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Howard Museum Fundraiser Well Attended

ON THE CORNER

County Tax System Unfair

By DON TABOR
Publisher

I know it's the way it has always been, but the county-tax system is downright unfair to taxpayers who live inside city limits.

If you live in a \$50,000 house inside, say the Clyde or Cross Plains city limits, you pay about \$170 a year in county and county road taxes.

Your police protection is furnished by the city, your streets are furnished by the city, your water and sewer are furnished by the city, so it's hard to think of much you get from the county for that \$170.

Don't get me wrong, County Judge Mack Kniffen and the commissioners have done an outstanding job of managing things while holding costs down, especially in light of the fact that the state legislature keeps adding stuff that inevitably costs the counties money.

What I'm complaining about is the system itself. It was developed in the 19th century when there were very few towns over the state, and probably even fewer official city limits. Most people lived in rural areas and the current system was formed to give them roads and police protection.

Things are much different now. Most people live in towns and pay city fees and taxes for their services. What it boils down to is taxpayers inside city limits help pay for county services for taxpayers outside city limits.

I know this is not going to change and it's not anything I'm going to lose any sleep over.

However, the commissioners have a chance now to help out the folks in town.

On June 11, Clyde Major Don Haley, representing the Callahan County Fire Fighters Assn., requested nearly \$44,000 in county assistance for five of the county's volunteer fire departments.

Of that, over \$18,000 would go to the Clyde VFD, \$10,000 to Cross Plains, \$1,200 to Cottonwood, \$8,040 to Oplin, and \$6,500 to Eula.

And, even here not near all that money would go to help folks in town. Haley said that over 60 per cent of Clyde's fire calls are made outside the city limits.

To date no action has been taken on Haley's request.

The other day, a county official commented to me that commissioners might opt to take money they were going to set aside for pay raises for county employees and give it to the fire departments.

I don't know if he was joking when he made the remark, but he wasn't smiling.

Cheerleading Clinic Set

The 1990 High School Cheerleaders are having a Cheerleading Clinic for grades K-5. There will be two sessions during the second and third weeks of July (July 9-13 and July 16-20). The clinic will last from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

A release form will need to be signed before your child can participate.

On Friday night there will be an awards ceremony for the girls to show off what they have learned and they will receive their awards. The awards ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. Please come and enjoy the fun.



By VANDA KING
Editor

Local residents and Robert E. Howard fans attended an ice cream social to kick-off the museum fundraiser last Saturday evening.

The United States and Texas flags graced the entrance with greeters to direct your path through Howard's house.

The quilt which was prepared many months ago to raise funds was displayed on the wall with a sign explaining its origin.

Scrapbooks containing newspaper articles from the *Cross Plains Review* and the *Abilene Reporter-News* were on display. Also, a photo album of snapshots covering all the events leading up to this important day was on hand.

Robert E. Howard books were exhibited in other rooms, along with memorabilia. Actual photos of Howard hanging on the wall appeared right at home.

Seating was provided on the east side of the house for the large crowd. Margaret McNeel gave a brief introduction followed by a presentation by Betty Sue Adams. She told the unique story of finding a clay tortoise in the flower bed at the back of the house, which also serves as a bank. She stated that Project Pride had determined this particular find an omen of good fortune and, perhaps, a sign that funds would be available for this worthy project.

Highlights Of The Cross Plains Club Ranch Rodeo

The Cross Plains Roping Club Ranch Rodeo sported a large crowd and lots of excitement as the teams panned, mugged steers, branded, doctored, and milked wild cows. Wild steer saddling was the finale and everyone left with a chuckle as Clint

Cottonwood Baptist Church To Hold Vacation Bible School

Cottonwood Baptist Church will have Vacation Bible School July 9 through 13th, starting at 8:30 a.m.

Registration will be Saturday, July 7, at 9 a.m. with a hayride, games and lunch to follow.

All children, ages 4 to 12, are invited to come.

City Meeting Scheduled For July 10

The City of Cross Plains will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall, located at 906 Main Street.

Subjects to be discussed on the agenda are:

1. Don Clark to meet with City Council.
2. Pay bills.

Notice of the meeting was issued by Debbie Gosnell, City Manager.

FEATURED SPEAKER — Jack Scott presented an informative and entertaining talk.

LARGE CROWD — Interest was shown in the open house for the Robert E. Howard Museum last Saturday.

Mrs. McNeel then introduced the speaker, Jack Scott, the former editor and publisher of the *Cross Plains Review*, and also one of the best historians for the community.

Scott talked about Project Pride's past endeavors and hopes for the future. The fact that he knew Howard personally, along with many people in the audience, made his speech more touching. He explained the popularity Howard's works have gained and how well-known Cross Plains is due to this man's writings. As he stated, "He is our most well-known person."

Several flavors of homemade ice cream were enjoyed by everyone following the program.

Ethel Sims recently presented Project Pride a poem written by Robert E. Howard sometime near the date of his suicide. His father, Dr. Howard, gave the poem to Ethel and her late husband, Clyde Sims. The original envelope it was in has remained in a bank safety deposit box since 1936.

Being a friend of Howard, she felt that the poem should be a part of the

museum honoring his memory. The manila envelope containing the poem had this typewritten message from Dr. J.M. Howard:

This envelope contains the last poem ever written by Robert E. Howard. It also contains an Essay Medal that he won while in high school at Brownwood, May 26, 1923. This essay was written at the age of 17 and presented by his father to his esteemed friends, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde D. Sims, October 17, 1936.

The Tempter

By Robert E. Howard

Something tapped me on the shoulder,
Something whispered, "Come with me."
"Leave the world of men behind you,
"Come where care may never find you,
"Come and follow, let me bind you
"Where, in that dark, silent sea,
"Tempest of the world n'er rages;
"There to dream away the ages,
"Headless of Time's turning pages,
"Only come with me."

"Who are you?" I asked the phantom,
"I am Rest from Hate and Pride.
"I am friend to king and beggar,
"I am Alpha and Omega.
"I was councillor to Hagar,
"But men call me Suicide."
I was weary of tide breasting,
Weary of the world's behesting,
And I lusted for the resting
As a lover for his bride.

And my soul tugged at its moorings
And it whispered, "Set me free
"I am weary of this battle,
"Of this world of human cattle,
"All this dreary noise and prattle.
"This you owe to me."
Long I sat and long I pondered,
On the life that I had squandered
O'er the paths that I had wandered
Never free.

In a shadow panorama
Passed life's struggles and its fray.
And my soul tugged with new vigor,
Huger grew the phantom's figure,
As I slowly pressed the trigger,
Saw the world fade swift away.

Through the fogs old Time came striding,
Radiant clouds were 'bout me riding,
As my soul went gliding, gliding
From the shadows into day.

This envelope contains no doubt one of among the last poems ever written by Robert E. Howard. The title is the Tempter and it very fully to my mind reveals the state of mind he was in. I prize this above every poem he has written. When we found this poem the only way we had of knowing just how recently it had been typed was by comparing the imprints of the typewriter ribbon on the original and on a copy made, and by the newness of the paper.

Mrs. Sims' special gift to the Robert E. Howard Museum will certainly be treasured. Perhaps, more will recall connections with the Howard family and contribute to the establishment of the memorial. I only wish Mr. Howard could be present to share the glory and acceptance.

Craft And Bake Sale July 7

A Craft and Bake Sale will be held this Saturday, July 7, starting at 9 a.m., sponsored by the Multi-Purpose Center Quilters. This sale will feature a wide assortment of craft items and baked goods.

The drawing for the sampler quilt that has been on display at the Dairy Queen will be at 2 p.m. You may purchase an opportunity to win the quilt on the day of the drawing. (YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE PRESENT TO WIN.) Proceeds will be applied to needed repairs on the building.

Baseball Tournament Now Underway

A baseball tournament with 5 All-Star Little League teams from surrounding area towns is now underway. The teams that are participating in the tournament are Hico, Gorman, Rising Star, Bangs, and Cross Plains.

Two games were played Thursday night with one game scheduled tonight at 7 p.m. Saturday's games will commence at 8 a.m. and continue throughout the day.

Hamburgers will be cooked at the ball park Friday night and Saturday, along with other items available at the concession stand.

Food Needed — Can You Help?

The food pantry at the Multi-Purpose Center is very low on most items. Boxes have been placed in several businesses and churches in an effort to replenish this supply of food items. If you have items you would like to donate but can't get it to one of the collection places, please call

725-7698 and someone will come to your home.

This food is distributed to Callahan County families in need of assistance.

USDA Commodities Distributed Locally

Central Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute USDA Commodities in Callahan County at the following locations:

Baird: VFW — July 11, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Clyde: Senior Center — July 11, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Putnam: City Hall — July 11, 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Cross Plains: Multi-Purpose Center, July 12, 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Items available this month are: 3 butters, 1 peanut butter, 1 vegetarian bean, 1 honey, and 2 cans of pork.

CTO has no control over what items are available or the quantity of the items. Allocations of all commodities depends on the availability of food items from USDA.

All eligible persons will receive emergency food assistance without regard to race, sex, political beliefs, age, national origin, 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.

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COURTHOUSE NEWS

COURT REPORT
Mack Kniffen, presiding

Misdemeanor Filing

Thomas C. Bearden, theft of property by check.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Robin Weatherall, theft of property by check, \$10 fine \$105.50 court costs.

Michael Wade Christopher, DWI, \$350 fine \$126.50 court costs, 60 days in jail probated for 18 months.

Ronald Eugene Warner, Jr., DWI, \$350 fine \$126.50 court costs, 15 days in jail.

Dwight O. Northcutt, theft of property by check, \$10 fine \$126.50 court costs, \$35 capias.

Jimmy Lee Banks, Jr., motion to revoke probation dismissed.

Randy Lane, \$2000 bond forfeited, warrant for re-arrest issued.

Lora Lou Mosley, theft of property dismissed due to insufficient evidence.

Martin Cerda, reckless driving, \$200 fine \$126.50 court costs, 3 days in jail probated for 30 days.

Louis Larkin Beck, possession of marijuana, \$500 fine \$126.50 court costs, 30 days in jail probated for 6 months.

Jewel Bury, possession of marijuana, \$500 fine \$126.50 court costs, 30 days in jail probated for 6 months.

Shawn Gregory Bury, possession of marijuana, \$500 fine \$126.50 court costs, 30 days in jail probated for 6 months.

Bruce Allen Harber, theft, \$200 fine \$126.50 court costs, 60 days in jail probated for 6 months.

Probations discharged on the following: Jose Medina, Jose Alonso Ramirez, Leroy Rich, Gary George Scheid, Ronnie Tarro Cabus, Misty Douglass Miller.

Traffic cases dismissed: Louann F. Ehrhardt, Robert Louis Howard, Abner Dale Rouse, Gregory Scott Charlton, Doyle Robert Hewitt, Howard E. Burtshell, Bruce Charles Morris, Karol Ann Glatz, Robert Lee King II, Floyd Virgil Hughes, \$156.50 bond forfeited, Cody S. Smith, \$156.50 bond forfeited, Judith Wright Windler, \$100 administrative fee paid.

Kenneth Wayne Lyons, DWI, \$500 fine \$146.50 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 18 months.

Felix Lopez, \$750 bond forfeited, warrant for re-arrest issued.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Lesia Reena Nicholson, Clyde, Randy Ray Snow, Abilene.

NEW VEHICLES

Philpott Florists, Abilene, Chev. 2 dr.

Bobby and Becky Sheppard, Abilene, GMC Housecar.

Arthur and Susan Green, Abilene, Chev. Housecar.

Alma F. Goodson, Clyde, Chev. 2 dr.

42nd DISTRICT COURT
Don Lane, presiding

Civil Filings

Divorces filed:
Eppard, Robbi Harmon and Larry Allen.

Smith, Tommy Lynn and Laura Sue, and in the interest of minor child.

Civil Minutes

First National Bank, Baird, vs. Dickey C. Graves, \$4308.20 judgment for plaintiff.

First National Bank, Baird, vs. Gene Askew, \$20,029.72 judgment for plaintiff.

First National Bank, Baird, vs. Kathy Jarvis, \$5233.31 judgment for plaintiff.

First National Bank, Baird, vs. Jim Henson, \$1137.95 judgment for plaintiff.

First National Bank, Baird, vs. Tommy Boyd, \$1930.86 judgment for plaintiff.

First National Bank, Baird, vs. Terry R. Smith, \$15,019.99 judgment for plaintiff.

Clifton Keith Holden, \$22,850 in arrears on child support payments. Future payments to be withheld by employer with new scheduling of amounts.

Divorces granted:
Underwood, Roy Earl and Nancy Jean.

Strength, Elmo Jean and Phillip Wesley.

Arnold, Sheila and Wayne.

Frazier, Mindy Lee and John Alan. Daffron, Kenneth R. and Charlsie Alene.

Felony Indictment

William Charles Story, Jr., theft 2 counts.

Felony Minutes

Marlin Robert Shaw, forgery, \$500 fine \$82.50 court costs, 5 years at TDC probated for 5 years.

School Board Meeting July 10

A called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Cross Plains I.S.D. will be held on Tuesday, July 10, at 8 p.m. in the faculty room of the high school. An accreditation update is on the agenda.

Notice of the session was issued by M. Lee Thompson, Superintendent.

Local Teachers Attend Science Workshop

"Electric Principles for the Classroom" was the subject of the 1990 Science Teacher Workshop, sponsored by West Texas Utilities Company.

The workshop, held June 28 at WTU's Lytle Shores Auditorium in Abilene, was geared for 4th, 5th, and 6th grade science teachers. Teachers received hands on training in areas such as electrical circuits, electric motors, and electrical safety.

Attending from Cross Plains were Carol Morgan, Peggy Golson, and Dianna Stover.

OBITUARIES

Evelyn Monsey

Evelyn Monsey, 74, died Thursday, June 26, at a Brownwood hospital.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. at Cross Plains Cemetery with the Rev. Darrell Dossey officiating, directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Mrs. Monsey was born in Stamford and lived in Cross Plains most of her life. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

She was the widow of Vellie Monsey.

Survivors include a daughter, Lora Fae White of Rising Star; a stepdaughter, Betty Rusk of Fort Stockton; a son, Jackie Monsey of Cross Plains; a sister, Willie Mae Monsey of Blackwell; a brother, John Pannell of Dallas; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Green Berry 'G.B.' Ingram

CRANE — Services for Green Berry "G.B." Ingram, 90, of Crane were held at the Tabernacle Baptist Church with the Rev. Mike Evans officiating. Burial was in the Crane Cemetery.

Mr. Ingram died last Wednesday at Golden Manor Nursing Home.

He was born November 15, 1899 in Marlin Falls. He married Ophelia Shirley of Cottonwood on June 26, 1931 in Carlsbad, New Mexico. She preceded him in death on August 14, 1983.

Mr. Ingram was retired from Gulf Oil Company.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. D.D. "Lois" Johnson of Big Spring; two sons, Marvin Ingram of Odessa and Bill D. Ingram of Columbia, Md.; 12 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Richard W. Box Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Dollie Smith

BAIRD — Dollie Smith, 90, died Wednesday, June 27, at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 3 p.m. Thursday at Parker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. G.W. Weeks officiating. Burial was in Admiral Cemetery.

Miss Smith was born in Admiral and was a lifelong resident of Callahan County. She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church where she kept the nursery for 30 years.

Survivors include four sisters, Etta Summers of Admiral, and Dora Eubanks, Velma Shelton and Bessie Lambert, all of Baird; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Admiral Cemetery, c/o James Eubanks at First National Bank of Baird or to the donor's favorite charity.

Special City Council Meeting Held June 26

This was a public hearing for the purpose of providing the public with information concerning the application for the Texas Department of Commerce Community Development Program funds.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Ross Gerking. Members present were Ted McKeenan, Leon Nixon, and Edwin Weiss. Donald Beeler was absent from the meeting due to being out of town, and Betty Lewis was attending a regularly scheduled Red Cross meeting.

Meeting with the council for the public hearing were Jack and Kathryn Tunnell, Bill Young, Bob Harrell, Charles Boatright, and Jean Vaughn.

The mayor explained to the citizens that the council has made application for a grant this year and would like to have their ideas as to what some of the needs for our community are at this time.

Mrs. Tunnell asked if the council had any projects that were high priority at this time. City Manager, Debbie Gosnell, informed her of the need to replace the 10" sewer line that runs south from Highway 36 to the present sewer farm, and also stated that the council feels that this is the most important project that would benefit the entire city.

Mrs. Vaughn inquired about a grant for transportation to and from the Rehab Center in Abilene 2-3 times a week for herself and other low income residents. Gosnell informed her that the grants being applied for were for community wide projects, benefitting a majority of residents, especially low to moderate income.

Mr. Boatright expressed concern if the money was not all used on the project applied for, would we be able to keep the money and use it for some

other project. He was informed that any money not used for the project applied for would have to be returned to the department of commerce.

Mrs. Vaughn stated that when a project was available that was not already decided upon, to let her know and she would try to have some other ideas.

Mrs. Vaughn asked if other sewer lines could be repaired besides this project, and was informed that you must use the money for the project applied for.

The mayor asked the citizens if they had any other questions or statements and none were received. By general consent the grant will be for the 10" sewer line running to the sewer farm.

The mayor thanked everyone for coming and asked for their continued support.

By general consent the meeting adjourned.

Subject to approval at the July 10, 1990 Council Meeting.

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Only \$500 Needed, Thanks To You

The purchase of a pulse oxymeter will shortly be a reality. Thanks to the concerned Cross Plains and area people who have donated funds toward the project, the amount needed is only \$500.

Generous contributors this week include:

Mr. and Mrs. N.L. Dillard
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hanke
Gladys S. Smith
Fred and Recie Tatom
South Plains Gospel Music Assn.
Jack and Lovera Strickland
Alvin and Vondean Hutchins
Jerry and Charlene Metcalf
Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Paige
Mr. and Mrs. E.F. Odom
Clyde and Elizabeth Melton
Tom Melton
Ron and Cheryl Trenary
The Cross Plains E.M.S. is appreciative of your gifts.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

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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
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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 McCowan, Pastor
Phone 725-7265

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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
817 442-3784

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 Fortanberry, Pastor 725-8607

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

10TH & MAIN CROSS PLAINS (817) 725-7629

Sunday School.....9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Church Training.....6:00 p.m.
Evening Worship.....7:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

Michael Hale, Pastor-725-7556

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.....7:00 p.m.
Choir Practice Wednesdays.....8:30 p.m.
REV. SUSAN TRAMMELL, Pastor 725-7377

COTTONWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH

SERVICES: Sunday School "WHERE JESUS IS LORD".....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; Practices.....6:00 P.M.

Knox Waggoner, Pastor

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Located at 12th & Main Cross Plains Phone 725-4117

COME WORSHIP WITH US WHERE CHRIST IS HONORED

Sunday Morning Bible Class.....9:45 A.M. Wed. Morning

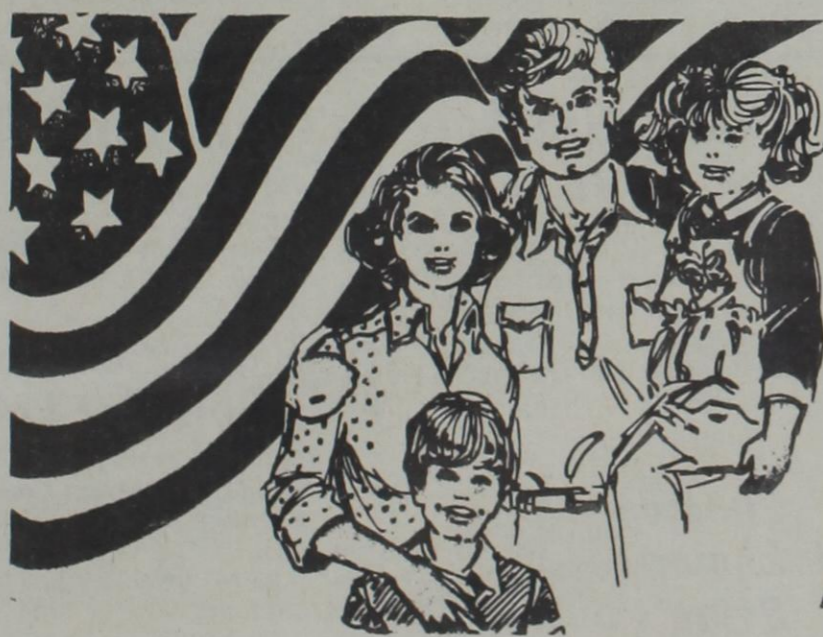
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:45 A.M. Ladies Bible Class

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

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Defensive Driving Course Offered At CJC

Cisco Junior College will offer a Defensive Driving Course from 6-10 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday, July 16 and 18.

The class will meet in Room 3 of Schaefer Hall. Fee for the course is \$20. Enrollment fees must be paid no later than 3 p.m. on July 16.

No late registration fees will be accepted. Students must attend both nights of class in order to receive a certificate of completion.

For more information, contact Charlotte Speegle at (817) 442-2567, extension 122.

Comptroller To Audit County Departments

The State Comptroller's office has begun a tax audit of several Callahan County departments after receiving a complaint that several tire purchases were made using the county's tax exempt status for vehicles owned by private citizens.

The audit stems from complaints that originated from a June 11 commissioners court meeting. Mrs. Mary Fry, wife of Putnam's mayor, met with commissioners questioning the purchasing of tires by the sheriff's office under the county's tax exempt status for vehicles that were not owned by the sheriff or the deputies.

Callahan County employees can make purchases of tires from Goodyear in Abilene using the

county's tax exemption only for county equipment.

The commissioners in 1985 passed an order requiring written permission from the sheriff or one of the commissioners before allowing anyone to purchase tires and charge them to the county. The order also stated that the tires must be paid by the county on the day of the purchase.

Apparently there had been several instances where tires were purchased by the sheriff's office and other departments for vehicles that were not owned by the county or its employees.

After receiving several taxpayer complaints, an auditor from the State Comptroller's office in Abilene visited the county courthouse in Baird Friday,

June 15. After a preliminary check of county records, the State Comptroller's office determined that a full scale audit was warranted of several Callahan County departments.

The Comptroller of Public Accounts issued the following statement on Tuesday, June 19: **Documentary evidence will be examined and the facts established in order to determine taxability in the various circumstances. At the conclusion of the audit field work, an audit report will be issued. Based on the findings in the audit, if necessary, collection action for any tax penalty and interest found to be due will be taken. If no tax is found to be due, it will be noted in the report and no further**

action on the part of the comptroller will be taken.

Callahan County Attorney Brad Harris said Monday, June 25, that the county is not performing an internal audit, that he will receive the State Comptroller's audit and its recommendation on what action, if any, should be taken. Harris said that the State Comptroller's office has the power to proceed with court action if it deems necessary. He also said that the information could be turned over to the county attorney's office to present to a grand jury if Harris sees it necessary. The State Comptroller's office can also only see that the total tire purchase tax payments, plus penalties and interest, be paid back to the state.

Harris said that he has met with the county officials involved in the audit, informing them to cooperate in the audit of the county's tire purchase records.

The county attorney said that the State Comptroller's office has not yet completed its audit.

THE PIONEER PATCHWORK

By IRMA MILLER

Pioneer area residents have indicated what the commerce and industry was, near the turn of the century. A 90-year-old lady said, "We grew maize and what they call hegar. We even grew broom corn, and all of our brooms were homemade brooms. We children worked with everything. We peeled apples and then we put them on a cloth on top of the porch...the roof. The heat would soon dry them. We dried peaches, apples, and pears." One 87-year-old lady said her father raised cotton, corn, and feed stuff, mostly. Cotton was the money crop, whereas, today it is peanuts.

It is indicated that farming and ranching were the main industries. Of course, there was building and transportation, by horse and wagon, buggy, stage, and by train after the track was laid about 1909. Teachers and students rode horseback to school.

By 1910 there was a general mercantile store (groceries, ready-made clothing, and cloth, hardware, and other items), a barber shop, a drug store with a fountain, a chili "joint", an ice cream parlor, and a wooden sidewalk and porch ran along in front of the buildings. There was a cotton gin and the railroad lay just north of the gin.

One resident built a house about 1905 with lumber hauled from Cisco. That resident was Lafayette King, father of Ethel Maybelle King, who came here from Grayson County, Texas in 1876. He bought land in Brown County for \$2 an acre, and in 1906 moved to a farm 2 miles south of the town of Pioneer. Ethel, born in 1897, grew up there and went to school in Pioneer. She went to college in 1915 and became a schoolteacher, teaching first at Macedonia in 1919 for \$40 a month. She paid \$12.50 a month for room and board. She taught at Liberty, Cross Cut, and then Pioneer. She was married to Richard Coleman Brown in 1921.

Ethel Brown remembered that there used to be a cemetery work day scheduled and some folk in the community would work hoeing weeds and cleaning up the grounds. Before the fence was built in 1948, cows would graze and walk across the cemetery, and there were many briars, vines, weeds, and shrubs so that the graves were hard to find.

In the "Gay Nineties" at least three local Pioneer boys went to college in Georgetown: Ed Curry, Dr. Dill, and Rev. Ed Anderson. In 1905 and 1906, and perhaps longer, Tandy Walker taught in the Pioneer School, a two-story frame building with large windows situated on the hill north of the present Highway 36. Mr. Ed Curry and Mr. Lafayette King were two of the trustees. The U.S. Census shows that all 8-year-old children were in school, up to age 19.

In 1909, the first automobile frightened a horse which ran away with a buggy with Miss Fannie Irwin in it. The owner of the automobile was Ed Curry, and Miss Irwin was the schoolteacher.

Some of the work done by children in those days, when there were always chores to be done on the farm, was hoeing, harvesting, peeling, cutting and drying fruit, churning butter, cutting wood for cooking and for heating in winter, feeding chickens, picking and shelling peas, and riding a horse on errands. Still, there was time for fun and fellowship — running, ball games, tagging games, dominoes and checkers, the telling of stories, reciting of poetry, and singing of songs and hymns, picnics and ice cream socials. Urban children played musical instruments and joined clubs, held singings, and participated in dramas.

Pauline and Don Newsome of Exeter, California visited with Billie and H.A. Freeman last week. They had a supper for their guests, who also included Bob Roady and wife, Sallie, and Nettie Roady.

Novilia and C.T. Barton's son and wife, Cecil and Mary Barton of Waco, have been to see them five or six times lately to take them to Scott and White for tests for Cleo. He has not yet had his eye surgery, which was anticipated for the month of June. One thing is positive: no cancer has shown up.

Eight quilting ladies were treated to a lovely, perfectly delicious Friday morning brunch by Lottie Sooter. It was served in Lottie's pretty back yard in picnic style. Judging from part of the conversation, diets were overly violated!

Irma and John Miller went to Dallas Sunday to church and to visit with their children.

Frankie Smith and Jean Fore went to Ranger Saturday to visit Mr. Perry Vinson, Frankie's father.

Jewel Foster's grandson, Mark Foster of Abilene and his family, in-

vited Jewel to go to Oklahoma with them to visit Mark's father, Jewel's son, Billy Wayne Foster. They spent the weekend there. Margie Seamore of Brownwood visited with Jewel last week.

Lottie Sooter's children, Don and Fran Sooter of Abilene, visited Lottie Sunday.

June 8-15, Laverne and Cowan Hutton worked with the church at Bremond. This past week on Tuesday morning, Laverne and her mother, Mrs. Ella Dean, were business visitors in Eastland and had lunch there. In the afternoon Laverne visited with Sandra Crockett in Cross Plains. She had had surgery. Friday, Laverne and her husband, Cowan, visited with Jill Winters of Carbon, who also had had surgery. Laverne considers this an ordinary week and not a greatly newsworthy one.

SENIOR CITIZENS STATS

By FRANCES RONE

Last Thursday, several Senior Citizens traveled to Albany by van to attend the Fandangle. They enjoyed sightseeing before viewing the parade.

After eating supper, they went out to the Prairie Theatre. They reported having a very good time and had a chance to wear and show off their new Cross Plains Senior Citizens vests.

Each weekday is an enjoyable time for Seniors to meet at the center and visit, play games, sing and eat lunch together.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Melvin Placke
Mark Hill
Deby Banks
Brenda Hutchins
Evelyn Harris
Brandi Monsey

JULY 7

Danny Adams
Carrie Elaine Childers
Robbie H. Eppard
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JULY 8

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JULY 9

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JULY 10

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JULY 11

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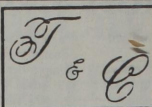


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By MRS. N.V. GIBBS

It would be nice if we had some of last winter's icy cold northers to mix with this 100 degree weather going in to this July. Electric bills that arrived this week have jumped considerably due to the refrigerators and deep freezers using more kilowatts than the bill was for the month of May.

Also in with the bill was an idea for a 4th of July celebration. Food was hamburgers, potato salad, and homemade ice cream that was frozen in an electric ice cream freezer. When ice cream was made back in the 20's, 30's and 40's, it was made from fresh gathered eggs from the hen house and fresh milk from the cow, vanilla, sugar and pinch of salt. Fill the freezer can, pack with ice and salt and take turns turning the crank. Sometimes there was a need for a person to sit on the freezer. Nothing was better than a country freezer of ice cream.

Don and Maryana Harrell and daughter, Leigh, drove to Austin Sunday where they visited the Andrew Griffin family and Don took care of business.

Dorothy Reynolds visited and delivered church tapes to members of the Clyde Cherry Heights Baptist Church. She saw Mrs. Mattie Faircloth and Velma Key and Mr. and Mr. W.H. Bryson this week.

Lee and Jean Jernigan of Lake Proctor visited in the Tony Steele home last Saturday.

Visitors of Emma Johnson and Lizzie Burks this week were Leona Gary and Bobbie Burks. Emma reported grasshoppers were plentiful at their place.

Jennifer Jones of Cottonwood visited Connie Steele during the week.

Vernie Belle Mauldin had a birthday this week and was honored with a cooked meal brought in by Irene Masters and her grandson, Bryan Clifton of Snyder, and Roland and Faye Mauldin and son, Kenneth of Denton Valley.

Robert and Dorothy Watson attended a wedding in Coleman of her nephew, James Lee Needham of Hempstead and Jana Briskell of Coleman. Their own son, Brad and his fiance', Michal Holmes, announced their wedding scheduled for next June in the Cross Plains Review.

Joyce Odom and this writer attended the wedding of Sharon Walker and Troy Harris in Cross Plains Saturday

afternoon. All of the Tommie Harris family attended the wedding. The couple will live in Stephenville where Troy is employed.

Robert, Dorothy, Cody and Wyatt Watson drove to Sadler Friday to visit an uncle, Wayne Dossey. On the way home they stopped to buy guineas to help keep down the grasshoppers. The guineas will soon be big enough to lower the number of grasshoppers.

Callahan Co. 4-H District Horse Show Winners Named

Eleven Callahan County 4-H'ers participated in the West Central District Horse Show held in Abilene on June 25.

Richard LeMay of Eula was high-point time event horseman of the show winning a first in the Stake Race, 6th in Barrels and 6th in the Registered Mare class.

Mendy Chambers of Clyde won the Western Pleasure Class and was 4th in the Registered Gelding Class. Tessa Davis of Eula was 5th in Showmanship, 8th in the Registered Mare Class and 4th in Western Pleasure.

Kami Hargrove of Cross Plains won first in Pole Bending, 4th in Barrels and second in Breakaway Roping.

Jennifer Wheeler also of Cross Plains was second in the Pole Bending, 10th in the Barrel Racing. Lee Wayne Wheeler was 5th in Grade Geldings and 6th in the Stake Race.

Koy Young of Clyde was 4th in the Registered Mare Class. Jody Gerngross of Baird was 7th in the Registered Gelding Class and 3rd in Calf Roping.

Sara Underwood of Eula was 8th in the Pole Bending and first in Grade Mare Class.

Others participating in the District Show were: John Estrella and Susan LeMay. Many of these 4-H'ers will be participating in the State 4-H Horse Show in July.

Service Organization To Hold Garage/Bake Sale Aug. 4

By DORA SMITH

The local service organization, Alpha Rho Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, has a special Summer Project planned to raise funds for civic, charity, and educational needs.

A gigantic garage and bake sale event will transpire on August 4, beginning at 8 a.m. at Joyce McCoy's carport, located at 1083 Ave. E.

A special feature will be the chance to win a "Dessert of the Month" package. The winner will receive a different dessert once a month for a year! Chances are \$1 each and may be purchased from any sorority member and at the August 4 sale. The winner will be announced in September, and will begin enjoying the prize during that month.

All proceeds will be used locally for the many services and needs that this group supports.

Twenty-four members will be joining together to make this Summer Project a super one! Contributions from others will be graciously accepted. For more information, call 725-6658. Don't miss out on your chance to contribute to the community as well as have lots of fun at this summer extravaganza!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To whom it may concern:

You should be proud to know that your officer, Don Griffith, is blessed with such qualities as politeness, kindness, and understanding. I'm sure that he must be an outstanding officer. I was impressed!

Thanks
Amanda Waggoner
303 Shalimar Dr.
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The City received this note from Ms. Amanda Waggoner from Clyde and was pleased to know that other people felt the same about "our" officer as we do. Don has done an exceptional job since being hired and we have all the confidence that he will continue to do so.

City Hall
Debbie Gosnell

Dear Editor:

On June 21, I cast the toughest vote in my 12 years as the elected representative for the 17th District of Texas. In response to the Supreme Court's ruling that burning the American flag is protected by the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, the U.S. House of Representatives decisively voted to respect the court's decision and did not amend the Bill of Rights. I voted for the Bill of Rights and against a constitutional amendment, and would like to take this opportunity to discuss my vote.

The reason this vote was so tough is because it makes me very angry when I see anyone, especially an American, exhibiting disrespect for our great nation. No adjectives are adequate to capture the temperature-raising, blood-pounding rage I feel when I think of a flag being burned.

Regardless of my emotions toward those who would defile the flag, I believe that the U.S. Constitution protects those few individuals who in their demented way must express their contempt for the government that gives them those rights. Conservative Justice Anthony Kennedy stated it best when he wrote, "It is poignant but fundamental that the flag protects those who hold it in contempt."

I know that some people do not agree with the position I have taken on this issue, and that some will call my position un-American or un-patriotic. I disagree, but I respect their right to their elected representative. That is a right which is uniquely American because of the Bill of Rights.

I deeply respect and am indebted to the thousands of men and women who have sacrificed their lives defending America's gleaming shores from oppression, intolerance, and ignorance. Did they die protecting the flag? If they did, was it for a piece of cloth or for what that cloth symbolized to them? Did they not die to ensure that their children and their children's children would live in a free land protected by the Bill of Rights?

This is not an attempt to apologize or make an excuse for my vote against amending the constitution for the flag. I believe that the position I have taken is the correct one, and I believe it is the position the majority of my constituents have taken after reflecting on what the flag and, even more importantly, the Bill of Rights means to us all.

Sincerely yours,
Charles W. Stenholm
Member of Congress

Cross Plains Roping Club Buckle Run Schedule

The Annual Buckle Run for Cross Plains Roping Club members will begin on Saturday, July 7, at 7:30 p.m. It will run July 7, 14, 21, and 28th. Contestants must compete 3 out of 4 nights to be eligible for buckles and prizes.

Age groups will be 8 and under, 9-12, and 13-19 for boys and girls. Age 20 and over contestants may run exhibition, but no prizes will be awarded.

Membership dues are \$25 for the first year and \$15 per year the next four years. Dues must be paid before the Buckle Run on Saturday, July 7. You may pay your dues at the arena that night. For more information call (817) 725-7458 or (817) 725-7195.

The concession stand will be open with cold drinks and snacks.



Both flies and frogs have been known to catch athlete's foot.

Junior Rodeo Set July 25-28 In Brady

West Texas Boys Ranch will present the 4th annual Stan Guffey Memorial Junior Rodeo July 25-28, in Brady, Texas. Rodeo performances will be held nightly at 7:30 p.m. at the Curtiss Stroup Arena located west of Brady off Highway 87.

Billed as the "Superbowl of the Nation," the rodeo offers events for Pee Wees, age 10 and under; Juniors, ages 11-14; and Seniors, ages 15-19.

Events will include barrel racing, pole bending, steer riding, calf roping, bronc riding, chute dogging, team roping and more.

A total of 27 saddles will be awarded including one for each event winner, six all-around saddles and two team roping saddles. Fifty percent of all entry fees will be jackpotted.

Over 1200 juniors from across Texas and from six states competed in the 1989 Guffey Rodeo.

Proceeds from the gate and concessions will benefit West Texas Boys Ranch, a working ranch providing care for some 40 homeless, neglected or about-to-get-in-trouble boys. The Ranch, located 17 miles west of San Angelo, has served over 1200 boys from 100 counties in Texas since 1947.

Rodeo producer is Lester Meier Rodeo Company. For information and entry forms, contact Curtiss Stroup at (915) 597-2743.

WHERE TO WRITE

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George Bush, President-elect of the United States, The White House, Washington, D.C. 20000.

Lloyd Bentsen, U.S. Senator, Room 703, Hart Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

Phil Gramm, U.S. Senator, Room 370, Russell Building, Washington, D.C. 20510.

Charles Stenholm, Congressman, 17th Texas District, 1226 Longworth Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Marvin Leath, Congressman, 11th Texas District, 336 Cannon Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Bill Sarpalus, Congressman, 13th Texas District, 1427 Longworth Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.

Austin

Bill Clements, Governor, Room 200, State Capitol, Austin, TX 78711.

Bill Hobby, Lieutenant Governor, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711.

Gib Lewis, Speaker of the House, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78769.

Temple Dickson, State Senator, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711. (Or Box 638, Sweetwater, TX 79556.)

Steve Carriker, State Senator, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711.

Bob Glasgow, State Senator, P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711.

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Bob Hunter, State Representative, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78769. (Or ACU Station, Box 7842, Abilene, TX 79699.)

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Troy Fraser, State Representative, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78769.

Robert Junell, State Representative, P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78769.

AARP NEWS

By ELVA MAY WOODY

The AARP meeting opened with Vice President Helen Easley presiding due to absence of President Vera Pearl Bunnell.

The business of the hour was taken care of, and we had a good attendance with several guests and new and old members present.

Mr. Bill Chaney was guest speaker. He told about how he got started on TV and got to be a weatherman, and enlightened us on how he reads the weather charts and gets all the data together before going on the air at 6 p.m.

A great meal and visiting was enjoyed by all.

CJC Presents 'Broadway Magic'

The cast list for "Broadway Magic," the second show of the CJC Summer Dinner Theatre season, has been announced by Director Scott Taylor.

"Broadway Magic" features a collective history of Broadway Classics, such as "Oklahoma," "Annie Get Your Gun," "Peter Pan," "Gypsy," "Cats," "Les Miserables," "Fiddler on the Roof," "Chorus Line," and "Phantom of the Opera," — to name only a few.

The entertainers are as follows: Jerry Davis, Lou Jane Davis, Scott Taylor, Donna DeLuca, Jill Reynolds, Mark Mundie, Jimmy Walker, Roanen Barron, Jim Means, David Penterfit, Fred Mullinax, Sue Doak, Danetta Bible, Kyle Kolacek, Kassi Schusterreit, Ann Vernon, Deona O'field, Renee McCafferty, and Suzy Haldeman, and Laura Vernon.

"Broadway Magic" is brought to you through the cooperation of the Cisco Junior College Department of Theatre. Performances run July 9-15.

Dinner reservations are available July 9, 12, 13, 14 for \$15. Dessert reservations can be made for July 10 and 11 and a matinee on Sunday, July 15, for

Hutchins Reunion Held July 1

Descendants of Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Hutchins held their annual reunion last Sunday, July 1, at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center.

Those in attendance from out-of-town were: B.F. and Elsie Hutchins, Cisco; Melvin and Lynette Teague, Graham; Teri Arnold and Cory Olson, Belton; Gale and Beth Arnold, China Springs; Carl and Ileen Smith, Brownwood; Flo Mashburn, Fort Worth; Kevin Hutchins, Carrollton; Rocky Baker, San Antonio; Elvin, Glenda, Wesley, and Brent Hutchins, Bangs; Sandy, Danny, and Darvel Hutchins, Lake Brownwood; Tommy, Ashley, and Alan Stillel, Lake Brownwood; Duane, Susan, Alan, and Aron Hutchins, Stephenville; Roy Tatom, Atwell; Lynn, Kim, Jacob, and Angela Tatom, Clyde; Bob and Barbara Vaught, Lake Brownwood; Terri, Ryan, Justin, and Eric Krugar, Carrollton; Jessie Sparks, Shawn and Tammy, Comanche; George and Mamie Webb, Midland; Rodney, Rose, Aaron, and Matthew Smith, Midland; Bugs and Sharon Foster, Seagoville; David, Gay, and Lacie Nichols, Alana and Haley Fields, Odessa; Dr. James Campbell, Lisa, Jessica, and Allison Campbell, College Station; Jerry, Lynn, and Colley Jean Hix, Lindsey and Brook Echols, Odessa; and Larue and David Williams, Abilene.

Attending from Cross Plains were: Bernice and Edna Foster; George and Viola Hutchins; Gerald Foster and Lela Foster; Freddy and Recie Tatom; Greg, Brenda, Ashlee, and Jarrah Hutchins; Alvin and Vondean Hutchins; and Tuff and Fern Hutchins.

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For 17th District U.S. Congress

Charles Stenholm

Pol. Adv. authorized and paid for by the Stenholm for Congress Committee, Charles Brownfield, Treasurer, P.O. Box 1032, Stamford, Texas 79553

Republican Party

For Callahan County Judge

Cliff Van Der Linden

Pol. Adv. By C. W. Van Der Linden, Star Route 1, Box 98, Texas 79504

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Woody Family To Reune This Weekend

The Woody Family Reunion will be held this weekend July 7 and 8.

On Saturday the 7th, they will meet at the home of Glenn and Ethel Champion at Cottonwood. The site for Sunday's gathering will be the Cottonwood Community Center.

MINUTE MUSINGS

By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

My dear friends, will you please join with me in prayer for rain? Rain is really needed out here. My pears are falling off the trees — too green to use. I believe a rain would help that situation.

My good neighbor, David, mowed all my acres west of the driveway — I appreciate his assistance.

This column might be cut short this morning — the AARP meets at 11 a.m., and I should be there on time. I'm looking forward to meeting Bill Chaney in person — we've seen him on TV for a long time.

Betty Beggs participated in a community project at Eastland — the Art Club gave watercolor lessons to a group of children, about 31 are enrolled. For the 4th of July, they have started planning a flag.

Mrs. Jewel Foster visited in Abilene with a grandson during the weekend. She is planning this morning to attend the AARP meeting.

Nell Fleming was grateful this morning that her telephone is now working. She has been having problems with it — and her children are away from home — on vacation, and she could not hear from them. Mr. Parker Brown visited them this week, also Novella Barton visited them one day.

Sally Roady visited Ms. Nettie at the nursing home every day. They visited her brother, Gene Hicks, in Rising Star one day. They visited Mr. Mack Childers one day. Bobby, George and Sally visited one day in Abilene with Arthur and Ruth Carleton of Merced, California. They visited one day with Art, Bertie, and Calvin at Fort Phantom Lake.

I received a nice letter from our dear friend, Dotsie Butler. She expressed their regrets that they could not be with us at the First Baptist Church Celebration last week. They just could not leave their church (in Palestine) that weekend. She said we were very much on their minds and in their prayers that weekend.

My friend, Doris at the store, predicts that we will have our first frost on September 22, ninety days after our norther on June 22. We will be counting on that, Doris.

Private Applicator Training July 30

A Private Applicator Training meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 30, at 6 p.m. at Baird, according to Greg Gerngross, County Extension Agent.

The four hour training session will enable a producer of agricultural commodities to obtain certification to purchase and use restricted use pesticides. Cost of license will be \$50 and fee must be paid after the exam. Texas Department of Agriculture official will present the training and examination.

A minimum of ten producers will be needed in order to hold the applicator training.

Producers who would like to attend are asked to call the County Extension office at (915) 854-1518 prior to July 15.

Applications Accepted For U.S. Service Academies

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Charles W. Stenholm is currently accepting applications from young men and women who are interested in attending one of the United States Service Academies.

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Individuals who wish to attend the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado, the Military Academy at West Point, New York, the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, or the Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, New York and who wish to serve as a commissioned officer are strongly encouraged to contact Jayne Schoonmaker in Congressman Charles Stenholm's Stamford office.

Any individuals wishing additional information should call (915) 773-3623 or (915) 672-1322 or write to P.O. Box 1237, Stamford, Texas 79553.



TAMI STRICKLAND AND REX PRIDDY

Strickland-Priddy Engagement And Approaching Marriage

Eddie and Beverly Strickland of Burkett wish to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tami to Rex Priddy, son of James Earl and Wilma Jean Priddy of Coleman.

The ceremony will be held Saturday, September 1, 1990 at six o'clock in the evening at the Community Baptist Church in Coleman.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Residents Concerned About Water Contamination

Callahan County Commissioners, in a regular meeting Monday, June 25, took no action after meeting with more than 100 county residents concerned about possible contamination of water wells in the Eula area.

The meeting stems from concerns of many residents living near a trailer park about two miles north of the Eula community. Those residents met with commissioners about their concerns of improperly installed septic tank systems in the trailer park. Some residents near the trailer park told commissioners their only source of drinking water is from water wells.

Some also complained about unsanitary conditions in and around the trailer homes.

County Judge Mack Kniffen told those in attendance that the county does not have any ordinance concerning their questions.

Charles Keith, with the Texas Health Department, answered a number of questions from the audience concerning the proper installation of septic tank systems. He said that any county residents wanting to construct a septic system must obtain a permit from the health department first.

Commissioners took no action on the matter.

Other agenda items brought before commissioners court include:

— Accepted a proposal from John Hardwick, a certified public accountant in Baird, to perform the 1989-90 audit for Callahan County. Hardwick's estimate of \$4,500 to perform the audit was accepted over two other estimates. Jon Herod, a C.P.A. in Clyde, estimated the audit at \$4,900. Susan Schaefer, a C.P.A. with an office in Cross Plains, estimated the audit at \$4,500. Herod had performed the audit for the county the past couple of years. Because the cost of the audit was below \$5,000, the county did not have to advertise for bids for doing the audit.

— Approved a contract with the City of Clyde for the collection of the city taxes by the Callahan County Tax Assessor/Collector's office.

— Approved an interlocal agreement for administration of the Regional 911 Emergency Communication System between Callahan County, the cities of Putnam, Baird, Clyde and Cross Plains, and the West Central Texas Council of Governments. Commissioners also designated the sheriff's office as the base station of the 911 system in the county.

— Met with Bill Billingsly with the Federal Emergency Management Agency to discuss meeting with the four county commissioners concerning the county recently being declared a disaster area from heavy rains in May. Since the county was declared a disaster area, the county can qualify

for funding assistance to repair roads and bridges damaged by the flooding.

Freedom 5,000 Meter Fun Run July 21 In Abilene

A 5,000 meter run (3.1 miles) is scheduled for Saturday, July 21, beginning at 7:30 a.m. at the State Street YMCA in Abilene (3250 State Street). Race day registration is 7 a.m. until 7:25 a.m.

Age groups of 12 and under, 13-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, and 60 and above will compete. The entry fee is \$15 per runner (includes souvenir t-shirt) or \$10 without t-shirt.

Entry fees must be received on or before Wednesday, July 18, by 12:00 noon. Race day registration will not include a t-shirt and the cost will be \$12.

Trophies will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in each age group.

For more information call Mike Osborn at (915) 677-8144.

CJC Wrangler Belles Audition July 14

The Cisco Junior College Wrangler Belles will hold an audition on July 14, at 1 p.m. in the CJC Gymnasium. Students accepted into the performing group are recipients of activity scholarships that range from \$600 to \$1,000 per year.

The Wrangler Belles actively promote the college through numerous appearances around the Big Country year round. The organization also provides a training in professionalism, individual character, and self-esteem. In recent years, the group has traveled often, making appearances in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade in New York, the Appleblossom Festival in Winchester, Virginia, and the Fiesta de Tabasco in Villahermosa, Mexico. The Cisco Junior College Band and Belles have recently accepted an invitation to perform in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York, November 1990, which will mark their sixth performance there.

Ladies who are unable to attend the open auditions may make arrangements with the Wrangler Belle director for individual auditions. If you plan to attend the audition, please call the college at (817) 442-2567 and leave your name and address. For more information, please contact Debbie Baker at (817) 442-1139.

PERSONALS

Visitors with the Roger Watsons and Aunt Pearl over the weekend were Max and Edith Watson from Houston, who brought a supply of speckled trout and shark they had caught while spending time at their beach home at Port Bolivar. They did numerous "catch-up" chores — such as lawn mowing for their parents while here.

Mrs. Suma Dill reported visitors last week were Mr. and Mrs. Skeet Walker, Ora Breeding, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pinnell, and Leo Thompson. Gaylon Duggan of Rising Star also visited.

Burlie Paul McCowen returned his mother and sister, Ruby McCowen and Naomi McCowen, to their home on Saturday. They had been at Lubbock while Naomi was recuperating from a broken leg. She is reported doing fine and has not suffered a great deal of pain.

New Arrival

Krystal Cerea Vaughn

Don and Karen Vaughn of Ennis, Texas are proud parents of a daughter, Krystal Cerea, born on Monday, May 14, 1990, at Corsicana Hospital. She was welcomed by a sister, Tiffany, and a brother, Joel Wayne.

Maternal grandparents are Gaynelle and Benny Callaway of Cross Plains and Mr. Leeland Chilton of Payson, Arizona. Paternal grandmother is Joy Harris of Rising Star.

Maternal great-grandparents are Elva and George Kuykendall of Pinetop, Arizona and paternal great-grandparents are Edith and J.R. Morrow of Rising Star, Glenn and Lois Vaughn of Cross Plains, and Dorothy and Joe Hunt.

Mrs. Lillian Morrow and Mrs. Cora White of Rising Star are great-great-grandparents.

Little Krystal has the distinction of being the first girl born in the Vaughn family in 35 years.

Brittany Jade Vaughn

Jon and Vicki Vaughn of Hewett, Texas are announcing the birth of their first child, Brittany Jade, born Tuesday, June 26, 1990, at Brownwood Regional Hospital.

Maternal grandparents are Douglas and Carolyn Walker of Rising Star and paternal grandmother is Joy Harris of Rising Star.

Maternal great-grandparents are Theora Walker of Cross Plains and Vernon Walker of Rising Star. Paternal great-grandparents are Edith and J.R. Morrow of Rising Star, Glenn and Lois Vaughn of Cross Plains, and Dorothy and Joe Hunt.

Mrs. Lillian Morrow and Mrs. Cora White of Rising Star are great-great-grandparents.

RANCH RODEO

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Third place winners Village Market, Randall Witte, Captain; Jerry Dominy, Ronnie Barr, Iky Akers, and Charlie Palmer received a set of reins.

Other teams who placed were:

4th — Callahan County Farmers Co-Op

5th — Citizens State Bank

6th — Cross Plains Grain and Peanut

7th — Dairy Queen

8th — Cutbirth, Bonner, McWilliams Ranch

9th — Rose Butane

10th — Pioneer Farmers Co-Op

11th — Higginbotham's

12th — Lawrence Farm and Ranch

Sherry Odom was winner of the ladies goat tying and received a saddle blanket. Melissa Richards was second and Paula Winfrey was third.

The Roping Club would like to thank everyone for participating and everyone for attending. A special thanks to all who worked and to Joe McWilliams, Rosalea Bonner, Donald Stover, Reggy Stover, and Scott Odom for providing the stock. Thank you to all the sponsors who made the prizes possible for the winners. Thank you to the Cross Plains Grain and Peanut and Terry French for watering the arena and T-Square Petroleum for loan of their track. All of you made the rodeo a success.

Colonial Oaks Services

Old Time Gospel Mission will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, July 8, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

THC Hosts Public Hearing On Historic Cemetery Position

The Texas Historical Commission will host a public information meeting in Austin to determine the need for creating a Historic Cemetery Coordinator position on the THC staff. The hearing will take place at the John H. Reagan Building, Room 103, 105 W. 15th Street, on Thursday, July 12, at 1 p.m.

Grave markers and burial sites of pioneer cemeteries and community and family plots often reveal significant data about Texas' settlement patterns, its ethnic origins, and its cultural folk art. They provide essential statistics that are valuable to historians, archeologists, genealogists, and students of culture generally. However, historic cemeteries frequently are vandalized, neglected, built-over by developers, or opened to cattle grazing.

Increasingly, the THC receives calls for assistance from preservationists across the state who have little knowledge about or recourse for protecting these plots. Many cemeteries are located on private land and often are inaccessible.

"Cemeteries are cultural and historic resources for which no centralized preservation assistance is available currently," said Cindy Sherrell-Leo, director of the THC's County Historical Commission and Museum Services Department. "By creating this position we'll be able to provide a clearinghouse of information and respond more effectively when cemeteries are threatened. We'll also be able to offer much needed workshops to inform preservationists about identification and survey methods and ways of protecting these resources."

The THC is the official state agency for historic preservation. Its staff administers a variety of programs that seek to protect the state's historical, archeological, and cultural heritage.

Anyone interested in preserving Texas history is invited to attend and participate in the hearing. Parking is available free at the Capitol Visitor Parking Lot, located at 15th Street and Congress, one block east of the Reagan Building. For further information, contact Cindy Sherrell-Leo, (512) 463-6100.



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Dillard Reunion Held June 23-24

The descendants of Rufus Henry and Lydia Dillard held their annual reunion at the Cross Plains Community Center June 23-24.

Family members throughout Texas, Tennessee, and New Mexico gathered for games and fun on Saturday night and a dinner and family auction on Sunday. Those attending from out of state were the Wayne Johnsons of Memphis, Tennessee; Claudette Ross and family, Melissa and Krissy Pryor of Carlsbad, New Mexico; and Rufus Mason of Captain, New Mexico. From throughout Texas: Buster Owens family, Dave Pickels family, Wanda Campbell, Geraldine Cowan, Rick Dillard family, Tom Bullion family, Pat Dillard, Ann Dillard, Anita Shirley and family, Phyllis Hillhouse, Buster Dillard family, Cleo White, Virgie Baugh, Eddie Dillard family, Dana McCracken, Eddie Hedrick, Nita Fulcher, Watson Dillard, Sandy Hunter and family, Colleen Hughes, Bob Crager family, Bud Dillard family, Michael Clark family, Patricia Farr, Cole White family, Colleen and Jody Hook, Verda Anderson, Rita Buris, Olene Falkner, Mack Taplin family, Gina O'Neal and family, Boyd Dillard Jr., Bill Glasscock family, Vernon Sebastas family, Charles Frost, Glenn Thomas family, Pat Barr and family, Mark Ross family, and the Bobby Pettijohn family.

Those attending from Cross Plains: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dillard, Bill Dillard family, Bobby Dillard family, Patsy Curtis, Gene Dillard, Billy Dale Dillard family, Joe Patterson family, Tom Clark family, Travis Bailey family, Candi and Clint Bailey, Jimmy Kelley family, and the Jim Hargrove family. A total of 150 family members attended.

The youngest attending the reunion was Justin Dillard of Brownwood, and the oldest was Rufus Mason of Capitan, New Mexico. The largest family attending was the W.B. (Bill) Dillards with 17 members. Traveling the farthest distance was Wayne and Faye Johnson of Memphis, Tennessee.

Officers for next year's reunion are Mack Taplin, President; Billy Dale Dillard, Treasurer; Cliffadean Hargrove, Secretary; Building Chairman, Dick Dillard; Food Chairmen, Joy Dillard and Virgie Baugh; and General Managers, Elouise Bullion and Eddie Faye Dillard.

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1. THE INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER IS THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPECIALIST. Who better to understand the needs of an entrepreneur than another entrepreneur? Your local CPA practitioner offers you quality service and personalized attention. First hand experience running a business means familiarity with the constraints you face.

2. BE ASSURED OF STAFF CONTINUITY: Local CPA firms do not transfer staff around the country. Fewer people handle your records, and time is not spent continually familiarizing new people with your circumstances.

3. THE PROPRIETOR OR A PARTNER, WITH A STAKE IN YOUR SATISFACTION, IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO YOU. The individual who solicits your business will personally handle or supervise your account.

4. ALL YEAR LONG, THE CPA OFFERS SOLID, REALISTIC ADVICE TO HELP YOUR BUSINESS GROW—often serving as primary financial adviser in addition to preparing mandated financial statements and tax returns:

- Helping a retail client who might have inventory tied up with factors to make these assets bankable;
- Determining overhead costs accurately, so the entrepreneur can make realistic bids on new contracts;

- Advising when it makes better sense to buy a building than rent/lease;
- Reviewing benefits packages for a growing staff to assure cost-effectiveness.

5. A CLOSER, MORE PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP BRINGS ADVICE ON BOTH BUSINESS AND FAMILY FINANCIAL MATTERS. As an entrepreneur, the independent CPA practitioner has a solid understanding of how the business interacts with the personal financial well-being of the owner and family. Indeed, when a business owner dies, one of the first calls made in a family-owned business is frequently to the independent CPA practitioner, who has become a trusted friend and adviser.

6. THE INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER IS FAMILIAR WITH THE LOCAL BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT AND MANY OF ITS KEY PLAYERS. FACILITATING COMMUNICATIONS AND OPENING DOORS. When a local banker reviews a financial statement prepared by a local CPA practitioner, he or she knows the individual that stands behind the information provided.

7. QUALITY IS ASSURED: State boards of accountancy regulate the profession and maintain the same high educational and ethical requirements for all certified public accountants. Local CPA practices are widely computerized, using advanced technology and software.

8. THE INDEPENDENT CPA PRACTITIONER IS EXPERIENCED IN WORKING WITH AND

ADVANCING THE GROWTH OF A COMPANY...from establishing financial procedures, to training an employee or spouse to do some bookkeeping, through training a full time financial staff. Often the local CPA firm has itself followed this growth path and knows the route. Moreover, accustomed to working with laymen, the independent practitioner is "bilingual," conversing in down-to-earth layman's language as well as the most professional terminology.

With so many mergers and acquisitions in the business community in recent years—among CPA firms, too—the "Big Six" firms, under pressure to grow, have been known to make sweetheart, low-bid offers to attract small-to-medium-sized businesses to their fold. Unfortunately, as many who have been wooed soon learn, once the business is in house, costs can escalate as dramatically as interest wanes, and telephone calls from the smaller client go unanswered in favor of bigger fish.

In looking for an accountant to handle your business, it pays to consider an independent CPA firm. Check out references in the community. Discuss what the firm can do for your growing business. Inquire how fees are determined. Then watch your business grow with the local CPA practitioner who is always there to serve you. For further information, contact The National Conference of CPA Practitioners, 330 West 58th Street, Suite 4C, New York, NY 10019.

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