

THURSDAY

January 13,
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ANSWERLINE

Q. Can a business charge sales tax on a coupon for free merchandise?

A. No. According to the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, sales tax is owed only on the total amount you paid for the merchandise. If you have a coupon that entitles you to a "buy-one-get-one free" offer, or a coupon for "free" merchandise, sales tax can be charged only on the item you paid for and if it is free, no sales tax can be charged.

BRIEFLY

Annual Stock Show
Starts Thursday, Jan. 13 at 5 p.m. with the weigh-ins. The show gets underway Saturday at 8 a.m. with the hog judging and sheep and steer judging is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

St. James Baptist Church

Will be selling dinner plates on Saturday, Jan. 15 from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Brisket, chicken, ribs and sausage plate with all the trimmings. Will deliver by calling 728-3760.

Special Immunization Clinic

Will be held at the Loraine School on Tuesday, January 18 from 7:30 until 11:30 a.m.

GED Classes

Are on Monday nights and everyone is invited to come between 6 and 10 p.m. to work at your own pace at the Wallace Center.

VFW Post 9178

And the Ladies Auxiliary will meet for their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m.

Medical Fund

Has been set up at City National Bank and the First National Bank for 18-year old Heather Wulfjen. Her parents are Urda and Dwainna Wulfjen.

Pee Wee Football

There will be a Pee Wee Football meeting Thursday night, January 13, at 7 p.m. at the field house. This will be an important meeting. All interested should attend this meeting.

Green Thumb Workers

Are you 55 years of age or older and looking for a job? The Green Thumb can help. Call 728-2743 for an appointment.

Christmas in April Contributions

Can be given in the form of memorials. For more information, please call 728-3578 or 728-3988.

Aluminum Can Disposal

The Chamber of Commerce trailer is located on Second Street between Hickory and Locust. The proceeds from the recycled cans are used for various Chamber activities.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meets at the All Saints Episcopal Church, 3rd and Locust, at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

DEATHS

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AROUND TOWN

Happy Birthday to JIM HILL ... Happy 16th Anniversary to COACH COOPER and MRS. COOPER...ask MARY THACKERSON about her gold necklaces Happy Birthday to JEFF SHARP and to DEBBIE HINDS...WALT and ANN STAATS celebrate an anniversary!!!

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COLORADO CITY LORAIN WESTBROOK

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Atkins' hearing starts at 5:30 p.m. Personnel committee to hear from fired police officer on Thursday

The second of two hearings concerning fired city employees is scheduled for Thursday afternoon, Jan. 13 at City Hall.

The meeting will start at 5:30 p.m.

Former Police Sgt. Tim Atkins will bring his appeal of his termination to the Personnel Committee of the City Council.

An eight-year veteran of the Colorado City Police Department, Atkins was terminated on December 20, 1993 by City Manager Buddy Foster.

Atkins was fired for accepting a gift of a western hat almost 12 months ago.

In a letter (dated Saturday, December 18) that Foster gave to Atkins on the morning of December 20, he stated that "you (Atkins) accepted gratuity from an individual in the course of your duties as a police officer, specifically a western hat. You wore that hat on duty and made known publicly the origin of the hat. Your actions embarrassed me, the City Council and the Police Department."

Section 13.11 of the Police Department manual states that "members of the department shall not collect or receive any money, nor anything of value from citizens

for any purpose.....without the individual permission of the Chief of Police."

This policy was adopted by the council on November 12, 1991.

Atkins said that he stopped an individual on the Interstate on January 14 of this year who was going 72 miles per hour. He said he asked the usual drug intervention questions and gave the individual a warning ticket.

The former patrolman then said the lady in the car commented "what is a cop in West Texas doing working without a cowboy hat?"

Atkins said later in his shift he had stopped another car when she approached him with the hat and said it was his. He said he went promptly to the police station when he told Montgomery and Foster both about receiving the western hat. Atkins said both indicated it would be okay to keep the hat considering the circumstances in which he received it.

"I heard nothing else about it until a memo was issued last week about it not being regular issue equipment and I did not wear it after the memo was put out," said Atkins.

The firing of Atkins and former streets supervisor, James Rich,

came only four days after the annual review of the city manager by the city council's personnel committee.

When asked if this action on Atkins and Rich was a result of the review session, Foster would not say whether it had been discussed or not.

"The meeting was in executive session and we can't discuss things said in an executive session," said Foster.

He would not comment on whether an ultimatum had been given to him to either get rid of the employees or be fired himself.

Earlier in the week, Atkins and patrolman Charles Rice had been instructed to quit wearing western hats while on duty as they were not part of the official uniform. Police Chief David Montgomery said he issued a memo to that effect following complaints from at least two city council members.

Harris to resign from CISD board

Dwayne Harris, who is serving as the president of the Colorado ISD board of trustees, confirmed Wednesday morning that he is resigning from the board, effective with the February meeting.

He told other board members of his decision following Monday's meeting.

Harris indicated to several board members that he was going to pursue other business interests and he felt he could not devote the proper amount of time to the school board.

Vice-president of the board, Larry Blassingame, will apparently serve the remainder of the term as board president.

Barber's petition lacks one name for ballot place

The Precinct 2 commissioners race appears to be less one candidate as Gene Barber apparently came up one name short on his petition to get his name on the ballot.

Candidates could either pay their filing fee of \$300 to the county Democratic or Republican chairman or get fifty names of registered voters on a petition.

Each name on the petition had to have the voter's signature, printed name, voter's registration number, resident address and the date signed. Leaving out any one item would make the signature invalid.

If Barber is not allowed to be on the ballot, it will leave incumbent Carl Guelker challenged only by Scott Morton.

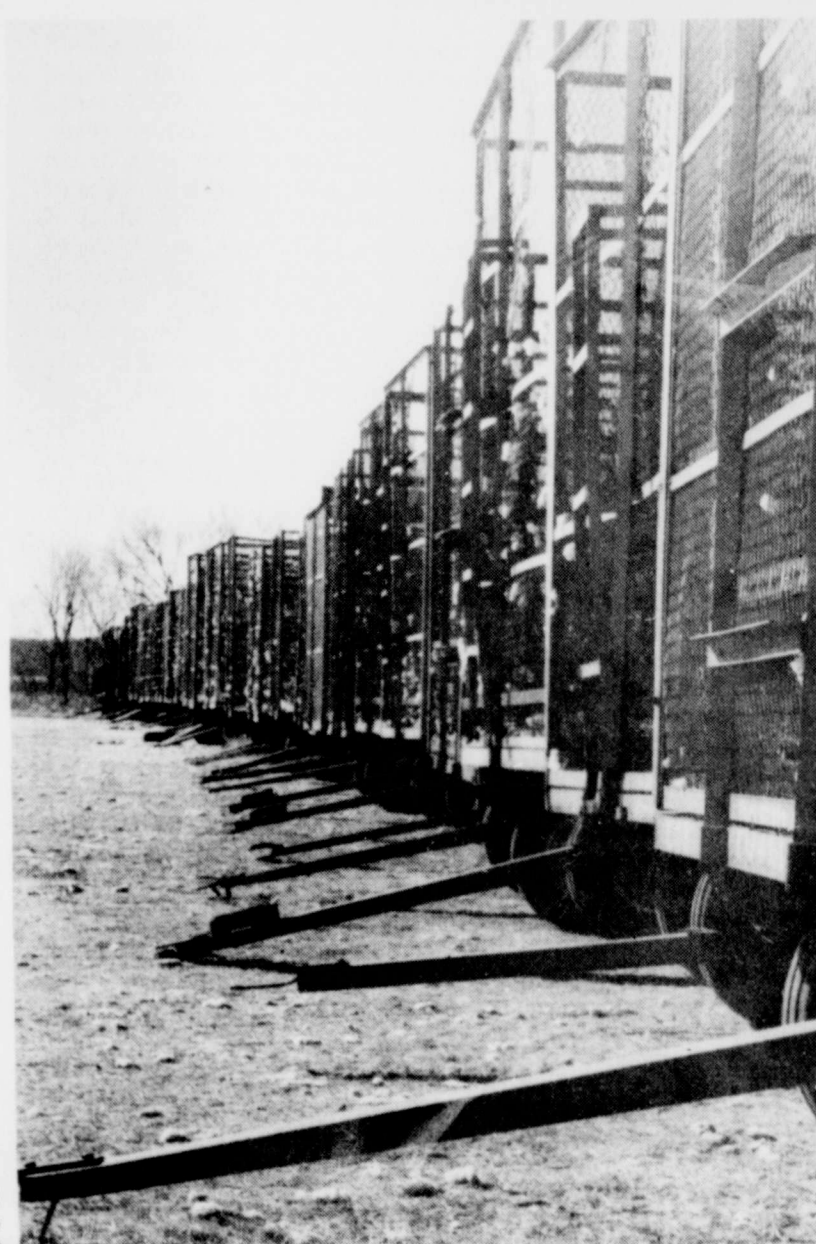
Applications available for TP&W program

Applications are now being accepted at the New Discoveries Day Care center for a special program titled "Hunters for the Hungry."

It was sponsored by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Nolan County and was designed to reduce the over-population of does in southern Nolan County and at the same time provide deer meat to qualified needy families in Mitchell and Nolan Counties.

Persons seeking to be qualified for this distribution program must be income-eligible, elderly or both.

For more information concerning eligibility, contact Mary Reyes at the Day Care Center at 728-2372.



THIRSTY FOR MORE COTTON NEXT YEAR: These cotton trailers have their tongues hanging out hoping for a better cotton crop in 1994. A total of 18,795 bales were ginned in the county last year. Producer's Coop accounted for 9,528, Mitchell County gin produced 4,039 and Loraine Coop Gin finished with 5,228 bales.

Supt. Nimmo receives one-year extension

Colorado ISD Superintendent Don Nimmo received a one-year extension on his contract following a one-hour executive session by the trustees Monday night.

Nimmo's contract will now run through 1997. The vote was unanimous on the extension with trustee Roxie Strain not at the meeting because of illness.

Colorado City resident Joe Garcia, his wife Mary and their daughter opened the meeting by questioning the district's hiring practices.

Garcia was one of some 31 applicants for a full-time custodial position with the school district but was not chosen. He had worked as a substitute custodian for the district and his wife stated they (his family) were under the impression he was next in line for a full-time position if one became open.

Board president Dwayne Harris prefaced the statements by the Garcia family by saying "it is our job to see if the hiring procedures of the district were carried out properly. I don't think it is our job to see if the right person was hired because that is the supervisor's job."

Supt. Nimmo went over the sequence of events related to the hiring of a new custodian and summed it up by saying, "at the time, Joe was just not the right man for the job."

On a motion by Larry Blassingame and a second by Jesse Munoz, the board voted unanimously that the district had followed the correct hiring procedure in filling the custodial position.

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Look both ways at 2nd & Walnut

After conducting a traffic study at the intersection of Second Street and Walnut in downtown Colorado City on Dec. 8, 1993, the Texas Department of Transportation has concluded that a traffic light is not needed at that location.

In a letter to County Judge Ray Mayo, Acting Area Engineer Daniel Richardson of Big Spring stated that a 12-hour traffic count on that date indicated that "a traffic signal at this intersection would be a disadvantage to the vehicles and the persons controlled."

The Department of Transportation has also scheduled a meeting for Thursday, Jan. 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Courtroom. Input is being sought from county and city officials along with the public on proposed construction projects within Mitchell County.

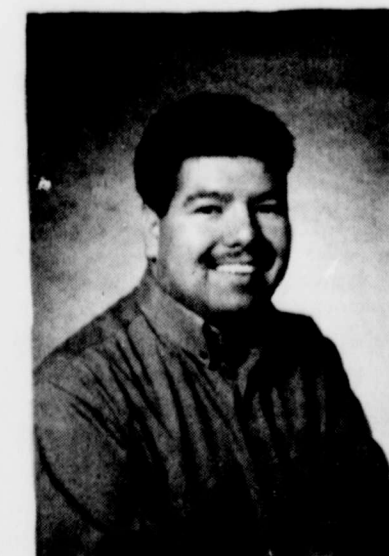
County Clerk ok'd to hire deputy early

Stating that all she wanted to know from the Commissioners' Court last week was if it was "okay" to hire a replacement for retiring clerk Emma Hopper one week early so they could work together one week, County Clerk Joan Beach again addressed the court on the request.

"I have the money in my budget to pay them and I don't need any input on pay," said Beach who is also retiring after the end of her current term.

This request was unanimously approved by the court Monday

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WILLIE HERNANDEZ

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OBITUARIES

Robert Delton Hardin

1913-1994

Services for Robert Delton Hardin, 80, of Colorado City were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at graveside with Fred Smith officiating. Burial was in Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Hardin died January 9, 1994 at Kristi Lee Manor. He was born July 10, 1913 in Comanche County, Texas.

Mr. Hardin was a general laborer and a member of the Oak St. Baptist Church and survivors include two sisters, Lillian Free of Colorado City and Helen Boyd of Modesto, California.

James Howard Adams

1938-1993

James Howard Adams died of cancer December 29, 1993 at his home in Austin. He was 55.

He was born July 13, 1938 in Sprague River, Oregon. He attended Mitchell County schools and graduated from Colorado City High School in 1956. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he became a journeyman electrician.

A memorial chapel service was held at 10 a.m. December 31, 1993 at Amey-Hylin Manor in Austin followed by military gravesite rites and interment at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio.

Survivors include his mother, Lenora Adams of Colorado City; daughters Teresa Wilson and husband Keith and Cynthia Gallegos and husband Robbie, all of Las Vegas; brothers Veril and wife Joyce of Austin, Leon and wife Verna Fay of Graham, W.L. and wife Kathy of Del Rio, Clay and wife Kathy of Snyder, Michael and wife Linda of Fort Worth, Randy and wife Brenda of Sherman and Tony Adams of Colorado City; sisters Elsie Lou Gillilan and husband James of Sherman and Linda Carnes and husband Cliff of San Angelo; four grandsons, Joshua, Justin, Andrew and Dillon. He preceded in death by his father, James Marlow Adams and one sister, Juanice Adams Vann.

Leona Ruth Butler Steakley

1917-1994

Leona Ruth Butler Steakley died on January 7, 1994.

Mrs. Steakley was born in Sweetwater, Texas on July 31, 1917. She is the daughter of the late Jim Butler and Ruth Bertram Butler. She graduated from Newman High in Sweetwater in 1934 and then attended Hardin Simmons University. She married Zolzie Coffey Steakley, Jr. on July 4, 1939. The couple moved to Austin, Texas in the fall of 1939. While in Austin, Mrs. Steakley was active in her church and community. She worked tirelessly for her family as her husband rose to become Secretary of State and a Justice on the Supreme Court of Texas. Judge Steakley preceded her in death on March 24, 1992.

She is survived by her brother-in-law and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. H. Jene Steakley of Colorado City and her brother-in-law and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Steakley of Temple, Texas. She is also survived by her nephews, H. Jene Steakley, Jr., of Snyder; Zolzie Carl Steakley of Sweetwater; Dan Stephen Steakley of Austin; one niece, Sue Steakley Stearns of Temple; nine great nephews and nieces and one great great nephew.

Services in her honor were held at 9 a.m. January 10 at the First Baptist Church in Austin. Burial followed in the family plot in Sweetwater's city cemetery at 4 p.m. on the same day. Arrangements were by Weed-Corley Funeral Home in Austin and local arrangements were by McCoy Funeral Home in Sweetwater.

Birtie Bayne Martin

1898-1994

Services for Birtie Bayne Martin, 95, of Colorado City were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Mr. Kerry Cain officiating. Burial was in Colorado City Cemetery.

Mrs. Martin died January 10, 1994 at Mitchell County Hospital. She was born June 13, 1898 in Martha, Oklahoma. She married Clarence Martin in 1914 in Colorado City. He died February 2, 1953.

Mrs. Martin had taught school in Cross Plains and Westbrook school districts. She was a member of the 22nd & Austin Sts. Church of Christ.

Survivors include seven nieces, Edna Cox of Andrews, Johnni Hazelwood of Stanton, Betty Pratt of Kermitt, Billie Morton of Burlington, Irma Moore of Graham, Billy Herzog of Stanton and Sandra Dees of Fort Worth; five nephews, James Jones, Don Jones, Kenneth Cranfill of Colorado City, Garland Cranfill of Abilene and Troy Powell of Abilene.

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Lindsey Walker is honored at Kilgore College

Lindsey P. Walker of Colorado City was among 30 students who made all A's, earning a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the fall semester at Kilgore College.

A total of 128 students were listed on the fall semester honor roll. To be included, a student must have been enrolled in at least 15 hours and have earned a grade point average of at least 3.40.

Committee set to meet January 17

The Mitchell County Agriculture Crop Committee will meet at the Villa Restaurant at 8 a.m. on Monday, January 17. We will discuss the Long Range Extension Plan and make arrangements for Cotton Information Day on February 24.

If you have any questions about the meeting or if you can't attend call Joe Raff at the office at 728-3111.

BIRTHS

Births

Carly Brienne Gill was born January 7, 1994 to Roy and Cynthia Gill. She weighed 7 lbs. 1 oz. and was 20 inches long.

HOSPITAL REPORT

Admissions

January 6: Cindy Gill, Snyder, OBS. Lucy Garcia, Medical. Juanita Garcia, Lorraine, Medical. January 7: Gladys Pedigo, Medical. Donald Adams, Abilene, Medical. Esperanza Rosas, Lorraine, Medical. Gladys Mize, Medical. January 8: Alfred Curtis, Medical. January 9: Julia Cain, Medical. Charlie Hulme, Medical. Joe F. Martin, Medical. January 10: Buena Vista Harrell, Medical. Misty Sullivan, Medical.

Dismissals

January 7: Hershel Thigpen, Medical. John D. Brown, Medical. January 8: Joe Espinoza, Lorraine, Medical. Nicolosa Lambaren, Medical. Lupe Contreras, Medical. Lucy Garcia, Medical. Cindy Gill, Snyder, OBS. January 9: Ida Epperson, Lorraine, Medical. Donald Adams, Abilene, Medical. January 10: Alfred Curtis, Medical. Juanita Garcia, Lorraine, Medical.

CLERK

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afternoon in their first regular meeting of the new year.

Mostly first-of-the-year business was handled by the court including setting the holidays for the county for this year, setting the County Court term, setting compensation of Precinct Officers for 1994 and setting the pay for jurors for the coming year.

The grievance committee for this year was also drawn from the last Grand Jury list and it includes Leigh Ann Erwin, Melba T. Thompson Wilkes, James Magill, Bobby Northcutt, Elizabeth A. Franco Flores, Tim Lelek, Alice Moreno, Janet Free and Vicki Atkins. Alternates selected are Ben Cloud, John Austin Hale and Kristy Frizzell.

Jurors' pay will remain the same at \$6 to come to the jury call and \$10 a day if selected to serve on the jury.

Tommy Guelker was on the agenda to have the court consider a request for papers for the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Dept. but was unable to attend the meeting. The court tabled this item until a later date.

NIMMO

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In one other personnel matter, the board accepted the resignation of second grade teacher Renee Marshall. The resignation will be effective the date the district hires a suitable replacement.

In other action, the trustees approved a request from the Ira ISD to enter an agreement for the education of non-resident students, approved the Texas Teacher Appraisal System calendar and approved one budget amendment, the bills for payment, the financial report and tax roll report.

Kitten Arthur also presented the TAAS results from this past Fall semester.

CITY COUNCIL NOTES

City Manager Buddy Foster's evaluation report from the city's Personnel Regulation Committee was given in an hour-and-a-half closed door session Tuesday night and after convening in open session, Mayor Jim Baum reported that no action was taken during the session.

The council also heard a recommendation from the same committee recommending that Foster's firing of former street superintendent James Rich be upheld.

That committee had met Monday afternoon and on a vote by committee members Gary Redwine and Allen Pharis upheld Foster's action on December 20.

Chairman of the committee, Sammy Contreras did not vote on the matter since he had brought the accusations against Rich saying he had seen him consuming alcohol in a city vehicle during normal working hours.

It was good news for the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department as the council lowered

the weekly rate the organization pays to rent the Civic Center for bingo.

The vote was to lower the rate to \$35 weekly with \$25 going for cleaning up the center. Tex Blankenship said the bingo games were just breaking even now and some councilmen suggested they should be able to use the center free of charge considering the amount of fire-fighting equipment bingo revenue had purchased.

The vote was split on this issue, 4 to 1, with Baum voting against and Gary Redwine and Brian Bassham abstaining.

Representatives of Gary Traylor and Associates discussed the process the city could take in obtaining grants for various city services and the council is expected to look into their proposals at a later date.

The budget committee for the council was formed with Baum, Bob Reily and Walt Staats on that committee.

During the city manager's report, Foster said he thought it

was possible to have at least one softball field constructed at the new site and he said the city was trying to have two completed by the time the season starts this summer.

Baum also reported that the city was to have representatives in Austin on Friday, January 21 to meet with the Water Development Board and he stated "the ball is rolling on improving the city's water lines and waste water systems."

BRIEFLY

Community Mission
The Community Mission is accepting donations according to Shirley Stafford. It are located at 3rd and Chestnut.

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Caliche Rayon Tops Reg 24.99 **20.00**

Cotton Sweaters, Reg 24.99 **17.99**

Acrylic Tunic Sweaters, Reg 15.99 to 29.99 **\$10 to \$20**

Donkenny Related Separates, Reg \$28 to \$54 **30% off**

Teddi Sport Related Separates Reg \$26 to \$34 **30% off**

Mickey Mouse Turtlenecks, Reg 25.00 **15.00**

Solid & Stripes Denim Shirts, Reg 17.99 & 19.99 **12.99**

Famous Maker Woven Vests, Reg 17.99 & 19.99 **15.00**

Men's

Gloria Vanderbilt Stirrup Pants, Reg 29.99 **15.00**

Men's Flannel Shirts, Reg 13.99 **11.99**

Men's Newer Sweaters, Reg 24.99 **12.50**

Men's Fleece Sets, Reg 34.99 **25.00**

Windsuits, Reg 59.99 **39.99**

Fleece Tops, Reg 29.99 **15.00**

Chalkline Coats, Reg 89.99 **44.99**

Casual Basics Solid Henley Shirts, Reg 16.99 **10.99**

Core Solid Henley Shirts, Reg 16.99 **10.99**

Shah Safari Flannel Jackets, Reg 34.99 **19.99**

CHILDREN'S

Boys' Gloves, Reg 7.99 **5.00**

Boys' 8-20 Lee Fleece, Reg 7.99 **4.99**

Boys' 4-7 Lee Fleece, Reg 6.99 **4.99**

Boys' Gloves, Reg 7.99 **5.00**

Boys' 8-20 Cougar Windsuits, Reg 29.99 **14.99**

Boys' 4-7 D. Glasgow Fleece Sets, Reg 21.99 **14.99**

Boys' 8-20 D. Glasgow Fleece Sets, Reg 7.99 **4.99**

Boys' 4-7 60 D Street Fleece Separates, Reg 12.99 **9.09**

Boys' 8-20 60 D Street Fleece Separates, Reg 14.99 **10.49**

Boys' 4-7 Streetline Rugby Shirts Reg 15.99 **7.99**

Girls' 7-14 Sweaters, Reg 19.99 **13.99**

Girls' 7-14 Turtleneck Tops, Reg 8.99 **6.99**

Girls' 7-14 Fashion Denim Jeans, Values to \$28 **12.99**

Girls' 7-14 Mickey & Co. Fleece, Reg 21.99 **13.99**

Girls' Kikomo Twill Shirts, Reg 15.99 **11.99**

Girls' 7-14 Lavon 2-Piece Fleece Sets, Reg 22.99 **11.49**

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Mister Shoes Woven Oxford, Reg 32.00 **29.99**

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CHIEF LONE WOLF

Some of the stories told in this space each week bring back memories to readers who recall similar events. A case in point was a recent column on early day rodeos. Mrs. Jake (Kitten) Richardson remembers one performance in particular.

"We went to rodeos all the time," she told us. However, her husband was not fond of box seats. Nonetheless, when they were invited to sit with Moco Grantland in his box, they accepted.

"There was a telephone pole directly in front of the box seats, which were divided by a 2 x 4. This horse (ridden by Cotton Proctor), started bucking and it hit that telephone pole and threw the rider over the fence and right on top of me."

The diminutive Kitten, four feet nine inches tall, says the only thing that saved her was the reflex action of an old time cowboy, Moco Jenkins. "He stood up and broke the boy's fall and that's why I wasn't hurt," Mrs. Richardson remembers. Later, the bronc rider came back to the box because he was concerned about Kitten. "I said, 'Well, I don't think I'm that hurt.'" However, she says if it had not been for Moco Jenkins she isn't sure what would have happened.

Another article we wrote concerned the old Col-Tex Refinery and that triggered many recollections by Russell Soper, now a resident of Las Cruces, New Mexico. Soper went to work at the plant in the early '30s. His starting wage was two-bits an hour.

He recalled a tragic accident that involved an employee named Johnny Miller. "He was doing inventory on the barrels of asphalt," Soper told us. "He was counting them by stepping on each barrel (which contained hardened asphalt)."

Unknown to Miller, some fresh barrels of asphalt had been added to the inventory. "They were poured open and he (Miller) was stepping on the dry asphalt. Then he stepped into a barrel that was completely fluid," Soper estimates the asphalt was several hundred degrees.

Local resident Robert Ramage remembers the incident very well. He says Miller spent more than a year recuperating and carried extensive scars from the mishap. The badly burned employee eventually returned to work. He died some 18-20 years ago, according to Ramage.

As for Soper, after World War II he returned to work at the refinery, but only for a couple of months. He says somehow it wasn't the same as before the war. Soper later moved to Las Cruces where he has since retired from a lengthy career in banking.

In addition to stories like the ones told by Soper and Mrs. Richardson, we get tidbits from readers who correctly figure we are interested in some information they have to pass along.

As a case in point, Westbrook Mayor Bill Rees recently gave us two statements that have been in his family for a number of years. The first came from Kiker and Son and is dated November 18, 1933. The itemized costs were for the funeral of Thomas E. Ellett, father of Mrs. Rees (Lena).

The casket was \$175, a suit for Mr. Ellett cost \$14.75 and his "underwear, hose and shirt" were another \$3.75. Kiker and Son charged \$15 for the use of a hearse and the cemetery lot was another \$15. Opening the grave cost \$8 and having it leveled was another \$5. The total cost for Mr. Ellett's funeral was \$240. He died at the age of 65 and is buried in Colorado City Cemetery.

A more pleasant statement the Rees' have kept came from Root Memorial Hospital. It's dated October 22-24, 1943. That was for the birth of their son, Robert. The cost for a room (2 days) was \$12 and the delivery service was \$7.50. There was also a \$1 charge for "circ. baby" and another \$1 assessed for using the nursery (2 days). Medicine was 75¢ and the use of a cot for one night was 50¢. There was also an extra charge for a "Nurse Appreciation Fund." Specifically, the charge read "10¢ or \$5, whichever is smaller."

"This amount added to your bill," it was explained, "is given to the nurses in addition to their regular salary in appreciation for their essential civilian defense work. Although the hospital cannot compete with salaries of defense factories, the nurses have elected to remain with the hospitals where they are badly needed and can do the most to aid the war effort. Service rendered: Wife and Baby."

Added to the statement was an "N.F." (Nurses Fund) charge of \$2.20. That brought the total of the bill to \$24.95. The statement was marked "paid in full" and was signed by C.L. Root. The Rees' son, Robert, is now 50 years old and lives near Olney, Texas. He was delivered by Dr. Melvin Crymes.

Next time you sort through your bills, would some of them make for interesting reading in the future? Even "duns" have historical significance.

Westbrook announces Honor Rolls

Westbrook Independent School District announces its honor roll for the third six-weeks.

ALL A HONOR ROLL:

Second Grade: Sheena Fernandez, Shalynn Harris, Kayla Rich, Melissa Smith, Chon Vidal.

Third Grade: Buddy Criswell, Kaci Moody, Sheila Perales, Lindsey Webb.

Fourth Grade: April Chambers, Chris Matlock, Brynn Rich.

Fifth Grade: Connie Koch.

Sixth Grade: Jaci Hill, Mark McElhaney, Crystal Rich.

Seventh Grade: Chris Chambers, Kristin Moody.

Eighth Grade: Charlotte Donaldson.

Ninth Grade: Casey Hill.

Tenth Grade: Matthew McElhaney, Chad Morris, Amanda Rich.

Eleventh Grade: Robert Danley.

Twelfth Grade: Jay Browne, Greg Conaway, Sheila Hale, Tami Putman, Greg Vidal.

HONOR ROLL:

Second Grade: Stefanie Hemphill, Brandon Lendermon, Christie Rasmussen.

Third Grade: Monica Barboza.

Fourth Grade: Kirby Bisnette, Celia Northcutt.

Fifth Grade: Melissa Alaniz, Matt Castillo, Tommy Harris, Haley Hemphill, Ryan Hinojosa.

Sixth Grade: John Daniel, Jenny Wright.

Seventh Grade: Brad Hale, Amber Morris.

BRIEFLY

Explorer Post
The Mitchell Co. Law Enforcement Explorer Post will begin meeting on the first and third Mondays at the Sheriff's Office at 6:30 p.m. All residents, male or female, ages 14-20 are invited.

Club hears lawn care tips

For the first meeting of 1994 the Colorado City Garden Club held a Dutch treat luncheon at the Villa Restaurant.

Brenda Aguillon, president, introduced Robert Hoback of Colorado Feed and Seed, who spoke about "Spring Lawn Care."

He said now and into February is the time to apply a pre-emergent herbicide and fertilizer for summer weeds. Then after the grass has grown, about April, a well-balanced fertilizer should be applied.

Throughout the growing season the lawn needs a well-balanced fertilizer, well-watered into the soil as the grass needs it. In September the pre-emergent herbicide and fertilizer should be reapplied for winter weeds.

Weed and Feed is an excellent product for this, since it is safe and less expensive than applying fertilizer and a herbicide separately.

Fertilome is a well-balanced fertilizer that can be used to meet a lawn's particular needs.

Round-Up is an excellent weed and grass killer but the user should

read the labels carefully to be sure of the strength of the product, its type of use and method of application.

In response to questions by members, he said that Weed Free will kill nut grass but it is a time-consuming process. A product that will kill grasses but not flowers is Over the Top.

Mr. Hoback's information was helpful and timely.

The Colorado City Garden Club will give a twenty-five dollar award for the best use of plant life at the Colorado Independent Schools' Science Fair on January 13.

Mabel Merrett was welcomed as a guest and members attending were Sister Guadalupe Tartt, Ray Anne Carlock, Margie Kilman, Brenda Aguillon, Betsy Lee Aycock and returning member Jeanine Bodine.

The next meeting will be February 2, 1994 when Mr. Mark Fambro, the park superintendent of the Lake Colorado City State Park, will discuss "Native Prairie Land."

HEALTH NEWS

Normally your body temperature ranges from 97 degrees in the morning to 99 degrees at night. But if you're exposed to prolonged periods of cold or a cool, damp environment, your body can lose heat faster than it can be replaced. If your temperature drops below 94 degrees, hypothermia will occur. This condition can be fatal.

Elderly adults who are sick, frail, very old or who cannot afford to properly heat their home are at special risk. The National Institute on Aging estimates that about 10 percent of all persons over 65 have some sort of temperature-regulating defect and between three percent and four percent of all hospital patients over 65 are hypothermic.

According to Sarah Chandler, M.D., a family practitioner at Methodist Hospital, "Infants also can be affected because they do not have efficient internal body mechanisms that detect decreases in body temperature. And they have smaller bodies so they can't hold heat as well."

"Athletes who exercise outside in extremely low temperatures or any person who gets wet outside on a cold day also are susceptible to hypothermia," she said.

Here's how to tell if someone is suffering from hypothermia:

- Neck, arm and leg muscles are unusually stiff, accompanied by a fine trembling on one side of the body.
- Victim is shivering to keep warm.
- Face is puffy or swollen.
- Victim has poor coordination and jerky movements.
- Breathing and heart rate are slowed.
- Skin is cool or cold or very pale with large blue or pink spots.
- Thinking may be impaired.

If you sense someone is suffering from hypothermia, call an ambulance or rescue squad immediately.

Some suggestions to protect yourself from hypothermia:

- Insulate your home properly, paying particular attention to caulking.
- Use extra blankets during sleep.
- Eat nutritious foods and exercise moderately.
- Get proper rest.
- Drink adequate amounts of liquids, especially water.
- Limit alcohol consumption, especially when you are outside.
- On a cold or windy day, layer clothing with a waterproof outer layer and two more insulating inner layers. Keep clothes loose enough to maintain air between the layers and allow for adequate circulation. Additionally, heads and hands are especially important to keep covered if you are out in very cold weather.

As with most conditions, understanding is the key to preventing hypothermia. Keep warm and keep safe!

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Cotton producers to attend meeting

The Texas State Support Committee (TSSC) is inviting Texas cotton producers to attend a meeting January 20, 1994 in Lubbock. The meeting will focus on reviewing the TSSC research projects supported in 1993.

The TSSC is made up of cotton producers from each of the nine regional cotton producing organizations in Texas. The committee's objective is to study, develop and evaluate innovative research affecting the state's cotton industry. Funding for this research comes from the research and promotion program, which is supported by all cotton producers.

The TSSC supports research projects on both statewide and regional levels. Projects supported by the committee in 1993 range widely in the areas of research conducted. Areas addressed include plant breeding for improved fiber

quality, insect control, harvest-aid management and improved cotton profitability.

Each of the researchers who conducted the projects in 1993 will provide a brief report on the results of their project. They will be available to take questions from the audience and will be on hand to visit with individual growers. Cotton growers are encouraged to attend and learn about some of the latest developments in practical research, and to see first hand how their dollars are being used to improve cotton production in the future.

The scheduled meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the auditorium of the Texas Agricultural Extension & Research Center in Lubbock. All cotton growers and other interested individuals are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

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TOTAL COUNTY	5,587,716.25	5,259,619.71	859,317.93-	4,512,827.87	5,475,190.16

LORAINE PERSONALS

By: Lois Phillips

One of Gladys Payne's daughters called to tell her Loraine friends that Gladys was in a Midland hospital and was very sick. The last I heard she was no better. I sure hope at this time that she feels much better.

Today is sure a weary day and my feelings are about the same. I know we need some cold and rainy weather but that doesn't make me like it any better. Anyway, whatever God sends in the way of weather I'll accept but I still am not overjoyed when it is bad.

I noticed in the paper that Girl Scout cookies will be on the market soon. Be sure and support the girls. It is a good project, besides that you get good cookies to feed your family or grandkids when they come to visit. Had one call last night.

I guess I should apologize to the weather man. Looks like he will change the weather, at least for awhile.

The Annual Mitchell County F.F.A. and 4-H Livestock Show is set for Thursday, January 13. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m. and the show gets underway on Saturday at 8 a.m. with the hog judging. Sheep and steers begin at 1 p.m. Come along if you care to see good stock.

We will tell you who won in the Loraine Stock Show last week. Alicia Finley showed the Grand Champion here to start off the show. It was a highlight of the show.

Finley showed a medium-weight for the win. Meanwhile, Amber Blair had the reserve Grand Champion with a heavyweight and Kamie Lamb took swine showmanship honors.

Lauren Hackfeld swept the steer accolades. Hackfeld took the Grand Championship of the steers with an exotic steer. Lauren also exhibited the reserve champion steer which is a Hereford entry. Amber Blair got the showmanship award.

This was a real good chance for our girls and boys to be ready for the county show.

I see that Matt Givens had second place in hogs. It looks like Lauren and Amber Blair got the steer top honors. Others showing were Ty Henderson, Brian Butler, Alicia Finley, Erin Hackfeld and Lauren Hackfeld.

Mrs. Nannie Hallmark had a niece and her husband visiting. They are Mary Helen Hines and Timothy Hines of North Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Harris of El Paso also visited Mrs. Hallmark last weekend.

I saw Liz Mayes at the beauty shop bringing Jenny Hallmark to get a new perm but when the time to get all curled she had decided she was going to go home and she went. She told me that she was not going to get one that day. Liz said yes, we were making up my mind this time and we are going to get the perm and they did. Liz is Jenny's friend, her niece and homebound nurse. She does a real job of that and is always sweet and kind with her patient.

My sister is a little better, so she says. I sure hope she is on the road to better health for awhile. She has a very nice, sweet crew of nurses and helpers in general; she also has a home care group who see after her needs. It's bad to be that sick but it is nice to be cared for that well.

Willa Dean Forbus returned this week from Whitehouse, Texas where she visited with her daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis and daughters Dondra and Dodie. While there they toured the Lights of Wonderland in Marshall. They all toured the campus of East Texas Baptist University, where her granddaughter is a student.

Now that school is back in session we will bring you the newest report the Abilene paper has out. Our girls played in Westbrook and won over the Lady Bulldogs. Among the scorers for the Lady Bulldogs were L. Atkins, 10; M. Garcia, 8 and K. Butler, 5.

Before we get to the boys, the third Loraine Atkins of Texas Tech is doing very well. She is a starter

and carries her load.

It looks like our boys did wee for themselves. Here is a rundown of their scoring. Loraine won by a score of 86-73. Not bad, guys. Other scorers were Crawford, 33; Finley, 17; M. Moore, 15 and Lopez, 14.

I hope everything goes well for the school and all events.

Inez Webb is feeling better. Gus and Iva were better but Gus fell some way or somehow and got hurt painfully. Hope he is soon better.

Loraine ISD adds three staff days, student holidays

The Loraine ISD school calendar has been amended to include the following staff development days.

January 14, Dr. Shirley Crook; February 7, Dr. William Daggett; March 4, Dr. Lloyd Campbell.

Please note that these will be student holidays.

Health officials warn against "false security" on mumps

Texas Health officials have urged caution against "false security" based on Thursday's report from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that measles and mumps may decrease to an all-time low this year. For the first six months of 1993, only 175 measles cases were reported nationally. During a nationwide measles outbreak from 1989 through 1991, as many as 50,000 cases, including 132 measles deaths were reported to CDC.

Dr. David R. Smith, Texas Commissioner of Health, said today, "We are extremely satisfied to see such dramatic results from our recent initiatives against vaccine-preventable disease." He added that only 10 cases of measles have been reported to the Texas Department of Health (TDH) during this calendar year, compared to 1,097 during 1992, when Texas cases comprised half of all U.S. cases for the year.

"However," he warned, "confidence that measles is all but eradicated is premature. We know from painful experience that false security and public complacency about children's immunizations have ended in epidemics and death. The report of decreased measles cases this year is great news, but our goal is to prevent those numbers from climbing again this year or 20 years from now."

Dr. Smith said, "Continuing programs to increase children's immunization rates for measles, mumps, rubella and other diseases are the key to preventing a return of large-scale outbreaks."

He said that current initiatives, such as "Shots Across Texas," a statewide effort to ensure age-appropriate vaccinations for all Texas children, are helping to reduce that state's reservoir of susceptible people. "Currently, about 70 percent of the state's 2-year-olds need one or more of their vaccinations. By reducing that proportion we lessen the number of potential disease carriers."

TDH recently completed a second week-long project in which health authorities and Army and National Guard medical personnel joined to supply vaccinations to the population of Starr County on the Texas-Mexico border.

Dr. Smith said, "Special projects such as these, as well as expanded immunization programs through inner-city clinics and local partnerships with service groups such as Kiwanis and the Salvation Army have enhanced our success against measles."

He added, "For a welcome change we are seeing stark evidence that concerted public health programs combining both public and private resources can pay off almost immediately. Not only are we preventing death and misery for many, many Texans, we also are saving hospitalization costs and other health-care expenses."

Dr. Smith said that for every dollar spent for immunizations, at least \$10 in potential medical expenses are saved.

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Winter brings more vehicle-train crashes

Winter brings expectations of "blue northerners," festivals and gatherings of holiday celebration. Winter, however, is also the season when vehicle-train crashes significantly increase in Texas and the nation.

In each of the past ten years, December and January have been the months with the highest number of highway-rail grade crossing crashes, according to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). This sharp increase deviates from other types of highway collisions which most frequently occur during the summer, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

"The increase in vehicle-train crash frequency during these months may be attributed to more severe weather conditions, decreased daylight hours, holiday traffic and increased drunk driving, but it's hard to attribute to one factor," said Thomas D. Simpson, president of Operation Lifesaver, Inc., a national non-profit, public education program dedicated to reducing crashes, injuries and fatalities at highway-rail grade crossings.

"Vehicle-train crashes are notably different than other accidents involving motor vehicles in that they are eleven times more likely to result in a fatality. Vehicle-train crashes are almost always preventable," said Simpson.

Every 90 minutes, on the average, a vehicle and train collide somewhere in the United States. Last year there were 579 people killed and 1,975 injured in 4,910 grade crossing crashes, according to the FRA.

Texas ranks number one in the nation for vehicle-train crashes. Last year there were 486 crashes that resulted in 59 fatalities and 196

injuries. This year doesn't promise to be any better for Texas. FRA's preliminary statistics for the first six months of 1993 indicate a five percent increase in vehicle-train crashes and a 60 percent increase in fatalities in Texas compared to the same period in 1992.

Texas Operation Lifesaver urges all motorists to follow these safety tips to prevent highway-rail grade crossing crashes:

• Never attempt to beat a train through the crossing. If it's a tie, YOU LOSE!

• Do not get trapped on a crossing. Proceed through a crossing only if you are sure you can clear the entire track.

• Expect a train on any track at any time.

• Look for a second train when crossing multiple tracks.

• Get out of your vehicle if it stalls on a crossing and call 911. Only attempt to restart your vehicle if you can post a lookout to watch for approaching trains.

• Never drive around crossing gates when they are down. To violate activated crossing gates is both illegal and deadly!

• Be aware that trains cannot stop quickly. Even though the locomotive engineer may see you in a crossing, it can take up to one and a half miles to stop once the emergency brakes are applied.

"This winter, and always, remember four simple words when approaching grade crossings: Look, Listen and Live," urged Simpson.

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BY KITTEN ARTHUR

CISD welcomed its students back after an extended holiday due to further PSI training for the district. After the initial workday to close out the first semester, the staff worked predominantly on interdisciplinary thematic units and TAAS strategies.

One half day, however, was spent with Dr. Gonzalo Ramirez, an elementary principal from Lamesa who spoke on the necessity for multicultural teaching and understanding on the part of both staff and students. Dr. Ramirez offered some interesting statistics affecting our state and nation.

1. There has been a 63% increase in the number of immigrants to the United States in the past ten years; 2/3 of those folks settled in California, Florida, New York, New Jersey and Texas.

2. Hispanics constitute 1/4 of all new immigrants and have doubled in population to 4.3 million.

3. In Texas, public schools are presently 49% Anglo, 34% Hispanic, 14% African American and 2% Asian. For the first time in Texas history, then, our public schools constitute a minority majority.

Our changing populations reflect the need to re-evaluate how we teach and how students learn, and part of that training includes the study of multiculturalism. The philosophy of America as a "melting pot" has now been transformed into the idea of the American "mosaic" or "quilt": that is, we have many cultures that contribute to the greater "whole" of the United States.

Dr. Gonzales entertained our group with a "test" for foreign

travelers to gauge our cultural adaptability and also quizzed us on our own knowledge of multicultural contributions to our country.

Did you know that:
1. the first man to shed his blood in the war for Texas independence was a free black man, Samuel McCullough Jr.;

2. approximately half of our states have names of Native American origin;

3. "barbecue," "caribou," "chocolate," "hammock," "hurricane," "moose," "squash," and "toboggan" are just a few words that come from Native American language;

4. Ben Franklin credits the Iroquois League with the concept of the federal government and state governments with separate powers;

5. nine Tejanos died defending the Alamo;

6. Everett Alvarez, a Mexican American, was the first and longest held POW of the Vietnam War;

7. Mexican Americans have earned 38 United States Congressional Medals of Honor, the highest award this country gives for valor on the battlefield; and

8. the first black since Reconstruction to be elected statewide to office in Texas was Morris Overstreet, a state judge presiding over the Amarillo area.

To include multiculturalism in our curriculum is not to exclude the history, values and traditions of mainstream America. In Dr. Ramirez's words, "If all our children learn that we as a nation enjoy our freedoms because of the sacrifices of many different ethnic groups, our children will be better prepared to accept the leadership roles necessary to govern this great nation." An enjoyable, enlightening session!

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8th grade Wolves win Coahoma Tourney

8th grade Wolves 51
Coahoma 30

Thursday, Colorado City's 8th grade boys romped in the Coahoma tournament. The Wolves came back home with the championship. Adam Molina scored 11 points against Stanton, Adam Wood with 10, Perry Noblett with 8, Ray Martin with 6, Jonathan Jones with 3, Justin Sparkman and Joey Bahh both with 2.

The Wolves went on to crush Coahoma with a 21 point win.

"The victory over Coahoma gave us first place in the tournament. Congratulations to the guys for a great job," said the Wolves proud coach, Coach Powell.

The quarters were scored as follows:
C-City: 13 11 11 7-42
Stanton: 2 5 10 12-29

C-City: 8 20 13 10-51
Coahoma: 0 7 11 12-30

The Wolves play Coahoma again Jan 17, in Coahoma.

7th grade boys rusty due to Christmas holidays

Greenwood 29
7th grade Wolves 23

Seventh grade Wolves pulled out of the Coahoma Tournament with one win and one loss. The Wolves defeated Forsan 39-28.

"We played a very good offensive game, several players had season scoring highs, this was a good win that was much needed," said 7th grade's Coach Richburg. Terri Green had the high of 18, Brett Hoyle with 8, Armando Rocha with 5, Will Bassham with 4, Cade Pharris and Kyle Hammond both with 2.

Despite this win the Wolves then lost against Greenwood. Coach Richburg explains the hard fight. "We had to play catch-up most of the game, but we did pull back and tie the game up twice. Our defensive play was exceptional, although we were a little rusty from the Christmas holidays.

Terri Green had 5 baskets, Will Bassham with 9 points, Adam Myers and Brett Hoyle both scored 2 points. The quarters scored as follows:
C-City: 4 2 7 10-23
Greenwood: 6 9 0 14-29

Varsity Lady Wolves lose first district game

by: Audra Lee McAnally
Sonora 58
Varsity Wolves 49

Colorado City's Varsity Lady Wolves, lost their first district game to Sonora last Monday night, 58-49. Some say the loss was due to the absence of home field advantage, others say the loss was due to nervous Wolves. However

these lady Wolves didn't let Sonora get too far away from them. Sonora only won by nine points. Their season record is 3 and 11.

Veronica Moreno scored 16 points, Krissy Crawford with 11, Jini Sparkman and Freda McKnight both with 8, Holly Turner with 4, and Shanna Haggerton with 2.

7th grade girls win Tourney

7th grade girls 34
Coahoma 24

Colorado City's 7th grade girls took it all last Thursday at the Coahoma Tournament. Slaughtering Stanton in the first game, 34-17. C-City scored by quarters as follows:

C-City: 4 10 2 18-34
Stanton: 6 5 2 4-17

The massive 34 points over Stanton were scored by Jami Mason with 14, Kendra Anderson with 10, Kaylon Graves with 4, and Mandy Strain with 2. Setting the record at 4 and 1.

Colorado Middle School defeated Forsan 30-20. Quarters

Scored as follows:
C-City: 3 5 15 7-30
Forsan: 8 0 2 10-20

Scoring the 10 point win over Forsan was Kendra Anderson and Jami Mason both scored 9, Kaylon

Graves with 5, Liz Rivera, Staci Turnbow and Randi Redwine with 2 a piece and Mandy Strain with 1. The Ladies now set a record of 5 and 1.

Quarters scored as follows:
C-City: 3 10 17 2-34
Coahoma: 3 5 4 12-24

Coach Aberegg having now quenched her thirst with victory, she exclaimed "The girls had an outstanding weekend. They are finally beginning to play as a team, and it really showed at the tournament, I was really impressed with the way the girls played. They fought hard and deserved first place."

Kendra Anderson had 10 points, Kaylon Graves with 7, Staci Turnbow with 6, Liz Rivera with 5, Jami Mason with 3, Mandy Strain with 2, and Monica Rodriguez with 1.

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