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1990 in Review

Jan. 4. R.S. Rural Fire Department was plagued with tremendous number of fires this week. Fire Departments from May, Cross Plains, Cisco, De Leon, Sipe Springs, N. Lake Brownwood, Gorman and Eastland were there to help.

Jan. 13. Bishop John W. Russell joined in the celebration of the Silver Jubilee of ministry for Rev. Dr. J. Andrew Fowler at the United Methodist Church.

Jan. 18. Members of a group of Rising Star churches created a source of emergency funds for people of the city experiencing times of need. It was named The Benevolent Fund.

Jan. 25. All-State area football players named. Wildcat's Derrick White was first team All-State and Toby Long was named honorable mention. May Tigers were Guyle Donham and Scotty Ford were both first team All-State players.

Feb. 1. Rising Star receives grant of \$127,767 to be used for Williams Park for development of picnic and recreational facilities.

Feb. 8. Junior Livestock Show in Rising Star gave showmanship award to Toby Long in Lamb division and Larry Hollis in swine division. Brionna Cooksey's California White took Reserve Champion in the rabbit show.

Feb. 15. Blue ribbons at the R.S. Junior Livestock Show & Fair were given to Kory Collins for her peanut brittle, Traci Clark for candy, Bridget Claborn for cherry cream cheese pie and Courtney Ezzell for her decorated cake in the shape of a star. In the livestock division, Toby Long's Medium Wool was named Grand Champion and Jason Bible's Fine Wool Cross got Reserve Champion. In Ft. Worth, Brandon Geyer was awarded reserve champion for his Hampshire in the Jr. Barrow Show.

Feb. 22. Rising Star High School Band showed off new band uniforms.

Mar. 1. Brian Bailey is winner of calf scramble at Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo.

Mar. 8. City gets ready for Primary Elections Tuesday. First National Bank gets new President, James Ramsay. Pancake supper held for injured fireman, Garry Duggan. Rising Star

Mar. 15. Fingerprinting children is offered by local PTO. Local girls to receive all-district basketball honors were: Rising Star's Wendy Green and Lori Doerschuk of May. The Rising Star Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture held its annual banquet with featured speaker, Rick Perry, Texas House of Representatives and a mariachi band, "Los Bohemios," from San Angelo provided the music.

Mar. 22. The Rising Star Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture presented the Outstanding Farmer to Steve White at the banquet Thursday night and Wendy Green was voted Miss Rising Star, with Tami Vandiver runner-up.

Mar. 29. The Rising Star 5th through 8th grade band

won top honors in the Cisco Junior College Music Festival.

April 5. Wildcat band gets superior rating at Cisco Jr. College. Several Rising Star High School students took part in University Interscholastic Literary competition and a number of them qualified for Regional contest.

April 12. Jimmy Evans, whose pig was named Reserve Grand Champion at the Eastland County Livestock Show, took his Duroc to show at Houston. Stephanie Sizemore wins 2nd place at the District Tennis Meet. Becky Walker is listed among the top ten in area track times in the Abilene Reporter-News.

April 19. Rising Star High School athletes qualifying for Regional Track Meet were Toby Long, Becky Walker and Derrick White. Six students qualify for the Regional UIL Academic/Literary contest: Cody Wilson, Lee DeLong, Roanen Barron, Becky Walker, Shannon Stuteville, Gherda Williams and Brandon Geyer. High School's One Act Play "Of Winners, Losers and Games," is Zone winner and will go on to District competition.

April 26. Rising Star elementary school students bringing home ribbons from UIL Academic competition were: Jason Rutledge, Brandon Cook, Holly Butler, Brionna Cooksey, Shirley Smith, Melody Fisher, Blair Bailey, Amy Agnew, Tianay Chambers, Amy Collins, Melanie Novak and Samantha Kerr. Senior Citizens Center had beautiful displays at their Arts & Crafts Show.

May 10. Voting results of the Rising Star City Council election put Randy Goldston, Dr. Charles Barnes and Billy Harmon as winning the three places on the council. Of the five candidates vying for three places on the Board of Directors for RSID, Frances Agnew, Gary Wilson and Dale Wolf took the top votes in a close race.

May 17. Eastland County was declared a Federal Disaster Area due to recent flooding and storm damage. May and Rising Star eighth grade honor students named: Cynthia Bates, valedictorian and Jeanette Tidwell, salutatorian for May. Christy Hughes, valedictorian and Emily Stuteville, salutatorian for Rising Star 1989-1990 school year.

May 24. Rising Star honor graduates are: Shannon Stuteville, valedictorian, Kimberly Schwab, salutatorian and Derrick White, high point boy. May honors go to Tammy Ingram, valedictorian and Guyle Donham, salutatorian. Graduating class of 1990 held a formal dedication ceremony for a living memorial to classmate, Meredith Hamblen, who died in a vehicle accident two years ago.

May 31. The 4th Annual Children's Miracle Network Rock-a-Thon was presented in Cross Plains. All proceeds go to Meek's Children's Wing at Hendrick Medical Center.

June 7. Mrs. Shelly Bailey, Rising Star 4-H Club Manager, was awarded the Texas 4-H Salute to Excellence at a recognition luncheon at Texas A & M University.

June 14. City plans to con-

duct a second public hearing regarding proposed application for a water and sewer grant.

June 21. Rising Star citizens and a local business, Best Fast Foods, helped in the fund raising for the Annual Children's Miracle Network Telethon. BBQ dinner held to benefit the Sipe Springs Volunteer Fire Department.

June 28. Activities galore are planned for the July 4th Freedom Festival. David Grissom home was destroyed by fire.

July 5. Precinct 3 gets new county barn and offices. Fourth of July Freedom Festival was huge success. A big turnout for the city clean-up day.

July 19. R.S. Junior Class of '92 has a playday rodeo. Scotty Ford and Guyle Donham will represent May in the Texas Six-Man Coaches Association's all-star football game at Tarleton State University.

July 26. The 1990 Rising Star Sportsman's Club season came to a successful close with a total of 128 boys and girls having enjoyed six weeks of regular season play.

Aug. 2. Eleven 4-H members attended the District 84-H Show in Glen Rose. Many came home with ribbons. Vacation Bible Schools get off to a big start!

Aug. 9. The Rising Star Newspaper holds open house to celebrate its 100th anniversary today. General rains fill tanks and raise lakes.

Aug. 16. The City Council of Rising Star announces a series of frequent meetings to permit training of council members in their responsibilities. RSIS class of 1935 invited class of '36 to share its 55th anniversary at the homecoming. Lone Cedar Bridge Club holds charity tournament to benefit West Texas Rehabilitation Center in memory of Shelley Smith.

Aug. 23. Longtime principal, Weldon Hill and elementary teacher, Edith Bibb retired.

Aug. 30. Rising Star ISD installed computer lab. Fire destroyed rental storage building. Several families lost much or all of their belongings. Dr. Don Newbury, president of Howard Payne, was guest speaker at Saturday Club.

Sept. 6. John G. Lee and Benjy Clark were severely burned when gas blew from an oil well and ignited. Both was flown by helicopter to Parkland Burn Center in Dallas.

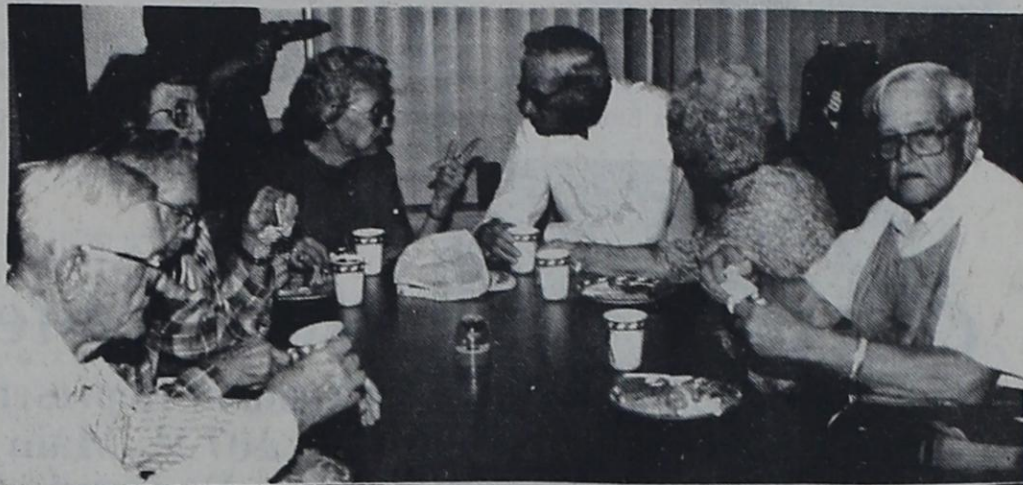
Sept. 13. County set lower tax rate. School Board sets lower tax rate. Fire destroys Harris home.

Sept. 20. Storm causes power outage. City Council passes resolution to form a committee for industrial and economic development and cultural growth, with a spirit of cooperation between the city and Chamber of Commerce. Chamber of Commerce launches membership drive.

Sept. 27. Fire damages Best Fast Food Restaurant. Peoples State Bank of Clyde purchases Rising Star Bank. White's Cafe moves to new location on Main Street. Greg and Ester Clay open 'The Game Room.'

Oct. 4. Peanut harvest begins. Chamber of Commerce moves new building in for

Party At Nursing Home



office. Ada Rhone Mobley, a 1910 graduate of Rising Star High School attends homecoming activities. Mayor cancelled agenda items published, alluded to the possibility that there was collusion and violation of the Open Meetings Act on the part of Councilmen and refused to permit discussion of the items.

Oct. 11. Rising Star's Homecoming 1990. Peoples State Bank elect five officers and is awarded five-star rating.

Oct. 18. May has 1990 Homecoming. More than 40 members of Colonial Hills Baptist Church came to the Rising Star area to build a mission church.

Oct. 25. Fire destroys Clark home. Rising Star Rural Fire Department adds truck. Mayor ignores rules of order; Council adjourns. City Council plans to hire manager.

Nov. 8. May has their Fall Festival Carnival. City Fire Department reverts back to volunteer position. Mayor and Councilman have more than words in argument.

Nov. 15. Rising Star Wildcats win a berth in the football playoff games. 37th consecutive La Estrellita Coronation is held. Several area pastors plan community Thanksgiving service.

Nov. 22. Wildcats lose in Bi-District playoff game by one point. Wendy Green is Miss La Estrellita. Masonic Lodge celebrates centennial December 13.

Nov. 29. Livestock Raisers Association has fund raising supper at Cook's Fish Barn to benefit the 4-H and FFA students who plan to show animals at the Eastland County Livestock Show in February.

Dec. 6. Ambulance service reorganizes. May has their annual Christmas party at fire station.

Dec. 13. Local Masonic Lodge has Centennial celebration. Council takes steps to change administration.

Dec. 20. A community Christmas dinner is planned. City Council removes the Mayor from office. Gene Moore is hired as an administrator for the city.

Funds Needed for Tank Donations to Fire Department

The Rising Star Rural Fire Department has received donations from Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Gerhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schaftner, Mr. and Mrs. James Armstrong, Robert Eichelberger, Eli Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Chrls Murphree, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Agnew, Mr. and Mrs. Chrls Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Ezzell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Murphree and Mr. and

Mrs. Paul Cawley. The truck tank for the new truck will cost in excess of \$2,000; the amount received toward it by December 28 is \$505.

TANK FOR TRUCK GOAL:.....\$2,000+
Reported:.....500
Latest received:.....5
Total received:.....505
Still needed:.....\$1495+

May Housing to Hold Annual Meeting Jan. 3

May Housing Authority Board of Directors will hold the Annual meeting in the May Community Center on Thursday, January 3, at 6 p.m., to conduct business, hold the annual election and re-organize the Board.

Mrs. Dorene (Sook) Burnett's term expires at the end of this year in Place 5. She will seek re-election to a new three-year term.

Candidates who wish to file must be paid-up members of May Housing Authority, Inc.

Candidates may secure memberships through Executive Director Marion McDaniel or Secretary Dorene (Sook) Burnett.

Candidates must file in writing to Secretary Burnett, May, TX 76857, ten days prior to the election in order to have their names on the official ballot. Any paid member may run as a write-in.

Marion J. McDaniel
Executive Director

Showmanship & Grooming Clinic on Saturday for 4-H

Saturday, January 5, there will be a 4-H Showmanship and Grooming Clinic provided for all 4-Hers interested in areas of sheep, beef, rabbits, and swine at the Eastland County Fair Grounds. 4-Hers are encouraged to bring their animal because this will be a hands on training. The clinic will have very professional informative speakers that are specialist in their respective

areas. Listed is a schedule.
8:00 a.m. - Rabbits.
9:00 a.m. - Swine.
10:00 a.m. - Beef.
11:00 a.m. - Sheep.
12:00 a.m. Dairy Goats.
We encourage everyone to participate in all the sessions because it will be very professional informative workshop. If you have any questions or for more information please call 629-1093.

County Resources Ass'n. Will Meet on Tuesday

The Eastland County Resources Association will meet Tuesday, Jan. 8, at 12 noon in the Conference Room of Eastland Centennial Memorial Library. Director Corrie Cowley will preside.

All persons who are inter-

ested in learning about critical needs in the County are encouraged to attend. There will be a discussion, reports and other information.

Bring a sack lunch to the meeting if you wish.

RENEW SOON Many Subscriptions Expire Jan. 1, 1991

Hundreds of subscriptions to this newspaper expire January 1, 1991. Check your mailing label for your expiration date.

Subscription rates are the same as last year: In Eastland County and within a 30-mile radius of Rising Star, \$9.00.

Other Texas areas, \$13.00. Out-of-state, \$19. Mail your renewal or new subscription check to The Rising Star, Box 127, Rising Star, TX 76741 or drop it by the office at 104 N. Main Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays (except during Christmas week and New Year's week).

Community Calendar

EACH THURSDAY
SENIOR CITIZENS
CENTER

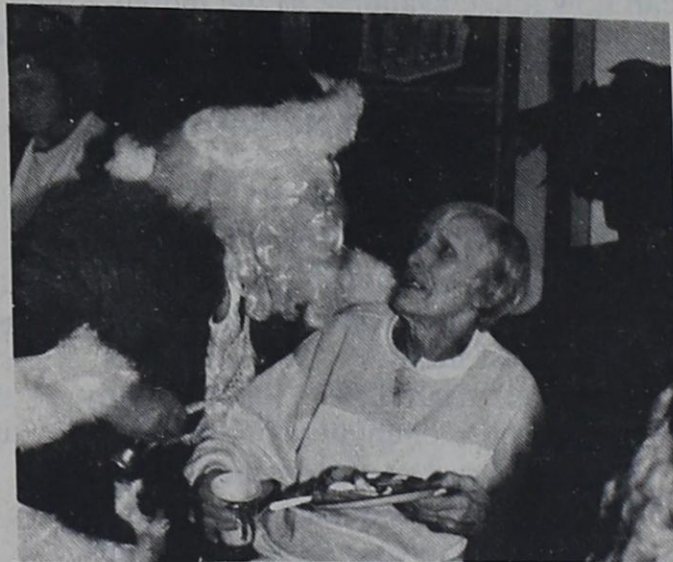
EACH SATURDAY
BINGO, American Legion
Hall, S. Main

EACH MONDAY
RESERVE A MEAL:
Meals on Wheels are provided
Mondays at Rising Star Senior
Citizens Center, 643-5141.

1ST MONDAY
EASTERN STAR, 100 N.
Main

1ST SATURDAY
SIPE SPRINGS MUSI-
CAL, community center.

School Calendar
by Donny Alcorn
Fri., Jan. 4
Panther Creek Tourney





The Two Sides Of The Budget Agreement

TAXES

- Income Tax**
- Top tax rate will increase from 28 percent to 31 percent
 - For every \$10,000 in adjust gross income above \$100,000, \$300 in deductions will be disallowed.
 - Personal exemptions for couples with adjusted gross income above \$150,000 and individual above \$100,000 will be phased out.

Alternative Minimum Tax

- Up to 24 percent from 21 percent.

Capital Gains Tax

- Sets maximum rate at 28 percent vs. 33 percent.

Excise Taxes

	Old Tax	New Tax
Gasoline	9 cents per gallon	14 cents per gallon
Cigarettes	16 cents	20 cents(1991) 24 cents(1993)
Airline Ticket	8 percent	10 percent
Alcoholic Beverages		
Beer	16 cents	32 cents
Wine	3 cents	21 cents
Liquor	\$12.50	\$13.50
(Per gallon of 100-proof)		

Luxury Goods

- Imposes a 10 percent tax on an amount over \$30,000 for cars \$100,000 for boats, \$5,000 for jewelry, \$10,000 for furs and \$250,000 for planes, except planes used for business.

Telephone

- The 3 percent excise tax used for day care for low-income working families has been extended.

SPENDING CUTS

Medicare

- Insurance premiums covering doctors' bills will be increased from \$28.60 a month to \$46.20 by 1995.
- The \$75 annual deductible will be increased to \$100 in 1991.
- Reimbursement payments to doctors and hospitals will be reduced.

Medicaid

- Participating drug companies will be required to provide discounts.
- States will be required to pay private insurers when it's less costly than direct Medicaid payments.

Federal Pensions

- Lump-sum payment options available to federal workers will be eliminated.

MISCELLANEOUS

User Fees

- Boaters using Coast Guard-patrolled waterways will be charged \$25 annually as well as for specific services.
- Increases fines for violations of federal health and safety regulations by as much as 400 percent.

Tax Breaks

- Credits will be offered to small businesses for providing access facilities for the disabled, for charitable donations and on the transfer of a business to family member.
- The earned-income tax credit for low-income workers will be increased to offset the effects of some of the new excise taxes and to help pay for child care.

Financial Planning

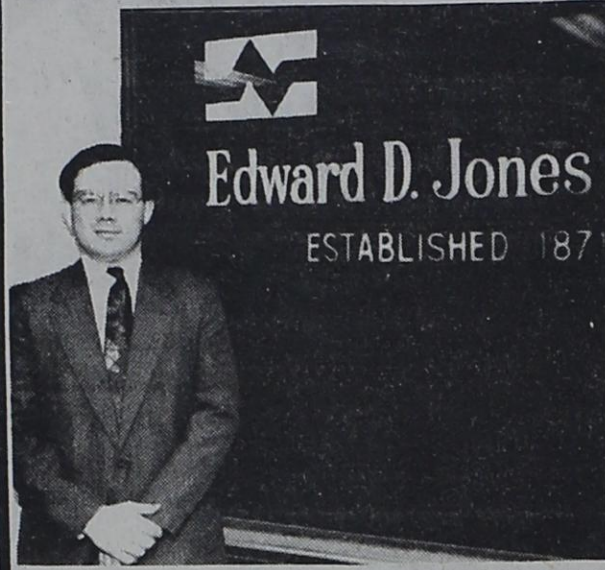
Edward D. Jones & Co. offers a comprehensive financial planning service to help you make your retirement years financially secure and free of worry. This service provides careful analysis of your financial problems and recommends solutions to help you achieve your financial goals. We will help prepare your plan and put it into action. Financial Planning will give you peace of mind about your family's needs, your children's education, and provide the direction for future tax savings.

Financial Focus

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It's not as difficult as you think.

When you think about it, your IRA program is more than just a \$2,000 annual deduction from the income you report for taxes. Much more.

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That's why it makes good sense to evaluate your past IRA program in light of some of the newer, more attractive investment alternatives that have been developed since you first began making IRA contributions.

Some of the newer IRA programs we can now make available to the individual investor offer advantages over many older IRA programs — especially those set up and administered by most local institutions.

These advantages include:

- Increased yields** — for a larger nest egg upon retirement.
- Insured investments** — for greater peace of mind.
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Sound like an idea worth looking into? Then stop by your local Edward D. Jones & Co. office today.

We'll show you how to make your IRA work harder for a more secure financial future for you.



Your 1990 Tax Preparation Checklist

April 15 will be here before you know it. Will you be ready? Let us help. Edward D. Jones & Co. has compiled this Tax Preparation Checklist to make tax time easier, less time consuming and maybe even less expensive for you down the road.

Be sure you cover each item and bring your checklist to your tax professional when you begin preparation of your return. Remember, these are general guidelines only. Always consult a competent professional for tax planning advice.

— I received my 1040 forms from the IRS and have the appropriate version (long or short) for my return this year. (You may not need these forms if consulting a tax professional.)

— I have requested any special or additional forms I will need from the IRS (800-TAX-FORM).

— I have reviewed my retirement plan and am satisfied with the return I'm earning.

— I have received the necessary documents to record all income for 1990.

Don't forget:

- * Salaries, wages, commissions (W2)
- * Social Security income
- * Railroad benefits
- * Dividends, income, royalties
- * Rental income
- * Income from partnerships, S corporates, estates and trusts

— I have cancelled checks and documents showing relevant expenses for 1990 including:

- * Medical expenses
- * Charitable contributions
- * Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes
- * Mortgage interest
- * Interest/Business Expenses
- * Casualty Losses

— I have received and reviewed my tax reporting information on investments from Edward D. Jones & Co.

* 1099s (INT, DIV, MISC, B, OID)

* Summary of Investment Income

* Retirement plan distribution info (1099R)

* I have my confirmations, customer statements or other documentation showing price paid for securities bought and sold during the year.

— I have reviewed my investment strategy and am happy with the amount of taxes I'm saving. My tax-free investments include:

- Municipal Bonds
- Unit Investment Trusts
- Tax-Free Mutual Funds

If you have any questions or would like further information on how tax-free investment can benefit you, call you Investment Representative as soon as possible.

Attention CD Owners

If you have a certificate of deposit maturing within the next 90 days, give me a call. I believe I may be able to offer you a higher yield.

Bank-issued certificates of deposit offered through Edward D. Jones & Co. are insured up to \$100,000 by the F.D.I.C., minimum deposit \$5,000.

Simplified Employee Pension/IRA The "Easy Does It" Pension Plan.

Now, there's a retirement plan available that benefits your employees, your business and you, all at once. It's the Simplified Employee Pension SEP/IRA, and it's the easiest approach to tax-deferred savings ever.

Your employees will like it. If they're over 25 years of age and have worked 3 of the last 5 years, then your employees are eligible for the SEP/IRA. Your contributions to the SEP plan are a significant fringe benefit for your employees... not to mention the fact that both your SEP contributions and any individual IRA contributions your employees elect to make on their own, can be taken as deductions from the employee's individual federal income tax return.

Your business will like it. It's easy to implement, with advantages you'll see immediately. To begin with, you don't have to file any additional forms with the IRS. So your business can devote itself to business. It's also flexible. You decide how much you want to contribute, and when you want to contribute. Plus, your SEP contributions are a tax-deductible business expense.

You'll like it. The SEP/IRA does as much for you as it does for your business. It allows you to put away up to 15% or \$30,000 of your hard-earned income. All tax-deferred. So not only do you save on your taxes today, but you also start saving for your retirement tomorrow. Now and later, the SEP/IRA takes care of you, while you take care of business.

All you have to do is call. Your Edward D. Jones & Co. Representative is ready to show you how the SEP/IRA can work for your employees, your business and you. So give us a call. The sooner you do, the sooner you can put our experience and knowledge to work for your business.

See your Edward D. Jones & Co. Representative soon. The folks at Edward D. Jones & Co. know how hard you've worked for your money. And they will do everything they can to help you develop a conservative investment strategy that fits your criteria for safety and growth.



Beating The New Budget With Tax-Free And Tax-Deferred Investments



Pension and Profit-Sharing Plans

The flexibility you want with the plans you need.

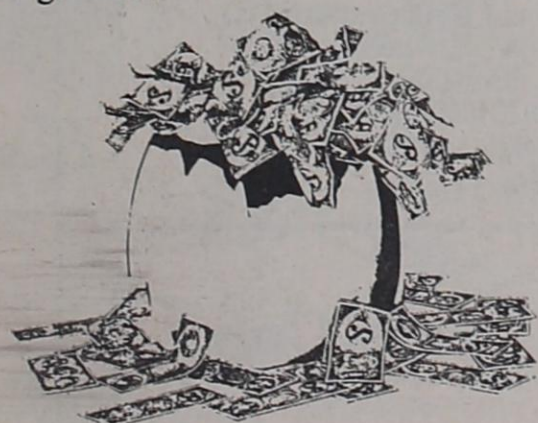
There have always been two things in life you can count on as a business owner: taxes and retirement. But now there's a way to make both of those certainties a lot easier to handle, with a Pension and Profit-Sharing Plan from Edward D. Jones & Co.

A more flexible Profit-Sharing Plan to fit your needs today. If you're looking for flexibility in a retirement plan, then you'll want to look into our Profit-Sharing Plan. You can put away up to 15% or \$30,000 of your income which grows tax-deferred, but your contributions are never mandatory. That gives you the financial freedom to shelter only as much as you want, and only when you feel comfortable doing so. It's the perfect way to help keep your earnings strong and your future bright.

A more flexible Pension Plan to fit your needs tomorrow. If you're already comfortable with a fixed contribution level, but want to put even more money into your retirement plan, then you'll want to consider a Money Purchase Pension Plan. It allows you to put away up to 25% or \$30,000 of your hard-earned income with tax-deferred earnings. So you won't be taxed on that money until you retire.

The next step is up to you. Both of these attractive plans share the same important benefits. Namely, it's a chance for you to put away money for your retirement while earnings grow tax-deferred, and you save money on your taxes today. All you need to do is contact your Edward D. Jones & Co. Representative. He or she will answer your questions and explain your alternatives. Just as important, they will keep everything easy to understand, and easy to put into action. You can count on it.

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Congress recently passed the nation's largest-ever deficit-reduction package, estimated to shave \$492 billion off the U.S. debt over the next five years. But, as the old saying goes, "money doesn't grow on trees," and the funds needed to cut the deficit are coming from cuts in defense spending, from the budgets of some federal programs and from our own pockets.

Over the next five years, Congress hopes to raise more than \$40 billion from higher income taxes — it's been reported that upper-income individuals will have a top tax rate of 31 percent and will be allowed fewer deductions. More than \$100 billion will be raised from higher taxes on gasoline, air travel, luxury cars and other items.

It appears that no one will be spared from paying higher taxes in one form or another. Fortunately, there are still ways that individual investors can lessen the impact of higher taxes — though tax-free and tax-deferred investments.

Tax-free investments allow you to earn interest that's free from federal taxes and, in some cases, from state taxes. There are many tax-free investments available, one of which may be suitable for your own needs.

INDIVIDUAL MUNICIPAL BONDS — When you invest in municipal bonds, you're loaning money to help finance public projects, such as highways, hospitals, housing and public education. In return, you earn a specified rate of interest for a specified period of time. At maturity your principal is returned in full. Municipal bonds are exempt from federal taxes and, in certain instances, may also be exempt from state and local taxes.

TAX-FREE MONEY MARKET FUNDS — If you need easy access to your money, money-market funds can offer such privileges as check writing, complete liquidity and low minimum investments. All the income earned is exempt from federal taxes.

UNIT TRUST — These investments diversify your money among 10 to 30 municipal bonds selected by professionals. Again, the interest earned is free from federal income taxes.

TAX-FREE MUTUAL FUNDS — Your money is pooled with the money of thousands of investors and is invested in 30 to 100 municipal bonds. In addition to tax-free income, you also benefit from diversification and professional money management.

Another way to keep higher taxes at bay is with tax-deferred investments. These allow you to accumulate money without paying current taxes until you withdraw the funds, for instance, when you've retired, at which time you may be in a lower tax bracket. There are a number of products that offer the benefit of tax deferral.

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS — Despite media hype to the contrary, 80 percent of Americans still qualify for partially or fully deductible IRA contributions. Any one under age 70 1/2 with earned income can still contribute to an IRA. Whether or not the contributions are deductible is determined by your adjusted gross income and whether you and your spouse are covered by a company-sponsored retirement plan.

SINGLE-PREMIUM LIFE INSURANCE — This product offers the protection of life insurance with the advantages of tax-deferral. And a special death-benefit provision allows the money in the investment to pass quickly to beneficiaries, tax free.

ANNUITIES — These are life-insurance contracts that allow money to compound until you retire. Annuities have no set maturities, but they usually must be held one to 10 years to avoid early surrender charges. Fixed annuities guarantee a specific rate of return and are insured by insurance companies. The rate of return on variable annuities, on the other hand, is dependant upon the market and, therefore, is subject to fluctuation.

Each of these investments has unique characteristics designed to meet different needs and goals, so you should examine your own situation to determine the most suitable course of action. If you're interested in beating the new budget plan, call your investment representative today.

Personal Line of Credit

At Edward D. Jones & Co., you have a Personal Line of Credit based on the value of your investments. The greater the value of your investments, the greater your Line of Credit. You can borrow as much or as little as you like, without time-consuming application forms, special qualifications or the hassle of credit checks. You can use the Personal Line of Credit however you like, whether it's home improvements, taxes, college tuition, small business financing or any other personal needs. Because you have a Personal Line of Credit, you don't have to sacrifice long-term investment objectives for short-term needs. Best of all, the Personal Line of Credit offers a competitive interest rate.

Financial Focus

OF INTEREST TO SENIORS



Municipal Bonds Invest in America for secure, tax-free income.

How are important public projects and services like highways, hospitals, housing and public education financed without raising federal taxes?

With municipal bonds purchased by people just like you. Your reward for investing in these vital projects is the interest paid by these bonds, which is usually exempt from federal income taxes. In addition, if you purchase municipal bonds issued in the state where you reside, your income earned from this investment may be exempt from state and local taxes as well as from federal taxes.

Municipal bonds for a high, long-term yield. You may have noticed that the interest rate on municipal bonds is lower than on taxable bonds. But municipal bonds usually offer a much higher yield, after taxes.

Tax-Free Interest Rates

Tax Bracket	4%	6%	8%
15%	4.70%	7.05%	9.41%
28%	5.55%	8.33%	11.11%
33%	5.97%	8.95%	11.94%

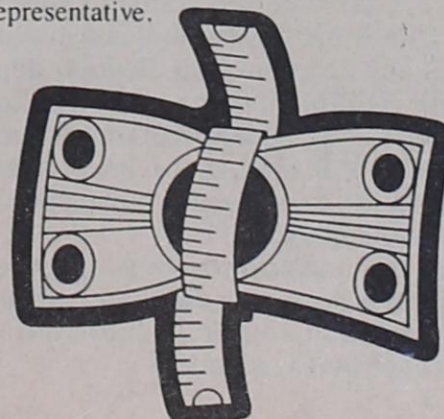
Taxable interest rates needed to equal tax-free yields at different tax brackets.

The general rule of thumb is that the higher your tax-bracket, the more municipal bonds can help.

Zero coupon bonds mean big rewards for planning ahead. As you may have guessed, zero coupon bonds get their name because they pay no interest until they mature. Because of that, they sell at a substantial discount. Zero coupons pay both your principal and compounded interest at maturity. What this means is that you stand to get back much more than you invested. In fact, depending on the length of maturity, the bond's appreciation could equal up to 10 times your original investment! And it's all exempt from federal income taxes.

The perfect fund for retirement or for education. As you know, most of today's investment vehicles are subject to an earnings tax. For example, if a child's parents or grandparents set up an investment fund for his education, any earnings over \$1,000 are taxed at his parents' tax rate, until he's 14. Your earnings with zeroes, on the other hand, earn completely tax-free income. Obviously, earning tax-free income makes it a lot more simple to meet these important goals of the future. And no matter what your long-term goals happen to be, a surprisingly small initial outlay can allow you to reach them exactly when you're ready.

For all the information, see your Edward D. Jones & Co. investment representative.



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The daily business of registered representatives and their member firms is governed by Rules 401 and 405 of the NYSE. In the publication *Patterns of Supervision*, the NYSE states that it requires "adherence to the principles of good business practice... and the use of due diligence in learning the essential facts relative to every customer, every order and every account." These rules may sound vague, but their application is specific.

Member firms are responsible for the actions of their representatives. Therefore, each firm makes every effort to ensure that their representatives "know their customers."

Some customers don't want investment assistance and require only that their orders be executed properly and that payment or delivery of securities be made as required. Others, however, depend on a full-service broker for information and suggestions. The NYSE doesn't distinguish between these types of customers when requiring information for accounts.

In order for the representative to make informed and intelligent suggestions, he or she must be aware of the financial responsibilities and investment objectives of his or her customers.

When a registered representative opens an account, the stated investment objective must be consistent with the customer's age, investment experience and financial condition. This objective, or objectives, must be specifically recorded and no subsequent purchases may violate them.

The NYSE regularly inspects and audits its member firms. If transactions within an account are contrary to the customer's investment objectives, severe penalties may be imposed on the representative, the firm and the firm's manager.

NYSE Rule 405 is more specific. The rule is basically threefold. It encompasses due diligence, approval of new accounts and supervision of accounts.

Due diligence requires that the representative "learn the essential facts relative to every customer" prior to opening an account. The manager, or other firm officer, then approves or rejects the account application based on its completeness, accuracy and suitability.

Finally, each account must regularly be reviewed and updated. Significant changes in a customer's condition, including financial condition, investment objectives, dependents and occupation, must be noted on the account.

The NYSE suggests more than 25 questions for the representative to ask customers. This confidential information allows the representative to better serve customers in meeting their financial objectives.



Financial Guidance

How to take control of your financial future.

You're the only person who can control your financial future. But the right help can make it a whole lot easier. That's why you need the kind of help a financial planning expert from Edward D. Jones & Co. can offer.

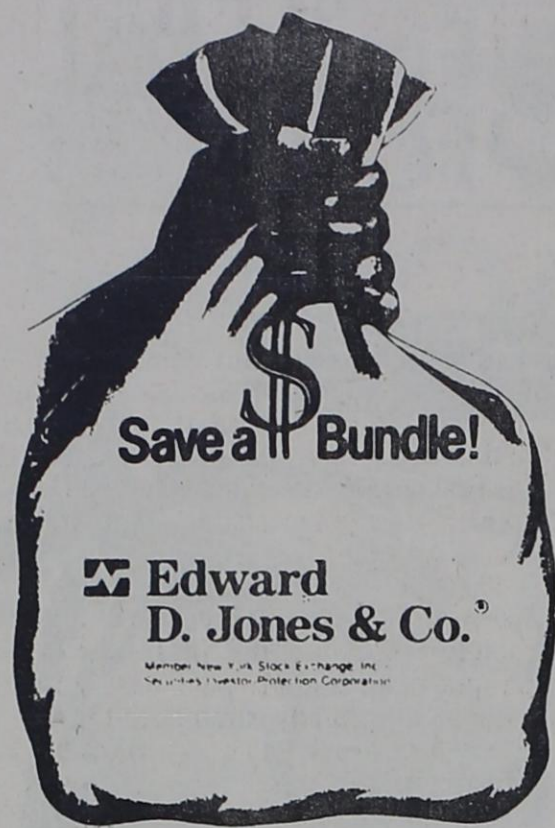
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Transfers May be the Solution for Stagnant Retirement Plans

What can you do if you've contributed to an IRA or other retirement plan but are not totally satisfied with the investment results? One answer is to move your funds to another plan.

It's important, however, to understand the difference between a transfer and a rollover.

With a rollover, you take receipt of the assets from your retirement plan and roll them into an approved Individual Retirement Account within 60 days. Delay longer and you could wind up with a sizable tax bite.

A transfer simply moves assets between similar plans for a better return on the plan's investments or for better service. You do not take receipt of the assets, and the assets move directly between two trustees. The distinction may appear small, but it is important.

A simple transfer usually works like this. Assume your retirement plan isn't satisfactory. This plan could be a defined-contribution plan, SEP or IRA. You decide to change your investment but still wish to keep your retirement plan intact. A simple transfer could be the answer.

Before you begin any transfer, first decide to which investment you wish to transfer your assets. You could select a guaranteed, deferred annuity, a mutual fund or a self-directed plan with which you make all the investment decisions.

Once your choice is made, you must then select an approved plan and new trustee.

At that point, you initiate the transfer by completing an application and transfer letter for the new plan. This is sent to the trustee of your new plan. On receipt, the new trustee sends a written letter and all paperwork accepting your account to the losing trustee. The losing trustee can now release your assets and the transfer between trustees is complete.

Although it sounds complicated, it's routine. Your financial representative generally handles the transaction for you. The final responsibility, however, is yours.

It's important to remember four things about transferring a retirement plan.

- 1) Don't take receipt of any of the fund's assets as it could result in tax liability.
- 2) There's no limit on the number of transfers you can make.
- 3) Most trustees charge a termination fee to transfer plans, so make sure you ask about costs or fees to terminate.
- 4) A transfer only changes plan trustees. It does not affect the tax-deferred status of your plan.

Retirement planning is a major part of any financial plan. Regular deposits for retirement is the first step. Equally important, however, is that the money earned is enough to keep ahead of inflation and increase buying power for future years.

An annual review of your retirement plan is both necessary and prudent. If you find it comes up short, a transfer could be the answer.

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Variable annuities for the opportunity to earn even more

Unlike fixed annuities, variable annuities do not offer minimum guaranteed interest. Instead, their tax-deferred return is based on the market performance of the annuity. It is invested, and professionally managed for extra safety, in mutual funds. So you have the opportunity to earn a greater return over time than with fixed annuities. And, while variable annuities do not guarantee your principal, they do offer a guaranteed death benefit equal to the amount of principal paid in.

Variable annuities also offer a flexible payment schedule. So you can invest in them monthly, for example, instead of all at once.

Ask your broker

Your Edward D. Jones & Co. Investment Representative will be happy to help you select the best annuity for you. Whether you're looking for a tax-deferred investment vehicle or to supplement your retirement income.

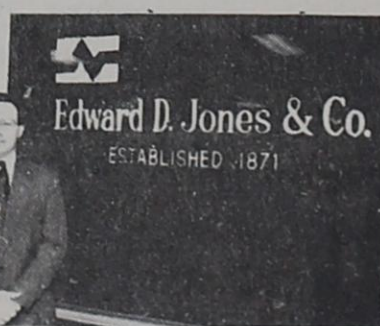
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Special Financial Focus Article

1990 was an eventful year. The end of the Cold War and the call for democratic reforms throughout the Eastern Bloc heartened the nation. Investors were optimistic, and during the first six months of the year, the Dow Jones Industrial average soared, regularly setting record highs.

The tide turned in August, when Saddam Hussein's Iraqi troops invaded Kuwait. Immediately following the invasion, oil prices jumped more than \$10 per barrel, adding pressure to an already strained U.S. economy. Every increase in gas prices takes more from consumers' pockets.

As U.S. troops stormed into the Persian Gulf, economic growth on the home front slowed dramatically. Trading volume on the New York Stock Exchange fell to its lowest level for the year, and many investors took a wait-and-see attitude toward the stock market.

In a final blow, Congress' October budget agreement raised taxes and reduced government spending in an effort to trim more than \$500 billion from the U.S. economy over the next five years.

All these events have contributed to make the New Year an uncertain period for individual investors. What will 1991 bring?

With experts forecasting a decline in the Gross National Product for the fourth quarter of 1990 and the first quarter of 1991, economists have declared that the nation is indeed in a recession. Many experts are predicting a relatively mild recession that should last six to 10 months. By the end of '91, they actually anticipate seeing a 1.5 percent to 1 percent rise in GNP.

Long-term interest rates, currently near 8 percent, are expected to decline modestly in the New Year. The fall in short-term rates, however, is decline modestly in the New Year. The fall in short-term rates, however, is expected to be more significant. Already, short-term rates have slumped from 7.59 percent at the beginning of 1990 to 7.04 percent as of mid-December 1990.

What does all this mean to individual investors? After eight consecutive years of gains, the recent declines have come as a shock to many investors. They're asking whether this is a pause on the way to further market declines or an opportunity for profitable stock investing.

If, like most successful investors, you take a long-term approach to investing, then the current environment could mean opportunity.

Many studies have shown that over longer periods of time, the stock market provides substantially higher returns than other financial investments. Specifically, the stock market, as measured by the Standard & Poor's 500, has experienced average annual returns of 10.3 percent since 1926. This compares favorably to the 4.3 percent average annual return for long-term government bonds.

Nobody knows what direction the stock market will take over the next week, the next month or even the next six months, but most experts agree that the U.S. economy will be considerably larger five years from now than it is presently. And one way to participate in that growth is to own stocks, either directly or through mutual funds that invest in stocks.

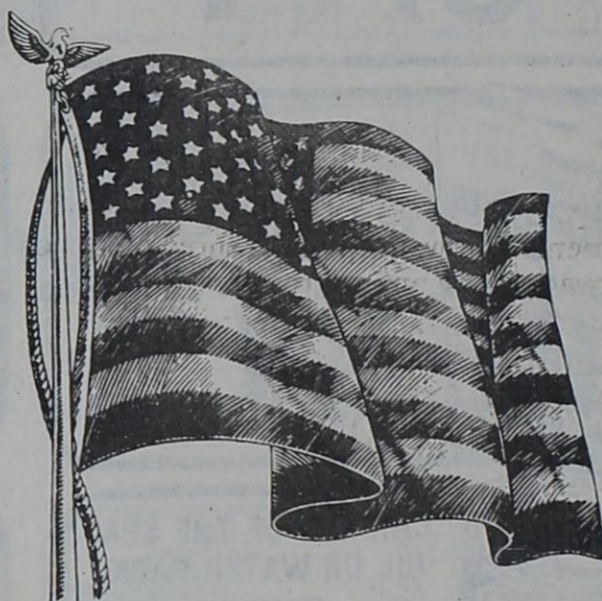
Despite the uncertainty surrounding the New Year, there could be some attractive opportunities, and investors need to be prepared to take advantage of them.



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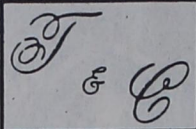
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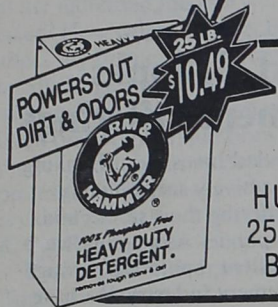
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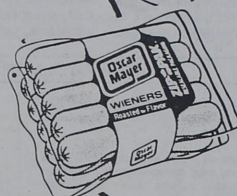
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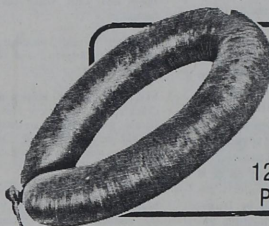
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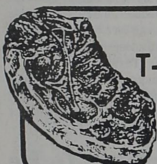
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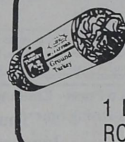
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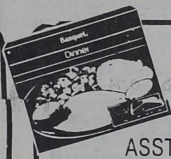
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Pioneer Patchwork

By Irma Miller
 others for Christmas. Jewel's grandson from Arizona was there. A grandson in Saudi Arabia sent her a little sack of sand from that land. It was white and looked like salt.
 Lottie Sooter's children, Don and family, were down here from Abilene for Christmas. Santurday night her daughter and husband, Jean

and Bob Dickson, of Monroe, La. spent the night.
 Nell and Joe Fleming had pre-Christmas dinner with JoVeda and Bill Watson and family of Byrds Store. They had Christmas dinner with Jim and Charlene Fleming and family.
 Nell talked on the phone Sunday night with Gladys Sessums and she is well except for her arthritis which has been bothering her badly.
 John and Irma Miller spent Christmas Eve and Day in Dallas and visited with their children and with other relatives and friends. Rebecca and Stephen Lipstrow and children had lunch Friday with John and Irma and spent most of the day. Dean and Carol Brannan and Rosanna, all of Coleman, visited with them Saturday.

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Janet Thomas
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The theme for the forum is "Taking Charge - Family, Food and Finance." The forum will be from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A & M University System.
 The Forum speakers will address key issues of families. Dorothy Taylor, Extension Family Life Specialists, will speak on "Working It Out - Family Relationships." "Taking If Off-Pros and Cons-Liquid Diet Programs" will be addressed by Becky Roper, B.S.N., R.N., Director of Health Partnership Program, Hillcrest Medical Center in Waco; and Brenda Knowles R.D., L.D., media representative of Texas Dietetic Association, Austin.

Following a noon "Heart Healthy luncheon, the program will be "When Your Family Bugs You - What To Do." The speaker will be Mary Cantrell, R.N., M.S., Executive Director for Heart of Texas Mental Health Association in Waco.
 Women planning to attend the conference are requested to Pre-register by Friday, January 4th to Mrs. Janet Thomas, County Extension Agent, P. O. Box 189, Eastland 76448. The office telephone number is (817) 629-2222. Registration fee is \$10.00 and your check should be made payable to B.I.G. Women's Forum.

The annual B.I.G. conference draws together leading agriculture producers, suppliers, researchers, and policy makers to examine the top issues in agriculture for the

1990's. Rick Perry, Commissioner of Agriculture, will be speaker on January 15th. Special sessions on January 15th will address the Management and impact of financial decisions for farmers, ranchers, agri business and families. The B.I.G. convention is in conjunction with the Mid-Tex Farm and Ranch Show also.

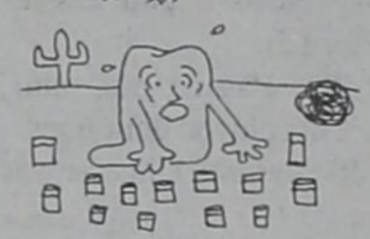
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- New Year's - Tuesday, January 1.
- President's Day - Monday, February 18.
- Good Friday - Friday, March 29.
- Memorial Day - Monday, May 27.
- Independence Day - Thursday, July 4.
- Labor Day - Monday, September 2.
- Columbus Day - Monday, October 14.
- Veterans Day - Monday, November 11.
- Thanksgiving - Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29.
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This column is presented in the interest of better dental health. If you have any dental questions you would like answered, please contact the office of Dr. Cone C. Rice, 963 East Main Str. Eastland, Texas Phone: 817-629-3843

Pharmacy Topics
 By Bob Mueller

A new drug was able to cure a rare cancer in a single treatment in a study at Scripps Clinic in California. Scientists utilized molecular modeling to create 2-chlorodeoxyadenosine specifically to fight hairy cell leukemia. The drug seems to have no side effects.

Want to stop smoking? Researchers at the University of Miami School of Medicine found it easier to quit at a low-stress time. Women did better in the early part of the menstrual cycle.

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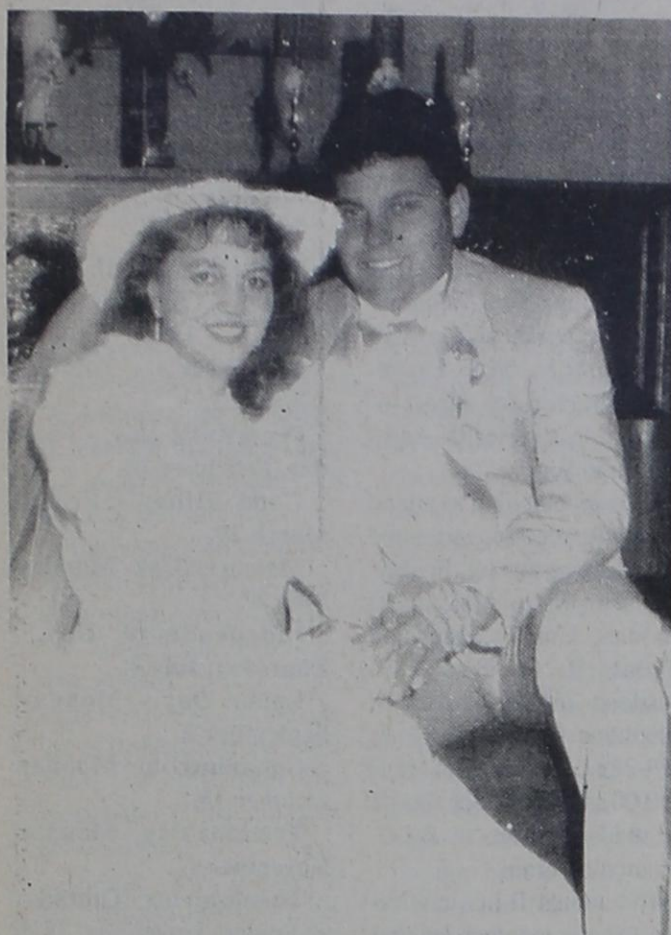
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Rebeka and Todd Weaver

Rebeka LaNora Wood and Christopher Todd Weaver were married Saturday, October 20, at 3 p.m. at First Christian Church in Plano. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Virginia Wood and the late Raymond Lee Wood. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Covie Weaver. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Jones, all of Rising Star.

Senior Center News

This New Year's Eve a lot of our people are still celebrating the holidays. Joe and Evelyn Ward visited her daughter, Juanita, and family before Christmas, also her son, Jerry, and family in Big Lake. They came home in the ice and snow on Friday and spent Christmas at home, eating dinner out at a restaurant. During Christmas Marion and Marjorie West visited Parker and Valeria Metcalf in Seagraves for a few hours and went on to Seminole to visit friends, Betty and Bob Biggs. X. L. and Erma Sherrill went to Arlington and Burleson to spend Christmas with their children. On Friday after Christmas X.L.'s sister, brother and sister-in-law came and spent two days and nights. They enjoyed all of it. Evelyn Ward was to check blood pressures on Thurs., Jan. 3. New officers were to be elected this week. Those having Christmas dinner with Edith Bostick were Darwin Bostick, Peggy Hoper, Tracie Hoper, Ronnie, Sallie and Scott Bostick. Kenneth and Collette Bostick, Robert and Nancy Bostick, Robert and Susie Miem, Beverly, Lynda, Shawnda and Kendall Moore and Johnny, Donna, Kael and Jamie Bostick. Curtis and Stella Hill spent Christmas with their children and grandchildren, John and Kay Bradley and children and Marty Hill, in Lancaster. Jean Shults is back from Houston. She visited her daughter, Jan Pacek and family. Anna Lovell's Baker children were all together Christmas Day in the home of her daughter, Lenora Speegle, near Cisco. Bobby and Inez Elliott spent Christmas with their children and grandchildren in Eastland. They were all there except a granddaughter and three grandchildren.

Rising Star Nursing Center

Vickie Majors
Activity Director

MON: Residents visited with families and some went out for Christmas.
TUE: Residents enjoyed Christmas dinner.
WED: Passed out mail; playing bingo were Pauline Hill 4, Manon Cox 2, Maggie Christian 1, Rose Nichols 1, Fred Stokes 3, Ruby Booth 3, Jennye Turner 4, Pearl Petty 1, Addie Green 2, Daisy Smoot 5, Floyd Rogers 1, Mary Hord 2 and Buster Rixford 5.
THU: Passed out mail; residents played dominoes.
FRI: Activity Director was gone.

Pioneer Patchwork

by Irma Miller

The community had a half inch of rain, besides the snow, over the holiday weekend. It melted too soon to give us a white Christmas. Snow again Saturday and Sunday had not melted by Monday by Monday noon, the temperature being a chilly 12 degrees on the north side, with the sun shining bright. Billie and H.A. Freeman had the family with them - brothers, sisters, nephews and nieces - for a pleasant Christmas holiday. James and Jean Alexander went to Richardson Friday to visit their children. Betty Browning went with them to visit her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tunnel. Jewel Foster went to Clyde and visited her son, Charles, and family plus about 30

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Joyce Geye had all of her children and grandchildren home for Christmas. Bonnie Polk spent the Christmas holidays in Waco. Hope everyone had a safe New Year celebration. Marjorie West

Mill, 80, died Sunday, Dec. 23, at a local nursing center. Services were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Steve Smith officiating. Burial was in Hillside Memorial Gardens. Mrs. Sherrill was born in Rising Star and lived in Albuquerque, N.M., prior to moving to Snyder two and a half years ago. She was a homemaker and a Baptist. Survivors include a daughter, Mervine Reed of Odessa; a son, P. Dwayne Thurman of Albuquerque; two sisters, Ruby Thorp of Oildale, Calif., and Eula Grisham of Rising Star; a brother, Lonnie Boyd of Brady; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Crawley was born in Kokomo community in Eastland County. He was a Methodist. Survivors include a daughter, Betty Strube of Gorman; a brother, D.B. Crawley of Gorman; and a sister, Ruth Reynolds of Stephenville.

Obituaries

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Jake Crawley

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Dec. 7, Fri.	Tournament		
	Cross Plains		V G/B
Dec. 11, Tues.	Novice	6:30 Home	V G/B
Dec. 18, Tues.	Baird	6:30 There	V G/B
Dec. 28, Fri.	Zephyr	6:30 There	V G/B
1991			
Jan. 4, Fri.	Tournament		
	Panther Creek	5:00 There	V G/B
Jan. 8, Tues.	May	6:30 Home	V G/B
Jan. 11, Fri.	Lingleville	6:30 There	V G/B
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