

TIMOTHY GETS HIS HORSE

At the interview there was a house full of family and friends waiting anxiously to meet the Make-A-Wish team; Tom, Wayne and Cindy. Everyone

was so excited. Timothy needed a horse for equitherapy which meant the horse needed to be very docile. Not only was it important to find the perfect horse, Timothy also needed to have a special saddle for balance. With the help of Melissa Curry of Canyon, we were able to find a saddle and the Bivins Center made the brace.

Cara Fisher, from Memphis, helped us find Timothy's horse. Jim Mecca, Jim Blain & T. J. Kenney from the D Ranch in Carlsbad, New Mexico donated the perfect horse. On Sunday, January 29th we delivered the horse to Timothy. We were greeted by all of Timothy's family, friends, teachers and minister at the Wheeler indoor arena. The weather was chilly and the city commissioners of Wheeler agreed to let Timothy have his big day inside the arena out of the weather.

Scott and Kay Luttrell prepared and served Barbecue to all attending. When Timothy saw his horse it was love at first sight. He had a grin a foot wide! When asked what her name was going to be he put alot of thought into it and came up with the name, "Sugar". The Make-A-Wish team thought the horses name matched Timothy's personality. Thank you

Timothy for letting us grant you a wish. Left to right: Cara Fisher, Memphis, Scott & Kay Luttrell, Timmy held by Cindy Spanel, Tom Spanel, Anthony Spanel, Amarillo & Janet Tatyrek. (Continued Page 8)

CHARITY BASKETBALL

Wheeler Christian Academy will have a charity basketball game Saturday, Feb. 4 at the Mobeetie School Gymnasium at 6 p.m. This year the academy joined a Christian sports league called Texas Christian Athletic League. The league, commonly called T-CAL, holds a regional tournament and a state tournament for boys and girls basketball. This fundraiser will help with travel expenses and lodging for WCA students at the tournaments. Several members of the community have volunteered their time and considerable basketball talents. They have been soliciting pledges for the number of points that they score. A concession stand serving homemade hamburgers will be served. There will be a 3-points shooting contest at half-time of the game for anyone that brings their courts shoes. Admission is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for students. Come watch the WCA boys play the old guys and enjoy a night of fun.

Private Services Monday For Clarice K. Holt, 83

Clarice Kathryn Holt, 83, a former Wheeler resident, died Friday, Jan. 27, 1995.

Private services and burial were conducted in Wheeler. Arrangement were by Wright Funeral Home.

Ms. Holt was born in Bronson, Kan. She attended Texas Tech University and graduated from the University of Oklahoma. She owned and operated a dry goods store in Wheeler during the 1930's. She worked in the Quarter Master Depot at Fort Worth in 1932.

Ms. Holt was a member of an early pioneer banking family in Wheeler. She also worked at Rivercrest Country Club. She was a member of the Ridglea Country Club and a lifetime member of First United Methodist Church at Wheeler.

She was nicknamed "the Barracuda" by Jacoby. She was a Life Master in bridge where she was ranked in the top 20 in the world.

Survivors include Mrs. R. J. Holt; Mrs. C. B. Holt; four nieces; and four nephews.

The family received friends from noon to 2 p.m. in the Garden Room.

Hospital Notes

- Old Admissions**
- 1-20 William Shaffer
 - New Admissions**
 - 1-23 Brian Batenhorst
 - Mary Gail Wilson
 - 1-24 Edith McLaughlin
 - 1-25 Christine Grayson
 - Arith Thomas
 - Alta Lee Pillers
 - 1-26 John Pennington
 - 1-27 Jewel Moore
 - 1-30 Howard Lohberger
 - Dismissals**
 - 1-23 Lewis Rogers
 - Lana Hodges
 - 1-25 Lavelle Stephens
 - 1-26 Pauline Hefley
 - Mary Gail Wilson
 - Brian Batenhorst
 - 1-27 John Pennington
 - 1-28 Christine Grayson



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Chamber Banquet Mon. Feb. 13

OUTSTANDING CITIZENS WILL BE RECOGNIZED

The 1995 Wheeler Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held Monday evening, February 13, in the Wheeler School cafeteria. Those in attendance will be entertained by Sarah Gill of Miami. The emcee for this year has not been announced.

Recognized each year by the Chamber are the Outstanding Man, Woman, Teenager, Employee and Farmer/Rancher will be named and

plaques will be presented. Sandhill Estates will announce a tentative timetable for construction of the retirement community and hope to have drawings of the project.

The meal will be catered by Mr. Barbecue, Steve Walker.

The Chamber will be bringing to a close an excellent year and President Beth Alvey, urges the members to show their support with their atten-

dance. You will receive good food, good fellowship and entertainment for your \$12.00.

Sarah Gill of Miami will serve as the entertainment for the banquet. She will read a few of her writings.

After more than thirty years as the

Estate Planning Seminar Will Be In Wheeler Feb. 6

"A properly drawn estate plan may save many families up to \$200,000 in estate taxes." This statement made by Wayne A. Hayenga, Texas Extension Economist and Attorney, assumes a lot of information: a married couple who "like each other" and want to care for each other, who have a farm or ranch worth \$1 million or more, and want to pass it on to their children.

This is an eye opening fact for many farmers and ranchers. In fact, many people only worry about estate planning if they hear of a friend's "problem" in settling an estate or paying estate taxes. "But," Hayenga continued, "for many families the estate tax savings are not as large—if they have smaller operations. In fact, for many families, the income tax savings of a properly prepared estate plan can be greater than the estate tax savings."

A seminar talking about these complicated tax topics will be held Monday, February 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Wheeler School Auditorium. The program is structured to help families learn how to lower their tax burden and ease administrative burdens that affect passing their estates to their loved ones. In addition to discussing estate planning systems, tax savings possibilities will be discussed from corporations, partnerships and trusts when family members are involved in the business.

Making gifts to avoid estate taxes will be discussed also. "There are two problems with making excessive gifts—the first is dying poor; the second is the adverse income tax consequences the gift can cause the recipient. A properly planned estate can save many dollars in income taxes for the heirs."

Two problems that affect family operations—planning for inflation and growth of the business will be discussed. Another topic, how to be fair among all children when one child is interested in the family business and others are not will be addressed.

The Estate Planning Seminar is sponsored by the Executive Board of the Wheeler County Extension Program Area Committees. Admission is free. To register for the seminar, please call the Extension office at 826-5243.



CONTRIBUTION TO AGRICULTURE: Jackie Sparlin, left, was presented the Honorary State Farmer Degree Saturday evening, January 21, 1995, following the supper sponsored by the Wheeler Livestock Boosters. The Texas FFA Association degree is presented for outstanding service to more than one FFA chapter. Wheeler, Allison, Ft. Elliott, Kelton and Shamrock FFA chapters submitted Sparlin's name for his work the past 10 years with the Wheeler County Jr Livestock Show. Sparlin helps with the pig show. The award was presented by Andy King, District FFA Reporter.

CWE CHAT WITH EDITOR
 By Louis C. Stas

Wednesday marked the 35th anniversary of our arrival in Wheeler. And also the anniversary of the birth of our oldest daughter. No, she was not born in 1960; I am sure she would appreciate me clearing that up.

We have the drawing of the proposed Veterans Memorial to be located on the courthouse lawn. Donations are being accepted for this project. This will certainly be an addition to the square.

I want to compliment the local firemen. We were called to an accident near Allison on the Reydon highway Thursday morning. The jaws of life were required for the removal of the victim from the wreckage. The time and training these men devote to their fire department shows in their work. The work went very smoothly and the pathway cleared for the victim to be removed. You are second to none, Men!

A fund has been established for the victim, Gallena Ford Scriver. She is being treated at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. Her injuries are going to take lot of treatment and rehabilitation. But, she is lucky to be alive.

And, as is the case for our firemen and ambulance crew the victim is often some we know and in some cases are close to. Gallena is the daughter of K. D. Ford, one of our firemen with many years of dedication to the service.

We witnessed some more snow Sunday morning in Hinton. It was just a good ground covering. We expected

Ex-Students, Teachers Reunion Planned June 10

The Wheeler Ex-Students and Teachers Association Reunion is scheduled for Saturday, June 10, 1995. Registration and visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. A Bar-B-Q meal will be served at noon for \$5.00 per person. Because of the large number of people in attendance in 1993, the seating space for the noon meal has been increased and arrangements with the school system have been made to improve the food service. The business meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. This year's reunion will be coordinated with the dedication of the Wheeler County Veterans Memorial that will be held later in the afternoon. Entertainment, other than visiting with old friends, will be patriotic in recognition of the service men and women who are also ex-students and teachers of the Wheeler School System. All persons who are interested in hosting parties should contact Bob Stiles at 826-5244 or Bobby Hill at 826-3094. A street dance to begin at 9:00 p.m. is also being discussed. Bi-annual dues are \$10.00 per person. Registration can be accomplished by mail to Bob Stiles, Rt. 1, Box 132, Wheeler, Texas 79096, as well as at the door. Please send change of addresses to Bob Stiles or Fliptian Patterson, Rt. 1, Wheeler, Texas.

New Arrival

Thomas and Amy Ruiz are announcing the arrival of their new baby sister Sarah Joyce, born January 23, 1995 at Coronado Hospital in Pampa at 2:30 p.m., weighing 8 pounds 3 1/2 oz. Sarah's parents are Jose and Paula Ruiz of Canadian, Texas. Her grandparents are James and Joyce Irvin of Wheeler and Christina and the Late Thomas Ruiz of San Luis, Mexico.

FUND IS ESTABLISHED

A fund has been established at Wheeler Banking Center for Gallena Ford - Scriver to help with expenses in connection with her recent auto accident.

VETERANS MEMORIAL DEDICATION SET FOR JUNE 10

A red granite Veterans' Memorial is being placed on the northeast quadrant of the Wheeler County Court House Square as a fitting tribute to those who served in the Armed Forces to preserve the freedoms we enjoy today.

The 6' 3" star in the center depicts the Star of Freedom. An outcropping on each side will be engraved with the names of the veterans of all wars who gave their lives for their country. There will be benches to provide seating for those who wish to read and contemplate the lists.

To complete the setting; an American flag will be flown around the clock. Appropriate lighting will accent the scene.

Steps will be built at the north and east corners of the square merging with a 5' wide sidewalk approaching the memorial. This walk will be made of paving bricks engraved with the names of the veterans who served and, if desired, their branch of service and tour of duty. It is our goal to include the name of every Wheeler County person who has been

involved in any American conflict.

These bricks are being sold for \$50.00 each to help defray the cost of the memorial and may be purchased from any member of the committee.

There are so many people - both living and dead - who no longer have any contact with our county, but who deserve to be recognized. It is the hope of the Veterans' organizations sponsoring this effort that other organizations, businesses and individuals will be moved to make contributions to the memorial so that no one will be left out.

Contributions and reservations for bricks may be made by contacting Wallace Fields at 806/256-3586 or the Shamrock Chamber of Commerce. In Wheeler, contact Mac Christner at 806/826-3109, Harrison Hall at 806/826-5714 or Bob McCain at 806/826-3433. The mailing address in Wheeler County Veterans' Memorial, Box 40, Wheeler, Texas 79096. These donations are tax deductible. The memorial has been ordered and will be dedicated June 10, 1995.



CONTRIBUTION: Rodney Bass, Branch Manager for the Wheeler Banking Center, is shown here making a contribution to the Wheeler County Memorial Fund for the construction of memorial on the courthouse square in Wheeler. Accepting the check is Bob McCain, left. Bass encourages the people of Wheeler County to make a cash contribution to the worthwhile project. "Please feel free to stop by and leave your donation at the bank," stated Bass.

Mexican Pile-On Feb. 7

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1995 at 5:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. in the Kelton School Cafeterium. Adults: \$4.50 Children under 12: \$2.50 Proceeds benefit the Kelton Junior and Senior Classes.

WEATHER

DATE	DAY	Hi	Low	Pre
1-25	Wed.	62	31	0.00
1-26	Thurs.	56	38	0.00
1-27	Fri.	57	38	0.18
1-28	Sat.	43	38	0.00
1-29	Sun.	36	25	0.00
1-30	Mon.	58	23	0.00
1-31	Tues.	68	29	0.00
Low for the Year:		01-07	14	
High for the Year:		01-11	77	
Total Moisture for the Month:		1.22"		
Total Moisture for the Year:		1.22"		
Total Snow:		9.60"		

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WHEELER COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL

and Betty Stinnett from Buena Vista, Colo., are here visiting Peggy Chandler for awhile.

Judi Cornell and Sherry Tice went to Wellington last Saturday to a W.M.U. meeting.

Glen and Nona Elmore spent last weekend in Silverton with their daughter and husband, Beverly and John Brown.

Pete and Margaret Gilmer's last weekend guests were Becky and Jeanie Gilmer from Amarillo, Rodney and Linda Ingersoll and Andrew visited through the weekend. And also Mabel Parker visited on Saturday. They celebrated Linda, Pete and Margaret's birthdays. Last Monday Pete and Margaret went to Amarillo and did some shopping.

Jennie Walker got word recently that her grandson, Rusty White, and family—missionaries to Japan, were safe from the earth quake that struck Japan recently. They were about thirty miles from where it happened.

Caroline Boydston and Cletus Green took Lanora Morse to Pampa last Monday to the eye doctor. Kyle Boydston from Canyon spent last weekend with his parents, Vance and Caroline.

Howard Lohberger is in Parkview Hospital in Wheeler. He was attacked by an Ostrich at his home in Sweetwater and had to have a number of stitches in his arms and legs. He is in quite a lot of pain.

Bruce and Pearl Harrison went to Elk City last Saturday and visited with

Psalms 20: 16-17: Now know I that the Lord saveth his anointed: he will hear him from His holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand. Some trust in Chariots, and some in horses; but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

We had a light snow on the ground last Sunday morning. This Monday morning in Allison is cold with a big frost, but we do have bright sunshine.

Last Sunday dinner guests in the home of Frank George were Betty Dyer of Allison, Frankie and Jr. Miller, Peggy and Eddie White from Mobeetie.

Lou Cornell attended the shower for Myra Grayson last Saturday night. There were several there and she got a good shower.

Ruby Craig, Wilma Gilmer and Rhonda McWhorter, Tanner and Tyler were in Elk City last Saturday shopping. Tanner spent Saturday night with MaMa Ruby and he also visited Grannie Wilma, Sunday.

Clifton and Louise Boydston were in Amarillo last Monday to be with Virgie and Jean Stinnett for Virgil's doctor appointment. They found a blockage on the blood vessels to his heart. On Friday Louise went back to Amarillo to be with them at the High Plains Baptist Hospital where Virgie had a heart cath, when the doctor came out he reported that there was no blockage. We give God the praise for the good report, God still works miracles.

The Allison community, Myra Grayson and family last Saturday evening at the Allison School.

Opal and Juanita Boydston's last Wednesday dinner guests were Clifton and Louise Boydston and Forrest and Janice Boydston. On Thursday Tia Boydston, Corinna and Kindra were dinner guests.

(Marginal Note: The difference between gossip and news depends on whether you hear it or tell it!)

Roma and Billy Brown, Opal and Juanita went to Purcell last week and visited Merlyn Brown and on their way home shopped at El Reno, Okla. Sylvia Brown was last Sunday dinner guest with Roma and Billy. Opal and Juanita visited a while after Church Sunday night at the Browns.

Last Thursday evening Hiram and Darena Begert were in Dumas where Hiram judged the Moore County Steer Show.

Ronnie and Ruth Chadwick were in Dodson last Friday night where Joe Jernigan and Jim Turville were holding revival services.

Pete Gilmer took Jennie Walker, Peggy Chandler and Gertie Cornell to Pampa where they ate dinner at Furr's Cafeteria one day last week. They also shopped while in Pampa. Melvin

Aint It The Truth
By Ab Gunter

Not long ago Mama wuz gettin in our little Chevy and lo and behold it wouldn't start. Shucks I had that figured out purty quick as we had purchased a neat little battery charger some months before an I got the charger off the shelf and began unwindin the cords and raised the hood. I looked and looked to find the battery and look as I might I couldn't find it. Mama got out the Car Book that we got with the vehicle and finally found the Fix the Battery page. Even after lookin we couldn't find anything that resembled a battery. I could see where you put oil in and where the washer tank wuz for the windshield washer an all sorts of unknown things that must be a part of the

Vivian and Jimmy Wallace. Last Sunday's dinner guests with Bruce and Pearl were Gary and Julie Boydston, Amie and Keri Grayson, Clifton and Louise Boydston, Cheryl Dupont, Sabrina and Cody.

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car, but no battery. Started to call Harley Melton, the ex-sherrif of Owen County, but he's durn ner as old as me an maybe he don't drive a Chevy.

Mama called our son that knows cars inside and out and he came over to assist and showed us where the battery wuz. It wuz under a corner brace that had to be removed and then the washer tank had to be removed, an then a little shield had to come out and finally there it wuz, the battery. Now if that ain't neat. Took us several minutes, many tools that you normally don't carry in an auto (member when you got a ballpean hammer, pair of plyers and a plain screwdriver with your car) well, we had a Craftsman set, a Snap on tool set and a few Jap jobbies taboot.

We finally got the battery out, a new one put in an all the goodies back on top of the battery. I wuz exausted and so wuz our son, Mama wuz fit to be tied and all of a sudden I wondered just what grade in school that engineer that disigned this vehicle had gone to. If a feller wuz out in the boonies, snow bout 2 ft. deep and a north wind blowin and he had to go through the same procedure we did, shucks I bet he wished this engineer or whatever wuz buried in a deep pile of wet hog manure with no help available.

Now I ain't sayin Ford, Dodge, Toyota or any other car don't have the same problems. What I'm sayin is there are times when a feller don't have all the necessities available when his car is broke down.

Years ago we lived in northern California in a sea coast community. We lived 2 1/2 mi out of town on a mesa overlookin the great Pacific Ocean. The house wasn't anywhere finished and we worked on it every chance we had. Had a wood stove in the kitchen an an oil heater to keep warm with. Funny thing when Mama wuz gettin a meal ready the durn hotwater heater would sort of jump around. The heater wuz connected to the stove and as the stove heated so did the water, whether you needed it or not. So what you say, well if you haven't been around a water heater when it blew up you wouldn't say that. Them durn things are quite dangerous an even deadly, but some how you soon learn to handle situations like that. One good thing wuz that our refrigerator used no energy at all, that is as long as you kept the tank on top of it full of water. The water dripped down the sides onto the canvas and the breeze kept the food inside cool enough that nothin spoiled, neat huh? Wouldn't keep ice cream or jello but who had them such things out in the country.

I am settin in front of this computerized electric typin machine, which I don't know how to operates, wonderin how we would survive if all of a sudden all our water, electricity and fuel supply wuz shut off and all the computers would fail. Wow, wouldn't that be sumthing. Why most of us don't have a hand operated can opener



and likely dont have enough kindlin around the house to even start a fire to cook on. We are victims of a thing called Civilization an can't help it, like it or not.

Ab and Mama

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ALL PROCEEDS Go to the P.T.O. Senior Scholarship Fund

MEMBER: F.D.I.C.

Romans 5: 6-8: "For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

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Happy Anniversaries to E. G. and Willa Fillingim and William and Elton Fillingim on Feb. 9. They were united in a double wedding at the home of Veal and Leon Fillingim in 1947.

"Sometimes God has to allow trouble in our lives before we will seek Him. Multitudes of people never begin to think of their sins or of their need of salvation until the hour of pain, sickness, bereavement or death."

Ft. Elliott Junior High will be playing in the Kelton Tournament Thursday, Feb. 2, at 3:15 and 4:15. Their last games will be in the tournament for this season.

Allison High School will play at Ft. Elliott Friday night Feb. 3 at 6:30. Follett High School will host Ft. Elliott Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 6:30. Higgins High School will come to Ft. Elliott Friday, Feb. 10 at 6:30—last scheduled game.

Mobette XYZ meets Friday, Feb. 3 at 5:30 for devotional and food. Blood pressures earlier. Wheeler Senior Citizens meets Monday, Feb. 6 at 6:00 p.m.

Gageby Church Sunday night Sing is next Sunday, Feb. 5 at 6:00 p.m. You are all invited! Lois Meadows in charge.

Nice to have Ray and Verline Currie

and Tina and Trai meet us for supper at Furr's Saturday night to celebrate Tina's 19th birthday. Tina and Trai were flying to Hawaii Monday to visit a friend.

We had exciting games with Follett Friday night. Our kids played hard. Follett girls won 65 to 50. Ft. Elliott boys won 63-48. J.V. game was cancelled.

We saw Frances Monyham and son from Miami at Furr's Saturday in Pampa. She had to spend two weeks in the Pampa Hospital, several days in intensive care. Pray for Frances.

Wheeler Christian played Plainview Calvary Christian at Memphis Friday night Junior High and High School boys. High school boys won 67-66 in

a close game. Kaleb Meek hurt his ankle before the half and was out. Not sure if broken or a sprain.

Evelyn Meek took Jewell Holloman and Fannie Mae Bradstreet out to eat at Sparlins Thursday, even if it was rainy.

Mae Welch is home and able to take care of herself. Visiting her were Joy and E. J. Meadows from Wheeler and Rosalie Keelin.

Nice to have J. P. and Martha Meek come over after church and visit and play 80. Martha visited Mack and Linda Sides Tuesday after the funeral for Mary Meadows. A very large crowd at the funeral.

Nice to have William and Vickey Cornell and Katie, 10th grade, Sarah, 7th and Jeremy, 6th, from Cordell meet us at Elk City Saturday for lunch and a visit. All doing o.k.

Sunday dinner guests at the Evelyn Meek home were Aaron and Claudetta Laverty and J. P. and Martha Meek.

Fat and Wanda Childress went to Bloomburg, Texas, Tuesday to visit



Vernon and Sandy Reid. They got back Friday night and brought lumber for the floor of a trailer.

Briscoe Community Church had two preachers Sunday. Mike Dyer taught the Sunday School lesson. Daryle Perry from Elk City preached and sang.

We enjoyed visiting with Raymond and Isabel Moore at the Dairy Queen in Wheeler Wednesday night. They celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary on Dec. 30. Raymond was turning 79 on January 30. Pretty perky fellow, involved in many things.

We met a pleasant fellow named Jay Spearman at the Pampa Pool Wednesday. He farms and ranches near Hoover and was kicked by a steer that messed up his leg. So he comes out every day to water walk and exercise for therapy.

Welcome back to Eriscoe, Vetola Parker. Hope you get to doing better.

Nice to visit with JoTana Simmons, Whitney Simmons, Colleen and Ronnie Alls, Perry and Paula Helton and Misty, Frankie Fletcher and son, Clifton, Curt and Mindy Duncan and Hayden and Gatlin, Laurence Lancaster at Wheeler Dairy Queen Sunday.

Mary Hudson had blocked bowels and had to have surgery. Found adhesions had pinched it off. They removed those and she is doing o.k. will spend a few more days at High Plains Baptist Hospital and then go to Bivins Rehab until she gets stronger. They will keep her room at the Bivins Home a month to see if she is able to get around there. Oden and Lois Hudson, Ray and Pat Hudson, LeRoy and Laverne Hudson from Arlington and Sharon Grandstaff were all there for Mary's surgery. Keep praying for Mary and her family.

Pray for B. F. Meadows. He had surgery at Pampa Hospital.

Sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Clarice Holt in her death.

Very large crowd of fans out to Allison Tuesday night to see some good games between Ft. Elliott and Allison. They have some good teams. Ft. Elliott girls started slow and were only 17 to 18 at the half, but went on to win 59 to 38. The boys game was close all through Ft. Elliott pulled out the last bit to win 50 to 45. Congratulations, kids! That was our first district game. All the way to State!

Katie Shipp, daughter of Liz and Andy Shipp had 4 friends over Friday night to celebrate her 11th birthday and included Lauren Sams, Shelby Brown, Rebecca Lee and Lupe Lopez. Nice to see Katie and Savannah Shipp at Country Chapel to Awana's Wednesday night. Rodney Weatherly gave a good message on "Eternal Security".

Olat Siviage's son, Vernon, and wife, Sandy, and daughter, Keri, have been assigned to the Baptist Mission office in Uganda, Africa. They had to leave Rwanda where they worked for several years and nothing to go back to there. Vernon expects to be preparing curriculum for training native preachers and leaders. Keri Siviage recently went on a 5-day mountain climbing expedition. She enjoyed the climb, even tho she suffered from oxygen shortage and made her kinda sick.

Pray for Galeena Ford, who was seriously hurt in a car accident.

Rosalie Keelin ate lunch Sunday with Gene and Norma Keelin and Kara Kay, Daniel and Tracy. She also visited her sister, Ruth Taylor.

For a delicious crunch taste, try: Cornflake Cookies — 1 stick margarine; 1/2 cup shortening; 1 cup brown sugar; 1/3 cup white sugar; 1/4 cup honey; 1 t soda; 1/2 t salt; 1 t vanilla.

Mix all together and add 2 eggs. Mix, add 1 2/3 cups flour; mix. Add 3 cups crushed cornflakes; mix. Drop cookies on cookie sheet. Bake 350 degrees about 8 min. Do not overcook. Remove from pan soon. May substitute quick oats for cornflakes.

Ft. Elliott Spirit Week

This is spirit week at Ft. Elliott with different activities and dressing differently every day. There will be a pep rally Friday at 2:45 in the auditorium. Basketball King and Queen will be crowned at 5:30 at Ft. Elliott Friday night, Feb. 3. Immediately afterwards

will be a barbecue rib supper served out of the concession stand, starting about 5:30. Prices are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for twelve and under. First State Bank of Canadian is furnishing the cooked ribs. Ft. Elliott P.T.O. is furnishing the beans, etc. for the rest of the meal. All the proceeds will go to the 1995 Seniors Scholarship fund. All of the seniors who go on to further their education at college or any other kind of training will receive some money from that. It could be nursing, trade school, prison guard or whatever. Game time is 6:30 with Allison.

Timmy Andris Benefit

The Make-A-Wish Foundation brought a horse and saddle down for Timmy Andris, Sunday. There was a delicious barbecue lunch served at the County Barn at Wheeler. Scott Luttrell cooked the ribs and sausage.

Timmy Andris and Kay Luttrell made salads. Several brought sweets. Timmy really wanted a horse and it is hoped that it will be good therapy for him.

Some others there were Dan and Michelle Andris, Susie and Brandi Luttrell, Michael Hibler, Fat and Wanda Childress, Clyde, Jr., and Mary Jane Dukes and Jackie, Cathy and Shawn Hunt, Ed Earl Luttrell, Beverly Smith

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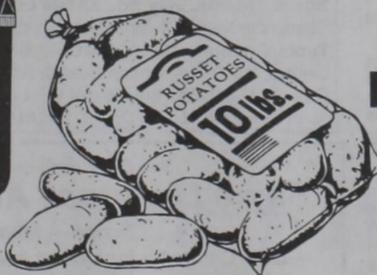
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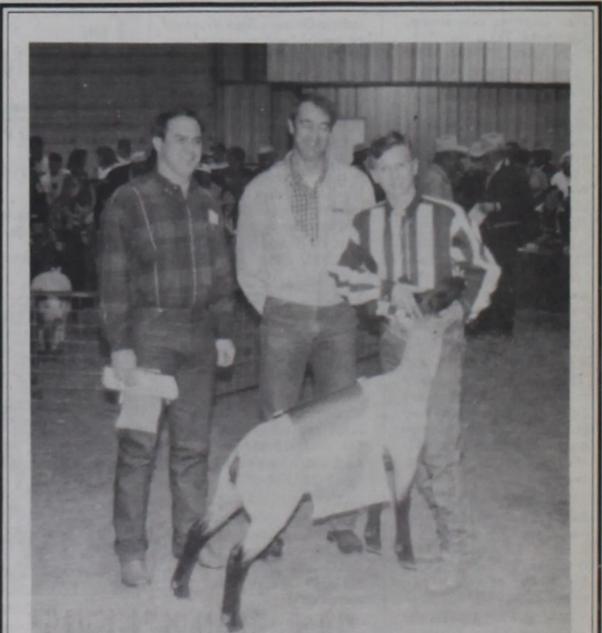
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Wheeler Basketball

The Wheeler 7th Grade Colts participated in the "Allison Shoot Out" last week and came up just a little short in the trophy department. The Colts began the tournament strong by defeating Wheeler Christian Academy 30 to 27. This was a tough fought contest in which the Colts won, but did not play real well. There was super defense played, but no offensive threat. The Colts were led in scoring by Craig Bass with 10, followed by Brooks Brown with 5.

The Colts next entertained the Cougars from Fort Elliott and lost 32 to 23. The Colts played good defense but gave up key baskets throughout the game which has plagued the 7th graders from Wheeler all year long. Again, no real offensive threat was established by the Colts and the inside game was non-existent. The Fort Elliott team played good sound basketball and should be commended for their efforts. The Colts played hard and as always hustled to the end but have to score more to win. Craig Bass led all scorers with 13 followed by Nick Ware and Brooks Brown with 3 each. For the Colts to win they must score more points and rebound at every opportunity.

For the 3rd place victory in the Allison tourney the 7th grade Colts were met by a big but beatable team from Miami. However, as proved in the last two ball games, the Colts were unable to score when needed and lost 37 to 26. Poor inside play and no movement of the ball hurt the Colts, who did not rebound well as a team and could not keep the Warriors off the baseline. The Colts again really hustled and always seemed to be in the game but the key baskets just did not fall in. Again, Bass led all scorers with 11 followed by Childress with 6. The Colts will next travel to Booker for a key contest and have assured their fans that they will play better.

Last Monday night, the Wheeler 7th grade Colts traveled the long trip to Kiowa land as the Colts attacked the Booker team winning a key contest 41 to 22. This was a big game for the young Colts as they had not played well the weekend before at Allison. The Colts seemed to change defense's to a 1-3-1 zone and attacked the ball more aggressively while on defense causing turnovers and creating confidence on the offensive side of the ball. The Colts came out strong leading all the way and never looked back. There was a real even scoring from the Colt team and this is always a good sign. The Colts were led in the offensive category by Childress, Masters, and Bass who all had 8. Followed by Ware with 6, Steve Marshall who added 3, then Hudgins, Dollar, Kuntz and Brown all added 2 each to finish out the scoring. The Colts rebounded extremely well against a much smaller team and worked the ball inside. It was good to have Kyle Masters back and the Colts seemed to play well all over the floor. Darin Kuntz and Don Hudgins especially played well on defense and in the rebounding category. The Colts' next match up with Shamrock at home and should be a real close battle as the Colts only won by 3 the last time they met.

The Wheeler 9th Grade Mustangs traveled to Booker for a late night Monday match up with the Kiowas last Monday night and won handily 42 to 24. The Mustangs came out strong and never looked back as they completely dominated the game from Booker. The Mustangs were led in scoring by Jorge Salas with 12, Bryan Judd added 10 points and Marshall Flowers and Andy Bradstreet each added in 9. Jeremy Davis provided only two points but his defense and rebounding in the game were second to none. The Mustangs seemed more patient in this contest and played aggressively on defense. A smooth transition game was accomplished by the great rebounds and key ball movement by Flowers and Salas. These five freshmen have played well all year together and continue to improve each game.

ALLISON MENU

February 6 thru February 10, 1995
MONDAY: Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Corn, Hot Rolls, Ice Cream, Milk.
TUESDAY: Macaroni Goulash, Fried Squash, Broccoli, Hot Rolls, Fruit Cobbler, Milk.
WEDNESDAY: Chicken Fajitas, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Sour Cream, Cheese, Fruit Cup, Milk.
THURSDAY: Burrito w/Chili and cheese, Tossed Salad, Banana Pudding, Milk.
FRIDAY: Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Nacho Rounds, Fruit, Milk.



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Mustang Boosters Meet

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MENU

February 6 thru February 10, 1995
Monday: Chicken Strips, Cream Potatoes, English Peas, Hot Rolls, Cake, Milk.

Tuesday: Beans, Potatoes (scalloped), Broccoli, Cornbread, Cookies, Milk.

Wednesday: Ham, Baked Potatoes, Blackeyed Peas, Hot Rolls, Fruit, Milk.

Thursday: Hamburger's, Slice Cheese, Pickles, Onions, Lettuce, Tomatoes, Tater Tots, Ice Cream, Milk.

Friday: Beef on a Bun, French Fries, Baked Beans, Onions, Relish, Fruit, Milk.

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MENU

February 6 thru February 10, 1995
Monday: Chalupas, Beans, Salad, Fruit, Milk-Tea.

Tuesday: Spaghetti, Green Beans, Salad, Garlic Bread, Cake, Milk-Tea.

Wednesday: Chicken, New Potatoes, Broccoli, Rolls, Pudding, Milk-Tea.

Thursday: Frito Pie, Salad, Corn, Fruit, Milk-Tea.

Friday: Hot Ham and Cheese, French Fries, Pork and Beans, Fruit, Milk-Tea.

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MEALS ON WHEELS

MENU

February 6 thru February 10, 1995
Monday: Pork roast, blackeyed peas, cauliflower au gratin, bread pudding with sauce.

Tuesday: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, oriental vegs., poke cake.

Wednesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, mixed vegs., garlic bread, fruit.

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Friday: Fried fish, tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, lemon pudding.

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Happy Anniversary to Steve and Samie Corse on March 4, to Mike and Sherry Wash on March 7.

Remember March 2 is the Old Mobeetie Association meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the Hospitality Room of the First State Bank. Everyone is invited to attend.

Remember the XYZ will meet Friday at 5:00 for blood pressures and 5:30 P.M. for the potluck supper at the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. Everyone over 50 is invited to attend. The group usually play 42 and chickenfeet after the program and meal.

Our sympathy goes out to the family of Bro. Robert Cook on the death of his Step father Gant Martin. The Cook family spent most of last week in Greenville, TX. for the funeral.

William Burch of Wheeler visited Dale and Mebla Corcoran Friday.

Wilbur Beck was moved to Wheeler Care Center Friday.

Edith McLaughlin suffered a fall and broke some bones. She entered Parkview Hospital Wednesday. She was sent back to the Care Center on Monday.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Earl and Pauline Barnes and Verna Corcoran in Wheeler Thursday night.

Lisa Barton and family of Reydon, OK visited Sunday with Leon and Rose Mary Dockins.

Dale and Melba Corcoran visited Ray and Velma Forbes Friday night and enjoyed playing chickenfoot.

Ray and Velma Forbes went to Canadian Sunday and spent the night with Velma's brother Rev. Norman and Carolyn Patton. They attended the Methodist Church and heard the Common Bond Trio singing. Others there were Velma's sister Lyle and Dorothy Mill of Oaks, ND and their friend Paul Shurts of Oaks, ND. Ray and Velma returned home Monday.

Sallie May went to the Dentist Monday. Amanda Childress was

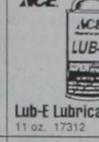
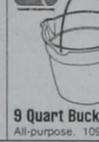


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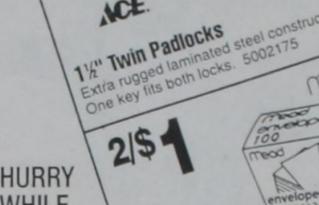


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working in her place at the cafe.

Lester and Cleo Pierce and Dale of Cheyenne, OK visited Sat. with Jud and Lorene Rector.

Arthur Don and Willene Burke visited in Laverne, OK with Loy and Pat Burke Fri. and Sat.

Lena and Bill James were home over the weekend. They went back Tuesday to stay with Barbara James who is sick in Canadian.

Candie Newman of Sayre, OK visited with Nancy Shelton, Sallie May and Joe Shelton on Friday.

Dale Corcoran and Ray Forbes tended to business Mon. in Pampa.

Ariza and Anna Belle Corcoran and Edith Cross visited Mon. with Jud and Lorene Rector.

CARE CENTER COMMENTS

We would like to welcome Mrs. Wilbur Beck to Wheeler Care Center. Mrs. Beck is from Mobeetie. Welcome Mrs. Beck.

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James McManamon celebrated his birthday last week with his family in the sun room. Maybell Childress celebrated her birthday also; she went out to lunch with Adrian and Dorothy Risner and then had a surprise party that evening.

Monday, I read the paper to the residents in the lobby. I then made room visits down B hall. After lunch we worked on arts and crafts. Frances Hefley and Eunice Oldom served juice to the residents.

Tuesday, Barbara read the paper to the residents. We had Family Alter in the dining room. Mr. Hyatt counted 37 residents that came for church. After lunch we wrote letters for residents that needed help.

Wednesday, Barbara read the paper. Janice Sparlin had Sunday school with the residents. Barbara and I arranged flowers that were donated to the nursing home by the Meadows family. After lunch we played bingo, 25 residents played and Lorena Adams was the blackjack winner. Our bingo helpers were Erma Riley, Lola Holcomb, Ruth Kenney, Katherine Eads and Ila Byers. Ruth Taylor and Nema Stewart served juice to the residents. Mary Ann Maxwell and Bernice Hefley came to do the mending and as usual they performed a miracle.

Thursday, Barbara read the paper. Fern Young, Rozena Zybach and Ila

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The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, which has 144 chapters and branches throughout the country, is dedicated to advancing the cure,

Gageby

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and Neal, Sally and Rachel, Draton and Donna Childress and Ken, Casey Childress, Mary and Dave Britt and boys, Lyndon and Novalene Loyd, Janet Tatyrek, Brenda McWhorter and girls, Larry and Ann Jones and daughter, Dell and Mary Ford and Meagan and B. J., Larry and Vickey Nelson and Jimmy and Kerri, Danny and Mary Nelson and Danielle.

Dub and Mary Swift from Pampa visited Addie Swift Sunday and they went out to eat at Sparlins for lunch. Then they spent the afternoon with Fat and Wanda Childress. Also visiting at Fats were Morris and Bryan Swift from Pampa.

Visiting E. G. and Willa Fillingim over the weekend were Jodie, Londa and Terri Crownover.

"One reason the dog has so many friends: he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

For answered prayer we thank you, Lord; We know you are always there. To hear us when we call on you; We're grateful for your care.

Bouquets to R. L. and Royce Zybach, who came to our aid Monday, when we had a flat at Thriftway parking lot—too flat to drive to a station. Hard for Willis to get down to change one since all the hip surgeries. It was done in a jiffy and we were on our way to Samnorwood to the ball games. Thank You.

Ft. Elliott Junior High girls won pretty easily 33 to 16 over Samnorwood girls. Everyone got to play some. Ft. Elliott boys had trouble playing the taller boys and couldn't hit very well. Coach Curtis Smith's dad from childhood was out to the Samnorwood games Monday night.

Glad to hear LaJune Alexander is able to take 45 steps from her bed to the dining or living room with a walker after many months in bed, but does have to take some dialysis.

Tina Alvey from Little Rock, Ark., visited her parents, Jim and Beth Alvey and other relatives a few days.

Happy Anniversary to Grant and Karen Meek on Feb. 14, Pete and Laverne Corcoran on Feb. 15.

Sarita Hershman and friends visited E. G. and Willa Fillingim last Sunday.

Kaleb Meek doesn't have a fracture in the ankle. He hurt his ankle in their last ball game, but he had a sprain and torn ligaments. He wears a boot-like thing so he can walk and supposed to do lots of therapy: hot tub and ice water, weight-lifting, stationary bike and lots of exercises to stay in shape. Pray for Kaleb and his family.

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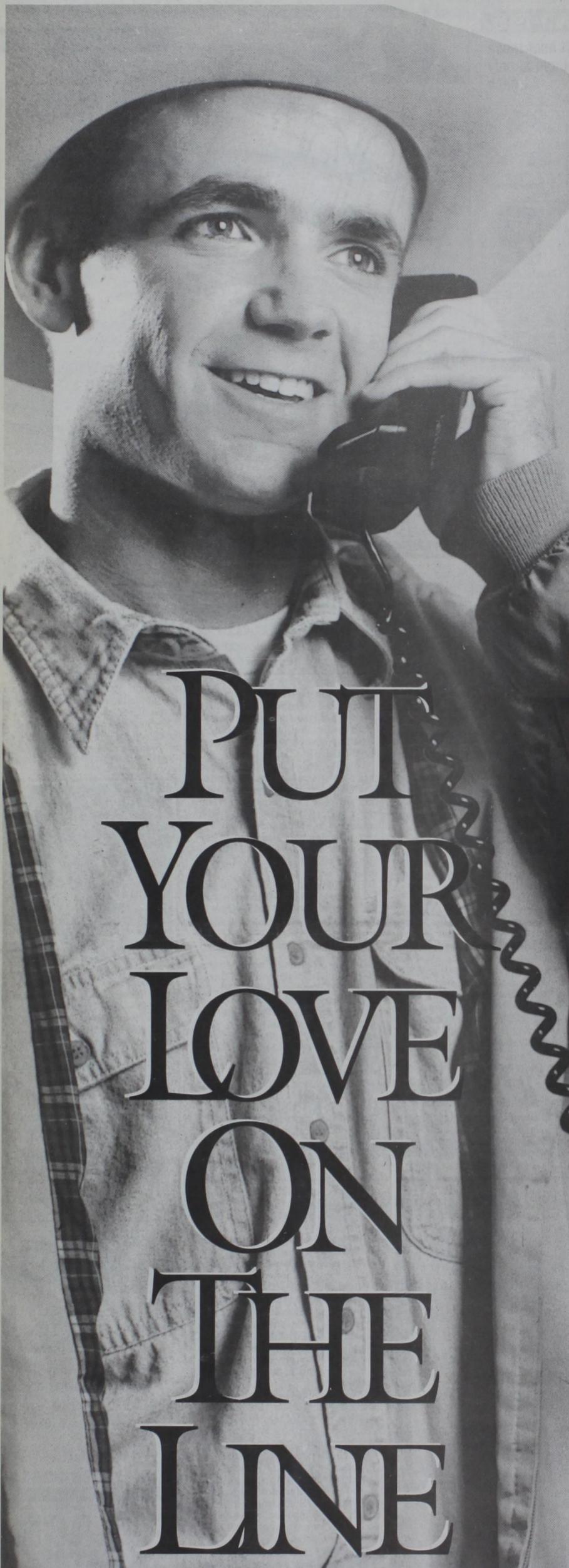
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Wheeler Jr. High Colts Basketball Game Reports

The Wheeler Junior High Colts entertained the Irish from Shamrock last Monday night here at Wheeler. The first contest involved a team made up of several of our eighth and seventh graders combined to take on a similar team from Shamrock. The Colts were able to play extremely well in winning the contest 40-26. Even though not playing much together these young men played strong and really hustled. Jed Brooks led all scorers with 22, followed by Keenan Burton with 8, Alan Gill with 6, and Mike Alley and Don Huggins rounding out the scoring with 2 points each. Tremendous defense and hustle was provided by Darin Kuntz and Lynn Holland, who were able to play well with the older bunch of kids.

The next contest involved the Wheeler 7th grade boys against a tough Shamrock team. The Colts defeated this same team by 3 points earlier in the year and knew they had to play tough and play tough they did! The Colts jumped out to a strong 13-4 lead in the first quarter and although struggling in the second and third quarters were able to come through big in the 4th quarter and win convincingly 48-31. This was the first time the Colts really played well in the second half and it provided the lift they needed. Good inside play was provided by Kyle Masters, Casey Childress and Steve Marshall all night long. The Colts were led in scoring by Craig Bass with 17, followed by Childress with 11. Masters and Marshall both provided 7, followed by Brooks Brown with 23, Nick Ware with 2 and Ben Dollar with 1. The only improvement needed was in free throws and making sure the other team did not receive too many second shots. The 7th grade Colts will be taking on Wheeler Christian Academy this Friday at 4:15 at the re-scheduled Kelton Tournament and the Colts look forward to seeing you there.

Lady Cougars, Cougars Game Reports Are Given

The Lady Cougars and Cougars traveled to Samnorwood Monday night. The Lady Cougars defeated Samnorwood 33-16. Scoring for the Lady Cougars were Reagan Meadors, 10; JaNae Goad, 9; Amber Estes, 6; Carissa Dukes, 4; Susie Luttrell, 2, and Devin Diebel with 2. The girls played very well, hitting some good shots and playing tough defense. They led 16-5 at half and 24-13 after 3rd quarter. The girls record is now 12-1, 5-1 in District and Allison Tourney Champs.

The Cougars suffered their 1st defeat losing to the Eagles 30-40. The Eagles are the best team we have played as they have good size and excellent speed and Artie Wright is the best player we have played. We missed alot of shots and couldn't rebound against their size, but the Cougars never quit and played well. Scoring for the Cougars were Curt Smith, 12; Tanner Smith, 5; Ty Wood, 4; Andy Finsterwald, 3; Michael Hillburn, 3, and Bryan Moran had 3. The Cougars are now 12-1 and are



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"Wheeler, town of friendship and pride."



ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED: Dale and Janet Stevens of Wheeler and Larry and Laura Scott of Guymon, Okla., announce the engagement of their daughter, Natasha (Nikki) Scott to Dennis Robinson of Amarillo. Dennis is the son of Jim and Laura Boatwright of Canyon and John and Linda Robinson of Lubbock. The couple has set an April 15 wedding date; vows will be exchanged at County Chapel in Wheeler. Nikki attends Amarillo College, pursuing a degree in nursing; she is employed by Amarillo Home Health Care. Dennis is attending WTA&M in Canyon and will graduate with a degree in computer information systems in December of 1995; he is currently employed with Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

WHEELER MENU

February 6 thru February 10, 1995

Monday: Breakfast: Juice, cereal, toast/jelly, milk

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Lunch: Burritos, chili beans, salad, milk/tea, pears.

Wednesday: Breakfast: Juice, cinnamon roll, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, milk.

Lunch: BBQ beef on bun/cheese, french fries, pickle spears, milk/tea, peaches.

Thursday: Breakfast: Juice, hash browns, pancake pups/syrup, toast/sausage, milk.

Lunch: Chicken fried steak, m. potatoes/gravy, corn, hot roll/butter, milk/tea, cake.

Friday: Breakfast: Juice, cereal, toast/jelly, milk.

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SWEETWATER NEWS

By Lois Flowers

Sure was a wonderful Friday. Beautiful day. (The sun always shines on Friday) and better yet NO O.J. Simpson. I don't know about you but I've already had enough of that. They say the trial may last until April or even longer. Three months of what we have had this week will mean the end of TV.

We had the most beautiful snow. Around 4 inches and no wind. Was just like walking in a winter wonderland. That Tucson TV weatherman Stan called about on Wednesday just jumped the gun a little. The snow didn't get here until Saturday night. It measured .35 in moisture in the rain gauge. Then we had another .3 shower yesterday.

Attending the Postmaster's meeting at Burns Flat were Bonnie Rice, Sweetwater postmaster, Sue Keathley, Reydon, Norma Smotherman, Erick, and Texola postmaster. I missed the name.

The Sweetwater Junior Homecoming was last night. Leann Keathley was named Queen and Brad Atkinson King. Attendants were Kara Cox and Justin O'Neill. The teams played Carter with the girls winning and the boys losing.

Team members are boys- Wade Dixon, Joel Alexander, Brad Atkinson, Nick Wrather, Brian Davis, Colby Hagerman, Mike Tolzman, Jeffrey Smulcer, and Randy Gracey. Girls are Leann Keathley, Elizabeth Lesley, Dawn Lohberger, Machelle Reed, Dalea Robison, Tiffany Sanders, Amber Anderson, and Jennifer Alexander.

The Sweetwater-Erick Boys Basketball team placed 3rd in Bi-County Tournament at Hammon. The girls won the consolation game beating Arnett. Andy Davis and Les Pyeatt were on the All tournament team. Hammon and Reydon are listed in the top list statewide.

We're watching the Best in Country on CBS. Sure a lot of them are Okies. They're almost as good as the Kitchen Band. It is a relief to have something besides sleaze and vulgarity.

Jill Drake, Stacy Holland Benavido and Jo Anne Martin are patients in OKC hospitals. Junior Perry is in the hospital at Amarillo. Norma Zellmer is home. Iona Miller is in the Elk City hospital.

Having birthdays this last week of January and first of February are Iona Miller, Mabel Holland, Virgie Webster, Coy Pennington, Lavelle Hill, Gene Carlson, Brendon Atkinson, Chad Blewins, Lisa Alexander, Jamie Anderson, Gail Sutton, Chris Schmidt, Conn Kahoa, and Eugene McEntire. David always called Newgene.

I'm always glad to get letters. Heard from granddaughter Ginger, Betty Brothers, and Lucille Coffey. And, Oh, yes, about 15 wanting money. Even one from Rosalyn Carter.

Those scientists who said we were going back to buffalos and grass weren't kidding. We're getting the grass and deer. Really haven't seen a buffalo yet. Can't hardly burn trash for



RESERVE CHAMPION HOG: Ashley Estes, member of the Ft. Elliott FFA, showed the Reserved Champion Hog at the 1995 Wheeler County Jr. Livestock Show on January 13-14. The hog was purchased by the First State Bank of Mobeetie and Austin Caldwell for \$600 —Photo by Shamrock Texan

fear of burning the whole country. When we moved here 50 years ago, there was at least one house on every quarter. Sometimes as many as 6 to the section with anywhere from 20 to 40 people on a section. It crowds us now to count 25 people on the nine sections that we are the center of and most of them are elderly.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Aaron Miller in Vancouver, WA. He came by to see us a few years ago. He is a cousin of Pauline Roberts and Blanche Kuykendall.

Juanita Coffey was out to see Bertha Coffey. Leroy and Peggy Dunlap visited Iva Thompson. Charles and Lynette Bryan, Misti and Stacey were out to hear the judge's decision in the Leroy Bryan trial and came on to Mayfield to see the Ed Logans.

Mel and Linda Kelley, Clinton, Henry Newman, and Nadine Banwart, Dill City, Johnny and Maudie Martin, Burns Flat, stopped by to see us Saturday evening. They had been to Berger to the ordination of Steve Porter.

Funeral services were at the Buffalo Baptist church for Viva Wheeler Wilson with burial in the Buffalo Cemetery. She was raised in this community.

Services were Saturday for Elec Atchley, 92, at the Sweetwater Baptist Church. When we moved here, they lived a half mile west of us. Burial was in the Buffalo Cemetery.

Services were Saturday at the Erick Baptist Church for Bill Mabry who died in Las Cruces. He was the son in law of our Kitchen Bander, Mabel Holland. Burial at Erick.

We used one of our gift certificates at Cal's today and saw a lot of folks in town. Visited with Wimp Odem, Everett Miller, Blanche Kuykendall. I missed seeing Anna Roberts. Long ago when I started to school, Clyde was one of the big boys. Sometimes, he would give me a ride on his old gray mare. And wonder of wonders, he had fried potatoes in his lunch bucket.

Also saw Dovie Webster, Joe Bill Rutherford. He was treating Coy Pennington to a birthday dinner. Also Karen Riley, Lavelle Webster, J. M. and Eunice Gamble. The Webster's are second cousins of Joe.

Collins had morning services with the residents. They had a big turnout for the services. Lots of singing was en-

joyed then devotion. After lunch we worked on arts and crafts and ate on popcorn.

Friday, Barbara read the paper. We had Resident Council next. The residents voted on having a Valentine meal out in the lobby and to have a bake potato meal in March. After Resident Council we played ball in the lobby. After lunch we served banana splits to the residents and staff. This was in celebration of Activity Director's Week. Barbara and I had a big surprise; the staff ordered a cake made by Amy Hunt and a rose for each of us plus a T-shirt that said "Helping Hands & Loving Hearts". This was to celebrate Activity Director's Week.

Mae Nash and Vida Brown served Juice to the residents.

Saturday, Barbara read the paper. Next she did manicures for the residents. After lunch we had a magician come and perform magic for us. The residents really enjoyed this. Nigel is from Tennessee. He does 600 shows a year. He travels to nursing homes in the United States and performs for the residents. We had a big turnout of residents, staff and visitors. We are looking forward to see Nigel next year.

Wheeler Care Center would like to thank the United Methodist Women for donating TV trays to our hospice room. They are really nice. The TV trays allow family members to eat in the room with their loved ones.

I would also like to thank Bernice Hall for donating finger-nail polish to the residents. It has really come in handy as we do a lot of manicures.

Mustang Boosters Meet Coaches Address Group

The Mustangs Booster Club met in the school cafeteria on January 20th to discuss the basketball teams and their progress. Coach Shawn Reed informed the club that district competition would start January 24th. He also reported that he anticipates a winning district season with hopes of advancement to the regional tournament for his boys team.

Coach Verden met with the Club to give the dates for the two track meets to be held in Wheeler. The Wheeler track meet will be March 31st and April 1st and Wheeler will be hosting the District track meet on April 13th. The boosters club will have the concession stand. Make plans now to attend!

Coach Verden also requested that he be allowed to purchase additional weight equipment for the weight room to improve jumping, speed and agility for the athletes.

The next meeting is set for **FEBRUARY 10TH** in the school cafeteria after the last boys basketball game. Parents of all athletes and any other interested fans are encouraged to attend.

The Boosters still have caps, foam hands, yard signs and car flags available for sale. Contact Sally or Margaret to make a purchase.

Members present were: Danny and Margaret Dorman, Jerry and Carolyn Hefley, Gail and Sally Ledbetter, Gene and Rhonda Ferguson, Frankie Fletcher, Cathy Harrison, Mike and Beverly Bryant, Dale and Janet Stevens, Carol Porton and Bob Stiles.

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Old Mobeetie Assoc. To Sponsor Art Contest

The Old Mobeetie Texas Association is sponsoring an art contest to select two pieces of art work. One selection will be a special pictorial United States Postal Service stamp cancellation for Sweetwater City Station that will be open for one day only on July 1, 1995, at the Old Mobeetie Texas Association Jail Museum. A second selection will become the cover of a historical booklet that will be available on July 1, 1995 during Wheeler County Heritage Day. The art work chosen will commemorate Sweetwater City, the original name given to Mobeetie, Texas, between 1875 and 1879 before Wheeler County was organized. The art work must be black and white, pen and ink, and 5 x 7 inches in size. The subject matter

should reflect the life and purpose of Sweetwater City which was to accommodate Fort Elliott and the settlers that rapidly began to fill the empty territory protected by the soldiers at Fort Elliott.

All entries must be received by March 15, 1995. Each entry must be accompanied by name, address and telephone number. Proof of age may be required. Eligible entries must be the original creation of the entrant and must not have been published previously. All art work must be signed by the artist. Enter as often as you wish. The contest is open to everyone. All entrants under 18 years of age must have a guardian's consent.

Local Bass Club To Hold Election Monday, Feb. 6

The Wheeler County Bass Club will hold a meeting on Monday night February 6, 1995 at 7:00 P.M. at Bob's Tackle Box.

We will be electing officers and setting up the tournaments and rules for the 1995 year. Anyone who is interested in fishing with us this year is welcome and need to attend this meeting. Membership dues of \$20.00 can be paid at the meeting or before

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Country. She is a class officer, a member of FHA and is secretary of her chapter. Tera is also involved in UIL Academics. Tera is being escorted by Joshua Purcell.

April Purcell is the 16 year old daughter of Mac and Gay Purcell. She is a sophomore at Fort Elliott. She participates in Cross Country, Basketball, Volleyball and made 1st team All-District in Volleyball this year. She is on the Annual Staff. April was voted Most Beautiful at FEHS this year by her peers. April will be escorted by John Moffett.

Justin Wesbrooks is the 17 year old son of Mike and Alice Wesbrooks of

the first tournament. The entry fee's for each tournament will be decided, along with the other rules. You must be a club member in order to fish the tournaments and be eligible for the awards offered.

Any business or person interested in sponsoring the club or a fisherman is welcome to do so by contacting any member.

For more information contact: Larry Jones, Ronny Jones, or Bob McCain.

Briscoe. Justin participates in Basketball, Baseball, Cross Country and Track. He was All-District in Basketball and All-Area in Baseball last year. His Cross Country team has advanced to state the last two years. He is Vice President of the National Honor Society and President of the Senior Class. Justin was voted Most Likely To Succeed, Most Dependable, and Mr. FEHS by his peers. He will be escorting Andrea Dukes.

Johnny E. Brannen is the 18 year old son of Gene Brannen of Briscoe and of Ruth Brannen of Holcomb, Kansas. Johnny attended his Freshman and Sophomore years in Holcomb where his Wrestling Team advanced to the State Tournament and his Football Team was Bi-District Champs. At Fort Elliott, Johnny has been involved in Cross Country and advanced to State both years. He plays Basketball, Tennis, Track and Baseball. Johnny is also involved in FFA. He will be escorting Dana Trimble.

Joshua Purcell is the 18 years old son of Mac and Gay Purcell of Briscoe. A Senior, Josh has been involved all 4 years in Basketball, being named to the Honorable-Mention Team last year. He runs Cross Country, Track and plays Baseball. Josh is very active in High School Rodeo. He was named Reserve Rookie Of The Year his Freshman year and was Runner-Up in Steer Wrestling his Junior year. Josh serves as President of the National Honor Society and is a member

LADY MUSTANGS

The Lady Stangs hosted the Kelton Lions on Friday the 20. They had a tremendous win with a final score of 73 to 17. At half-time it was 41 to 11.

Jeseka Wallace had a total of 8 points and Kasey McCasland had a total of 11 points. Angie Thomas was high point with 15 points. Jessica Jackson had 4 points and Corby Chick totaled 10 points. Stacey Miller had 2 points and Stacy Maddux scored 14 points. Kalli Bradstreet had 4 points and Mika Goad had 5 points. They all played well.

Groom hosted the Lady Stangs Tuesday night in 29. The Stangs had a loss of 29 to 65.

Jeseka Wallace and Stacy Maddux had 1 free throw. Cassi Wallace had 4 points. High point was Angie Thomas with a total of 9 points. Rachel Smith and Kalli Bradstreet both scored 6 points. Other players were Kasey McCasland, Jessica Jackson, Corby Chick, and Stacey Miller.

The Lady Stangs were guests at Briscoe Tuesday the 17. At first half they were winning 35 to 29. The final score resulted in Wheeler's loss, 63 to 68.

All of them seemed to score with Jeseka Wallace had 6 points. Kasey McCasland was high point with a total of 17 points. Stacy Maddux had 8 points and Jessica Jackson had 6 points. Corby Chick had 6 points and Kalli Bradstreet scored 4 points. Angie Thomas totaled 14 points. Other players on the team were Stacey Miller and Mika Goad.



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of FFA. His peers voted him Most Handsome of FEHS this year. Joshua will be escorting Tera Hefley.

Dana Trimble is the 15 year old daughter of Dan and Teresa Trimble of Briscoe. Dana is a Sophomore this year and participates in Volleyball,

Basketball, and Track. Dana is a member of the National Honor Society, member of the Annual Staff, and is a cheerleader this year. Dana was voted Most Mischevious this year at FEHS. Escorting Dana will be Johnny Brannen.



MAKE-A-WISH: The Make-A-Wish came to Wheeler Sunday, January 29, 1995 to deliver a wish to Timothy Andris. The young man wish for a horse. The wish was fulfilled complete with bridle and a saddle, built to hold him. Because of the weather, county commissioners agreed to let the event be held in the Wheeler County Show barn. Pictured here with Timmy (being held in the center) are (l. to r.) Cara Fisher of Memphis, Scott and Kay Luttrell (Timmy's uncle and aunt) Cindy (holding Timmy) and Tom Spanil of Amarillo, and Janet Tatyrek of Briscoe. Anthony Spanil is pictured in the foreground. The horse does not show in this photo.

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Wheeler Church of Christ

Congregational Concerns:

On this coming Sunday morning, February 5th, a fellowship luncheon will be held in the multi-purpose building at the conclusion of the morning worship service.

The ladies of this congregation will host their annual "love luncheon" on Saturday February 11th.

Bennie Westmoreland left last Friday morning for Mexico. He plans to work with the Herald of Truth, a radio ministry that is based in Abilene.

Gallena Scrivner, the sister of Robert Ford, was seriously injured in a car wreck last week. She is hospitalized in Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

Gene White has not been feeling well for the last several days. He is scheduled to return to the Cancer Treatment Center in Tulsa next week for another treatment.

Ernie Davis, the father of Cindy Brown, decided not to take radiation treatments. He is confined to his home in Canadian.

Alenda Burgess was recently hurt in a boating accident. She is recovering at her home in Port Aransas.

Ravonda Hardcastle had surgery last Friday morning in Pampa. She was released from the hospital last Saturday morning.

From The Minister's Desk:

A recent issue of the Amarillo Daily News contained a thought-provoking editorial that was written by Sarah McLaughlin, a English professor at Texas Tech University. This editorial was entitled, "Suffering Often Part Of Life" and it said:—

"Doesn't God care whether we suffer? If he does, then why doesn't he help us? Those are the questions that haunt us, if we are honest. In 1994, they were brought to our attention in "Schindler's List" and "Shadowlands."

In the screenplay "Shadowlands", the story of C.S. Lewis' courtship and marriage to Joy Davidson Gresham, who died of cancer, Lewis asks: "Isn't God supposed to be good? Isn't he supposed to love us? Does he want us to suffer? What if the answer to that question is 'yes'? This was the one question that caused the deepest pangs of doubt among Christians, the tenet of faith most difficult to accept. If God is good, why is the world so evil? Why does God appear indifferent to the sufferings of innocents?"

"The three central conclusions in the atheist's arguments against the existence of God are these: If God is all-powerful and can prevent evil, but does not prevent evil, then God is not all-loving; if God intends to prevent evil but cannot, then God is not all-powerful; if God does intend to prevent evil, and is capable of preventing evil, then how can evil exist?"

In "The Problem of Pain," Lewis presented his own understanding of the way in which our conception of godness may differ from God's: "It differs from ours not as white from black but as a perfect circle from a child's first attempt to draw a wheel."

Lewis argued that instead of "a senile benevolence—whose plan for the universe was simply that it might be truly said at the end of each day, a good time was had by all, 'we serve a God who is love; He is, by definition, something more than mere kindness."

In "Shadowlands", Lewis kept insisting, "I'm not sure that God particularly wants us to be happy. I think he wants us to be able to love, and to be loved. He wants us to grow up."

An Invitation: You are cordially invited to attend any of the weekly services of the Wheeler Church of Christ which meets at 1001 S. Alan Bean Blvd, in Wheeler, Texas

The author of Hebrews wrote, "It was clearly that God for whom and through whom all things exist should, in bringing many sons to glory, make the leader who delivers them perfect through sufferings—For since he himself has passed through the test of suffering, he is able to help those who are meeting their test now." (2:18, 18 NEB)

Some have suggested that we share in the suffering of Christ. As we are able to share in his resurrection we must also share the agony of the cross. Others believe there is no pain, anguish or suffering that God cannot bring good out of. However, it may not be in this life, and it may not be in the life of the sufferer.

Another perspective is that God chooses to limit his power in order to allow us to have free will. Unfortunately when we exercise our freedom, our wills conflict with those of others, resulting in disastrous consequences.

When we try to measure God's actions and motives by our finite standards, we soon discover that our meter stick is too short. God can do anything, yet we cannot expect to comprehend his ways. No one embraces suffering or actively seeks it. Lewis, in "The Problem of Pain," wrote, "If I knew any way to escape, I would crawl through sewers to find it."

"I am not arguing that pain is not painful. Pain hurts. That is what the word means. But what is the good of telling you about my feelings? You know them already: They are the same as yours. I am only trying to show that the old Christian doctrine of being made perfect through suffering is not incredible. To prove it palatable is beyond my design."

Movies such as "Schindler's List" and "Shadowlands" remind us of these truths: Humans are capable of both great good and great evil; suffering is real and inescapable; but more powerful than all the suffering in the world is the hope of glory we have in God of love who sustains us."

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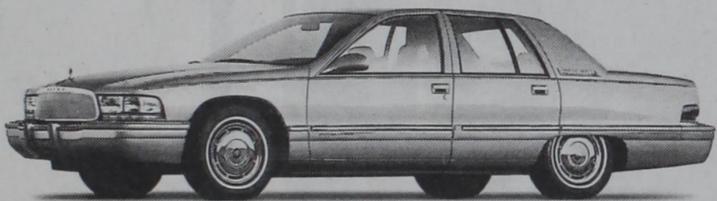
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Wheeler County Court Records

List of instruments filed in Wheeler County Clerk's Office, January 13 thru January 19, 1995.

JANUARY 13, 1995

TRUSTEE MD—Rose B. Lowell Estate Trust to Walford B. Lowell, 1-6-95, E 1/2 Sec. 63, Blk. 17, H&GN.

C/C PROB PROC—Raymond Cowan to Ex-Parte, 12-29-94.

RDT—Banque Paribas (New York Branch) to Louis Dreyfus Reserves Holding Corp., et al, 12-21-94, See Instrument.

RDT—Banque Paribas (New York Branch) to Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corp., —, —, See Instrument.

JANUARY 16, 1995

TRUSTEE D—Boatmen's First National Bank of Amarillo, Trustee, et al to Carrie Lee Mathers Schwartz, 12-9-94, 50 a NE 1/4 Sec. 51, E 3/4 SE 1/4; N 1/2 Sec. 70, W 1/2 Sec. 71, Blk. A-5.

D—Hames H. Hill, et ux to Bobby Brown, et ux, 1-31-94, Pt. Blk. F-5, Prairie Lawn Add.

DT—H.L. Owen, Jr., et ux to H&M Hall Plumbing, 1-4-95, Lots 1-6, Sec. K, Park Add., Wheeler.

TDT—H&M Hall Plumbing to Quix Corporation, 1-5-95, Lots 1-6, Blk. K, Park Add., Wheeler.

POA—Joe Bailey Taylor, Sr. to Lou Dilbeck, et al, 1-16-95.

POA—Edna Estelle Taylor to Lou Dilbeck, et al, 1-16-95.

JANUARY 17, 1995

POA—Pleas Edward Trimble to Dan Trimble, et al, 1-16-95.

A OF JUDG—Ware Chevrolet, Inc. to Daylon Kirkland, 12-1-94.

ASSIGN—G.L. Ohrstrom, Jr, et al to Cutoff Investments, L.P., 1-12-95, See Instrument.

AMEND DT—Trade Corporation Corp., et al to Christiana Bank OG Kreditkasse, 12-16-94, See Instrument.

REL A OF JUDG—Larry Daneil to Donald E. Rives, 9-8-94.

PARTIAL REL A OF JUDG—First Bank & Trust to Donald E. Rives, 9-12-94, 105' x 140' W 1/2 Lot 52, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

REL A OF JUDG—Wheeler Banking Center, et al to Donald E. Rives, 10-13-94.

REL A OF JUDG—Credit Control Management, et al to Donald E. Rives, et ux, 11-7-94.

REL A OF JUDG—Amwest Savings and Loan Association, et al to Donald E. Rives, 11-15-94, 105' x 140' W 1/2 Lot 52, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

REL A OF JUDG—JLM Financial I, LTD, Briercroft Savings Association to Donald Earl Rives, 11-28-94, 105' x 140' W 1/2 Lot 52, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

PARTIAL REL A OF JUDG—Sarasota, Inc. Federal Deposit Insur-

ance Corporation, 11-28-94.

PARTIAL REL A OF JUDG—MCI Telecommunications Corporation to Donald Rives, 11-28-94.

PARTIAL REL A OF JUDG—First State Bank of Lexington, Oklahoma, et al to Donald Rives, 1-6-95, 105' x 140' W 1/2 Lot 52, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

C/C PROB PROC—Jimmie D'Spain, et ux to Ex-Parte, 1-11-95.

HEIRSHIP AFF—Janice Marie Alley Johnson, et al to Gordon Dale Alley, 10-4-94, Lots 8-10, Blk. 25, OT, Wheeler.

QCD—Tina Marie Alley, et al to Janice Marie Alley Johnson, 10-31-94, Lots 8-10, Blk. 25, OT, Wheeler.

JANUARY 18, 1995

C/C PROB PROC—George Clavin Warren to Ex-Parte, 12-14-94, Lots 1, 2, Blk. L, Lot 24, Blk. 29, Park Add., Wheeler, OT, Wheeler.

POA—Georgia N. Brumer, et al to Gladys M. Custer, 1-17-95.

MD/ROYD—National Locator Service, Inc. to J.B. Energy, Inc., 1-9-95, N 1/2 Sec. 48, Blk. 24, H&GN.

MERGER AFF—Covest Energy Corporation, et al to Convest Energy Corporation., 1-10-95.

OL—Mark Harold Reitan, et ux to Samson Resources Company, 11-4-94, E 1/2 Sec. 15, Blk. RE.

RATIFICATION OL—J. David Zybach to Samson Resources Company, 11-24-94, W 1/2 Sec. 15, Blk. RE.

RATIFICATION OL—Bob R.

Zybach to Samson Resources Company, 11-24-94, W 1/2 Sec. 15, Blk. RE.

RATIFICATION OL—Jane Ann Zybach Hall to Samson Resources Company, 11-21-94, W 1/2 Sec. 15, Blk. RE.

DVL—Harper Muse, et al to James Williams, et ux, 12-14-94, N 1/2 Lots 1, 2, Blk. 46, Exc. Mins., Stanley Add., Wheeler.

DT—James Williams, et al to Harper Williams, et al, 12-30-94, N 1/2 Lots 1, 2, Stanley Add., Wheeler.

JANUARY 19, 1995

DT—D A Taylor Oil and Gas Corporation, Inc. to First State Bank of Mobeetie, Texas, 11-22-94, W 1/2 S 1/2 NW 1/4; S 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec. 57, Blk. 24, 120acs. Min. Lease, H&GN.

A OF JUDG—Amarillo Hospital District to Leonard Powledge Jr., 10-17-94.

A OF JUDG—Amarillo Hospital District to Doyle M. Pond, 10-17-94.

REL A OF JUDG—Shamrock School, ISD to Donnie R. Stone, 10-27-94.

District Clerk's Filings

#10027—Todd Stump vs. the State of Texas, 1-13-95, Damages.

#10028—Jo Ann Betty Morrison vs. William Joseph Morrison, 1-16-95, Divorce.

#10029—Ex-Parte vs. Minor Chile, 1-19-95, Writ of Habeas Corpus.



STUDENT OF THE WEEK: Melissa Kephart was the student of the week at Fort Elliott Elementary for the week of January 23, 1995. Melissa is in the fourth grade and the daughter of Jim and Patricia Kephart of Mobeetie, Texas.

Chat

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Wheeler would have more, but we returned to find they had only a few flakes.

—cwe—
I told you the granddaughter was trying-out for the U.I.L. competitions. She will be representing her school in the spelling competition. (I know, you hope she is better than it appears her papa is.) Good luck, Jessica.

—cwe—
Birthday greetings are in order. Our card playing buddy, William Thomas, celebrates his birthday on Friday, Feb. 3. If we play cards on that day, he will not be given a win. Happy Birthday!

—cwe—
The middle daughter and the mother of my grandchildren will be a year older on Sunday, Feb. 5. Happy Birthday, Juanita!

—cwe—
If you have not purchased your tickets to the Chamber of Commerce Installation Banquet, you need to do so. The chamber office is in the H. & R. Block building.

—cwe—
An update on Sandhills Estates is planned at the banquet.

—cwe—

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RESERVE CHAMPION STEER: Shonda Prescher of the Shamrock FFA showed the Reserved Champion Steer at the Wheeler County Jr. Livestock Show on January 13-14, 1995 in Wheeler. The animal was purchased by Shamrock Livestock Association for \$850; H. C. Weatherly is shown in the picture.

—Photo by Shamrock Texan

OLD MOBEETIE ASSOCIATION

The Old Mobeetie Association held their monthly workday Sat. The group got the partition tore out of the saloon building, and the paneling, drop ceiling and paper off the walls and ready for the carpenters to start work when they get ready. Those working were Jimmy and Bobbye Hull, Clint and Maurita Stribling, Joe Rucker, Ada Lou Lester, Louise Hogan and Dale Corcoran.

Turkey production expected to increase this year

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farmers raised slightly more turkeys in the United States last year than in 1993 and they plan to raise 3 percent more this year, the Agriculture Department says.

The 1994 total was 289 million turkeys, up from 288 million raised during 1993, the department's Agricultural Statistics Board reported.

About 71 percent of the turkeys produced in 1994 were raised in seven states.

North Carolina farmers raised the most last year, 60 million, followed by Minnesota, 41.5 million; Arkansas, 25 million; Virginia, 22 million; California, 21 million; Missouri, 20.5 million; and

Indiana, 14 million.

Turkey growers say they plan to raise 3 percent more turkeys this year. Among the seven major producing states, North Carolina farmers anticipate an 11 percent increase; Virginia, a 7 percent increase; and Indiana, a 3 percent increase. Arkansas and California growers expect no change, while Minnesota growers expect to raise 1 percent fewer turkeys and Missouri growers forecast a 2 percent decline.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fewer cows on U.S. farms are producing more milk, the National Agricultural Statistics Service reports.

In the October- (EL NINO)

the wave disperses."

El Nino, Spanish for "the child," was named after the Christ child by South American fishermen who noticed an ocean warming usually around Christmas that brought a decline in fish populations.

The temperature increase in the current El Nino is twice what was predicted. The National Weather Service expected sea temperatures to be 2 degrees Fahrenheit warmer than average, instead they're about 5 degrees warmer, Fu said.

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December quarter of 1994, the U.S. dairy industry produced 38.1 billion pounds of milk, about 4 percent more than the same period of 1993, the Agriculture Department agency said.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the 1994 quarter was 9.6 million head, about 43,000 fewer than a year earlier.

Grain and other concentrates fed to milk cows on Jan. 1, 1995, averaged 18.9 pounds per cow, which was about 0.4 pound more than on Jan. 1, 1994.

But the value of the feed averaged \$7.66 per hundredweight on the first day of this year, down 52 cents from the first day of 1994, the agency said.

Nut production drops in 1994

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. nut production dropped by 4 percent last year to 949,100 tons. Pecan production declined the most, down 52 percent from 1993, the Agriculture Department said.

Utilized production — the total amount sold plus the quantities used at home or held in storage — of hazelnuts, pistachios and walnuts were down, but production of almond and macadamia nuts increased. Almond production equaled the record high levels of 1987 and 1990.

The 1994 value of utilized production for the six nut crops totaled \$1.45 billion, off 15 percent from 1993. Values were higher only for macadamia nuts.

Computer chip could improve the ginning of Pima Cotton

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the latest improvement to cotton ginning, a computer chip has been added to automatically control the rate at which the cotton is separated from the seed.

A roller gin, used to separate delicate, extra-long-staple cotton fibers from seed, can clog easily if it is fed too fast, and that can cost up to \$1,200 in equipment damage and requiring several hours of repair.

However, if the gin is fed too slowly, it is inefficient and costs more to operate.

"Basically, the controller senses how much electrical power the gin's rotary knife is using. If there is a heavy draw, it means the machine is working harder and may plug. The microprocessor then slows the feed," says Marvis N. Gillum, an engineer with the Agriculture Department's Agricultural Research Service.

The improvement was developed by the ARS' Southwestern Cotton Ginning Research Laboratory in Mesilla Park, N.M., where Gillum works, and reported in the January issue of the ARS publication Agricultural Research.

Gillum said he used readily available electronic components to keep assembly costs low and reliability high.

Roller gins are used with domestic Pima cotton, and the electronic controller will help domestic growers compete with foreign producers. "These specialty cottons

have become more popular in recent years but take up to five times longer to roller-gin compared to shorter-fiber upland varieties that are saw-ginned," said Sidney E. Hughs, an engineer and research leader at the lab.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agriculture Department scientists are trying to develop new sunflower plants that absorb less cadmium than current varieties, regardless of what kind of soil they are grown in.

The project is a long-term solution to a problem that threatened the annual \$25 million to \$30 million U.S. sunflower kernel market in Germany.

German authorities wanted to lower the allowable levels of cadmium in sunflower seeds, USDA's Agricultural Research Service said.

The Germans wanted to set a 0.3 parts per million maximum level for kernels intended for human consumption — a level U.S. growers would not be able to meet with current sunflower varieties.

Instead, the research service persuaded the Germans in 1992 to set the level at 0.6 parts per million, which most U.S. growers could meet if they avoided areas with high-clay soil.

The trace metal occurs naturally in all soils, but levels are higher in soils of the Northern Plains. The German allowable level was not based on health risk but rather on typical cadmium concentrations found in

crops grown in uncontaminated soils, said Rufus L. Chaney, an agronomist in the ARS Environmental Chemistry Laboratory in Beltsville, Md.

As a long-term solution, ARS scientists began trying to breed new hybrids that could meet the level, even if they are grown in the high-clay soils and those containing high levels of chloride.

"We tested these plants in fields in North Dakota to find the best ones," Chaney is quoted in the January issue of the ARS publication Agricultural Research.

One seed company involved in the breeding work expects to have lower-cadmium hybrid seed for sale in 1996 or 1997, he said.

(AMERICAN'S) mated at 10.9 billion pounds, up 2 percent from 1993 and 3 percent more than 1992. In Washington state, commercial production was up 14 percent from 1993 and was its largest crop on record.

ALL GRAPE: Production estimated at 5.93 million tons, down 2 percent from 1993 and 1992. California production was down 1 percent, but Pennsylvania and New York saw large increases.

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El Nino is twice as strong as in 1992-93

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The weather-influencing El Nino phenomenon, a warming trend in the water of the tropical Pacific, is twice as strong now as it was in 1992-93, NASA reported last week.

The French-U.S. TOPEX-Poseidon ocean-observing satellite has detected a

marked rise in sea surface elevation in the area, an indication of higher-than-expected water temperatures, said Lee-Lueng Fu, a project scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Although the common U.S. weather disturbances from an El Nino include milder temperatures in the

Northeast, as seen this winter, Fu said it is not the only factor to blame for this winter's heavy rain and flooding in California.

JPL released satellite images of the warmed, expanded water layer moving eastward during October, November and December, when it reached the coast of

South America.

The satellite's radar images show the tropical Pacific is about 4 inches to 8 inches higher than normal, project scientists said.

During the 1992-93 El Nino, it was 2 inches to 4 inches above normal, Fu said.

That earlier El Nino "was

a significant event that caused large changes in the jet stream over the Pacific and North America through May 1993," said Gerald Bell, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service Climate Analysis Center in Camp Springs, Md.

"California got pummeled with rainfall that ended a long-term severe drought. South Africa got hot and dry. The El Nino was an indirect contributor to the Midwest floods."

But, he cautioned, "a stronger El Nino doesn't necessarily correspond to stronger rainfall and temperature anomalies."

The extra height measured during both El Ninos reflects "an excessive

amount of unusually warm water in the upper ocean," Fu said.

That excess heat can affect weather worldwide by heating the atmosphere and altering the atmospheric jet stream, Fu said.

The result is a disruption of global weather patterns.

El Nino, a characteristic warming of surface water in the tropical Pacific, occurs when westward trade winds weaken and the warm water mass, called a Kelvin wave, begins moving eastward along the equator.

"This wave is currently occupying most of the tropical Pacific Ocean," Fu said Monday. "It will take another month or two before (SEE EL NINO PAGE 4)

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American's beef intake averages 67.5 pounds

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans will be eating slightly more beef this year than last, the National Cattlemen's Association forecasts, and growing supplies will keep beef prices down.

Average per capita consumption was 67.5 pounds, retail weight, last year and is forecast to rise to nearly 68 pounds this year, the association said in its January newsletter.

It also forecasts production will increase as much as 2 percent in 1995, rising from 24.2 billion pounds last year to 24.6 billion pounds this year.

Average retail beef prices, which dropped 2.5 percent last year, are expected to fall again this year by about 2 percent. In 1994, the average retail price of a pound of beef was \$2.67.

Expansion of beef production is expected to continue for at least another couple of years, unless bad weather curtails herd growth, the association said.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Florida acreage planted for the 1995 winter strawberry harvest is expected to be 6,000 acres, up 3 percent from last year and 1993, according to the Agriculture Department's Agricultural Statistics Board.

Storm damage early in the season was minimal. But while the storms delayed fruit development slightly, growers reported good fruit quality, quantity, condition and color, the

board said.

Spring onions intended for harvest this year are planted on 38,700 acres in Arizona, California, Georgia and Texas. That's slightly higher than 1994 and 17 percent more than 1993, the board said.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Utilized production of the leading noncitrus fruit crops was up 2 percent in 1994 from the previous year, totaling 16.9 million tons, according to USDA's Agricultural Statistics Board.

However, the value of this production was down 2 percent at \$6.02 billion, the board said.

Utilized production is the amount sold plus the quantities used at home or held in storage.

Last year saw larger utilized production of apples, apricots, bananas, sweet and tart cherries, cranberries, nectarines, pears, strawberries, California plums, California prunes and other prunes and plums.

Production was down for berries, figs, grapes, kiwifruit, olives, papayas, peaches and pineapples, while it was unchanged for dates, the board said.

A look at 1994 utilized production for some fruits:

APPLE: Production esti-

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Owner's mutts rescue him from Pit Bull attack

VICTORIA, Texas (AP) — Two mutts are being treated like champions after protecting their 10-year-old master from an attack by a neighbor's pit bull.

Bear and Brandy came to young Nicholas Mejia's aid after the pit bull tore two pieces of flesh from the fourth-grader's right forearm last week.

"If those dogs weren't there, I'm sure it would have attacked him more," said Nicholas' mother, Mary Lou Mejia.

Nicholas was attacked when he and his 12-year-old brother Fernando went outside to tend to goats.

"I was helping him get the goat, and all of a sudden that dog just busted the chain and attacked him," said Fernando Mejia. The older brother grabbed the boy's 3-year-old niece Shelby and, as he ran toward the house, called to Bear and Brandy.

"I told them, 'Sic 'em!' And they went over and got him (the pit bull) by the throat and got him off," Fernando Mejia said.

After the pit bull ran off, Nicholas Mejia was taken to Citizens Medical Center, where he spent almost two hours in surgery.

Animal control officer Gary Walters said the 2-year-old pit bull will be quarantined for 10 days, after which his owners may reclaim him. The names of the owners were not disclosed.

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NASA is nearing decision on Teacher-in-space program

SPACE CENTER (AP) —A third-grade teacher from McCall, Idaho, believes she could help refocus the nation's attention on education while pointing children toward the stars.

All she needs now is the chance.

Barbara Morgan, 43, is America's designated teacher-in-space should the National Aeronautics and Space Administration decide to revive the program announced in 1984 by President Reagan.

The effort was halted nine years ago, when the space shuttle Challenger exploded less than two

minutes after launch. New Hampshire teacher Christa McAuliffe and six crew mates were killed.

Morgan, who trained as McAuliffe's backup and has made thousands of speeches and appearances on behalf of NASA since 1986, remains an adamant supporter of the program and says her space voyage is long overdue.

"It's very important for teachers and students in this country that this happens," Morgan said by telephone recently from McCall-Donnelly Elementary School in Idaho.

"This is a way to highlight the good things that

are going on in the schools. It gets the public involved in education.

"I also think it's important for us to make commitments and stick to them," she added. "I can't tell you how many times a day I get asked ... 'When's this going to happen?' I tell them I don't know. I hope it does happen."

Morgan might not have to wonder much longer.

Top NASA officials, who have discussed the issue periodically in recent years, are again talking about assigning Morgan to a shuttle flight.

NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin appointed a

committee to explore the possibility last summer. Alan Ladwig, the agency's associate administrator for policy and plans, said the group is preparing its recommendation for Goldin.

Some NASA officials, including Ladwig, have openly expressed a desire to restart the program, but committee members have refused to discuss the issue publicly since they convened.

They must decide if a teacher can be accommodated within a NASA policy allowing only

"mission-critical personnel" aboard the shuttle.

Former NASA Administrator James Beggs, who was in charge when Reagan announced the teacher-in-space idea, said the program came from a desire to foster science and technology education.

"The more we thought about it, the more we thought it was a good idea," Beggs said from his Virginia office.

"Kids have an intense interest in space and we thought a teacher would bring the experience home

to them better than anyone. The teachers could come back ... and relate his or her experiences."

If NASA calls on her, Morgan said she's ready to go. She undergoes a physical each year at the Johnson Space Center to renew her flight status and is prepared to move her husband and two children to Houston while she trains.

"I'm hopeful that it happens," she said. "In my mind it's a very easy decision, but I'm sure if you're NASA it's not."

USDA predicts up to 30 percent drop in future U.S. meat exports to Mexico

WASHINGTON (AP)—U.S. meat exports to Mexico could decline by 20 percent to 30 percent this year because of the tumbling value of the peso, Agriculture Department economists say.

"The reduced value of the peso will act as a tariff on imported meat and livestock by effectively raising

their prices," said USDA's Economic Research Service.

"In addition, the devaluation will slow economic growth and income gains, which could shift consumption from the higher-valued products that Mexicans increasingly consumed as incomes rose to low-value meats and other

lower-priced foods," the agency said this week.

USDA economists forecast that some U.S. meat exports to Mexico will decline by as little as 15 percent, while others could drop as much as 40 percent from last year's level. They also predict that U.S. exports of animals for slaughter will drop by about half.

U.S. meat exports to Mexico totaled \$663 million in the first 11 months of 1994, the department said. Figures for December have not been compiled.

Overall, the decline this year is expected to be in the range of 20 percent to 30 percent, but economists

stress that these figures are uncertain because of Mexico's changing financial situation.

The research service's Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Situation and Outlook

program at the U.S. National Arboretum in the nation's capital in which horticulturists are trying to find ways to control plant-damaging pests without using chemicals.

The predatory mites "are the most successful among natural predators being used in one of the first integrated pest management programs for landscapes in this country," said Scott Aker of USDA's Agricultural Research Service, who is integrated pest management coordinator for the Arboretum.

With the mites and a variety of other practices, the Arboretum has cut pesticide use by 75 percent, Aker said.

The two pest-controlling mites — about the size of grains of pepper — found to be effective are particularly well suited to Washington because "they like it hot and humid," he said.

The beneficial mites are used against two-spotted

report said beef exports to Mexico could decline 10 percent to 20 percent, while pork exports could drop 25 percent to 35 percent.

Pork consumption has been rising among Mexi-

cans, but beef and poultry still are more common in the Mexican diet.

The report also forecasts that U.S. poultry exports to Mexico will drop by 15 percent to 20 percent this year.

spider mites and other mites that everything from damage spruce trees to juniper ground cover.

One of the mites—the bright orange Phytoseiulus persimilis—makes the first attack. These mites are aggressive and hungry, each consuming 20 to 50 mites or mite eggs a day. They last just a few weeks but put a big dent in the mite population, Aker said.

After the initial hit, a second wave of mites—yellow ones that are known as Amblyseius californicus—are sent in to mop up. They eat more slowly, live longer than the orange mites and also feed on other pests.

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1 Canine cry
4 Talk-show host — Donahue
8 Suppliated
12 Alps, e.g. (abbr.)
13 River in France
14 Repetition
15 Type of lettuce
16 Care for — St. Vincent Millay
18 Russian co-op
20 Breakfast food
22 Expel
24 Three-toed sloths
25 Start
28 Ways
31 Snake
32 Cows
34 Be gloomy
35 Mexican coin
37 City in Italy
39 Negative prefix
40 Odors
42 Eat
44 Pedal digit

DOWN

1 Non-profit org.
2 Believe — not
3 Attention-getting sound
4 Type of dinner
5 Hasten
6 Ours — to reason why
7 Mother of Castor and Pollux
8 Insurance payment
9 Magnet

36 Golden sherry
38 Poetic foot
41 Hawaiian wreath
43 Mail center abbr.
45 Maple — noises
46 Explosive
47 Author — Wiesel
48 Watch pockets
50 Comedian Ed —
51 Arabian leader
52 Genus of frogs
55 Caustic substance

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Town uses tough I.D. law to keep tobacco out of teens' hands

WOODRIDGE, Ill. — Thirteen-year-old Eric Lemons has tried a half-dozen times to buy cigarettes in his home town. No luck.

"They just won't sell them. They ask for your ID," he says.

In this middle-class Chicago suburb, youngsters under 18 have about as much chance of buying a pack of cigarettes as they do of buying a bottle of

volt's a result of one of the nation's toughest tobacco-control ordinances. Enforced with undercover "sting" operations using teen-age decoys and \$25 fines for minors caught with tobacco, the law is credited with cutting teen smoking rates to a fraction of national levels.

"It's considered model legislation across the United States," said Diana Hackbarth, a com-

munity-health nursing professor at Loyola University of Chicago.

Outlawing the sale of tobacco products to teens isn't unusual; 44 states set a minimum age for purchasing the product. But actually keeping tobacco out of teens' hands is unusual; federal experts estimate that by high school age, one youth in three smokes or uses smokeless tobacco.

The Woodridge ordinance has its roots in a junior high school principal's complaint in 1988 that a student had bought cigarettes at a store just half a block from school.

The complaint went to police Sgt. Bruce "Buzz"

Talbot, who came up with the tough anti-tobacco provisions that were enacted in 1989.

Any Woodridge merchant who sells tobacco to the minor can be fined up to \$500. Repeat offenders can have their city-issued tobacco sale licenses suspended or revoked. Violators answer to the mayor, who is also the tobacco control commissioner, so cases don't clog the courts.

Woodridge's law holds minors accountable, too. Anyone under 18 caught with tobacco gets a \$25 ticket. If a minor is caught trying to buy tobacco, the ticket is \$50.

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