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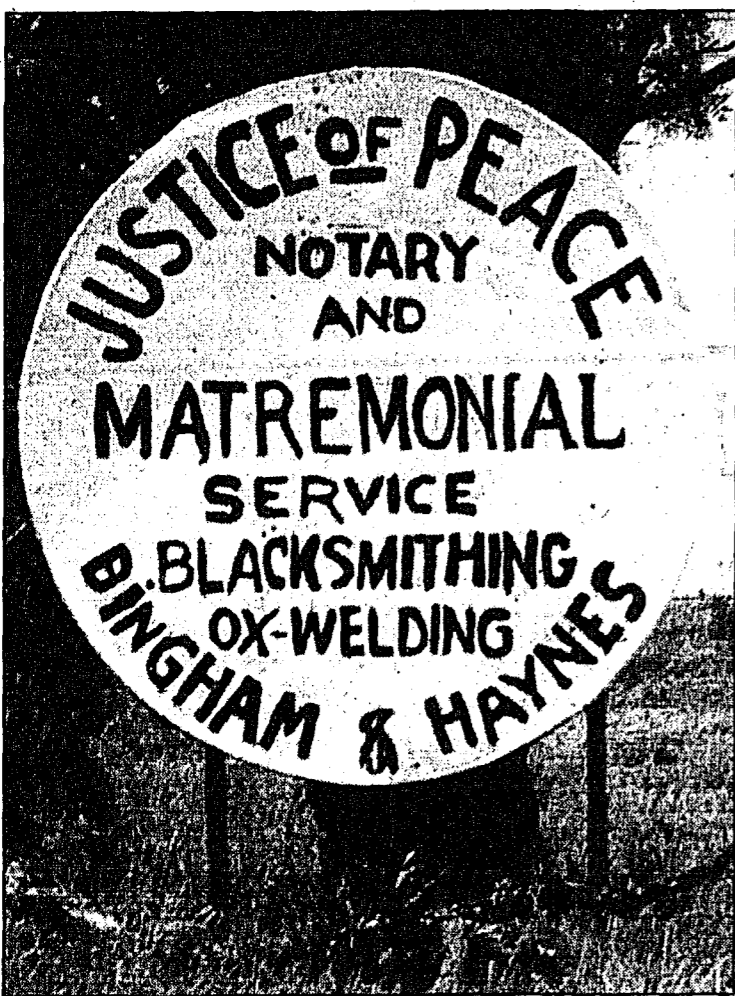


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Historical Sign Missing From Trickham

By Anna York

Why is it some people are not happy unless they can steal or destroy something that belongs to someone else?

I am speaking of a sign or landmark that was put up at Trickham and has meant a lot to folks through the years.

In 1935 Clyde Haynes, a blacksmith at the time and Tom Bingham, a Justice of the Peace and farmer, who lived near here and were men that had something funny going on most of the time.

Trickham was a busy little town with two churches, three grocery stores, a cotton gin, barber shop, a school, Mrs. Shield's Boarding House and a blacksmith shop.

Clyde Haynes cut a large round piece of metal, painted it and wrote "Matrimonial Services and Ox-Welding" with Haynes and Bingham painted at the bottom and fixed it on a post which he set in the ground. It has been there all these years.

There isn't much left of this little place now, a church and community center, and the memories of things past and now someone had the nerve to take the sign that we were hoping would be there for all to see when passing through.

If you took it or know someone that did, bring it back and your conscience won't hurt you and I promise you will sleep better.

World Day Of Prayer To Be Observed Here Friday

Santa Anna area people are encouraged to participate in special World Day of Prayer observances to be held Friday at the Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce offices.

Everyone is invited to be present from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. to pray for our community as well as for our world situations.

The event is sponsored by the Santa Anna Ministerial Fellowship. There will be a short devotional time followed by prayer. Working people are invited to attend the prayer meeting during their lunch hour. Participants are welcome to bring a sack lunch.

Operation Lifesaver Presentations Thurs & Friday

Railroad crossing safety will be the focus on Thursday and Friday when BNSF Railroad presents its "Operation Lifesaver" program to residents and students in Coleman and Santa Anna. A number of vehicle-train accidents have occurred in the county in recent years with fatalities in a number of the collisions.

A full day of informational activities and programs are planned. Students in Santa Anna schools will be attending programs during the day on Thursday regarding railroad safety. That evening a program will be presented to the community on railroad safety in the school cafeteria at 7 p.m. Programs will be held on Friday in Coleman.

Also on Friday train rides for county official, law enforcement, media and city and school personnel will allow the opportunity to see railroad crossing from an engineers

point of view. An exhibit car will be parked on the storage tracks in north Coleman, near the Little League baseball field. The car will be open free of charge to the public from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. offering history of railroading by displays of models and old-time railroad equipment.

All county residents are asked to show their support for the safety project.

May 4-5 Dates Set For 1996 Funtier Days

Saturday and Sunday, May 4-5 are the dates set by the Chamber of Commerce for this years edition of Funtier Days

With initial plans being made, Chamber Manager Tex Wright says that announcements of activities and any special features will be forthcoming in the next few weeks.

He did say, however, that Funtier Days this year will focus mostly on FUN for all.

There will be the usual Arts and Crafts booths, food vendors and other specialty vendors with a

"come one come all" invitation being issued by the Chamber.

Minimum booth space will be available at a cost of \$10 for a 10'X10' space. For those wishing larger spaces, there will be a charge of \$10 for each 10 feet added.

Local groups are especially encouraged to sponsor a game or activity with many of those not necessarily needing booth space. The group will be charged a percentage of receipts for participation.

Tentative plans include a possible

community wide worship service on Funtier Sunday morning and gospel singing groups during the afternoon.

For further information, contact Tex Wright at the Chamber of Commerce office or call 348-3535.

Eddie Hartman is president of the Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce. Other officers are vice president, Debra Smiley; secretary Michelle Morgan; and other board members Jean French, Shannan Enriquez and Jackie Smith.

VFD Begins Membership Drive

The Santa Anna Fire Department has begun their annual associate membership drive for 1996. They would like to extend an invitation to all members of the community and outlying areas to become an associate member in 1996.

In February 1962 officers of the local fire department met to find a better way to fight fires in Santa Anna and the surrounding communities of Coleman County. It was decided at this meeting to give people the opportunity to become associate members of the fire department. The response over the years has been so great that the local fire department is one of the best equipped in the Big Country and has a net worth of \$100,000.00 in equipment and buildings.

Work accomplished last year included replacing water tanks on each of the 1-ton trucks and replacing the water tank on the City pumper truck. An agreement was reached with the City of Santa to allow the local fire department to take the city truck to rural structure fires. Total cost of replacing the tanks was \$4,000.77.

A decision was made during the summer of 1995 to repair the two 1-ton trucks rather than trade them for newer models. The repairs were made at a cost of \$1,623.00 and with the new tanks and good mechanical condition, the trucks should last for many years.

The goal for the 1996 year is to replace the 1,000 gallon tank on the 2-ton tanker truck.

Officers of the Santa Anna Fire Department are Donald Strickland, chief; Lee Ray Huggins, assistant chief; James Morris, president; Donald Carter, vice president; Freddie Dodson, secretary-treasurer; David Huggins, Captain; Marty Donham, Captain; Roddy Dean, Assistant Captain; Paul Martin, Assistant Captain; Freddie Dodson, Reporter; and Lee Ray Huggins,

Fire Marshal.

Other members of the department are Dale Bradley, Bud Connolly, Clint Day, Edith Dodson, Nikki Donham, Ricky Grissom, Bill Gilbreath, Dickie Horner, Tommy Jackson and Bobby Morgan.

Although Santa Anna firemen have not had the problems so many in the area have been faced with, they have been busy. Last Wed. they helped fight a grass fire near Valera. On Thursday they were assisting near Burkett and also doused a fire on an oil lease on the Moseley place southeast of town. Later that evening they were called to put out a fire where a tree had blown down and pulled an electric wire into on County Rd. 210. Saturday morning they put out a grass fire on South Houston.

Everyone is reminded to take all precautions during this dry spell while fire is an ever present danger.

Little League Meeting Friday, Registration Saturday

Friday, March 1st at 6:00 p.m. there will be a parents' meeting at Coleman County Telephone office for the Santa Anna Little League association to discuss plans for the

upcoming baseball season. Coaches will also be appointed.

Registration will take place Saturday, March 2 from 4-6 p.m. at the local little league field for T-Ball, Minor League, Little League, Senior League, and Girls' Softball.

Registration fee is \$20 for the first child of a family and \$5 for each additional child. The fee will be collected at registration.

Downtown Bible Fellowship Starts Sunday

The Downtown Bible Fellowship group will begin meeting Sunday, March 3, at the Highrise Mountain City Center. Sponsored by First Baptist Church, the group is scheduled from 9:00 to 9:30 each Sunday morning, with singing, Bible study and refreshments.

Raymond Jones will be leader of

the group, assisted by member of the Adult IV Class. Everyone in the community is invited to be part of the group and to "come as you are" in very casual wear. The short service will provide an opportunity for worship and fellowship for those with a busy Sunday schedule. There will be activities for children

who accompany their parents.

New Bibles will be given to those who do not have them or for those who would like a modern translation.

People of all denominations are invited to take part in the Bible study in this informal setting.

Retirement Part Friday For Billie Baker

Coleman County Commissioners will accept the resignation of Coleman County Tax Assessor-Collector Billie Baker when they meet in their end-of-month meeting on Thursday.

Billie has served the county in the tax assessor-collector's office since December of 1966 when she was hired by the late John Skelton. She was appointed assessor-collector in October of 1974.

Billie stated, "I have enjoyed serving the wonderful people in Coleman and will miss seeing them as both customers and friends."

Billie and her husband, Bill plan to travel and get reacquainted. They will be visiting daughter Becky in Irving and daughter and son-in-law Beverly and Randy Ford and grandchildren David and Daniel in Frisco.

With the resignation to take place at 5 p.m. on Thursday, it is expected that commissioners will appoint Donna Seymore as fill the unexpired term. Seymore is the only candidate for the position on the November 1996 general election ballot.

A retirement party will be held at the courthouse between 2 and 5 p.m. Friday, March 1.

Everyone is invited to come by

Girls All-District Basketball



Briana Horner
Junior
First Team



Bertha Frausto
Senior
First Team



Ami Beal
Junior
Second Team



Amanda Lishka
Sophomore
Second Team



Perhaps A Little Too Early?

With the unseasonably warm weather of the past couple of weeks, area fruit trees are putting forth full bloom. Seems only yesterday when we were going through the extreme cold of our recent frigid icy front and now the fruit trees are in bloom. No telling about Texas weather! We are, however, a little dubious about the early blooms, since this Wednesday morning the temperature is 29 degrees with light sleet falling and a possibility of snow forecast for tomorrow. We'll pray for the best. We could sure use some moisture!

Staff Photo

Santa Anna — A Town Of Friendly People

Saying "Hello" to
Eva McCarrell of Brownwood

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Eating For Good Health

By Carol Katzer
County Extension Agent
Family & Consumer Sciences
Maintaining good health as long as possible is paramount in most people's mind once they reach middle age, especially when the first signs of aging show themselves. We naturally find new aches and pains or some activity we can't do like we did at twenty-five. Maybe the doctor actually tells us to follow some special diet or routine. These are normal in everyone's life.

Recent and continuing research tell us that good nutrition and physical activity can make a difference in quality of life. The relationship of lifestyle, including how we eat and physical activity, to preventable diseases is a fairly new area of study—even though statistics from the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society have been around for years. The "Wellness" concept is breaking into the public arena on all fronts. Health care professionals, home

economists, dietitians, sports, medicine professionals, gerontologists and others are realizing the cause-effect relationship.

Would you like the opportunity to participate in a wellness worship that will include the following major topics and activities:

- Specific disease and their relationship to lifestyle and diet
- Preserving your good health
- Health Screenings
- Planning healthy meals
- Take the mystery out of recipe modification
- Gain control over situations (such as eating out, cooking for one or lack of time and motivation) that rob you of healthy eating practices
- Healthy cardiovascular lifestyle
- You're never too old or out of condition for physical activity

Class format will be two one-day workshops, lunches with healthy and tasty food, health screenings and time for active participation for everyone. Make plans now! Class size will be limited!

For more information, please call for Carol Katzer at the Extension Office 625-4519.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- FEBRUARY 29**
Tai Musick
- MARCH 1**
Mike Pritchard
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes*
Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boss*
- MARCH 2**
Veronica Frausto
Teresa Carter
Bessie McDonald
Phillip James Wristen
Sadie Allen
- MARCH 3**
Richard Cupps
Helen Williams
Mr&Mrs Rick Watson*
- MARCH 4**
Wanda Daniel
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barstow*
- MARCH 5**
Mr&Mrs Edwin Hipsher*
Eddie Jones
Virgie Morgan
Mike Hosch
Mr&Mrs Steve Cullins*
- MARCH 6**
Doris Griffin
Johnny Herrod
Mr&Mrs John T. Williams*
Amy Wristen
- MARCH 7**
Doris Cupps
Tommy DeLeon Sr.
Johnny Vasquez

Trickham Cemetery Memorials

The Trickham Cemetery Association has received the following memorials:

In memory of Alpha McIlvain (Tommy McIlvain's mother) from Doris Stearns;

In memory of Ruby Mae (Bowden) Gibbons from Florence Stearns, Anna Lou Vaughn, Novella Stearns, Pat and Edna Stearns, Doris Stearns, Frank and Lois Wallace and Arvil and Verna Bolton; and

In memory of Mildred Ford from Florence Stearns, Novella Stearns, Leona Henderson, Anna Lou Vaughn, Pat and Edna Stearns, Harvey and Dorothy Goodgion, Joe Wallace, George Haynes, Margie Fleming, Raymond and Doris Cupps, Thelma Fleming, Marjorie Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Thompson, Dale Cole, Bill and Tavy Heidbrier, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ford, Rankin and Natalie McIver, Frank and Lois Wallace, Billy Roy and Mildred Laughlin, Mrs. Jesse E. York, Elvis and Reba Cozart, Peggy and Clay Miller, Judy and Morris Straughan, Mary and Dalton Jackson and Arvil and Verna Bolton.

In memory of Jesse E. York from Mrs. Jesse E. York; and

In memory of Evaline Herring from Mrs. Jesse E. York.

Methodists Set Revival March 10-16

Everyone in the area is invited to attend revival services at First Methodist Church, Santa Anna starting Sunday, March 10 and running through Wednesday, March 13.

The Rev. Bob F. (Bobby) Weathers will be the revival speaker for the services will begin at 11 a.m. Sunday morning and at 7 p.m. each evening.

Special music will be featured at each service. Don and Betty Roath of Cross Plains are music ministers for the revival.

Special youth services will be conducted Thursday through Saturday evenings detailed to be announced next week.

Cleveland Cemetery Association

The following memorials have been received by the Cleveland Cemetery Association:

In memory of Casey Herring from S. D. Cupps, Sydney Burleson and family, Mrs. Ethel Radle, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ray Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Benge, Raymond and Doris Cupps, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cupps, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cox and Mrs. Dick Baugh;

In memory of Evaline Herring from S. D. Cupps, Sydney Burleson and family, Mrs. Ethel Radle, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ray Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Benge, Mrs. R. B. Stearns, Mrs. Novella Stearns, Mrs. Dick Baugh, Mr. and Mrs. John Naron, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cupps, Annie Lou Vaughn, Margie Fleming, Eula Bigham, Joe L. Wallace, Thelma Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cox, The Schule Family, Leona Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes and Mr. and Mrs. Arvil Bolton;

In memory of Nevie Parsons from S. D. Cupps, Thelma Fleming, Eula Bigham and Mr. and Mrs. John Naron;

In memory of Leon Phillips from Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cox;

In memory of Adolph Kelley from S. D. Cupps, Mrs. Ethel Radle, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ray Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Benge, Thelma Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cupps, Margie Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cox, Eula Bigham; and

In memory of Mildred Ford from Mr. and Mrs. John Naron, Eula Bigham and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cox.

Social Security Representative To Be In Coleman

A representative of the Brownwood Social Security office will be at the Coleman County Courthouse on Wednesday, March 6 beginning at 9 a.m.

Meals On Wheels Monthly Schedule

- March 4-8: Methodist Church
- March 11-15: Northside Baptist Church
- March 18-22: Seventh Day Adventist Church
- March 25-29: Church of Christ

Thank You

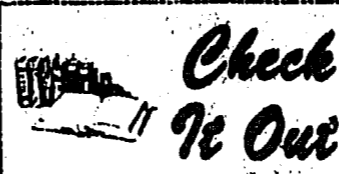
The family of Evaline Herring would like to thank all those who remembered us during our recent loss. To those who brought food, visited, sent flowers or memorials or just said a prayer.

Charlene and Jimmy Schulle
Kenneth Herring
Dale and Carol Herring
Pam and David Morgan
and families

Dear Friends and Relatives

We were overwhelmed by the outpouring of caring and concern extended to us upon the death of our beloved mother, Christine Smith. You are all extremely kind, generous, and helpful. You reminded us that Christian love never ends even when one is far away. We are most appreciative to each of you who came, sent flowers or cards, provided food, or prayed for us. We wish you God's richest blessings.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Paprowicz, O.B. Smith, Jr., Jean Castleberry, & Janice Noel



Betty Key and Ovella Williams took the weeding school very seriously. Last week they began working the medical section. Libraries are expected to remove out of date material. In the medical field, wrong information could harm. Wrong information on drugs or vitamins or diet could hurt someone. Other sections will be worked when there is time.

Some of the new books that came in were given by Sandra Guthrie, Shannon Abernathy and Carol Herring.

The science fiction that were brought in were out before I even got the names. There was one of the newest by Dean Koonze.

Sandra and Montie gave the follow up book to *Jurassic Park*. Once again Michael Crichton has written another exciting story of DNA and dinosaurs. When we last heard of the park, it was destroyed, right? Wrong! Now what is out there?

Carol brought some good paperbacks. *The Rainmaker* is one of John Grisham's books that we didn't have. A young lawyer fights for fair treatment from health insurance.

Suspicion of Guilt Barbara Parker and *Eyes of a Child* Richard N. Patterson concern a mystery and the courts and law.

Original Sin P. D. James is an English mystery. If you watch these on TV you will know about Superintendent (police) Adam Dowgliess. I recommend these for people who like their violence in small doses.

One of the surprise gifts I received was a subscription to *Country Woman*. The latest issue has 22 different recipes for chili. Some day soon I'll bring it so you can see how many different ingredients can be mixed into chili.

There are many good magazines at the library. Check them out.

I mentioned books that come in. Most are paperbacks, some hard bound, but remember that many of those that come from Abilene are large print. Many of us need that print now.

We have made a list of all who have overdue books. We will call and give you plenty of time to return them. No overdue fees will be charged if you return these in usable condition. All books belong to the City of Santa Anna. The library can request that law enforcement visit you to pick these up. If a book has been ruined, come and see us to make an arrangement.

A beautiful 9-year-old girl dropped in to look at the children's books. I enjoyed a visit. She told me that she had to go see the principal. When I was in school that meant trouble. For her it was a candy treat! She had made a 100 on a paper. I think I like that better don't you? Congratulations to every child who goes to the principal for candy treats!

Early Voting Continues Thru Friday In Primaries

According to reports on Monday, balloting in the absentee voting for the Tuesday, March 12, primaries had been fairly light in Coleman County.

Voters are reminded they have until 5:00 p.m. Friday to cast early ballots in the Democratic or Republican primaries.

Early voting for both primaries is taking place at the County Clerk's office in the courthouse from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Your Junk Could Be Someone's Treasure

CONTRIBUTED
Your junk could be someone's treasure. We will pick up or you can bring to 609 S. Houston, Thelma Brooker's house. We are collecting items for a garage sale to benefit the Santa Anna Nutrition Center.

The sale will be held April 20th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Santa Anna Armory.

Obituaries

Rev. Archie Phillips

COLEMAN--Services for the Rev. Archie Phillips, 77, of Coleman were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Gary Boyd, the Rev. Roger Hammonds and the Rev. Jeff Dean officiating. Burial followed in Eastlawn Memorial Park in Early under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

He died Wednesday evening, Feb. 21, 1996 at Coleman County Medical Center.

Born Feb. 11, 1919, in Washington County, Ark., he was the son of the late Samuel Andrew and Elizabeth Blair Phillips. He moved with his family to San Saba County at the age of three and graduated from Lohn High School and attended Howard Payne University. He served with the 8th Air Force in England during World War II. He was a retired minister having served pastorates at Milton Avenue Baptist Church in Brownwood and North Coleman Baptist Church. He served 15 months in the Pioneer Mission Field in Idaho and then pastored at Southwest Baptist Church in Belton. He was then recalled as pastor of North Coleman Baptist Church and retired there in 1971. He pastored at Silver Valley Baptist Church until 1980. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he taught the Auditorium Sunday School Class and operated and was an agent for Germania Insurance in Coleman. He also served as interim preacher at area churches.

He married Evelyn Cowin on Nov. 8, 1945 in Brownwood.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Loma Dean of Coleman and Brenda Richardson of Midland; two sons, Mark Phillips of The Colony and Berry Phillips of Coleman; one brother, Sam Phillips of Odessa; three sisters, Odessa Chamber of Brownwood, Ann Cox of New Jersey and Nelda Gilliam of Houston; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Juan Salazar Completes Army National Guard Course In Missouri

Army National Guard Private Juan M. Salazar, Jr. has graduated from the motor transport operator course at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

During the course, students received training in the operation and maintenance of light and heavy military vehicles. Instructions were given in transportation of personnel, equipment and supplies.

Salazar is the son of Johnny M. Salazar, Sr. of Santa Anna and Virginia M. Galvan of Coleman. He is a 1994 graduate of Coleman High School.

Manuel Pasley

Manuel A. Pasley, 85, of Santa Anna, died Sunday, Feb. 25, 1996 at Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996 at Gouldbusk Baptist Church with Rev. Dan Wright officiating. Burial was in Gouldbusk Cemetery, directed by Santa Anna Funeral Home.

He was born April 20, 1910 in Gouldbusk, the son of Millard and Sara Slate Pasley. He married Ethel Lorene Taylor on Nov. 30, 1931 in Gouldbusk. He was a retired custodian and a Baptist. He lived in California for many years and returned to Santa Anna four years ago.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Bobbie Pasley of Santa Anna and Billie Pasley of Clarksville, ARK; one daughter, Carolyn Pasley of Brownwood; four sisters, Thelma Lucas of Santa Anna, Sena Fryer of Brownwood, Maggie Sheffield of Brownwood and Ella Hennesy of Selma, CA; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Mary Alice Keele

CROSS PLAINS--Mary Alice Keele, 90, died Wednesday, Feb. 21, 1996, in an Abilene hospital.

Services were at 2 p.m. Thursday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Bob Pipes officiating. Burial was in the Cross Plains Cemetery.

She was born in Santa Anna and was a homemaker. She was a member of the Church of Christ and the widow of L. K. Keele, whom she married in 1974.

Survivors include one son, D. J. Sawyer of Cross Plains; one sister, Christine Hughes of Roswell, NM; seven grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Jewell Haskins

Jewell Toombs Haskins, 98, of Abilene, died Thursday, Feb. 22, 1996 in an Abilene nursing home.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Friday in Elmwood Memorial Park with Rev. Mike Patterson, pastor of Wylie Baptist Church officiating, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home of Abilene.

She was born in Merkel; attended school at Mulberry Canyon and graduated from Merkel High School. She moved to Abilene from Dallas in 1962. She worked in sales for the Margie Brassiere Company of Jacksonville, Texas for 30 years and as a representative for Epstein Lingerie of New York. She was active in the Rose Park Senior Citizens Group; and she was a Presbyterian.

Survivors include three nephews, Billy Joe Toombs and H. C. Toombs, both of Abilene and Jerry Toombs of Dallas; seven nieces, Bobbie Gee and Peggy Dennison, both of Abilene, Lady Jane Young of Brownwood, Ruby Daniel of Merkel, Natalie McIver of Trickham, Ena Pogue of Snyder and Mary Day of Chandler, Okla.; and several great-nieces and nephews.

COW POKES By Ace Reid



"For this herd bull I'd like the picture retouched a little. You might flatten his back, straighten his horns, put some straw around his legs, an' for gosh sakes, take that pear out of his mouth!"

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Carmen Donham, with help from Nutrition Center director Thelma Beloat, displays colorful afghan she crocheted for Nutrition Center fundraising raffle.

Nutrition Center Giving Away Afghan

Santa Anna Nutrition Center is selling raffle tickets for an afghan made by Carmen Donham. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit the local center. To purchase tickets contact Thelma Beloat 348-3642; Neil Hipp 348-3252; Thelma Brooker 348-3294; Betty Cupps 348-3473 or Karen Morris 348-3645. The drawing will be held Funter Day, May 4, at the Nutrition Center booth.

What Is A Stipend?

According to *The American Heritage Dictionary* the definition of the word "stipend" is a fixed and regular payment, such as a salary for services rendered or an allowance.

In last week's school board news, two members of the faculty received a stipend. The band director and athletic director receive this in addition to their regular teaching salary. The stipend is for the extra time and days these two men put into extracurricular activities during the year.

This question had been brought to our attention as to why these men received raises when others did not. This is just to clarify that a stipend is not a raise in salary but an allowance for extra time spent on the job.



Mike Wetsel Family To Host AISE Student

AISE Central Texas representative Gary Absber is proud to announce the family of Mike Wetsel as the new host family for Wing Cheng for the 1996-97 school year.

Wing is from Hong Kong and will be classified as a senior at Santa Anna High School next year. Wing's favorite subjects are economics, computer science, drama, english (she has 14 years) and physical education. She is excited to be able to participate in her favorite sports: volleyball, basketball and tennis. Her high school principal evaluation suggests she be placed in honors subjects.

If you are interested in hosting an exchange student for the 1996-97 school year contact Gary Absber at 915-348-9106 or call 1-800-SIBLING.

I could now afford all the things I never had as a kid, if I didn't have kids
—Robert Orben

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meeting with three of Attorney General Dan Morales' staffers that her action would be "proper, legal, necessary and the best solution to prevent devastating losses for taxpayers at the local level."

Morales called Whitehead's characterization of the meeting "untrue." He did not comment on possible consequences of the alleged violation of the state constitution.

About 1,400 local school districts, cities and other government entities invest cash for short periods in Texpool.

Complicating matters beyond the difference between "book value" and "market value" is the fact that Whitehead's office will be abolished Sept. 1, in accordance with a constitutional amendment passed in November.

VitaPro Probe, Lawsuit

The state has filed a lawsuit seeking to invalidate the \$34 million contract between the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and VitaPro Foods Inc. of Montreal, Canada, the supplier of a soybean-based meat substitute used to feed Texas prison inmates.

According to a report in the *Austin American-Statesman*, the contract — now under investigation by state and federal authorities — was approved without competitive bids by James A. "Andy" Collins.

Collins retired Dec. 31 from his \$120,000-a-year post as executive director of the TDCJ, but continued on the payroll through Jan. 31. In January, VitaPro hired Collins as a consultant at the rate of \$1,000 a day, said Yank Barry, the company's chief executive officer.

The state is seeking a refund of \$3 million already spent on the meat substitute, saying the purchase should have been made through its purchasing agency, the General Services Commission.

Last week, state Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, accused Collins of lying to a Senate committee in October when he said under oath that his private business plans would not conflict with his state job. Texas law prohibits officials from conducting business with state agencies for two years after they have left office.

Allan Polunsky, chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, ordered an investigation of the VitaPro contract after the arrest last month of Houston businessman Patrick Graham.

Graham, who allegedly masterminded a foiled prison escape plot, was carrying a business card showing he was an independent salesman for VitaPro when he was arrested.

Voters Guides OK at Polls

With early voting under way for the March 12 primary, Texans will at last be free to bring voter's guides, newspaper endorsements and other printed materials into the polls.

Prior law prohibited voters from bringing printed materials into voting booths, but did allow them to bring sample ballots and handwritten notes.

Houston lawyer David Furlow challenged the 93-year-old law and won a federal court decision overturning the law in November. The Texas Secretary of State decided not to appeal the ruling.

"It's not likely to adversely affect in the slightest degree what goes on in elections," Furlow said.

Other Capital Highlights

■ A Central Texas militia group

County Ag Day Exhibits Needed

Local businesses and merchants are encouraged to display a booth at the 1996 Coleman County Ag Day to be held on Friday, March 15 at the Coleman Junior High School Cafeteria. Farmers and ranchers from Coleman and surrounding counties participate in this annual event to take part in agri-business displays and exhibits, and educational programs on farm and ranch topics.

Agriculture is a major industry in Coleman County with an estimated annual revenue on \$21 million generated in farming and ranching. Ag Day began in 1993 to promote

is plotting to kidnap a federal judge, according to an advisory by the U.S. Marshal's Service, the *Houston Chronicle* reported last week. A memorandum dated Feb. 8 warned judges in the Houston-based Southern District federal judicial region, in which serve 18 federal district judges, six bankruptcy judges and 12 magistrate judges. These judges work in courthouses in Houston, Laredo, McAllen, Brownsville, Galveston, Victoria and Corpus Christi.

Austin State District Judge Joseph Hart fined John E. Furnace and his Manveltex Inc., of Brazoria County, a record \$915,000 in penalties for operating a water system so polluted that tap water would catch fire. The Texas Attorney General's Office investigated the case at the request of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. Furnace drilled a water well in a region with many gas and oil wells without notifying the TNRCC or customers in the 47-home system served by his company.

March is a tomboy with tousled hair, a mischievous smile, mud on her shoes and a laugh in her voice.

—Hal Borland

Coleman County Court Report

Coleman County Judge Sherrill Ragsdale has reported the following took place in the Coleman County Court February 1-16:

Alan John Fleming pled guilty to 1st offense Driving While Intoxicated and was assessed a fine, court costs and placed on probation for two years.

Richard Ellison pled guilty to Assault Class A and was assessed a fine, court costs and a jail term.

Kimberly Gayle Roper pled guilty to 1st offense Driving While Intoxicated and was assessed a fine, court costs and placed on probation for two years.

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HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Starling
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AUSTIN — State Treasurer Martha Whitehead acted illegally in December 1994 when she shored up the state-run Texpool investment fund, according to a Texas attorney general's opinion made public last week.

Texpool lost an estimated \$2 billion when investors withdrew their deposits, concerned after news reports regarding similar investments in high-risk "derivatives" that caused the bankruptcy of Orange County, Calif.

Whitehead responded by using Treasury money to buy back some of the securities at book value, to prevent losses for Texpool members. The bailout cost Texas taxpayers about \$55 million, she said.

The non-enforceable opinion — requested by the director of the State Pension Review Board — was written by Assistant Attorney General Susan L. Garrison.

"The state treasurer's use of funds in the state Treasury in December 1994 to purchase Texpool funds at a price above the market value was not authorized by law," Garrison wrote.

Whitehead told the *Houston Chronicle* she acted only after she had been assured at a Dec. 9, 1994

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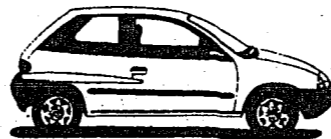
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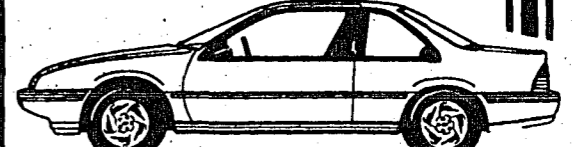
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First Graders Write About Animals

Editor's Note: Betty Smith's first grade class has recently been studying animals and have written about them. The following is their work:

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Jimmy

A foxes is big than a baby. A fox can eat. A fox can go big than me. A fox is big than mother. A fox is big now it is not. A baby is smaller. A baby fox is bigger than me. A big fox is big.
Chris B.

I like a big rabbit bekus it is fun. I like to read about mi rabbit. But like to go. I like animals.
Brittany

I love the polarbear. They are pretty and white. polarbears live in coldplaces. and eat seals fish. and know how to swim.and are the prettiest bear of all. and like to ice skate.
Trey

I like Bears. My favorite bear is a polar bera it eats salmon. The color of the polar bear is white thats

why I like the polar beras.I think the polar bear is the prettyst bear and I think the polar bear is Crystals favorite bear.
Michelle

I like Bears. My favorrite bear is the polar bear.it is pretty and white.it eats salmon.and I like the polar bear.it is so pretty. I wish I could see a polar bear.but it lives far away.I hope I get to go to the zoo to see some bears.it will be fun.
Priscilla

I like bears. White bears they eat all winter but they sleep because it is tired but when it wakes up it eat again.
Monica

The deer lives in the woods. The fish lives in water. The turtle lives in the water too. The cat is scared.
Emmanuel

A rabbit likes to dig under ground. Deer like to sit on the hill. A squrril like to sit on trees. Foxes like to sit on the hill.
Ben

The deer live in caves The bird live in there nest The rabbit lives in nest The duck lived in water.
Chris W.

A cow is eating hay. A duck can swim in the water. A bird can fly in the sky. A cat can walk. A cow can run. Audra
A fox is going to jump on to the rabbit. The bear is going to get the fox off the rabbit. The bear and rabbit are going to be friends forever.
Joshua

A squirrel lives on a tree and lives under the tree. A rabbit lives under the ground. A deer lives in the cave. A bird lives in a tree. The bear lives ina cave too. The end.
Dustin



School Menu

Choice of dry cereal, graham crackers, fruit or fruit juice, whole white, lowfat white and lowfat chocolate milk offered daily

MONDAY, MARCH 4
Breakfast: Donuts, fruit and milk
Lunch: Chicken fried steak, whipped potatoes, chilled fruit cup, orange or apple juice, hot rolls, milk, gravy, catsup and honey

TUESDAY, MARCH 5
Breakfast: Biscuits, orange juice or fruit, milk, sausage gravy and jelly
Lunch: Meat and cheese nachos, refried beans, chilled fruit, orange or apple juice, milk, cheesecake w/fruit topping, peppers and picante sauce

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6
Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, fruit, milk and jelly
Lunch: Bar b que pork patty, pinto beans, potato salad, chilled fruit, orange or apple juice, hot rolls, milk, bar b que sauce or catsup

THURSDAY, MARCH 7
Breakfast: Creamy rice, toast, fruit, milk and jelly
Lunch: Hamburger, burger salad, oven fries, orange or apple juice, milk, cookie, catsup and mustard or mayo

Hoop Challenge U.S.A. To Be Held Sat. March 30

Area youngsters will have an opportunity to spotlight their basketball shooting skills when Santa Anna hosts *Hoop Challenge U.S.A.*, the original nationwide basketball skill shooting competition. Boys and girls ages 8 thru 14 and under will be eligible to compete in this First Round of competition. Those who qualify will advance to a Regional Semi-Final, a Regional Final and ultimately a State Championship competition.

The event highlights shooting skills from various spots on the court. Each youngster competes against the shooting grid rather than head-to-head against other competitors. The *Hoop Challenge U.S.A.* competition begins at 8 a.m. on Saturday, March 30 with individual competition in both boys and girls divisions in age categories under 10, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14. Each competitor will receive a limited edition *Hoop Challenge U.S.A.* t-shirt. An entry fee of \$10 is required. Funds raised by this event will be utilized by the local site to develop other youth programs, purchase athletic equipment and in general benefit local youngsters.

For more information or to register call Debbie Bacon at 348-3138.

SAHS Teams Compete in Coleman Academic Challenge

Two teams from Santa Anna High School were in Coleman on Sunday to compete in the Eighth Annual Area 8 Small Schools Academic Competition.

Local students taking part were Chris Cheaney, Melonie Smith and Bobby Malaer, one team and Briana Horner, Stacy Smart and Lee Keeney.

According to sponsor Sandra Guthrie, although neither team placed she was pleased as two of the students were juniors who had not been exposed to fifty percent of the material.



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Santa Anna Elementary Releases Six Weeks Honor Roll

Santa Anna Elementary School Principal Lee Coffman has released the names of students earning the recognition of honor roll for the fourth six weeks. Students making the list were:

A HONOR ROLL:
First grade: Crystal Camacho, Priscilla Guerrero, Tracy Hale, Trey Holt, Justin Johnson, Jesse Roper and Michelle Wetsel

Second grade: Logan Lacy, Jessica Pelton and Martin Rodriguez

Third grade: Amy Gibson, Jeffery Hale, Michele Noriega, Kathy Simmons and Collin Stenbridge

Fourth grade: John Frausto;

Sixth grade: Jenna Hensley

B HONOR ROLL:

First grade: Monica Cortez, Anuhar Garcia, Jimmy Grissam, Dwight Hoedebeck, Audra Hubbard, Kimberly Lawhon, Joshua Rivera, Christopher Silva and Tyler Stewardson

Second grade: Rainey Bacon, Rudy Enriquez, Zane Fikes, Jessica Hensley, Harmony Herring, Daniel Hull, Vanesa Hull, Colt Martin, Durinda Puckett, Carl Sims, Gregory Strength, Bianca Torres, Mayra Torres, Ralee Watson and Kathy Wheeler

Third grade: Kayla Cloer, Alexis Deleon, Angel Deleon, Bryan Fellers, Ramiro Guerrero, Charles Hull, Laron McCloud, Jeremy McGee, Felipe Patino, Tana Salazar, Austin Sanders and Crystal Wetsel

Fourth grade: Kindi Cloer and Tyler Morgan

Fifth grade: Jamie Ellerbe, Alicia Ellis, Claire Gibson, Nathan Nicholas, Jennifer Pelton, Heather Sims, Jodie Strength and Jon Turney

Sixth grade: Heather Bradley, Daena Castillo, Stephen Donham, Shawna Graves, Crystal Isbell, Chris Kershner, Sabrina Martin, Sarah Powell and Tristan Tomme

SAHS Names Academic Excellence Honors

Santa Anna High School Principal Sam Huffman has released the names of students receiving gold or silver cards for the fourth six weeks of the school year. Students on the list include:

GOLD CARD:
7th grade: Chrystal Pelton and Jaci Kuykendall
9th grade: Rhonda Williamson, Jeremy Tomme, Esther Almgren, Maria Ellerbe, David Almgren, Delisa Nicholas, Randa Watts and Jennifer Johnson

10th grade: Hector Patino, Elizabeth Taylor and Beth Eisenhower

11th grade: Chris Cheaney, Ami Beal, Cesar Patino and Briana Horner

12th grade: Johanna Svensson, Melonie Smith and Brandi Martin

SILVER CARD:
7th grade: Maegan Lishka, Latashua Lewis, Buffy Martin and Jessica Powell

8th grade: Samantha Ramirez and Stuart Gibson

9th grade: Chris Boyet

10th grade: Diana Porter, Shane Watson, Chris Johnson, Lupe Castillo, Amanda Lishka and Aaron Guthrie

11th grade: Tim Abernathy and Rachael Guerrero

12th grade: Cecil Ramirez, William Loyd, Juha Aalto, Lina Persson, Juliette Vandervelde and Patricia Scott

Santa Anna To Host Elementary, Junior High U.I.L. Literary Event

Santa Anna will be hosting a an Elementary and Junior U.I.L. Literary Meet on Saturday, March 2 beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing throughout the day.

Schools competing will be Eula, Rising Star, Cross Plains, Gorman and Santa Anna.

Results will be published in the NEWS.

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Fishing Lake Ivie

By Durwood Strickland
The weather has been beautiful here, a little windy at times but not enough to really bother the fishermen.

We are still have real good luck with crappie fishing. They have been found of late suspended at about 17 feet but the last few days we are finding them in 5-8 foot depths.

Some clients out of Lubbock caught 80 crappie one day over the weekend in the 11-12 inch size range. Had lots of fun.

Bass fishing has been good. No real large ones but in good numbers. However one man did land a 7.06 lb. bass the other day.

Little people are having fun fishing from the bank for Perch and brim. They are using worms or jigs, catching lots. Reports tell us catfishing is pretty good. Channel cats are being found in 20-30 foot water using night crawlers or minnows.

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SAHS Track Schedule

March 9	Panther Creek Relays	Panther Creek
March 16	Pioneer Relays	Cross Plains
March 23	Silver Mine Relays	Menard
March 30	Panther Relays	Gorman
April 5-6	TBA	
April 11	District 10A Meet	Stephenville
April 26-27	Regional Meet	Ablene
May 10-11	State Meet	Austin

SAJHS Track Schedule

March 16	Pioneer Relays	Cross Plains
March 21	Panther Creek Relays	Panther Creek
March 29	Jr. Panther Relays	Gorman
April 4	District 10A Meet	Gorman

Believe All You Hear About Catching Colds?

COLLEGE STATION - During winter months, it's a good idea to keep warm and dry, but most health specialists will tell you, this has little to do with cold or flu prevention.

"Common beliefs about how a person gets a cold are unfounded," said Dr. Carol Rice, a registered nurse and health specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M University. "Many think that being out in cold or rainy weather, sitting in a draft, or coming inside from hot weather into a building cooled by air conditioning will bring on a cold. None of these ideas are supported by research." What causes colds are more than 200 viruses, she said. Adults average about six colds each year while children may have as many as nine colds a year.

The reason colds occur more often during winter months is because people stay inside where viruses tend to be more concentrated," she said.

"To reduce the incidence of colds it is important to always wash your hands with soap and water, and avoid hand contact with those who have colds," Rice said. Also, try to keep hands away from your mouth and nose.

SAHS Tennis Schedule

March 1-2	Mason
hosted by Grace Christian School	
March 8-9	Cross Plains
March 15-16	Santa Anna
March 22-23	TBA
March 29-30	Mason
April 3-4	District Meet

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LEGAL MATTERS

BY ATTORNEY GENERAL DAN MORALES



IN A FIX GETTING YOUR CAR FIXED?

CAR REPAIRS can be one of the biggest headaches a consumer faces. Today's cars and trucks are so complex that it is sometimes very difficult to diagnose problems. This can make it hard for the average consumer to know if the proposed repair will actually fix the car. It can also make it easy for an unscrupulous mechanic to include unnecessary but expensive work as part of the repair job, use second-hand parts, or bill you for repair work that was not done.

Texas has no law specifically governing auto repairs. However, the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act — the state's most aggressive consumer protection law — includes several sections that cover repairs. Under this act, it is illegal to:

- Knowingly make a false or misleading statement about the need for parts or repair.
- State that work has been done or that parts were replaced when that is not true.
- Claim that the parts used in the repair are new or original, when in fact they are second-hand or reconditioned.

Avoid problems

The simplest way to avoid a problem is to find a reputable mechanic or repair shop to do your repairs. Ask your relatives or friends for referrals. Call the local Better Business Bureau and the regional Attorney General's Consumer Protection Office to see if anyone has complained about the shops you are considering. Also ask for the names of customers you may contact to see if they are satisfied with the work done by the shop.

If you suspect the repair shop has violated the law, and you cannot get the problem resolved to your satisfaction, take your car to another shop and have the repair work inspected. Get this report in writing. You will need it in the event of mediation or a lawsuit.

Remember, if you refuse to pay a repair bill, the shop owner has the legal right to keep your car until you pay. You may find the only way to resolve the situation is to pay the bill (making clear to the mechanic that you do not agree to it), then either seek mediation or file suit against the shop under the DTPA in small claims court.

Car repair tips

To reduce the risk of becoming a victim, consider the following tips:

- Always get a written estimate before any work is done.
- Tell the mechanic to call you in advance if additional work is needed.
- Ask to have the old parts returned to you.
- Get everything in writing, including an explanation of the difference between the estimate and final bill, and keep every piece of paper.
- If your charge is much higher than the estimate, or if the work was done without your authorization, politely, but firmly, question the bill.
- Try to settle the matter amicably before taking any other action. Honest repair shops know that their business depends on their good reputation. They will try to resolve the problem to everyone's satisfaction.

For more information

We're here to help. If you have a repair problem that the shop will not correct to your satisfaction, contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Office nearest you. Or call us toll free at 1-800-621-0508. We frequently mediate disputes of this nature. Your local Better Business Bureau may also provide mediation services.

Getting a JUMP on College

Contracts for the Texas Tomorrow Fund have gone on sale, giving families a head start on dealing with rising college costs. The new state-sponsored program allows families to prepay tuition and required fees at Texas public colleges and universities at today's rates. A prepayment plan for private colleges is included.

During the initial enrollment period of January 1 to March 31, 1996, applicants may initiate a pre-paid tuition contract by paying a non-refundable \$60 fee.

The Texas Tomorrow Fund was proposed and designed by the Comptroller's Office and adopted by the 1995 Legislature. Eight other states have similar programs.

Anyone can purchase a prepaid tuition contract as long as the beneficiary or one of the beneficiary's parents is a Texas resident when the contract is initiated. That means grandparents, relatives or friends living out of state, as well as businesses or non-profit groups, may purchase tuition contracts on behalf of Texas youth.

Other conditions of the program state that: beneficiaries must be under 18 and not have graduated from high school when the contract is purchased; purchasers do not have to designate a college when initiating a contract; refunds will be available under certain terms and conditions; contract payments must be completed before the youth's high school graduation; and contracts can be terminated when fraud is involved or payments are late.

The prepaid tuition contracts do not guarantee college admission. Students still have to meet all entrance requirements of the institution they wish to attend.

Unlike annuities, the prepaid contract guarantees the cost of future college tuition and certain mandated fees at current levels. However, the contract will not pay for a student's room and board, transportation, books or lab fees.

Contract options: Prepaid tuition contracts are available under several plans: senior college plan or private college plan (good for 120 credit hours), junior college plan (64 credit hours) and junior/senior college plan (124 credit hours). Tuition and fees will be covered at any Texas public college or university.

Under the private college plan, tuition and re-

quired fees will be limited to the estimated average private tuition. Students will make up the difference if the tuition at the selected school is more.

The program offers four payment options—a single lump-sum payment, 10-year payment, five-year payment and a monthly payment plan. Monthly payments can be made through a coupon book, automatic deductions from the purchaser's financial institution (for employees of the state or a political subdivision) or through payroll deductions.

College costs are expected to escalate rapidly in the coming years. Currently, the average one-year cost for tuition and fees is \$1,900 at a Texas public university; \$7,870 at a private university.

The family of a newborn faces a different scenario in 18 years: an average \$7,600 a year at a Texas public university, \$30,150 a year at a private university.

The purchase price of contracts varies depending on the age or grade of the child at the time of enrollment; payments will not increase during the contract's lifetime. The appointed board will evaluate contract prices annually and adjust them as necessary to ensure the actuarial soundness of the fund.

Details of the Texas Tomorrow Fund are featured on the Comptroller's *Window on State Government*, which provides electronic access via the Internet and toll-free computer bulletin boards.

Applications may be picked up at the Comptroller's Office in Austin or its field offices, as well as participating financial institutions. Or write to the Texas Tomorrow Fund, Comptroller of Public Accounts, P.O. Box 13528, Austin, Texas 78711-3528. For information, call 1-800-445-GRAD (4723).

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Cleveland News

By Clara Cupps

Starting my news this week it has been very sad for us all. Casey and Eveline Herring and Adolph Kelley has left this old world and gone to a better place where more aches and pain. Believe you me they had their share. We surely will miss them very much. Also Nevy Parson of Bangs.

Those visiting Carmilla Baugh over the weekend were J. C. and Dixie Joe Bible, Kyle Bible and Hettie Scarborough of Santa Anna. Carmilla and Dixie Joe went over to Nancy Lee and children's at Bangs Saturday.

Ovella Williams visited Thelma Sunday. Thelma visited Nona Bell Ellis Wednesday. Carol visited Thelma Monday. Red visited several times.

Brown and Patsy Brooke of Comanche and his mother Myra Brooke of Coleman visited Sunday. Also Ernie and Carolyn Covey of Georgetown were here visiting the R. W. Cupps. Mainly for Eveline's funeral. I visited Nona Bell last Monday.

Ovella visited Aunt Helen and Uncle Emil Williams Sunday.

Jennifer Naron and David Phemister visited the John Naron Saturday afternoon. J. T. and Debbie Naron and boys from Merkel visited last Sunday. Ramon and Ruth Naron of Abernathy visited Saturday afternoon.

The Jerry Ellis family and the Benny Jarvis family of Johnson City all had supper at the Cecil Ellis' Saturday night. Bryce and Jamie were home from Angelo College for the weekend.

Lou Pierce visited Chris Kirksey

Wednesday morning.

Charlie and Kathleen Avants took her mother Mrs. Ruth Hibbits out to her house and farm Saturday, then took her to supper before returning to rest home. Jimmy and Denise Purcell and their family came to see Ruth over last weekend.

Miller Dee Fleming visited Margie Fleming Thursday.

Christie Trichel dropped by for a few minutes.

Alicia visited her grandma and grandpa Ellis Sunday. Benny and Anita Jarvis spent the weekend with her parents the Cecil Ellis. Cheryl also came with her parents.

Leta Parker and Cynthia called Syble and Lee Ray Huggins. She misses Santa Anna.

Those visiting Mrs. Adurey Wright over a couple of weeks were Mr. and Mrs. Norrel Parsons, Newell and Edith Parsons, Lynn Wright, Phil and Judy Chambers and boys and Burnice Bilbrey.

Ladell and Burnice were at church this morning. They are both quilting.

I talked to Edd a little bit and he told me Ruby is doing much better.

Doyle and Juanita Ward visitors over the weekend were an uncle from Sea Graves and cousins from Brownsfield.

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Trickham News

By Anna York

Jim and Sherrie Blake and Megan spent a few days at Del Rio visiting with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jim Blake, Sr.

Reba and Elvis Cozart came back up to her farm on Wednesday after spending several weeks at Round Rock. He had surgery while they were there but is doing good now.

On Friday evening the two of them and Mrs. Annie Lou Vaughn enjoyed a fish dinner at Tammy's in Santa Anna. Reba and Elvis ate Sunday lunch with Mrs. Vaughn. In the afternoon Reba talked by telephone to her mother Ilene Haynes at Hermleigh and was proud to find she was doing well.

R. C. Stearns of Cross Cut visited two different days last week with his mother Mrs. Florence Stearns and did some work for her.

Charlotte Laughlin of Brownwood visited Sunday afternoon with her grandmother Mrs. Edna Laughlin, we are sorry to report she hasn't been feeling so well lately.

James and Nita Wallace of Sudan are visiting a few days with his brother Frank and Lois Wallace in Santa Anna.

Betty and Damon Miller of Austin spent a few days last week with her mother Mrs. Mary Leah Mitchell.

Leona Henderson had Saturday evening supper with Donnie and Christina Henderson and Candice in Coleman and their children Clarissa and her family and Rodney and his family were there visiting over the weekend.

Wesley and Candi Dockery visited on Sunday with his parents

John and Earlene Dockery. Recent visitors were Ray and Barbara Dockery of Eden.

Annie Lou Vaughn visited on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Gertrude Martin.

Novella Stearns was a Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Winnie Haynes.

Frank and Lois Wallace of Santa Anna visited on Thursday afternoon with Nikki and I.

Rankin and Natalie McIver were in Abilene Friday to attend funeral services of her aunt Jewell Haskins, age 99.

Lara Meckfessel of Howard Payne spent the day Sunday with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Talmadge McClatchy.

Janice Snow and little son Taylor Scott of near Brownwood visited on Friday afternoon with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Felton Martin.

Royce and Wanda McIver spent Friday night at Midland visiting their daughter and family Sabrina and Artie Smith and attended a soccer game where a grandson Phillip was playing. While they were there their grandson Bryan Smith who is stationed in Korea called home and they all enjoyed talking with him and were happy to know he was doing fine.

Those that met on Monday to quilt at the community center were Helen McIver, Novella Stearns, Annie Lou Vaughn, Tony Watson and two visitors, Bobbie Dean and Roberta McShan. There were fourteen present for the eighty-four party on Thursday night.

Saturday dinner guests of Mrs. Annie Lou Vaughn were Bill and JoAnna Smith of Terrell, Mary Ola Woods of Bangs and Earlene Dockery. Annie Lou visited with Robert McShan Sunday.

Whon News

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

We all continue to wish for a good rain but so far the rain has failed to come our way. Until it does we will all be wishing for a good rain.

We are sorry Mr. Floyd Morris hasn't been feeling so well. Floyd went to Brady Sunday and spent the day with his sister there and reports they are doing very well.

I visited briefly with Mr. and Mrs. Dick and Johnny Deal who are making their home in Coleman at this time one afternoon the past week. Mrs. Deal had been in the hospital for several days at this time and was home and only feeling very well and so nice. They seem to like being in Coleman for a while. We are trusting for better health for them.

We are very glad to report Mrs. Pearl Avant who lives in Santa Anna states she is feeling well following eye surgery which was reported last week.

Rockwood News

By Sandra Wilson

Did you see the rain? I didn't see any but there was evidence that we received a slight shower. When I say slight, that is exactly what I mean.

Kim Whitton, Clay and Katy came in Saturday to visit with

Thomas and Trudi Rutherford took their daughter and her little 4-year-old son to Dallas Sunday morning for the daughter and son to return home from the Dallas airport to New Hampshire. They came here with her mother Trudi so she would not have to drive alone from her return home from New Hampshire attending her mother's birthday anniversary when they came here over a week past.

Mr. Graham Fitzpatrick has been with his sister and her husband for several weeks. His sister's husband was not so well. Graham Fitzpatrick, his sister and her husband came to Graham's home here Saturday where they will be for a while anyway.

I talked with Don Fitzpatrick Sunday morning. He was doing a little work on the entrance to his home quite early. He reports his uncle is doing better healthwise. They came here for a while. So Graham could help his sister with the care of her husband.

Mrs. Ethel Radle in Santa Anna had her daughter Ruth Poldrack of Coleman with her Sunday. They ate lunch in Coleman and did some grocery buying. Also Joe Alvin Wynn of Fort Worth area visited with Mrs. Radle Saturday.

Mrs. Radle's son called Thursday and he and his wife were leaving from the Fort Worth area for England where they will be for nearly three weeks visiting relatives and sightseeing.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd and Kem Rutherford visited with his father and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Rutherford a while Sunday afternoon. They also stopped and visited with me a while enroute home to Early. Todd said his mother had the misfortune of breaking her ankle but doing very well, not working just yet.

Was nice to have our son Hilary of Coleman out assisting with work during the past week. Hilary has not been feeling so well for some time. Was helping Thomas with the house they are having built and he is feeling better for which we are thankful.

We are glad to report Mr. Leon Carter is feeling better. Can't contact him but feel sure he was with his sister Lorene Black in Brownwood Sunday.

We are very glad to report Mrs. Pearl Avant who lives in Santa Anna states she is feeling well following eye surgery which was reported last week.

Minnie Bray. Kim, Clay, Katie and Minnie went to Coleman to help Lucy Gregg celebrate her birthday and enjoyed supper with the Gregg family. Sunday afternoon Mack and Patsy Hambricht, Kathy Vaughn and boys visited.

Wednesday evening Blake Williams and Minnie Bray had supper with Jr. and Nell Brusenhan. Jeff and Sara Dean visited briefly, Thursday Jr. and Nell were in Brownwood on business and were in Coleman to visit with the Archie Phillips family. Friday evening

Jody, Rhonda, Ashley and Jennifer Brusenhan arrived to visit until Sunday morning. Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hull joined Jr., Nell and their guests for lunch and a belated birthday for Mrs. Hull.

Guy and Dorothea Whisenant were in Abilene Wednesday on business. Thursday there were in Brownwood to visit with Jim, Kathy and Tammy Fraser.

Wednesday Olive Howland and Joan Hoyumpa were in Brownwood for shopping and a movie. Joan and I love to talk birds and she reported that her purple martians had arrived. I was happy to report that I also have spotted some around my feeders.

Denny and Louise Densman visited with Elec and Rose Cooper Sunday morning.

Saturday afternoon Darla, Hunter and Hayden Wise and Janet Barker visited in Santa Anna with Hettie Scarborough. Faye Wise and Vivian Steward visited Sunday. Paul and Mary Jensen visited several times with the Hank Wise family.

Joyce Mueller and Faye Wise were in San Angelo Friday.

Linda Herman and daughter Jamie Locke of California are visiting with Gary and Carol Sims family.

Burgess and Gayle Stewardson and Clay Hubbard met Ward and Karen Stewardson, Hilary and Paige Elizabeth at Buddy and Rayma Field's house in Burnet Sunday. They had a day of visitation, returning home through San Saba and visited with Boyd and Dee Dee Stewardson.

Visitors with Johnnie Steward have been Pat Patterson, Vivian Steward, Jack Cooper, Betty and Ralph Langston, Faye Wise, Mack Hambricht, Billy and Emily Maness, Marvin Titsworth, Bo Wilson, Roland Duss, J. E. and Billie Porter, Olin and Ethel Horton, Emily Rose of Odessa and Mike, Jamie, Casey and Lauren Ray.

Royce and Wanda McIver visited with Bill and Sadie Bryan Sunday afternoon. Bill and Sadie and Minnie Bray were at Faye Wise's to play Spinner Sunday night.

Pat Patterson visited until Friday with Vivian Steward. They visited Tony Rehm.

Visitors with Frankie Matthews, Becky Brooks and Darlene McElrath have been Johnnie Casey, Guy McElrath, Mika Mayo, Willie and Irene Matthews, Sage Brooks, Charlie Smith, Frances McAlister and Bo and Sandra Wilson. Darlene, Frankie and Sandra visited Frances and Charlie Sunday afternoon.

Joey Cupps and Rainey visited briefly Wednesday evening with me. Johnnie, Trey and Cheyenne Casey were supper guests with Bo and I Friday evening.

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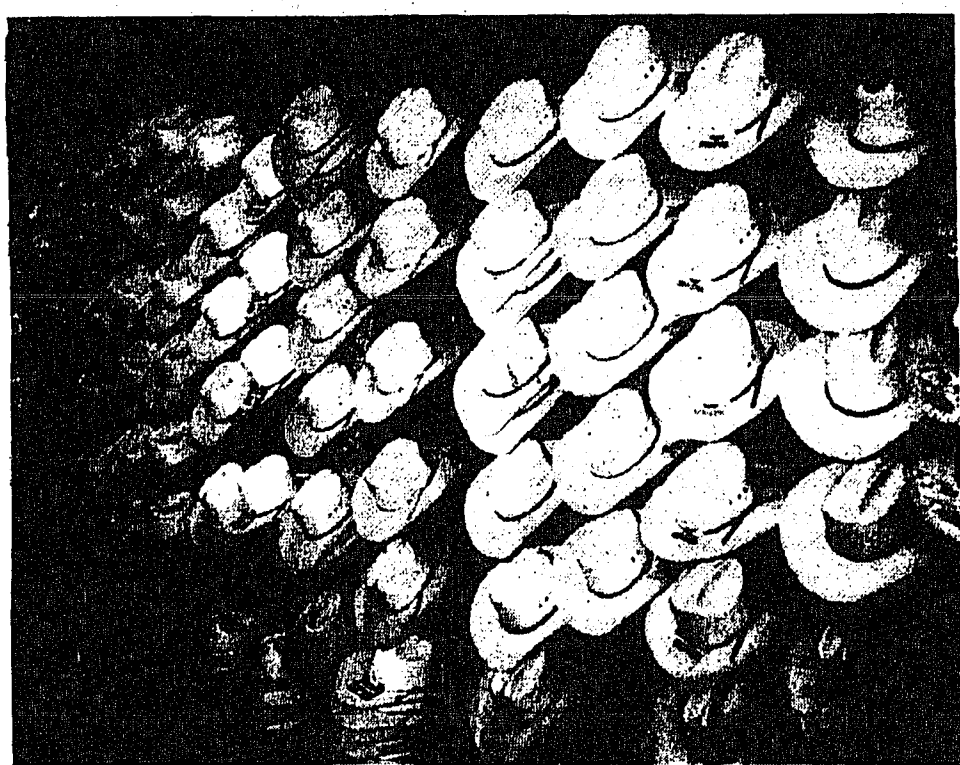
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