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Library to celebrate 20 year anniversary

Twenty years ago this month, your Cross Plains Public Library opened its doors for business. Sharing only the front one fourth of the building, it was opened to this community by some very dedicated and committed folks and has become the wonderful facility it is today.

In honor of this anniversary, you are invited to an exciting book review of *True Women* by Janice Woods Windle. Dr. Lou Rodenberger, local author and edu-

cator will present this review. A true story of real people, which popular book reveals a difficult time in early Texas history. Both men and women will find it interesting and exciting.

Everyone is cordially invited to be in attendance as Dr. Rodenberger brings this book to life at the library on Tuesday, February 3. The review will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.



AUCTION BENEFITS KIWANIS CLUB — Steve Jamison and Susan Schaefer exhibit the Buffalo caps and shirts.

T-shirts and Caps to be auctioned

Toward the end of 1997 Cross Plains Buffaloes football season, the Kiwanis Club of Cross Plains was donated some T-shirts and caps to auction and raise money as a fundraiser. The caps and shirts were a result of the Buffaloes' win over the Irion County Hornets in the KIX Post-Season Game of the Week, November 14, 1997. The T-shirts and caps carry all that information, plus "SUPER TEAM" and "BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS Score "21-0."

One of the T-shirts and one of the caps were purchased by a loyal fan of the Buffaloes and a friend of the Kiwanis Club for \$50, then donated back to the club to use as we saw fit. The shirt and cap were presented to Coach Cord Woerner at one of the basketball games late in 1997, in recognition of his fine job of leading the Buffaloes to such victory.

There are yet 10 T-shirts and 10 caps to be sold. They will be on dis-

play at the two remaining home basketball games (January 30 and February 6) in the foyer between the gyms. There will be sheets of paper for people to enter their bids (silent auction style) for each of the 10 T-shirts and caps. Beginning bid for each item will be \$20. Bids will close at the end of halftime of the boys game on February 6 and the items may be picked up (upon payment of the highest bid) anytime afterward. The items and the bid sheets will also be on display and available at Citizens State Bank for those unable to attend the games.

The Kiwanis Club hopes this is a fair and equitable means of giving everyone an opportunity to have one of these prized T-shirts and/or caps. The club will use the funds from the auction for projects within the community, especially for children and teens.

Texas Rural Leadership Program Met in C.P.

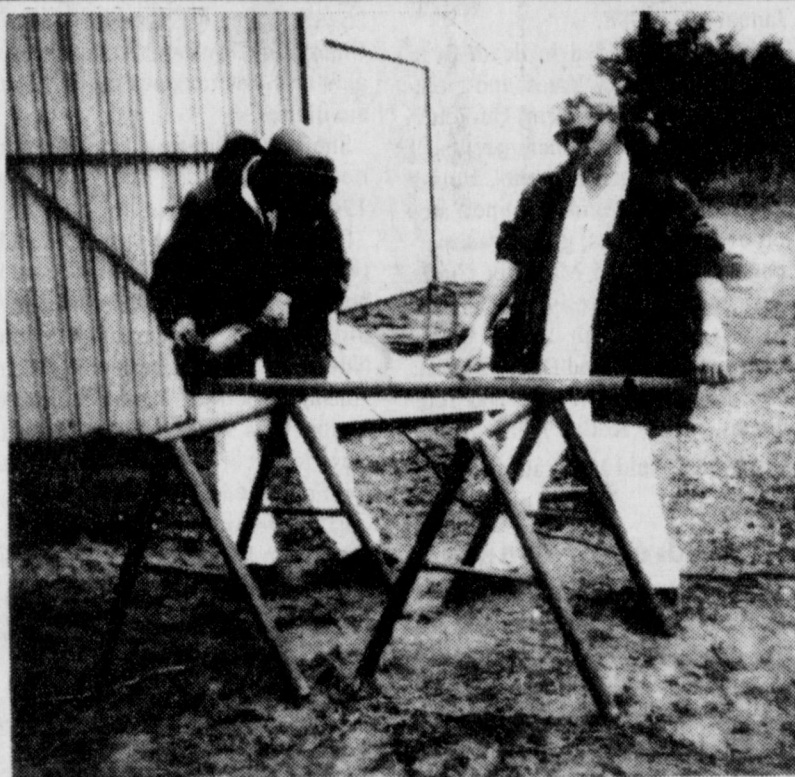
The Callahan and Eastland County segment of the Texas Rural Leadership Program met in Cross Plains on Tuesday, January 20. Fourteen individuals representing Cisco, Rising Star, Baird, Clyde and Cross Plains met at the First Baptist Church.

This group has been meeting on a monthly basis since September 1997, and will continue to do so through May 1998.

The meal at West Side Story Restaurant was sponsored by Citizens State Bank and refreshments were provided by Sweet Stuff. After their classes, the participants were treated to a tour of the Robert E. Howard House by Billie Ruth Loving.

The Texas Rural Leadership Program was formed in recognition of the fact that the ability of rural communities to devise and implement successful economic development strategies is dependent on the quality of leadership in each community. Participants in the program learn about economic trends, how to mobilize people and resources in order to improve the community's future and how to assist their community in discovering a vision of their future.

Anyone interested in participating in next year's class can contact any member of this year's class (Julene Franke, Dannes Turner or Denise Coulter) for information.



INMATES WORKING AT LIVESTOCK SHOW BARN — French Robertson Unit community work crew proves helpful.

French Robertson Inmates Help Complete Steer Pens For Stock Show

By VANDA CREECH
Editor

John Steele, President of the Callahan County Junior Livestock Show Association, noted that the prison crew from the French Robertson Unit in Hamby was crucial in the completion of the new steer barn. Actual work on the project began over a year ago. Diligent volunteer labor by parents of F.F.A. and 4-H students constructed the exterior of the building and a new concessions stand, but assistance was needed on the interior if it was to be utilized this year.

The community work squad, under the direction of Captain Gary Wakefield, was transferred from working on the Expo Center at the West Texas Fair to the local stock show barn upon request. Warden Tim Morgan was very helpful in the arrangements.

The crew has been cutting pipe and welding on the steer pens in preparation of the annual event which officially begins Thursday.

Six men, who are considered non-violent offenders, were busy on the construction. Steele anticipated 8 work days would complete the project. The Callahan County Junior

Livestock Show Association is very appreciative of the crew's generous efforts.

I was allowed to interview two inmates, Doug Bennett and Timothy Sneed. They were eager to express their feelings about being a part of the community work squad.

Sneed stated that it allowed them the opportunity to give something back to society. He is originally from Dallas and Bennett from Fort Worth. Even though they had committed crimes in the larger cities, they could be involved in something positive for area cities. They had worked on projects for the State School at Abilene, the City of Abilene, the State Highway Department, Habitat for Humanity and Callahan and Jones Counties. Bennett remarked, "The Habitat for Humanity was fun!"

The prison work crews were beneficial to the town of Cross Plains during the destruction of the 1994 tornado. It would have taken months to clean up all the debris without their assistance.

Bennett said that the work program allowed them to interact with other people. Sneed enjoyed a brief break from the routine of prison life.

Inmates are chosen for outside work crews if they have construction related skills. Bennett is an experienced

TOPS Club Hosts Open House

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Cross Plains has a local TOPS Chapter #1656, and they take this opportunity to invite the community to their "Open House" at 7:00 p.m. Monday, February 2 at West Side Story Restaurant.

AARP Extends Invitation to February 2 Meeting

New in town? Just moving in? Or perhaps you're already a local resident. Whichever category you fit into, the local A.A.R.P. has been missing you!

You are cordially invited to join the Cross Plains A.A.R.P. Chapter on Monday, February 2 at the local Multi-Purpose Center, 8th and Beech Street, beginning at 10 a.m.

An innovative and informative program is anticipated with Mr.

Winford Hogan of Clyde as guest speaker. Other special guests will be local Justice of the Peace Rolan Jones and City Judge Bob Hill. Come and join the local chapter!

Regular members are encouraged to bring guests. Whether you are a new resident or just have not been attending, you are sure to enjoy the meeting. Everyone would like to meet you. Those who are age 55 or over are eligible for membership.

Callahan County Junior Livestock Show Begins Today Continues Through Saturday

The Annual Callahan County Jr. Livestock Show will begin on January 29 at 5:30 p.m. with the judging of the rabbits and poultry.

John Steele of Clyde is President of the Callahan County Jr. Livestock Association and he said that entries are expected to number about 500 this year from the various FFA Chapters and 4-H Clubs in the county.

Other officers of the association are Shane Lee-Vice President; Leslie Lee-Secretary; and Sandra Carey-Treasurer.

Superintendents for this year's show are:

Beef Cattle - Jimmy Seider, Richy Crow & Eddie Riley

Market Lamb - Charlie Palmer & Don Harris

Market Swine - John Straley, Gerry McDowell & Eddie Lewis

Poultry & Rabbits - Pam Harris & B.P. Stephenson

Dairy & Meat Goats - Danny & Martha English

Judging of the rabbits and poultry will begin at 5:30 p.m. on 29th with Bill Coalson of Abilene doing the judging. All participants must be checked in by 5:00 p.m. on the 29th.

Judging will begin at 8:00 a.m. on the 30th with the Breeding Swine

Show followed by the Market Barrow Show. Carl Kent of Pottsboro is judging the Breeding Swine and Market Barrow Show.

At 1:30 p.m. on the 30th, Sam Kuykendall of Menard, will start judging the Breeding Sheep followed by the Market Lambs.

The Meat Goat & Dairy Goat Show will follow the Lamb Show on Friday the 30th. Don Smith will judge this show.

On the afternoon of the 30th from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. all steers and heifers will be classified and weighed. Judging of the Beef Cattle will get under way at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday morning the 31st with the Heifer Show to be judged by Bob Benson of Plainview. Benson will also judge the steers starting at 9:00 a.m. The Premium Sale will begin at 2:00 p.m. The Awards Presentation of all the trophies for the champion animals will be held prior to the premium sale auction to be conducted by Ronnie Vinson of Clyde.

Announcers for the three day show will be Jack Corn, James Trammell, Dick Vestal and Tim Stone.

Officials of the Show would like to invite everyone out for all or part of the show and support the young folks of Callahan County.

CP Roping Club To Meet Feb. 2

The Cross Plains Roping Club will be meeting Monday, February 2 at 7:00 p.m. at the local arena (weather permitting). Discussion will include the trailride and picnic. Membership fees for 1998 are currently due.

All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend.

Services For Roger Wilson Held January 25

Roger Wilson, 56, passed away Friday, January 23, 1998, at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, January 25, 1998, at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Richard Chaffin officiating. Burial was in Cross Cut Cemetery directed by Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Roger was born in Brown County and served in the United States Air Force. He was a farmer and rancher and also worked as Waste Water Superintendent for the City of Cross Plains since August of 1990. City officials noted that he was a good employee and would be difficult to replace. Roger had a wonderful sense of humor and will be greatly missed by friends and relatives.

He married Lillian Byrd August 10, 1970. She preceded him in death May 13, 1995.

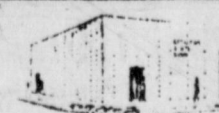
Survivors include one son, Ronnie Allen of Goldthwaite; one daughter, Belinda Cleveland of Early; two brothers, Clarence Wilson of Stephenville and Elzie Wilson of Fort Worth; two sisters, Eva Fleming of Cross Plains and Caroline

Local Artist To Demonstrate Watercolor Techniques

The Cross Plains Paint and Palette Club is please to announce that local artist Mary Barton will be demonstrating watercolor techniques in her home studio at 125 West Cypress on Wednesday, February 4 beginning at 2:00 p.m.

All interested persons are invited.

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COLONIAL OAKS SERVICES

Pioneer Baptist will conduct worship services at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, February 1, commencing at 3:30 p.m.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

COUNTY COURT
Bill Johnson presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Kevin Ray Switzer, criminal mischief.
Randy Dale Crow, DWI.
Charged with theft: Donald D. Chartain, Fernando Ruiz, Marc Cruz.
Amy Diane Puryear, DWI.
Joshua A. Higginbotham, hindering apprehension.

Misdemeanor Minutes

Joshua Lenley Goble, reckless driving, \$250 fine \$204.25 court costs, 6 months probation.
Jason Colt Moore, criminal mischief, \$300 fine \$204.25 court costs, 6 months probation.
Christopher Lane Seal, disorderly conduct, \$200 fine \$214.25 court costs, 1 year probation.
Carlos Sanchez Garza, DWI, \$400 fine \$197 court costs, 90 days in jail probated for 2 years.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Kathy Dianne Black & William Doyle Cheek of Clyde.
Sandra Gail Hargis & Jamey Kyle Hash of Clyde.
Laticia Escalera, Abilene, Juan Garcia, Throckmorton.

42ND DISTRICT COURT
John Weeks, presiding

Civil Filing

Divorces filed:
Cooper, Susan & Victor A. Eoff, Russell Bert & Carrie Helen. Ripka, Rhonda & Greg.
Roxanne Sammons & Dean C. Wolfe.
Underwood, Gale & Allen Wayne, and in the interest of minor child.
Hawk, Anthony F. & Loriann, and in the interest of minor children.

Civil Minutes

Marvin Puryear vs Jack Sheffield, dismissed without prejudice.
Divorces granted:
Wood, Dedra Gail & Christian Davon.
Marshall, Shon Wayne & Diane Lynn.
Loven, Judith O. & Clint Wesley.

Felony Indictments

Joe Vasques, DWI.
Sandra Caffey, DWI.
Coy B. Greenrock, burglary of a habitation.
Kim Robert Caniels, unauthorized use of a vehicle.
Earnest Palacio, Jr., possession of a controlled substance.
Charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver: Richard Monciabiaz, Cynthia Ramose Strange.

OBITUARIES

Christa Nichole Yates

Christa Nichole Yates, 1-day-old infant daughter of Misty Kelly and Chris Yates, passed away Thursday, January 22, 1998, at Abilene Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 24, at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Joe Coppinger officiating. Burial was in Burkett Cemetery under the direction of Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Christa was born Wednesday, January 21, 1998.

She was preceded in death by a grandfather, Jerry Yates, and great-grandmother, Pearl Burkett.

Survivors include her parents of Cross Plains; grandparents, Jimmy and Janice Kelly and Caroline Yates all of Cross Plains; great-grandparents, Tommy and Margaret Clark, Bill and Billie Kelly, Bettie and Morris Cavanaugh all of Cross Plains and Joyce and David Berten; one aunt, Lauren Yates; and four uncles, Coby Kelly, Brian Kelly, Justin Kelly and Jeff Yates.

Mildred Browning

Mildred Browning of Decatur, 86, a retired telephone operator and office manager, passed away Thursday, January 15, 1998, in Abilene.

A graveside service was held Saturday, January 17, at 3 p.m. at Opal Cemetery in Wise County under the direction of White's Funeral Home.

Mrs. Browning was born in Alvarado August 2, 1911. She had worked as an operator, then office manager for an independent telephone company.

She graduated from Cross Plains High School in 1928, where she was valedictorian of 47 graduating students. She married C.L. Browning September 27, 1928, in Coleman.

She was preceded in death by a son, Donald G. Browning, in 1994; a brother, Clyde Walker, Jr.; a sister, Ava Childers; and her parents.

Survivors include her husband, C.L. Browning of Decatur; sons and daughters-in-law, Wayne and Janet Browning and Lynn and Carolyn Browning of Springtown; daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Don Peninger of Millsap; daughter-in-law, Joyce Browning of Springtown; 11 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; brothers, S.A. Walker of Goldthwaite and E.G. Walker of Rankin.

Terry Dean Walker

RISING STAR—Terry Dean Walker, 33, of Denison, son of a Rising Star resident, passed away Friday, January 23, 1998, in Waxahachie from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Dick Williams officiating. Burial was in Rising Star Cemetery.

Mr. Walker was born in Odessa and was a United States Navy veteran. He married Angela Hutchins in 1994, in Denison and moved to Denison two years ago. He worked as a salesman and was a member of Rising Star First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, of Denison; one son, Casey Dean Walker of Denison; one daughter, Karlee Ann Walker of Denison; his mother Patsy Walker of Rising Star; and three sisters, Deanna Brown and Jenny Williams, both of Abilene, and Susan Plourde of Orlando, Florida.

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Ethel Levene Taylor

RISING STAR—Ethel Levene Taylor, 69, passed away Sunday, January 25, 1998, at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Higginbotham Funeral Home Chapel with Leo Copeland officiating, assisted by Jim Nash. Burial was in Clear Fork Cemetery in Lueders.

Mrs. Taylor was born in Lueders and had lived in Rising Star for 18 months after living in Seminole for 26 years. She was a member of the Church of Christ and American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars auxiliaries.

She was a homemaker. She married Connie Alton "Red" Taylor in 1944 in Lueders.

Survivors include her husband; two sons, Alton Joe Taylor of Keller and Ronnie Keith Taylor of Borger; three daughters, Connie Lavene Neugent and Dorothy Nadene Huffman, both of Rising Star, and Melba Lois Emerson of Roswell, New Mexico; two brothers, Alvie Joe Frazier of Lueders and Wesley Carl Frazier of Rising Star; two sisters, Oleta Ferguson of Rising Star and Annie Mae Kitchens of Cross Plains; 15 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Jessie Louise Parks

OVALO—Jessie Louise Parks, 89, passed away Monday, January 26, 1998, at an Abilene hospital.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Ovalo Baptist Church with the Rev. Wayne Heinze officiating. Burial was in Dewey Cemetery, directed by Fry-Bartlett Funeral Home of Tuscola.

Mrs. Parks was born in San Saba County and grew up in the Cross Plains area, where she attended school. She lived in Junction, Lubbock and Ballinger, returning to Cross Plains in 1963. She moved to Ovalo in 1968. She was a member of the Church of Christ. She was the widow of Inman H. Parks, whom she married in 1924 in Llano.

Survivors include one daughter, Margie Louise Sutton of Ingram; three sons, Douglas Parks of Chandler, Bill Parks of Ovalo and Marvin Lewis Parks of Ingram; one brother, Staley Buchanan of Frost; one sister, Mary Lee Gary of Cisco; seven half-sisters, 19 grandchildren, 38 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Political Calendar

The Cross Plains Review is authorized to publish the following political announcements for the Callahan County office filings in the Democratic Primary Election set for Tuesday, March 10, 1997.

For Callahan Judge Winford Hogan

Pol. Adv. paid by Patsy Hogan, treasurer, 507 Pleasant Lane, Clyde, TX 79510

Roger Corn

Pol. Adv. paid by John Belcher, 751 Race St., Bland, TX 79504

Ben Holloway

Pol. Adv. paid by Ben Holloway, 667 FM 603, Clyde, Texas 79510

For County Clerk Jeanie Bohannon

Pol. Adv. paid by Karla Gillispie, treasurer, 401 W. 2nd, Bland, TX 79504

Belinda Davis

Pol. Adv. paid by Belinda Davis, 617 Van Street, Bland, TX 79504

For 42nd District Court Clerk Georgie Manion

Pol. Adv. paid by Minnie Martin, treasurer

Sharon Owens

Pol. Adv. paid by Dale Owens, treasurer, 6210 E. 252, Clyde, Texas 79510

Court of Appeals Robert Pelton

Pol. Adv. paid by Joe Pelton, treasurer, 1099 S. 4th St., Abilene, Texas 79602

All political calendar advertising for the Democratic Primary Election is payable in advance, at a cost of \$100.00. A free press release and photograph will be published one time with each announcement.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

When we think of drugs, most of us think of marijuana, heroine and crack cocaine. But some of the most lethal drugs are far simpler and easier to obtain. In fact, they are in every home in the nation. Things such as magic markers, white out, lighter fluid, paint and cooking sprays are a few of the products that when inhaled have proved fatal.

Today, many young people in our community abuse such products to get a quick high. Unfortunately, kids are not aware of the high risks that come with this behavior. The fact is each year hundreds of children die from inhalant abuse.

Inhalants are the third most abused substances among 12-14 year-olds in the United States coming right behind alcohol and tobacco. And as many as one in five children have "sniffed", "huffed" or "bagged" (inhaling the product intentionally) by

the time they have reached the seventh grade. While many kids admit to sniffing toxic items, they do not consider this to be "inhalant abuse." That is because these products are readily available, inexpensive and legal to purchase.

Children, and all people, who abuse inhalants and do not die, put themselves at risk for permanent and severe brain damage. Inhalant vapors react with the fatty tissues in the brain, literally dissolving them. Therefore, chronic inhalant abusers may permanently lose the ability to perform everyday tasks such as walking, talking and thinking.

We must warn our children of the dangers of inhalant abuse, and make sure they know enough not to try them.

If you suspect your child, or someone else is using inhalants please consult a school counselor, a drug counseling center or the Poison Center for help.

Scranton Cemetery Donations

Contributions to the Scranton Cemetery for July 1 through December 31, 1997 were as follows: Betty Baxley; R.D. Boland; Mary and Russell Chatham; Ovcna Konzak; Mary S. Leveridge; Charlotte and Aubrey Loper; Bettie and Lee Loper; June and Louis Morgan; Scranton Community Center; Paul

and Kathy Savage; Joan and Hugh Shrader, Sr.; Sue and Robert Shrader; Ruth L. Snoddy; and Mary Lou and Roy Lee Williams, Jr.

Donations are used for the upkeep of the cemetery and are greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Mary Shrader Chatham

VETERANS NEWS

ENROLLMENT—Last week a County Veteran called with concern about his blood pressure. A check with the Abilene Out-Patient Clinic computer found that the Veteran was already enrolled with the Big Spring VA Medical Center. This pre-enrollment enabled the Clinic to see the Veteran that afternoon.

County Veterans are urged to get enrolled with the Big Spring VA Medical Center. Forms are available by calling 915-854-1520 on Mondays and Tuesday. If you have been seen by the Big Spring VAMC or by the Abilene Out-Patient Clinic since October 1, 1996, it is not necessary to re-enroll.

LEST WE FORGET—Fort Worth Veteran Fiske Hanley II has written a book detailing his experiences as a prisoner of the Japanese during the last months of World War II. Veteran Hanley was flight engineer in one of three B-29s shot down over Japan on March 27, 1945.

The B-29 crews were hated because they had firebombed Japan in the Superfortresses, killing innocent women and children. They were considered war criminals. Less than 200 of over 3,000 missing crewmen from missions over Japan survived.

Veteran Hanley ended up in the Tokyo prison run by the Kempel Tai, who he says were comparable to Hitler's Gestapo. During his five month imprisonment his weight

dropped from 165 pounds to 95. Death from beatings, infections and starvation was always close.

Early that April, 62 American airmen were shipped out of the prison. They were told they'd be taken to better facilities. Only Veteran Hanley and one other airman were left, and they protested. They were told later that there had been a mix-up and that the two of them should have also gone. It was later learned that all 62 had been killed. They were left to die in a prison which caught on fire during an American bombing raid.

Hanley and others were finally taken to a camp on Tokyo Bay. The Japanese started feeding them, treating their wounds and trying to make them look better before they were liberated. Veteran Hanley says that the greatest day was August 29, 1945, when Commander Harold Stassen, who would become governor of Minnesota, led a group that liberated the POWs. (One must wonder here why it took two weeks after the surrender to reach these poor fellows?)

Veteran Hanley's book is AC-CUSED AMERICAN WAR CRIMINAL, published by Eakin Press in Austin last month. Our thanks to Bob St. John of the Dallas Morning News for making people aware of this sad period of our history.

County receives "good" marks on financial report

By BILLY HARRIS
Special Writer

BAIRD The Callahan County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, January 26, at the Callahan County Courthouse. County Judge Bill Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. with the following officers present: Commissioners Precinct 1 Harold Hicks, Precinct 2 Bryan Farmer, Precinct 3 Tommy Holland, Precinct 4 Charlie Grider, County Clerk Darlene Walker, and Deputy County Treasurer Diane Alexander. The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

Carol McDonald, the county

outside auditor, gave a report to commissioners for the 1996-97 fiscal year. McDonald gave the county "good" marks on the financial report.

Hicks made a motion to pass the Annual Resolution to purchase services from the Taylor County Juvenile Facility. This motion was seconded by Grider and unanimously approved.

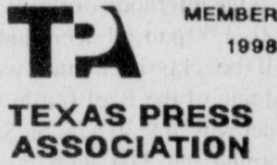
The Taylor County Juvenile Facility handles all of Callahan County's Juvenile Prisoners under this resolution. Coleman County also has a similar agreement with the youth facility.

Farmer made a motion seconded by Hicks to pay the bills. Motion passed unanimously.

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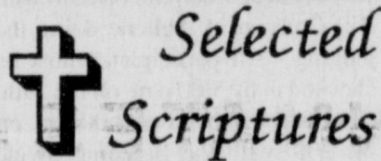


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NEWS

By
LINDA MERRITT
Activity Director

Vera Belyeu celebrated her 100th birthday with a surprise birthday party given by her daughter, daughter-in-law and grandchildren. They enjoyed cake, punch and talking about the good old days. Congratulations Vera on being 100 years young!

Thoughts and prayers for Myrtle Owen who is in the hospital.

A warm welcome to our new residents, Cecil Goble and Udell Morris.

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

Nancy Childers from Brownwood visited Lillie Childers.

Robert and Mildred Avery from Lubbock, Bill and Billie Wright from Clyde, John Howard and Vida Balkum visited with Lorena Wright.

Charles Coppinger from Odessa, Brenton and Byron McNutt visited with Louise Richardson.

Joe and Janice Williams from Abilene, Faye Bowen from Brownwood visited with Udell Morris.

Louise Strength and Gladys

Slayton from Coleman visited Verner Rose.

Betty Montgomery from Midland visited with Leila Montgomery.

Charleene McGowen from Brownwood and Kenneth Brooks visited Blanche Brooks and Gertie Powell.

Activities during the week were:

Monday: Bingo winners were Louise Richardson (3), Vera Belyeu (2), Dorothy Thomas (2), Minnie Swann, Inola Wilcoxon and Falba Shofner. Exercise class.

Tuesday: Sing-a-long with Bob Wallace. Popcorn social.

Wednesday: Art class. Exercise class. Skip-Bo games.

Thursday: Bingo winners were Vera Belyeu (2), Falba Shofner, Ruby Harrell, Louise Richardson, Minnie Swann and Sylvia Smith. Skip-Bo games.

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

Sunday: Pioneer Baptist.

God is like Scotch tape - You can't see him, but you know He's there!

Clips, Quips & Comments

By KAY DENNIS MOSLEY

Confess now! Have you ever been tempted to do something just completely off the wall? Something so crazy and so zany that cold chills run up and down your spine just thinking about it?

This writer prefers not to think that she's the only one who is so inclined.

Somewhere way back in my ancestry there must have been someone who was either a court jester, a rebel, and adventurer, or a great liar.

There is one thing which I've always been doubly tempted to try. That is when traveling through the country side; to just pick a house at random way off the beaten path. Then to go up, knock on the door and say, "Hi, I'm your third cousin twice removed. I'm just traveling through and thought I'd come by and say HOWDY! By the way, my name is 'Kate, is dinner ready yet? I brought the dessert." (Kate's a name just picked at random to protect the guill-uh-innocent.) Just boggles the mind to think of all the different possibilities of what might happen next. Right?

Another thing I've always wished to do is to win the lottery! Anyone have a sure fire system for attaining this wish?? If so, please write to me, address to: "So and So," in care of Such and Such, 000 Nonesuch Road, Many Winners, Wherever, 007-000.

Another escapade which would tickle my fancy, would be to tell a long drawn out story to a rather large gathering of people. Then at the end say the following: "Any resemblance to any place or person either living or dead is purely coincidental." Just how long do you think it would take to soak in and for the first person to realize they'd been had?

I suppose we've all been through that young adolescent stage with the old time phone bits. (Kids do not try this at home). Hello, do you have in your store, Prince Albert in a can? Yes! Well you'd better let him out He might suffocate. Or--"Hello, Mrs. Dorq, would you please check to see if your refrigerator is running?

I'll hold. It is? Then you'd better hurry and catch it it's just ran out the back door."

"Hello, Long Time Grocery? Do you have Olive in a jar? You do? You'd better let her out, Popeye's looking for her." There is also this one; "Hello, Is this the shop on Apt Hill Road? It is, well you'd better get off, there's a big semi-truck coming."

ATTENTION: I repeat kids, do not try the above at home, it really can be a nuisance and isn't nearly as funny as we used to think. The telephone is not a toy.

I must confess to having tried some pretty crazy ideas in my younger days. Can that be only forty years ago or so? Why, it seems like only yesterday. Maybe it was 30 years or was it 50 years?

Several couples, we were, and all out together just for some fun. We all trooped into an extremely nice restaurant in Abilene, in the late 50's. After we had been seated the waitress came for our order. With tongue in cheek, and straight faces; each and every one of us ordered a dill pickle and a glass of ice water. I suppose they could have asked us to leave, but they didn't. Instead the waitress had a grand sense of humor and with great diplomacy and much aplomb gave us excellent service and beautiful smile. She could have been disgruntled and disagreeable but she wasn't. She just played along with us and we all had a hilarious time. We left her an enormous tip as we left. It was before the days of drugs and so much violence and crime. Just good fun.

Another thing we used to do was to get rolls of toilet tissue and go around door to door in Abilene and offer each block for sale for 1 cent and then on to the next house. Most people got a big kick out of it and we left them laughing. I must say, however; it wasn't a very lucrative venture.

Say have you ever been SNIPE hunting? Me NEITHER!!

PIONEER NEWS

By PIONEER QUILTING CLUB

Oliver, Frankie, and Jean went to the Cottonwood musical Friday night. We enjoyed it very much. Enjoyed eating at the Senior Citizens Center on Monday. Very good meals are served Monday through Friday there.

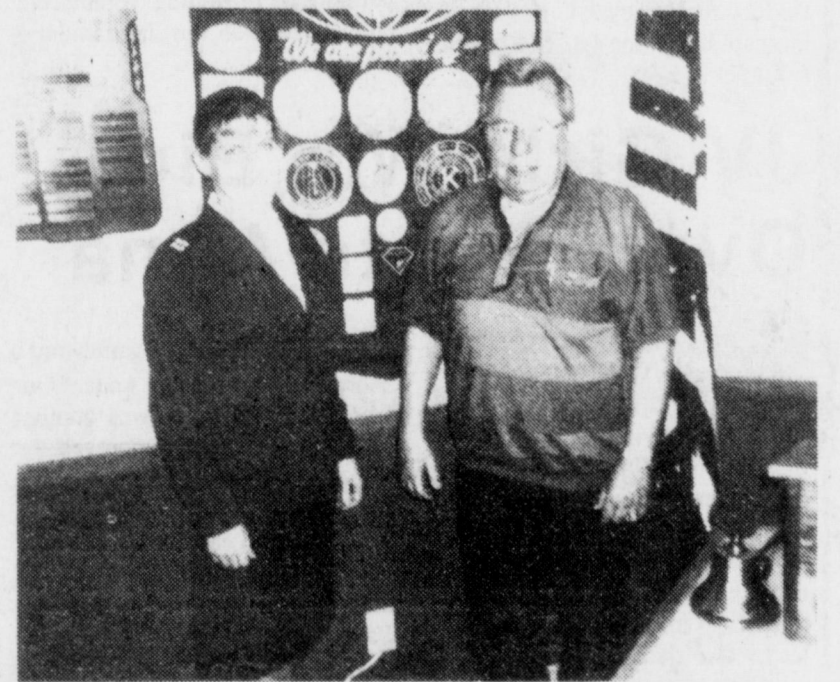
Laverne and Cowan Hutton had visitors on the 15th - Otis and Charline O'Kelly from Santo. Also Leon and Jerry Shedd, Lenord and Dorothy Siwhite from Abilene visited. They enjoyed visiting and eating together. Their grandchildren, Travis and Arlene Parson also visited with them. They left to return to their home in Florida on the 16th. Cowan and Laverne had business in Abilene on Monday.

Earlene Burge's grandson, Jon Ochoa from Brownwood came by

Monday and they went to see the Harlem Globetrotters in Abilene. They both enjoyed seeing them as the Globetrotters put on a good show. Sunday, Kathryn Brown from Fort Worth visited awhile.

Jean Alexander and Bernice Pycatt spent Friday in Baird enjoying all the antique stores and having lunch at the new restaurant "The Baggage Depot."

The Quilting Club finished the "Before and Aft" quilt. We are working on the "Sun Flower" and the "Drinkards Path." We were very pleased to find our Rehab quilt did very well. We will be getting ready to do another for the 1999 Rehab Auction. We will also be working on one for the 1998 Pioneer School Reunion.



KIWANIS WELCOMED SPECIAL GUEST — Captain Jennifer Smith, who is stationed at Dyess Air Base in Abilene, provided the program at the Kiwanis meeting, January 20. She spoke on the "Legal System in the Military." Captain Smith is a lawyer. She completed her undergraduate work at Baylor University and her Law Degree at the University of Texas. Shown with her is Dr. Richard Chaffin, acting president of the Kiwanis Club.

Immunization Clinic in Cross Plains February 19

There will be an immunization clinic on Thursday, February 19, from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center, 701 Beech St.

The service is provided by the Texas Department of Health. For further information you may contact (915) 754-4945.

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First Annual Team Roping for Rehab Set for Feb. 7-8

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Books open at 8 a.m. Saturday for #3 1/2 and #2 1/2 ropers. Cost for 3 head is \$30. Roping begins at 9 a.m. On Sunday at 8 a.m. the books open for #6 and #5 ropers. Cost is 3 head for \$40, and roping begins at 9 a.m. All ropings are progressive after one. The

numbering systems are by Coors, Bud Light and 1/2 U.S. A negative Coggins test is required.

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For more information please call the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at (915) 793-3507 or Ray Douglass at (915) 993-4503.

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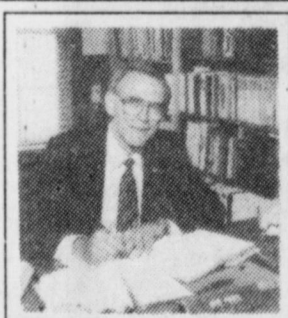
machinist, welder and taught school for one year. Sneed is a welder, sheet metal mechanic and is a certified paralegal. Prisoners who do not have such trades may be trained at the prison through vocational courses, however the waiting list to attend is lengthy, according to the men.

Both men have been incarcerated for the past 6 years and will be released in the year 2002. They would like to send a message to the youth and anyone who might be considering breaking the law -- STAY OUT OF TROUBLE! They spoke of the lack of privacy in prison and that your possessions are just what the prison issues. The men are very regretful of their past actions. Bennett was involved with stolen vehicles and Sneed dealt drugs. Both were from upstanding families and admitted

they made some bad choices. Now they are looking forward to resuming their lives. The two inmates were very courteous and intelligent. It was interesting talking with them and I gained insight into their world.

Steele expressed his appreciation to Callahan County Commissioners Charlie Grider (Precinct 4) for the dirt used inside the steer barn and Bryan Farmer (Precinct 2) and Harold Hicks (Precinct 1) for the use of their equipment to move the dirt inside the building. The three banks located in Callahan County, Citizens State Bank of Cross Plains, Peoples State Bank of Clyde and First National Bank of Baird, provided financial aid through a co-op loan.

Everyone is looking forward to the livestock show as it continues to grow bigger and better!



BREAKTHRU

By Bob Pipes, preacher
Cross Plains Church of Christ
433 N. Main At 12th
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The story is told about a grandfather clock that quit when it was told that if it were to run for ninety years it would have to tick two billion, 838 million, 240 thousand times. So it decided that was just too much -- so it stopped -- and it didn't start again until it heard one day that it only had to tick one tick at a time.

And that's the way with us -- only one day at a time do we live, must we live, and can we live. The Galilean said it in these words: "Don't worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." (Matthew 6:34)

T.J. Shelton put it this way in a song:

One step at a time, dear Savior: I can-not take any more; The flesh is so weak and hopeless: I know not what is before.

One step at a time, dear Savior: I am not walking by sight; Keep step with my soul, dear Savior: I walk by faith in Thy might.

One step at a time, dear Savior: O guard my faltering feet! Keep hold of my hand, dear Savior, Till I my journey complete.

One step at a time, dear Savior: Thou knowest all of my fear; One word from Thy heart, dear Savior, And heaven's mansions appear.

One step at a time, dear Savior, Till faith grows stronger in Thee; One step at a time, dear Savior, Till hope grows stronger in me.

By the way, Jesus said what He did about not worrying, right after having said: "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness..."

"If I can help you, I'll be around..."

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LANDRY GLENN MAYO BIRTH ANNOUNCED

Heath Mayo is happy to announce the arrival of his baby brother, Landry Glenn. He arrived January 8, 1998, at Trinity Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler. He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 21 inches long.

The proud parents are Keith and Staci (Weiss) Mayo of Whitehouse.

Grandparents are Wilburn and Glenda Weiss of Cross Plains and Randy and Kay Mayo of Hamilton. He also has several aunts, uncles and cousins of Cross Plains.

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C.P. STUDENT REVIEW

Fatty acid and attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder link studied

Lady Buffs Open District Play 2-0 Season Record 22-2

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

On Tuesday the Lady Buffs began district play by defeating Santa Anna 70-25. We got off to a fast start with our pressure defense and high percentage shooting the ball from the field. We had 24 assists in the game which is great, the girls are finding the open player and we're knocking down the shot.

Scoring the points were W. Giles 14, M. Mitchell 11, C. Rancy 8, H. Butler 7, B. Richey 7, L. Ricci 6, A. Beggs 6, J. Fleming 4, L. McCarty 4, J. Turner 3.

Right now everybody is getting a lot of playing time that will help us in the future.

On Friday, we traveled to Lometa and defeated Lometa by a score of 76-18.

Scoring the points were L. Ricci 14, W. Giles 13, H. Butler 11, M. Mitchell 7, J. Turner 7, C. Rancy 8, A. Beggs 4, L. McCarty 4, B. Richey 3, V. Webb 2, J. Fleming 2, and A. Dillard 1.

We're doing a bunch of good things right now, but because of the competition we're getting complacent about some of our fundamental techniques.

Freshman girls lose to Eula

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

The Freshman girls traveled to Eula on Monday night and were defeated by a score of 38-18. We didn't handle Eula's pressure very well and had too many turnovers. We did a better job in the second half and had more scoring opportunities. Hopefully we can get some experience from teams who apply trapping pressure defenses.

Scoring the points were A. Hutchins 8, A. Wilson 6, L. Meiron and A. Harris with 2 each.

HOUSTON—Researchers are studying a fatty acid found in breastmilk and fish oil to see if it might improve symptoms of attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder in children.

Theoretically, the fatty acid docosahexanoic acid (DHA), through its effects on brain cell membranes, may affect "neurologic wiring." If so, then dietary DHA supplementation might reduce the need for medication as a method of treatment.

The study, being conducted at the USDA/ARS Children's Nutrition Research Center at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's

Hospital in Houston, looks at 50 children, between ages 6 and 12, who have been diagnosed with ADHD. The children are given three capsules of DHA, or a placebo per day for four months.

"Some studies have shown children with ADHD have lower levels of DHA in their plasma and red blood cells," said Dr. Robert Voigt, a Baylor assistant professor of pediatrics. "We want to see if DHA supplementation of children with ADHD might improve the symptoms of inattention, impulsivity, and hyperactivity."

DHA is one of the predominant fatty acids in the brain and retina.

Many researchers believe DHA is necessary for the central nervous system to function properly.

"Three-to-five percent of the population is affected by ADHD," said Voigt, a developmental pediatrician at the Meyer Center for Developmental Pediatrics at Texas Children's Hospital in Houston. "Many children with ADHD continue to have problems in adulthood with employment, family relationships, and anti-social behavior, and society ends up paying a high price. If this simple dietary intervention has any effect, the impact on society could be enormous."

JV Girls Win Big Over Santa Anna

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

On Tuesday the JV girls began district play with a big win over Santa Anna by a score of 48-13. We started very slowly only scoring 4 points in the 1st quarter. We heated up in the 2nd quarter out-scoring them 14-5 for an 11 point halftime lead. Our defense has really im-

proved over the last 10 games and it showed against Santa Anna. Our free throw shooting was another positive area that has improved.

Scoring the points were T. Clark 10, N. Bushnell 8, T. Wyatt 5, L. Hutton with 6 each, V. Webb 5, B. Wyatt and M. Nickerson 4 each, C. Beaty and T. Guise 2 each and J. Payne 1.

Jr. High girls fall short to Evant

By COACH MIKE CAVENDER

Once again the Jr. High girls had to combine teams to play one game against Evant. It was a close one, but we lost to Evant by a score of 25 to 30. The score was tied at halftime 11-11. The second half saw us get out-scored in the 3rd quarter 12-10 and in the 4th quarter 7-4. We seemed to lack any intensity and never got anything going in our favor.

Scoring points were C. Bailey 12, E. Winfrey 10, S. Nixon 2, and A. Kitchens 1.

Jr. High Boys Defeat Evant 45-26

By BEVERLY ROSS

The Cross Plains Junior High boys team played host to the Evant Elks Monday, January 19, and defeated them 45-26.

Leading only 7-6 at the end of the first quarter, the Buffs went on a 21-2 run that brought the half-time score to Cross Plains 28, Evant 8. The Buffs controlled the second half as well, earning their ninth win of the season against only one loss.

This game ended the first half of district play, with the Junior High Buffs having a 3-0 record at this point.

Scoring were Joseph Dillard with 19 points, Tony Beggs 16, Josh Hopkins 5, Tim Butler 3, and James Ross 2.



SCHOOL MENU

FEB. 2 - FEB. 6 (Subject To Change)

BREAKFAST

MONDAY — Oatmeal, toast, assorted juice and milk.

TUESDAY — Cinnamon toast, assorted juice and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Waffle, sausage, assorted juice and milk.

THURSDAY — Cereal, toast, assorted juice and milk.

FRIDAY — Donuts, assorted juice and milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY — Lasagna, broccoli, garlic sticks, strawberries and bananas and milk.

TUESDAY — Chicken strips w/ gravy, mashed potatoes, green peas, rolls, honey and milk.

WEDNESDAY — Enchiladas, salad, pinto beans, corn bread, apricots and milk.

THURSDAY — BBQ on bun, tater tots, coleslaw, peaches and milk.

FRIDAY — Submarine sandwich, chips, pickle spears, salad, pudding and milk.

Photos of children from Birth through 12th grade and residing within the Cross Plains School District are eligible for entry.

Any size unframed photo up to 8x10, may be submitted. No cheese cake or swim wear photos will be accepted. An entry fee of \$5.00 per photo will be required. You may enter as many photos as you wish; each accompanied with the corresponding fees. Photos are judged on reflection of personality and photogenic qualities. Entries will be divided into thirteen age divisions. Winners of each age division and an overall winner will be announced and awards presented Sat., Feb. 7, at the Miss Valentine Parade. Winners need not be present to win. Winner's photos will be held for newspaper presentation then returned. Other photos may be picked up following the Miss Valentine Parade.

Photos and fees must be in no later than Monday, February 2, 1998. Photos, fees and registration form may be submitted to Nora Odum at Cross Plains Elementary. Please print name, address, age and grade on the back of each photo submitted.

If you have any questions, contact: Jamie Apple, 725-6296; Nora Odum, 725-6840 or Judy Later, 725-7222.

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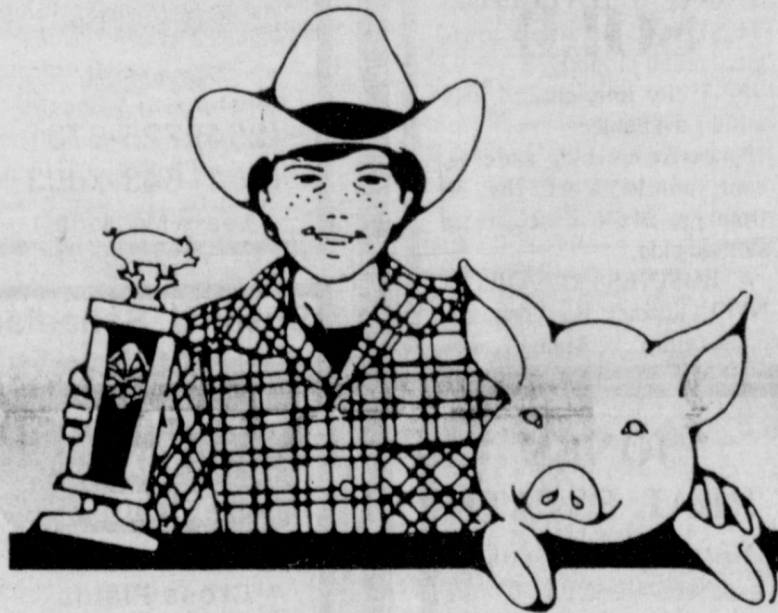
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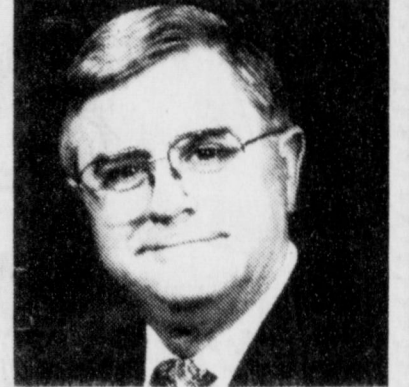
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WTU Parent Company Announces Changes in Corporate Management Positions

Floyd Nickerson, who has been president of West Texas Utilities Company (WTU), has been named vice president of corporate resources for CSW Energy Inc., and CSW International Inc., as part of an extensive realignment announced by Central and South West Corporation (CSW), WTU's parent corporation.

Paul Brower, currently WTU's general manager, has assumed the new title of general manager - president of WTU with responsibility for WTU's day-to-day public affairs activities.

Brower will report to Alphonso R. Jackson, who has been named to the newly created position of CSW Texas president. Jackson will oversee public and community affairs activities and relationships at WTU and Central Power and Light Company, another CSW subsidiary.

Jackson joined CSW Energy and CSW International as vice president of corporate services in June 1996. Previously he was president and chief executive officer of The Housing Authority of the City of Dallas. He also has served as director of the Department of Public Assisted Housing in Washington, D.C., where he formulated and implemented housing policy for the \$137 million operation. Other positions held by Jackson include, chairperson for the District of Columbia Redevelopment Land Agency Board, director for the St. Louis Housing Authority and a director of consultant services for the certified public accounting firm of Laventhol and Horwath in St. Louis, and as executive assistant to the chancellor and assistant professor at the University of Missouri.

He is a graduate of Northeast Missouri State University with a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in education administration. He received a law degree from Washington University School of Law in St. Louis.

Brower joined CSW in 1976 as a sales representative at Public Service Company of Oklahoma. He held various positions before being

named corporate sales manager in 1985. He was promoted to division manager in 1990. He was named as WTU's vice president of marketing and business development in 1991 and then to the position of general manager in 1995. He holds a BS degree in marketing from Northeast Oklahoma State University at Tahlequah and has completed the Harvard Business School Program for Management Development.

In his new position, Nickerson will oversee marketing intelligence, strategic planning, human resources, industry representation and public relations for the two subsidiaries. CSW Energy develops, owns and operates non-utility electric power projects in the United States. CSW International participates in electric power generation, transmission and distribution projects outside the US.

Nickerson began his career with CSW as a WTU manager trainee in 1979. While at WTU, Nickerson worked as a management assistant in the Abilene area office and in the Engineering and Division Services Department, eventually becoming manager of personnel services in 1989. In 1991, he was promoted to manager of business operations in Abilene. In 1992, he was named vice president of corporate services for Transok Inc., a natural gas transmission previously owned by CSW in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Nickerson was named vice president of corporate services for CSW Energy in Dallas in 1995 and then WTU president in May 1996. Nickerson is a graduate of Hardin Simmons University with a bachelor of business administration degree and a masters of business administration in finance degree.

E.R. Brooks, chairman and chief executive officer of Central and South West, said the moves are part of CSW's on-going process to effectively position the company to compete in the fast-changing competitive environment and to prepare the company for its announced merger with American Electric Power Company.

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Currently Miss Chavez is teaching kindergarten in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

She is the daughter of Richard and Peggy Chavez of Puerto de Luna, New Mexico. Her brother David is working on his MA in counseling; sister Michelle her BA in Health; and brother Mark is in his first year at New Mexico Highlands University.

Malyssa Sowell Named to Angelo State University Dean's List

Malyssa A. Sowell of Cross Plains, a student attending Angelo State University in San Angelo, was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester.

Ms. Sowell is an undecided major. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

She is the daughter of Stuart and Barbara Sowell of Cross Plains.

Tabitha Jordan Recognized As Outstanding Employee

Tabitha Jordan, DataStar's Marketing Coordinator, was unanimously selected Employee of the Month by her co-workers. She has been with DataStar since January of 1997.

She and her husband Michael relocated to Dallas last November.

Tabitha is the daughter of J.D. and Sandy Hutton of Cross Plains.



50 YEARS TOGETHER — Bob and Jean Baker

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baker Celebrated Golden Wedding Anniversary

Bob and Jean Baker celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Thursday, January 8 at Del Frisco's Steak House. Hosts were their children, Randy Baker of Crowley and Annette Grantham of Fort Worth and their spouses. The couple has four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The Bakers were married January 8, 1948, in Burkett. She is the former Nelma Jean Thompson, daughter of

the late Richard and Nellie Thompson of Cross Plains. Jean is a homemaker. Bob is the son of the late Calvin and Maude Baker of Burkett. He is retired from Moncrief Oil and served in the Armed Forces during World War II.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker lived in Fort Worth 30 years before moving to Willow Park.



JODY FORTUNE AND KRISSI JENNINGS

Jennings - Fortune Wedding Planned For February 7

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fortune are proud to announce the upcoming wedding of their son, Jody Jowers, to Krissi Lyn Jennings. Krissi is the daughter of Garry and Karen Jennings of Baird.

Jody is a senior at Cross Plains High School and is employed by Scott

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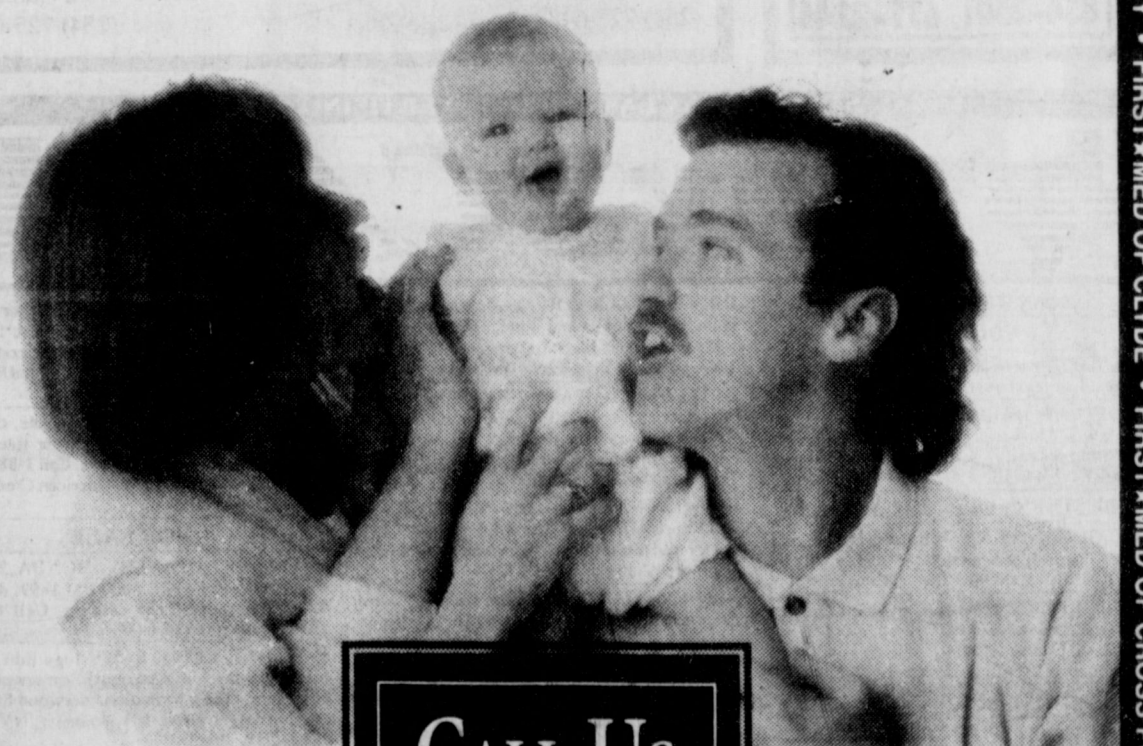
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