

Obits

Nila Clough

Borger-Nila Clough, 73, died Sunday, Jan. 9, 2000.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, January 11 in Goodnight Cemetery by Schooler Funeral Home, Armstrong Chapel of Claude. Memorials services will be at a later date.

Mrs. Clough was born in Lawton, Okla., and graduated from New Mexico Western University at Silver City, N.M. She taught elementary school in both New Mexico and Texas until her retirement from West Texas Elementary School at Stinnett. She also taught Sunday school in Bible schools and Christian camps in New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma. She attended Abundant Life Fellowship Church of Borger.

She married Gail Merle Clough in 1952 at Socorro, N.M.

Survivors include her husband; a son, Wayne Thomas Clough of Albuquerque, N.M. two daughters, Ellen Jane Horn of Goodnight and Gail Ann Hunsaker of Stratford; 12 grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.

Doyle Lynn Kirkwood

Doyle Lynn Kirkwood, age 65 died Tuesday, January 11, 2000. Graveside services were held on Friday, January 14, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. at Stratford Cemetery with Rev. Dean Williamson, pastor of 1st Assembly of God Church officiating.

Doyle was born August 28, 1934 in Stratford and had been a lifetime resident. He retired from Stratford Feedyards after 27 years. He went to the Bible Baptist Church in Sunray, Texas.

He married Evelyn Gross on November 12, 1955 in Dalhart, Texas.

Survivors include his wife of the home; four sons, Danny Kirkwood, Terry Kirkwood and Jim Kirkwood, all of Amarillo, Texas and Michael Kirkwood of Arab, Alabama. One daughter, Deborah Dornath of Monterey, CA; One brother Ernie Kirkwood of Amarillo and One sister, Eunice Vaughn of Stratford, TX. nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Albert William Zimmer

Albert Zimmer, age 81 died Tuesday, January 11, 2000 at Baptist/St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo, TX.

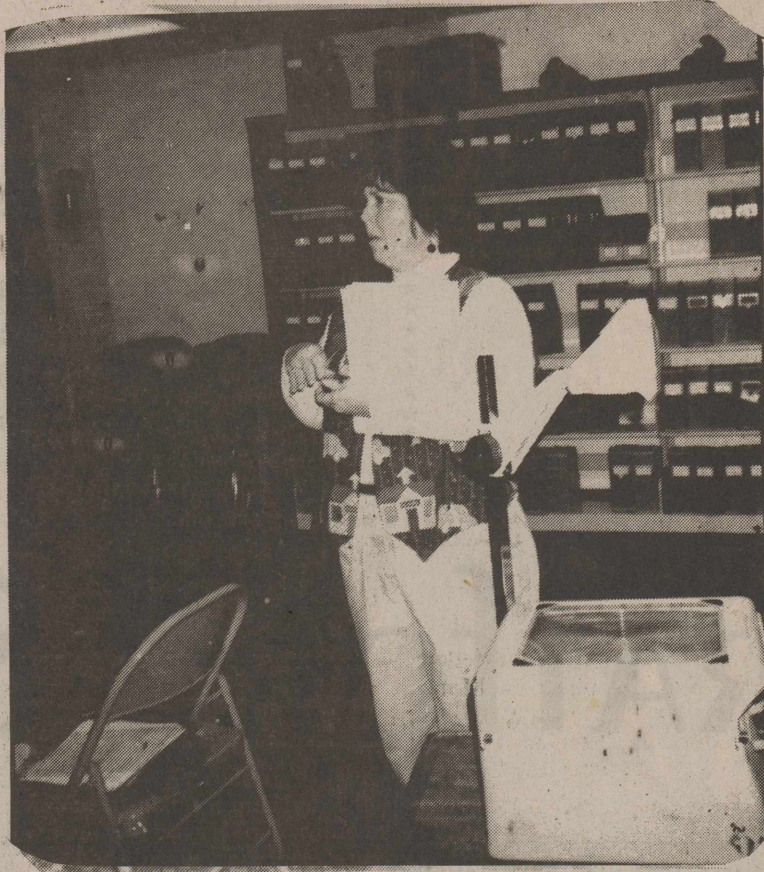
Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 14, 2000 at First Baptist Church in Stratford with Rev. Jerry Stewart pastor officiating, assisted by Rev. Jerry Moore, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Gruver, TX. Interment was in Stratford Cemetery.

Mr. Zimmer was born April 17, 1918 in Dallam County, Texas and was a lifetime resident of Sherman County where he farmed and ranched. During his life he also farmed and ranched in Colorado and at Turkey, Texas. He was a mason, Shriner, and member of the Elks Lodge, a 4-H Sponsor, leader and supporter of the 4-H clubs. He also was a big supporter of the Stratford Fair, Jamboree and BBQ and was honored as the 1999 Stratford Jamboree Old Timer King. He served as Sherman County Commissioner in Prec. #1 from 1964 till 1972. Albert was a big supporter and furnished beef for the Multiple Sclerosis Beef A Thon.

On August 15, 1946, Albert married Elizabeth Ellen Brandt at the First Baptist Church in Dalhart, Texas. They lovingly made their home for 53 years southwest of Stratford where Albert was considered the Mayor of Zimmerville.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth; one daughter, Andrea Zimmer, of Stratford; two sons, Bill Zimmer of Stratford and Bob Zimmer of Gruver; two sisters, Willienell Haynes of Amarillo, and Fern Bellah of Canyon; six grandchildren and one great granddaughter. Mr. Zimmer was preceded in death by two brothers John Zimmer and Edward Zimmer, and two sisters, Mary Ragsdale and Elizabeth Zimmer.

Memorials may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, Panhandle Chapter.



Adams Gives A Taste Of TAAS

Becky Adams gave GFWC/Prospectus members a taste of TAAS when club met Jan. 5.

Arts in the Area

By Gaynelle Riffe

*** denotes new listing

Jan 20-30	"Greater Tuna" Thur, Fri, Sat, Sun-Matinee Amarillo Little Theatre 806-355-9991
Jan 21**** Jan 22	Superbull "Asleep at the Wheel" Superbull "Rambler" Amarillo Civic Coliseum 806-378-3096
Jan. 24	Tribute to "Hoagy Carmichael" Big Band Legend Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium 806-378-3096
Jan. 28- Feb. 12	"The Clouds" Stage Right Theatre, Amarillo 806-353-7888
Feb. 1	William Doodman pianist/composer 8:00 p.m. Mary Moody Northern Hall WTAMU, Canyon 806-651-2798
Feb. 4	Randel Chamber Orchestra /Joanna Mendoza, viola Trinity Baptist Church 806-376-8782
Feb. 5***	"Lift Every Voice" Amarillo Opera Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096
Feb. 10-11- 12*****	Circus Gatti Amarillo Civic Coliseum
Feb. 12	Red Stegall Valentine Show LaRita Theatre, Dalhart 244-5646
Feb. 12	Jose Greco II Flamenco Dance Co. Lone Star Ballet Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-372-2463
Feb. 16	Sam Donelson Distinguished Lecture Series Amarillo Civic Grand Plaza 806-378-3096
Feb. 18-20 25,26	"Nonsense Jamboree" Musical Guymon Community Theatre 338-6760
Feb. 19***	Amarillo Symphony-Joseph Silverstein, violin Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-376-8782
Feb. 27***	"Spirit of the Dance" Amarillo Civic Center 806-378-3096
Feb. 29***	"Annie" Amarillo Civic Auditorium 806-378-3096

Did You Know?

(NAPS)—A recent survey found that about a quarter of the men surveyed used their wife's or girlfriend's beauty products, such as Bioré Pore Perfect Deep Cleansing Strips.

According to designer Catherine Bailly Dunne, A.S.I.D., author of *Interior Designing for All Five Senses*, people should choose furniture that reflects their own distinctive personality.

The adventures of famous TV twins Mary-Kate and Ashley are featured in two new books, *The New Adventures of Mary-Kate & Ashley* and *Two Of A Kind*, plus a calendar and *Mary-Kate & Ashley Mood Diary*.

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January Scholarship Deadlines

The following scholarships for juniors and seniors are due during the month of January: Classic Cable-Seniors in top 20% Jan. 1

Discover Card Tribute Award-Juniors with 2.75 GPA Jan. 11

Foot action Hooked on Sports-Senior athletes Jan. 15

Tylenol Brand Scholarship Fund-Seniors Jan. 17

Scantron Future Educators of America-Seniors planning to major in education Jan. 21

Phi Delta Kappa International-Seniors planning to major in education Jan. 31

Don't miss these deadlines as applications postmarked after the due date will not be accepted!! For more information on these or other scholarships, call Misti McBryde at 366-3322.

Ashley Named To Dean's List

Russell Dane Ashley, of Stratford, a student attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, is listed on the Dean's List for the Fall semester at the University.

Mr. Ashley, is a Kinesiology major at ASU.

Mr. Ashley, is the son of Russell and Nan Ashley of Stratford.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full-time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.



Here are a few web sites you may want to click on to:

The College Board is found at www.collegeboard.org.

Healthtex is found at www.healthtex.com

The American College of Physicians Complete Home Medical Guide is found at www.DK.com.

Tigra information is found at www.ordertigra.com.

Kohler at www.kohlerco.com.

The American Optometric Association is found at www.monitoryoureyes.com.

Zircon at www.zircon.co

Weatherbeater Paint Pros at Sears.com/paint.

NextCard's GoShopping! at www.nextcard.com/shopping.

Petopia.com is found at www.petopia.com.

Staples NFL Coach of the Year Award submissions are at www.nfl.com.

Russell Athletic is found at www.russellathletic.com.

Embark.com, a college application website is found at www.embark.com.

Phillips Publishing, Inc. is at www.investorplace.com/welcome/3freereports.

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Tues. - Barbecue Combination Plate
(Salad Bar Not Included)

Wed. - Chicken Fried Steak
(Salad Bar Included)

Thurs. - 8 oz. Rib Eye
(Salad Bar Included)

Friday - Grilled Chicken Breast
(Salad Bar Included)

Sat. - Beef or Chicken Enchiladas,
Hot sauce & Chips

Recipes Still Needed

Recipes are still wanted for the Stratford Centennial Celebration. Need-them from family recipes, old cookbooks, etc.

Get to Jean Everett, Centennial Cookbook Chairman, by May 1st. Please!!!

"Spirit Of The Dance"

"Spirit of the Dance" will be at the Amarillo Civic Center Feb. 27, 2000. Tickets will be open to the public Dec. 6, 1999-806-378-3096. "It's Irish Dance Meets Broadway! It's Sensational, It's Unmissable!" *The Times* "A Thrilling spectacular show in the Footsteps of Riverdance...." *Bristol Evening Post*

AgriPartner Report Week of January 10, 2000 Dallam, Sherman, Hartley & Moore

The recent warm temperatures have resulted in greenbugs beginning to multiply and increase in numbers. Some infestations are nearing the economic threshold especially in area north and southwest of Amarillo. The northeast Texas Panhandle area is reporting infestations of less than 5 per row foot in fields that previously reported none. Greenbugs continue to be non-existent in the southeast Panhandle area.

A few army cutworm are being reported from the northern Texas Panhandle. Infestations should reach 4 to 5 per square foot before an insecticide application is considered.



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Pointers For Parents

Spuddy Buddy Boosts Good Nutrition Know-How

(NAPS)—Parents who want to boost their children's nutritional know-how may want to keep their eye on a new website.

The web site offers the scoop on potatoes—mashed, boiled, fried or scalloped—and has a special Spuddy Buddy Fan Club for children.

In addition, the site offers information on why potatoes are good for you and a cook booklet called *Idaho Ideas for Small Fries*.

The booklet contains tasty kid-favorite recipes and tips for making a child's time in the kitchen a fun experience.

The club also offers members fun activities such as pictures to color, word scrambles and mazes to navigate.

Fan club members can get a fuzzy Spuddy Buddy sticker to attach to school notebooks or skateboards. For a slight charge, there's a plush 16-inch long Spuddy Buddy toy to snuggle up with at bedtime and a cotton T-shirt so kids can show everyone who the pocket-sized potato's biggest fan is.

Parents can also have fun at the site finding recipes and learning more about delicious, nutritious potatoes.

This snack bakes up a tasty treat that's sure to be a kid pleaser.

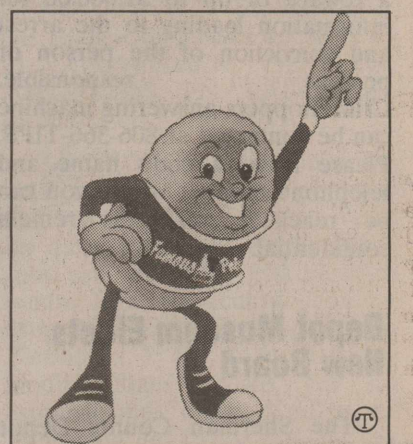
Ham & Cheese Bakers
Yield: 4 servings

Ingredients:

4 large Idaho Potatoes, scrubbed
2 tablespoons stick margarine divided
2 tablespoons flour
1½ cups evaporated skim milk
8 mushrooms, cleaned and chopped
1 small tomato, washed and chopped
½ cup diced smoked ham
½ teaspoon dried dill
6 oz. reduced-fat cheddar cheese, shredded
salt and pepper to taste

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven at 400°F.



A new web site offers fun, games and nutritional information for children. Visit www.idahopotato.com.

Prick each potato several times with a fork and place them on a baking sheet in the oven for 40-50 minutes.

2. While potatoes are cooking, melt half the margarine in a medium-sized saucepan over medium heat. Whisk in the flour to make a thick paste. Slowly add the milk and whisk until mixture is smooth. Bring to a simmer and cook 2 minutes. Add the mushrooms, tomato, ham and dill and cook another minute. Turn off the heat and add the cheese, stirring until blended.

3. When potatoes are done, remove them from the oven. Cut a lengthwise slit in each potato and open slightly. Season potatoes with salt and pepper. Serve each potato with one-fourth of the cheese mixture spooned on top.

Approximate nutritional analysis per serving: 592 cal, 16g fat, 40mg cholesterol, 920 mg sodium, 27.8g protein, 83.2g carbohydrates.

While every month can be a good time to enjoy the tempting taste of "taters," February has been declared National Potato Lovers Month. For more information, visit www.idahopotato.com.

Timi's Tidbits

By Timi Brown

Happy day to you Sherman county old timers readers, citizens. on this cloudy and windy Monday, January 17, 2000. Since Stratford is a pretty newsy town I'm sure they know I broke my leg. The doctor said if I had to break my leg, it was the best kind to have.

Please understand I was not careless I simply walked into the bathroom. I had walking cane in hand and could not break the fall. Of course you know I am in the Dumas hospital I want you to know that God let me to have the doctor I chose. Lots of surgeons, don't want to help senior citizens but they did not object. I am healing well. I am not hurting. After awhile if you still want to read my trash I will write something. I may have to write a book to even begin to pay the doctor bill. I cannot work I am too old and too lazy. I do not want to work and now dear readers, you watch your step. I bet you a dollar some reader young and old will take a tumble before very long. But remember I do not want you too. Pat everyone shoulders and tell them you love them. Because love makes the world go around. I am a pretty thankful old woman this morning Monday, January 17, 2000 See ya!!!!

Kerrick News

By Marylou McDaniel

Hosting the Saturday night supper and table games for Bill & Donna Gillenwaters, Jo June McDaniel and Paul Aduddell were Bud & Frankie Shields in Stratford.

The Leonard Hawkins family enjoyed Christmas with his folks, then took off for Mississippi with Peggy's family. Driving down were Leonard, Peggy, Chandra and Stephanie Bell. Flying in Roger Wells; plane were Roger, Brandi and Kenna. It took the flyers two days to get home because of weather. They landed in Little Rock and Ardmore and the car beat them home!

Sunday afternoon First Christian Church choir presented their cantata to residents of Coldwater Manor. Jo June McDaniel is a member of the choir.

Spending Saturday night with Aunt Trisha Schoonover and family was Kaylee Mungia of Stratford.

Some friends went to Rosie's in Dumas Saturday night. They were Bill & Pat Boren, Gary Hudgens, Marvin & Bonnie Cryer and from Dalhart, H.A. & Pat Rigg, John Riechart.

newsworthy trends

Folks Flying For Fun

(NAPS)—A growing number of Americans are enjoying the thrill and convenience of being a pilot. This year, more than 107,000 people are expected to take flying lessons and, according to research, more than 1.2 million people nationwide are "very interested" in learning to fly.

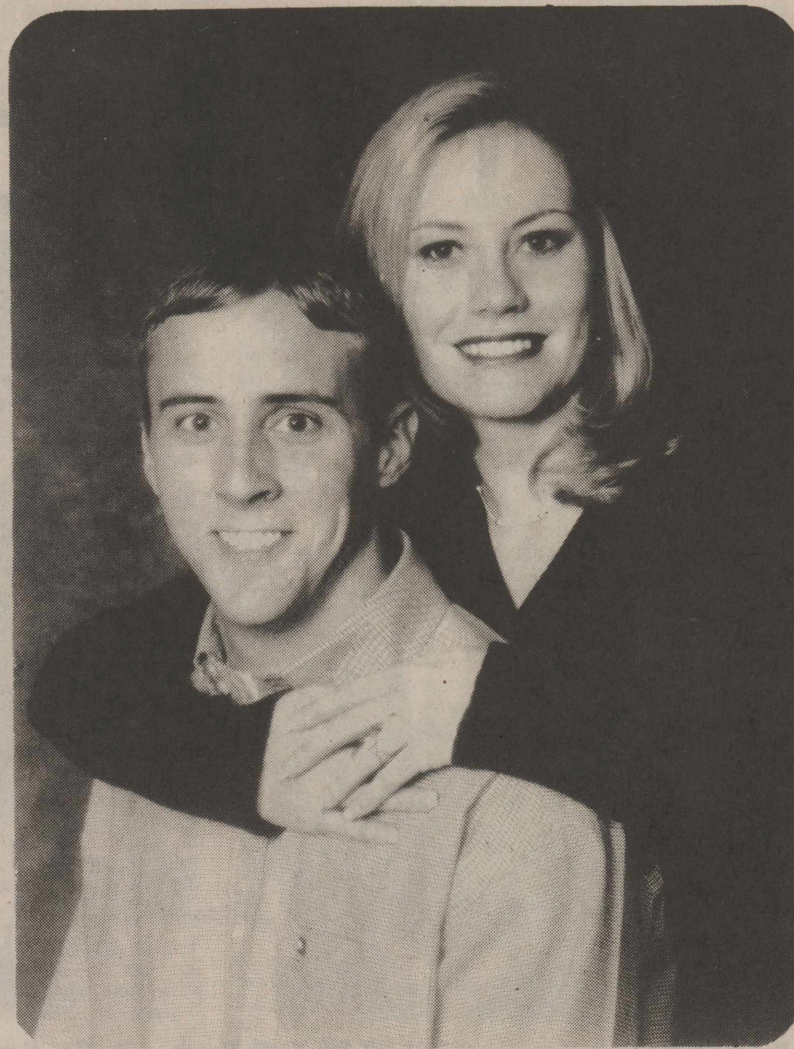


Interest in flight lessons is taking off with the help of computer software and Web sites.

To stimulate interest in flight training, Cessna Aircraft Company has introduced new innovations in pilot-training technology to let prospective pilots know that learning to fly is closer to reality than most people think.

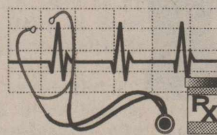
With the introduction of the new Computer-Based Instruction (CBI) program, students can study all the academic material necessary to take the Federal Aviation Administration written exam—on a personal computer.

The centerpiece of Cessna's Learn To Fly program is an informational Web site detailing the benefits and process of learning to fly. It includes answers to frequently asked questions, an outline of the training process, aviation-related activities and organizations, and travel ideas. Visitors to the site—www.flyandbefree.com—can also receive a \$35 coupon for an introductory flight. For more information, call 1-877-359-2373.



Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stoy of Stratford, Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ashley Chea, to Chad Ryan Hodo. Chad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hodo of Dalhart, Texas. The couple is planning a wedding for June 3 at the First Christian Church in Stratford. Ashley is a nursing major at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth where she works in the Office of Communications. Chad attends the University of Texas at Arlington where he is finance major. He is employed by The Associates in Irving. The couple will live in Fort Worth while pursuing their education.



HEALTH AWARENESS

Let Your Feet Lead The Way

(NAPS)—An estimated 16 million Americans have diabetes, yet one-third of them—5.6 million people—don't know it. Diabetes—often called "sugar disease"—is a serious disorder that is marked by the body's inability to manufacture or convert sugar, starches and other food into energy. The long term effect is damage to the eyes, heart, kidneys, feet, nerves and blood vessels.

How do you get diabetes? No one knows how you "get" diabetes, but once diagnosed, you will have the disease for the rest of your life. Certain characteristics put you at a higher risk for developing diabetes.

- If someone in your family has diabetes.
- If you are overweight.
- If you developed diabetes when you were pregnant.
- If you are over the age of 45.
- If you are a member of one of the following ethnic groups—African American, Hispanic American, Native American, Asian American, or Pacific Islander.

Symptoms of diabetes include a frequent urge to urinate, abnormal weight loss, blurred vision, excessive thirst and slow-to-heal wounds.

At least 15 percent of people with diabetes eventually develop foot problems. Here are some important do's and don'ts for people with diabetes from the American Podiatric Medical Association:

- Do inspect and wash feet daily.
- Do cut toenails straight across.
- Do be measured and fitted each time you buy a new pair shoes.



A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION—If you have diabetes, daily foot inspections could save your leg as well as your life.

- Do exercise as a means of keeping weight down and improving circulation.
 - Don't go barefoot.
 - Don't wear high heels.
 - Don't smoke. Tobacco can contribute to circulatory problems.
- If you have diabetes and experience foot problems such as aches and pain in the legs, bleeding within the skin, around corns or calluses or infected or ingrown toenails, see your doctor. In addition to helping diabetics prevent foot complications, podiatric physicians treat diabetic ulcers and infections when they do occur.

Free Brochures
For more information on diabetic foot care, visit www.apma.org on the web or call 1-800-FOOTCARE to request a free brochure. The brochures are available in both English and Spanish.



Loralee Cooley, storyteller from Pampa, brought to Mary Allen students through High School Students "Stories Around the World" on January 12, 13, and 14.



In music, the term *strepitoso* means loud, noisy and boisterous.

Births

Shawna Paige, daughter of Decee & Slade Surratt of Dumas, was born Jan. 12, 2000, 12:45 p.m. at Dumas Hospital. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 19 1/2 inches.

Shawna was welcomed by two big sisters, Haley 7 and Terri, nearly 3.

Grandparents are Patricia Ann Foster, Amarillo, Anthony Foster of Alpine, TX., Phil & Terry Surratt, Newark, TX

Great grandparents are Betty Henry, Stratford and Marion and Mildred Lee, Odessa, TX/.

Nellie Beasley, Borger is a great great grandmother.

Assembly of God

Rev. Dean Williamson

921 Fulton

Sunday School 9:45 am

Morning Worship 10:45 am

Evening Worship 6:00 pm - Youth Serv. - 6 pm.-Sun.

Wed. Royal Rangers (Pioneers) 6:30 p.m.

Wed. Royal Rangers (Straight arrows & Buckaroos) 7:30 p.m.

Wed. Missionettes - 7:00 p.m.

Wed. Bible Study 7:30 pm

First Christian

Rev. Rob Chandler

5th & Main

Sunday Coffee Fellowship 9:00 am

Sunday School 9:45 am

Morning Worship 10:45 am

No Sunday Evening Worship

Wed., Adult Choir 8:00 pm

First United Methodist

Rev. Mark Metzger

520 N. Main

Sunday School 9:40 am

Morning Worship 10:50 am

Junior High UMY 5:30 pm

Senior High UMY 6:00 pm

5:00 pm Cable Ch. 3 for

Morning Worship Service - Ev. worship - 7:00

St. Joseph Catholic

Father Darryl Birkenfeld

6th & Pearl

Rectory - 366 - 5687

Sunday Liturgies: Sat. Evening - 7 p.m. (Bilingual)

Sunday morning: 8:30 a.m. (English), 10:30 a.m. (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays, 4:30 p.m.

Christian Formation Classes: K-6th Grade, Sun. - 9:00 a.m.-10:25 a.m., Jr. & Sr. High, Wed. - 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Church of Christ

Mike Talley

N. 3rd & Chestnut

Sunday School 9:30 am

Morning Worship 10:30 am

Evening Worship 5:00 pm

Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

Calvary Baptist

John Widner

302 S. Main

Afternoon Worship 2:30 pm

Children's Active Learning 2:30 pm

No Evening Worship

Thurs. Bible Study & Fellowship 7:30 pm

First Baptist

Bro. Jerry Stewart

702 N. 3rd

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.

Church Training 6:00 p.m.

Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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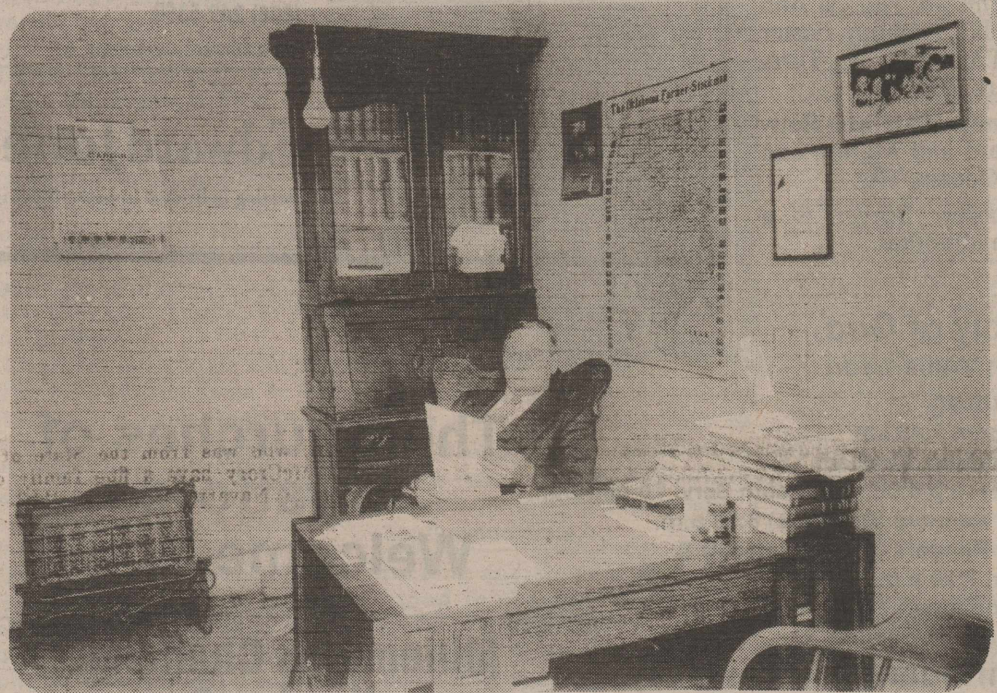
Kenneth Kendrick and Sam Wohlford, H.L. McMahan in center seated.



J.P. Smith family picture taken in 1929, front left: Peach, J.P., Mrs. Smith, Earl
Rear: Mary (Brown), Elizabeth (O'Brien), Ella (Dixon) and Sally (Green)



Ivie, Fred & Perc Pronger-1940.



Dr. Norvell



Some of our residents who were born and raised in Stratford and Sherman County were asked: "Who were the early settlers that you think were important to our development?"

Each has given a list of names and if you don't know these names, then ask someone what these people did for Stratford and Sherman County. Stratford will be 100 years old in 2001.

MISS TIMMIE BROWN REMEMBERS ALL THESE PEOPLE

1. J. T. Brown came in 1901
2. C. D. Lipscomb and Son
3. T. F. Baskin came in 1901
4. Tom McCrory & Son
5. Bill Wofford
6. Mr Alexander
7. Ulysses & Oscar Jahns (est. the Livery) and sister Emma Jahns Flores
8. Mr & Mrs George Loomis (PO at Coldwater)
9. D. D. Spurlock
10. Ike Foreman

SELMA PENDLETON GAVE THE FOLLOWING NAMES OF IMPORTANT PEOPLE

1. Judge Rawlings
2. W. T. Martin
3. W. B. Slaughter
4. J. T. Brown
5. John Foxworth
6. Pronger Bros.
7. Lee Bivins
8. L. M. Price
9. D. D. Spurlock
10. C. F. Rudolph (published our 1st newspaper)

WENDELL FLORES REMEMBERS THESE PEOPLE WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE TO OUR TOWN

1. Johnny Rawlings
2. W. G. O'Brien
3. Jimmy Turner
4. Dave Alexander
5. J. R. Wilson
6. J. P. Flores
7. Clyde Foster
8. Pronger Bros
9. Ellis Powell
10. Johnny Blackwell
11. Bill Gamble
12. W. T. Martin
13. Dr. Norvell
14. Ott Hensley
15. L. M. Price

ALFRED PRONGER GAVE THESE NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO HELPED SHAPE OUR TOWN

1. D. D. Spurlock
2. Mr Foreman
3. E. G. Pendleton
4. Tim Flores
5. Judge Elliott
6. L.M. Price

HAROLD OQUIN LISTED THESE EARLY SETTLERS IMPORTANT TO OUR DEVELOPMENT

1. Dr. J. W. Norvell
2. J. W. Elliott
3. Johnny Blackwell
4. Pronger Bros
5. W. A. Spurlock
6. Guy Sweeny
7. Norman Bridwell
8. Walter Lasley
9. W. G. O'Brien
10. Harley & Bob Alexander
11. J. R. Pendleton
12. L. M. Price
13. W. T. Martin
14. Elmer Hudson
15. Tim Flores
16. G. L. Taylor
17. E. W. Butler
18. Arthur Ross & Albert Ross (the Ross Bros)

MARY RIFFE GAVE THESE NAMES OF EARLY RESIDENTS WHO HELPED SHAPE OUR TOWN

1. W. T. Martin
2. G. L. Taylor
3. L. M. Price
4. Royal Pendleton
5. Earl Riffe
6. Hose Flores
7. Cone Donelson
8. Otis Bryant
9. Pronger Bros
10. Sam Wohlford
11. Lasley Bros.

BILL PENDLETON SAYS THESE PEOPLE ARE IMPORTANT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR TOWN.

1. J. D. Rawlings
2. W. B. Slaughter
3. L.M. Price
4. Hose Flores
5. Arthur Ross
6. Bill Kent
7. Gaynelle Riffe
8. Don Riffe
9. D. D. Sparlock
10. R. C. Buckles

MAE MARSHALL PLUNK GAVE A LIST OF PEOPLE WHO HELPED DEVELOP OUR TOWN

1. Sam Wohlford
2. L. P. Hunter
3. Forrest Mullins
4. W. A. Spurlock
5. Madge Lowe
6. Mrs. Al Allen
7. Bob Marshall
8. Doc Wilson
9. L. M. Price
10. W. T. Martin

MARY WOODFORD KIDWELL WISDOM LISTED IMPORTANT PEOPLE TO STRATFORD

1. Prices
2. Elliotts
3. Pronger
4. Sam Wohlford
5. Mullins
6. Cummings
7. Mr Tabor (superintendent)
8. Mrs. Al Allen
9. Nellie Alexander
10. Mrs John Bird (teacher)
11. Riffes

DORIS DYESS LISTED FAMILIES IMPORTANT TO OUR COMMUNITY

1. Nolands
2. Prices
3. Foxworths
4. Prongers
5. Estell Pleyer family
6. Sam Wohlford
7. Whaleys
8. Sloans
9. Calvirids
10. Mullins
11. Cummings
12. W. T. Martins
13. Dr. Norvell
14. The Foster Family

VELMA GRIMES BLAKE LISTED PEOPLE WHO HELPED DEVELOP OUR TOWN

1. Prices
2. G.L. Taylor
3. Sam Wohlford
4. Hose Flores
5. Arthur Judd
6. Riffes
7. Dr. Norvell

BETTY LOU O'BRIEN NAMED FAMILIES IMPORTANT TO THE GROWTH OF OUR TOWN

1. Altringers
2. Prongers
3. O'Briens
4. J. P. Smiths
5. Hudsons
6. Lavakes
7. Clucks
8. Alexanders
9. Blackwells
10. Smiths (Nora Kidwell's family)

IONE GAMBLE KENDRICK NAMED PEOPLE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE PROGRESS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THIS GREAT PART OF OUR STATE

1. Raleigh Blackwell
2. Johnny Blackwell
3. Mr Ushery (a lawyer)
4. Dave Alexander
5. Mr & Mrs A. D. Spurlock
6. Thomas M. McCrory
7. W. R. (Bill) Gamble
8. Dr. Deo. W. Lawson
9. J. W. Elliott
10. the Nolands

As with any list, there will be someone forgotten, some not listed, or someone not remembered by those of us here now. We do Cherish and Honor all those who came early even if only for a while before moving on, because they all are the reason we have a town now.

Perhaps their names can be found in GOD, GRASS & VOL 1 or at the cemetery, or perchance their presence can be felt in the prairie winds on the Coldwater.

Join in the celebration in September as the wagons come from old Coldwater town to Stratford. (Watch for exact date).

THERE ARE MANY INTERESTING STORIES ABOUT THESE PEOPLE LISTED HERE. LOOK IN GOD, GRASS & GRIT #1 and #2. There is a new County History book in the making. Be sure your family history is in the Vol 3 which is due to come out in December.

THOMAS JEFFERSON NOLAND, who owns the controlling interest in the Stratford Mercantile Company and was president of the First State Bank up to the time of its consolidation with the First National Bank of Stratford, has been a resident at that place since 1904. He was a successful merchant before entering the banking business. Mr. Noland is a man who has come up from the bottom, having started out when a boy without resources, and with a part of the responsibilities for the care of his family resting upon his young shoulders. The third in a family of five children, he was born in Polk county, Missouri, November 10, 1856, and is a son of Robert G. and Charlotte Ann (Hall) Noland. His father, a native of Kentucky, was a boy when his parents moved to Missouri, about 1842, the family having come from east Tennessee, and becoming pioneers in that section of Missouri. Robert G. Noland became a merchant at Humansville, in Polk county, also bought and sold live stock, and was prospering in his business career until early death removed him from his activities. When the Civil war came on he enlisted in the Confederate service, but after a brief period in the army contracted nervous typhoid fever and died in 1861 at the age of about thirty-six, soon after returning home from the front. He was a Democrat in politics and a member of the Methodist church. The mother was born in Tennessee, a daughter of Thomas Hall, who came to Missouri about 1840, Thomas Hall being a prosperous farmer in Polk county. The mother is now living at the advanced age of seventy-two years, making her home with her son Edward Homer Noland at Sedgewick, Kansas.

Thomas Jefferson Noland was reared in Polk county, and had the advantages of the public school until he was sixteen years of age, at which time he had to leave his books and studies in order to contribute to the support of the family, whose head had been removed by death when Thomas was a child. Furthermore, the war had destroyed much of the family property, and it required the united efforts of all the members to keep a roof over their heads and food in their mouths. Though his early life was thus spent on a farm, and largely in quiet work, Mr. Noland managed to fit himself for other work, and outside of farming his first regular occupation was as a teacher. He taught one term in Benton county, Missouri, and then engaged in the live stock business and subsequently in merchandising in Hickory county. His career as a merchant continued for twenty-six years, in all. In 1893 he came to Texas, locating in the Panhandle at the thrivingly new town of Amarillo, and was there connected with the mercantile firm of Smith, Walker & Company, who did a large general merchandise business in both wholesale and retail. In 1904 Mr. Noland came to Stratford, where he established the business known as the Stratford Mercantile Company, which he continued for three years. In 1906 he and his associates established the First State Bank at Stratford, and he was elected its president, a position which he held up to the time of the consolidation with the First National Bank. Mr. Noland has now accumulated many evidences of material prosperity and owns several sections of land in the county and considerable city real estate.

In politics he is a Democrat, and a worker for good local government. Stratford was incorporated as a city in 1907, and he has been a member of the council since that time. He is an influential member of the local school board, and belongs to the Stratford Booster Club. In Hickory county, Missouri, on August 4, 1877, Mr. Noland married Miss Sarah E. Nease, daughter of Joseph E. Nease, who was a native of Indiana. Mrs. Noland died in 1903 at Clarendon, Texas, when forty-two years of age. Five children were born to the marriage and four are now living. On July 24, 1905, in Canyon City, Colorado, Mr. Noland married Mrs. Lillie E. Harrington, a daughter of T. J. Davis, formerly of Indiana, but one of the old settlers of the Texas Panhandle. There are two children by the second marriage.

WILLIAM R. GAMBLE. The present sheriff of Sherman county, now in his second term, was formerly one of the prominent stock men of this section of the state. He began his career when a boy in the saddle, riding range and his career has been in many ways typical of west Texas. Mr. Gamble is one of the prosperous men of Stratford, the owner of considerable land and other property, including over 100 cattle, and is a very popular and efficient officer.

William R. Gamble was born in Grayson county, April 17, 1877, and his family were among the early settlers in that north Texas county. His father was William E. Gamble, born in Missouri, and when a child accompanying his parents to Texas in 1854. The first settlement in this state was made in Collin county, at McKinney, where both the grandfather and the father preemtioned a large amount of land. Grandfather Gamble died soon after coming to the state and when a comparatively young man, leaving a family of four sons and one daughter.

William E. Gamble, the father, then became the mainstay of the rest of the family and bore the chief responsibility of the management of the large estate which he and his father had established in Texas. Farming and stock raising was the industry to which he gave his principle attention, and he was for many years successfully engaged along that line. He now lives retired in Vernon. In politics a Democrat, he has never sought public honors, but has always taken much interest in civic affairs and done what he could to promote good

government locally. He is a God-fearing honest man, a member of the Methodist church, and has always been interested in religious and moral activities. The maiden name of his wife was Molly Stephens, who was born in Tennessee, and was a young girl when she came to Texas. She was married at Pilot Grove, in Grayson county, and her death occurred in April, 1912, when sixty-three years of age. Of her seven children, six are now living, William R. having been the third in order of birth. The latter attained his early education in the public schools of Cooke county and Wilbarger county, and subsequently graduated from the Metropolitan Business College of Dallas. His early life was spent on a farm, and he became familiar with all the details of ranch and range life. He remained at home until twenty-five years of age, then married and came out to Stratford in Sherman county, in the fall of 1902. Since the fall of 1904 he has been a permanent resident in this locality. He engaged in the stock business, and became owner of a thousand acres of farm land before coming to Stratford, and had right over a large range for his stock. When he came to Sherman county he brought in a herd of two hundred cattle, and rapidly built up a large business, which he sold out at a good figure in the spring of 1909. Mr. Gamble in 1910 was elected to the office of sheriff, and was re-elected in 1912, and besides the two terms by regular election he served for three years as deputy before entering upon his present office. Mr. Gamble is the owner of a comfortable home at Stratford, and possesses some land and city holdings.

In politics he is a Democrat, and has always had a part in party affairs. By virtue of his office as sheriff he is also tax collector for Sherman county. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Masonic Lodge at Stratford and has acted as its secretary. He belongs to the Woodmen of the World, Camp No. 1441, and is active in the Stratford Methodist church, being steward.

At Chillicothe, Texas, in 1904, he married Miss Osa Kerley, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kerley, who was born in Texas and represented a family of old settlers in Limestone county. There were three children in the Gamble household, namely: William Keith, Graydon Elbert and Tone Ruth. *Osa Kerley*

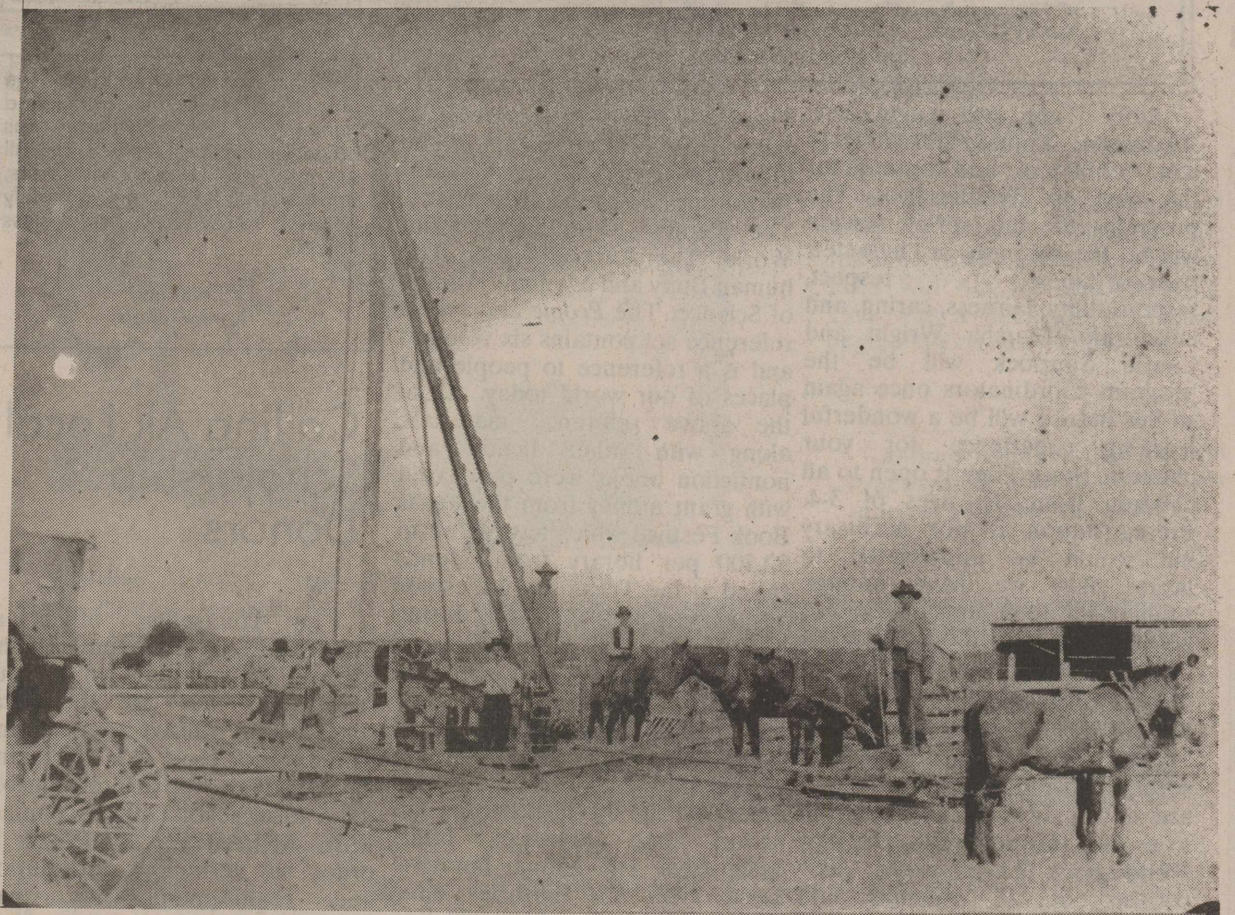
HON. JAMES WILLIAM ELLIOTT. Now serving his second term as county judge of Sherman county, Mr. Elliott is a citizen of Stratford, whose record in business and public life has well justified the confidence of his fellow citizens, and he is recognized as one of the leading men of this locality. He began life a poor boy, at an early age had to contribute his labors to supporting the family, worked his way through college, has had a successful experience as a banker and as the chief administrative officer of his county, and now when only a little more than thirty-eight years of age is entering upon a career as a lawyer, in which he is destined to large and generous achievements.

James William Elliott was born in Denton county, August 22, 1875. His father was John Elliott, a native of Virginia who came to Texas when sixteen years old, and located in Denton county, where as a boy he worked at farming and subsequently engaged in farming and stock raising on his own account. He is now living retired in Hardeman county. He was reared and educated in Grayson county, and is of English and Scotch descent. The grandfather was Abraham Elliott, and the first members of the Elliott family came from the British Isles during the early colonial period of Virginia. During the early years of his career, the father was quite successful, but subsequently suffered reverses, so that his children had to come to his assistance. The maiden name of the mother was Mary Thomas Hicks, who was born near Rowling Green, Kentucky, in 1853, and died in 1895. She was the mother of nine children, four of whom are now living.

James W. Elliott, the second in the family, received his early education in the Quana public schools, attending

the high school there for one year. He subsequently worked his way through college, and later graduated from the Metropolitan Business College in Dallas. He had given much of his time and labor to the care and maintenance of the home, and engaged in his independent career only at the age of twenty-two, at which time, having secured a college training he began teaching school, and spent five years in that vocation in Sherman, Hardeman and Ford counties. In the meantime, during vacation, he had taken his course in commercial college and since then has carried on his studies as opportunity permitted in the law. Mr. Elliott was for two and a half years engaged as a bookkeeper in a store, and was one of the organizers and for more than three years cashier of the Texas State Bank at Texhoma. During that time he never made a loan whereby the bank lost a single penny, and showed unusual ability and sagacity in the banking business. Mr. Elliott has been a resident of Stratford since 1906. His record commended him to the support of the people in 1910, at which date he was elected county judge of Sherman county, and was re-elected in the fall of 1912, so that he is now serving his second term. In both campaigns he had no opposition for this office, since he was considered by all means the most available man for the place. He began the study of law nights and odd moments after he entered office and was admitted to the bar in November, 1913.

Politically he is a Democrat, and as far as time and means permit has interested himself in party affairs. He is affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, and was three times grand representative of the Knights of Pythias, and is a past grand of the Odd Fellows Lodge. His church is the Methodist. At Dallas, Texas, on March 29, 1911, Judge Elliott married Miss Mae Perssol, daughter of E. W. Perssol. Mrs. Elliott was born in the state of Kansas.



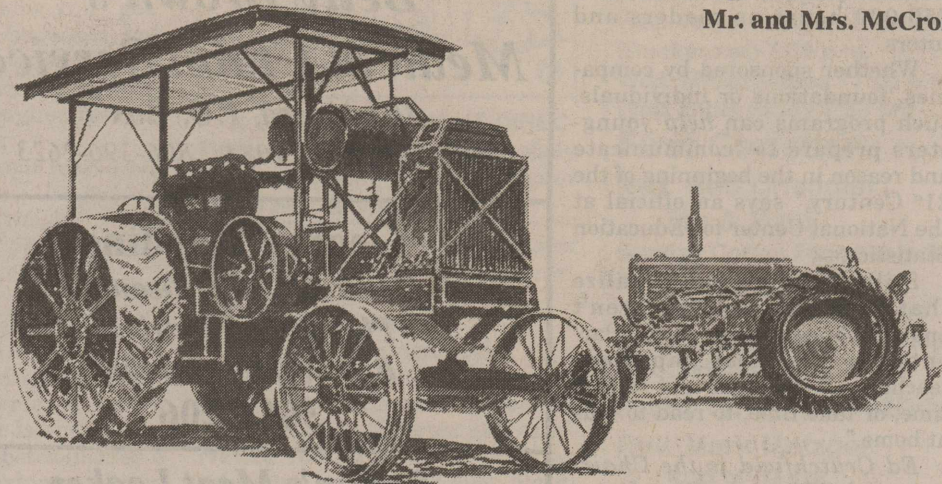
J.T. Brown well-drilling Rig L-R Jim Brown, #3 J.T. Brown, #6 Will Alexander. Horse is "Ole Plunger." helped pull the power to the machine & helped dig many wells in county.



Mr. and Mrs. McCrory

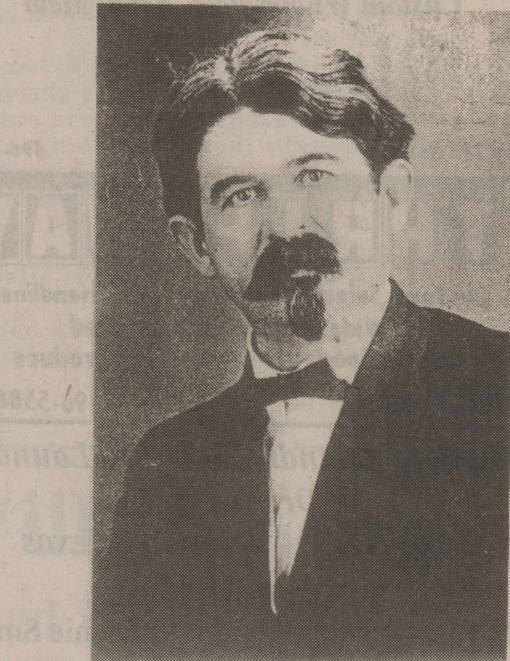
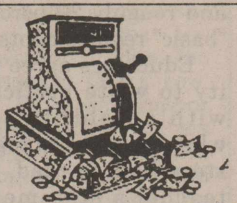
THOMAS M. MCCRORY. A retired cattleman making his home in Stratford, Mr. McCrory has lived in Texas since the close of the war and in different counties of central and western Texas, acquired and operated large cattle interests until his retirement from the business in 1904, since which time he has made his home in Stratford. T. M. McCrory was born in Butler county, Alabama, in March, 1849, the youngest of eight children born to Thomas and Nancie (Faul) McCrory. The father was born in South Carolina, and the mother in North Carolina, and they were married in Alabama. The father was a planter who emigrated to Arkansas, and then in 1866 came to Texas, locating in Freestone county, where he followed his regular occupation until his death in 1867 at the age of fifty-four. The mother died at Stratford, in 1909 when at the advanced age of ninety-three years. Mr. McCrory spent his school days in Arkansas, where he obtained the education which fitted him for his practical career. After the family came to Texas he began raising stock in Freestone county, gradually increased his holdings in proportion to his industry and good business management subsequently transferred his operations to Navarro county, and continued actively as a stock man from 1866 until December, 1904. He sold out part of his interests in Navarro county, moving to Stratford, where he was again identified with stock raising until 1904, since which time he has disposed of practically all his interest in that line and has enjoyed the competence of his early years. He is a director in the state bank. He is a Democrat and a member of the Presbyterian church. In Navarro county, in November, 1880, Mr. Val. V-17

McCrory married Miss Belle Gamewell, a daughter of J. C. Gamewell, who was from the State of Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. McCrory have a fine family of children. Nora V., born in Navarro county in 1883, is now the wife of Mr. H. D. Hanks, of Freestone county, and has two children; Lou C. McCrory, born in Navarro county, in February, 1885, is cashier of the First State Bank of Stratford; Della, born in Navarro county in 1887, and died in Stratford in 1911; James G., born in Navarro county in 1890, died May 23, 1903, at Stratford; Vesta and Lester, twins, born in Navarro county, in 1894, the latter dying in November 1903, as a result of a fall from a horse.



Your Money

(NU) - Even if you're changing jobs, it's important to keep your savings working for your future, says Laura Goark, vice president of Fidelity Investments.



Dr. George Wallen Dawson

DR. GEORGE WALLEN DAWSON. The people of Dalhart, Texas, and indeed of the whole of this part of the Panhandle, feel extremely grateful to Dr. George Wallen Dawson, of Dalhart, for he made it possible for them to possess something that is a small and especially a new town rarely has, that is a sanitarium that is to Dalhart what a large hospital is to a city. The doctor has only been in Texas a few years, but in this short space of time he has won a wide reputation as a skillful practitioner and has made many friends. His personal popularity is due in no small measure to the gentleness of his disposition and to the fact that in spite of the fact that his profession has led him in the dark places of men's lives, he has kept his faith in human nature and is always ready to believe the best of people.

Dr. Dawson comes of families old in the history of our country. On his father's side his family line can be traced back to Commodore D'Oson, of England. When the first of the name to settle in America arrived on these shores he changed his name to Dawson. The first member of the family was Major John Dawson and he served under General Washington. He died in 1837, ten children surviving him, among whom was Samuel Dawson, the great-grandfather of the doctor. He settled in Virginia and there lived out his life. When he died he left a family of nine children, among whom was Gibson Dawson. The latter emigrated to Kentucky and there reared his family of three sons, all of whom entered the ministry. Among these sons was W. H. Dawson, the father of the doctor. He was born in Dav-

county, Kentucky, in 1844 and grew up in his native state. He was educated for the ministry and entered that of the Baptist church, spending his life in this calling. In the early days of his ministry he was a circuit rider, for communities were scattered and circuit riding was the only practicable way in which people could be reached. He presided over a number of churches and spent many weary hours riding over the rough wood roads to reach his distant parishes. He died in 1908.

On his maternal side the doctor's ancestry is equally interesting. His mother was a Howard, and his grandfather, born of poor parents, was forced to make his way from the time he left home as a boy. He was a sea-faring man and was one of the survivors of the ill-fated Dead Sea expedition, sent out from England. Upon his return after this experience he came to America with his family and settled in Kentucky. He was named Galliton Howard and he died in Kentucky in 1897. His daughter, Martha Howard, was born and reared and married in Kentucky, in Daviess county. After the death of her husband, she remained in Daviess county, and there she is living today, hale and hearty at the age of sixty-six. Four children were born to W. H. and Martha Dawson, in addition to Dr. Dawson there being J. C. Dawson, of Kentucky; Miss Cora Dawson,

also of that state, and Dr. A. W. Dawson, of Montgomery, Alabama.

Dr. George Wallen Dawson was born in Hancock county, Kentucky, on May 14, 1871, the second child of his parents. In his youth he attended the grammar schools of Kentucky and then as he grew older he began to think that he would like to study medicine. Consequently he entered the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville, from which he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1894. He next took a post-graduate course at the Cincinnati Medical College, at Cincinnati, Ohio, and returning to Kentucky after the completion of this work, he located in his profession. He was successful from the very beginning and as his experience increased he became an extremely able physician.

He remained in Kentucky until 1907 and then, having heard of the Panhandle region of Texas and the need for physicians in that section he came out to Dalhart and established himself. The first thing he did upon his arrival was to purchase a plot of ground and erect upon it the building now known as the Trans-Canadian Sanitarium. Dalhart being a rapidly growing place and a junction point for two railroads there was a crying need for something of this sort. It is a building of eighteen rooms, equipped with all that is most modern in hospital furnishings, and with every appliance for handling surgical and emergency cases. In fact it is a first class hospital and would do credit to a larger city. It has been developed to its present condition of efficiency through the indefatigable efforts of its founder and proprietor and he works unceasingly to see that the patients have every attention and every chance to recover their health.

A Quick Home Tip

(NU) - To capture the spirit of the fall season when decorating your home, imagine the perfect day: falling leaves, carving pumpkins and hay rides. Department 56 makes village collections that can bring the season indoors. Visit www.department56.com for more information.



Check Out The Library

By Sandy Baskin

Story Time will begin next Wednesday, January 26th at 11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and continue for the next six Wednesdays. The programs for this spring session will be the six parts of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Marsha Wright and Laurie Spurlock will be the program coordinators once again so this indeed will be a wonderful learning experience for your children. Story Time is open to all children from the ages of 3-4. Preregistration is not necessary but would be appreciated to insure that we have enough supplies for all of the children. We are also still in need of volunteers. Please come by or call the library at 366-2200 to volunteer or to register your child.

The library has received several new reference books which are on display and ready to be put to use for this new year. The new *World Book Encyclopedia, 2000* consists of 22 volumes and contains colored pictures. The *World Book Student Discovery Encyclopedia* is a 13-volume set targeted toward the elementary and middle school age student.

The *World Book Encyclopedia of Science* is a set consisting of the following eight volumes titles: Astronomy, Physics, Chemistry, The Planet Earth, The Plant World, The Animal World, The human Body and Men and women of Science. The *People and Places* reference set contains six volumes and is a reference to people and places of our world today. All of the above reference materials, along with other fiction and nonfiction books were purchased with grant money from the Texas Book Festival which awards up to \$2,500 per library from funds raised at the Texas Book Festival which is held in Austin during November of each year. Established in 1996 under the leadership of Texas First Lady Laura Bush as a "celebration of words, reading, and published works," the Texas Book Festival is the only one of its kind in the nation that generates funds designated for public libraries. Since 1996, 230 libraries have received almost \$600,000 to purchase books and enrich reading and cultural resources in their communities.

Cards of Thanks

I send heart-felt thanks to the ambulance crew, the doctors and nurses who helped when I was having heart problems. For all the prayers, cards, calls, visits, flowers and food I am eternally grateful. May God richly bless you all.

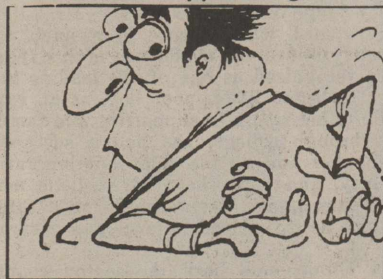
Sincerely,
Anne Pulliam

Calling All Local Scholarship Donors

The counseling office at Stratford I.S.D. is currently in the process of updating all of our scholarship files for the local scholarships offered every spring to the senior class. We are asking all individuals who are responsible for a local scholarship to contact Misti McBryde at 366-3322 in order to verify the information and requirements for your scholarship. Please do so as soon as possible so that the scholarships can be announced to the seniors in a timely manner.



The word cop may have come from the initials c.o.p., which stood for constable on patrol, or be short for copper, since constables wore copper badges.



The game of backgammon is so called from the Anglo-Saxon words *bac gammon*, meaning "back game."

Web Watch

(NAPS)—Delicious gourmet toppings, such as those of Mrs. Richardson's, are being used as a baking ingredient in desserts like cheesecake. For recipes, visit www.brfoods.com.

Moms-to-be may enjoy a free, helpful newsletter all about them, at www.PregnancyWeekly.com.

A new video game, Gulf War Operation Desert Hammer offers players a chance to storm back to the Persian Gulf. To find out more, visit the 3DO website at www.3do.com.

Whether you're searching for a unique item or wanting to turn your own treasures into cold, hard cash, you may be able to find what you're looking for at GO Network's auction site. Visit www.auction.go.com on the Web.

For information on Spunky Productions cartoons, visit www.spunky.com.



SpunkyTown.com.

To join the Duck Tape Club, see Manco Corporation's website www.ducktapeclub.com.

For information on energy-efficient commercial and residential boilers visit www.weil-mclain.com.

SPOTLIGHT ON EDUCATION

Reading, Writing and Responsibility Key To Reading Event

by Ed Crutchfield

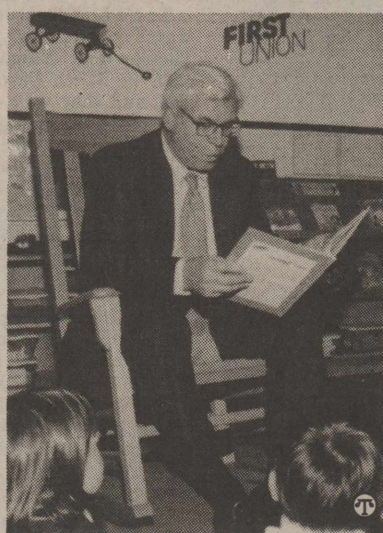
(NAPS)—When Angie Flynn stepped into her second grade class, her teacher placed her in a high, third-grade reading group within days. Her parents were pleased, but not surprised. "We had read bedtime stories to her since she was a baby," says her mother, Jill Flynn, a First Union employee.

Reading to a youngster is a smart move for parents who want their offspring well prepared for life in the 21st Century. While some moms and dads worry about their children being "computer literate," that's far from true "literacy."

Literate individuals can read words on a printed page or computer screen with fluency and understanding. A literate person can also write with correct spelling, punctuation, and flow of ideas so a reader can grasp the full meaning of the word.

Few American youngsters are literate when it comes to both reading and writing says a new study from the National Assessment of Educational Progress. Only one percent of students in the fourth, eighth, and twelfth grades can do "advanced" writing, and roughly 20 percent fall below "basic" requirements.

Educators agree that the ability to write proficiently starts with an ability to read. And when it comes to teaching youngsters how to read, listen to one teacher's statement: "Parents are the people who have the most influence on a child's ability to learn. Those who value



Ed Crutchfield, Chairman and CEO of the First Union Corporation, takes part in his corporation's Reading First program and shares his love of books with a captive audience.

reading and share it by reading aloud to children can make a world of difference."

Among numerous efforts to boost literacy are the "Reading is Fundamental" program, an "Even Start" plan, and a National Conference on Family Literacy. "Reading First," a First Union initiative is an outgrowth of the bank's "Education First" program that began a decade ago.

Heightening educational efforts in communities in 12 states and the District of Columbia, First Union employees volunteer to read to students in classes. In October, to mark the program's tenth year, employees, sports

celebrities, and community partner representatives visited 75,000 classrooms. In each, they read Dr. Seuss's *Oh, The Places You'll Go!* and left the book to be enjoyed time and again.

Perhaps because my mother was a schoolteacher, I take extra pride in standing behind what we believe is the largest face-to-face corporate literacy event in the nation.

In all, some two million children delighted in hearing a warm, human voice, up close and very personal, impart the book's words of wisdom. No electronics, no multimedia, no soundtrack—just amusing syllables hinting of life's wonderful adventures.

Enabling First Union employees to help improve public education, each gets four hours of paid time off every month to volunteer in schools. Last year, nearly half of employees spent more than 750,000 hours as readers and tutors.

Whether sponsored by companies, foundations or individuals, such programs can help youngsters prepare to "communicate and reason in the beginning of the 21st Century," says an official at the National Center for Education Statistics.

Still, parents should realize that such efforts alone aren't enough. As one mom says, "Parents are the most important teachers, so it's important to find time, or take time, to read to kids at home."

Ed Crutchfield is the Chairman and CEO of the First Union Corporation.

Flower Power

On Valentine's Day, Many Speak The Universal Language Of Roses

(NAPS)—"A red rose is the essence of a Valentine," wrote poet May Sarton, and perhaps no other gift says "I love you" as eloquently as the rose. On Valentine's Day the world over, the red rose is a universal gift.

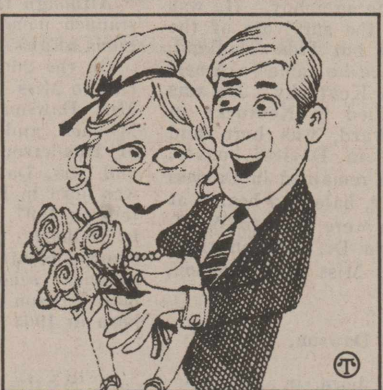
In the United States alone, about 90 million roses are sold on this day and, according to Roses, Inc., an organization of commercial rose growers in Haslett, Michigan, more than 80 percent of them are red.

Throughout history, romantics have been creative in their "rosy" declarations of love. Legend has it that Cleopatra once received Marc Antony in a room knee-deep in rose petals. And such extravagant ideas continue to blossom with today's lovers. On a recent Valentine's Day in Newport, Rhode Island, a young wife returned from work and found the snow-covered path to her front door strewn with dozens of red roses.

Unlike the past, however, today's romantic can choose among different colors of red roses.

"There used to be just one or two varieties," notes Keith Zary, vice president of research for Bear Creek Gardens, a rose breeder in Somis, California. "Now there are at least half a dozen red rose varieties and many others are in research every year."

Bright red Cardinal is a long-standing favorite. Velvety, dark red Black Magic is a new California variety. Grand Prix, another



A rose is a rose is a rose, as a symbol of love from the past to the present—especially on Valentine's Day.

up-and-coming variety from California, has a very large, dark red flower with an exceptionally long life. Cranberry red Ekstase is notable for its intense fragrance. For future varieties, says Zary, thornless stems, delicate fragrance and open, cabbage rose-type heads are research objectives.

"With so many roses to choose from it may be tempting to experiment with different colors for gifts of breathtaking beauty," suggests René van Rems, AIFD, PFCI, director of promotions for the California Cut Flower Commission in Watsonville, California.

In Paris, lovers take advantage of the riches, splurging with lush bouquets of roses in a blend of blazing red, raspberry and wine. Some add roses of other colors—

lavender, apricot and creamy pastels—for a many-hued bouquet.

Colors other than red are also appropriate for remembering friends, mothers and sisters, a common U.S. custom. A scented nosegay of peach, pink and yellow blooms mingled with violets or sweet peas conveys appreciation and friendship.

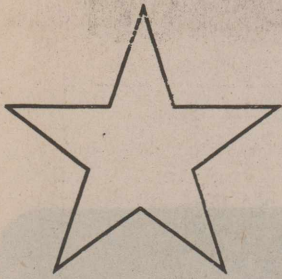
Caring for roses

In California, many roses are grown hydroponically, a process in which plants are spoon-fed precise amounts of nutrients to produce healthy, long-lived blooms. But proper care by the receiver is also important.

At home, remove stem leaves that will be under water and use a floral preservative. With a sharp knife, cut an inch off the stem's end while holding it under water—this keeps air from blocking the flow of water to the flower. Place flowers away from direct sunlight, drafts or heat. Top off the vase with water every day. Placing them in a cool, dark place in the evening will prolong their life. If a flower droops, submerge the entire rose in mildly warm water, re-cut the stem and let it re-hydrate for an hour.

For a free brochure on how to make fresh flower arrangements, from bouquets to centerpieces, send an SASE to the California Cut Flower Commission, 73 Hangar Way, Watsonville, CA 95076 or visit their website at www.cfcf.org.

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Request for Bids on Texas Highway Construction

Sealed proposals for 18,609 mi of planing, stabilize subgrade, asphalt concrete pavement and pavement markers on US 287 from Moore County Line North to South City limits of Stratford covered by NH 2000(4) in Sherman County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 p.m., February 2, 2000 and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

This contract is subject to all appropriate Federal laws, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to his invitation, and in consideration for an award. Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Kenneth Petr, Area Engineer, Dumas, Texas and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of George Dean Cluck, Deceased, were issued on January 3, 2000 under Docket No. 2005, pending in the County Court of Sherman County, Texas, to: Rita Jo Cluck and Monte Cluck.

Claims may be presented for the Estate addressed as follows:

Estate of George Dean Cluck
HCR 3, Box 47
Gruver, TX 79040

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by laws.

Dated this 3rd day of January, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,
Lovell & Lyle, P.C.
P.O. Box 477
Dumas, Texas 79029-0477
806/935-2137
806/935-7744 (FAX)
Attorneys for the Estate

Of counsel:
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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF BOND ELECTION

The State of Texas
Counties of Sherman and Dallam
Stratford Independent School District

TO THE RESIDENT QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

TAKE NOTICE that an election will be held in the STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT on the 12th day of February, 2000, in accordance with a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees which is a part of this notice for all purposes and reads as follows:

A RESOLUTION ordering a bond election to be held in the Stratford Independent School District, making provision for the conduct of the election and resolving other matters incident and related to such election.

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Stratford Independent School District hereby finds that an election should be held to determine whether said governing body shall be authorized to issue bonds of said District in the amount and for the purposes hereinafter identified; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE STRATFORD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

SECTION 1: An election shall be held on the 12th day of February, 2000, in the Stratford Independent School District, which date is forty-five (45) or more days from the date of the adoption hereof, and the holding of the election on such date rather than on a uniform election date is hereby found to be in the public interest. At such election, the following measure shall be submitted:

"SHALL the Board of Trustees of the Stratford Independent School District in Sherman and Dallam Counties, Texas be authorized to issue bonds of the District in the principal amount of \$2,400,000 for the construction, renovation and equipment of school buildings in the District; and shall there be pledged and levied, assessed and collected annually ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the District sufficient, without limit as to rate or amount, to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due; said bonds to mature serially or otherwise not more than FORTY (40) years from their date, to be issued in one or more series at any price or prices, and to bear interest at such rate or rates (fixed, floating, variable or otherwise and not to exceed the maximum rate permitted by law at the time of issuance of the bonds) as in its discretion the Board of Trustees shall determine?"

SECTION 2: The entire District shall constitute one election precinct for this election and the Stratford ISD Administration Office, 503 N. Eighth, Stratford, Texas is hereby designated the polling place. The persons hereby appointed to serve as the election officers at said polling place are as follows:

MAX STEPHENSON - PRESIDING JUDGE
JANICE SLADEK - ALTERNATE PRESIDING JUDGE

The Presiding Judge shall appoint not less than two (2) nor more than four (4) qualified clerks to serve and assist in holding said election; provided that if the

Presiding Judge herein appointed actually serves, the Alternate Presiding Judge shall be one of the clerks.

On election day the polls shall be open from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

The Stratford ISD Administration Office, 503 N. Eighth, Stratford, Texas (Mailing Address: P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas 79084) is hereby designated the early voting place, and Darla Cummings is hereby appointed Clerk and Sue Hudson, Penny Body, and Dinah Horsford are appointed Deputy Clerks, for early voting. Early voting for this election shall begin Wednesday, January 26, 2000 and end Tuesday, February 8, 2000, and the hours designated for early voting by personal appearance shall be from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on each day, except Saturday, Sundays and official State holidays.

For purposes of processing ballots cast in early voting, the election officers of the aforesaid polling place shall also serve as the early ballot board for this election.

SECTION 3: Paper ballots shall be used in this election, which ballots shall be prepared in accordance with V.T.C.A., Election Code, and permit electors to vote "FOR" or "AGAINST" the aforesaid measure which shall appear on the ballot substantially as follows:

"THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,400,000 FOR CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPMENT OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND THE LEVYING OF THE TAX IN PAYMENT THEREOF"

SECTION 4: All resident qualified electors of the District shall be permitted to vote at said election. This election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the V.T.C.A. Election Code, except as modified by the provisions of the Texas Education Code, and as may be required by law, all election materials and proceedings shall be printed in both English and Spanish.

SECTION 5: A substantial copy of this resolution shall serve as proper notice of said election. Said notice, including a Spanish translation thereof, shall be (i) published at least one time not more than thirty (30) days or less than ten (10) days before the day of the election in a newspaper of general circulation in said District and (ii) posted not later than the 21st day before the election and remain posted continuously through election day on the bulletin board used for the posting of notices of meetings of the Board of Trustees of the District.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 28th day of December, 1999.

Steve Johnson
President, Board of Trustees
Stratford Independent School District

Attest:
Sandra Baskin
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Stratford Independent School District

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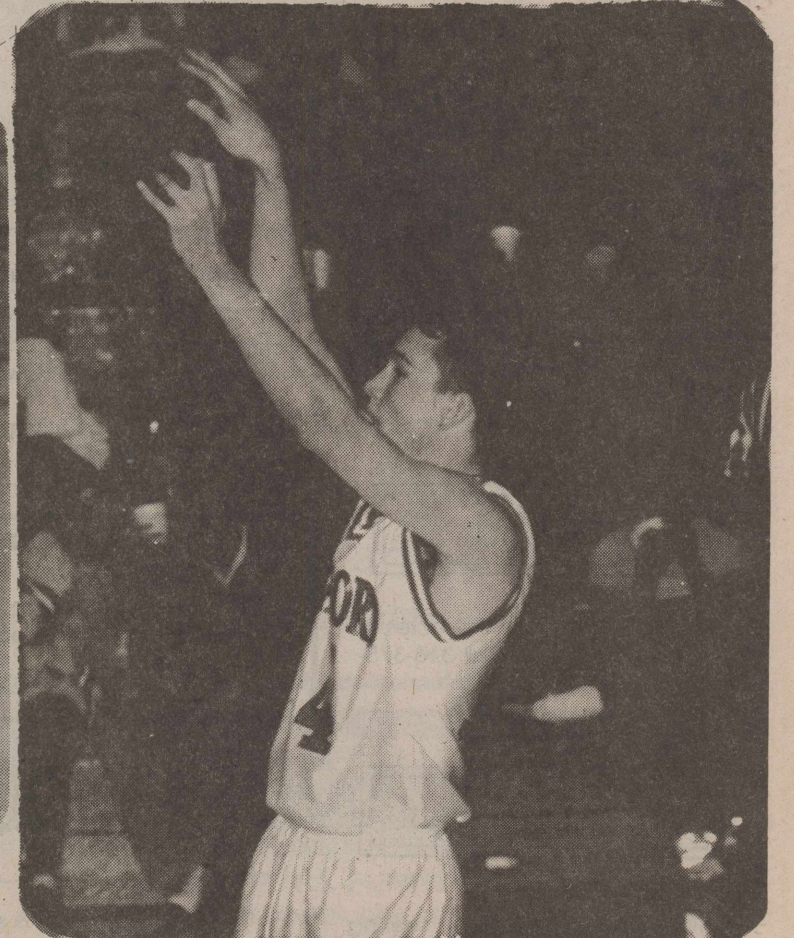
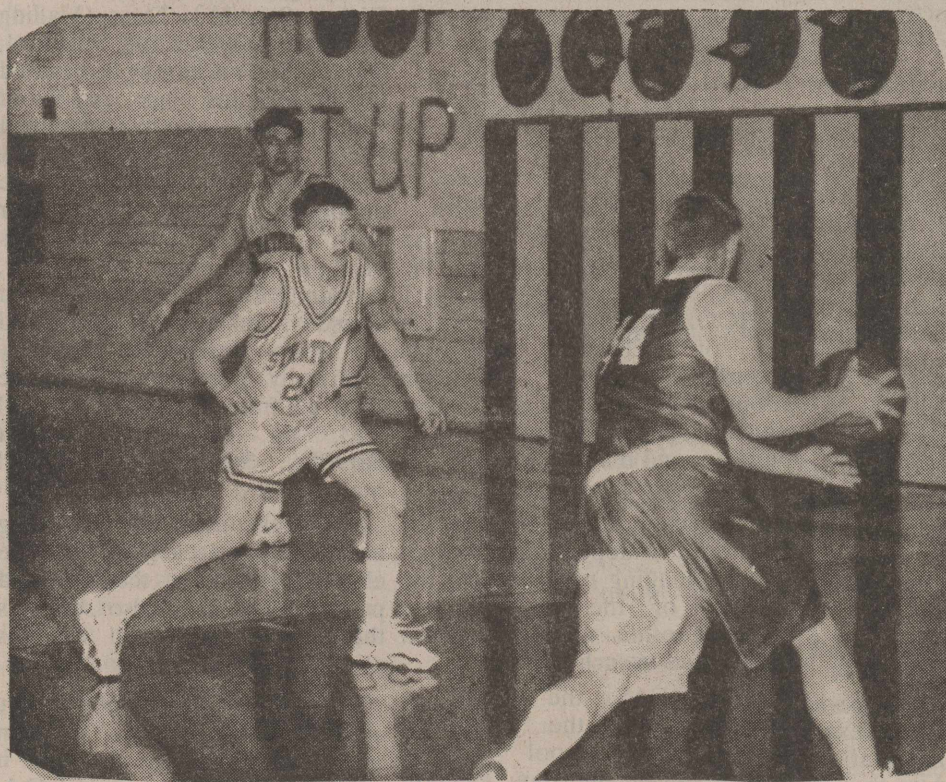
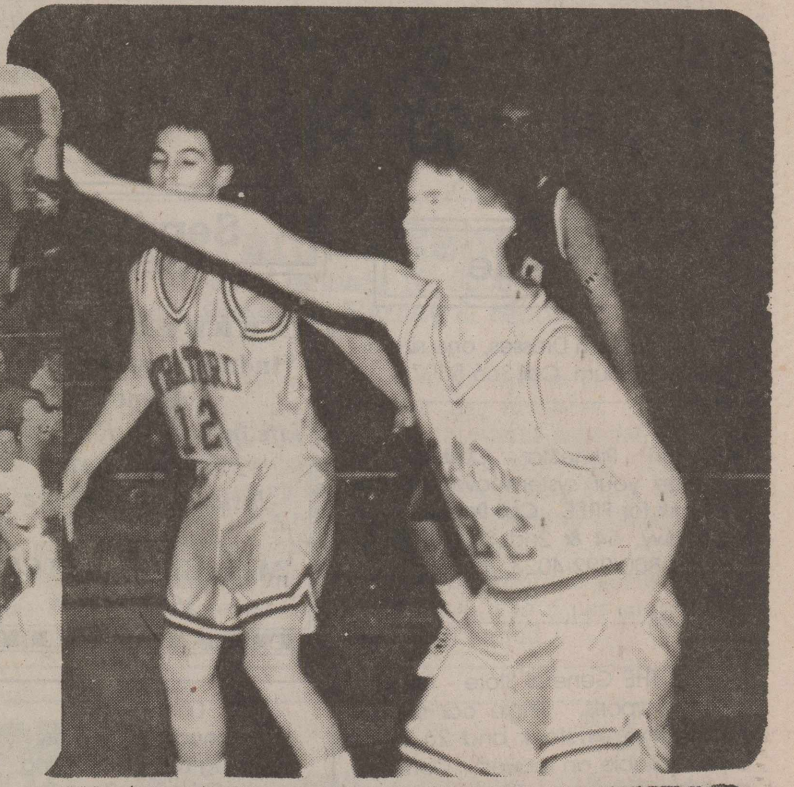
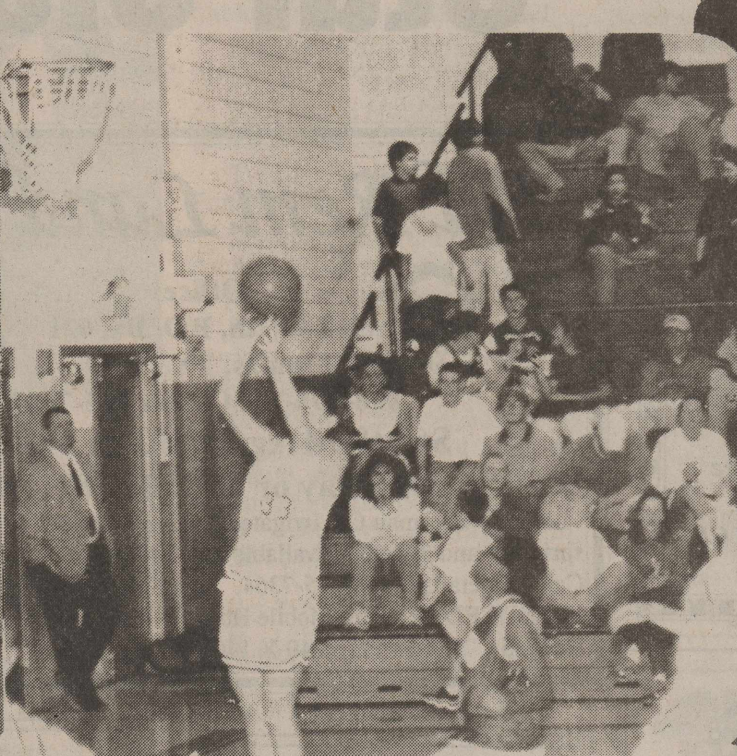
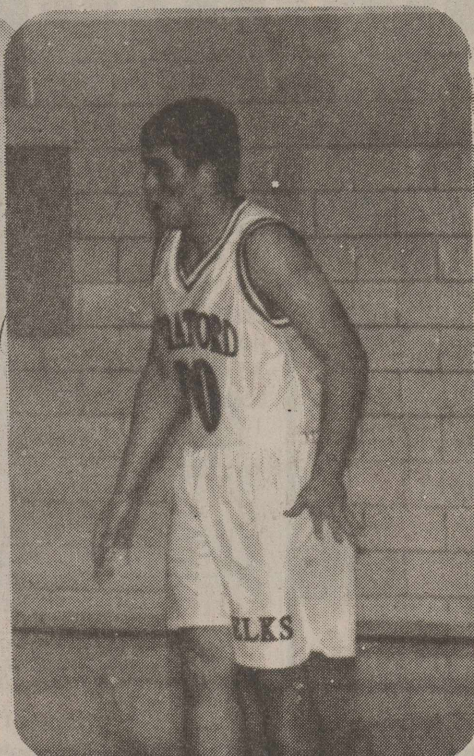
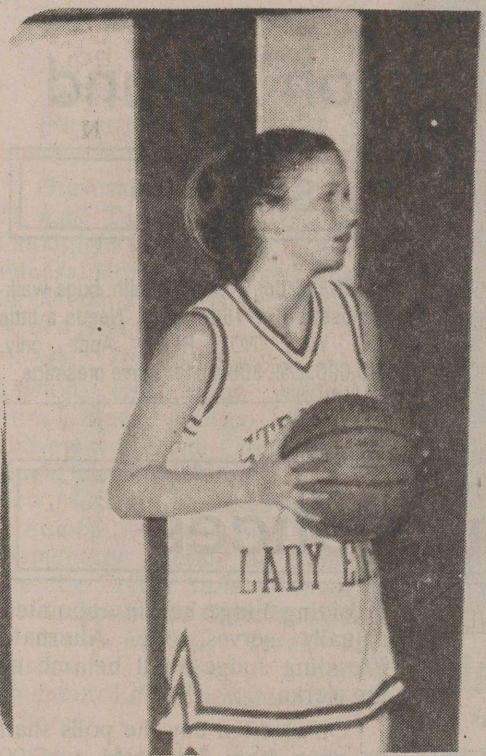
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Basketball Action!



The 7th grade Lady Elks beat West Elks 25-17 on Monday, January 10th. The Lady Elks are now 6-0 in District and 11-1 overall. Deidre Tarver led the Lady Elks with 14 points followed by Katy Bench with 6 points. Adding 2 points each were Brittany Hudson and April Kautz and Lindsay Stein finished with 1 point.

On Monday, January 10th, the 7th grade Elks beat West Texas 56-23. The 7th grade Elks are also 6-0 in District and 11-1 overall. Tyler Haynes was high point with 26 points followed by Josh King with 12 points and Chris Ortega with 10 points. Also scoring were Asbell Gomez - 4 points, Travis Soto - 2 points, Trenton Boyd and Corey Rendon with 1 point each.

The 8th grade Lady Elks lost 19-34 to West Texas on Monday, January 10th. Erin Ashley led the Lady Elks with 8 points followed by Mimi Ruiz with 5 points, Amber Larance and Alisha Sladek with 3 points each.

The 8th grade Elks beat West Texas 28-23 on Monday, January 10th. Jason Ashley was high point with 9 points followed by Marcus McAlister with 7 points, Josh Williams with 5 points, Levi Artho with 4 points, and Carlos Jacquez with 3 points.

On Monday, January 10th, the 9th grade Lady Elks beat West Texas 30-25. Amie Witcher and Tiffany Duke led with 10 points each followed by Robin Daniels with 6 points and Alicia Adams and Veronica Ortega with 2 points each. The 9th grade Lady Elks won 2nd place at the Dalhart Tournament held Saturday, January 15th. In their first game, they beat River Road 48-30. Robin Daniels led with 18 points followed by Veronica Ortega with 8 points. In their second game, they lost to Dalhart 42-33. Tiffany Duke was high point with 14 points followed by Robin Daniels with 12 points.

The J.V. Lady Elks beat Boys Ranch 48-8 on Tuesday, January

11th. Carly Mathews led the Lady Elks with 14 points followed by Candra Holland with 11 points and Ashley Brown with 10 points. Also scoring were Valerie Valenzuela with 6 points, Heather Ashley with 4 points and Jessica Young with 2 points.

The J.V. Elks lost 14-38 to Boys Ranch on Tuesday, January 11th. Dalton Sladek was high point with 7 points followed by

Scot Plunk with 3 points and Eric York and Dylan Everett with 2 points each. On Friday, January 14th, the J.V. Elks lost 7-59 to Canadian. Corry Williams scored 3 points followed by Mathew Taliaferro and Scot Plunk with 2 points each.

The Lady Elks lost 41-45 to Canadian on Friday, January 14th. Lynz Browning led with 17 points followed by Oralia Vital with 9

points. Also scoring were Missy Sikora, Jessica King, and Carla Bell with 4 points each and Keri Wight finished with 3 points.

The Stratford Elks beat Boys Ranch 45-23 on Tuesday, January 11th. Adam Bell led the Elks with 16 points followed by Andy Witcher and Carlos Ortega with 7 points each. Skyler Walden added 6 points followed by Wes Kimball

with 4 points, Michael McAlister with 3 points and Nick Ashley with 2 points. On Friday, January 14th, the Elks lost 47-56 to Canadian. Adam Bell was high point with 13 points followed by Rene Vital with 11 points. Also scoring were Skyler Walden with 8 points, Michael McAlister with 6 points, Martin Acevedo with 5 points and Carlos Ortega with 4 points.

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Legal Notice

DISTRITO ESCOLAR
INDEPENDIENTE DE
STRATFORD

A LOS RESIDENTES CON
DERECHO DE VOTAR DEL

DISTRITO ESCOLAR
INDEPENDIENTE DE
STRATFORD:

AVISO de que una eleccion tendra lugar en EL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE STRATFORD el dia 12 de febrero de 2000, de acuerdo con una resolucion aprobada por la Junta Directiva la cual es parte de este Aviso para todo objeto practico y se lee como sigue:

UNA RESOLUCION ordenando una eleccion para bonos a tener lugar dentro del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Stratford, estableciendo medidas para dirigir las elecciones y resolviendo otros asuntos incidentes y pertinentes a dicha eleccion.

VISTO QUE, la Junta Directiva del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Stratford, por este medio llega a saber que se debe llevar a cabo una eleccion para determinar si se debiera autorizar a dicho cuerpo gubernativo a emitir bonos de dicho Distrito por un total y con el fin identificados mas adelante; por consiguiente,

ES RESUELTO POR LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DEL DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE DE STRATFORD:

SECCION 1: Una eleccion tendra lugar el dia 12 de febrero de 2000 en el Distrito Escolar Independiente de Stratford cuya fecha sea cuarenta y cinco (45) o mas dias despues de la fecha de aprobar esto, y el llevar a cabo de la eleccion en dicha fecha en vez de la fecha regular para eleccion es por este medio decidido a ser en el interes del pueblo. En dicha eleccion, se presentara la siguiente medida:

" SE DEBERA autorizar a la Junta Directiva del DISTRITO ESCOLAR INDEPENDIENTE de STRATFORD de los condados de Sherman y Dallam en Texas, a emitir bonos de dicho Distrito por la cantidad principal de \$2,400,000 para la construccion, renovacion y el equipo de edificios escolares en el Distrito; y se cautionaran y recaudaran, tasarán y cobrarán anualmente impuestos ad valorem a todo bien imponible en el Distrito suficientes, sin limite en cuanto a la tasa o cantidad, para pagar el principal y el interes de dichos bonos cuando los mismos venzan; dichos bonos a vencer en serie o de otro modo, por un periodo a no sobrepasar CUARENTA (40) años a partir de la fecha, a ser emitidos y vendidos en una o mas series al precio o precios y a devengar interes a la tasa o tasas (fija, flotante, variable o de otro modo a no sobrepasar la tasa maxima permitida por ley al emitir los bonos) como sea determinado a voluntad de la Junta Directiva?"

SECCION 2: Todo el Distrito formara un recinto electoral para esta eleccion y la Oficina de Administracion del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Stratford, 503 N. Eighth, Stratford, Texas, se designa por este medio lugar para votar. Las personas por este medio nombradas para servir los cargos de oficiales de esta eleccion en dicho lugar para votar serán las siguientes:

MAX STEPHENSON - JUEZ ACTUANTE

JANICE SLADEK - JUEZ ACTUANTE SUPLENTE

El juez actuante nombrara no menos que dos (2) ni mas que cuatro (4) oficiales calificados para trabajar y ayudar en llevar a cabo dicha eleccion; con tal que si el juez actuante particular aqui dentro nombrado desempeñe sus funciones, el juez actuante suplente sera uno de los oficiales.

Durante el dia de eleccion, los lugares para votar estarán abiertos desde las 7:00 de la mañana hasta las 7:00 de la noche.

La Oficina de Administracion del Distrito Escolar Independiente de Stratford, 503 N. Eighth, Stratford, Texas (Correo: P.O. Box 108, Stratford, Texas 79084) se designa por este medio lugar para registrar los primeros votos, y se nombra por este medio a Darla Cummings escribiente y a Sue Hudson, a Dinah Horsford y a Penny Boyd escribientes suplentes de los primeros votos. Los primeros votos para esta eleccion empezaran el miercoles, 26 de enero de 2000 y terminaran el martes, 8 de febrero de 2000, y las horas nombradas para registrar los votos hechos en persona serán desde las 8:00 de la mañana hasta las 6:00 de la tarde todos los dias con la excepcion de los sabados, domingos y los feriados del Estado.

Con el fin de revisar balotas dadas en votos hechos en los primeros votos, los oficiales electorales del antedicho lugar para votar también servirán de Junta para balotas de los primeros votos de esta eleccion.

SECCION 3: Se emplearan balotas electorales de papel en dicha eleccion y se prepararan cuyas balotas de acuerdo con el Código de Elecciones, V.T.C.A. de manera de permitir a los electores votar "EN PRO" o "EN CONTRA" a la antedicha medida que se presentara basicamente de la siguiente forma en la balota:

"LA EMISION DE BONOS POR UN TOTAL DE \$2,400,000 PARA LA CONSTRUCCION, RENOVACION Y EL EQUIPO DE EDIFICIOS ESCOLARES Y EL GRAVAMEN DE LOS IMPUESTOS EN PAGO DE ESTO"

SECCION 4: A todos los residentes con derecho de votar del Distrito se les permitira votar en dicha eleccion. Se llevara a cabo esta eleccion y esta eleccion tendra lugar de acuerdo con las estipulaciones del Código de Elecciones, V.T.C.A. fuera de las modificaciones hechas por las estipulaciones en el Código de Educacion de Texas; y como sea requerido por ley, se imprimiran los materiales de la eleccion y los procedimientos para esta eleccion tanto en ingles como en español.

SECCION 5: Una copia fidedigna de esta resolucion servira de aviso adecuado de dicha eleccion. Se publicara dicho aviso, incluyendo una traduccion al español de esto, (i) al menos una vez no mas que treinta (30) dias ni menos que diez (10) dias antes del dia de eleccion en el periodico de amplia circulacion en dicho Distrito y (ii) se fijara dicho aviso no mas tarde que 21 dias antes de la eleccion y quedandose fijado continuamente, hasta el fin del dia de eleccion en el tablon de anuncios que se usa para fijar anuncios de reuniones de la Junta Directiva del Distrito.

ACEPTADA Y APROBADA, este dia 28 de diciembre de 1999.

Steve Johnson
Presidente, Junta Directiva
Distrito Escolar Independiente
de Stratford

ATESTIGUA:
Sandra Baskin
Secretaria, Junta Directiva
Distrito Escolar Independiente
de Stratford

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Answers:Glasgow, Kilmarnock, Motherwell, Edinburg, Clydebank, Kirkcudbright, Lochgilphead, Helensburgh, Dunfermline, Anstruther, Kirkcaldy, Haddington, Eyemouth, Inverness, Aberdeen, Moffat, Dumfries, Merrick, Dundee, Stirling, Paisley, Thurso, Rosyth, Peebles, Annan, Irvine, Leith, Alford, Forres, Aberfeldy, Jedburgh, Perth, Aboyne.