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Answerline

Q. When does CISD let out for the Christmas holidays?
A. Tuesday, Dec. 16. Classes resume Tues., Jan 4, 2000.

Briefly



Only 15 Shopping Days left till Christmas

Museum Christmas

Music and a live nativity will be held on the museum lawn at Third and Locust Streets Mon., Dec. 14 from 6 to 8 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Mitchell County Historical Commission. The museum board will serve refreshments across the street at the Episcopal Parish Hall.

B&PW Coat Giveaway

The Business and Professional Women's Club will have their Coat Give Away Sat., Dec. 11 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the CC Thompson Room. Coats may be dropped off or picked up at this time.

Old Fashioned Christmas

There will be an Old Fashioned Christmas at Dorn Chapel Dec. 11 at 7 p.m.

Hutchinson Music Program

Hutchinson Elementary will have a music program Tues., Dec. 14 at 2 and 7 p.m. in the gym. Third grade will sing the Christmas Story, fourth grade will perform the play, "A Teddy Bear Christmas" and fifth grade will be playing recorders.

4-H Christmas Party

The Mit. Co. 4-H Christmas Party will be held Sat., Dec. 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the CC Thompson Room. Each family should bring refreshments or drinks and a new or unwanted Christmas ornament and/or small light string. Ornaments should be taken to the Extension office by Fri., Dec. 10.

Living Nativity

The Calvary Baptist Church Children's Department is pleased to present a drive-by Living Nativity Mon., Dec. 20 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at 1025 E. 15th St.

Westbrook Schedule

Dec. 14, 15, 16, busses will run 30 minutes later and all classes will begin at 8:30 a.m. for Westbrook ISD.

Early Release

School will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. Dec. 16 for the Christmas holidays at Westbrook ISD. Classes resume Jan. 3.

Livestock Meeting

The Mitchell County Livestock Show Association will meet Tues., Dec. 14 in the CC Thompson Room at 7 p.m.

Deaths

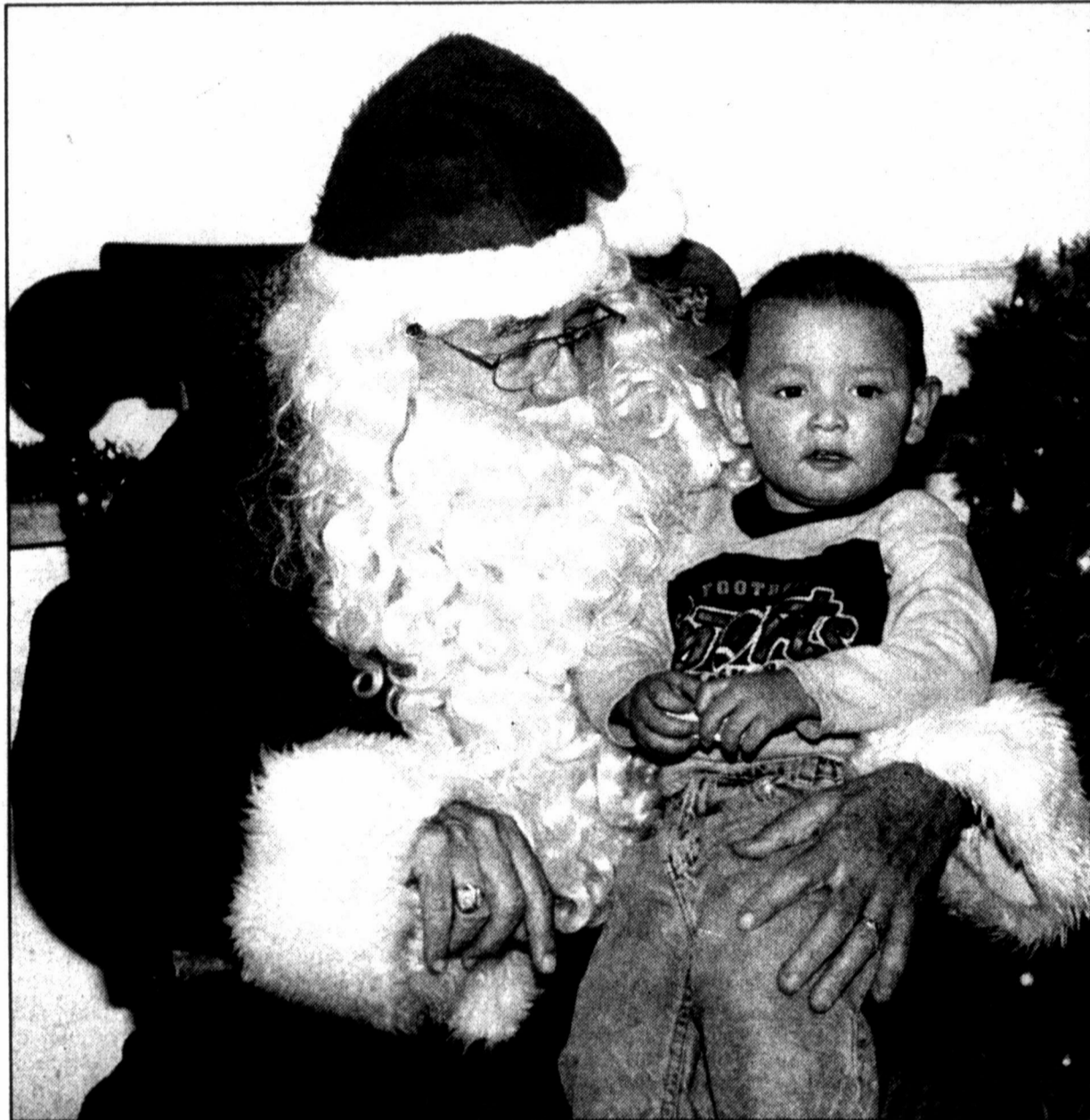
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Around Town

Happy birthday Lisa Wood (Dec. 13)... Richard Geere calls Bonnie Denton... Happy 1st birthday Brilee Young (Dec. 9)... Happy birthday Marsha Rickard (Dec. 10)... Lillie Wood (Dec. 14)... Juan Manuel (Dec. 13)...

Lake Levels

Lake Colorado City.....2056.99'
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Lake Champion.....2040.10'
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Levels courtesy of the United States Geological Service, as of 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, 1999



TWO-YEAR OLD AUSTYN RIVERA was right where he wanted to be, in Santa Claus's lap, Saturday night at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Winter Wonderland held in the Railhead Trade Days Center.

TEA rules in favor of CISD

The Texas Education Agency in Austin has ruled that the Colorado Independent School District does not have to return any students who have transferred here from Loraine.

Concerned about decreasing enrollment and state and federal funding from the transfers, Loraine Supt. David Lewein in October sought a TEA ruling on the situation.

C-City Supt. Buddy Compton said Monday that TEA investigator Ron Rowell had just informed him in a letter "that

everything we were doing is right.

"If Mr. Lewein had called, he could have found that information out without filing the complaint," Supt. Compton said.

Supt. Lewein could not be reached for comment Monday, and he was out of town Tuesday.

His Oct. 14 request for an investigation alleged that C-City was "mis-coding," or accepting about 40 Loraine students.

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Water level at Lake C-City nearing critical stage

TXU Electric Co.'s Morgan Creek Plant is getting very low on lake water and will have to consider routing water from Lake Spence into Lake Colorado City within a month if generous rains do not come.

Champion Creek Reservoir is down to only 9.9 percent of its capacity and Lake C-City has fallen to 39 percent, said Morgan Creek Manager Alvin Goodman Tuesday.

More pertinently, the water

elevation above sea level in Lake C-City is now at 2,057 feet, which is only two feet above the all time low at which the plant has been operated -- 2,055 in the mid-1960's.

"We're somewhat in an area of certainty," said Goodman.

"We have had to do some extra work to keep the circulators from cavitating, or pulling air.

"Basically, we've quit pumping."

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City presented check by Rural Development Corp.

State Rural Development Corp. Director Steve Carriker said here Tuesday that U. S. Rep. Charles Stenholm of Abilene has played a key role in providing money for projects like Colorado City's new water wellfield.

In town to present a \$3.5 million check for the project, he said keeping tax cut crazy congressmen from stripping the Rural Development Corp.'s budget helps towns like Colorado City avoid having to raise water rates and property taxes.

"Where would the money come from if we didn't have this available to us?" the former

state senator from Roby asked.

"We're very appreciative of congressmen like Charlie Stenholm, who will go to bat for us."

He said the Rural Development Corp., formerly the Farmers Home Administration, awarded \$58.6 million in Texas in grants and loans with subsidized interest rates last year.

Carriker's office is in Temple, south of Waco.

He said his new West Texas project is to finance the City of Stamford's efforts to enlarge the Lake Stamford watershed.

See WATER PROJECT, page 5

Work progressing on park cottages

Barring bad weather, the dirt work for laying concrete foundations for 11 cottages at Lake Colorado City State Park should be completed in about a week.

Then in early January, a crew of trustees from the Wallace Unit will start pouring the foundations -- the beginning of a complex project that will not be finished for at least nine months.

"We have already had a lot of people calling and wanting to rent them, but we're not to the point where we can start on that," said Park Manager Mark Fambro.

The Texas Department of Parks & Wildlife has a projected completion date of Sept. 30, 2000, but taking possible delays for inclement weather into consideration, it might be the end of next year before the grand opening can be held.

That should be a notable event because State Rep. Rob Junell of San Angelo, State Parks & Wildlife Director Andrew Sansom of Austin and the Colorado City Kiwanis Club have all taken an interest in the

project since its inception.

Earthco of Big Spring is completing a \$12,000 contract to lay the dirt "pads," or bases for the foundations, in picturesque Dorn Creek Cove in the north central area of the park, replacing 16 non-electrical campsites that were never used much.

A nightly rental fee has not been decided on, but Fambro said it will probably be around \$30.

Air conditioned and heated, the cottages will be 15 feet, four inches, by 17 feet, four inches, on the inside with four bunk beds.

They will have a picnic table on a covered 16 foot, three inch by 12 foot, eight inch porch outside.

"One of the biggest gripes people have about the screened shelters is that the picnic tables are on the inside and take up all the room," Fambro said.

"We wanted to leave plenty of room inside for sleeping.

"Warden Cooper was real nice about keeping me informed before anybody knew

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STEVE CARRIKER, left, presents a \$3.5 million check to city officials for their water well project. From left are Mayor Jim Baum, Councilman Sammy Contreras Sr., congressional representative Mark Lundgren, City Manager Steve Shutt and Councilman Gary Redwine.

Open House Sunday...

New Daycare Center now open

The product of 2 1/2 years' work, the recently opened New Discovery Child Care Center at 1111 E. Ninth St. will have an open house from 1 to 3 p.m. Sunday.

People for Progress Inc. Director Gladys Gerst of Sweetwater will attend, and all elected officials of Colorado City and Mitchell County have been invited, along with the public.

The 10,000 square foot cen-

ter cost \$250,000 to build and is considered to be worth twice that, mostly because it was constructed by trustees from the Wallace Unit.

Inmates laid the foundation in the summer of 1997 and returned to the job full force a little over a year ago, laying bricks and tile, taping, bedding, painting and completing the kitchen.

Working under the supervi-

sion of Field Bosses Bill Stinson and Stephen Faulkenbery, they put designs in some classroom floors that were suggested by Center Director Betty Casarez.

"We want the community to know what we do there and try to get their support for the continuation of the program," said Mark Hampton, director of planning for PPI, which su-

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Water district meets Monday

Lone Wolf Water District (LWWD) President David Stubblefield reported Tuesday that 100 water wells had already been enrolled in the new district's well registration program that began on Wednesday, Dec. 1.

"All water wells should be enrolled within the district," he said.

"It doesn't matter if they are active, capped or idle or if they are used for the house, livestock or irrigation.

"They all need to be registered in order to establish and protect your water use."

He said more than 700 enrollment forms have been distributed in Mitchell County.

The water district's office is

the same as the County Board of Economic Development's at 136 E. Third St. (728-2298).

Regulations require that all wells be enrolled with the district by March 1 in order to be "grandfathered," or accepted, into the district in their present locations and conditions.

The district was created, See WELLS, page 9

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KIWANIS CLUB PRESIDENT Alfred Lynch, left, listens to federal agency head Steve Carriker of Temple review the city's water project. Carriker is a former state senator from Roby.

Play continues at playhouse

The Colorado Play House's Saturday nights. Eighty-five people attended on opening night of the two-act play, which was first done here in 1972. Then 120 came on Friday

and 130 on Saturday -- near the 337 Walnut St. theater's capacity of 154. Tickets are \$5 and may be purchased at the box office between 1 and 5 p.m. daily.

CISD

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dents annually, by listing reasons that did not conform to state guidelines for transfers.

He said the CISD had violated Codes A and C by accepting students to take courses that it mistakenly alleged were not offered in their home district and to accommodate students under age 10 whose parents work with no nearby child care facility being available.

Rowell said in a Tuesday telephone interview that another factor had been considered -- whether or not the transfers had changed Loraine's ethnic balance by more than one percent.

Explaining that the rule is applied in districts with 66 percent or higher of minority enrollment, Rowell said the transfers have affected Loraine's balance by .9 of a percent -- just under the guideline.

"You cannot change the ethnic balance by more than one percent annually," he said.

Compton said he checked the one percent factor and the codes under which students from Loraine are enrolled here.

"We checked 42," he said. "They have to re-file for transfer every year."



SKIPSOHRWEID, left, was recognized as the "1999 Fireman of the Year" at the annual Christmas banquet of the Colorado City Volunteer Fire Department Monday night at the Civic Center. Presenting the award is last year's recipient Linda Mathis.

Prison cotton crop like most of county's yield

The Wallace-Ware Units' cotton was about like everyone else's in Mitchell County this year. It didn't look all that good, but it still looked better than it was.

Planting in a "2 and 1" pattern to extract more soil nutrients on their 400 acres north of the prisons, it looks like they will end up with about 75 bales -- the same third of a bale to the acre that local farmers are reporting.

A hot, dry summer, following a wet spring, stunted the growth of the stalks and limited the number of bales.

Capt. Rocky Moore supervised the operation, which used 535 inmates from the two units here and their work camps in San Angelo, Big Spring and Sweetwater.

While Texas Department of Criminal Justice cotton farming shares many of the industry's universal concerns with weather, insects and other factors, it is unusual in its availability of inmate labor and its traditional methods of picking and pulling cotton by hand.

What is the difference between picking and pulling?

Picking cotton is pulling the bolls off the stalks and then breaking them open and picking the cotton out so that nothing is left but the cotton and seeds.

Pulling cotton is easier because you just pull the bolls, put them into the sack and let the gin do the rest.

Capt. Moore said the TDCJ prefers to pick as much cotton as possible because the ginning fees are less and the profit increases.

"We started on Oct. 11 and picked the whole south side," he said, referring to land on the south side of Interstate 20.

"We picked about a third of

the north side and pulled the rest."

More than half of the 400 acres is on the north side of the interstate.

Including 250 to 275 inmates from the Wallace and Ware Units, the men finished the main phase of the job with a total of 69 bales.

Capt. Moore said some cotton was left because the bolls had not opened, and a smaller crew of local inmates will go back over the entire acreage beginning on Dec. 13 to get perhaps another six bales.

"I had no experience with cotton farming before I went to work for the TDCJ," said Capt. Moore, a Lubbock native.

"I just rely on my subordinates, but I'm learning a lot."

Of those, he said, Sgts. Johnny Rivera and Keith Lloyd are the most knowledgeable.

Sgt. Rivera is a Colorado City native who still does farm work in his spare time, and Sgt. Lloyd, from Snyder, was a harvesting contractor before he joined the TDCJ.

Others who worked in the effort were Lt. Mark Carter and Sgt. Leo Hernandez, along with officers from the three work camps.

A system-wide staffing shortage recently forced Wallace-Ware Units Warden Rodney Cooper to cut back on the community service work of Wallace trustees.

Warden Cooper said he hopes that with the completed staffing of the new maximum security wing at the Smith Unit in Lamesa, the C-City units will begin to get more newly certified correctional officers and be able to resume their community service.

However, he said his commitment to build 11 cottages in

Dorn Creek Cove at Lake Colorado City State Park will not be affected.

Capt. Moore said the trustees "are doing general maintenance work around the unit" prior to finishing the cotton harvest.

He had just visited the cottages site, where a Big Spring contractor is doing dirt work preparatory to the trustees' laying the foundations.

"We'll get started right after the first of the year," he said.

Marijuana discovered

A state narcotics agent took two men into custody Tuesday after discovering 100 pounds of marijuana hidden in their vehicle on Interstate 20.

Agent Ronnie Stiltner of Abilene arrested a 30-year-old Ft. Davis man and a 38-year-old Mexican national about 12:30 p.m. near Loraine, Sheriff Patrick Toombs reported.

Sheriff Toombs said the drugs were found in hidden panels in the car.

DPS Trooper Shane Johnson and Chief Deputy Mike Redwine brought the men to the county jail, where they were awaiting arraignment.

In other business, the sheriff's office was investigating an attempted burglary at the East I-20 home of Rick Lucas.

Toombs said someone cut the telephone line at the home on the north side of I-20 near Loraine and opened the screen door but did not gain entry.

The incident happened between 6:30 and 9 p.m. Saturday.



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DYLAN SLATER is enjoying Christmas more than most young people his age, having survived a serious illness and surgery over the past four years. He has returned to regular classes at Colorado High School.

C-City boy makes recovery

"Nobody knows the trouble I've seen" is a blues lament that is usually sung by a person of middle age or older.

But 16-year-old Dylan Slater of Colorado City could sing it with perfect authenticity.

He was diagnosed with a tumor in his neck at age 12 and had chemotherapy and radiation before finally needing 22 hours of surgery to remove it from his throat and behind his nose.

The Oct. 29, 1998, surgery at Children's Medical Center in Dallas left him deaf in one ear and unable to swallow for months.

His voice is a little hoarse, and his surgeons offered dangerous vocal cord surgery last spring to restore it.

"They said it would be probable death, so he said forget that, then," said his mother, Rhonda Roark, a nurse at Mitchell County Hospital.

"He is having some stomach problems, but the feeding tube is out and he eats."

He had laser surgery last February to stop a blood leak

behind one of his eyes. He is returning to Dallas on Dec. 13 for a brain scan.

Dylan's feeding tube was removed three months ago, just in time for Colorado High School's new school year, and he has been savoring the things most teenagers take for granted.

From the time his illness was first diagnosed in April 1996, he has kept his family's and friends' spirits up with his optimistic attitude.

He had lost the hearing in his left ear and was having severe neck pains because the tumor was pressing on a nerve.

The diagnosis was of a nasopharyngeal carcinoma.

Treatment after treatment of radiation and chemotherapy arrested its growth, but doctors found that it had reactivated in September last year.

Asked if the ordeal has been difficult for him, Mrs. Roark said, "He doesn't look at it that way. He's more concerned about everybody else."

"When the rediagnosis came back, he said, 'I wonder

what good's going to come of it this time?'"

He took another draining round of radiation and chemotherapy for seven weeks, five days a week, before the surgery.

Then radioactive beads were put in his head to kill any microscopic cancer cells that remained.

Dylan knows how lucky he is because some of the friends he made at Children's Medical Center have now died.

He became close to a 3-year-old who has passed away, and he writes to the grandfather of a 4-year-old who did not survive.

Dylan enjoys running the camera and switchboard for the First Baptist Church's television ministry, but he has no plans for a career in broadcasting.

"I would rather work as a veterinarian," he said. "I have four dogs, a potbellied pig and two cats."

"I would like to thank everyone for all their prayers."

He also works on his com-

puter and collects cigarette lighters.

He has two brothers, 19-year-old Colby, who lives with their father, J. D., in Snyder, and 9-year-old Nathan, who is a fourth-grader at Hutchinson Elementary.

His new step-father is Steve Roark, and the family enjoyed a trip to the Grand Canyon in Arizona last summer.

Part of his medical expenses were paid for by insurance with his father's employer, Oryx Energy Co. of Snyder, but of course the costs have been enormous.

People who want to help may contribute to the Dylan Slater Fund at City National Bank.

His grandparents are Dewey McAnear and Doc and Evelyn Slater, all of C-City.

Friends Connie Chambers and Denise Bradbury and his father cared for Nathan on the numerous occasions in which Dylan and his mother were in Dallas.

Livestock assistance signups now underway

Mitchell County has been approved to implement the Livestock Assistance Program (LAP). Sign-up for this program has begun and will continue through January 21, 2000.

This program will provide partial reimbursement to eligible producers for grazing losses suffered during the drought and high temperatures of 1999.

Eligible livestock are beef and dairy cattle, buffalo or beefalo when maintained as beef cattle, sheep goats, swines and equine animals used for the production of food or fiber on the producer's farm and must be owned since May 7, 1999.

An eligible livestock producer must:

- Possess a beneficial interest in eligible livestock.
- Have suffered a 40% or greater loss for 90 consecutive days or longer during 1999.
- Certify to percent of grazing losses, number of eligible livestock, by type and weight and how long they were owned, acreage, by type, that support eligible livestock.
- File applicable person determination forms.
- Meet the 2.5 million dollar gross revenue limitation for each "person" in the operation.
- Be in compliance with HEL/Wetland provisions.
- Be a U.S. citizen or legal resident alien.
- Must file separate applications for livestock in separate counties.

To file an application, you need to furnish the following:

- Exact livestock numbers between August 7, 1999 and

November 30, 1999 by type and weight.

• Date(s) of livestock number changes such as sales or purchases that have been owned for at least three months need to be documented with sales/purchase receipts. Other information needed include date(s) offspring weaned or livestock sent to feedlot, if applicable.

• Acres, location and type of forage that you owned or leased during 1999 (small grain grazing and hay production will not be included in application).

• An estimated percent of loss on the grazing.

• Feed or hay receipts are not required. You do not have to purchase feed to earn benefits.

Please bring any sales documents for livestock sales between September 1 and November 30, 1999 and any purchase documents for livestock purchased between May 7 and August 7, 1999, so we can document the exact dates of any changes.

Benefits will be paid on the lesser of the feed value of available grazing or the feed value required for the eligible livestock.

Individual maximum eligibility will be calculated and then factored according to a national factor determined by the total eligibility of all producers across the nation.

A \$40,000 payment limitation applies to each "person" and this will be applied prior to the factoring.

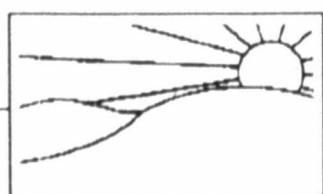
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Q & A

Substance Abuse Trends

(In response to a growing concern among parents, educators and other members of the community, Colorado City Record, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this column to your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

Parenting Skills:

21 Tips and Ideas to help you make a difference.
(Part 1 of 2)

What's the biggest deterrent to your kids' using drugs and alcohol?

It's you.

Look at the facts: Kids who learn from their parents or caregivers about the risks of drugs are 36% less likely to smoke marijuana than kids who don't. 50% less likely to use inhalants. 56% less likely to use cocaine. 65% less likely to use LSD.

Still think there's not much you can say or do? You are the most powerful influence in your child's daily life. But anti-drug parenting strategies rarely are instinctive, even for the best of parents. The 21 tips that follow can help you turn your child away from the drugs that seem almost inevitable nowadays. You can do something. And you can start right now.

GET INVOLVED

Kids who are close to their parents are least likely to engage in risky behaviors. The more involved you are in your children's lives, the more valued they'll feel, and the more likely they'll be to respond to you.

1. **Establish "together time."** Establish a regular weekly routine for doing something special with your child—even something as simple as going out for ice cream.
2. **Don't be afraid to ask** where your kids are going, who they'll be with and what they'll be doing. Get to know your kid's friends—and their parents—so you're familiar with their activities.
3. **Try to be there after school when your child gets home.** The "danger zone" for drug use is between 4 and 6 PM, when no one's around; arrange flexible time at work if you possibly can. If your child will be with friends, ideally they have adult supervision—not just an older sibling.
4. **Eat together as often as you can.** Meals are a great opportunity to talk about the day's events, to unwind, reinforce, bond. Studies show that kids whose families eat together at least 5 times a week are less likely to be involved with drugs or alcohol.

LEARN TO COMMUNICATE

Do you know your kid's favorite music group? What's cool at school? The more you communicate, the more at ease your child will feel about discussing drugs and other sensitive issues with you.

1. **Be absolutely clear** with your kids that you don't want them using drugs. Ever. Anywhere. Don't leave room for interpretation. And talk often about the dangers and results of drug and alcohol abuse. Once or twice a year won't do it.
2. **Be a better listener.** Ask questions—and encourage them. Paraphrase what your child says to you. Ask for their input about family decisions. Showing your willingness to listen will make your child feel more comfortable about opening up to you.
3. **Give honest answers.** Don't make up what you don't know, offer to find out. If asked whether you've ever taken drugs, let them know what's important that you don't want them using drugs.
4. **Use TV reports,** anti-drug commercials, news or school discussions about drugs to help you introduce the subject in a natural, unforced way.
5. **Don't react in a way** that will cut off further discussion. If your child makes statements that challenge or shock you, turn them into a calm discussion of why your child thinks people use drugs, or whether the effect is worth the risk.
6. **Role play** with your child and practice ways to refuse drugs and alcohol in different situations. Acknowledge how tough these moments can be.

These tips were provided by the National Clearinghouse.

Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquiries may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

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Roach to seek re-election

Expressing a continuing interest in Mitchell County's roadbase manufacturing project, Pct. 1 County Commissioner Edward B. "Ed" Roach has filed for re-election to a fifth four-year term.

He represents roughly the central part of the county, including Champion Creek Reservoir and Colorado City.

First elected in 1984, the county native has served longer than any other commissioner except Bill Preston of Loraine, who has been in office since '79.

Although a dearth of rain has hampered commissioners' efforts to maintain county roads, he said, the new Lone Wolf Resources project has improved prospects for upgrading the county-wide road system.

Financed primarily by Fina Oil & Chemical Co. of Dallas in one of its federally mandated "Superfund" environmental cleanup projects, Lone Wolf Resources was created to clean up the site of the old Col-Tex Refinery alongside the Colorado River just southwest of C-City.

It includes the Arcadis, Geraghty & Miller hydrology, or water science, firm of Midland, Mitchell County and Fina in the multi-year undertaking to convert as-phalt-soaked refinery soil into hard-packing roadbase.

"I want to use all that I can to put on our county roads -- in Pct. 1, anyway," Roach said last Friday.

"It will take several years to clean it up, and there will also

be a lot of millings from the highway department.

"It's good road material. These caliche roads are deteriorating to the point where you can't blade them.

"If we can replace them with this road material, we certainly will do it. All you need is a stripe and you've got a highway."

Roach said the dark red roadbase packs so hard that it is not susceptible to being washed away by hard rains.

He said the commissioners regretted being forced to raise taxes earlier this year because of falling oil property values.

But he indicated that they will decrease tax rates if the price of oil continues to hold near recently improved levels.

"It hurt," he said. "I mean, it really hurt."

"Maybe with the value of oil going back up, there can be something done about a tax break for the people in the community. I hope that there can be.

"When I first went into office, I didn't promise I would do or could do anything, but I would do my very best to do a job for the city and the people of Pct. 1.

"That's still my philosophy. I believe in conservative politics.

"I want to continue for at least another term since we have this agreement with Lone Wolf Resources."

He said he is confident the material is safe because it is periodically checked by a Houston laboratory and the Texas Natural Resources Conserva-

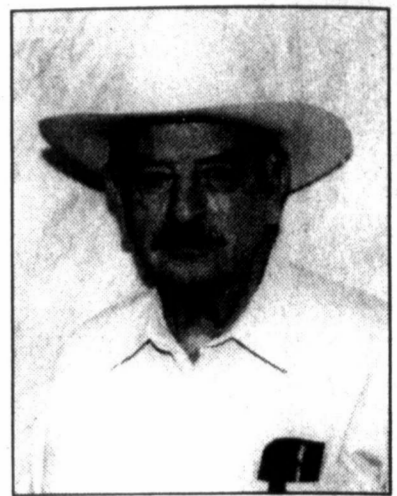
tion Commission.

Roach grew up on a farm in the Seven Wells area at Lake Champion, served in the Army Air Corps in the United States during World War II and studied agriculture for 3 1/2 years at Tarleton State University in Stephenville when it was a junior college. He graduated.

He farmed and ran a dairy until running for the commissioners court.

Asked his age, the laconic but friendly commissioner laughed and said, "I'm old as dirt."

He had a heart attack in March 1998 but says he has made a complete recovery, having authorized his Lubbock specialist, Dr. Paul Overlie, and local physician, Dr. Dee Roach, to release his medical records to the public.



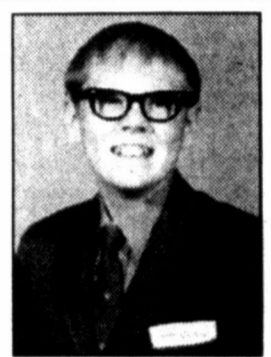
Ed Roach

Dr. Roach is his nephew.

Roach and his wife Winnie have three children, Kelley of Lubbock, Ty of Irving and Eddie of San Antonio, and two grandchildren.

Who would have ever guessed you would be Bank President?
Happy 40th Birthday to my older bro....

Love, Sis



LETTERS to the EDITOR

Letter to the Editor:

The D.O.V.E. students of Colorado High School would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who made the E.C.I. appreciation luncheon a success.

As our community partners, you have enabled us to bring more joy into the lives of special children in our county and other surrounding counties as well.

Thank you to the First Baptist Church deacons and their wives for the use of their wonderful activity building.

Thanks to the City of Colorado City and City Manager Steve Shutt and Connie Ponko for all their generous donations of time and energy.

A special thanks to West Texas Recycling and Remediation Inc., owners Steve Garner, Lisa Garner, Bill Jullin and Scott Byrd. Also, thanks to their helpers, Meagan Evans, Alex Robinson and Bailey Patterson who did a wonderful job selecting and handing out toys.

Our special thanks to Santa, Tex Blankenship and Randy and Connie Chambers for all their time and support.

Our words just don't seem like enough for all that you have helped to make possible. The children are the true winners!

Thank you again,
CHS D.O.V.E. students

Letter to the Editor:

Here are 10 great reasons to go see Woody Allen's comedy, "Don't Drink the Water," at the Colorado City Opera House.

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2. Laughter is beneficial to one's health so be good to yourself. Make your reservations this Wednesday by calling 728-3491 from 1 to 5 p.m. or on Thursday through Saturday from 1 p.m. until curtain time which is at 8 p.m.

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KANDY KOTTAGE at 891 E. Interstate 20 was officially opened by the Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors Friday. In the center are owner Berniece Wood, left, and manager LaVerne Moody with, in center back, clerk Oneta Sanderson.

Edwards to seek re-election

Citing his successful murder case prosecutions, District Attorney Mark Edwards of Sweetwater announced Tuesday that he will seek a second four-year term.

Edwards, 43, a native of Big Lake, serves Mitchell, Fisher and Nolan Counties in the 32nd Judicial District.

"I have tried two murder cases to a jury, and, under my direction, my office has tried five other murder cases," he said.

"We received a guilty verdict in each of these, and the defendants received a total of 355 years in the penitentiary."

Edwards said his office has also obtained 200 years' imprisonment of defendants convicted of assault, 196 years for six offenders, 112 years for burglars, 70 years for robbers, 43 years for forgers and 66 years for drunken drivers.

He has also established a program at Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater to examine sexual assault victims and begin preparing their cases.

He has been awarded a grant to establish a children's advocacy center to serve all three counties. An executive director is being sought.

Edwards earned a B. A. degree in English at Texas A&M University in College Station in 1980 and a law degree at St. Mary's University in San Antonio three years later.

He was in private practice for seven years at Big Lake and five years in Sweetwater before running against incumbent DA Frank Conard II.

He is a Democrat.

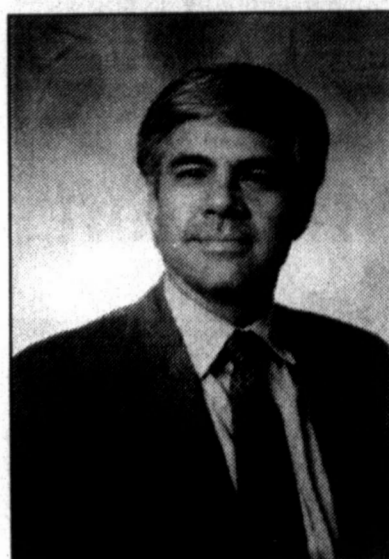
Edwards and his wife Debbie have two children, 10-year-old Ben and 9-year-old Katie.

He is a past director of the Sweetwater Chamber of Commerce and is involved in the Goodfellows program. He coaches Little League baseball and PeeWee basketball.

His campaign treasurer is Kyle Lawrence.

"It is an honor to represent the citizens of the 32nd Judicial District as district attorney," he said. "If re-elected, I will continue the work we have started to assure that criminals are properly punished for the crimes committed."

"I appreciate your support and ask for your vote."



Mark Edwards

WATER PROJECT

FROM PAGE 1

The C-City award is in the form is a \$2.7 million loan and a \$850,000 grant.

The city's "Well Field Project Celebration" was held in conjunction with a regular noon meeting of the C-City Kiwanis Club with about 50 people in attendance.

President Alfred Lynch welcomed the crowd.

After a meal served by Colorado High School students who are working in a state-sponsored early childhood intervention project, Mayor Jim Baum opened the meeting by saying City Manager Steve Shutt first saw the necessity of converting from lake water to well water.

Mayor Baum said the completion of the project's first phase is the latest in a series of

accomplishments for the town, including the construction of two state prisons and the recent opening of a big new day care center.

He said the next will be the addition of a 660-bed maximum security wing to the Wallace Unit prison.

"I think we're doing a lot better than we give ourselves credit for doing," he said.

Among the visitors were Joe W. Smith of the Southwest Corp. of Abilene, the city's bonding company; Alvin Goodman and Judy Woodruff of TXU Electric & Gas Co.; Larry Jones of the Rural Development Corp. office in Abilene and representatives of Cap Rock Electric Cooperative.

Baum said Cap Rock Elec-

tric spent \$80,000 for construction to advance the water project.

He said five wells are being tapped to bring 1.2 million gallons of water a day into town and seven more have been drilled and are ready to be brought into service in the wellfield at Lucas Road and County Road 404 west of Lorraine.

The new wells will add another 1.8 million gallons a day when the project's second phase is completed next spring, he said.

Mark Lundgren of Stamford, district manager for Congressman Stenholm, gave the city a flag that had flown over the Capitol in Washington.

TXU

FROM PAGE 1

ping water from Champion this year. With no more than it has in it, we are anticipating that unless we have some rain next year, it's not going to be of much use and we will be down to one lake.

"We have to maintain Lake Colorado City at a certain level to run the pumps and power plant, and without the other lake to use to supplement it to keep it at a certain level, we do not know for sure how low we can go."

He indicated that TXU is committed to operating Morgan Creek next summer but might not be looking further than that because of the high cost of piping and buying water from the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD).

The plant generates about five percent of the company's total statewide production of

electricity. A water line runs from E. V. Spence Reservoir, southeast of here at Robert Lee, to the CRMWD's Moss Creek Reservoir east of Big Spring.

It goes from there to Barber Lake northwest of C-City, from which a trench could be dug south to refill the lake, Goodman said.

"Our engineering department is looking at the options on that right now," he said, referring to TXU's Dallas office. "We're going to have to do it pretty quick to make sure the unit is available next summer."

"We don't have any numbers yet, but we're anticipating it would be relatively expensive."

He said Champion Creek is currently holding 4,200 acre feet of water, or 1.365 billion gallons, while Lake C-City has 12,637 acre feet, or 4.1 billion gallons.

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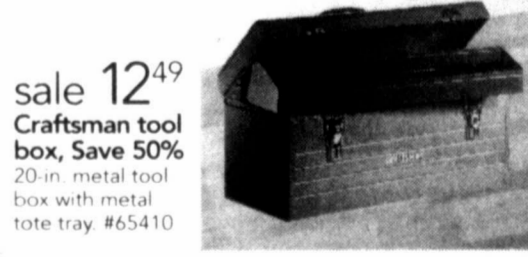
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Guest Editorial

Microsoft takes a beating

By Daphne Earley, Defenders of Property Rights

Those who favor turning the explosive engine that is driving America's red hot economy -- the Microsoft Corp. -- into a publicly owned company won a critical round on Nov. 5.

The trial judge's findings of fact, spelling the death knell of Microsoft as we know it, adopt virtually verbatim the findings proposed by the government.

Not a single finding reflects even a passing regard for constitutional property rights.

The government says the court should strip the company of its rights by forcing it to disclose its software blueprint of the Windows system, among other things.

This destructive litigation is driven not by consumer complaints but by the parochial politics of the Justice Department (JD).

It proves that politics matter more to the JD than the American consumer or even the Constitution.

Its plan to bring Microsoft to its knees utilized a timeworn and frequently misused tool, the judicial consent decree.

The government seduced Microsoft into signing a seven-year decree in 1994.

It contained the seemingly innocuous provision that the company would not violate antitrust laws, which it had not done and had no intention of doing.

Then whenever the federal government wanted to gain control, all it had to do was go to court and assert that an innovation, promising to give a competitive advantage, violated the decree.

Microsoft is not the first to fall prey to the JD's use of this tactic to regulate where it has no regulatory authority.

In civil rights, it administers thousands of decrees through which the hiring and promotional practices of major corporations and state and local governments are kept under perpetual supervision.

In the environmental field, it takes full advantage of "strict liability" statutes like the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act and Superfund to bring industrial plants, residential developments and entire metropolitan sewer and water systems under its oversight.

JD lawyers control the minutia of recontouring and revegetation of land to "original conditions," creation of wetlands and wildlife habitats, monitoring of thousands of groundwater wells, streams and outfalls and "cleanup" of sites for a minimum of 30 years.

Many of the nation's largest corporations labor under company wide consent decrees requiring regular reports covering everything from corporate budgets to plant expansions and product enhancements.

Some mandate the appointment of an "environmental representative" to the board of directors.

In an outstanding example of bureaucratic skullduggery, the JD obtains decrees against fellow federal agencies like the EPA, Fish and Wildlife Service and Forest Service for pet projects they want to pursue but lack the funding to accomplish.

(Editor's note: Defenders of Property Rights are at 1350 Connecticut Ave. N.W., Suite 410, Washington, D.C. 20036; 202-822-6770.)



BACK FORTY

O.K. I'm guilty. We're all guilty; some more than others. The concept is simple: If we do all of our shopping out of town we won't have much of a town.

An editorial in a Pennsylvania newspaper reflects on losses small towns have sustained over the years. The editorial writer lists businesses in his town that have closed and new businesses that have opened during the past four years.

There are eleven businesses on his list of closures. One new business opened during that time.

We can blame the Wal-marts, K-Mart's, and the supermalls for some of this; but the truth is we, the shoppers, are not very smart. Why don't we check out locally-owned stores before we leave town to shop? That's a good question.

I don't object to folks driving 100 miles to buy a bolt, if that's what they enjoy doing; but please buy some locally, too. That way the rest of us won't have to drive so far.

DAYCARE

perives the center's federally funded Head Start program.

"We had some concern when the progress was slow, but through the cooperation of the City of Colorado City and Mitchell County, we've made it a reality."

Hampton referred to postponements in opening from late 1998 to last spring to this

Confirmed catalog shoppers like myself can share some of the blame. Even my stubborn contention, "If you can't get it from Bass Pro or Victoria's Secret, then you probably don't need it," could be open to question.

Sometimes we don't have a choice, but often we do. Many of us have been shopping at the malls and department stores for so long we've forgotten what local businesses have to offer.

My best example occurred the day before Christmas several years ago. It was three o'clock in the afternoon December 24, and my son, Russ, needed a pair of jogging pants for his mother's Christmas present.

Russ shops the way I do. We don't count shopping days until Christmas. We think in hours, minutes. "How many seconds until the stores will be closing?"

Local merchants love us, the guilt-ridden procrastinators. They know we'll come around eventually. Then, we'll stumble in the day before Christ-

mas and wander around - hoping to find something. Anything!

Why didn't we check out the local stores weeks ago? We were probably fishing.

This time I remembered the sporting goods store might have jogging pants. I'm in that store 20 times year, but I forgot they carry sports clothing! It's kind of embarrassing.

I called them up. "Hello, Margie?" I said (wondering if I should disguise my voice).

"Do you have any jogging pants?"

"Yes, we do," she said.

"Do you have any black ones?"

"No, but we have navy, light gray, and green," she said.

"That's close enough," I said. "We'll be right over."

When I read about new concepts in shopping and the onslaught of the retailing giants, I can't help hoping folks will remember those little stores right here at home. If we don't remember them pretty soon, memories is about all we'll have left.

Some Hazards of Slow Driving

By Tumbleweed Smith

Jo Bird has been stopped for speeding in Rockdale. She lives three miles from the city limits and has a tendency to drive a little fast when she goes to town. Her husband, Jack, on the other hand, is a slow driver. "He's a real menace," says Jo. "He does not believe in turn signals."



One day Jo and Jack were in town in Jack's pickup. That's sort of a rare thing because Jo usually does not do pickups, especially those duellies, the ones that have four wheels in the rear and look like if they run over something in the street they'll turn around, come back and eat it. "Those things will run you right over," says Jo. One did and totaled her car.

Anyway, she and Jack were doing some errands and Jack was driving real slow in downtown Rockdale. Jo leaned over and asked her husband, "Hon, who we sneakin' up on?"

Jack sometimes gets irritated when Jo says things like that. Another time they were creeping along and Jo was thinking that someone was going to crash into them from behind. "I was afraid one of those duellies was gonna cream us and knock us all the way to California."

Jo said, "I think we've got a problem over here, Hon."

Jack slowed down even more and asked Jo what she meant.

Jo told him, "We've got a dog running along wettin' on the wheel."

When Jo was growing up, her dad used to call her Dude. She was the oldest of six children in the family. "One time I was trying to tell three of the younger kids they would get hurt if they jumped off a chicken house on our property. That thing was about six feet tall, about as tall as my daddy, who built the thing."

"Those kids were just determined that they were gonna climb up on that chicken house and jump off. I kept telling them they would get hurt if they did it, but they wouldn't believe me."

"I'm supposed to be Mom's smartest kid, see. I got up there and jumped off to show those three kids that it really would hurt them. And Boy, was I right. Next time I woke up I was looking up into three little bitty faces looking down at me, terrified because they thought they had killed me. That jump knocked me out colder than a cucumber."

She never had any trouble about that chicken house again. Jo encourages visitors to call before they come to see her. If you drive out to see her without warning, she's liable to come to the door in her gown, robe, woolly socks and Big Bird T-shirt. "No make-up, no hair-do and no personality," says Jo. "I've even had people jump back, look startled and say, 'Jo, is that you?' Who do they expect? Liz Taylor?"

Jo is fun. She laughs a lot. Her sense of humor is world class. She is an excellent story-teller in describing her everyday experiences. She wants her tombstone to read "She had a good time." Seems fitting.

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By Ace Reid

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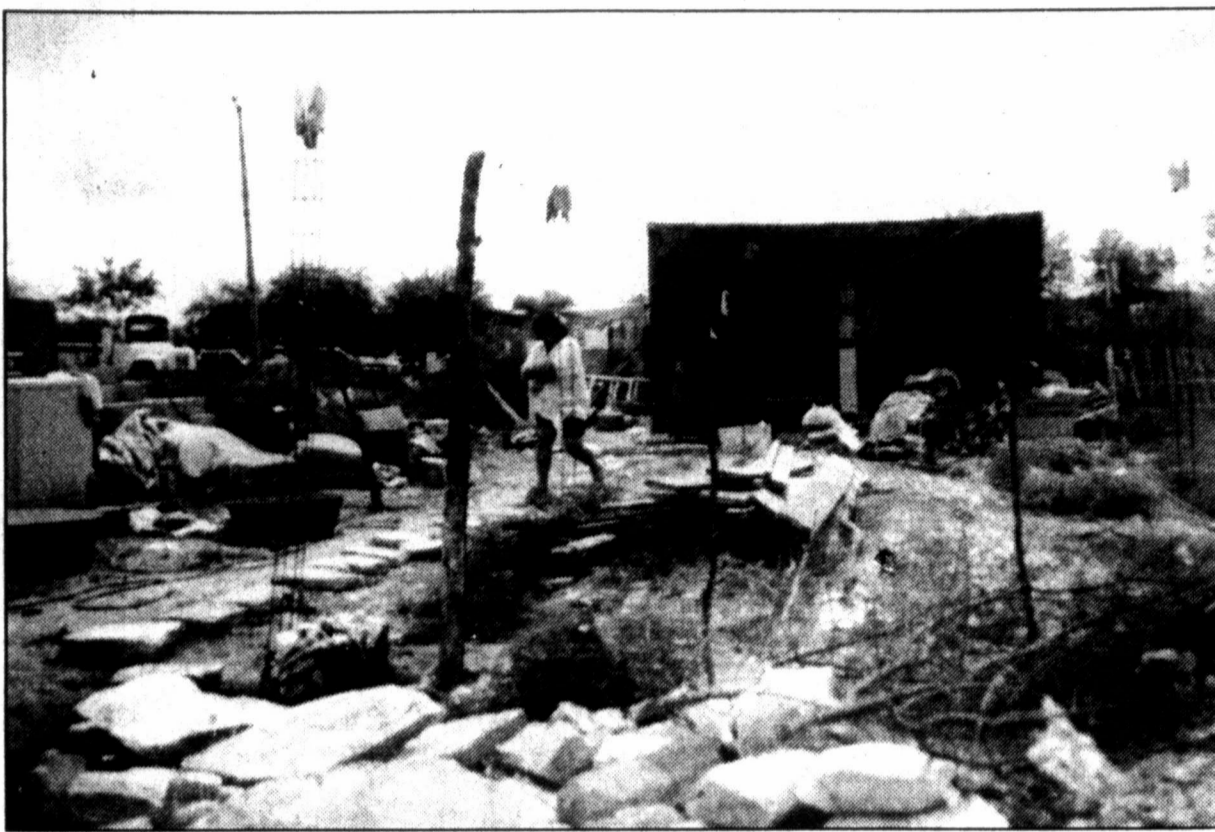
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Acuna border guards are "bad guys"



ABOMINABLE CONDITIONS are commonplace in the Ciudad Acuna colonia of Santa Marta, where people are willing to walk 30 or 40 miles round trip to get two small bags of food at a mission across the border in Del Rio.

CIUDAD ACUNA, COAHUILA, MEXICO -- It used to be Via Acuna, a village, but that changed with the North American Free Trade Agreement and the influx of scores of factories and thousands of hopeful workers from the inland.

Now it has grown from only 20,000 people to 100,000 and 200,000 with no sign of stopping.

The trouble is, the tens of thousands of people in the colonias on both sides of Acuna along the Rio Grande are living in abominable conditions.

If you live in a "good" house made of cardboard boxes with rainproof tarpaper on the top and work 60 to 70 hours a week for \$50 or \$60, you're in the middle class of

the Acuna colonias, or colonias.

And if you think all these people need is some help from the United States, you have a lot to learn about the Mexican government.

Mexican customs officials are so corrupt and power mad that the Acuna mayor's office routinely calls Mexico City once or twice a year and has half the staff transferred to other stations, which recently happened here.

That's why two thirds of Mitchell County's five tons of flood relief supplies are still tied up on the wrong side of the border more than a year after being moved to Del Rio.

The supplies were collected to relieve suffering from an

Aug. 23, 1998, flood.

"Acuna's not the best town to live in," said drive leader June McMillan of C-City, referring to the Mexican customs officers.

"They'd rather be in Cancun or one of the bigger cities along the border. They get drunk and spend their money and then hassle the tourists for money to live on the next week.

"They have to move them out because they hurt tourism. It just keeps happening over and over again. They're nice for awhile and then turn bad and do the same as the others do."

Contrary to a report last week from Mexican Consulate official Enrique Montemayor in Del Rio, residents of the colonias who visit a Del Rio mission called the House of Faith are not allowed to return with substantial amounts of donated items.

Ms. McMillan said they often walk 15 or 20 miles one way to reach the mission and are allowed to cross the border with no more than two small plastic bags of food.

An Acuna radio station owner moved a third of the load of clothing, shoes, furniture, food and other supplies to his warehouse last summer but finally gave up because he and his employees and fellow club members were too often having to pay a 22.8 percent sanitation tax.

"They're in a position where there's nothing to stop them," Ms. McMillan said, explaining that state and city au-

thorities have little influence with the federal border guards.

"They have no controls on them as far as I can see."

She once spoke to a new border guard from Monterrey who said he was dismayed at the "bad mouths" of the other guards.

"He said they talked bad and dirty," she said. "They are definitely not the regular kind of border patrol that Mexico wants you to see. They're the bad guys."

"They brutally extract money from those poor people down there."

Raul Alcalá of Snyder, a part-time bus driver at Western Texas College who is studying computer technology at Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater, has relatives in the shockingly impoverished colonia of Santa Marta south of Acuna.

Alcalá, 36, who immigrated to California at age 20, has often visited Santa Marta since the flood, and he said last week that his relatives "are okay because they're strong and they can work."

"You have to wake up in the cold of the morning to say, 'O, I am hungry! I am poor!'" he said.

The very young and the elderly often die in the winter-time, and people with missing limbs are a common sight in the streets of the colonias.

"That's what worried me all last winter -- they had babies dying," Ms. McMillan said.

"I asked Jose Faz about it, and he said they get pneumonia. They're living on dirt floors!"

She referred to the attorney of lame duck Acuna Mayor Francisco Saracho-Navarro.

She said the governor of Coahuila, Rogelio Montemayor-Seguy of Saltillo, appropriated to Acuna flood relief 40 million pesos of 80 million he received from the Mexico City based government of President Ernesto Zedillo.

Mayor Saracho put up some "very visible" electric lines to the colonias and made a few

improvements, but nothing like what the money should have financed, Ms. McMillan said.

"After the flood, and he didn't do what he said he would do, the people turned against him," she said.

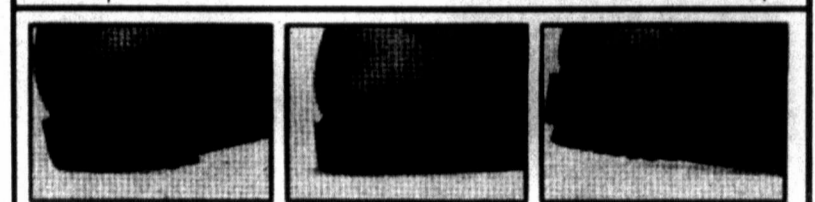
Although the Acuna Lions Club and Acuna Lions International have helped some, she said, their organizations are

more like social clubs and their mid-day meetings consist of eating, drinking large quantities of alcoholic beverages and watching televised sports.

"The Lions Clubs down there are upper middle class," she said. "They don't want to rock the boat."

(Next week: working behind the scenes.)

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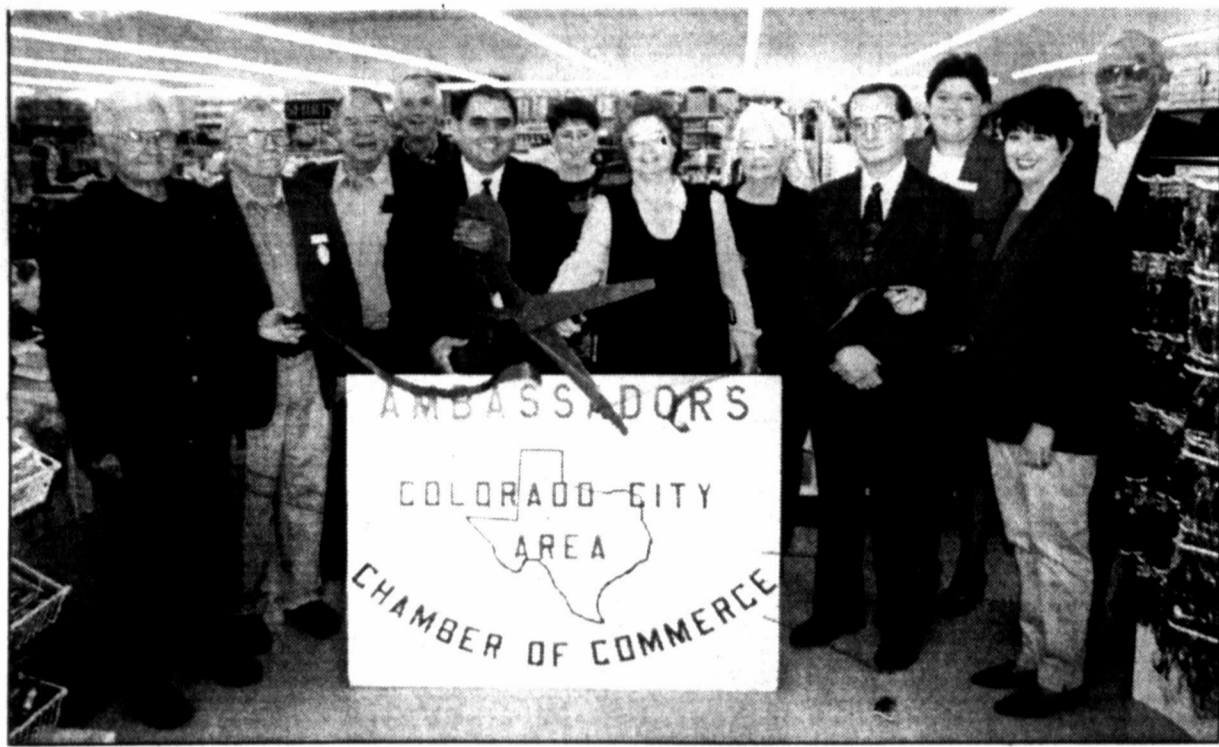
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THE NEW DOLLAR GENERAL STORE has opened at 524 Oak St., where Manager Sandra Moss, center right, and District Manager Alan Wagner of San Angelo were joined for a ribbon-cutting by the Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors.

Inman to run for re-election

Mitchell County's "cowboy commissioner" is usually embroiled in finance and taxes at the courthouse and trying to maintain the bone-dry roads in his precinct.

But when it comes to dealing with the giant Renderbrook Spade Ranch, it helps to know about horses and cattle.

Pct. 3 Commissioner Wendell "Wendy" Inman has both sides of Lake Colorado City on the western side of the county and the Spade Ranch on the south in his precinct.

He filed for a second four-year term Friday.

"I ask for the voters' continued support and their vote in March," he said.

"I appreciate their patience because they understand that it takes moisture to get the roads up to par."

Inman and fellow Democrat Ed Roach of Pct. 1 are running for re-election next spring, and he concurs with Commissioner Roach that the court will make an effort to reduce property taxes if the price of oil improves enough to cause mineral property values to rebound.

"If the oil prices continue to do good, hopefully we can do something about the taxes next year," he said.

"When the values dropped, we didn't have any alternative. We cut our budget as much as we could get by with."

Inman, a 56-year-old Tahoka native who has lived in Mitchell County for 23 years, defeated Commissioner Buddy Hertenberger in 1996.

He and his wife Janis live on their Wild Horse Ranch at the Spade Community eight miles south of Westbrook, which he bought from the Robinson Brothers of Big Spring after managing it for a number of

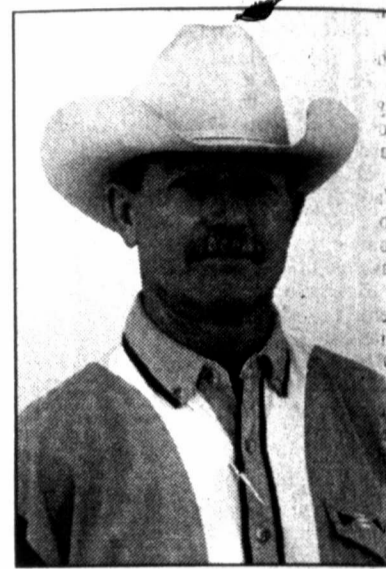
years. They have three children, Shanna Quaintance of Allen, north of Dallas, Will of Cloudcroft, N. M., and Jeb of Sweetwater, and five grandchildren.

Inman graduated from Tahoka High School in 1962 and served in the Army in Germany as a military policeman and a sergeant in charge of inventory in an ammunition depot at Miesau.

He returned home to work five years as a brand inspector, based in Tahoka, for the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and then managed the V-Bar Land & Cattle Co. at Hawley.

He came to Mitchell County as manager of the Wild Horse Ranch.

"I've been a cowboy, really, all my life," he said. "My dad and grand-dad were. My dad was working on a ranch when I was born."



Wendy Inman

Inman said he enjoys working in Pct. 3 because its residents are cooperative and understanding.

"We have good people in Pct. 3, and they're easy to work for," he said.

OBITUARIES

Dave Stuart

1946-1999

Mr. Dave Stuart, age 53, died Nov. 15, 1999 in Houston. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Tues., Dec. 14, 1999 in the Kerrville Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gary Martin officiating. A reception will follow at the Inn of the Hills Resort in Kerrville. Services under the direction of Kerrville Funeral Home.

Mr. Stuart was born Sept. 13, 1946 to Clyde and Adele Stuart in Marshall, Tx. He was a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University with a bachelors degree in biology. He served his country during the Vietnam War in the Coast Guard. He married his wife of 23 years, Nancy Hasty on Jan. 3, 1976 in Baytown, Tx. He was a member of the Methodist faith. He had been employed with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for over 10 years.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Hasty Stuart of Kerrville; his parents, Clyde and Adele Stuart of Longview, Tx.; and three sisters, Judy Brandt of Dillsburg, Pa., Janet Renshaw of Harrisburg, Pa., and Jean Wall of Missouri City, Tx.

The family requests that memorials be made to: The Dave Stuart Memorial, Parks and Wildlife Foundation of Texas, P.O. Box 15097, Dallas, Texas 75201-0097.

Louie Z. Ashley Jr.

1924-1999

Mr. Louie Z. Ashley Jr., age 75, of Snyder, died Thurs., Dec. 2, 1999 in a Lubbock hospital. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sat., Dec. 4, 1999 at the Dunn Baptist Church with Rev. Norman Burgess officiating. Burial followed in the Dunn Cemetery, with arrangements under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Ashley was born Aug. 8, 1924 in Baird, Tx. He married Pauline Greene on Dec. 8, 1946 in Dunn. He was a farmer and rancher. He served with the U.S. Army Tank Corp during World War II. He was also a member of the Dunn Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by two sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Ashley of Snyder; two daughters, Deborah Ann Ashley of Snyder and Brenda Kay Mayfield of Eldorado, Tx.; one son, Jimmy Lee Ashley and wife, Joan of Slaton, Tx.; two sisters, Modine Johnston and Frances Machen, both of Snyder; two brothers, E.M. Ashley and Carl Ashley, both of Snyder; and three grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Senior Citizens Center in Snyder or Colorado City.

Etta May Padgett

1919-1999

Miss Etta May Padgett, age 80, of Colorado City, died Mon., Dec. 6, 1999, in a local hospital. Graveside services were at 10 a.m. Wed., Dec. 8, 1999, in the Colorado City Cemetery, under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Miss Padgett was born May 1, 1919 in Saluda, SC and had lived in Colorado City most of her life. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.

Survivors include a sister, Ethel Hutnick of Moorestown, NJ and several nieces and nephews.

Robert Scott "Bob" Bell

1960-1999

Robert Scott "Bob" Bell, age 39, of Worland, Wyoming, died at his home Mon., Dec. 6, 1999. Services will be Thurs., Dec. 9, at 1 p.m. at First Southern Baptist Church in Worland. Burial will follow in Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery, under the direction of Veile Mortuary of Worland.

Bob moved with his parents to Worland as a young child and attended school there. He later moved to Houston and then back to Worland in 1994. He was a member of the First Southern Baptist Church in Worland.

Survivors include his parents, Jimmy Ray and Iris Bell of Worland; his grandmother, Christine Bell of Colorado City; two brothers, William Ray Bell of Worland and Stephen Douglas Bell of Gillette, Wyoming; and one sister, Martha Louise and husband, Roger Lawley of Layton, Utah.

Lioness Club toy drive underway

The Tumbleweed Lioness Club will be collecting new and good used toys for the Annual Toy Drive.

Each year the Lioness Club brightens between 150 to 200 children's Christmas with the Toy Drive. The age limit is 0-10 years of age.

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To have toys picked up, please call 728-8610, 728-2215 or 728-2690.

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The Community Mission will have a Christmas Goodies Sale Sat., Dec. 11 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Fullers.

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Jerry Don Barrow, 11-29-99, driving while intoxicated.

COUNTY COURT ACTION
Gary Lynn Davis, DWI, December 1, 1999, guilty, 500, 225.25, 6 months suspended/1 year, 40 per month.
Connie Elaine Webster, possession of marijuana, December 1, 1999, guilty, 100, 210.25.



STACIE'S CREATIONS at 1004 Hickory St. was opened with a ribbon-cutting by the Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors last Friday. In the center is owner Stacie Goswick with her mother, Lillie Funderburg, center right, husband Raymond and employee Amy Farmer.

COTTAGES

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they were going to cut back on work crews. He assured me that they were going to stay committed.

"The completion date will depend on how many bad weather days there are. I think, realistically, that we're looking at somewhere about the end of 2000."

He said the cottages "are going to be real nice" with cinder block walls and outside coverings of stone that the DP&W will buy on a bid basis.

Framing, lumber, windows, doors, heaters, air conditioners and hardware are also being acquired through bids organized by department official Charlie Moon of Abilene.

They will have cedar ceilings, closets, shelving and tables.

WELLS

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along with 12 others in Texas, by Senate Bill 1911 in the past state legislative session.

"The main goal of LWWD is to gather as much information as possible about the underground water being used and how that affects the recharge rate of the Santa Rosa aquifer," Stubblefield said.

Anyone who wants to drill a new well that is not for domestic or livestock use or is equipped to pump more than 25,000 gallons a day must now obtain a permit from the district.

Last Puzzle Solution

PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO INCREASE RATES

Pursuant to Tex. Utilities Code § 104.103 (1999), TXU Lone Star Pipeline, a Division of TXU Gas Company ("Applicant") hereby gives notice of intent to change the city gate rate of TXU Lone Star Pipeline (formerly known as "Lone Star Pipeline Company") established by Order of the Railroad Commission of Texas in Gas Utilities Docket No. 8664 ("GUD 8664").

Applicant proposes a two-part transportation rate that consists of a demand charge per MMBtu based upon the contractual demand for city gate service and a volumetric charge per MMBtu based on actual delivered volumes. This transportation rate would result in a revenue increase to Applicant. Applicant also proposes to increase the storage rate applicable to city gate deliveries established in GUD 8664. The storage rate would consist of a monthly demand charge for capacity and a monthly demand charge for deliverability. The deliverability demand charge would only be charged during the months of November through March.

The proposed effective date of the change is December 20, 1999. The change is a major change, and will result in an increase in annual revenues of approximately \$20.3 million or sixteen percent (16%). The change will affect 1.3 million residential and commercial customers. The rate change will affect transportation and storage rates at the city gate for TXU Lone Star Gas-Transmission, who in turn sells the gas to TXU Lone Star Gas which serves 1.3 million residential and commercial customers in Texas under the rates established by the local regulatory authorities in municipalities and the Railroad Commission in environs areas.

A Statement of Intent to make such a change has been filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas in GUD 8976 and is available for inspection at the Commission's office at 1701 North Congress in Austin, Texas, and at the offices of Applicant at 301 South Harwood in Dallas, Texas. Copies of the Statement of Intent have also been sent to the appropriate city official of each incorporated city served by TXU Lone Star Gas. Any affected person may file in writing comments or a protest concerning the proposed change in the rates with the Docket Services Section of the Office of General Counsel, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967, at any time on or before 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, 1999. Any person or agency who has a justifiable or administratively cognizable interest who desires to be designated as a party may petition for leave to intervene and request to become a party to this proceeding. The final date for intervention in this case shall be 4:00 p.m., Thursday, December 30, 1999.

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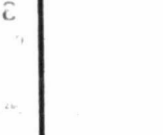
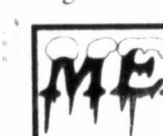
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"Christmas Memories" program to be held Monday at museum

The Mitchell County Historical Commission will hold their second annual Museum Christmas Memories program. Once again, it will be held on the second Monday of the month, Dec. 13 from 6 to 8 p.m.

A total of eight choirs will be singing Christmas music on the front porch of the museum and a living nativity will be on the lawn. Doug Baum will bring two camels as a reminder of the wisemen who came to Bethlehem.

The following Colorado City choirs will be singing: First Baptist Church, All Saints' Episcopal Church, First Methodist Church youth,

Primera Iglesia Bautista El Calvario, Senior Center, First Presbyterian Church youth, Mount Zion Baptist Church and Sain Ann's Catholic Church.

Jim Baum will be Master of Ceremonies. Guides will be available to give museum tours during this time and the public is encouraged to come and see all the interesting exhibits.

Since there is a large athletic display now in the foyer, museum board members will be serving refreshments in the Episcopal Parish Hall across the street.

The block of Third Street between Locust and Chestnut, which is in front of the mu-

seum, will be closed off from 6 to 8 p.m. during the Christmas program.

The public is encouraged to bring folding chairs, sit in this area, and enjoy a special, relaxing holiday time with family and friends. The street and other areas may also be used by those who wish to stand.

SS class members attend breakfast

The single members of the First Baptist Church PTL and Amigos men's classes were guests at a Christmas breakfast at the home of Jean and Ira Edwards Saturday morning.

The guests were served a festive menu of egg and sausage casserole, fruit, cinnamon rolls, orange juice, and coffee.

After a prayer, as plates were being filled, Jean read "A Cup of Christmas Tea," a poem by Tom Hegg, remembering the warmth and love of a Christmas tradition in his family.

Members of the PTL class attending the breakfast were Linda Rhodes, Outreach Leader and her sister, Betty Reeves of Abilene.

Also present from that class were Lucy Magill, Louise Valdez and Earline Selliers. Jean and Earline are co-teachers of this class.

Members of the Amigos men's class attending were Ira Edwards, Audie Springfield and Jimmy Harrison and his guest, Roberta Henderson of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

At the close of the meal, Jean read "The Night Before Jesus Came," an anonymous story repeating the meaning and importance of the birth of Christ to us all.

The only gifts given were presentations by the PTL class to the teachers.

Guests left after brief exchanges of plans for coming events of the season.

Contemporary Christmas cantata set at 1st Methodist

On Dec. 12 at 6 p.m., the 20-member United Methodist Church Chancel Choir will present "Because of Bethlehem" at the United Methodist Church Sanctuary for the Colorado City community.

"Because of Bethlehem" was written by Keith Ferguson and Bruce Greer with the orchestration arranged by Bruce Greer. It is a contemporary Christmas Cantata that is not like the traditional cantata, in that it mixes new Christmas compositions with the traditional.

Featured soloist with the choir will be Mark Smith, David Jones, Marie Jackson, Jincy Ross and Cliff Vlasin. Accompany the choir will be Mary Margaret Cox on piano and Sally Neff on organ. Narrator for the program will be Bob Reily.

Selections included in the Cantata are "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "The Birthday of a King", "Come Let Us Go Unto Bethlehem", "No Other Name, But the Name of Jesus", "Jesus, Name Above All Names", "Call His Name Jesus", "Wonderful Name, Jesus", "Have You Seen the Savior", "Because of Bethlehem", and a medley of Christmas spirituals.

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COOK'S CORNER

By Sheila Plagens

One of the most popular things to give at Christmas is sweet breads. I have included some recipes for sweet breads I hope you will like.

TROPICAL BANANA BREAD

1 cup butter or margarine
2 cups sugar
4 eggs
2 tsp. vanilla
6 ripe bananas, mashed
1 (8 oz.) can crushed pineapple, drained
4 cups flour
2 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt
1 cup chopped pecans
Cream together butter, sugar, eggs and vanilla. Stir in bananas and pineapple. Add flour, baking soda, and salt and mix just until moistened. Stir in nuts. Pour batter into two greased and floured loaf pans. Bake at 325° for 1 hour.

CRANBERRY NUT BREAD

2 cups sifted flour
1/2 tsp. salt
1 1/2 tsp. baking powder
1/2 tsp. soda
1 cup sugar
1 cup sliced raw cranberries
1 cup chopped pecans
1 orange
1 Tbsp. melted butter
1 egg, beaten
Boiling water
Sift dry ingredients together. Add cranberries and chopped pecans. Then add melted butter to the juice and grated rind of the orange. Add enough boiling water to make 3/4 cup. Have mixture hot and add to beaten egg. Stir liquid mixture into dry ingredients and pour into greased and floured pan. Bake 1 hour at 325°. Store 24 hours before serving.

POPPY SEED BREAD

3 cups flour
2 1/2 cups sugar
1 1/2 tsp. baking powder
1 1/2 tsp. salt
1 1/2 tsp. vanilla
1 1/2 tsp. almond flavoring
1 1/2 tsp. butter flavoring
3 eggs
1 1/2 cups milk
1 1/8 cup oil
1 1/2 Tbsp. poppy seed
Mix all ingredients together. Makes 3 loaf pans. Bake 45 minutes at 350°. Drizzle with glaze while still hot.
Glaze:
1/2 cup sugar
1/4 cup orange juice

1/2 tsp. vanilla
1/2 tsp. almond flavoring
1/2 tsp. butter flavoring
Stir together and pour over warm bread.

LEMON BREAD

1 cup oleo
2 cups sugar
4 eggs
1 cup buttermilk
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. soda
Grated lemon rind
3 cups flour
1 cup chopped nuts
Cream oleo, sugar, eggs and buttermilk, add the remaining ingredients. Pour into loaf pan and bake 1 hour at 350°. Remove from pan and pour topping over. Let set before serving.
Topping:

1 cup sugar
Juice of 3 lemons

OLD FASHIONED PUMPKIN BREAD

3 cups sugar
3 1/2 cups flour
2 tsp. soda
1 1/2 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. nutmeg
1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup salad oil
4 eggs, beaten
1 No. 303 can pumpkin
Sift sugar, flour, soda, salt and spices into large mixing bowl. Make well in center; add nuts, oil, eggs, 2/3 cup water and pumpkin. Blend well; pour into 2 small loaf pans. Bake at 325° for 1 hour and 10 minutes.

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Travis Lynch & Jill Raughton

Lynch, Raughton plan to wed December 18

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Raughton and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lynch are proud to announce the engagement of their children, Jill Diane Raughton and Travis Dale Lynch.

Jill is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bailey.

The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Wylie High School and is employed at Personnel Services as an Account Executive for the west Texas region.

Travis is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. L.J. Lynch and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dale Anderson of Colorado City.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Colorado High School and is employed at The Boys and Girls Club of Abilene as the Assistant Branch Director.

The couple plans a December 18 wedding at Dorn Chapel of Colorado City.

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Band concert, turkey dinner slated for Sunday afternoon

You can eat turkey and dressing with all the trimmings and then hear the Colorado High School Choir and Band's annual Christmas concert for \$5 Sunday at the school.

Actually, the 2 p.m. concert in the school auditorium is free, but if you eat the Band Boosters' meal between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria, you might as well stay for the music.

Children 12 years old and under and senior citizens 65 and over may eat for \$3.50.

The show will open with a 25-minute choir performance featuring a "Winter Wonderland" medley of Christmas

songs and a difficult arrangement of "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen," said Band Director Jeremy Ross.

Kala Kempf will perform a solo of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

The 94-member Fightin' Wolves Band, which is in the running for its fourth sweepstakes title in five years this year, will then undertake a 45-minute show.

It will play a John Philip Sousa march called "The Gallant Seventh," followed by a Scottish arrangement of "Auld Lang Syne," selections from "The Lion King" and

"I'll Be Home for Christmas."

A "Christmas Around the World" segment will showcase instrumental carols from England, Denmark, Norway, Germany, Czechoslovakia and the United States.

The choir is directed by Jincy Ross and the band by the Rosses and middle school director Joe Wayne Harper.

The 18 choir singers will also perform "Joy to the World" in Latin and "A Holly, Jolly Christmas."

Their medley will include "Jingle Bells," "Good King Wenceslas," "Deck the Halls" and "O Christmas Tree."



HUTCHINSON ELEMENTARY STUDENTS OF THE WEEK are (l-r) Diesha Smith, Nikki Garza, and Kristen Grimes.

Hutchinson students of week named

Hutchinson Elementary has announced their choices for Students of the Week. The three students chosen were Diesha Smith, Kristen Grimes and Nikki Garza.

Diesha Smith, daughter of Brenda Smith, is a third grader at Hutchinson Elementary. Her favorite thing about her school

is math, but P.E. is her favorite subject. She enjoys spending time with her dog, Pebbles.

Kristen Grimes, daughter of Charlotte Humphrier, is a fourth grader at Hutchinson.

She enjoys learning about horses as a hobby. Writing is her favorite subject and her teacher, Mrs. Weaver, is her

favorite thing about Hutchinson.

Nikki Garza, daughter of Melissa Cantu, is a fifth grader at Hutchinson Elementary.

Math is her favorite subject and sports is her hobby. Getting to learn different stuff is her favorite thing about attending Hutchinson.



CLARINET AND FLUTE PLAYERS are an integral part of the Colorado High School Fightin' Wolves Band, shown here during the annual Christmas parade through downtown last Saturday.

Grady defeats JH Wildcats

On Wednesday the Westbrook Wildcats fell behind 15 points. In the final quarter of the game Grady led by 26 points.

High scorer in the game was Sheena Fernandez with 16

points. Other scorers were Brynn Rich with 4, Codi

Waldrep, Stephanie Hemphill, and Kathryn Kelley all with 2

points each.
















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THESE MITCHELL COUNTY YOUNGSTERS were recognized for their horsemanship accomplishments at the Howard County Youth Horseman's Club Banquet. Front row from left, they are Kayley Hill, Keaton Merket and Meagen Merket; and back row, Zane Whitesides, Brittany Hill, Ashley Hill and Whitney Merket.

Youth do well in Howard Co.

Several Mitchell County Youth Horseman's Club kids brought home awards from the Howard County Youth Horseman's Club banquet on Sept. 25, 1999.

Participation prizes were awarded to Keaton, Meagan and Whitney Merket, Zane Whitesides, Kayley, Brittany and Ashley Hill.

Belt buckle winners were Kayley, Brittany and Ashley Hill. Ashley Hill also won a saddle in the 13-15 age group and was crowned the 2000 Senior Queen and elected youth president.

HCYHC would like to thank Wood's Boots, Higginbotham-Bartlett and Colorado Feed & Seed for contributing to the year-end awards.

The new playday season will start in March and everyone is welcome to join.

For more information or schedule of events, call 728-5723.

Westbrook girls defeat Highland

On Thursday the Westbrook Varsity girls played Highland Varsity at Highland. The Westbrook girls led throughout the game.

During the first half, the girls led with ten points. In the second half, Westbrook kept their lead and held on to beat Highland 74-44.

With this game the record for the Westbrook Varsity girls is 2-0.



COLORADO CITY'S MARK SHEETS, second from right, was among six Free Enterprise Speech Contest finalists at the 66th annual Texas Farm Bureau Convention in San Angelo. He won a trip to Washington, D. C.

SCHOOL MENUS

Colorado ISD Breakfast Menu Dec. 13-16

Monday - assorted dry cereals or cinnamon toast, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Tuesday - assorted dry cereals or waffles with syrup, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - assorted dry cereals or cinnamon roll, chilled juice, choice of milk.

Thursday - assorted dry cereals or biscuit and sausage, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Kelley Elementary Lunch Menu Dec. 13-16

Monday - nacho grande, ranch beans, lettuce, tomato, cookie, choice of milk.

Tuesday - chicken noodle soup, cheese toast, carrot stix, pineapple tidbits, choice of milk.

Wednesday - hamburger, french fries, lettuce, tomato, rice krispie treat, choice of milk.

Thursday - beef taco, lettuce, tomato, spanish rice, cobbler, choice of milk.

Hutchinson Elementary Lunch Menu Dec. 13-16

Monday - turkey with dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, hot roll, cranberry sauce, fruit salad, choice of milk.

Tuesday - corn dog or oven fried chicken, roll, green peas, tater tots,

chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - pizza or sloppy joe, french fries, ranch style beans, brownie, choice of milk.

Thursday - burrito or crispy taco, lettuce, tomato, refried beans, cobbler, choice of milk.

Colorado Middle & High School Lunch Menu Dec. 13-16

Monday - hamburger with trimmings, lasagna, texas toast, french fries, ranch style beans, brownie, choice of milk.

Tuesday - corn dog or oven fried chicken, roll, green peas, mashed potatoes, gravy, chilled fruit, choice of milk.

Wednesday - pizza or sloppy joe, french fries, ranch style beans, brownie, choice of milk.

Thursday - burrito or crispy taco, lettuce, tomato, refried beans, cobbler, choice of milk.

Loraine ISD Breakfast Menu Dec. 13-16

Monday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Tuesday - donut, toast, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Thursday - cheese toast, bacon, fruit, milk.

Friday - cereal, toast, juice, milk.

Loraine ISD Lunch Menu Dec. 13-17

Monday - corn dog, tater tots, pork n beans, mixed fruit, mustard ketchup, milk.

Tuesday - chicken strips, gravy, applesauce, mashed potatoes, bread, pudding, milk.

Wednesday - pizza stix, jello salad, french fries, cake, milk.

Thursday - hamburger, salad, chips, apple, mustard, milk.

Friday - burritos with chili, corn, chili beans, cookies, milk.

Monday - cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - pigs in a blanket, fruit juice, milk.

Wednesday - donuts, fruit juice, milk.

Thursday - cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk.

Monday - cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk.

Tuesday - steak fingers, gravy, creamed potatoes, english peas, biscuits, syrup, honey, milk.

Wednesday - fish sticks, tator tots, tossed salad, peanut butter strips, milk.

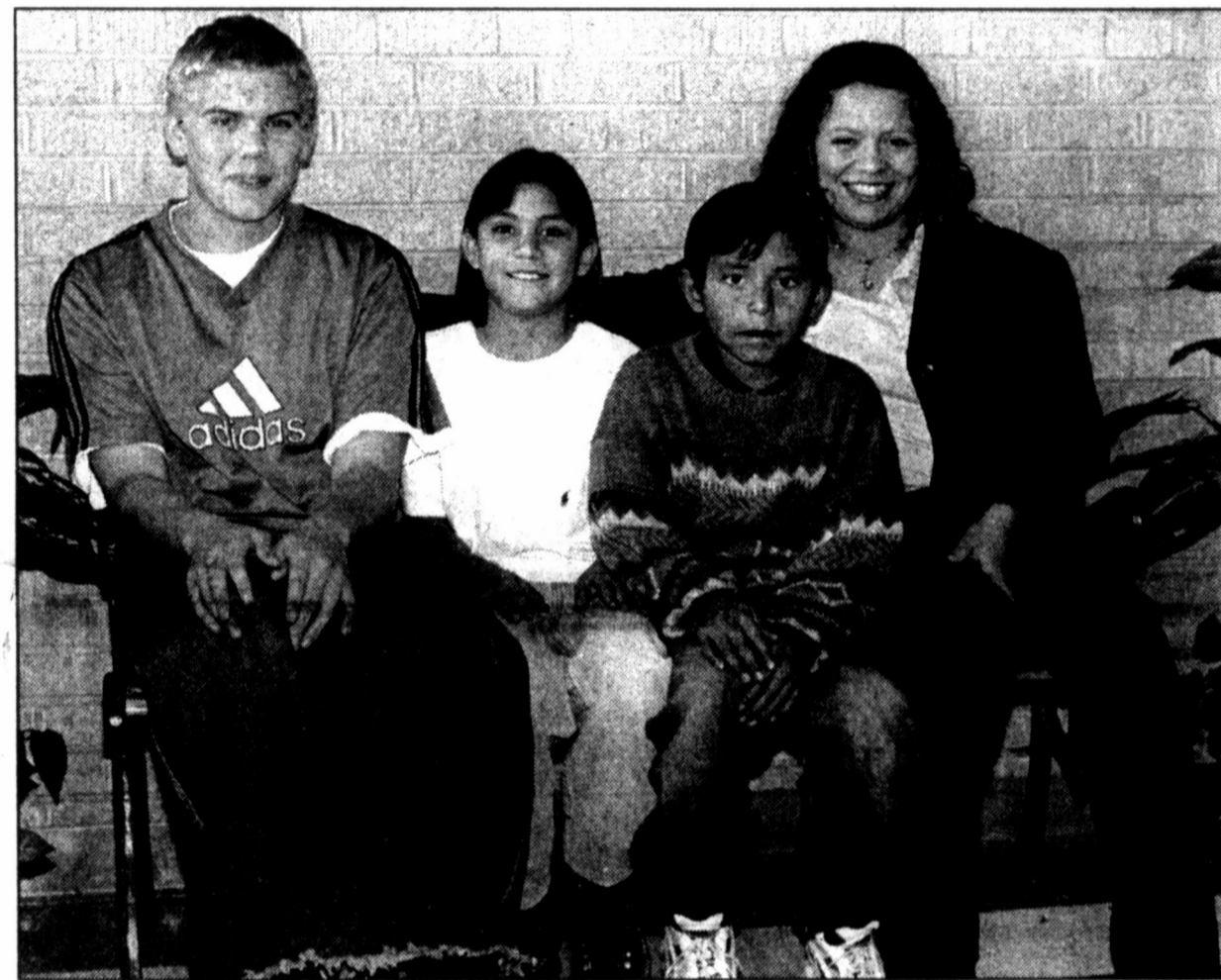
Thursday - turkey & dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, pumpkin pie, milk.

Friday - sandwiches, ham, cheese, peanut butter or turkey salad, french fries, ice cream cups, milk.

Westbrook ISD Lunch Menu Dec. 13-16

Monday - turkey & dressing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, pumpkin pie, milk.

Tuesday - sandwiches, ham, cheese, peanut butter or turkey salad, french fries, ice cream cups, milk.



LORLAINE SCHOOL CITIZENS OF THE WEEK are (l-r) Kody Hurst, Claudia Barrera, David Huerta, and Carmella Pantoja.

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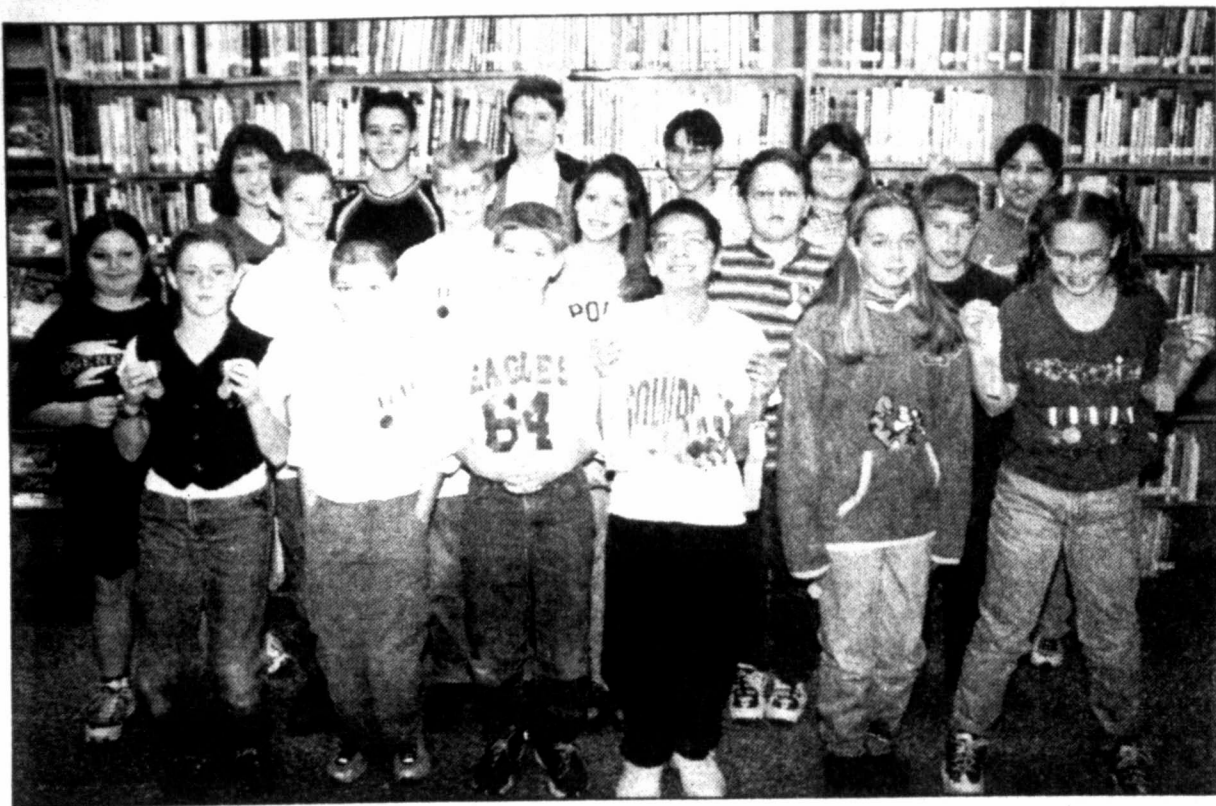
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UIL WINNERS in recent academic contests included these Westbrook Junior High School students, who placed third as a team among students from Borden County, Sands, Grady and Ira.



RECENT UIL WINNERS at Westbrook Schools are, front row from left, Drake Thurman, Alex Vigil, Jeanine Bodine and Klanci Whitesides; middle row, Colton Rich, Lauren Johnson, Matthew Wilson, James Bell and Michael Morton; and back row, Chelsea Webb, Kourtney Bisnette, Jessica Fuentes, Jordan Truelove, Randon Hawthorn and Stormy Hart.



WEST TEXAS RECYCLING AND REMEDIATION representative Steve Garner presents a check totaling \$1,000 to Liz Redwine, sponsor of the Dove Program at Colorado High School. The money will be used to buy developmental toys for the early childhood intervention program. Pictured (l-r) are Lisa Garner, Roger Crawford, Steve, Staci Dickard, Liz Redwine, Mindy Carlock, Ashley Tolle, Rose Macedo and Bill Julian. WTRR is a contractor for Lone Wolf Resources. The check was presented Tuesday at the Civic Center.

Loraine FFA classes go to district

There were four FFA Leadership Teams that participated in the District contest on Mon., Nov. 15.

The Loraine FFA Radio Team, consisting of Heather Lucas, Leshe Garcia and Amanda Kendall received third place at the contest.

The FFA Ag Issues Team, consisting of Ryan Chavez, Angela Wooddell, Christina Rico and Jennifer Rich received third place.

The FFA Public Relations Team, consisting of Jamie Grice, Kody Hurst and Carmella Pantoja also receive third

place. Heather Lucas and Jennifer Rich, Senior Creed Speakers, placed third and fourth, respectively. Heather also went on to the Area Contest, held at Howard College in Big Spring and also placed third in that competition.

Meyer starts classes at Harvard

Kristin Meyer has enrolled at Harvard College this fall as a member of the Class of 2003. The 1,650 first-year students were selected from a pool of more than 18,000 applicants in a rigorous admissions process.

Meyer is the daughter of Larry and Catherine Meyer of Houston, Tx., and a 1999 graduate of the Kinkaid School.

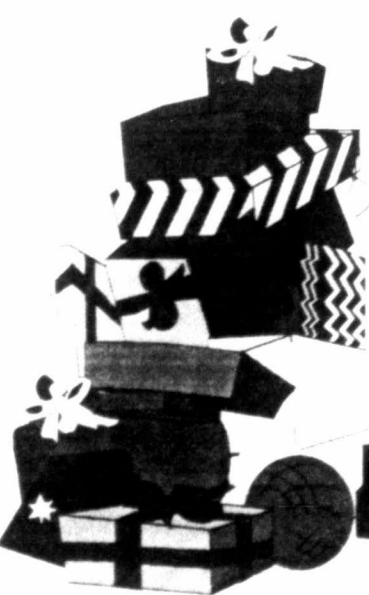
In high school, Meyer ran cross country and was captain of the track team. She was a National Merit semifinalist, a Tandy Scholar, the French Club president, and the Young Investor's Club president.

Kristin is the granddaughter of Mrs. Frank Ginzler of Colorado City.

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in the United States, was founded in 1636. Today, the college draws men and women from every region of the U.S., about 75 foreign countries, and an array of cultural and religious backgrounds. Two-thirds of undergraduates attended public schools, and more than two-thirds receive some form of financial aid.

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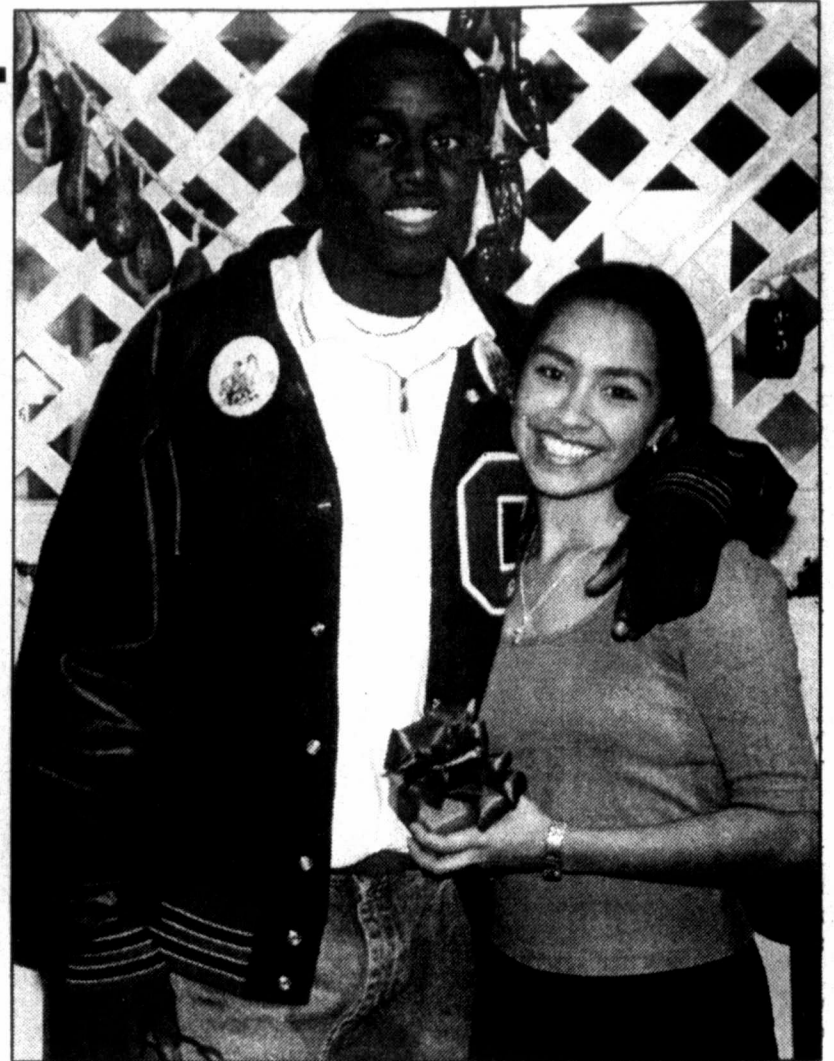
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ALSO RECEIVING AWARDS at Monday night's CHS football banquet were (l-r) Andrew Spear - OUTSTANDING OFFENSIVE BACK/RECEIVER; Marquise Lenard - OUTSTANDING DEFENSIVE BACK; Leon Molina - OUTSTANDING OFFENSIVE LINEMAN; and Julian Macedo - DEFENSIVE PIT AWARD.

Westbrook Jr. High defeats Sands

The Westbrook JH played Monday in Westbrook, where Westbrook had the home court advantage. Westbrook ended the first half four points ahead of Sands and held on to that lead in the second half, beating Sands 46-23. Coach Hill stated "We finally put together a full game and the kids played extremely hard."

High scorers in the game were Jared Matlock with 22 points, including a three-pointer, Jordan Johnson with a score of 12 points, Brandon Williams with four points, Gabriel Salazar and Cory Morton both with two points each.

Coach Hill also stated "We are always glad to win one, and good to get the first one, we're getting better all the time."

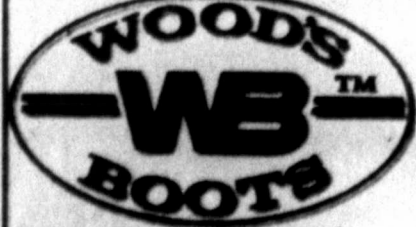
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7th grade defeats Snyder

On Monday, the Colorado City 7th grade boys took on Snyder in Snyder, Colorado lead after the first half.

In the second half Colorado held on to that lead and ended the game with an eleven point win over Snyder. The final score was Snyder 23, Colorado City 34.

Leading scorers in the game were Han Duison with eight, Eric Martinez, and Bryan

Proctor both scoring seven, Eric Martinez with five, and Odis Johnson and Kaleb Free both scored 3.

On Thursday December 2, the Colorado City 7th grade boys played Andrews in Colorado City.

Andrews took a huge lead in the first quarter of the game racking up 36 points. In the end the final game score was Colorado 8 Andrews 76.

Andrews beats Wolves

Last Thursday the Colorado City 8th grade boys played Andrews here. The Wolves were defeated by Andrews 49-35.

Coach Epperson said, "We played hard the entire game,

and we need to work on our free throws."

High scorers in the game were Jacobie Russell with 12 points, Cole Arthur, Chris Spear, and Sam Crockett all scored 6 points each.

C-City beats Tigers

On Monday the Colorado City 8th grade boys took on Snyder. The final score was Colorado 51, Snyder 42.

High scorers in the game were Jacobie Russell with 16 points, Patrick Spear with 13

points, Chris Spear with 8 points, Sam Crockett with 6 points, Evan Jones and Cole Arthur both had scores of 4.

This game gives the boys a record of 2-2.

Wildcats in Highland tourney

The Westbrook Varsity boys played this past weekend in the Highland Tournament. Thursday the boys took on Trent. After the first half Westbrook trailed by eight points.

Coming back in the third quarter Westbrook took the lead, scoring 21 points. Westbrook finally pulled out the win, defeating Trent 75-73.

Coach Hill stated "We had a tremendous comeback and played hard to take that lead. They had a very good team, and we held on to win and go to the winners bracket."

Lead scorers in the game were Adam Roemisch with two three-pointers and 22 points, James Matos with 1 three-pointer made and 11 points, Erick Roberson with 17, Ulalio Gutierrez 10, Roland Matos with eight points, and Chris Matlock with 6.

In Friday's game, the Westbrook boys met Roscoe and were defeated 55-50. Coach Hill stated, "We played hard against a very fine ball club."

Leading scorers in the game for Westbrook were Erick Roberson with 19, Chris Matlock and Adam Roemisch with 11 points each and one three-pointer made by James Matos along with eight points.

Leading rebounders were Erick Roberson with 10 and James Matos, Chris Matlock both with 6.

In the final game which was

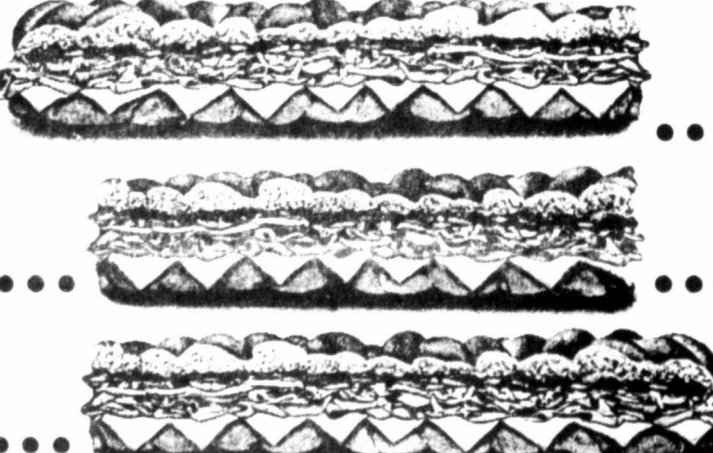
played Saturday, Westbrook fell against Blackwell by one point. Coach Hill stated, "We played a very sloppy game, turnovers killed us. We got into some foul trouble and just didn't play well."

High scorers in the game were Chris Matlock with 13,

Adam Roemisch with one three-pointer and 13, Erick Roberson scored 10, James Matos scored 9, and Trey Roemisch with 3.

Leading rebounders were Erick Roberson with 10, Ulalio Gutierrez with 9, and Chris Matlock with 7.

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Lorraine news

By Bessie Ann Vaughn
It is getting closer to Ho, Ho, Ho time and people are shopping in earnest now.

Mr. Claus is just about ready to hook up his reindeer to his sleigh. You remember them, don't you?

Blitzen, Nixen, Earnest and Nod, also Dixon and what's his name, I believe it's Elvis Lee, maybe not.

Don't forget grandma's gift; she wants a new mousepad.

Elba Evans and Earl Phillips were guests in the home of Maylan and Peggy Beaty for Thanksgiving.

After Sunday service at First Baptist Church in Loraine, members and guests enjoyed a nice Sunday holiday meal in the Educational Building.

The meal was in observance of Thanksgiving and Christmas combined.

Turkey, dressing and all the trimmings was enjoyed.

Syble Walker is now back at Loraine Manor. She had been in Mitchell County Hospital for several days.

Billie Schroeder spent Wednesday in Abilene visiting with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. D.D. Daniel.

Fay Lee was at the Center Monday to have lunch and visit. She told us that she wanted to declare her intention to run again for Tax Assessor/Collector for Mitchell County.

Ralston Bruce went to Midland Saturday to visit Ronald and Nelda Bruce. Nelda was recuperating from eye surgery at their son's home in Midland.

Meagan Bruce was celebrating her birthday at the Leslie Bruces.

Tharon and Doris Henderson visited in Midland over the weekend and saw their grandchildren perform in a Christmas program.

Pauline Smiley visited with Wright and Suda Hock in Colorado City.

Melba Hackfeld was in Snyder for Thanksgiving. She enjoyed the holiday meal with Keith and Jackie Hackfeld.

Bea Looney was very pleased to have her sister, Tommye Ann Clark, niece Kim Zibbard and her two children, Taylor and Kayla, visit with her this past week.

All of the family mentioned are from Marshalltown, Iowa.

It had been two years since Bea and her sister, Tommye Ann had gotten together and it was a joyous time for them.

Clovis and Jean Hale of Lubbock, Joe Bill and Jannett Hale, Cody Dane and Hattie of Austin, Dusty Hale and friends, Christy and Luke of Austin, spent Thanksgiving and most of last week with Irene Kidd.

They all had a great time together.

We have a new resident in Loraine and welcome her. Taylor-Witta manager Oscar Singleton reported that Gwen Claxton is now a resident at the apartment complex. We hope she likes her new home.

George and Fay Lee went to Arkansas for Thanksgiving with Fay's family. While in Branson, they toured the area and took in some shows.

Senior Center
Elves are busy decorating the Senior Center for Christmas and I'm beginning to hear about how and when some of the seniors plan to celebrate the holiday.

Extra thanks to Amy Sadler for her decorating service Saturday. The Center looked beautiful Monday. Come check it out.

Nora Galvan sang for us Monday. She did such a great job. Her sister, Irene Gordon and Eddie Galvan were also there.

On the 10th of December, prior to the noon meal, we will have the Wallace inmates to sing. They will come over with Chaplain Riley. They will be most welcome.

On Dec. 13, "I Remember My Childhood" by Betty Safford and others will be performed.

The ladies are looking festive and pretty dressing in Christmas sweaters and vests.

Dec. 15, we will draw for the mouse doll and the Norwoods plus Charles will entertain.

Troy and Jean Kegans were at the Center for lunch again Monday. I think they plan to

return to their home soon.

Bertha Fay Snyder is now at home once again. She is well enough for friends and neighbors to visit.

Our Christmas program will be on Dec. 22.

Fri., Dec. 24, the Center will be closed for Christmas. It reopens Mon., Dec. 27 with the Sweetwater line dancers to entertain.

Ken Northcutt is scheduled for Dec. 29 on birthday dinner day.

Lorraine Manor News
Activity Director Minnie Briseno reports that they have two birthdays in December belonging to Etheene Walker and Frankie Yruegaz.

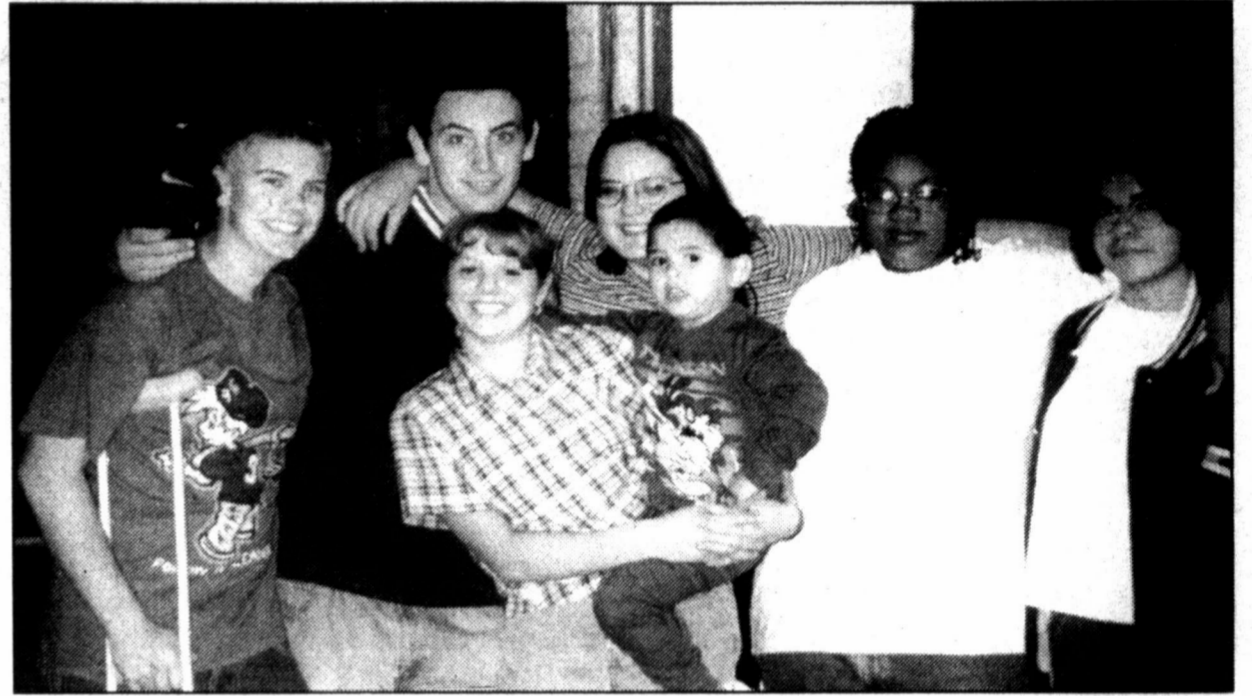
In a Midland hospital is "Shorty" Tillison. Ellina Martinez and Bill Breed are both in Mitchell County

Hospital at this time.

The Old Sorehead Band from Stanton played for the residents and staff last Friday. They are very popular.

Both staff and residents alike are getting ready for Christmas. Their annual Christmas party dinner for residents and guests will be Dec. 18.

Come see us.



THE LORAIN FFA recently had a scavenger hunt and hot dog roast. The scavenger hunt team winners were (l-r) Kody Hurst, Jesse McDaniel, Ryan Chavez, Angela Wooddell, Colton Chavez, Rebecca Carrington and Margo Gomez. Items collected included a Christmas tree, a cotton stalk, and a small child.

LJH teams win

Both the Loraine J.H. boys and J.H. girls went up against Highland and both came out victorious.

The boys won their game with a score of Loraine 56 and Highland 24.

High scorers in the game were Ryan Lucas with 18 points, George Davila with 14 points, Anthony Esquivel with

14, Jr. Delgado with 6, and Cameron Smith and Clove Carrington both scoring 2.

The girls also defeated Highland, 38 to 29.

High scorers in the game were Sonya Barrera with 17, Eliza Martinez with 8, Amanda Walker with 6, Sintia Calderon, April Bailey, and Tricia Sanchez, all with 2 points.

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CAUSE NO. 13,772
DOUGLAS PARKER and wife,
Billie Jean Parker
vs.
JAMES FRANKLIN STEWART
and wife, ALICE INEZ STEWART
IN THE DISTRICT COURT, 32ND JUDICIAL
DISTRICT, MITCHELL COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MITCHELL

By virtue of an Agreed Judgment Granting Judicial Foreclosure entered in the 32nd Judicial District Court of Mitchell County on the 4th day of November, 1999, in the above entitled and numbered cause and by virtue of a Writ of Execution to the Sheriff directed, the following property, to wit:

An undivided one-fourth interest in the following:
Tract One: The North one-half (N/2) of the Southeast one-fourth (SE/4) of Section two (2) in Block twenty-five (25), T&P Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas.

Tract Two: 64 acres, more or less, from the Northwest corner of Section No. six (6), in Block 24, of the Texas and Pacific Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the NW corner of Section 6, Block 64, T&P Ry. Co. Survey;

Thence running South along the West line of said Section No. 6, 880 yards to stake for corner;

Thence East parallel with the North line of said Section No. 6, 352 yards to corner;

Thence North 880 yards to corner in North line of said Section No. 6;

Thence West 352 yards to the place of beginning; and being the same property set out and described in that certain warranty deed from Mrs. Ellen Kidd, et al to Frank Stewart of record in Volume 114, at Page 76, of the Deed Records of Mitchell County, Texas.

Tract Three: The Southeast one-fourth (SE/4) of Section sixty-one (61) in Block twenty-five, T&P Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas.

Tract Four: The West 180 acres of the South one-half (S/2) of Section six (6), Block twenty-four (24), T&P Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas.

Tract Five: The East 120 acres of the South one-half (S/2) of Section one (1), in Block twenty-five (25), T&P Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas.

Tract Six: An undivided seven-eighths (7/8ths) interest in and to the West 200 acres of the South half (S/2) of Section one (1), Block twenty-five (25) T&P Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas.

BEING ALL OF THEIR UNDIVIDED ONE-HALF (1/2) INTEREST IN AND TO THE FOLLOWING:

Tract One: An undivided one-eighth (1/8th) interest in and to the West 200 acres of the South half (S/2) of Section one (1), Block twenty-five (25), T&P Ry. Co. Surveys, Mitchell County, Texas.

was levied on the 7th day of December, 1999, and will be sold between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on the 4th day of January 2000, which is

the first Tuesday of said month, at the door of the Courthouse in Mitchell County, Texas, in the City of Colorado City, Texas, to satisfy said Agreed Judgment, with interest, and with all costs of suit in favor of Douglas Parker and wife, Billie Jean Parker and against James Franklin Stewart and wife Alice Inez Stewart, defendants listed in said Judgment.

Signed this 7th day of December, 1999
Patrick Toombs, Sheriff
By: Mike Redwine
Chief Deputy

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The City of Loraine will be condemning the following old vacant houses to destroy within the city limits. The description of the property is as follows:
T&P Addition, Lots 11-12, Block 16
T&P Addition, Lots 6-7-8, Block 5
Owners have 30 days from date of notice to reply in writing or telephone to the City of Loraine, PO Box 7, Loraine, Texas 79532, telephone number 915-737-2222.

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MARY LENA KINCHELOE, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given that the Last Will and Testament of MARY LENA KINCHELOE, Deceased, was admitted to Probate as a Muniment of Title by order of the Court dated December 6, 1999, in cause No. 4,829, pending on the docket of the County Court of Mitchell County, Texas. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby requested to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My mailing address is 2032 Lake County Road 252, Colorado City, Texas 79512.

CLARENCE RAY KINCHELOE, Surviving Husband and Sole Devisee of the Estate of MARY LENA KINCHELOE, Deceased

LEGAL

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On December 18, 1999 beginning at 10 a.m. at U-STOR-IT, 20th & Hickory, Colorado City, Texas, household goods and miscellaneous items will be sold to satisfy a landlord's lien for either the amount owed by each tenant or for the highest bids:
Tenant **Unit #** **Amount Owed**
Nancy Sullivan 41 \$167.15

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200 ac., west of Loraine, some CRP, \$55,000 w/half of minerals.
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Approx. 80 ac. northeast of Loraine, \$35,000.
Approx. 80 ac. near Lake Colorado City, \$40,000.
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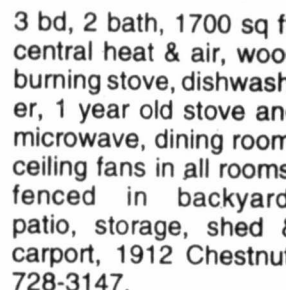
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local news

Toy Drive

Tumbleweed Lioness Club will be collecting new and good used toys for the toy drive. Age limit 0-10 years of age. Drop-off boxes are at Alco, City Hall and Ramage or call 728-8610, 728-2215, 728-2690 and they will be picked up.

Christmas Wish Tree

Choose a star from the wish tree at all local banks and buy the gift named on the star. Wrap the gift, attach the star and deliver the gift to the CPS office, located at 440 E. 2nd St., by Dec. 18. Money donations may be made by picking up one of the addressed envelopes and mailing it by Dec. 17.

Optimist Basketball

The last sign-ups for Optimist Club Basketball will be Mon., Tues. & Thurs., Dec. 6, 7, & 9 from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Administration Gym, 12th & Hickory St. Cost is \$25 for the first child and \$10 for each additional sibling. All kindergartners through sixth graders welcome.

Mission Roof

The roof of the Boys Club/Community Mission building is leaking. It needs a new roof. Any donations of usable materials such as pieces of metal roofing, would be appreciated. Financial donations are also welcomed.

Quilt Drawing

A double-ring queen size wedding quilt will be given away Dec. 20 by the Tumbleweed Lioness Club. Proceeds will go toward buying toys for the toy drive. Tickets may be bought from any Lioness club member. They are \$9 each. For more info, call 728-8610 or 728-2215 or 728-2690.



FIRST GRADER Justin Morton, left, junior Jason Bates and fifth grader Jessica Fuentes show their classes' winning entries in the Westbrook High School Student Council's Christmas wreath making contest.

Agriculture Forum set in S'water

An Agricultural Informational Forum with Congressman Stenholm is being sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service agencies and the Lower Rolling Plains IPM Unit in the following five counties: Mitchell, Scurry, Nolan, Fisher and Jones.

The forum will be held at the Nolan County Coliseum Annex at Sweetwater on Thurs., Dec. 16 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Congressman Stenholm will be present to address questions that are of vital concern to farmers, ranchers, and businesses in this area. Congressman

Stenholm will provide information on activities of the USDA during the past year, and will be voicing concern over agriculture legislative activities during the coming congressional year.

Escaped inmate captured

A 28-year-old state prison inmate from Johnson County escaped from a work crew Tuesday morning northwest of San Angelo and then was recaptured by a Tom Green County deputy Tuesday night.

Ware Unit Warden Eddie Wheeler said inmate Andrew Shaw escaped at 9:55 a.m. Tuesday in a white 1975 Chevrolet pickup truck owned by the San Angelo State School at Carlsbad 12 miles northwest of San Angelo on U. S. 87. He was recaptured at Shotts

convenience store two miles south of San Angelo on Hwy. 67 about 6:45 p.m. by Deputy David Cantu, a sheriff's dispatcher said.

Wallace Ware Units Warden Rodney Cooper and Wallace Warden Neal Webb both took part in the search, along with Texas Department of Criminal Justice officers from the units' Sweet-water and Big Spring Work Camps.

Warden Wheeler said Shaw stole the truck and drove southeast toward San Angelo.

Shaw was serving a 15-year sentence for burglary of a building in Johnson County, south of Fort Worth.

Warden Wheeler said Shaw has previously been incarcerated by the TDCJ.

He said Shaw was part of a crew of trustees that was working at the state school.

He said the Texas Department of Public Safety, Tom Green County sheriff's officers, San Angelo city policemen and other officers were involved.

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