

# The Goldthwaite Eagle

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## Grand Winner

Terry Morris, of Decatur, Texas, was awarded the Grand Champion Fiddlers trophy at the third annual Fiddlers Contest held in Goldthwaite this past weekend. The contest was sponsored by the Lions Club. (Laughlin Photo)



## Youngest Fiddler

Youngest fiddler, age 5, attending the third celebration was Keith Sewell of Dallas. The MC for the fiddling was Marshall Stockton of Victoria.

## Third Annual Festival Draws Overflow Crowd

All attractions of the Third Annual Fiddlers Contest and Old Settlers Reunion were successful.

Participants are eagerly awaiting the fourth annual event next year.

Approximately 1500 to 1700 people attended the all day affair last Saturday.

The Goldthwaite Band Boosters Carnival, a new

addition this year, drew a large crowd. Most every one who participated walked away with a prize.

The highlight of the day, the Old Time Fiddlers Contest, drew a record number of entries, and music was outstanding at all times. Goldthwaite Lions Club paid over \$750 in prize money to the Fiddlers.

## Large Crowd Attends Center City Unveiling

It was a gala afternoon for Center City, Sunday, May 29th, when near one hundred twenty people gathered under their historical liveoak tree to pay homage to early founders of the community and unveil an Official Texas Historical Marker to that effect.

There was nostalgia, almost to the point of tears, as old friends met, past residents of the community were mentioned, and early-day ancestors were named.

After Walter Tubbs gave the invocation, Hollis Blackwell, master of ceremonies, introduced Mrs. Allen Campbell, Mills County Historical Commission Chairman, and Mrs. M.F. Horton, marker chairman.

Mrs. Horton expressed appreciation to all who helped attain the marker for Center City, and to all those who helped make the afternoon possible and enjoyable.

Mrs. Bill Blackwell presented a reading entitled "If This Old Tree Could Speak", written by Mrs. Hollis Blackwell.

Wilson Head, dedication speaker, gave a vivid description of the first years of the little settlement of Center City, and also gave highlights of its development through time.

Songs were under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Head.

Mr. Hardy Collier, lifelong resident of Center City, assisted by his two daughters, Mrs. Vestus (Mildred) Horton and Mrs. Darrell (Edna) Head, unveiled the marker.

Mr. Sherwood Owens, also a lifelong resident of Center City, read the marker inscription. Dayton House gave the benediction.

Mrs. Monroe Geeslin, 95 years old, and a descendant of one of the two first settlers at Center City, was recognized as the oldest person present.

After the marker dedication program, over one hundred people gathered at

the Methodist Fellowship Hall for refreshments, a reunion, and remembering. Hostesses for the reception were ladies of Center City Community.

The afternoon ceremony was a happy and touching occasion for all those present—it will be remembered for many years.

This reading by Mr. Hollis Blackwell was given by Mrs. Bill Blackwell at the Center City Historical marker dedication ceremonies.

### IF THIS OLD TREE COULD SPEAK

If this old tree could speak, it would tell everything. It would tell endless stories of our pioneer ancestors, their success and their failures, their work and their laughter, and of the courage it took to mold this community.

It would tell about the Indians that roamed along Bennett Creek when this land was theirs, not ours. It would tell about the first white man who came this way and, perhaps, stopped to rest it its shade; it would tell of the raging blizzards of winters past, of floods on Bennett Creek and about the tornado that roared across this land in 1904.

It would tell about the struggles of the first settlers, of Indian fights and of the building of the first log cabins close by. There would be tales of stage coaches that stopped under its branches to change passengers and teams of horses.

There would be accounts of many people, rich and poor, good men and bad men, and countless families that crossed this community. Most of them went on their way, but a few of those people saw the beauty of this countryside and planted their roots deep in its soil to remain for many years, or for the rest of their lives.

There were courts of law held around the roots of this old tree when there was no other place to hold a court; there were school classes taught here in summer months when there was no schoolhouse; church services were held here when there were no churches. Our pioneer grandparents and great-grandparents sat on this very spot to offer earnest prayers and sing praises to God. In our mind's eye, we can see their faces as they sat here so long ago.

If this old tree could speak, it would tell of wagons loaded with lumber rolling in from Waco, and of the sound of hammers and saws as the men of the community built the first combination school, Masonic Lodge and church up on the hill.

It would tell of the school bell ringing on cold, frosty winter mornings, signaling the beginning of another school day. It would tell us about boys shooting marbles and girls jumping ropes in its shade while their parents bought supplies at the nearby store.

There would be sad stories, too—stories about homemade caskets carried on wagon beds as they passed by on their way to the cemetery at the end of the lane.

There was once a neat row

(See OLD TREE, Page 8)



## Oldest Fiddler

Also a crowd pleaser during the fiddling Saturday was 87 year old "Pop" Harris of San Saba. The fiddling was directed by Glynn Collier and Lloyd Laughlin.

## Beef Referendum Registration Closes Soon

The second and final week of registration for the national Beef Referendum begins Monday, June 13, and ends Friday, June 17.

Mills County producers can register at the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) office in Goldthwaite, then return the first two weeks of July to cast their votes.

If a producer does not register, June 6 - 17, he can't

vote in the referendum. This is a major decision for the cattle industry, and each producer should participate. Any producer who has owned cattle during 1976 is eligible to register and vote.

## City Council Agenda

The City Council of the City of Goldthwaite will meet in regular session on Thursday (tonight), June 2, at 7:00 P.M., in the Council Room at Goldthwaite City Hall to discuss the following:

- 1) Call Meeting to Order
- 2) Invocation
- 3) Minutes of previous meeting
- 4) Operations report and paid bills
- 5) Budget approval
- 6) Report on Equalization Board Meetings
- 7) Christmas tree decorations
- 8) Sewer Plant and System
- 9) Traffic Light
- 10) Reports & Requests from Council
- 11) City Manager Report.

## Sears Catalog Agency Grand Opening Thursday

A new business will be open in Goldthwaite next week when the newest Sears Authorized Catalog Agency Store will have its Grand

Opening Thursday, June 9, 1977, at 919 Fisher Street. The opening has been set at 9:00 A.M. Mr. and Mrs. Randall Ratliff, the Owners of the store said, "Goldthwaite's new facility is the result of a combined effort between Sears and ourselves to offer better and more complete service to the catalog customers in the area.

We hope the people of the Goldthwaite area will consider us a part of the community and will avail themselves of our new facilities. We will operate the catalog agency along with our present business, City Cleaners."

Besides souvenirs for all attending our Grand Opening, visitors may register for a Portable TV and a 20" Rotary Mower to be given away.

For additional particulars concerning the Grand Opening, they may be found in an advertisement appearing in next week's issue of the Goldthwaite Eagle.

Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff, who have been residents of Goldthwaite for 20 years, said that orders for any merchandise listed in the current Sears Catalogs may be placed in person or by phone from home. The orders are then relayed to the Catalog Merchandise Distribution Center in Dallas for filling, and the merchandise sent to the store or directly to the customer if desired.

Orders will be received in consolidated shipments, thereby saving the customer part of the shipping charges.

The steady growth of Goldthwaite and surrounding area prompted Mr. and Mrs. Ratliff to open the facility. They pointed out that this is a locally owned and operated business.

## Hard Rain Hits Tuesday

A rainstorm blew into Goldthwaite Tuesday afternoon. A strong blowing rain, but no hail in the immediate area of the city.

It was reported that hail was fairly heavy east of town, toward Center City, with some hail measuring 1" in diameter.

Reports from over the county of rainfall ranged from 1/2" to 1".

## Equalization Board Meets Friday

According to announcement, the Board of Equalization will meet at the City Hall on June 3, 1977. The meeting will begin at 9:00 o'clock A.M.

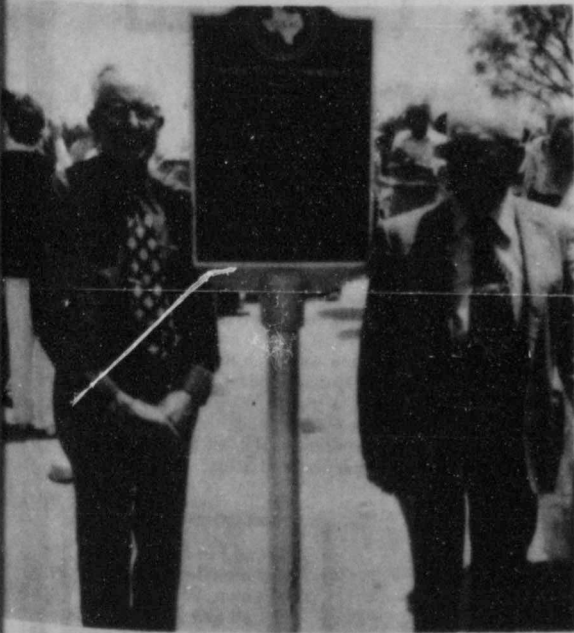
## Tennis Tourney June 10 & 11

A mixed doubles Tennis Tournament will be sponsored by the Goldthwaite Tennis Association Friday and Saturday, June 10th and 11th. Entries must be in to Sue Cockrum, or Tom Cody Graves, by Thursday, June 9th.

## Baptist To Present Film

The First Baptist Church, Goldthwaite, will present the film "The Power of Prayer", Sunday, June 5, 1977, at 7:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to see this film.

Far too long, prayer has been overlooked as a subject for a definite film study... but, now ECRF Films present its newest release, "The Power of Prayer". The opening moments of the film are spent in Israel, examining thousands of years of Jewish history and how they pertain to prayer. It also features some well respected, Christian spokesmen in America.



## Marker Dedication

Sherwood Owens, left, read the inscription on the marker at the Center City Historical marker ceremonies Sunday, and Hardy Collier, right, unveiled the marker.

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**Gloria Vlasak Graduates With High Honors**

Gloria Vlasak of Priddy graduated with high honors (magna cum laude) from Texas Lutheran College, Seguin, Texas on May 22, 1977.

She received a Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Biology, maintaining a 3.7 grade point average. She is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta (honor society for women) and Beta Beta Beta (National Honor Society in Biology).

Texas Lutheran College became a senior college in 1948 and Gloria had the honor to receive the 3,000 bachelors degree earned at the college. Rev. & Mrs. Vlasak both graduated from T.L.C. in 1951 and 1952, respectively.

Gloria has also completed one year at the University of Texas at San Antonio in the Medical Science Center. This fall she will be a second year

student in the graduate school, preparing to become a dentist. This summer she is working in Bellville, Texas for Dr. James L. Cunningham, D.D.S.

**Elaine Harper Receives Degree**

Baylor University concluded its 132nd annual session with the Spring Commencement Program held May 12 and 13, 1977.

Elaine M. Harper, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Harper, of Goldthwaite, was among those receiving degrees.

Miss Harper received a BBA (Bachelor of Business Administration) degree.

**County Agent NEWS**

By DANNY LONG  
Mills County Extension Agent

**Predatory Animal Control Program**

Mills County farmers and rancher met in a county meeting on May 24, 1977, to discuss the predatory animal control problems in the county and to take necessary actions to decrease losses of livestock through all possible alternatives.

A report on the past programs which have been in practice in the county was given and general discussion followed, which led to the formation of a new predatory animal control program in the county.

The new program will be known as the Mills County Predatory Animal Control Association and will entail two primary facets: the government trapper and a bounty system. This new program will go into effect on June 15, 1977.

The Mills County Program Building Organization will combine its efforts into this new organization to form a single unit in an effort to concentrate all control practices under one organization. A three member committee composed of County Judge Herbert Faulkner, Mr. Don Rudd, and Wool & Mohair House, with County Agent Danny Long, will be responsible for keeping records and making all disbursements relative to the proper functioning of the program.

Under this new program, producers will be asked to support the efforts through contributions to the Association. Government trapper salary and bounty payments will be made out of this fund in part. The Mills County Commissioners' Court has given the new organization their support. Producers in the county may, if they so desire, designate whether their contributions be used to support the trapper, or the bounty system, or if they so desire their contributions will be used to support the total program.

The bounty system will offer a \$50.00 bounty on grown coyotes, \$25.00 on grown bobcats and red fox, and \$12.50 for bobcat kittens and pups. Bounty payments will be made on predatory animals which have been certified as having been taken on land belonging to a contributor to the program only. If a bounty is paid on any other land, a member of the association must certify that said animal was taken and he must submit a certificate to the fact plus a check made payable to the Mills County Predatory Animal Control Assoc. in the amount of 25% of the bounty.

The Government Trapper will function as in the past. Any producer who contributes to the Association will be entitled to the services of the government trapper.

We encourage all Mills County producers, Merchants and the general public

to support this effort. During the meeting, in excess of \$900.00 was contributed by the producers present to get the new program started.

We encourage any producers and the general public to support this program. All checks of contribution should be made payable to the Mills County Predatory Animal Control Fund and mailed to County Judge Herbert Faulkner, Box 483, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844.

**Mills Minister**

By Mrs. Matilda Emert  
Pompey Mt. Congregational Methodist Church  
Rev. Martin Emert - Pastor

**WHERE ARE THE LABOURERS?** If we take time today to look at the world and its condition, we see the "Fields are white unto harvest, and the labourers are few," and if we believe the Bible and its prophecy, time for mankind has about run out.

We should stop and look around us and see how many people are lost, without hope and without God. Each born again Christian should be, and must be, a labourer for Christ, but as humans are prone to think it is the minister's or missionary's place to not only sow the word, but also work in the vineyard of the Lord, bringing in the sheaves of harvest.

To each Christian God gives a job or mission in the vineyard, sadly, we usually leave it to someone else to do. Jesus said in Matthew 9:37-38, speaking to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest." So then we pray for more labourers, and leave our part of the field standing.

Then in John 4:35-36, He tells them, "Say not ye, there are yet four months and then cometh the harvest? behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth, may rejoice together." So we see that time may be short in which to labour, and then in Luke 10:2 He tells them "The harvest truly is great."

We see there is little time and much work to be done. Now suppose we as farmers prepare a field, buy the best seed available and sow it, we watch and wait as the grain ripens, and just as soon as possible, get the reaper or combine into the field. We must hasten the harvest before a great wind or hail storm wipes out the crop, we

**Star Playday Sunday**

The Star Riding Club will sponsor an all trophy 'Playday' Sunday, June 5.

Registration begins at 1:00 P.M., with the playday beginning at 2:00 P.M.

The first Sunday of every month the Star Riding Club will sponsor a playday.

In each age group and each event, 1st - 6th place will be awarded trophies.

Events include barrels, poles, flags, goat tying and an open roping.

**Music Recitals To Be Presented**

Two music recitals are being planned for presentation at Zion Lutheran Church, Priddy. The first will be given by the pupils of Mrs. Gayle McCullough on Wednesday, June 1, at 8:00 P.M. Piano students are Janna Feist, Tracy Jeske, Connie Partin, Gina Pax Sonya Pax, Kevin Seider and Marie Vlasak.

On Sunday, June 5 at 3:30 P.M., pupils of Mrs. James Burnett will be presented. Piano students are Tim Burnett, Jon Burnett, David Burnett, Janice Vlasak and Becky West. Organ students are Sharon Schwartz and Donna Vlasak.

Everyone is invited and welcome to attend both events.

**Edwin Wilson Graduates**

Edwin Ervin Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin G. Wilson, of Goldthwaite, graduated cum laude from McMurry College in spring commencement ceremonies May 1, 1977.

Wilson received a bachelor of science degree. He was

one of 12 to graduate cum laude. McMurry is a four-year liberal arts college owned by the Northwest Texas and New Mexico Conferences of the United Methodist Church.

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## Fallon Rites Held Here Wednesday

Funeral services for Mr. James Pat Fallon, age 73, were held Wednesday, June 1, 1977, at 2:00 P.M., in Goldthwaite Church of Christ, with Minister Roland

Fry officiating. Interment was in the Goldthwaite Memorial Cemetery under direction of Wilkins Funeral Home. Mr. Fallon, born Sept. 13,

1903, in Goldthwaite, and was married to Billye Hassye Faulkner in April, 1924, in Goldthwaite.

He was a Master Plumber and a Veteran, and had moved back to Goldthwaite from Kingsville in June of 1970. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Mr. Fallon's wife preceded him in death, March 14, 1974.

Survivors include: One son, James Patrick Fallon, Jr., of San Juan, Texas; two grandchildren, Thomas Patrick and Denyee Fallon; two brothers, Johnny Fallon, of Goldthwaite and Elmo Fallon, of Mena, Arkansas; two sisters, Mrs. Eva Higgins, Goldthwaite, and Mrs. Julia D. Allen, of Houston.

The pallbearers were J.D. "Bud" Robertson Jr., W. N. Swindle, Truett Auldridge, J. C. Wesson, E. D. Ferguson and Walter A. "Toby" Bryant.

Honorary pallbearers were Sam Drew, Fred Nowell, E. C. Miller, Glenn Miller, Floyd Fox and Marvin Spinks.

About the only thing a child will share willingly are communicable diseases and his mother's age.

## Mrs. Jack (Melvina) Long Sr. Services Conducted

Mrs. Jack (Melvina) Long, Sr., of Goldthwaite, passed away Saturday, May 28, 1977, after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services, under the direction of Wilkins Funeral Home, were conducted Sunday, May 29, at First Baptist Church, with Rev. Dan Connolly officiating. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Mrs. Long, 64, was born January 16, 1913, in Mills County. Her parents were William Casper Fox and Nettie Lief Fox.

She married Jack Long in May, 1932, and lived in Mills County all of her married life.

Interment was in the Goldthwaite Memorial Cemetery. Survivors include: her husband; her mother, Nettie Fox, Goldthwaite; one son, Jack Earl Long and two granddaughters, Tamra and Dedra Long, of Goldthwaite; one brother, Floyd Fox, of Goldthwaite; and one sister, Mrs. Velma Smith, of Ft. Worth.

The Pallbearers were Bob Steen, Adrian Long, Woodrow Long, Loy Long, Olen Kemp, Ray Duren, Bob Johnson and Farrest Frazier.



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## Rufus Fred Daniel Services Held Sunday

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 29, 1977, in Wilkins Chapel, for Rufus Fred Daniel, who passed away Saturday, May 28, at Heritage Nursing Home in Goldthwaite.

Mr. Daniel was a Methodist. Rev. Martin Emert officiated at the services.

Mr. Daniel, 88, was born July 17, 1888, in Comanche County (near Lampkin). He was married to Sara Tresa Carver on Sept. 6, 1906, in Lampkin, and they moved to Mills County in 1918.

Interment was in North Brown Cemetery, in Mills County, under direction of

Wilkins Funeral Home.

He is survived by four sons, Oda Daniel, of Brownwood; W.L. "Bill" Daniel, of Mullin; Lloyd Daniel, of Burleson; and Floyd Daniel, Goldthwaite; two daughters, Mrs. Gladys Stanley, of Comanche; and Mrs. Lucille Harris of Ft. Worth; 13 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were grandsons, Pat Daniel, Eddie Daniel, Mark Daniel, Mike Daniel, Fred Daniel and Jackie Kale.



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Mr. & Mrs. Glynn Petty

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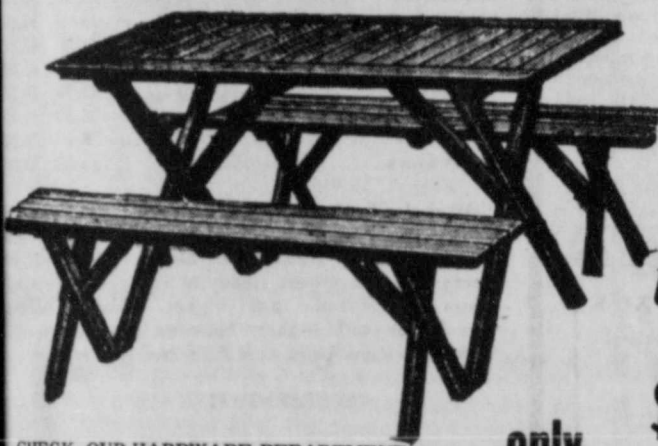


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## Little League Schedule

MILLS COUNTY LITTLE LEAGUE SCHEDULE FOR 1977

Thursday, June 2nd-  
6:00-Saylor vs. MCSB  
8:00-Star vs. Mullin

SECOND ROUND  
Monday, June 6th-  
6:00-Mullin vs. Saylor  
8:00-MCSB vs. Boykin

Thursday, June 9th-  
6:00-Mullin vs. Boykin  
8:00-Star vs. Saylor

Monday, June 13th-  
6:00-MCSB vs. Mullin  
8:00-Star vs. Boykin

Thursday, June 16th-  
6:00-Saylor vs. Boykin  
8:00-MCSB vs. Star  
(Mullin drew a bye)

Monday, June 20th-  
6:00-Mullin vs. Star  
8:00-MCSB vs. Saylor

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By: W.P. Duren, President  
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### Couple Engaged

Mrs. Max L. Farrar of Houston, Texas, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Mary Lois to Johnny Beau Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. B. Johnson, Jr. of Goldthwaite, Texas.

The bride-elect is a 1977 graduate of Baylor University.

The prospective bridegroom is also a graduate of Baylor University and will be a November graduate of Baylor School of Law. The wedding is set for August 6, 1977, at the River Oaks Baptist Church, Houston, Texas.

Linda Griffin  
Evans Receives  
Degree

One hundred and thirty Temple Jr. College students received Associate Degrees during Commencement Exercises, Friday, May 13.

The graduation was held at the T.J.C. Fine Arts Auditorium.

Among the students receiving degrees was Linda Griffin Evans. She is a Medical Lab Technician and received Associate Degree in Applied Science.

Linda will be employed at a hospital in Alice, Texas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Griffin, Rt. 3, Goldthwaite.

Wiggins  
Awarded  
Diploma

Frances Ann Wiggins of Goldthwaite was among the 1,187 students who filed for diplomas awarded in Spring Commencement Ceremonies Saturday, May 21, at Southwest Texas State University.

Frances Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Long of Priddy, Star Rt., received a Bachelor of Science degree in Education, with a major in speech pathology and audiology.

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**Mullin Community News —**

By Lillian Plummer

Mrs. Jewell Backin and Mrs. Earl Ethridge attended the Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment at Lake Brownwood one day last week.

Visitors with Mr. Aubrey French recently were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Braswell from Brownwood; also Mr. Braswell's brother and wife, who are missionaries to Guatemala. Mrs. Claude Williams has just returned from Lamesa, where she attended the graduation of a grandson. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Plunkett and Cindy brought Mrs. Williams home.

Mrs. Bo Musgrove, her son Kenneth and family, visited over the weekend with Miss Artie Mosier. Dale Mosier and Kenneth Musgrove went fishing and had good luck.

Mrs. Daisy Winkler of Comanche spent the weekend with me.

The Annual Mullin School Homecoming was well attended Saturday night, with many out of town folks present. It would be useless to try to name them all.

Visitors during the weekend holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Will Sanders were Mr. & Mrs. J. P. Sanders, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Sanders, and Mrs. Mallie Lou Garren from San Antonio. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sanders from Star, and Mr. & Mrs. Glen Sanders, of Mullin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Parker and Donna from Kermit spent the weekend here with Mr. and Mrs. Grady Hancock and also visited Mr. & Mrs. Pat Parker of Goldthwaite and helped Mr. Pat celebrate with a birthday dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Josef Bartruff, who are in the Navy, visited with Mrs. Bartruff's parents Mr. and Mrs. Dick Roberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Burnett of Ft. Worth were recent guests of his sister, Mrs. Ora Wilson.

The descendants of the late Will Runnels met this past weekend at Lake Brownwood for their annual reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Alton Runnels, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Warren, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Gibbard from Mullin attended the get-together.

Mrs. Fannie O'Neal and son Glen, and a friend of Tucson, Arizona, spent a while Monday with Mrs. O'Neal's sister, Mrs. Margaret Toliver. They were returning home after visiting relatives and friends here and at Lampasas. Others visiting in the Toliver Home were Mrs. Nell Holland, Anita & Michael; Mr. and Mrs. Green Buchanan and Mrs. Ernest Obenhaus, of Brownwood, and their son, Cliff from Austin.

There will be an open house (No charge) meeting, beginning of an '8 Basic Steps Course' in analyzing handwriting, Tuesday evening, June 7, at 7 o'clock at the Mullin High School.

This open house meeting will be conducted by Rene Phillips, who has recently completed a General Course in Graphoanalysis. She feels that this subject will be intensely interesting to every person who can read or write.

"When you can't see the bright side, polish the dull side".

**Hospital Report —**

**TUESDAY, May 24 -**  
Admitted: Ada L. Duren, John L. Denning, Josefina Cardona, all of Goldthwaite, and Carmen Wall, of Evans.  
Discharged: Andy Cook and Carolyn Sue Jackson.

**WEDNESDAY, May 25 -**  
Admitted: Annie L. Miller, of Goldthwaite.  
Discharged: Bertha K. Rost, Minnie Hill and Verna Miller.

**THURSDAY, May 26 -**  
Admitted: Dewey Bohannon, of Goldthwaite.  
Discharged: Carmen Wall.

**FRIDAY, May 27 -**  
Admitted: Nina Booker, Minnie Hill, Evie Denton, of Goldthwaite. Hilda Bufe, of Mullin.  
Discharged: Josefina Cardona.

**SATURDAY, May 28 -**  
Admitted: Frances Jo Lawrence, of Goldthwaite; and Dorothy Walker, of Evans.  
Discharged: Linda Miles, Jeff Barnett Curbo, Nina M. Booker, Phebe A. Cole and Minnie Woody.

**SUNDAY, May 29 -**  
Admitted: Hubert Geeslin, and Bertha Bohannon of Goldthwaite.

**MONDAY, May 30 -**  
Admitted: Minnie Woody, of Goldthwaite.  
Discharged: Mary McPherson and Dewey Bohannon.

Latest driving maneuver to be classified by traffic engineers is the O-Turn. It was invented by the guy who made a U-Turn and then changed his mind.

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*The Way It Was In Mills County*

**Benjamin Franklin Gholson, Texan**

(No. 2 of a Series)

The following account of a part of his life was told to me by Mr. Gholson at his old ranch home a few days ago. I was born Nov. 17, 1842, in the days of the Republic of Texas in Robertson's Colony, now Falls County. I am the second son of Albert G. Gholson, a son of Col. Samuel Gholson.

Col. Samuel Gholson, my grandfather, was a colonel in Gen. Jackson's army and led a regiment of soldiers known as the Kentucky Riflemen in the Battle of New Orleans.

This Samuel Gholson was born in Kentucky about 1772. My father, Albert G. Gholson, was also born in Kentucky, on a farm near Paducah, May 25, 1818. He moved with his parents to Madison County, Tenn., in 1825.

From that place he and his father came to Texas with a train of immigrants, leaving Jackson, Tenn., on April 3, 1832, and landing at San Felipe, Texas, about July 29 of that year. The immigrants were members of Robertson's Colony, then being settled under the Government of Mexico.

When the war broke out between the Americans and the Govt. of Mexico, my father enlisted in Capt. Cary White's company of volunteers. He participated in several battles. He was in the battle at San Antonio (known as the five-day fighting at San Antonio), led by Ben Milam, who was killed there. When the army was ordered to fall back to Gonzales, father obeyed. During this time there were many companies being organized for the service by the Americans.

Capt. Tom Barron enlisted a company of volunteers at or near Fort Washington. These volunteers elected their officers and a majority vote was cast for Albert G. Gholson for First Lieutenant under Capt. Barron.

Father was not at that time present, but was transferred from Capt. White's to Capt. Barron's company. He received his commission and took his place in Capt. Barron's company.

During the "runaway scrape", some meaning to move their families and such property as they could out of the way of the Mexicans, were excused for that purpose.

Capt. Barron being a middle-aged man had several in his family as well as some negro property to be moved and accordingly was one of those excused to give what assistance he could to his family.

This left Albert G. Gholson in command of the company. In a short time the Battle of San Jacinto took place and he commanded the company on that occasion, for, as said before, the battle took place during the absence of Capt. Barron and others.

My father remained in

Texas during the rest of his life and died in Caryell in 1860.

My mother was Elydia Anderson. She was born at Blue Ash, Mo., part of the City of St. Louis. She came to Texas with her parents also in the year 1832.

They became members of Robertson's Colony, where she and my father were married in 1839. S. S. Gholson of Tucumcari, N.M., at present writing a history of his life, was born Nov. 13, 1840. Mother died in September, 1843, before I was a year old. She is buried at the Stroud Graveyard in Limestone County, at Old Springfield.

My father moved to McLennan County in 1852 and settled twelve miles above Waco at what is now Gholson's Valley.

On June 12, 1855, he moved with his family and a herd of cattle to what is now Mills County, then unorg-

anized territory.

He put the first ranch on Simms Creek, known as the Blue Water Hole Ranch. In the fall of the same year, he brought a herd of stock horses to the ranch.

The Indians began their depredations on the outside settlers in 1857, in which year they killed a Mr. Renfro and his small son in Bosque County. This was the first depredation that we know of. They kept up these de-

predations systematically until Aug. 1874.

In March 1858, my father moved his family and had married again. Thinking he was far enough down, he made a horse ranch there known as Gholson Place on Owl Creek.

My brother, S. S. Gholson, and I did not go with the family on this move, but remained on the cow ranch in Mills County.

(Cont'd. next week)

**Pee Wee Schedule**

Following is the 1977 Mills County Pee Wee Baseball Schedule:

June 3 - Game  
June 7 - Practice  
June 10 - Game

June 14 - Practice  
June 17 - Game

All Pee Wee practices will be at 6:00 P.M., on Tuesdays at the Track field. All games will be at 6:00 P.M., on Fridays at the Baseball field.



**Celebrates Anniversary**

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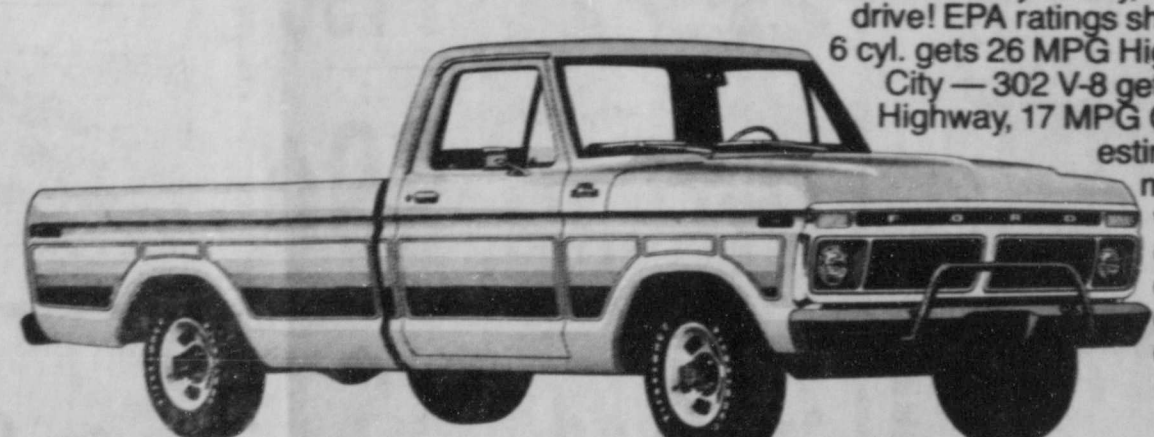
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# When The Old Bird Was Younger



TEN YEARS AGO

Taken from the Eagle files of May 25, 1967.

Charles Blackburn, Goldthwaite's 180 lb. halfback, was selected as one of the backs for the North by the Texas High School Football Association, to play in the North-South All-Star game in San Antonio, August 4.

On Monday, May 21, was a day for the John A. Hunter family, as children and grandchildren came to celebrate John's 90th birthday. Friends also dropped by the day.

Four Goldthwaite teenagers were killed in a truck crash here last night at the intersection of 1st and Fisher streets, in front of the First Baptist Church and Mills County Youth Center. The driver of the truck was injured. Those killed were Teddy Wilson, Jim Williams and Joe Burns.

25 YEARS AGO

Taken from the Eagle files of May 30, 1952.

A decrease of 73 children in school age in Mills County has been reported to the Texas Education Agency in Austin by the office of county Judge Lewis B. ...

Projects of the 4-H Clubs in Mills County—which already have a national repu-

tation—will be studied at first hand on Thursday of next week by nine Turks, who are being trained in this country in American Agricultural practices under the foreign aid or mutual assistance program.

Biff Flatt, 7, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Flatt, established a perfect attendance record during his first and second years at the Grammar School in Goldthwaite. Biff's report card also shows straight "A's" except for a "B" in arithmetic.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Hunt, of Caldwell, formerly of Goldthwaite, will attend North Texas State Teachers College at Denton this summer, working toward their Master's degrees. Their son Billy, 8, will take swimming lessons while his parents study.

Little Melissa McLean was an interested visitor to the back shop of the Eagle Wednesday afternoon. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Charlie McLean.

Graduates from Howard Payne College Friday night of last week are: Rev. Don Jones, Rev. Virgil Sparkman, Miss Janie Miles and Alice Wilma Rickel.

40 YEARS AGO

Taken from the Eagle files of June 4, 1937.

A baby that will be a giant some day was bubbling and stretching in the joy of new life—it was Lake Buchanan, now about 20 ft. deep, three or four miles long and perhaps half a mile wide. In the future, it will be 23 miles long, 8 miles wide and 142

## Benningfield Winner Of Award

Randy Benningfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Benningfield of Goldthwaite, was recently named winner of the 1977 DEKALB Agricultural Accomplishment Award.

He was chosen for the award on the basis of his scholarship, leadership, and supervised farming program. Randy attends Goldthwaite High School, where he has been Greenhand President, Dist. Vice-President, Local Chapter President and is now Area FFA Vice President.

Following graduation, Randy plans to attend Texas A & M University.

While money still talks, it appears to be becoming increasingly incoherent.

Thirty-two notaries public for Mills County were sworn in at the County Clerk's office on June 1st.

Most of the children of the South Bennett school were glad school was out Friday. Five graduated from grammar school; namely, Ira Lynn and Mae Dell Griffin, Valeria and J.M. Stacy and Florine Simpson.

Stockmen and farmers of Texas, after careful study, have learned that Texas will have to breed and produce the horses and mules needed on Texas farms. So the leaders in this important industry have organized the Texas Horse, Jack and Mule Breeders' Association, to restore this industry from its present alarming condition.

Sheriff J.H. Harris left Saturday night for Oklahoma City and returned Monday with a man wanted for forgery. The man made bond and returned to Oklahoma. Deputy Sheriff Fred Reynolds went to San Angelo to get a prisoner Sunday.

Miss Billie Weatherly will leave Sunday for Dallas to enter S.M.U. for the summer.

## This and That . . . From Star

The Star Senior Citizens met at the home of Bud and Edna Kincheloe Tuesday for a covered dish lunch. It was well attended and enjoyed by all who were there.

Two one-act plays were presented by the students of grades 8, 9 and 10, in the Star Gym. They were well done and enjoyed by those attending the Wednesday evening performances.

The Star Little League played two games this week. Monday evening they played Boykins team and lost 3-15. The team didn't play as well as they had been, but on Thursday they played better in a game against Mills County State Bank and lost by only three points, with a score of 10-13.

Friday night eight Seniors received their diplomas from School Board President, Sammie Harper. They were Elita Whitlock Witty, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Luther Whitlock; Dennis Newton, son of Mr. & Mrs. Billy Mac Newton; Bill Brown, nephew of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Elms; Mike Norwood, son of Mr. & Mrs. Eugene Norwood.

Also, Jessy Hurst, son of Mr. & Mrs. George Hurst; Martha Jurek, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Steve Jurek; David Horton, son of Mr. & Mrs. W.V. Horton, Jr.; and Kelly Boyd, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Russell Boyd.

John Howard Owens, a 1953 graduate of Star School, was the speaker for the graduation exercises.

There were five eighth grade students graduating into High School. They were Dixie Clary, Sharon Hurst, Albert Maldonado, David Stark and Kelly Whitlock. Sunday afternoon there was an unveiling of a Historical Marker in Center City. Doing the honors of unveiling the marker was Hardy Collier, a long time resident of the Star-Center City area. The dedication was well attended by local residents.

### Receive Degrees

Among the recipients of degrees from Angelo State College were two local graduates.

The Commencement Exercises were held Friday, May 20, 1977.

Josie Elizabeth Kemp and Lavina Kay Casbeer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Casbeer, both received their degree in Associate Science & Nursing.

## Tana Allen Celebrates Birthday

Miss Tana Allen, recently new teenager, celebrated her birthday with a Slumber Party at the Country Girl Beauty Salon.

Sandwiches, punch and chips were served to Kelli Connolly, Patty Wilcox, Molly Winters, Christy Cornelius, Cindy Knight, Karen Daniels.

They attended their class party, then came back for a night of fun.

The beauty salon turned into a party room with decorations of black and gold streamers with balloons.

After a breakfast of toast and jelly, the girls began leaving—to sleep all afternoon—leaving the harried mother of a new teenager!!

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## Students On ASU Dean's List

Four Goldthwaite area students attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, are listed on the Dean's Honor Roll for the spring semester.

Those listed on the 3.00 to 3.49 Honor Roll include Larry Donn Elliott, an Accounting Major; and Sue Evelyn Long, an undecided Major.

Those listed on the 3.50 to 4.00 Honor Roll include Cynthia Jayne Rickel, an undecided Major; and Delilah Lee Wilcox, an Accounting Major.

Why is it that the guy in the third car back is always the first to see the light change?

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**Tomatoes** 29¢

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**Apples** 4 for \$1

**Oleo** 3 for \$1.00

**Crackers** 39¢

**Corn** 4 for \$1.00

**Bleach** 63¢

**Arm & Hammer** 99¢

**Tomatoes** 4 for \$1.00

**SIX FLAGS** 5.99

**Tissue** 4 for 69¢

**Green Beans** 4 for \$1.00

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**Dinners** 5 for \$1.00

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**Little Friskies** 49¢

**Pineapple** 4 for \$1.00

**Vanilla Wafers** 39¢

**Hot Dog Sauce** 4 for \$1.00

**Dills** 79¢

**Tissue** 59¢

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**Wheels** 49¢

**Grape Jelly** 89¢

**Foil** 3 for \$1.00

**JEWEL** \$1.19

**Church Of Christ  
Bible School**

The Goldthwaite Church of Christ will have its annual Vacation Bible School, June 6-10, at 7:30 P.M. All are invited to attend.  
There will be classes for all ages. Brother Roland Fry, new minister for the church, will teach the adult class.  
Everyone is invited to come and study the Bible together.

**Chappell Hill**

We are enjoying some pretty weather. Our neighbors seem to be in good health.  
Although, we were sorry about the sickness and death of our good old neighbor, Mr. R. F. Daniel. He was well known. They had a large fruit orchard, and he was a good farmer. We express our sympathy to his loved ones.

We are sorry to hear of Mr. Curtis's sickness. His sister Mrs. E.D. Vann has been visiting him often at his home and at the hospital.  
Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Nowell has been busy working with their stock and farm work. They have found time to visit the sick folks, though.  
Mr. and Mrs. S.W. Swindle have been visiting some of the sick folks at Comanche and Priddy.  
The kids are happy to have a vacation from classes.  
A. L. Crawford, George and Pearl Crawford visited D.K. Crawford at Hillview Manor and found him doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Harris and family: Mr. and Mrs. Warren Harris and family: Mrs. A. R. Neely and Mrs. Winnie Brown were holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Harris.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lou Stahnke entertained their grandson, Craig, during the holiday. He did some hunting and fishing.  
Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Ratliff spent the holiday at home.  
Miss Lola Stevens visited Mrs. Rod Perry and Mrs. Dnae Huckabee and a number of her other friends at the Hillview Manor Home recently.

**Baptist Vacation  
Bible Classes**

June 6 - 10, 1977, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will kick off the summer program for First Baptist Church, Goldthwaite.  
Vacation Bible School is for any one three years of age and above.  
Classes for ages 3 through the 5th Grade will be from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday.  
Classes for adults will be from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.  
LAGIMGR, an activity for youth will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. each night, Monday through Friday.  
Everyone is invited to attend Vacation Bible School, June 6-10, First Baptist Church.

**OLD TREE**

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of mailboxes under this tree and both young and old wanted here for the mail carrier to bring - maybe a package from Sears Roebuck, or a new copy of The Cappers Farmer magazine.  
There would be an account of how the face of this community changed with time, if this old tree could speak.  
It would tell of a new highway that was to weave its way across this community and take the tree, and with it would have gone thousands of memories for all that ever lived in Center City. The community and lovers of history in the county rebelled; they fought for its

survival, their memories and their living memorial. The tree was spared from the ax to live on and on through the ages to be our link with the past.  
The limbs of the old tree are knotted and gnarled with age. No person can remember when it was not here. Perhaps it is not the most beautiful tree in Mills County, and it certainly is not the largest, but to the people of Center City it is the loveliest tree in the world.

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