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Group protests city grant

A citizens' group has protested a \$250,000 grant to the City of Haskell to finance 30 blocks of city paving.

In a letter to the Department of Housing and Community Affairs, Jack Cline, identified as a member of the Concerned Citizens Committee, told the state agency, "The application for grant for \$250,000 in your office for Haskell, Texas, should not be considered since it will primarily benefit the property value of city manager Bob Baker."

The letter also stated, "No grants from any agency of any kind should be considered for Haskell until such time that the city government has been stabilized and responsible government re-established."

Although they did not sign the letter, the typed names of Christene Greene, Lois Richardson and Kathleen Diggs appeared on the letter as officers of the committee.

Baker was given a copy of the letter last Thursday by a representative of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs when he and councilman Ronny Tanner attended a meeting of the Council of Governments in Abilene to make an oral request for the grant as a followup to an earlier written application.

Baker read the letter to the City Council at its meeting that evening.

The letter accused the mayor, council and administrator of refusing to listen to the committee in its opposition to a new city hall. It also accused The Haskell Free Press of "censoring" an open letter to the mayor and council which it had prepared for publication and said "we are told" that other newspapers have been threatened with law suits "if they publish anything of the city hall issue."

Free Press publisher Don Comedy took exception with the group's charge of censorship. "We published at least 15 or 20 'open letters' before calling a halt to repeated letters from the same writers with the same complaints," said Comedy.

Friday deadlines for Free Press

All news and advertising deadlines for the Dec. 26 issue of The Haskell Free Press will be noon Friday, Dec. 20.

The Christmas issue of The Free Press will be printed Monday and will go in the mail and on newsstands that day. The Free Press will be closed Dec. 24 until Dec. 30.

News and ad deadlines for the Jan. 2 issue will be noon on Monday, Dec. 30. That issue will be printed on Tuesday, Dec. 31.

City gets donation for lights

An anonymous contributor has made a substantial donation to the City of Haskell to buy Christmas lights for the gazebo at the City Park.

In a letter to city administrator Bob Baker, the contributor wrote: "Although I'm not a native of Haskell, I've lived here long enough to appreciate and love the city. Please accept this donation to buy Christmas lights for the gazebo."

"I want to be a part of the good that so many citizens, both past and present, have done and are doing to encourage the forward growth of this town."

"Let the lights burn as a positive symbol of our community spirit, the quality of life and the continued growth of Haskell."

The letter was signed: "A citizen who is proud to live here and raise children here."



Visit Santa

Santa Claus holds Zack Collins during Saturday morning's "Breakfast with Santa" in Haskell. In the background are Macy Robison with her mother, Melissa, and Shelly Morrow, with her grandmother, Rena Morrow.

Basketball tournament gets underway today

Munday and Paint Creek girls will meet at noon today (Thursday) in the first game of the annual Haskell Indian Booster Club Basketball Tournament.

Game No. 2 will feature the Munday and Paint Creek boys, beginning at 1:30.

Other first-round games today will find the Haskell JV girls against Knox City at 3 p.m., the Trent and Knox City boys at 4:30, Haskell girls vs. Rule at 6 and Haskell boys vs. Rule at 7:30.

Other teams competing in the

tournament will be the Hamlin and Breckenridge girls and the Hamlin and Haskell JV boys. The two Hamlin teams drew first-round byes, while the Breckenridge girls and Haskell JV boys will not play first-round games, but will compete in the losers' brackets beginning with the second round.

Play will continue Friday and Saturday. The girls' championship finals will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday and the boys' championship game will start at 7:30. Third-place finals will begin at 3 p.m. for the girls and at 4:30 for the boys.

Consolation finals will begin at noon Saturday for the girls and at 1:30 for the boys. Finals for seventh-places will begin at 9 a.m. (girls) and at 10:30 a.m. (boys).

The schedule:

THURSDAY

- Game 1: Munday girls vs. Paint Creek, 12:00.
- Game 2: Munday boys vs. Paint Creek, 1:30.
- Game 3: Haskell JV girls vs. Knox City, 3:00.
- Game 4: Trent boys vs. Knox City, 4:30.
- Game 5: Haskell girls vs. Rule, 6:00.
- Game 6: Haskell boys vs. Rule, 7:30.

FRIDAY

- Game 7: Losers of games 3 and 5 (girls), 9:00.
- Game 8: Haskell JV vs. loser game 2 (boys), 10:30.
- Game 9: Hamlin vs. winner game 1 (girls), 12:00.
- Game 10: Losers of games 4 and 6 (boys), 1:30.
- Game 11: Breckenridge vs. loser game 1 (girls), 3:00.
- Game 12: Hamlin vs. winner game 2 (boys), 4:30.
- Game 13: Winner games 3 and 5 (girls) 6:00.
- Game 14: Winners games 4 and 6 (boys), 7:30.

SATURDAY

- Game 15: Losers of games 7 and 11 (girls), seventh place, 9:00.
- Game 16: Losers of games 8 and 10 (boys), seventh place, 10:30.
- Game 17: Winners of games 7 and 11 (girls), consolation, 12:00.
- Game 18: Winners of games 8 and 10 (boys), consolation, 1:30.
- Game 19: Losers of games 9 and 13 (girls), third place, 3:00.
- Game 20: Losers of games 12 and 14 (boys), third place, 4:30.
- Game 21: Winners of games 9 and 13 (girls), championship, 6:00.
- Game 22: Winners of games 12 and 14 (boys), championship, 7:30.



Wrap presents

Elsia Ruiz and Jane Villa, representing the PALS organization at Haskell High School, helped wrap Christmas presents last week for the Haskell County Child Welfare Board.

City ups charge for delinquent utility bills

A 10-percent delinquency charge will be added to unpaid city utility bills as a result of action taken last Thursday by the City Council.

Heretofore, the city has assessed a \$2 late charge on unpaid bills.

The council action came following a survey of neighboring cities which indicated that Haskell's delinquency charge was far below those of most cities.

City utility bills go out about the 20th of the month and are considered delinquent if not paid by the 15th of the following month.

The new delinquency charge will apply to water, sewer and garbage bills, as well as airport rentals and airport fuel charges. The new charges will be effective immediately and will be reflected on bills mailed this month.

The council also raised the re-connect charge for utilities from \$6 to \$10 and increased the fee for returned checks from \$10 to \$15.

In other action at last week's meeting, the council:

--Passed a resolution in support of the City of Stamford's efforts to obtain a state prison.

--Entered into a lease agreement with the Paint Creek Water Authority on property at the airport to build a water storage tank.

--Approved four zoning changes.

Two of the changes will allow mobile homes in previously restricted areas, another grants a zoning variance to the Church of Christ and the fourth changed zoning of property on US 380 West from agriculture use to special purpose to allow construction of a 24-unit apartment complex for elderly citizens.

--Heard a report from city administrator Bob Baker concerning recent conversation with representatives of Kent Oil Co. of Midland in regard to its proposed gas station and convenience store at South 4th and US 277.

--Heard another report from Baker revealing that the recently completed park project will come under budget by about \$9,000. Baker said he is following through on a Park Board request that some of these funds to be used to pave the road by the RV park.



Sweetheart and Hero

Football sweetheart and hero for Rule High School are Jana Saffel and Carlos Muniz. Jana, a sophomore, is the daughter of Vance and Donna Saffel. Carlos, a senior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Seferino Muniz.

Zoning changed for apartments

The City Council Thursday cleared the way for construction of a 24-unit apartment complex by approving a zoning change which will allow construction of the facility.

The property, on the north side of US 380 West near Haskell Nursing Home, was changed from agricultural zoning to special purpose designation upon recommendation of the Zoning Board.

Jerry Shipley of Arlington, representing Charles Schreeder of Atlanta, Ga., said the apartments will be built for senior citizens. He estimated the cost of the project at

\$700,000.

Occupancy of the one-bedroom apartments will be limited to persons 62 years old and older. Government rental assistance will be available to tenants who qualify.

Financing will be through the Farmers Home Administration.

In addition to the 24 apartment units, the project will include a central office and club house. The complex will employ a manager, as well as maintenance and security personnel.

Schreeder, who has built several similar projects in the Southeast, has been building in Texas over the past six years.



Big crowd

A large crowd was on hand Saturday afternoon for the drawings sponsored by the Haskell Business Association. More drawings are scheduled for this Saturday.



Mrs. William Ambrose

Rueffer, Ambrose exchange vows

Morgan Zerelle Rueffer, daughter of Dr. Martin Rueffer and Nancy White-Smith, announces her marriage to William Alessio Ambrose, son of Frank and Betty Ambrose of Gloversville, N.Y.

The bride is the granddaughter of Juanita Burson, the late C. G. Burson Sr., Lena Rueffer and the late Martin G. Rueffer.

Father Gary Guertz officiated at the Nov. 16 ceremony at St. Joseph's Church in Rhineland. A reception, catered by Flora Pace,

followed at the Haskell Country Club.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, French Nestor Smith IV. The bride's cousin Mona Rejino served as matron of honor, and the bridesmaids were Lisa Bechtol, Susan Hustace and Rebecca Smith. Candelighters were Jeffrey and Joshua Nelson, cousins of the bride. Richard Rejino played the music on piano and cousin Sam Oates sang "The Lord's Prayer" with accompaniment by Mr.

Rejino.

The groom's brother, Frank Ambrose Jr., served as best man. Groomsmen were John Kells, Greg Dora and Paul Behning.

The bride wore an Alfred Angelo Original, a traditional gown of white satin, designed by Michelle Piccione. The mandarin collar of Schiffli embroidered hand clipped medallions was accented with pearl drops. The English net yoke held the collar to the fitted bodice, which dropped to a Basque waistline. The bodice was embellished with heavily beaded Schiffli embroidered medallions, garnished with seed pearls and sequins. Small white satin buttons closed the dress. The tops of the sleeves were puffed satin, caught up with satin leaves, and Schiffli medallions held the long English net sleeves, which tapered to the traditional point above the wrist, and closed with white satin buttons.

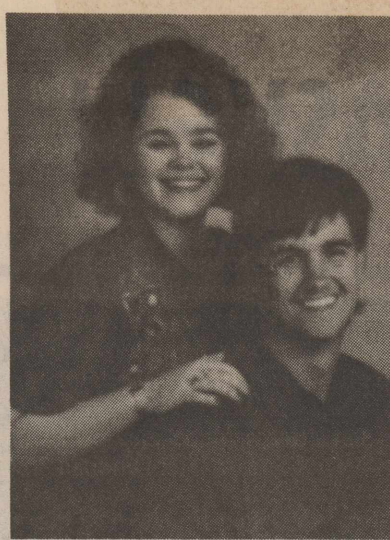
The full satin skirt was accented with scalloped motifs and flowed to a cathedral train, finished with scalloped lace. The lace tiara was scalloped and finished with narrow Viennese lace and sprinkled with seed pearls, and held the two tiered finger tip veil of Genlish net. The bouquet cascaded with white orchids and roses, and thin streamers of white satin and lace.

The bridesmaids' gowns were skirted to the floor with forest green taffeta. The fitted bodices were black velvet, with long sleeves and dropped waists. The back of the bodices scooped to the waist, and a forest green taffeta bow accented just below. The headpieces were black velvet headbands, topped with attached cascading forest green taffeta bows. The bouquets cascaded with pink orchids and roses, and thin pink satin streamers.

The groom and his men wore single breasted black tuxedos with notched collars and one button closure; the shirts pleated white with traditional shirt collars. The groom wore a white rose boutonniere, and a black and grey striped bow tie with matching cummerbund. Pink rose boutonnieres, black bow ties and black cummerbunds bedecked the groomsmen.

The groom is part owner of Ambergroup Inc., a video production company.

Following a wedding trip through Texas, the couple will live in Atlanta, Ga.



Engaged

David and Linda Smith of Fort Worth announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Melissa Smith of Fort Worth, to Jerry Milton Shelton IV of Texas City. The prospective bridegroom is the son of Jerry and Shonna Shelton III of Fort Worth and Daisy Shelton of Dublin. They plan to marry Feb. 1 in Fort Worth.

Couple plans wedding

A May 9 wedding is planned in Seattle, Wash., for Candice Marie Dickison and Craig Marvin Collins.

The bride-elect, the daughter of Stanley H. Dickison of Seattle and Nancy J. Dickison of Mt. Vernon, Wash., graduated from Shorewood High School and from Seattle Pacific University with a degree in elementary education.

The prospective bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry V. Collins of Abilene, graduated from Gallup (N.M.) High School and the University of New Mexico with a degree in business education. He is employed by St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Co., in Seattle.

fewer injuries

Texas had fewer occupational injuries and illnesses in 1990 than the nation as a whole.

Texas had an overall occupational injury and illness incidence rate of 8.0 per 100 full-time workers, compared to a rate of 8.8 nationwide.

Piano students present recital

Mrs. James Sinclair presented her piano students in recital on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 8, at Paint Creek Baptist Church.

Appearing on the program and playing several numbers each were Halee Walton, Amanda Crawford, Ashley Medford and Hattie Walton. Mrs. Sinclair played duets with Ashley, Halee and Amanda. Halee and Amanda concluded the program with a duet.

After the recital, friends and family enjoyed refreshments in the fellowship hall.

The first ferris wheel was erected at the 1893 Columbian Exposition in Chicago.

Rochester couple to mark 65th

On Saturday, Dec. 21, the children of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Turner of Rochester will honor their parents with a reception in honor of their 65th anniversary.

The reception will be between 2 and 4 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church in Rochester.

All friends and family members are invited to attend. (No gifts, please.)



Happy 25th Anniversary



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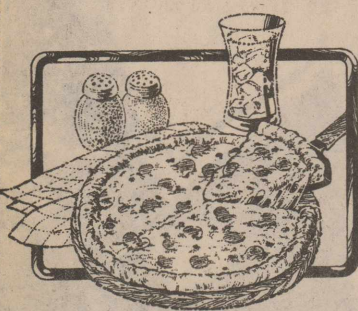
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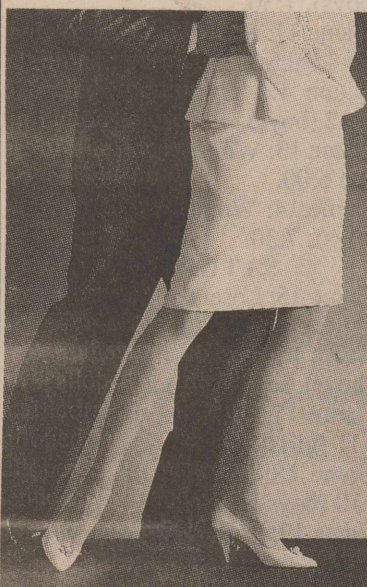
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Noah directors host luncheon

The Noah Project board of directors hosted a Christmas luncheon at Briarstone Manor in Abilene Dec. 7 to honor outstanding board members, advisory committee members and volunteers. Staff, members and volunteers from Noah Project's 18-county area attended.

Among those honored were Paul Cheatham of Haskell for

outstanding advisory committee member from the Noah Project-North whose office is in Haskell. Cheatham has been on the advisory committee since it began in Haskell. He also has been a counselor for the project and is currently chairman of the committee.

Three staff members from the region were also honored as

"outstanding staff." They were Coy Pullara, a clinical therapist for Brownwood with a private practice in Abilene who has been with the Noah Project for 10 years; Eva Stalls, transitional housing coordinator in Abilene for eight years; and Donna Sue Anders, outreach coordinator for Noah Project-North in Haskell. Each received an engraved plaque for their dedicated service from the Noah Project board of directors.

Mrs. Anders has been outreach coordinator in Haskell since April of this year. Before that she was a volunteer on the crisis line for three years and also an advisory committee member where she served as vice chairman and also on the fund-raising committee.

A morbid fear of peanut butter sticking to the roof of our mouth is known as arachibutyrophobia, a word you could never say with peanut butter sticking to the roof of your mouth.



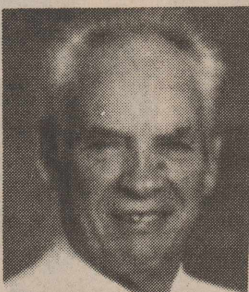
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By Elbert Johnson, Registered Pharmacist

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--Rice Springs Care Home--

The staff of Rice Springs Care Home were honored with a gala Christmas party which included a catered meal by Sanderson's Restaurant of Graham. Meals were served to 102 in attendance.

Following the meal, there were 42 who participated in a "Chinese Christmas" gift exchange.

The next activity was a dessert exchange, among those who brought a dessert for that purpose, complete with recipe, and by drawing numbers, each participant went home with a different dessert.

Bingo was the fun thing of the night and everyone joined in the pleasure.

Christmas cash bonuses were given to each employee, with the length of employment being a key factor in the amount of bonus received. Drawings were held for door prizes and the centerpieces from each table.

Special recognition was given to a "Dandy Dozen" who have worked 10 years or more for the care home. Those being recognized were Lois

Best, Fern Casey, Rita Hoover, Oren Howard, Wanda Lees, Carol Lewellen, Joan Meier, Beatrice Messenger, Elvira Schmidt, Charlie Seelig, Ray Webb, Maybelle Benton, and Elna Weise. These 12 received an additional cash bonus.

We want to extend our thanks and appreciation to the board of directors for making this possible. The active board consists of Dr. William J. Kemp, Mrs. Golda Colbert of Haskell, Mrs. Sammie Carpenter of Knox City and Mr. J. C. Lewis of Rule.

The staff brought toys, gifts and canned food items and filled three large boxes which were donated to the Goodfellows.

The party ended with expressions of gratitude and a wish to everyone for a very Merry Christmas.

Art association has party

Members of the Brazos West Art Club met Dec. 9 for their annual Christmas party.

Each of the 12 members present brought a handmade gift to exchange, along with a favorite goodie.

A pale green cloth covered the serving table. The centerpiece was an arrangement of flowers flanked by Christmas candles.

In a short business meeting, minutes were read and several reports given. The report on raising money to re-roof the Corral building sounded encouraging.

It was voted to present a Christmas bonus to Janis Briggs. She is in charge of renting the building and also the maintenance inside and out.

Hostesses were Iva Lee Gipson, Eunice Helweg and Laverne Barnett.

Thank you for reading The Haskell Free Press.

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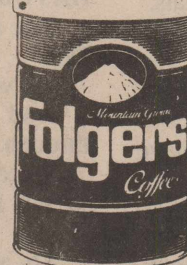
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--Letters to the Editor--

City Park

Editor: I have not been here long enough nor involved with politics enough to know whether or not Haskell needs a new city hall. I would, therefore, not make a comment either pro or con.

What I have been here long enough to comment upon is something that the City Council has done that has made me very proud for Haskell, and it is entirely through the efforts of the City Council that the City Park renovation has occurred. I feel that this has been a tremendous thing that they have done. The park improvements have been beautiful, making the park not only functional for the children, but for all adults of Haskell as well.

The walking track and exercise area have certainly proven to be something that has been very well accepted and used. I get comments very frequently about the fact that patients now have a very well-lighted place where they can obtain exercise after hours also and have never failed to see somebody walking or jogging around the track any time I have passed by.

So, with all of the negative feedback that they have been given, I wish to take this time to give credit where credit is due and thank each and every member of the Haskell City Council for their efforts on the park.

William D. McSmith Jr., DO

Thanks

Editor: We wish to thank the 275 people who backed our cause Sunday, Dec. 15. We thank the Haskell National Bank for the use of the building. We thank each one that donated food and time.

Thanks to all the ones who gave donations and all workers. We can achieve our goal when we all work together.

Concerned Citizens Committee
Christene Greene, President

Unfair

Editor: When I was a young man riding around with my grandfather, I can remember his stopping the commissioner on the road or a neighbor at the drug store and telling them of things that didn't quite suit him concerning their respective jobs.

Even when the Haskell City Council made a recent decision that did not suit many of the town's citizens, people faced members of the City Council on the street or when the council was in session and told them their opinions openly and frankly.

I only wish that this open freedom of expression was present in our community of Paint Creek today. Here, we have learned that with a long distance telephone call, we can trigger state agencies or local television stations to do our dirty work for us and under the first amendment, remain anonymous and not have to face public scrutiny for our actions.

A case in point was the arrival of KTXS television into our community earlier this month in an attempt to discredit our commissioner J. R. Perry.

Apparently, they had received word from someone in our community that Mr. Perry was surfacing a private drive on the outskirts of Haskell and KTXS television came into Paint Creek with blood in their eyes.

After their arrival, they soon discovered that Mr. Perry was simply fulfilling the duties of his office as he saw it and was surfacing a road in his precinct to allow city service trucks access to two new lots with the blessings of the Haskell city manager.

I resent KTXS' interference in what was obviously a local matter and feel that it was obvious in their interview with Mr. Perry, they were trying to make news rather than report it. To put it simply, it was slander directed towards one of our own citizens by one of our own citizens using the power and influence of the media which allows the person reporting an incident to remain anonymous. Meanwhile, the media opens itself to slander and degradation of character charges and the individual reported is forced to defend his actions.

The most important point I wish to make however, concerns our community and not Mr. Perry. Ray has been our commissioner for so many years now that his skin has toughened and I am certain that he is aware of his duties to the precinct. Each of us is thankful that he has provided everyone in Precinct 3 access to the public roads for which we pay taxes and his actions on the Commissioners' Court indicate to me that our tax monies are being spent wisely.

My main concern is the small group in our community who hide behind the flag and trigger actions by state agencies or local media towards anyone who displeases them and by doing so, polarizes our community and weakens us in the eyes of the public.

I have always felt that local problems should be handled locally by utilizing the democratic process or with face to face confrontation. I would hope that during this season of love and compassion and reflection, each of us in Paint Creek will examine our individual actions concerning our community and determine if they actually strengthened our community or were done to satisfy an inner need to hurt someone or discredit a community organization so that it would reflect badly on its officials.

Let us also resolve that in the coming year, we will face our disagreements with someone "head on" by addressing our grievances to the persons with whom we have problems and if we do not receive satisfaction there, bring evidence to bear at the local level to oust them from office at the voting booth. However, after doing this, we must be satisfied with the outcome and allow the feelings of the majority to rule until the next election.

Hopefully, none of us will be guilty of "cutting off our nose to spite our face" which causes an unfavorable reflection on our community and its citizens as well. It is interesting to me that while the rest of the world is struggling to discover a more democratic form of government, we in Paint Creek are reverting to the distrusting, reporting your neighbor, public exposing form of community from which the others are fleeing.

I would appreciate the person who reported Mr. Perry to identify himself by writing a rebuttal to this letter in this newspaper, stating his point of view and why he chose this method to trigger the media. Was it to improve our community or simply a vendetta against a neighbor? Either way, in my opinion, it was and is harmful to our community and reflects negatively on all of us who call ourselves Christians.

I love our community and its citizens and it hurts me to watch friends in neighboring towns smile when one mentions Paint Creek Water or our fine commissioner. It indicates to me that the power of one can adversely affect a community and its citizens particularly if that one cannot be identified and held responsible for his or her actions.

Wallar H. Overton
Paint Creek

My First Venture In Politics

By "T" Jackson

"Twas an early Monday morning,
I was slow in getting up;
But I'd finished with my breakfast,

And was on my second cup.
Now, the telephone was handy,
Just an arm's length from my plate;

So I answered it quite promptly,
So the caller wouldn't wait.
Then a voice said: "Rev'rend Jackson,

We would like to see you soon."
I said: "This is all too sudden,
Can't it wait 'till afternoon?"
But he said: "It's really urgent,
When we come, I'll tell you more."

I said: "Give me fifteen minutes,
And I'll meet you at the door."
So they came without more notice.

Did they bring good news, or no?
I said: "Come right in, good brethren,
There's more coffee in the pot."

I said: "Friends, you know my nature,
That I'm quite opposed to crime;
So, let's get this over quickly,
Tell me what I've done THIS time."

He said: "It's not what you HAVE done,
But it's what we hope you'll DO.

We've a problem in the Council,
And we hope you'll see us through."
Since it's been in all the papers,
We are sure you've heard the news.

So, we're looking for an older man
To fill young Dickie's shoes."
I said: "This is quite an honor,
And requires a lot of thought;
Since I've never been in politics,
This time, I'm really caught."

I said: "Since I love my city,
And no offer could be greater,
I'll NOW consent to take the job,
AND THINK ABOUT IT LATER!"

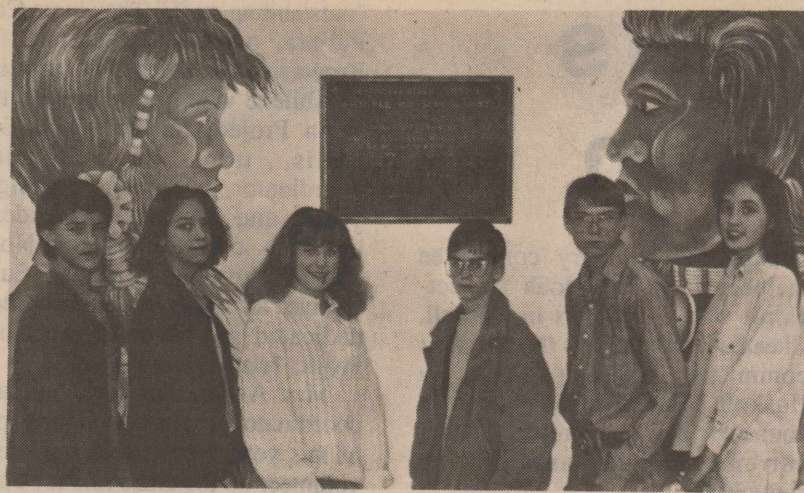
Fidelis class has party

The Fidelis Sunday School class of the First Baptist Church held its Christmas party Tuesday night, Dec. 10, in the classroom in the church.

Tables were covered with red and white cloths and centered with red candles surrounded with greenery. The serving table held a poinsettia arrangement.

Frances Lane, president, greeted members and guest, Ellen Rieger. Nan Wilson read the Christmas story from Luke, Iola Henshaw led the singing of Christmas carols, accompanied by Mrs. Rieger. Mrs. Lane presented gifts to teacher, Billie Cadenhead, and Mrs. Rieger.

Group captains served as hostesses. Sandwiches, chips, cake, coffee and punch were served to Nettie McCollum, Faye Gray, Lorene Adams, Helen Oates, Nan Wilson, Lois Sherman, Alice Wootan, Clara Biard, Veta Furrh, Iola Henshaw, Violet Earles, Pearl Walker, Allene Wheatley, Emma Bland, Claudia Mae Bland, Ethel Lou Shelton, Earmel Bevel, Clariss Jones, Frances Lane, Ozelle Frierson, Billie Cadenhead, Ellen Rieger and Lois Redwine.



Winners

Winning awards for perfect attendance during the week of Dec. 2-6 at Haskell secondary school were, from left, Chuckie Castillo, ninth grade; Elsie Ruiz, 12th grade; Jamie Johnston, eighth grade; Erich Reid, seventh grade; Shawn Jordan, 11th grade; and Cynthia Rodriguez, 10th grade.



Perfect attendance

Attendance winners at Haskell secondary school for the week of Dec. 9-13 were, from left, Tara Moeller, ninth grade; Kellie Reid, 10th grade; Matthew McCord, seventh grade; Jeremy Futch, eighth grade; Michelle Espinoza, 11th grade; and Lee Decker, 12th grade.

WTU offers new services

The West Texas economy could get a boost if the Public Utilities Commission of Texas approves recommendations made recently by West Texas Utilities.

"WTU has filed a request to offer new services designed to attract and encourage business expansion in this area," according to Gene Rhoads, WTU's area manager for Haskell.

The three new experimental tariffs will allow WTU to provide economic development service, curtailable service or interruptible service. These services will be available to customers who voluntarily request and qualify for one of the service options.

New or existing industries served by WTU which add 10 new employees and substantially expand their facilities could gain up to a 40-percent reduction in the demand charge portion of their electric bill for the first year. The reduction would gradually be phased out over a four-year period.

New or existing customers of WTU that might qualify for the economic development tariff are businesses like manufacturing, warehousing, petroleum, agribusinesses and many others. "This is a great way to attract new business and encourage existing business to expand," Rhoads added.

The proposed curtailable and interruptible rates can significantly reduce certain existing industrial customer's bills. Under the new curtailable tariff a customer must be willing to shut down part of their electrical usage at any given time at the request of WTU.

A customer requesting service under the interruptible rate would agree to allow WTU to occasionally disconnect the designated load. The circumstances that could prompt the company to take this action, which might include unusually high usage of electricity or a power-system emergency, would normally occur only a few times each year. In return for his willingness to allow these occasional interruptions, the

customer gets a year-round discount on his cost of electricity.

A good example of how the curtailable or interruptible rate could be helpful is in the case of a marginal oil field operation. By agreeing to have their electric service occasionally interrupted for a brief period WTU would discount their electric cost. By reducing the cost of pumping, the oil field operation could continue to operate at a profit when otherwise it might have to shut down.

The new tariff proposals, which the company has asked the PUC to approve by March 1, would be a benefit to all WTU customers because they would encourage new and existing businesses. In addition, the curtailable and interruptible rates can help delay the need to build new power plants in the future.

WTU serves a 52,000 square mile area of Texas that stretches from the Red River to the Rio Grande.

Excessive sweating can be cured

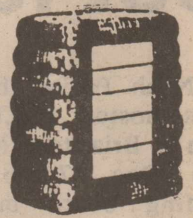
People who perspire profusely no longer have to sweat it out.

Thoracoscopic surgery, a common technique in other forms of surgery, has proven superior to the procedure currently available for people suffering from hyperhidrosis, a nerve disorder that causes excessive sweating.

A small opening is made in the chest, said Dr. Jim Garza, a surgeon at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. A lighted instrument called a thoracoscope is inserted to locate and cut a nerve mass responsible for excess sweat production.

Garza said the 20-minute procedure is safer and more effective than the more invasive surgery being used worldwide. He and his colleagues have successfully performed the new procedure on 15 patients.

A myoclonic jerk is not an insult. It's the sudden sensation of falling sometimes felt just before sleeping.

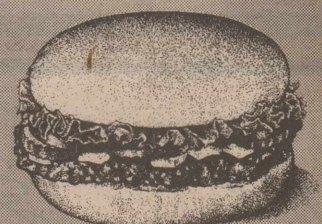


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By: Max Stapleton
County Extension Agent
December 2, 1991

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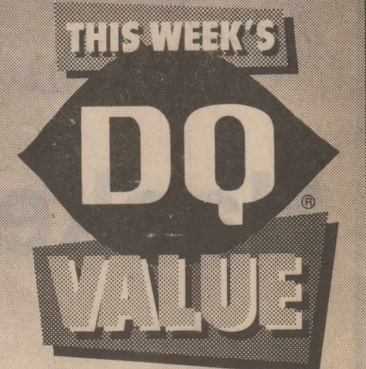


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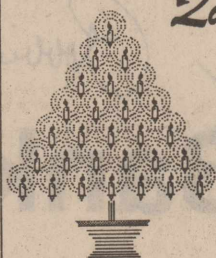


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Board wraps gifts

The Haskell County Child Welfare Board met for a special "wrapping" session Dec. 10 at the DHS office.

Tom Long, chairman, called the meeting to order, and Bruce Adamson led in prayer.

Minutes of the Nov. 19 meeting were read by the secretary, Mary Martin, and approved. Linda Haynes, CPS supervisor, had labeled the gifts; so members, Sue Miller, Bruce Adamson, Floyd Chenault, Suzanne McGuire, Lizette Haste, Troy Gailey and Nancy Toliver, became very busy.

Members had brought scissors, tape and Christmas wrapping paper. Two young ladies, Jane Villa and Elsie Ruiz of the PALS organization of Haskell High accompanied Mrs. Toliver. Cindy Asbury, caseworker, also was present.

Maidens win two in big tournament

The varsity Maidens competed in the Polk-Key City Classic, the largest girls' basketball tournament in the state.

The girls opened the tournament against Wylie who defeated them, 31-49. The game was within 10 points late in the fourth quarter, but Wylie made a run late in the game.

Leading the scoring were Teresa Diaz with 9 points, Misti Bartley with 8, Shana McKenzie with 5, Sarah Mullen with 4, and Daniela Guadaluca with 2 each, and Kim Gilly with 1.

The Maidens' next game was with Ballinger. The Maidens were down by a score of 17-30 at half, due to a poor second quarter. In the second half, the Maidens came out ready to play and cut the lead to 36-39 at the end of the third quarter and managed to squeak out a 1-point lead when the buzzer sounded. The Maidens' score was 47-46. Misti

Bartley led all scorers with 19, McKenzie had 12, Diaz had 10, Mullen and Hobgood had 2 each, Seelke and Guadaluca 1 each.

Wichita Falls Rider, a 5A school downed the Maidens 30-46. The Maidens had a letdown after the exciting Ballinger game and never got into the swing of this game. Diaz led the scoring with 12 points, Mullen had 7, Bartley had 5, Guadaluca had 4 and McKenzie had 2.

The Maidens rebounded Saturday morning to defeat a team from Houston, 54-36. McKenzie had 16 points, Bartley had 13, Diaz had 9, Mullen had 8, Georgie Root and Guadaluca 4 each.

The tournament enabled the Maidens to play some tough competition in preparing for their district opener against Anson.

The Maidens will play in the local tournament this weekend, opening at 6 p.m. tonight (Thursday) against Rule.

Goodfellows-

Haskell Goodfellows will deliver Christmas boxes on the morning of Dec. 24.

Cash donations to the Lions Club project may be made at the Haskell Free Press, Box 1058. Toys and groceries may be left at the Haskell fire station.

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- Happy Birthday Club 5.00
- Allene Wheatley 10.00
- Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller 20.00
- Previous total 265.00
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Freshman team

The Haskell freshman girls' basketball team boosted its season record to 5-1 while winning consolation in the Knox City JV tournament. The JV Maidens lost a close opening game to Aspermont, 24-21, but came back to defeat Crowell, 30-13, for the right to play in the consolation finals where they defeated Knox City, 17-14. Team members are, front row from left, Rosie Fuentes, Sharon Jimenez, Micca Jordan, Cindi Borja, Susan Juarez, Melinda Rulz; back row, Melissa Chapman, Jill Mullen, Nacole Lefevre, Brandy Briles, Tara Moeller and Coach Randy Stone.

Lordy, Lordy Look Who's "40"



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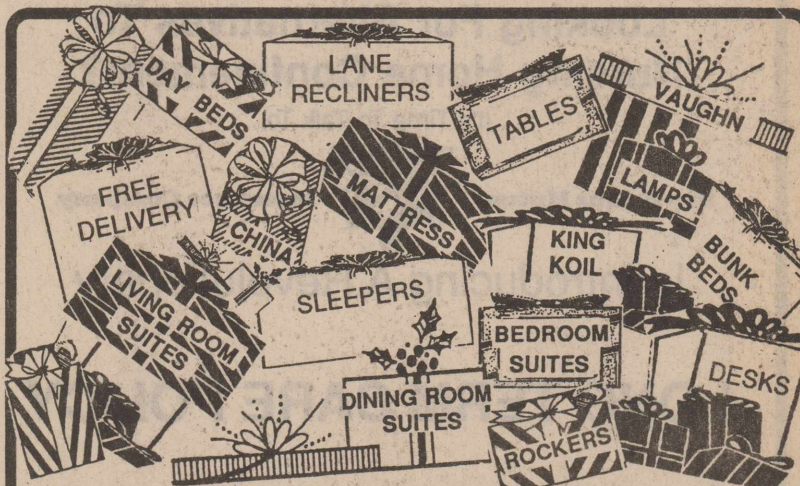
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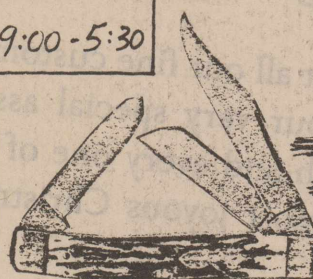
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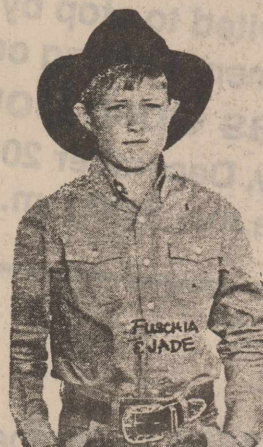
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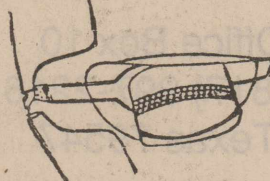
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Happenings...

by Lois Redwine

Mark and Dana Gibson and children, Trent and Emily flew to Haskell last Saturday from El Reno, Ok. to visit Mrs. Gibson's mother, Emma Bland, and to attend the Charles Swinson's 50th wedding anniversary celebration.

Spending the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Leonard and having an early Christmas were their sons and families, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Leonard, Russell, Landon and Justin from Gunter; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Leonard, Shelby and Lee from Mabank; granddaughter, Regina Bird, Woodward, Ok.; granddaughter and family, Julie and Stevie Marlott, Bryce and Haley, from

Sharon, Ok.; granddaughter and family, Alice and Richard Henderson, Frances, Rebecca and Sarah from Jal, N.M. and a grandson, T. J. Wood from Woodward, Ok.

Stewart Roberson of Abilene is recovering in Hendrick Medical Center from major surgery. He is the son of Judge and Mrs. B. O. Roberson.

Attending Baylor University's graduating exercises and seeing Robert Douglas Starr II receive his B. A. degree were Robert and Suzanne Starr, Dugan Starr, Frances Lane, Tommie and Selina McGuire, Brooke and Brandon from

Haskell. Attending from Brownfield, Sarah and Robert Rodriguez, Brandon and Brent. Fran Starr from Dallas and Sarah Lees Jackson from Ft. Worth met the group in Waco and also attended the ceremonies.

Visiting last week with Mrs. Frieda Nehring in Rice Springs Care Home and with Dimple Nehring were Roger and La Verne Hinze from Burton, Tx. and from Old Glory, Willie and Margaret Suter, Louis and Adeline Spitzer and Hazel Letz. On Sunday visiting the two ladies were Burnice and Dewey Escue from Olney, from Salt Lake City, Ut. Daisy Friar and from Haskell, Joyce Thomas, Martha Sampson and Lena Petrich.

The Country Cousins Square Dance Club met Saturday night in Abilene at the Wagon Wheel. Elmer and Bernice Hilliard attended. Leon Ivey of Munday was the caller.

Enjoying a holiday dinner in the home of Weldon and Mona Gibson were Chunky and Viola Tidwell, John and Marie Bartley, Marvin and Ruby Letz, Jonna Caddell and from Rule Marsha Whittemore.

An apology to Mrs. Barry (Norma) O'Neal of Irving. Her name was omitted from the lists of Thanksgiving visitors in the home of Gladys O'Neal. Sorry.

A recent visitor with Gladys O'Neal was her cousin, Mona Carrico of Denton. Last week, Mrs. O'Neal's sister, Frances Lee of Wichita Falls visited and spent time with their mother, Bessie Fouts in Rice Springs Care Home.

Jo Ann Parrott of Lubbock visited with Kay Croft. They went to Dickens on the Strand, to Galveston and then to Houston to see Mrs. Croft's daughter, Karen and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Pogue, Sr.

were in Conroe last week for an early Christmas with their son and family, the Perry Pogues.

Mr. and Mrs. James Whitaker were at the V A Hospital in Big Spring last week for Mrs. Whitaker's check up.

Ollie Johnson spent Friday night in Arlington with Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Williams. On Saturday, he

took a flight home to Sacramento, Ca.

The Greater Independent Baptist Church catered a dinner Friday night for the Charles Swinson's family and friends.

Otis and Ollie Johnson took their mother, Alice Johnson, to Abilene for a check up last Thursday.

Visiting from Brownwood were

Evangelist and Mrs. Joe Reyno's. He led services at the Mission Revival Center. Host pastor was William Hodge.

Bro. Mike Smith of Stamford filled the pulpit of the Greater Independent Baptist Church last Sunday as their pastor, Bro. Chenault was in Rochester at the West Beulah Church.

A Merry Christmas to all.

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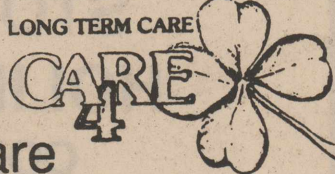
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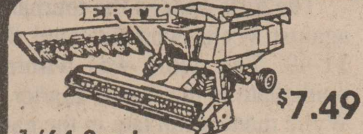
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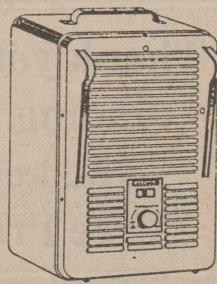
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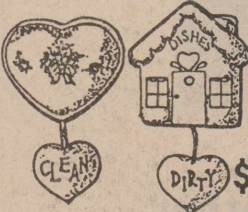
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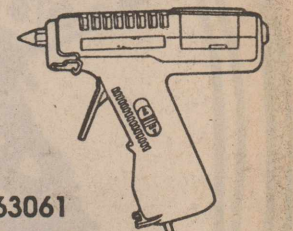
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On Sunday evening, the youth and children's departments of the Paint Creek Baptist Church presented "A Different Night Before Christmas." Appearing as the family were

Ray Morton, Becky Morton, Cody Green and Lindsay Reel; Mary and Joseph, Brenda and Matthew Morton; shepherds, Jodie Reel and Hegan Lamb; angels, Leigh Ann Reel, Amy Barbour, Halee Walton, Hattie Walton and Alisha Morton.

Debbie Barbour was narrator, Bro. James Sinclair read the scripture and Ann Sinclair was director.

Others helping and lending

support were Ruby Mae Middlebrook, Darlene Walton, Faye and Glenn Walton, Brenda Reel, Patti and Stanley Morton, Jo and Gene Fischer and Kelly Green.

After the program, refreshments were served in the fellowship hall.



Champions

Haskell's JV Maidens took first place in the Knox City basketball tournament. Team members are, front row from left, Tréci Burson, Kelly Nanny, Cynthia Rodriguez, Mary Esther Villarreal, Georige Root, Heather Stewart; back row, Shelly Stewart, Ovidia Guadalcazar, Natonia Anderson, Deanne Wallace and Heather Hobgood.

JV Maidens win first in Knox City

The Haskell JV Maidens walked away with it all at the Knox City JV Tournament. The Maidens, who have been playing well since their first loss of the season to Seymour, went into the tournament with a 7-1 record.

The Maidens started out the tournament against Munday, who they had already beaten twice this season. They won again by a score of 24-13. Heather Stewart scored 6 points; Cynthia Rodriguez, Tréci Burson and Natonia Anderson scored 4 each. Mary Esther Villarreal, Shelly Stewart and Kelly Nanny each scored 2 points.

In the semifinal game the Maidens met up with a tough team from Spur, but the Maidens came out on top, 26-16. Leading the scoring was Burson with 9 points, Heather Stewart scored 5, while Nanny, Rodriguez and Anderson each had 4 points.

The championship game matched Haskell against Aspermont. The Maidens captured the championship by downing the

Lady Hornets, 34-19. Burson again led the scoring with 11 points. Rodriguez had 9, Heather Stewart had 6, Villarreal scored 4 and Shelly Stewart and Anderson scored 2 each.

Other Maidens who did a fine job throughout the tournament were Heather Hobgood, Ovidia Guadalcazar and Deanne Wallace.

The three wins pushed the JV record to an impressive 10-1 for the year.

Josselet club has annual party

The Josselet Extension Homemakers Club met for their annual Christmas party in the home of Phylecia Bailey which was beautifully decorated.

Christmas poems were read and Christmas carols sung. Then all sat by and listened to Phylecia play beautiful Christmas songs on the organ.

Gifts were exchanged from the tree, then all helped themselves to the goodies that were spread on the table. Each person brought a special dish to be shared. Fellowship was enjoyed by 11 members and one visitor.

Present were Jona Caddell, guest, and members Edna Anderson, Flo Holder, Margaret Jones, Reatha Mullins, Gladys O'Neal, Mildred Robertson, Hazel Thomas, Martha Toliver, Dorothy Trussell and Joyce Davis.

Next meeting will be Jan. 14 in the home of Edna Anderson.

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To marry

Kenny and Sandi Miller announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amy, to Mike Cline. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cline and Mrs. Gaynel Cline, all of Snyder. The couple plans to marry Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Snyder. Amy is the granddaughter of Melvin and Juanita Miller of Haskell.

Study club enjoys Christmas program

The Progressive Study Club's Christmas program Dec. 12 was directed by Nancy Plunkett who introduced Dusty Garrison, minister of the First Christian Church for several years, who is now pursuing a master's degree in Communications and Greek at Abilene Christian University.

Mrs. Plunkett told of his background, his participation in the Haskell Ministerial Alliance and his family as she was waiting for him to arrive.

Soon "Simeon", dressed in a long flowing tunic and cap and having a long and full beard, appeared and introduced himself.

He had been busy with temple duties because he was a just and righteous man devoted to the Lord. He had been told that he would not see death before he has seen the Lord's Christ and now the prophecy of the Holy Ghost had come true because the parents of the Child Jesus had recently been brought to the temple after the custom of the law "Simeon" had held the Child in his arms and blessed God and now was ready to die because he had held the special Baby, the Messiah, the Jews had been waiting for for centuries.

"Simeon" told of "flashes of light" from Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Zechariah and Micah; the four hundred years of darkness; and then about the "burst of light" over Bethlehem about six weeks ago, a light that had never been seen before. A new day had dawned; the Light of God's Salvation for all peoples, even the Gentiles, had come. This Life and Light became known as the Suffering Servant as well as "Wonderful Counselor. . . The Prince of Peace," who went away but will be coming back some day. "Simeon" concluded by saying we must honor our heritage and tell about the "Light" to our children and grandchildren.

President Donna Cole asked Judy Ray, secretary, for the reading of the minutes. She also announced that sign-up sheets had been placed on the table for members to choose which committee to serve on for the spring convention. Anita Herren, Federation reporter, told of

the recent death of a former state president, Carolyn Pierce, one who had enriched the lives of many.

A "Tasting Bee" followed. Each member brought her favorite Christmas goodie. Some also brought recipes of the goodie.

The Social Committee, Nancy Toliver, Evelyn Cobb, Franciene Johnson, Gladys O'Neal and Thula Perry, served punch and coffee.

The community room was decorated with poinsettias and tables were covered with white and floral cloths. The Christmas tree had many toys, clothes and canned goods members had brought for the Haskell County Child Welfare Board to distribute.

Twenty-eight members were present.

Club has Christmas program

Haskell Garden Club members met Dec. 12 for their Christmas program at Haskell National Bank community room. The theme was "Joyous Christmas Time."

The meeting opened with everyone singing, "Silent Night", led by Mona Gibson. The roll call was answered with each member giving her favorite Christmas tradition.

Marion Carlisle, president, presided for a short business meeting. Gladys O'Neal introduced the guest speaker, Georgeen Meadors of Rhineland. She told a true Christmas story about her mother, Theresa Claus. It was a nice, sweet story of incidents in her mother's life.

Several artistic arrangements and wreaths designed for Christmas were brought by members. Each explained her arrangement or wreath.

The hostesses were all the members. Each brought her favorite Christmas treat which was served as a Tasting Bee with coffee and Wassail punch.

Members attending were Juanita Bevel, Mary Bischofhausen, Marion Carlisle, Helen Cox, Lorene Dewey, Mona Gibson, Linda King, Nettie McCollum, Martha Meadors, Gladys O'Neal, Leone Pearsey, Juanita Rhea, Dee Sprayberry, Ernestine Dickson and Peggy Burnett. Guests were Margie Dornier, Theresa Claus and Georgeen Meadors.

Liver aid

Persons suffering from acute liver failure may one day be able to avoid a transplant by using a liver assist device.

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--Sagerton--

by Alice Bredthauer
Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer, Mrs. Ernest Lowack went to Abilene Thursday to bowl.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer visited Mrs. Alfred Bredthauer who is in the Hendrick hospital.

Those who were at the Friendship Club Thursday which was the Christmas meal were Mrs. Sylvia Crowe, Mrs. Pauline Dick of Haskell, Glyn and Ethel Quade, Mrs. Odene Dudensing, C. E. Stegemoeller, Mrs. Margaret Wendeborn, Larry LeFevre, Mrs. John L. Brooks, Mrs. Eunice Guinn, Pastor Mel Swoyer, Mrs. Christene Vahlenkamp, Mrs. Leona Schonerstedt, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Monse, Mrs. Andrea Kittley, Mrs. Doris Lehmann, Louis and Adeline Spitzer, Delbert and Joyce LeFevre, Charles Clark, Mrs. Aline Summers, Franklin and Isabell Mrzek of Aspermont, J. B. and Dorothy Toney, Alvin and Ev Ulmer, Walter and Erna Schaake of Stamford, G. W. and Ophelia LeFevre, Arthur and Frieda Knippling, Ed Fouts, Dean Quade of Rochester, Anton and Evelyn Teichelman, Herbert and Christene Stremmel of Stamford, Leroy and Polly Nehring of Stamford.

James Gellner and Mrs. Mary Neinast visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bredthauer Friday afternoon.

Some of the men of Faith Lutheran Church took their wives out for a night meal at Frazier's in Aspermont Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stegemoeller, Pastor Mel Swoyer, his wife, Gail, mother-in-law, Mrs. Aline Summers, Mrs. Mary Neinast, Clarence Stegemoeller, Erna Schaake, Mr. and Mrs. Marchel Nauret, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Corzine, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dozier, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Mrzek.

Those who were at the Christmas party of the Faith Circle which was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Toney last Tuesday included Mrs. Lena Schaake, Mrs. Leona Schonerstedt, Mrs. Frieda Knippling, Mrs. Ethel Quade, Mrs. Mary Neinast, Mrs. Aline Bredthauer, Tara Toney, Pastor Mel Swoyer, Mrs. Christine Vahlenkamp. Everyone brought their favorite sweet. After the meeting Arthur Knippling, Clarence Stegemoeller came to enjoy the refreshments.

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- **Don't waste any opportunities.** Take advantage of savings plans at work, especially if your employer matches any part of your contribution.
- **Borrow smart.** Consolidate credit card debts with less-expensive home-equity loans, and save the difference. If you finance a purchase, make the largest down payment possible and save the additional interest that you would have paid.
- **Fool yourself.** When you record a check in your check register, round the amount up to the next dollar (or five dollars, or whatever you can afford). Let the rounded-up amounts accumulate for a year, and you will be surprised how much extra you have. Next time you get a raise, forget about it, and save all of the extra cash flow.
- **Make one big cut.** Identify one category that you spend a lot on (eating out? vacations? clothes?) and cut that expense in half.
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Timothy was a fortunate young man. His father was not a believer in God, but his godly mother made up for the lack, and her mother helped, as day after day from his earliest childhood, they taught him the Word of God. As a result he came to know Christ as his Savior at an early age, and later became Paul's faithful co-worker and closest associate in making known the wonderful "gospel of the grace of God". In his very last letter, the great apostle recalls Timothy's "unfeigned faith... which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice" (II Tim. 1:5).

If only we had more such grandmothers today, with husbands to help them! If only our children were not set adrift on a tossing sea of human speculation, but were taught the eternal truths of that blessed Old Book, the Bible!

Certainly the rebellion of so much of our youth against law and authority and morality is directly related to the disappearance of the Bible from the American life. It is

not the young people who have been brought up in Bible-reading homes and in church and Sunday School who are making us ashamed today; it is those, from backgrounds both rich and poor, who have been brought up without Bible teaching.

We all need to "know the Holy Scriptures", not only because they teach reverence for God and build moral character, but most of all because they "ARE ABLE TO MAKE [US] WISE UNTO SALVATION THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST JESUS".

The theme of the Bible, Old Testament as well as New, is the Lord Jesus Christ, the riches of whose saving grace are unfolded to us in the epistles of Paul, the chief of sinners saved by grace. It was to Paul that God first committed "the preaching of the cross". It is he who tells us of the riches that flow from Calvary. It is he who declares by divine inspiration: "WE HAVE REDEMPTION THROUGH HIS [Christ's] BLOOD, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS... THAT IN THE AGES TO COME HE MIGHT SHOW THE EXCEEDING RICHES OF HIS GRACE IN HIS KINDNESS TOWARD US THROUGH CHRIST JESUS" (Eph. 1:7; 2:7).

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--Paint Creek--

by Mabel Overton
 Tuesday of last week, Supt. Jerry Morgan, teachers Mrs. Debbie Hobgood, and Pam McDonald and school board member, Wallar Overton were interviewed in Abilene at the Educational Service Center by a select committee from Partnership Schools Initiative. Of the 60 original applicants, Paint Creek is in the remaining 10, and this meeting was to cut the number to 2. These two schools will be recognized at the Midwinter School Conference. Basically, the two schools can ignore many of the state's mandated rules, and teach to the needs of their own individual students. The two schools will be notified in January if they have been chosen. Isn't that great?

 The faculty and school board members had their Christmas party at the school cafeteria. The brisket

was cooked by B. K. and the women teachers and board members wives took salads and desserts. Coach Michael McCoy entertained with songs, accompanying himself on the guitar, and then games were played and gifts were exchanged. Jenny Collins and her husband were special guests.

 Arthur and Maple Watson had a wreck in Anson last Friday as they were returning from Abilene. Their pretty maroon car was bashed in the front, and they had to borrow a car from the garage in Anson to return home. Ott suffered very sore ribs although they were not broken, and his upper lip had hit something that cut it. Maple wasn't hurt, but she had a sore shoulder. We are so glad they weren't hurt any worse.

 Mrs. Lyla Mary Isbell returned to Dallas Monday for a check-up.

 Lyla Mary and Wanda Morrison went to Merkel last week to visit our former Paint Creek Supt., Grady Avants. He and his wife were forced to retire as House Parents at the Methodist Children's Home at Waco.

 Bill Overton, head of the drama department at Cooper High School in Abilene, brought his puppets and ten or twelve of his drama students to Haskell last Saturday, and gave five puppet shows at the Baptist Activity building. Each show used a different type puppet. One was string puppets, one stick puppets, one shadow puppets, etc. The children seemed to enjoy it so much. The Cooper puppeteers allowed the children to work the puppets, and showed them how to work the strings. There were not nearly as many children as saw the puppet show last year. They had given the show in Albany, and were on their way to give for the Anson children when they left Haskell.

James Rike in Who's Who

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To each of you that came to our reception, phone calls and many, many cards, thanks from our hearts. It is great to live in Haskell, Texas. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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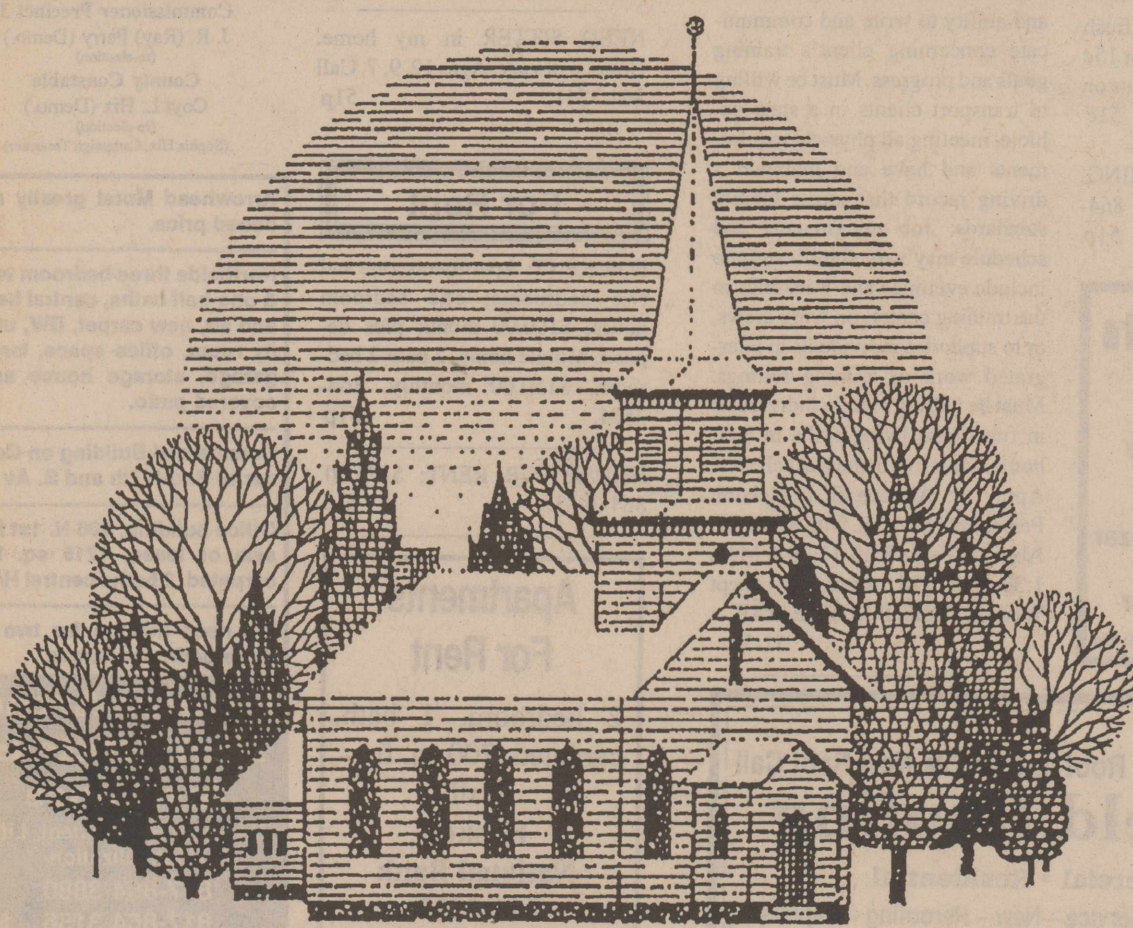


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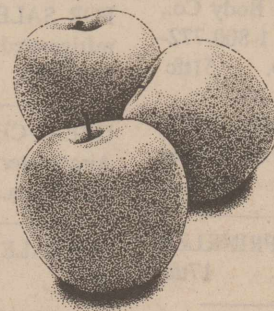
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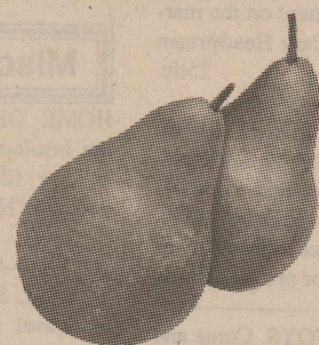
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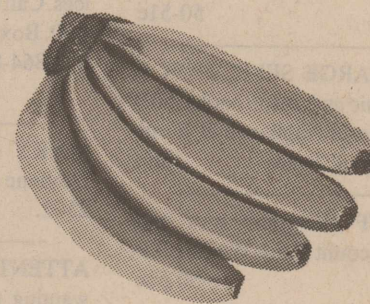
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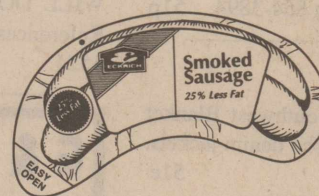
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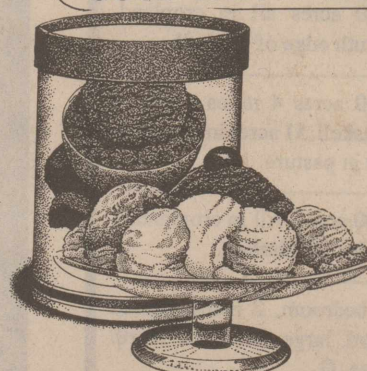
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