie Gilland **Dustin Anthony Morales**

DECEMBER 14 Alma King Bobbie Jo Grissom Bobby Jack McCowen Calvin Champion Gene Thomas Hallie Harltey Sherry Ann Wilson J. T. Merry Robert Grissom Rosie Parker Mrs. Essie V. Alexander Mrs. Clovis Simons Micky Lapata

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PERSONAL

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Enjoying Thanksgiving luncheon in the home of Marvin and Kay Mosley were, their son Rex Mosley, their grandson Zachary Mosley both of Lubbock, Marvin's parents, Marie and Jack Sykes of Fort Worth, Earl Mosley of Cross Plains, Kay Mosley's uncle, Wayne Dennis of this city and his daughter Vickie Stevens of Mesquite, Texas.

On Friday afternoon Ms. Stevens, Zachary Mosley, Kay and Marvin accompanied Rex Mosley on an antique browsing expedition to Baird. After a fun afternoon of shopping, Rex treated his parents and nephew Zachary out to dinner at Jack's Place.

Saturday, the Mosley's, Marvin, Kay, Rex and Zachary joined Vickie Stevens and her father Wayne Dennis for a lunch featuring Mexican food at Mr. Dennis' home. Dorothy Mosley stopped by for a short visit. Rex and Zachary Mosley then departed for Lubbock.

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After a Saturday afternoon spent Christmas shopping Vickie Stevens and Kay Mosley accompanied Wayne Dennis and Marvin Mosley to the Echo Mu-

A lunch of chili with all the condiments and a Christmas tree trimming at the home of Wayne Dennis is planned for Saturday, December 10.



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Letter to the Class of 1969-

I realize this letter is a little late in being sent, but I would like to personally thank the Class of 1969 for such an enjoyable reunion during the homecoming in October.

I would like to commend Greg Williams and the rest of those involved in doing such a good job coordinating the reunion. It was just superb!

Those of you who chose not to come or could not come really missed a good time. Most of the class I recognized, but a few I did not, but did after a few minutes

of speaking to them. It had been 15 years since I had been to a homecoming and 7 years since I had been home. A lot of things had changed, and a lot of things were still the same. I guess you never completely lose your

When I first arrived in Cross Plains for the homecoming I drove out to my grandparents place in Pioneer, and, at first, I had to turn around and drive out because the memories of the old place really upset me, but after a while I was able to go out there and "muddle" around. It really was fine to look at the place and relive the old memories. I especially remember my grandmother (Annie Laurie Alexander) coming out the front door of that old place and greeting me when I would return home for a visit. I guess that was the saddest part of the whole trip. The old place looks pretty good, although

and separate from the house now. I also went and visited the lot where the old Cromer Hotel used to be. The sidewalks and the old oak trees are still there, although it is still somewhat unrecognizable. This is the hotel that my other grandmother owned for so many years. This is where I had a lot of my friends over and we had such good times.

some of the rocks are beginning to crack

I really had a good time visiting my old classmates, but I guess the biggest surprise was seeing David (White) Ingram. He was my best friend for the duration of my years at Cross Plains. He moved to Abilene our freshman year and I had not seen him in 28 years. I would not have recognized him.

Again, I would like to let the Class of 1969 know that I had a very memorable time, and a big THANK YOU to May and D.P. Jones for putting up with me and my wife for a few days. Also, it was great seeing my other aunt and uncle, James and Jean Alexander. It had been a long time (7 years) since I had seen them. So maybe I will see all of your again at the next homecoming.

Sincerely Danny Mike Fritchlee

Former Resident **Improving**

Joe Dodds is back at his home in Arlington. In February of 1994 Joe had a bone marrow transplant for non-Hodgeskins Lymphoma. Joe is now in remission. He is improving daily. He is now able to do limited activity. He has

check ups in Fort Worth once a week and goes to M.D. Anderson in Houston once a month for follow-ups. Joe has had a long hard battle and been very courageous. His family keeps praying for his continued improvement. Joe wants to thank everyone for your cards, calls and prayers.

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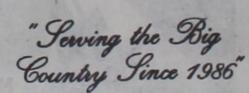
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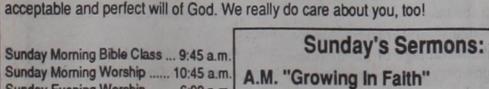
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BUFFS WIN EVANT TOURNEY- McLean, Porcious Potter, Matt Reed, Boyd; Jeremy Barnett (back, from left), David Reed, Manager (front, with tro- Brock Walker, Connie Dillard, Jared Sean Jones, Benji Blackstock and Terry

Varsity Boys Win **Evant Tournament**

By COACH BILL BOYD

Evant last week and swept the competi- Buffalo Dome. Matt Reed had one of his tion to win the tournament for the second best games ever in a Buffalo uniform consecutive year. Three years ago we with 25 points, 21 rebounds, 4 steals and reached the finals in this tournament but 2 assists. Donnie Dillard had 13 points due to weather complications did not and 14 rebounds. Jeremy Barnett was play the final game so this was basically also in double figures with 11 points. a 3-peat for the Buff's.

59-54. The Buffs were led by Matt Reed with 20 points and 15 rebounds. Brock Walker followed with 17 points and 7 assists. Clutch free throw shooting down the stretch sealed this victory for Cross Plains.

In the second round the Buffaloes played their most complete game of the hear defeating Hico 72-43. Brock Walker had a career high 34 point including 6 of 8 from the three point arc. Matt Reed followed with 16 points. Donnie Dillard led all rebounds with 17 and Porcious Potter came off the bench to give a needed spark.

The finals of this tournament saw Cross Plains face the traditionally tough Barlett Bears. After four up and down the floor quarters the Buffs claimed the tournament championship with a hard fought 70-62 victory. Brock Walker, Matt Reed and Jeremy Barnett all scored in double figures. Sean Jones came off of the bench. and played a key role in this victory. Brock Walker for the second consecutive year was named Most Valuable Player of the tournament and Matt Reed was an

SCHOOL **LUNCH MENU**

DEC. 12 - DEC. 16 (Subject to Change)

BREAKFAST

MONDAY - 12 - Oatmeal, toast, grape juice, and milk.

TUESDAY - 13 - Bacon, egg, biscuit - jelly, orange juice, and milk. WEDNESDAY - 14 - Choice of dry

cereal, toast, grape juice, and milk. THURSDAY - 15 - Donuts, orange juice, and milk.

FRIDAY - 16 - Cinnamon toast, grape juice, and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY - 12 - Com Dogs, fries, pickle spears, peach halves, and milk. TUESDAY - 13 - Fiesta Salad (Chili beans, lettuce, tomato, cheese, chips,

WEDNESDAY - 14 - Turkey, gravy, dressing, green beans, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, fruit salad, rolls,

and rice), pineapple slice, and milk.

and milk. THURSDAY - 15 - Burrito with chili and cheese, spinach, crackers, pear

halves, and milk.

FRIDAY - 16 - Sandwich with salad, pickles, chips, cookie, and milk.

All-Tournament Selection.

This brings our season record to 4 wins On Thursday, the tournament opened and 2 losses heading into this weeks play. with Cross Plains stepping by Jonesboro We played so much better this week but we still have room for improvement. Thanks to the dedicated fans who made the long trip to Evant.

> The Cross Plains junior varsity upped their season record to 5 wins and 1 loss

with a 53-48 win over Evant J.V. Bay This was a big week for the Buffs who Kirkham led all scores with 19 and Lee The Cross Plains Buffaloes traveled to on Tuesday, defeated Evant 75-59 in the Wayne Wheeler with 7. Wheeler also had 16 rebounds in this game, Jarad Richards sealed this victory down the stretch with four clutch free throws in a

As I told the boys at Monday's workout. We got off to a slow start this season on the varsity level. But, "rumors of our death have been greatly exaggerated". I'm not saying we are going to win every game but when people play Cross Plains they need to be ready to play four hard quarters of basketball. Thanks for your

Junior High Girls Basketball

played Gorman at Cross Plains This was the 3rd district game of the season. The 7th grade record is 1-2 while the 8th grade

The 7th grade girls won their 1st game of the season last Monday night. They defeated Gorman 7th grade girls 22 - 11. Scoring 6 points each were Vanessa Webb, Tabitha Clark and Jennifer Brame. Scoring 2 points each were Amber Taff and Nikki Bushnell. Also playing a role in the victory was Stephanie Childress, Christy Beaty, Mary Jo Nickerson, Brandi Richey, Ann

Last Monday, the 7th and 8th grade girls Stephenson, Brittany Bennett and Melinda Richardson.

The 8th grade girls defeated Gorman 43 - 25. Scoring for the 8th grade was Ashley Beggs and Mindy Mitchell with 12 points each, Laura Ricci with 11 points, Amanda Dillard 4 points, Jolena Fleming and Liz McCarty each scored 2

Also playing a part in the win was Robin Harris, JaDena Nolan, Brandi Hutton, Whitney Giles, Jessica Childers and LaJean Wyatt. The girls play Eula Monday, December 5. On December 10, the 8th grade girls play in a tournament in Santa Anna.

Gifted And Talented Nominations Accepted

Cross Plains Independent School District offers a program for intellectually gifted students who display potential in academic and creative-productive thinking skills areas. Each year the district identifies students who would benefit from being in such a program. The

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COLONIAL OAKS NURSING HOME

By LINDA EDINGTON **Activity Director**

Everyone has been gathering around the Christmas tree this past week. The Garden Club has been bring a tree for us each year. This year they have added an extra special touch to it. Barbara and Bob Powell took pictures of each resident and made tree ornaments. Everyone has been trying to find themselves on it. This was a very cute idea and made a beautiful tree. A warm welcome to our new resident

Ruth Pickett. Our appreciation to the Kiwanis Club for the Candy and fruit, to Frances Wolf for the cake and doughnuts, to Merillyn Golson for the peanut patties, to Barbara Dillard for the bananas, to Pete Golson for the chips and to the 4-H group for the

greeting cards. Beverly Brown from Cottonwood, Vera Malson from Hermit, California and Teri Brown from Houston visited with Mildred Ford.

Gordon and Coleen Strawn from Cisco visited Leila Montgomery.

Barbara Robinson from Vernon and Kim Bolckler from Los Angeles, California visited Lucille Stone.

Alvin Hutchins visited with Allie Dickson, Mary Keele and Hub Freeman. Ruthie Lawrence from Abilene and Alice Roby visited Mary Keele.

Gene and Betty Williams from Irving visited Evie Williams. Bill Strickland was here visiting ev-

erybody. Activities during the week:

Monday: Bingo winners were: Bertha Wheeler, Zenovia Strickland (2), Dorothy Thomas, Ressa Glover, Allie Dickson (2), Mildred Ford, A.B. Rowan and Mary Keele. Exercise class.

Tuesday: Art class. Popcorn. Domi-

Wednesday: Sing-a-long with Ruby McCowen, Clyde Linker and Frankie Smith. Exercise class.

Thursday: Bingo winners were: Mary Keele, Lucille Stone, Gertie Powell, Elsie Porter (3), Sylvia Smith, Dorothy Thomas, Midge McCall and Suma Dill. Domino and Ski-Bo games.

Friday: Sit-down-basketball. Afternoon singing with Sister Ruby and Bobby Jack McCowen. Dominoes.

Sunday: First United Methodist Church

Joy, Peace and Togetherness to you and yours this Holiday Season.

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True Recipient Of Meritorious Service Award

DALLAS - S.M. True, Jr. of Plainview, president of the Texas Farm Bureau from 1982 through 1993, has been chosen winner of the prestigious Meritorious Service Award. That presentation was made her this week by TFB President Bob Stallman during the 61st TFB conven-

The award is considered the most prestigious accolade given to a TFB member who has contributed outstanding service to F arm Bureau over several years. The award requires a unanimous vote of the 13-member TFB Board of Directors.

True, a cotton, grain sorghum, wheat and cattle produce on his farm near Plainview, has served in every capacity both on the county Farm Bureau and state Farm Bureau level since becoming a Farm Bureau member in the early 1950s.

In 1975, True was elected to the TFB Board of Directors from District 2, representing counties on the High Plains. He was chosen by his fellow board members to the position of secretary-treasurer for two years and followed tat office with the election as vice president again by board members.

True was elected by voting delegates at the 1982 TFB convention here in Dallas as president of the state's largest general farm organization. He was elected to the American Farm Bureau Federation Board of Directors in 1985, a position he held until his retirement as TFB president in November 1993 at San Antonio.

True has long been a member of the Cotton Board and is past president of the Texas Beef Industry Council. His expertise has made him in constant demand through the years by governors, university chancellors, agricultural commissioners, among other public and private

A native of Goree (Knox County), True and his family moved to Hale County in 1933. He graduated from Plainview High School and attended Texas Tech University prior to his service in the Navy during World War II as a carrier-based night fighter pilot.

True is recipient of several prestigious agricultural awards, including the Knapp-Porter Award and the John E. Hutchison Extension Visionary Award, both bestowed upon him by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

He has been chosen a "Man of the Year in Agriculture" by the Texas County Agents Association and also as an honorary FFA Lone Star Farmer.

True is married to the former Anna Jean Roberts of Plainview. Their son, David, daughter-in-law Linda and grandchildren, Blaine and Larissa, reside in Lubbock. The Trues are active members of the Plainview First Methodist Church.

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School For County Officials Set

In response to a need by area County Commissioners to fulfill requirements for continuing education hours each year, the West Central Texas Council of Governments has again scheduled a School for County Officials. The event will be conducted on December 13, in the West Central Texas Council of Government offices, 1025 East North 10th Street at Judge Ely Boulevard in Abilene. The session will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude by 4:00 p.m. There is a \$30 registration fee to cover materials, certification of hours and lunch, which will be provided on site. The school will be directed primarily toward County Commissioners, yet County Judges will find the session beneficial and are welcome to attend. The curriculum for the event was planned with assistance of the Honorable David N. Perdue, Knox County Judge, representing the West Central Texas council of Governments, and the Honorable Neil Fry, Taylor County Commissioner and Chairman of the Con-

sociation of Texas. Areas of both immediate and ongoing concern will be covered during the day. A major focus will be on heavy equipment safety and troubleshooting, and presenters with expertise in such areas will also discuss rural fire prevention concerns, the Open Meetings law, the role of the County Judge, and upcoming legislative issued facing counties.

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County Judges and Commissioners As-

Officials are encouraged by WCTCOG to take advantage of what promises to be an excellent training opportunity and occasion to build relationships with other county officials for sharing of resources in the future. For registration information, contact Jim Compton at WCTCOG, 915-672-8544.

You Bet Your Life: Adults Need Immunizations, Too

By DAVID R. SMITH, M.D. Commissioner of Health

Almost everyone will agree that children need to immunized against disease. But do you realize that up to 60 times more adults than children die from illnesses that can be prevented by vaccines?

Our commitment to immunizing children has drastically reduced the incidence of diseases such as diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, rubella, mumps-even measles. Polio has all but disappeared. Deaths from these childhood diseases are few-less than 500 a year in the U.S.

But vaccine-preventable diseases that more typically strike adults-such as influenza, pneumococcal infections and hepatitis B-related liver disease-kill up to 80,000 in this country annually.

Last year, pneumonia and influenza claimed the lives of 3,668 Texans. This combined category is a perennial among the state's top ten causes of death.

In fact, a recent report from the National Center for Health Statistics showed life expectancy in the U.S. declining last year, partly as a result of pncumonia and influenza. According to provisional data for 1993, life expectancy dipped 0.2 years from 1992 to 75.7 years. Flu epidemics also were responsible for the last life expectancy decline in 1980.

Despite these disease threats, few adults actually receive the recommended vaccines. An thousands-make that millions-literally bet their lives that they will not become one of next year's discase statistics.

The reasons vary-from a lack of understanding about disease risks to the scarcity of government programs and insurance policies to cover costs of adult immunizations. They are complicated by the fact that adults' risk of infectious

disease varies with age as well as lifestyle and other factors. But the facts

If you're 65 or older or if you have a chronic condition such as diabetes or heart, lung or kidney disease, you should see your doctor about a flu shot-every year before the start of flu season. You should also have had pneumococcal vaccine-but one dose should do for life.

Adults born after 1956 should have one dose of measles-mumps-rubella vaccine. College students, health care workers, some travellers and a few others-almost everybody in the case of a major measles outbreak-should get a second dose. And all adults should have the three-dose series of tetanus-diphtheria immunizations, plus a booster every ten yearsmake that five years if you suffer a substantial or deep puncture wound.

In addition, hepatitis B vaccinations are recommended for health care workers, persons receiving blood products or undergoing hemodialysis, heterosexuals with more than one partner, homosexual and bisexual men, residents and staff of institutions for the developmentally disabled and prisons, persons who inject street drugs and persons with household or sexual contact with hepatitis B carri-

As a newly appointed member of the National Vaccine Advisory Committee, I will advocate keeping adult immunization a national health priority. The committee recently made several farreaching recommendations-from educating health care providers to supporting research for new

vaccines—that should encourage more adults to take advantage of the diseaseprotecting powers of immunizations.

But, for today, you are ultimately responsible for doing the responsible, adult thing. If you're old enough to remember

Groucho's quiz show-the one with the duck who knew the secret work-you're old enough to be smart enough to get your shots. And even if you can't recall "You Bet Your Life," if you're old enough to gamble, you're old enough to know better than to risk something as precious as your

Christmas At Fort Griffin December 17

An old time 1870's Country Christmas will be held in the Fort Bakery at Fort Griffin State Park, December 17 from 1-4 p.m. Authentic dressed 1870's Cavalry and Civilians will gather with everyone around the Christmas tree and lead Christmas carols. Frontier refreshments along with coffee and hot cider will be served and the Garrison Ladies will decorate the old bakery in an 1870's theme, including candles, lanterns and wood burning fires.

Different speakers will tell stories of Fort Griffin and historic Shackelford county, recalling those frontier folks of yesteryear! In this modern day of 1994 we pause to remember and stand for one evening in the footprints of those courageous men and women who dared to settle this great Clear Fork country of

Bring a friend and be a part of this unique period of our heritage. The park is located 15 miles north of Albany on U.S. Highway 283. The Bakery is on the west side of the highway in the fort area.

Cowboy Christmas Village



Dillard (left) and Barbara Evans. FRONTIER HOME - Mariha

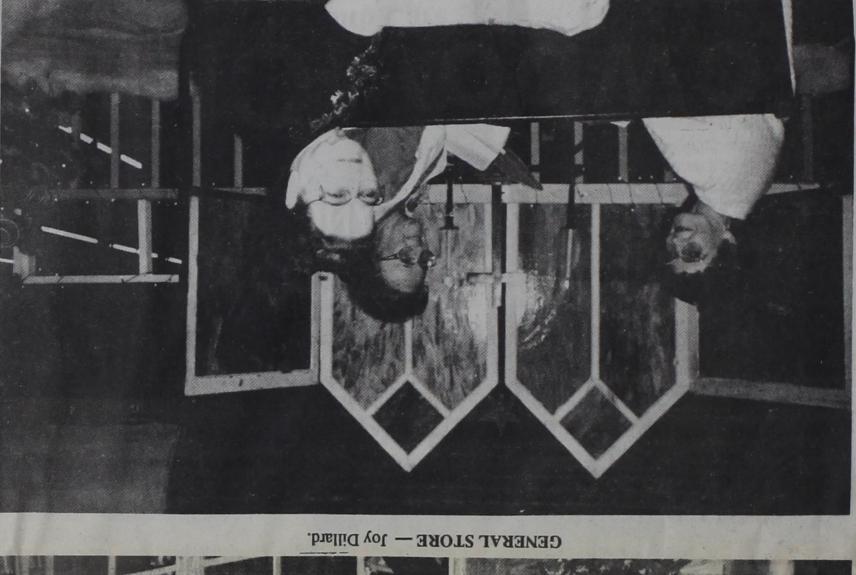


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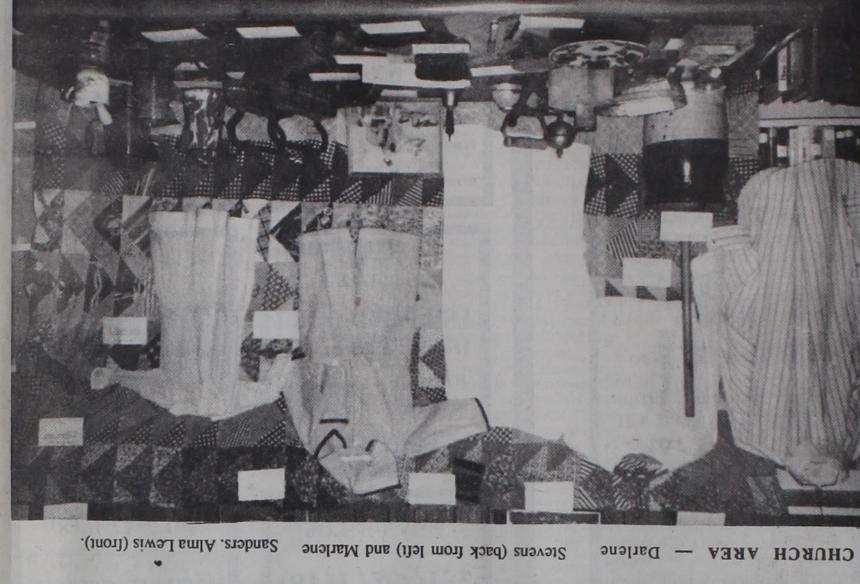


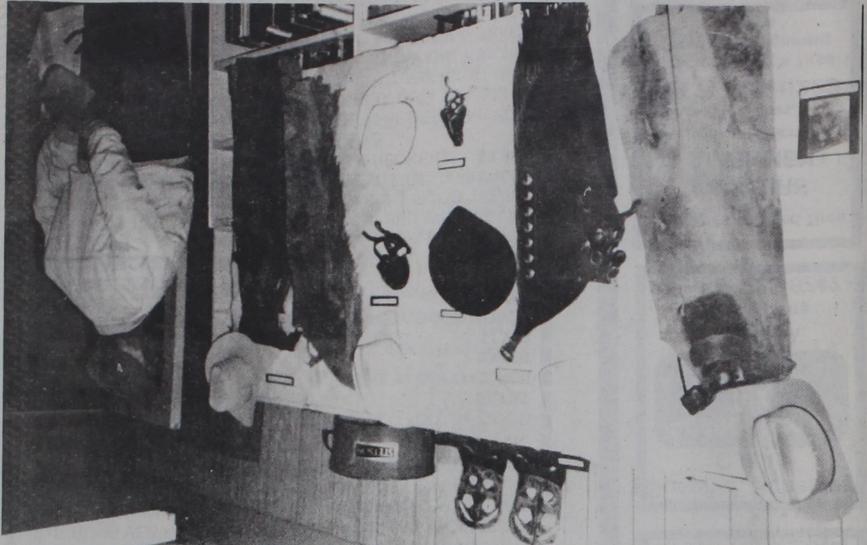


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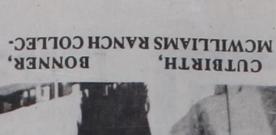


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All our love, The J.T. Beggs Family

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I also thank very kindly my dear friend Sue Martin who visited me from San Angelo, when I returned home. Also my sister Gladys Hillery from Prescott, Ar-

I thank you very kindly Bro. Jim for visiting me in the hospital and the second time told me, "you need to get out of

Thank you very kindly and may God richly bless you Bro. Jim. Addian Winfry

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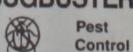
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Cowboy Christmas Village

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Higginbotham's was established in 1915 and is still in business in its original building. The first Higginbotham's was a dry goods store, a grocery store, hardware store and a funeral parlor all in one building. It also contained the biggest furniture store in the county. Caskets were kept upstairs and were taken to the family's home where neighbors would sit up in the parlor with the body on the night before the funeral.

The first organized business was the blacksmith shop of J.M. Wright. One of the most beloved blacksmiths was Hub Freeman, whose smithy was located on main street for many years.

One of the most colorful characters was an early barber named Bob Young. An ardent Democrat, he would refuse to cut the hair of anyone who was a Republican.

On June 11, 1912, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad came to town. This led to the removal of Cross Plains from Turkey Creek to its present location. Most of the brick buildings on Main Street were built at this time in anticipation of the railroad's arrival. At a celebration of the coming of the railroad \$70,000 worth of city lots were sold. The railroad and the oil boom of the 1920's brought phenomenal growth. A 1918 census showed 600 residents. At one point during the 1920's there were nearly 3,000 people living in Cross

Deana and her helpers reproduced a setting of the city of Cross Plains including the general store, the barber shop, blacksmith shop, train depot, a frontier home, the one room school, a church, cowboys by a campfire and a barnyard with live goats. All the areas were decorated with appropriate antiques for the various sections. Connie Kirkham furnished many antiques including a pie safe for the house and David Worley had an original gas cook stove once belonging to Neal Dillard. Deana's grandmother, Vera Wilson provided old photos of herself and her sister, Mae King (Lester King's mother) and their mother, Lou Elder Monsey.

Quilts displayed in the general store also belonged to Mrs. Wilson and were over 100 years old. Vicky Worley's great-grandmother, Winnie Casinder Ellon Chaney's dress was exhibited in the general store. Mrs. Chaney was born September 13, 1862 and died February 17, 1944. The dress is over 100 years old. Antique aprons and a sheet with crochet belong to Deana. The wooden Indian was provided by Dean Dillard, along with other items and preserved wild animals.

desk from the Robert E. Howard House and postal scales belonging to John Adams are in the train depot. Adams also provided other antique objects for the village. Clara Nell Spencer was also instrumental in adding to the collection of items for the display.

Old desks, wagon wheels, crocks, jugs, saddles, and many more items of historical value may be seen on the tour.

Scott Byrd of Cross Cut has been props director for movies for several years and was kind enough to lend store signs, a custom made saddle, handmade boots, a hitching post which he used in the mini series "Heaven and Hell" and a movie to be released "The Good Old Boys" starring Tommy Lee Jones, Sissy Spacek, Sam Sheppard, Wilford Brimley, and Larry Mahan as "Blue". A church pew from the television series "Substitute Wife" starring Farah Faucett was used at

the train depot for those awaiting the arrival of next iron horse. Willie Nelson purchased the remainder of the pews used in the series for his chapel located in his back yard. A three-section barn door from the series is also in the barn vard scene.

The stained glass windows in the church area were also supplied by Byrd and came from the Cross Cut Baptist Church which he is presently restoring for a studio, etc. The windows date back to 1908.

Original pews from the old Methodist Church were also used.

The windows from the Cross Cut School were used in the frontier house and school section adding local charm.

The backdrop scene of the train was painted by Marlene Sanders, Diane Hail and Calvin Champion. The background behind the windows of the general store were painted by Carol Atchley's art class at school. Other scenes are from previous years painted by Wanda Grable.

Each year more local citizens display their private collections and this year's group is most interesting. Don't miss these great exhibitions at the Cross Plains Public Library:

Susan McNeel, Cherished Cherubs; Dean and Vickie Dillard, Taxidermy: (fox, bob cats, armadillo and raccoon); Lauretta Bomar, Cookie Jars; Peggy Purvis, African items; Calvin Champion, Marilyn Monroe Mementos; Bob Pipes and H.T. Peevy, Antique Violins; Renee' Denny, Blue Glass; Clara Nell Spencer and Bay Kirkham, Western Collection and Pictures; Madeline Ligon, Western Art; Morris and Dorothy Odom, Horseshoe Nail Sculpture and Branding; The Fred Dills, Memorabilia of Suma Dill; Johnnie Bland, Plate Collection: Children of the American Frontier and Pictures; Jean McWilliams, Cutbirth-Bonner-McWilliams Ranch Items; Susan McNeel, Dolls; Clara Nell Spencer, Wood Carvings; Donnel Clark, Live Stock Show Badges; 1960-1986; Marie Stambaugh, Rattlers from "Toad Baucom" drive and Western Art; and Harold Strahan, Indian Artifacts.

If you didn't view all these wonderful and historical exhibits last weekend you have two more chances, Friday and Saturday, December 9 and 10 from 6:30

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Nov. 29 Kiwanis Club Meeting

wanis luncheon was Mr. Lee Harrison from Winters who gave a talk and video on a project known as "Christmas In April". Winters has adopted the project and several photos were shared with the group reflecting the work accomplished. The basic thrust of "Christmas in April" is to find well deserving citizens whose homes are in vital need of repair or updating. The work is accomplished through volunteer labor and material.

Guest speaker of the November 29 Ki- The video gave two examples of homes that were literally "transformed" in one day through the efforts of many volunteers whose "pay" is the thanks given them from the recipients. Mr. Harrison challenged Cross Plains to consider undertaking the program as a part of our community spirit activities.

> Richard and Jeanell Purvis were welcomed guest and potential members. You are invited to be a part of the Kiwanis and enjoy the benefits of helping others.

Pioneer This Week

By BARBARA POWELL

Last Tuesday, the Pioneer Quilting Club worked on Donna Pickett's sponsored Log Cabin and Juanita Harlow's Around the Word quilts. We will get those out of the frames this Tuesday. We won't quilt anymore until the first Tuesday in January. We take a break for the holidays. The club completed quilting 35

quilts in 1994. Let me tell you, that is a bunch of quilting. We are all pleased we

are getting caught up with our backlog. I spoke with Denise, Sharon Walker's daughter this morning. Denise does a wonderful job of cooking at the Homestead Cafe in Pioneer. She and Sharon are really pleased with the steady increase in business. They are extremely happy with the amount of return customers and new customers brought in by "word of mouth". They are now booking private Christmas parties for Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday nights. Again, we in the community are delighted that we have the convenience of a restaurant with really good food located practically next door.

Frankie Smith reported that the revival at the Pioneer Baptist Church was a real success. On Saturday, Frankie and Oliver visited with Aunt Ruby in Ranger and had lunch with a good friend Mary Botts in Eastland. Sunday afternoon Frankie and Jean Fore visited with Nell Fleming. They had a very good time.

Novella Barton visited with Betty Beggs on Saturday. Betty's son Rusty was still with her. Nell Fleming visited with Novella one day last week.

Earlene Burge's daughter Jessica and great-grand son Cameron have been spending some time with Earlene. They are doing repair work on the bathroom. Cameron, as you would expect, is busy helping. He loves to get in the glue.

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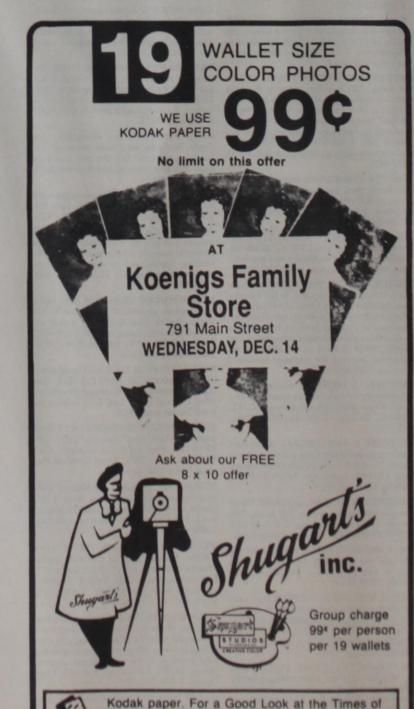
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