

# Mills County— The Way It Was

## A Neighbor To Remember

Hartal Blackwell

When Mrs. John N. (Mattie Virden) Keese of Goldthwaite celebrated her 78th birthday on September 21, 1949, she was interviewed by Hartal Blackwell, who now resides at Heritage Nursing Home in Goldthwaite.

Many present day residents of Mills County will remember this friendly, wonderful lady. Her story and excerpts from the account of her interview with Mr. Smith follow:

"Wednesday, September 21st, was the 78th birthday of my neighbor, Mrs. Mattie Keese, who was so busy doing for her neighbors and friends that she did not celebrate the day. She finished a quilt that morning and went to the Garden Club that afternoon, but she did take time to enjoy the cards, letters and gifts she received."

When Mrs. Keese was born in 1868, Ulysses S. Grant was president of the United States; the nation was just recovering from a Civil War, and during her childhood history was made in many various ways.

Big news in 1871 was the great Chicago fire; President Grant was re-elected in 1872, and Great Britain paid \$50,000,000 damages in gold to the U.S. for permitting the Confederate ships to be built in their country during the Civil War; there was financial panic in 1873; General Custer made his last stand in 1876; and that same year the United States celebrated its 100th birthday at Philadelphia.

A & M College opened its doors on October 4, 1876, and Governor Coke of Texas resigned and went to the Senate. Governor Hubbard took his place. And Mattie Virden was eight years old in 1876. Then, on November 9, 1881, the State Capitol of Texas burned.

The corner stone for the University of Texas was laid on Nov. 17, 1882, and another gallant lady, the Statue of Liberty, sixteen years younger than Mattie Virden, was unveiled in 1886. All these facts of history took place in the first 18 years of Mattie Virden Keese's life, but it is doubtful if she or her family, the Ben Virdens, early pioneers of Mills County, knew much of such happenings in away places. They were too worried at the time with caring for a large family, bringing them up in a Christian way and providing them with food and clothing.

Mrs. Keese gave a short family history to Mr. Smith on her 78th birthday and it went something like this:

"In the middle 1870's, the Ben Virden family moved from Hearne to Hamilton County (later Mills Co.), in Pleasant Grove community. There were six sons, William, Jack, Ben, Henry, Elias and Jim. I was the baby girl. We all made the trip. Two married daughters stayed in Robertson County. The trip was a great adventure for me and my brothers and it took much preparation.

We brought all our possessions in two ox-drawn wagons and one horse-drawn wagon. The horses were faster than the oxen, so the boys took turns driving the oxen and the cattle herd. My mother, father and I rode in the horse-drawn wagon, but I had to slip out of the lead wagon and go back to ride with the boys. The journey took a long tiresome three weeks.

Our new home was a double log house with a hall between the two rooms. One room had a fireplace and a wooden floor and the other had a fireplace and a rock

floor, which the previous owners had used as a stable, but we cleaned it good, closed the hall, and had a three room house.

We cooked on our open fireplace built on the rock floor and I remember that the smoke escaped through the cracks between the logs. Our cooking utensils were pots, kettles, skillets and a large dutch oven, where we baked our pone-bread made from cornmeal - flour was used for Sunday breakfast and pie crusts, only. The usual weekday meal consisted of bread, meat, molasses, baked sweet potatoes, and plenty of milk, butter and eggs. My mother was an invalid so the boys did the cooking, but I did my share as I grew older.

Nothing was fenced then except our small garden spot, which was enclosed with staves. My father and (See Neighbor, Back Page)

# The Goldthwaite Eagle

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Goldthwaite, Mills County, Texas 76844

And The Mullin Enterprise

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## Eagles Win First '77 Game; Try Florence Buffaloes Friday

It wasn't for the district championship, and it wasn't homecoming, but last Friday's 22-2 win over Santa Anna was certainly an important win for the Goldthwaite Eagles.

Just proves that the local footballers can play their game, and play it pretty well, and that all of the work and pain hasn't been completely wasted. The Eagles had previously lost two games this season, to San Saba and Hamilton.

Coach Smokey Brister's Eagles handled the Mountaineers all through the contest, allowing no serious threats.

The Eagles defense was sparking during the game, with all of the defensive members making fine plays. Santa Anna had only 11 yards of total offense in the first quarter, compared to the Eagles' 114.

Goldthwaite got on the board with 6:26 to go in the first stanza following a 63 yard drive. The big play in this drive was a nifty pitchout pass from quarterback Mike Lee, then to halfback Jett Johnson and then to end Eddy Welch. This play covered about 55 yards down to the Santa Anna 8 yard line. After one running play that netted nothing, the pass for the touchdown was caught by Welch in the end zone. A pass completion was good for the extra point.

A busted play started the next scoring drive by the Eagles. Jett Johnson, playing quarterback, went to the right, and everyone else went to the left... especially the defense. This left only two defenders in front of Jett, who ran for 20 yards down to the Santa Anna 30 yard line. On the next play Mike Lee spurred over right tackle for another 20 yard gainer. Blocking was excellent on this play.

With first and goal from the nine, the Eagles made two on a run by Lee, and then Jett kept to the left and after a nice cut back "against the grain" went in for the score, making it 14 - 0.

On the PAT try, pass interference was called against the Mountaineers, and the Eagles had another chance. This time a sweep to the right by big fullback David Livingston netted the mark, and a good jolt to the two Santa Anna defenders who happened to be in the way of Livingston and the goal line.

The Mountaineers managed to move the ball pretty well on the ground in the last moments of the first half, but when they reached the Eagles 35 yard line, they switched to the air lanes and were unsuccessful in three tries. The half ended with the score 16-0.

The halftime exhibition by the GHS Band, twirlers, and drill team was very entertaining. The bullfight skit presented by the band and twirlers led to much laughter in the stands, and a lot of cheers when the bull was brought back to life by sniffing a rose.

A roughing the kicker penalty was responsible for the sustaining of the next drive by the Eagles. Randy Benningfield was a little slow in getting the punt off, and two Santa Anna defenders smacked into him, not really

trying for the ball. This gave the Eagles a first down on the Santa Anna 34 yard line. The roughing must have brought Benningfield out of hibernation, as the next play he was on the receiving end of a pass from Johnson and then raced another 17 yards for the score. A kick try was blocked for the point after. The score was now 22 - 0 with 8:24 to go in the third quarter.

The next time that Benningfield went back to punt, another Santa Anna defender made his entry into the backfield of the Eagles. But this

time, he hit the ball, and blocked it. Benningfield, however, managed to cover the ball in the end zone, thereby resulting in a safety for the Mountaineers.

Action in the game for the remaining time was mostly back and forth, with neither team amounting any offense to speak of.

### FRIDAY GAME HERE WITH FLORENCE

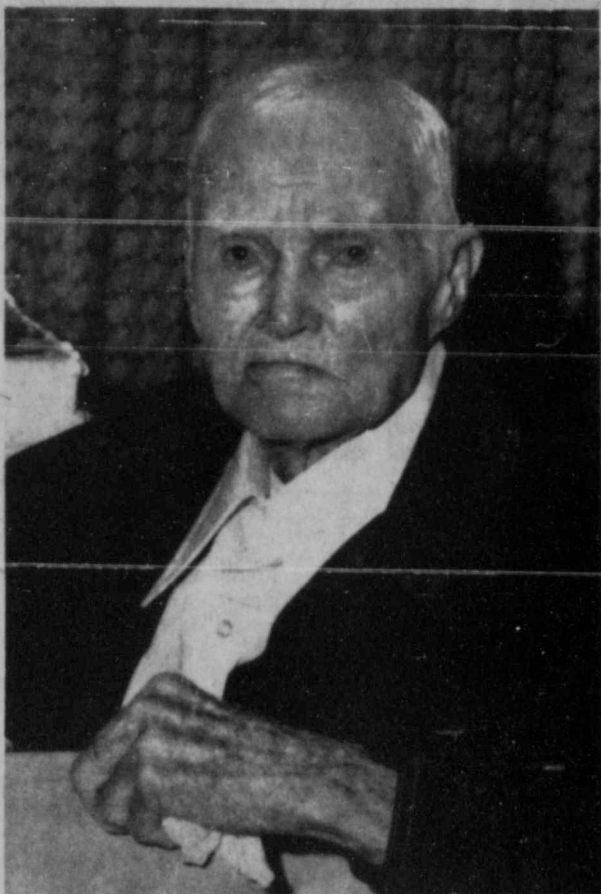
The Eagles will do battle with the Florence Buffaloes here this Friday night at 8 o'clock. Come out and support the Eagles.

### Game at a Glance

Eagles	Santa Anna
13	First Downs 5
120	Rushing Yardage 71
204	Passing Yardage 28
8 of 13	Passing 4 of 13
1	Intercepted by 0
3-32	Punts, Avg. 7-44
1	Fumbles Lost 2
9-75	Penalties 8-80

### Score by quarters:

Goldthwaite	8	8	6	0	-	22
Santa Anna	0	0	2	0	-	2



EMMET SINGLETON

## 101st Birthday Honoree

One hundred and twenty-five relatives and friends attended a birthday party honoring Mr. Emmet Singleton, held at the Heritage Nursing Home, Goldthwaite, where Mr. Singleton is a resident.

This gala occasion was observed Thursday, September 16, 1977, when Mr. Singleton celebrated his 101st birthday.

The traditional birthday cake and punch were served. Sybil Head and Julian Evans certainly put everyone in a party mood with those good old songs of days past.

-Laughlin Studio Photo

## City Receives 'Bigger' Tax Share

The City of Goldthwaite received for the quarter a check in the amount of \$6,084.34. This reflects an increase of almost \$1,000 over the same period last year, and a net increase for the year of over 10%.

Area towns also showed marked increases in this quarter. San Saba collected \$8,926.76; Hamilton received \$13,772.21; Comanche, \$19,731.41; Lampasas, \$27,004.29; and Brownwood, \$110,139.89.

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said the increase in sales tax collections in Texas is outpacing that of most other states, signaling the continuing vigor of the state's economy.

"This has got to be a good sign for everyone -- the consumer, the merchant and the taxpayers," Bullock said.

Houston, Texas's most populous city, was sent a check for \$11.2 million,

raising its year-to-date total to \$53 million. This is a 10 percent increase over last year.

## Fall Festival At Mullin Sat., Oct. 4

There will be a Fall Festival and Auction at the Mullin Community Center on Saturday, October 4, 1977.

There will be an evening meal of ham, turkey, dressing and all the trimmings, beginning at 5:30 p.m., with the auction following.

The price is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12. The proceeds will benefit the Mullin Methodist Church.

Come out and enjoy a delicious meal and stay for the auction.

### Rodeo Assn.

### Barbeque

Sat., Sept. 24

According to announcement made by J. C. Thomson, the Rodeo Association will have their annual Barbeque Saturday, Sept. 24, at the T. A. Head Arena in Goldthwaite.

Along with the Barbeque, they will also have a Jackpot Roping. After the roping, the calves will be auctioned off.

All persons who helped in any way with the Rodeo Association are invited to come and eat barbeque. It starts at 8 p.m.

## Priddy Meeting Slated Thurs., Sept. 22

Thursday night, September 22, \$60 that has been donated by Priddy merchants will be given away as door prizes at the Priddy Community Meeting to be held at the Priddy American Legion Hall beginning at 8:00 p.m. This is joint effort of the Mills County United Fund and Priddy School Boosters to organize a United Fund Campaign and to discuss having a Quail Feast this year. Everyone is urged to attend.

## Connally Speaker At Bible Class

Dan Connally, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Goldthwaite, will be the guest speaker for the Men's Downtown Bible Class Sunday, September 25. The Bible Class meets every Sunday morning at 10:00 in the Community Room of the Mills County State Bank. Men of the community, of all denominations, are cordially invited to attend.

## County Young Homemakers Week September 18 - 24

The week of September 18-24 has been designated "Young Homemakers of Texas Week". During this week especially, special emphasis is placed on the Young Homemakers' motto of "Y.H.T. Today: Working Together - Family and Community."

During Y.H.T. Week the Mills County Young

Homemakers will sponsor the monthly birthday party at Heritage Nursing Home on Tuesday, September 20.

The week will be closed with the area convention in Abilene on Saturday, September 24. Attending from Mills County will be Mary Blackwell, Patsy Ward, Glenda Lemke, Patty McCasland, Janell Sherwood,

Bonita House, and Patty Johnson. At this time awards for the past year will be presented and election of area officers for the coming year will be held.

The Mills County Young Homemakers would like to remind all area young women that new members are invited to join at any time.



### Livingston Runs

David Livingston, 33, big Eagle fullback, may not be carrying the football like he's supposed to, but he does a fine job of gaining yardage

on this play in the Santa Anna game last Friday night here. The Eagles posted their first win of the 1977 season, 22 - 2 over the

Mountaineers. The Eagles host the Florence Buffaloes this week at Eagle Field. Game time is 8 p.m.

-- Laughlin Studio Photo



### Shake Hands And Come Out Fighting

The halftime antics of a group of Goldthwaite High School students delighted the nice crowd that attended the Eagle-Santa Anna game last Friday night here. The band played the bullfight

song while the matador, played by Rodney Scott, and the bull jostled in the arena. The referee was Edna Davis.

Playing the parts of the bull (not necessarily in this order) were twirlers Dedra Long

and DeAnna Henry. It was a very cleverly designed piece of entertainment, as is all of the band performances. Anna Gene Moreland is director of the Eagle Band.

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**EGGS**  
**39¢** Save 30c WITH THIS COUPON  
Limit One Per Family  
GOOD ONLY AT JRB IN GOLDTHWAITE  
Coupon Expires Sept. 28, 1977

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**MELLORINE**  
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JRB All Purpose Limit 1 please  
**SHORTENING** 3 lb. can **99¢**  
**DINNERS** Kraft, Mac & Cheese 7 1/2 oz. **4/\$1**  
**CRACKERS** Keebler, Zesta Saltines 1 lb. box **49¢**  
**MEATS** (Bologna, Salami, Spiced Luncheon, Liver Loaf P & P Loaf) 6 oz. pkg. **3 for \$1**

Parade All Meat 12 oz. Pkg. **FRANKS** each **69¢**  
Economy Pack 5# or more lb. **Ground Beef** **65¢**  
Family Pack lb. **Ground Beef** ..... **69¢**  
Lean lb. **Ground Beef** ..... **99¢**  
USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, Blade Cut **Chuck Roast** ..... **69¢**  
USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, 7-Bone Cut lb. **Chuck Roast** ..... **79¢**  
USDA Inspected Heavy Beef lb. **Arm Roast** ..... **89¢**  
USDA Inspected Heavy Beef lb. **Swiss Steak** ..... **99¢**  
USDA Inspected Heavy Beef, 7-Bone Cut lb. **Family Steak** ..... **89¢**  
Boneless Lean lb. **Stew Meat** ..... **99¢**  
Armour Swance each **Bacon Ends & Pieces** 3# Box **\$1.69**  
Farmland each **Link Sausage** 12 oz. pkg. **89¢**  
Decker Jumbo each **Franks** 1# pkg. **\$1.09**  
Decker Quarter Ranch Style lb. **Hams** ..... **\$2.39**  
Decker lb. **Salt Pork** ..... **89¢**  
Oscar Mayer each **Weiners** or Beef Franks 1# pkg. **\$1.29**  
Oscar Mayer each **Bologna** Beef & All Meat 8 oz. pkg. **79¢**  
Armour, 1# pkg. (Polish, Smoked, Kolbase each **Smoked Sausage & German**) **\$1.59**  
Armour Camptire lb. **Hot Links** ..... **99¢**  
Kraft 2# Box each **Velvetta** ..... **\$1.99**  
DeLuxe, Kraft each **Cheese Slices** 12 oz. pkg. **\$1.29**

★ DOUBLE STAMPS ★ Prices Effective Thurs., Sept. 22  
Wednesdays and Saturdays thru Wed., Sept. 28, 1977

Betty Crocker Layer All Varieties **Cake Mixes** **49¢**  
Parade, Mixed #303 cans **Vegetables** **4/\$1**  
Contadina 8 oz. cans **Tomato Sauce** **5/\$1**  
Hormel, 3 oz. cans **Potted Meat** **6/\$1**  
Giadiala All Varieties except Mex. Cornbread 6 oz. pkg. **Pouch Mixes** **7/\$1**  
Pinto, Arrow 2 lb. bag **BEANS** **39¢**

Dairy & Frozen Foods  
Parkay Whipped 2-8 oz. tubs **Margarine** **69¢**  
Gandy 12 oz. ctn. **Cottage Cheese** ..... **49¢**  
Pillsbury All Varieties **Cookies** ..... **99¢**  
Parkay 1 lb. quarters **Margarine** ..... **63¢**  
Parade Whipped 9 oz. tub **Topping** ..... **49¢**  
Trophy 10 oz. ctns. **Strawberries** ..... **3/\$1**

Fresh, Crisp Produce  
Santa Rosa lb. **PLUMS** **29¢**  
Large Heads each **LETTUCE** **39¢**  
Medium Size lb. **Yellow Onions** ..... **19¢**  
Red Delicious, New Crop to. **Apples** ..... **49¢**  
US #1 lb. **Yams** ..... **39¢**  
California Sunkist 3 lbs. **Oranges** ..... **\$1**

Health and Beauty Aids  
White Rain Non-Aerosol 8 oz. size Reg. \$1.69 **HAIR SPRAY** **99¢**  
White Rain Honeysuckle Lemon/Herb. 8 oz. size **Shampoo** ..... **69¢**  
Pain Reliever, Extra Strength Reg. \$2.19 **Tylenol®** 50 ct. **\$1.79**  
Parade Reg. .89 **Toothpaste** 7 oz. tube **59¢**  
Scope Reg. \$1.59 **Mouthwash** 12 oz. size **\$1.19**

**JRB SUPERMARKETS**  
BROWNWOOD, COLEMAN, CROSS PLAINS, ABILENE, RANGER, EASTLAND, CISCO, DE LEON, BRADY, WICHITA FALLS, STAMFORD, LLANO, HAMLIN, SPRINGTOWN, NEWARK, BRIDGEPORT, ALBANY, HASKELL, GOLDTHWAITE AND DUBLIN

American Beauty 10 oz. pkg. **Elbo Roni** ..... **37¢**  
Atkins Hamburger Dill Slices 32 oz. jar **Pickles** ..... **98¢**  
Kraft Egg Noodle or Cheese 6 1/2 oz. box **Dinners** ..... **39¢**  
Betty Crocker Ready to Spread All Flavors **Frosting Mixes** ..... **89¢**  
20c off Label King Size **Prewash, Biz** ..... **\$1.69**  
Tide Family Size **Detergent** ..... **\$5.10**

**Catsup** Del Monte bottle **89¢**  
Charmin, White or Colors 4 roll pkg. **Toilet Tissue** ..... **89¢**  
Parade #303 cans **Fruit Cocktail** ..... **3/\$1**  
J Ring Sweet #303 cans **Peas** ..... **4/\$1**  
Van Camp, White or Gold #300 cans **Hominy** ..... **5/\$1**  
Parade 46 oz. cans **Orange Juice** ..... **59¢**  
Peter Pan Smooth or Crunchy 28 oz. jar **Peanut Butter** ..... **\$1.69**  
Parade Irregular No. 2 1/2 can **Pears** ..... **59¢**  
NABISCO OREO or DOUBLE STUFF 15 oz. pkg. **Cookies** ..... **\$1.09**  
Mrs. Bairds 6 pack **Cinnamon Rolls** ..... **65¢**  
Instant Carnation All Varieties 6 env. ctn. **Breakfast** ..... **\$1.07**  
Mighty Dog All Varieties 6 1/2 oz. can **Dog Food** ..... **29¢**  
Little Friskies Dry Fish or Liver 4 lb. bag **Cat Food** ..... **\$1.87**

## Easley and Halyard Exchange Wedding Rites

Wedding vows were repeated by Miss Leta Ann Easley and Mark A. Halyard during a 7:30 p.m. ceremony Friday, September 2, 1977, in Westside Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas. The Rev. Charles Strong, minister, officiated. Parents of the couple are Mrs. Katie H. Easley of Fort Worth (the former Deola Hale of Goldthwaite), and Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Halyard of North Richland Hills, Ft. Worth.

son as best man. Out of town wedding guests were Mrs. Forrest Straley and Charlotte Straley of Goldthwaite, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Straley and family of Copperas Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Engleke and family of Waco, and James Straley Wilkins of Grapevine. The couple are presently residing in Ridgmar, Fort Worth, following a wedding trip to Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas.

The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Lewis Hale, of Goldthwaite. She wore a formal gown of white silk organza with daisy lace overlay. The gown featured a v-neckline and long sheer straight sleeves with daisy lace wristlets. Her elbow length veil of bridal illusion cascaded from a crescent-shaped headpiece of daisy lace sprinkled with pearls. She carried a cascade of white roses and baby's breath encircled by miniature Melon roses. Miss Anita Easley served her sister as maid of honor and F. J. Halyard served his

## Four Birthdays Celebrated

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Long last Saturday (Sept. 17) were: Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Willey, Mullin; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Murray, of Brownwood. Out of the six present there were four birthdays for the month of September. Different kinds of entertainment was enjoyed by the group as well as picture making. We hope the day will repeat itself in the future.

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**Housewarming**  
Tuesday night  
Family and friends are cordially invited to a House Warming for Pete and Deloris Dellis, 1801 Elsa Drive, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 27th.

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SALE 9/16/77	RECEIPTS 1384
Light Weight Steer Calves	42.00 51.00
Medium Weight Steer Calves	38.00 48.00
Heavy Weight Steer Calves	38.00 47.00
Light Weight Heifer Calves	32.00 38.00
Medium Weight Heifer Calves	29.00 37.00
Heavy Weight Heifer Calves	28.00 35.00
Feeder Heifers	28.00 34.00
Feeder Steers	35.00 42.00
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Stocker Cows	24.00 28.00
Cows and Calves	215.00 304.00
Bull Calves	34.00 45.00
Bull Yearlings	33.00 37.50
Packer Bulls	24.00 29.50
Packer Cows	18.00 25.00
Shelly Cows	14.00 18.00

All choice light weight steer and heifer calves were fully steady with heifer calves \$1 higher. Medium weight steer and heifer calves were steady. Bull calves were \$1 to \$2 lower. Heavy weight steer and heifer calves were steady. Heifer calves were \$1 higher. Bull calves were \$1 lower. Yearling steers were steady to \$1 higher. Yearling heifers were steady. Packer cows were fully steady to 50c higher on smooth cutter cows and canner cows \$1 higher. Plainer bull calves were \$1 lower. Plainer heifer calves were fully steady to 50c higher.

**REPRESENTATIVE SALES**

W. H. McKinney, Richland Springs, 4 choice blk wht face steers, 555# at \$41.75.  
George Kidd, San Saba, 4 blk wht face 68# at \$38.50, and 6 Charolaise cross steers, 675# at \$37.00.  
Doug Ralsholt, San Saba, 615# Charolaise heifer at \$32.25.  
James Blakley, Pearl, 455# Brahama cross bull at \$38.50.  
Dr. R. R. Ross, Burnet, 515# Brangus heifer at \$35.00.  
Ead Mayers, Taylor, 385# blk wht face heifer at \$36.25.  
Ira Ising, Hamilton, 405# Hereford steer at \$43.50.  
A. E. Evans, Friddy, 285# blk wht face steer at \$49.00.  
Paul Schuman, Lohn, 1160# packer cow at \$25.00.  
James Johanson, Burnet, 415# Brahama bull at \$37.50.  
Charlie Brown, Lampasas, 470# feeder heifer at \$32.75.  
Randy Huggins, Lometa, 355# blk wht face steer at \$48.50.  
Roy Yazell, Lampasas, 2 Charolaise cross steers, 340# at \$49.00, and 4 Charolaise cross heifers, 350# at \$34.75.

Buyer attendance was good. We had a moderately active market. All classes of cattle were steady except the steer and bull calves weighing from 425 to 500 pounds were \$1 lower, but all classes of heifers were \$1 higher.

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### Junior Class Chili Supper

**Friday, Sept. 30**  
**High School Cafeteria**  
**Serving time 5:00 to 7:00.**  
**All you can eat for only \$2.00.**  
**This includes chili, drink, and homemade pies.**  
**It's right before the Homecoming football game, so everyone be sure and come!**

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED  
**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**  
GENERAL ELECTION NOV. 3, 1977

**NUMBER ONE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 18)**  
S.J.R. 18 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution to provide for expanding the Court of Criminal Appeals from its current membership of five judges to nine judges and to permit the court to sit in panels of three judges.  
The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:  
"The constitutional amendment increasing the size of the Court of Criminal Appeals to nine judges, and permitting the court to sit in panels of three judges."

**NUMBER TWO ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 13)**  
S.J.R. 13 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide for an additional \$200 million in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the Veterans' Land Fund and to allow surviving widows of veterans to purchase tracts under certain circumstances.  
The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:  
"The constitutional amendment to provide for an additional \$200 million in bonds or obligations of the State of Texas for the Veterans' Land Fund and to allow surviving widows of veterans to purchase tracts under certain circumstances."

**NUMBER THREE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 3)**  
Under current Texas law a person charged with a felony offense who has previously been convicted of two felony offenses may be denied bail. S.J.R. 3 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution which would also result in the denial of bail, for a limited time only, subject to appeal, to a person accused of committing a felony while on bail for a prior felony for which the person has been indicted, or accused of a felony involving the use of

a deadly weapon after being convicted of a prior felony.  
The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:  
"The constitutional amendment permitting denial of bail to a person charged with a felony offense who has been theretofore twice convicted of a felony offense, or charged with a felony offense committed while that person was admitted to bail on a prior felony indictment, or charged with a crime involving the use of a deadly weapon where there is evidence such person has been convicted of a prior felony offense: providing for a 60-day limit to that person's incarceration without trial; and providing for that person's right of appeal."

**NUMBER FOUR ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 5)**  
S.J.R. 5 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution authorizing the legislature to grant exemptions or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property designated for the preservation of cultural, historical or natural history resources.  
The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:  
"The constitutional amendment authorizing tax relief to preserve certain cultural, historical, or natural history resources."

**NUMBER FIVE ON THE BALLOT (S.J.R. 19)**  
S.J.R. 19 proposes an amendment to the Texas Constitution authorizing the formation of associations authorized to collect certain refundable assessments from producers of poultry, livestock, and other raw agricultural or marine products and validating the 1967 law regarding the formation of such associations.  
The wording of the proposed amendment as it will appear on the ballot is as follows:

## Mullin Community News

**By Lillian Plummer**  
Mrs. Argie Whisenhunt spent last week in Dawson, visiting with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Kendall. Donald Whisenhunt took his mother to Dawson and brought her home Sunday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Hancock went to Temple last Friday and the doctors removed the cast from Grady's leg.  
Guests of Mrs. Margaret Toliver were Mrs. Jim Nixon, Diane, Mark and Natalie of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Sedberry of Waco. They all went to see Mrs. Ernest Obenhaus who is a patient in the hospital in Brownwood.  
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hohertz were in Brownwood last week. Carl went for a checkup at the hospital.  
Mrs. Katie Pyburn from Greenville, and her daughter Mrs. Adeline Masters, have been visiting with Mrs. Vesta McCormick. The three ladies went to Eola to see Mr. and Mrs. Oran Coor.  
Visitors in my home last week were my brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Carl (Sonny) Cox of Dublin. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Plummer of Ingram.  
Mr. Dean Brown from near Temple was a recent guest of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cox. Mrs. Ethel Wilkins of Goldthwaite was also a visitor in the Cox home on Thursday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hobbs and children, Greg, David and Mandy of Brownwood, visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Shelton. Greg is a student at West Texas State University at Canyon, and was accompanied by a friend, Miss Linda Halford.  
Mrs. Henry Simpson and some of her grandchildren were at her home here for a few days last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Kirkpatrick were Brownwood

visitors Saturday with their aunt, Mrs. Marie Hancock. On Sunday, the Kirkpatricks went to spend the day with Maxwell's sister Mrs. Craig Jones in Abilene.  
On September 11th, many members of the Sanders family gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Sanders to celebrate Mrs. Lucille Jenke's birthday. Those present were: Ms. Lucille Jenke, Sammy Jenke, wife and baby of Austin; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sanders of Blanco; Mrs. Mallie Garren and Mrs. Bell Davis of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sanders; Mr. and Mrs. "Huck" Aldridge, Teresa and Lori of Mullin; and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sanders of Star.  
"The optimist says love makes the world go round. The cynic says it only makes it dizzy."

## Health Clinic At Senior Center Today

The Health Clinic will be held at the Senior Citizens Center in Goldthwaite, on Thursday, September 22nd (today), from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. This is for adults as well as pre-school immunizations. If this is your first time to the clinic, you need to have your shot record with you.

## The Mills Minister

**Ben T. Welch, Pastor First United Methodist Church, Goldthwaite**  
Part of the ecumenical struggle today is to find common ways of expressing the Christian faith so that all of us, in every denomination, would be saying the same thing, and, hopefully, be understood in the same way. This wouldn't make us into one super church. Rather, it would give us a common witness for basic truths though we might continue to practice our beliefs a little differently.  
Recently, a young person who had something "wrong" in the eyes of most of society said to me, "The Devil made me do it." My immediate reply was, "Don't pass the buck for your decision to the Devil."  
Some time ago this illustration of this matter crossed my desk -- "There is an election going on inside each of us all the time. God is voting for us; the Devil is voting against us; and we must cast the deciding vote."  
The story of mankind's fall in Genesis 3 is quite clear here. It was mankind (characterized in Adam and Eve) who chose to eat the fruit. Mankind could have chosen to obey God! Instead the choice was to "vote with the Devil."  
The point is: We are mankind! And we dare not avoid our responsibility (response-ability) and say that the Devil or God control our lives like we were a puppet. We are not puppets. We are persons with the freedom to vote for or against ourselves. Whenever we deliberately vote for the Devil's way with us, or merely refuse to vote for God's way with us, we are irresponsible and can blame no one but ourselves for how our lives turn out.  
The saving factor of our faith, in a life that seems easy to be turned aside, is that not only does God

"vote" for us, but he also sent Jesus Christ to "take hold of our lives" and guide us through the many decisions which we have to make from day to day. That's two strikes against the Devil (evil) and is quite an advantage in the game of life. With the will to win instilled by the help of Christ, we can run the good race and fight the good fight and allow ourselves to be led into the Kingdom of God. Thanks be to God!  
The reason I started this article talking about the same message understood in the same way while being proclaimed by different denominations is this: The youth mentioned above had gotten a message from church which said that the Devil controlled him. The Book of Job amply demonstrates that this simply is not true. I feel sure that the "Devil controls me complex" is not what was intended, but because of the words used, this is how it came out. Perhaps we can soon "vote" to follow God's way and stop allowing the Devil to confuse the issue. This would fill us all with responsibility (response-ability) in God's eyes.

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## Water Waste Control Important To Ranchers

**By Charles S. Brown Range Conservationist**  
One of the primary limiting factors of rangeland production is water. During periods of drought, like we are now experiencing, in the Brown-Mills Soil & Water Conservation District, this becomes even more evident. However, there is a way to drastically reduce this problem.  
Management is a necessity for any successful business and rangeland management is essential for sustained profits, especially during time of stress. Through management the amount of forage removed from the range can be controlled. As a general rule of thumb, it is best to take half and leave half of the current forage production. Many people believe that the half that is left is wasted, but this is not the case. This grass acts as a buffer and barrier, and, in so doing, increases the amount of available water.  
As a buffer the grass absorbs the impact of the raindrops instead of the soil surface and thus greatly reduces the compaction

"sealing" of the soil surface. Water infiltrates into the soil under a grass cover at a much faster rate than it does on bare or overgrazed rangelands. Where there is little or no ground cover, runoff is greatly increased. The precious water that could be used for plant growth runs away, and, in most cases, causes additional waste in the form of erosion.  
Grass that is left also acts as a barrier in that it slows the rate of runoff during heavy rains so that even more water can be absorbed into the soil. By slowing down and reducing the amount of runoff, erosion is also eliminated.  
Once water enters the soil virtually all of it will remain there until removed by the plant. The key is to get as much water into the soil as possible; therefore, when we are plagued with a drought, there will be enough water "reserves" to get by comfortably.  
For help in developing or improving your management system, contact the Soil Conservation Service Office in Goldthwaite.

TEN - AFTER WHAT?

The first clock, built around 1360, had only one hand and erred about two hours a day.

## Hospital Report

**MONDAY, Sept. 12-**  
Admitted: G. D. Wilkey.  
Discharged: Evie M. Denton and Margaret Gregory.

**TUESDAY, Sept. 13-**  
Admitted: Patricia Brumbalow, of Hamilton.  
Discharged: Harry Smith, Edward Heinrich and Olive Covington.

**WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14-**  
Admitted: Addie Soules, of Evant; Hugh Arthur Nowell, Minnie Nowell, and Ella G. Waddill, all of Goldthwaite.  
Discharged: O. D. Wilkey.

**THURSDAY, Sept. 15-**  
Admitted: Dale Allen, Henry B. Nipps, John L. Denning, and Luther Medrano, all of Goldthwaite.

**FRIDAY, Sept. 16-**  
Admitted: Baby Boy Brumbalow, Hamilton.  
Discharged: Dale Allen and Julia Ising.

**SATURDAY, Sept. 17-**  
Admitted: None  
Discharged: Patricia L. Brumbalow and Baby Boy Brumbalow, and Ella Waddill.

**SUNDAY, Sept. 18-**  
Admitted: Cynthia Ann Channell, of Star.  
Discharged: Pearl Bohannon and Addie Soules.

## Harvey Willson Honored On His 83rd Birthday

Mr. Willson celebrated his birthday at Nelson Park, Abilene, on September 11th although his birthday was actually the 13th of September.  
Five of his six children and part of his grandchildren and great grandchildren helped him celebrate with a picnic lunch. Happy birthday was sung and a beautiful cake was served. He also received several nice gifts.  
Those helping him celebrate were: Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Willson, and Mr. and Mrs. Willson

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### Heritage Happenings

September is well on its way out and we are beginning to think of Halloween, especially when we are doing crafts. In fact, Mrs. Palmer has already made some things for decorations. The past few days I have noticed a few sweaters showing up here and there, and I guess it is getting about that time. Even Jake Long got out a wool shirt.

We want to thank Bro. Welch, Gene Tolbert, Giynn Miller and family and Roena Smith for being with us the past two Sundays. We appreciate you being with us very much.

We were certainly thrilled Friday afternoon when so many came for the singing. Thank you for making our day happier.

We want to say a big thank you to Mr. Bob Beavers for his entertainment. It was his first time here, but we are certainly looking forward to his coming again.

The monthly Thursday night singing was enjoyed by everyone. We would like to invite any one who enjoys gospel singing to be our guest each second Thursday night.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Waddill this past week were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kincheloe of Evant; Miss Mamie Gummelt, Mrs. Ruby Webb of Star, Ila Turbeville,

Hattie Riffel, Grace Nickerson of Dallas, Gerald and Dorothy Oisen, Duncanville, and John and Florence Waddill of Winnsboro.

Inez Singletary and Willie Mae Palmer's guests this week were Juanita Frizzelle, Jane Hamm, Alelu Hopper and Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Norwood of Star.

If you have family or friends in the Heritage Home, we want to welcome you to come by often. We appreciate your interest in us. If you don't know us, come by and get acquainted.

Thank you Rose Littlepage and Bro. Fry for having Bible study with us. It helps us to rise above the cares of the day and set a goal for a better tomorrow.

IN SYMPATHY-To the family of Mrs. Rosie Gibbard we extend our deepest sympathy.

WELCOME - Lynn Medford of Goldthwaite and Luther Medrano of San Saba.

LOOKING FORWARD - To Susie Stewart painting a new mural.

LAST MINUTE - Thanks to the Nashville Brass Band and all the guests that were here Saturday night. It was reported that a nice time was had by all. A special thanks to Ruby Clark for a great job on the piano. Ruby, we welcome you back often. We were glad to hear Hazel Moseley was back and did some playing also.

### Slack Services Held Friday In Abilene

Funeral services for Vera (Berry) Slack, who passed away Wednesday, September 14, 1977 at Abilene Hendricks Hospital, were conducted Friday, September 16 at the First Baptist Church in Goldthwaite.

Mrs. Slack was born in Mills County. She was a retired school teacher and a member of the First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Slack of Abilene.

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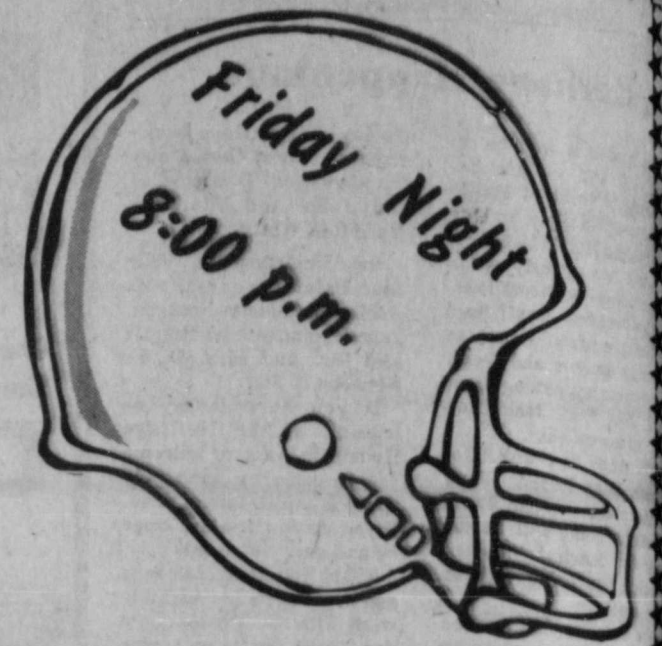
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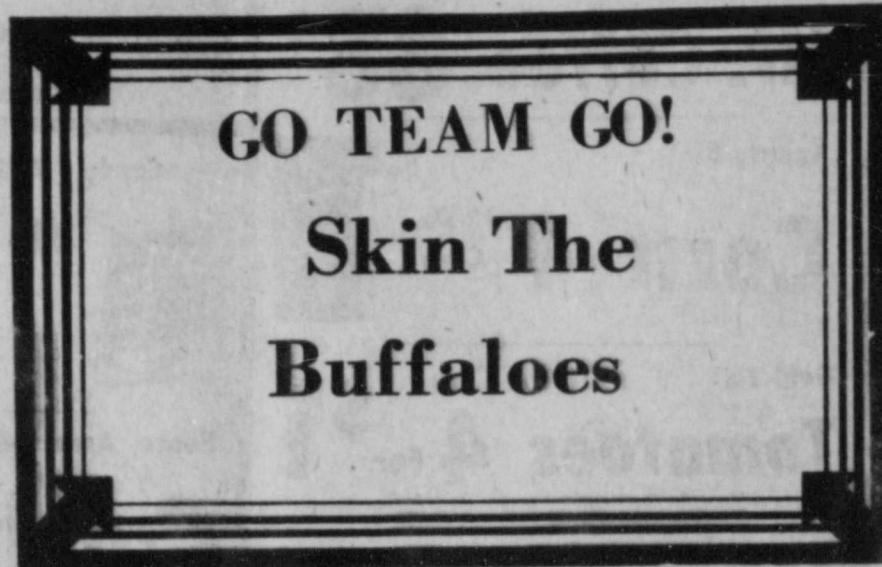


# Goldthwaite Eagles vs. Florence



Sept. 2 Goldthwaite 14, San Saba 30  
 Sept. 9 Goldthwaite 0, Hamilton 33  
 Sept. 16 Goldthwaite 22, Santa Anna 2  
 Sept. 23—FLORENCE.....HERE  
 Sept. 30—\*\*EARLY.....HERE  
 Oct. 7—\*BANGS .....THERE  
 Oct. 14—\*RANGER.....HERE  
 Oct. 21—\*DeLEON .....THERE  
 Oct. 28—\*DUBLIN.....HERE  
 Nov. 4—\*CROSS PLAINS..THERE  
 Nov. 11 — OPEN  
 \*\*Homecoming Game  
 \*District Games  
 Non-District: 8:00 pm  
 District: 7:30 pm

## On Eagle Field



### Eagles Jr. High And Jr. Varsity Schedule

Sept. 1, San Saba ..... Here  
 Sept. 8, Hamilton ..... Here  
 Sept. 15, Santa Anna ..... There  
 Sept. 22, Early ..... Here  
 Sept. 29, Early ..... There  
 Oct. 6, Bangs ..... Here  
 Oct. 13, Ranger ..... There  
 Oct. 20, DeLeon ..... Here  
 Oct. 27, Dublin ..... There  
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**Fourth Sunday Singing At Center City**

There will be the regular Fourth Sunday Singing on Sunday, September 25th at the Center City Baptist Church. The time will be from 2 to 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to come.

**Personal**

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Heath during the Labor Day weekend were Malenda Shaw of Houston, Mrs. Richard Reynolds and Jeremy of Angleton, Mrs. Artie Reid, Marty, Jeff & Russell of Breckenridge. And Mrs. O. L. Rind, Mrs. W. A. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Heath and Gina, Mrs. Mae Horton, Mrs. Glenn Grumbles and Sherry.

**Locals Attend Special Show**

Jan Head and Wanda Allen attended the Kerra Show in San Angelo, Sunday, September 18. The show, featuring Marie Waldrop and Carolyn Wallace, was informative in all types of hair trends and how to deal successfully with your customers. Marie Waldrop is a nationally known hairdresser, having appeared on radio and television programs. She showed several hair cuts and combout techniques.



**TEN YEARS AGO**

Taken from the Eagle files of September 21, 1967.

Robert Lee Robertson, student at Texas University, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roth M. Robertson, has been awarded a three year scholarship by the Houston Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute. After graduating from Goldthwaite High School in 1966, Robertson entered the Texas University's Petroleum Engineering Department with a freshman year scholarship from Mobil Oil Company.

Charlie McLean has been elected president of the Goldthwaite Quarterback Club for the new year.

Billy H. Dennard, Rising Star druggist and son of Mrs. Maude Landers of Goldthwaite, was recently featured in an article in the Abilene Reporter, in which he told in detail the bombing of the USS Franklin off the coast of Japan, March 19, 1945. He was 18 years old and a member of the gunner crew on the Franklin at that time.

Minnie Hohertz of Priddy was complimented with a birthday party Wednesday, September 13, in the home of Miss Mary Kunkle, where she has made her home the past 24 months.

Byron Harper and Rhonda Cook will be guest speakers at the Men's Downtown Bible Class Sunday, September 24th.

**25 YEARS AGO**

Taken from the Eagle files of September 26, 1952.

Roy Wilkins, who for 25 years has rendered mortuary and ambulance service in Mills County, announced this week that henceforth the former Fairman - Wilkins Funeral Home which was destroyed by fire last week will be known as the Roy Wilkins Funeral Home. Following last week's fire, Mr. Wilkins has established a downtown office in the Wm. G. Yarborough building on Parker St. He said that Miss Veseva Sellers and Leroy Stacy will continue to be associated with him in the Roy Wilkins Funeral Home.

The Loy Long Grocery started its fifth anniversary celebration this week. Mr. Long has reversed birthday procedures - he will be giving away a \$10 basket of groceries each hour from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday.

A punch bowl and cups for use by the community at the Jennie Trent Dew Library were presented by Mrs. Edward Geeslin of Brady, formerly of Goldthwaite, at the meeting of the Garden Club last Wednesday, at which Mrs. Geeslin was the guest speaker.

Mrs. Earl Blake of Brownwood spent the weekend with her mother, Ora Black.

J. H. "Cop" Ervin of Ranger and J. P. Ervin of San Antonio visited the Misses Abbie and Ruth Ervin and Uncle Bob last Saturday.

**★ Star News ★**

Star Junior Class is having a drawing to give away a 30-30 deer rifle. Tickets are available from any member of the Junior Class. The price of the tickets is one for \$1.00 or six for \$5.00. The drawing will be on November 10th at the football game. The gun will be on display at all home games until it is given away. You do not have to be present to win.

Last Tuesday, the Jr. High team played the May Tigers here. The final score was 58-24 in Star's favor. The whole team played well but those making touchdowns were Jamie Tidwell, who made three long runs for TDs, Carl Norwood, who caught a pass from Charles Hartley for one TD, and Billy Dean Jones, who made two long runs for touchdowns.

On Saturday night the High School team traveled to Cranfills Gap. It was a pretty fair game. Vandell Norwood started things off right by making the first touchdown on a run from Star's 25-yard line for a touchdown, but the try for the extra points was no good. Stars second TD was made on a long run by Huntis Dittmar. The extra point was kicked by Luke

**Whitlock and was good.**

The next two Star touchdowns were made by Vandell on long runs. The attempts for extra points were unsuccessful. The final score was 60 to 26 in favor of Cranfills Gap.

The Tigers will play Jonesboro Thursday night at Jonesboro.

**Fire Dept. Meeting Notice**

The Goldthwaite Volunteer Fire Department will have its regular meeting Tuesday night, September 27th. During this meeting all the fireplugs in town will be opened.

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**Corn** 5 for \$1.00  
**Dills** 59¢  
**Tomatoes** 3 for 89¢  
**Pineapple Juice** 59¢  
**Punch** 99¢  
**Grapefruit Juice** 49¢  
**Paper Plates** 69¢  
**Apple Juice** 49¢

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**Pork Steaks** 1.09  
**Franks** 49¢  
**Perk Chops** 89¢

**Cookies** 4 for \$1.00  
**Wagner** 3 for \$1.00  
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**Orange Juice** 59¢  
**Tater Pops** 2 for 59¢  
**Tater Tots** 2 for 69¢  
**Lemonade** 6 for \$1.00  
**Parkay** 49¢  
**Cheese Singles** \$1.09  
**Satin Whip** 53¢  
**Sour Cream, Half & Half, Whipping Cream** 49¢  
**Biscuits** 6 for 77¢  
**Lettuces** 25¢  
**Apples** 3 for 69¢  
**Russet Potatoes** 20 for \$1.39  
**Tomatoes** 3 for \$1.00  
**Russet Potatoes** 8 for 69¢

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**Eggs** 2 for 89¢  
**Velveeta** 2 for \$1.89  
**Cottage Cheese** 99¢  
**Russet Potatoes** 20 for \$1.39  
**Tomatoes** 3 for \$1.00  
**Russet Potatoes** 8 for 69¢

**Adult Education  
Classes To Begin  
In Near Future**

Classes designed to help adults improve their skills and get better jobs will begin in the near future.

Classes will be taught at night so that more people can take advantage of them. Anyone in the Central Texas area is invited and encouraged to take advantage of the free help.

Surveys were taken this past spring and the following courses were found to be most popular and will be offered at different times during the current school year.

Three classes are scheduled to begin within the next month, those being Adult Basic Education for those wishing to complete and receive their G.E.D., English as a Second Language, and a Medication course for Nurse's Aides in the health care field.

If any one is interested in the courses to be offered, contact O'Donnell Newton, local director, at 648-2200 for information and registration.

Watch this paper for additional information concerning the location of classes, dates of beginning, etc.

Make plans to attend any of these classes that you feel might better help you to help yourself.

**Letter To The Editor**

Editor, Goldthwaite Eagle  
Goldthwaite, Texas

Dear Sir:  
I would like to entitle this letter:

**WHEN LEADERSHIP IS VALUABLE**

In recent weeks the writer was enroute from Goldthwaite to Lometa. Approximately six miles out of Lometa I was meeting a car when I observed that it was in trouble. Large clouds of white smoke or steam were emitting from the bottom of the radiator area, and he was "bobbling". When we were approximately 20 feet from each other, the driver suddenly swirled to the right and headed into the bar-ditch.

The embankment of two feet brought his car to a sudden halt, but no one came out of it. At once I squinted into my rear-view mirror and two cars were some 50 feet behind and they saw the situation and turned off the pavement and the cars stopped at the same instant. Before I could get my arthritic joints working, my door open and my feet on the ground, I observed a man from each of the other cars sprinting, and I do mean sprinting, towards the car in trouble.

A tall young man, accompanied by one not so tall were running in perfect cadence, as though the tall man had the ball and the not-so-tall one was running interference. They came up on the drivers side but at that

instant a yellow flame 10 feet high leaped from under the driver's seat. This forced them around the front of the car to the front door which was locked but the glass down.

At the risk of their lives these two young men dragged the unconscious driver through the door opening and to safety, carried him across the pavement and placed him under the shade of a large oak tree. The tall sage grass was very dry (the Highway mowers are all worn out) and started burning very briskly.

I set out to turn in the alarm, but the nearest telephone was the ranch home of Bo Brown, some 4 miles away. I returned to the scene of the fire and when I arrived the tall handsome young man was barking orders, mindful of the quarter-back calling his signals, keeping traffic moving and the on-lookers, which had accumulated in a large crowd, back at a safe distance until the gas tank exploded.

To my surprise this young man called me by name, saying "Mr. Stephens, take over, I must meet a plane in Austin", and he was gone. At that instant, the Highway Patrol, spearheaded by Bobby Wilcox, arrived and took over. The next day, in Lometa, in conversation with Thurman Head, I learned the tall young man was Dr. L. V. Benningfield, PHD and the noted quarterback that put the Rice University football team on the map in yesterday's, now in the Research Department of Phillips Petroleum Co., in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

His leadership in football saved a person's life.

Signed: Lucius M. Stephens  
Lometa, Texas



**Hillview Highlights**

Those with birthdays in September, Ora Black, 96, and Ola Rudd, 85, were honored at Hillview Manor Birthday Party on Tuesday afternoon, September 20th.

The party was hosted by the Zion Lutheran Church women, of Priddy.

Don Vlasak, pastor, gave a meditation on Psalm 139. Mrs. Vlasak played the piano for the singing of two hymns.

The ladies serving punch and cookies were: Mrs. Paul Limmer, Mrs. Herman Kopp, Mrs. Gerhardt Wagner, Mrs. Bill Ivy, Mrs. Rosa Tiemann, Mrs. Emil Schuster, Mrs. Fritz Tiemann, and Mrs. Carl Niemann.

Marie Vlasak, age 12, played the piano. Mr. Emil Schuster accompanied the group.

**Neighbor —**

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brothers soon started plowing and had the fields ready to plant for a spring harvest.

There were not many neighbors in Pleasant Grove at that time; there were the Will Berrys, the Nesbits and Jimmy Dow, immigrants from Scotland; and there were the Hortons, the Partidges and several others.

We soon organized a Methodist church at Mr. Nesbit's home with Sunday School. Although my mother was not able to attend, her happiest days were Sunday mornings when she saw us all leave for Sunday School and Church.

The most frightening times for me, as a little girl, were the mobs and what they did in our community. They came to our house soon after our arrival and there was an understanding between them and my father—my father was to attend to his own business and my brothers were to keep quiet.

Our first crops were cotton, corn and grain, which we hauled to Chadwick's Mill to be ground. We children loved the trip there to see the excitement of the mill in operation. The cotton was hauled to Round Rock, Texas to be ginned.

Our early social life included square dances and Tom Snipes was the fiddler. We also had play parties where we played "Shoot the Buffalo" and "Snap". After the schoolhouse was built, we had fruit suppers, followed later by box suppers.

When a traveling preacher came to the community, people came from far and near to attend services. My first school teacher was Professor Rector. There was only one desk in the new school and it was at the front of the building. If a pupil wanted to do writing, he or she moved to the desk from their bench.

I was there when Goldthwaite was created. We Virdens came off the mountain to the new town in a wagon, not far from the Patterson place and traveled along the railroad track up through the flat to 5th Street, then we turned West. The merchants were doing business under brush arbors on the place later called the courthouse square. I have a picture of that first square in Goldthwaite taken that day.

My brothers, Jack and Ben, helped build the railroad between Goldthwaite and Lometa, and people enjoyed seeing the train if it didn't scare their horses too much.

Mrs. Virden, Mattie's mother, died about a year after the church was organized in Pleasant Grove and she was the third person buried in the new cemetery there. Mr. Ben Virden was left with the responsibility of being both mother and father to his family. The household chores were left to the boys

and young Mattie.

On December 2, 1891, Mattie Virden was married to John N. Keese, by Rev. D. I. Harralson, and they lived in Goldthwaite most of their married life. They reared six children here. Mr. Keese established a monument business that was outstanding. Hundreds of grave markers over the county are works of his competent hands.

Mr. Brian Smith said in his article, "As I walked across Mrs. Keese's yard in the cove of the mountain on the east side of town, I found beautiful flowers everywhere and could hear the song of the and could hear the song of the mockingbird.

When I rang the doorbell, I heard a voice say 'come in', then I heard Mrs. Keese say 'come in'. The first voice was that of Mutt, a Mexican parrot that has been a part of the Keese family for 28 years, and Mutt thought he ran the household. He must have his oatmeal, toast and coffee for breakfast and when Grace is said, he bows his head; and when Amen is said, Mutt raises his head and repeats the Amen. He knows all the grandchildren and knows them by name."

Mrs. Keese was a lover of hobbies; she pieced many quilts and did much handwork; she collected many old and beautiful bottles. All her life she loved and worked in her church and was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Goldthwaite for over 50 years.

Mrs. John (Mattie) Keese is representative of the typical pioneer good neighbor; she lived her religion; she was always ready to help wherever she was needed and she cared about everyone. She always had a happy smile for her neighbors, and her neighbors were all the people she knew.

(Parts of this article were taken from a 1949 Eagle clipping sent to me by Mrs. James (Ethyl Tyson) Nickols of Graham, Texas. Mrs. Keese was at one time Mrs. Nickols' Sunday School teacher.)  
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**Chili Supper  
September 30**

The Junior Class of Goldthwaite is sponsoring a Chili Supper, Friday, September 30, at the High School cafeteria.

Serving time will be from 5 - 7 p.m., all you can eat for \$2.00. Along with the chili there will be homemade pie and a drink.

This will be the night of the homecoming football game, so everyone come by and eat before the game. The proceeds will go to support the Junior class activities.

**Local Halloween Carnival  
Preparations Begin-Call Now**

The annual Halloween Carnival will be held on Monday, October 31, on the Tennis court at the First United Methodist Church and will be sponsored again by the Mills County Ministerial Association.

There are two purposes for the carnival this year—First, to give everyone a good time, and Second, to provide the setting for a rally for the kickoff of "Our Christmas Gift to the World", a project sponsored by the Methodist and Baptist youth.

Free tickets for a hot dog and a drink will be distributed to all school children in the county. Participating organizations will contribute \$5.00 of their carnival proceeds to help with the expenses of the treats.

Every organization in the

area is invited to install a booth and participate in the carnival. The spaces will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. Simply call Ben Welch at 648-2629 or 648-3275 to reserve a space.

In case of bad weather as many booths as possible will

be moved under shelter and the carnival continued.

During the evening a "Youth Rally" will be held to outline final plans for the 1977 "Christmas Gift to the World" project. The time of this rally will be announced later.

**Pesticide  
Meeting  
September 27**

The last in a series of four county training meetings to certify Mills County producers under the new EPA regulations which will become effective on October 21, 1977, will be held in the Star Community on September 27, 1977, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in the study hall of Star High School.

This will be the last county meeting held prior to the October 21 deadline. Those who do not wish to participate in the training meeting can achieve certification through a home study option. The study materials are available in the County Extension Agent's Office in the Courthouse.

**NOTICE**  
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