

Nichols
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By Nanalee Nichols

It was a wonderful Christmas. It seems that the gifts of fellowship and friendship were clearly in abundance. Friends and family came and stayed most pleasantly, food was in abundance, and "Santa" was most generous.

In fact, Santa was so incredibly generous that it almost made us feel guilty.

There were things done for us that were so very kind it's almost embarrassing.

People who know how hectic our Christmas edition production is brought food, leaving it with a smile and waving off thanks.

A couple we had done a service for gave us an incredibly generous gift.

Another family, that we did virtually nothing for, responded in the same manner, giving us a present far in excess of what we had done.

Several handcrafted gifts, made with what is frequently the most valuable of things...a person's time, were highlights also.

Our own families were very "open handed" with their giving too.

And then there were those pleasant little "tokens"...an ooz tube to sit and watch in fascination, a gift to make us laugh, little things like that.

No expensive diamonds, no new cars with red bows, none of the things one hears about or sees in movies could ever be worth the gifts we received this year.

The givers will never know just how overwhelmed we have been by these kindnesses.

It was thought provoking to receive these gifts.

How, when given so much, to share it a little further?

Christmas eve, after everyone had left for the night, sitting by our tree covered in ornaments and glowing lights, we discussed this problem.

Warm and secure, happy and bathed in the comfort of friendship and family, we remembered that there were people who were cold and hungry, whose children's Christmas consisted of little or nothing at all.

And, we did not know what to do for them.

A donation to the Salvation Army? Already done, but certainly not enough.

We did not come up with a solution, but our thoughts provided a point of reference to make us appreciate how grand our Christmas was.

I hope all of our readers were able to think about how wonderful their holiday was, too.



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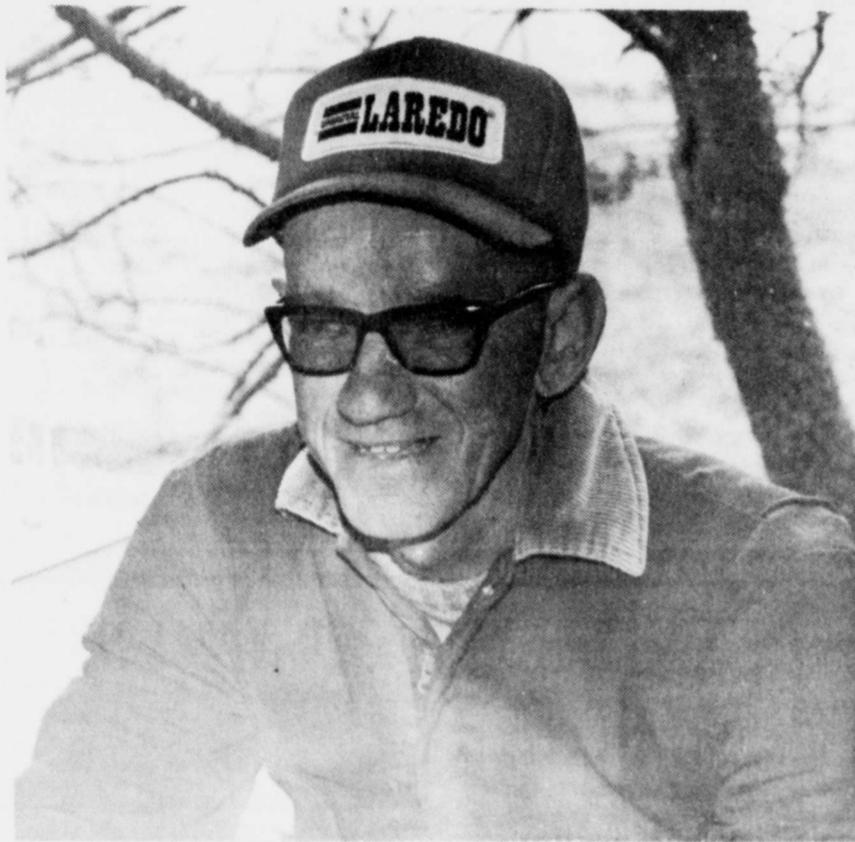
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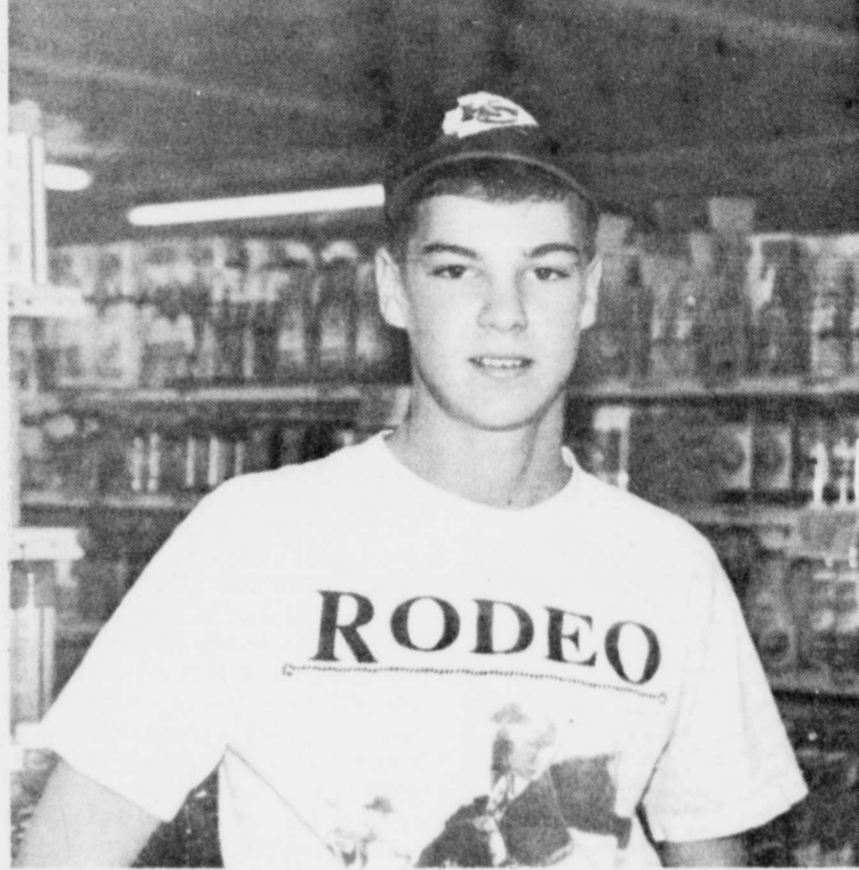
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Talco Folks Talk About Their Resolutions



RICHARD STANSELL of Talco's New Year's resolutions is to try and be a Texas Lotto big

winner, although he admits three million would do nicely. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



MATT BLAES New Year's resolution is "to keep his mind in the middle for eight seconds."

Matt participates in the high school rodeo bull riding. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



BRIDGETTE EUDY'S New Year's resolutions are to gain weight. Everyone tells her she is poor and to get her husband

Chris to help with the housework. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



A. (Bubba) Hines though long on his New Year's resolution. He'd like to cut out some of his bad habits and vices but really

wouldn't mind sharing the Lotto with Richard! (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

HAPPY NEW YEAR, and may you stick to your New Year's resolutions and if Richard or Bubba win remember all your friends, especially me!
Nancy Brown

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About 250 miles of Northeast Texas highways will receive new surfaces during 1994 with a contract awarded this month by the Texas Department of Transportation.

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In its attempt to help keep used tires off Texas landscapes, the district is requiring that around 40% of the asphalt used is mixed with

"crumbed rubber" made from grinding up old tires.

This is a more expensive process, but helps to make a better highway and a better environment.

The following highways are scheduled to be resurfaced during the summer of 1994 in Titus County: 1-30 at various frontage roads; US 67 from Franklin County Line to 0.1 mi west of FM 1734; Texas 67 from Morris County Line to Business 79; FM 1993 from FM 1001 to US 67; Fm 2152 from Business 271 to 8.3 miles north of Business 271.

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January Is Blood Donor Month

Eight million blood donors across the country, who supplied more than 14 million pints of blood to others in need last year, are being honored by President Clinton and the American Association of Blood Banks.

The President has declared January as National Volunteer Blood Donor Month. To help make sure an adequate supply of blood is available in the coming year, the AABB has joined the Stewart Regional Blood Center and other blood banks across the country to promote the 1994 donor month theme: "Please, Give Blood Regularly."

The need for blood is constant, and volunteer blood donors contribute

nearly all blood used for patient care in the United States.

Stewart Regional Blood Center honors their donors in East Texas, where more than 40,000 units of blood are used every year.

In observance of National Volunteer Blood Donor Month, every donor in January at Stewart Regional Blood Center will receive a gift. The blood center is located at 3715 Lamar Avenue in Paris. The center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. People interested in becoming blood donors should call Stewart Regional Blood Center at 785-9399 to find out more.

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Every man desires to live long; but no man would be old.
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COUNTRY COOK- This week's featured cook in the Country Cooking column is Nelda Screws, of Bogata.

If at first you don't succeed you're running about average.
—M. H. Alderson

Country Cooking

By Judy Screws

Once again, I am featuring one of my favorite people. There is a special reason for telling you all who do not already know, about my sister-in-law, Nelda Screws. You see, since this is the time of the year when most of us make and break resolutions, I thought it might be nice to see that resolutions can become fact, and not just dreams. Nelda and husband, Gerry own House Of Flowers, in Bogata. Gerry works at Campbell Soup, in Paris. They have two married children; their son Rusty and his wife Randi, and daughter, Kelly Jean and her husband Bobby all live in Bogata.

Nelda had been running the flower shop for quite a while when she branched out into the business of catering weddings and parties, and renting formal attire. She worked until she got this part of the business established, and then she added to her shop what she really wanted to do. It's a Training center called Body Works. She has weight machines, free weights, steppers, a tanning bed, and as of this week, one of her patrons has added a punching bag. Nelda and or Kelly lead aerobics classes at night.

My sister-in-law is not very tall. She has small bones and every pound shows on her small frame, while I, on the other hand can carry an extra forty pounds on my right arm. Nelda has lost weight and gained weight, and lost weight and gained weight, but with the training program she is on and the low fat eating program she tries to follow, she is having more success and really looks nice. Nelda says that she cannot stick to a strict diet for very long at a time, and she found that out many years ago when they learned that Gerry was diabetic. She thought that she would have to throw away all the sugar and live on celery and carrot sticks for the rest of their lives. Of course this was not practical, and after some really close calls and more than one trip to the hospital, they learned that while Nelda could fix the right foods for a diabetic,

Gerry had to be ultimately responsible for his own eating program. Of course, this made it easier on both of them. When I used to see Gerry drinking a diet coke and eating a candy bar, I just knew he would soon be in a coma, but of course, he had learned that the amount of food combined with the proper amount of exercise played a vital part in his health.

While Nelda is not quite as well organized as her sister, Sandy, she can work circles around me. She can decorate cakes, and sew. In fact there was a time when she even made Gerry's shirts. But getting back to her ability to do things, and to Sandy's efficiency, they do many things together and most of them turn out all right, but occasionally they hit a snag. When this happens, I don't feel like such a clutz. I wish them no harm. I just don't like to be the only one who messes up everything. For instance, they decided to spray Nelda and Gerry's yard. They knew that they should not spray the yard with insecticide without mowing it first, but the lawn mower had something wrong with it and if they cranked it, they had a hard time getting it turned off. Deciding that they would be able to manage it, they went ahead and put gas in it and cranked it up. In fact they filled it up with gas. Their yard is tiny and it used about a drop of gas and the lawnmower wouldn't cut off. They tried to pull wires loose, they tried everything they could think of. That lawnmower just kept running. They got in the car and left for a while. When they came back, that lawnmower was still running. That thing was still running after dark and into the night. I don't think they gave this event much publicity and it has nothing whatsoever to do with Country Cooking, but I just love it, so enjoy.

Nelda is sharing 3 of her low fat recipes with us this week. Hope you enjoy them.
Everybody have a good week.
Thanks, Nelda.

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December 30, 1993

Jalapeno Cornbread

by Nelda Screws

1 cup corn meal
2 egg beaters or 2 egg whites
1/2 can (#2) cream style corn
1 cup (8 oz.) Kraft Free cheese slices, chopped
1/2 tsp. salt
1/4 cup flour
1/2 cup buttermilk
1/2 cup liquid Butter Buds
1 can Rotel tomatoes and green chiles, drained
1 1/2 tsp baking powder
Beat Egg Beaters (or egg whites) and add remaining ingredients, mixing well. Pour into a large cast iron skillet, that has been sprayed with a non-fat cooking spray. Bake 50 to 60 minutes at 350 degrees.

Chicken Enchiladas

1 medium chopped onion
1 (4 oz.) can chopped green chiles
1 (14 oz.) size chicken broth
1 Tbs. cornstarch
1 Tbs. flour
3 Tbs. liquid Butter Buds
1 tsp. minced garlic (in a jar)
2 cups cooked cubed white meat chicken (without skin)
12 flour tortillas
16 oz. Kraft Free cheese slices cut in strips
1 can Hunts stewed tomatoes (14 1/2 oz) drained
1 can Hot Jalapeno Relish (Old El Paso) 7 1/2 oz. size, drained
2 cups Fat Free Sour Cream
Combine liquid Butter Buds, garlic, and onion in a sauce pan. Cook until soft. Add flour, cornstarch, chicken broth, and green chiles. Stir with a wire whisk until bubbly and smooth. Add flour mixed with water if a thicker sauce is desired. Add seasonings and cooked chicken. Remove from heat. Combine stewed tomatoes, jalapeno relish, two cups of fat free sour cream, and 1/2 of the cheese together in a

bowls. In a large bowl, combine both sauces together. Make your enchiladas by spooning chicken sauce mixture onto each flour tortilla. Next roll them up and place in a casserole dish that has been sprayed with a non fat cooking spray, with the seam side down. Pour the rest of the chicken sauce over the rolled up tortillas. Sprinkle remaining cheese on top. Heat in a 350 degree oven about 15-20 minutes or until hot and bubbly.

Carrot Cake with Vanilla Sauce

1 1/2 cups liquid Butter Buds
1 cup sugar
1 cup brown sugar
4 Egg Beaters or 4 egg whites
3 cups self-rising flour
2 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1/4 tsp ground cloves
1 small can crushed pineapple
2 tsp. vanilla
3 cups grated carrots
1 cup raisins
1 cup Grape Nuts Cereal
Sauce:
1 cup liquid Butter Buds
2/3 cup sugar
2-3 Tbs. cornstarch
1 Tbs. vanilla
Cream together Butter buds, sugars, Egg Beaters or Egg Whites, pineapple and vanilla. Add raisins and Grape Nuts. Add flour and spices. Fold in grated carrots. Pour into bundt pan sprayed with non fat cooking spray. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

While the cake is baking, combine all the sauce ingredients in a pan and cook on the stove. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. Bring to a full boil and stir for 1 minute. Remove from heat. After cake is baked, cool upright in pan for 5 minutes. Remove from pan. Pour 1/3 of the sauce over the cake and save the rest to be served with the cake. If sauce is lumpy, use a hand mixer and beat until smooth. If the sauce is too thin, add a little more corn starch.

Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Kerry King of Decatur visited his grandmother, Jimmie King Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ethel Epps, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epps and Dana went to the Harold Epps home in Mt. Vernon for Christmas on Friday evening.

Visiting Faye Gandy during the holidays were Alice Jean Garner, Bill and Judy Nutt of Paris, Monte Rodgers, Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga.

Enjoying dinner with Mrs. Ethel Epps Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown and son, Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. William Epps, Dalton and Lauren of Mt. Vernon, Grant Epps of Avery, Allene Gillis of Clarksville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epps and Dana of Rosalie.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Osburn, Rebecca and Katy of Midlothian, Mrs. Mary Salter, Emily and Allysa of Denver, CO, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Chambless, Jordan and Kelly of Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. Duane King, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King, Nicole, Shelley and Travis, Mrs. Kay Osburn, Mr. and Mrs. Dick King, NeLeigh, Jeff and Debbie, all of Paris, enjoyed Christmas Eve supper with Mrs. Jimmie King.

Marlaine Bolin of Shady Grove

was a visitor Wednesday evening of Betty Rodgers.

Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga came by on their way back from the funeral of his father in Dallas.

Karen Baker was here for the holidays, visiting her parents.

Shirley Legate of Tennessee was in for the holidays, visiting relatives. Ruth Adams visited Mrs. Ethel Epps Thursday.

We extend sympathy to the families of Lola Crook and Twyman Baker. They were both longtime residents of the community.

Charles, Leah and Dana Epps had luncheon Sunday with Mrs. Ethel Epps. Monte and Shelley Rodgers of Tigertown, Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga and Mrs. Bernice Thomas of Boyd spent the holidays with Betty Rodgers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver had their children and families for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Salter and daughter of Denver, CO and Kay Osburn had lunch Monday with Jimmie King.

Mrs. Bernice Thomas of Boyd returned home Monday after spending the weekend with Betty Rodgers.

Card of Thanks

The family of Vera Wilson would like to express our sincere thanks to friends and relatives for all the prayers, visits, calls, food, flowers and for the love and kindness shown during the loss of our loved one. Your act of love is deeply appreciated.

A special thanks to Wood Funeral Home, Dr. L.C. Stout, Rev. Tim Brown, Susan Roach, Wynell Bratcher, Frankye Sessums, Dr. Trout and the staff of Deport Nursing Home.

May God richly bless each of you.
Roy & Martha Castlebury & Family
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Bob & Rusty Wilson & Family

Card of Thanks

Perhaps you sent a lovely card,
Or sat quietly in a chair;
Perhaps you sent a flower or spray,
If so, we say it there;
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Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cheatham were Margie Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bratton and Donna and Angie from Deport.

Christmas Day visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana were; Chris Anna Screws, Christopher, Yolanda, and Jerred, from Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Murl Roach, Philip Murl, Susan, and Beth Roach, John Lee and Cokie Roach, Jenny and Michael, Michael Don and Lila Screws, Bren, Kara, and Hali, all from Deport, Gerry and Nelda Screws, Mrs. Era Smelser, and Mrs. Mildred Mauldin, of Bogata, and Wanda Woods, of Talco. Bren, Kara, Christopher, and Hali stayed Saturday night with their grandparents and Aunt Tana.

Holiday visitors in the home of Helen Williams were; Mr. and Mrs. David Williams and daughter, Sarah, of Savoy, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barton, Dennis and Mitzie, and Mrs. Hattie Leonard, of Bagwell, Dr. and Mrs. George Hobbs, Susan Hobbs and Bob Ruff, of Huntsville, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Miller, of Kingwood, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Jones, of Commerce, and Larry Jones, of Miami Beach, Florida.

Helen Williams and son, Dr. George Hobbs, were Christmas Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Granville Jones, at Commerce. Other guests were Larry Jones, of Miami Beach, Florida, and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Jones, Kyle and Robert, of Commerce. They received a telephone call from their son, Lynn Jones and family, from Raleigh, North Carolina.

The M. E. Roach family gathered at the Bogata Community house December 25th for their Christmas dinner. Those present were; Lore Roach, Don, Gayle, Ike, Ricky and Melissa, Justin Roach, and Sheriel, Nathan and Sherea, Bobbie, Ralph, and Kristi Cawley, Becky and William Rolen, Phillip and Aaron, Mollie, Mike, Mandy and Marla Williams, and Brandon, Mikel, John, Micah, and Matthew Haynes. They

enjoyed a beautiful meal and opened gifts. Those folks who came by to visit in the afternoon were; Mr. and Mrs. Murl Roach, Philip and Susie Roach, of Deport, Dave, Mary, and Julie Pirtle, Kennard, Margaret, Donna and Julie Harrison, of Bogata,

and Wanda Lou Bradley, from Red Oak. She spent Christmas Eve night with Lore Roach.

William, Becky, and Phillip Rolen, and Kristi Cawley returned home last Wednesday from a Ski trip in Colorado. They reported a wonderful time and plans to go back next year.

Mikel and John Haynes, Micah and Matthew, left after the Roach Christmas dinner, to visit John's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mayfield, in Kilgore.

Don and Gayle, and Justin Roach, Sheriel, Nathan and Sherea had supper with Lore Roach Sunday night. Justin and family returned to their home in Galena Park, Monday.

Recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Jenkins, of Emory, and Mrs. Alice Buster, of Duncanville.

Christmas Eve Day, Mrs. Ruth Lee, of Paris, visited with Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Lee, and their niece, Vicki Reaves, had lunch with the Lees Christmas Day. Another niece, Judy Holmes visited with the Lees in the afternoon on Christmas Day, and Frank Lee and his daughter, Ruby visited on Sunday afternoon.

Afternoon visitors Christmas Day, of Mrs. Era Smelser were Raynard and Sandra Screws, of Ardmore, Oklahoma. They had been to Tyler to visit with Sandra's family and had stopped back in Mt. Pleasant to visit with their former pastor and his family.

Holiday visitors of J. C. and Margaret Smith and Sherry were Donnie, Shirley, and Dorie Smith, Ike Roach, and Dorothy Posey.

Holiday visitors in the home of Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow on Thursday were; Jimmy and Linda Stringfellow, Joe, Debbie, Joshua, and Jacob

Stringfellow, and Aaron Toland. Christmas Eve visitors were Buddy and Ellen Stringfellow, Dan, Vicki, Danny, Michael and Dee Tabb, Joe, Debbie, Joshua, and Jacob Stringfellow, Aaron Toland, Billy, Kathy, and Kaley Stringfellow, Paul and Payton Stringfellow, Randy and Mary Nell Hendricks. On Christmas Day visitors were Jimmy Stringfellow, Felina and Jerica White, Vicki and Dee Tabb, and on Sunday W.R. and Kelsey Stringfellow visited.

Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow visited Monday with her sister, Mrs. Lucille Childers, of Johntown.

Christmas visitors with Zelma Mauldin were Scott and Susie Fearless and Kevin Meredith, from Hatfield, Arkansas, Rickey Meredith, from Ashdown, Arkansas, Toney and Sedonya King, from Hope, Arkansas, Tricia and Corey Martin, from Texarkana, Gregg and Janice Powell, from Houston, Yvonne Powell, from Carrollton, Jettie Minshew, Kenneth, Phyllis, and Todd Duffer, of Bogata.

Ed and Loyce Huddleston were in Lewisville from Thursday through Sunday spending the Holidays with their son and his family Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Huddleston, grandchildren, Andrea and Jeff McKenzie and Annette and Mark Hudson, and son in law Ronald Mankins. We wish Loyce's brother, Bill Martin, who is in Brooks Medical Center, in San Antonio, a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Rufus Williams has returned from Mansfield, where she spent Christmas with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. R.L. (Sonny) Williams.

Christine Baker and Edith Collins, of Bogata, Jerry Collins, of San Angelo, had lunch on Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker, James and Casey, in Mt. Pleasant. Other guests were Mark Gaddis, of Mt. Vernon, Scott Gaddis, of Dallas, and Joe Corbell, of Longview.

On Sunday, Christine Baker, of Bogata, Bill and Carol Baker, James and Casey Gaddis, of Mt. Pleasant,

Mark Gaddis, Of Mt. Vernon, had lunch in Blossom with Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Welch. Other visitors were Bob and Peggy Yale, of Ft. Worth, Bob, Sue, Steve and Brad Miears, of Dallas. They also visited with Mrs. Ruby Corbell at the Regency Nursing Center, in Clarksville.

Christmas Eve Night dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee Hutson were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryson, Michelle and Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Don Roach, and Ike, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Roach, Justin Roach and Sherea, Sheryl and Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Stephenson, Mark and D'Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Hawks, Vera Craddock, Neil Mauldin, and Maggie Lee. Lore Roach and her guest, Wanda Bradley, were unable to attend the dinner, so they carried a dinner to Lore's house for them.

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Monday January 3-7

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Fruit

Milk

Tuesday

Hot Dogs

Baked Beans

Pickles

Dessert

Milk

Wednesday

Taco Salad

Seasoned Beans

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Thursday

Bar B Q Chicken

Potato Salad

Carrots

Hot rolls

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Friday

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Burger Salad

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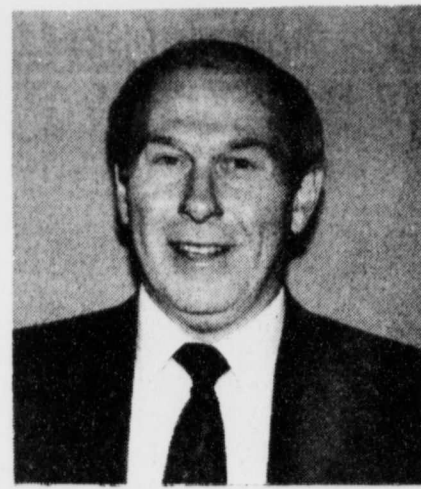
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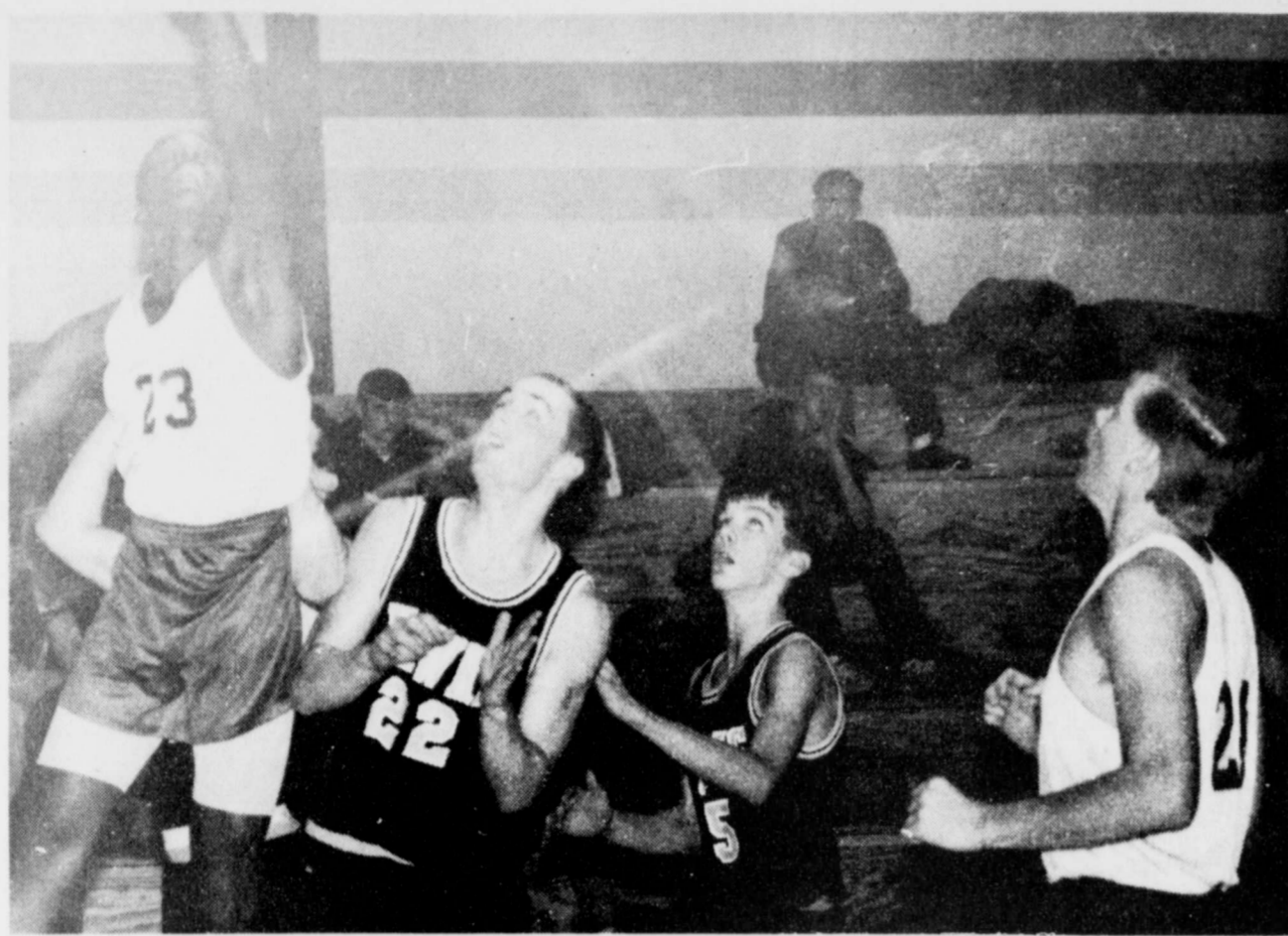
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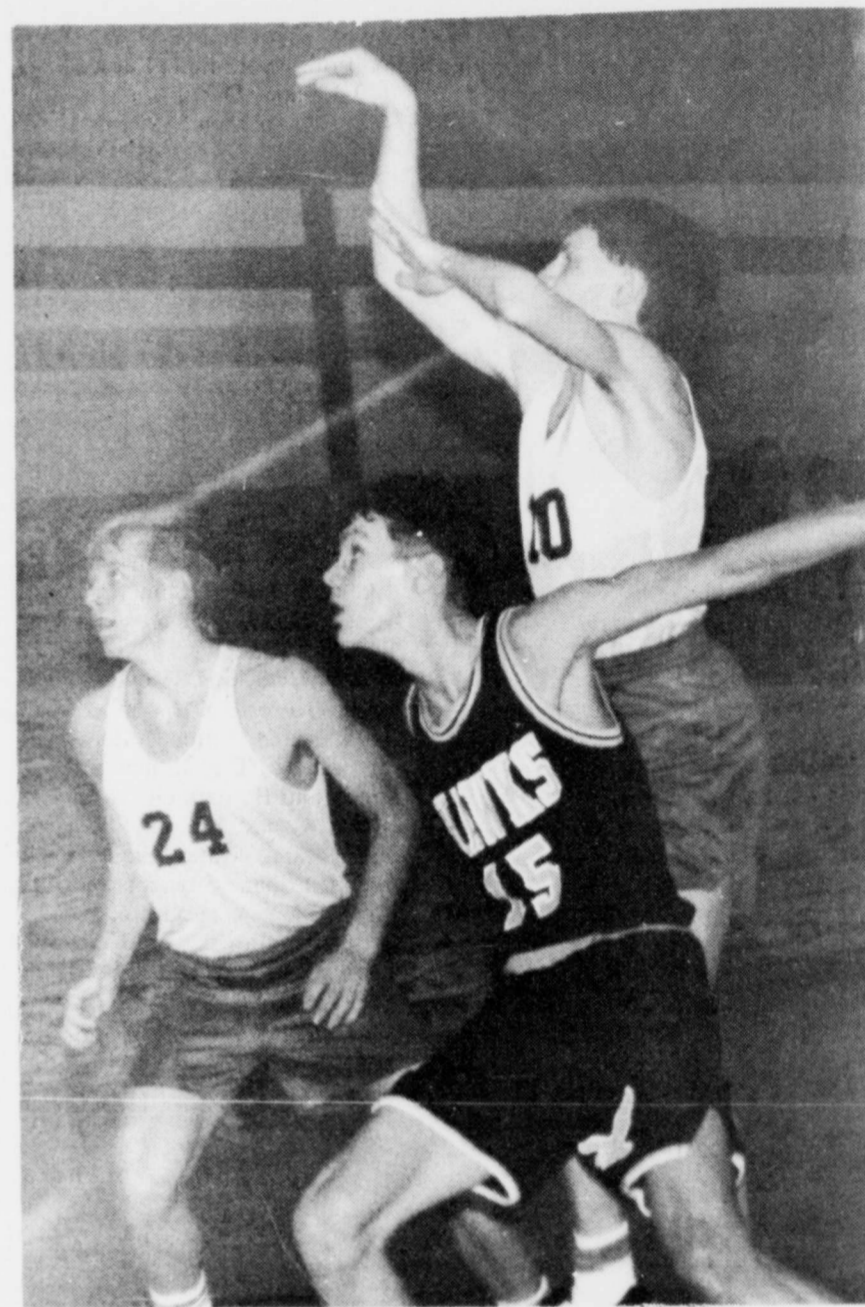
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Hey Kids, how about old-time sports? This is a picture of the basketball team from Cunningham back in 1928. It provides an interesting look at what uniforms and shoes (and your grandparents) looked like back then. Members of the team were Volie Coyle, L.Delma Kyle, Joe Howard Bell, Clifford Pynes, Kelly Page and Coach Joe Daniel.



JV REBELS Eric Waller and Carey Gable took on the Pleasant Hill Hawks on December 17. The young Rebels took the win 39-35. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



JV REBEL Jay Hancock guards this Pleasant Hill Hawk while teammate A.J. Lee shoots the basket in the December 17 contest. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



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Obituaries

Mary Ethel Allison Dies December 28

Mary Ethel Allison, 69, of Paris, died Tuesday, December 28 at McCuiston Hospital in Paris.

Services were scheduled for 1 p.m. Thursday, December 30 in Bright-Holland Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerry Moore officiating with burial in Red Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Allison was born April 5, 1924 in Alba, the daughter of Wayne Napoleon and Irene Darnell Dodd. She married Donald Uriah Allison on September 6, 1942. He died January 22, 1992.

She had worked for Hollywood Vassarette and for Nahas in Paris. She was a member of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church where she attended the Naomi Sunday School Class.

Survivors include her father of Bogata; five sons, Ed Allison of Paris, Brad Allison of Bogata, Wesley Allison of Paris, Bob Allison of Paris and David Allison of Sulphur Springs; three daughters, Gloria Garrison, Linda Allison, Marie Allison, all of Paris; five brothers, Jerry Dodd, M.J. Dodd, Sim Ed Dodd, Grady Dodd and Bill Dodd, all of Jolntown; four sisters, Ruth Whitten, Faye Horn, Neva Whitten and Novell King, all of Jolntown; 21 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Visiting with Charline Black were Bill, Faye and Waylon Perdue, David and Cathy McMullen, Lance and Crystal Swanner of Kilgore, Butch, Harrolyn Black of Garland, Damon Black of College Station, Allen, Samantha and Josh Roberts of Mt. Pleasant, Bobby and Jackie Crowley, Jole, Justin and Amanda Kirkland of Mt. Pleasant, Dorothy Crowley of Irving, Danny Black of Paris, Frankie and Maxine Harrell, Rayford Pittman, Rex Westerman of Talco and Carla Harrell of Dallas.

Visiting with Frankie and Maxine Harrell were Roger and Carla Harrell of Dallas, Angelia Angeloff of Billings, Montana, Mike, Teena and Jon-Michael Fleming of Buffalo, Wyoming.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. I.L. Hearron during Christmas holiday were Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin Darnell and Keith of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Bass, Amanda and Marsha of San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hearron and family of Mt. Pleasant invited the Hearrons over to his new home for Christmas dinner. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. I.L. Hearron, Mr. and Mrs. James Hearron and Linda, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Hearron and Anesya of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hearron of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin Darnell and Keith of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Stephens of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Stephens and Heather of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Hearron and Blake of Mt. Pleasant, Jason Stephens and girlfriend of A&M College, Angela Beshirs. All enjoyed a great time of fellowship and food of all kinds.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith on Christmas eve were Mr. and Mrs. Neil Minor, Jaime and Jennifer of Overton and Nancy Brown, Jim and Jack of Talco.

Celebrating Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Presley and Paul Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Harris, both of Talco, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fail of Gladewater, Lisa Mercer, Shawnalisa, Kevin and Lynn, Christie and Ashley Fail of Keithville.

Gary and Daniel Fail spent the holidays with family in Gladewater. Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Stansell and Erin celebrated Christmas Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Poynor in Hugo, OK.

Celebrating Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stevens in Jolntown were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kuhl, Chad and Kristin of Talco, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dan Kuhl and Maria of Mt. Vernon, Carolyn LaBella of Greenville, MS, Wilton and Becky Richard, Cody, Chris and Christina of Mt. Vernon and Bertha Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. David Jones of Mississippi are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jones and family.

Celebrating Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Taylor were Scott Taylor, Michael, Donnie, Jesse, Dee Dee and Nathan, Mr. and Mrs. David Taylor and Laci and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Taylor and Joey.

Christmas eve guests of Dorothy Moore in Bogata were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pemberton, Amy and Charles of Texarkana, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen, Julie and Jody of Talco, Wilma Moore, Lois McRae and Hugh Foster of Bogata.

Celebrating Christmas Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Odia Story were their children, Patty Hackler, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Sawyer of DeRidder, LA, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Sawyer of Leesburg, grandchildren Steve and Kitty Ellis of Burleson, Pam and Ricky Hoyle of Red Oak, Mike and Tabatha Hackler of Talco, Russell and Kellye Sawyer of Pittsburg, Gregory and Judy Sawyer of Leesburg, Bethany and Elton Bridges, Waylon and Kristie Johnson of DeQueen, AR, great-grandchildren, Christopher Gaddis, Ashley and Daniel Bruce, all of Burleson, Kensi and Paige Sawyer of Leesburg, Benjamin, Christopher and Keith Hoyle of Red Oak, Dustin Johnson of DeQueen, nieces and nephews Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Jones, Jordan Smith, Dorris Parker, Bettye Wade and Charlotte Brumbalov.

Holiday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Watts were Mr. and Mrs. William Watts of Longview, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Watts and Tawala, Jesse Watts and friend Melinda, Barbara Jo McMillan, Hazel Derr of Linden, Vera Griffith, Viola Gibson of Hagansport, Nathan Henson of Jolntown and Mr. and Mrs. W.O. Mayo of Talco.

Sharing Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hawkins and Tonya Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson, Carey and Kenneth, Tony Cline and Stormy, Nina Gentry and Bobby Gentry.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Case, Ryan and Rachel visited Christmas eve with Mr. and Mrs. Buster Case. Also enjoying the family Christmas were Judy Stevens and Laura, Chester Nix, Velma Case and Meredith. On Saturday the Cases celebrated Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Hare in Sulphur Bluff. Also attending were Mr. and Mrs. Terry Jagers, Jill, Jaci and Jentry. On Sunday the Cases visited Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Haley and family.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail Christmas eve was Jimmy Lee Fail of Frankton.

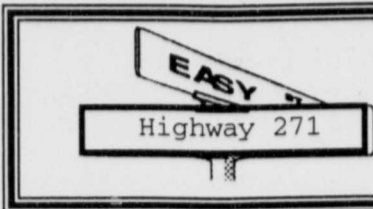
Celebrating Christmas Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graf, Katherine, Justin, Rachel and Susan were Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown, Kim and Jack, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Smith of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson, Carey and Kenneth.

Celebrating December birthdays are Paul Presley and Vannie Crocker.

Celebrating Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Linden Horn were Ruby Horn, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kuhl, Chad and Kristin, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Howard, Ashley and Callie, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dan Kuhl and Maria of Mt. Vernon, Nancy Brown of Mt. Pleasant and visiting in the evening Barry Gage and Susan Craig.

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Titus County Memorial Hospital has again been awarded accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. The announcement came as a result of its demonstrated compliance with the Commission's nationally recognized health care standards during a two-day on-site survey performed in September.

"This is the second consecutive time Titus County Memorial Hospital has achieved a three-year accreditation, the longest term awarded to hospitals," said Administrator Wayne Ogburn. "We're very proud to continue to offer our community and our region quality patient care that meets the high standards of the joint Commission."

The Joint Commission is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to improve the quality of health care provided to the public. It is governed by a 24-member Board of Commissioners representing the American College of Physicians, the American Hospital Association, the American

Dental Association, the American Medical Association, and the public.

An organization voluntarily undergoes a survey by a full team of Joint Commission experts every three years. After being surveyed, the organization receives one of the following four accreditation decisions: Accreditation (with or without Commendation), Conditional Accreditation, and Not Accredited.

"Accreditation standards exceed federal and state requirements," said Kenneth Hermann, Pharm. D., vice president for accreditation surveys at the Joint Commission. "This community should be proud that Titus County Memorial Hospital is focusing on a most challenging goal -- to continuously raise quality to higher levels."

Ogburn praised caregivers and ancillary service employees alike in working to meet the Commission's benchmarks of quality. "Everyone worked hard to achieve this recognition. We view it as another step toward excellence," Ogburn said.

Michael Hackler visited Jackie Hackler and Allene Hackler in Pittsburg Saturday.

Linden Horn and granddaughter Kristin Kuhl enjoyed Christmas shopping Friday morning in Mt. Pleasant.

Visiting Pastor at the Calvary Baptist Church Sunday was Bro. Mosley and son of Pittsburg.

Enjoying a Christmas breakfast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brown were Julie White and Paul Tully of Arlington, Mr. and Mrs. Chad White and Jerica of Grand Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Stroud, Greg and BreAnn and Mr. and Mrs. Nicky Brown, Coleman and Ty.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown, Kim and Jack on Saturday were Pete Swarts, Jaime and Joanie and Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen, Julie and Jody.

Enjoying Christmas dinner Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Presley and Paul were Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Jolly and Elizabeth of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Jack visited Jerry Pittman Tuesday.

Celebrating Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Weatherall were Mr. and Mrs. Roger Weatherall, Krista and Jana and Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Weatherall, Jeremy, Justin and Josh.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Jr. were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller of Jacksonville, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mille, Alex, Chris, Craig and Melissa of Monticello, Gena Gage and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Jr., grandsons Alex and Chris were home on leave from the U.S. Navy.

Also recent visitors of the Millers were Angela Perice and Mary and Robert Ward of Nacogdoches.

Visitors of Carol L. aing and John Gaddis over the holidays were Jeremy and Josh Abshier and Carmen Alexander of Orange.

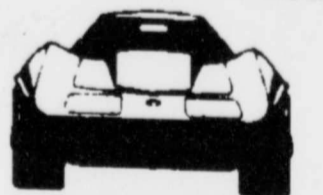
4-H In Focus

By Jane Osbourn, County Extension Agent

It is past time to re enroll for the 1993-94 4-H year. But if you haven't, don't despair, do it today. To be eligible to show in the Lamar County Junior Livestock Show, and participate in other upcoming 4-H events, you must be registered by January 1.

January 17 will be the tour of the J.C. Penney home office in Dallas for 4-H members in Red River and Lamar Counties. We will leave that morning around 7:30 and tour the offices at 10:00. We will eat lunch at the J.C. Penney's cafeteria, so bring \$6. Deadline for reserving space is January 6, so call me.

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Bogata V.F.W. News

Tuesday at 7:30 is pool night, Thursday at 7:00 is "42" night and every Saturday at 1:30 is Bingo playing time.

The VFW and its Auxiliary meet every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Nursing Home bingo is 4th Tuesday

The VFW will have a New Year's Eve dance Friday night, December 31, at 8 P.M., with Buck Knight and his band. Admission is \$3.00 per

person. Come out and party with your home town band.

 Anyone who won in the pool tournament since July is invited to play in the tournament January 4 th at 7:30 P.M. and all those who have won in "42" since July are invited to play "42" January 6, at 7 P.M. You must have won 1st or 2nd place. See you there.

 WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Bogata Gift Subscriptions

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- To Ruth Lewis from Mary Hudson.
- To Susie Smith and Ralph Mayes

- from Wilma Eason.
- To Todd Denny from Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Denny.
- To Jo Hinsley and Debbie King from Dolan Mankins.
- To Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Sims from Virginia O'Donnell.
- To Danny Ray Dodd from M. J. Dodd.
- To Nolan Belcher from Jerry Belcher.

Immunization Clinic Scheduled

The Texas Department of Health, Public Health Region 7 office, announced plans today for the continuation of the on-going immunization clinics for all children needing immunizations.

The next clinic will be held January 6, 1994.

The clinic will be conducted from 9:00-11:30 and 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. at 1300 Highway 37 North, Clarksville, Texas.

Future clinic dates will be held on the first, second and third Thursday of each month. Parents may call the clinic for an appointment for their child, (903)572-9877, or arrive on a walk-in basis.

The Health Department emphasizes that this clinic is available to all preschool and school age children

beginning at two months of age. Immunizations offered include Measles/Mumps/Rubella, Oral Polio, Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis and Tetanus/diphtheria. The Haemophilus Influenzae type b vaccine is also available to medically eligible children between the ages of 2 months and 60 months. The pneumonia vaccine is available to all high risk patients meeting income guidelines. All children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Parents are reminded to bring the child's immunization record and Social Security number if available. The Tetanus/diphtheria vaccine is available to medically eligible adults. Should the parent or legal guardian have questions, please contact the above noted field office staff.

Merry Christmas From Cuthand

This article has been taken mostly from a newspaper article prepared by Tony Price for his column: Ramblin' Around with Tony Price. The heading of his column being: Stage Route Attracted Early Cuthand Settlers.

The Texas bound wagon train rolled to its last stop. A small band of settlers looked over this new land north of a small, but swift river and decided it was home.

The rolling countryside wasn't much different from their home in MS. There were a few Indians around in 1869 when the wagon train dispersed in the southern part of Red River County, near the present town of Bogata.

Aboard the wagons were families named Morse, Smith, Ware, Delevan, Monroe, Garvin.

Miss Carrie McCulloch has a more complete history of the Cuthand community. Her mother and an uncle were teenagers and passengers on that first "train".

The site the folks chose was near the stage route between Clarksville and Mt. Pleasant. Several settled on Sulphur River near "Welch's Crossing".

McCager Garvin erected his home on the stage line near Cuthand Creek. Garvin soon opened a farmer's commissary and it wasn't long before a settlement took shape. A man named Duffy opened a saloon to accommodate dusty, thirsty stage passengers. There being so many suffering from thirst and the dust; Delevan and son also built a log cabin on the west side of the road and established a saloon.

The original post office was called The Enterprise and was located a mile and a half south of the present community. It was moved to Garvinsville and the name changed to Cuthand because folks in another area had already picked the name Garvinsville for their own post office.

After Garvin opened the door on the mercantile business, other stores followed.

Bill Garvin managed a store for Bill Sively. Dick Elder sold groceries and medicine. Zeke Mauldin, W.A. Mauldin and W.T. Mauldin ran a general merchandise store. Bart Duty managed a general merchandise store for Ed Gaines. Jim Good had a grocery store. Uncle Hick Blissard sold candy, canned goods and medicine. Andy Mankins owned a grocery store managed by George Holdaway. Sam Morse and H.B. Mauldin also had a grocery store. A.G. Pittman and Jim Eaves and son had a general store. Lee Blissard bought Eaves interest and added coffins to his line of merchandise.

Other businessmen included E.T. Mauldin, Everet Latimer, John Leach,

H.B. Mauldin, Bill Hufsteadler, a man named McGay who had a lynchstand. E.T. Mauldin's blacksmith shop where he also sold cold drinks, medicine and ice, Leonard Byrd, Tom Mauldin, Jim Finch, Pete Robinson, Jess Bratton and Leonard Bond, Luther Kelsoe, Roy Mankins, Ruby Williams, Lonzo Eudy, McCulloch, Elmer Arnold, Clive Blissard and Vernon Harville.

Harville was the last store owner. Since he closed, the Cuthand Community has been without a store.

The first school was a log cabin on Ben Ringo's farm a half mile from the present Cuthand community. The first church was Whiteoak Baptist organized under a whiteoak tree by Parson McCulloch.

The following has been taken from an article prepared by William C. Barnard:

Over the six years doctors lived and practiced in Cuthand. Dr. J.W. McCall was the first. He died in 1894 at the age of 62 years. Dr. L.R. Whitmire lived in Cuthand and died in 1898 at 32 years of age. Dr. Ingram served the community from 1898 to about 1901. Dr. Lynn Barnard lived and practiced medicine from about 1900 to 1908. Dr. Marvin DeBerry resided in the community from 1905 to 1915. Dr. P.E. Gold was in the community from 1915 to 1932.

The second floor of the Blizzard store served as Justice of the Peace court room. After the W.A. Mauldin two story building was built, the W.O.W. lodge hall in this building was used to hold justice court. It is unknown when the first court cases were tried in Justice Court at Cuthand, but some believe that W.H. "Uncle Bick" Mauldin was Justice of the Peace before 1900. He was followed by N.D. Mauldin about 1914, a Mr. Short 1904, C.P. Pitman about 1906. Later Justice's of the Peace were Allison Stevens and Calvin Mauldin. Early constables were Andy Mankins and Jim Ben Latimer. Sometimes lawyers from Clarksville would come to Cuthand to represent persons who were brought before the Justice of the Peace Court.

Cuthand history has been colorful from the start. It is still a striving community today.

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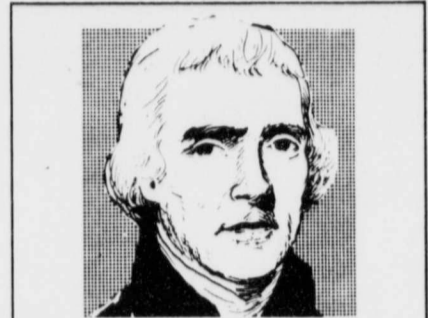
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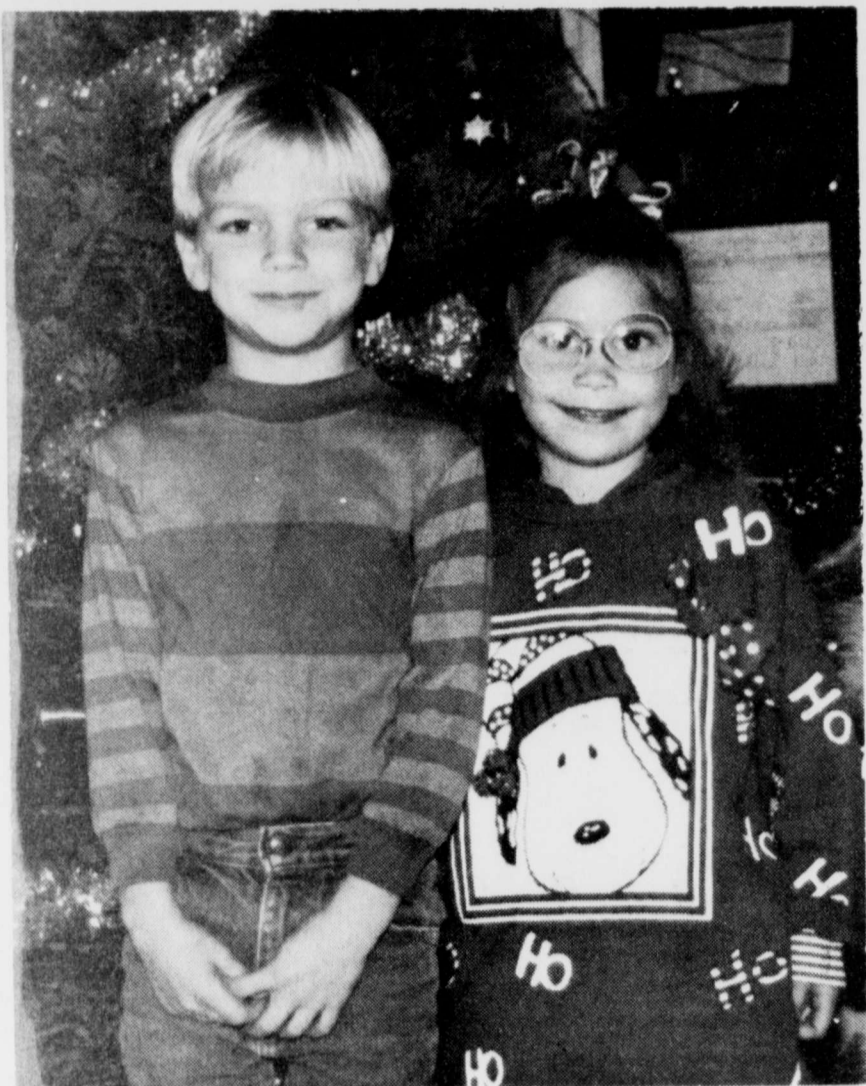
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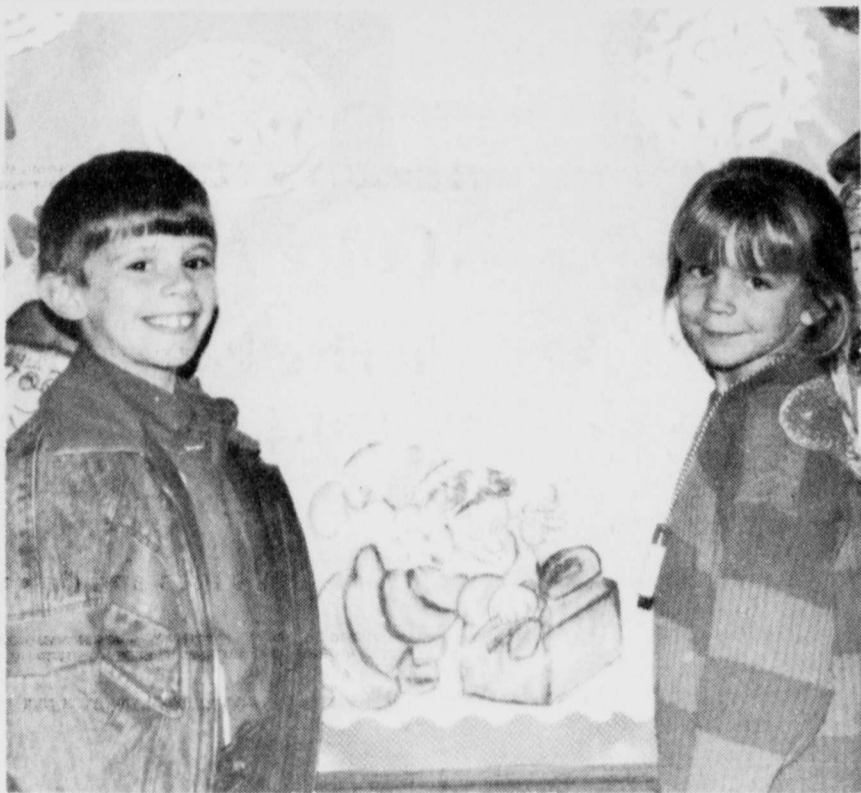
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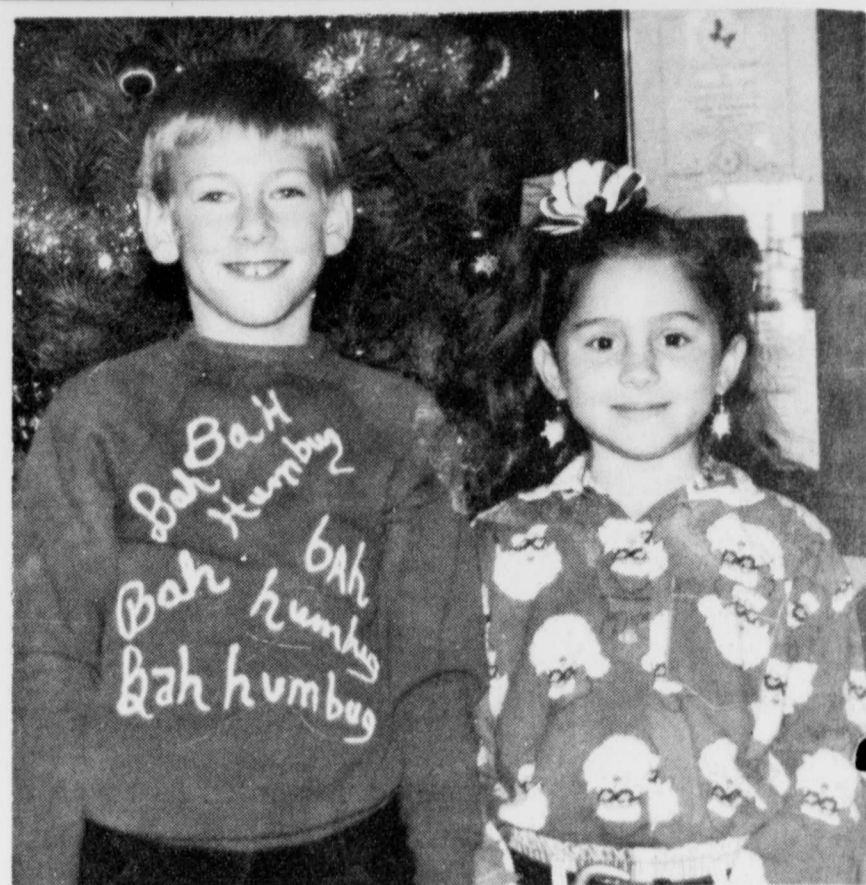
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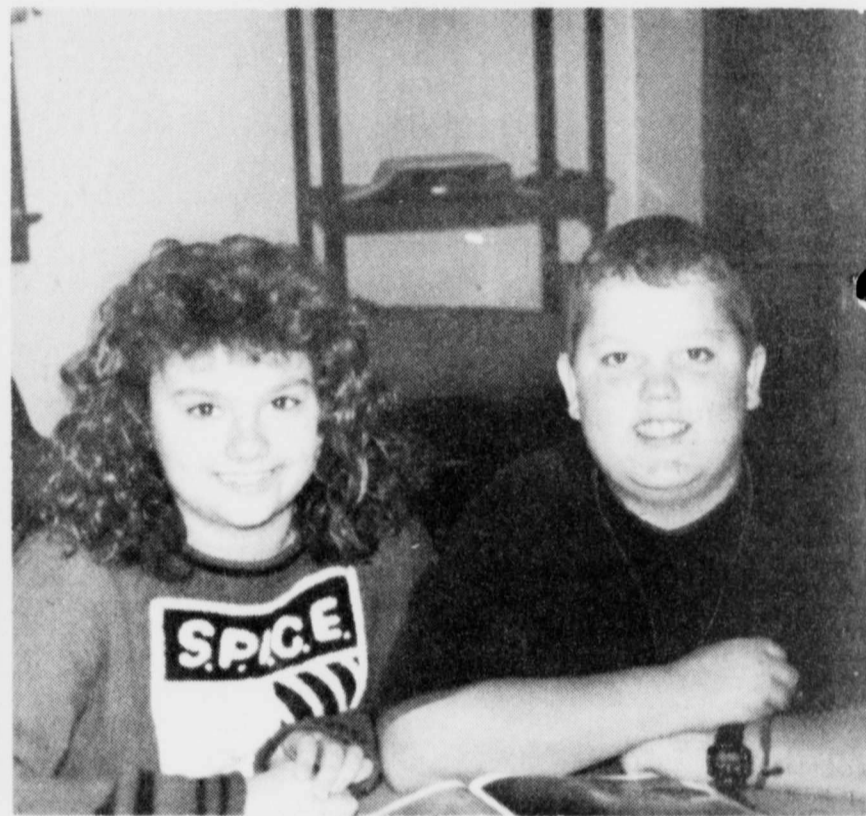
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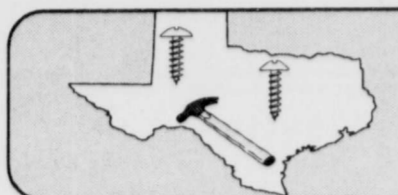
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Nuts & Bolts

By Judy Screws

I've been told that I step to the beat of a different drummer, live in a world of my own, don't know what I'm talking about, and other such exaggerations. This is entirely possible, but when something doesn't make sense to me, I like to ask a question or two. Perhaps someone can enlighten me.

I read that our present Texas State Treasurer, Ms. Whitehead, who was appointed to replace Senator Hutchison, would be running for election next year so that she could do away with the office of Treasurer, if elected. Why does she not just stop right now? If that woman has such a little to do that the office is not even necessary, why does she get the \$79,000.00 a year plus perks for the remainder of the term?

Now, what do you think would happen if my husband came to this office and ordered all new equipment, all new furniture, gold faucets, a bathroom door, a hot tub, and a machine that produced all the chocolate candy we could eat? As generous as my bosses are, I can tell you for a fact that they would send back everything, and probably send me home to my husband. So why did we not do that with the general's wife who spent the fortune on decorating the visiting generals' quarters at the military base? I believe that our military men and women should have the best that we can do for them. It is not practical to

have frills in a barracks or in most military facilities. If our enlisted personnel do not have frills, I see no reason why visiting officer's families should have better. If the general's wife wants the visitors to stay in luxurious surroundings, she should invite them to stay with her, if her husband's salary keeps them in luxury.

When you go to work each day, does your company send a limo to pick you up and wait until you are ready to go home? Do you like paying for our government officials to receive this perk? I don't. I believe that if these folks make enough money to pay for these luxuries out of their own pockets, more power to them, but if you and I are paying, we need to cease and desist. By the way, I do not begrudge this accommodation for our president, vice president, and governor. I also did not mind for the previous president, vice president and governor. We don't want the head folks in our country and our state to live shabbily.

If you go to the airport and get on a plane to take a trip, where do you park your car? When you return and retrieve your car, do you have to pay a fee when leaving the airport? Of course you do, unless you had someone drop you off and come back for you. Not so with many Washington politicians. In fact there is a private parking lot just in case one of them wants to leave their car while they fly. If they do not use it, it sits empty.

The few things I've just mentioned are probably some of the most minor abuses of tax dollars by folks in a position to abuse. I didn't want to get into name calling for a couple of reasons. The first reason is that you

need dates times and proof positive to accuse, and second, my bosses wouldn't print it, and I don't blame them. I do want to know, though, if anyone can tell me, why we do not do anything about all the infractions of our laws, and abuses of our tax dollars. Every day someone else comes out with another outlandish expenditure, and we just gripe and go on to something else. Isn't there someone who can stop this madness? Who should we see about it? We wouldn't be so broke if some of the foolish and underhanded spending could be eliminated. A dollar saved is a dollar saved any way you look at it. Just think of how much money we could save if we stopped awarding grants for college expenses to people in prison. We might be able to start helping kids who can't read when they get out of high school. They might even get some of the grants for college if they didn't have to wait in line behind the people who are being pushed to the head of the line by our college officials.

We live in a country where we are privileged beyond compare, and I wish harm to nobody, but we also live in a country where our elderly must choose between medicine and food, where we give assylum to Castro's daughter and our

law officers don't make a decent living, we spend millions of dollars on low rent housing so that we can buy the land from the "right" folks, when we could buy existing houses and apartment complexes at a fraction of the cost. We have people living in cars, and nobody can figure out a way so that single, welfare mothers can go through the transition of getting off welfare and going to work. If you are getting food stamps, your rent is being paid, and you receive child support,

are you going to go to work at a job which pays \$4.25 an hour and have your benefits stopped just as soon as you go to work? I think not.

We have a chance to change things every time there is an election. If you

cannot at least get out and vote, then don't gripe. If you do vote and your elected officials do not do the things they promised, torment the living out of them and let them know that this will be their last term.

Indictments Returned In Red River County

The Red River County Grand Jury returned 29 indictments on Tuesday, December 14.

District Attorney Jack Herrington said that arraignments are set for December 29, 1993.

Ralph Brown was indicted for capital murder in the death of Jerry Lynn Weeks, which occurred in September, 1993.

Indictments returned are as follows, with the charge:

DeWayne McCulloch, Clarksville, TX, Burglary of a building.

Paul Novalle Brown, Clarksville, TX, unauthorized use of a vehicle, and aggravated assault.

Donald Young, Jr., Red River County Jail, burglary of a motor vehicle, burglary of a building.

Joe Wiley Scott, Jr., Clarksville, TX, aggravated assault, injury to a child.

Harry Lynn Mitchell, Bagwell, TX, possession of a controlled substance, namely cocaine, less than 28 grams; possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than 28 grams.

Robert Dee Conyers, Clarksville, TX, theft.

Jeffery Wade Vititow, Sulphur Springs, TX, theft.

Larry Lee McCalester, Paris, TX, theft.

Robert Harold Collingsworth,

Allen, Tx, driving while intoxicated.

Sonja Yvette Rosser Strickland, interference with child custody.

Raph Brown, Red River County Jail, capital murder.

James Lee Henderson, Dallas County Jail, capital murder.

James Earl Bell, Red River County Jail, criminal conspiracy.

Willie Earl Pondexter, Franklin County Jail, capital murder.

Ricky Dean Bell, Franklin County Jail, capital murder.

Deon Lashun Williams, Red River County Jail, capital murder.

Francisco Salseda, Red River County Jail, unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Lamont Scales, Annona, TX, aggravated assault.

Kevin Lewis Scales, Annona, aggravated assault.

Derrick Aundra Scales, Annona, aggravated assault.

Dwayne Johnson, Annona, aggravated assault.

May Lofton Roberts, Bagwell, driving while intoxicated.

Paulette Scott, Clarksville, tampering with a governmental record.

Dianna Jo Bailey, Bogata, tampering with a governmental record.

Remessia Ricks, Clarksville, TX, tampering with a governmental record.

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