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By HVO

HOTTEST FIELDS for '95 according to experts, as might be guessed, are healthcare, computer software and motor vehicles. In descending order: packaged foods, home improvements, beverages, book publishing, medical products, telecommunications equipment/services, housing, home-delivered info, fashion, consumer electronics, discount retailing, consumer banking, leisure-activity products, environmental products, travel, recorded entertainment, home appliances, restaurants, clubs, cosmetics, toiletries, casino gambling, professional sports and corrections. Those 25 fields represent \$5,954 billion, a 13.7% hike.

ISN'T IT good that our economy is not linked to military installations, as are 19 locations in Texas. This next round of base closings is surely going to wrack havoc on many.

RE-CYCLING is paying (for some). Data shows that recyclers are paying from 28c-38c lb. and getting from 70c to 73c in resells to end-users for aluminum. The spread on steel cans is from \$60 ton buying to \$115 selling; and on glass, \$30 ton, up to \$55. Corrugated carton paper brings \$40 to \$80 ton and sells for \$90 to \$115. Mixed paper brings \$10 to \$40 ton and sells for \$45 to \$80 ton. The paper mills and others are stepping up efforts in the recycling fields, according to our sources at TNRC.

WOULD THAT our printing goofs were as profitable: a 1902 2-cent U.S. postage stamp with its art inverted recently sold for \$23,100; a 1901 1-cent invert sold for \$6,380; and a 1869 goof up, the first colored stamp, just brought \$170,500. We might all want to check the three-centers were're now buying to see if they might be worth more. Local offices report plenty of threes, but little to show for selling them by the hundreds daily.

NEW GOP magazine "Rising Tide," as you might guess, touts their victory: 30 GOP, 19 Dem, 1 Ind. governors; 19 GOP, 18 Dem, 12 split state legislatures; 53 GOP, 47 Dem U.S. Senators; 26 GOP, 17 Dem, 4 split, 1 Ind. U.S. House Delegations control. Of many blistering cartoons, one shows President Clinton answering to Democratic associates: "Well, I said I was the President of Change."

YOU DO know, of course, that O.J., sitting in jail, accused of murder, is now pictured on a postage stamp for letters around the world, from the Republic of Guyana.

FOR THE second year in a row, the firm of Edward D. Jones has received the highest overall rating from its brokers in nine national investment companies, Local Jim Bruton tells us. The firm received the highest score in 18 of the 19 categories surveyed. Jones is the fastest growing investment firm with more than 3,200 branches and its revenues has grown from \$16 million in 1977 to \$601 million in 1993. It had 304 branch offices in 1980. It dates to 1871 and offers a mix of securities: mutual funds, insured tax-free bonds, certificates of deposit and common stocks. It sells no options or commodities and discourages the purchase of stocks less than \$4 a share.

OUR PUNKIN' Center philosopher offers these thoughts for the New Year: To be "fit as a fiddle," tone down the middle. Gossip could be called "ear pollution." There's no point in carrying the ball until you know where the goal is.

SPECIAL NOTE to fruit trees, tender plants and new-comers to Texas: beware the high temperatures and bright sun of this week. Don't venture too far out without woolies and anti-freeze. There will be winter, sooner or later. There always has been.

SCOUTS REPORT that a first-class bed and breakfast facility might be in our immediate local future.

OTHER THINGS on horizon!

Ranger Times



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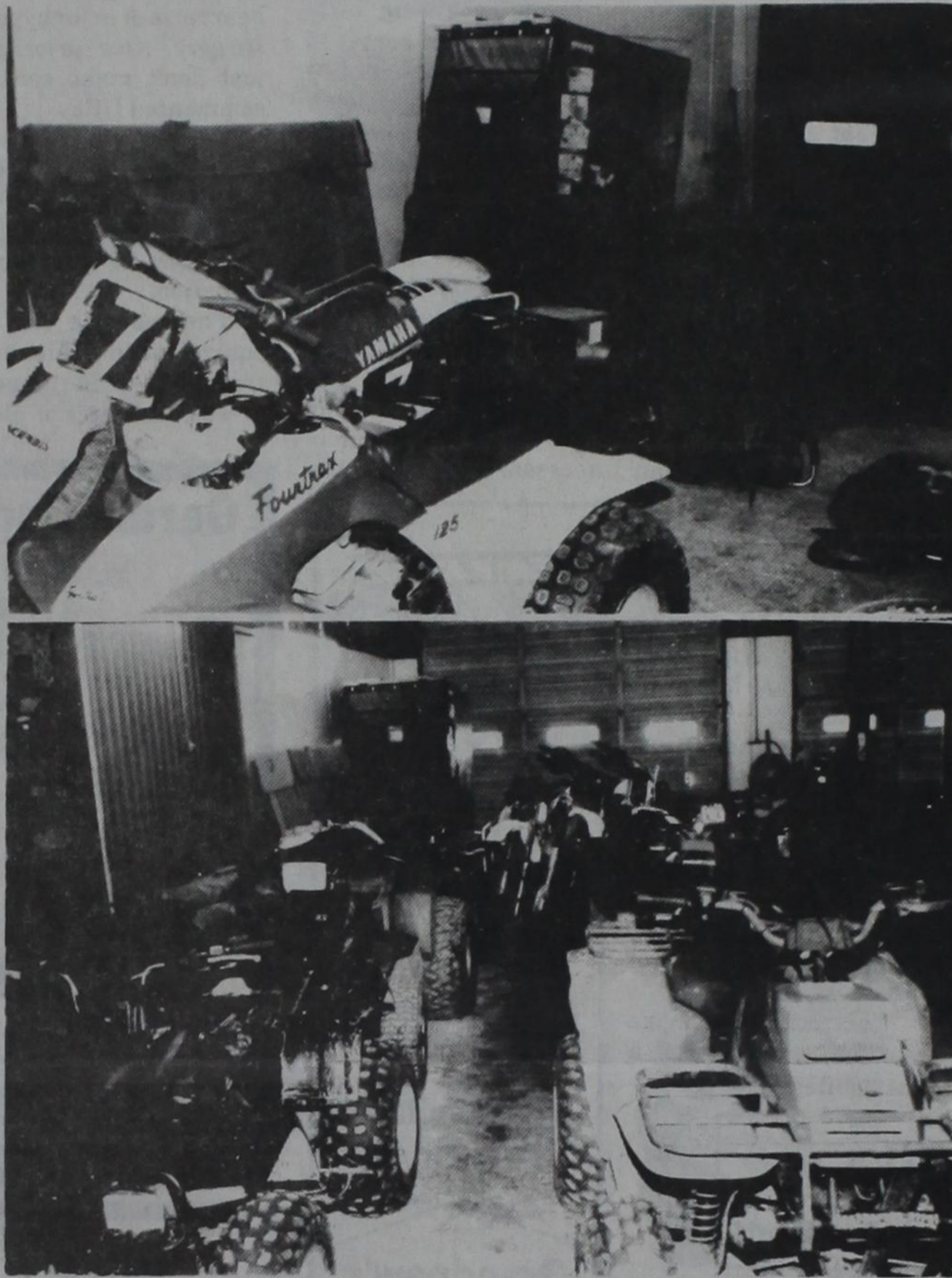
Merchandise Recovered From Theft Ring By Authorities

Over \$10,000.00 in merchandise has been recovered by the County Sheriff's Department and the Cisco Police Department as the result of investigations which are continuing.

Merchandise recovered includes six four-wheeler vehicles, four motorcycles, two welders/generators, huge transportable coolers and other items.

Two suspects are in custody, Sheriff R. B. White reported and are expected to be charged.

The items reportedly were taken from thefts in this and neighboring counties, and the round-up is believed to be solving a number of recent thefts.



Stolen 4-wheelers, motorcycles, welders, a vault, and etc. have been recovered by officers.

Eastland ISD Board Meet Thursday

The Eastland Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet in regular session Thursday, Jan. 12, 1995, at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the administration building.

The following business will be considered:

Call meeting to order.
Approve minutes of previous meeting.
Open forum.

Fall 1994 TAAS Test results.

Superintendent's report.

Construction report.
Set dates for February and March.

Regular board meetings.

Consider participation in the Texas School Survey.

Accept T-Star Proposal.

Approve payment of outstanding bills.

Superintendent contract and personnel.

Unfinished business.

Adjournment.

Ranger Clothes Closet Open This Saturday

The Ranger Community Clothes Closet will be open this Saturday, January 14, 1995 from 8:30 - 12 noon

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Cisco Livestock Show Saturday

The Cisco Livestock Raisers Assn. Stock Show will be held Saturday, Jan. 14 at the Cisco

High School Bus Barn.

Schedule

8:30 a.m. - Sift animals.

9:00 a.m. - Begin judging.

1. Judge breeding rabbits.

2. Judge fryer rabbits.

3. Rabbit showmanship.

4. Judge diary goats.

5. Judge meat goats.

6. Dairy goat showmanship.

7. Judge Angora goats.

8. Angora goat showmanship.

9. Judge breeding sheep.

* Break for lunch around 12:00.

10. Judge market lambs.

11. Sheep showmanship.

12. Judge breeding swine.

13. Judge market swine.

14. Swine showmanship.

15. Judge breeding beef.

16. Judge market steers.

17. Judge diary cattle.

18. Cattle showmanship.

* The Cisco Ag Boosters will have a Bar-B-Que lunch in the high school cafeteria to help raise money to buy the market animals at the county stock show. They will also have a concession stand.

Cisco Ag Boosters Barbecue

In conjunction with the Cisco Livestock Show Ag Boosters will sponsor our annual Bar-B-Que. We will start serving at 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 14, in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets may be purchased at the high school or from an Ag Booster member for \$5.00. There will be a Barnyard Bingo immediately after the show. Tickets are \$5.00. You do not have to be present to win. Ag Booster members and the high school have tickets for this also.

Thanks for everyone's support.

Cisco Ag Boosters

Eastland AARP Meet Thursday

AARP will meet at Park Hill on Thursday, January 12 at 6 p.m. for a covered dish supper. Mrs.

Beverly Reuter will sing as the program.

The public is invited.

Cisco Project Graduation To Meet Thurs.

There will be a planning meeting for Project Graduation 1995 on Thursday, Jan. 12 at the Hilton Community Room beginning at 7:00 p.m. All Senior parents and anyone else that is interested in helping are urged to attend. We need to get things going so we will have a successful 1995 Project Graduation for our Seniors. This meeting is for Cisco parents to get organized before meeting with Eastland parents on Thursday, Jan. 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Should you need further information or have any questions please call Arlene Thompson at 442-3266.

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Finances And Roads Main Topics At County Commissioners Meeting

Eastland County Commissioners Monday were back on old topics at the beginning of a new year - how to maintain county roads on what money and equipment they have available, and the best way to handle County funds.

There were also some other items under consideration during the morning and afternoon sessions.

A new county purchasing plan was put into effect. The Commissioners gave County Auditor Ken Parker permission to advertise for vendors interested in selling supplies to the county on a monthly basis.

In the past, bids have been advertised to dealers who want to sell on a yearly basis. But now, vendors will be contacted monthly, with the lowest bidder selling for that month.

Bulk road materials may also be bought by the month from the lowest bidder. A decision will be made on this at the next meeting.

The first request on a road was made by Pct. 4

Comm. Reggie Pittman, who asked to extend County Rd. 184 for one-half mile.

Pittman reported that yeas ago this piece of road - in the Pleasant Hill community south of Cisco - was on a main route leading out to Carbon.

There was no documented closing of the road, he said; it had just been by-passed. Now property adjacent to the road had sold, and people were needing a better way out. For 9-1-1 purposes the half-mile stretch could be called 184 A.

The Commissioners approved the request to extend the road. It will be maintained by the County.

On another item, County Treasurer Ruth Hart brought a financial report for the last quarter of 1994. She explained that the plan of rotating these reports in County publications would be followed. This current quarterly report will be published in The Eastland Telegram.

The Yearly Treasurer's Report will be published this week in The Rising Star newspaper, Mrs. Hart also said.

the status of the Tex-Pool investment funds, and replied that Tex-Pool seemed to be just fine.

"I don't think they were ever shaky - it was a kind of panic thing, after the Orange County California incident and a Wall Street Journal article," the Treasurer remarked.

She said the only money from Eastland county in Tex-Pool is that in the District Clerk's Trust Fund.

The Commissioners agreed to authorize publishing notices for bids on a depository for County funds. Among the bid items will be interest, security and charges for services.

On another matter, they voted to change the way in which the Salary Grievance Committee is chosen. Previously the committee was composed of six elected officials and two names from Grand Jury lists. The Commissioners decided

that all names should be drawn from Grand Jury lists.

Pct. 2 Comm. Calvin Ainsworth said: "I feel that since we are working for the people, and the people pay the taxes, they should have the say on who gets more salaries."

Comm. Reggie Pittman resumed a discussion on roads. "We need more material and we need more equipment," he told the court.

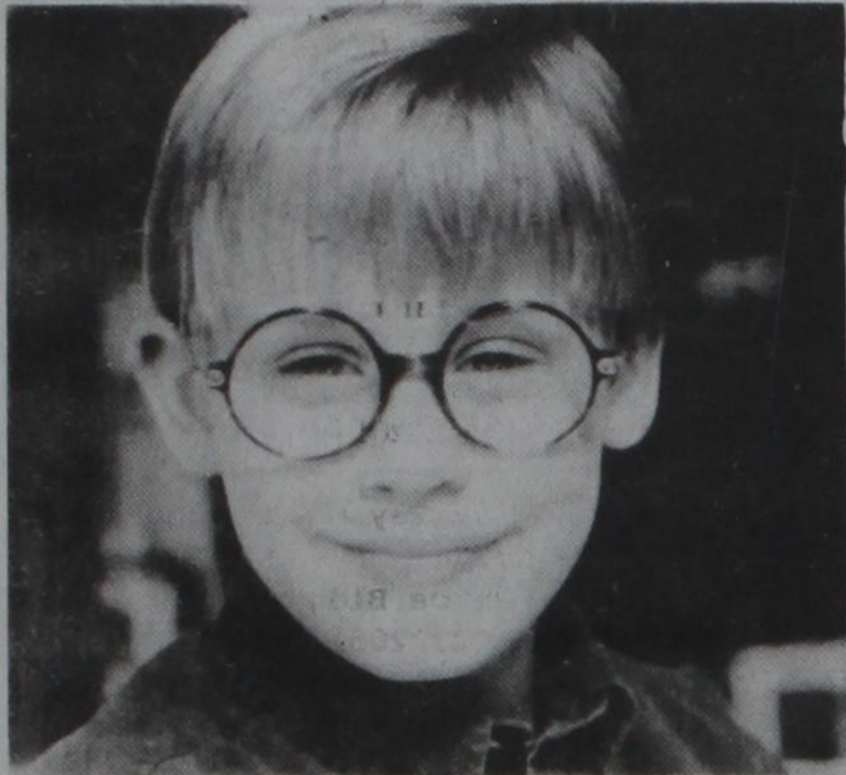
"We fix and fix and repair and repair - but the equipment is wore out. We need money to buy machinery."

He asked if some kind of bonds or arrangements could be made for financing.

"I don't believe anything like that can be done under the current budget," County Judge Scott Bailey said. He indicated that Pittman on a temporary basis might borrow money or use some kind of a

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Don't miss the Cisco Chamber of Commerce Banquet coming soon! The speaker and details will be given in future editions of your paper.



Richard Tyler, played by Macaulay Culkin, is seen in "The Pagemaster."

"The Pagemaster" Shows The Adventure Of Books

With its blend of live-action and animation, "The Pagemaster" brings the world of books to life. This Twentieth Century Fox movie stars Macaulay Culkin and Christopher Lloyd.

The film also features the voice talents of Whoopi Goldberg, Patrick Stewart, Leann Nimroy, Ed Begley Jr. and Mel Harris.

"The Pagemaster" will open at the Majestic Theatre in Eastland on Friday, Jan. 13, 7:30 p.m. It will show at the same time nightly through Saturday and Sunday, closing on Monday, Jan. 16.

Admission will be \$3.50 at the box office, with

balcony seats available at \$5 to persons over 21. The movie is rated G - General Admission.

In the story, young Richard Taylor (Culkin) thinks he sees danger everywhere: in his backyard treehouse, in the streets where his friends play -- even in his own bedroom. But the magic in books is about to change all that.

When Richard takes refuge from a storm in a library, he finds himself stepping into a new and wondrous world. In no time at all he's sent on an amazing animated adventure by the Pagemaster (Lloyd) keeper of the books and guardian of the written world.

In a place where imagination runs wild the timeless literary themes of Adventure, Fantasy and Horror help guide Richard through some amazing adventures. And before he goes back home, a timid boy will have become an unforgettable hero!

"The Pagemaster" springs from the imagination of one of the producers, David Kirschner. A life-long lover of books and interested in animation, Kirschner was inspired to meld these two worlds together during a trip to the grand New York Public Library with his two daughters, then aged seven and nine.

"I turned around, and my daughters were standing perfectly still, holding hands. They were in awe; they said they had never seen so many books before.

"What a great place to set a story, I thought," says Kirschner.

In the movie it is the Pagemaster who challenges Richard to "look to the books" to find courage and inspiration within the pages that surround him while trapped in the library.

Richard learns about reading in a most amazing and unforgettable fashion.

Summing up "The Pagemaster's" distinctive qualities, Kirschner states: "On one hand this is a piece of entertainment, and on the other it says to children that books are these undiscovered treasures that can take them on flying carpet rides, that can take them from the realm of King Arthur to the world of 'Treasure Island'.

"This picture will make you look at a library a little differently."

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MHMR Waiting List Grows By 30% 40,000 Texans Now Wait

(ED. NOTE: A reason to contact your State Senator and State Representative).

Austin - More than 40,000 Texans are on waiting lists for services from the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation according to a report which will be released by the agency later this month.

The latest figures, up from 30,500 in 1992, include 28,000 persons with a mental illness and 12,000 with mental retardation. The growth occurred in the number of people receiving only some of the services needed, although 11,500 people who have asked receive no help from the agency. Some people have been on the list for more than four years.

Ann K. Utley, chairman of the TXMHMR Board, said the waiting list needs cannot be met because of funding limitations. The report estimates over \$150 million per year is necessary to meet the

needs of the individuals on the waiting lists.

"It is disheartening to turn people away. Many seeking help end up in a crisis and go to an emergency room. For some, the crisis results in a crime and jail or prison time because there is no help available. Neither of those are appropriate, effective or efficient solutions for people with mental illness or mental retardation. It's like saying to someone 'if you have a heart attack be sure it's in jail, so you can get help. Otherwise, there's no money for medicine to prevent a heart attack or for bypass surgery.' Our priorities just don't make sense," commented Utley.

"Maybe, we do need 26,000 prison beds. But we also need help for 40,000 people with mental illness or mental retardation.

"The waiting list is equivalent to telling half the people of San Angelo to wait for water or elec-

tricity. We could even fill up Reunion Arena in Dallas more than two times with those needing our services.

"We've made progress in some areas, like case management, because of the availability of new resources such as Medicaid. But we're falling way behind in others. The demand is growing faster than our resources.

"Our waiting list is real people. We have a name for each of them. I just wish we didn't have to number them," Utley stated.

The totals are an undercount because not every mental health and mental retardation authority in Texas keeps lists. In addition, many individuals have simply stopped asking for help because the wait is so long, according to Utley.

The report cites increases in waiting lists for the following mental health services:

-173 percent for treatment services, counseling and medicines;

-165 percent for specialized programs for offenders with a mental illness;

-135 percent for individuals with both mental illness and substance abuse diagnosis;

-110 percent for supported housing; and

-80 percent for In-Home and Family Support.

The waiting list for mental retardation services has increased by:

-82 percent for In-Home and Family Support; and

-77 percent for personal and family assistance, including wheelchairs and communications equipment.

In addition, there are 1,600 individuals needing community residential MR placements such as group homes. In some areas of the state, people have been waiting three to four years.

Texas ranks 48th in the nation for mental health and 37th for mental retardation. The nationwide per capita spending for mental health funding is \$46.99 compared to Texas which spends \$22.72. For MR funding, the nationwide per capita is \$48.14, with Texas spending \$31.81.

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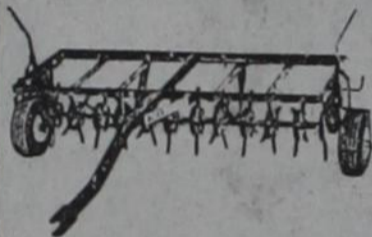
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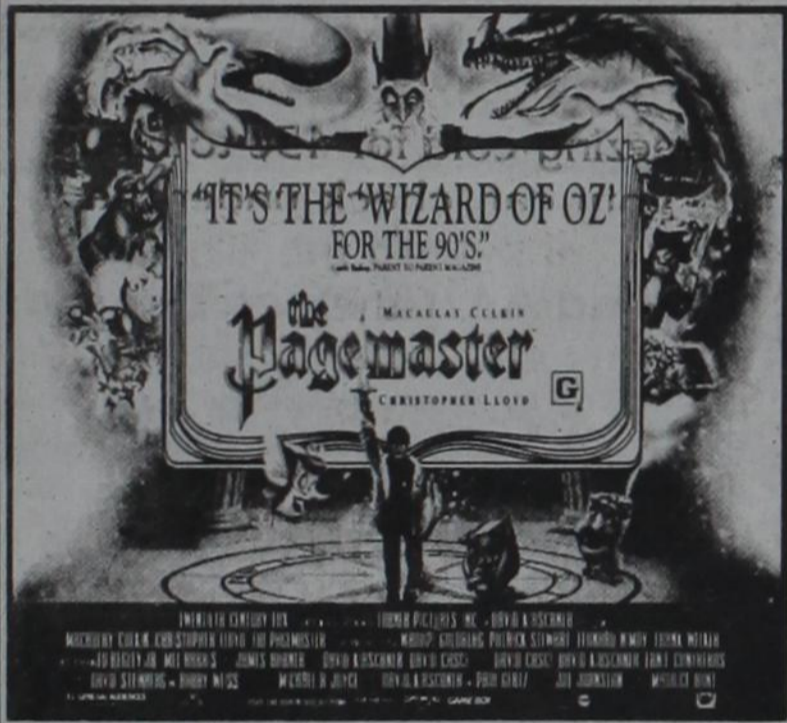
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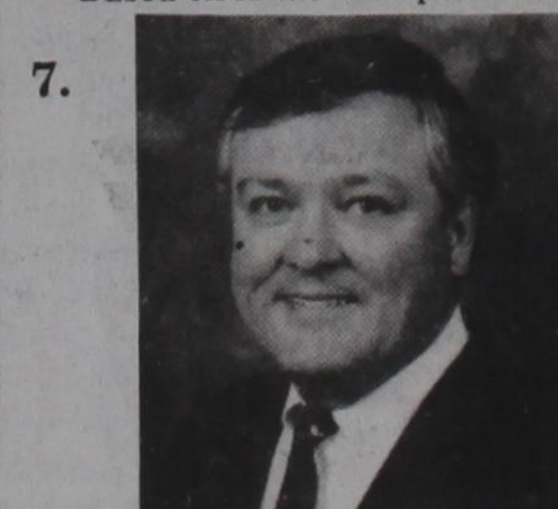
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From Page One

County Commissioners Meeting

lease purchase plan. Several Commissioners remarked that a good road grader can cost anything from \$73,000 to \$90,000.

The judge said there was some money held by the county for "missing or unknown" owners. He said that some type of new legislation might make this available.

"The roads are not going to heal themselves," Pittman said. "People out in the county travel those roads seven days per week. It benefits the whole community to have all-weather roads."

He turned to County Auditor Ken Parker. "I'm trying to find a place where we can find money!"

Pct. 2 Comm. Ainsworth said he was in about the same boat. "I have three graders running now - I may not have but one running by night."

Pct. 3 Comm. L. T. Owen seemed to be in somewhat better shape, equipment-wise, than some of the others. He said he was convinced that it paid to buy new equipment - not old junk. He said a grader he bought new in 1973 was still doing fine. But graders really needed to be taken care of, he remarked.

"I just want one that will run," said Ainsworth.

Ken Parker said he would look into all pos-

sibilities to find revenue and resources for road maintenance.

"Give us some time - we'll see what we can come up with," he said.

The Commissioners took time out to tour the fourth floor of the Courthouse, to see how much more space had been provided for the 11th Court of Appeals. They checked on the modernization of the jury deliberations

room.

They said that so far, about \$8,000 of \$13,000 budgeted for the 11th Court of Appeals has been spent. An air conditioner must still be purchased, and electrical work paid for.

The court meetings adjourned in the afternoon, with the next regular meeting scheduled for Monday, January 23.

State Music Club President To Visit Eastland Jan. 18

Special music and a visit from State Music Club President Kathleen Fitzgerald will launch the 75th Anniversary year of the Eastland Music Study Club.

This celebration will be held at the Women's Clubhouse in Eastland, beginning at 12 noon Wednesday, Jan. 18.

A catered luncheon will be served, and reservations need to be made for the meal. Please call in your reservations to Ruth Noah at 629-8288 before noon on Monday, Jan. 16.

Music Club President Cletis Williamson will welcome

guests, and special tribute will be paid to Life Members and Past Presidents. There will be a Candle-lighting ceremony commemorating each decade this club has worked in the community.

The Abilene Fine Arts Trio will bring some of their beautiful selections, adding to the event.

Hostesses for this Founder's Day Observance will be the Past Presidents of the club.

The Eastland Music Club began in Feb. 1920, with the purpose of promoting good music in the community. It has continued to aim for that year after year.

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Bryan's Auto Supply Celebrates 10th Year Anniversary This Week

The street beside the Telegram, South Seaman of course, has really been jumping this past week. Bryan's Auto Parts has been having its 10 Year Anniversary party.

Having been in Eastland since 1985, Bryan's Auto Parts is an integral member of the Eastland and Eastland County business community. Bryan says that he is glad for the opportunity to help people who want to make do with what they have, and go forward. People in Eastland County, he says, have that kind of attitude. They are the kind of people who want to get up and get things done.

Bryan and Tina Jackson moved here from Cisco ten years ago and opened the store. Since then, they have begun a family and have two sons, Daniel and Tye. Bryan stresses that this is a family business and always will be. His dad, Kay, has been a teacher of Auto Mechanics at Cisco Junior College for 26 years. Both Kay and his wife, Bertie, are active partners in the business.

Bryan's employs people from all over the county. People from Cisco and Carbon. These people are "can do" people. With a full service line of parts and equipment, more vendors than any other store of its type in the county; Bryan's can probably meet any need that you might imagine. There is a facility for machine shop work, custom hose assemblies are available for that emergency in the field, or for that air conditioner that just sprung a leak. They turn drums and rotors and crankshafts, or you can buy the complete engine or short-block. You get the idea. Bryan's has it all, or they can get it.

All week over there, they have been serving popcorn, cider, and Bertie and Tina have been making cookies for about two weeks. They have been serving all this and taking care of business at the same time. According to anyone that you ask, they have been having a great time, doing good business and having lot of fun.

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THIS TOWN IS READY TO THRIVE IN '95



BRYAN JACKSON

someone else 8 1/2 years, to owning your own business, is a large step. However, all of the problems, stresses, and worries finally work themselves out. At least, they are supposed to when you have been in business ten years.

We congratulate

Bryan and his family for being what they are; good businessmen and women. They have served the public here for ten years now. We want to see them continue and pass it on to their sons.

Need a part? Go to Bryans, the popcorn is always hot.

Mary Carey Speaks At Writers Club Meeting

Cisco Writer's Club members and guests were treated to a demonstration of journalism techniques at the Club meeting Jan. 3.

A number of people came out through the freezing weather to hear a talk by Mary Carey, author and Alaskan homesteader. Mrs. Carey is visiting her sister, Lela Lloyd of Cisco.

The meeting was opened by Jerry Eckhart, Cisco Chamber of Commerce Manager, also a writer, meteorologist and owner of a local antique shop.

Duluth Jackson, Program Chairman, introduced Mrs. Carey, who grew up in Cisco.

"This weather here seems real tame," remarked Mary Carey, who had just survived an episode of 57 degrees below near Fairbanks, Alaska.

Mrs. Carey drew on her own writing experiences and that of Texas crime reporter Harry McCormick to show how to arrange articles in proper sequence.

One of her hints on newspaper stories: "Put the major facts first and go in to minor details."

"This is what we call the 'cut off test,'" she remarked. "That means that if the Editor chops off the end of the story you won't lose anything important."

On books you go the opposite way, she said. You start and build up to a climax. The lead is still very important, however - it must draw the interest of the reader.

Mrs. Carey analyzed interviews, including a classic one called "The Impossible Interview."

She had a chart showing the elements which made this interview special.

A discussion followed her lively talk. Then the crowd enjoyed hot apple cider prepared by Ruth Stewart.

Writer's Club members were reminded that the Club is changing its time of meeting from Tuesday to Monday nights, beginning February.

The next meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 6, in the same location - the Community Room, First National Bank in Cisco.



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Sharp Releases Report To Reform Texas Welfare

"It's time to reform welfare's checkbook and welfare's rule book in Texas," State Comptroller John Sharp said today, as he released a package of wide-ranging recommendations for overhauling the Texas welfare system through a series of innovative programs and pilot projects designed to help needy Texans become self-sufficient and reduce the cost of providing those services.

"More often than not, welfare is neither 'well' nor 'fair,'" Sharp said at a briefing for State Capitol reporters.

The report was requested by Lieutenant Governor Bob Bullock last April and is entitled *A Partnership for Independence*. It contains nearly 100 detailed proposals, including a 24-month welfare limit, improved access to job training and child care, a requirement that mothers on public assistance who choose to have additional children identify the father if they intend to collect welfare for that child, and implementation of automated fingerprint imaging similar to that soon to be required to get a Texas driver's license.

Other proposals contained in the report include cutting rules and regulations that discourage marriage for low-income couples; strengthening child support enforcement efforts to help families free themselves from public assistance; and establishing a "Work First" program to move AFDC recipients into paying jobs.

"The difference between this reform package and any others you may have heard about," Sharp noted, "is that this is the only one put down on paper, this one is complete, and this one more than pays for itself. It's fine to talk about the need for reform, but unless you can find the money to pay for it, it's not reform, it's just talk."

"In the end, true welfare reform must address the rules that everyone - recipients and the state - is expected to live by. That's why our recommendations will streamline the welfare bureaucracy and save Texans more than \$100 million - even after paying for the reforms

we propose. "But our recommendations will do something else, too. If enacted, they will require welfare recipients to live by the same rules everyone else does, to make smart decisions about their daily lives - and, like the rest of us, to live with the consequences of those decisions."

Toward that end, Sharp said, the report contains a "Bill of Responsibilities," in which the responsibility of state government to provide transitional help is matched by certain responsibilities among those who benefit from such help.

"Every recommendation in this report is framed by an implicit agreement between those who receive public assistance and those who pay for it," Sharp said. "Our 'Bill of Responsibilities' clearly defines what's expected from everyone involved, including a fair, efficient welfare system from the state and a commitment by recipients to take action so that welfare assistance will be transitional, and not a way of life.

"Our proposed reforms will not only help disadvantaged Texans fully participate in the state's economic growth, but the recommendations could also save taxpayers nearly \$104 million during the next two-year budget cycle, and as much as \$407 million by the turn of the century.

"This report also tries to define the reality of welfare in Texas. For example, in 1995, the typical Texas welfare family, which consists of a single parent with two children, will receive benefits worth \$778 per month: \$188 in family cash assistance, \$286 in Medicaid services and \$304 in food stamps."

The report describes the average welfare recipient as a single 30-year-old female with less than 12 years of ed-

ucation, no current employment and no additional sources of income. The typical welfare family includes two children, one of whom is preschool age. About 60 percent of Texas welfare recipients have been receiving benefits for one year or less during their latest "spell" on assistance. When the full length of their assistance is tallied, about half of Texas Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) caretakers receive benefits for two years or less.

The report also notes that poverty is more pervasive in Texas than the U.S. as a whole. In 1993, 3.2 million Texas - more than 17 percent of the state's population - lived below the poverty line of \$11,521 (for a family of three).

Yet, in Texas, about half of all poor families have two parents present. By federal and state requirement, the bulk of these families are excluded from receiving AFDC. In contrast, only about 35 percent of the poor families in the U.S. are headed by both parents. In addition, about two-thirds

of the adults in Texas' poor families are employed, compared to fewer than half those in poor families nationwide.

In addition, the report recommends granting communities more local control over job training and work force development programs; increasing public awareness of the federal Earned Income Tax Credit for working families; providing one-time emergency cash payments to qualified recipients to reduce ongoing dependence on AFDC; and transferring Texas with disabilities who now receive AFDC to federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) programs, both of which pay considerably more than AFDC and provide job programs and other support services unavailable to AFDC recipients.

Sharp said that each proposal in *A Partnership for Independence* is guided by at least one of five goals:

- Enforcing personal responsibility and preserving the family;
- Diverting Texans

from welfare;

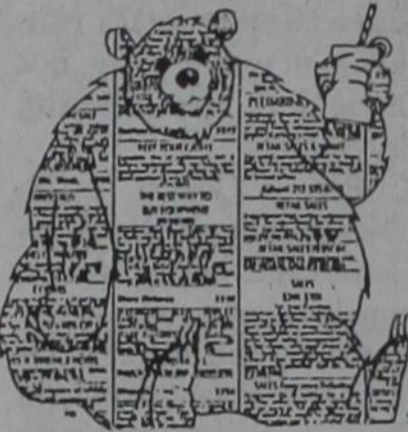
- Keeping Texans from returning to public assistance once they've achieved independence;

- Helping those Texans with disabilities, on welfare leave the rolls behind for good; and

- Cutting the bureaucracy while reducing fraud and duplication of benefits, improving service and saving money.

"As always, we acknowledge that government can't solve every problem, and that even the most successful public programs can't substitute for the nurturing influence of a stable family," Sharp said. "But these proposals will save money, and make Texas a national leader on welfare reform."

Cool Buys in the Classifieds!



MORAN NEWS

By Mrs. Luke Huskey

The annual Carr Christmas dinner was held on Sunday, Jan. 1, 1995 at the Moran Community Center. There were only 14 in attendance. Hazel Foster, Jamie Foster, Delores Boles, J.C. and Dorothy Carr of Cisco; Raymond Carr, Peggy Dillingham, Jerry, Debbie, Brandy, Tyree Wyke and Bo Berdner of Breckenridge; Leo and Rosa Lee Wiloth of Moran.

We were very appreciative of the newly remodeled Moran Community Center. It is very beautiful for our annual Christmas dinner.

Damon and Nicholas Gimby of Austin, son and grandson of Delores Midkiff, spent Monday and Tuesday after Christmas with Delores and Dub Midkiff.

Dawn, Celia and Randy Northcutt of Colorado City, granddaughter and great-granddaughter of Delores Midkiff spent Thursday after Christmas with Dub and Delores Midkiff.

Bob and Jo Burton of Bis Lake were greeting

friends in Moran, Monday. Bob retired recently from the West Texas Utilities Co. He says that he is enjoying his retirement.

W.C. Murry of Oklahoma spent the weekend with Alfred Agnew.

Mrs. Isabell Eaton is receiving treatment in the Albany Hospital.

The people of Moran had a very quiet, pleasant weekend. The weather was beautiful, with sunshine and people were outside enjoying it. If the weather states pretty the people will begin to think about gardening and flowers.

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LIVING TO THE GLORY OF GOD

"WHETHER THERE FOR YE EAT OR DRINK, OR WHATSOEVER YE DO, DO ALL TO THE GLORY OF GOD" (1 Cor. 10:31).

This is the great guiding principle of the Christian Life.

The Apostle Paul points out in the preceding context that what may be perfectly right for one person to do may trouble another's conscience. The sincere and gracious believer, therefore, will not carelessly violate his brother's conscientious scruples, offending him by indulging in that which he considers wrong. In Paul's day, this particularly involved the foods of which men partook, but from both Romans 14 and 1 Corinthians 10 it is evident that Christian conduct in general is involved.

If, in my daily conduct, I consider not only my own, but also my brother's conscience, it does not follow from this that I am disobey-

ing Galatians 5:1 by failing to "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free." True, I have no right to give up my blood-bought liberty, but I do have liberty to give up my rights. This the world about us is slow to do, but it is one of the signs of true regeneration.

My aim in life should not be to gratify my own desires, much less to show up my brother's weaknesses by vaunting my liberty in Christ. My one aim should rather be to glorify God in all I say and do.

All this, of course, has to do only with the conduct of believers in Christ. The unbeliever can do nothing "to the glory of God." His very rejection of Christ is a continual offense to God who, in love, gave His Son to die in our place. The only way in which the unbeliever can honor God is to turn from his unbelief and trust Christ as Saviour and Lord.



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NOTICES

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Eastland County Pct. #3 Rising Star is now taking bids to sell a 1981 Ford Dump Truck with 5 yard bed. Can be seen at Pct. #3 Barn Hwy 36 Rising Star or call 817-643-2532. Bids to be opened at the Regular Meeting January 23, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. Mail bids to Eastland County Judge, P.O. Box 327, Eastland, TX 76448. Eastland County reserves the right to reject any or all bids not in the County's best interest. T7

Eastland County Pct. #3 Rising Star is now taking bids towards the purchase of an 85 to 88 model used Heavy Duty Truck with bed. Will trade in a 79 model Mack Dump Truck. Bids to be opened at the Regular Meeting on January 23, 1995 at 10:00 a.m. Mail bids to Eastland County Judge, P.O. Box 327, Eastland, TX 76448. Eastland County reserves the right to reject any or all bids not in the County's best interest. T7

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Eastland County Precinct's 1, 2, 3, and 4 are now taking bids for bulk fuel, oil and lubricants. Bid terms and specifications may be picked up at the Eastland County Courthouse in the County Auditor's Office Room 205 or will be mailed to prospective bidders by calling 817-629-1082. Mail bids to Eastland County Judge, P.O. Box 327, Eastland, TX 76448. All bids must be received by 10:00 a.m. January 23, 1995 at the office of the County Judge. Bids to be opened January 23, 1995 during the Commissioners Court meeting which starts at 10:00 a.m. Eastland County reserves the right to reject any or all bids not in the County's best interest. T7

To Whom It May Concern: As of March of 1992, Nicky Lane Kelton will no longer be responsible for any other debts other than his own. Nicky Lane Kelton T5

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NOTICES

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Gray Matter

By Joe Gray

Time brings about changes in Eastland. Sometimes these changes are hard to keep up with and sometimes one wonders if all changes are good. One of the changes that has been made in community life, in the last generation or so, is the final demise of the small business entity, now as The Confectionery. These were stores that catered to lovers of sweets.

We had one in Eastland on the corner of Seaman and Commerce at the southeast corner of the square, in the building now occupied by B.W. Robertson and his RCA dealership. It was called the Palace of Sweets.

This confectionery was operated by Nick and Jim Pratley from the time of the boom until the Depression. They sold only candies and ice cream for those who loved sweets. However they were pretty heavy in the cigar business and had small gas

flames that burned all of the time just a step or two from their cash register for the smoking public to light cigars or cigarettes. This is the only gas flame lighters that I ever saw.

Nick and Jim made their own candies in their kitchen at the back of their store and they also made all of their own ice cream. This type of business did not cater to the rowdy crowd but it did cater to the young teenagers. And it was at one time a favorite hangout for the high school crowd.

After the business slump that developed into the Depression hit Eastland, Nick and Jim turned the Palace of Sweets over to a young man who I think was related to one of them. His name was Shapario. I don't know what his name was but he operated the store here for several years.

He was a man who was pretty handy with tools and a pair of pliers. He installed a sort of self-operating electric system in the place on the same order as many people did, a battery backed up elec-

tric system on the order of Delco. When the store closed he went to Williams, Arizona, the town where the Santa Fe runs a branch up to the Grand Canyon, and put in a full-service restaurant. I understand he did well there and the last time I was out that way, over thirty or more years ago he was still running his restaurant.

Nick and Jim, however, went the other way. They went to Galveston and bought the Seawall Cafe. Later they moved uptown and had a restaurant next door to the leading movie house in Galveston. Back in 1947 my parents and I were coming from a trip to Mississippi by way of Galveston. As we drove into town we were listening to a man on the street broadcast on a Galveston radio station. The radio announcer who conducted this program was none other than Eastland's own Dean Turner, who grew up in Eastland and was a graduate of Eastland High School. His father was Will Turner, who was an employee of the Lone Star for a good number of

years. We had lunch with Nick and Jim that day in their restaurant which bore the name Golden Pheasant Restaurant.

Now back to RCA and Bonnie Robertson. When I was a kid the trademark logo of the Victoria Phonograph was a terrier sitting in awe of the record player and "Listening to his Master's Voice." RCA still uses a variation of that same logo today.

Next to the Robertson place was the Majestic Cafe. This was probably the busiest restaurant in town then. It stayed open nights every day and gave a big Christmas party for the newsboys each Christmas. It was said that the Kalkalis family who operated this for years, never turned down a person who was hungry and needed something to eat.

To the west of this cafe was a hardware store, Kimbrell's Hardware, where he and Mr. Pentecost took care of the hardware needs of the farmers and the sporting good needs of hunters and fishermen. One afternoon a week they operated a trap-shooting event east of town on a lot provided by States Oil Company. Some of these men were very good at trap shooting and skeet shooting. This was a sport where clay pigeons were projected from a machine and the shooters shot this partial of clay while in flight. Mr. James Horton was probably the best trapshooter of the lot and his wife Mrs. Lillian Horton was a pretty good shot herself.

Kimbrell Hardware was also the agent here for International Harvester Company, manufacturers of all kinds of trucks. About the only truck Kimbrell sold here however were pickups. He did not handle the heavy equipment provided by this manufacturer.

West from this store one comes to the old Melba Theater which was altered into a grocery store years ago. The great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, A & P, operated a store at this locality for years.

To the west of this store one comes to the building where the Eastland Telegram used to operate out of. That was a grocery store at one time and when the Pipkin Brothers, Grady and Jesse, first came to Eastland this is where they operated their store. Homer Meek was their butcher. They had, as I understand it, purchased the store from Martin and Day.

I remember that one of the things they did was deliver groceries to the kitchens of their customers. Many housewives in

those days phoned in their grocery orders the afternoon before use, and got delivery the next morning.

Pipkin was not the only store to offer this service. The store that was later to become the site of Hood King Motors did the same thing. I remember one time talking to Mr. Fred Davenport who I guess was a native of Eastland. He told me that one of the first jobs he had after he left the farm was delivering groceries for this store. And in those days he did it from a horse-drawn wagon.

The Pipkin store was in Mr. Stubblefield's building. He was a lawyer and almost everyone called him "Judge" but as far as I know he never was the presiding judge of any court unless it was on an emergency basis. His office was upstairs over the grocery store. His partner was Charles C. Robey, who came here I think from Greenville. Mrs. Robey was their stenographer and she was one of the finest shorthand writers around. She used to give instructions in shorthand on the side and she later became the first woman licensed to practice law in Eastland County. Mr. and Mrs. Robey were my next door neighbors. They built the house where Mrs. Jackie Humphrey now lives.

Earl Bender's Abstract Company occupied the next building for a long time. There is something in my memory that tells me that at one time a man by the name of B. F. Allen operated a men's clothing store here too. And A & P's first store in Eastland was here before they moved into the larger building east of Pipkin's.

The corner building, when I was a kid, was the American National Bank. This was in Earl Connor's building. His attorney's office was upstairs above the bank.

After the bank, Beaty Drug Store operated for years, then J.O. Earnest had a grocery store until after the war.

Among the personnel of this bank was a young man named Guy "Pete" Parker. I will have more to say about him from time to time in future articles. But for the moment this will be all. And as Ken McClure used to say when he signed off his daily 10 p.m. broadcast from clear channel WOAI, San Antonio, "that's 30 for now".

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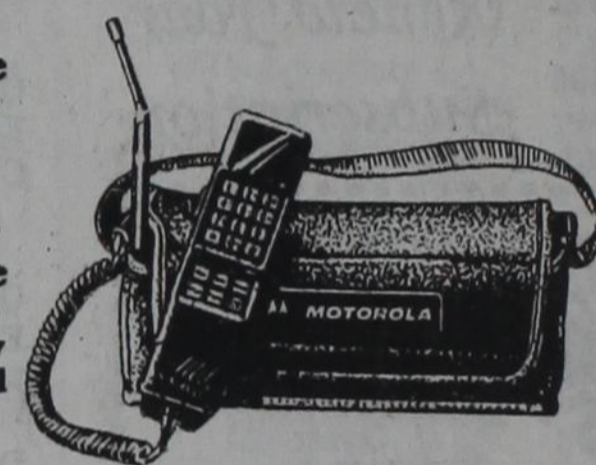
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11th Court Of Appeals

The following proceedings were had in the Court of Appeals, Eleventh District of Texas:

Motions Submitted & Granted

11-94-066-CR Roddy Lynn Hopkins v. State of Texas, Dallas. State's motion for extension of time to file brief.

11-94-156-CV Della Bishop v. The City of Big Spring, Howard. Appellant's motion requesting oral argument.

Appellee's motion for extension of time to file brief.

11-94-175-CR Mark Edward Sarver v. State of Texas, Palo Pinto. Appellant's motion for leave to request oral argument. Appellant's request for oral argument. State's motion for extension of time to file brief

and motion to postpone oral argument (if granted).

11-94-180-CR Randy Ray McCollister v. State of Texas, Stephens. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file transcript. Appellant's motion for extension of time to file statement of facts.

Motions Submitted & Granted in Part

11-94-067-CR Billy Ray Johnson v. State of Texas, Dallas. State's motion for extension of time to file brief.

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11-93-359-CR Michael Edward Alder v. State of Texas, Palo Pinto.

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And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished.

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Luke 11:24-26



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Pharmacy Topics

By Bob Mueller



New clot-blocking drug, given to angioplasty patients, seems to thwart reclosing of the arteries (restenosis) and cut deaths and complications after surgery, according to a study at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. One drawback: a high risk of bleeding.

Another weapon against restenosis from the Cleveland Clinic is the use of a wiremesh stent - threaded to the blockage site and expanded with a balloon - that remains in place to keep the artery open.

The FDA now certifies mammography facilities, checking the training of personnel and the quality of equipment. Look for the FDA approval when you make an appointment.

Researchers at Rutgers University say black tea is just as good as green tea in preventing cancer - at least in rats.

In a study exposing subjects to respiratory viruses, moderate drinkers who don't smoke were less likely to have cold symptoms than nondrinkers, the *American Journal of Public Health* reported.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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achieved independence;

- Helping those Texans with disabilities on welfare leave the rolls behind for good; and
- Cutting the bureaucracy while reducing fraud and duplication of benefits, improving service and saving money.

Taxpayers will save more than \$100 million in the costs of providing welfare if his recommendations are adopted, Sharp said.

According to the report, in 1993, 3.2 million Texans - 17 percent of the state's population - lived below the poverty line of \$11,521 for a family of three.

Bush Picks Insurance Chief

Gov.-elect George W. Bush last week nominated Democratic state Rep. Elton Bomer to succeed Rebecca Lightsey, an appointee of defeated Gov. Ann Richards, as Texas insurance commissioner.

Lightsey, whose term expires Feb. 1, has been conducting hearings on insurance "red-lining" rules that would prohibit discrimination in sales of home and auto insurance. She has been doing so against the wishes of Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and state Reps. John Smithee, R-Amarillo, and Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock.

"I wish she would hold off her hearings," Bush told the *Houston Chronicle*, and added that Bullock also asked Lightsey to leave the red-lining issue to her successor. Smithee and Duncan, who have worked on insurance legislation, said her actions likely will be seen by many as "political rather than constructive."

Bomer, a 59-year-old banker from the East Texas town of Montalba, is completing his fourth term as a House member. He said he would be "fair, impartial and independent" as insurance commissioner. His appointment must be confirmed by the state Senate.

Bush on Orphanage Plan

Gov.-elect Bush says the idea of putting children of unwed, welfare mothers in orphanages is worth studying.

Bush made reference to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, a privately

funded facility for troubled youth in the Texas Panhandle, in his remarks to the press last week.

Last fall, U.S. Rep. Newt Gingrich brought to national attention the idea of sending certain children to orphanages, like Boys Town, Neb., as an alternative to the federal welfare system.

Congressional Republicans are sponsoring bills that would cut off welfare payments and housing benefits to teen-age mothers and the mothers of illegitimate children.

But Bush tempered his remarks by saying that he does not support any federal welfare plan that would be forced on Texas.

Treasurer's 'Nevermore' Wish

As she took the oath of office Jan. 3 in the state Capitol rotunda, State Treasurer Martha Whitehead reiterated her wish that she be the last person ever to serve in the post.

She said her only lament, if the agency is dissolved during her term, is that many employees would lose their jobs.

Whitehead was appointed treasurer in 1993 by Gov. Richards, after then-Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison defeated interim U.S. Sen. Bob Krueger in a special election. Krueger, a Democrat, was appointed by Richards to fill the unexpired term of former U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, who joined the Clinton cabinet as Secretary of the Treasury.

Also taking the oath of office on Jan. 3 were Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro and former Garland mayor Charles Matthews, a Republican who defeated longtime incumbent Democrat Jim Nugent of Kerrville for a seat on the Texas Railroad Commission.

Death Toll Stands at 32

Thirty-two people died as a result of traffic-related accidents over the New Year's weekend in Texas, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety.

DPS officials predicted that traffic-related accidents would claim the lives of 25 people over the 78-hour reporting period.

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Obituaries

Henry Parsons

EASTLAND- Henry L. "Fate" Parsons, 63, died Sunday, Jan. 8, 1995 at the Abilene Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held at 4 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9, 1995 at the First Baptist Church, Rev. John Taylor and Rev. Tom Goodman officiated. Burial was in the Eastland Cemetery, directed by Bakker Funeral Home of Eastland.

He served in Korea with the US Army 1st Cavalry Division. He worked for Lone Star Gas Co. as a catholic engineer for 35 years, retiring in 1988. He was a long time rancher in the Eastland area. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Eastland.

Mr. Parsons was born Feb. 27, 1931 on an Indian Reservation at Glendale, Arizona, and came to Eastland at age 1. He grew up in Eastland and graduated from Eastland High School in 1950. He graduated from Ranger Jr. College and attended Hardin Simmons in Abilene. He married Neta Fay Massengale on June

16, 1951 in Eastland. Survivors include his wife, Neta Fay Parsons of Eastland; two sons, Mike Parsons of Eastland and Mark Parsons of Austin; two sisters, Dorothy Jean Watson of Fort Worth and Gayle Dennis of Eastland; a brother, Hilton Parsons of Westbrook; 5 grandchildren and 11 nieces and nephews.

Charles Robertson

ABILENE- Charles J. Robertson, 78, died Thursday, Jan. 5, 1995 at his residence.

business which he did for over 40 years. Among the many restaurants he owned and operated was the White Elephant Restaurant in Eastland. He met and married his wife, Jean Cooper, May 3, 1969 in Arlington.

Services were at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 9, 1995 at the Heritage Baptist Church, the Revs. Ronnie Newton, Mike Schirlee, and Howard Ingram officiated. Entombment followed in the Elmwood Memorial Park Mausoleum, directed by Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

He was a member of the Heritage Baptist Church in Abilene.

He was born April 17, 1916 in Vinson. He was the son of Harold Walter and Lula Mills Robertson. He grew up and attended school in the Valley View Community. He farmed from 1939 to 1946. At that time he began to work in the oil field. After leaving the oilfields, he started working in the restaurant

Survivors include his wife, Jean, of Abilene; a daughter, Virgie Goodlett of Colorado City; two granddaughters, Patty Pharis of Colorado City and Charlotte Little of Lewisville; four great-grandchildren, Cade Pharis, Courtney Pharis, Lindsey Little and Ashley Little; several nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Alleean Blackmon

EASTLAND- Alleean Williams Blackmon died Thursday, Jan. 5, 1995 in the Eastland Memorial Hospital.

the Eastland County area and attended school there. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Eastland. She was a homemaker.

Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 7, 1995 at Edwards Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Tom Goodman officiated. Burial was in the Eastland Cemetery.

Survivors include two brothers, Charlie Williams and wife, Dorothy of Eastland and John Frank Williams of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; a sister-in-law, Dorothy Williams of Abilene; 8 nieces and nephews.

She was born in Center, Mississippi to John F. and Ollie Vandlandingham Williams. She grew up in

Wilbert Simmel

PILOT POINT- Wilbert Lee Simmel, 56, of Gainsville died Sunday, Jan. 1, 1995 in Gainsville.

ber of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainsville.

Survivors include his mother, Elvie Simmel of Gainsville; sons, Steven Douglas Simmel of Eastland and Michael Lynn Simmel of De Soto; brothers, Bobby Simmel of Gainsville and Albert Simmel of Fort Worth; sisters, Margaret Schindler of Dallas, Mary Neu of Lindsey and Frances Schroeder of Gainsville; and two grandchildren.

Survivors include two brothers, Charlie Williams and wife, Dorothy of Eastland and John Frank Williams of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; a sister-in-law, Dorothy Williams of Abilene; 8 nieces and nephews.

Mr. Simmel was born in Pilot Point the son of Andrew and Elvie Sparks Simmel.

He was a retired supervisor at Lone Star Gas Co., where he was employed for 38 years. He was a graduate of Pilot Point High School and a mem-

ber of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Gainsville.

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Joseph O'Neal

GORMAN- Joseph Weldon O'Neal, 86, minister for 50 years and school teacher for 22 years before retiring, died Friday, Jan. 6, 1995 in a local nursing home.

Services were at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 8, 1995 in the Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel, Roy George and the Rev. Clarence Wilson officiated. Burial was in the Simpson Cemetery near Gorman.

Mr. O'Neal was born in the Jewel community near Carbon and graduated from Howard Payne University and West Texas College. He was a member of the Kokomo Baptist Church and the widower of Thelma E. Scott O'Neal, whom he married in 1931 in Hamlin.

Survivors include a son, Joseph Weldon O'Neal Jr. of Austin; two daughters, Thelma Sharon Mearse of Odessa and Johnny Elizabeth Shackelford of Amarillo; a brother, Don O'Neal of Houston; two sisters, Nancy Hendricks of Gorman and Fannie Bell Hoy of Greenville; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Beuna D. Cox

TULSA, O.K.- Beuna D. Cox, 80, died Friday, Jan. 6, 1995.

Beuna Weldon, Helen Adamson, Darrell Weldon, Hazel Underwood and Cecelia Summers; nephew, Monty Williamson; great nieces, Beverly Gray, Kim Akers, Kelly Bowlin, Stephanie Redell, Connie Carmichael, Lisa Bailey, and Shirley Kinser; great nephews, Jeff Redell, Steve and James Gordon, Larry Brown, Greg and Bobby Guy Emfinger, and Mike Reid; and a sister-in-law, Christine Cox.

Graveside services were at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 9, 1995 in the Memorial Park Cemetery in Tulsa, Ninde Funeral Home directed.

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Edward R. Clark

WILLOW PARK- Edward R. Clark, 78, died Sunday, Jan. 8, 1995 at his home.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1995 at the Aledo United Methodist Church in Aledo; Rev. Sandra Lydick officiated. Burial was at 3 p.m. in the Cisco Cemetery, Cisco, Texas, directed by White's Funeral Home of Weatherford.

He was born April 23, 1916 in Kempner, Texas. He was the son of James F. and Lula Mae Clark. He was a resident of the Weatherford area for the

Opal May Fry

GORMAN - Opal May Fry, 82, died Monday, January 9, 1995 at a De Leon hospital.

from Purolator in 1976 after 40 years and was a member of First United Methodist Church.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 10, 1995 at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Terry Colwell officiating. Burial was in De Leon Cemetery. Mrs. Fry was born in Duster and graduated from De Leon High School. She retired

Survivors include two daughters, Carolyn Simmons of Arlington and Diane Snider Smith of Gorman; two sisters, Fay Carroll of Stephenville and Audree Thornton of Houston; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Norman Weiser

CISCO- Norman Harold Weiser, 66, died Sunday, Jan. 8, 1995 at Hendrick Medical Center.

He married Kathleen Ziehr June 1, 1958 in Cisco.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 10, 1995 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Pastor Bill Lowrey officiated. Burial was in the Romney Lutheran Cemetery.

He was a member of the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Cisco. He was in the US Army during the Korean War.

He was born June 23, 1928 in Cisco. He was a farmer, retired from the maintenance department at the First National Bank of Cisco in 1994 and was presently in charge of maintenance at People's State Bank in Rising Star.

Survivors include his wife, Kathleen Weiser of Cisco; a son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and Charlotte Weiser of Cisco; a daughter, Connie Weiser of Cisco; 3 sisters, Meta Stroebel of Cisco, Ruth Stroebel of Rising Star and Lillian Bowen of San Angelo; and two granddaughters, Kimberly and Amanda Weiser.

Rex Bacon

MORAN - William Rex Bacon, 36, died Sunday, January 1, 1995 at a Shackelford County hospital.

played by Shackelford County and was a member of the First Christian Church.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 4, 1995 at Cisco Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Don Price officiated. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Bacon of Moran; a son, Willie of Moran; a daughter, Shauta of Moran; his parents, Billy and Polly Bacon of Cisco; a brother, Mike Bacon of Cisco; two sisters, Becky Reynolds of Cisco and Karen Rutledge of Scranton.

Mr. Bacon was employed by Shackelford County and was a member of the First Christian Church.

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Newest Export Data Confirm Texas A Winner Under NAFTA

As Mexico President Ernesto Zedillo lays out his economic plan, export figures for the first three quarters of 1994 attest to the confidence of Texas business in the Mexican market. The figures released today by the Texas Department of Commerce also show strong increases in trade with Canada, establishing Texas as a winner under the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Texas businesses continue to increase their exports to Mexico, but the fastest export growth has been in the Canadian market. Based on the first three quarters of 1994, Texas exports reached \$43.6 billion, an increase of 13.3 percent over the same period in 1993. U.S. exports also showed a significant gain, growing 9.5 percent over the same period to reach \$374.6 billion.

"Almost half of Texas exports are destined for Canada or Mexico, our two partners under NAFTA," noted Deborah Kastrin, executive director of the Texas Department of Commerce. "In the first three quarters of 1994, these two countries accounted for two-thirds of our export gains. Clearly, NAFTA has been a major factor in our export growth."

With a proven track record in the Mexican export market, Texas business are now looking at Canada as an important market for their products. In the first three quarters of 1994, Texas exports to Canada grew more than 23 percent over the same period a year ago-almost twice the overall growth rate of U.S. exports to Canada.

"Mexico is still, by far, our largest export market, but Canada is actually growing at a faster rate," says Commerce's Senior Economist Susan Tully. "In 1993, Texas exports to Canada grew more than 20 percent; through the third quarter of 1994, we've seen a similar growth rate."

Commerce's analysis of the export figures also reveals:

* Texas trade with

Mexico, which more than doubled between 1987 and 1993, has only been enhanced by the implementation of NAFTA. For the first three quarters of 1994, the state's exports to Mexico grew a robust 17.1 percent.

* Texas shipments to Mexico, valued at \$17.5 billion, accounted for nearly half of the \$37.5 billion that the U.S. exported to Mexico in the first three quarters of 1994.

* Combined U.S. exports to Mexico expanded even faster than Texas exports for the first nine months of 1994, posting a 21.5 percent gain, underlining the growing importance of NAFTA for all states, not just Texas.

"As we look to the new year," Kastrin says, "Texas needs to maintain its focus on expanding international markets. Mexico and Canada will continue to be major markets, but with the passage of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and a pending expansion of NAFTA, international trade holds great promise in 1995 and beyond."

Many of those opportunities may be found relatively close to home from Texas business. In December 1994, heads of governments from 34 Western Hemisphere nations agreed to negotiate a hemispheric free trade zone by 2005. Those nations combined would represent the world's largest free trade zone, made up of an estimated 850 million people and a \$13 trillion market. With an expanded NAFTA as the cornerstone of that vision, U.S., Canada, and Mexican leaders formally invited Chile to begin negotiations to join the trade pact in 1995.

Texas also serves international business as the ideal site for a U.S. location. With today's corporate cutbacks and rising costs of doing business, Texas offers firms the convenience of a single location to serve the U.S., convenient to both coasts, as well as Canada and Mexico.

Looking Beneath The Surface Of The Girls Scout Cookie Sale

It's time to join the Girl Scouts on an "Incredible Voyage" to "look beneath the surface" of the Girl Scout cookie sale. This year's motivational theme for the cookies sale reaches new depths in exploring participation, motivation and organization, challenges girls are facing today and will be facing the future. The voyage leads to a new perspective, new methods and new answers in meeting those challenges.

In addition to the seven kinds of delicious Girl Scout cookies from which to choose, a new cookie is being test marketed this year. This new cookie is called Snaps and is a low-fat, iced oatmeal raisin cookie. It has only 1.5 grams of fat and 130 calories in seven cookies. You can enjoy some snaps, invest in the future of Girl Scouting and not even have to feel guilty about the "fat".

Girls will be taking orders from January 6 through January 23 with delivery schedule between February 16 and March 6. The price will remain at \$2.50 per box; customers should not pay for cookies until delivery is made.

Ever since the 1920's, the sale of Girl Scout cookies has offered Girl Scouts of all ages a unique opportunity to increase entrepreneurial skills and finance troop activities. From its very inception, the Girl Scout cookie sale has provided a sound program experience for girls along with the bonus of revenues for future adventures. The reach of this troop activity has widened astronomically from those early days of home-baked cookies. Although the mechanics and scope of the cookie sale have changed, the real benefits for Girl Scouts have not. It is a time to learn and improve on a myriad of skills, from human relations to business acumen.

The breadth of the program experience depends on the effective partnership of leaders and girls. Active involvement in every phase of troop planning and decision-making will ensure that girls emerge from the venture that much wiser. The following are some of the benefits the girls realize from selling Girl Scout cookies.

--Decision-making by setting goals for future activities, identifying tasks and responsibilities of the sale and determining

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how those responsibilities will be divided.

--Money management by analyzing the cost of planned activities and discussing potential income from the cookies sale; they can compare the percentage of revenues from the cookie sale versus other sources. They can also create a record-keeping system for tracking the troop's sales and income.

--Business wise-Girls have the opportunity to learn the basics of running a business such as accounting, public relations, marketing, production and overhead costs.

--Consumerism is learned by studying the products sold, the customer appeal of the packaging and advertisements and the program activities which result from the sale.

--Safety procedures are learned and practiced and role playing is a way of being prepared for a variety of situations.

Girl Scout and cookies are strongly linked in the mind of the public-and with good reason. For a long time, cookie sales have helped to pay for Girl Scout program and activities.

In the November 1923 issue of The American Girl, the Girl Scouts of Bridgeport, Connecticut, described how they sold cookies to support their troop activities. Girl Scouts from every Bridgeport troop baked butter cookies to be sold on "Cookie Day". This was no small enterprise. These Girl Scouts

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In 1934, in Philadelphia, some Girl Scout cookies were commercially baked. Two years later, councils had their first nationally-franchised Girl Scout cookies sale. But it wasn't until the late 1940's that the cookie sale really flourished. World War II was over and all parents wanted the best for their children. For girls, the best was Girl Scout Camps. The slogans for the period were "Buy Our Cookies and Build Our Camp" and "Buy Our Cookies and Send a Girl to Camp."

Camp building and upkeep still are heavily supported by the cookie sale. Girl Scouts have always cared for the environment and today, more than ever, are aware of the earth's fragile ecology. Today's Girl Scout Camps are required to meet the needs of people with disabilities, upgrade formerly primitive camps to provide more services, and winterize summer camps so they can be used all year long.

But camp support is only one use of the cookie funds. Cookies money makes all kinds of activities possible for girls. In addition to underwriting special activities and financing travel, cookie funds are important in reaching out to girls who might not otherwise have access to membership. Also, these funds underwrite the very important leadership development training for the adults who will bring Girl Scout program to these girls.

The cookie sale earning help provide

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salaries for staff who plan and organize council-sponsored program activities, recruit and organize troops, and train Girl Scout leaders. Cookie sales support council activities that take place all year long -- from special workshops to day trips to awards banquets.

Where does the funding come from to pay for Girl Scout activities? United Way, Girl Scout donors, annual giving campaigns that involve parents, and the community-at-large, and the cookie sale.

More than 80 percent of Girl Scout income is spent on program, which means that girls benefit directly from 80

percent of all Girl Scout income, including cookie funds.

Certainly this is in keeping with Girl Scout goals. We are here to serve girls. In today's world they have exciting opportunities for travel, for new experiences, for learning about the technological advances that will define the future. As we near the twenty-first century, we offer girls a program that will challenge them today while preparing them for tomorrow. The cookie sale helps to make that program possible.

Ranger-If you are not contacted by one of the girls and want to order or for informa-

tion call Teresa Basham at 647-1741.

School Menu

Wednesday
Corn Dogs w/mustard
Scalloped Potatoes
Baked Beans
Peanut Butter Cookies
Milk
Thursday
Baked Chicken w/cream gravy
Mashed Potatoes
English Peas
Hot Roll
Gelatin
Milk
Friday
Hamburger w/trimmings
Tater Tots
Sliced Peaches
Milk

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