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Money available for veterans

Although over \$35 billion were paid out in veterans benefits last year, billions more went unclaimed in the past few years. Every year eligibility for benefits and the array of available benefits are changed and very few veterans or their survivors keep up with the latest rules. Because of this, and changes in their circumstances, many veterans, their families and survivors are now entitled to money and other benefits from the government even though they were not eligible in the past.

A study group of the Consumer Education Research Center, a 25-year-old national nonprofit consumer group found that over one-fourth of the money paid in veterans benefits goes to persons who never served in the armed forces of the United States. Most of these were related by blood or marriage to veterans but many were not. Others were members of the armed forces of countries who fought with us against our enemies.

Each year the Center compiles a book describing the latest rules on available benefits and how to qualify for those benefits. The 240 large-page 1995 Complete Guide to Federal and State Benefits For Veterans, Their Families, and Survivors with a foreword by Sen. Robert Dole is \$16.87 (plus \$3 p & h) from Consumer Center, 350 Scotland Road, Orange, NJ 07050 or by calling 1-800-872-0121 with credit card.

Mr. Robert L. Berko, executive director of the consumer group, says that many survivors of veterans are unaware that they might be eligible to receive money, medical care, educational assistance, help in buying a home or other benefits. In fact, eligibility and benefits change constantly and some people ineligible in previous years are now able to start receiving money.

The study found that many people are unaware that they are considered dependents or survivors of veterans. These include those

involved in illegal marriages, those who remarried after the death or disability of a veteran, children born out of wedlock to a veteran, parents of a veteran and even dependent grandchildren. Any of these may be eligible for benefits.

Mr. Berko says that the study questioned veterans about benefits and found that the majority were unfamiliar with most of the benefits now being granted under Federal and state laws. Even veterans now collection were unaware of other benefits for which they were eligible and could be collecting.

For instance, disabled veterans can receive apparel allowances if they use wheel chairs, artificial limbs or any prosthetic device that can wear or damage clothing and, if they have a spouse in need of care, they can receive an allowance to pay someone to provide that care.

Few knew that the Bureau of Veterans Affairs is required to send veterans any requests for bids on supplies or labor that are mailed to any other suppliers.

Other benefits the consumer found that were little known are:

A veteran (or dependent) can receive up to \$837 (40% in advance) if he or she will assist the VA in a work-study program while in an educational program.

Federal agencies are required to establish affirmative action plans to facilitate employment and advancement of veterans with any degree of disability. In fact some job classifications must be filled by eligible vets.

Family members of veterans buried or mentioned on commemorated on Tablets of the Missing overseas are eligible for free passports if they say they want to visit these sites.

Disabled veterans can obtain extra compensation of hundreds of dollars per month in addition to their 100% disability if they have certain specified disabilities.

In addition the book includes a complete list of VA facilities and help to secure the information

needed with VA applications.

"Even though the Congress and the various state legislatures have provided for money and services to given to veterans and their dependents," Mr. Berko states, "unless the people know they are eligible and apply the will not collect anything. Especially, now that benefit eligibilities are probably going to be changed by Congress, it is important to apply and establish eligibility for benefits right now."

As Sen. Bob Dole, a decorated veteran and one familiar with the bureaucracy, says in his foreword, "Mr. Berko's book goes a long way in helping America's veterans cut through the red tape so they can receive the benefits they earned and deserve."

Pending cure

A genetic defect responsible for a common form of heart muscle disease has been discovered on chromosome 1, say heart specialists at Baylor College of Medicine and The Methodist Hospital in Houston.

Familial dilated cardiomyopathy (FDCM) runs in families and usually leads to heart failure. The ventricles enlarge, result in loss of pumping strength.

The scientists detected the chromosomal defect after analyzing the genetic make-up of 46 living members spanning four generations of an afflicted family living in California and Utah. Eighteen cases of FDCM, eight of them fatal, have occurred in the family.

"We have achieved the first major step - isolating the gene," said co-investigator Dr. Robert Roberts, a professor of medicine and cell biology and chief of the cardiology section at The DeBakey Heart Cen-



MOST ELEGANT - The Spearman Chamber of Commerce held its annual Christmas Decorations of Residential Areas Contest last week. Five different prizes were handed out to winners in different categories. In the photo above, the house of Brad Beedy is displayed with its holiday cheer, which won it first prize in the most elegant contest. Larry and Marsha Murphy came in second in the same category. (Photo by Chad Davis)

Lisa C. Bieling, Grazyna Z. Czernuszewicz, Antonie B. Abchee, Qun Tao Yu, Terry Tapscott, Rita Hill, Jonah Ifegwu, Dr. A. J. Marian, Dr. Ramon Brugada, Dr. Miguel Quinones, and Dr. Jeffrey A. Towbin.

ter of Baylor and Methodist. "Now, we want to identify what is responsible for the defect. No gene defect has ever been identified for this disease."

While several genes are suspect on chromosome 1 and the culprit has not been pinpointed, the research team say their findings pave the way to screening to look for genetic markers on and around the chromosome among family members with the disorder.

Results from the multi-center study led by Baylor researchers Dr. Jean-Bernard Durand and Roberts and their colleagues at Kaiser Permanente Hospital in Los Angeles, The University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston, and the University of Utah, appeared in the Dec. 15 issue of *Circulation*.

Other Baylor researchers collaborating with Durand and Roberts are Dr. Linda L. Bachinski,

The study was funded by the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, the American Heart Association Bugher Foundation Center for Molecular Biology, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Wishes do come true

Last Saturday, December 16th, Make-A-Wish will be granting a wish to "Kayla". Make-A-Wish Foundation of Amarillo and Backyard Adventures built a playhouse, putting up playground equipment and a swing in Kayla's back yard. They also put up a building a ramp for Kayla's wheelchair so she can get to the equipment. With the kind people from the Panhandle, 84 Lumber - Amarillo, Backyard Adventures - Amarillo, KRDF - Spearman, Jim Shirley - First State Bank of Spearman, Gordon's Drug Store - Spearman and Make-A-Wish Foundation of Amarillo volunteers, Kayla's wish came true.

It took the crew about 4 hours to

build the ramp and put up the equipment, and hamburgers, despite the snow, were served.

Wishes are granted to children under the age of 18 with a terminal or life-threatening illness which indicates the child may not survive his or her 18th birthday. The Amarillo chapter has now granted 312 wishes and they are currently planning 38 more to be fulfilled in the near future. Several of the kids have wished for trips to Disney World, others have wished for furniture, and some have even had shopping sprees.

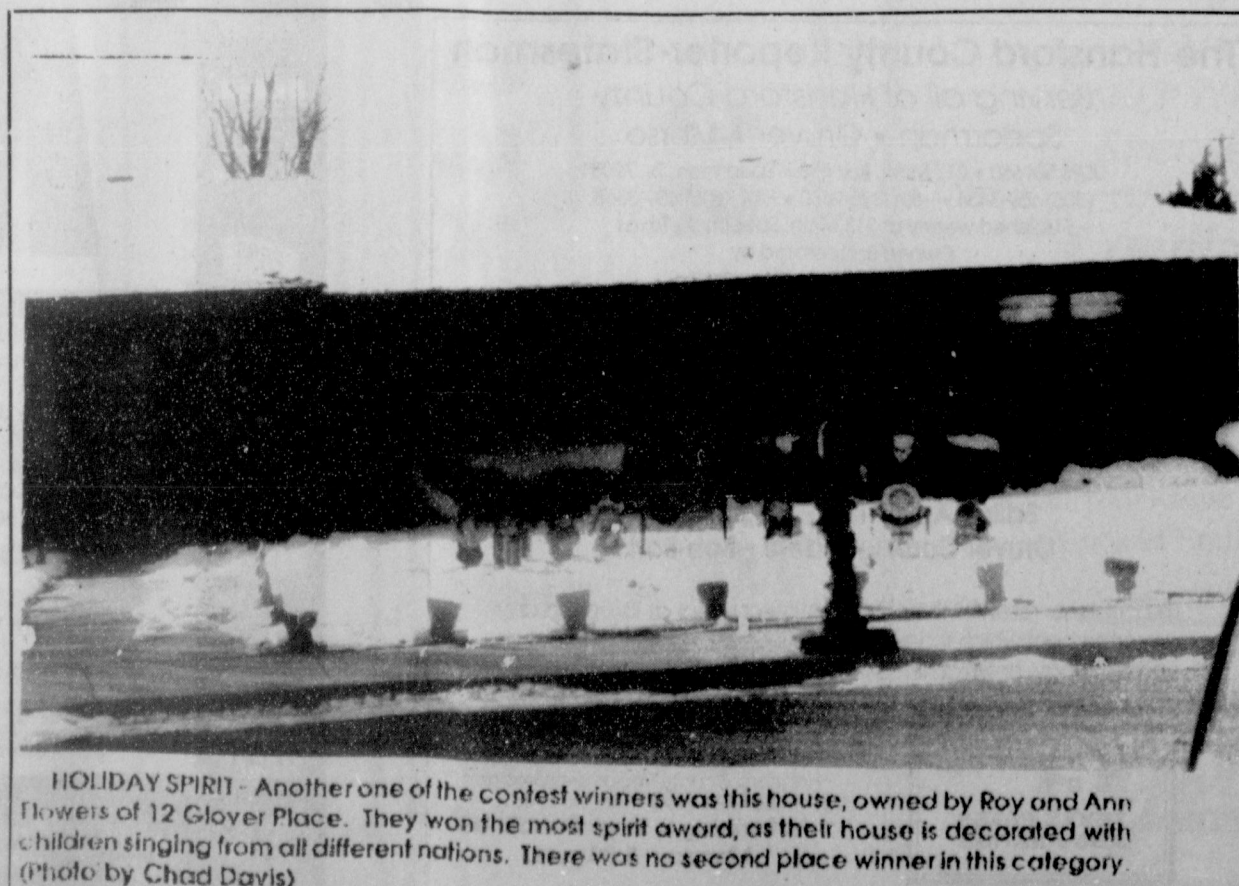
R-S to be closed New Year

During this time of year, people throughout the county are enjoying time with family and friends. It is a special time when you and your friends and family can gather around a share memories of holidays past, and bring in the New Year together.

Due to traveling, gathering with family, and the holiday itself, The Hansford County Reporter-Statesman will be closed Friday, December 29th, and Monday, January 1st.

We will assume normal business hours on Tuesday, January 2nd at 9:00 a.m. All deadlines have been moved up to that same day, Tuesday, by 3:00 p.m. This includes display ads, classified ads, and stories.

We truly hope that you and yours will have a very safe and happy New Year.



HOLIDAY SPIRIT - Another one of the contest winners was this house, owned by Roy and Ann Flowers of 12 Glover Place. They won the most spirit award, as their house is decorated with children singing from all different nations. There was no second place winner in this category. (Photo by Chad Davis)

Hansford Happenings

Co-ed Volleyball League

Sign-up for the co-ed volleyball league is December 29. The League will start January 8. Fee is \$10 and is sponsored by The O'Loughlin Center. For more information call 659-3030.

Commodity Distribution

There will be NO commodity distribution for the remainder of 1995.

Gruver Classroom Teachers' Association

The Gruver Classroom Teachers' Association will be awarding their annual college scholarship next August to an education major having completed 60 or more college hours. Applications are being taken now. To apply, contact Gruver I.S.D. Superintendent's Office, P.O. Box 747, Gruver, Texas 79040. Phone 733-2001. Application deadline is July 1.

Windbreak Trees

The Hansford Soil and Water Conservation District will have "Earth Mat" available for the 1996 plantings. Orders for these seedling trees will be taken from now through March 8, 1996. Contact HSWCD at 659-2330 for more information.

Lifestyles

Hansford Auxiliary extends a "Thanks"

The Hansford Hospital Auxiliary would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you who donated so generously to our Christmas Card Fund. This money will be used for the benefit of the Hansford hospital and manor.

We hope each of you had a very Merry Christmas and will have a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Instead of sending greeting cards we donated to Operation Christmas Greeting: Gertrude Archer, Raymond and Grace Kirk, Gus and Clementine Renner, Mary Fern Terry, Helen Etter, Elsie Mathews, Gene and Frances Cudd, Dorothy Lusby, Marcus and Jo Larson, Tom and Beth Dortch, Dude and Verna Brown, Ralph and Johanna Blodgett, Freeman Barkley, Ed and Alva Garner, Virginia Head,

Willard and Jettie Davis, Bob and Ruth Crawford, Beuna Lyon, Melvin and Ruth Ann Jones, Frannie Venneman, Pete and Alta Fisher, Del and Barbara Cluck, Olive "Babe" Pendergraft, Jack and Dolly McWhirter, Adalyn Barnes, John and Wanda Brown, Rue and Ann Sanders, Irvin and Betty Davis, Nolan and Fay Holt, Charles Ball, Ted and Wanda Widener, Granville and Muriel Boyd, Don and Lorene Kunselman, Herb and Altha Kirk, Rosa Lee Butt, Margie Bryson, Lester McLain, Glen and Myrt Bohanan, Ricky and Jean Sheets, Darlene Gowell, Bill and Estelle Jackson, Dave and Helen Heard, Kenneth and Janet Irwin, Irvin and Susan Delk, Kurk and Julie Adams, Brooke and Amanda, Ray and Ann Flowers, I.W. and Maylynn Ayres, and Charles and Lola Newcomb.

Birth announcement

Of interest to many here is the announcement of the arrival of twin grandchildren to Day and Burl McClellan, former residents of Spearman.

Maurley D'Ann, 6 lb 6 oz girl, and Kendall Blake, 6 lb 2 oz boy, were born on December 18 to Luanne and Randy Carpenter of Granbury, Texas.

Maternal grandparents are Burl and Day McClellan of Granbury, and paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Carpenter of Pampa.

The McClellans, together with Jim O. Davis and Dick Risenhauer, came to Spearman a number of years ago and published the Hansford Plainsman.

When the paper merged with the Spearman Reporter, the McClellans moved to South Texas, the late Dick Risenhauer became "The Voice of the Texas Rangers" announcer and Jim O. Davis succeeded in marrying Linda Vanderburg and is now a great uncle.



SHAWN COOK AND LINDA ANDERSON

New Year's Bash

Twisting Brahma bulls, soft dance lights, and country music will be an unbeatable combination to welcome in the new year. All action occurs during the Coors' Bull Bash '95, December 30 and 31 in

the Fair Park Coliseum, Tri-State Fairgrounds. Chute gates open each night at 7:30 p.m. Dance to the music of Pure Pleasure immediately following the open bull riding on Sunday, December 31.

"Twas the Night before Solstice"

Editor's Note: The following "Politically Correct" Christmas story was submitted by Helen Fisher. She brought in James Finn Garner's edition of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" last week to take the place of her normal column. Mrs. Fisher is out of town this week, and she felt that this short story might add some holiday humor in her normal place for the readers to enjoy.

"Twas the Night Before Solstice

(As revised by James Finn Garner who felt compelled to perform a public service for our more sensitive era)

"Twas the night before solstice and all through the co-op, not a creature was messing the calm status quo up.

The children were nestled all snug in their beds, dreaming of lentils and warm whole-grain breads.

We'd welcomed the winter that day after school, by dancing and drumming and burning the Yule.

A more meaningful gesture to honor the planet, than buying more trinkets for Mom and Aunt Janet,

Or choosing a tree just to murder and stump it, and dress it all up like a seasonal strumpet.

My lifemate and I, having turned down the hat, slipped under the covers for a well-deserved sleep.

When from out on the lawn there came such a roar, I fell from my futon and rolled to the floor.

I crawled to the window and pulled back the latch, and muttered, "Aw, where is that Neighborhood Watch?"

I saw there below through the murk of the night, a sleigh and eight reindeer of nonstandard height.

At the reins of that sleigh sat a mean-hearted knave, who treated each deer like his personal slave.

I'd seen him before in some ads for car loans, plus fast food and soft drinks and cellular phones.

He must have cashed in from his mercantile chores, since self-satisfaction just oozed from his pores.

He called each be name, as if he were right, to treat them like humans, entrenching his might: "Now Donder, Now Blitzen, and other such aliases, showing his true Eurocentric biases.

With a snap of his fingers, away they all flew, like lumberjacks served up a plate of tofu.

Up to the rooftop they carried the sleight, (the holes in the shingles are there to this day).

Out bounded the man, who went straight to the flue.

I knew in an instant just what I should do.

After donning my slippers, downstairs did I dash, to see this trespasser emerge from the ash.

His clothes were all covered with soot, but of course, from our wood-fueled alternative energy source.

Through the grim I distinguished the make of his duds--He was dressed all in fur, fairly dripping with blood. "We're a cruelty-free house!" I proclaimed with such heat. He was startled and tripped on the logs at his feet. He stood back up dazed, but with mirth in his eyes. It was then that I noticed his unhealthy size. He was almost as wide as when standing erect, a lover of fatty fried foods, I suspect. But that wasn't all to make sane per-

sons choke: In his teeth sat a pipe that was belching out smoke!

I could scarcely believe what invaded our house. This carcinogenic and overweight louse.

Was so red in the face from his energy spent, I expected a heart attack right there and then.

Behind him he toted a red velvet bag, full to exploding with sinister swag.

He asked, "Where is your tree?" with a face somewhat long. I said "Out in the yard, which is where it belongs."

"But where will I put all the presents I've brought?" I looked at him squarely and said, "Take the lot to some frivolous people who thing that they need to succumb to the sickness of commerce and greed."

"Whose only joy comes from the act of consuming, thus ending the stock of the retailers booming."

He blinked and said, "Ho, ho, ho! But you're kidding."

I gave him a stare that was stern

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Cook/Anderson to wed

Gary and Linda Anderson of Amarillo announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Traci Diane Peden to Jeffrey Shawn Cook, son of Lynn and Sharon Cook of Spearman. Shawn is also the grandson of Allene Close and Barbara Cook of Spearman. Traci graduated from Corsicana high school and attended

Amarillo college. She is employed by Telesis company of Dallas.

Shawn graduated from Spearman High School and is employed as manager for Inter-Rail Transport, Inc. of Mesquite. The wedding is planned for February 1996, at the Paramount Terrace Christian Church of Amarillo.

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FBC pastor elected to Christian Commission

Spearman resident Kyle L. Henderson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Spearman, was elected to serve on the Christian Life Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas during the meeting of the Executive Board on December 6, 1995.

The Christian Life Commission serves as the committee on public affairs for the BGCT, guiding the commission staff in applying the Christian gospel to such areas as family life, race relations, church-state relations and special moral issues.

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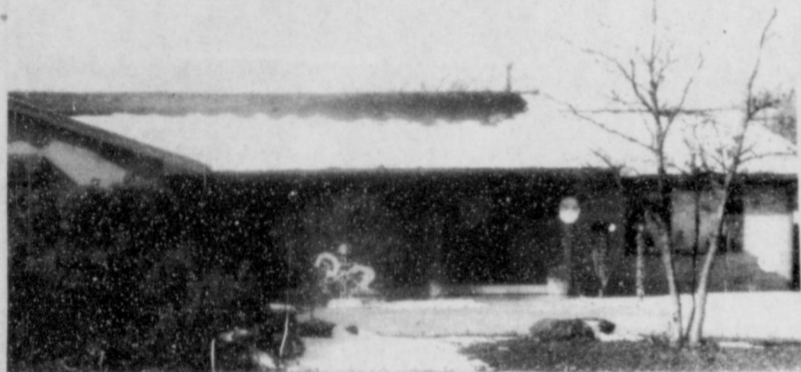
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The Spearman Chamber of Commerce had its annual Christmas Residential Lighting/Decorating Contest last week. The homes were chosen from among 14 residents. Out of those 14, five were chosen for the most beautiful and appropriate manner for the Christmas season. There was also Kevin and Ann Rook of 1010 Haney house for the Judge's Choice. In the different categories these winners were picked: Most Animated - Raymond Gilley of 26 S. Hoskins took first, Andy and Janet Scarbrough of 303 Hazelwood took second, Most Unique - Rodney and Sharon Farber of 800 Walter Wilmeth, Larry and Marsha Murphy of 1114 S. Bemice took second, Most Humorous - Eugene and Judy Yarbrough took the only prize of the category, Elegante - Brad Beedy of 28 Golden Circle took first, Tom and Linda Latta of 1101 S. Barkley took second, and Most Spirit - Roy and Ann Flowers of 12 Glover Place took first.



MOST ANIMATED - RAYMOND GILLEY OF 26 S. HOSKINS



MOST UNIQUE - RODNEY AND SHARON FARBER OF 800 WALTER WILMETH



MOST HUMOROUS - EUGENE AND JUDY YARBROUGH OF 702 GIBNER

Help recycle X-mas cards

People throughout Hansford County are urged to give a little something back this holiday season. The Children of St. Jude's Ranch in Boulder City, NV to give them some money for projects and other things that come about during the year.

The children take those Christmas cards that were sent out over the Holidays and recycle them. People are urged to send just the fronts of attractive greeting cards to the Ranch at St. Jude's Ranch for Children, 100 St. Jude's St., Boulder City, NV 89005. Make sure when cards are sent that you mention where you are from and that you heard about this great cause from this newspaper.

For additional information about St. Jude's Ranch for Children, your readers can write to the Rev. Herbert A. Ward Jr., SSC.

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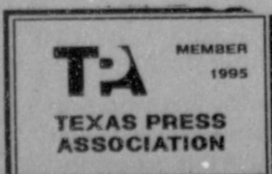
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"Lights of Love" helps hospice patients' needs

Honor, remember or celebrate someone's life this holiday season. Your expression of love will assist the staff and volunteers of Hansford Hospice in their efforts to meet the needs of hospice clients and families.

Donations will assist in providing clients and their families with care baskets, meals, books, literature, and special equipment not covered by traditional hospice care.

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the "LIGHTS OF LOVE" and to those who continue to contribute to Hansford Hospice by sending their gift to 707 S. Roland, Spearman, Texas 79081.

Memorial contributions include: Kurk and Julie Adams, Brooke and Amanda - Billy McClellan, Juanita Pierce and Connie Steger; J.D. and Rubyjo Wilbanks - Faye Klutts, Lulu Mitchell, and Lois Allison; Dude and Verna Brown -

Mary Brown and Douglas Maupin; Nolan Fay Holt - Louie Sampson; Gene and Francis Cudd - Charles Reid; Dorothy Lusby - Connie Steger; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Evans - Lois Allison, Faye Klutts and Ray Donahue; Van and Gina Hamilton - Ray Donahue; Clea Casdorff - Charley Casdorff.

Honorarium contributions include:

Spearman Elementary Staff - Mr. Hargis; Doug and Judy McCloy - Wilson and Nan McCloy; Jim and Ann Nagel - Vi Whitson; Charlotte Bergin - Carolyn Hicks; Mr. and Mrs. Wilson McCloy - Charles and Nanelle Kiser and girls.

Donations include: G.W. and Fern Robinson, Clarence and Elsie Renner, Hansford County Veterinary Hospital, and Rho Rho Chapter Beta Sigma Phi.

Out at the Lake

By Dorothy Hudson
Lake depth - December 26, 1995 - 25 feet and 6 inches

This week found very little activity at the Lake. The office remained closed on Tuesday, but Bobby Mosier was kind enough to go read the Lake level for us.

Last November when I was at the office, Joan Hawkins called my attention to two rather large black birds that were flying south of the office. We decided they were too small to be golden eagles and too big to be crows. The birds lit on the ground and began walking around with the important strut the crows have.

The Birds of Texas by John L. Tveten turned out to be very helpful. The largest perching birds are a group called the corvids which includes crows, ravens, jays, and magpies. When I studied the poem "The Raven" by Edgar Allan Poe, I learned that a raven was a crow. Now decades later, I learn that a crow and raven are not the same

bird but are in the same family. The common raven, more that 2 feet in length, is larger and bulkier than the crow. Its bill is bigger and heavier. The neck feathers are loose and shaggy, giving this swaggering bird somewhat of a disheveled look. Its low-pitched, drown-out croak is quite unlike the caw of a crow.

Texas is the home of both the common raven and the Chihuahuan raven. The bird books show the Panhandle as more apt to be the home of the Chihuahuan or white-necked raven, a bird the same size as the crow. For the last two years Gruver has been the home of two crows. Now I need another look.

I think Joan and I saw the common raven and that sightings of them in Hansford County are rare. I don't remember seeing crows in Hansford County that were residents before the two at Gruver, but I have seen crows that were migrating occasionally. Are there any readers that could help us out on crows and ravens.

Athletic scholarships available

Over 100,000 collegiate athletic scholarships are available each year to male and female high school and junior college student athletes. Contrary to popular belief, students don't have to be all state to qualify. Much of this money goes unused. A new publication with forms, sample letters and tables of factual information is available for student athletes. It takes them step by step through the important process of getting an athletic scholarship and includes college and conference listings.

For information on how to get a collegiate athletic scholarship, send a self-addressed, stamped business size envelope to the National Sports Foundation, P.O. Box 940, Oakhurst, NJ 07755.

At the movies...

Showing at The Lyric Theatre Friday, December 29 through Tuesday, January 2 on Screen 1 beginning at 7:45 p.m. is "Toy Story", and on Screen 2 beginning at 7:30 p.m. is "Cutthroat Island".

In "Toy Story", every kid's fantasy of toys coming to life comes true in this high-tech buddy movie featuring the voices of Tom Hanks and Tim Allen. The computer animation is unprecedented.

"Toy Story" is rated G.

In "Cutthroat Island", movie mags have pegged this pirate adventure as the movie Waterworld barely avoided being. This one cost about \$75 million, but after repeated delays and fearfully quiet advance word, Geena Davis and director Renny Harlin could be forced to walk the box-office plank. "Cutthroat Island" is rated PG-13.

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Hounds to participate in tourney

The Gruver Lady Hounds will be participating in the 37 Annual Caprock Holiday Basketball Tournament to be held in Lubbock on December 28th, 29th, 30th. This tournament, sponsored by the Caprock chapter of American Business Clubs, is the largest known High School tournament of its kind

in Texas. It benefits various charities in the West Texas Area. Two \$1500 scholarships are awarded each year to a senior male and female participant in the tournament. This year 32 girls and 30 boys high school teams will compete for the championship. Bracket play will be held at five sites, with the

championship games taking place on December 30th at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, home of the Texas Tech Red Raiders.

For more information on the Lady Hounds tournament schedule, please see the bracket.

Basketball...

Lady Hounds (12-4) vs. Canyon

Thursday 12-21-95 at Fritch
 Gruver 7 16 23 33
 Canyon 23 39 54 67
 3-pointer - Tara Shapley.
 Gru - Kiki Carthel - 11, Kaysha Cluck - 6, Weslyn Maupin - 6, Molly McLain - 4, Tara Shapley - 3, Amber Murrell - 2, Amy Gillispie - 1.

Synopsis: The Lady Hounds were drilled. This may be Coach Joe Lombard's finest team in his illustrious career, with over 500 wins. Canyon is now 14-0, and they are the number one team in the state of Texas, any classification, though TABC doesn't recognize that yet. They will. Canyon is one of the finest teams in the nation. The

Lady Eagles jumped out to a 19-3 lead, and they could have named the score. They were 18-22 from the field in the first half. This game was like Gruver playing Power Memorial High School of New York City with Lew Alcindor, except all the Canyon players are stars. They are just a well-disciplined superior ball club. Enough said.

Bull Bash '95 to bring in new year

Two nights of bull riding, and one evening of steer riding will be featured contest at Bull Bash '95. The open bull riding competition will be held on Sunday, December 31 and will feature top bull riders from the Professional Bull Riders, Super Bull '95, Texas Cowboy's Rodeo Association, and Texas High School Rodeo. Contestants from over a five-state area are scheduled to compete for approximately \$10,000 in prize money.

Opening the weekend's activities will be a novice bull riding and steer riding competition on Saturday, December 30. Novice bull riders will go head to head in competi-

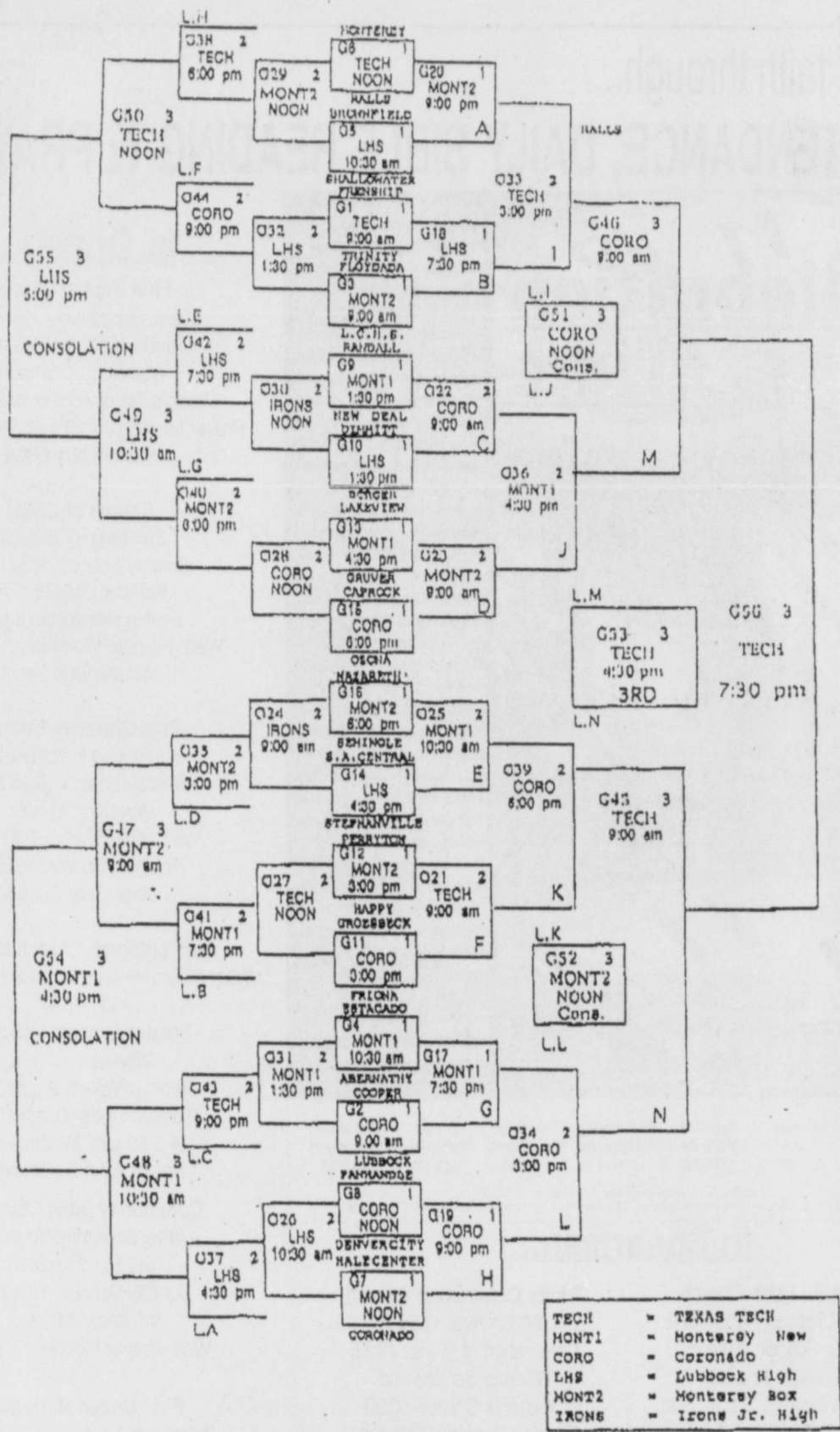
tion for approximately \$2,000 in prizes. Novice bull riders must not have won over \$500 in all previous contests. Young steer riders, 13 years of age and under will buck out the same evening. A featured event during the steer riding will be a special competition for ladies. Challenge ladies teams from Hummers, West Texas Western Store, Dick's Dive and more... will make their debut at the Fair Park Coliseum.

Sponsors for both evenings include: Coors, The Radison Inn-Airport, Julian Transmissions, Gebos, Country General, Tri-State Exposition, and KBUY radio all of

Amarillo. Proceeds from Bull Bash '95 will go to the Amarillo Tri-State Exposition capital improvement fund.

Stock for the events will be furnished by Keeter-Alexander Bucking Stock, Tulia, TX; Messer Bucking Bulls, Amarillo; and McCloy Rodeo Company, Morse, TX. Contestants may enter the competitions beginning December 11 by calling (806) 995-2423, or 995-4646.

Tickets for the open bull riding and dance are \$10.00 each. Novice and steer riding tickets are \$5.00 each.



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Corn producers seminar to be held

Watley Seed Co. of Spearman and Pioneer Hi-Bred International will be sponsoring a corn producers seminar Thursday, January 11 at the Hansford County Barn in Spearman. Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. The seminar will provide 6 CEU's for persons needing credits for commercial, noncommercial, licensed private and certified private types of pesticide applicators license.

The speakers and topics are as follows: Dave Collins, professional agricultural consultant from Gothenberg, Nebraska with 20 years experience. He has a B.S.

Degree in Agronomy from the University of Nebraska. Collins will speak on ridge till and give a planter clinic. Product development manager for American cyanamide, Joe Newman, will do a herbicide mode of action program to explain how a herbicide kills weeds. Texas A&M Extension Agronomist, Dr. Clay Salisbury, present a corn herbicide program to cover field research of new corn herbicides and weed identification. Dr. Brent Bean, A&M Extension Agronomist will do a sprayer calibration clinic. Pioneer Agronomist, Charles Ikard will present a review of 1995 weather

data and how it interacted with irrigation capacity and hybrid performance. He will also be reviewing some corn physiology. Russell French, Pioneer District Sales Manager will do a dryland sorghum management program (reduce till vs. no-till, wheat-fallow rotation, plant population, herbicides.)

American cyanamide is sponsoring the noon meal. Persons interested in attending this seminar need to RSVP by contacting Watley Seed at 659-3838 or Hansford Co. Extension Agent, Burt Williams at 659-4132.

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and forbidding.

"Surely children need something with which to have fun? It's like childhood's over before it's begun."

He looked in my eyes for some sign of assent, but I strengthened my will and refused to relent.

"They have plenty of fun," I cut to the gist, "and your mindless distractions have never been missed. They take CPR so that they can save lives, and go door-to-door for the used clothing drives. They recycle, renew, reuse-and-reveal for saving the planet a laudable zeal.

"When they padlock themselves to a fence to protest against nuclear power, we think they're the best."

He said, "but they're children - lo, when do they play?" I countered, "Is that why you've driven your sleight.

"To bring joy to the hearts of each child and tot? All right, open your bag; let's see what you've got."

He sheepishly did as I'd asked and behold! A Malibu Barbie in a skirt made of gold.

"You think that my girls will like playing with this. An icon of sexist, consumerist kitsch? "With its unnatural figure and airheaded grin, this trollop makes every girl yearn to be thin, "And take up fad diets and benging and purging, instead of respecting her own body's urging.

"To welcome the shape that her body has found, and rejoice to be lanky, short, skinny, or round."

Deep in his satchel he searched for a toy, saying, "This is a hit with most little boys."

And what did he put in my trembling hand, but a gun from the BrainBlasters Power Command!

"It's a hit, to be sure," I sneered in his face, and a plague to infect the whole human race!

"How 'bout grenades or some working bazookas to turn all of our kids into half-wit palokas?"

I seized on his bag just to see for

myself, the filth being spread by this odious elf.

An Easy-Bake Oven - ah, goodness, what perfidy! To hoodwink young girls into household captivity!

Plus an archery play set with shafts that fly out, the very thing needed to put your eye out.

And toy metal tractors, steam shovels, and cranes for tearing down woodlands and scarring the plains, plus "games" like Monopoly, Pay Day, Tycoon, as of lessons in greed can't start up too soon.

And even more weapons from BrainBlasters Co., like cannons and nunchucks and ray guns that glow.

That's all I could find in his red velvet sack - perverseness and mayhem to set us all back.

(But I did fond one book that caused me to ponder - some fine bedtime tales by a fellow named Garner.)

"We need none of this," I announced in a huff, no business-as-usual holiday stuff.

We sow in our offspring more virtue than this. Your 'toys' offer some things they never will miss."

The big man's expression was a trifle bereaved as he shouldered his pack and got ready to leave.

"I pity the kids who grow up around here, who're never permitted to be of good cheer, who aren't allowed leisure for leisure's own sake, but must fret every minute-it makes my heart break!"

"Enough histrionics! Don't pity our kids, if they don't do as Macy's or Toys 'R Us bids.

They live by their principles first and foremost, and know what's important," to him did I boast.

"Pray, could I meet them?" "Oh no, they're not here. They're up on the roof, liberating your deer!"

Then Santa Claus sputtered and pointed his finger, but, mad as he was, he had no time to linger.

He flew up the chimney like

smoke from a fire, and up on the roof I heard voices get higher.

I ran outside the co-op to see him react to my children's responsible, kindhearted act.

He chased them away, and disheartened, dismayed, he rehitheh his reindeer (who'd docilely stayed).

I watched with delight as he scooted off then. He'd be too embarrassed to come back again.

But with paring disdain, do you know what he said, when this overweight huckster took off in his sled?

This reindeer enslaver, this exploiter of elves? "Happy Christmas to all, but get over yourselves!"

OPSU offering registration

Oklahoma Panhandle State University is offering a Registration Day on January 16, 1996, beginning at 9 a.m. in the OPSU Student Union Ballroom.

Registration Day provides prospective students with the opportunity to visit with admissions counselors, have financial aid questions answered and meet with their faculty advisors so they may register for classes.

For more information call, OPSU Office of Admissions at (405) 349-2611, ext. 223.

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Quilters guild holds Christmas party

The Friendship Quilters Guild had their Christmas Party last December 13 at hostess Margaret Fluitt's home.

Members exchanged hand made ornaments and Christmas fabric Fat Quarters.

Margie Fagan, President, conducted a short business meeting. Bonita Campbell gave the treasurer report. Jean Powell won the doorprize. Margaret Fluitt won the nametag drawing. Reta Baldwin's butterfly blocks were brought.

Ronda Canaday brought a Dresden plate quilt her grandmother had made. She handed out patterns of it as her selection for Round Robin members to make for her. Caroline Lower's name was drawn to bring her pattern for the January meeting. Show and share had lots of Christmas related items, from skirts to wall hangings and arrangements. A covered dish luncheon was enjoyed by all.

Members present were: Bonita Campbell, Georgia Allen, Cynthia

Shattl, Bonnie Reeves, Viola Cone, Evelyn Cain, Jean Powell, Lillian Miller, Sandy Drake, Diane Medley, Louise Chase, Caroline Lowery, Reta Baldwin, Lois Bartz, Margaret Flitt, Thelma Stark, Faye Sell, Ronda Canaday, Zella May Woahob, Margie Fagan, Judy Whitehead.

Friendship Quilters meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m. at the Methodist Church. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

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Color Sparky with crayons or markers and clip this page out. Then, check your safety list to make sure your home is ready for the holidays. (Ask for your parent's help!)

SAFETY LIST!

- Check all cords for frayed or bare wires, cracked insulation, loose connections and damaged plugs or light sockets.
- Test lights before stringing.
- Unplug lights before making any repairs or replacing light bulbs.
- Don't overload circuits with too many plugs!
- No lights on metallic trees.
- Keep your tree fresh by trimming the base and keeping plenty of water in the tree stand.
- Turn off all lights before leaving or going to bed.
- Don't use indoor lights outside.
- Avoid outdoor electrical lines when hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees.
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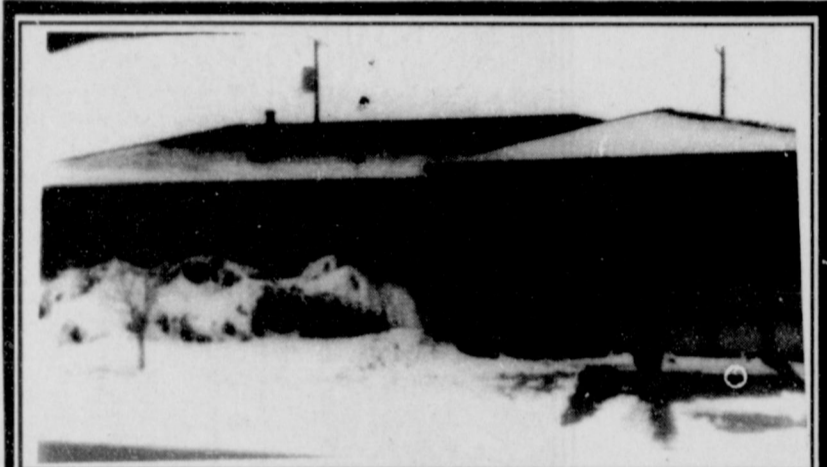
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Obituaries

SAMUEL ELDEN FERRELL

SPEARMAN - Samuel Elden "Hooley" Ferrell, 90, died Monday, Dec. 18, 1995.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in First Assembly of God with Rev. David Nuckies, former pastor, and the Rev. Walter Greaser, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Higgins Cemetery at Higgins by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home Inc.

Mr. Ferrell was born near Quinlan, in Indian Territory. He moved to the Spearman area from Higgins 25 years ago. He married Novie and Ann George in 1925 at Woodward. She died in 1969. He married Ina Mae Hughes in 1970 at Spearman. She died in 1987. He also was preceded in death by a daughter.

He retired in 1972 as a foreman with the Plains Division of Santa Fe Railway. After his retirement, he built "dog houses" for Baker and Taylor Drilling Co. in Spearman. He also bought and sold stockyards after his retirement and built dog houses in his back yard for the public. He was a member of First Assembly of God.

Survivors include three daughters, Rose R. Eason of Huntsville, Sammie A. Price of Brady and Elsie I. Russell of Midland; three stepdaughters, Carline Julian of Goodyear, Ariz., Donn Mae Gretz of Prunedale, Calif., and Cassie

There are two times in a man's life when he should not speculate: when he can't afford it and when he can.

—Mark Twain

Olson of Amarillo; a stepson, Terry Hughes of Houston; a brother, Bruce Ferrell of Higgins; two sisters, Goldie Headquest of Pampa; 10 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and six great-great grandchildren.

BRIAN SHOULDERS

SUNRAY - Brian Shoulders, 23, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 1995.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Sunray Baptist Church with the Rev. Phillip Hilton, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Lane Memorial Cemetery by Morrison Funeral Directors.

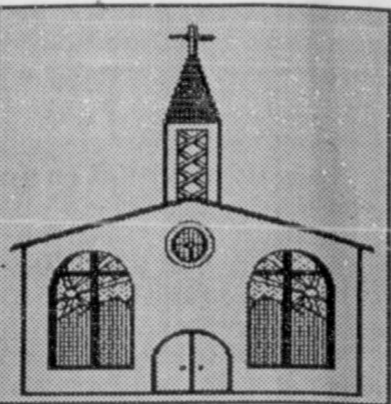
Mr. Shoulders was born in Dumas and had been a lifetime Sunray resident. He was a 1990 graduate of Sunray High School, where he was involved in football and track. He was employed with the city of Sunray and was a member of Sunray Baptist Church.

Survivors include his parents, Irvin and Bette Shoulders of Sunray; two brothers, Rusty Shoulders of Pringle and Brent Shoulders of Sunray; three sisters, Shelia Russell and Linda Reeves, both of Sunray, and Donna Roach of Friona; and his grandmother, Louise Folsom of Sunray.

The family will be at 300 Avenue R in Sunray. They request that memorials be sent to the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, c/o research and development, 1515 Holcombe Blvd., Houston, Texas 77030.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Isaiah 7:10-25	Luke 2:1-20	Matthew 1:18-25	Philippians 1:1-11	Philippians 1:12-30	Philippians 3:1-11	Philippians 3:12-21

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Wednesday Worship: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 7:30 Wednesday
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Pastor LaVern Draper

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Worship: 11 a.m.
Evening Worship: 7 p.m.
Jr. High Youth: 6 p.m. Wed.
High School Youth: 7 p.m. Wed.
Youth Choir: 6 p.m. Sun.
Pastor Kyle Henderson

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121 S. Haney • 659-3244
Sunday Bible Class: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Bible Study Wed. 7:30 p.m.
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Pastor Larry Miller

Church of Christ
209 King • 733-2760
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:20 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening Worship: 7:30 p.m.
Minister Bob Setliff

First Christian Church
510 King • 733-2960
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship: 11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7:30 p.m.
Youth: 6:30 Wednesday
Pastor Gary Gumfory

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339-7646
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Worship: 11 a.m.
Morning Prayer: 9 a.m. Wed.
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Pastor John R. Chandler

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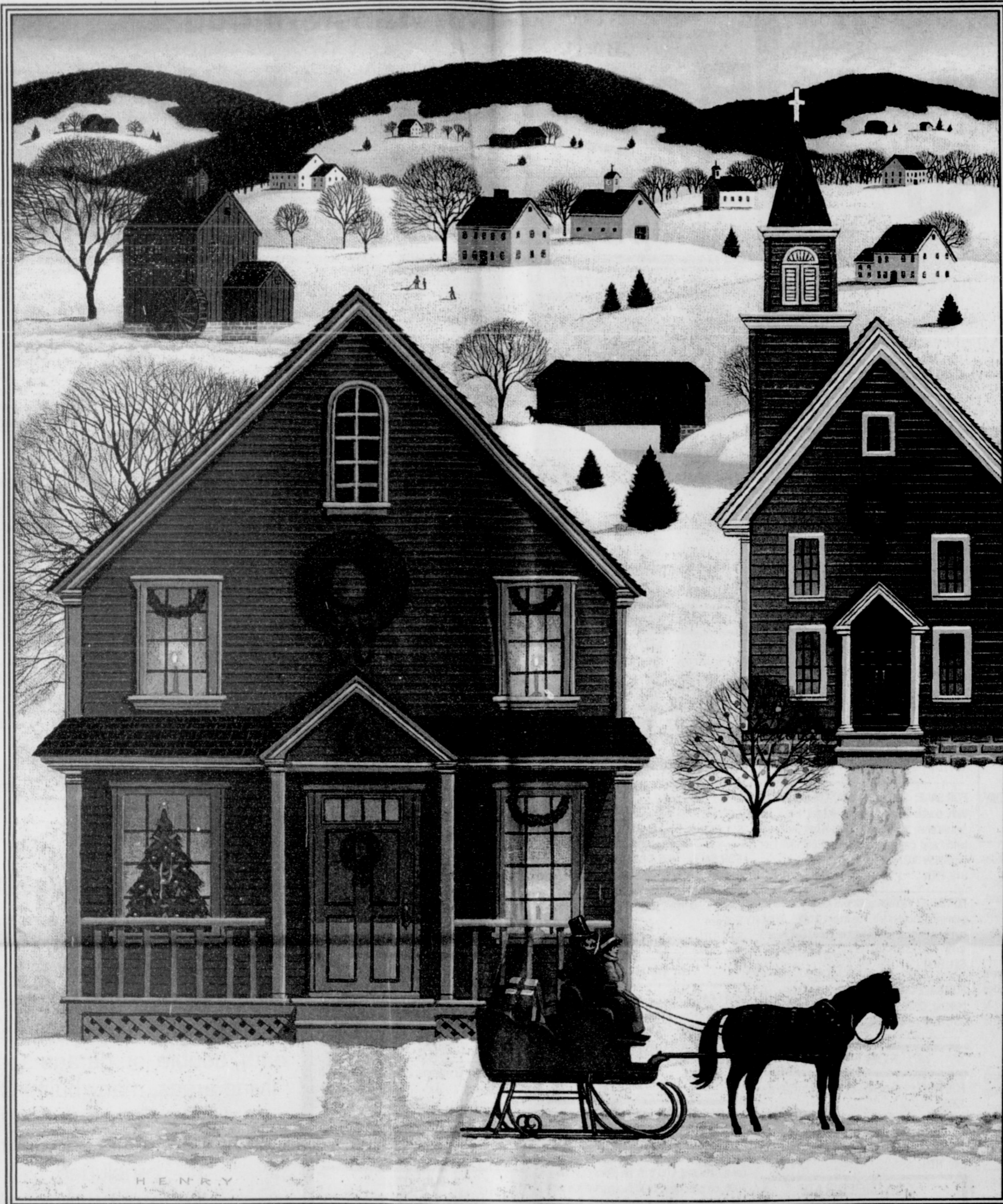
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