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Answerline

Q. What formula does the National Weather Service use when it converts snow measurements to inches of moisture?

A. On the average, the NWS says one inch of snow equals .1 inch of rain.

Briefly

Dorn Methodist

Dorn Methodist Church will host a music program entitled "Old Fashioned Country Christmas" December 19, 7 pm with Pastor Scott Willis.

Christmas Program

Kelley Elementary students will be presenting a Christmas music program Thursday, December 17, 1998. Performances will be at 2 pm and at 5:30 pm in the Activities Building. Everyone is invited to attend.

Booster Club

The Booster Club will start meeting on the first Thursday of the month starting in January. Meeting time will still be at 12 noon at Collum's.

Westbrook Tax Office

The Westbrook Tax office will be closed December 21-25 and will reopen Dec. 28-31 from 10 am -3 pm.

Christmas Program

Primera Iglesia Bautista El Calvario will present a Christmas program Saturday, December 19 at 7 pm at 17th & Oak St.

Early Dismissal

Colorado City schools will dismiss one hour early Friday, Dec. 18 for the Christmas holidays. Teachers will return to work on Monday, Jan. 4 for a work day, while students will return to class on Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1999.

Gospel Singing

There will be a gospel singing at Wallace Center Thursday night, Dec. 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

Holiday Release

Westbrook school will dismiss Thursday, Dec. 17 at 2:15 p.m. for the holidays.

Stock Show Held

The Westbrook Stock Show will be held Saturday, Dec. 19 at 1 p.m. in the Westbrook Ag Barn.

Eagle Court of Honor

Troop 100 will be honoring Bubba Limones with an Eagle Court of Honor Sunday, Dec. 20 at 3 p.m. in the CC Thompson Room.

Christmas Dance

There will be a Christmas Dance for Colorado Middle School students only Friday, Dec. 18 from 7 to 10 p.m.

Deaths

D.L. Smith,
S.V. Smith,
J. Smith, Woods,
Crabtree, Butler,
Hamrick, Garcia,
Carpenter

Around Town

Happy Birthday Freddie Salazar (Dec. 18)... Cynthia Salazar (Dec. 19)... Margaret Martinez (Dec. 19)... Happy 35th wedding anniversary Carson & Betty Clayton (Dec. 21)... Congratulations to Tera & Mickey Williams on their new baby girl... Happy 20th birthday Anthony Aguilar (Dec. 14)... Happy 18th birthday T.J. Aguilar (Dec. 15)... Happy birthday Amy Garcia (Dec. 14)... Happy belated 13th birthday Eliza Martinez (Dec. 8)...

Lake Levels

Lake Colorado City...2057.54
Full at 2,070.30'
Down 12.76'

Lake Champion...2,051.47
Full at 2,083'
Down 31.53'

Levels courtesy of the United States Geological Service, as of 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 14, 1998

Water district initiative taken

The proposed creation of a water conservation district won the Tuesday approval of the Mitchell County Commissioners Court and will now be considered in the state legislative session beginning in January.

Representatives of the Midland consulting firm of Arcadis, Geraghty & Miller reviewed the characteristics and powers of such a district and said an election to create it will be held no earlier than next August.

Hydrologists, or water scientists, Joe Reed and Hugh Robotham showed slides at the

9 a.m. commissioners meeting to show that the district could make and enforce rules governing the conservation, protection and use of underground water.

It would need an office and could hire a general manager and would hold board meetings at least quarterly, and it would function under the jurisdiction of the Texas Water Development Board in Austin.

It could levy taxes, build dams, drain lakes and install pumps to recharge underground water.

Reed said the district would

be primarily concerned with governing the use of the Santa Rosa Aquifer and might exclude parts of the county that have no water and include western Nolan County, which also lies over the aquifer.

Nancy Sullivan, director of the sponsoring County Economic Development Board, said, however, that the district will encompass the same territory as the county.

Pct. 4 Commissioner Bill Preston of Loraine noted that the district would be tax-supported and that the county's tax base is mostly in the

southern and western areas, which are water-poor.

Pct. 2 Commissioner Carl Guelker said he is mainly concerned with improving water supplies in his precinct in the northwestern part of the county, which also has little groundwater.

Reed said evening out water supplies would be more the concern of a water improvement district, which the court could establish by itself in conjunction with the water conservation district.

Commissioner Guelker said the issue will probably find

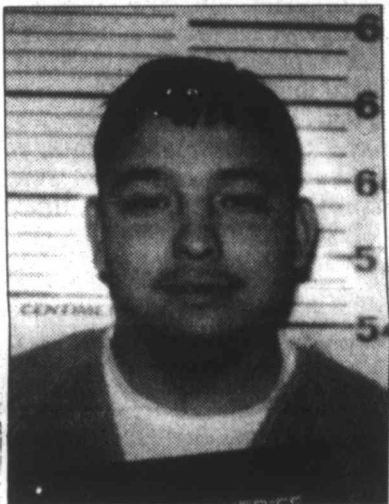
support because Mitchell County was heavily in favor of a water district in a 1994 election in which it paired with Scurry County and the neighboring county defeated the proposition.

He said western Nolan County wanted to be included in the district then but withdrew before the election because its citizenry anticipated Scurry County's opposition.

Reed said the district would have authority in a "grandfather clause" over the City of Colorado City's current project.

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Rosas receives 14-year sentence



Edward Rosas

LUBBOCK -- Edward Rosas, a former state prison guard who robbed a Loraine bank last summer, was sentenced to 14 years in a federal penitentiary in United States District Court Friday morning.

Citing "the egregious nature of the conduct," U. S. District Judge Sam R. Cummings sentenced Rosas to the maximum allowable under federal sentencing guidelines.

He could have been sentenced to as little as 11 years and three months after pleading guilty to the July 15 robbery of the First Bank of West Texas on Oct. 2.

However, Judge Cummings

said he would recommend that the United States Bureau of Prisons in Dallas assign Rosas to the federal penitentiary in Big Spring, making it easier for relatives to visit him.

One of the women bankers whom Rosas forced at gunpoint to go back into the Loraine bank and open up the cash drawers on that hot July afternoon attended the 9:30 a.m. Friday sentencing.

She did not address Rosas or the court, however.

Judge Cummings told Rosas, a 22-year-old former correctional officer at the Montford Unit psychiatric prison south of Lubbock, that "the egregious nature of the conduct" led to harsh sentence.

Federal inmates are usually required to serve nearly all of their sentences.

The defendant was also ordered to pay \$8,551.19 in restitution, apparently the amount that was stolen from the bank.

Asked what the judge referred to when he said Rosas' conduct had been "egregious," or flagrantly bad, his public defender said it was probably his abduction of two women bank employees from a parking garage on the north side of the bank.

The women were accosted at gunpoint when they entered

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SNOW WAS COMING in a fast and furious fashion Friday morning on East Second Street outside City National Bank. Heavy flakes fell all day and left totals of five to six inches in moisture-starved Mitchell County. Most of it had melted by Saturday afternoon.

Boys who shot engineer expelled from local schools

Colorado School Board members voted unanimously Monday night to expel three teenage boys who were recently named in the shooting of a Union Pacific train engineer.

Middle school and high school principals Mark Merrell and Buddy Compton gave similar reasons for their recommendations to expel the boys, a 13-year-old and two 15-year-olds.

They said the boys hid stolen knives and firearms at the school district's agricultural barn near the Wallace Center in the southeastern part of town.

The boys, who have been sentenced to the Texas Youth Commission reform school system, were expelled immediately to include calendar 1999.

Merrell and Compton said if any of them return to Colorado City next year, they will be taught by a homebound teacher at the county courthouse or City Hall.

They were accused of stealing the weapons from a residence on South Austin Street and going on a shooting spree in which an engineer in a passing train was shot in the arm with a shotgun on the night of Nov. 11.

Other business in the 7 p.m. meeting included the awarding of a \$41,327 contract to Vibra Whirl & Co. of Panhandle, east of Amarillo, to resurface the running track at Wolf Stadium.

Track Master Inc. of Arlington offered to do the job for \$42,500.

Board members also considered offers to put two overlays on the track for a lesser expense but decided to redo the 10-year-old track completely, guaranteeing that it will last for at least another decade.

Supt. Russell Merket said track coach Dan Gainey's record was 11-1.

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Wallace, Ware Units perform lockdown

Wallace and Ware Unit prison officers are about a third of the way through a "lockdown and shake-down" of the two prisons and work camps in Big Spring and San Angelo.

Warden Rodney Cooper said Tuesday that the system-wide procedure was called Monday by Institutional Division Director Gary Johnson.

Warden Cooper said the local prisons had their last lockdown about seven months ago.

In a lock-down-shake-down, all inmates are confined to their cells while correctional officers and their supervisors search each cell and every part of a prison to find contraband like weapons, cigarettes, money and other prohibited items.

"We have not found much yet, not anything significant -- a lot of trash," Warden Cooper said. "But we have still got quite a ways to go."

He said the lock-down started at noon Monday and will probably run most of this week.

A few kitchen workers will be allowed more movement after their areas are searched, Warden Cooper said, but there will generally be very little movement until the procedure is completed.

Inmates are kept in their cells and served "Johnnies," or sandwiches, during lockdowns.

All work programs and school programs are suspended.

Warden Cooper said he does lockdowns twice a year but that he did not remember the last time the Texas Department of Criminal Justice did one system-wide.

The one this week is, reportedly to involve about 80 units.

Stenholm to host Sweetwater forum

A Monday, Dec. 12, agricultural informational forum with Congressman Charlie Stenholm in Sweetwater is being sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service agencies of six area counties.

Mitchell, Scurry, Nolan, Fisher, Taylor and Jones counties are offering the forum from 7 to 9 p.m. at Nolan County Coliseum.

Congressman Stenholm will be present to address the following presentation of questions that are of vital concern

to farmers and ranchers in this area.

1. What does the farmers' and ranchers' situation look like from the congressional and USDA perspective for the next few years?

2. What is your opinion about what is most likely to come out of Congress to address this perceived agricultural situation in the near term, both domestic and international?

3. What advice or suggestions would you share, as

mainstream agricultural producers and concerned leaders in U.S. agriculture, to work in concert and harmony with the government in creating a level field for economic opportunities favorable to agriculture and to the nation?

This meeting is scheduled to attract the attendance of the general farm organization membership, agricultural financial institutions, cotton gin patrons, county FSA office personnel and the general public.

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local news



THREE JOLLY SNOWMEN accompanied Tamera Lelek in her frolic in the snow Friday afternoon at Sixth and Chestnut Streets. The heavy, day-long snowstorm had not been predicted by weathermen but was welcome nonetheless.

CISD

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ommendation that the project be delayed until summertime will be followed.

Supt. Merket was asked to work with Vibra Whirl to improve water drainage from the track.

Heavy with equipment purchases and other year-end business, the meeting included the purchase of one pickup truck for the transportation department and a decision to consider the purchase of another for the vocational agriculture department.

An \$18,413 low bid was accepted from Lone Wolf Auto-plex for a 1999 red Ford F-150 pickup for the transportation department.

The truck will be delivered by Feb. 1 and be used in part to pull the Wolf Band's equipment trailer.

Board member Sally Neff said vo-ag teacher Ray Ellis' pickup is getting too delapidated and is too small to transport students, often requiring Ellis' wife to take them in her car.

Compton agreed and said Ellis probably needs a large crew cab truck.

The board voted to advertise for bids for a new truck for the teacher.

A low bid was accepted from Rivera Electric Co. for a walk-in freezer, 10 by 12 by eight feet, in which to store commodities at the administration building.

Kommerical Kitchens of Royse City, near Dallas, was given a \$3,375 contract for an ice machine at the high school, and Tartan Textiles Services of Abilene was named the district's contractor to rent uniforms, rags, towels and mops for the next three years.

Tartan representative Rich-

ard McElfresh attended the meeting to say his company will supply blue denim jeans, which district employees prefer.

Merket opened the meeting by reviewing CISD's 1997-98 Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) Report, which listed TAAS test results, attendance figures and other statistics.

The superintendent said students' attendance is above average and the district spends heavily to maintain low teacher-student ratios.

A low bid was okayed from Barr Roofing Co. of Abilene to re-roof two portable buildings at Kelley Elementary School and two at Hutchinson Elementary for \$4,682.

A teacher's contract was authorized for Billie Rees for Oct. 19 through Nov. 3, when she replaced high school English teacher Leigh Petty during Mrs. Petty's maternity leave.

Board members approved Technology Director Brenda Hammond's submission of a \$200,000 state Improving Teaching and Learning Grant.

Ms. Hammond said \$50,000 would be spent at each of the district's four campuses for a total of 48 laptop computers, 48 printers, 48 scanners, work-

shops and computer software and supplies.

She said successful applicants for the Apple Computer Inc. program will be notified on Feb. 15.

Principals Compton, Merrell, Beau Rees of Hutchinson and Kitten Arthur of Kelley reported on their campus improvement plans, in which all said improving TAAS scores is a high priority.

In her review of the Texas Primary Reading Report for grades one and two, Ms. Arthur said she was initially skeptical of phonics-based reading instruction, but the program has been a great success at her school.

She said first and second grade students all learn the same letter each week.

A special board meeting was scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21, to consider the district's 1997-98 audit report.

The first part of the meeting ended about 9:20 p.m., and after a break for snacks, the board went into an executive session to discuss personnel issues until about 11 p.m.

Then it reconvened, announced that no action would be taken and adjourned.

All board members were present.

WATER

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ect to drill four or five water wells west of Loraine and use them to replace its lake water supply.

He said citizens within a half-mile of any well would have the right to file suit to stop the drilling.

The district could charge \$1 per acre foot for water used for

irrigation and 17 cents per 1,000 gallons for water used for other purposes, although water for the maintenance of livestock or poultry would be exempt.

Ms. Sullivan said State Rep. Rob Junell of San Angelo will now be contacted about introducing a local interest bill in the Legislature to put the issue to a vote here.

She said the Economic Development Board is considering taking the project to Austin water attorney Ed Small, who has an office in San Angelo.

Local interest bills are usually passed routinely.

Other business in the hour-long meeting included the appointment of TU Electric Co. engineer Alvin Goodman to replace Gay Houston on the economic development panel.

Mrs. Houston has moved to Houston.

The \$3,200 purchase of a computer printer for the county treasurer's office from the Computer Center in Midland was approved.

BRIDGES

Post Office Hours

The Post Office will be open on Saturdays, December 5, 12 and 19 for your mailing needs. The hours will be from 10 a.m. until noon. Our employees would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday.

Commissioners court joins regional water planning

Mitchell County commissioners Monday met a group of Hutchinson Elementary School fifth-graders and agreed to help build a walking path around the playground of their 440 Cedar St. school.

Physical education teacher Susan Anderson said Hutchinson has been given a \$2,500 state Learn and Serve grant to build the path and it needs "in-kind" services to meet the requirements of the matching grant.

Ms. Anderson asked that the county use some of its road-base from the Col-Tex Refinery clean-up project as it did to build a walking path around the city park in Loraine.

Pct. 1 Commissioner Ed Roach, in whose precinct the school lies, said he had no objection, but he suggested undertaking the project in the springtime so that cold weather will not interfere.

Ms. Anderson said she had no objection to that schedule.

Pct. 4 Commissioner Bill Preston of Loraine asked how wide the Hutchinson path should be, noting that Loraine's is 10 feet wide.

Ms. Anderson, accompanied to the 9 a.m. meeting by gifted and talented teacher Annette Chesser and teacher's aide Rebecca Leija, said six feet might be appropriate.

Commissioners Roach and Preston said it would be difficult to build one less than eight feet wide with county equipment, and a compromise appeared to be reached on that width.

Ms. Anderson said the path should be 90 feet long on either side, 64 feet at one end and 88 feet at the other.

Five of the students made presentations to the commissioners about the plan.

Students who attended were Griffin Limmer, Roland Rivera, Kinsey Kirchner, Nick Sulli-

van, Jodi Owens, Michael Chambers, Julianne Thompson, Courtney Pharis and Sarah Manning.

Other business in the 40-minute meeting included approval to spend \$2,024 in 1999 and 2000 for the county's participation in Region F water conservation planning.

County Judge Ray Mayo said he had received a letter from John Grant, head of the Colorado River Municipal Water District in Big Spring and one of the regional planners, asking for the county to participate in the planning, which has been mandated by the state legislature.

The county also joined the Texas Association of Counties (TAC) in its opposition to the federal Environmental Protection Agency's proposed new storm water runoff regulations.

Upon Judge Mayo's recommendation, the court joined the TAC's Storm Water Phase II Coalition, opposing what he said would be overly stringent requirements on how counties manage storm water runoffs.

It approved paying a \$250 fee to join the coalition.

Pct. 2 Justice of the Peace Kay Richmond and County Treasurer Ann Hallmark won approval to hire part-time clerks to replace part-timers who are leaving.

The county's 1999 schedule of holidays was okayed with an alteration after Judge Mayo

noted that Christmas Day falls on a Saturday next year.

Commissioners said that because county employees usually get two days off for Christmas, they will be off on Friday the 24th and Monday the 27th next year.

All court members were present.

House lighting deadline Friday

The deadline to enter the 1998 Christmas House Lighting Contest is Friday, December 18, at 5 p.m.

Decorated houses will be judged Monday, December 21, from 6:15 to 9:15 p.m.

The Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce is once again sponsoring the contest to draw attention to the many beautiful outdoor holiday decorations throughout Mitchell County.

Prizes will be awarded.

Judges will be considering theme, originality, complexity and overall appearance, said Windi Fuller. To enter call the Chamber at 728-3403.



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MITCHELL COUNTY EMS Director Jason Cooper talks shop with emergency medical technicians Ava Ramirez and Kristi Cox at the ambulance bays that are under construction at the company's new headquarters on Westpoint Street.

MC EMS completes headquarters building

Mitchell County EMS is getting a new lease on life with the impending completion of its new headquarters building at 1068 Westpoint St.

The 1,600-square-foot building and four new ambulance bays are expected to be completed within two to three weeks.

Then all medical supplies and the company's three ambulances will be permanently moved from Mitchell County Hospital on the other side of town.

Interim Director Jason Cooper said Monday that once the move is accomplished, response times will be shortened and public first aid and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) classes will be conducted there.

Cooper and his eight staff members have been excited lately that Wallace Unit inmate crews have been working to clean the property behind the building and finish the bays, or covered parking areas.

"The inside of the building is all done," he said. "We've been wanting to get the bays constructed and complete the moving process."

Cooper and former EMS Director Mark Potter, who has just moved to Sulphur Springs, have been working since last summer to remodel the former convenience store and petroleum company office building-- a move they said was necessary to take the service out of its cramped quarters at

the county hospital.

Several walls have been built, a new ceiling has been installed and a business office, a kitchen and two restrooms have been constructed.

Two rooms with a bunk each have been built, along with a day room with a television set and a police scanner.

The ambulances have been left at the hospital pending completion of the bays to afford protection from the weather, and a medical supplies room awaits the transfer of medicines from the supply room at the hospital.

When everything is ready, Cooper said, it will be a seven-day-a-week, 24-hour-a-day operation.

The service has been operating basically out of a patient's room at the hospital.

Cooper said the basic framework of the bays was constructed under the supervision of hospital maintenance supervisor Sammy Parham.

The inmates have taken over their completion with the at-

tachment of sheet metal and painting.

Three of the bays will be used for parking and one for washing and maintenance.

The inmates have also done extensive cleanup work to each property line, stacking and removing a large amount of trash and brush and working north to Lone Wolf Creek.

Cooper said the outside of the building, now white and faded blue, will be repainted some time next year.

An open house will be held in January.

BRIEFS

Support Group Formed

Operation Desert Storm Association of Odessa is forming a support group. For more information, call local representative Rhonda Simon at 728-2746 or e-mail ezresori@bitstreet or contact Victor Silvester, assc. president, at 368-4667 or www.odssa.com.

Daytina's boys put up tree

The youngest son of missing Greenwood woman Daytina Hulslander has thought of a way for people to remember his mother on Christmas.

His grandmother, Elfie Ratliff of 720 Locust St., said

the 5-year-old boy, Chubby, wanted to have a Christmas tree in the front yard and let people come by and put ornaments on it in memory of his mother.

One of Mrs. Ratliff's friends put the tree up, and Chubby

and his brothers, 9-year-old Cody and 7-year-old Aaron, got it started by putting a big bow on the top and 12 little red bows each on the tree.

Mrs. Hulslander, 26, has been missing since April 26, the day after she had stayed with her mother here.

Midland County sheriff's officers and the Texas Rangers have been conducting an investigation.

"This lady brought a Christmas tree for my Mom," Chubby said. "People can come over and put on a bow."

Mrs. Ratliff said a woman from the First Baptist Church donated the tree, and she said people are welcome to come by the house "any time of the day or night," come into the yard and add their bows, ornaments or other decorations to the tree.

"It was Chubby's idea," she said.

"Everybody has been so good to the boys."

Mrs. Ratliff has been caring for the boys and sending them to school here since their mother turned up missing.

The tree has been up since last weekend.

*In Memory of
Belinda Miles*



1979-1997

Bit of Heaven
Like the birds who fly
The rain makes falling down
Look at the snowflakes dancing
When there is no one around
Watch the different seasons
As they quietly come and go
Each one knows exactly when
To present their vivid show
See the birds who seem to know
By their hidden clocks within
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local news

Decoration's wiring is incompatible

New Christmas decorations were recently hung in downtown Colorado City and although the new decorations look great in the daytime, they cannot be seen at night.

The reason: the new decorations wiring is incompatible with the existing electrical source. The company which shipped the new Christmas decorations, inadvertently shipped the wrong ones, and therefore, the downtown Christmas decorations will not be lighted this year.

However, TU Electric, which donated their time to put the decorations up, has offered to help rewire the ornaments so they will be compatible with the existing wiring and light the evening sky next year.



CHEVRON OIL CO. representative Don Redwine, center, presented checks to James Bobo, left, second assistant chief of the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department, and Steve Rollins, chief of the Westbrook Volunteer Fire Department.

Livestock assistance inaugurated by FSA

The Mitchell County FSA office has just received approval to accept Livestock Assistance Program applications from eligible livestock producers beginning December 10 through February 5, 1999.

Eligible producers are those that have a beneficial interest and financial risk in eligible livestock, have filed a Farm Operating Plan for Payment Limitation, suffered a 40 percent loss of available grazing for 90 consecutive days or more.

Eligible livestock are beef and dairy cattle, sheep, goats and equine animals used either commercially for human consumption or used in the production of livestock and have been owned for at least 90 days.

To speed up the application time, please have the numbers, type and weight range of live-

stock owned during the calendar year of 1998. The acres, location and type of grass or forage, percent of grazing loss and the dates and numbers when changes occurred. The payment period or the dates of loss will be April 15 through December 15, 1998. Losses will be calculated on the number of eligible livestock and grazing losses during this period.

Payment will be made after all applications have been received, approved by the County Committee and a national payment factor has been applied. Payments are scheduled to be issued at the end of January 1999.

If you wish to schedule an appointment or have any questions, please call or come by the Mitchell County FSA office in the G-Kell building, 728-2651.



THIS NATIVITY SCENE was enacted by parishioners of St. Ann's Catholic Church at Heart of West Texas Museum as part of the museum's Monday night Christmas Memory Walk.

Defensive driving course set

A defensive driving class is scheduled for Saturday, December 19, 1998 at the Wallace Community Education Center. The class is sponsored by the Drive Safe Workshop. Charles Darlin will be the instructor.

The classroom session offers pointers in preventing accidents in spite of the incorrect actions of others and adverse driving conditions.

Defensive Driving Class #C0199-CP315 will be held in Room 7 of the Wallace Center from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. with a one-hour lunch break. Films and other visual aids will be used to demonstrate how to improve driving skills.

The fee for the course is \$30. Registration must be completed by Friday, December 18, 1998. For further information, please call the Wallace Community Education Center at 728-2392.

ROSAS

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the garage to go home, and the masked robber forced them to return to the back door of the bank, unlock it and then lie

down on the floor while he made his escape on foot.

He was reported to be wearing a heavy dark coat and

carrying a red and black umbrella and a black trash bag into which he put the money.

None of the money was recovered.

When Rosas was arrested, officers confiscated a nickel-plated .22-caliber semi-automatic pistol that they believed had been used in the robbery.

He reportedly gave the officers a written confession. Public defender Helen Liggett said Rosas will continue to be held in Lubbock County Jail for about a month until federal prison officials take custody of him.

Rosas was arrested at his Loraine home, 3 1/2 blocks west of the bank, on Sept. 3 after an investigation by county, state and federal officers.

They were led by County Sheriff Patrick Toombs and Texas Rangers Sgt. Johnny Billings of Snyder and assisted by Federal Bureau of Investigation Agent Gary Macnoll of Abilene.

Sheriff Toombs and District Attorney Mark Edwards of Sweetwater agreed shortly after the robbery took place that the case would be tried in federal court because federal inmates must serve a much greater percentage of their sentences than state inmates.

FORUM

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public. All programs and information of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service are available to everyone without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin.

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Tax receipts show growth

Colorado City and Mitchell County are full partners in the statewide economic boom, reporting substantial increases in city and county sales tax receipts for December and the year to date.

Colorado City is up by 10.7 percent for December and nine percent for the year in the tax rebates, which are a direct indicator of retail sales.

Mitchell County had only a

2.2-percent increase for December but was still running 35.4 percent ahead of last year.

Loraine was down 23.6 percent for the month but showed a 5.8-percent increase for the year while Westbrook had declined by 42 and 23 percent.

"Total city and county sales tax rebates for calendar 1998 topped \$2.3 billion and were 9.7 percent higher than total

rebates for 1997 as the Texas economy continued its upward swing," State Comptroller John Sharp said last Friday in Austin.

Colorado City's city sales and use tax rebates for December totaled \$32,376, up from \$29,243 a year ago.

The city's payments so far this year amount to \$438,781, up from \$402,440 last year.

Loraine's receipts this

month were \$222, compared to \$291 in December 1997. It has received \$6,922 this year and had \$6,543 last year.

Westbrook's rebates were \$457 this month, \$786 last December, \$7,356 this year and \$9,524 last year.

Mitchell County only got \$13,652 this month, a slight increase over last December's \$13,363, but its 1998 total of \$221,488 is well ahead of last year's \$163,625.

The neighboring cities of Snyder, Big Spring and Sweetwater all showed economic declines for December, compared to December 1997, and only slight increases, if not drops, for the year to date.

Snyder is down by 29.9 percent for the month, \$98,500 from \$140,598, and off by 7.47 percent for the year, \$1.44 million from \$1.55 million.

Big Spring dropped by 15.2 percent for the month, \$250,005 from \$294,791, and showed a 1.8-percent increase for the year, \$3.6 million to \$3.56 million.

Sweetwater fell by 33.6 percent for the month, \$113,617 from \$171,253, and is up by 1.7 percent for the year, \$1.87 million to \$1.84 million.

City/County	Current Rate	Net Payment This period	Comparable Payment Prior Year	% Change	1998 Payments to Date	1997 Payments to Date	% Change
MITCHELL CO.							
Colorado City	1.500%	32,376.25	29,242.66	10.71%	438,781.46	402,439.92	9.03%
Loraine	1.000%	221.85	290.50	-23.63%	6,922.30	6,542.90	5.79%
Westbrook	1.000%	456.81	785.99	-41.88%	7,356.30	9,523.52	-22.75%
County Total		33,054.91	30,319.15	9.02%	453,060.06	418,506.34	8.25%
HOWARD CO.							
Big Spring	2.000%	250,004.82	294,791.14	-15.19%	3,620,582.20	3,558,025.16	1.75%
Coahoma	1.000%	3,138.28	4,818.02	-34.86%	54,134.11	60,134.39	-9.97%
Forsan	1.000%	1,532.56	2,058.60	-25.55%	18,006.47	29,501.78	-38.96%
County Total		254,675.66	301,667.76	-15.57%	3,692,722.78	3,647,661.33	1.23%
NOLAN CO.							
Blackwell	1.000%	177.32	287.04	-38.22%	3,490.14	3,376.50	3.36%
Roscoe	1.000%	2,172.79	2,261.92	-3.94%	37,187.49	31,132.43	19.44%
Sweetwater	2.000%	113,616.97	171,252.76	-33.65%	1,873,515.62	1,841,408.02	1.74%
County Total		115,967.08	173,801.72	-33.27%	1,914,193.25	1,875,916.95	2.04%
RUNNELS CO.							
Ballinger	1.500%	29,434.46	32,279.93	-8.81%	607,175.18	574,865.83	5.62%
Miles	1.000%	1,099.28	1,063.48	3.36%	19,224.63	18,070.23	6.38%
Winters	1.500%	11,600.74	10,693.15	8.48%	179,707.87	154,026.65	16.67%
County Total		42,134.48	44,036.56	-4.31%	806,107.68	746,026.71	7.91%
SCURRY CO.							
Snyder	1.500%	98,500.26	140,597.99	-29.94%	1,436,889.33	1,552,979.50	-7.47%

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Mitchell	0.500%	13,652.24	13,362.68	2.16%	221,488.35	163,624.62	35.36%
Runnels	0.500%	18,935.13	18,102.49	4.59%	298,302.31	280,035.69	6.52%
Scurry	0.500%	59,263.37	84,565.65	-29.92%	1,156,204.10	879,297.18	31.49%

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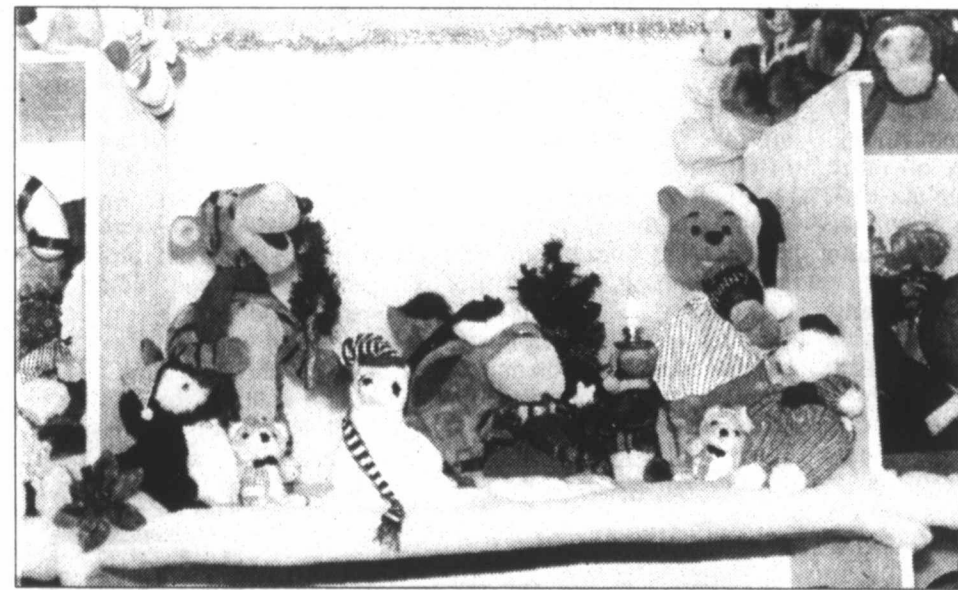
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Guest
EditorialLeave
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Representative,
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Like the youngster who dreams of becoming a baseball star but isn't willing to practice through 90-degree temperatures every afternoon, Congress loves the idea of protecting Social Security but just can't bear the political heat of doing what it takes to accomplish that worthy goal.

The frustrating thing is that "what it takes" right now is simply to leave the trust fund surpluses alone.

Thanks to the surprisingly robust economy of the past couple of years and some minor discipline in spending, we are on our way to building up the reserves we need to shore up retirement security for future generations.

We're not required to train for a marathon race; we just need to do a few fiscal push-ups, some belt-tightening sit-ups, and we'll have the Social Security program in shape for 100 years.

In the past, it has always been the big spenders who resisted fiscal fitness, and there are still a few of those folks around today.

The current temptation enticing some in Congress away from retirement fitness, however, is the lure of a tax cut -- not a big one, mind you, and the causes are good ones which I personally support.

Accelerated deductions for the self-employed individual's health insurance, income averaging for farmers and low dollar exemptions for taxation of interest income.

I would love to vote for these tax cuts, but unfortunately they have been proposed without being paid for through spending cuts or other tax changes.

Every dollar used today, whether in the form of more spending or in greater tax cuts, is a dollar ripped from the pockets of our children and grandchildren.

Dooming our descendants to a shabbier lifestyle than we ourselves enjoy is the result either way.

Lots of good ideas are circulating these days for guaranteeing retirement security.

Not everyone agrees on how to reach our goals, but any legitimate plan must propose how we'll pay for the unfunded liabilities already promised and, secondly, new ideas for maximizing the return on investments made in the program.

I personally have joined in a bi-partisan plan which increases the safety net of the program while also initiating personal accounts in which a portion of the package can be invested in stocks and bonds.

But regardless of the plans proposed, it is clear that the current projected budget surpluses must be saved to finance any reforms.

It is also important to remember that the projected surplus is only a surplus if you count Social Security revenues.

Ignore this year's annual \$100 billion-plus Social Security trust fund surplus, and suddenly your federal budget ledger is back in the red.

We would all like to be Mark McGwire or Sammy Sosa -- the heroes who make dreams into realities.

In the midst of all the celebrating, it's easy to forget the hard work and discipline which carried them to success.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter to the residents of Loraine and the rest of Mitchell County to let you know how much God has blessed us with good firemen and emergency medical technicians.

I have been a diabetic for a number of years. Several times in the last few years I have had to call on the Loraine firemen and EMT's for their help. There have been times that my blood sugar would get so low without my knowing it that I would become incoherent, and my wife Margaret would have to call 911.

Within three to five minutes the local firemen would be at our door, no matter what time of the day or night it was, and shortly thereafter the EMT's would arrive. It would be nothing for 15 or 20 men to be at our home providing help for me and giving Margaret the help and support that she also needed.

There are just not enough words to express how much Margaret and I appreciate the Loraine firemen, EMT's and the doctors and nurses at the hospital. These men and women do their jobs well, but are taken for granted so much of the time.

Since we have had to depend on them quite a few times, it has opened our eyes to how important they are to our community. Whether it's fighting a fire or helping in a health-related problem, they are always there in a matter of minutes.

Margaret and I want the Loraine firemen, the EMT's and the doctors and nurses at the hospital to know much we appreciate each and every one of you.

You all mean more to us than you could realize, and we know that God will bless each and every one of you in a very special way.

Thank you,
Royce and Margaret Mahon

Letter to the Editor:

I would like to comment on the 11-26-98 article regarding the juveniles who were involved in a shooting. I have worked with youth in the Texas Youth Commission for the last three years. Mr. Manner's opinion of the youth at Giddings as "scum of the earth" is wrong. The youth at Giddings have the lowest recidivism rate in TYC. If youth do not progress in resocialization they can be sent to prison. TYC is the place where youth in small and large towns go to get treatment so that they will no longer commit crimes.

I also did not see the point in specifying the race of the youth involved. Colorado City has youth of all races and I am not sure what the writer gains by these specifics. The major impact of this story is that three children victimized the community and could have caused a death.

It is my hope that the fine people of Colorado City reach out to youth who are not doing well in school and especially

those who are not attending. Invite a kid to church or to your home during the holiday. Role model law abiding behavior. Volunteer to read to a child in school 30 minutes a week. Spend time with your own kids. If you are not able to do this, pray for the three youth and their victims. May God bless all the youth in Colorado City.

Barbara Jones, RN CCHP
Director of Nurses
Biddings State School

Living
nativity
set Dec. 17

The Children's Department of Calvary Baptist Church wish to invite everyone to a "Living Nativity" on December 17, from 6:30-8:30 pm.

This will be a drive-by nativity scene. We will be pantomiming four scenes; the angels appearance to the shepherds, proclaiming the birth of Jesus, the traditional nativity scene at the manger, and the wise men traveling to see the baby and the cross.

This is a Christmas gift to the community from the Children's Department of Calvary Baptist Church. There will be no charge.

Stomp!

By Tumbleweed Smith

We finally got to see STOMP. It's that show with all the rhythm stuff: bangin on pipes, clapping hands and stomping feet. There is not a single word spoken during the entire one hour and forty-five minute spectacle. And there's no intermission during the unique production.

The crowd in the Abilene Civic Center was geared up for the performance. Each time a performer looked out at the crowd and clapped hands twice, the crowd echoed in unison. When the rhythms got tougher, so did the crowd. The performers applauded the audience.

We first heard about STOMP on late night television. A group of young people dressed like gang members were playing coffee cans like bongo drums. The rhythm was so strong you couldn't ignore it. After their gig, the audience gave them a standing ovation. I vowed right then and there to see that show one day.

When we were in New York a couple of years ago, I bought tickets to STOMP but didn't get to use them because of a mix-up by the box office on the date. I was extremely disappointed and ended up giving the tickets to some friends who lived in New York.

STOMP begins with a guy sweeping the floor with a push broom. You think it might be a janitor cleaning up before the performance. But it is the actual start of the show.

Seven other broom pushers, all dressed like janitors, come on stage from the giant backdrop that looks like it is made from discarded car chrome. In just a few seconds you notice the swish, swish of the brooms has a cadence to it. The sweepers bang the ends of their brooms on the floor, twirl them around and you sort of have the idea they're all going to march around like a drill team. Although they do things in unison and in perfect rhythm, there is no marching.

There are different sequences done with match boxes, cans and pieces of rubber tubing cut in different lengths. When they bang them on the floor, each tube makes a different note. One segment has three guys playing kitchen sinks, held in front of them by straps around their necks. They beat on the sinks, which are filled with varied amounts of water to make a variety of notes.

They come out with plungers and make all kinds of sounds by plunging the floor of the stage. They use buckets, cups, mops, saws and kitchen utensils to create a percussion sensation. Some of the troupe come out with long sticks and bang on them with short sticks. More rhythm. The stage is dark and somebody lights a Zippo lighter. Then 8 lighters light up and the tops of the lighters come down and you hear them, all in rhythm.

They make rhythm sounds with newspapers, plastic bags and trash can lids. They snap their fingers. Three of them stand on top of 55 gallon oil drums, attach their feet to the giant barrels and walk around with them. The set turns out to be a big musical instrument, with a couple of kids swinging back and forth high in the air, ganging on pipes that sound like giant wind chimes.

STOMP is a product of England, but it looks very American. It has been around since 1991 and now has five STOMP casts touring the world.

COW POKES

By Ace Reid



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- TXism: "as a stump"
- TX Tubb's "Walking the Floor ___ You"
- book about a Texan: "Queen Bess: ___ Devil Aviator"
- how an Astro got to 2nd base
- TXism: "as a three-dollar bill"
- Queen ___ Fishing Pier in Cameron Co.
- this Armstrong spoke from Tranquility Base to Houston
- TXism: "ain't got ___ to chew" (tired)
- Canadian h.s. class
- TX Ross Perot's Vietnam concern
- TX Greer Garson's "___ Curie" (43)
- new Cowboy (2 wds.)
- elected gov. in '06: ___ Campbell
- TXism: "mad ___ eyed cow"
- TXism: "at the drop of ___"
- San ___ is named for the river it's on
- there are several colleges in the Univ. of ___
- horse gaits
- to give life to
- Wink's "Oh Pretty Woman" singer (init.)
- Christmas song
- made a hole in one
- TXism: "rarin' ___ go"

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- this Sarah designed 1st Lone Star flag
- home of Southwest Texas Junior College
- seat of Bosque Co.
- "I'm a born and ___ Texan!"
- TX Freddie Fender's "Living ___ Down"
- TX gunslingers or marble players
- Houston has big ___ space industry
- chicken's nose
- LBJ was 1st congressman to ___ after Pearl Harbor
- TX Crawford was Lucille ___ Sauer
- famous TCU coach "Dutch" Meyer (init.)
- TXism: "riled up"
- spring rains can cause Rangers to ___ play
- distress signal
- TX electronics giant
- Jack Ruby had a Dallas strip ___ joint
- TXism: "big enough to shade an ___ (fat)"
- a hunk of bacon
- bikini top
- authorizes
- TXism: "if I ___ any better I couldn't stand it"
- middle name of TX billionaire Hunt
- Gilmer hosts East Texas ___ boree
- LBJ line: "___ fella Murkins"
- TXism: "honest ___ the day is long"
- TX Perot founded Electronic ___ Systems
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- southern neighbor he starred with TX Fess Parker in "Daniel Boone"
- Palo Duro's ___ Monkey Railroad
- Panna Maria's ___ Joseph's Museum
- TX anglers catch large ___
- TX Bush's son Neil was involved in ___ scandal
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The State of Texas vs. Naomi Martinez, criminal mischief, December 9, guilty, \$159.25, 9 days.

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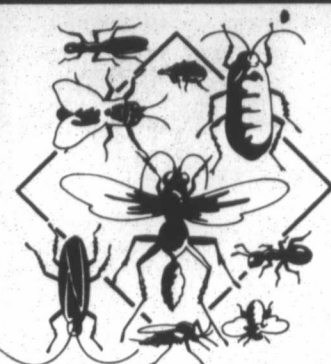
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Recipients will be announced at the 90th Annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet February 6, 1999.

Census to begin

Imagine combing thousands of city streets, block by block, to gather every single household address in a large metropolitan area - say Houston or the rapidly expanding Dallas-Ft. Worth megalopolis. Simply envision hundreds of square miles packed with apartments, houses, condos complexes, and trailer parks and you would get

an inkling of how mind-boggling the task would be.

But who would undertake such a Herculean challenge, anyway? The U.S. Census Bureau, that's who. And this massive chore is merely one small part of all the work that must be done to conduct Census 2000. No wonder the decennial census is commonly regarded to be the most massive project carried out by the federal government in peacetime.

Bearing this in mind, you shouldn't be startled or fearful this coming January when you begin seeing people walking down your street carrying maps and clipboards and displaying U.S. Census Bureau identification badges. They're simply U.S. Census field workers bravely tackling a huge but essential project called "Urban Block Canvassing." In fact, the Census Bureau is hoping residents will be understanding and helpful, considering just how difficult this field work is.

For the upcoming national census (scheduled for April, 2000), Uncle Sam is updating his address book of nearly 120 million addresses nationwide. As a result, the Census Bureau needs to hire 30,000 people from coast to coast to get this monumental job done - more than 2,000 of them in Texas.

The Urban Block Canvassing project will start in January 1999, and continue through April. The work focuses on urban areas, including small towns, mid-sized communities and, of course, the large metropolitan areas like San Antonio, Austin, Houston, Dallas, Fort Worth, and El Paso.

The job of Block Canvassing is open not only to those who are out of work. It's open to students, to retired persons, written exam of basic work skills.

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OBITUARIES

Estella Garcia 1910-1998

Mrs. Estella Garcia, age 88, of Colorado City, died Wednesday afternoon in a local hospital. Services were at 1 pm Friday at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Father Ray Wilhelm officiating. Burial followed in the Mitchell County Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Garcia was born August 1, 1910 in Smithville, TX and had been a resident of Colorado City since 1946. She married Narciso Garcia in 1938 in Smithville. He preceded her in death on August 16, 1992. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church.

She is survived by one daughter, Gloria Siaz of Austin; three sons, Julio Garcia of Colorado City, Ray Garcia of Denton, and Frank Garcia of Stockton, CA; two sisters, Dominga Espinosa of Colorado City and Aurelia Lopez of McFarland, CA; 20 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Lockhart Smith 1928-1998

Dorothy Lockhart Smith, age 70, of Snyder, died Tuesday, December 8 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in Snyder after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 pm Saturday at the Coahoma Cemetery with Reverend Miller Robinson officiating. Burial followed in Coahoma Cemetery directed by Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith was born July 16, 1928 in Snyder. She married H.A. Smith, Jr. on November 8, 1949 in Snyder. She was a housewife and member of Colonial Hill Baptist Church in Snyder. Mrs. Smith was a lifetime Snyder resident. She was preceded in death by her parents, one brother, five sisters, and one granddaughter, Julie Ezell in 1986.

Survivors include her husband, H.A. Smith, Jr.; one daughter and son-in-law, Joanne & Johnnie Ezell of Coahoma; a son and daughter-in-law, Alfred and Nelda Smith; a son, David Alan of Colorado City; three sisters, Jessie Lockhart of Midland, Beryl Shuler and Beatrice Lockhart, both of Sweetwater; two brothers, Dee Lockhart and Bee Lockhart, both of Snyder; and seven grandchildren.

Memorials can be made to Home Delivered Meals, 2603 Ave M, Snyder, TX 79549 or the American Lung Association of Texas, PO Box 26460, Austin, TX 78755-0460.

Sherri Valene Smith 1962-1998

Sherri Valene Smith, age 36, of Colorado City, died Saturday, December 12 at St. Mary of Plains in Lubbock after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 pm Tuesday at Trinity United Methodist Church with Rev. J. J. Chaney, Rev. Mike Brown and Rev. Claudine Chaney officiating. Burial followed in Hillside Memorial directed by Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith was born October 8, 1962 in Snyder. She married David Alan Smith on December 3, 1985 in Abilene. She was a registered nurse and a member of Christian Fellowship Church where she was a Praise and Worship Leader.

She is survived by her husband, David Alan Smith of Colorado City; a son, Jason Scott Smith of Colorado City; father and step-mother, Gene and Nancy Bowlin of Snyder; mother and step-father, Linda and Howard Shifflett, of Snyder; a step-daughter, Sarah Deniece Smith of Mountain Home, Ark.; a step-son, Jeffrey Alan Smith of Mountain Home, Ark.; a brother, Michael Gene Bowlin of Harper; a sister, Sheila Dunlap of Beeville; two step-brothers, Kevin Shifflett and Tyson Shifflett, both of Snyder; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Julius Smith 1918-1998

Mr. Julius Smith, age 80, of Colorado City, died Wednesday morning in a Lubbock hospital. Services were at 10 am Saturday in the Kiker-Seale Chapel with Rev. DeWayne Renfro officiating. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Smith was born January 16, 1918 in Mitchell County and had been a lifelong resident. He married Martha Cherry on June 15, 1940 in Colorado City. He was a retired operator for Col-Tex Refinery and a US Army Veteran of WWII. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church where he served as an elder.

He is survived by his wife, Martha Smith of Colorado City; a son, Stephen Smith and his wife, Carolyn of Colorado City; two grandchildren, Steve Smith, Jr. and his wife Ashley, of Baton Rouge, LA and Nicole Smith of Colorado City; and a brother, Earnest Smith of Crane.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Earnest and Jewel Smith; a son, Robert Stanley Smith and a brother, Cecil Smith.

Memorials can be made to the American Heart Association.

Billie Jean (Barron) Woods 1921-1998

Billie Jean (Barron) Woods, 77, died Saturday at a local hospital. Services were at 10 am Tuesday at 22nd & Austin Church of Christ with Mr. Kerry Cain and Mr. Gary Dennis officiating. Entombment followed in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Woods was born in Gorman, Texas, and with her family, moved to Loraine at the age of six. She graduated from Loraine High School and attended Draughon's Business School in Abilene. After working in Abilene for a short time, she moved to San Marcos and married Lee J. Woods, a cadet in the U.S. Army Air Corps Navigation School on September 25, 1943. After World War II, they moved to Midland where she worked in doctor's offices. Their careers led them to Denver, Colorado, and then back to Midland before retiring to Colorado City in 1976.

Survivors include her husband, Lee of Colorado City; two brothers, Paul Barron of Loraine and James Barron of Abilene; many nieces, nephews and their children.

Ruby May Crabtree 1912-1998

Ruby May Crabtree, 86, died Saturday in a Midland rest home. Services were at 1 pm Monday in the 22nd & Austin Church of Christ with Mr. Kerry Cain officiating. Burial followed Tuesday at Pleasant Mound Cemetery in Dallas under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Crabtree was born in Dallas County where she grew up. She worked in Dallas and the Texas panhandle as an accountant for many years before retiring to Colorado City in 1974. She married David Lee Crabtree January 20, 1966 in Brownfield.

Survivors include her husband Lee of Midland; three sons, Robert Dowdy of Paso Robles, CA, Joe Crabtree and Douglas Crabtree of Midland; three daughters, Doris Gleason of Plano, Wanda Duncan of Alice and Mary Stafford of Slaton; five brothers, William Conner of Memphis, TN, Oscar Conner of Flint, Charles Conner of Nacogdoches, Richard Conner of Diana and Hubert Conner of Troy, AL; two sisters, Elizabeth Adams of Hemet, CA and Lillie Parno of Gresham, OR; nineteen grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Kennith Butler 1916-1998

Mr. Kennith Butler, 82, died Wednesday, December 9 in Loraine Nursing Home after a lengthy illness. Services were at 2 pm Saturday at the Loraine First Baptist Church with Rev. Dan Marshall officiating. Assisting in the service were grandsons, Scott Irwin and Brian Butler. Burial followed in the Loraine Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home of Colorado City.

Mr. Butler was born on February 23, 1916 in Mitchell County. He was a retired farmer in the Valley View Community, a member of the First Baptist Church of Loraine where he had served as a trustee. Kennith was a former member of the Loraine ISD School Board.

He is survived by his loving family which includes his wife of 62 years, Juanice Hart Butler of Loraine; his children, Kennie Sue Irwin of Houston and Danny Butler and his wife, Pam, of Loraine; a sister, Dorris Dockrey and her husband, Harry, of Colorado City; a brother, Truitt Butler and his wife, Betty, of Houston; five grandchildren, Dawn Kropp, Krystal Butler, Brian Butler, Tama Moncrief and Scott Irwin; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Dan and Clara Butler. Pallbearers were Billy Cornutt, Roland Graham, Arthur Piper, Herbert Mearse, George Lee, Sr. and Charles Bowen.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Loraine Senior Citizens Center or the Loraine Baptist Church Elevator Fund.

Colonel J. Quinton Hamrick 1920-1998

Colonel J. Quinton Hamrick, 78, of Stevenson, Jeffries Cove, Alabama died December 13 at his home. Services were Wednesday, December 16 at 11 am at Rudder Funeral Home in Stevenson, Alabama with Amy Vaughn officiating. Burial followed in Stevenson City Cemetery under the direction of Rudder Funeral Home.

Colonel Hamrick was a resident of the Jeffries Cove area in Stevenson, Alabama for 29 years where he raised Charolais Cattle. He retired from the Air Force after 27 years. Colonel Hamrick was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Stevenson.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Ms. Doris Wynne Hamrick of Stevenson; his identical triplet sons, Glynne Hamrick of Hendersonville, TN, Lynne Hamrick of McMinnville, TN, and Wynne Hamrick of Montgomery, AL; four sisters, Roeburta Henderson of Tulsa, OK, Maxine Nelson of Hobbs, NM, Janie Henderson and Barbara Strain of Colorado City; five grandchildren, Amy Brandon of Nashville, TN, Leah Hamrick of Killeen, Rob Hamrick of Portland, OR, Brett Hamrick of Stillwaters, AL, and Scott Hamrick of Hendersonville, TN.

Nellie Merle Carpenter 1912-1998

Mrs. Nellie Merle Carpenter, age 86, a former longtime resident of Colorado City, died Sunday morning in a Longmont, CO care center. Services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Kiker-Seale Chapel. Burial followed in the Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Carpenter was born February 7, 1912 in Martin County, TX and had been a longtime resident of Colorado City before moving to Louisiana and then to Colorado. She married Paul Garrett Carpenter on February 10, 1931 in Colorado City. She was retired from Safeway Food Stores and was a former member of the 22nd & Austin St. Church of Christ. She enjoyed doing handiwork such as sewing, needlepoint, and crochet.

She is survived by one daughter, Nelda Graves of Longmont, CO; three sisters, Fern Finley of Colorado City, Ruby Garratt of Midland and Doreen Wadling of Glendale, AZ; two brothers, Donald Adrian of Petersburg and Otis Adrian of White Ranch, CO; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Matthew and Tina Belle Adrian, one daughter, Wanda Sue Edmondson, one son, Bobby Glen Carpenter and one grandchild.

JOY Sunday School Class met Dec. 10

JOY Sunday School Class members and guests of Westbrook Baptist Church met in the Fellowship Hall on December 10, 1998 for their Christmas party.

Marcel Moody, president, presided. Charles Ranne voiced the opening prayer.

Following a Mexican Fiesta meal, Gerald Rollins, brought the devotional on "Joy of Giving". Members exchanged gifts from a beautifully lit Christmas tree.

Those attending were Wilma Jean McKenney, Marcel Moody, Naomi Williamson, Marlena Rice, Judy Moore, Gladys Hayes, Irene Edwards, Alma Fulton, Mollie Warren, Charlotte Clemmer and Blanche Bell.

Also present were Gerald and Nell Rollins and grandson, Ethan Bredemeyer, Charles and Frances Ranne, W.D. and Clara Whitesides.

Nell Rollins is teacher of the class.

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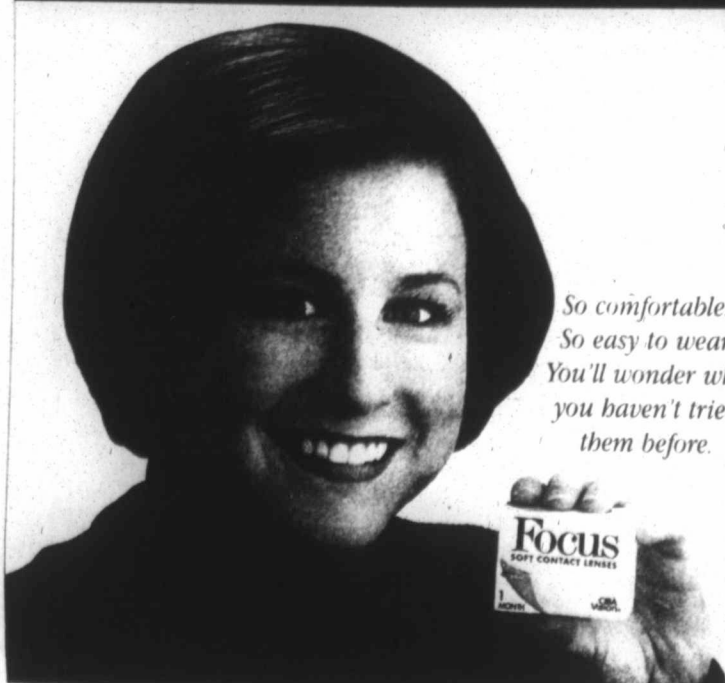
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Mr. & Mrs. John Patrick Chinn

Couple united in small ceremony

Kay Crook of Wolforth and John Patrick Chinn of Wolforth were united in marriage October 30 at Judge Hansen's Chambers in Lubbock.

Maternal grandparents of the groom are Ather F. and Mary Ellis, long-time residents of Colorado City, who just celebrated their own 50th anniversary. Parents are John H. Chinn, III, of Lubbock and Marilyn Chinn of El Paso. The bride's parent is Rex Crook of Los Alamos, NM.

Matron of honor was Marsha Crook, mother of the bride,

from Los Alamos, NM. Best man was John H. Chinn, III, father of the groom.

The bride attended San Juan College in Farmington, NM and is employed by Western Title in Lubbock.

The groom attended Coronado High in Lubbock and graduated with an Associates in Applied Science from San Juan College in Farmington, NM. He is employed by Alderson Cadillac in Lubbock.

They will reside in Wolforth, Texas.

By Sheila Plagens

I was surfing the internet the other day for new recipes to try for Christmas and I came across a sight that posts recipes of favorite foods at different restaurants.

I was amazed at the amount of recipes — and restaurants — that were listed. I chose a few that I particularly like and I hope you will, too.

OLIVE GARDEN APPLE PRALINE CHEESECAKE

Crust:

- 1 cup graham crackers crumbs
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 2 Tbsp. butter

Apple mix:

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar
- 2 lbs. red delicious apples - peeled, cored and diced
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1/2 tsp. nutmeg
- 1/2 tsp. allspice

Praline topping:

- 1 1/2 cup dark brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup pecan pieces

Apple cheese cake:

- 16 oz. cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 3 large eggs

1 cup heavy whipping cream
CRUST: Melt butter. Stir in the crumbs and sugar until thoroughly blended. Press into the bottom of a 9" springform pan. Set aside.

APPLE MIX: In a dutch oven, melt butter over low heat, add brown sugar, apples, cinnamon, nutmeg and allspice. Simmer over low heat until apples are soft, but still hold their shape. Cool mixture to room temperature and reserve.

TOPPING: In a small bowl, mix all ingredients together with a

fork until well incorporated. Reserve.

CHEESECAKE: In a large bowl with an electric mixer, cream together sugar and cream cheese on medium speed until light and fluffy. Beat in the eggs one at a time until smooth. Add the cream and continue beating until the mixture is thick and creamy. Gently stir in the cooled apple mix by hand. Pour into the prepared spring form pan. Spread praline topping over the top. Bake at 350° for 1 hour and 20 minutes. Allow to cool to room temperature before removing the sides of the pan. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

O'CHARLEY'S BAKED POTATO SOUP

- 3 lbs. red potatoes
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 1/4 cup flour
- 8 cups half and half
- 1 (16 oz.) block Velveeta cheese
- white pepper, to taste
- garlic powder, to taste
- 1 tsp. hot pepper sauce
- 1/2 cup bacon, fried crisp
- 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded
- 1/2 cup fresh chives, chopped
- 1/2 cup fresh parsley, chopped

Dice unpeeled red potatoes into 1/2 inch cubes. Place in large dutch oven, cover with water and bring to a boil. Let boil for 10 minutes or until 3/4 cooked. In a separate large dutch oven, combine melted margarine and flour, mixing until smooth. Place over low heat and gradually add half and half, stirring constantly. Continue to stir until smooth and liquid begins to thicken. Add melted Velveeta. Stir well. Drain potatoes and add to cream mixture. Stir in pepper, garlic powder and hot

pepper sauce. Cover and cook over low heat for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Garnish with crumbled bacon, shredded cheese, chives and parsley.

RED LOBSTER CHEDDAR BAY BISCUITS

- 2 cups Bisquick
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 3/4 cup grated, sharp cheddar cheese
- 1/4 cup butter
- 1 tsp. parsley flakes
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. Italian seasoning

Mix together Bisquick, water and cheddar cheese. Mix butter and spices in separate bowl. Bake at 450° for 8-10 minutes, crush with the butter and spices - you know the drill. However, you cannot make the exact biscuits, because they have a special butter/garlic sauce that is not available to the general public.

BLACK EYED PEA "BAKED SQUASH"

- 5 lbs. med. size yellow squash
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1 cup bread crumbs plus additional for topping
- 1 stick butter
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 Tbsp. onion, chopped
- 1 dash black pepper

Cut tips off squash and cut each squash into 3 or 4 pieces. Drop squash into a large saucepan with enough boiling water to cover. Return to boil, reduce heat and cook until tender. Drain in colander and mash. Combine with beaten eggs, 1 cup bread crumbs, butter, sugar, salt, onion and pepper. Turn into a 3 quart casserole that has been lightly sprayed with a nonstick spray. Cover with light layer of bread crumbs. Bake at 350° for 20 to 25 minutes or until lightly browned.

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Residents are urged to call 728-5221 between 7 and 10 pm or go by the City National Bank, visit with volunteers, and leave their donation in person. Letters about the phone bank and the telethon have been sent to Mitchell County residents with return envelopes for contributions.

"We're wanting everyone to participate... either in advance or during the Telethon so we can send a message of support to West Texas Rehab Center which serves many of our own families and friends," Ms. DeLaney said.

Rehab '99 is scheduled for Saturday, January 9, 1999. The telethon production will include guest stars Collin Raye and the Lynns. "Regulars" returning for this year's show include Peter Marshall, Anacani, Arthur Duncan, Brad Maule, Bill and Susan Hayes and others.

Another popular feature of the telethon is the auction, which features retail merchandise and handcrafted items donated by businesses and individuals, ranging from boats to bathtubs and trips to tele-

BIRTHS

Bailee Young would like to announce the arrival of her baby sister, Brilee Mae Young.

Brilee was born Wednesday, Dec. 9 at 1:21 a.m. in Hendrick Medical Center. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

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Wieman, Oliver united Aug. 1



Mr. & Mrs. James K. Oliver

Amber Raine Wieman of Glen Rose and James K. Oliver of Lewisville were united in marriage Saturday, August 1, at 4 pm at the Emanuel Baptist Church of Glen Rose. The Rev. Jeff Bise, pastor, and Cliff Bise performed the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Darel and Teresa Wieman of Glen Rose. The bridegroom is the son of Christy Oliver of Glen Rose and Bill and Laura Oliver of Coeur D'Alene, Idaho. Miss Wieman is the granddaughter of Don and Fredine Ward of Colorado City and the great-granddaughter of the late Dorothy Thies.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a long heirloom gown of imported Chantilly lace over aged white bridal satin, fashioned by the bride's late great-grandmother in 1957 for the occasion of the bride's grandmother's wedding. The sleeveless bodice of the princess-styled gown featured a sweetheart neckline outlined with pearl and iridescent sequin appliqued flowers. The matching lace bolero was styled with self-rolled lapels forming a standup collar, and

satin buttons fastening the front and long fitted lace seed pearl-edged sleeves that formed a point at the back of the hand. The skirt fell into soft double pleats at the back hipline and extended into a short sweep and hand-clipped scallops of the lace overskirt extended to the floor.

Her floor length veil of ivory illusion edged with ivory satin fell from an ivory satin circlet headband adorned with one white rose fashioned by her grandmother, Fredine Ward. She carried three long stemmed white roses tied with ivory satin streamers with peach and periwinkle blue accents.

Maid of honor and bridesmaid were Clarica Parsons and Melissa Bivens of Glen Rose and friends of the bride. Each wore street length dresses of periwinkle blue or peach satin overlaid with ivory lace fashioned by the bride's grandmother, Fredine Ward. Each carried a long stemmed rose tied with satin streamers to match the color of her dress.

Best man was Homer Valaste of Glen Rose, friend of the groom, and Jeremy Oliver of Lewisville served as his

brother's groomsman.

Meaghan Ward of Burk-burnett, cousin of the bride, was flower girl. She wore an ankle length ivory lace over taffeta dress. Cameron Lundsford of Elk Grove, CA, cousin of the groom, served as ring bearer.

Ushers included Paul Dyas, Gabriel Horn and B.J. Oliver of Glen Rose; Corey Lewis of Irving; and Micah Locke of Killeen. Amber Lundsford, cousin of the groom, attended the guest book.

Kristi Bise provided the piano arrangement of the music for the bride's entrance for the ceremony. Pre-taped music selections were played while the guests were being seated and for the accompaniment for "Shine On Us" sung by the bride and her mother.

A reception given by the family of the bride followed the ceremony in the Youth Hall of the church. House party members included Kelly Ward of Colorado City, aunt of the bride, Mable Bise, Catherine Bise, Debbie Dyas, Helen Wilson, April Gamon, all of Glen Rose; and Jylce Staple of Stephenville.

A rehearsal dinner was given by Christy Oliver at the Glen Rose Community Center.

The bride, a 1996 graduate of Glen Rose High School, will pursue a degree in education at the University of North Texas at Denton. The groom is a 1993 graduate of Vallaster Christian Academy at Glen Rose and is a senior computer analyst in Irving.

The couple is at home in Lewisville.

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CHRISTMAS SONGS were a delight to Kristi Lee Manor nursing home residents Monday morning as these Hutchinson Elementary School fifth-graders performed a program of holiday music.

PAW PRINTS

Notes from the Colorado Independent School District

By Russell Merket, Superintendent, Colorado ISD

It's Christmas time, and we are about ready to dismiss school for the holidays. I hope that each and every one of you has a great Christmas and an even better year in 1999. Students are taking their final exams at several campuses; others are planning for some type of Christmas program. If you can, please attend these activities at the campuses, especially if you have a student who attends school. We need parent involvement to be successful in our schools.

We will dismiss school on December 18th at 2:30; school will resume Jan. 5, 1999. We return with a "B" day schedule at the high school and middle school, which will be of interest to those students who attend these schools. The second semester marks a new beginning for a lot of students and classes at school, so we look forward to its beginning.

I want to mention a few of the TAAS test changes which are being discussed by Commissioner Mike Moses which could affect our schools in the near future. Mr. Moses is proposing the following to the legislature for approval:

- A. Test more students and more subjects in more grades.
- B. Move exit-level testing to the 11th grade (presently in 10th grade).
- C. Expand exit-level testing to cover five subjects (currently it is writing, reading and math with proposed additions of science and social studies).
- D. Eventually eliminate end-of-course testing.
- E. Temporarily add end-of-course testing as an ISD rating factor for Exemplary and Recognized campus.

No one knows for sure if any or all of these proposals will be approved. Whatever happens, it's for certain our schools will be affected by those decisions.

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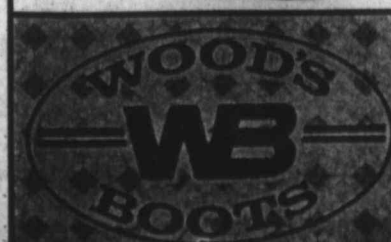
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CMS bands to present annual Christmas concert

The Colorado Middle School Bands will present their 1998 Christmas Concert Friday, Dec. 18 at 6 p.m. at the Middle School Auditorium. Being featured on the concert will be the 65-piece sixth grade band the 104-member junior high band. Also featured on the programs will be the junior high saxophone ensemble directed by Linda Clay.

The sixth grade band will be playing: *Christmas Cheer* by Sebesky, *Snowy Christmas Day* by Jerry Williams, *A Suite for Old St. Nick* by O'Reilly, *Fabulous Sixth* by Joe Wayne Harper, *Jingle Bells* by Story and *A Christmas Suite* by Sweeney.

The junior high band will be playing: *A Christmas March*

and *Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree* by Nowak, *God Bless the USA* by Edmondson, *Irish Tune* by Joe Wayne Harper, *White Christmas* by Auken, *Frosty the Snowman* by Sweeney, and *Do You Hear What I Hear* by Nowak.

Being recognized in the concert will be the 29 junior high students that made the TMEA All District Band: Ali McNeal, flute; Ashley Tolle, flute; Heather Bann, bassoon; Jaki Davila, clarinet; Toni Pineda, clarinet; Cydni Terry, clarinet; Fallon Walker, clarinet; Kaci Chambers, bass clarinet; Teresa Cobb, bass clarinet; Ashley Stahl, tenor saxophone; Cole Arthur, baritone saxophone; Tyrell Jones, trumpet; J.R. Deloera, trumpet; Jo Jo Jones, trumpet; Dustin Wylie, trumpet; Stephanie Boyd, french horn; Heather Wadley, french horn; David Gonzales, baritone; Nolan Cornutt, baritone; Johnny Jones, trombone;

John Lewis, trombone; Roger Crawford, trombone; William Bullock, trombone; Rose Macedo, trombone; Evan Jones, tuba; Bradley Lowrance, tuba; Bo Williamson, tuba; Erick Potter, tuba; and Jami Thackerson, mallets.

Directors of the Middle School Bands are Joe Wayne Harper, Jack White and Linda Clay.

BRIEFS

Football Banquet

The CHS Football Banquet originally scheduled for Monday, November 30 has been postponed until Thursday, January 14, 1999 at 6:30 at Colorado Middle School.

Christmas Decorations

\$1500 is still owed on new Christmas decorations. If you would like to donate, contact the Chamber at 728-3403.



LORAIN STUDENTS sold tickets for a \$50 gift certificate to Kmart and raised \$509 for field trips and a TAAS trip to Six Flags Over Texas. Derek Martinez, center front, won the gift certificate. Top sellers are, from left, Whitnie Leighton, 160 tickets, Nancy Talamantes, 50 tickets, and Alejandro Lopez, 80 tickets. With them is sponsor Janet Moore.

WTC spring registration set Jan. 18

Spring registration at Western Texas College in Snyder begins January 18.

Sophomores will register from 1-4 pm and evening students from 6:30-8:00 pm.

Freshman students will register on January 19 from 8:30-11:30 am.

Classes toward an associates degree in a variety of liberal arts and pre-professional fields are offered, along with vocational programs in computerized business technology, welding, criminal justice, golf and landscape technology, and licensed vocational nursing.

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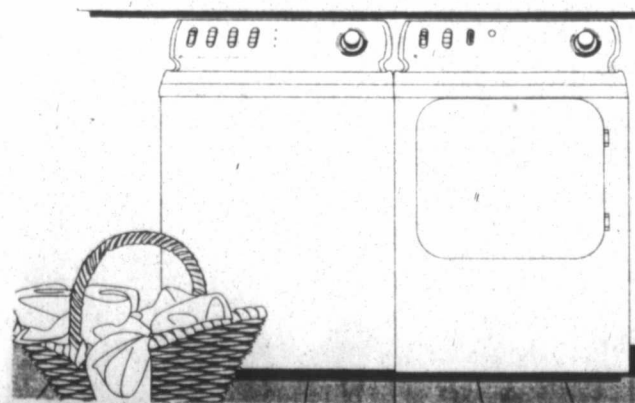
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BASKETBALL
Colorado City Girls
Friday, Dec. 18
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 Colorado Varsity, Roscoe, T.....6:30
Colorado City Boys
Friday, Dec. 18
 Colorado JV, Roscoe, T.....5:00
 Colorado Varsity, Roscoe, H.....8:00
Westbrook
Thursday, Dec. 17
 Girls JV, Blackwell, H.....5:00
 Girls Varsity, Blackwell, H.....6:30
Thursday, Dec. 17
 Boys JV, Blackwell, H.....5:00
 Boys Varsity, Blackwell, H.....6:30
Loraine
"No Loraine sports this week"

Lady Cats roll up Hermleigh

The Westbrook Lady Cats JV unit beat Hermleigh 23-13 December 8 to improve their record to 1-3 on the year.

The Lady Cats got rolling early as they were ahead 10-0 after one and 19-4 at the break.

April Ginkinger and Veronica Matos led the team with eight points each.

Benita Vanderpool scored three points from the three-point arc and Allison Barboza scored two in the ladies' first win this season.

Rachel Parham and Andrea Moore scored a point apiece for the team to begin the young team's 'winning ways'.

Lady Dogs bite Trent

The Loraine Jr. High Lady Bulldogs improved their record to 4-1 with a very nasty 50-10 thumping of the Trent Jr. High girls Monday night in Loraine.

Ahead 30-1 after two periods of play, coach Garcia backed off as best as he could, but the girls just kept playing well.

The game stats prove that a solid, full-team effort destroyed the Lady Gorillas, and not a desire to pile it on.

Nine different girls scored for Loraine in the rout, led by a 20-point game by Sonya Barrera.

Patricia Sanchez scored seven, Amanda Walker scored six, as did Eliza Martinez.

Vanessa Jones put four on the board as Cintia Calderon, Christina Rico and Rose Melendez all had two points for the Lady 'Dogs.

Angela Wooddell scored a point for her team in the well-balanced assault.

"Our full-court press worked well. We got a great game out of all the girls and the defense was very strong," understated a pleased coach Victor Garcia.

Anderson leads Lady Wolves

The snow that fell on Friday was just beautiful, wasn't it?

Ask the Colorado City Lady Wolves that question and you may not get the expected answer.

The Lady Wolves began the Catclaw tourney in Abilene Thursday night with a great 47-33 win over the Lady Mavericks from Eastland.

Then came that fateful snowstorm. You know, the one that was 'sandwiched' between two beautiful Fall days.

The Lady Wolves and coach Darrin Leverton were forced to forfeit Friday's game against Wylie and ultimately, a legitimate shot at winning the tournament.

"We played extremely well Thursday against a solid 3A Eastland team. However, Friday's forfeit took the wind out of the girls in the Jim Ned game," remarked Leverton.

The Lady Wolves did win the Jim Ned game, 42-36, in a slightly uninspired manner.

After all, how many times do teams go undefeated in a tournament to win third place? Never, unless there's a 'beautiful' snowstorm.

Anyway, in the Eastland victory, Kendra Anderson led the ladies with a solid 25-point performance.

Blaine Conner scored eight points and Margaret Ann Jameson put in five points for the 8-4 team.

Randi Redwine scored four and Jamie Mason had three

points for the Lady Wolves, who were seven of ten from the freethrow line.

Liz Rivera had two points in the tourney-opening victory against Eastland.

On Saturday, the girls played Jim Ned for third place and won as Anderson put 22 points on the board for Colorado City.

Mason scored eight points

and Jameson had seven in the contest.

Staci Turnbow scored three points and Redwine rounded out the scoring in the third-place title game with two points.

As it turned out, the Wylie girls took first place in a rout of Haskell Saturday evening.

Wasn't Friday's snowfall just gorgeous?



BOYS WILL BE BOYS, and Philip Castro, left, and Kyle Hammond found a quick way down the east side of Wolf Stadium during Friday's snowstorm -- get on an inner tube and slide!



CADE PHARISS, left, and Michael Wheeler joined in the wintertime fun Friday at Wolf Stadium, where they rode an inner tube down the steep east side of the stadium.

Gorillas mangle Bulldogs

The Loraine Jr. High Bulldogs dropped a tough game to the Trent Gorillas 42-

33 Monday night. The boys were led by Elias Barrera who scored 13 points

in the disappointing loss.

George Davila got eight points to fall in the game, and Elias Martinez had a six-point game.

Ryan Lucas scored three and Edward Lujan popped two in for the young 'Dogs.

Anthony Esquivel put a point on the board for the 2-2 team.

"Trent had three players who were taller than our tallest player, but our guys worked hard and kept it close," said coach Jay Smith.

"Turnovers in the fourth period killed us," added the coach.

The boys will have off for Christmas before hosting Hermleigh January 11 at 6 pm.

JV Cats ace Snyder

The Westbrook Wildcats JV boys hosted the Snyder freshmen and improved their record to 2-1 with a nice 37-35 victory.

Trey Roemisch put 13 points on the board for Westbrook and Chris Matlock scored nine.

Adam Roemisch and Ulalio Gutierrez each scored six points in the early season tilt.

Jim Hale put in three for the 'Cats.

Down by six after two periods of play, Westbrook came back for the two-point win, due to a 14-3 run in the third.

"We had a very good hustling game, ran the ball very well. We just need some more playing time," said coach Jim Hill.

Wolves drop game to Coahoma Bulldogs

The Colorado City Wolves went to Stanton to play in the Hoottown Classic and were able to get in one game before ole man winter sent them home.

The Wolves played Coahoma and were defeated 61-46, dropping their record to 2-4 on the season.

Justin Hill led the Wolves with 15 points and Justin Matthews had a nice 14-point game for the Pack.

Will Bassham scored seven

for the team and Brett Hoyle had a six-point effort.

Heath McGaha and Chase Phariiss both dropped in two points for C-City.

Hill was six for seven from the line and Bassham went one for three as the team shot 63 percent on freethrows.

The boys travel to Roscoe December 18 for an 8 pm clash with the Plowboys and then take a ten-day Christmas break before playing in the Hawley tournament December 28-30.

Wildcats clobber Hermleigh Cardinals

The Westbrook Wildcats improved their record to 4-3 December 8 in a 64-32 drubbing of the Hermleigh Cardinals.

The Wildcats scored 32 in both halves as the Cardinals scored 16 in both halves for the final margin.

"We played a very balanced game," acknowledged coach Jim Hill.

Thadd Rich had a great game in leading the Wildcats with 19 points and 10 rebounds.

Erick Roberson had a solid 14-point, nine-rebound outing for the Cats in the lop-sided victory.

Brad Hale scored 11 as Daniel Stearns scored seven points to go with his five boards.

Chris Chambers scored five points and grabbed six rebounds for Westbrook.

Sam Harless crashed the boards for six of the team's 36 rebounds.

Roland Matos and Joe Rich each scored four points in the game.

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school news

Wildcats rebound in Blackwell

The Westbrook Wildcats traveled to Blackwell and played well in the Oak Creek Classic tournament, winning one game and losing two heartbreakers.

The boys beat cross-county rival Loraine 60-46 in game one Thursday.

"We had a good, balanced game... hit the boards well," said coach Jim Hill of the victory.

Erick Roberson led the Wildcats with thirty points and ten rebounds in a stellar effort.

"Erick Roberson had one of those 'Dream games', going 15 for 19 from the floor," exclaimed Hill on the 6-5 sophomore's strong 'double-double' performance.

Thadd Rich scored nine points in the win and James Matos put in six.

Brad Hale scored five and Chris Chambers had four in

Westbrook's fifth win of the season.

Daniel Stearns, Sam Harless and Joe Rich all scored two points in the game.

Stearns had nine rebounds for the Wildcats as Rich grabbed six and Hale hustled for four boards.

Harless and Matos both had three rebounds to add to Westbrook's total of 35 in the game.

The Wildcats' second game against eventual second-place winner Lueders-Avoca was a tough 45-42 loss.

Leading 25-17 at the half, Westbrook let the Raiders take them to overtime after being tied at 39 in regulation.

"We played a good solid game till late in the fourth. We made three critical turnovers in the last 1:47 with a six-point lead to let them tie it up," said coach Hill.

"In OT we just got outplayed... we have to stop turning the ball over," added Hill.

Rich had a 'double-double' of his own as he scored 15 points and grabbed 12 rebounds.

Stearns had nine points and 13 boards for the team as Roberson got seven boards to go with his seven points.

Chambers added seven points as teammates Hale and Matos scored two each.

The Wildcats' third game was for third place against

Trent.

"We just played bad," said Hill of the disappointing 37-29 loss.

Senior post Rich led the team with 17 points as Chambers had four.

Harless, Matos, Roberson and James Matos all had a two-point game against the Gorillas.

The 5-5 Wildcats host Blackwell December 17 before taking a break for Christmas and then return January 7-9 for the Westbrook tourney.

Lady Cats lose to Hermleigh

The Westbrook Lady Cats lost a tough game to Hermleigh December 8 by a 45-41 margin.

The Lady Cats were ahead 23-18 at the half but an 11-4 Cardinal third period put the girls in a hole they couldn't dig out of.

Brook Dawson led the ladies with 15 points and Amber Morris had an 11 point game.

Kristi Morton got six points from two three-pointers and

Jaci Hill scored five points, including a three-point shot.

April Chambers scored four for the ladies who had a dreadful night at the freethrow line, going three for 13.

"Low freethrow percentage was one of the keys to the loss," said coach Mark Chauveaux.

The 3-4 Lady Cats host Blackwell December 17 before taking a Christmas vacation.

Seminole trounces seventh grade teams

The Colorado City Wolves seventh grade A and B teams opened their seasons in Seminole November 19.

The boys got off to a slow start as both teams were defeated by the Indians.

The 5:30 game featured the A team Wolves, up two points after one period and tied 10-10 at the half.

But the young Pack let Seminole pull away in the second half as they were outscored 11-6 in the last two periods for a final score of 21-

16.

Coach Brian Taggart has the boys working hard on the offense.

"We played well at times, especially in the first quarter. However, the second and third quarter we had a difficult time running the offense," explained Taggart.

The B team played at 6:45 and got crunched 46-5 by the Injuns.

Cole Ratliff scored three for the Wolves and teammate Josh Ziegler put two on the board.

Lady Cats look to Ira

The 3-1 Westbrook Jr. High Lady Cats hosted Borden County and lost 32-13 to the 4-0 Lady Coyotes Monday night.

The Lady Cats weren't playing their game and coach Mark Cheaveaux knows it.

"Borden County has a very good team, but we did not play anywhere near our potential.

We had too many turnovers and did not shoot the ball well either," remarked Chauveaux.

Krystal Loggins put in 11 points for her team as teammate Kayla Rich added the other two points.

The girls will have Christmas and then return to the court January 4 in Ira for a 6 pm game.

UTPB announces \$11.4 million center

The University of Texas System Board of Regents recently approved plans for the new Library/Lecture Center at The University of Texas at the Permian Basin. Construction of the \$11.4 million, 79,000 square-foot building is set to begin July 1999, with completion expected by November 2000.

In addition to the library space which will feature a computer classroom and other special-use spaces, the two-story building will include two multi-media lecture halls and a commons area.

The 75th Texas Legislature approved \$25.8 million for the construction of the library/lecture center, along with new Visual Arts Studios. Construction of the new art facility will begin in early 1999 for completion during the Fall 1999 semester.

The need for the two new buildings was identified during development of a campus master plan in 1996. The master plan moves the University from a single building campus to a multi-building traditional academic environment.

Keeping an eye on Texas

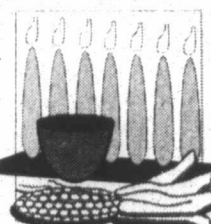
Holidays light up winter season

The dark nights of winter are brightened by numerous celebrations throughout Texas. The holidays are times of joy, gift giving, and sharing simple and elaborate meals.

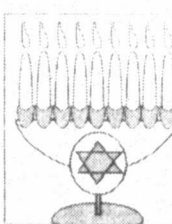
Christmas
December 25
Celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ, and January 6, the Epiphany, or revelation of Christ to the Magi.
Symbols include Star of Bethlehem and manger, Santa Claus and Christmas trees. Gifts and toys are given to all. Holiday foods: turkey and dressing, as well as tamales, and German coffee cake, or stollen.



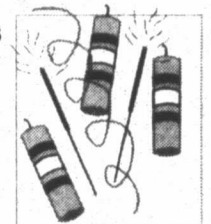
Kwanzaa
December 26-January 1
Celebrates African-American unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity, and faith. Symbols include seven candles, ear of corn and unity cup. Gifts are simple and handmade. Karamu feast: traditional foods such as pomoge, beans and corn, as well as other dishes.



Hanukkah
December 14-21
Marks the return to the Temple of Jerusalem in 165 BC. Eight candles symbolize the number of days oil lamps were lit in the temple, with a ninth candle to light the others. Traditional gifts for children include a dreidel, or four-sided top, and coins. Special food: latkas, or potato pancakes fried in oil.



New Years
January 1 and February 16
Celebrates the new year. In the Chinese lunar year, the New Year begins February 16, 1999—the Year of the Rabbit. Preparations include cleaning house and paying debts. Sweet rice is part of the festivity, along with fireworks. Gifts include "red envelopes" containing lucky money.



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record sports

Lady Cats place third in tournament

The Westbrook Lady Cats participated in the Oak Creek Classic tournament in Blackwell and came home with third place.

The Lady Cats played Loraine in game one Thursday and won handily 62-41.

Leading by only six at the half, the Lady Cats exploded in the third quarter outscoring the Lady Bulldogs 21-6.

"We had very balanced scoring and picked up our defensive intensity in the third quarter," said coach Mark Chauveaux of the Mitchell County matchup.

Freshman April Chambers led the ladies' scoring with 14 points and was followed by Amber Morris who scored 13 in the game.

Jaci Hill scored 12 and Brook Dawson had 11 points in the tourney-opening victory.

Veronica Matos had five and Kristi Morton had a three-pointer for the Lady Cats, who were seven for 13 from the freethrow line.

In game two, the Lady Cats fell 49-43 to host-team Blackwell.

Down by 13 at the half, the Lady Cats outscored the Lady Hornets 14-4 in the third period to pull within three points.

"After being down 25-12 at halftime, we changed defenses and picked up our intensity in the third quarter," said coach Chauveaux of the girls' effort.

"I'm proud of the way we played in the second half... we

just need to start playing that way for four quarters," added Chauveaux.

Morris led the ladies with 17 points as Hill scored nine, including a three-pointer.

Dawson had an eight-point game as Morton scored five with one three-pointer.

Chambers and Dallas Allen both had two points in the close game.

The Lady Cats beat Highland for third place in a blowout, 50-20.

Morton, who scored 18 points, went wild for the Lady Cats from three-point land as she was four for five.

"We shot forty percent as a team. Morton shot very well from the outside, which really opened things up for us inside," said Chauveaux.

The Lady Cats led 28-10 at the half and never let Highland get close.

"I thought we played really well defensively, with four players having at least three steals," added the coach.

Hill scored eight in the trophy match, while teammates Dawson and Morris both had seven points.

Chambers had six points and Matos scored two as the Lady Cats went four for nine from the freethrow stripe.

Dawson had six rebounds to lead the ladies who pulled down 25 boards in the well-balanced defensive rout.

The 5-5 Lady Cats host Blackwell December 17 and then return after the holidays for the Westbrook tourney January 7-9.

7th grade improve record 1-1 by forfeit

The Colorado City Wolves seventh grade A and B teams hosted Slaton November 23 and both teams won, sort of.

The B team improved their record to 1-1 with a forfeit by the Tiger B team, but we'll take it.

The A team more than made up for the missing game though, as they defeated the Tigers 44-26.

The 1-1 A team Wolves jumped on Slaton early as they were up 28-9 at the half.

Jacobie Russell led the Wolves in scoring with a good 12-point game and teammate Chris Spear added another ten points to the team total.

Zach McPhaul and Cole Arthur both scored six points for the Wolves.

Sam Crockett got four points past the Tigers.

Patrick Spear, Evan Jones and Nolan Cornutt all scored two points in the team's first victory of the year.

7th graders lose two to Lamesa

The Colorado City Wolves seventh grade A and B teams travelled to Lamesa December 7 and lost two 'squeakers' to the Golden Tornadoes.

The A boys got after it first and the Wolves led throughout the first three periods before losing in heartbreaking fashion 42-40.

It was a great game. "This was a hard-fought game the whole way. If you

wanted to see two teams give everything they had in playing basketball, this was a game to see," exclaimed coach Brian Taggart.

Jacobie Russell had the hot hand as he led the Wolves with 14 points.

Cole Arthur added eight and Patrick Spear put in another six points in the close contest.

Chris Spear, Evan Jones and Sam Crockett rounded out the

Wolf scoring with two apiece.

The B team Wolves weren't about to let the A team have all the fun as they also led the first three periods before losing 36-33.

There was some great seventh grade basketball in Lamesa Monday night.

"They played a great game all the way, with great hustle by everyone," remarked a proud

coach Taggart.

"Josh Ziegler did a great job of bringing the ball down the court. They played hard the entire game, giving them a shot to win it in the last seconds," said coach Taggart of a game which, like the A teams' game, could've gone either way.

Brady Henderson had ten points in the battle to lead the Wolf Pack's scoring.

Zach Hamilton dropped in eight points for a solid showing.

Greg Bailey, Wesley Callaway and Roy Turnbull all had four points for the 1-3 CMS Wolves.

David Alvarez and Geoffrey Gaona had one and two points respectively for C-City.

Wolves 7th graders travel to Denver City

The Colorado City Wolves seventh grade A and B teams travelled to Denver City for their third game of the season November 30.

It was a long drive to Denver City and even a longer drive home as both teams lost to the Mustangs.

The A team played first and was defeated 52-27.

The Mustangs did most of the damage in the first half as they led 28-5 after two periods of play.

In the third and fourth quarters Denver City only outscored C-City 24-22, but the DC full-court press proved to be deadly for the Pack.

"We had good execution of our offense once we got past

half-court. However, we had trouble getting there (to half-court) with Denver City's press," lamented coach Taggart.

Leading scorer for the Wolves was Jacobie Russell with 11 points.

Cole Arthur scored seven points and Chris Spear had six on the night.

Patrick Spear made two points and teammate Sam Crockett scored a point for the 1-2 A team.

The B team, also sporting a 1-2 record, got mauled by the Mustangs 44-6.

Josh Ziegler, Cole Ratliff and Wesley Callaway scored two points each for the Pack in the disappointing district loss.

Jr. High Wildcats lose to Coyotes

The Westbrook Jr. High Wildcats boys ran into a raging Coyote as Borden County's Sharp scored 30 points in a 48-32 Wildcat loss.

"The Sharp kid was just too much to handle," lamented coach Dickson.

"We play well at times, but

we were just outmanned. We are getting better," added Dickson.

Colt Rich scored 17 points as he turned in a solid performance for his JH team Monday night in Westbrook.

Jamie Ruth scored seven for the team and Shawn Roemisch

got six points to fall for the 0-4 bunch.

Jared Matlock rounded out the scoring with two points for Westbrook.

The boys will celebrate Christmas before going to Ira January 4, 1999 for a 6 pm contest.

Bulldogs lose to Lueders-Avoca

The Loraine Bulldogs hosted Lueders-Avoca December 8 and were defeated 65-42.

The 2-5 Bulldogs would love to have the first quarter of that ballgame back though, because that's when Lueders won the game.

Outscored 30-10 in the first period, the Dogs held their own for the remaining three quarters, only being outscored by three points.

Coach Jerry Miller could only say, "We played well after the first quarter."

LHS Junior Edward Carrington pounded the Raiders with 25 points, including a three-pointer.

Ralph Martinez also had a three-point shot as the Bulldogs were four of 13 from the freethrow line.

The Bulldogs travel to the Blackwell tourney December 10-12, then host Novice, Tuesday, December 15.

Lady Bulldogs improve record to 3-3

The Loraine Lady Bulldogs improved their record to 3-3 with a solid 60-38 victory over the Lueders-Avoca Lady Raiders December 8.

The host team routed the Lady Raiders with a 31-16 first half effort and never looked back.

Leading scorer for the Lady Bulldogs was junior Leslie Garcia with 18 points.

Freshman Heather Lucas added 12 for the team as seniors Amy Garcia and Andi Chavez provided ten points apiece.

The girls will join the boys at the Blackwell tourney December 10-12 before hosting Novice on Tuesday, December 15 at 6:30.

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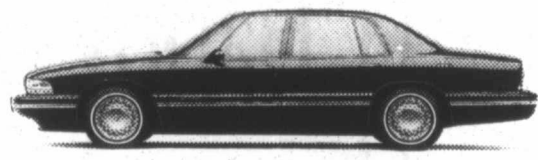
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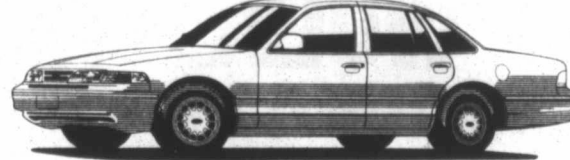


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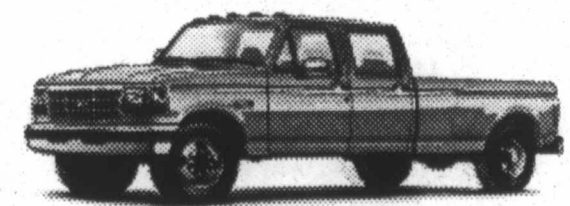
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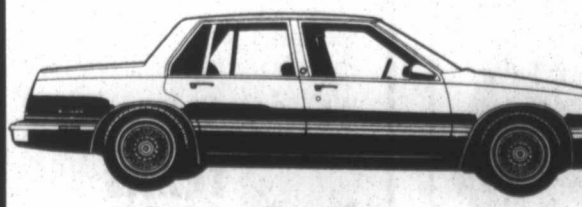


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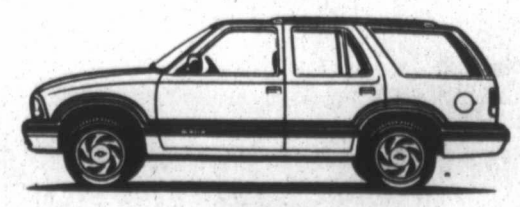


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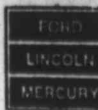
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Bennett returns with big elk racks

LORAINE -- Professional hunting guide Don R. Bennett has just returned from another season in the Big Horn and Rattlesnake Mountains of Central Wyoming, where he found the attractions of the outdoor life to be the same as ever.

"I like the whole thing," he said. "There's no TV for two months, no telephone."

"When I left here, it hadn't rained all summer. It was hot. Now it's rained. It changes your attitude."

Bennett has been guiding hunts for antelope, deer, elk and big horn sheep in the rugged Wyoming mountains since 1955, and this time a year ago he was proud to receive an "Outstanding Outfitter" award from the Bureau of Land Management.

"They have just given two, ever," he said. "I don't know why I got it. They just sent it to me. I was afraid to ask."

Wyoming hunts on federal lands are by drawing only, and if you want to hunt next fall, you need to contact Bennett now for the January drawings.

One reason the elk hunting is so good, for example, is that you only have a 50-percent chance of obtaining a permit, he said.

This year, his hunters killed 11 six-point bull elk, 12 deer and eight antelope. He also took a six-point bull elk for



HUNTER Don Bennett of Loraine shows one of the elk racks from the hunts he guided this season in Wyoming. Bennett is a former rodeo cowboy who is a professional hunting guide and rattlesnake hunter.

himself and is giving hamburger meat and steaks from it to friends.

He guided hunters from

West Virginia, New Jersey, Houston, Dallas and Roscoe.

He said the Roscoe man, Steve Haggerman, is a good hunter, but like most people who are unaccustomed to exertions in high altitude, Haggerman had a rude awakening.

"He tried to go after this elk he had hit, and he made it 50 yards out and around the hill and back to the pickup," Bennett said.

"He couldn't even get in the truck. He was out of air."

His usual method of elk hunting is to blow on a bugle, simulating the challenge of one bull elk to another, and wait for the rutting male to come looking for a fight.

He says you "can't kill nothing at a watering hole" because deer and elk, water mostly at night.

Deer and elk are usually sought at elevations of 7,000 to 8,000 feet, and big horn sheep are up there at 11,000 feet and higher, where you may expect to climb a sheer rock cliff to get into a position to shoot at an average distance of 400 yards.

Bennett, 67, has killed six big horns in his career, the last one seven years ago. If you get a big horn "tag," you can't apply for another for five years, and he has been unsuccessful in the last two drawings.

"They're not hard to hunt," he said. "They're hard to get to."

"You better be in good shape. That's a heart-stopper, way above the timber line. You'll be winded, I promise."

He takes his big horn sheep hunters as far as they can go by horseback and then just starts climbing.

Bennett, a former rodeo saddle bronc rider who has been following the National Finals Rodeo on television, has gone hunting with a number of

well-known people. But the most famous -- and best-conditioned -- were Apollo astronauts and moonwalkers Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin in the 1970's.

"It didn't bother them," he said. "That's how good a shape they were in."

Bennett goes to Wyoming around the first of September each year and guides his first hunts, for antelope, in mid-September.

Antelope hunting is the least challenging form of hunting that he pursues.

His primary season is for deer and elk in October.

His late father, Dr. Charles C. Bennett Sr., practiced in Scott City, Kan., and his late brother, Charles Jr., was an M.D. in Oklahoma City.

He has just moved his 97-year-old mother Euna, a former registered nurse who was once director of surgical nurses at the major hospital in Oklahoma City, to an apartment in Loraine.

He began guiding hunts in Wyoming while still competing as a member of the Rodeo Cowboys Association, so it was another one of those deliberate choices that has characterized his life.

He came to Loraine because he knew a respected Mitchell County "snakeman," Ira Hardin, who recommended it to him as prime snake country.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #98-5056

Sealed proposals addressed to the Colorado ISD, will be received at the district's Post Office Box 1047, Colorado City, Texas 79512 or at the District's Business Office, 1132 Hickory Street, Colorado City, TX until 2:00 p.m. on January 11, 1999 for Playground Equipment.
Request for proposals will be opened in the School Business Office. Awarding of the bids will occur within 10 days of RFP opening.
Specifications can be obtained from the School Business Office. All bids must substantially comply with specifications.
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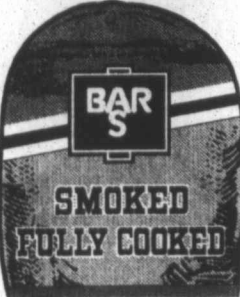
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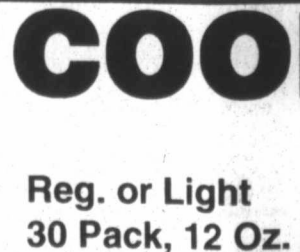
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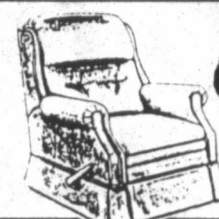
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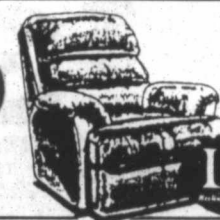
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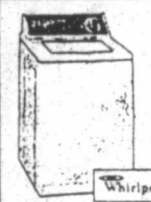
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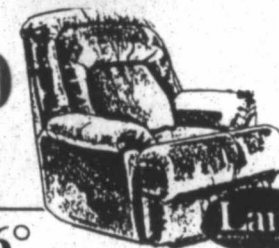
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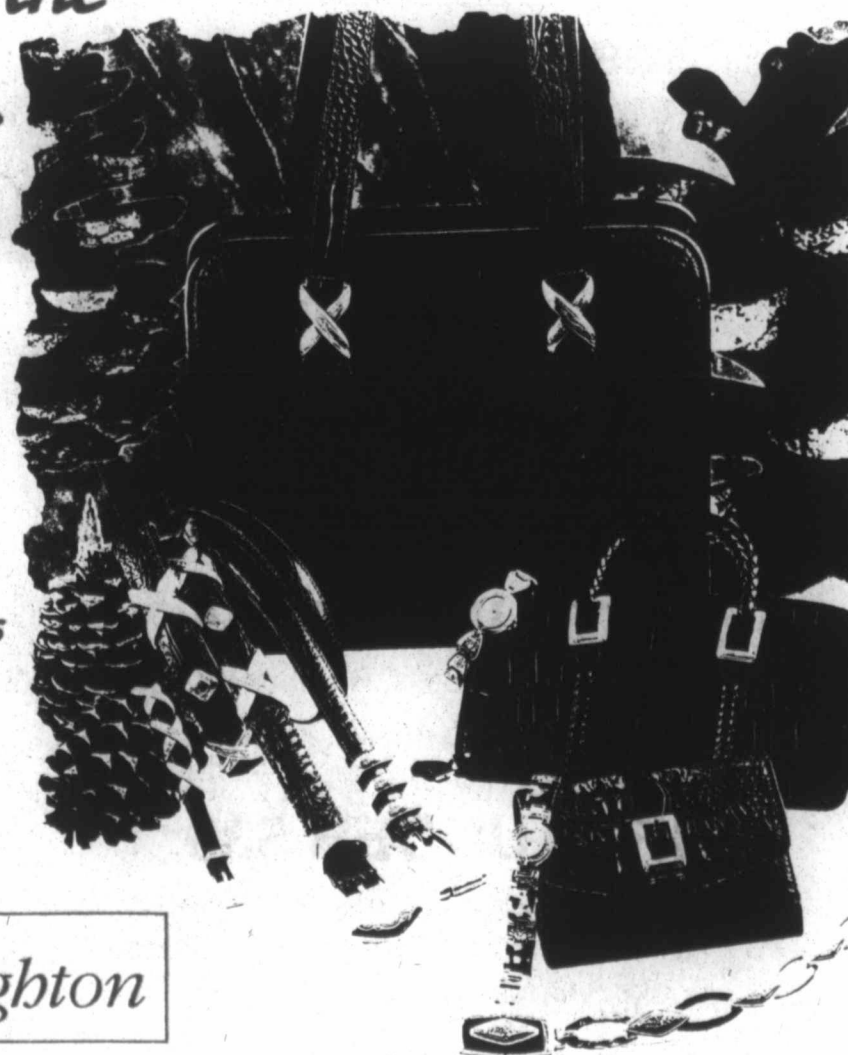
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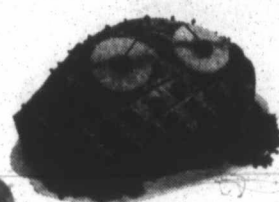
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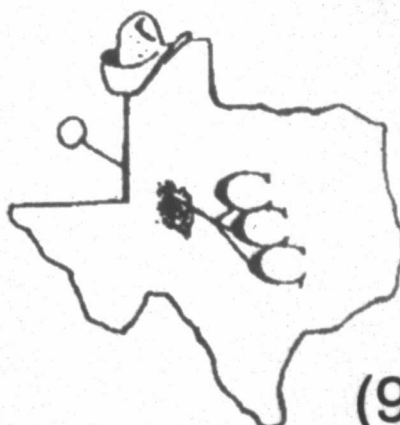
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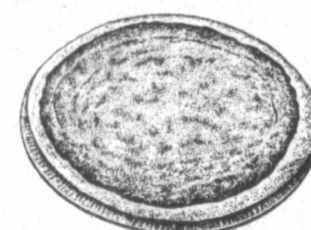
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