

EMS Service Tells \$1,225 Gift Total

Although they came before Christmas, four "gifts" to the Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service netted the organization \$1,225.

Shirley Emmons, local co-ordinator of the emergency corps, expressed her appreciation and that of the entire service for the generosity of the donors.

The largest donation was a \$1,000 anonymous contribution. Other gifts were announced as Citizens State Bank \$125, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Adair \$50 and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Bryant \$50. "Our special thanks to all of these fine people for their

thoughtfulness and concern," Mrs. Emmons stated. They will help us greatly in equipping and furnishing the ambulance, and insuring the survival of the Emergency Medical Service in Cross Plains.

"We are real proud of the people of the Cross Plains area," she stated. The original backers, new supporters and everyone in general have all been very good to us, Mrs. Emmons continued.

She noted that operating the ambulance is expensive, and collections on services has been good. "There are only four or five outstanding bills," she stated. She continued that we feel that some of those outstanding bills can be met if sufficient time is allowed.

It was also pointed out that collections seem to be better locally than that experienced by another near by emergency medical service. "We seem to be collecting a higher percentage of bills than the other EMS," Mrs. Emmon stated.

Contributions will be accepted by an EMS member, support committee member and at the Citizens State Bank. Gifts of \$10 or more will be listed on an appropriate plaque which will be displayed upon completion.

Persons needing the Cross Plains Emergency Medical Service are directed to telephone 725-6666.

SCHOOL WILL RESUME CLASSES ON TUESDAY

Classes at Cross Plains Schools will resume on regular schedule Tuesday, Jan. 2, according to word from Scot H. Edington, superintendent.

A full day's schedule is planned with buses running at the regular times, and meals being served at the cafeteria.

PIONEER BAPTISTS SLATE REST HOME SERVICES

The Pioneer Baptist Church will be in charge of the regular Sunday afternoon services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home December 31st at 3:30 p.m.

Clasp Envelopes at Review

Many Local Concerns Plan Holiday Monday

Many Cross Plains business houses will be closed Monday, Jan. 1, observing New Year's Day.

It will be the second consecutive week end that most downtown businesses will be closed for two days. As was the case with Christmas, which also fell on Monday, some local offices will be closed three days, customarily being shut on Saturdays.

It is expected that most local concerns on highways leading into Cross Plains will be open New Year's Day, but some may work shorter schedules.

Only two downtown businesses which have announced that they will be open New Year's Day is JRB Supermarket and the Cross Plains Review. Others may be open, but it was not learned of by the newspaper.

Vida Balkum Ends 40-Year Career With Local Bank

Mrs. J. H. (Vida) Balkum is retiring from the Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains on December 31st after 40 years association with the institution.

Mrs. Balkum, the former Vida Armstrong, began work in the bank on Dec. 19, 1938, as a timid and bashful girl just turned 22 years of age. She recalls that her first salary was \$2 per day. From that she ate 10 cent hamburgers and paid for her first car, a Dodge coupe. For the first six months of her career in banking she worked for nothing, learning the job, as it was called in that day.

From the start of the job until school was out in May she rode a school bus, driven by the late W. E. (Pop) Lusk to and from work. She drove her father's car some before buying her own, the Dodge which she drove all through World War II.

In her 40-year banking career, she has never had a sitting down job. When she began in the bookkeeping portion of the bank, it was a standing job. By the time posting was done sitting, she had become a teller. She became an assistant cashier in the mid-1940's, and three years ago she was made head assistant cashier.

She has seen the Citizens State Bank grow almost 100

Demonstration Slated By Local Art Club

The Paint & Palette Club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 2, at 7 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Center. Glenn Lawless of Cisco will give a demonstration in watercolor.

Members are urged to attend and bring a friend. There will be a charge of \$1.00 to non-members. We hope to have a large crowd so everyone interested please come, a club spokesman emphasized.

Library Book Processing Continues; Gifts Received

Actual processing of books for the Cross Plains Public Library began last week and continues.

Mrs. Alice Specht and Mrs. Ada Howard of the Big Country Library System assisted Mmes. Ray Womack, Raymond DeBusk, Claud Lawson, and H. W. Shults, Sr. in the beginning.

Readying of the books for actual circulation will take much longer than was first anticipated, a spokesman stated. This is due to what must actually be done to each book as well as the fact that more and more books are arriving, it was

Cross Plains Sector Folk Eagerly Await New Year

Most Cross Plains area residents are eagerly awaiting the beginning of 1979, to see what it offers.

The new year, which will dawn Monday, begins a new era in Texas history. That is, a Republican will occupy the Governor's Office in Austin, the first time that has happened since Reconstruction Days following the Civil War. He is Bill Clements.

Barring unforeseen rainfall 1979 will begin dry in this section. Little rainfall has been received locally in more than a month, and not since August has any runoff been received.

Many earthen stock tanks are again becoming dangerously low since most were filled or overflowed last August. Small grain

crops are also suffering from the lack of moisture, as is winter pasturage.

The rains last August and sub-

sequent moisture in September insured an above average peanut crop for this area, and a better than normal cotton crop. Milo crops, which were planted late, also benefitted. That considerably brightens the outlook in last two-thirds of 1978, but more moisture is needed now.

Livestock prices are also good now, and current forecast is for beef and pork to continue selling high. One reason is that drought conditions forced cuts in herds, and supply will barely equal demand.

Most Cross Plains business houses indicated that Christmas sales were good, boosting an otherwise average year, although deposits at the Citizens State Bank through the year reflected a healthy economy locally with deposits rising steadily with or ahead of the inflationary period.

Oil activity continues to boost the outlook for this area. Drilling has been going on to the north, south and west of Cross Plains. It is reported that new fields of gas and oil loom to the north and south of Cross Plains, holding hope for an additional boon to the area economy.

Overall local persons are eagerly awaiting the new year.

2 Local Cemetery Funds Get \$205 In November

Donations to the Cross Plains Cemetery Association for upkeep of the burial grounds here totaled only \$205 during the month of November.

That report was made by Benny Glover, secretary for the association, last week. Of the 12 contributions, 11 were for the regular maintenance fund and totaled \$195.

Glover stated that a \$10 contribution was received from Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Warner to be credited to the Endowment Fund. That money is added to a savings account and when sufficient money is available a certificate of deposit will be purchased, thereby earning a greater rate of interest.

Donations to the regular maintenance fund were listed as follows: Mrs. A. B. Carr \$25; Mrs. N. M. Lawler, J. W. and Mary Lawler, Jack and Lucille Lawler, Slim and Alice Lawler, Gwen Drolle and Nellie M. Holt \$45; Mrs. Evans Watkins \$10; Eva Byrd, in memory of the Kirkham family, \$10; McClure

\$10; Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Rucker, in memory of the Longbothams, \$25; Alice Roby, in memory of E. G. Roby, \$20; Mrs. Jess Womack \$10; Mrs. S. T. Van Burum, \$25; Mrs. S. C. Barr \$5, and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Bryant, in memory of Ben Atwood, \$10.

Persons who wish to make donations to the Cross Plains Cemetery may deposit checks to the organization's account at Citizens State Bank or mail to that institution, P. O. Box 68, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. Contributions will be acknowledged on a monthly basis.

Yuletide Week End Passes Quietly Here

The extended Christmas week end passes quietly in Cross Plains.

Although there were many family gatherings no special events were held, and no spectacular events happened.

It was noted that although over the state at least 54 persons had died in accidents or streets and highways, there were no traffic accidents of any kind reported in the Cross Plains area. Final figures in motor-vehicles was expected to go even further past the 44 predicted by the Department of Public Safety.

Don Gosnell, local DPS patrolman, noted that although the traffic flow was extremely heavy Friday and Monday, there were no accidents locally. He stated that he believed traffic to be heavier this year than normal on those two days.

"We were not even bothered with as many persons driving intoxicated as usual," Gosnell stated, noting that only a couple of persons were picked up and charged with driving while intoxicated.

He and Patrolman Danny Rhea worked longer week end hours than normal in an effort to prevent traffic mishaps.

Mrs. Peggy Hilburn and sons, Wesley, Ronald and Alan, left last Friday to spend the Christmas holidays in Houston with Mrs. Ruby Hill. The local family was due to return here Tuesday.

Grandson Of Local Couple Top Graduate

Randall Baker, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Thompson of Cross Plains and son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baker of Fort Worth, has been graduated from Texas Wesleyan College in Fort Worth with a BA degree. Commencement exercises were held December 20.

While working full time with Mid-Continent Oil Co. and going to school nights, Randy was on the Dean's Honor Roll each semester. He was graduated Summa Cum Laude, and was the top graduate of his class.

Randy lives with his wife, Debi, and daughter, Holly, at Saginaw.

F. C. NEWTON IS TAKEN TO EASTLAND HOSPITAL

F. C. (Slim) Newton of Cross Plains fell at his home Christmas Day, and was taken to Eastland Memorial Hospital by Cross Plains ambulance.

It was learned here Tuesday that he suffered no broken bones, but did sustain bruises and painful soreness. He is in Room 117, and is expected to be there a few days.

ASCS Committees Named After Recent Vote, Parley

Twelve farmer-stockmen in Callahan County have been elected to serve as community committeemen for 1978 under direction of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Election of the three-member committees from four communities within the county were done by mail through the ASCS office at Baird. The county convention was held December 15 in Callahan County Courthouse at Baird.

At that session Oran S. Bains of Cross Plains was again named president of the county committee. Re-named vice-president was Howard Oplin of the Oplin area, and the member re-elected was Frank Chrane of

the Dudley sector. Community committees were announced as follows.

Community A (Clyde-Baird locality): W. P. Stephenson, chairman; Jack Ball, vice-chairman, and Eugene Kniffen, member.

Community B (Oplin-Denton Valley sector): Jack C. Landers, chairman; Charley Tom Straley, vice-chairman, and Rill R. Nichols, member.

Community C (Putnam-Moran area): John Doyle Isenhower, chairman; J. C. Dyer, Jr., vice-chairman, and Kenneth M. George, member.

Community D (Cross Plains-Rowden-Cottonwood sector): Arlie L. Breeding, chairman; Sterling Odom, vice-chairman, and Charlie Sowell, member.

Local Yuletide Mail Volume Is Average

Christmas mail volume through the Cross Plains Post Office was "about normal" according to estimation of Postmaster Joe E. Hanke, Jr.

He added however, that the parcel post portion of the holiday mail was up considerably in volume as well as revenue showed a substantial increase over the same period last year Hanke stated.

Regular first class and other Christmas mail, other than running a day or so later this year was about the same as last year. He added, "Revenue from the mail was up this year due to the increased postage."

No Payback Expected On City Water Aid

A portion of the story concerning the City of Cross Plains seeking a \$250,000 water grant from the Department of Housing & Urban Development which appeared in the Review last week was misleading.

A sentence in the article stated, in part, "It is not a gift and will be required to be paid back." That portion of the statement should have read, "It is a gift and will not be required to be paid back."

Mayor O. B. Edmondson said the aid is a 100 per cent federal grant which will be used for securing additional source of water and improving storage facilities and distribution system.

Application was made December 15. Cross Plains narrowly missed being approved for a similar grant earlier this year. That was for a considerably larger amount of money.

Mrs. Carl Marsh spent the Christmas holidays in the home of her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Butler in Ardmore, Okla. and reports an enjoyable visit.



Mrs. J. H. (Vida) Balkum

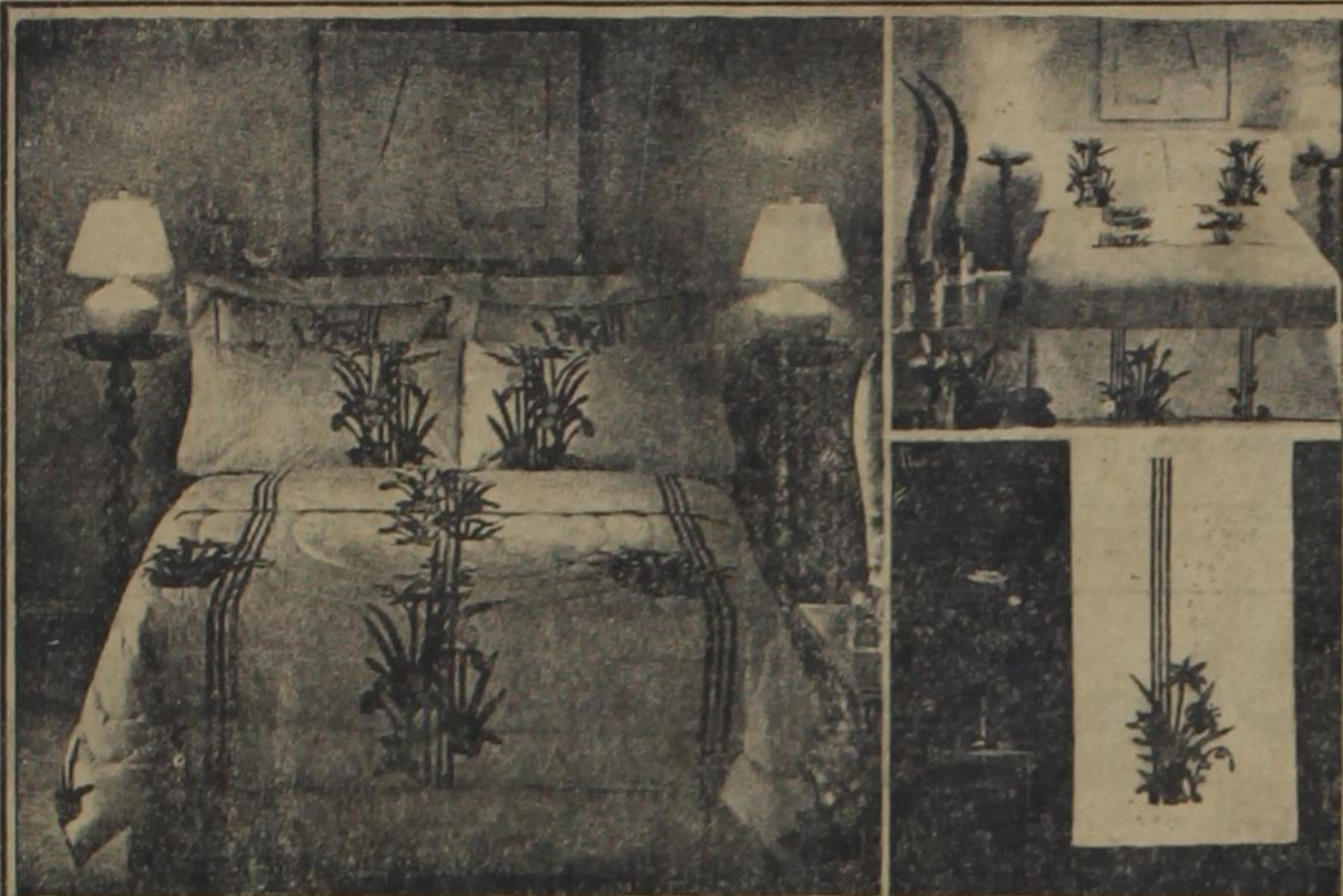
fold from an institution which held just over \$100,000 to one with well over \$10,000,000. The bank was quartered in the building now occupied by Hornsby Electric Co. when she began. It moved to new, remodeled quarters across the street to present place in October 1948. It has been remodeled since, and was heavily damaged by fire in the 1960's.

There were four employees at Citizens State Bank when she began her career 40 years ago. During those years the bank has had just three presidents, her top bosses, the late Fred V. Tunnell, the late Edwin Baum and Jack W. Tunnell, current president.

Her work attendance might also be considered a record. She did not miss many days in her early career, but since 1959 she has not missed a single day due to illness, although she has been absent some due to sickness in the family or deaths. Vida said, "Thank the Lord He has given me good health." It

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HIGGINBOTHAM'S



Utica Fine Arts presents: Ava's Stripe by J. P. Stevens

A classic . . . substantial and elegant . . . stylized and stunning . . . Ava Bergmann has designed a sheet that makes a fashion statement all its own.

From the Fine Arts Collection. The sheets are 50% polyester/50% cotton no-iron percale. The matching comforter facing and backing: 50% polyester/50% cotton. Fiberfill: 100% Kodel Polyester. Colors: Multi Sizes: Full fitted and full flat (Twins, queens, kings available)

Sheets - 13.88 Queen
8.88 Full

Cases - 5.88 pr.

Comforter - 48.88 Full
68.88 Queens/Kings

Shams - 28.88 pr.

Towels - 5.97 Bath
3.57 Hand
1.67 Wash Cloth



"Corsica" Bath Towels

Large frosty velura prints in blue, pink and yellow. Bath, hand and wash cloth ensemble.
2.44 - 22 x 42 Bath
1.77 - Hand towel
.97 - Wash cloth



Harmonizing Bath Sets

12.88
3 pcs. Bath set - 21 x 34" Rug, Lid Cover and Contour Rug. Sculptured, cut and looped. Space dyed yarn border. Colors: yellow, rust, beige.

10.88
"Corral" - A 2 piece set. 21 x 34" rug. 100% nylon. Solid colors: almond, green, rust. Cross stitched overlay.

9.88
"Milky Way" - 2 piece set. 85% nylon/11% polyester. 20 x 33" rug with waffle backing. 3 colored, tone on tone: blue, yellow, brown.

8.88
"Tarlee" - A 2 piece bath set of lustre-soft 100% polyester. 21 x 34" fringed rug. Solid colors: yellow, brown, rust, almond.



Kitchen Ensemble by J.P. Stevens

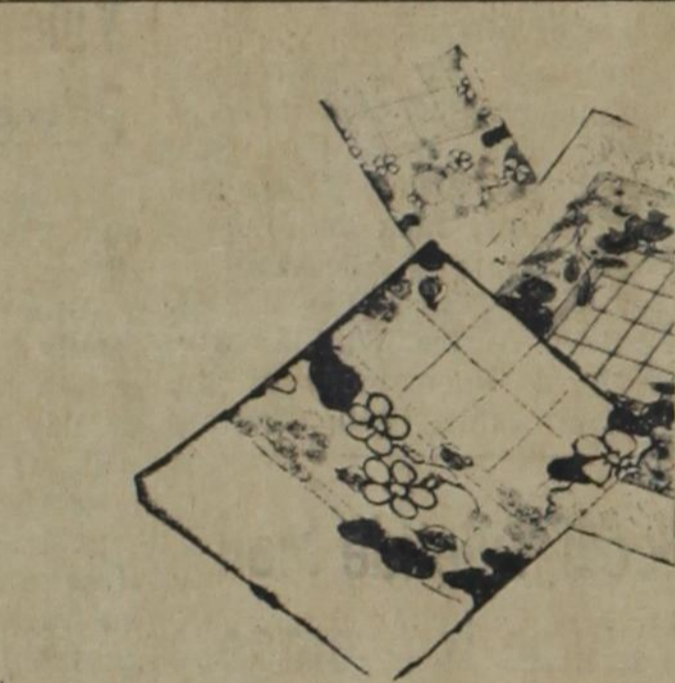
"Fish Tale" - Distinctive, casual, easy to care for! Modern print on colored ground. Hemmed. Color multi.

2.44 - Towel
1.44 - Dish cloth
1.44 - Pot holder



Marsailles - Cannon Royal Family Towels

Marsailles 24 x 44 Velura print on colored ground. Blue, gold, pink.
2.97 - Bath 24 x 44
1.97 - Hand 16 x 28
.87 - Wash cloth



Fresh'n Fancy from the Nancy Lynn Collection.

Cannon Kitchen - Mushrooms, fruits, strawberries on colored grounds. Almond, yellow, red. Velura sheared print.

1.88 - Towel
.97 - Dish cloth
.87 - Pot holder



Kitchen Ensemble by J. P. Stevens

"Luscious" - Strawberries on colored grounds. Kitchen and entertaining gear totally coordinated. Towels hemmed. Multi Color

2.44 - Towel
1.44 - Dish cloth
1.44 - Pot holder
2.44 - Oven Mit



3.88 ea. stand. size
Hollander's "Red Label"
Dupont Dacron Bed Pillows
Machine washable.
Print, cotton covering.
Cord edge.
Allergy free.

10.88
Area Rugs - "Stones"
27 x 45
Multi-colored tweed shag.
Winbond backing.
Gold, green, brown.

7.88
"Rectangles" - 26 x 44
- 100% polyester
- Sculptured pattern
- Winbond backing
- Solid colors: brown, rust, gold.



13.88
North Star Meteor Fiberwoven Blankets by Chatham.
Full 80 x 90 100% acrilan acrylic with 100% nylon binding. A solid color blanket that is as beautiful as it is practical. Machine washable. Colors: light blue, gold, chamois, brown.



Royal Classic by Cannon Royal Family
11.96 - Bath sheets
4.66 - Bath
3.66 - Hand
1.66 - Wash cloth

Cannon's most absorbent looped terry towel in cotton with polyester. Brilliant solids in daffodil, blazer, sky, adobe, rust and chocolate. Dobby weave.



Majesta Stripes by J. P. Stevens
Utica Fine Arts towels in distinctive stripes. Combed cotton terry pile in colors to match perfectly with the "Deep Tone Solids" sheets. Teak, navy, lime, buttercup yellow.
4.66 - Bath
3.66 - Hand
1.66 - Wash cloth



Patio Fern by Cannon Royal Family
6.97 - Bath
4.47 - Hand
1.77 - Wash cloth
An exquisite Fern Print on plush combed cotton pile. Extra large and luxurious. 25 x 50" Multi colors.

1979
COLOR BRIGHT
SALE



9.44

"Celebration" Bath Sets
Yellow, white, blue. Deep plush 100% polyester shag bath sets. Sprinkled with color. Oval fringed bath mat has exclusive Winbond backing.
Size: 21 x 34" oval.

7.44

"Majesty" Bath Sets
Brown, rust, yellow. Soft, velvety bath sets of 100% nylon and Winbond backing. Rug size: 21 x 34". Matching lid cover. 3 Deep-tone solid colors!



DEEP TONE SOLIDS

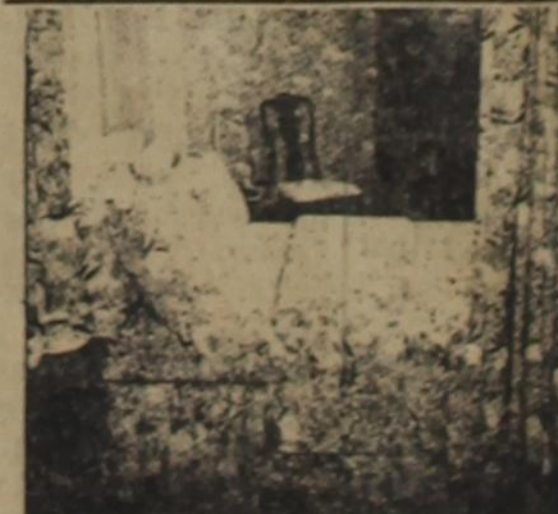
by J. P. Stevens
6.97 ea. - Full
4.97 - Std. cases

Colors: daffodil, rust, chocolate, blazer, sky, hunter, chrome, bone and adobe. One rich color used to achieve a monochromatic impact. A combination of colors for a dramatic effect: Couple a solid with your favorite print. 50% polyester/50% cotton, 180 thread count. Beautiful!

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS



30.88
"Empress" bed spreads by Cannon Royal Family
Coordinates perfectly with color-matched sheets. Soft, fresh, new and chic. Colors: bone, chocolate, rust, & daffodil. Full size.



"Royal Lace" by J.P. Stevens
An array of exquisite flowers on parade. A 50% polyester/50% cotton, no-iron percale, 180 thread count. Blue and ecru.
Twin flat and fitted - 4.97
Full flat and fitted - 5.97
Queen flat and fitted - 10.97
King flat and fitted - 12.97
Std. cases - 3.97 pr.
King cases - 6.97 pr.
Full size Bed Spread - 28.88

J R B

SUPERMARKETS

BROWNWOOD, COLEMAN, CROSS PLAINS, ABILENE, RANGER, EASTLAND, CISCO, DE LEON, BRADY, WICHITA FALLS, LLANO, STAMFORD, HAMLIN, ALBANY, SPRINGTOWN, BRIDGEPORT, NEWARK, GOLDTHWAITE, HASKELL AND DUBLIN

"We Reserve The Right To Limit Quantities — No Sales To Dealers"

We Proudly Honor USDA Food Stamps

Flour GOLD MEDAL, LIMIT ONE PLEASE, 5 POUND BAG **79c**
Shortening J. R. B. BRAND, LIMIT 1 PLEASE, 3 POUND CAN **\$1²⁹**
Coffee FOLGER'S, ALL GRINDS, LIMIT ONE PLEASE, 1 POUND CAN **\$2³⁹**
Oranges CALIFORNIA NAVAL, PER POUND **39c**

GREAT BUYS IN . . .

Health & Beauty Aids

TYLENOL® EXTRA STRENGTH, 24 CT., REG. \$1.29

Pain Reliever, btl. **99c**

4 WAY REG. — 1/2 OZ. — REG. \$1.29

Nasal Spray, btl. **99c**

COMPTREX LIQUID — 6 OZ. — REG. \$2.39

Cold Medicine, btl. **\$1⁹⁹**

AIM — REG. 79c

TOOTHPASTE, 2.7 oz. btl. **49c**

ROSE MILK, REG. \$1.63

CREAM LOTION, 8 oz. bottle **99c**

ROSE MILK, REG. \$2.59

FACE CREAM, 2 oz. jar **\$1.99**

New Freedom Maxi, Reg. \$2.39

Sanitary Pads, 30 count box **\$2.29**

PARADE, WHITE OR YELLOW, 7, 6 OZ. PKGS.

Cornbread Mix --- **\$1**

CONTADINA, 8 OUNCE CANS, 5 FOR

Tomato Sauce ---- **\$1**

RANCH STYLE W/BACON, 4, 15 OUNCE CANS

Blackeye Peas ---- **\$1**

PARADE, ALL VARIETIES, NO. 303 CAN

Greens, 4 for ----- **\$1**

Double S&H Green Stamps Wed. & Sat.

3 RING GOLD, WHOLE KERNEL OR CR. STYLE

Corn, 4, 303 cans **\$1**

FOLGER'S FLAKED COFFEE, 26 ounce can .. **\$4.65**

ALL FLAVORS JELLO, 6 oz. box, 2 for ... **89c**

PARADE OIL, 24 ounce bottle ----- **99c**

DELSEY, PACKAGED BATHROOM TISSUE, 2 rolls **49c**

PARADE CUT

Beets, 4, 303 cans **\$1**

PARADE, NO. 303 CAN

Sauerkraut, 3 for - **\$1**

PARADE, 14 OUNCE BOTTLE

Catsup, 3 for ---- **\$1**

CHICKEN OF THE SEA

Tuna, flat can --- **79c**

PARADE APPLE

Jelly, 18 oz. jar - **59c**

KLEENEX BOUTIQUE FACIAL TISSUE, 125 ct. box **59c**

PARADE GRAPEFRUIT JUICE, 46 ounce can **59c**

Lipton Tea Bags, 100 count pkg. . **\$2.29**

Lipton Tea, 1 pound package --- **\$2.99**

Taster's Choice

Instant Coffee, 8 oz. jar **\$4.59**

Nabisco, Your Choice, Box Snack Crackers, 8 1/2 ozs. **79c**

Quaker, Peanut Butter, Fudge Chip Cookie Mix, 15 oz. pkg. **\$1.07**

Log Cabin Syrup, 36 oz. bottle ... **\$1.89**

Whisker Lickens Cat Food, 6 oz. box ---- **37c**

Cold Power, 15c Off Label Detergent, giant size .. **\$1.58**

Hawaiian Punch, All Flavors FRUIT DRINK, 46 ounce can ... **79c**

Burleson's HONEY, 2.4 ounce jar **\$1.69**

Kraft Miniature Or Jet Puffed MARSHMALLOWS, 16 oz. pkg. . **69c**

Kraft, Jar MARSHMALLOW CREAM, 7 oz. **59c**

Skinner's Large Elbo MACARONI, 12 ounce box **49c**

Renuzit Super Odor Killer AIR FRESHNER, 6 ounce package **56c**

Drano Liquid DRAIN CLEANER, 32 ounce bottle .. **\$1.04**

Schillings VANILLA, 2 ounce bottle **85c**

GREAT BUYS IN . . .

Dairy & Frozen Foods

GANDY'S Egg Nog, qt. ctn. - **69c**

GANDY'S, CARTON WHIPPING CREAM, 8 ozs. . **39c**

Gandy's Sour Cream, 8 oz. carton **49c**

Gandy's Sour Cream Dips, 8 oz. carton . **49c**

Miracle Margarine, 6 stick carton **67c**

Parkay Maxi Cup Margarine, 2, 8 ounce tubs .. **79c**

MARGARINE, Parkay Squeeze **79c**

JRB, ALL FLAVORS, CARTON Mellorine, 1/2 gal. - **59c**

BIRDS EYE COOL WHIP, 9 ounce tub .. **69c**

Kitchen Treat, All Varieties Pot Pies, 5, 6 ounce cartons ... **\$1**

Totinos, All Varieties Pizzas, 13 ounce size ----- **98c**

Morning Star Scramblers, 12 ounce pkg. **69c**

SAUSAGE LINKS, Morning Star, pkg. . **98c**

Morning Sausage Patties, Morning Star **98c**

BACON STRIPS, Morning Star, pkg. **98c**

Birds Eye Vegetables

Carrots & Brown Sugar; French Green Beans w/almonds; Broccoli Spear, w/hollandaise sauce; Onions, w/cream sauce; Peas, w/cream sauce; Peas, w/cream sauce; Peas & Potatoes, w/cream sauce; Mixed Vegetables, w/onions.

Each Package **67c**

BIG BUYS in MEAT

JRB MEATS ARE U. S. GOVERNMENT INSPECTED. IF FOR ANY REASON YOU ARE NOT SATISFIED, WE WILL CHEERFULLY REFUND YOUR MONEY.

BEEF LIVER Market Sliced

PER POUND **69c**

FRANKS, Tyson Chicken, 12 ounce package, each **69c**

Market Sliced CALF LIVER, per pound **79c**

USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Tenda Fed ROUND STEAK, bone in, per lb. **\$1.69**

USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Tenda Fed ROUND STEAK, boneless, per lb. **\$1.79**

USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Tenda Fed TOP ROUND STEAK, bonless, lb. **\$1.99**

Salt Jowls ARMOUR, FINE FOR SEASONING, PER LB. **49c**

USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Tenda Fed CUTLETS, tendersized, per lb. **\$2.29**

USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Tenda Fed RUMP ROAST, bone in, per lb. **\$1.69**

USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Tenda Fed PIKE'S PEAK ROAST, boneless, lb. **\$1.69**

Holly Farms FRYER LIVERS, per pound **79c**

Fryer Breast HOLLY FARMS, SPLIT, PER POUND **99c**

Holly Farms FRYER GIZZARDS & HEARTS, lb. ... **69c**

Holly Farms FRYER BACKS, per pound **19c**

JRB "Our Very Best" BACON, 1 pound package, each ... **\$1.69**

Roegelein BACON, 12 ounce package, each **\$1.19**

Drumsticks & THIGHS, FRYER, HOLLY FARM, PER POUND **89c**

Armour Star (Beef Or Reg.) HOT DOGS, 12 o. pkg., each **\$1.09**

Tyson Chicken BOLOGNA, 12 oz. pkg., each **79c**

Dankworth, Summer Sausage & BOLOGNA CHUBS, per pound ... **\$1.39**

Oscar Mayer COTTO SALAMI, 8 oz. pkg., each . **\$1.09**

Oscar Mayer CHOPPED HAM, 8 oz. pkg., each ... **\$1.49**

Oscar Mayer HAM & CHEESE, 8 oz. pkg., each ... **\$1.29**

BIG BUYS in PRODUCE

Cabbage

NEW CROP

Per Lb. .. **15c**

RUSSET Potatoes, 8 pound bag .. **89c**

LARGE STALKS Celery, each **39c**

MEDIUM SIZE Avocados, 4 for **\$1**

TEXAS NEW CROP Yams, per pound **39c**

Pioneer Area News

By Grace Norris

Greetings to everyone. This unusually nice weather permitted us to have a beautiful Christmas. And many met with friends and loved ones to enjoy being with one another again.

Winnie Flippin visited her daughter and her husband earlier in the week. Mr. and Mrs. James Cloud, in Early (Brownwood). Winnie had all her children home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Smith had all their children home for the Christmas holidays.

Annie Laura Alexander had as guests Mrs. Bill (Gladys) Sessums one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander had their son, Jim, and family, from Richardson, as guests during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fleming enjoyed having their sons, Glen and family from Pampa and Jim and family from Pioneer Community during the Christmas holidays.

Nell says her mother, Mrs. Nancy Matthews, is still going to the doctor every other day and seems to be improving some.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flippin had dinner with Mrs. Nora Phillips Saturday. Winnie Flippin and Denise were with them. Mrs. Nora had all her children home for the holidays. Glen Dale and Nora made several trips to Brownwood and Abilene before Christmas.

Glen Dale Phillips, who is attending Sul Ross College in Alpine, was in for the holidays visiting his dad and mom, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Phillips—had a wonderful time.

Roy Merrill from Texas A. & M. University, visited with the Jim Flemings Thursday. Lou Grider also was a visitor with Jim and Charlene.

Thursday night Jim and Charlene Fleming attended an office Christmas party, given by the ASCS in Brownwood.

Jim and Charlene and boys had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Carr in Pioneer community one day last week, and Charlene Fleming had as guests two aunts and two cousins from Austin, Mrs. Stoks, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Darnell.

Eddie Flippin arrived Thursday from Alaska where he is working.

Visiting in the Leonard Norris home during the Christmas holidays are Ben Eakin and Euna Mae Wide, from Shreveport, La.; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Garner from Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. Don Parker and children from Garland; Mrs. Rose Crawford from Fort Worth; Ray Curry from Abilene; Ruby and Naomi McCowen and E. M. Curry of Cross Plains; also Annie Hill, who just recently bought a home in Cross Plains; Mack McCarty of Pioneer, Mrs. Hiram Haster, Drue and John Eppard and Brandie Ann, Elaine Ratliff, Dane and Irise Ratliff of Pioneer; Mikie Ratliff and family of Fredrick, Okla., and Paul Green from Brownwood.

Friday afternoon Tabitha Hutton, James Hutton, Travis Parson and Warren Parson hosted a Christmas party for their little friends. Tuesday night Santa came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Don Parson. Mr. and Mrs. Truett Parson were also there for the occasion.

Jerry Watson from Beaumont was a visitor in the C. T. Barton home recently. Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Barton spent the Christmas holidays with their son and family, Cecil Barton, in Bellville.

Ethel Brown, who is staying with Mrs. Cora Howland in Cross Plains, assures us she'll be home the first of next week. She is doing fine, she says.

Mrs. Cowan Hutton and Lot-

tie Sooter were visitors in Brownwood Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan Hutton celebrated their anniversary the 23rd. Also, their daughter, Mrs. Homer Parson and husband, were married on the same day, so they celebrated together.

Herbert Savage from Stephenville, had lunch with the C. Huttons Thursday.

All ladies get ready to quilt on January 2 at the Pioneer Quilting Club. And remember Game Night, the 28th at the Pioneer Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flippin had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Milton.

Mrs. Wanda Flippin and Mrs. Bettie Milton were shopping in Brownwood last Friday. They also attended the band concert in Cross Plains Monday night of last week. Last Saturday Wanda, Winnie, Tom, and Denise visited Freddie, Annetia and Eric Flippin, who live near Abilene.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy King and family during the holidays were Lester King of Sabanno, Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Anderson and Loma Atwood of Abilene and Mrs. Ethel King and daughter of Cross Plains.

Vanda King and daughters attended the Christmas party at the Hutton school Friday afternoon. Tabitha visited the King girls Friday also.

Velma Brown was in Brownwood one day recently for an eye checkup and got a good report. She spent the rest of the day with her granddaughter, Pamela Martin. Velma spent Christmas Eve with the Parker Brown family, and Christmas Day she visited Mr. and Mrs. Darnell in Rising Star. Velma also visits Ethel Brown often and says that Ethel is improving.

Some phones in the Pioneer community did not answer last week end when I called.

Your correspondent next week will be Mrs. Austin Jackson. Please call her early at 725-6530 to report your news. She will appreciate it, and it will help her get the Pioneer report to the newspaper on Monday.

BAINS HOME SCENE OF YULE FAMILY GATHERING

Oran and Linnie Bains and Sue had as guests during the Christmas holidays Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Stephens of Abilene, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stephens of Snyder and their daughters, Debbie and Stephanie of Texas Tech in Lubbock, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Joy of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Joy of the Cottonwood community, Jackie Joy and daughter, Shana, of Clyde, Dianne Jones of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Green of Hawley. Everyone had a wonderful time with lots of good food and exchanging of gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. James Payne and family of Imperial visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Payne and Melissa, and in the home of his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Purvis Kevin and Angie, here during the Yuletide holidays.

David McGowen of Temple visited relatives and friends in Cross Plains Saturday. He and his family spent the Christmas holidays with her family in Rising Star and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard McGowen, in Brownwood.

Aubrey M. Brown, 75, Is Buried At Burkett

Funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel in Coleman for Aubrey Murphy Brown, 75, of Lovington, N. M., formerly of Burkett.

Mr. Brown, who lived many years in Burkett and Coleman County, died Thursday afternoon in a Hobbs, N. M., hospital after a lengthy illness.

Officiating the final rites was Mr. Brown's son-in-law, Lloyd Deal, Church of Christ elder. Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery.

Born Feb. 23, 1903, in Burkett, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, formerly of Coleman County. He was a member of the Central Church of Christ at Lovington, N. M. He retired as a pumper for Sun Ray Oil Co. after 34 years and moved to Lovington 18 years ago. He married Lou Eva Thate July 17, 1920, at Coleman.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Barbara Ann Deal of Des Moines, Iowa; two sons, James C. of Houston and Jerry P. of Lovington, N. M.; two sisters, Doris Underwood of Snyder and Lois Gaw of Fort Worth; two brothers, George A. and Finis B., both of Fort Worth; 10 grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

Goldthwaite Girls Defeat Local Team

Cross Plains Buffettes began District 10-A basketball action Tuesday of last week by losing to defending champion Goldthwaite 72-27.

The winners, who hosted the Cross Plains team, is considered to be one of the strongest Class A squads in this section.

Local Coach Barbara Sowell said that the Buffettes played well and tried, noting that many of the locals' shots simply did not fall.

Starting five Buffettes this year are Deidra McCorkle, Kim Strahan, Cheryl Merrill, Kim Jones and Bridgette Allen. Others on the traveling squad are Melissa Payne, Ruth Burleson, Maxine Lee, Susan Meiron and Dana Bains.

It was noted that the Buffettes will host San Saba counterparts Tuesday, Jan. 2. Schedule calls for four games, two junior varsity contests and two varsity games in Buffalo Gymnasium starting at 4 p.m.

COLEMAN DANCERS INVITE LOCALS NEXT THURSDAY

Square and round dancers of this area are reminded of the annual Frank Lane dance at the National Guard Armory in Coleman Thursday, Dec. 28. The dance, scheduled to start at 8 p.m., will be hosted by the Coleman County Swinging Stars.

Those visiting in the Eager home here Christmas day were Mr. and Mrs. Randal Wiginton and Clark of Irving and Mr. and Mrs. Huey Wiginton, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wiginton, Mrs. Ben Hart, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Armstrong, Mrs. A. B. Armstrong and Mary Cathryn Redlinger, all of Abilene.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Stanley and Bruce Johnson of Midland visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norh Johnson, here Saturday. They returned to Midland during the week-end and spent Christmas Day in the Stanley home.

H. M. BELEWS HOST YULE SUPPER AT HOME HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Belew and Trampas of Clovis, N.M., spent the Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Belew.

Others present for a supper and distribution of gifts Christmas Eve in the Belew home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tunte and Eddie Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Voigt, Lorrie and Bobby, of Baird, and the following of this community Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kelley, Mrs. Et Petty, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Petty, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Rowley, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Coppinger, Clyde Kelley, Mrs. Jim McGowen and Steve Petty.

Pioneer - Cross Cut Field Gains 2 Oilers

Two oilers on August Garlitz land have been completed by MDH Oil & Gas Co. of Cross Plains in the Pioneer Mangum (Conglomerate) Field three miles southwest of Pioneer.

No. 1-A Garlitz, 1,574 feet from the north and 2,890 feet from the west lines of Section 2, L. King Survey, had a daily potential of 120 barrels of 41 gravity oil, plus 194 barrels of water.

The well is pumping from perforations at 2,991 to 3,021 feet. The pay was treated and fractured. The 4 1/2-inch casing is set at 3,388 feet, and hole is bottomed at 3,460 feet.

No. 2-A Garlitz spots 467 feet from the north and 2,320 feet from the west lines of the same survey. It had a daily potential of 111 barrels of 41 gravity oil plus 118 barrels of water.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dill were Opal Maxwell and Aaron Jagers. Saturday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dill of Kingsland and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dill and Tim of Irving, a granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Holcomb and Brandon also of Irving and Alton McCowen. On Christmas Day a step-granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Laycox visited with them.

Flow was through a 20-64-inch choke with 125 pounds tubing pressure from perforations at 3,021-47 feet. The pay was treated and fractured.

The 4 1/2-inch casing is set at 3,100 feet and the hole is bottomed at 3,380 feet. Gas-oil ratio was 2,155-1.

Those visiting in the home of Mrs. Joe Burks, Lee Ann and Chris here during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Burks and Don of Houston; Wayne Burks and Mike of Hurst; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Burks and Brec, Rickey Burks and Andy and Mr. and Mrs. Hal Price of Fort Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Parks, Roy Don and Gregg, of Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Dee Price, Randy and Derrick, of Potosi; Pansy Johnson of San Antonio; Elizabeth Burks, Emma Johnson and Alice Wills of Rowden; Robert Burks and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Bishop of this city.

Rowden Sector News

By Mrs. N. V. Gibbs

Christmas was enjoyed in many homes in the community when family members and guests arrived with gifts, food and looking forward to a time of rejoicing.

Some of the hunters even supplied wild turkey for the special dinners. N. V. Gibbs and Robert Watson had this pleasure. Tony Steele and Ivan Odom also bagged their first deer of the season this week end.

Also grandparents had the pleasure of seeing their young grandchildren open those presents under the Christmas tree.

Steve Minnahan of Irving spent the week end in the Tommy Dye home.

Those having Christmas dinner in the N. V. Gibbs of Sonora, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Springfield of Azle, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose of Cross Plains, Mrs. Leila Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Steele, Tonya, Bill and Connie of the community.

Christmas day guests having dinner in the Warren Price home were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wimberley of Merkel and his daughter, Billy Wimberley of Midland. Other visitors in the home during the week were Virgil Smedley of Clyde, Bill and Bryan Coats of Killeen, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Price of Cottonwood and Mrs. Tony Steele and children.

The James Reynolds family spent a quiet Christmas at home.

The Tommy Dye family were in Abilene Christmas day having dinner with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Strickland.

Those visiting Mrs. Ray Boen Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thornton and Arvin Thornton of Abilene, and Christine Bower of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy West.

The Russell Dye family had guests in their home Saturday night for dinner and Christmas tree. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sayre of Breckenridge, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dye and Lori Ann of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dye and Julie.

The Bob Dyes drove to Mason Sunday where they spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Dandy.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Mauldin attended a choir social at the First Baptist Church last Wednesday night.

Bruce Rose and children, Christi and Parry of Fort Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose of Cross Plains made visits with Mrs. Leila Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. N. V. Gibbs Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Odom had all their children home for Christmas dinner. The Ralph Treve family of Snyder and Charles Palmer family of Clyde and Ivan Odom of the home.

The Gene Mauldin home was the center of attention Friday night when Mr. and Mrs. Reland Mauldin and sons of Lubbock and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Masters and girls of Snyder and Sissy Mauldin and Lisa Nickols of Abilene enjoyed supper and

gifts from the Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Price visited Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Smedley in Baird during the week. They also visited in the Jimmy Cauthen home in Adair on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Steele, Tonya, Bill and Connie were in Clyde Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Opal Steele along with other members of his family.

Mrs. Gene Mauldin visited Mr. Weldon Gary last Thursday.

Guests in the Hank Bennett home on Christmas day were his mother, Mrs. Bo Bennett of Abilene and his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Brown of Austin. On Tuesday, their guests are her aunt and uncle Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Winger of Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harrell spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harrell and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Newberry in Abilene. Their guests over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Mark Schreiber of Austin.

Pansy Jo Johnson of San Antonio spent the holidays with her mother Mrs. Emma Johnson. The two and Lizzie Burks and Alice Burks and John Burks all had Christmas dinner with Mrs. Nellie Burks and family in Cross Plains on Sunday. They also visited with Susie Mauldin in the Cross Plains nursing home.

Those having Christmas day dinner in the Tommie Harris home were Mr. and Mrs. Don Harris, Terrel, Troy and Tonya. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harris Jared and Joanna, Terry Harris and Mrs. Ivon Odom of Cross Plains. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds and Mrs. Ethel Anderson and Blandie King of Cross Plains.

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27 PERSONS VISIT IN NOEL KING HOME HERE

Twenty-seven persons visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Noel King during the Christmas holidays.

Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cloud and Debbie of Garland, Lt. Major Robert King of Fort Hood, Mrs. Nina King of Bangs, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brooks, Linda and Tina, of Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Taylor, Johnny, Carlene and Melissa, of Abilene, Buddy Brooks, Larry, Danny, Tammy and Lisa of Tye and Ruby King of Brownwood. Relatives from Cross Plains were Mrs. Ruly Brooks and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Newman, Janice, Trudy, Denise and Samantha. Everyone enjoyed the week end.

DAUGHTER IS BORN TO GEORGE MACK TAFFS, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mack Taff, Jr. of Cross Plains became the parents of a daughter at 11:02 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 23, at Brownwood Community Hospital.

The infant weighed 5 pounds, 6 ounces at birth and was 17 1/2 inches long.

She has been named Vanessa Ann.

She is the couple's first child, and she and her mother are now at home and are doing nicely.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Balkum of Cross Plains.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Mack Taff, Sr. of Pioneer.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Balkum and Mrs. Alma Heffer of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Stark of Mason, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Sterling of Brady and Mr. Isaac W. Taff of Fort Worth.

Mrs. Ressa Glover and Mrs. Ben Odom visited Mrs. George Forbes in a Cisco Nursing Home Tuesday afternoon.

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Seaman Roady will return to duty January 4.

NOTE OF THANKS

We wish to thank each of you for your letters, cards, phone calls, visits, flowers and especially your prayers during the months I've been in the hospital. Your thoughtfulness and kindness is greatly appreciated by myself and my family.

May God bless each one of you.
Thank you.
Glenn Williams and Family.

CARD OF THANKS

I want to thank each of you for the sympathy cards, Christmas cards, prayers and visits since my sweet husband, Jim McGowen, passed away. I won't ever forget these nice things you did for me.

Edith McGowen and The McGowen Family.

CARD OF THANKS

I am late expressing my appreciation to all who sent cards, letters and gifts and made phone calls, but the greatest things were the prayers which were said in behalf of the doctors and myself. None of us were optimistic concerning the operation, but I did mention to the doctor that I was not afraid with cards coming from Alaska, Colorado, California, New Mexico and Texas, all praying for the operation to be successful. Thank our Lord for prayers of Christian people. Not many who sent cards were well, so I lift up all their names asking Him to heal those who were so kind in thinking of me. May God bless each with good health and happiness. Prayer changes things.
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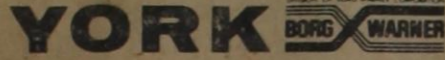
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Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Phillips

T. G. Phillips Honored On 50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Phillips of Route 2, Cross Plains, were honored with a dinner party and family gathering upon their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, Dec. 23, in the home of their youngest son in Weatherford.

Hosts for the memorable event were the couple's four children and their families. They are Mr. and Mrs. Glen Merrill (Ella Faye) of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Phillips of Santa Anna, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Johnson (Lois Jean) of Ennis, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Phillips of Weatherford.

The couple has 10 grandchildren living, two deceased grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Phillips was born May 25, 1909 to Jack and Mary (Furry) Phillips in Brown County, Mrs.

Phillips was born Aug. 24, 1910, to Walter and Lela (Byrd) Purcell in Brown County. They still reside on the stock farm located on the Pecan Bayou south of Cross Cut, where they have lived since they were married on Wednesday, Dec. 27, 1928, 50 years ago today.

Mr. Phillips enjoys tending their livestock and visiting old friends. Mrs. Phillips raises a garden, pieces quilts for their children and grandchildren and likes a brisk game of canasta or 42.

Cottonwood

By Ethel Champion

Hi folks. If Grandma (Alice Champion) were writing up the news, she would have lots to put in the paper. But for me, I want to wish everyone a very happy new year after what we hope was a very merry Christmas. If you are traveling during this holiday season to homes of loved ones, please be careful. Cottonwood is a lovely and nice place to live, and we surely do appreciate all our dear friends here.

We, the Glenn Champions, want to express our appreciation to the young couple who stopped and helped us Friday night on FM Road 2228 when our car broke down. They carried our oldest son, Glenn, back home to get his dad's pickup so we could go on to Abilene to pick up Miss Christi Kile, who is spending the holidays with us.

Visiting the J. P. Clarks Tuesday were Dutch Holly and Stella Davidson. Wednesday night visitors were Jake and Reba Green. Nettie (Mrs. Clark) finally got hold of their daughter, Janie, and Billy Woody, and they said that the water didn't get up in their house, but the main bride that Janie has to cross to get to work collapsed 20 minutes after she had gone over it. The Woodys live in Phoenix, Ariz. They were also expecting their son, Ned Clark, and his family of Canyon home for the Christmas holidays. Their daughter, Cookie, and husband, Bob Robinson, of Clyde, were also to be home for Christmas.

I talked to Shirley Winslett and she said Smoky Callaway was doing a lot better. He has been coming to visit them. It's just great to hear he is a lot better.

Stanley Goble of Cross Plains visited the Blanton Childerses recently. Aubrey Childers visited his parents Sunday, and his wife, Virginia, visited on Saturday. Harry Childers of Farmington, N. M., is coming to get his daughter, Cassie, and will spend Christmas with his parents. They are expecting all their children in for Christmas except Sue and Rusty of Farmington, N. M.

Terry Watkins of New Orleans, La., is spending the Christmas holidays here with his mother Mrs. Jack Watkins, and with his brother, Keith Watkins, and family in Eastland.

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DEC. 28

Tami Gwen Woody
Don F. McCall
Mrs. Katherine Swindle
Marion Perry
Mrs. Glen Vaughn
Michael Ingram
Mrs. Billy Paul Golson
C. A. Walker
Pauline Collins
Karen Fletcher

DEC. 29

Dianne Stanley
Mrs. Earl Allen
Johnnie Strickland
Kenneth D. Brown
Frances Knott
Vicky Moore
Michael Blake Foster

DEC. 30

Kenneth Hopson
Keith Hopson
Carl Bates
Eric Lovell
Oddie Dawkins
Mrs. Bob Dean
Gertrude Johnson
Royce Lawrence
Wanda Jennings
Milton Baty
Emily King
Billy King
Edwin Erwin
Lawrence A. Lee
Nancy Sheppard
F. L. Merrill
Sambo Fleming

DEC. 31

Kathy Denny
Eldon Gregg
Mrs. Lela Foster
Sam Hill
Mrs. Norman Farr
Mrs. Fred Long
Mrs. M. L. Foster
George Randall Dickey
Vicki Hickman Walker
Paul Golson

JAN. 1

Ted Souder
Joyce Williams
John Bagley
Henry Wellmaker
Charles Barr
Uva Jones

JAN. 2

Valarie Callaway
Jessie Ray Harris
Leesa Higginbottom
Jimmy Harris
Emma Jane Hobson
Cherilyn Fleming
Mrs. W. O. Rachels

JAN. 3

Sandy Bailey
Teck Whitney
James Alexander
Cookie Clark
Kenny Bates
Mrs. Pat McNeel, Jr.
Kathy B. Pippins
Mrs. Donald Baird
Billy Joe Lofton
Eddie Wade Dillard
Mrs. Moreland Baldwin
Mrs. Jimmy Baum
Mrs. C. W. Tennison

OPLIN'S REGULAR FIELD GAINS 4,600-FOOT TEST

H. L. Neeb, of Abilene, has spotted No. 2 Richard Windham in the regular field four miles northeast of Oplin.

The planned 4,600-foot venture is located on a 640-acre lease.

Drillsite is 2,350 feet from the south and 3,000 feet from the west lines of Section 1, Block 3, SP Survey.

Mrs. Virgie Baugh and Steve, Mrs. Anita Hedrick and Eddie, Kim and Kelley, spent Christmas in Carlsbad, N. M., with the ladies daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Ross, Mark and Missy.

David Dallas of San Antonio visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Dallas, here during the Yuletide holidays.

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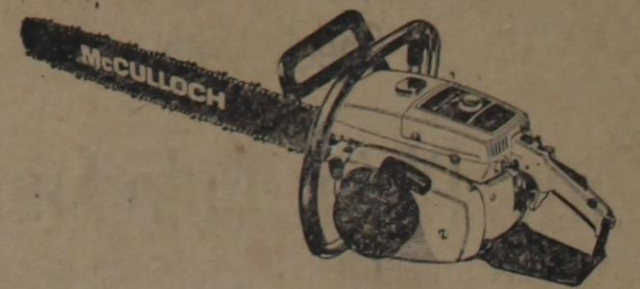
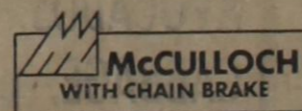
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Burkett News Items

By Freeda Burkett

Tuesday evening of last week I attended my first meeting of the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) at the Multi-purpose Center in Cross Plains after I was selected to serve on the board committee to represent the Burkett area. I knew very little about this volunteer service before, except what I learned in articles written by Doris Greenberg and became interested through her.

At this meeting I learned how a group of dedicated people, with singleness of purpose and direction could, and almost have, moved a mountain, on a so-called shoestring. Now, however, people are becoming enlightened and coming forward to help them in whatever they can.

I was especially impressed at the knowledgeable discussions concerning the necessary business end of this new volunteer service offered Cross Plains and the surrounding communities. Burkett is honored to have two young women who are certified Emergency Medical Technicians. They are Mrs. Donnie Porter and Mrs. Eddie Strickland who, along with eight other young men and women, first received their certifications as Emergency Care Attendants while transporting patients in the ambulances and are also ambulance drivers. They then took further training at Brownwood Community Hospital where they earned their certificates as EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) and are giving of their time in this capacity as a free service in this particular EMS area.

As in most any volunteer service, there is a great need for supplies, and donations are being taken at Citizens State Bank in Cross Plains. Donations of \$10 or more, which may be given as memorials, will be recorded on a plaque at the bank, but any amount is greatly appreciated and a record will be kept of all. Those in this area who wish to take a part by giving may hand their check to me at the post office if you find it more convenient, and I will hand it in at the bank.

The Colonial Oaks Home in Cross Plains held open house Sunday a week ago. The patients, their families and their friends were honored. We of Burkett take pride in this fine home where so many of our elderly folks are cared for. Among those that we have there now are Ernest Harris, Mrs. Lena McAnally, Mrs. Monnie Garrett, Oma Ramsey, Dodie Ramsey, Mrs. Lela Knight and Mrs. Rosa Edington. We appreciate Mr. and Mrs. Lee and all these employed there for the fine work and attention extended to all these patients.

Mrs. Loraine Golson and daughter, Michelle, spent Friday and Saturday in Waco with Mrs. Golson's sister who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boyle left Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with their daughter and family, the Tommy Stricklands of Snyder.

News was received here Friday of the death of Aubrey Brown of Lovington, N.M., after a long illness. Aubrey and wife Eva, were reared in Burkett and he leaves a host of friends and relatives here. Funeral arrangements had not been learned at the time of this writing.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Ona Evans the latter part of last week were her daughter, Mrs. Betty Jane Chatham of Abilene on Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Evans of Dublin for dinner Wednesday evening and Mr. Mrs. W. H. Evans of Sinton Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davee attended the annual brunch at the home of Paul and Frances Huntington of Brady Thursday of last week.

Thursday afternoon two weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hill of Grosvenor visited Bill and Jo Davee and Mrs. Birdie Helms and Gill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Newton had as their Christmas holiday guests Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Walker and family and the Sonny Campbell family, all of Abilene. Mr. and Mrs. James Walker and family of Little Rock, Ark. and Wayne Newton of Burkett.

The J. Pat DeBusk family of Houston spent Christmas holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack DeBusk.

Mrs. Eula Woolridge of Cross Plains visited Bill and Jo Davee Saturday morning the 16th and they all attended the funeral of Mrs. W. R. (Iola) Chambers at Way that evening.

Dub and Lou Brown were dinner guests in the C. H. Edington home one evening recently.

New County Officials Begin Duties Jan. 1

Several new officials in Callahan County will assume duties officially beginning Monday, January 1. Since that day is a holiday, the officers will not actually begin work in their new capacity until Tuesday, Jan. 2.

It was not immediately learned in Cross Plains when the new officials would be sworn. Included in the ceremonies will be County Judge Mack Kniffen, County Clerk Darlene Walker, County Treasurer Dora Hounshell, 42nd District Clerk Cora Mae Payne, County Commissioner E. F. (Franzel) Odum (Precinct 4), and Justice of the Peace L. P. (Pender) Mitchell (Precinct 3). Kniffen, Walker and Hounshell are newcomers winning election last November, and Payne, Odum and Mitchell are incumbents who won re-election last November. Each will serve for a four-year term.

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Vida Balkum Resigns

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should be noted that through 34 of those years her job she was required to report to work six mornings weekly.

She did take three days off when she married John Howard Balkum. "I asked Mr. Tunnell if I could get off a little early on Friday, and I took off Saturday, Sunday and Monday," Vida recalls.

Vida has seen many changes in the local bank through the years. Although all directors and first two "bosses" who hired her are deceased, she has had some fond memories of watching the bank grow and has a feeling of satisfaction of knowing that she had a little part in the growth. She said that she would always treasure the friends she made down through the years. She said that she felt she had served the finest people in the world and enjoyed every minute.

Her retirement plan includes sleeping a little later, going a few places and doing some things she has been unable to do.

Vida stated that her husband is looking forward to relinquishing some of the house duties and, "I guess he will expect me to help him on the farm."

TYLER RIDING CLUB TO HOST JACKPOT EVENTS

An open jackpot competition is scheduled to be held at the Taylor County Riding Club Arena, on Highway 277 near Abilene, Friday, Dec. 29.

Competition is scheduled at 7:30 p.m. in barrels, poles and flags. Entry fee is \$5. Divisions are 10 and under, 11-13, 14-17 and 18 and over.

Farmers-Ranchers Told Of Tax Filing Deadlines

While most taxpayers have until April 15 (actually April 16) to file their 1978 income tax returns, farmers and ranchers face a much earlier filing date.

Agricultural producers who do not file an estimate of their income by January 15 and do not pay estimated taxes must file their tax returns and pay due taxes by March 1. However, if farmers file an estimate, they have until the April 16 deadline to file final returns, points out Ashley Lovell, economist in management with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Lovell notes several considerations for Texas farmers and ranchers as they prepare their 1978 income tax returns.

Filing requirements for 1978 are the same as in 1977. For example, an individual must file a return if his gross income is \$2,950 or more, and a married couple under 65 years of age must file if their joint gross income is more than \$4,700. If both are 65 or older, they may make \$6,200 before a return is required.

The Revenue Bill of 1978 specifies that for tax years ending after Aug. 15, 1971, single purpose livestock, poultry or horticultural structures are eligible for investment credit. Examples of special purpose structures qualifying as livestock facilities include those used to breed chickens or hogs, to produce milk from dairy cattle, and to produce feeder cattle or pigs, broiler chickens, or eggs. Facilities must include, as an integral part of the structure or enclosure, equipment to contain

livestock and to provide water, feed and temperature control, if necessary.

Effective for sales after October 31, the amount of net capital gain a noncorporate taxpayer may deduct from gross income is increased from 50 to 60 per cent. Thus, only 40 per cent of net capital gain is to be included in gross income. For sales before November 1, the former deduction of 50 per cent of net long-term capital gain over net short-term capital loss applies.

Another change concerns tax credit for energy-saving improvements and renewable-energy equipment installed in homes.

For information on other changes in the Revenue Bill of 1978 and for assistance in filing your income tax return, Lovell suggests several IRS publications (1979 editions)—"Your Federal Income Tax" and the "Farmer's Tax Guide."

ODE HAMBY BACK FROM EXTENDED HOSPITAL STAY

Ode Hamby returned to his home here Wednesday of last week after spending about two weeks as a medical patient in an Abilene hospital. He is reported to be improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neeb and family of Fort Stockton visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Neeb, here a couple of days last week. They all spent Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Howard Neeb in Windthorst.

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Marvin Smiths Note 58th Wedding Date

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. (Marvin) Smith of Cross Plains observed their 58th wedding anniversary Tuesday. They spent the day quietly at their home.

Here to help them celebrate, however, was their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith, Gabriel and Paul, Jr., of Cedar Hill and Greg Smith of Beale Air Force Base in California.

Visiting in his parents home Sunday and Monday was another son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Smith of Houston.

SW. BURKETT AREA GAINS WILDCAT PROJECT

Alan P. Hewitt of Midland will drill No. 1 Devanney as a proposed 3,400-foot wildcat in Coleman County.

Location is six miles southwest of Burkett on a 971-acre lease.

It spots 1,000 feet from the north and 2,200 feet from the west lines of IRR Survey 759.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Dill visited with his sister, Etta Watts, Monday afternoon.

MRS. L. D. KOENIG LOOKS FORWARD TO COMING HOME. L. D. Koenig spent Christmas with his wife, Queenie, at Tyler, and reports that she is continuing to improve.

Mr. Koenig said that if she continues to improve as she is currently, she may get to come home in two or three weeks. She has undergone major surgery twice in a Tyler hospital in the past several weeks.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. King here during the Christmas holidays were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Delevan and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gray, Cheri, Shelly and Suzi, all of San Antonio, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kanaday of Comanche.

Visiting with Mrs. Thora Walker during the Christmas holidays were her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Jones and Darren of Broken Arrow, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Walker and family of Rising Star and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Walker and girls of this city.

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