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Clarendon Wins in Holidays

The last Thursday Late-Night Shopping event awarded prizes to five winners. Teresa Dronzek won the prize from Clarendon Office Supply. Lovie Taylor spun for a gift from J&W Lumber. Brenda Proffitt landed on Owen's Boot Shop, while Kelli Splown's wheel turned to First Bank and Trust. Trina Wright took a prize from Bivens Pharmacy.

Most Clarendon merchants seem to be pleased with the success of the Merchant's Association in promoting Clarendon during the holiday season. In fact, everyone in Clarendon seems to be a winner with a sound local economy.

More buildings downtown were lighted than ever before. There seemed to be more local shopping activity than in previous years. And there were far more residences decorated than in recent memory. The community seems to be making steady progress cleaning up and fixing up.

the old movie theater. There are two new businesses on Kearney, A&J Fashions in what was formerly an empty building beside the library, and Petty's Antiques and Collectibles, next door to the newspaper office.

GRADE CROSSINGS ARE DANGEROUS all year long, but many Texans All the buildings on main street are in use except for the old hotel and drive in front of trains in December and January. Other types of accidents tend to peak in the summer.

Deadline Nears

Businesses in Armstrong, Carson, Collingworth, Donley, Gray, Hemphill, Hutchinson, **Roberts and Wheeler Counties** have until January 18, 1994, to file applications for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small **Business Administration (SBA).** The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses from excessive snow which occurred November 23, 1992, through February 17, 1993. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses which they suffered as a result of the snow reducing the crop income of the area farmers and ranchers. Small businesses claiming to have been physically injured by the snow are not eligible.

Night Courses **Offered**

Clarendon College will offer a series of adult vocational computer courses at the main cam-

pus in Claredon. The first offering will begin January 13 and cover Lotus 1-2-3, the second course will be Word Perfect which begins February 13 and the final offering will be Computer Desktop Publishing. The courses will be held from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. each Thursday night during the time frame indicated. Students may take all three offerings or just one. The course may also be taken for academic credit.

For more information contact the registrar's office at 806-874-3571.

Attention 4-H & FFA Parents

There will be a work day to set up for the County Livestock Show on Wednesday, January 5 starting at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is urged to attend, they need your help.

New Law Announced

A new law that goes into effect January 1, 1994, will

eliminate the need for commercial

vehicle operators to have their

commercial vehicles undergo dual

inspections. The new inspection

Operation Lifesaver Urges Caution At R.R. Crossings

Winter brings expectations of "blue northers," festivals and gatherings of holiday celebration. Winter, however, is also the season when vehicle-train crashes significantly increase in Texas and the nation.

In each of the past ten years, December and January have been the months with the highest number of highway-rail grade crossing crashes, according to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). This sharp increase deviates from other types of highway collisions which most frequently occur during the summer, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

"The increase in vehicle-train crash frequency during these months may be attributed to more severe weather conditions, decreased daylight hours, holiday traffic, increased drunk driving, but it's hard to attribute to one factor," said Thomas D. Simpson, president of Operation Lifesaver, Inc., a national non-profit, public education program dedicated to reducing crashes, injuries and fatalities at highway-rail grade crossings.

"Vehicle-train crashes are notably different than other accidents involving motor vehicles in that they are eleven times more likely to result in a fatality. Vehicle-train crashes are almost always preventable," said Simpson.

Every 90 minutes, on the average, a vehicle and train collide somewhere in the U.S. Last year there were 579 people killed and 1,975 injured in 4,910 grade crossing crashes according to the FRA.

Texas ranks number one in the nation for vehicle-train crashes. Last year there were 486 crashes which resulted in 59 fatalities and 196 injuries. This year doesn't promise to be any better for Texas. FRA's preliminary statistics for the first six months of 1993 indicate a five percent increase in vehicle-train crashes and a 60 percent increase in fatalities in Texas compared to the same period in 1992.

Texas Operation Lifesaver urges all motorists to follow these safety tips to prevent highway-rail grade crossing crashes:

* Never attempt to beat a train through the crossing. If it's a tie, You Lose!

* Do not get trapped on a crossing. Proceed through a crossing only if you are sure you can clear the entire track.

* Expect a train on any track at any time.

* Look for a second train when crossing multiple tracks.

* Get out of your vehicle if it stalls on a crossing and call 911. Only attempt to restart your vehicle if you can post a lookout to watch for approaching trains.

* Never drive around crossing gates when they are down. To violate

Clinic Set

The Texas Department of Health will have an immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases, January 10, from 9 a.m. to 12 and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., at the Medical Center, Hwy 70 North. Protection is against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, and HIB (Haemophilus Influenzae Type B).

They are charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount of money charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.



AMY THORNBERRY AND CHARLIE SMITH - Bronco Boy and Girl of the month of November.

Holiday Hours

The Clarendon News will be closed December 31, so that its employees can have a New Year's holiday. Deadline for the January 6 issue will be Monday, January 3, at 5:00

WTAMU Names Director of Virgil Henson Activities Center

West Texas A&M University officials have named Clint Hunt to head the Virgil Henson Activities Center (VHAC). Hunt will begin his dutics Jan. 3.

According to the director's job description, Hunt will be responsible for the overall management of the facility including budget, facilities, equipment, personnel and programming. Hunt will report to Bill Craddock, director of recreational sports.

"Clint is extremely people oriented, and that is what we need in a director for this building," Craddock, who chaired the search committee. said. "However, his experience managing the facility in the past is really what made him the top candidate for the position."

Hunt received an associate of arts degree from Clarendon College in May 1990. He completed a bachelor of general studies degree from WTAMU in December 1992. He has been employed as a juvenile probation officer in Moore County since August.

While completing his degree, Hunt worked as a night manager of the Jack B. Kelley Student Center on the WTAMU campus and as weekend manager of the VHAC. He also worked as a set-up crew leader for the VHAC.

"I am looking forward to the daily challenge of this position," Hunt said. "I really enjoyed working with the Activities Center staff as a student, and I look forward to continuing that relationship. However, my top priority is the students. I want to be sure that the facility is meeting their needs, and

is the students. I want to be sure that the facility is meeting their needs, and we are providing what will benefit them the most." The VHAC is composed of racquetball courts, an Olympic-size swimming pool, a Nautilus-equipped weight room, a bowling alley and an all-purpose room which contains volleyball/basketball courts. In addition to its recreational facilities, the center houses the Department of Health, hysical Education and Recreation; Recreational Sports; the Division of ife Services; WTAMU football offices; and The Discovery School,

WTAMU's developmental preschool and care program. The search committee, which consisted of Craddock; Dr. Don Albrecht, dean of student services; and Kay Hagar, director of student development; interviewed 10 candidates for the position. Clint, is the son of Gary and Nena Hunt of Clarendon.

Remembering 1993

Clarendon started off 1993 right. Clarendon College judging teams won first place in Arizona on January 1.

An article from the January 21 paper presaged stories that would be repeated all year long. The headline read: "Texas and Rural Economies Up". Indeed, reports from the State Comptroller's Office and local opinion both indicted a prosperous year.

Clarendon High School hosted an area UIL meet on January 30. That was the first time in recent years that the school had sponsored the event.

In February, candidates for Superintendent met with the Board, teachers, parents and students. The selection process, con-

program, to be overseen by the Texas Department of Public Safety, will combine the U.S. Department of Transportation inspection with the State of Texas safety inspection. Beginning January 1, inspections obtained at other than an of-

ficial commercial Texas State Inspection will not be accepted. Commercial motor vehicle

means any self-propelled or towed vehicle except a farm vehicle with a gross weight, registered weight or gross weight rating of less than 48,000 pounds used on a public highway to transport passengers or property when: the vehicle or combination of vehicle has a gross weight, registered or gross weight rating in excess of 26,000 pounds: or the véhicle is designed to transport more than 15 people including the driver; or the vehicle is used to transport an amount of hazardous materials requiring placarding under the federal Hazardous Materials Transportation

ducted with the advice of the Texas Association of School Boards, was universally regarded as a great success. Within a few weeks of the beginning of the process, Phil Barefield was named Superintendent.

Act.

The First United Methodist Church in Clarendon dedicated a new building on March 14. The new building blends well with the congregation's sanctuary, which bears a Texas State Historical Marker.

activated crossing gates is both illegal and deadly!

* Be aware trains cannot stop quickly. Even though the locomotive engineer may see you in a crossing, it can take up to one and a half miles to stop once the emergency brakes are applied.

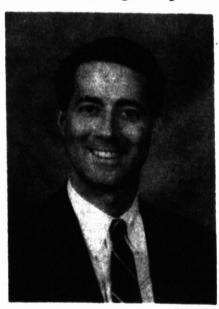
"This winter - and always - remember four simple words when approaching grade crossings - Look, Listen and Live," urged Simpson.

Open House Set for Mac Thornberry

All voters are invited to an Open House to meet Mac Thornberry, Republican candidate for U.S. Congress, at the Clarendon College Bairfield Activity Center on Sunday, January 9, 1994, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m.

William McClellan ("Mac") Thornberry, a fifth generation Texan, was born in Clarendon, Donley County, Texas in 1958 where his family is involved in farming and ranching.

Mac was raised on the family ranch and attended public schools in Clarendon. He attended Texas Tech University in Lubbock and graduated with a degree in history and a minor in political science. Thornberry also graduated from the University of Texas School of Law and is a member of the State Bar of Texas.



WILLIAM M.("MAC" THORNBERRY - Republican candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives for the 13th congressional district. He was born in Clarendon, Donley County, Texas in 1958 where his family is involved in farming and ranching. Before moving to Donley County the Thornberry family were cattlemen in the Wichita Falls area.

Serving as legislative counsel to former Congressman Tom Loeffler (R-Texas) from 1983 to 1985, Mac became well acquainted with the legislative process in Congress. As chief of staff for Congressman Larry Combest (R-Texas) from 1985 to 1988, he directed a staff of 15 and was responsible for all legislative and administrative policy.

Since 1989 he has worked as a defense litigation attorney with the firm of Peterson, Farris, Doores & Jones in Amarillo. Mac, along with his wife, Sally, and two children, Will and Mary Kemp, continue to be involved in Cont'd on p. 3. , the family ranching operations in Donley County.

Teacher Files Suit on CISD Administrators

A leta Thompson, former teacher at Clarendon High School, is expected to file a Civil Rights suit in Federal Court in Amarillo this week against Clarendon Independent School Board Members in their official capacity and against former Superintendent Jeff Walker and former Principal Soloman Kepley. The latter are expected to be named both in their official capacity and personally.

be named both in their official capacity and personally. According to the suit, Mrs. Thompson was denied due process in the evaluation process. The Texas Education Agency heard Mrs. Thompson's grievance on March 2, 1993 and issued a preliminary ruling in Mrs. Thompson's favor. The school filed an exception to the Agency's decision, but the TEA denied the exception in later October. The board had until December 6 to file a final objection to the Texas Education Agency's decision, but apparently did not do so. According to the Agency's procedures, the report will now stand as final and official.

Since the initiation of the complaint, the former Superintendent retired. The former Principal, who was employed in Clarendon a couple of years, went to Newcastle as Superintendent during the 1993-1994 school year. Last week Deborah Queens, Principal at the Newcastle school, was in Clarendon. According to Ms. Queens, Mr. Kepley has resigned at Newcastle following considerable controversy and is planning to move to Knox City as the Superintendent there. She expects litigation at Newcastle.



CLINT HUNT, new director of Ac-

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Triathlon Champion **Puts Heart In PTA**

Tuesday, January 14, 1994, the Clarendon PTA will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

PTA will host triathlete champion, Amy Roberts, of Amarillo. Amy participated on the

On December 25, 1993

Joe Robert & Joane Leathers

On Saturday, January 1, 1994

their children extend an

national level of triathlon competitions from 1987 - 1992. A few of her honors include: 1st - National Long Course Championship Triathlon; 1st - Bud Light Triathlon; 17th -Avia Ironman Germany Triathlon; 4th - World Championship Ironman Triathlon - Hawaii; 1st - Texas State Sprint Championship.

Mrs. Roberts is a graduate of Texas Tech School of Law with a Doctor of Jurisprudence, as well as a graduate of Texas Christian University Ranch Management Program in Fort Worth. She is a member of the Triathlon Federation USA - All American team, Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame, Cal Farley Boys Ranch Pardner for Life and has been recognized in several Triathlon magazines as well as ABC National Television coverages.

All students, friends and families are welcomed and encouraged to attend this program and meet Mrs. Roberts. Start 1994 off with inspirations from this outstanding athlete on health, exercise and the adventures of a lifetime!

Put your heart (and make it a healthy heart) in PTA - For All Children.

Alpha Zeta Initiates Announced

The West Texas A&M University Division of Agriculture initiated 17 new members into the University's Texas Delta Chapter of Alpha Zeta December 6.

Brad L. Williams, a sophomore; pre-veterinary medicine, from Clarendon, was among the seventeen new members. He is the son of Don Williams of Clarendon.

Alpha Zeta is a professional, service and honorary agricultural fraternity for men and women in agriculture. The fraternity was founded in 1897 at Ohio State University to recognize agriculture as a legitimate major.

The WTAMU chapter was organized in 1969 and became chartered nationally as the 67th chapter of the Alpha Zeta Fraternity in March 1977. Dr. Ron

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Thomason, plant science professor, serves as advisor.

According to the Alpha Zeta regulations, members must maintain an above-average scholarship record by placing within the upper two- fifths of his/her class. Members must also exhibit the principles of good character, including honesty, fairness, faithfulness, loyalty and dependability. Alpha Zeta members must show leadership by the exercise of good judgin Hedley. ment, the will do do, the understanding of human nature and a personality to influence and lead others. Alpha Zeta also strives to Janice Wilson of Duncanville, develop a spirit of fellowship among all its members. Texas; two sons, J.R. Howell of

Obituaries

Robert Murphy

Robert "Bob" Murphy, 60, of Amarillo, died Thursday, December 23, 1993.

Services were held at 2 p.m., Monday, December 27, in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon * Blackburn Shaw Funeral Directors, with Paul Sneed, a Church of Christ minister, officiating. Military graveside rites were conducted by Disabled American Veterans Chapter 26 in Llano Cemetery.

Mr. Murphy, born in Newland, graduated from Lelia Lake High School as valedictorian. He married Norma Merrell, December 25, 1957. He was a salesman for Ponca Wholesale and owned Van Dyke's Bar-B-Q. He was a U.S. Marine Corps veteran. He moved to Amarillo in 1957. He was preceded in death by his father, Guy E. Murphy and his mother, Evelyn Murphy Tolbert.

Survivors include his wife, Norma; a son, Robert Michael Murphy of Amarillo; two daughters, Karen Collard of Borger and Chery! Stephens of Amarillo; a brother, Guy Murphy of Amarillo; seven sisters, Susie Kidd and Velma Byrd, both of Clarendon, Geneva Hill of Abilene, Nadine Courtner of Kansas and Francis Geopfert, Norma Hall and Ellen Cooley, all of Amarillo; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Vera Gladys Howell

Funeral services for Mrs. Vera Gladys Howell, 86, were held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 28, 1993 in the First Baptist Church in Hedley with Rev. Bryan Knowles, Pastor of the Martin Baptist Church in Clarendon, officiating. Interment was in Rowe Cemetery under the direction of **Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc.** of Clarendon.

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Mrs. Howell died at 5:05 a.m. Survivors include his wife, on Sunday, December 26, 1993 in Yolanda Day of Euless; two sons, Northwest Texas Hospital in Kristopher Keith Day and Shon Amarillo following a short illness. Oan Day both of Mineral Wells; his She was born June 4, 1907 in Hedmother, Dixie Cochran of San Marley and had been a lifetime resident cos; his father and step-mother, of Hedley. She married Leonidas Fred and Barbara Day of Claren-Elmer Howell on December 5, don; his maternal grandmother, 1924 at Clarendon and he Thala Cochran of San Marcos; his preceded her in death on June 4, paternal grandmother, Bertha Day 1979. She was a homemaker and a of Camargo, Oklahoma; one member of the First Baptist Church brother, William "Butch" Cagley of San Antonio; and seven sisters, Survivors include three Teri Boyd of Borger, Thala daughters, Elsie Bennett of Ok-Nephew of New Braunfels, Noni lahoma City, Oklahoma, June Rux of Allentown, Pennsylvania, Toste of Wilsonville, Oregon, Kathleen Brown of Camargo, Oklahoma, Rence Fouts of Red Oaks, Tambra Burns of Pampa; and Toni Amarillo, Texas, Gene Howell of Stefanatos of Amarillo.

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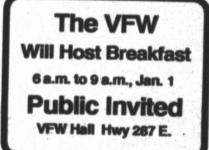
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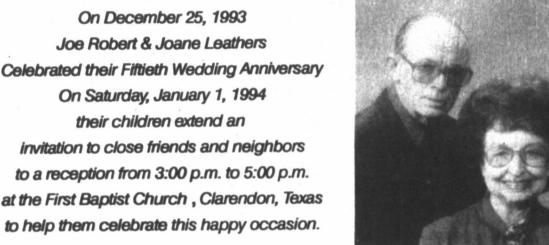
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Casket bearers were Ray Dawson of Artesia, New Mexico, Crump, Mark Holman, Billy Hol-Alta Rochelle of Littlefield, Texas; man, Ricky Murphy, Butch Blackone brother, Bob Kidd of Dacona, burn, Edward McKinney, and Lyn Colorado; 11 grandchildren; and 9 McKinney.

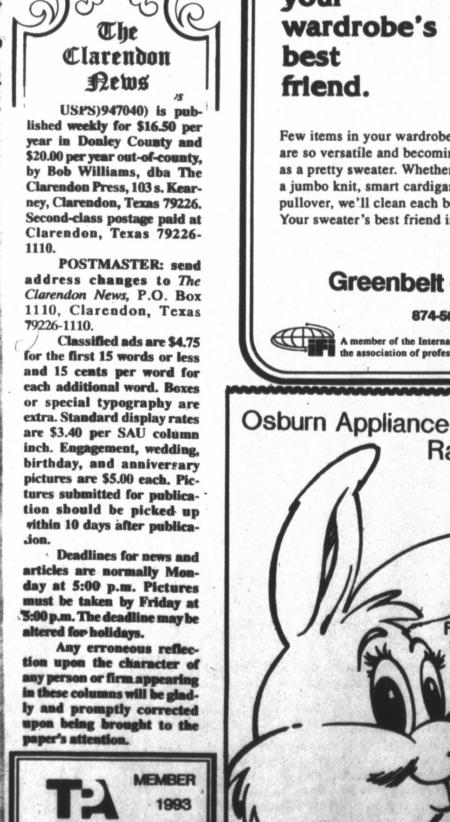
Grandsons of Mrs. Howell **Clarendon School Menu** The family requests that Jan. 3 - Jan. 7 memorials be to the Rowe **Breakfast Cemetery Association or the First** Monday: Cereal, Toast Juice, Milk Tuesday: Pancakes, Juice, Milk Wednesday: Eggs, Bis-cuits, Gravy, Juice, Milk Funeral services for Walter Thursday: Pancakes, Keith Day, age 28, were held Juice, Milk at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, December Friday: Cinnamon 27, 1993 in the First Baptist Church Rolls, Juice, Milk in Clarendon with Rev. Paul Heil, Lunch Baptist Minister from Amarillo, of-Monday: Burritoes, ficiating. Interment was in Citizens Corn, Baked Beans, Fruit, Cemetery with arrangements Milk under the direction of Robertson Tuesday: Beef Ravioli, Funeral Directors, Inc. of Claren-Hot Rolls, Green Beans, Fruit, Milk Mr. Day died at John Peter Wednesday: Pig in the Smith Hospital in Fort Worth on Blanket, French Fries, Fruit-Friday, December 24, 1993 from Cookie, Milk injuries suffered earlier in a car-Thursday: Taco's pedestrian accident. He was born w/Meat & Cheese, Spanish February 25, 1965 in Borger, Texas Rice, Salad, Fruit, Milk and was a long-time Clarendon

Friday: Hamburger on Bun, Sliced Cheese, Onion, Lettuce, Pickles, French Fries, Fruit Cobbler, Milk









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Crandall, Texas; two sisters, Ethel

great grandchildren.

served as casket bearers.

Baptist Church in Hedley.

resident. He was living in Euless,

Texas at the time of his death. He

married Yolanda E. Moreno on

November 15, 1985 at Palo Pinto,

Texas. He had been employed by

H.M. Dunn for the past 3 1/2 years

as a machinist. He was a member of

the First Baptist Church in Claren-

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State Troopers Urge Holiday Safety in Area

As 1994 approaches, people are beginning to make plans and resolutions for the coming New Year. Unfortunately for some people, those plans and resolutions will never be observed. The reason is that an automobile accident will change their lives forever.

Trooper L.B. Snider, Safety Officer with the Texas Department of Public Safety says that this can be avoided, if drivers will simply take a few precautions.

It is a fact that drunk driving continues to be one of the nation's most serious health and safety problems. Many people have the misconception that as long as they remain under the legal limit of intoxication, they are not impaired as drivers. Nothing could be further from the truth. Even small amounts of alcohol begin to slow a person's ability to make quick, accurate judgements and reduces their reactions, both of which are vital to the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

Include, in your plans for this New Year's Eve, a resolution not to drive if you are going to have anything LESS-THAN-A-DOLLAR gas is back in Clarendon at several local staalcoholic at all to drink. Use the designated driver and check with your local officials to see who might be offering tions. Falling oil prices hurt petroleum-based local economies, but a a free ride home program. These programs are generally available, but may vary from year to year.

It is recommended that if you are going to host a party, that soft drinks be available for your guests so they will have a choice. Introduce people to one another and plan activities. A good host is not just a bartender. Don't rush refills and don't double up because it's not generous. It's rude. Attempt to have a meal or snacks available throughout the evening. Above all, if someone drinks too much at your house, you are responsible. Provide lodging or get them a safe ride home.

Trooper Saider says for those who think that it will never happen to them, "the Department of Public Safety, along with other local law enforcement agencies, will have stepped up patrol and DWI enforcement over the New Year's Eve holiday to provide you with a ride to the bars - Jail Bars.

If your plans include traveling, be alert for other's mistakes and buckle up. It's your best defense against a drunk driver, but it's only effective if the driver and all occupants take the time to do so.

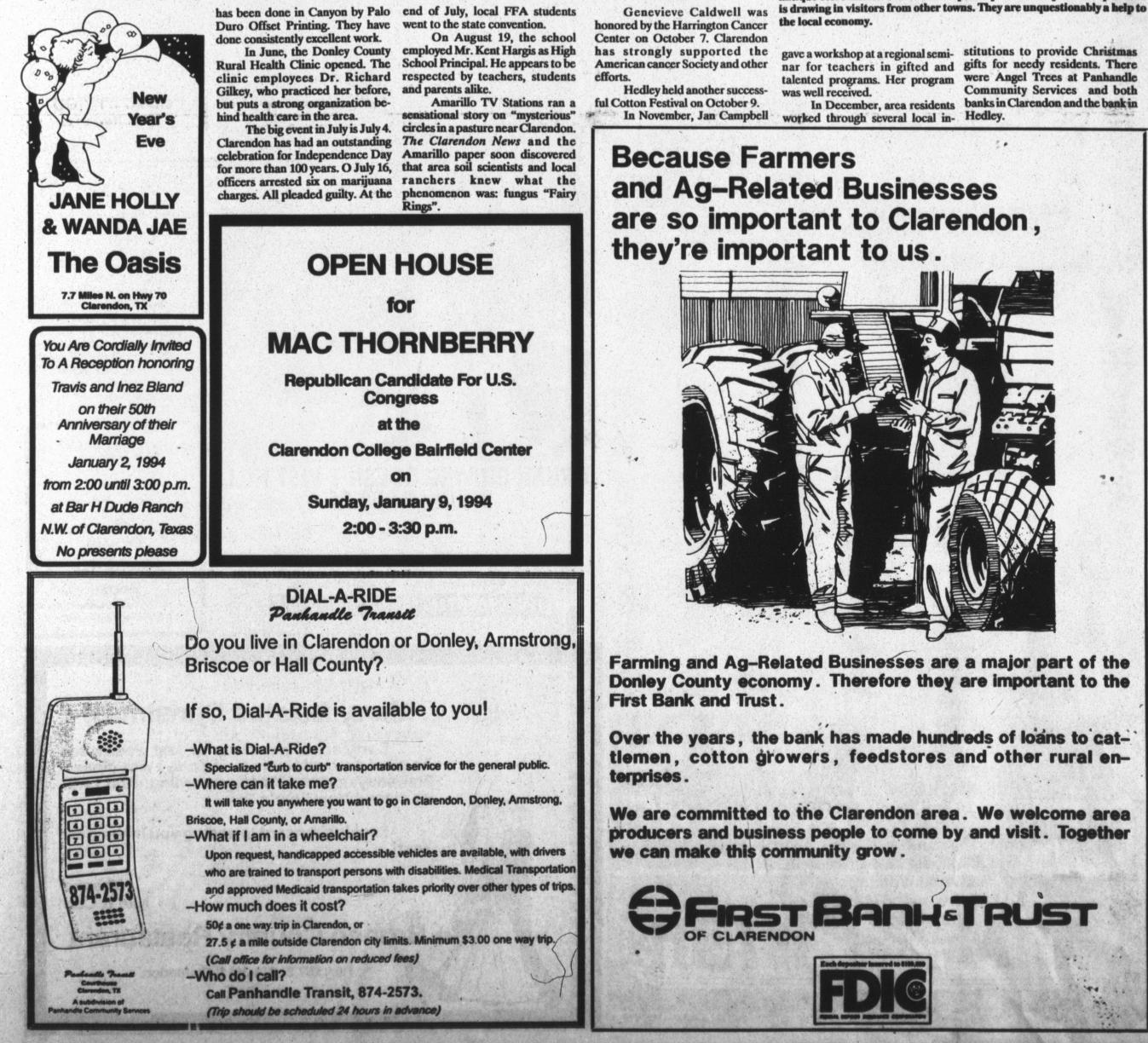
1993-from p. 1.

The front page on March 18 reported that crossing signals had been installed on Ayers Street. That was the culmination of months of labor by area residents. the State Highway Department, federal agencies and the Burlington Northern Railroad. The accomplishment should contribute considerably to safety in the city.

By late winter, almost everybody is itching to get out into the garden. Residents of the Medical Center were no exception, and the April 15 paper had a picture of residents working in the sunshine on a new garden plot. The project was popular with the residents and good exercise, too.

On April 29, one of the churches in Hedley sponsored a nondenominational period of prayer in front of City Hall. They prayed for the moral and spiritual renewal for our nation.

May 6 may not mean much to Clarendon as a whole, but it was a





special day for the newspaper. A&J FASHIONS is one of several new businesses in Clarendon. The store is located in what was formerly an Beginning with that paper, printing empty building next to Betts Memorial Library.

Genevieve Caldwell was

were Angel Trees at Panhandle Community Services and both banks in Clarendon and the bank in 5



welcomed by consumers.

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Thank You

Project 94 Parents would like to thank everyone for their contribution toward the \$100 worth of groceries given away on December 17, 1993. A special thanks to **B&R Thriftway for their sup**port. The lucky winner was Dikki Howell.



PETTY'S ANTIQUES AND COLLECTABLES has opened a new store on

Kearney Street across from Owen's Boot Shop. The addition of a fifth

antique store makes Clarendon a special place to shop for antiques and

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Page 4 Social Security News

by Jim Talbot

SSI Checks To Be Early "Supplemental Security In-

come (SSI) checks will be delivered on Thursday, December 30," said Jim Talbot, Social Security manager in Amarillo. The checks usually arrive on the first of the each month. But in January, the first falls on a Saturday, and Friday is a federal holiday, so the checks will arrive on Thursday. "Whether you receive your benefits by mail, 'or you have them deposited directly in your bank account," Jim Talbot said, your SSI payment should be available two days early." As usual, Social Security payments will arrive on the third day of the month.

62 or 65

If you are getting close to your 62nd birthday, you could be facing a major decision. Should you retire now or begin collecting Social Security benefits, or should you wait until you're 65 when your benefit check will be larger?

when to retire is not an easy decision. To make the decision that is best for you, there are several facts you should consider. For example, the amount of your monthly benefit check may be the deciding factor. If you retire at age 62, your monthly benefit will be 20 percent less than if you waited until you reach age 65. Once you choose the reduced benefit, you won't be able to change to the full benefit when \$706. you reach age 65.

decision, we suggest you call Social Security's toll free number, 1-800-772-1213, and ask for an estimate of the benefits you would receive at age 62 and at age 65 so you can early retirement, benefits are receive a check because your wages reduced five-ninths of one percent for each month before age 65. The following example will help you to understand how benefits are reduced. Let's say you have had an average carning over your lifetime and your benefit is estimated to be \$800 a month if you continue working until you are 65. If you retire at 62, your monthly check would be reduced 20 percent for a total of \$640. If you retired at age 63, you would receive \$693 each month after a reduction of 13.33 percent.

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For many people, choosing If you wait until age 64, you would receive \$746 each month after a reduction of 6.66 percent. These benefit amounts are based on the month of your birthday. But you don't have to retire in your birthday month. As you grow closer to age 65, your benefit increases. If, for example, you retire three months after you become 63, your benefits would be reduced by 11.66 percent and your monthly check would be

Although your benefit will al-To help you make your ways be reduced if you retire early, your payments may be increased when you reach age 65 if you work anytime after beginning to receive Social Security checks. You'll get back five-ninths of one percent for make a comparison. If you take each month in which you did not exceeded Social Security's earning limit. Although you may retire early, you won't be eligible for Medicare until you are 65. Because you will be receiving Social Security benefits, you will automatically be enrolled in Medicare. About three months before your 65th birthday, you should receive your Medicare card. If you don't, call the toll-free number (1-800-772-1213) to let us know. Your automatic enrollment will include both Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance), although you'll have the option to decline Part B coverage.

End Of Year Reminders

As the end of the year approaches, there are certain Social Security related matters you should know about.

If you have a child age one or older who doesn't have a Social Security number, make sure you get one before you file your tax return next year. The law requires you to list a Social Security number on your tax return for all dependents over age one.

If you changed your name this year (through marriage, divorce, or any other reason), make sure your new name is listed on your Social Security card and in Social Security records. If you don't do this, there may be problems posting your earnings to Social Security's files. (This could reduce your future Social Security benefits.) Also, the Internal Revenue Service may have problems processing you tax return. If you're getting Social Security benefits and you moved this year, make sure we have your correct address. (Sometimes people who have their checks sent directly to their bank forget to tell us about a change in their mailing address.) It's important we have your correct address because early next year we're going to send you a form that shows the total benefits you received in 1993. You may need this form for income tax or other purpose.

If you receive Social Security and work, remember that you can earn more money in 1994 before your benefits are reduced. If you're under 65, you can earn up to \$8,040 next year with no reduction in benefits. If your 65 to 69, you can carn up to \$11,160 in 1994 with no reduction. If you're 70 or older, there is no limit on your earnings. If you receive benefits and

worked inn 193, you need to report your earnings to Social Security be April 15, 1994. The 1993 limits were \$7,680 for people under 65 and \$10,560 for people 65- 69.

Medicare and Hospice Care

When Medicare a beneficiary needs hospice care for a terminal illness, Medicare Hospital Insurance (Part A) may cover the cost of the required services. Home care, inpatient care-when needed- and a number of other services may be paid for under the hospice benefits.

To receive this coverage, the patient must meet three conditions: (1) a physician certifies that the patient is terminally ill-with a life expectancy of six months or less if the disease runs its normal course; (2) the patient chooses to be cared for by a hospice instead of using standard Medicare benefits for the terminal disease; and (3) care is provided by a Medicare- participating hospice program. The approved hospice and the beneficiary's attending physician must jointly establish the plan of care. Medicare will pay almost the entire cost of the following services if they are provided by a Medicareapproved hospice: physicians services; nursing services; drugs, including outpatient drugs for pain relief and symptom management; short- term inpatient care, including respite care; home health aide and homemaker services; physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech/language pathology; medical social services; counseling, including dietary advice; and medical supplies and equipment.

Medicare pays for: two 90day periods of hospice care, one additional 30-day period, and an extension of unlimited duration, if



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it is needed. These "benefit

periods" can be used consecutively

or at intervals but, at the beginning

of each period, the beneficiary

must be certified as terminally ill.

There are special rules when you

change hospice programs, cancel

and re-elect hospice care, and use

your standard Medicare coverage

for treatment of a condition that is

not related to the terminal illness,

even if you remain in the hospice.

To find out about Medicare-ap-

proved hospice in your area, con-

tact your state or local health

department, state hospice or-

ganization, or local Social Security

office. Or, call the toll-free

telephone number of the National

Hospice Organization, 1-800-658-

8898. Information about Medicare

hospice benefits is found in the

leaflet, "Medicare Hospice

Benefits-A Special Way of Caring

for the Terminally Ill," available at

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information about the Medicare

program is found in "Medicare

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and you're getting ready to retire,

Social Security has some hints to

help you prepare to file your claim

benefits, we will need to know

whether you'll be completely

retired or whether you plan to con-

tinue some involvement in the busi-

ness. To get all of your Social

Security retirement benefits, you

must retire, or at least reduce your

earnings below certain limits.

Otherwise, some-or all-of your

benefits will be withheld. Here's

how it goes: in 1994, if you are

under age 65, you can earn up to

\$8,040. For every \$2 you earn over

this limit, \$1 is withheld from your

benefits., For people age 65-69, the

1994 limit is \$11,160. For every \$3

you earn over this limit, \$1 is with-

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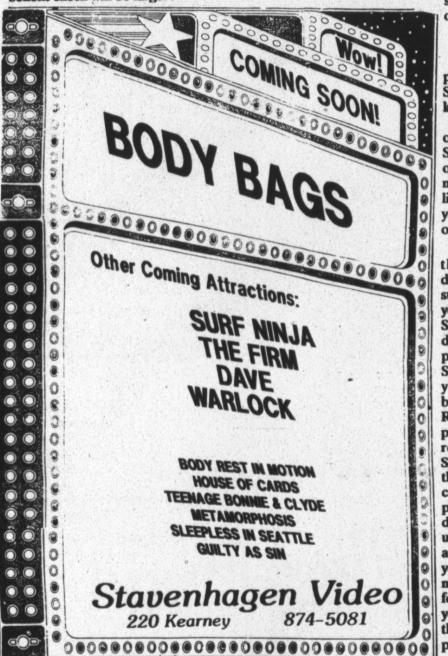
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limits apply to everyone: people who work for wages and those who are self employed. If you are age 70 or over, there are no earning limits. When you work for wages, it's easy for us to determine whether you're retired. Your earnings record tells the whole story. But when you are self-employed, it's not as simple. For example, if you decide to file for benefits but continue to work part-time in the business, you could be in a position to control your earnings. In that case, we probably will ask you for additional information-such as tax returns or corporate records. This will help us to decide whether you have reduced your services in the business to match the reduction in your income. In other words, the income you receive from the business must match the work you do. You cannot simply pay yourself a small salary to stay under Social Security's earnings limits. When you file for Social Security benefits, several situations require additional information and evidence to help us decide your level of retirement. Additional evidence would be necessary if you are: (1) involved in a family business or another family member is assuming some, or all, of your duties (2) continuing to render services for the business at a reduced rate of compensation (3) still the owner, or part-time owner of business and own stock in the business (4)splitting wages with others (dividing former salary between you and your spouse or children, for example).

Here's an example of a situation that would require an extensive interview and documentation because the person is retiring from his or her own business. Let's say Mr. Davenport owns and manages a furniture store. His net profit was \$65,000 last year. He turns 62 in 1994 and plans to file for Social Security retirement benefits. He decides to incorporate the business, naming his wife president, his oldest son as vice-president, and declare himself treasurer-paying himself \$8,000 so he will be under Social Security's earning limit. But he intends to continue to control and manage the business just as he did before he incorporated. While Mr. Davenport makes the arrangements with the best of intentions, only when he talks with Social Security representative does he learn that his arrangements may be improper. The representative explains that Mr. Davenport cannot simply reduce his income in order to receive Social Security without also reducing the services he provides to the business. Fortunately, Mr. Davenport talked to Social Security before he had to file amended tax reports and before we would have had to make adjustments to his Social Security record. All of these actions could have delayed the processing of his retirement claim. We encourage you to check with us before filing for benefits to make sure you are aware of the documentation you will need for the interview. Remember-you have to "retire" to collect "retirement" benefits- or at least significantly reduce your involvement in your business and keep your earnings under the limits.



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Seating is limited to both productions so buy your tickets early!

Contact any band or drama students or call any number listed below to purchase tickets. Katherine Williams: 874-2181 Eddie Hankins: 874-2562 or 874-5074 Julie James: 874-2776 Annette Osburn: 874-2753

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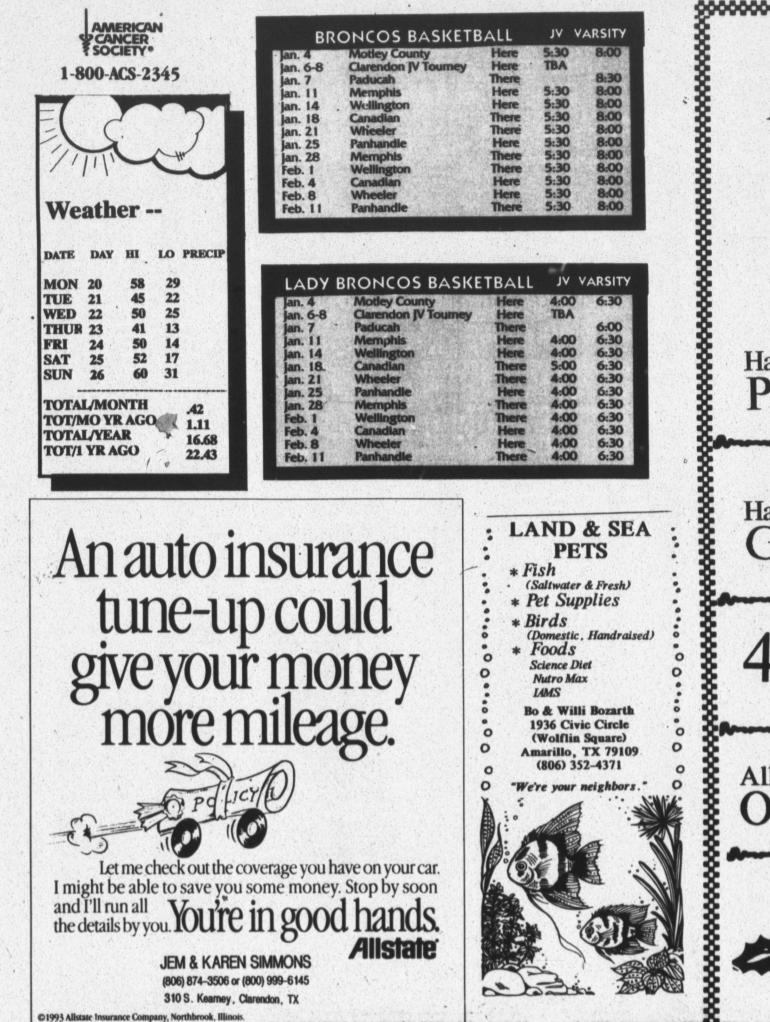
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should not be used on the elderly, infants, or people who have trouble feeling heat or are incapable of removing the heat source.

To assure availability when heat therapy is needed, keep products on hand such as the Faultless[®] Goodhealth or Goodhealth Premium Water Bottle from **Ross Products Division of Abbott** Laboratories. This easy-to-use two quart water bottle can be conveniently stored at home or taken to the gym or work, or on vacation.

Simply fill the bottle half full with warm water. Then release the excess air. This allows the water bottle to conform to any part of the body. Make sure the stopper is securely in place. Be sure to check the temperature of the bottle against the back of your hand or forearm to be sure it is not too hot. A towel wrapped around the bottle will provide comfort and safety.

Remember, use heat therapy for minor aches and pains. For more serious injuries, see your physician immediately.

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If an injury does occur, the

Hedley Senior Citizens Menu

Dec. 30 - Jan. 5 Thursday: Steak & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Toss Salad, Pineapple Whip, Wheat Roll, Milk, Tea, Coffee

Friday: Chili, Beans, Tater Tots, Beet-Onion Salad, Apricot Cobbler, Corn Muffin, Milk, Tea, Coffee

Monday: Close For New Years

Tuesday: Cod Fillet, Fried Okra, Mix Greens, Coleslaw, Banana Pudding, Corn Muffin, Milk, Tea, Coffee

Wednesday: Chicken & Dumplings, Turnips & Carrots, Hominy Salad, Jelled Fruit w/Whipped Topping, Roll, Milk, Tea, Coffee

Calendar of Events

Thursday: Games 1-3 p.m.; Friday: Games 1-3 p.m., Games 6:00 p.m.; Monday: Closed; Tuesday: Games 1-3 p.m., Games 6 p.m.; Wednesday:Games 1-3 p.m.



First United Methodist Church 874-3667 **Rev. Terry Tamplen** Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.

Attend

Services

UMY - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner - 5:30 p.m. Nursery - 6 - 9 p.m. K - 5 Choir - 6:30 p.m. Bible Studies - 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice - 8 p.m. UM Men-3rd Thur. 7:00 a.m.

Martin Baptist Church Martin Community Brian Knowles, Pastor · 874-2025 **Sunday School** 10:00 a.m. **Church Service** 11:00 a.m.

HWY 287 & Jackson 874-3156 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church Howardwick **Doug DuBose**, Pastor 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Worship Service 11:00 a.m. **Evening Service** 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Prayer 7:00 p.m. Meeting

Church Of Christ

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First Baptist Church

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Faith Temple

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Montgomery Rev. John W. & Winnie Mae

Brown, Pastor

10:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

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Sunday School

Worship Service

Wed. Bible Study

Evening Service

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study 8:00 p.m.

Rural Postal Examination Announced

> The Lubbock Office has announced the Rural Carrier Associate examination will be open to the general public beginning January 3, 1994, for the Childress Area eligibility Register (AER).

> Offices included in the Childress AER are Childress, Chillicothe, Clarendon, Crowell, Lakeview, Memphis, Paducah, Quanah, Quitaque, Roaring Springs, and Siverton, Texas.

> Interested persons may apply at the Lubbock Personnel Office, 1515 Avenue G, Lubbock, Texas; the Amarillo Personnel Office, 2301 Ross Street, Amarillo, Texas; or at one of the offices served by the register during the week of the open announcement.

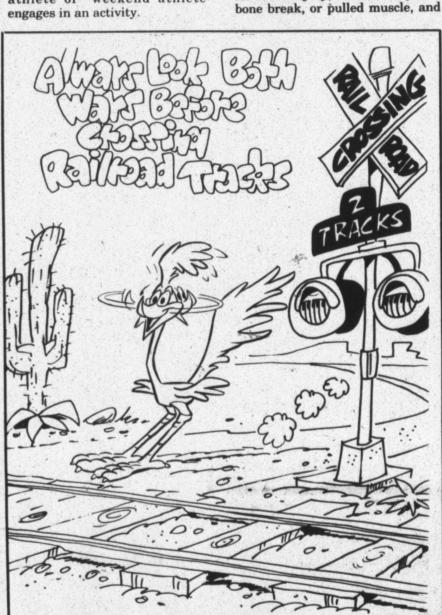
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Assembly Of God 5th & McClelland

874-2195 **Rev. Robert Burns, Pastor** Sunday School 9:45 a.m. **Sunday Worship** 11:00 a.m. **Evening Worship** 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Believer 7:00 p.m. Service

St. Stephens Baptist Church Jefferson & Martindale **Rev. Melvin Brooks, Pastor Sunday School** 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Night Service 8:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. **Prayer Service Woman's Mission** 8:00 p.m.



Calvary Baptist Church Sunday School **Bible Study Evening Worship**

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appropriate time to apply heat is 48 hours after the initial injury to help the healing process and regain flexibility. This delay ensures the risk of internal bleeding is minimal. Heat should not be applied to an acute injury, such as a sprain,

Church Of Christ 4th & Carhart Mike Suiter, Minister 874-2495 9:30 a.m. **Sunday School** Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night 7:30 p.m Service

Presbyterian Church 4th & Parks 874-3428 9:45 a.m. Sunday School Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Church of The Nazarene **3rd & Hawley** Robert L. Gilpin, Pastor Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. **Evening Worship** 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night 7:30 p.m. Service

United Methodist Church Hedley **Rev. Terry Tamplen** 874-3667 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Joint Evening Service 4th Sunday Monthly With Baptist 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study

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Evening Service

Christian Church 3rd & Gorst **Everett Stevens** 874-3212 9:30 a.m. **Sunday School** 10:40 a.m. Worship **Evening Study** 6:00 p.m.

Jesus Name Apostolic Church Montgomery & Faker Rev. Jerome A. Campbell Worship Service 3:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Service 7:30 p.m.

St. John The Baptist Episcopal Church 3rd & Parks Rev. Ned Creswell 874-2231 Holy Communion 11:00 a.m.

First Baptist Church 3rd & Bugbee **Truman Ledbetter, Pastor** Sunday School 9:45 a.m. **Morning Worship** 11:00 a.m. **Training Union** 6:00 p.m. **Evening Worship** 7:00 p.m.

Discipleship Classes 7:00 p.m. St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Evening Services

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Meetings

CLARENDON LODGE #700 AF/AM **Stated Meeting:2nd Monday** each month - 7:30 p.m. **Practice Sessions: 4th Mon**day Floyd Ramsey W.M. Willard Skelton Secretary

Refreshments served at 6:30 p.m.

VFW POST 7782 AND AUXILIARY **First Tuesday** 7:30 p.m. **Joint Meeting 3rd-Thursday** FRED DAY PAINTING CONTRACTOR **Free Estimates**

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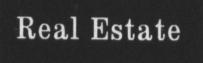
CARPENTER SERVICES Repairs, remodels, additions, complete home maintenance and repairs. Call 874-5051, Larry Christopher. 15-tfc

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held within and for **DIRECTOR'S PRECINCT NO 4** of the PANHANDLE GROUND WATER CONSERVATION DIS-TRICT NO. 3 on the 15th day of January 1994 at the Polling Place hereinafter set out to elect one District Director for a four-year term.

Upon each ballot shall appear the name of those qualified candidates who have filed for election in the office of District Director.

PRECINCT 4: Beginning at the NE corner of Sec. 219, Blk B-2, H&GN R.R. and going east the SE corner of Sec. 68, Blk. B-2, H&GN R.R., thence north to the SW corner of Sec. 53, Blk. B-2, H&GN R.R., thence east to the SE corner of Sec. 16, Blk. H, A.W. Wallace Survey, thence south to the SW corner of Sec. 11, Wesco Survey, thence east to the Gray/Wheeler Co. line, thence south along the Gray/Wheeler Co. line to the Gray/Donley Co. line and continuing south along the Donley/Collingsworth Co. line to the south boundary of Sec. 36, Blk.22, H&GN R.R., thence west to the SW corner of Sec. 39, Blk 22,

Sec. 1, T.T.R.R., thence north to the NE corner of Sec. 3, Franklin County School Land, thence west to the Armstrong/Donley Co. line, thence north along the Armstrong/Donley co. line to the Gray/Donley Co. line and continuing north along the Gray/Carson Co. line to the north boundary of Sec. 232, Blk. B-2, H&GN R.R., and thence east to the NE corner of Sec. 219, Blk. B-2, H&GN R.R., being the point of beginning.

The Polling Place for Precinct No. 4 is as follows: the Crockett Exxon Station lunchroom, located at 1-40 exit 135, Alanreed, Texas. Judge: Catherine Dorsey

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Early voters may vote at the Panhandle Ground Water District Office, 300 S. Omohundro St., White Deer, Texas, during office hours beginning December 27, 1993 and continuing through January 11, 1994.

The election shall be held and conducted and returns made to the **Board of Directors of PAN-**HANDLE GROUND WATER **CONSERVATION DISTRICT** NO. 3 in accordance with the general election laws of Texas, except as same are modified by the

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