

THURSDAY

March 10
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ANSWERLINE

Q. Is it true the old Sterling Hardware building in downtown Colorado City (located across the street from the Record office) is under new ownership?

A. Yes, the building is now owned by Jake Chaney. His plans are to renovate the building and either lease or sell it.

BRIEFLY

American Cancer Society

Will meet at noon on Thursday, March 10 at the Villa Restaurant.

Hudson Shower

The community is invited to the Calvary Baptist Church which is hosting a shower for the Eveline Hudson family on March 14 at 6 p.m. in the church parlor. The family's home suffered severe fire and water damage on Feb. 24.

Colorado City Little League

Thursday, March 10 is the last scheduled day to sign up at the First National Bank meeting room from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. for ages 6 thru 15.

CISD Spring Break

Will be March 14-18 plus the students will have a holiday on March 21 while the faculty will have a PSI day.

Christmas In April

Volunteer forms can be picked up at the Chamber of Commerce, City National Bank, First National Bank, EZ Way Plumbing in Colorado City. Or from Christine Chambers in Westbrook or at Green's Little Souper in Lorraine.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance

VITA will be available at the Boys Club Building on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. for low income and elderly.

Community Mission

Is in need of furniture - lamps, tables, bed frames, whatever. Call 728-5067 for pick up.

Scout Popcorn

Cub Scout Pack 2 still has some popcorn left to sell. 15 packs, 5 pack microwave, buckets, caramel corn, regular and holiday tins. Call 728-2341 and ask for Shirley.

Explorer Post

The Mitchell County Law Enforcement Explorer Post will now meet on the first and third Tuesdays at the Sheriff's Office at 6 p.m. All residents, male and female, ages 14-20 are invited to attend these meetings.

Lorraine's Coming Home Fest

The first ever is scheduled for May 7, 1994. Start making plans now and contact former residents.

Civilian Conservation Corps

If you are interested in starting a CCC group and you served in it back in the 1930's, contact Polk Davenport at 728-3974.

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AROUND TOWN

Happy 7th Birthday greetings to THERESA ANN MOLINA...a great job by all NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS AT CHS...& BEVERLY COPELAND celebrates a birthday And Happy Birthday to EDNA PARKER!!!

No big surprises in Primary results

There were no big surprises in the Democratic Primary election Tuesday as incumbents prevailed in four offices and Debby Carlock defeated Joan Merket-Long for the Mitchell County District Clerk spot.

Carlock garnered 1251 votes to Merket-Long's total of 572. Both candidates were vying for the spot being vacated by retiring County Clerk Joan Beach.

County Judge Ray Mayo outdistanced challenger Perry

Noblett for another term as Mayo gathered in 1349 votes while Noblett tallied 444.

Carl Guelker, Precinct 2 Commissioner eased by challenger Scott Morton by 4 votes as the incumbent garnered 196 votes while Morton had 192.

Precinct 4 commissioner Bill Preston outdistanced two opponents as he amassed 422 votes while Herman Mitchell had 273 and Willie Hernandez had 69.

Incumbent Justice of the Peace

Keith Ruddick also outdistanced two opponents as Edith Womack had 273 votes and Tex Blankenship had 130. Ruddick tallied 422.

According to County Democratic Chairman Woody Anderson, there will be no local run-off elections in a night that saw 45% of the registered voters in the county cast ballots. There were 2096 total votes cast out of a possible 4695.

Anderson also said the Democratic votes would be

canvassed Friday at 4:00 p.m.

In uncontested races in Mitchell County, County Treasurer Ann Hallmark gathered 1506 votes and Glenda Haltom received 813 votes for Justice of the Peace for Precincts 1 and 4.

District Clerk Sharon Hammond received 1444 votes in another uncontested race.

In the U. S. Senator's race, Richard Fisher captured the top spot in Mitchell County by defeating

Jim Mattox by nearly 200 votes. Fisher received 822 votes and Mattox tallied 643.

Governor Ann Richards outdistanced her opponent by receiving 1207 votes to Gary Espinosa's 412.

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Public hearing slated at courthouse

The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct public hearings at two sites in the Abilene District to discuss the 1995-1997 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

The public hearings will be held April 5 in Stamford and April 7 in Colorado City. Both meetings will begin at 6 p.m. In Stamford

the hearing will be held in the V.I.P. Building, 508 East Gould, and the location in Colorado City is the District Courtroom, 349 Oak Street.

The 1995-1997 TIP is a three-year plan developed by the Texas Department of Transportation for Borden, Callahan, Fisher, Haskell, Howard, Jones, Kent, Mitchell,

Nolan, Scurry, Shackelford Stone-well and Taylor counties.

The TIP includes a priority list of projects and project segments that will be carried out within the 3-year period and a financial plan that demonstrates how the TIP can be implemented.

The financial plan indicates resources from public sources and

private (if any) that are reasonably expected to be made available to carry out the plan and recommends any innovative techniques to finance needed projects and programs.

Those desiring to make oral comments or presentations at the meetings may register starting at 5:30 p.m. Any interested persons may appear and offer comments,

either orally or in writing. Comment cards will be available at registration.

A 10-day comment period following the public hearing will permit other interested persons to submit written comments to Maribel P. Jaso, P.E. District Engineer, Texas Department of

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State agency under fire for placing children in "abusive environment"

A state-wide organization known as VOCAL (Victims of Child Abuse Laws) is poised to attack the Child Protective Services Division that placed Danny Kerr in the foster home of James and Marie Lappe.

Young Kerr remains comatose in an East Texas nursing home with little hope ever given for recovery. He has been in this condition since he was injured the night of November 7, 1993 in the Lappe home in Colorado City. The next day, James Lappe committed suicide leaving a note stating he could not live with himself because of the injuries to Kerr. Two days later, Marie Lappe died as a result of an overdose of prescription and non-prescription drugs.

VOCAL's Texas president, Tom Owens, asked "why didn't the Texas Child Protective Services Division see that they had placed Danny Kerr, Jr., in a potentially abusive environment?"

"The reason is, they didn't want to see," said Owens.

VOCAL has scheduled a rally Friday night, March 11 in the hometown of Kerr to garner support to call for a criminal investigation of the caseworker or caseworkers responsible for placing the Kerr boy and four of his siblings in the Lappe home.

"These people are on a quota system," said a West Texas psychologist who requested anonymity due to his dealing with CPS. "I won't tell you they have a quota to meet in placing children but some of their employees have insinuated that to me in the past."

Owens said the rally in Gilmer would be followed by a candlelight vigil "to keep what happened to little Danny in the forefront of the public mind" especially as it relates to the safety of children in foster care.

He added that natural parents can be punished for "failure to protect" and he maintains that the state, when child welfare workers take and place children in foster care, should be held to the same standards.

"The Federal Department of Health and Human Services, in its National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System, has a chart showing documented characteristics of child abuse perpetrators," said Owens. "It was developed from a study of 20,745 child-abuse perpetrators and 431,598 characteristics."

"Many of the characteristics match the Lappes from what I understand," Owens continued. "CPS has stated it is 'expert' at identifying child abusers. Why don't they apply these same standards to their foster homes?"

According to the profile of abusers found in the report, abusers are likely to be:

- Unemployed.
- Unable to control themselves while administering discipline.
- Having no one to call during a crisis.
- Alcohol and/or other drug related problems.
- Mental and/or emotional disturbance.
- Pattern of violent behavior.

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Up to \$187.83 per day Payments to foster parents vary

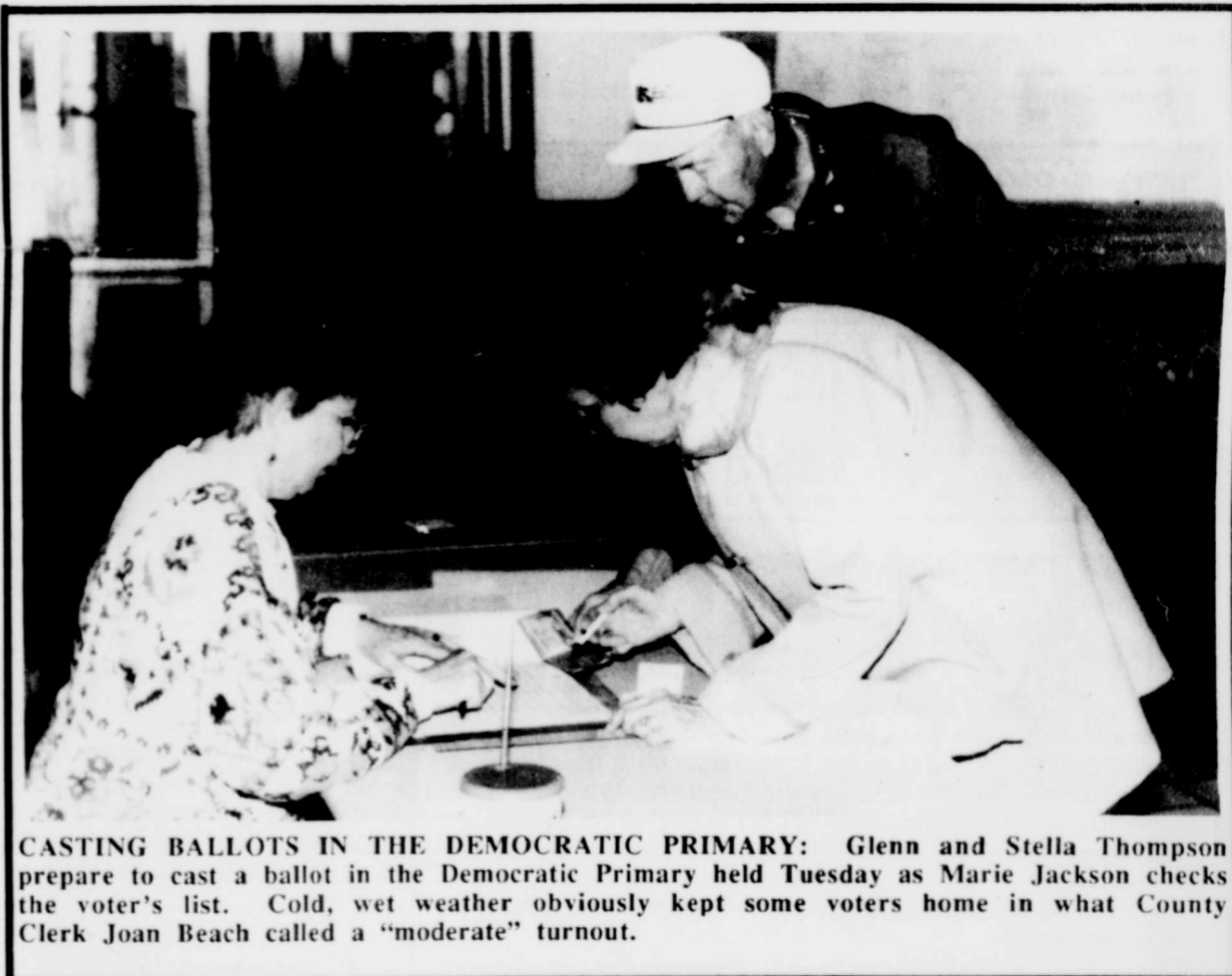
The payment that a family receives for being a foster parent depends upon the level of care that is necessary for the child/children said representatives of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

Foster care daily rates are on different levels with the Level 01 rate being \$15.85 and the Level 06 rate is \$187.83 per day.

A Level 01 child is one that is regarded as a "normal" child who responds to "normal" discipline according to Child Protective Services guidelines. A Level 06 child has very severe impairments, disabilities or needs, consistently unable or unwilling to cooperate in his or her own care. The child may be severely aggressive or exhibit self-destructive behavior or is grossly impaired in reality testing, communication or personal hygiene. This child is described as capable of causing serious harm to himself or others.

While the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services will not confirm what level the five foster children in the Lappe home were rated, it is thought they were on Level 04 at the rate of \$82.64 per day per child.

Children on this level are described as having substantial physical, mental and social problems and may present a moderate risk of causing harm to themselves or others. They exhibit poor or inappropriate social skills, have frequent episodes of aggressive or other anti-social behavior.



CASTING BALLOTS IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY: Glenn and Stella Thompson prepare to cast a ballot in the Democratic Primary held Tuesday as Marie Jackson checks the voter's list. Cold, wet weather obviously kept some voters home in what County Clerk Joan Beach called a "moderate" turnout.

Races for city, school, hospital positions are slowly filling up

Three directors of the Mitchell County Hospital Board have picked up their applications to run for two-years terms.

Fred Thompson, H. E. Parker and Vergil Stone have indicated they will run for re-election but have not returned their applications as of 5 p.m. Tuesday.

Danny Butler is the only person to turn in a completed application to the Lorraine School Board of Trustees although school officials say others have picked up applications.

Yolanda Molina will seek another term on Place 4 of the Colorado ISD trustees and Rossanne Jameson is seeking the position in Place 6.

Westbrook ISD trustee incumbents have all turned in their applications and will be candidates for re-election. They include Bruce Rich and Steve Rollins.

On the Colorado City city council, political newcomers Patrick Parker, Place 6, and A. W. Rowe, Place 4 have filed for the May 7 election. Place 3 incumbent Gary Redwine filed for re-election Tuesday morning. Councilman Allen Pharis has picked up his application to file for re-election for Place 6 but it has not been returned

according to City Secretary Glenna Garrett.

Lee Matlock is the only incumbent to file for the Lorraine City Council. The terms of Oscar Singleton and Chrystene Hall are

also up for election in May.

Mayor J. L. Rees of Westbrook is the only one to file for re-election to the Westbrook City Council. Other terms expiring are those of Katie Sanchez, Sally Parker and Peggy Hill.

City hears requests for hotel, motel tax funds

Hotel/motel tax funds that the City of Colorado City collects were distributed Tuesday night as the councilmen voted to give \$22,500 to the Colorado City Area Chamber of Commerce. This amount is \$500 over what they had received last year but the Chamber had requested \$31,200. The Heart of West Texas Museum will also receive \$500 more than last year but they also received less than they had requested. They were seeking \$10,000.

The Civic Center and the Colorado City Playhouse each took a \$500 cut from the previous year as they each will receive \$1500. The Civic Center had requested \$3000 and the Playhouse had asked for \$2500.

The city collected \$32,645.90 last year and as of February 28 of

this year, had \$51,872 in this account.

Councilman Brian Bassham echoed his sentiments from one year ago as he stated he felt the entire amount should be distributed yearly. However, Mayor Jim Baum responded to a question on why this was not done by stating the city kept the account fairly high in case the tax receipts were bad in one year.

The council followed the lead of the Mitchell County Hospital Board and the County Commissioners in giving McCormick Marketing a 100% ten-year tax abatement for a project they are planning on Highway 208 and the South service road of I-20.

Following about a one-hour

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Producers in southern Rolling Plains approve boll weevil eradication plan

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry Monday praised cotton producers in the southern Rolling Plains for approving a boll weevil eradication program. This area covers the region around San Angelo.

With referendum votes counted but pending certification, almost 85 percent of the producers voting approved establishing the control zone. An assessment rate to help pay for the program was approved by almost 80 percent.

Kenneth Gully of Eola was elected as the zone representative to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Board.

"Cotton growers have taken control of their fate by voting to begin a comprehensive, cooperative effort to eradicate the boll weevil," Perry said in a statement. "These producers have set the tone for the rest of the state."

Woody Anderson of Colorado City, chairman of the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, said farmers

"know the devastation this pest causes and are the ones who will control getting rid of it."

The foundation is working on setting elections in the other eight eradication zones, Anderson said.

Perry pointed out the Mississippi and Tennessee have approved similar programs and are set to begin eradication.

"It is vital to the Texas cotton industry to eradicate the boll weevil," he said. "We cannot remain competitive with other cotton producing states that have eradicated or are in the process of eradicating the boll weevil."

The eradication effort would not immediately affect the long-standing High Plains boll weevil containment program but, if successful, eventually would replace the fall spraying aimed at keeping migrations from east of the Caprock from gaining a permanent toehold above the "Cap" and sweeping westward.

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discussion, the council voted 5-1 to allow the abatement with Baum casting the no vote.

During the course of McCormick Marketing's Mike Dennis's presentation, Baum said he was more in favor of working out something along a five year abatement instead of ten years.

Dennis said he needed the ten-year period in order to attract two food related establishments to participate in the project.

"They are where most of the jobs will come from," said Dennis. "If I cannot get them to come - and I feel the abatement is necessary for them to - then we will just build a new convenience store that will only employ 6 or 7."

Economic Development Director Nancy Sullivan again spoke for the abatement saying that a community would have to spend at least \$10,000 for each new job generated.

"These people came to us and we didn't have to spend a dime to get them here," said Sullivan.

The council tabled several items which are expected to be considered in a called meeting next week.

HEARING

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Transportation, Abilene District, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604.

All written comments must be received at the Abilene District office no later than 12 noon on April 17, 1994.

The Bridal Registry at Corky's

Patricia Martinez
 Bride-elect of Raymond Griner

Janie Garcia
 Bride-elect of Gabriel Ornelas, Jr.

Kaci Compton
 Bride-elect of Mike Griffith

Kayla Diane Eason
 Bride-elect of Steven Rojas

Marla and Lundy Smith
 Denise Lowrance
 Bride-elect of Shawn Finley

Kimberly McCollum
 Bride-elect of Joseph Guy Baker

Amanda McBroom
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1993-94 MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY AT COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL: These CHS students who are members of the National Honor Society were recognized Monday night at the induction of new NHS members. Shown left to right on the bottom row are Sylvia Flores, Lisa Johnson, Robin Walls and Maggie Espinoza. On the back row are Leah Watson, Jodi Cade, Holly Turner and Jim Lemons.



NEW INDUCTEES INTO THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY AT CHS: New members of the National Honor Society at Colorado High includes bottom row, left to right, Lori Dockrey, Laura Davila, Belinda Arispe, Christina Mendoza, Rebecca Silva, Cathy Peitzsch and Kimberly McCollum. Middle row honorees include Veronica Moreno, Amanda McBroom, Jennifer Morris, Melissa Williams, Courtney Harris, Shea Ortiz, Maribel Reyes and Shelia Ramage. Top row includes Daniel Bastardo, Cody Loving, Ashton Weatherly, Landon Kelly, Jeffrey Stockton, Bethany Bridgford, Cretia Caye Carpenter and Jennifer Rivera.

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<p>Men's Levi's Denim Jeans 27.99 550* Relaxed Fit 501* Stonewashed</p>	<p>Girls' 7-14 chic Denim Jeans 14.99 Reg. 19.99 Girls' 4-6x Reg. 17.99 .13.99</p>	<p>Girls' 7-14 Fashion Body Suits 5.99 Reg. 7.99 Girls' 4-6x Reg. 6.994.99</p>
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Owens said he fears that because of the injuries to the Kerr boy, the cases in Gilmer against several individuals, including Danny's mother and father, may be difficult to prosecute since it may be difficult for the other children, who are not comatose, to differentiate between abuse in their real home and their foster home.

"The door swings both ways," said the president of VOCAL. "If they can't see abuse in foster homes, how can they see it in the biological homes?"

The week of the suicides here in Colorado City, Linda Fleming, Director of Region 4 of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services in Tyler, said "because of past problems, caseworkers from East Texas routinely visited the Lappe home in Colorado City to check on the children personally."

"We saw them once a month," said Fleming. "And there was no indication of any problems when we last saw them on November 1."

Producers in southern Rolling Plains approve boll weevil eradication plan

Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry Monday praised cotton producers in the southern Rolling Plains for approving a boll weevil eradication program. This area covers the region around San Angelo.

With referendum votes counted but pending certification, almost 85 percent of the producers voting approved establishing the control zone. An assessment rate to help pay for the program was approved by almost 80 percent.

Kenneth Gully of Eola was elected as the zone representative to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Board.

"Cotton growers have taken control of their fate by voting to begin a comprehensive, cooperative effort to eradicate the boll weevil," Perry said in a statement. "These producers have set the tone for the rest of the state."

Woody Anderson of Colorado City, chairman of the Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, said farm-

ers "know the devastation this pest causes and are the ones who will control getting rid of it."

The foundation is working on setting elections in the other eight eradication zones, Anderson said.

Perry pointed out the Mississippi and Tennessee have approved similar programs and are set to begin eradication.

"It is vital to the Texas cotton industry to eradicate the boll weevil," he said. "We cannot remain competitive with other cotton producing states that have eradicated or are in the process of eradicating the boll weevil."

The eradication effort would not immediately affect the long-standing High Plains boll weevil containment program but, if successful, eventually would replace the fall spraying aimed at keeping migrations from east of the Caprock from gaining a permanent toehold above the "Cap" and sweeping westward.

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discussion, the council voted 5-1 to allow the abatement with Baum casting the no vote.

During the course of McCormick Marketing's Mike Dennis's presentation, Baum said he was more in favor of working out something along a five year abatement instead of ten years.

Dennis said he needed the ten-year period in order to attract two food related establishments to participate in the project.

"They are where most of the jobs will come from," said Dennis. "If I cannot get them to come - and I feel the abatement is necessary for them to - then we will just build a new convenience store that will only employ 6 or 7."

Economic Development Director Nancy Sullivan again spoke for the abatement saying that a community would have to spend at least \$10,000 for each new job generated.

"These people came to us and we didn't have to spend a dime to get them here," said Sullivan.

The council tabled several items which are expected to be considered in a called meeting next week.

HEARING

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Transportation, Abilene District, P.O. Box 150, Abilene, Texas 79604.

All written comments must be received at the Abilene District office no later than 12 noon on April 17, 1994.

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Bride-elect of Gabriel Ornelas, Jr.
- Kasi Compton
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Bride-elect of Steven Rosas
- Marla and Lundy Smith
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Bride-elect of Shawn Finley
- Kimberly McCollum
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1993-94 MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY AT COLORADO HIGH SCHOOL: These CHS students who are members of the National Honor Society were recognized Monday night at the induction of new NHS members. Shown left to right on the bottom row are Sylvia Flores, Lisa Johnson, Robin Walls and Maggie Espinoza. On the back row are Leah Watson, Jodi Cade, Holly Turner and Jim Lemons.



NEW INDUCTEES INTO THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY AT CHS: New members of the National Honor Society at Colorado High includes bottom row, left to right, Lori Dockrey, Laura Davila, Belinda Arispe, Christina Mendoza, Rebecca Silva, Cathy Peitzsch and Kimberly McCollum. Middle row honorees include Veronica Moreno, Amanda McBroom, Jennifer Morris, Melissa Williams, Courtney Harris, Shea Ortiz, Maribel Reyes and Shelia Ramage. Top row includes Daniel Bastardo, Cody Loving, Ashton Weatherly, Landon Kelly, Jeffrey Stockton, Bethany Bridgford, Cretia Caye Carpenter and Jennifer Rivera.

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U. S. SENATOR													
Richard Fisher	150	69	39	7	89	34	115	63	118	31	67	40	822
Jim Mattox	86	44	48	7	49	35	86	68	115	29	50	26	643
Evelyn K. Lentz	9	4	2	0	6	5	15	6	12	3	2	4	68
Michael A. Andrews	11	7	6	1	11	2	22	8	12	5	12	3	100
U.S. REP., DIST. 17													
Charles W. Stenholm	208	103	80	10	103	64	171	107	179	56	108	63	1257
GOVERNOR													
Gary Espinosa	65	32	31	4	46	8	68	35	53	24	35	11	412
Ann W. Richards	181	93	62	11	105	72	173	106	205	51	92	56	1207
LIETENANT GOV.													
Bob Bullock	211	116	85	11	114	71	198	123	205	59	112	62	1367
ATTORNEY GEN.													
Dan Morales	191	98	79	10	110	64	136	113	144	52	110	60	1267
COMP. OF PUBLIC AC.													
John Sharp	196	103	83	11	113	65	188	121	192	56	111	61	1300
STATE TREASURER													
Grady Yarbrough	90	56	49	9	50	36	89	56	104	22	45	28	637
Martha Whitehead	132	63	35	6	74	38	124	68	120	38	70	44	812
COM. OF GEN LD. OFF.													
Gary Mauro	172	74	71	10	109	60	180	112	191	48	105	61	1220
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Marvin Gregory	173	83	69	9	92	58	154	99	161	43	93	48	1088
RAILROAD COMM.													
Robert Earley	91	47	16	3	45	14	94	36	73	14	38	21	492
James E. (Jim) Nugent	139	72	77	12	87	58	122	93	153	47	79	45	982
RAIL COM. Unex. Term													
Mary Scott Nabers	138	70	39	3	78	40	127	66	150	33	74	31	899
David Young	74	44	49	12	53	27	84	55	83	29	44	32	606
JUST. SPRM CT, Pl. 1													
Rene' Haas	63	35	37	3	55	24	77	41	72	23	40	29	496
Bill Yarbrough	25	54	39	7	33	29	70	57	55	26	40	24	519
Raul A. Gonzalez	91	33	23	5	65	16	84	33	110	12	45	13	530
JUST. SPRM CT, Pl. 2													
Mike Westergren	116	52	43	9	54	31	80	60	88	31	48	32	644
Alice Oliver Parrott	85	56	38	4	55	28	116	54	110	19	57	23	695
JUST. SPRM CT, Pl. 3													
Jimmy Carroll	145	74	52	7	76	35	114	85	120	33	64	38	843
Margaret G. Mirabal	50	35	20	7	27	24	73	28	69	14	34	18	404
PRE. JDG., CT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS													
Charles F. Baird	71	46	21	5	46	18	90	63	91	19	37	16	553
Mike McCormick	103	66	52	9	58	38	100	54	98	34	64	40	718
JUDGE, Crt. of Crim. Appeals, Place 1													
Charles F. Campbell	152	86	68	10	86	41	146	95	157	42	87	45	1015
JUDGE, Crt. of Crim. Appeals, Place 2													
Betty Marshall	55	35	20	5	25	18	49	32	60	9	34	17	359
Bennie Ray	23	6	2	1	10	2	8	8	21	6	4	2	97
Norman Lanford	28	27	20	3	29	11	37	24	28	14	16	12	259
Gene Kally	25	16	13	4	17	9	31	23	33	10	23	11	225
Frances M. Northcutt	40	25	18	3	20	12	51	26	40	13	15	10	273
MBR. St. Bd. of Education Dist. 14													
Howard L. Neeb	160	86	66	9	84	50	160	91	150	42	87	50	1035
ST. SENATOR, Dist. 24													
Bill Sims	217	107	82	10	112	70	179	116	204	57	104	60	1318
STATE REP., Dist. 72													
Robert Junell	235	115	77	10	128	77	196	128	204	55	113	63	1403
CHIEF JUSTICE, 11th Ct. of Appeals Dist.													
Bud Amot	148	82	56	10	79	53	137	81	156	32	88	43	967
David Stubbeman	58	29	25	4	38	19	71	38	52	24	25	17	392
COUNTY JUDGE													
Ray Mayo	223	120	78	9	127	77	201	117	182	58	109	68	1369
Perry G. Noblett	55	23	26	7	56	15	67	40	93	17	31	14	444
DISTRICT CLERK													
Sharon Hammond	229	111	88	13	132	76	217	124	208	59	117	70	1444
COUNTY CLERK													
Debby Carlock	205	113	81	14	137	72	179	101	140	41	101	67	1251
Joan Merket-Long	66	27	24	3	43	19	91	57	148	41	38	15	572
COUNTY TREASURER													
Ann Hallmark	235	115	88	13	133	75	216	138	230	71	119	73	1506
J.P., PRE. NOS. 1 & 4													
Glenda R. Halton	213	113							241	66	113	67	813
J.P., PRE. NOS. 2 & 3													
Keith Ruddick			74	5	95	37	134	77					422
Tex Blankenship			6	4	38	16	53	13					130
Edith Womack			26	8	52	35	86	66					273
CTY. COMMISSIONER PREC. 2													
Scott R. Morton			55	6	83	48							192
Carl Guetler			49	11	92	44							196
CTY. COMMISSIONER PREC. 4													
Willie Hernandez								42	7	19	1		69
Billy H. Preston								135	45	68	57		305
Herman Mitchell								143	30	49	22		214
COUNTY CHAIRMAN													
Woody Anderson	229	118	81	10	129	76	195	128	206	56	111	67	1406
PCT. CHRNM., Pct. 1													
Jerry Reynolds	229	116											345
PCT. CHRNM., Pct. .025													
Yolanda S. Molina				96	41								137
PCT. CHRNM., Pct. 3													
T.L. Rees							178	124					302
PCT. CHRNM., Pct. 4													
Mrs. J.C. Hall									206	59			265
PCT. CHRNM., Pct. .046													
Robert Cox											107	63	170



BECKY WESTBROOK AND BRIAN CLARK

Becky Westbrook announces engagement to Brian Clark

Becky Denise Westbrook of North Richland Hills has announced her engagement to Brian Keith Clark of Dallas. Westbrook is the daughter of Raymond and Barbara Westbrook of Colorado City. She graduated from Colorado High School in 1987 and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Texas Tech University. She is presently employed as an English and journalism teacher for the Azle Independent School District in Azle, Texas. Clark, the son of Ron and Gayle Clark of Denison, graduated from Bells High School in 1987. He earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Design at the University of Texas at Arlington and is presently employed by Mosaic Creative, Inc. in Dallas. The July 23 wedding will take place on the Mandalay Canal in Las Colinas in Irving.

OBITUARIES

Anna Ruth Wood

1957-1994
Services for Anna Ruth Wood, 36, of Sweetwater were scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. James Baker officiating. Burial was in Colorado City Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home. Ms. Wood died March 7, 1994 at Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital, Sweetwater. She was born August 21, 1957 in Colorado City. Ms. Wood was a lifelong resident of Sweetwater. She was a 1974 graduate of Sweetwater High School and was a Baptist. She is preceded in death by her mother, Betty Wood, on April 12, 1992. Survivors include her father, Horace R. Wood of Sweetwater and one brother, Bobby Dan Wood, also of Sweetwater.

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Forty-seven University students will leave Saturday on mission trips to Missouri during the summer. No classes will be held at HSU March 14-15 on Monday, March 14, college and university for leisure activities will share and Christian faith. Twenty students will participate in mission outreach in City, according to McCown, director of Student Union. Southern Baptist University at the National included in this trip of Colorado City. Religious activities will be sponsored by HSU group that in a youth week Baptist Church in Missouri, assisted by subjects and provided at the Forest Ave. in Kansas City. HSU students group of students University during shelter.

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HSU students to take mission trips

Forty-seven Hardin-Simmons University students and sponsors will leave Saturday, March 12 on mission trips to Mexico City and Missouri during their spring breaks.

No classes will be offered at HSU March 14-18. Class resume on Monday, March 21. While many college and university students go for leisure activities, the HSU delegations will share their testimonies and Christian faith with others.

Twenty students and sponsors will participate in a transcultrual mission outreach project in Mexico City, according to Palmer McCown, director of HSU's Baptist Student Union. They will assist Southern Baptist missionary Lloyd Mann at the National University. Included in this trip is Staci Rogers of Colorado City.

Religious activities intern Beth Smith will sponsor a 27-member HSU group that will travel to assist in a youth week program at First Baptist Church of Greenwood, Missouri, assist in physical projects and provide ministry contacts at the Forest Ave. Baptist Shelter in Kansas City.

HSU students will team with a group of students from Texas A&M University during the week at the shelter.



ATTENDS FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA CONVENTION: Belinda Arispe (left) competed in the Family Communications Star Event and won 4th place and will advance to state. Melissa Williams won 2nd place in the Illustrated Talk Star Event and she too will advance to the state contest.

Williams, Arispe place at FHA Conference, will go on to state

It's time! It's here! It's gone and the spotlight was on Future Homemakers of America. The Colorado Chapter of Future Homemakers of America attended the Region II Conference held in Abilene on March 4-5. Belinda Arispe, Melissa Williams, Emma Molina and Tracy Henderson were among approximately 1,300 delegates attending the two-day conference. The youth-developed meeting theme, "FHA/ Hero: The Spotlight is on You" was carried out through "show-cases" or workshops and general sessions where members discovered ways they can become actively involved in issues facing today's youth. Issues that were addressed at the meeting were AIDS, Teen Stress, Teen Suicide, Alcohol and Drugs, Gang Violence, Teen Pregnancy, Cult Awareness and other exciting topics. Belinda Arispe helped present one of these workshops.

STAR Events (Students Taking Action for Recognition) were competitive events that the members participated in at the regional meeting. These events allowed the members to showcase their life skills in different areas of competition. Also, the new officer team for 1994-1995 was elected to lead the region on to more success.

Belinda Arispe competed in the Illustrated Talk Star Event. She received 2nd place and will advance to state. The event is one in which an individual is given the opportunity to organize skills and knowledge gained in a given area of home economics and to gain confidence by speaking before a group. The presentation illustrated the student's ability to creatively demonstrate the concepts and activities that deal with issues affecting the quality of individual and family life.

Belinda Arispe competed in the "Family Communications" Star Event. She won 4th place at Regional and will advance to state. This is an individual event that recognizes participants for developing a project designed to strengthen family communications and for applying those skills to other similar situations.

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LORAINE PERSONALS

Tuesday was election day but the weather was not cooperating. Hope everyone just bundled up good and went ahead and voted. All the candidates worked hard to campaign and they deserved an effort from all of us to cast our votes.

Elba Mae Evans came by to visit me on Monday and I really did enjoy her visit. She and Patsy planned on heading back to Dallas Tuesday. Mike and Patsy are trying to sell the house but we do not know who is going to buy it. Jackie and Patsy did a lot of work on the house after they moved down there. I believe the house has three bedrooms and a nice big kitchen. It sure will make some family a real nice home. I will let all of Patsy's friends know her new address as soon as I learn it. Patsy is doing a little better. We cannot always have our own way about things, especially in sickness like this. May God bless this family in their problems.

I finally talked my husband, Earl, into going to the doctor to see about some places on his face. I didn't like the looks of those little spots and sure enough, they were little skin cancers. Dr. Roach did a little minor surgery and said not to worry. He told Earl he could go back to work and said he should not have any more trouble with them. We are plenty thankful for that.

Mrs. Reba Gross, Sandy's mother, has been here visiting for about a week. Seems she had a little problem with some muscle spasms. Sandy drove to Buchanan to pick her up and bring her back to see the doctor here. She was doing better when she went home.

Billie Ruth Tart celebrated her birthday Sunday with several of her family members. Happy Birthday, Billie Ruth!

I have some baseball scores for you. February 26 Loraine played Merkel and won by a score of 5 to 4. March 4 they played Midland Christian and also won by 5 to 4.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

On Tuesday morning at 3 a.m. I woke up to no electricity. I lit my emergency candle to call Caprock about my problem. Before I called the electric company I saw a light from my kitchen window and discovered there was no need to call; they were already on the job. The wind had been 60 mph. I am guessing that there could have been 70 mph gusts but I know two very dedicated guys that could probably tell how hard it was gusting. There was lightning, it was raining and the wind was horrible!

I cannot believe those guys stuck it out. I would never have put my life in that danger. I will never be upset when my electricity goes off again or when my light bill is high. The only two that were out there were Rodney Fox and Raul Rivera of Cap Rock Electric.

Guys, thanks just doesn't seem to be enough. I appreciate your dedication and professionalism in your job. You are truly the best!

Thanks,
Dorothy Bell

March 7 the Bulldogs played Colorado City JV and lost by a score of 6 to 2. This weekend the Bulldogs are entered in a tournament in Midland and they will play at Angel Stadium. Keep up the good work, Bulldogs!

Three Mitchell County ladies lost a relative this week. J.C. Crownover, the last of the Crownovers, died in a nursing center in Abilene. Mrs. Wright Hock, Doris Henderson and Pauline Smiley are all relatives of J.C. Crownover. He was a graduate of Abilene High School and he worked for WTU for 44 years. We are sorry about your loss, ladies.

Betty Hackfeld finished with her cancer treatments last week. Congratulations, Betty, for your last treatment. I'm glad it is over and done with for you. I hope it never comes back and you don't have any more problems with it!

I have a little message for the citizens of Loraine. We need some ladies and gentlemen to run for our school board and city council. Our school and city government need

your help. There are several places open on the city council and I think there are 6 places to be filled on the school board. If you have any interest in serving on either the school board or city council the deadline for sign up is March 23 at 5 p.m. Don't forget this date now. You know how time flies, so don't let it slip up on you!

I noticed several trees around town blooming last week. I guess spring is just around the corner. I am ready for some warmer weather. The only bad thing about spring is it's also thunderstorm season. Be sure and watch those clouds! You don't want to get caught out in a hail storm somewhere. I'm sure our fire department will be out cloud watching and looking out for our safety. Remember, we sound the siren with one long blow if a severe cloud is approaching.

Speaking of the fire department, don't forget the farm sale is March 26. If you need to get in touch with someone about the sale call Donald Graham at 737-2744 or Donnie Phillips at 737-2933 or any of the other firemen.

BIRTHS

Births

Jainie Julia Fuentez was born March 3, 1994 to Jimmy and Maria Fuentez. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Luis Garcia was born March 5, 1994 to Luis and Connie Garcia. He weighed 7 lbs. 04 oz. and was 20 inches long.

BRIEFLY

Medical Fund

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

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

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Dismissals

March 4; Randy Wilkinson, Medical. Bernice Walker, Medical. Doyle Holdridge, Medical. March 5; Linda Hudson, Sonora, Medical. Omie Stephens, Medical. Maria Fuentez, Snyder, OBS. March 6; Roberta Haines, Observation. Erlinda Silva, Medical. March 7; Connie Garcia, OBS. G.E. Davenport, Medical. Gayle Rollins, Westbrook, Medical. Ollie Franklin, Odessa, Medical. Julie Harper, Surgery.

MITCHELL COUNTY HOSPITAL

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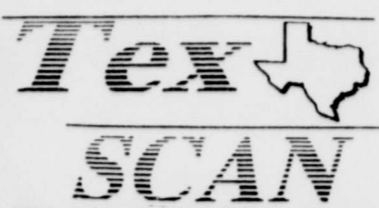
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Postal Service, McDonald's hold stamp design contest for 8- to 13-year-olds

Young people in Colorado City will have a chance to put their stamp on the world by participating in an environmental postal stamp design contest announced this week by the U.S. Postal Service and McDonald's family restaurants.

Local Postmaster George Jones is looking forward to helping kids get involved in the contest. "I hope this effort opens a new world to our youth," said Postmaster Jones. "Combining kids' interest in the environment and stamp collecting promises to be fun for everyone. I hope that many of our local youth participate in the contest and who knows, maybe someone from Mitchell County will be the winner."

The contest invites kids from the 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia, ages 8 through 13 as of April 30, 1994, to design an official U.S. postage stamp depicting ways to protect, preserve or restore the environment.

Two finalists will be selected from each of the states and the District of Columbia. Each will receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond (value at maturity) and a framed

copy of their artwork. Four winners selected from the 102 finalists will receive the finalist prize and an additional \$3,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds (value at maturity) and a trip for three people to Washington D.C. to attend the first day of issue stamp ceremony. Best of all, their design will be printed on millions of U.S. postage stamps.

Students can participate in the contest if they are legal U.S. residents and are ages 8 through 13 as of April 30, 1994. Individuals unable to visit a post office or McDonald's may obtain official contest rules by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to "Stamp Rules," P.O. Box 689, Gibbstown, New Jersey 08027-0689. No purchase is necessary. All entries must be mailed and received by April 30, 1994. Children of Postal Service and McDonald's employees are not eligible to participate.

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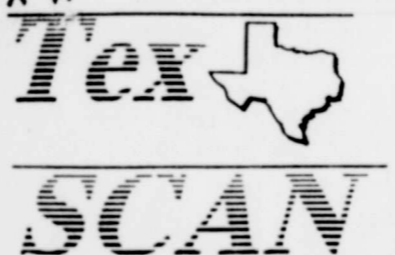
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Garden Club hears program by Gretchen and Dalton Maddox

The Colorado City Authority Housing Center was the setting for the March 2nd salad luncheon meeting of the Colorado City Garden Club. Table decorations featured the Texas theme honoring Texas Independence Day.

Brenda Aguillon, president, introduced Gretchen and Dalton Maddox of the Maddox Ranch, who presented an interesting discussion of holistic resource management.

Holistic resource management is making use of all the resources of the ranch in a natural way, without pesticides or herbicides. Slides accompanied the presentation showing the before, the process and the results of this practice.

The soil is naturally broken up by the animals' hooves to make it absorbent. The grazing is managed by alternating the pastures used so the range can recover. The sheep and cattle are grazed together. Donkeys are used as protection from predators. As holistic resource management practices have been

implemented, the range has been restored to its natural state with good grass growth and old springs flowing again, creating a good water supply. The program was interesting and challenging.

The District 8 Spring Meeting will be in Snyder March 29-30. Plans were made to co-host this event.

The next meeting will be April 6 at St. Ann's Catholic Church. The program will be landscaping by Mrs. Taci Ellis, horticulture teacher at Colorado High School.

Guests were Dalton and Gretchen Maddox, Debbie Carlock and Jerry Stone. Members attending were Brenda Aguillon, Betsy Aycock, Glenda Alford, Catherine Bell, Dovie Brownfield, Erna Lou Burt, Ray Anne Carlock, Mary Margaret Cox, Dorothy Johnson, Marjorie Kolman, Terry McAdams, Frances Myers, Peggy Ratliff, Sister Guadalupe Rodriguez, Marilyn Tartt, Carolyn Witten and Kathy Watson.

Dyess's Day is March 19

Dyess Air Force Base hosts its Big Country Appreciation Day March 19 featuring the aerial demonstrations of the F-18 Blue Angels.

The annual event, which boasts of crowds of several thousand Big Country residents, opens at 10 a.m. and is free to the public. According to officials, the appreciation day is Dyess' way of saying "thanks" for outstanding community support.

Some of the performing and static aircraft include F-16s, F-111, B-52, C-5, A-4, KC-10, as well as Dyess' own B-1, KC-135 and C-130.

The appreciation day also includes concession and memorabilia stands and musical performances—fun for the entire family.

Questions about the appreciation day can be referred to the 7th Wing Public Affairs office at 696-2863.

CHIEF LONE WOLF

The old Colorado Hotel, 251 Oak in Colorado City, was not a very imposing structure. But the night the three-story building burned to the ground it was home to 18 people who lived in its 54 rooms. It was just minutes before midnight, October 26, 1954 when a lightning bolt shot out of the rainy Mitchell County skies and the Colorado was instantly in its death throes.

It's a wonder more lives weren't lost and that damage wasn't even more extensive to surrounding buildings. As it was, four men died within minutes of when the fire broke out in the hotel. By pure chance, the city had just received a new 750 gallon Seagraves pumper truck the day before the tragedy.

Leonard Henderson, who was fire chief for some ten to fifteen years, recalled in a 1986 interview how the new Seagraves truck was locked up in his business the night of the fire. A Seagraves representative, Henry Ginn, had brought the truck to Colorado City for approval.

"I told the chief of police to go by the (Gosnell) Hotel and get Henry Ginn and bring him down to get that truck," Henderson remembered.

There was no way the old Colorado Hotel could be saved but the new Seagraves earned its spurs during that one fire. "Ginn hooked that truck up down at the ice plant and pumped it until 2 o'clock the next afternoon," Henderson told us.

Miraculously, although the truck had never been serviced, it performed flawlessly. The Colorado Record observed, "Colorado City got back its \$16,137 in one night." Probably, there's a chance the whole downtown area could have been burned to the ground.

Veteran fireman Pat McKinney remembers the blaze only too well. "If it hadn't been for that (Seagraves), we would have probably lost a lot more in town," he recalled.

The city had three other pumpers (500 gallons each) and they were shooting 1500 gallons of water per minute on the fire. "We spent all the next day digging the bodies out," McKinney said. "By that afternoon we had gotten them all out of there."

Henderson agreed. "We moved every one of those bricks until we found the last body. We finally found him about 3 o'clock."

The victims were identified as Hiram Edward Ladd, 76, who had a used auto parts business; Albert Rufus Trice, 76, a retired farmer; James Lonnie Mize, 34, who worked on windmills and Albert Clary Cates, 52, who owned Mert's Grill.

The fire had spread through the hotel so rapidly that only one man was able to escape by using the stairway. A number of occupants had broken out windows and stepped out onto the roof of the adjacent Williams Farm and Ranch store.

"I told the boys," Henderson recalled, "before you stretch any hose, let's get some ladders and get those men and women off the buildings." And that's what we all did."

There was one survivor whom the firemen had not been able to help. 78-year-old W.W. Hudson had worked his way out onto the third story porch. As the rain and hail pelted him, Hudson had finally decided to jump on top of a car below, hoping the vehicle would break his fall enough to save his life. It was his only hope.

About the time the elderly man was ready to jump, the group of survivors from the Farm and Ranch store saw Hudson and brought a ladder up to the porch for him. Although it was too short to reach his perch, the trapped man had no alternative but to jump toward the swaying ladder and manage to hold on.

"I had to jump. I don't know how I did it," Hudson would later say. He was taken to Root Memorial Hospital, where he was treated for exposure, smoke inhalation and a cut arm.

The last person to escape from the inferno was the owner of the hotel, Mrs. M.L. (Eva) Bebout. She was sleeping through the whole calamity! Mrs. Bebout was awakened from her slumber by a loud knocking on her door. The man who saved her was none other than W.W. Hudson, who only minutes earlier had almost lost his own life. Now he was back in the blazing building trying to arouse the proprietor.

"Flames were all over the building," Mrs. Bebout said. Unbelievably, she started to make her way out of the building when she realized she had left her room without her car keys. She went back and got them!

There were ironies connected with the conflagration. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sailer, who had occupied room one of the Colorado, had left \$100 cash in a purse in their room. Fireman Bill Burns found the money the next day, all with recognizable serial numbers.

Also, \$300 belonging to W.H. Holman was found in the ruins. Half of the currency had survived. There were many heroes that night of October 26, 1954—individual firemen, patrons of the hotel and of course, Henry Ginn of the Seagraves company. He stood soaking wet in a torrential, bone-chilling downpour, shin-deep in water, giving an on-the-spot demonstration of the 1954 Seagraves.

And then there was the Seagraves itself. Everyone agrees the fire damage would have been much worse than it was had it not been for the new pumper. The Seagraves went on to serve the city with distinction for many years.

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