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1993 highlights: The year in review

It won't go down as one of Haskell's most eventful years, but here are some of the highlights of 1993 as gleaned from the pages of The Haskell Free Press.

January

David Middleton became manager of the Haskell Chamber of Commerce.

The Rev. Paul Cheatham resigned as pastor of East Side Baptist Church to become pastor of Hilltop Drive Baptist Church in Irving.

Greg Blair became Haskell area manager of West Texas Utilities Co.

The Haskell Maidens ended the first half of the district season tied with Jim Ned for first place in 7-2A.

February

Grand champions in the Haskell County Junior Livestock Show were exhibited by Heather Stewart, steer; Kurt Sloan, market hog; and Halee Walton, market lamb.

Tommie Isbell scored 30 points to lead the Haskell Indians over the Anson Tigers, 80-51, as the Indians claimed a playoff spot and advanced to bi-district.

Approximately 150 persons attended open house at Paint Creek School at which Rick Perry, state agriculture commissioner and Paint Creek graduate, was a speaker.

The Haskell Indian junior varsity basketball team completed its season with a 20-game winning streak and a 22-3 record for the year.

Shana McKenzie and Teresa Diaz were on the first team all-district 7-2A basketball team. Georgie Root was a second-team selection, while Holly Hobgood and Sarah Mullen received honorable mention.

March

The Haskell Indians won their way into the regional tournament with a 54-44 victory over the Anthony Wildcats. The Indians lost to Memphis in the first round of the regional tournament in Snyder. Brian Brzozowski was named to the all-district 7-2A team.

Work began on the water fountain at the City Park which will be dedicated to the "Boneheads," a group of men who founded the park in 1931.

Wanda Dulaney, long time manager of the Haskell

Chamber of Commerce, was chosen Haskell's "Outstanding Citizen."

April

Names of 11 candidates will be on the ballot for the city election. Three persons are to be elected to two-year terms on the City Council in the May 1 election.

Haskell Elementary School was the overall winner in the UIL contests held in Stamford.

Thirty-eight teams in three divisions competed in the second annual Haskell Relays.

Sid Winn of Seymour was appointed postmaster of the Haskell Post Office.

Lisa Shaw and Paul Brown were named "Scouters of the Year" at the annual banquet of the Double Mountain District of the Chisholm Trail Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Final cost of the new City Hall was \$394,719.50, city administrator Scott Wall reported to the City Council.

Eddy Gonzales won first places in the 400-meter dash and the high jump and ran anchor on the second-place 1600-meter relay team in the district 7-2A track meet as the Indians qualified for six events in the regional track meet.

Heather Hobgood won first place in the long jump and second in the 100-meter dash and ran on the second-place 800-meter relay team in the district meet to win the right to participate in three events at the regional meet.

May

All incumbents were re-elected in Haskell city and school elections. Iva Lee Gipson, Tony Burson and Kenny Watson were re-elected to the City Council, while Danny Josselet and Roger Moeller were returned to the School Board.

A brick-enclosed flower bed around the water fountain in the City Park will be built in memory of the late police chief, Tom Paul (Bull) Barnett.

Paint Creek School received a \$90,000 grant to assist in the development of an environmental curriculum.

Approximately 400 persons attended open house at the new City Hall. Gary McCaleb, mayor of Abilene and president of the Texas Municipal League, was guest speaker at the dedication ceremony.

Brooke Baker was valedictorian of the 1993 graduating class at Haskell High School. Salutatorian was Holly Hobgood and top-ranking boy was Joseph Rodriguez.

June

Thirty-four scholarships, totaling more than \$19,000, were presented to this year's seniors at graduation exercises.

The City Council announced the employment of Thomas Paul Bassett Jr. of Richardson as Haskell's new police chief.

Doyle High received the Leadership Award from the Texas Pharmaceutical Association. The award goes each year to one Texas pharmacist who has served as president of one of the association's regional units.

July

Cynthia Halliburton and Janeen Jordan represented Haskell at the American Legion Auxiliary's Bluebonnet Girls State in Seguin.

The Haskell varsity twirling line earned its third consecutive Division I at the UIL state solo and ensemble competition in San Marcos. The varsity line consisted of Andrea Bridwell, Nichole Cothron, Cindy Henry and Kelly Nanny.

Rene McAden, a Rule High School graduate, was named girls' track coach at Abilene High School.

Rita Mooney of Stamford became administrator of Haskell Nursing Center.

The City Council approved 34 blocks of city streets for seal coating treatment.

Haskell county commissioners appointed Gina Brown of Rule as Haskell County Justice of the Peace, succeeding the late Roy T. (Buck) Everett.

Barbara Pratt was sworn in as new postmaster at Rule. The duck population at City Park was boosted when Karen

Howeth released 15 2-year-olds to replenish the dwindling flock.

Haskell teachers Paula Everett, Richard Holloway and Cathy Bartley attended the New Standards Project Conference in Snowbird, Utah.

August

Michael Copeland, a 1993 graduate of Tarleton State University, was named band director at Haskell High School.

David Page was named pastor of East Side Baptist Church.

Postal employees Cindy Kendall and Randy Phemister received special achievement awards, Cindy for assisting a woman on her route who had fallen and broken her leg, and Randy for attempting to save a customer's burning home.

The American Cancer Society netted more than \$2,000 at its fourth annual Texas Hawaiian Luau.

September

Jason Torres, a member of the Haskell FFA chapter, was selected a national finalist in the National FFA organization's Achievement in Volunteerism award program.

The Haskell Indians opened their 1993 football season with a 27-0 victory over the Munday Moguls in Munday.

Lone Star Gas Co. announced it will close its Haskell office Dec. 1.

Mart Guess threw for 179 yards, Jason Torres caught three touchdown passes and Justin Lisle rushed for 146 yards as the Haskell Indians racked up their second consecutive victory with a 29-8 win over Seymour.

Julie Roewe of Haskell as named women's basketball coach at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

"Putting Paint Creek on the Map," a history of the Haskell County community produced by Monique Morgan's Gifted and Talented students, went on sale.

Jill Druessedow of Haskell High School was named "Teacher of the Year" by the Texas Education Agency and Region 14 Education Service Center.

October

Joey Kimbrough was promoted from assistant vice president to vice president of the First National Bank of Haskell. Janet Thane was promoted from cashier to vice president/internal auditor and compliance officer and Dan Byerly was promoted from assistant cashier to cashier.

Haskell school superintendent Bill Stewart was re-elected to serve on the State Commissioner of Education's Advisory Committee.

Dr. Stephen Harper, 1966 graduate of Haskell High School, was featured speaker at the 1993 Haskell-Mattson Homecoming general assembly.

Cynthia Rodriguez was crowned homecoming queen during half time activities at the Indian-Rotan football game.

Aimee Bowman joined Haskell Nursing Center as a full time physical therapist.

November

Barbara Huckabee was sworn in as postmaster of the Weinert Post Office.

Ken Lane was elected to the board of directors of the Texas Association of Broadcasters.

Melissa Phemister was named McMurry University Princess during homecoming activities.

Haskell's Indians upset previously unbeaten Hamlin, 14-12, to delay Hamlin's rush to the district 7-2A championship.

The Indians closed out their 1993 football season in Stamford, bowing to the Bulldogs, 14-6. The loss left the Indians with a 4-4-2 record and 2-4-1 in district 7-2A.

Rochester advanced to the second round of the 6-man playoffs with a 37-8 win over the Moran Bulldogs in Haskell.

Jerry Stocks was sworn in as postmaster at Lueders.

A new genealogical society was organized for Haskell County and surrounding area.

Rochester's football season came to an end when the previously unbeaten Steers bowed to defending state champion Panther Creek in a regional playoff game in Clyde.

December

Sam Watson was named new administrator for the City of Haskell.

Myrtle Phemister was named "Club Woman of the Year" by the Haskell County Family and Community Education Clubs.

Haskell pharmacist and businessman Doyle High announced as a Republican candidate for the State Senate seat now held by Democrat Steve Carriker.

Train, auto collide every 90 minutes

Every 90 minutes, on the average, a vehicle and train collide somewhere in the U.S. Last year (1992) there were 579 people killed and 1,975 injured in 4,910 grade crossing crashes.

Texas ranks No. 1 in the nation for vehicle-train crashes. Last year there were 486 crashes which resulted in 59 fatalities and 196 injuries. This year doesn't promise to be any better for Texas.

Preliminary statistics for the first six months of 1993 indicate a five-percent increase in vehicle-train crashes and a 60-percent increase in fatalities in Texas, compared to the same period in 1992.

Texas Operation Lifesaver urges all motorists to follow these safety tips to prevent highway-rail grade crossing crashes:

•Never attempt to beat a train through the crossing. If it's a tie, you lose.

•Do not get trapped on a

crossing. Proceed through a crossing only if you are sure you can clear the entire track.

•Expect a train on any track at any time.

•Look for a second train when crossing multiple tracks.

•Get out of your vehicle if it stalls on a crossing and call 911. Only attempt to restart your vehicle if you can post a lookout to watch for approaching trains.

•Never drive around crossing gates when they are down. To violate activated crossing gates is both illegal and deadly.

•Be aware trains cannot stop quickly. Even though the locomotive engineer may see you in a crossing, it can take up to one and a half miles to stop once the emergency brakes are applied.

This winter---and always---remember four simple words when approaching grade crossings: Look, Listen and Live.



Promoted

Haskell native Ronald L. Hilliard of Odessa was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Texas Army National Guard during a recent ceremony at historic Camp Mabry in Austin. Maj. Gen. David Rist, commander of the Texas Air National Guard, placed the silver oak leaves on Hilliard's uniform as his wife, Edith, assisted. Hilliard is an employee of the United States Department of Agriculture. The son of Elmer and Bernice Hilliard of Haskell, he is a facilities engineer in the Guard.

Loudell Barbee wins top prize

Loudell Barbee of Haskell was the top winner in the Haskell merchants' Christmas Eve drawing.

She won \$1,000 on a ticket from Sport About.

Four other persons won \$250 each:

Juan Herrera of Rule on a ticket from M System, Sheila McMeans of Haskell on a ticket from The Carousel, Marie Kirkland of Daingerfield on a ticket from Barbara's and Mrs. Melvin Miller of Haskell on a ticket from The Drug Store.

V-ball tourney set for Jan. 8

The Haskell Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor a co-ed volleyball tournament Saturday, Jan. 8, in the junior high gym.

Anyone interested in entering a team should contact Eddie Klose at 864-2315 during the day, or leave a message at 864-3801. The first six teams will be accepted.

Entry fee will be \$50 per team and entry deadline is Wednesday, Jan. 5.

T-shirts will be awarded to the two top finishers.



Scholarship

Missy Davis this week received a \$500 scholarship from the Sheriffs' Association of Texas. Making the presentation was County Sheriff Johnny Mills. At left is Missy's father, James Davis. Missy is a student at Sul Ross State University.

--Rule--

by Vicky Anderson

While at the mall in Abilene prior to Christmas, it was nice to see Bobby and Cheryl Robinson and children of Rule. Then, on Wednesday in Stamford, enjoyed speaking with Helen Pierce of Old Glory. At the mall also visited with Susan LeFevre of Rule.

Sympathy is expressed to the family of Dan LeFevre.

It was good to see Rule bank employee, Norva Smith, and her children shopping before Christmas. Another day saw a Tanner employee, Laverne Lee.

Although it didn't last long, wasn't the snow beautiful last week? Made me wish for a white Christmas.

We enjoyed seeing Joy Jones of Rule recently at Wal-Mart.

While attending a company banquet recently at Cliff House, it was nice to see Mildred Berry and two other Haskell ladies. Mildred and I met years ago through a mutual friend, Kay Hayes of Wichita Falls. Mildred has the

same type job at the Haskell hospital as I did at Stamford. 32 employees and families attended.

Lucy Fulbright apparently enjoyed her surprise birthday party last week on Dec. 23rd. This sweet lady was 89 that day. Five of her former kids, two mothers and one grandmother were present.

In the afternoon of Christmas Day, Bruce and Peggy Lowrance of Lake Worth dropped by the Andersons to visit with one of the daughters and her husband with whom they had gone to school.

Hope that Leigh Ann Greeson and Amber Pierce had happy birthdays.

It was nice to meet former Sagerton resident: Vela Meier at Teakwood. We talked about our great-grandchildren.

Happy New Year to one and all!

Remember that: Every silent thought, every spoken word, and every need should be motivated by the will to do good. (Borrowed).

Couple sets date for wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Landes have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lori Denise, to Charles Ray Krackau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Krackau of New Braunfels.

They will be married March 26 in New Braunfels.

Lori graduated from Rule High School and is employed as a paralegal for the law firm of Wheatley & Sharpe, L.L.P., in San Antonio. She attended Angelo State University and is a graduate of Southwestern Paralegal Institute in Houston.

Charles is a graduate of Navarro High School and Texas A&M University. He is self-employed in farming and ranching.

The couple will live in San Marcos.

Home shopping poses pitfalls

Many consumers are avoiding the crowds by shopping directly from their homes. Home shopping is convenient, but buyers should take extra precautions when ordering these products, warns a family economics specialist.

"Retailers have found an ideal avenue to reach those who like to stay away from such annoyances as crowds, long lines, and difficult parking situations," says Dr. Lynn White, professor with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "Consumers can buy items through the mail, telephone or even television shopping programs."

But pitfalls also come with the conveniences of home shopping, White said, and consumers need to be aware of them. When shopping from home, White recommends keeping these tips in mind:

- Be suspicious of exaggerated product claims or very low prices and read product descriptions carefully. Sometimes, pictures of products are misleading.

- If you have any doubts about the company, check with the U.S. Postal Service, your state or local consumer protection agency or the Better Business Bureau before ordering.

- Ask about the firm's return policy. If it is not stated, ask before you order. For example, does the company pay charges for shipping and return? Is a warranty or guarantee available? Does the company sometimes substitute comparable goods for the product you want to order?

- If you order by telephone, make it clear exactly what you are ordering and how much it costs before you give your credit card number; watch out for incidental charges.

- Keep a complete record of your order, including the company's name, address and phone number, price of the items ordered and handling or other charges, date of your order and your method of payment. Keep copies of cancelled checks and statements. If you're ordering by phone, get the names of any company representatives with whom you speak.

- If you order by mail, the order should be shipped within 30 days after the company receives your completed order, unless another period is agreed upon when placing the order or is stated in an advertisement. If your order is delayed, a notice of delay should be sent to you within the promised shipping period, along with an option to cancel the order.

- If you want to buy a product based on a telephone call from an unfamiliar company, ask for the name, address and phone number where you can reach the caller after considering the offer. It is best to

request written information and read it before deciding to buy. Avoid telephone solicitors who balk at giving you time to think about the sale or check information in writing.

- Never give your credit card, bank account or social security number over the telephone as proof of your identity. Provide credit information over the telephone with a merchandise order only with firms you have confidence in.

- Postal regulations allow you to write a check payable to the sender, rather than the delivery company, for cash on delivery (COD) orders.

If, after examining the merchandise, you feel there has been misrepresentation or fraud, you can stop payment on the check and file a complaint with the U.S. Postal Inspector's office.

- You can have a charge removed from your credit card bill if you did not receive the goods or services or if your order was obtained through misrepresentation or fraud. You must notify the credit card company in writing, at the billing inquiries/disputes address, within 60 days after the charge first appeared on your bill.

--Social Security--

By Glyn Hammons
District Manager

If you are receiving Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, your benefits and your eligibility for SSI may be affected by changes in the amount of your monthly income, your living arrangements, and in your resources (such as bank accounts, houses, or cars). A change in any of these items could make your SSI payments go up or down.

Under the SSI program, income includes cash, checks and other things you get that can be used for food, clothing or shelter. Changes in income include changes in your spouse's or child's income. And if a child who receives SSI starts or stops working, or is age 18-21 and starts or stops attending school, those changes need to be reported to Social Security, too.

Resources include the things you own. Changes to your resources commonly include changes in the value of bank accounts, stocks or bonds, certificates of deposit, or Christmas club accounts. You also need to report if you, your spouse, or your child buy, sell or become the owner of any real estate, a car or personal property.

If someone moves into or out of your home, if someone who lives with you dies, if you or someone who lives with you has a baby, if you start living in someone else's home, or if you move out of someone else's home, your living arrangements may have changed and this must be reported to Social Security.

You should report changes in

any of these circumstances to Social Security within 10 days after the month in which the change happens. But, the change usually will not affect your check for the first two months after the event.

There are penalties for not reporting changes or for making false statements about changes in your income or resources. In addition, if you have received an overpayment, you'll have to pay it back.

You can report changes by phone either to the local Social Security office or by calling Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

A&M, Mexico

Mexican and U.S. officials celebrated the passage of NAFTA in November with an agreement at Texas A&M to conduct agricultural programs facilitating free trade.

The agreement between Texas A&M's agriculture program and a Mexican cattle union will mean an expansion of programs that the officials hope can directly and indirectly help improve the economies of both countries.

--School Menu--

Jan. 3-7
BREAKFAST

Monday: Juice or fruit, cerial, buttered toast with jelly, milk.

Tuesday: Juice or fruit, breakfast burrito, milk.

Wednesday: Juice or fruit, pancakes, milk.

Thursday: Juice or fruit, biscuits with gravy, sausage, milk.

Friday: Juice or fruit, cereal, cinnamon toast.

LUNCH

Elementary School

Monday: BBQ on bun, french fries, pickle spears, sunshine bars, milk, juice.

Tuesday: Lasagna, pinto beans, cole slaw, sliced pears, milk, juice.

Wednesday: Corndogs, tater tots, vegetable sticks, cinnamon rolls, milk, juice.

Thursday: Chalupas, grated cheese, buttered corn, lettuce and tomatoes, fruit cocktail, milk, juice.

Friday: Hamburger, french fries, lettuce and tomatoes, pickles and onions, sliced peaches, milk, juice.

LUNCH

High School

Monday: Hamburger or BBQ on bun, french fries, pickle spears, salad bar, sunshine bars.

Tuesday: Hamburger or lasagna, french fries, pinto beans, salad bar, cole slaw, sliced pears.

Wednesday: Hamburger or corndogs, tater tots, vegetable sticks, salad bar, cinnamon rolls.

Thursday: Hamburger or chalupas, french fries, grated cheese, salad bar, buttered corn, fruit cocktail.

Friday: Hamburger or beef patties with brown gravy, french fries, creamed potatoes, salad bar, buttered hot rolls, sliced peaches.

Note: Milk and tea offered daily.

Menus subject to change

The first basketball game was played, under supervision of the game's inventor, Dr. James Naismith, in 1892.

-HOSPITAL-

Medical

Lorena Shackelford, Munday
Grace Bass, Rochester
Maye Bledsoe, Haskell
Audra Holsapple, Haskell
Thelma Atkinson, Haskell
Ruth Eaton, Rule
Lector Thomason, Haskell
Evelyn-Mercer, Haskell

Dismissals

Mike Enriquez, Thular McGhee,
Jose Mauricio, Tyler Stone, Mary
Offhalter, David Epley.

-Goodfellows-

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Chapman .10.00
James and Louise Isbell 100.00
Mrs. Baird's Bread
Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Griffith...20.00
Total this week\$130.00
Previous total\$1396.83
Total to date\$1526.83

Ladybugs to help pecans

While they didn't fly first class, 12,000 promising new ladybugs got a red carpet escort to Texas recently via commercial airline.

Texas A&M entomologists collected the Harmonia lady beetles (*Harmonia axyridis*) in Georgia and brought them to Texas in one-gallon ice cream cartons.

They will hibernates in refrigerators, 1,000 per carton, until next spring when they will be released to feed on aphids that attack pecans.

The first state tax on cigarettes was imposed in Iowa in 1921.

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PHARMACY NEWS



By Elbert Johnson,
Registered Pharmacist

Pregnancy Okay With Inflammatory Bowel Disease: In a special session at Digestive Disease Week, physicians counseled patients with inflammatory bowel disease to attempt conception, if it is desired. There should be few problems if the disease is well controlled. However, doctors warned that going off medication after becoming pregnant may cause a flare-up in the disease that could be more harmful to the baby than the medication. Women who choose to breast-feed should discontinue medication for that time period.

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We would like to say "thank you" to the entire staff of Haskell Memorial Hospital and Haskell Nursing Center for their help and attentiveness during our loved one's recent illness in the hospital and brief nursing home stay.

Thank you to all our friends, neighbors, and family who provided so generously food, sympathy and condolences during our time of need.

A special thank you to Dr. Wayne Cadenhead, Tommy Harper, Marc Robison and the staff of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home for their acts and deeds of kindness during our time of sorrow.

Again "Thank You" one and all.

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Be realistic on exercise resolution

Making a New Year's resolution to exercise may sound like a broken record to many, but you really don't have to undergo strenuous routines to succeed.

The first thing people need to do is think in terms of physical activity rather than exercise. Too often, people see exercise as the mandatory 60-minute routine three times a week or feel that they must do a set of exercises for 30 minutes a day.

In a report, the Centers for Disease Control and the American College of Sports Medicine emphasized that these erroneous perceptions have helped prompt an epidemic of inactivity even though health benefits result from a variety of physical activities.

Health officials now emphasize a more moderate approach to exercise to encourage people to simply get out and move about more. Instead of making a radical lifestyle change, Americans are encouraged to think of physical activity as part of their daily routine.

Becoming active will be a bigger challenge to some than others. These recommendations can get you

started:

- Begin gradually. Start by incorporating a few minutes of increased activity each day and gradually building up, accumulated 30 minutes during most days.

- Walk instead of driving to the house of a friend who lives only a few blocks away.

- Park your car as far away as possible from the store's entrance when you go shopping and walk an extra lap around the mall between visits to various stores.

- Walk up and down flights of stairs rather than use the elevator.

- Walk the dog for 10 or 15 minutes.

- Do stretching activities in your office and get up from your desk periodically during the day and walk around.

- Join in play with kids by dancing, playing ball, etc. Walk them to the playground rather than drive.

- Do all household chores at once--vacuuming, making beds, sweeping, carrying out the garbage.

- Rake leaves or mow the lawn yourself. Also, start a garden if you have space.

Arnot announces for Justice

Judge Bud Arnot of the Eastland (11th) Court of Appeals has announced that he is filing for the office of Chief Justice of his court.

Arnot, completing seven years as a judge on the court, said, "I am the only candidate with appellate experience that can provide the leadership necessary to maintain the continuity of the court."

The chief justice is responsible for the daily operations of the court. "Judging, especially on the appellate level, is a learned craft. A new judge, whoever he or she may be, should not be burdened by the additional responsibilities of the daily operations of the court while making this adjustment."

Arnot said that he made this decision only after having discussed it with the other members of the court, Chief Justice Austin McCloud, who is not seeking re-election after 24 years on the court, and Justice Bob Dickenson. Arnot said, "Justice Dickenson and Justice McCloud both have encouraged me to run for this position."

"It does not seem strange that the chief justice position is something that you must run for as opposed to being appointed or based on seniority," Arnot stated. "Being elevated to this position from within the court is becoming standard," Arnot observed, using the Amarillo, Austin, Corpus Christi, Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio, Texarkana and El Paso courts as examples. "In over half of the courts of appeals the chief justice was first a member of the court."

"I have dedicated myself and my career to this court," said Arnot.

Arnot, a graduate of Baylor Law School, has received a Master's of Law degree from the University of Virginia and is currently a candidate for a degree of Humanities and Judging offered by the American Academy of Judicial Education. He is currently the president of the appellate section of the State Bar of Texas and last year was in charge of the education program for all appellate judges in Texas. Arnot is a member of the State Bar College, an organization of lawyers who voluntarily exceed the minimum requirements of continuing legal education, the State Bar Foundation, and a committee member of the Center for the Judiciary.

"One of the strongest attributes of this court has been its stability," Arnot noted. "I have been encouraged to seek this position by my fellow judges, members of the bar, and friends. My willingness to assume the additional responsibilities is consistent with my dedication to the court."

Justice McCloud will continue to serve the court as a "senior judge," as Judge Raleigh Brown now does. "We have had preliminary informal conversations with Eastland County about expansion and refurbishing our court facilities to make room for an additional senior judge," Arnot stated. "The county's willingness to help is just the latest example of their continued support for the court."

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Looking for tax breaks? Beware of investment fraud

Investors looking for ways to shelter income from taxes should beware of fraudulent deals that literally are too good to be true.

Each year, an estimated \$10 billion in investment is lost to fraud, according to the North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA). Over a 10-year period, the Federal Trade Commission has brought suit against 325 defendants for investment fraud and recovered almost \$100 million, or one-tenth of what the NASAA estimate suggests was lost.

"The chances of getting your money back from an investment scam are slim," said Nancy Granovsky, family economics specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. "When money is recovered, investors frequently get back less than 10 cents on the dollar."

Con artists typically operate a scam for a short time, close down before they can be caught, quickly spend the money or move it offshore, and re-open under a new name, selling another phony investment, she said. Phony investments are sold by mail, print and television ads, but they're peddled most often by telephone salespeople who work from lists purchased from legal and illegal sources.

"Some criminals even target people who have been victims of earlier scams," Granovsky said. "These offenders know that investors who have been taken often are anxious to recoup their losses."

Con artists are smart at their game, Granovsky said. They keep up with the current news. Investment scammers may offer you an opportunity based on the scarcity of a foreign metal after news of a trade embargo, or on a new, widely publicized high-tech product. The key is to make it difficult for you to evaluate their inflated claims.

The hustlers come in all ages and ethnic backgrounds, Granovsky said. Often they use their age or ethnicity in so-called "affinity" fraud, e.g., elderly conning elderly or Hispanic swindling Hispanic. Most spend their lives moving from fraud to fraud, becoming more skilled at what they do. They mold facts, half-truths and lies into pitches, appealing to the universal desire for big profits at little risk.

Granovsky advises consumers to follow these rules before making an investment:

- Suspect any unsolicited calls about investments.

- Avoid businesses you know nothing about. It's unlikely to make money in a deal that you can't understand and verify. Be especially wary if you must rely entirely on the seller's estimate of the investment's value.

- Get all the information you can about the company and verify it. Be leery of resistance when you ask for details or references. Check any information you get with someone whose financial advice you trust before you buy.

- Don't be pressured. "Buy now or lose the opportunity" is a tip-off to fraud--hang up the phone.

- Beware of testimonials. Schemes, where money from either the promoter's own front stake or

from later investors is used to pay big dividends to early investors, produce people who praise the company, or reference simply can be hired.

•Check financial advisers out carefully. Several hundred thousand people in the United States offer financial planning, some of them frauds. Before getting involved, find out about their training, experience and credentials. Ask them what professional organizations they belong to and verify with the organizations. Be sure you finally understand all fees and commissions (including non-cash inducements like trips).

"If you have questions about

investments, agencies and organizations are available with information, advice and referral," Granovsky said. "Many of them also have free publications to help identify and avoid fraud."

Agencies that provide assistance for fraud victims include:

The National Fraud Information Center, a project of the National Consumers League, that operates a toll free hot line (800-876-7060) providing consumers with information, referral services and assistance in filing complaints; state and local consumer protection offices; Better Business Bureaus; and State Attorneys General and local district attorneys' offices.

Around town

Mrs. Dudley Phelps and her sister, Sue Cox, visited Christmas Eve with their brothers, Jacky Sanders of near Putnam, Travis Sanders of Coleman and Andy Sanders of Cross Plains, and their families.

Walter and Sue Cox and their daughter and son-in-law, Deborah and David MacKay, all of Daingerfield, had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Campbell and Mrs. Dudley Phelps.

On Sunday evening, another sister, Eva Hardman of Irving, and her son and daughter-in-law, Johnny and Carol Hardman of Raleigh, N.C., came for a visit.

Around town

Mr. and Mrs. Eulis Hays of Gresham, Ore., spent Christmas week in Haskell with Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Bird. They also visited in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Skeeter Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby McLain of Rule.

Around town

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Bird attended funeral services for Rachel Elmore Ball of Breckenridge on Monday.

Around town

Gerald Bird of El Paso spent Christmas week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Bird.

Photos published in The Haskell Free Press are filed by date of publication. If you want to pick up a picture, please let us know when it ran.

Words cannot express our heartfelt gratitude for all the prayers, cards, flowers, plants and food that were sent to us during our loss, and the special care that the people of Holden-McCauley and East Side Baptist Church showed us.

*With sincere appreciation
The Rocky Young Family*

NAFTA to bring business to Texas

The North American Free Trade Agreement takes effect Jan. 1, bringing immediate benefits to Texas businesses, from cattle ranchers to oil producers, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm says.

"Several barriers to U.S. trade with Mexico are scheduled to drop immediately as NAFTA is implemented, increasing markets for Texas farm products, oil and gas field drilling machinery and computer products," Gramm said.

The following are some of the products that will be affected by NAFTA Jan. 1.

- Beef: Mexican tariff of 25 percent on frozen beef, 20 percent on fresh/chilled beef and 15 percent on live slaughter cattle will be eliminated.

- Cantaloupe: The seasonal duty charged on imported cantaloupes

will be eliminated from Jan. 1 to May 15 annually.

- Corn: NAFTA assures the U.S. a 2.5-million metric ton duty-free market for corn that will increase by 3 percent each year.

- Oil and gas field drilling machinery and services: Tariffs on more than 17 percent of the U.S. oil and gas field drilling machinery will be eliminated immediately, with tariffs on an additional 66 percent of U.S. products to be phased out over the next five years.

- Computers: Texas has become one of the preeminent computer manufacturing states in the U.S. Under NAFTA, 70 percent of Mexican tariffs on computers and 100 percent of Mexican tariffs on computer chips will be removed on Jan. 1.

We wish for all our friends

in Northwest Texas

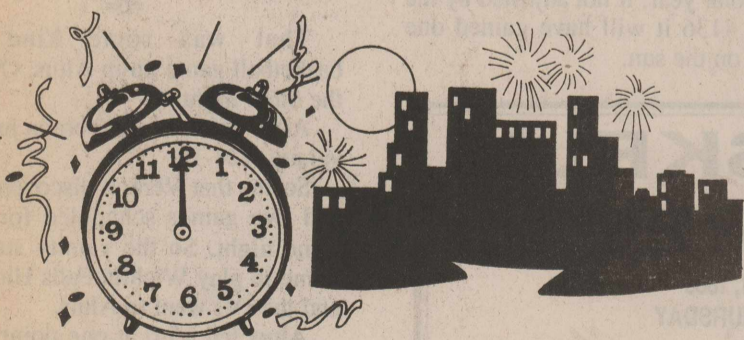
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--Letters to the Editor--

Dangerous

Editor: Each day there is a possibility that a resident has to be transferred across 380 Highway from one of the nursing homes, either to or from the clinic or the hospital.

Sometimes, cars never slow down, much less stop for these nurse assistants and residents in wheel chairs, and I am making a plea for all drivers to take notice as they approach the hospital area of West 380 to slow down for these people. Their lives should not be endangered while seeking medical help across the street.

Thank you so much for remembering.

Ruth Ann Klose

"T" pens poem

Editor: Occasionally someone asks me: "T, when are you going to send another poem to the editor of the Free Press?"

I must admit I feel flattered when people let me know that they enjoy my poetry. Since several people have expressed their sentiments lately, I would like to share a poem relating to my last retirement.

The other day a friend asked me: "T, how many times have you retired?" I replied: "I don't remember."

Later I checked up. It was four, the last retirement was this past Oct. 10 after serving the Lueders United Methodist Church a little over four years. The reason is explained in the poem. I hope you like it. Happy New Year all.

And now:

IT'S TIME TO QUIT

By "T" Jackson

Some day I'll write a poem,
Telling when and why and how--
'Bout my last few months at Lueders,

But I don't have time just now.
So for now I'll pen a few lines,
So you won't be in the dark,
I've retired for the last time,
Trusting I have made my mark.
Well, my legs are getting shaky
And my nerves are on the brink;
So I think it's time to cash in,
'Cause it's later than you think!
Sure I know my days are numbered,

Since I'm almost eighty five--
But I'll just keep on a troddin'
'Cause I want to stay alive!
I get slower by the hour,
I've forgotten how to drive--
But I won't give up and lie down,

'Cause I just must stay alive!
Until God calls me Home.
Amen.
God bless you all,

Bro. "T" Jackson

Rainforests

Editor: Out here in West Texas where the most familiar tree often is the relatively small, ubiquitous mesquite, we may not think too frequently of the rainforests of the world. The destruction of the rainforests seems a faraway problem, like communism or nuclear proliferation or the starving poor in Africa, that we figure we can't do too much about.

However, we all need to be made aware of the problem because it affects you and me and everyone else on earth. And we need to realize that there is indeed something concrete that we can do about it, right here and right now.

The Rainforest Preservation Foundation is a relatively new organization headquartered in Fort Worth. Founded by Dr. Don Davis, a missionary whose work led him to live near the mouth of the Amazon River in Brazil for 14 years, it is a non-profit organization whose goal is to buy and save the rainforests of the world.

Why do rainforests need saving? Because rainforests, covering only seven percent of the land's surface, make up 80 percent of the surface vegetation. Because they are the "lungs of the world" and produce 50 percent of our oxygen.

Because half of all our medicines originate from plants, but less than one percent of the known plants in the rainforests have been studied for their medicinal value.

Because native rainforest people are being displaced and destroyed at an alarming rate. Because at least 100 plant and animal species are being made extinct each and every day.

Because our naturally balanced ecosystem is being dangerously

altered, and our gene pool is becoming rapidly diminished. Because the terribly rapid pace of deforestation and the associated burning cause carbon dioxide accumulation in the atmosphere and accelerate global warming. Because worldwide weather patterns are being changed, bringing on droughts and floods.

And also because the beautiful rainforests that nature created and that have taken thousands of years to bring to their present condition are being turned into desolate desert.

Since World War II half of the world's rainforests have been destroyed. In Brazil, roads were cut into the theretofore pristine rainforests in the late 1960s so that the country's growing population would have a place to expand. The "development" has steamrolled over faster, with lumbermen, miners, ranchers and farmers slashing and burning the rainforests in an attempt to get rich or more often just to support and feed their families.

The problem, however, is that the soil, on which grows magnificently layered forests with dense canopies of vegetation and a stunning array of plant and animal life forms, will not support usual methods of agriculture.

After two to three years the soil gives out and nothing will grow, not even grass for cattle grazing. The farmers and ranchers abandon the land, moving ever farther into the forest, cutting and burning more precious trees and destroying, perhaps forever, species of trees, vines, epiphytes, and monkeys, toucans, parrots, anteaters, termites, bats, jaguars, sloths and myriad other animals and insects that make their home in the forests. (Nature has a place and a role for each of these species, whether or not we understand exactly what it is.)

Astronauts orbiting by in the space shuttles above report being alarmingly astonished at the thousands of fires burning in the forests of South and Central America at any one time. Half of some of the states of Brazil have been turned into ravaged desert land.

This must stop. That's where Rainforest Preservation Foundation comes in. The organization is collecting money and buying land in the Amazon rainforest and placing it into a perpetual trust, thus protecting it and all the people, plants and animals that live there. The Foundation is also teaching the Brazilian farmers how to live on the land without destroying it. These efforts are being met with the full cooperation of Brazilian environmental groups and government agencies which now recognize the enormity of the problem. The counterpart organization to RPF in Brazil has been made a public utility by legislative decree so that all land purchases are legal and binding.

RPF guarantees that for every \$25 donation received, it will purchase and preserve at least one acre of rainforest. Only about five percent of your donation goes toward administrative costs, while some funds are used for public awareness and education. Those people preserving one or more acres will be sent a certificate showing how many acres they preserved. They and you may also donate lesser amounts, saving 100 square feet of rainforest for \$1, 1,000 square feet for \$5, or 10,000 square feet for \$10.

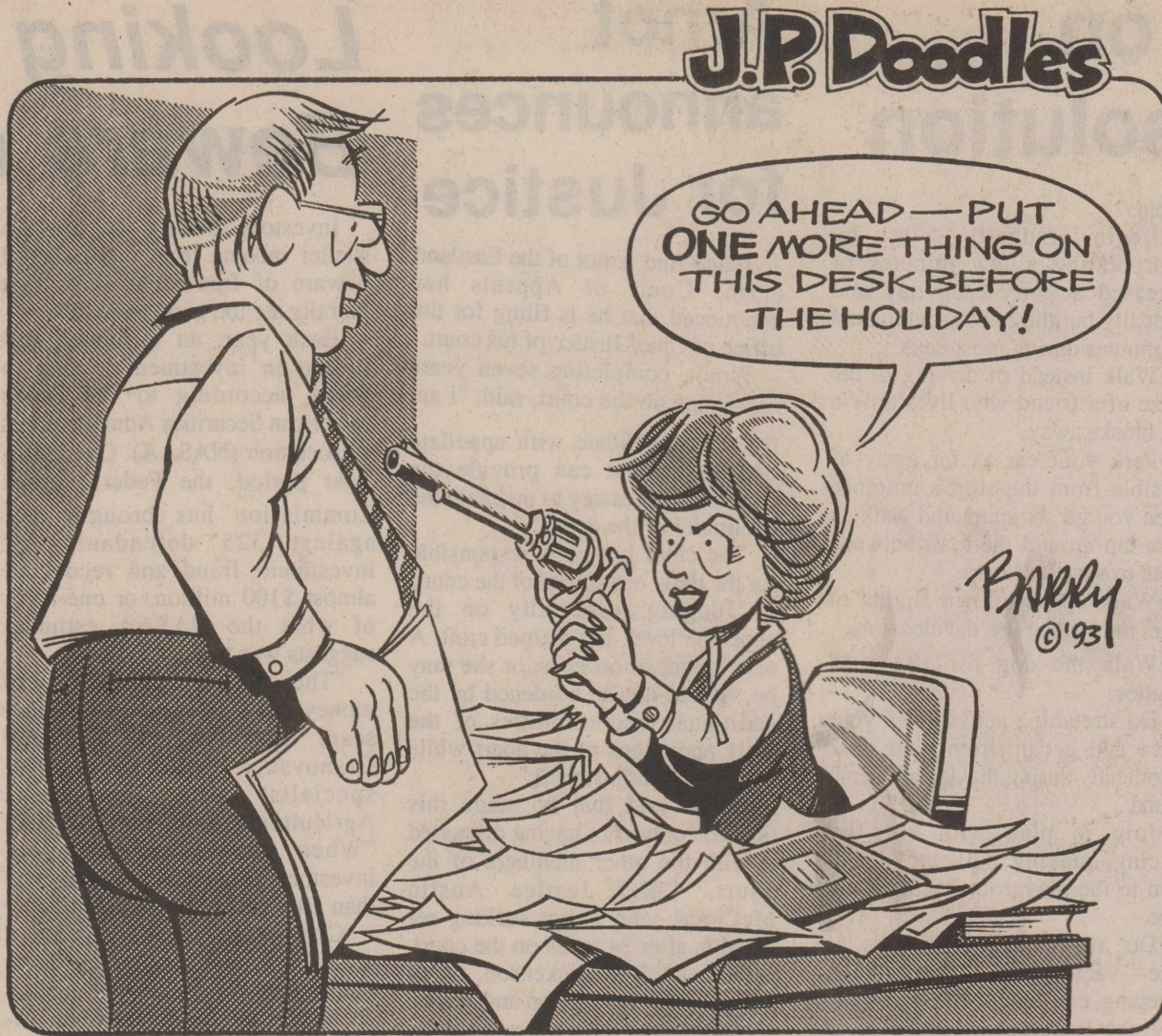
Rainforest Preservation Foundation is now the largest environmental landowner in Brazil. It holds title to nearly 2 million acres of land, is purchasing an additional 6.3 million acres in 28 separate strategic locations throughout Brazil, and it has option to purchase 56 million more acres.

Please send your tax-deductible contributions to Rainforest Preservation Foundation, P.O. Box 820308, Fort Worth, TX 76182. Sponsor an acre of rainforest for yourself or for a birthday, graduation, wedding, anniversary, get-well or congratulatory message, or as a memorial. Please indicate how the certificate is to be inscribed. You may call 1-800-460-RAIN or 817-284-5884.

Ronnie Verhalen
Knox City
West Texas Coordinator, RPF

DID YOU KNOW?

The population of the U.S. increased by an estimated 22,167,670 between 1980 and 1990.



--From Out of the Past--

From the Files of The Haskell Free Press

**40 Years Ago
Dec. 31, 1953**

Joe S. Harper, Haskell County PMA secretary since 1941, with the exception of time spent in the Army Air Force during World War II, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Haskell County National Farm Loan Association.

Twenty-one families in Haskell and vicinity were made brighter during the Christmas holidays by the Goodfellows organization sponsored by the Haskell Lions Club.

A 39th District Court ruling in the Kent County courthouse election contest has been upheld by the 11th Court of Civil Appeals at Eastland. As a result Jayton will become the county seat of Kent County on the basis of an election held in that county in March 1952 on moving the county seat from Clairemont.

1st Lt. Wallace H. Cox, Jr. of Fort Sill, Okla., spent the Christmas holidays in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cox, and visited other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Williams and daughter, Carolyn, spent the Christmas holidays with relatives in Austin and Waco.

Crede Jackson Caddell, 46, of Rule was burned to death about 4 p.m. Saturday when an explosion and flash fire occurred on the Lloyd H. Smith Oil Co. lease at the A. A. Pumphrey No. 1 about three miles north of Old Glory.

Wilburn Rhoads of A&I College at Kingsville spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rhoads.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Turnbow celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 25 in the home of a son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Turnbow.

Mrs. Stella Lindsey, Mike Neel and Mrs. Kelley and family of Wichita Falls were visitors in Haskell Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Oliphant and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Roberts of Wichita Falls spent the weekend here with relatives and friends.

Marine Pfc. James Fowler of Memphis, Tenn., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Fowler.

Letha Hix and Lola Plemister, students in ACC, spent Christmas at the homes of their parents in Weinert.

**60 Years Ago
Jan. 4, 1934**

The sum of \$423,000 has been received by farmers of Haskell County from cotton plow-up checks. A total of 1,838 farm contracts were included in the disbursements.

Miss Rozelle Jones left Tuesday morning for Belton where she is attending college.

Miss Marjorie Whiteker returned home Sunday from Los Angeles where she had been visiting for several months.

Floyd Taylor returned to Austin Monday to resume his school work after the holidays.

Miss Louise Warren was in Paducah Sunday where she attended

the wedding of Miss Audrey Boley and Frank Fitzgerald.

A lone hijacker secured approximately \$110 from the Kuentler Service Station on North Main Street Monday night about 10 o'clock. The robber held a gun on Rueben Pope, night operator at the station, and cleaned all the money out of the cash register. Then he tied Pope and escaped. Parties stopping at the station for gasoline a short time later released Pope, and officers were notified.

Five beer licenses were purchased this week at the tax collector's office by individuals operating beer taverns in Precinct 4, Haskell County's only "wet" precinct.

**70 Years Ago
Jan. 4, 1924**

Courtney Hunt & Company has purchased the J. E. Grissom dry goods store here and will take charge of the business Jan. 5.

Olen Dotson opened his new filling station in the Jas. E. Lindsey building on the southeast corner of the square this week.

Arthur Edwards has moved his optical business and barber shop to the Mart Lynch building on the south side of the square.

J. A. Creaser spent several days in town last week visiting with friends. "Uncle Jim," as he is well known, has been with the Reynolds Ranch for many years and lives at the Rose Ranch near Paint Creek.

Annie Kate Ferguson left Monday night for Austin where she is attending the University of Texas.

Lee Pierson has purchased the McConnell Building on the northwest corner of the square from Mrs. Nola Hill McConnell. Consideration in the deal was reported at \$18,500.

**90 Years Ago
Jan. 2, 1904**

L. McLean of Henderson County was here recently on business. He sold his place northwest of Haskell

last summer and moved to Henderson, and is anxious to come back here.

T. J. Lemmon has announced as a candidate for the office of Sheriff. Moe Collins of Kaufman is here on a visit to the family of his uncle, J. W. Collins.

W. I. McCarty and Miss Effie Miller of the southwest part of the county were married Sunday, Rev. W. H. Richards performing the ceremony.

Miss Zora Sanders left Saturday for Huntsville where she will enroll as a student in Sam Houston Normal.

A. J. Schell of Ample returned Wednesday for a visit with relatives at Cisco.

**Kelly Reid
in honor society**

Kelly D. Wallace Reid of Haskell is among 28 new members of the Iota Theta chapter of Kappa Delta Pi at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

Membership in Kappa Delta Pi, a national scholastic honor society in education, is restricted to students who have an overall grade-point average of at least 3.25 on a 4.0 scale. In addition, students must have a GPA of 3.0 or better in professional education classes and must have maintained at least a 3.0 in all work at WTAMU. They also must have completed a minimum of three semester hours in professional education.

Ms. Reid is a senior special education major.

DID YOU KNOW?

At present, the average year, as reckoned by the Gregorian calendar used in almost all the world today, is about 26.3 seconds longer than the solar year. If not adjusted by the year 4136 it will have gained one year on the sun.



What a year it is for coaches with Haskell County ties.

Art Briles, the Rule native now coaching in Stephenville, led the Yellowjackets to a 16-0 season and the state 4-A football championship.

Jimmy Dan Raughton, former Indian basketball coach, had a 16-1 record as of this week with the Midland girls' team.

Former Maiden standout Julie Roewe, in her first year as girls' coach at Hardin-Simmons, is off to a great 11-1 start.

If you asked your grandmother to name the three essentials for a clean wash, she'd probably say "hot water, strong soap and plenty of scrubbing."

The basic washing recipe hasn't changed much over the years. Our ancestors used cast-iron wash pots, galvanized tubs, lye soap and washboards to get their clothes clean. And grandma thought wringer and spinner semi-automatic washers, which combined the same ingredients a little differently, were the ultimate labor savers.

While modern detergents and washers bear little resemblance to their pioneering counterparts, they still perform the same basic functions--and hot water remains a key ingredient in cleaning really dirty clothes.

But, Whirlpool home economists report the standard hot wash cycle (140 degrees) on automatic washers may soon become history, joining lye soap, wash pots and wringer washers.

Federal energy standards due in May will require significant reductions in energy consumption by automatic washers. Home economists say that more than 80 percent of the energy charged to the automatic washer for a wash cycle is the energy used by the home's water heater to heat the water.

It takes a fair amount of energy to heat the 10 to 15 gallons of water used in a standard wash cycle. So, in order to meet the new standards, washer manufacturers may be forced to eliminate the 140-degree hot wash cycle altogether.

But Whirlpool says most homemakers probably won't notice much difference, because nowadays, the actual water temperature in the typical hot wash cycle is seldom anywhere near 140 degrees.

In recent years, many manufacturers have been shipping their products with thermostats set at 120 degrees for safety reasons. As this 120-degree water travels through household pipes on its way to the washer, it may drop another 10 to 20 degrees. So, regardless of where the temperature switch is set, today's "hot" wash is likely to be only lukewarm.

Cooler washes are no real concern for most loads, says Whirlpool. Today's families already wash the majority of loads in warm water--for reasons other than conserving energy. Their wash baskets contain bright colors, permanent press fabrics and synthetic knits, items with labels that recommend warm water washing.

That was some kind of basketball game up in Altus, Okla., the other night.

Altus defeated the Vernon junior varsity, 124-18.

Seems that Vernon discovered it had two games scheduled for the same night. So the varsity stayed home to play Wichita Falls Hirschi and the JVs went to Altus.

Altus led 35-0 at one point and held a 69-5 halftime lead.

Shortly after the Southwest Airlines flight left Phoenix Sunday, the flight attendant (male) asked what I would like to drink.

When I told him a "Dr. Pepper," he said, "you must be going to Lubbock."

When I asked how he knew, he replied, "We serve a lot of Dr. Pepper to people from Lubbock."

**Scheets fund
set up at bank**

A fund has been set up at Haskell National Bank for Mrs. Minnie Scheets to help pay the expenses incurred in the death of her husband, Weldon Scheets.

Donations to the fund will be greatly appreciated by family and friends.

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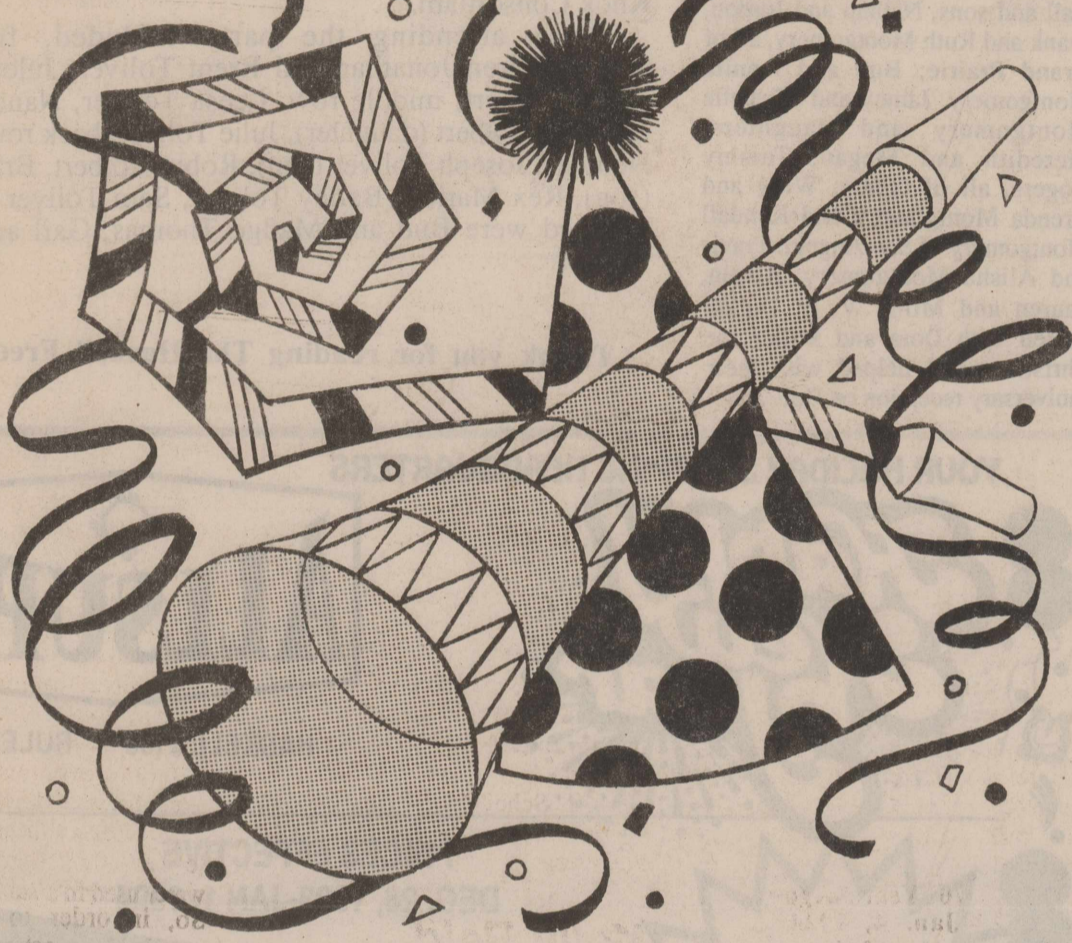
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--Obituaries--

Helen Westbrook

Helen Ruth Cloud Westbrook of Tulsa, Okla., went to be with her Lord Tuesday, Dec. 21, when she passed away in her sleep. She was affectionately known as "Skipper". She was 67.

She was born to Irene Wilhemina Engdahl and Henry John Cloud on June 30, 1926, in Rule. She was reared in the First Baptist Church in Rule and attended Rule Schools where she graduated. She then attended Texas Tech University.

On Aug. 31, 1947, she married Jack Ellis Westbrook in her church in Rule. The couple lived in many cities and states during their career. They had Cynthia Westbrook Greer (Mrs. Joel Glenn Greer), Sylvia Westbrook, and Celia Westbrook Scoggins (Mrs. Jack Henry Scoggins, Jr.). They also had grandchildren Jason Jack Greer, Somer Scoggins, Jared Alston Greer, Jacqueline Scoggins and Jack Dillon Scoggins. Her daughters and grandchildren were her pride and joy--her reason for being. She also is survived by a brother, Joe B. Cloud of Rule.

Mrs. Westbrook was a homemaker, a devoted wife, mother and grandmother, and supported her husband unselfishly in his career. She was a good neighbor, an ardent leader and bridge player. She left a legacy of love, laughter and loyalty, and will be missed by her family and many friends.

A memorial service was held Dec. 23 at Stanley Funeral Home. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Friday in Willow Cemetery in Haskell, under direction of McCauley-Robison Funeral Home of Rule.

She would have had memorials made to Rule Community Memorial Foundation, Box 5, Rule, TX 79547, or to the Make a Wish Foundation.

Mildred Collins

Mildred Collins died Saturday in Coronado Nursing Home in Abilene. She was 79.

Funeral services were Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Haskell with the Rev. Jim Turner officiating. Burial was in Willow Cemetery, directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Clarence Meier, Bobby Medford, James McFadden,

Orville Darden, John Rousseau and Don Thompson.

Mrs. Collins was born Oct. 26, 1914, in Temple. She had lived the past 12 years in Coronado Nursing Home in Abilene. She married Leslie V. Collins in Haskell on Oct. 8, 1932. He died Aug. 20, 1981.

She is survived by a son, Robby V. Collins of Dallas; a daughter, Judy Flash of Hawley; a sister, Nellie Collins of Haskell; and five grandchildren.

Payne Hattox

Richard Payne Hattox of De Leon died Friday in the De Leon Hospital. He was 83.

Funeral services were Tuesday afternoon at the De Leon Church of Christ with Jack Cox officiating. Burial was in the De Leon Cemetery, directed by Nowlin Funeral Home.

Mr. Hattox was born Oct. 23, 1910, in Comanche County. He served as minister of Churches of Christ in Peacock, Cherokee, Okla., Munday, Stockholm, Sweden, Goree, De Leon, Knox City, Stephenville and Moran. He was a veteran of World War II. He married Lucy B. Carlson in Sweetwater on July 3, 1937. She survives him.

Other survivors include a son, Tommy C. Hattox of Bellville; a daughter, Laverne Baker of Santa Teresa, N.M.; two sisters, Ladell Stiegler of San Antonio and Doris Shipp of Lubbock; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Gaston and Clay Hattox.

Weldon Scheets

Jesse Weldon Scheets Sr. died Saturday at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. He was 54.

Funeral services were Tuesday morning at East Side Baptist Church with the Revs. Jimmy Griffith and David Page officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Valley Cemetery, directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Jerry Briscoe, Kelly Williams, Kenneth Campbell, Carlos Andrada, Randy Huckabee and Terry Joe Mathis.

Mr. Scheets was born July 22, 1939, in Haskell and was a lifelong resident. He was a Baptist. He

married Minnie Kreger in Haskell on Aug. 3, 1962. She survives him.

Other survivors include three sons, Jesse Scheets Jr. of Abilene, and Gary Scheets and Bobby Scheets, both of Haskell; two daughters, Donna Meyers of Haskell and Cindy Ratliff of Lubbock; four brothers, Howard Scheets of Haskell, Roy Scheets of Lumberton, Marvin Scheets of Rule and Jerry Scheets of Robstown; three sisters, Bonnie Briet of Napa, Calif., and Noreta Herrold and Margie Cale, both of Abilene; and nine grandchildren.

C. J. Williamson

C. J. Williamson died Thursday, Dec. 23, in Haskell Nursing Center. He was 81.

Funeral services were Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church in Weinert with Tommie Harper officiating. Burial was in the Knox City Cemetery, directed by Holden-McCauley Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Frank Jenkins, Truman Therwhanger, Don Griffis, Leo Beason, Kenneth Beason and Joel Bevel. Honorary pallbearers were Bud Derr, J. L. Cameron, Leon Newton, Art McDonald, Tiffen Mayfield and Jerry Walker.

Mr. Williamson was born Feb. 16, 1912, in Hugo, Okla. He lived in Weinert for many years before moving to Haskell 14 years ago. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Haskell and had been a member of the Baptist Church in Weinert for many years. He married Thelma Beason in Weinert on Feb. 6, 1939. She survives him.

Other survivors include a son, Joe Williamson of Haskell; a daughter and son-in-law, Glenda and Jack Therwhanger of Hewitt, Texas; three grandchildren, Suzanne Burt of Fort Worth, Angela Hickman of Midland and Amy Therwhanger of Hewitt; and three great-grandchildren, Tommy Blake Burt of Fort Worth and John and Ky Hickman of Midland.

Around town

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rueffer during the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rueffer and boys of Mason, Erma and Helmut Quiran and Gary Ewing of Duncanville, Melvin and Ruby Rueffer of Waco and Linda and Bob Daniels and daughter of Limon, Colo.

Mishaps are like knives, that either serve us or cut us, as we grasp them by the blade or the handle.

New Year's Eve
IRBY DANCE
 Friday, December 31, 1993
 8:00-12:00
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Homemakers have meeting

The December meeting of the Haskell Young Homemakers was held in the home of Mark and Janet Thane. Hostesses were Tracy Frierson, Tina Adams and Michelle Dunnam. They treated members with Texas caviar dip and chips, vegetable pizza, fudge and spiced cider. There were 17 present.

While enjoying refreshments, members had a quick business meeting. It was decided this year to donate to Goodfellows and the Child Welfare Board. Bo made the motion to give to these two needy causes and Tracy seconded it. Afterwards, members exchanged gifts by playing the left and right game. It was interesting to see where each person's gift turned up.

Sally Priddy won the door prize. Next meeting will be Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Haskell National Bank community room. Members will enjoy Joe Ruiz's tasty Mexican food, and fellowship with games after the meal.

Around town

Betty Furrh, Jacky and Lee Ann Hall and sons, Nathan and Jordan, Frank and Ruth Montgomery, all of Grand Prairie; Bud and Annita Montgomery, Jamey and Michelle Montgomery and daughters, Meredith and Megan, Tammy Rogers, all of Olney; Wrey and Brenda Montgomery and Kendall Montgomery of San Angelo; Travis and Alisha Montgomery, Austin, Lauren and Miller V. of Dallas visited with Dora and Miller for Christmas and helped with their anniversary reception on Dec. 26.



Retirement party honors Nancy Toliver

The children of Bailey and Nancy Toliver surprised her recently with a retirement party.

Her teaching experience began in 1954 at New Deal ISD following graduation from Texas Tech University. A total of 30 years has been spent with several school districts in Texas, along with raising a family of four children.

Assignments in the classroom, special education counselor (after a master of education degree from HSU), educational diagnostician, supervisor and regular counselor have involved her time. The school districts have included New Deal ISD, Lubbock ISD, Haskell CISD, Abilene ISD, and Haskell-Knox Consortium.

Those attending the party included, front row, grandchildren Jonathan and Brent Toliver, Julee Ann and Gates Colbert; middle row, Leesa Toliver, Nancy Toliver, Lee Ann Colbert (daughter), Julie Toliver; back row, Caroline Niehues, Joseph Toliver (son), Robin Colbert, Brian Toliver (son), Rex Marion, Bailey Toliver, Sam Toliver (son). Not pictured were Bud and Madge Thomas, Gail and Bootsie Toliver.

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