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'News Of A Former Resident'

By VANDA KING
Editor

Recently Vondean Hutchins handed me an article about John A. Pruet that appeared in the San Antonio Postal Press. She thought it would be of interest to local folks who remembered Pruet as the manager of West Texas Utilities years ago. Many will remember his wife, Naomi, and their son, Mike.

Pruet was among the recipients of letters which laid in an attic in North Carolina for 43 years after a ship crewman failed to mail them.

Corporal James E. Gunn, deceased, wrote two letters while enroute to Africa on a troop transport ship in 1944. The letters were stashed in the attic rather than being deposited in a mail box back in 1944.

The discovery of the mislaid mail received nationwide publicity and Postmaster General Albert V. Casey personally delivered some of the letters to their writers and intended recipients.

As Gunn's cousin and closest living relative, Pruet saw his cousin's name in an article in the San Antonio newspaper and wrote to the Postmaster General.

Pruet stated that reading the letters brought back memories when they were growing up in Putnam.

Gunn and Pruet went to Camp Walters for testing when they were eighteen years old. Gunn was assigned to the Signal Corps and Pruet was assigned to the Army Air Corps where he served as Engineer Gunner on a B-24 crew. Pruet flew on 34 missions during his tour in the Army Air Corps.

Gunn returned from the war and worked in New Mexico. He was killed in an automobile accident in 1948.

The letters were written by soldiers enroute to Africa on board the troop ship Caleb Strong in May 1944. The mail was supposed to be mailed by a ship's crewman when the vessel returned to the United States.

The crewman, now deceased, hid the duffel bag in his aunt's attic, fearing punishment after failing to mail the letters immediately.

The sack of mail was found by an exterminator who turned it over to a Raleigh postmaster. He was able to find three veterans before requesting additional help.

Seventy-nine letters have been returned out of the 235 letters. Only 19 remain undelivered.

John and Naomi now reside at Canyon Lake. I am sure that this story will stir remembrances of the Pruet's with many of their past friends.

Open House

Scheduled Sunday

At Colonial Oaks

Colonial Oaks Nursing Home welcomes all family and friends to join in their annual Christmas Open House Sunday, December 20, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Rev. Michael Hale, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Cross Plains and members will be leading the program this year.

Santa Claus will be here handing out gifts, and refreshments will be served.

Colonial Oaks Nursing Home invites everyone to come enjoy some Christmas cheer!



HELPING HANDS DOLLS — Here are just a few dolls that have been dressed beautifully for this Christmas giving.

'Helping Hands' Handy Work Judged

The homemaking class at the high school, under the supervision of Julia Wheeler, and the Sabanno Quilting Club have been busy dressing dolls provided by the Good Fellows of Abilene for community children.

A sample of their skills have been on display in the window of the Cross Plains Library last week. Each group was judged separately by Marlene Sanders, Netha Carouth, and Fay Chambers.

In the homemaking class Beverly Weiss was awarded a first place ribbon, a hand knitted dress and matching hat. Second place went to Michelle McNutt, and Carie Renfro took third place. Samantha Bomar and Edwin Baxter were noted as honorable mentions.

Marjorie Lacy of Cisco, a member of the Sabanno Quilting Club, was named first place with her doll dressed in red with lace and a white bonnet. A sweet note attached to the little doll was also special. Oddie Dawkins

received second place, and Clara Hallmark of Nimrod took third place.

Billie Jean Vaughn, Netha Carouth, Marlene Sanders, Jean Griffith of Eastland, Emma Woody, Lessie Baum, Jean Moore, Julia Wheeler, and Fay Chambers are other ladies who have dressed dolls for Christmas. Mrs. Chambers said, "We have had good cooperation and everyone's help has been appreciated."

Mrs. Chambers has been in charge of this project for the past three years and she was pleased to announce that next year the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club will supply the dolls. The funds for the worthy cause have already been allocated.

"Mothers, please clean out your closets and bring any unwanted toys to either the school or the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center to be distributed to other children. Every child in Cross Plains will have a Merry Christmas with everyone's cooperation," Mrs. Chambers appealed.

Local Emergency Medical Service Needs Workers

Billie Norton, a representative of the local Emergency Medical Service, would like to make an appeal to any person interested in joining the volunteer staff of the EMS. The number of volunteers has dropped recently due to residents moving and conflicts with working hours.

At the present, the EMS is at a crisis point with only two day workers, Wilma Lawrence and Jackie Ulrich, plus the drivers. There are two night crews, but three are really needed.

Mrs. Norton is a qualified state instructor for both Emergency Medical Technician or Emergency Care Attendant. If anyone would express their

desire to attend training sessions to help with the Cross Plains EMS, Mrs. Norton stated that the classes would be provided free of charge. There will need to be at least 5 to 10 students to make the class feasible.

If you are interested in attending these classes, please contact either Joyce McCoy 725-6658 or Billie Norton 725-7467.

The Cross Plains EMS would like to thank everyone for their support in the past and everyone who volunteered their services. The stress on the few presently handling emergency calls is great and hopefully there will be those who feel they can assist.

Citizens State Bank Deposits Reach All Time High

Deposits reached an all time high at Citizens State Bank on December 10, 1987. On this date deposits were at \$23,688,874 and total assets were \$27,128,263.

By comparison 10 years ago on this date the deposits at Citizens State Bank were \$10,500,788 and total assets were \$12,366,316.

Citizens State Bank feels this has been a good year. Cattle prices have been very good and a good peanut crop was harvested, contributing to a much better economy.

"We are extremely pleased with the gain in the bank's deposits considering the economic slump we have experienced the last two years," stated McCoy, President of Citizens State Bank. "We feel the economy is slowly making a recovery and we are expecting 1988 to be a good year for Cross

Plains businesses.

We are thankful for the faith that our customers have shown us and pledge to continue to do our best to serve the financial needs of the Cross Plains area."

An Old-Fashioned Christmas Dec. 20

A musical for the whole family to enjoy.

This musical will be sung by the Adult Choir and the Children's Choir of the First Baptist Church of Cross Plains on Sunday night, December 20, at 7 p.m.

The First Baptist Church would like to invite the community to attend this evening of inspiration and worship.

Large Crowd Attends Christmas Program

The Christmas Program, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, got off to a good start with Mayor Frank Robertson lighting the large Christmas tree and making a welcome address. John Adams served as master of ceremony and the announcing of winners' names was of prime interest.

Fair weather allowed for a large crowd and the seats provided were all occupied.

The local Cub Scouts performed a brief skit and sang some Christmas carols.

The arrival of Santa Claus aboard the Cross Plains Volunteer Fire Department Truck created quite a stir for all the little ones. Santa had a chair and a designated spot under an awning just to visit with the children.

Marvin Saunders led the audience in many Christmas carols which was a

little different from previous programs. Betty Lewis provided the accompaniment.

A reading by John Swift was also enjoyed by all.

The list of lucky winners included: Margaret Gregory; Becky A. Box; Samantha Newman; Nicole Clark; Jake Merryman; Jennifer Turner; Arlene McCoy; Ruby Lee; Mrs. C.W. Wyatt; Sam Lane; James Reed; Billy Lee; Clayton Goble; Betty Lewis; Shirley Lee; Marion Reed; Sonya Renfro; Tim Gregory; Jennifer Goble; Scott Cheshier; Dena Nickerson; Bubba Wyatt; Rusty Duke; Clint Box; Alice Coppinger; Vanda King; Ella Lee; Wayne Reed; Betty Weiss; and Susan Sharpe.

Danyell Johnson was the winner of the \$100 cash prize given at the close of the program.

The tremendous generosity of local businesses by donating cash or certificates made the Christmas program possible. The Kiwanis Club would like to express their appreciation to all who participated.

Lorene Jennings Exhibits Champion Pecans

In the County's 35th Annual Pecan Show, there were 74 entries, the smallest number in the show's history, according to DeMarquis Gordon, extension agent.

Lorene Jennings of Cross Plains exhibited the champion in-shell pecans with a Mohawk entry. The entry contained 27.8 pecans per pound and shelled out 56 percent kernels.

The reserve champion in-shell entry was of the Kiowa variety with 39.4 nuts per pound and a 57.9 percent kernel shell-out. Buttery pecans of Rising Star was the exhibitor.

The champion shelling entry was Cheyenne with 50.4 nuts per pound and 53.6 percent shell-out. The Cheyenne entry was exhibited by T.E. Robertson of Breckenridge who has orchards in Eastland County.

Dan Childress of Cottonwood won reserve champion shelling honors with a Caddo entry. The pecans averaged 58.3 per pound and shelled 53.6 percent kernel.

James Alexander of Rising Star won the native pecan award. His native contained 66.7 nuts per pound and shelled 60.4 percent kernels. Reserve champion varieties were owned by Robertson and contained 38 pecans per pound and shelled 47.5 percent kernels.

Complete results follow:

Apache — 1. Dan Childress, Cottonwood, 2. T.E. Robertson, Breckenridge, Barton — 1. Charles Walker, Eastland, 2. Dan Childress, Burkett — 1. Dessie Hooks, Olden, 2. Ruby Jones, Cross Plains, 3. Dan Childress, Cherokee — 1. Dan Childress, Choctaw — 1. T.E. Robertson, 2. Dan Childress, 3. Billy Adams, Olden;

Comanche — 1. T.E. Robertson, 2. Billy Adams, 3. Charles Walker, Desirable — 1. Dan Childress, Kiowa — 1. Buttery Pecans, Rising Star, 2. Dan Childress, Mahan — 1. Charles Walker, 2. James Alexander Orchard, Rising Star, Mohawk — 1. Lorene Jennings, Cross Plains, 2. Ruby Jones, 3. Dan Childress;

Shawnee — 1. Dan Childress, 2. T.E. Robertson, 3. Anton White, Cisco, Shoshoni — 1. Dan Childress, 2. T.E. Robertson, Stuart — 1. Buttery Pecans, 2. Ruby Jones, 3. C.T. Barton, Rising Star, Wichita — 1. Charles Walker, 2. Dan Childress, 3. T.E. Robertson, In-shell Variety Seedling — 1. Buttery Pecans, 2. Charles Walker, Other in-shell varieties — 1. Dan Childress, Maramec, Caddo — 1. Dan Childress; Cheyenne — 1. T.E. Robertson, 2. Dan Childress, Chickasaw — 1. Dan Childress, Halbert — 1. Rudolph Little, Olden, John Garner — 1. T.E. Robertson, 2. James Alexander Orchard, San Saba Improved — 1. James Alexander Orchard, Schley — 1. James Alexander Orchard, Sloux — 1. Dan Childress;

Tejas — 1. T.E. Robertson, 2. Dan Childress, 3. Buttery Pecans, Texas Prolific — 1. Ruby Jones, 2. James Alexander Orchard, Western — 1. Dan Childress, 2. Billy Adams, 3. T.E. Robertson, Shelling Variety Seedling — 1. T.E. Robertson, 2. T.E. Robertson, Shelling Other Varieties — 1. Dan Childress, Vogt, 2. Dan Childress, Harper, 3. Dan Childress, Native — 1. James Alexander Orchard, 2. T.E. Robertson, 3. T.E. Robertson.



OFFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING — Larry Cheshier, (from left) Program Chairman, Frank Roberson, Mayor, and Gene Green-

wood, President of the Cross Plains Kiwanis Club, were all on hand to start off the Christmas Program.



\$100 DRAWING WINNER — Danyell Johnson was the proud winner

of \$100, given as the final and largest drawing.



SITTING PRETTY — Stephanie Edington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Edington of Cross Plains, is

feeling right at home on Santa Claus' knee at the Christmas Program last Friday evening.

COURTHOUSE NEWS

NEW VEHICLES

James E. Howell, Abilene, Chev. Blazer
 Elice L.-Ricky E. Clark, Clyde, Suzuki JP.
 Edgar M. Greaves, Coleman, GMC Sub.
 Kathleen A.-Marks S. Cooper, Aibany, Chev. 4 dr.

theft, 5 year probated sentence.
Felony Criminal Complaint & Minutes
 Homer Hollis Gamble, DWI.

COUNTY COURT

Mack Kniffen, presiding

Misdemeanor Filings

Donna Heard, theft of proprty by check.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Gary Martin Glenn, Abilene, and Linda Good, Abilene.
 Danny Wayne Lewis, Abilene, and Rebecca Sue Willock, Abilene
 Jerry Wayne Simons, Cross Plains, and Sadierene Aiken, Cross Plains.

42nd DISTRICT COURT

Don Lane, presiding

Civil Filings

Lulynn Fortune and Freddie Fortune and in interest of minor child, suit for divorce.

Evergreen Capital, Ins., vs. Sanford Dvorin and AFE Oil & Gas Consultants, Inc., suit on lease.

Callahan County Farmers Co-op, Inc., vs. George Eberle, suit on account.

Callahan County Farmers Co-op, Inc., vs. C.W. Hash, suit on account.

Callahan County Farmers Co-op, Inc., vs. Edwin Huddleston, suit on account.

Twila Lorraine Bogo and Ronald Lee Bogo and in interest of minor children, suit for divorce.

State of Texas vs. Roy C. Stayton, petition for reimbursement.

Felony Criminal Minutes

Santos Ochoa Jr., probation of 4-year prison term revoked.

Jack Guy Clawson, plea of guilty to

A snake has no ears. However, its tongue is extremely sensitive to sound vibrations.

PERSONALS

Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M.F. Dill were Richard Purvis, Blanche Moore, John Howard Balkum, Wanda Walker, Alton McCowen, Collis Eager, Leo Thompson, Ross Shaw, and Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Breeding all of the community.

Amanda Dillard, Nikki Beggs, Becky Foster, and Edith Beggs were special visitors bringing gifts and singing Christmas carols.

Claudie Mae Gardner, Mrs. Dill's niece, visited from Rising Star and brought more goodies and fruit.

On November 28, the four daughters of the late Carl and Dora Champion, gathered at the home place for an early Christmas. Lots of visiting, exchanging gifts, remembering good and bad times past, plenty of food, friendship and kinship were shared.

The daughters placed flowers on their parents' graves.

Those attending were Mrs. Joyce Parkinson and daughter, Teresa Armstrong from Kopperl; Charles and Dorothy Mosley, Johnny, Ranae, and Jamie of Sundown; Lynn and Zona Mosley, Jeanie, Darryl, Freddie, Becky Ann of Graham; Vonita Champion of Cross Plains; Linda and Doug and children and Sherry O'Neal of Abilene.

Elizabeth Scott and Kevin visited in the afternoon and Wilda Dennis and her daughter, Glenda and Vickie also dropped by.

The family plans to meet each year for the fellowship.

MINUTE MUSINGS

By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

On Tuesday afternoon of last week Buddy and Nita Thate drove up to my front door. I was so glad to see them. It had been ages since I'd seen them. They were really looking for the Roady home. I was happy to assist.

My daughter, Joanie, called me early Wednesday morning - started my day off on a bright note. Earlier, I saw a "bright" sight - my fig bush full of redbirds. I call that a "redbird convention" - they are so pretty!

Early Friday morning I saw a small

gray fawn at the gate across the highway. It was trying to get through the wires, but it gave up and went back to the wooded section out there.

Sheryl Goble came by to use the telephone on Sunday, and to check on me. It is nice to have those young people so near!

Mrs. Ethel Brown's visitors this past week were Lois Garrett, Lou Grider, and Jimmielee Payne, regular and very attentive visitors from Cross Plains.

Nell Fleming was outside feeding her quail when I called. Joe finally got her to the phone. Joe has an appointment with the doctor and they will go, despite the bad weather. Jim Fleming was hauling maize to the market today.

Ms. Jewel Foster made a trip to her doctor one day last week. Her new medicine is helping nicely. She reported that the Pioneer Club House now has a new cesspool and other improvements which will make their meetings more pleasant.

J.T. and Betty Beggs were in Eastland a couple of days last week on business and for shopping.

I'm still inundated with tons of leaves off my oak trees - six trees in all. I wish someone needed them for fertilizer, or something!

ON THE CORNER

The Perfect Gift It's Not

By DON TABOR
 Publisher

On the face of it, it looks like the perfect gift for somebody who has everything.

But look again.

At first I chuckled when I read a story in Sunday's *Abilene Reporter-News* about a new "adult" toy with which you simulate blowing somebody away who has made you mad while driving your car.

The more I thought about it though the more I realized what a sad commentary this is on us all.

I'm not a Bible scholar, but somewhere it says that carrying malice in your heart is just as bad as performing an overt act.

Think about it. Here is a "toy" which allows you to fantasize about killing someone you are angry with on the highway. There's no way this can be conducive to good mental health.

According to the toy manufacturer, something called "Express Yourself, Inc." out of Charlotte, N.C., the standard unit is a little black (appropriate) box on your dashboard. When you're angry with somebody who has pulled out in front of you, you simply push a button and the box simulates shooting said offender with a machine gun.

Then there are "options". Instead of the machine gun, you can opt for a death ray or a grenade launcher.

And here's the sad part. They are apparently selling these things in droves. Department stores are standing in lines for them and manufacturer expects to distribute 70,000 by the end of the year. There are apparently alot of angry and frustrated folks out there on the road.

All of us have been angry with things that have happened while driving. My wife will tell you that patience is not my shining virtue so I have had more than my allotment of teeth-grinding in traffic.

But the story of this "toy" convinced me to try to do better. Texas has a slogan urging us to "Drive Friendly". I've never paid much attention to it, but from what I've observed on the highway, I'm not in any kind of a minority here.

It'll be hard, but I'm going to try to take the slogan to heart. Then I won't have to spend 20 bucks for a "weapon" to dust the next bad driver I come in contact with.

Donations To Cross Cut Cemetery

Recent donations to the Cross Cut Cemetery were: In memory of "Dub" Arledge - Elsie, O.B., Blanche Byrd, Brownwood, \$10; T.J., Billie Chambers, Lueders, \$25; A.B., Oneta Hubbard, Early, \$10; and Mr. and Mrs. R.N. Tatom, Cisco, \$25.

OBITUARIES

Pearl (Mrs. S. D.) Beasley

Pearl (Mrs. S.D.) Beasley, 88, died Saturday at a local hospital.

Services were at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel in Clyde with the Rev. Riley Fugitt officiating, assisted by the Rev. Daniel Moore. Burial was in the Clyde Cemetery.

Born in Madisonville, Ky., she lived in Burleson County, Baird, and later moved to the Abilene area in 1959.

She was a homemaker, a Baptist, and the widow of S.D. Beasley, Sr.

Survivors include six sons, Steve D. Beasley of Hawley, John Beasley of Abilene, Lynn Beasley of Franklin, Roy Lee Beasley of Stanton, and Ray Beasley and Glenn "Pete" Beasley, both of Clyde; four daughters, Pearl LeMay of Abilene, Ethel Hughes of Baird, Mary VanDerLinden of Cottonwood and Faye Gillim of Longview; a brother, T.L. Favors of Cameron; a sister, Mabel Griffin of Calvert; 32 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.


Mary Pauline Burns

BURKETT - Mary Pauline Burns, 77, died Friday at a Brownwood hospital.

Services were at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Walker Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Ted Bigham officiating. Burial was in the Burkett Cemetery.

Born in Dragoon, Ariz., she moved to Coleman County in 1920.

She was a homemaker and a retired nurse's aid at Overall-Morris Memorial Hospital. She was the widow of Carl E. Burns.



CROSS PLAINS LIBRARY
 NOTES

"If thou wilt receive profit, read with humility, simplicity, and faith; and seek not at any time the fame of being learned." Thomas A' Kempis

December 7 - 11

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 Children's: 78
 Memorial: For Pender Mitchell by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Thrasher.
 Books: James Nichols
 In our LAP: 26 children
 Notice to Parents: LAP will not meet December 23.

Local Children To Perform At Piano Recital

Connie Swift, local piano instructor, will present her students in recital on Saturday, December 19, at 7 p.m. at the Evangelical Methodist Church.

Students who will perform are Britany Bennett; Kaci Duke; Rusty Duke; Elizabeth McCarty; Amanda Clausen; Tiffany McKenzie; Janeal Stephens; Matt McGowen; Whitney Kirkham; Janet Hartman; Crystal Carouth; Renetha Carouth; May Wetsel; Bettina Gomillion; Rhonda Swift; and Nathaniel Swift.

Everyone is welcome to attend and

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Weekly Health Tip

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Wednesday Evening Bible Study	7:00 P.M.	

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Contributions To Dressy Cemetery

Recent donations to the Dressy Cemetery were Wilda Edington, \$25; Marie Long Christi of Abilene, \$50; and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baum, Los Cruces, New Mexico, \$50.

BURKETT NEWS

The Burkett Quilting Club met December 2 to finish the work on the quilt that was donated by Iola Terry

for the Rehab Telethon. Those who worked so diligently were the donee, Iola Terry, Mozelle Semons and Addie C. Rhodes from Coleman; Willie Mae Wilson, Cleo Porter, Eunice Mountain, Wilda Tomlinson, Doris Walker, and Lucille Cross. It is hoped that the quilt will bring a good price at the auction. Thanks so much to the good ladies for their time and effort.

J.C. Bowden of Emory visited in the home of Raymond and Lucille Cross last Saturday morning.

Arthur and Wanda Boyle, also of Emory, spent the Thanksgiving weekend with the D.A. Boyles. They all spent Saturday near Brownwood with Jerry Boyle and his family. Emma and Delbert got to visit their new little great-granddaughter for the first time.

Virgie Adams arrived home Tuesday from a week's stay with her two daughters, Mattie of Comanche and Peggy of Proctor Lake. She enjoyed the Thanksgiving holidays with her family, but was glad to be back home.

The following enjoyed dinner and a pleasant get-together in the home of their mother and grandmother, Cleo Porter, Thanksgiving Day: Jim and Lynn Porter and their sons, Brett and Lanie, Roy and Lela Young and their sons, Royce and Andrew, and also Andy Dale Young.

While Bill and Connie Noles of Fort Worth were here deer and turkey hunting, Connie prepared a delicious Thanksgiving dinner and had as her guests Raymond and Lucille Cross and Esther and Buell Neff. Connie is the daughter of Grady and Theda Harris.

The Burkett Community Center received \$30 in contributions this past week. A donation of \$20 from Jack and LaVera Strickland in memory of Maydell Godwin and \$10 anonymously. In behalf of the whole community, Lucille Cross says thanks for these gifts.

Jo Davee and Lois Garrett were in Abilene Sunday and visited Bill Mayfield and Veda DeBusk who are in Hendrick Medical Center.

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Merry Christmas from the Brad Harris Family

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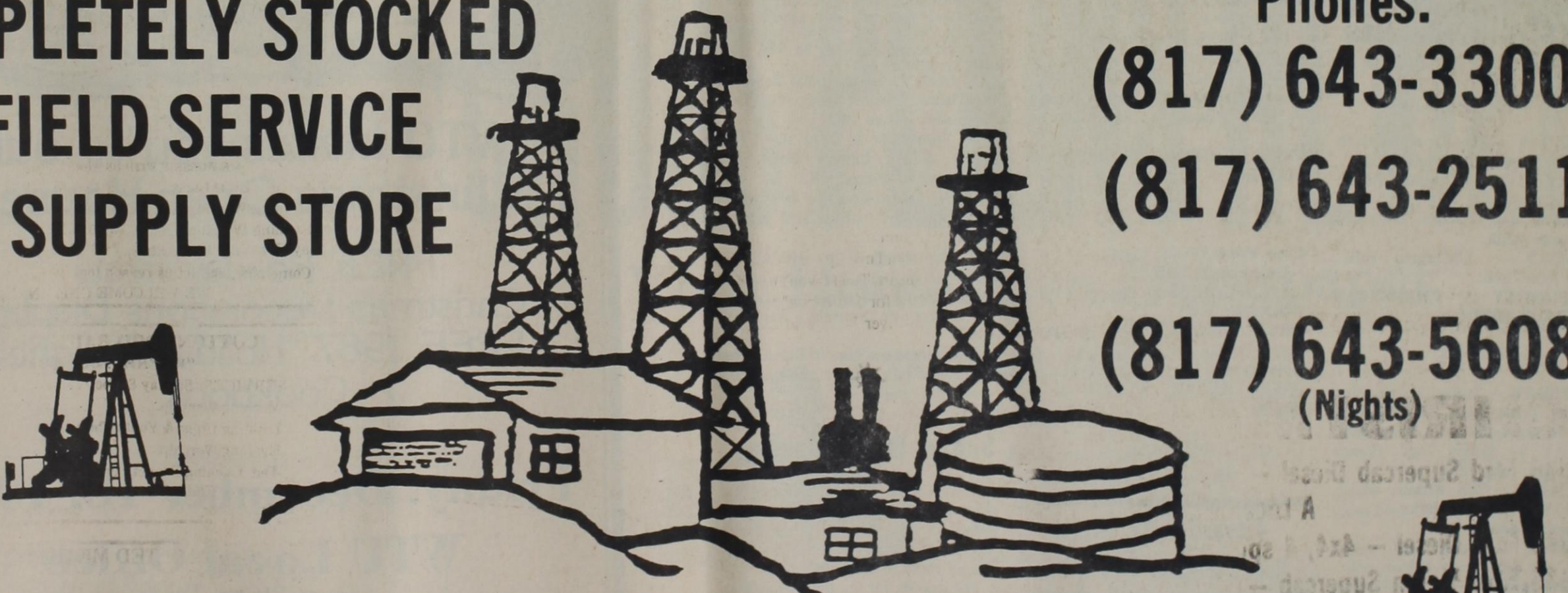
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BOOK FAIR - Librarian, Vicki Johnston, is reading a story to Junior, Casey Williams, from one of the books available through the Book Fair. Looking on is a representative of the Sunshine Book Club.



GETTING IN THE SPIRIT - Eddy Albrecht (from left), Shauna Cowan, (Not Shown), Matt Strickland, and Mrs. Childers helped put the Christmas tree up for the Student Council.

Christmas 'Question'

By DARLENE HINESLY

In last week's paper I talked about the beginning of Christmas. This week, I decided to do something different.

I went to the kindergarten, first grade, fifth grade, and sixth grade classes and asked each student individually the same question: "When you hear the word Christmas, what is the one word that comes to mind?"

In the kindergarten class the biggest response was "Santa Claus" (11), next was "toys" (8), then "Jesus" (7), after that was "Christmas trees" (4), next was "presents" (2), then "Rudolph" (1), "reindeers" (1), "nice" (1), and finally "snow" (1).

In the first grade the responses are listed below with the biggest response first and the least response last. The biggest response was "Santa Claus" (14), "toys" (5), "Jesus" (5), "presents" (4), "Christmas Eve" (2), "jingle bells" (2), "snow" (1), "cake" (1), "camera" (1), "God" (1), "giving" (1), and finally "happiness" (1).

In the fifth grade the responses are listed from the biggest to the least. The biggest was "Jesus" (16), "Christmas tree" (6), "presents" (4), "Santa Claus" (3), "holidays" (1), and finally "toys" (1).

Finally, in the 6th grade the responses are listed from the biggest to the least. The biggest was "presents" (9), "Jesus" (8), "Christmas tree" (3), "gifts" (2), "Santa Claus" (2), "holidays" (1), "green" (1), and finally "joy" (1).

It's interesting and fun to talk to the younger kids and hear their responses. The most common answer for the four grades was "Jesus." Seeing Christmas from their side is interesting.

Preparation For Holidays Begin

By REGIE BROWN

You may have noticed the Christmas decorations around the school lately. The decorations were done Wednesday, December 9, in

preparing for the holidays.

Cliffadean Hargrove, the superintendent's secretary, noticed the very colorful Christmas decorations on some of the windows of businesses around town and contacted the people responsible. They are from Sipe Springs from a business called Cactus Signs. Rocky Reiser, a representative from Cactus Signs did the decorations.

SHORT NOTES

By REGIE BROWN

1. Basketball Schedule:
 - A. December 17, 18, 19 - Eastland Tournament, Varsity Boys and Girls, There.
 - B. December 17, 18, 19 - Novice Tournament, JV Girls and Boys, There.

2. Current Rankings in Big Buck Contest:

Student Contest	Adult Contest
1st - James Ames	1st - Andrew Young
2nd - Curtis Wyatt	2nd - Kenneth Sowell
3rd - Chris Brown	4th - Jean Wilson
4th - Tim McCoy	5th - Tony Wyatt
5th - Tye Flippin	

1. Don't forget the Band Booster's Christmas Store will be held December 17 and 18.

4. Remember to help the Cross Plains School Library Book Fair December 14 through 18.

5. "Notices of Concern" (the dreaded failure slips) will be sent out this week.

6. The results of the ASVAB test taken earlier in the year by the juniors were received and were reviewed with the students by counselor, Ann Watson.

7. Business teacher, Jo Rhodes, had a speaker talk to her classes about court reporting.

School Board Meeting

The Cross Plains Independent School District Board of Trustees will gather for a regular session on Thursday, December 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the faculty room of the high school.

The agenda for the meeting will include:

1. 1987 TEAMS Exit Level Report
 2. Consider Individualized Learning Policy
 3. Approve Annual Performance Report
 4. Superintendent's Report
 5. Financial Report
 6. Pay Bills
 7. Personnel
 8. Executive Session
 9. Adjourn.
- Notice of the forthcoming meeting was issued by M. Lee Thompson, Superintendent.

Anson Tournament Results

Cross Plains Varsity girls and boys basketball teams won consolation in the Anson tournament held December 10, 11, and 12.

Selected to the All-Tournament teams were Juniors, K-Trina Meador and Chris Brown.

The individual game results are as follows:

Lady Buffs Vs. Anson.

December 10, 1987.

LOCATION: Anson.

SCORE: 56-32.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Missy Montgomery - 10, Tina Evans - 9.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 23

MADE: 8.

Buffaloes VS. Anson.

December 10, 1987.

LOCATION: Anson.

SCORE: 48-39.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Chris Brown - 15, Stacy Montgomery - 6, Scotty Cupit - 6.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 20

MADE: 16.

Lady Buffs VS. Rule.

December 11, 1987.

LOCATION: Anson.

SCORE: 56-37.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Stephanie Walker - 17, Tina Evans - 12.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 25

MADE: 16.

Buffaloes VS. Paint Creek.

December 11, 1987.

LOCATION: Anson.

SCORE: 87-42.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Chris Brown - 19, Stacy Montgomery - 16, Gregg Weiss - 15, Darin Apple - 15, Chad Bagley - 10.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 15

MADE: 7.

Lady Buffs. VS. Rotan.

December 12, 1987.

LOCATION: Anson.

SCORE: 43-42.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Pam Helms - 13, Kristy Pointer - 9, K-Trina Meador - 8.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 26

MADE: 16.

Buffaloes VS. Winters.

December 12, 1987.

LOCATION: Anson.

SCORE: 63-62.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Chris Brown - 22, Stacy Montgomery - 15, Chad Bagley - 9, Scotty Cupit - 8.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 14

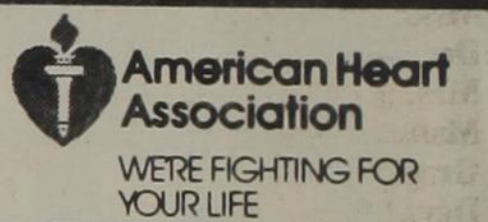
MADE: 5.

Christmas Area Teen Dance Sunday

There will be a Christmas Area Teen Dance sponsored by Cisco parents on Saturday, December 19, from 8 p.m. until midnight. The event will be hosted at the Cisco Corral Room, downtown Cisco, featuring T.J.'s Light and Sound.

Admission will be \$3 and a concession stand will be provided. Dress clothes will be the dress code for the evening.

We need you.



BASKETBALL SUMMARY

GIRLS

BOYS

Cross Plains Varsity VS. Bangs.

December 8, 1987.

LOCATION: Cross Plains.

SCORE: 39-50.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Missy Montgomery - 16, Pam Helms - 10, Tina Evans - 6, Bethany Meador - 6.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 30

MADE: 12.

Cross Plains Varsity VS. Cisco.

December 8, 1987.

LOCATION: Cross Plains.

SCORE: 49-46.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Stacy Montgomery - 14, Chris Brown - 13, Gregg Weiss - 8, Scotty Cupit - 8.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 15

MADE: 7.

GIRLS

Cross Plains JV VS. Bangs.

December 8, 1987.

LOCATION: Cross Plains.

SCORE: 25-18.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Terri Abernathy - 9, Brenda Franke - 4, Pam Strength - 4, Shauna Cowan - 4.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 3

MADE: 0.

BOYS

Cross Plains JV VS. Cisco.

December 8, 1987.

LOCATION: Cross Plains.

SCORE: 24-45.

CROSS PLAINS HIGH POINTS: Travis Jordan - 7, Lynn Porter - 6, Kyle Foster - 3.

FREE THROWS: ATTEMPTS: 9

MADE: 2.

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FRIDAY - Buttered oatmeal, toast, grape juice, milk.

MONDAY - Pancakes w/syrup, grape juice, milk.

TUESDAY - Cinnamon rolls, orange juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BEGIN.

LUNCH

THURSDAY - Turkey and dressing w/gravy, green beans, candied sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, rolls, milk.

FRIDAY - Sloppy Joes, French fries, salad, cake, milk.

MONDAY - Fish w/tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, blackeyed peas, corn bread, peaches, milk.

TUESDAY - Fiesta salad, chips, beans, rice salad, Jello w/fruit, milk.

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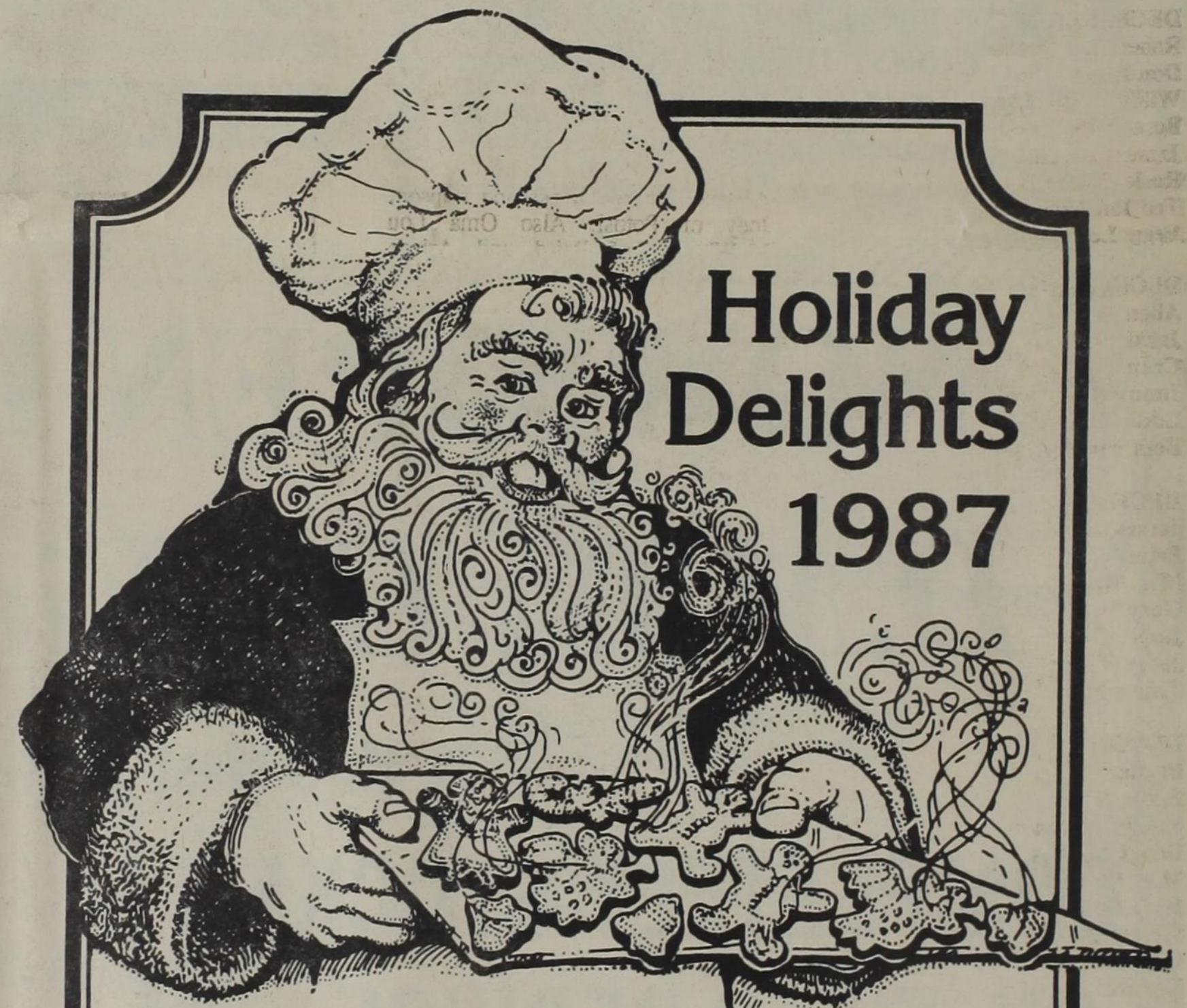
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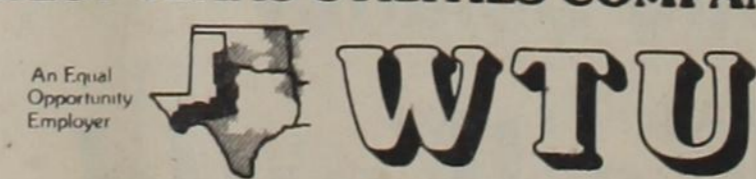
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ROWDEN NEWS

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Christmas is two weeks away, and how quickly it will pass for parents,

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 Terri Graham
 W.E. Walker
 Kasey L. Maynard
 Harold Hinkle
 Vickie I. Gilmore
 Mrs. J.W. Morgan
 Mrs. W.L. Lawrence

DECEMBER 18
 Mrs. Lester King
 Max Miller
 Cindy Chapman
 Dwayne Clark
 Deltha Hollingshead
 Seral McCorkle
 Sharron Petty
 Daniel Ingram
 Sharron Ann Gage
 Mrs. Jack Thomas

DECEMBER 19
 Ruth Letney
 Weldon McCorkle
 Melissa Parrish
 Max Watson
 Dwayne Wilson
 Don Gardner
 Mrs. Betty Jones
 Dee Barr
 Mrs. Joe Coppinger
 Malinda Winfrey
 Greg McNutt
 David Reed

DECEMBER 20
 Robert Ray Simons
 Don Penn
 William Reynolds
 Bonnie Sheppard
 James Lawrence
 Rocky Champion
 Ted Don Archer
 Peggy Lee

DECEMBER 21
 Allen Woody
 Jackie Monsey
 Cranz (Skipper) Nichols, Jr.
 Jimmy Crawford
 Eddie Hedrick
 Beth Meador

DECEMBER 22
 James Illingworth
 Peter Perry
 Mrs. B. Crow
 Gary D. Gilland
 James Goble
 Jerry Walker
 Thurman Furry

DECEMBER 23
 Bo Barr
 Bobby Sipes
 Roselyn Holmans
 Douglas Dallas
 Mrs. Kenneth Thate
 Janet Rister
 Weston Jones
 Cliff Waddell III
 Kenneth Sowell
 Jason Beauchamp
 Barbara (Purvis) Batton
 Lauretta Johnson
 Tommie Neff
 Star (Dodds) Burleson
 Mrs. Bertha Hoyt
 Lawana Freeman
 Ida Whitney
 Brian Haun
 Vanessa Ann Taff
 Sheila McPherson

but for a child it takes forever to arrive. Already, shoppers are filling the stores in Abilene. This writer was in the walk way of the new mall and only saw one person from this area, Nelda Teague and Garnette Bagley were checking out some of the stores.

Many homes in Cross Plains and Baird have up beautiful Christmas decorations and Santa was on hand Friday night in Cross Plains to greet the children and listen to their wishes for toys.

It is hoped that it will be a safe holiday and a happy time for families to come together and remember the true meaning of Christmas.

This writer received a card and letter from Nell Gunderson. She reports warm, dry weather in the McAllen area where they are spending the winter. They will be joined by their oldest son, Barry and his wife, Kay, and children, Joel and Sari, of Gambier, Ohio for the holidays. Their other two children and families will be home in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Bob Dye spent this past week in Tyler where he attended schooling on Microscopic Analyzing of Asbestos Fibers, which was held at the University Health Center in Tyler.

Don and Maryana Harrell attended the Ice Capades in Abilene Thursday night. Their daughter, Leigh, spent the night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Newberry, in Abilene.

Dorothy Reynolds attended the funeral of Jack Halley in Clyde last Monday.

Edna Dye attended the Christmas luncheon of the Abilene Garden Club at their building in Abilene Thursday.

Vernie Belle Mauldin accompanied Walter and Lorene O'Dell and Lois Haddock of Abilene to Burleson where they attended the funeral of a cousin, Kenneth Mauldin. Kenneth was the son of Archie Mauldin who grew up here in the community. Kenneth is a first cousin of Gene Mauldin.

Robert and Dorothy Watson and sons, Wyatt and Cody, attended the Baird-Rising Star basketball games in Rising Star Monday night.

Visitors this week in the Emma Johnson and Lizzie Burks home were Carroll Burks and son-in-law, Sandy Bullock, and little son, Cody, of Abilene; Charlie Burks and stepson, Joey, of Potosi. Also Oma Lou McWhorter of Baird and Arlene Laney and two sons, Ray and Ricky Kelly, of Cross Plains.

Edna Dye, a member of the Abilene Porcelain Art League Club, enjoyed a luncheon at Embassy Suites Friday. She reported 16 members attended the program and festivities.

This writer, along with other Cross Plains Garden Club members, attended a luncheon at Embassy Suites Thursday in Abilene.

Jessie Odom, Vernie Belle Mauldin, and Joy West attended their Sunday School Class Tuesday night. Jessie Odom is the class teacher.

Garden Club Correction

Members of the Cross Plains Garden Club met Thursday at the Garden Center and car-pooled to Abilene where they enjoyed a Christmas luncheon at the Embassy Suites.

After lunch, the group spent the afternoon shopping. Those attending were Mrs. Arvin Brashear, Mrs. O.W. Webb, Mrs. Don McCall, Mrs. N.V. Gibbs, Mrs. Hadden Payne, Mrs. Glenn Payne, Mrs. Cole Tillotson, Mrs. J.P. McCord, and a guest, Mrs. Exal McMillan.

The Garden Club would like to express its appreciation to Marvin Saunders and the youth group from First Baptist Church for helping them pick up trash last Saturday morning in the Club's Adopt-A-Highway project.

Farmers Home Chief Honored

WASHINGTON - Vance L. Clark, Administrator of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farmers Home Administration (FmHA), received one of the highest honors bestowed by the Future Farmers of America (FFA) at its national convention in Kansas City. Clark, whose agency is called the "lender of last resort," was awarded the Degree of Honorary American Farmer for his contributions in assisting young farmers entering the agricultural vocation.

"This award is especially meaningful since it came from the FFA," Clark said, "because these young people are the hope and the future of farming. It makes me feel good to know that they see a future in farming, and are facing the future with optimism and enthusiasm."

Texas FmHA State Director J. Lynn Futch echoed Clark's sentiments. "FFA members here in Texas are some of the most active, energetic and forward looking people I know. It is extremely gratifying to have their national organization recognize the work FmHA is doing to help family farmers."

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The Future Farmers of America, founded in 1928, is a national organization for students of vocational agriculture. The award was made at FFA's 60th national convention, held annually in Kansas City.

Don't Forget Who's Running Your Business

Dear Commissioner Nabers: I've got an employee who is dealing me misery. He hasn't been to work on time in a year. He back talks my wife when she gives him instructions. He can't get along with my other three employees. I don't want to do anything wrong — he's just the kind to try and sue me — but I really have had it. Any suggestions?

—D.A.
 Azle, Texas

Dear D.A.: I have a question first. Who is running your business, you or this problem employee?

I am constantly amazed at the number of employers out there who are intimidated by their own employees. As a business owner and employer you have a perfect right to discipline and fire any employee who refuses to abide by your rules, perform the work as instructed, or conduct himself properly on the job. My suggestion is to deal with this situation immediately. Document the man's misconduct; tell him you will no longer tolerate his tardiness, insubordination, or poor attitude; fire him promptly upon the next occurrence of such behavior.

Dear Commissioner Nabers: What sort of form do you suggest be used for written warnings or reprimands?

—B.B.
 Marfa, Texas

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Dear B.B.: I suggest your form be clearly designated as a warning, reprimand, or disciplinary action at the top. It should have a space for the date and several lines for a detailed description of the infraction. In a separate paragraph you should specify what corrective action is expected and what the results of failing to take corrective action will be.

Local Sorority Meets December 7

Nora Odom hosted the December 7 meeting of the Alpha Rho Zeta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi at her neighbor's home, the "Martin Country Club" Estate.

A business meeting was conducted and a good report given on the Tour of Homes. The Christmas Charity project was discussed which will be buying clothing and perhaps toys for one or two needy families; according to ages and needs of family members. Also, several families will receive food from the food bank, which the members donate to throughout the year.

The Sorority Christmas Party, planned for December 14, was discussed. Gifts will be exchanged by a "Chinese Auction", and there will be a covered

There should be a space for the employer's signature and the employee's signature. Under the employee's signature line I suggest you have a statement similar to this: "I acknowledge receipt of this warning and understand that it will be placed in my personnel file. Any disagreement I may have with the contents of this warning is set forth on the back of the form."

Ms. Nabers represents 336,000 employers throughout Texas. If you have any questions you want answered, please write Commissioner Nabers at: TEXAS BUSINESS TODAY, 614 Texas Employment Commission Building, 15th and Congress, Austin, Texas 78778.

Plans are already being made for the Valentine Parade, set for February 13, 1988. Committees were assigned duties, and several items discussed concerning the Valentine Contest.

Jack and Wanda Martin had invited the sorority ladies to their home many times. Some members stayed to enjoy the huge jacuzzi, and all enjoyed seeing their beautiful and unique home.

Members present were Vernelle Bishop, Sarah Brashear, Debra Childers, Mary Dunn, Bobbie Johnston, Joyce McCoy, Nora Odom, Pauniece Oglesby, Cathy Permenter, Dorothy Petty, Dora Smith, Holly Wren, Jan Duke, Brenda Conner, and Pam Harris.

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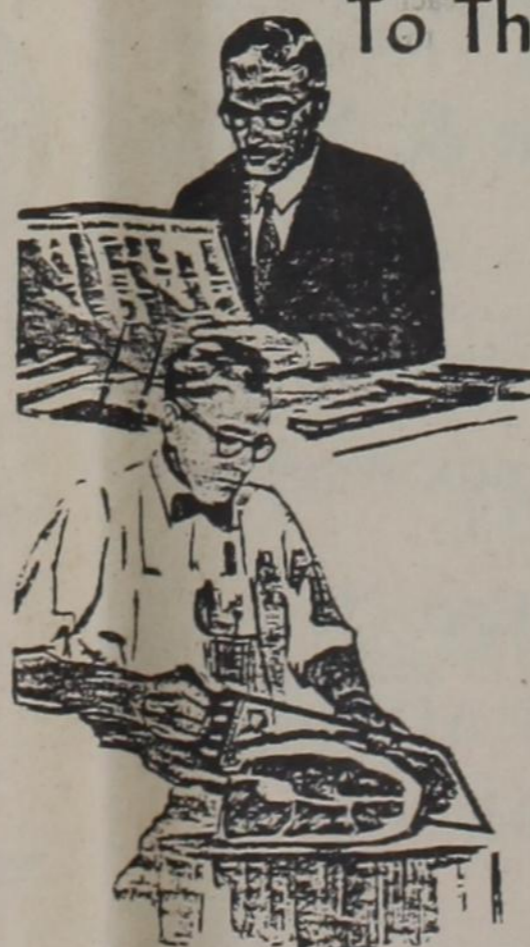
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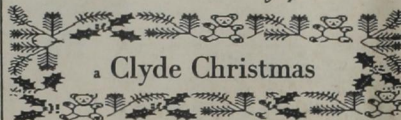
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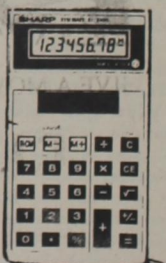
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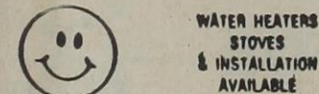
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Next week will be our last cattle sale of the year. We are having a Special Springer Cow and Yearling Sale with a good run of cattle and lots of buyers. Sale starts at 11 o'clock.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: 657 Head.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES:

Erick Arnold - Gorman - Blk wf str - 260# - \$112.00.
L.M. Burney - Brownwood - Sim. Cow - 1125# - \$57.50.
D.L. Riley - Cross Plains - Char. Bull - 1300# - \$57.50.
Norman Pierson - Rising Star - X-Bred Cow - 1595# - \$48.00.
Ted Simpson - Brownwood - Blk wf str - 325# - \$100.00.
Charles Skaggs - Sidney - Blk Cow - 1105# - \$58.00.
Buddy Reynolds - Brownwood - Red str - 410# - \$90.00.
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COTTONWOOD NEWS

By BEVERLY BROWN

On this December 14 Monday morning, from all the weather reports, we are at our high of 34 degrees at 6:30 a.m. for the day. Our first snow fall is on the way. El Paso has from 16 to 19 inches of snow, depending on the T.V. national news you are listening to. Amarillo and Lubbock also report heavy amounts. As our day progresses we will know.

The Cottonwood Baptist Church Choir presented their Christmas Cantata of "There's A Song In The Air" yesterday morning. The children performed in the program with the choir. Hope you were there to receive the Christmas message and hear the beautiful music. On December 20 the Christmas party will be held at the evening services. Christmas carolers will be making their annual appearance.

Mary Vanderlinden is the Cottonwood reporter for the Callahan County Star in Baird. Please call Mary of any news you would like to have reported. She is looking for items of events coming up in the community. Mary will soon be contacting and meeting folks in the area working on past history of Cottonwood to print. Telephone number is 725-7294.

The Cottonwood Ladies Quilting Club will host their Christmas party on Thursday, December 17. Each lady is asked to bring a gift to exchange at the celebration. This will be the last quilting session for the year. The ladies will meet on January 7, 1988 at 9:30 a.m. in the Cottonwood Community Center.

The monthly Cottonwood Musical will not be held during the month of December. The next scheduled musical will be January 15, 1988.

Family members here to be with John Purvis for the open house birthday celebration on Saturday were his children, Barbara Batten of Orlando, Florida; Betty and Richard Prall and son, Ethan of Houston; Tommy and Alma Purvis, Gregory and Dierda of Mt. Pleasant; Kathy Purvis of Washington, D.C.; and Peggy Purvis of Austin; brothers and sisters were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Purvis of Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Golden Purvis of Arizona; Faye Meehan of San Marcos; and Mildred Purvis of Midland.

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to the families of Jay Purvis of

Citrus Heights, Calif., former resident of the Cottonwood Community, in the loss of their loved one. Jay is the brother of John and Richard Purvis of the community, and of Hugh and Golden Purvis and Faye Meehan.

Mrs. Barbara Batten and Mrs. Betty Prall and Ethan are spending several days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Purvis, before returning to Florida and Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brown visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Mize and with Darla and Christi on Saturday in Abilene. They stopped by to see his brother, the Jimmy Brown family, enroute home.

We wish our sincere sympathy to Mary and C.W. Vanderlinden in the loss of her beloved mother, Mrs. Pearl Beasley of Hawley.

THE PIONEER PATCHWORK

By IRMA MILLER

The quilting circle was taking a vacation as usual in December. They have all been busy with Christmas preparations.

The Pioneer Baptist Church adults had a Christmas party at the church Saturday night. Sunday night, Rev. and Mrs. Rufus Wilson, pastor, had open house at their home in Cross Plains and the social was enjoyed by all.

Frankie Smith and Jean Fore went Saturday to Eastland to visit Frankie's father, Mr. Perry Vinson in the nursing home.

Jean Fore's company who visited lately were Estelle Huntington and daughter, Norma Jean Inabnet, James and Betsy Inabnet of Evant, and Clyde Harlowe of Arlington.

Irma and John Miller were in Dallas last week, attending three functions: a Christmas party for autistic children, a large church with 6,000 (six thousand) in attendance, and an IRS seminar on 1987 taxes for AARP tax aide volunteers, a week of enjoyment and work.

This column received word that Mrs. Lillian Parson is in Humana Hospital after a heart attack.

Sorority Tour Of Homes Well Attended

By DORA SMITH

On a beautiful, sunny Sunday afternoon, December 6, numerous guests enjoyed the annual Tour of Homes, sponsored by the Alpha Rho Zeta

Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Each of the four homes on the tour had its own unique style and decor, making an afternoon of variety and interest.

Sorority members at each home guided the guests through the homes pointing out furnishings, fixtures, antiques, etc. of particular interest.

Members of the sorority would like to thank all who attended, which included both men and women from the local area, and some out-of-town. Also a special thanks is extended to

those gracious people who made the tour possible by sharing their homes. They are Bill and Barbara Young who hosted refreshments. Archie and Dorothy Thomas, Billie Loving, and Larry and Linda Fluitt.

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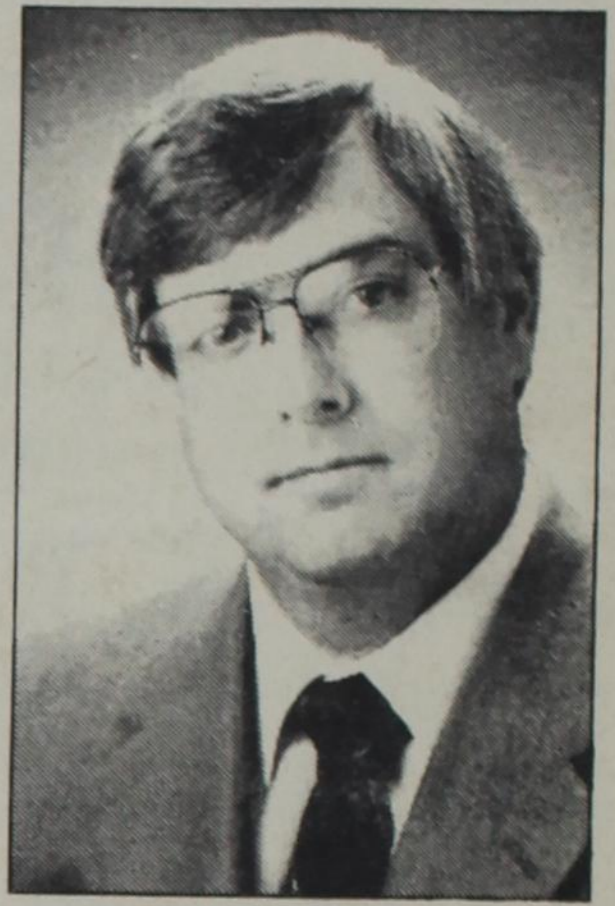
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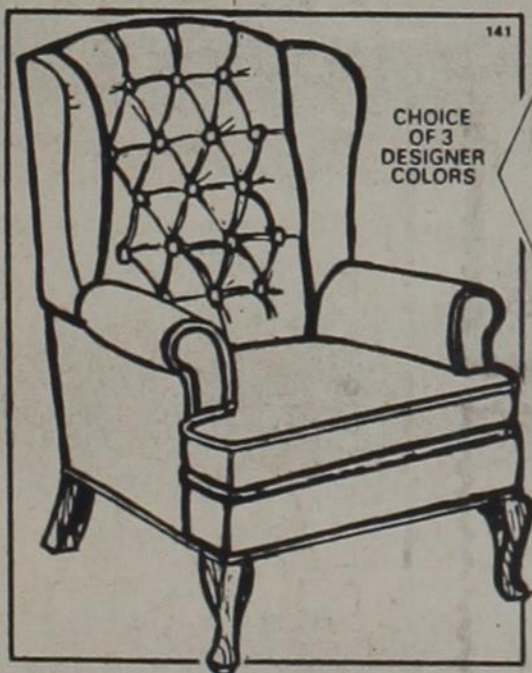
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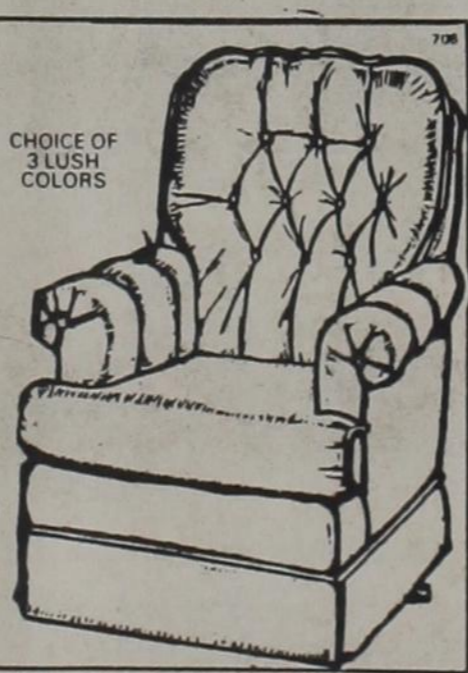
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