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## Junior High Tennis Team Brings Home District Trophies

By COACH MACK MCCONAL

The Junior High Tennis team was in Santa Anna Saturday for District 10A Tennis.

The team had only 5 days of workouts, but responded very well to a minimum of court time and instruction.

Both the boys and girls won the team district trophies. This was unusual for the girls because they had only 2 entries in the tournament -- 1 singles and 1 doubles -- but these 2 entries won 1st and wrapped up the girls team championship overall.

The junior high boys did an equally fine job and won 2nd and 3rd in singles and 1st place in doubles to also win the district team trophy.

The results are as follows:

### Girls singles

Jennifer Turner beat Santo (8-0); beat Baird (8-3); finals beat Santa Anna (8-2) 1st place

### Girls doubles

Shena Thomas/Sara Nixon beat Santa Anna (8-4); finals beat Gorman (8-6) 1st place

### Boys singles

Brandon Gilliam beat Baird's #2 (8-3); beat Santa Anna (8-0); lost to #1 Brock (1-8); beat Baird's #1 (8-3) won 3rd place

Cody Reed beat Santa Anna (8-0); beat Brock's #2 (8-3); finals lost to Brock's #1 (1-8) 2nd place

### Boys doubles

Landon Hill/L.D. Whitehead lost to Gorman (5-8)

Joseph Dillard/Aaron Norris beat Santo (8-0); beat Gorman #2 (8-0); finals beat Gorman's #1 (8-4) 1st place

A big thanks goes to all of the parents who were at the tournament to support their kids and other players. It made me and the players feel very good to hear their applause when kids made a good play on the court. Thanks to Coach Boyd for taking over my classroom duties so I would have first period to work with these kids and still have a conference period.

This tournament concluded a very brief but highly successful tennis season for our junior high tennis program.

## Cross Plains Band Scored High

By TODD FELTY

The Cross Plains High School Band competed in the UIL Concert and Sight-Reading contest in Hamlin on Thursday, April 17, with twenty-nine students giving a Second Division performance on stage and a First Division performance in sight-reading. The band achieved these high marks in spite of a set back two weeks prior in which 15 of the 45 member group became ineligible due to failing grades in other classes which caused the "no pass no play" rule to be implemented. Another band member was unable to attend due to illness. The band has been working very hard on a difficult program which included "La Fiesta Brava," "Spring Song" and "Blue Ridge Saga." "La Fiesta Brava" and "Blue Ridge Saga" are on a higher difficulty performance level than the bands have played here in the past several years. Please congratulate these band members for their achievement on a difficult musical program under difficult circumstances.

The band will be making a trip to Six Flags on May 3 to spend a day at the park and participate in a band rehearsal with a guest conductor on May 4 and return home that afternoon.

On Thursday, May 15, the Elementary music classes will be presenting the musical "Once Upon A Lily Pad" at 7 p.m.

On Sunday, May 18, all bands Beginning, Sixth, and High School will be performing the annual spring concert in the auditorium at 3 p.m.

## Colonial Oaks Services

Old Time Gospel Mission will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, April 27, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

## One Act Play Presented Tonight

Cross Plains High School's One Act Play will be performed Thursday, April 24, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The cast will present their district winning interpretation of "Eden."

The community is invited to attend. Admission will be \$1.00 (students and adults). The proceeds will be used to cover expenses incurred for the production of this year's play.

## Hwy. 206 Baptist Mission Revival to begin April 27

The Highway 206 Baptist Mission will be holding a Revival beginning Sunday, April 27, through Saturday, May 3. Morning service will be at 11 a.m. and evening services 7 p.m. A different preacher will be featured each service as follows:

Sunday morning - Larry Joe Davis, Clyde

Sunday evening - Donald Strength, Cross Plains

Monday evening - Bob Harrison, Breckenridge

Tuesday evening - Dwaine Clower, Pioneer

Wednesday evening - George Taff, Cross Plains

Thursday evening - Jack Clack, Cisco

Friday evening - Baylis Pope, Cisco

Saturday evening - Bill Armstrong, Nimrod.

The revival music will be provided by Dianna Stover and Dorothy Reynolds.

On Saturday, May 3, there will be a fish fry at 5:00 p.m. and "Risen Son Singers" from View Baptist will perform at 6 p.m. Worship service will follow at 7 p.m.

Pastor Edward Walters invites everyone to come hear the word of God.

## City Wide Clean-up Saturday

BFI and City Hall have set this year's annual clean-up date for this Saturday, April 26. All items must be at curbside by 7:00 a.m. on that date.

Project Pride, Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club are joining in this community effort and encourage everyone to begin now checking yards and storage areas for unwanted items that are not ordinarily acceptable for BFI's weekly household trash pick up.

On this special day, all solid waste will be collected except tires, batteries and chemicals. Paint cans will

be accepted if opened and the contents allowed to dry. Used oil and oil filters cannot be accepted. Appliances containing freon cannot be picked up unless the freon has been removed by a certified person and the appliance properly tagged that it is freon free.

If you have questions or need help in moving a large item to the curb you may call City Hall at 725-6114 for further information or assistance.

Let's all do our part and continue to keep Cross Plains clean and attractive.

## Annual Fish Fry May 16

The Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department has another "Deer Quilt" they are taking donations on for the "Annual C.P.V.F.D. Fish Fry." Tickets are \$1.00 each and the quilt is on display at Citizens State Bank.

The Fish Fry will be Friday, May 16, at the Cross Plains Community Center. More details will be published later.

## Little League Workday Scheduled

The Cross Plains Little League has scheduled a workday for Saturday, April 26. All Pee Wee and Little League parents are urged to participate, as much work is needed to get the fields, concession stand and surrounding areas in shape and ready for this year's games.

## Early Voting Continues Through April 29 In School Board Election

Registered voters may cast their ballots early each weekday at the Cross Plains City Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (closed 12 noon - 1 p.m.) until April 29. Applications for ballot by mail may be mailed to: Debbie Gosnell, City Hall, P.O. Box 129, Cross Plains, Texas 76443. Ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on May 3, 1997.

Election day will be May 3 at the Cross Plains Community Center, 8th and Beech Street, Cross Plains, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Two trustee positions will be determined. The terms of Donnie Dillard and Jimmy Harris are expiring. Candidates are Donnie Dillard, Wes Brown, and Tony Wyatt.



**JUNIOR HIGH BOYS WIN DISTRICT IN TRACK**—The junior high A and B track teams pictured are Joe Dillard (top, from left), Kyle McClure, Ryan Aitchison, Tony Beggs, Scott Mackey and Coach Jackson; Jonathan Chastain (middle, from left), James Ross, Seth Fortune, Tim Butler, Aaron Norris; T.J. Harris (bottom, from left), Cory Phillips, Chris Kitchens, Josh Hopkins, and Kyle Wilson.

Not present at picture time were Nicholas Dimitri, Roger Carey, Roger Meroney and Cody Reed. The A team finished 1st and the B team finished 4th.

## 1997 CPHS Homecoming Plans Announced

What a difference three years can make! A lot of changes have taken place at your alma mater since 1994. A bond election was passed in 1995 which enabled the Cross Plains Independent School District to build new classrooms, state of the art science lab and gymnasium. The track has also been resurfaced due in part to the Ex-Students of Cross Plains. The elementary building has also been remodeled and modernized. Cross Plains can boast facilities comparable to any in the area.

Unfortunately with time some traditions must change also. The football game will be held on Friday this year.

Friday, October 10, will begin the homecoming festivities with a Pep Rally downtown at 4:30 p.m. The

football game will be at 7:30 p.m. with the Buffaloes vs. Evant Elks.

Saturday, October 11, will kick off with a coffee and registration in the gym foyer and tour of campus facilities from 9 to 11 a.m.

The business meeting will be held in the new gym from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Classes will be sectioned by decades. The election of the Coming Home King and Queen will take place at this time. One candidate per decade for King and Queen may be nominated from the 20's - 90's. Be thinking who you would like to nominate.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. sponsored by the Band Boosters.

The parade downtown will commence at 2 p.m. and the Coming Home King and Queen will be hon-

ored.

Class meetings will be held beginning at 3:30 p.m. and the various locations will be announced at the business meeting.

A coffee will be held at the gym foyer beginning at 8 p.m.

A dance behind Treadway Park (weather permitting) or Winfrey's warehouse beginning at 8 p.m.

All ex-students, ex-teachers, and anyone who is interested in attending is cordially invited to attend the 1997 Homecoming. The locals work hard planning and organizing this event so make arrangements to attend. If you have never come home for this event — now is the time. You will be missed!



**LOCAL VOLUNTEERS HONORED**—Thelma Long (back, from left), Weston Jones, Roger Watson, Chuck Woody, Nash Tucker, Jeff Fox, Oliver Smith, August Garlitz, and John McFerrin; Jay Kirkham (middle, from left), Elva Woody, Lucille Callaway, Maurine McCuin, Lois Garrett, Helen Freeman, Jean Fore, Fay Jackson, Frankie Smith, Vicky Worley, and Gene Dillard; Gladys Barnes (sitting, from left), June Hickman, Gladys Smith, O.B. Switzer, Pauline Switzer, and Mary Bates.

## National Volunteer Week celebrated locally

By VICKY WORLEY

The Cross Plains Senior Citizens Center recently celebrated National Volunteer Week, April 14-18. Wednesday was declared Volunteer Recognition Day and all attending were pinned as they came in with very large hearts with their names and brief description within.

We completed the day with a large

group photo by our faithful "Friends of the Center," Vanda King and Deborah Griswold.

It would be almost impossible to name all volunteers here on any single day. To all who were unable to attend, thank you very much for all you do - whether it is delivering meals, mopping the floors, or lending your support by having lunch with us. I appreciate you.

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## COURTHOUSE NEWS

**42nd DISTRICT COURT**  
John Weeks presiding

**COUNTY COURT**  
Bill Johnson presiding

**Civil Minutes**  
Pope, Janna Lee & Leslie Karl, case dismissed.  
Havner, James Wesley, Jr., & Christy Dawn, case dismissed.  
Divorce granted:  
Chapman, Eddie & Marla.  
Larry & Deborah Stoneman, etal, vs A-1 Septic Backhoe Service, case dismissed with prejudice.  
Jody Wasson, found to be \$935 in arrears on child support; new schedule of payments to begin 5-1-97.  
Simon Micah Guerrer, found to be \$1347 in arrears on child support; new schedule of payments to begin 5-1-97.  
Billy J. Rhodes, found to be \$15,375 in arrears on child support; new schedule of payments to begin 5-1-97.

**Felony Minutes**  
Mia Michelle Prater, probation discharged.

**Misdemeanor Filings**  
Charged with TPC (theft of property by check): Jerry Hollis, Grace Lowe Meads, Caroline Yates, Crystal A. Cory, Emma Swiney.  
Charged with possession of marijuana: William Wayne Harper, Jennifer Suzanne Horn, Steven Pete Klassen.  
Clifton Boyd Lindsey, DWLS.  
Steven Pete Klasson, evading arrest.  
Thomas Edward Ivy, criminal trespass.

**Misdemeanor Minutes**  
John Phillip Schaefer, possession of marijuana, \$450 fine \$137 court costs, 6 months deferred probation.  
David Burford, TPC, \$100 fine \$157 court costs, \$201 restitution, 6 months deferred probation.  
Blas Barraza, DWI, \$400 fine \$232 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 2 years.  
Shawn Kensler, TPC, \$100 fine \$167 court costs, \$195.82 restitution, 6 months probation.  
William Paul Ganzer, DWI, \$800 fine \$212 court costs, 120 days in jail probated for 2 years.  
TPC charges dismissed due to restitution having been made: Larry Hogland, Sonja Rios.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES**  
Jennifer Lynn Subbett & Aaron Daniel Coffman of Abilene.  
Linda Jean Slack & Ricky Dan Ballard of Abilene.  
Brenda Sue Milligan & Mark Allen Ives of Clyde.  
Sheila Renee Lassiter & Randall Keith Wade of Clyde.  
Peggy Ruth Bowermaster, Clyde, Jerry Glen Wilson, Baird.

The world's most widely distributed book is the Bible, which has been translated into 318 languages and portions of it into 1,628 languages.



*So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." I Corinthians 15:54*  
Paid Advertising — Irma Miller

### Phelix Watson

Phelix Watson, 85, owner and operator of Watson Meat Co. for 20 years, passed away Wednesday, April 16, 1997, at his home. Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday in North's Funeral Home Memorial Chapel, 4002 Buffalo Gap Road, with Edward James officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Memorial Park.  
Mr. Watson was born in Burkett and grew up in Coleman County. He married Sylvia Smith in 1932 in Cross Plains and lived for several years in Coleman, where he worked as a butcher for Safeway and later owned the Coleman Meat Co. He moved to Abilene in 1950 and was employed by Riddley Meat Co. as a salesman. He was a member of Southwest Park Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife of Abilene; one son, Jerry P. Watson of Midland; one brother, Roger Watson of Cross Plains; one sister, Mildred Harlow of San Antonio; and three grandchildren.

### Tod Newton

BAIRD—Tod Newton, 68, passed away Tuesday, April 15, 1997, in an Abilene hospital after a sudden illness. Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Baird First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jack Willoughby and Byron Hatchett officiating. Burial was in Ross Cemetery Annex, direct by Parker Funeral Home.  
Mr. Newton was born in Caddo Peak and moved to Baird in 1945. He married Jo Ann Dickey in 1947 in Stamford. He was employed as a motorcycle officer for the Abilene Police Department for four years until 1960, when he became a chief deputy sheriff in Callahan County. He started working as a brand inspector for the Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association in 1966. In 1973, he began working for Woods Farms in Katy and retired as a rice dryer manager. He also was a self-employed welder and was a member of First Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife of Baird; one son, Larry Newton of Baird; one daughter, Candye Newton Perkins of Clyde; and five grandchildren.

## Commissioners support 42nd Grand Jury changes

BAIRD—Callahan County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, April 14th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Callahan County Courthouse. County Judge Bill Johnson called the meeting to order with these officers present, Commissioners; Harold Hicks, Precinct 1, Bryan Farmer Precinct 2, Tommy Holland Precinct 3 and Charlie Grider Precinct 4, County Clerk Darlene Walker and County Treasurer Dora Hounshel.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved with no corrections.

Commissioners passed a resolution supporting 42nd District Grand Jury changes. This will change the present four month Grand Jury terms to six month terms. State legislation will also have to be passed before the changes can go into effect. State Representative Keffer has introduced the measure in Austin but no action has been taken yet according to Judge Johnson. Motion was made by Grider and seconded by Farmer.

Commissioners discussed bids on painting the Courthouse windows but no action was taken on the matter.

Bills were then reviewed and approved for paying on a motion by Hicks and seconded by Grider.

Submitted by Billy Harris  
Baird Correspondent

### Ines Marie Holt

COLORADO CITY—Ines Marie (Compton) Holt, 96, passed away Sunday, April 20, 1997, at her home. Services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel with Gary Williams officiating, assisted by Foy Yarbrough and Charles Henderson. Burial was in Loraine Cemetery, directed by Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.  
Mrs. Holt was born in Eastland County and lived in Colorado City for 73 years. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of Christ. She married Alfred Holt in 1919 in Scranton; he preceded her in death.

Survivors include three daughters, Cybil Duffer of Big Spring, Bonnie Alexander and Evelyn Crane both of Sweetwater; one sister, Julia Hedrick of Cross Plains; 17 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 25 great-great-grandchildren.

April 1, 1997

This was a regular meeting of the Cross Plains City Council. Members present were Mayor Ray Purvis, James Nichols, Ray Womack, Jerry Cassle, and Edwin Weiss. W.C. Pringle was absent.

Notation was made that nothing was in the March minutes concerning the adoption of the new 1997/1998 budget which was adopted at the regular meeting in March.

Steve Jamison met with the council to discuss the fact that his home sits approximately 1 1/2' past the meets and bounds of his property. He stated that this is not an issue particularly that needs to be addressed at this time, however, he did want the city to be aware of the situation and possible in the future if the property is ever sold, he would like for the city to consider him petitioning the city for 1 1/2' of the road to be closed just to get the meets and bounds set over enough that it wouldn't be in violation. He pointed out that when title work is done, lending institution are pretty particular with these types of problems. The mayor and council acknowledged the problem and that if something does come up in the future, the matter will be addressed at that time.

Bob Hill, City Judge, met with the council to present the judge's report. Ray Womack moved to accept the Judges report as presented. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Bob Harrell met with the council to discuss the stand for the siren at the fire department. The mayor noted that 4" pipe has been donated for the stand. By general consent the council agreed for Carroll Pringle to look at the pipe and determine if it is the type of pipe needed for this project. Bob Harrell informed the council that a plate and bolts were left to weld to.

Bids for the police car were opened. Clovis Simons bid \$451.00, a bid of \$403.25 from D.J. Sawyer, and G.R. Merrill bid \$501.51. Edwin Weiss moved to accept the bid for \$501.51 from G.R. Merrill, Ray Womack seconded and motion carried.

Bids for the removal of the old

water tower were opened. First bid for the purchase of the old water tower was in the amount of \$50 from Clovis Simons, Randy Foster bid \$734.00, and Alvin Hutchins bid \$501.01. Jerry Cassle moved to accept the bid from Randy Foster in the amount of \$734.00. Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

The council discussed the removal of the telephone poles requested by and located north of the James Nichols property. These poles are located on City property, but due to the fact the school kids sit on these poles and smoke and eat lunch and litter, he would like for the poles to be removed. By general consent, Debbie is to contact the school and ask that the poles be removed. There will be no signs put up prohibition parking in this area, however, the parallel parking signs will continue to be enforced.

Discussion was held concerning the property located North of the city Property currently being irrigated south of Cross Plains. Debbie informed the council that there were approximately 22.83 acres for sale that the city could use for further irrigation. The owners ask that the City make an offer on the property and they would consider any reasonable offer. Edwin Weiss moved to offer \$7,000 for the purchase of this property. Ray Womack seconded and motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning the poor reception of the Brownwood TV Cable service and the many complaints received from the citizens. It was also pointed out that the City council had a meeting with Brownwood Cable Representatives and publicized the meeting and only a few people showed up for the meeting. It was also noted that very little has been done to help the reception of the service.

Edwin Weiss moved to pay the bills. James Nichols seconded and motion carried.

Jerry Cassle moved to adjourn, Edwin Weiss seconded and motion carried.

Ray Purvis, Mayor  
ATTEST:  
Debbie Gosnell, Secretary

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## Trip home ends for Abilene man in Baird

BAIRD—An Abilene man had his trip home cut short Sunday morning in Baird.

Alton Leroy Fielder, 34, was arrested in Baird after fleeing Callahan County DPS officer Jim Cook. The chase started near the Finley Road overpass east of Baird on IH-20 about 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning. The suspect refused to stop and turned off the interstate on to Highway 283 and headed south into Baird. He abandoned the red Ford Escort on Brookview Street but was apprehended by Trooper Cook immediately after leaving the vehicle at about 10:18 a.m.

Authorities had been alerted by Eastland County to be on the lookout for the vehicle that had been reported stolen from Ranger.

Fielder was charged with unlawful use of a motor vehicle and transferred to Eastland County.

Trooper Cook was assisted by Callahan County Sheriff Eddie Curtis, Deputy Darroll Ratto and Game Warden Vance Wallace.

Submitted by Billy Harris  
Baird Correspondent

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# NEWS

By  
**LINDA EDINGTON**  
Activity Director

Everyone enjoyed some fine music and singing that Bobby Jack and Sister Ruby McCowen provided for us last week.

Residents will be having their birthday party tonight. The Hallelujah Puppets from Cottonwood Baptist Church will be providing the entertainment. Those having a birthday this month are Mildred Ford and Allie Dickson. Employees with birthdays are Jackie Turner and Jessie Fleming. Our wedding anniversary is Ruby Cassle. Family and friends are invited to come celebrate with them.

Thoughts and prayers go out to Jake Green and Winnie Walton who are in the hospital.

Appreciation to Bonnie Rogers for the onions and to Rhonda Schaefer for the donuts.

Minnie Swann was our winner for a free meal at Jack's Place. Thanks Wanda and Jack.

Dorothy Welch and Scott from Fort Worth and Betty Montgomery from Midland visited Leila Montgomery.

Joan Bullard from Clyde, Mona Wilson from Abilene and Kate McCarty visited Gertrude Powell and Blanche Brooks.

J.W. and Maxine Sneed from Azle and Wayne and Beverly Brown from Cottonwood visited Mildred Ford.

Eddie Hedrick from Abilene visited Julia Hedrick.

Gloria Wagner from Stephenville visited Dixie and Bud Ingram.

Billy Wright from Clyde visited Lorena Wright.

Kay Bell was chosen as the Employee of the Week. Congratulations Kay!!

Activities during the week:

**Monday:** Bingo winners were Midge McCall, Minnie Swann (2), Vera Belyeu (2), Dorothy Thomas (2) and Ruby Harrell. Exercise class.

**Tuesday:** Art class. Popcorn and Skip-Bo games.

**Wednesday:** Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Exercise class.

**Thursday:** Bingo winners were Minnie Swann, Ruby Harrell (3), Gertrude Powell, Vera Belyeu and Dorothy Thomas. Skip-Bo games.

**Friday:** Singing with Bob Wallace. Sit-down-basketball.

**Sunday:** Old Time Gospel Mission

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## Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

### "Vacations and Lies"

The time is fast approaching for vacation planning. Have you broached the subject yet? Me neither!

Whether you plan to go near or far, there are plenty of fun and interesting things to do in America. You can do lots of things right here in this vicinity. There are numerous places near here to go fishing, hiking, bicycling, swimming; or invite friends over for a big Bar-B-Que; or a watermelon bust; a pizza party; or get a group together and go for a nature walk — all day.

The Carlsbad Caverns are not very far from here! There are many historic places to visit. You can always go to Austin, the state capital, or the nations capital, Washington, D.C. There's Yellowstone National Park, or in Texas there is Big Bend near Alpine, and many, many more too

numerous to mention.

An old fashioned picnic sounds good to me and then play some games such as volleyball or softball. Then after cooling off a bit, spend the rest of the afternoon swimming. Remember the "old swimmin' hole" of yesteryear? Sounds like a good vacation to me.

While you're contemplating your plans for vacation, I'll leave you with a little poem I heard somewhere. I think it's cute.

"Pa's Lie"  
author unknown

I love Ma,  
Ma loves Pa,  
Pa loves swimmin'--- with red-headed women.

Ma caught Pa with four in swimmin',  
Here lies Pa!  
"C" "U" next column.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

We have a daughter who frequently travels the road from our home to Tarleton State University in Stephenville. She came home Monday, April 14, to spend the night for her sister's seventeenth birthday. In order to make a 9:30 a.m. class, she left our house about 7 a.m. Tuesday morning. She knows exactly how far she can push the gas gauge in her car, but this trip, she was in her sister's car, because her's is "under repair."

Somewhere west of Cross Plains, she ran out of gas. She called home on her car phone, and we would have soon been on the road to rescue her. Before we could fill the gasoline container and make necessary calls to our workplaces, she called again to say that someone had stopped to help.

A nice gentleman and his wife stopped, put gasoline in her car, and sent her on her way. She told us she offered to pay them and tried to get their names. The gentleman declined

and told her that they have a seventeen-year-old daughter that might need help someday, and he would hope someone would be there for her. We hope she knows what special parents she has.

Every time our girls leave our house, we ask a special blessing on them as they travel. On this day, some very special couple in your community was our blessing. They were truly an answered prayer. We and all of you are very fortunate to live in communities where people still care about people.

To this couple: It is our wish that you will see this letter and know how thankful we are that you stopped, you helped, and you took a chance that this was indeed an innocent young lady in need of assistance. May God bless you for your kindness.

Sincerely,  
Gene and Karen Yost  
902 FM 614  
Ovalo, Tx. 79541

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By  
**BEVERLY BROWN**

Grab your cleaning cloths, scrub buckets, cleaning supplies and join us on Tuesday, April 29, at the Cottonwood Community Center around 9:00 a.m. for "clean up day." We will be working at the center and the post office, getting prepared for the Annual Cottonwood Historical Association Day on Sunday, May 4. Bring a sack lunch or mid-morning snack and enjoy the fellowship with neighbors while cleaning up the community.

This year a noon meal will be served prior to the Cottonwood Historical Association business meeting. Bring a covered dish for the meal. The center will be opened around 9:30 a.m. so you may bring your food before going to church. The meeting this year will be dedicated to the memory of John Purvis. Guest speaker will be Wallace Bennett. Nominations and election of new board members is on the

agenda.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Sneed of Azle was here visiting with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown and mother, Mildred Ford at the Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Saturday.

Mrs. Bill Nickerson, Sr. returned home last Tuesday from spending a week with her grandchildren, Matt, Blake and Chase. She kept the children while their father, Glynn Nickerson attended a business meeting out of state.

R.D. and Sharon Childers of Cisco visited with his mother, Lillie Childers, on Thursday and mowed her lawn. On Friday, Melvin and Claudine Wilcoxon of Cisco came by to see her and attended the Cottonwood Musical. Over the weekend Aubrey Childers of Potosi visited with his mother. He reported spotting a herd of wild hogs north of the Cottonwood area during his travels.

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Thursday evening - May 1 - Jack Clark of Cisco  
Friday evening - May 2 - Baylis Pope of Cisco  
Saturday evening - May 3 - Bill Armstrong of Nimrod

**Revival music**

Diane Stover  
Dorothy Reynolds

May 3 - Fish Fry at 5:00 p.m.  
Risen Son Singers from View Baptist will sing at 6:00 p.m.

## Elder Law Seminar May 6

The West Central Texas Area Agency on Aging and the Abilene Young Lawyers Association are joining forces to offer an Elder Law Seminar to Abilene-area residents. Supported on the state level by the Texas Young Lawyers Association and Texas Lawyers Care, this free seminar will be presented on Tuesday, May 6, at the Southern Hills Church of Christ, 3666 Buffalo Gap Rd. in Abilene. Registration is at 2:30 p.m.; the seminar is 3:00 to 5:00.

Robinson, Kris Fouts and Scott Seamster will discuss Wills and Probate, Advance Directives, Powers of Attorney, Estate Planning, Medicare/Medicaid and Social Security. Jeannie Williams, Benefits Counselor at the Area Aging on Aging will speak on recent AAA developments relating to seniors. All interested persons, especially seniors are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Jeannie Williams at (915) 672-8544. Abilene attorneys Vianci Lopez-

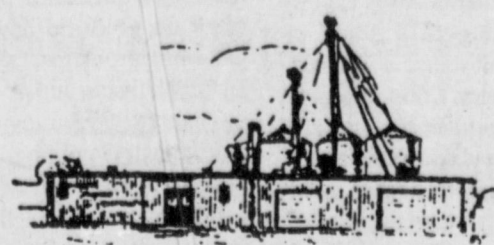
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## PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

We are having some pretty days now, and the plants are struggling to overcome the freeze we had in mid-April. I hope we never see a freeze that late in the year again.

May Jones visited her "mom" in Marshall, for a few days. We then visited with La Mereal and Henry Polson in Shreveport, Louisiana. We also visited with Cookie Lea in Marshall. We had a super time. The Texas wildflowers were so pretty along Interstate 20.

Jean Alexander spent several days with Jim and Marla Alexander, who live in Richardson. Jean's granddaughter, Ashley, was so proud to

have her grandmother with her. Jack was busy getting ready for spring football. Will was busy with his football.

Franci Huntington of Brady visited Jean Fore Monday afternoon.

Rudolph Brown visited his sister Earlene Burge Thursday. Friday they traveled to Brownwood and had lunch. He left for home and Earlene stayed with her children for a birthday party they had planned for her.

They were Jessica and Jack Stultz, Andrew, Dec. Ann and Cameron Chisholm, Cindy and Jon Ochoa. They prepared a delicious dinner and everyone had a good time.

### Local Lady Celebrated 90th Birthday

On Thursday, April 17, friends and family celebrated Ora Belle Webb's 90th birthday. Approximately 40 attended the reception in her honor. Cake, punch and good fellowship were enjoyed by all.

A special treat was the attendance of her niece, Janelle Webb Towey all the way from New York City, New York.

Ora Belle sang and reminisced of old times. She has a beautiful voice and a wonderful sense of humor. Ora Belle is a ray of sunshine to all who know her. She has spent her life serving others and bringing joy and happiness into everyone's lives.



**ORA BELLE WEBB**  
...90 Years Young

Happy Birthday Ora Belle and may you enjoy this year and many more to come!

## BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher  
Cross Plains Church of Christ  
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Have you ever been labeled? Have you ever labeled another? Though labeling may sometimes be acceptable and even necessary, injustices are sometimes invoked by so doing. Labels can be absolutely devastating!

If you have been labeled -- maybe "religious fanatic" or perhaps "a bigot," "liberal" or "conservative," "Christian" or "pagan" (and the list goes on and on) -- remember, in the first place, it may be inaccurate. Also, it might be a compliment rather than an insult, with the one doing the labeling not knowing the difference. That proves all the more that we need to be careful in our labeling of a person, perhaps even refrain from doing so.

Matthew 11:18-19 speaks of John and Jesus being labeled: "... John came neither eating nor drinking and they say, 'He has a demon.' The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a gluttonous man and a winebibber, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!'" Some of the labeling was inaccurate; some was a compliment, even though it was intended to be an insult. (It was a compliment to Jesus to be labeled "a friend of tax collectors and sinners" for He came to befriend them with salvation!)

Have labels made a difference in the way we treat others? It can skew our response to them. It may seem to justify a reaction rather than proper action. Would it not help, regardless of however else we might label others -- some even justified and necessary -- to label everyone: "loved enough by Jesus that He died for them?"

We want you to know, that regardless of how you may have been labeled by others, you are invited to share in periods of Bible study, worship and fellowship with us...

Sunday Morning Bible Class ... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 10:45 a.m. Wed. Evening Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.

Friends & Neighbors Caring In Jesus

# C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

## Scouts Setting Up Tents For West Texas Rendezvous II

## Regional Track Meet This Weekend



**DAIRY FOODS**—The FFA Dairy Foods team from Cross Plains High School placed third in the Area IV FFA competition held recently on the campus of Tarleton State University. The Cross Plains Range and Pasture team was made up of Natasha Webb, Jaonna Harris (third high individual), and Kimberly Ratliff (second high individual). Pictured far right is FFA advisor Roy Richey and Tarleton faculty member Dr. Frank Gilman. (TSU News Service photo)



**DAIRY CATTLE**—The FFA Dairy judging team from Cross Plains High School placed sixth in the Area IV FFA competition held recently on the campus of Tarleton State University. The Cross Plains Dairy Cattle team was made up of Dusty Hargrove, Bay Kirkham, Brandon Stover and Jody Fortune. Pictured far right is FFA advisor Roy Richey and Tarleton faculty member Dr. Sandy Johnson. (TSU News Service photo)

### TCADA issues report on teen and adult gambling

**AUSTIN**—The number of teens betting on lotteries has doubled since 1992—despite the fact that it is illegal for teens to purchase Texas Lottery tickets, according to a study on gambling and substance abuse conducted by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

The study found that more than 11 percent of Texas teenagers make bets for money as frequently as once a week or more. The actual percentage of teens who gamble did not increase in the time period. But teens who gamble anyway are twice as likely to buy lottery tickets.

The study includes data from a 1992 survey mandated by the Legislature shortly before the Texas Lottery got started, plus data collected in 1995 using federal funds. It provides a unique snapshot of adult and teenage gambling behavior before and after the Texas Lottery was introduced.

The survey of adult Texans found that betting has increased from 79 percent in 1992, a few months before the Texas Lottery was introduced, to 68 percent in 1995. But 20 percent of adult Texans gamble only when they play the lottery, engaging in no other type of gambling.

The Legislature ordered the 1992 survey to help identify persons at risk of becoming compulsive gamblers. It was conducted by telephone, as was the 1995 follow-up. Surveyors interviewed 7,015 adults aged 18 and over and 3,079 adolescents aged 14-17.

Compulsive, or pathological gambling, remains an extremely serious problem in Texas, affecting an estimated 400,000 adults and 26,000 teens. About 100,000 of the adult problem gamblers are considered to be pathological gamblers.

"While making small, informal bets with friends and family may be a relatively harmless diversion for most teens, a small percentage of teens do go on to develop serious gambling problems," said TCADA's Lynn Wallisch, author of *Gambling in Texas: 1995 Surveys of Adult and Adolescent Gambling Behavior*.

This is true even when the main gambling activity is limited to informal betting with their friends, Wallisch said.

"In these cases, gambling can begin to interfere with their school or

relationships, or they misuse lunch money or bus fare. They may even steal money in order to gamble or pay off gambling debts," Wallisch said. Wallisch said some 10 percent of Texas teens exhibit "risk behaviors that could lead to more serious gambling problems."

### 4-H Rabbit Clinic At Gorman April 26

A 4-H Rabbit Clinic will be held at the Gorman High School Show Barn on April 26, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. sponsored by the Bluebonnet 4-H Rabbit Club of Denton County.

4-H members interested in expanding their rabbit projects or anybody interested in getting started with a good foundation are encouraged to attend.

Topics to be covered: meat pens; nutrition; health and illness; showmanship; breeding; equipment; record keeping; grooming; showing; and housing.

Bring a rabbit you would like to have checked and one you would like tattooed.

Door prizes will consist of cages, equipment and feed.

Gorman Livestock Raisers concession stand will be available. If you need more information contact Bill Hagood (817) 734-2724 or Elizabeth Beck (817) 241-2859.

Boy Scouts and Webelos Scouts from West, North, and Central Texas - Del Rio to Post to Wichita Falls to Lampasas - will be setting up their tents for West Texas Rendezvous II. Over 1500 Scouts are expected to arrive on Friday, April 25, at Hords Creek Lake's Flat Rock Park. They will participate in 16 events on Saturday and enjoy the many exhibits which will also be open on Sunday.

The public is invited to visit on Saturday or Sunday. There will be a Trading Post for souvenirs, snacks, and drinks. The events and exhibits have lots of shade and are in a compact area. Tables will be available for those who wish to bring a picnic.

The schedule is as follows:  
Friday, April 25 - 4:00 p.m. registration begins

Saturday, April 26 - 9:00 a.m. - Opening ceremony by the Camp Barkley Chapter of the Heros of '76 in continental uniforms

9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Events

9:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Exhibits

6:30 p.m. - Show

Sunday, April 27

9:00 a.m. Church

10:00 a.m. - 12 noon - Exhibits

1:00 p.m. Everything closed

The West Texas Rendezvous is the brain child of Darline Jurkis, Chisholm Trail Council. She wanted those Scouts who could not go to a national jamboree to have a similar, affordable opportunity. Darline pushed until four councils agreed to participate in and support the event - Buffalo Trail, Chisholm Trail, Comanche Trail, Concho Valley.

The first one, a year in the making, was held in April, 1995, at Hords Creek Lake, Flat rock Park. The U.S. Army Engineer District, Fort Worth, Corps of Engineers fully supported the event by closing Flat Rock Park to the public during the event. This enabled the use of a large area.

Rendezvous #1 was attended by 1,440 participants and 214 visitors. Of this participant number 995 were youth, 376 were adult leaders, and 69 were staff. There were 90 units represented. Buffalo Trail Council had the largest number of participants with 450. The others followed with Chisholm Trail, 384; Concho Valley, 362; Comanche Trail, 244.

We were pleased to welcome U.S. Representative Charles Stenholm as a special visitor.

Each council staged and manned 4 events with several stations at each event.

A colorful patch was designed by an Abilenian.

A lot of walking was necessitated, but that was considered part of the jamboree flavor.

The Cross Plains boys and girls track teams will compete this weekend at the Regional Track Meet. The meet will be held at ACU's Elmer Gray Stadium.

The following are the results of the boys and girls regional qualifiers meet held last Friday at Wall. Our kids turned in some excellent performances.

#### GIRLS RESULTS

800 relay - 2:44.86 - Besselaar  
100 hurdles - Richey - 16.57 (p)  
16.31 (f) - 2nd  
800 relay - Beggs, Giles, Payne, Ricci - 1:56.84 (p) 1:56.47 (f) - 2nd  
400 - McCarty - 74.79 (p)  
300 hurdles - Richey - 47.84 (p)  
47.61 (f) - 2nd **NEW SCHOOL RECORD** - broke old record held by Amy Welch 1992, 48.04  
1600 - Wyatt - 6:51.78

1600 relay - Richey, Besselaar, Payne, Ricci - 4:23.18 - 5th  
Shot - Sowell - 37' 0" - 1st  
Discus - Sowell - 98' 0"  
High jump - Ricci - 4' 10" - 6th

#### BOYS RESULTS

3200 - Chesshir - 11:22.04 - 8th  
800 - Richey - 2:06.64 - 9th **NEW SCHOOL RECORD** - broke old record by Scott Crockett 2:07.0, 1989  
110 hurdles - Ricci - 15.04 (p)  
15.64 (f) - 3rd; Swift - 16.86 (p)  
16.93 (f) - 7th  
400 - Ely - 61.49 (p)  
300 hurdles - Ricci - 41.22 (p)  
41.03 (f) - 2nd  
1600 - Chesshir - 5:22.47; Ely - 5:26.95  
1600 relay - Swift, Ricci, Nixon, Richey - 3:37.37 - 7th

#### TRACK AND FIELD SCHEDULE

All events at Elmer Gray Stadium, Abilene Christian University

Friday, April 25 - Field Events

RUNNING EVENTS			FIELD EVENTS	
9:00 A.M.			10:00 A.M.	
3200M Run	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	High Jump	AA Girls
			Discus	AA Girls
			Long Jump	AA Boys
			Triple Jump	A Boys
			Shot Put	AA Boys
11:00 A.M.			12:30 P.M.	
400M Relay	A Girls	A Boys	High Jump	AA Boys
100M Hurdles	A Girls		Discus	AA Boys
110M Hurdles	A Boys		Long Jump	AA Girls
100M Dash	A Girls	A Boys	Shot Put	AA Girls
800M Relay	A Girls			
400 M Dash	A Girls	A Boys	4:00 P.M.	
300M Hurdles	A Girls	A Boys	Triple Jump	A Girls
200M Dash*	A Girls	A Boys	Pole Vault	A Boys
1600M Relay	A Girls	A Boys		
4:00 P.M.				
400M Relay	AA Girls	AA Boys		
100M Hurdles	AA Girls			
110M Hurdles	AA Boys			
100M Dash	AA Girls	AA Boys		
800M Relay	AA Girls			
400M Dash	AA Girls	AA Boys		
300M Hurdles	AA Girls	AA Boys		
200M Dash*	AA Girls	AA Boys		
1600M Relay	AA Girls	AA Boys		

\*There will be a 30-minute break after the conclusion of all divisions in these events.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 26

2:00 P.M.			9:00 A.M.	
400M Relay	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	High Jump	A Boys
800m Run	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	Discus	A Girls
100M Hurdles	A-AA Girls		Long Jump	A Girls
110M Hurdles	A-AA Boys		Shot Put	A Boys
100M Dash	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	Triple Jump	AA Boys
800M Relay	A-AA Girls			
400M Dash	A-AA Boys	A-AA Girls	11:00 A.M.	
300M Hurdles	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	High Jump	A Girls
200M Dash*	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	Discus	A Boys
1600M Run	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	Long Jump	A Boys
1600M Relay	A-AA Girls	A-AA Boys	Shot Put	A Girls
			Triple Jump	AA Girls
			Pole Vault	AA Boys

## PATH Community Liaison Announced

Tonia Fowler of Roscoe has resumed the position of PATH community Liaison for Abilene and the surrounding twelve counties. She will provide information and assistance to parents on educational rights of children with all disabilities, including those who are not in special education programs. Kimberly Acosta of Ovalo is volunteer parent assistance specialist for Abilene.

PATH is a statewide federal program that assists parents of children with disabilities to obtain information, services, and an appropriate education for their children. Mrs. Fowler may be contacted after office hours at 915-766-3366, or you may write to PATH, Box 304, Roscoe TX

79545. Mrs. Acosta may be reached at 554-7138.



**Month of May**  
May 18 - Spring Concert 3 p.m. [Aud]  
May 23 - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!! Graduation!!!!  
May 24 - Work Day

## SCHOOL MENU

APRIL 28 - MAY 2  
(Subject To Change)

#### BREAKFAST

**MONDAY** — Oatmeal, toast, grape juice and milk.

**TUESDAY** — Cinnamon rolls, orange juice and milk.

**WEDNESDAY** — Eggs, bacon, biscuit, apple juice and milk.

**THURSDAY** — Waffle, sausage, grape juice and milk.

**FRIDAY** — Cereal, toast, orange juice and milk.

#### LUNCH

**MONDAY** — Sloppy Joes, baked beans, carrot sticks w/dip, pears and milk.

**TUESDAY** — Country fried steak w/gravy, green beans, creamed potatoes, rolls, honey and milk.

**WEDNESDAY** — Meat/cheese nachos, salad, corn, pineapples and milk.

**THURSDAY** — Vegetable-beef soup, grilled cheese, crackers, diced peaches and milk.

**FRIDAY** — Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, fries, cookie and milk.



## VOTE FOR TONY WYATT CPISD SCHOOL BOARD

I am interested in all aspects of our school system. My family includes a child in each phase of Cross Plains schools: Elementary, Junior High, and High School. My wife & I are involved in many different school activities with our children. We believe that in order for our children to function in today's society, each child needs a good academic base to start with. Also, that they need extra-curricular activities in order to develop social skills, self-confidence for a productive life, and to compete in the job markets of today.

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**PLEASE SHOW AN INTEREST IN YOUR COMMUNITY BY VOTING MAY 3, 1997.**

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Thank you! **TONY WYATT**

## Descendants of Clay and Fannie Thompson Held Reunion In Baird April 19

Descendants of early day Callahan settlers, Clay and Fannie Thompson, held a reunion in Baird on Saturday, April 19, 1997. This was their first reunion in about twenty years.

Clay Thompson brought his family from Clay County, Alabama, to the Deer Plains/Board Flat area, northeast of Cross Plains, in 1892. In 1901, he moved to the Cedar Bluff ("Last Chance") community five miles north of Cottonwood, where he lived until his death in 1947.

Those involved in getting the reunion together: Organizers: Forest Scott and Russell Chatham; Registration: Alene Hodson; Treasurer: Forest Scott; Beverages: Howard and Ella Thompson; Dessert Table: Vida Scott. Caterers: Felix and Barbara Manion of Baird.

Coming the longest distance: Jim and JoAnn Dunne, Tulsa, OK. Oldest attendee: Alpha Wilson, Abilene. Age 90. Daughter of Cora Thompson and Manuel Wilcoxen.

The attendees voted to hold the next reunion in the next century, April, 2000. Place to be set by the newly chosen organizers, Howard and Ella Thompson and Tiny and

Jackie Thompson.

Attendees: From Abilene: Glynn & Marnie Austin; Dorothy Williams; Randall, Frances & Randall Thornton, Jr.; Alpha Wilson; Robert D. Thompson; From Andrews: Forest & Vida Scott; From Arlington: Cecil & Jo Thompson; From Breckenridge: Doyle & Lora Thompson; From Big Spring: Bob & Diane Rumpff; From Burneyville, OK: Glen & Sarah Pool; from Baird: Russell & Mary Chatham; Hugh & Joanie Shrader; Aubrey & Charlotte Loper; Somer Lewis; Alene Hodson; From Cedar Park: Terry, Ellen & Mollie Rumpff; From Cisco: Mona Thompson; From Cross Plains: Betty Lewis; From Clyde: Kathrin, Alton C., Abigail, & Mary Thompson; Carl, Renee & Garrett Scott; From Cottonwood: Turner & Ellen Simpson; From Eastland: Howard & Ella Thompson; From Levelland: Jimmie Bailey; From Lubbock: Dixie Scott; From Midland: Tiny & Jackie Thompson; From Odessa: Curtiss Chatham; From Tulsa, OK: Jim & JoAnn Dunne; From San Antonio: Grady & Dorothy Ramey; Amber Savage; From Wimberley: Mrs. Gloster (Dorothy) Thompson.

## Farm loan applications sought for drought losses

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by drought are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency (FSA) office located in Anson, Marilyn S. Richer said today.

Callahan County is one of 16 in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Dan Glickman eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the drought.

Marilyn Richer said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75 percent.

"As a general rule a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FSA emergency loan, Ms. Richer said. Farmers participating in the Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

"Applications for loans under this emergency designation will be accepted until October 28, 1997 but farmers should apply as soon as possible. Delays in applying could create backlogs in processing and possibly over into the new farming season," Ms. Richer said.

FSA is a credit agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It is authorized to provide disaster emergency loans to recognized farmers who work at and rely on

farming for a substantial part of their living. Eligibility is extended to individual farmers who are U.S. citizens and to farming partnerships, corporations or cooperatives in which U.S. citizens hold a majority interest.

The FSA office in Anson is open from 8:00 to 5:00 Monday through Friday.

## Historic Reenactment Slated For Fort Griffin

April 26 and 27, 8:00 a.m. Saturday till 12 noon Sunday will find Fort Griffin State Park near Albany alive with all the characters of the old west, Cavalryman, Cannons, Cowboys, Gunfighters, Buffalo Hunters, Frontier Ladies, Gamblers, Sutler, etc. Activities will include: cavalry games, gun fights, cannon firing, and all the activities of the Old West. Several new events and activities are being planned for this year's reenactment.

"As an added feature this year all the children at the reenactment will be taught a game that was enjoyed by the children living on the Texas frontier during the 1870's.

"The newly formed drum and fife corps of the Old Fort Griffin Memorial regiment will play period music throughout the weekend.

"A variety of sutlers stores will be in operation providing shoppers with a very unusual list of 19th century materials and goods. The Fort Griffin Garrison Ladies will host a saloon and card parlor patterned after the authentic Fort Griffin saloons of the 1870's.

"There will be several artillery pieces (cannon) and the entire Fort Sill gun crew with their large cannon will be doing demonstrations throughout the weekend.

"Fort Concho's unit will have their wagon and mule team giving rides for an experience of the old west.

"The fifth annual cavalry games will be held Saturday and Sunday. These demonstrate the skills required of the cavalry stationed on the Texas frontier including; horsemanship, shooting and jumping.

"Civilian gunfighters, cowboys, and buffalo hunters will liven up the streets of Fort Griffin with gunfights and other "carrying on."

"Sunday will bring similar performances but will begin with a frontier church service.

"This very special event will give visitors an opportunity to live a unique piece of the heritage on the very ground which our forefathers struggled and died to build a future for us to "inherit," Fort Griffin State Park Manager noted.

A complete sound system will announce the competition and other activities. Barbecue sandwiches, chips and cold drinks will be available for the public.

The park preserves buildings dated from the 1860's when a line of federal forts was established on the Texas frontier to protect citizens and wagon trains from Indian attacks. The park is also the home of the State Longhorn herd. The park has complete RV and tent camping facilities, including restrooms with hot showers and trailer hook-ups.

Although there is no charge for the weekend events, normal park fees - \$2.00 per person (ages 13 through 64) entrance fee will be required. Fort Griffin State Park is located 15 miles north of Albany on US Highway 283.

## Heart of Texas Cow Calf Clinic May 8

A cattle-working demonstration by prominent veterinarians will highlight the Heart of Texas Cow Calf Clinic on May 8, at the Brownwood Coliseum.

The theme of this year's clinic is "Survival of the Fittest." Sponsors are TU Electric, Texas Agriculture Extension Service, Federal Land Bank Association, and Brownwood Chamber of Commerce. Kelley Watkins of the Voice of Southwest Agriculture (VAS) Radio Network will serve as moderator for the morning programs on sustainable herd management practices.

Registration opens at 7:00 a.m. and presentations begin at 8:00 a.m. with

a legislative update by State Representative Bob Turner (Dist. 73). Extension Associate, Wayne Morgan of Texas A&M University, will address "Changes in Quality Grade Standards." Mike Krueger, Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist from Lampasas, will look at "Managing Wildlife as a Resource." A "Beef Check-Off Update" will be given by Lisa Williams of the Texas Beef Council. Dr. Robert Lyons, Extension Range Specialist, will discuss "Nutritional Balance Requirements," and Somervell County Extension Agent, Joe Geistweidt, will present "Range Grass Varieties."

A two-hour demonstration of cattle

working beginning at 1:00 p.m. will be conducted by Drs. Floron "Buddy" Faries, John Cadenhead and Fritz Speck. Dr. Faries, Associate Professor and Extension Program Leader for Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University, will act as moderator. Dr. John Cadenhead and Dr. Fritz Speck are Brown County veterinarians assisting in this demonstration.

As always, lunch will be courtesy of the sponsors and participants can enjoy a variety of agricultural exhibits at the coliseum.

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## Old department store brings back old memories

By KEN ELLSWORTH  
Eye on West Texas  
Abilene Reporter-News

Higginbotham Brothers Department Store must look, feel, and smell very much like it did in 1916 when it was built. After all, most of what was built then is still there in downtown Cross Plains.

In place are the original two-by-six, tongue-in-groove hardwood floors, the ornate metal ceiling, and the hand cut, solid wood posts that hold up the 20-foot ceiling. Many of the fixtures are probably original, too, especially the old wooden bins.

The store has nostalgic charm. Its charm, you might say, has come honestly or naturally. So honest is its charm, in fact, that I expect folks in Cross Plains do not even notice it. To them Higginbotham's must seem merely a place to get what you need. But to somebody from the city who is accustomed to malls and big discount stores, Higginbotham's is another world and represents a different time.

The smell of the store, which I think must come from the odor of the old wood, conjured up memories. Not 10 feet inside the door I found my mind drifting back to visits with my Mom to a similar store nearly 50 years ago and how I always wished

she would just hurry up. Of course, Cross Plains residents would be correct in thinking that Higginbotham's, which is part of a chain, is just a place to shop and not a place for nostalgia, for it certainly is a place to shop. At 18,000 square feet the store is huge. It is well-stocked, too, but what it is stocked with is hard to describe because the variety of the merchandise is so great.

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# Non-Texans rush to take advantage of state's lawsuit loophole

-Number of non-Texas cases filed in one month same as for all of 1996-

AUSTIN—As the Legislature prepared to take up proposals to address the problem of non-Texas cases clogging state courts, non-Texans began to rush in to take advantage of the out-of-state lawsuit loophole.

The result: in one month alone, the number of out-of-state cases filed in Texas was nearly as high as the number of non-Texas cases filed in our state in ALL of 1996.

In January, 4,900 out-of-state claims were filed in Texas courts. In all of 1996, about 5,300 non-Texas cases were filed in the state. This means about 46,000 non-Texas cases have been filed in Texas as of January 31, 1997, the Texas Civil Justice League (TCJL) today reported.

None of the cases has anything to do with Texas and there are no Texas residents among the plaintiffs.

"This is extraordinary," said TCJL President Ralph Wayne. "In

one month alone, the number of non-Texas cases dumped on our courts nearly doubled the number of non-Texas cases filed here in the past year. With the Legislature taking a close look at this issue, it is clear that some are rushing to take advantage of current law. There's no telling what this backlog will be by the end of the year.

"In fact," he said, "the Texas Supreme Court (CSR, Ltd. v. Link, June 1996) has noted that Texas is '...one of the five states generating the greatest volume of asbestos-related litigation ...' and the '...state expends a large amount of its limited judicial resources resolving these massive controversies...'"

Wayne noted that some counties where these out-of-state claims are concentrated have had to adopt special procedures to deal with the huge number of pending cases. In some counties, judges have been forced to limit the number of asbestos-related

cases being heard each year to avoid being inundated by trials.

In addition, he added, recent news stories show court system officials in Orange and Jefferson counties reported being swamped with out-of-state cases. In fact, Orange County has put into place special measures to keep up with the cases' large amounts of information, according to news accounts.

Texas courts have faced only the tip of the iceberg when it comes to these out-of-state cases. They haven't reached the massive glut of cases yet. Seventy-nine percent of the pending out-of-state asbestos-related claims were filed in the past three years; sixty percent were filed in the past two years alone.

Closing the out-of-state lawsuit loophole and addressing the backlog of out-of-state claims now pending in Texas are at the forefront of TCJL's legislative agenda this session.

# Perry Urges Sorghum Producers to Use Seed Safeguarded Against Ergot

AUSTIN — Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry is urging producers planting grain sorghum to use seed that has been treated against the fungus ergot. Treated seed is one safeguard to prevent the disease from being introduced into their fields. The same precaution applied to hay susceptible to the fungus.

"This disease is new to the United States. While experience in other countries show ergot can spread rapidly, we don't know how quickly it will spread in Texas," Perry said. "We know the first line of defense is to keep the fungus out of the fields. The most immediate safeguard is to plant seed that has been treated with a product that ensures this."

The Texas Department of Agriculture is currently working closely with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Experiment Station to develop crop management plans.

Sorghum fields planted for grain production are at lower risk of infection because plants are self-fertilizing hybrids.

Perry says that additional chemical treatments will be necessary to ensure that sorghum planted for seed production does not become infected.

TDA is working on a request to the Environmental Protection Agency to approve the use of the fungicide, Tilt, to protect fields from ergot. This request is supported by the Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Association.

Ergot is an airborne fungus that attacks sorghum, Johnsongrass and some field crops used for haying. The fungus reduces yields and quality. The disease also produces a honeydew that makes harvesting difficult.

Perry points out that the fungus was not detected in last year's crop. However, ergot has been found in "volunteer" sorghum fields planted in 1996 that have resprouted. Texas fields where ergot has been detected indicate the fungus was transmitted by airborne spores.

In addition to alerting producers, Perry also is issuing recommended guidelines to companies selling grain sorghum seed. As a precaution, producers should require that any seed they purchase for planting be treated with an approved product. Seed should be treated with Captan or Thiram.

Perry also advises producers to stay in touch with their local Extension Service personnel who are monitoring the location of infested fields. Seed treatment guidelines are available at any Texas Department of

Agriculture regional office or by calling 1-800-TELL-TDA. Producers can also find the guidelines on TDA's web site (<http://www.agr.state.tx.us>).

## \$1,000 For The Largest Fire Ant Mound In Texas

SEGUIN—The search for the largest fire ant mound in Texas began on April 1 and the winners will be able to collect a cool \$1,000 in cash. The contest is being sponsored by Organic Plus, Inc., "The Natural Alternative," a Texas company that manufactures and distributes (Organic Plus), an organic product to control fire ant mounds. (Used by Public Schools and Pest Control Operators Statewide)

The data collected from this contest will be forwarded to Dr. Bart Drees, professor at Texas A&M who is interested in collecting data on the size of fire ant mounds in Texas and the data from the contest will be very helpful.

The contest started on April 1, 1997 and will last a total of 60 days. Dr. Roger Gold and Dr. Bart Drees of Texas A&M will assist in the judging of the final winners. A total of \$2,000 in cash will be given.

### FIRE ANT FACTS

- A very aggressive ant that is reddish-brown to black and 1/16 to 1/4 inch long.
- Many colonies contain up to 500,000 ants.
- Fire ants sting repeatedly, and inject a small amount of venom with each sting.
- Multiple Queens per mound are common now.
- Peak activity in Texas is April thru July.
- The red imported fire ant (*Solenopsis invicta*) came to the U.S. more than 60 years ago from South America.
- In Texas more than half the counties are infested with fire ants.
- When a fire ant mound is disturbed, an attack hormone is released, very similar to what wasps and hornets release.
- Over \$1 billion dollars a year is spent across the nation to control these pesky ants.
- Fire ants are attracted to electrical currents and short out many air conditioners every year.
- Texas is prime fire ant habitat, warm and moist climate.
- Fire ants develop wings in the spring and that's how they can spread quickly around the state.
- Queen ants are several times larger than the workers.
- Fire ants hate water, that's why after a heavy rain, mounds seem to appear overnight. The mounds are raised to keep the eggs and larvae out of the water zone.

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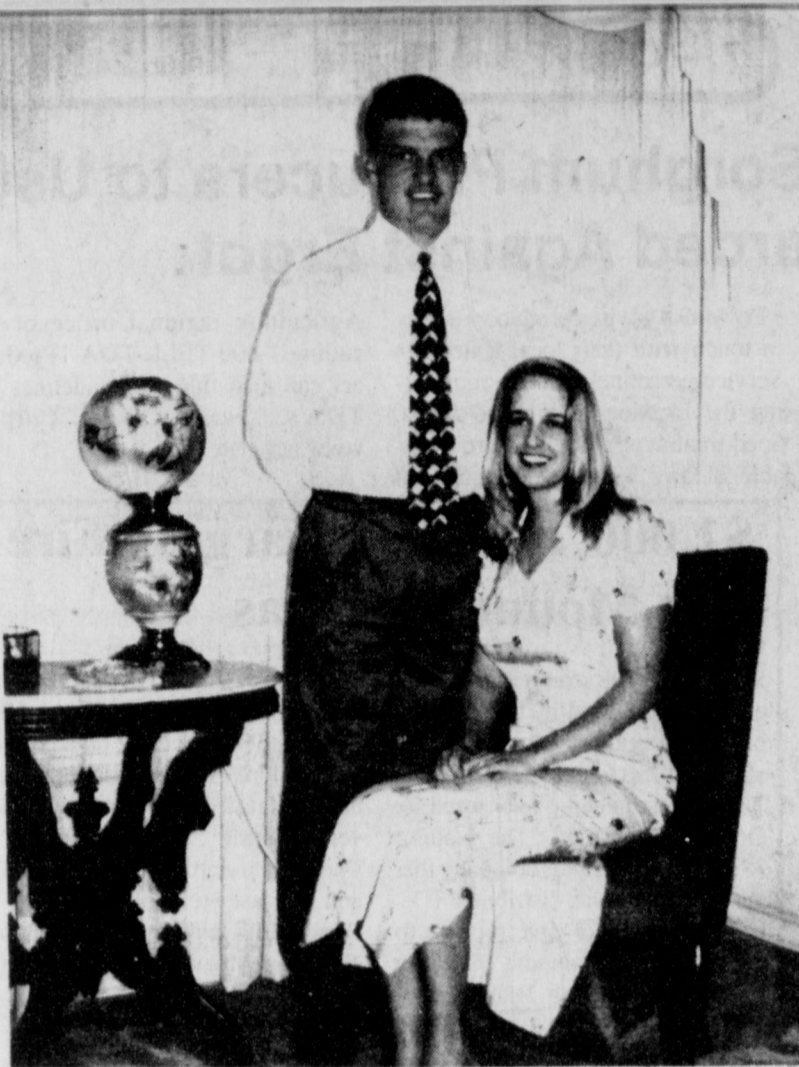
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## Walker - Grant To Wed May 17

Sharolyn Walker of Cross Plains and Mark Walker of Rising Star are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Shirley Suzanne to Charles Robert Grant, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grant of Greenville. The wedding is planned for May 17 at Rocky Point Baptist church in Stephenville.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Cross Plains High School. Her fiancé is a graduate of Winnsboro High School. The couple will reside in Stephenville, where they are currently employed by Norton Company. All friends and family are invited to attend the ceremony.

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THOUSANDS STAND IN LINE TO ATTEND ON GOING REVIVAL

## Two Local Couples Attended Pensacola, Florida Revival

By COLLEEN ANDERSON

True revival is in the land, God is visiting his people, pouring out his spirit like rain upon the earth! Reminiscent of Azusa Street, the Welsh Revival, Whitefield, Finney, Amy Semple McPherson and others! It is spreading everywhere, across all racial, national and denominational lines! Praise the Lord!

It is as if the midst of this present darkness, evil and perversion (the devil's display of power and influence), that "God is rising and His enemies are scattering!" (Psa. 68:1) and the church is being shaken awake, revived, refreshed, filled and empowered, for the true work she has been called and destined for!

Acts 2:17 "And it shall come to pass in the last day, God declares, that I will pour out of my spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy. Yes, on my messengers and my maidservants in those days I will pour out of my spirit..."

Paul and Frankie Neeb and T.W. and myself spent four days in Pensacola, Florida attending the revival at Brownsville Assembly of God Church. Many of you have heard or read of this. It's been going on day and night for almost two years, a sovereign move of God, not because of something man did or planned or promoted, but according to God's mercy and his plans and divine love and purpose.

Besides the awesomeness of the manifested presence of the Lord and

the affect of His glory upon the people in brokenness, repentance, deliverance and anointings, was the obvious spiritual hunger and thirst of the young people.

Every day there were 2,500 to 3,000 young people, besides the 4,000 to 5,000 adults, willing to stand in line with no covering, from the wee hours of morning until six in the evening when they began seating people, just to be in the presence of the Lord and to experience the reality of God and the Holy Spirit.

We heard many testimonies of radically changed lives and churches, now full of zeal of the Lord, surrendered and committed to Him, experiencing the evidence of true revival. "Out of your inner most being shall flow rivers of living water, this he spake of the spirit ---." Jo. 7:38.

I believe this is the Father's great show of love and mercy before the judgement, to bring in the greatest harvest of souls the world has ever known and to prepare the bride for the return for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ!

I pray that all who read this will turn their attention from what the devil is doing and turn their attention upon what God is doing in this hour and consider fully His purpose, and glorify His holy name, and rejoice in the faithfulness of the Lord and in the power of the blood of Jesus to redeem and restore! And to count all things but loss for the sake of knowing Christ!

## Eastland County Genealogical Society Met

The ECGS met in its regular 2nd Thursday meeting April 10, at the Eastland National Bank Community Room. The guest speaker was Eastland High School teacher, Jeanie Griffin. She talked about the ways she had gotten people in her classes interested in preserving the history of Eastland. She felt that it would be to the advantage of all if the society and the schools could work together at this gigantic task. "The Gusher" (4 volumes) were available for everyone to see.

Fifteen members and guests were present. Plans were finalized for the garage sale on May 17 at the house just south of the Ann and Pete Larkin home. Donations are welcome and needed to continue the efforts of preserving available records, as well as keeping up-to-date with the events of today. Items may be donated to the cause by calling Bert Kent (817) 629-8606, Odis Skinner 629-2639, Victor Latham 442-2639 or Lee Maxwell 629-1529.

Plans continue for the float for the Folk Life Festival in Cisco April 26. Call Ann Larkin (817) 442-4752 if you would like to help or ride on the float.

Jasper Cook will be the next guest speaker. He is a retired Methodist minister (former reverend at First United Methodist Church in Cross Plains) and Cisco native. He will speak at the May meeting. Mr. Cook has experience in finding lost ancestors as far back as the 15th century. A former world traveller, newspaper editor, poet, and contributor to many periodicals, including his "Just Remembering" articles in the Eastland newspaper. Jasper will bring something new and enlightening for everyone. His humor and up-beat presentations will be both educational and enjoyable.

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