

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

It was a challenge

I have to admit that if I knew what I would have to go through I probably would never have gotten into printing. But I guess I like a challenge.

When I first viewed that press at the auction in August I didn't even know how to turn it on. Since then I have had the "opportunity" to install delivery rollers; tear apart the inking system; learn how the timing is handled on the water rollers; un-freeze the speed assembly; take out broken-off screws, etc., etc.

And I learned a lot about ordering parts. I learned that if you are going to order a roller, it doesn't hurt to order the bushings that hold it in place. I learned that the hard way.

And I learned that the wholesaler doesn't place your order unless there's a \$100 minimum. I learned that fact after waiting two weeks for a part to come in. It's hard for a part to arrive if it hasn't been ordered yet.

And, most of all, I learned how much I didn't know about machines. I learned all sorts of words I had never heard of - cams, allen wrenches, hex screws, zirts, Zirts?

And I learned that there is a whole lot more to a printing operation than just learning how to operate a press. There's a camera to understand, a developer to figure out, a paper cutter to use... And there are chemicals and solvents to figure out, stuff like "Anti-Skin" and "Easy Street."

Fortunately, I had a lot of folks to help. As I wrote last week, we would have gone nowhere without the Christian help of Bob Stovall of Muleshoe. His assistance epitomizes why folks like living in this area - people helping one another.

Others who helped out during the process of transforming the empty back room at the Tribune into a printing shop include Lee Hutchins, Bobby Foster, Vane Doshier, Curtis Smith, Chris Gikas, Bill Green, Jack Foster, Doyle LaRue, Leo Gonzales, Bryan Kube, and Newt's and Empy's machine shop.

You should have seen Doc Green give our press the once-over. He missed his real calling - being a master machinist.

Thus, it's nice to report that Texico-Farwell Printing is now a reality. We put in about 30 parts that had been missing on the press, plus fixing a couple of other broken pieces. It now is up to par.

And the nice thing is that it has all its parts. When something breaks, I can take the broken piece to a shop for fixing or to have a new piece made. I was worried about this when I didn't have all the parts.

While we worked on the press, we optimistically went ahead and put together the rest of the shop. We found an old 1,500-pound paper cutter in Amarillo, the old manual kind. And we began buying stock and chemicals and supplies.

Most importantly, we used the past four months as a training period. Betty Jean Castleberry went to Muleshoe once or twice each week to learn printing. And Barbara Franse began practicing with us, too.

Officially, we will open Jan. 2, although we are taking jobs now. We plan to just be of service for Texico-Farwell. I think it will be good for us to have a print shop locally. Our press has excellent range and capabilities. And it's very fast.

Another good thing about having a print shop here is that over the coming years we can use it as a training device for young people. Communications and printing are good trades to learn.

Obviously, right now we're not in any position to teach anyone - we're too busy learning ourselves. But after a few months, we should be able to have selected high school students learn from our operation.

I like that idea. I like it when a business can help train our youths. It's good for a community.

So, as they say, we've come a long way, baby. The 75-year-old State Line Tribune now has a baby brother, Texico-Farwell Printing.

Once again, I need to publicly thank Bob Stovall for his help. Without it, we would have been lost.

And, most important, we thank the Lord for His blessing.

Rumor of the Week: Farwell will be moving up to Class 2-A in two years if its enrollments hold. The cutoff is 134 students. Farwell has 145 now.



Displaying the newly decorated traditional Christmas peach tree, are, Harold and Avis Carpenter,

Lois Billingsley, and Louise Christian.

Oklahoma Lane tradition continues

The Oklahoma Lane Community will celebrate its 70th Anniversary of its "Community Gathering" with an old-fashioned Christmas program Christmas Eve.

Plans have been made this year to meet at the Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church building because it was decided it would be more comfortable for the old-timers and children. Tina Sides is in charge of the program.

Special features will be replicas of trees from the first several Christmases, along with the traditional green tree. This year it is a 13-foot tree, donated by Bovina Super Market. Santa Claus will be there and all will get gifts.

In 1916 some early settlers in Oklahoma Lane, the Ben Bates, John Scribner, and McGuire families, gathered at the Ed and Cora McGuire home for the first Christmas Tree to exchange what few presents were available. John Scribner was Santa which delighted the children. Cora McGuire and Lillie Scribner made a "tree" from a box covered with bright material and a board tacked across the corner to hang the gifts. Christmas Day being warm and beautiful allowed the four men to work on a new home for one of the families. The Fowler family, also newcomers in the community from Oklahoma, observed Christmas entertaining relatives and spent the afternoon setting out peach and plum trees.

In 1917 the Christmas Tree was held in the old Knox school, located west of the A.L. Tandy farm. Old settlers recalled that a dead peach tree was wrapped in green crepe paper and decorated with strips of cranberries and popcorn.

A program was planned for the Christmas Tree of 1918, but the flu epidemic and heavy snows cancelled the plans. World War I was coming to a close and new families were filtering into the community. Chester Fowler and Mable Ayres were to present a program acting as a doctor and nurse. Vashti Fowler recalls this was the year that her brother, Chess, got his first pair of long pants.

The weather was favorable for the "Tree" in 1919. By this time the families of Foster, Christian, Magness, Rhodes, Hammonds, and Perkins have moved into the community and joined in the celebration. The sacks of treats that Santa handed out to everyone that night were made by Cora McGuire, Ina West, Mrs. Frank Ayres, and Mattie Lee Richards out of bright colored mosquito netting and were filled with treats that were "store bought" with the proceeds of the first box supper that had been held a few weeks previously. For the program someone made a talk and the little school house was filled.

In 1920 the "Christmas Tree" was held in the old Sunnyside school, located on the corner of the present Earl Routon farm. Another peach tree was wrapped in green paper was used. About 12 or 14 families attended this year.

1921 was a year of progress. A real cedar tree was brought in from the breaks in New Mexico by Tom Foster, John Christian, Carl Fowler and the newly married Clyde Perkins. The celebration was held on the present location of the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church, as the two little schools of Knox and Sunnyside had been consolidated, with P.A. Lee being superintendent.

This year of 1921 was also important as the year that the date of the first Friday night in December was officially set as the date for the annual box supper to raise funds for the purchase of Santa's sacks. This date remained the same down through the years despite basketball games, death in the community, snow or shine, until the Oklahoma Lane School became the present United Methodist Church years later.

In 1922 another big snow storm raked the high plains. No trip to the breaks. Same old peach tree covered with crepe paper.

The little school was fast becoming overcrowded, so in 1923, a great year for the community, a "giant" new school building was built. There was another big snow

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Enjoying the oldtime custom of stringing popcorn and cranberries to decorate the Christmas tree are, from left, Kristi Jones, Carrie

Christian, Lois Billingsley, Avis and Harold Carpenter. Not pictured, but there to help decorate, were Roy and Joe McLellon of Friona.

Flu bug hits Farwell

The Farwell school attendance has been down this week due mostly to the flu bug and other related illnesses, with approximately 100 students absent Monday and Tuesday.

It was estimated that about 32-34 students were absent from the high

school on Monday and about 38-41 on Tuesday.

The elementary showed about 23-24 absent Tuesday and the junior high estimated about 26-30 absent that same day.

Texico schools report no changes in their usual attendance.

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Texico Homecoming activities announced

The Texico Homecoming events are scheduled for Dec. 20 when the Texico Wolverines will be hosting the Ft. Sumner Foxes and Vixens.

The theme of Homecoming this year is "Come On Home to THS" with a holiday motif following.

The Homecoming events kicked off Monday with dress-up days from Dec. 15 through 19. The students were to dress up for "Sun Glasses Day," "Beach Day," "Wrong Side Out Day," "Dress Up Day," and "Green and White Day."

A select-a-float theme contest based on Foxes and Vixens was held. The floats were to be mini-wagon types. Ribbons will be given for first, second and third places. First place will receive a free pass to the game.

A select-a-poster theme contest was also held based on the Spirit of THS. Posters were to be no larger than 3'x3'. Ribbons will be given for first, second and third places. First place will also receive a free pass to the game.

A pep rally will be held Dec. 19 at 9:30 a.m. There will be a mini-parade and the first place winners of the various contests will be announced and receive their free passes to the game.

Mums will be available on Friday after 1:30 p.m. in the high school library. The Junior Class parents are sponsoring the mum sales. Mums not picked up on Friday will be available prior to the games.

Alumni are also invited to return home in time for the special pep rally.

The Wolverines will host the Ft. Sumner Foxes in four games. The junior varsity games will be played in the two gyms beginning at 5 p.m.

(MST). The coronation of the Homecoming royalty will be prior to the varsity girls' game at 6 p.m.

Cheryl Scott and Danny Powell, the last basketball royalty, will crown the new King and Queen.

The junior high cheerleaders will host a reception in the high school library for all of the alumni following the varsity boys' game.

During the evening, plaques will be awarded to the alumni who has traveled the greatest distance and to the oldest alumni present. The class with the most present will also be recognized.

Here is a list of the Homecoming king candidates:

Dale Burkhammer is the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bufkin. His hobbies are playing basketball and welding. He is a transfer from Sam Rayburn High School at Telephone, Texas. He is a senior.

Jeff Horner, a junior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Horner. He is an active member of the National Honor Society and serves as chapter treasurer for FFA. He is in the band and enjoys playing most sports.

David Loera is a senior and class president. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eladio Loera. He plays football and basketball, he is a member of the Student Council, pep club, FFA and band.

Rod Smith is a senior. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd S. Smith. He participates in track, football and basketball. He is a transfer from Plainview, Texas.

Bret Taylor, a junior is class treasurer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Taylor. He is vice president of FFA and a member of the varsity basketball team. He also enjoys hunting.

The candidates for Homecoming Queen are:

Heather Delaney, a junior, is the daughter of Robert and Kristi Delaney and James and Kathy Harding. She transferred in from Austin, Texas. She is a member of the varsity volleyball team, a varsity cheerleader and a member of the yearbook staff.

Geneva Garcia, a junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesus Garcia. She is FHA treasurer and is a member of the varsity volleyball and basketball teams, band and pep club.

Twilla Longo, a junior, is the daughter of Monnie and Jerry Cunningham. She is the junior class vice-president, a cheerleader and a member of the drill team, band, athletics, National Honor Society, FHA, and the pep club. She also enjoys reading and horseback riding.

Tracey McDonald, a senior, is the daughter of Phyllis Fenn. She is a member of the varsity volleyball and basketball teams, pep club, and the Student Council. She enjoys water and snow skiing.

Robin Pierce, a junior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Pierce. She is the junior class president, pep club treasurer and is a member of the varsity volleyball and basketball teams, FHA, National Honor Society and band.

There will be a reception for all of the alumni in the High School Library after the game. The reception is sponsored by the Junior High Cheerleaders.

Crown bearers are Tobie Askew and Tiffany Lindley.

Montgomery explains Ag changes

Richard Montgomery, Ag teacher at Farwell, spoke to the school board last week on proposed changes in vocational education.

Montgomery said the Texas Education Agency is proposing to drop the old programs of Vocational Ag I, II, III and IV, which have been around since the program started, and replace it with what they may call "Agri Science."

They plan to have a freshman course or Level 100 course that the students will be able to take anytime during their high school years.

They plan to change the prerequisite requirements where the students were required to take Vocational Ag I and II in sequence and group the rest of the Ag courses including soil, animal and plant sciences into one course.

They have proposed that there be a new Ag Technology where Ag I, II and III can be taken in either a half semester or in a year's time. The new Ag Tech will be basically a shop Ag with the mechanics excluded, which will be grouped together in a semester or year course.

The courses will be termed Ag Science Level 200, 300 or 400. The

higher the number the more advanced the course.

The Level 300 courses will include Animal Science, Plant Science and a construction course that might require the 200 Level courses as a prerequisite.

The 400 Level courses will take the place of the pre-labs or the General Ag Mechanics. This course has been scheduled in a two-hour block, but the new Vocational Ed hopes to make it to where a student can get credit for a semester, year or a 1 hour block. This could make it easier for students to schedule their classes.

The Texas Education Agency is working to set up the new curriculum over the holidays and will work

on the changes during the spring and summer. They hope to implement the new changes for 1988-89. Some changes may take place next year if the new pilot programs come out.

Montgomery said, "This program looks like a good deal. The program fits this area better and will make it easier to accommodate the kids and do a better job for the community. Of course I am not always sure about changes, but this will probably be a good program overall."

If there are any questions, comments or changes that anyone would like to see, call Montgomery and he will contact the Texas Educational Agency or give you information on how to contact them yourselves.

Ex-Texico residents found dead

Presidio County authorities are searching for clues in an apparent double homicide in far western Presidio County (southwestern Texas) of two former Texico residents.

The bodies of 56-year-old Bill Stone and his 54-year-old wife, Betsy, were found Monday morning by a ranch hand at the Chillicothe Ranch, near Marfa, where Stone has been foreman for three years.

Presidio County Sheriff Rick Thompson said gunshot wounds to the head were observed on both victims. An official cause of death is not expected to be announced until forensics experts in Dallas have examined the bodies.

Weapons found at the scene which may or may not be related to the killings have also been sent to forensics experts. Thompson said no motive for the killing has been found and authorities are searching for clues as to who might be responsible.

Thompson said that as far as had been determined the last time anyone had talked to the Stones was early Saturday morning. The sheriff's department is being assisted in the case by the Texas Rangers, U.S. Border Patrol and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

Stone was a former manager of the Texico Feed Lots. He and Betsy, a former bookkeeper at Interstate Fertilizer, left Texico about 10 years ago. Stone managed a feedyard in Morton, Texas, before going to Marfa three years ago.

They have two children. Gary, a Texico High graduate, is in the Armed Forces. Clint attends Wayland Baptist University.

Bill Christian recalled the fine work that Stone did in Texico: "He was a very good community worker. He coached Little League teams and there are many Texico residents who remember him for his fine work."

Santa Claus coming

It's official, kids! Santa Claus is coming to Texico-Farwell. Santa will be arriving by heli-

copter at KKR Park in Texico at 4:15 p.m. (Texas time) Thursday, Dec. 18.

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Farwell 8th grade boys go 8-0

The Farwell eighth grade boys defeated Happy, 71-20, Dec. 15 at Farwell.

The leading scorers were Shawn Stewart, 24 points; Monty Delgado, 22 and Greg Actkinson, 12.

Coach Gary Cates said, "Our boys ran the press and the fast break very well. We are playing well right now and this was a good game for us."

Farwell is 4-0 in District and 8-0 overall.

The Farwell Junior High seventh grade girls team defeated Happy, 30-12, Dec. 15 at Farwell.

Scoring were Rosa Lara, 4 points; Heather Burton, 14; Katrina Stewart, 8; Kyla Didyoung, 2, and Amanda Curtis, 2.

Coach George Langan said, "The seventh grade girls did real well. They played a good tough man to man defense and scored well of their fast break. Burton made 10 points off her outside shots. I was proud of them all. Half of our team has been out sick."

The Farwell eighth grade girls lost to Happy, 57-14.

Scoring were Amy Murray, 8 points; Lena Ortiz, 4; and Heather Burton, 2.

Coach Langan said, "Happy has a real good team. They beat us on height and speed. They pressed the

whole game and made it to where we never able to get into our half court offense."

"Our eighth grade team was also down because of illness. The girls played as hard as they could. Happy probably has one of the strongest eighth grade teams in our district. I'll just be glad when everyone is back and well and we can play better."

Oklahoma Lane

storm but the Christmas tree had already been brought in. Christmas shopping trips were made with wagons and teams, but the Christmas Tree celebration went on as scheduled despite bad weather.

In 1924 a traveling Christmas tree salesman came through Farwell with a giant Christmas tree with plans to cut it up and make several small trees. Carl Fowler, brother of Vashti Fowler, made a bid for it. The man sold it to Carl and he triumphantly brought home the biggest tree ever. Vashti has served on more Christmas tree decorating committees than anyone else in the community.

Another snow storm came in 1925 preventing a trip to the breaks for a cedar tree so the committee resorted to the ever faithful peach tree wrapped in crepe paper. People came to the Christmas Tree in wagons. Mrs. Ed McGuire recalled that the R.G. (Dick) Hammonds family came by their farm in a wagon. They piled on a load of blankets and heated bricks to keep their feet warm and all proceeded on to the school house. The Fowler family and the Ed Meeks family

traveled together in a wagon, as did the Hendrickson and Ayres families.

The year 1926 brought in a surge of new settlers to Oklahoma Lane, but the depression of the 30's saw many families become discouraged and move on, but the Christmas Tree remained on Christmas Eve. It was held in the auditorium of the school building until 1935 when the gymnasium and class rooms were built. Then the "Christmas Tree" was held in the gymnasium. The tradition of box supper, with beauty queen and ugliest man contest at 1 cent per vote added to the fun and funds.

In 1948 the Oklahoma Lane school consolidated with Farwell and Bovina, with some going to Lazbuddie. The gymnasium continued to be used for community functions including the Christmas Tree until the Oklahoma Lane Methodist Church

purchased the school buildings. The old building which was used for the high school was torn down and the gymnasium and grade school class rooms were converted into a beautiful church sanctuary with fellowship hall and kitchen, and the class rooms being used for Sunday School class rooms... "The Oklahoma Lane United Methodist Church" which still operates today.

For a number of years the Christmas Tree was held in the Methodist Church one year and the next year it would be in the Oklahoma Lane Baptist Church across the street.

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The crowds and enthusiasm for the box supper began to dwindle and finally quit. One year it was decided to change the Christmas Tree to a date other than Christmas Eve but that was not successful.

In 1960 the Oklahoma Lane residents and land owners raised funds to construct a Community Center four miles east of the crossroads. Mrs. Zula Rundell donated land and Charlie Hromas, with local volunteer help, constructed the building. Then the annual Christmas Tree with Santa and his treats for everyone was moved to the Community Center.

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The Latest

Visiting Robin and Lynne Mahaney last week were Rex and Cecil Ward, and children Zane and Chad, from Pecos, N.M.



Wrapping the peach tree, which was one of the first traditional Christmas trees at Oklahoma Lane, are from left, Carrie Christian, Myron Hillock, Lois Billingsley and Anabel Hillock.

Obituaries

Mae McGill

Lois Billingsley has received word of the recent death of her aunt, Mae McGill of Mancos, Colo.

Services for Mrs. McGill, 96, were in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Cortez. Burial was in Cedar Grove Cemetery at Mancos.

Mrs. McGill died Nov. 11, in Cortez. She was born Feb. 6, 1890 in Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. McGill lived in Texico and was a telephone operator there for many years.

Survivors are a son-in-law and three grandchildren in Colorado, and one sister, Mrs. Janie Fila of Clovis.

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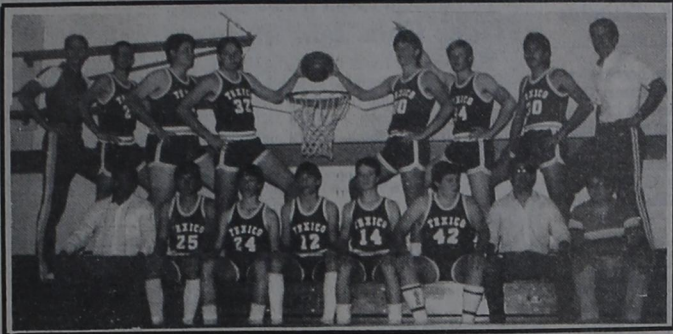
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The Texico Varsity boys' basketball team includes: front row, left to right, Jesse Martinez, manager, Dale Burkhammer, Michael Day, Keith Harrison, Kevin Spears, Larry Powell, and managers Urban

Orozco and Walter Wilhite. On the back row are: Coach Michael Littlejohn, Brian Rogers, Justin Barnes, Kenneth Murphy, Bret Taylor, David Loera, and Coach Borde Williams.



The Texico varsity girls basketball team includes, top row from left, Kristi Lovelace, Angie Liggins, Geneva Garcia, Tracy Askew, Twila Longo, Robin Pierce, Jennifer Gentry and Coach Roy King;

bottom row from left, Andria Chadwick, Leslie Steward, Deana McDaniel, Tracey McDonald, Jennifer Williams, Esperanza Estrada and Valerie Cavallero.

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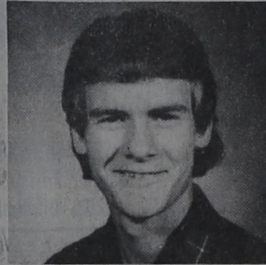
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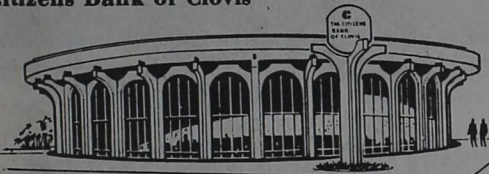


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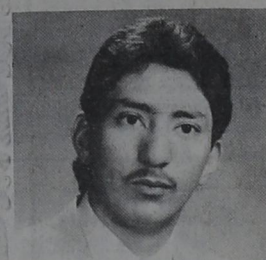
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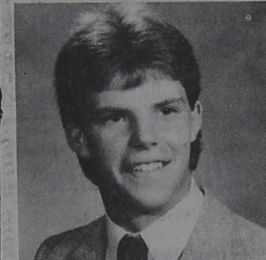
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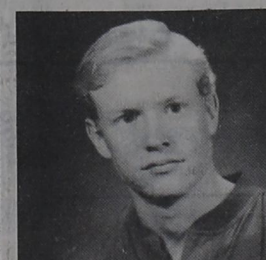


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MARY HAILE AND THOMAS SCOTT JR.

Engagement told

Mr. and Mrs. Rex H. Haile of Henderson announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Helen, to Thomas Dwayne Scott Jr., son of Thomas and Pauline Scott Sr. of Springfield, Ohio, formerly of Henderson.

Miss Haile, a 1979 graduate of Henderson County High School, earned a bachelor of arts degree in education from the University of Kentucky where she was a member

of Delta Delta sorority. She is employed as a flight attendant from American Airlines.

Her fiance, a 1979 graduate of County High, is a graduate of UK where he was a member of Sigma NU fraternity. He is completing work for a double master's degree in geo-chemistry and environmental engineering at the University of Oklahoma. He is employed as a research geochemist at the University.

Scott is the grandson of Virginia Sheets of Farwell.



LORI BRADSHAW

Bradshaw 4-H Food Show winner

Lori Bradshaw, a Lazbuddie 4-H member, won second place in the Junior 2 Breads and Cereals category of the South Plains District 4-H Food Show held at Texas Tech University.

Another Lazbuddie 4-H member, Dawnda Magby, also participated for Parmer County as nutrition knowledge and cooking skills blended into scores of delectable dishes for nearly 200 youths competing for honors.

Lori and Dawnda are the daughters of Lloyd and Janice Bradshaw; and Skip and Debbie Magby.

Prior to this food show, 4-H youth competed in the county. They were also active in foods and nutrition projects involving science, safety, nutrition, fitness and career opportunities.

Farwell Convalescent Center Chit Chat

BY LYNNE GANN
Activity Director

The Ladies Auxiliary are hosting our annual Family Christmas Party on Thursday the 18th at 7 p.m. CST. We will be having cookies and apple cider for refreshments. Santa will be here to pass out Christmas presents to our residents. We hope to see everyone so we may share our Christmas joy!

We have had several new people join us this month. They are Lottie Sherwood, Nellie Ragsdale, Clarence Smith, Joy Horne, Mary du Flon and Alvin Daude. We would like to welcome each of you to our home. We are looking forward to getting to know you and to making new friendships.

We would like to Thank the Young people from the First Baptist Churches of Farwell and Texico for the lovely window ornaments. They are so lovely! We have been so curious as to how you made them. Please, let us know. We would like to try making some ourselves. Wouldn't cute Baby Chicks be perfect for Easter?

We would like also at this time to give our Thanks to Albert and Louise Pitman for putting up our outside Christmas lights. They have done this for us for many years! Thank you Albert and Louise. Your very special to us.

See you Thursday night at 7 p.m. Merry Christmas!

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Fire Calls

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Recipe of Week

HAMBURGER CHEESE DIP

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- 1 pound Longhorn Cheddar cheese
- 1 can (16 ozs.) refried beans

Crumble the ground beef in a microwave-safe 2-quart container. Microwave on high for 3 minutes. Stir and continue cooking 2 to 3 minutes or until browned; stir in the picante sauce. Grate or slice the cheese and add along with the refried beans. Microwave, covered, approximately 5 minutes on high or until mixture is hot and bubbly. Note: This may be served as a dip

with chips or as the basis for nachos, taco salad or chalupas.

Marriage Licenses

Three marriage licenses were issued by the Parmer County clerk's office, last week.

Marriage licenses were issued to Prisciliano Ramirez Salcido and Tamarah Sue Robinson; Jesse O. Galvan and Judy C. Galvan, and Jose Quezada Salas and Berta Alicia Cadena.

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Around The Twin Cities

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The Parmer County Commissioners will meet at the County Courthouse at 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, DEC. 23
The Texico City Council will meet

at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 25
The Texico/Farwell Senior Citizens will have their Potluck Dinner at the Texico Center at 5 p.m.

Tiger Cubs tour store

The Texico-Farwell Tiger Cubs (the youngest cub scouts) sponsored a trip to the Radio Shack store in Clovis.

They learned some new things about computers and toured the

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The trip was taken Dec. 6 after the Clovis Christmas parade.

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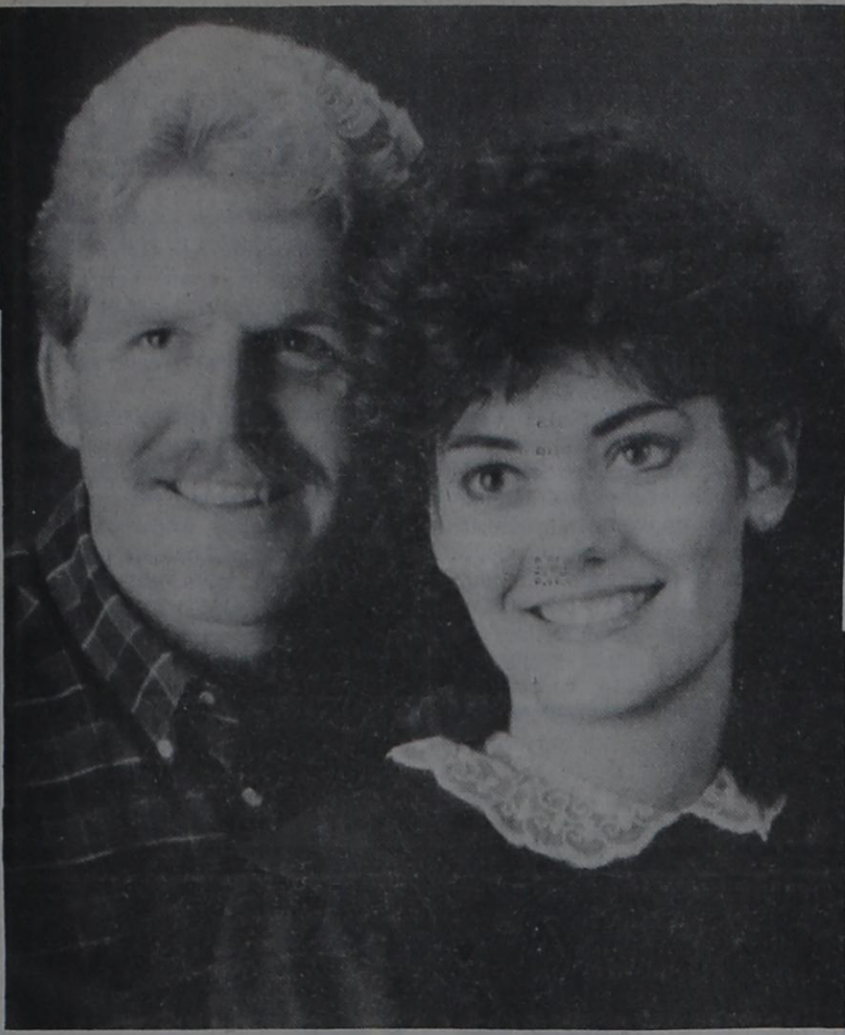
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KIMBERLY NELSON AND CARL KENNEDY

Approaching marriage

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Nelson of Spearman are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage to their daughter, Kimberly Denise, to Carl Douglas Kennedy, son of Judge and Mrs. Carl Kennedy of Pampa, Texas. Kimberly Denise is the granddaughter of Georgia and the late Conrad Nelson of Oklahoma Lane. A December 20th wedding is

planned at the First United Methodist Church in Spearman. Kimberly is a Senior Education Major at Texas Technological University in Lubbock. She plans to graduate in May, 1987. Douglas is a 1986 graduate of Texas Tech with a Bachelor's Degree in Construction Engineering. The couple plan to make their home in the Lubbock area.

Christmas party held

Theta Rho chapter of ESA met Dec. 8 in the Farwell Community Center with Kim Norton as hostess. Plans were finalized for the pheasant hunt and the Christmas projects during the business meeting. Refreshments of Apple Kuchen, sausage balls, pasta salad and Christmas candy were served. Members present were Gwen Corn, Rosa Roberts, Lillie Christian, Maxine Williams, Altha Herington, Terri Nicols, Margaret Aycock, Joyce Williams, Denise Christian, Robin Howard, Susan Johnson, Roberta Howard, Pam Monk, Dot Christian, Leslie Lunsford and Kim Norton. The annual Christmas party was held Dec. 6 at Colonial Country Club in Clovis. Members and their hus-

bands enjoyed a prime rib dinner with all the trimmings. Secret pals were revealed and gifts were exchanged. Husbands exchanged gag gifts and an enjoyable evening followed. Those present were Vick and Denise Christian, Greg and Roberta Howard, Don and Maxine Williams, Pam and Jerry Monk, Tim and Kim Norton, Mark and Joyce Williams, Mark and Robin Howard, Donald and Dot Christian, Ed and Gwen Corn, Jerry and Altha Herington, Micky and Leslie Lunsford, Troy and Lillie Christian, Mitz and Nell Walling, Rosa Roberts, Tom Nichols, Jim and Angelia Mace, Doyle and Susan Johnson, Charles and Margaret Aycock, Bert and LaMoin Williams.

Keep pounds off during holidays

BY JANETTE PIERCE

Some advance planning and a good deal of will power may help you keep off extra pounds and still enjoy the holidays.

The key is moderation. Think about the temptation to overeat before and after eating. Decide when you can eat less. Knowing ahead of time what and how much you will eat can make it possible for you to enjoy sweets and desserts without guilty.

Try these ideas for staying in control of your holiday eating:

- *Allow yourself to enjoy holiday foods, but make it a rule to turn down second helpings.
- *If you have the will-power, avoid rich desserts and eat fresh fruits.
- *When you can't avoid rich des-

serts, ask for half a serving instead of a whole one or eat only the filling of the pie and not the crust.

*At parties, carry on your conversation away from the snack table.

*Look for fresh fruits and vegetables rather than nuts and chips.

*Plan ahead to limit what you eat at home so you can enjoy holiday eating with your friends.

Dance slated

The Texico Junior Class parents will sponsor a Homecoming dance Dec. 20 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Texico Community Center, across from the Citizen's Bank.

Admission will be \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.

A disc jockey will be there and refreshments will be served.

Historic Recipe of the Week

MINCE MEAT

Two and one-half pounds lean beef, 1½ pounds suet, 2 pounds raisins, 2 pounds currants, 2 pounds citron, 2 pounds sugar, 2 gills rose water, 8 good apples, 4 oranges, orange and lemon peel, brandy, wine.

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Texico well bids awarded

The Texico City Council Friday awarded bids for its water well project.

Low bidder on Schedule I (install columns and motor cable, remove old well) was Smith Machinery, Roswell, \$16,990.

Low bidder on Schedule II (connecting line and electrical wiring work was Brown McKee, Lubbock, \$17,805.

Christmas dinner set

Calvary Missionary Baptist Church would like to announce their Christmas Pot Luck Dinner and fellowship at the church, 305 Seventh Street in Farwell.

It will begin at 7 p.m. with a Christmas message by Bro. Paul Clevenger to be followed by songs and pot luck dinner.

They will be joined by Oak Street Baptist Church in Clovis and other Brothers and Sisters in Christ. Bring your favorite casserole, salad, or dessert and join us in worship and fellowship.

Davis wins

Cleon Davis was the winner of the gun given away by the J.C.C.A. Texico-Farwell Scholarship Fund at the Pheasant Hunters Breakfast Saturday at the Farwell Community Center.

The breakfast was hosted by Beta Sigma Phi. Winner of the grocery giveaway was Modene McMillan. The breakfast was very successful with over 150 hunters enjoying it.

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Remodeling

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Joe Potts and Kim Axe. The pool table and videos were removed and more seating added. Potts said they plan more remodeling, with more carpeting. They want to make it a nice dining area.

Sheriff's Report

Here is the weekly report from Parmer County Sheriff Bill Morgan.

On Dec. 11, Ricky E. Parish, 29 of Lazbuddie was arrested by the Texas Highway Patrol on a charge of driving while intoxicated. On a plea of guilty he was fined \$250, court cost and given a sentence of 30 days, probated for 6 months.

Alcala graduates

Airman Alexander Alcala, son of Mr. and Mrs. Baltazar Alcala of Route 1, Farwell, has graduated from the aircraft armament systems specialist course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo.

The course provides instruction for students to load nuclear and non-nuclear munitions, explosives and propellant devices on aircraft.

During the 13-week course, students were also instructed to maintain, install, modify and repair aircraft bombs and rockets.

Haseloff listed

Robert Haseloff, whose address is listed as APO New York, is listed in the 1986 issue of "Outstanding Young Men in America."



Cash first

Todd Cash of Texico received a first place plaque in quiz and a second place plaque on creed at the District 4 FFA contest at Portales, Dec. 1. Eddie West, the Vocational Agriculture instructor at Texico said that as far as he could remember, Cash is one of the first to ever have placed that high in the creed contest. Cash will represent his district in quiz and creed at the State FFA contest in Las Cruces, N.M.



Texico delegates

The Texico Parliamentary Procedure team which traveled to the District contest in Portales Dec. 15 are, from left back row, Preston Chancy, Sentinel; Brian Rogers,

Vice President; Todd Cash, Advisor; and Larry Powell, President; front row, Byron Martin, Secret Secretary; Terry Whitener, Treasurer and Walter Wilhite, reporter.

Woods named to All-Tournament team

Steers take second in tourney

The Farwell Steers varsity boys won the first two games in the Farwell Tournament, defeating Springlake-Earth, 103-64 and Lazbuddie, 68-54, but were defeated in the championship game with Olton, 87-72.

Scoring in the Springlake-Earth game were David Woods, 29 points; Roy Perales, 18; Jody Ketcherside, 15; Danny Rubio, 9; Damon George, 7; Jeff Actkinson, 6; Boney Nicolas, 6; Robbie White, 5; Homer Anzaldúa, 6 and Steve Lara, 2.

Scoring in the Lazbuddie game were Woods, 19 points; Perales, 13; Ketcherside, 9; Lara, 7; George, 6; Actkinson, 4; Nicolas, 4 and White, 2.

Scoring in the Olton game were Perales, 22 points; Woods, 14; Ketcherside, 11; George, 8; Lara, 8; White, 4; Actkinson, 3 and Rubio, 2.

Coach Larry Gregory said, "I'm very proud of the way our team played during the tournament. We had a very good game against Springlake-Earth, Thursday. Woods had the hot hand scoring 29 points."

"In the game against Lazbuddie, I felt that we played a little dull. Lazbuddie has a good team and we should have been up for them, but we just didn't seem to be very sharp."

"I thought that we played with a great amount of intensity against Olton. Olton has a fine team and will

probably win their district. I was pleased with the way we got after them. Of course, you always hate to lose and especially in the championship game of your tournament, but I still felt good about the effort of all our kids. This now makes our record, 11-1. We will play Dora at Dora, Friday night."

The All Tournament players in the Farwell Tournament from the varsity girls teams were Lisa Dodd, Melrose; Minday Neal, Bovina; Peggy Shepherd, Bovina; Tammie White, Olton, and Latisha Chisom, Adrian.

From the varsity boys teams were David Woods, Farwell; Eric Lee, Olton; Stan Stroebel, Olton; Scott Scaff, Bovina and Tim Lust, Lazbuddie.

The Farwell Steerettes varsity girls team was defeated in their first two games of the Farwell Tournament by Springlake, 54-38, and by Lazbuddie, 44-29.

The Bovina girls won the Farwell Tournament.

Coach George Langan said, "We opened up in the tournament against Springlake-Earth. The Steerettes jumped out to a halftime lead and had them down by 18-12 at the halftime. In the second half we went cold, and wound up losing."

"What hurt us most were our fouls

in the second half. We came out and let them score 15 points in free throws. This put us behind and we didn't catch up."

High scorers were Shonda Foster, 9 points; Laura Wolfe, 6 and Robbie Fly, 7.

"The next day, we played Lazbuddie. In the first half we fell behind, 22-10. We came out a much better team the second half. Ursula Dollar posted up well and made 10 points. We just never built enough momentum to get back in the game," said Langan.

Higher scorers were Dollar, 10 points; Foster, 8; and Wolfe, 7.

Langan said, "We played them a pretty even game in the second half. It just seems like somewhere in one quarter or another we fall apart. When we get to where we can play all four quarters well, we'll win the game."

The Steerettes lost to Muleshoe, 65-21, Dec. 9 at Muleshoe.

Langan said, "We couldn't hit the first half. One point was made by Wolfe and Kelley Anderson made four. In the second half we played a little bit better. We scored 16 points in the second half."

High point scorers were Foster, and Anderson 6, each.

Keep in mind dietary guidelines

BY JANETTE PIERCE

This year, think about following the new Dietary Guidelines for Americans in your holiday menu plans. The guidelines suggest reducing sugar, sodium and fat, while increasing carbohydrates and fiber in the average American diet.

Include fresh fruits and vege-

tables to add more fiber and carbohydrates to the meal, along with color, variety and texture to the holiday table. Steam or stir-fry more foods and become less dependent on casserole dishes that may be adding extra fat and salt to the meal.

Bake or roast meats and poultry to reduce the amount of fat as well. Include cheese and fruits in place of or as an alternative to traditional rich holiday desserts. Preparing healthy holiday meals will be an extra gift to your family and your guests.

Rojas member

Patricia Rojas, a 1982 graduate of Texico High School, is a member of the Bilingual Education Student Organization at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales.

She is also involved in the Blue Key Honor Society and a recipient of the Title VII Bilingual Education Teacher Training Grant.

Miss Rojas, a senior majoring in spanish secondary education, is the daughter of Merced Rojas of Texico.

Pageant attended

Ros and Ginny Blankenship attended the "Glory of Christmas" pageant at Rev. Robert Schueler's Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, Calif.

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Texico participates in tournament

The Texico Wolverines varsity boys team lost to Olton, 85-55, during the Farwell tournament Dec. 11.

Coach Borde Williams said, "I felt it was our best game of the year even though we got beat. If the boys had played the first two games the way they played this game we would have done well."

Scoring were Rod Smith, 22; David Loera, 13; Brian Rogers, 10; Bret Taylor, 6; and Larry Powell and Keith Harrison, 2 points each.

Friday, Texico was defeated by Melrose, 75-31.

Williams said, "One of our best players, Loera, was absent. Melrose beat us physically on the boards, out rebounded us and hurt us with their press. This was not a good game at all."

"We have the opportunity to play Melrose three or four more times and we hope to be better prepared or at least play a better game."

Scoring were Smith, 6 points; Rogers, 6; Powell, 6; Kevin Spears, 5; Taylor, 4; Harrison, 3 and Darrell Krivanek, 1.

Texico's record is 0-4.

The Texico Lady Wolverines varsity girls team was defeated by Olton, 48-39, and by Melrose, 50-46, during the Farwell Tournament Dec. 11-12.

Scoring in the Olton game were Twilla Long, 19 points; Angie Liggins, 2; Geneva Garcia, 2; Robin

Junior High boys win title

The Farwell Junior High boys won the Championship trophy at the Muleshoe Junior High Tournament, defeating Dimmitt, 35-16; Littlefield, 38-10 and Friona, 63-31.

Coach Gary Cates said this about the Dimmitt game, "We played pretty well. We started off a little shaky, but as the game progressed we began to play better. In the third quarter we broke the game wide open with a 20 point lead. We played better defense in the second half and held them to only four points."

"The boys knew they were up against 3-A schools and had to play well in order to beat them. When they realized that they could play against them, they did okay."

Coach Cates said this about the Littlefield game, "The boys played a better ball game than the first game. I think that they were more relaxed going into this game. We led from the beginning and gradually increased our lead as the game went on. All of the boys got to play and everyone contributed. I was proud that we made it to the finals."

"In the finals against Friona, we played our best game of the tournament. We played well both offensively and defensively. We started running our fast break a lot better. It seems the more we run the fast break, the better we play and that's just what they did in this game."

The leading scorers in the Littlefield game were Shawn Stewart, 11 and Monty Delgado, 12. The leading scorers in the Friona game were Stewart, 18; Delgado, and Greg Atkinson, both with 14.

The Farwell Junior High eighth grade girls team took consolation at the Muleshoe Junior High Tournament.

The eighth grade girls opened with a loss to the Dimmitt Junior High A team, 42-20.

High scorers were Amy Murray, 16 points; Leana Ortiz, 2 and Maria Nicolas, 2.

Then Farwell beat Dimmitt's 8th grade B team, 27-26.

Scoring were Murray, 18 points; Brandy Martin, 5; Ortiz, 1; Misty Stewart, 2 and Kaci Stephens, 1.

Dinner set

The Texico Knights of Columbus council is sponsoring a Mexican combination dinner as a fund-raiser from 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 20 at the Farwell Community Center.

Tickets cost \$4 for adults and \$2 for children under 12.

Pierce, 6; Leslie Steward, 8 and Tracey McDonald, 2.

Playing outstanding defense were Longo, Liggins, Garcia, Pierce, Steward and Andria Chadwick.

Coach Roy King said, "We could have won this game, but things just didn't go right for us. We played a good half court defense, but are still getting beat on the defensive boards. We can't keep giving up easy baskets. We are going to have to get more scoring out of our wing position. The shots are there, but they just won't go in."

Scoring in the Melrose game were Longo, 20 points; Liggins, 8; Garcia, 2; Pierce, 4; Steward, 8 and Jennifer Williams, 4.

Playing outstanding defense were Longo, Liggins, Garcia, Pierce, Steward and Chadwick.

Coach King said, "I thought this was our best effort of the year. Even though we got beat, we never quit hustling. We had a chance to tie the game with 3 minutes to go in the game. This was a real moral victory for us. It showed our girls that we have the ability to win against anyone in our district. I thought our younger girls, like freshman Jennifer Williams and sophomores Andria Chadwick and Leslie Steward played well. We are gaining more and more experience each game. Also, our older girls, Longo, Pierce, Garcia and Liggins, are providing good leadership."

Texico's record is 2-3.

The Texico Junior Varsity girls team was defeated by Portales, 43-40, at Portales Dec. 9.

Scoring were Andria Chadwick, 19 points; Jennifer Gentry, 5; Tracey Askew, 4; Dena McDaniel, 4; Valerie Cavallero, 2; Jennifer Williams, 5; and Kristi Lovelace, 1.

Chadwick, Gentry, Askew, McDaniel, Cavallero and Williams, also did well with their rebounding and steals.

Coach Roy King said, "The shots just wouldn't go in for us in this game. Portales has a good team, but we had already beaten them once by 11 points. I think we can learn more in a loss to a good team, than by beating a poor team to death. Even though we lost, this team never quits. They are gaining valuable experience for our varsity."

Record is 4-1.



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Exhibiting some of the baked goods she brought to the Farwell Convalescent Center Auxiliary Bake Sale is Elnora Kube of Farwell. It was

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Texas seeks peace treaty with Mexico

1839: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21. It has been learned that in a secret session last Wednesday, the Texas Congress gave its approval to the policies of President Mirabeau B. Lamar for obtaining a peace treaty with Mexico.

The President's "secret" agent, James Treat, arrived in Mexico City on December 11 with authority to expend \$5,000,000 for a peace treaty if necessary. Wednesday's resolution approves this, stating that "if for the sum of \$5,000,000 the disputed territory lying between the Nueces and the Rio del Norte can be purchased and made the means of securing to us a stable boundary, the formal recognition of our independence, the quiet possession of the territory we possess, and the advantageous Treaty of Amity and Commerce with a nation destined to sustain relations of such incalculable profit with us, that this amount sinks into utter insignificance in comparison with these invaluable objects." It goes on to say that "an offensive war for two years to enforce at the point of the sword the proposed boundary would cost five millions, to say nothing of the loss of human life."

The mission of James Treat is Lamar's second attempt to deal with Mexico. Last May, Secretary of State Bernard W. Bee relinquished his office to become Lamar's Minister to Mexico. However, when he arrived at Veracruz on May 8, he was refused permission to land, and after waiting three weeks, sailed for home. Today's resolution states that Congress is "far from deducing" from this that Mexico is unwilling to deal with Texas, but merely that "his reception would have been ipso facto tantamount to a recognition of the sovereignty and independence of our Republic."

It is believed that Treat, as a "secret" agent, will have more success. Indeed, he was permitted to land at Veracruz and proceed to Mexico City. Treat is personally acquainted with a number of Mexican key officials, and it is tacitly assumed that part of all of the \$5,000,000 he is authorized to expend will be used as "confidential payments" for services performed.

1842: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21. Texas President Sam Houston, who was frequently taken issue with the policies of his predecessor, Mirabeau B. Lamar, today issued proclamations countermanning two of Lamar's actions. One extends the deadline for the expulsion of free Negroes from the Republic, and the other re-establishes custom duties on French wines.

An act of Congress approved February 5, 1840, provided that "all free persons of color shall remove out of this Republic within two years." The proclamation states: "It has been represented to me that

there are a number of honest and industrious persons of that description who have been citizens of this country for a number of years, and have always heretofore conducted themselves so as to obtain the confidence and good opinion of all acquainted with them," and that therefore the final date is extended by an additional two years.

However, the proclamation provides that "those who wish to obtain the benefit of this proclamation apply to the Chief Justice of the county in which they reside, and make satisfactory proof of their good character, and also enter into bond and security, in the penal sum of \$500, payable to the President and his successors in office, for their good behavior during the term specified in this proclamation."

The second proclamation "solemnly" revokes a previous proclamation by Lamar abolishing duties on French wines. It now requires "all collectors of customs in the Republic to demand and receive the duties imposed upon wines, the product of France, imported into Texas, according to the rates established by law and by the existing treaty between the two countries."

This action continues Houston's efforts to establish a sound fiscal policy in the Republic. With the collapse of land values in Texas, the sale of public domain lands has been greatly reduced, and the government's major source of income has been the collections of various customs offices. The major ones are maintained at Galveston, Aransas Pass, Linnville, Port Lavaca, Copano, Point Bolivar, Sabine Pass, Matagorda, Velasco, Sabine City, San Augustine, Port Calhoun or Cavallo, San Luis, and certain river landings.

The largest customs office is at Galveston, where there are 11 full-time employees and almost as many part-time inspectors and appraisers. It is managed by Gail Borden, Jr., appointed by Houston a year ago this month. This is the second time he has held this position. In February, 1837, he became Galveston's first customs collector. In order to accept his appointment at that time, he sold his interest in the Telegraph and Texas Register, a newspaper which he founded with his brother, Thomas H. Borden, and Joseph Baker. Another brother, John P. Borden, now a lawyer in Richmond, Texas, was at about the same time appointed the first Commissioner of the General Land Office. All three Borden brothers have served as professional surveyors.

Gail Borden, a strong Houston supporter, was replaced by President Lamar immediately after he took office. He was re-appointed when Houston returned to the office.

1845: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19. More than 1,000 German immi-

grants are currently encamped at "Karlshafen," known to Texans as Indian Point on Lavaca Bay. They are suffering greatly from the winter cold, protected only by tents and a few sod houses. Their plight is due to the lack of planning and organization by the group which brought them to Texas, the Society for the Protection of German Immigrants in Texas, often called the Adelsverein, which means "society of nobility," since it was organized by a group of 25 German noblemen. It is also referred to simply as the Verein.

The immigrants at Indian Point are awaiting transportation farther inland to land owned by the Verein, some 150 miles, which must be traversed by ox-cart. They have been arriving in Galveston in ship after ship, and then brought to Indian Point by schooner. More shiploads are en route, and the number may well reach 4,000 before funds arrive from the Verein for overland transportation. Meanwhile they are suffering extreme hardship and considerable illness.

The Commissioner-General for the Verein in Texas is Baron Ottfried Meusebach of Potsdam. He arrived last April, and has already become a Texas citizen, relinquishing his German title and taking the name John O. Meusebach. He was sent to replace Prince Karl zu Solms-Braunfels, who arrived in Texas in July, 1844.

Prince Karl's mission was to determine the suitability for colonization of land contracted for by the Verein. On September 19, 1843, it agreed to take over the colonization contract of a Frenchman named Alexander Bourgeois de'Orvanne, who accompanied Prince Karl to Texas. This land was west of San Antonio, on the Uvalde, Frio and Medina Rivers. However, the time limit for this grant had expired and could not be renewed.

On June 26 last year, the Verein associated itself with Henry Francis Fisher, formerly Heinrich Fischer. Originally the German consul in Houston, he had returned to Germany to serve as Texas consul in Bremen. His grant, in Fayette County, is with a partner, Buchard Miller, and is known as the fisher-Miller land grant. Prince Karl decided that it was too remote and unfit for farming.

Shortly after his arrival, Prince Karl was surprised when a shipload of colonists appeared in Galveston on the brig Weser. He had no place to put them. In desperation, he arranged for camping space at

Indian Point, and transported them there by schooner. By Christmas last year, four shiploads had arrived.

At Prince Karl's suggestion, many of them started a slow trek inland, not knowing their final destination. By March they had covered only 78 miles. By a stroke of good fortune, Prince Karl learned of the availability of land on the Austin-San Antonio road where it crosses the Comal and Guadalupe Rivers.

Upon his arrival in Texas, Baron Meusebach first went to Indian Point to inspect the dreadful situation there, and then to Neu Braunfels to confer with Prince Karl. However, the Prince had departed for Galveston to return to

Germany. He was unable to leave Texas because of a \$10,000 debt. Meusebach hurried there, and paid off the debt, permitting Prince Karl to depart.

Meusebach recently spent several weeks in the Indian territory north of Neu Braunfels to look for a suitable location for another settlement. He selected a site in the Pedernales River Valley, about 90 miles from Neu Braunfels, and ac-

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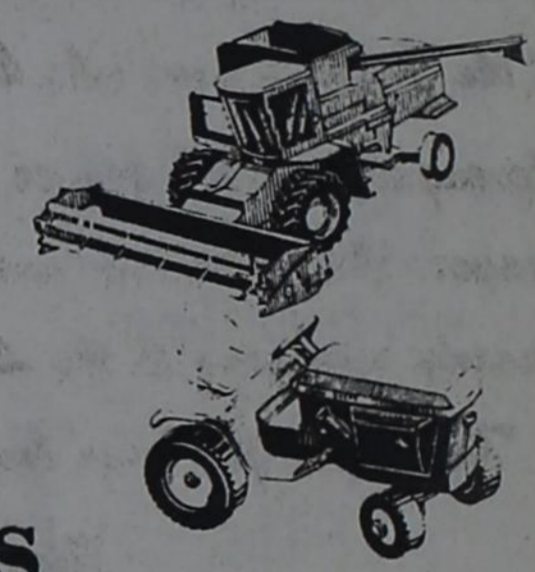
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El Rancho would like to personally thank you for your donation to us since we had the fire. Because of you and your gift, we are able to start rebuilding the boys dorm. The items that were burned in the fire are being replaced. We are thankful for people like you who will help us in this special time of need. May God bless you.

Please continue to pray for us and our work. We know that God is in our work and we must continue to do His work. The children are doing better and we are trying to get things back to normal.

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More taxes ahead?

The time has come for a frank talk about taxes. You, the people of the 31st District, need to know how your elected officials feel about the possibility of a third general tax increase in four years.

As we explore the subject, though, a little warning is in order. You will see as the January legislative session approaches a number of lawmakers taking "firm" stances on the tax issue. Beware those who profess to know all the answers at this early date.

There are no simple solutions out there to the state's complex financial problems. It seems highly unlikely that our troubles can be ended effectively and properly by any single legislative act.

Yet we assure you there will be

those who tell you we can. All we need, some will say, is to trim the fat from the budget. Or, in contrast, others will tell you glumly we have no choice but to raise the sales or motor fuels taxes yet again.

To make you, the taxpayers, either unrealistically optimistic or unnecessarily depressed at this stage of the legislative game is to do you a grave disservice. The people who would offer you either of the above solutions as etched-in-stone gospel of what should be done are...well, they're just not being honest with you.

The truth at this stage is that no one really knows what the solution will be or should be. It simply is too early to tell for sure what needs to be done.

Senator Bill Sarpalius Reports

State Comptroller Bob Bullock won't offer until January his official estimate of state revenue for the coming biennium. The Legislative Budget Board is still several weeks away from releasing its preliminary spending recommendations. How can anyone pretend to offer you a solution if they don't even know for sure what the numbers will say?

All we can tell you now is that the situation probably will be bad. The state deficit could be as high as \$5 billion in a budget that already has

been left lean by the cuts of this past summer's special sessions. Making expenditures match revenues, as the Texas Constitution requires, is going to be a most difficult task.

That, of course, brings us back to the subject at hand - taxes. We promised you a frank outline of our position, and you're going to get it.

We do not like the possibility of another general tax increase. You already have been subjected to two such tax hikes in the last three years. Another general tax bill would serve only to slow our economic recovery.

Instead, we would suggest the Legislature study changing, even overhauling, our current tax structure. We could look at indexing the sales or motor fuels taxes, and we could consider removing some of the current sales-tax exemptions. And, of course, we must continue

to search the budget for any cuts that can be made without crippling basic, essential government services, such as education and law enforcement.

We can't promise you a tax bill isn't in the state's future, and we can't promise you budget-cutting will end our troubles. There are no miracles on the horizon. What we can do is be responsible, tell you how we feel about the possibility of new taxes and continue to update you as the budget picture becomes

Holiday time

The Farwell Schools will dismiss for the Christmas holidays, Dec. 19 at 2:30 p.m.

Texico Schools will dismiss for the Christmas holidays Dec. 23 at 1:30 p.m.

clearer. In return, we hope you will continue to keep in touch with us and let us know how you feel about the state's financial troubles.

School Lunch Menu Texico

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