

Minutes of RSISD Board Meeting

Rising Star Independent School District board members, Jack Hubbard, David Harris, Dan Hughes and Joyce Baker were present for the regular meeting November 17. Also present were school administrators, Gene Williams, Frank Gray and Weldon Hill. Board members Joe Frank McCollum and Sue Barnes were not present.

The state accreditation visit was discussed, as was computer accounting orientation, Region 14.

The motion, made by Jack Hubbard and seconded by Dan Hughes, to appoint Gene Williams, Frank Gray, Weldon Hill, Raeann Kouterick, Azalee Womack, Julia Weise, Edith Bibb, Cedric Bettis to the textbook committee for fiscal year 1983-84 was unanimously approved.

The subject of board of director for Eastland Co. Appraisal District was discussed.

The board renewed the McCreary Huey contract for two years. Bids for shop equip-

ment were opened and Jack Hubbard made the motion, seconded by Dan Hughes, to accept the high bids. They were Item 1, T.L. Geye, \$101.05; Item 2, Jerry Don Knight, \$75; Item 3, Tommy Phillips, \$52; Item 4, Tommy Phillips, \$52; Item 5, Belinda West, \$82.50; Item 6, Mike Donham, \$76. The motion carried.

Upon a motion by David Harris and seconded by Joyce Baker, the board agreed to refund \$76.51 to H.G. Anderson for overpayment of taxes received for royalty interest to include '79, '80 and '81 tax years.

The board voted to send Angela White to tax collector school in Austin Dec. 12, 13 and 14.

Four board members approved a motion by Jack Hubbard, seconded by Terry Geye, to set November 24 and 25, December 26 and January 2 as holidays for the tax office and agreed to pay the tax collector for four hours each of those days. David Harris dissented.

away by Joyce Texaco, W. College St. Harvey has several relatives in Rising Star.

The winner of the free turkey given away by Kenton's Exxon, N. Main St., was Charlie Moore of Rising Star.

The service station owners are making plans to have similar drawings before Christmas.

Winners in Turkey Drawings Named

The winners have been announced in the drawings for free turkeys given away by John J. and Kyle Joyce, Joyce Texaco, and Kenton Joyce, Kenton's Exxon, at their stations this past Saturday.

Wayne Harvey of Midland was the winner of the turkey given

City Hall Will Close for Holidays

Mayor Doris Griffin has announced that Rising Star City Hall will close at 12:00 noon Wednesday, November 23rd and open Monday morning 8:00, November 28, for the Thanksgiving holidays.

In case of an EMERGENCY.

The numbers to call are:

643-7131 Doug Owen
643-1676 Gary Westerman
643-3184 Tom Bailey

On behalf of the crew at City Hall and all our Police Officers we are wishing you Happy Thanksgiving Holiday with your families.

Our City has much to be thankful for and this is due with all of us working together. Mayor Doris Griffin

Basketball Season Began

Coaches Frank Colvert and Raeann Kouterick have announced that the Rising Star Jr. High basketball games with Carbon, scheduled for November 28, have been postponed to a January date. November 28 is a school holiday.

RSJrH girls' basketball coach, Raeann Kouterick, has announced that basketball practice will be held after school on November 29. Plans are for the practice session to last until 5:30 p.m.

The team played well during their first game of the season, November 21, Coach Kouterick said. They showed promise of scoring quickly on certain plays and will improve as the season progresses. Scoring in the game with Gorman were Jackie Harris, 10 points; Tracy Wilson, 2 points; Trina Hutchins, 2 points; and Cassi Gray, one point. Other girls who suited up for the game were Barbara Majors, Jennifer Linney, Stephanie Long, Barbara Hollis, Kallie Gray, Karmen Hall and Lisa Cotton. Team managers are Lisa Lewis and Amy West.

The next game will be at 6:30 p.m. in Rising Star December 5 with Moran.

Local Students Attend College Day at TSU

The Senior and Junior class members of Rising Star High School attended College Fair and Orientation Day at Tarleton State University on Monday, November 14. The program began with Session I, College Browse time where students conferred with and secured informative literature from 37 institutions of higher learning.

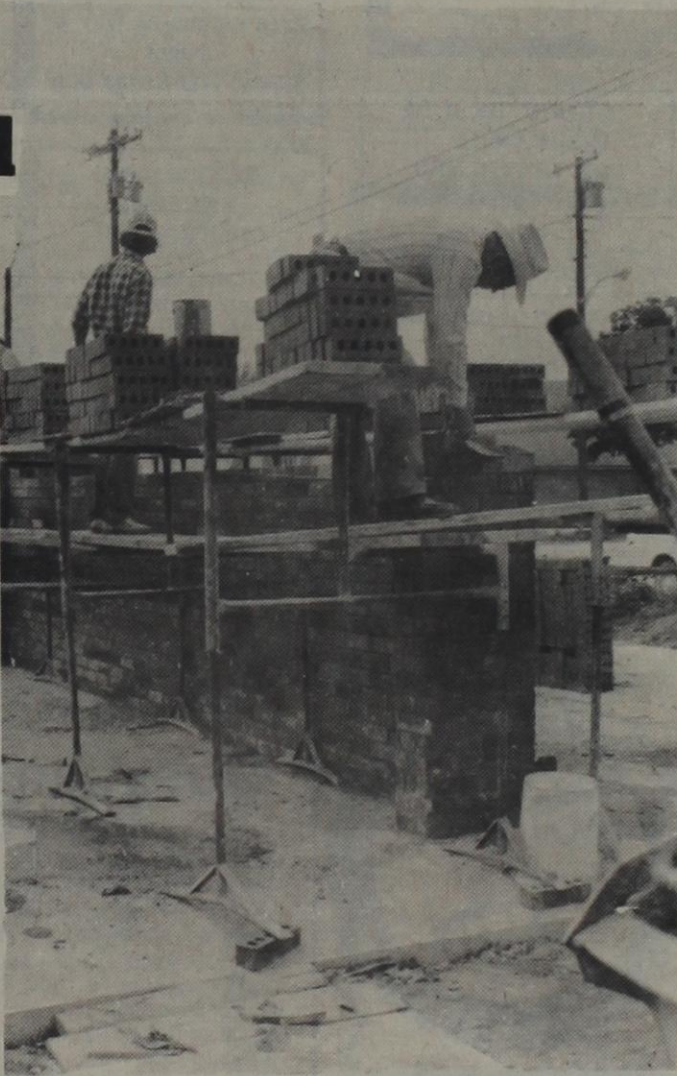
Following the College Browse time, a welcome address was given by Tarleton's president, Dr. Barry B. Thompson. Introductory speeches by staff members were

given on Military Science, Admissions, Financial Aid, Student Services and Freshmen Honor Society.

During Session II of the program, students were encouraged to select a tentative academic major and visit that particular department for an introduction to academic counseling.

The college day activities included tours of dormitories, the campus store and the student recreation center. Sponsoring the Rising Star students during the day's activities was Coach Jack Gray.

New Car Wash Being Built



A new car wash is being built in Rising Star. Work began three or four weeks ago with the lot being cleared and part of the concrete poured. This photograph of the bricks being laid was taken two weeks ago. The brick walls were soon completed and the roof has been added since then. The car wash should be completed in the near future.

Owner of the new business is Danny Hughes of Rising Star. Contractor of the work is Tom Beidleman of Brownwood. The bricklayers pictured are Kenneth Bullard, left, and Lee Roy Bell, both of Odessa. They were working with Gene Bell of Bangs. Other bricklayers were Gene's brother, Bill of Odessa, and Daryl Almgreen of Brownwood.

McDaniel Family Reunion Is Saturday

The McDaniel family reunion will be all day Saturday, November 26, at the May Community Center.

This is a Texas Sesquicentennial project, designed to discover

our roots. Marion McDaniel Co-ordinator

Office Closes For Thanksgiving

The Drivers License Office will be closed Thursday, Nov. 24, and Friday, Nov. 25 for Thanksgiving.

Local Post Office Gets Facelift

The Rising Star Post Office will have changes from top to bottom. The renovations include resurfacing the roof, a new ceiling,

recessed lighting over the counter, new flooring, new paing inside and outside, central air conditioning

and heating and a new sidewalk, announced Don Boyett, postmaster.

The contractor for the work is Sam Justice of Justice Homes, Rising Star.

The roof has already been resurfaced, following work on installing the air conditioner, and Tuesday men were at work removing the old sidewalk.



James Horrell uses a grubbing hoe and Billy Justice uses a jackhammer to reduce the cracked and worn sidewalk in front of the Rising Star Post Office to rubble. A new sidewalk is just one of the renovations in store for the post office.

Subscription Rates To Go Up January 1

Most subscriptions to your local newspaper expire on Jan. 1, 1984, and subscribers are being reminded to renew now to save money. Subscription rates will go up Jan. 1.

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Rape Crisis Seminar Set Dec. 9, 10

On Friday and Saturday, December 9th and 10th, 1983, Jane Bingham, Director of the Rape Crisis Center in Fort Worth, Texas, and Carolyn Key Jones, Counselor for the Rape Crisis Center in Fort Worth, Texas, will present a program on Rape Awareness and Prevention. The sessions will be held in Eastland, Texas at the Eastland High School Cafeteria.

The Friday session will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will last approximately one and one half hours. A rape awareness and prevention film will be shown at this time.

The Saturday session begins at 9 a.m. and will conclude at 12:00 noon.

On Saturday, Mrs. Bingham and Mrs. Jones will present a training session for volunteers, law enforcement, medical personnel, legal personnel and any others interested in rape prevention and awareness.




EASTERN STAR
The Rising Star O.E.S. Chapter 277 Members please take notice of the following: It was brought to my attention this morning November 22 by our Secretary,, Celeste Carlton, we will have a turkey dinner as I stated before, but the time we serve will be 6:00 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m. Thanks Helen R. Mitchell

SATURDAY CLUB
The Saturday Club will meet Wednesday, December 7, at the home of Cliffogene Witt, with Pauline Hudson as co-hostess. A Christmas musical will be presented. Members will answer the roll call with "This year I am going to buy a special gift for...."

There will be a meeting of DAV Chapter No. 92 of Eastland and DAVA at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 1, at K-Bob's in Eastland, according to an announcement. There will be a dutch meal, and joint meeting is scheduled for 8 p.m. These not wishing to eat may come to the meeting at 8 p.m.

4th MONDAY, Soc. Sec. Rep. 10:00

Brag Corner



Gerald Don Jordon
age 6

Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Donald Jordon of Potosi
Grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Jordon of Abilene
Great-grandparent: Mrs. Ima Crooks of May



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FOR SALE 4 bdrm. brick house, 2 story, 2 bath, dining rm., all electric, central heat and air. Large lot, water well, 7 large pecan trees & concrete cellar. Call 915-862-6386. 42-tfc

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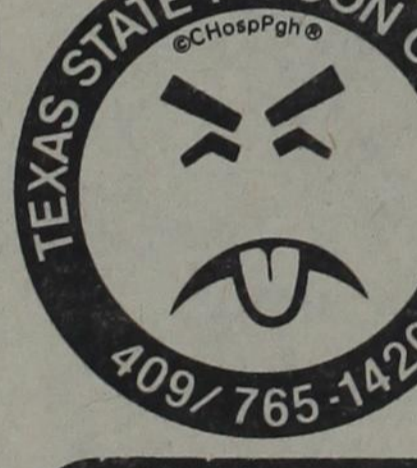
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Millions Of Turkeys Will Be Killed This Thanksgiving

How Many Motorists?

A message from this newspaper and the Troopers of the Texas Department of Public Safety

WASHINGTON WEEKLY A Special Report on Congress For the 17th District of Texas

Stenholm Supports Grenada Actions; Questions Commitment in Lebanon

Following a week of national focus on the role of the U.S. military in Grenada and Lebanon, the U.S. House of Representatives took action this past week limiting the length of involvement in Grenada through the War Powers Resolution and rejecting a proposal to pull U.S. troops out of Beirut by March 1, 1984. Under the War Powers Resolution, passed by an overwhelming 403-23 margin, the House ruled that the President is bound legally to withdraw all troops from Grenada by December 24 unless Congress authorizes a longer stay. Congressman Charles Stenholm voted for the resolution, even though he said he supported the military's involvement in that Caribbean country. "I voted for the Resolution because it is the law of the land and it was appropriate to invoke this action as

long as this law is on the books. Quite frankly, I have serious questions about the constitutionality of the law, but it is up to the Supreme Court to rule on this, not Members of Congress." Stenholm stressed that should the President ask Congress for an extension of troops in that area, he would support such action, adding, "I strongly support the President's action in Grenada. "It is my belief that we acted correctly in opposing a long term security threat to our nation - in the case of the airfield on Grenada - and a short term threat to American citizens - the medical students living there - by taking military action on the island. It is our duty as a nation to protect our rights and freedoms abroad just as we protect those rights at home," Stenholm said.

"Lebanon is an entirely different matter," he continued. "While our goals in Grenada were timely, decisive and correct, the mission of our Marines in Lebanon has never been clearly defined. That is why I supported an amendment that would have cut off funds for the so-called peace-keeping force in Lebanon if we proved unable to clearly define our commitment in that area. We have to work toward a policy of Lebanon for the Lebanese - a government crafted by the various factions in Lebanon without outside influence from any source." Stenholm said he had opposed the deployment of Marines in Lebanon from the beginning and felt that U.S. policymakers "must use the rapid withdrawal of our forces as a lever to prod the various factions in that country in-

to reaching an understanding among them."
13% Self-Employed
The 17th Congressional District of Texas has one of the highest rates of self-employed workers in the country, according to Congressman Charles W. Stenholm. According to a recently released Census report, the 17th District ranks among the top 20 Congressional districts, with 13.7 percent of the population self employed. This is almost twice the national average.
All Voters Are Urged To Vote
Calling the ballot box "this country's most important tool for protecting Democracy," Congressman Charles Stenholm announced plans for an extensive voter registration drive in the 17th Congressional District. "Before next year's primaries, I would like to see every eligible voter in the 17th District given the opportunity to register," Stenholm said, adding, "I would then like to see longer lines at ballot boxes than ever seen before in our history." "How one votes is each individual's own decision," Stenholm said. "But registering to vote and then using that privilege - a privilege some in other countries would die for - is every citizen's responsibility." Stenholm said voter registration kits are available through the County Tax Assessor's offices throughout the District and will be included to individuals through a District-wide registration effort coordinated by his office later in the year.

KEY STENHOLM VOTES

H.R. 4169 - Voted for Budget Reconciliation amendment that would delay 4 percent pay raise for federal civilian employees until January 1, 1984, increasing 3-year savings to \$10.3 billion. Passed 245-176.
H.R. 3324 - Voted for Close Up Foundation Grants amendment supporting program funding being kept in state block grants rather than in Education Secretary's discretion. Close Up Foundation Grants help low income students and teachers participate in a weeklong program in Washington. Rejected 136-173.
H.R. 3324 - Voted for final passage for funding of Close Up Foundation Grants. Felt was a cost-effective program for low income students and teachers. Passed 233-78.
H.R. 3929 - Voted for extension of Federal Supplemental Unemployment Compensation. Felt ex-

ension necessary until national economy on more solid ground. Passed 300-5.
H.R. 4091 - Voted against bill to raise income eligibility standards and reduce student prices for federally subsidized lunches and breakfasts. Felt current subsidies and income thresholds are adequate and costs of bill (\$265 million) wipe out many budget savings previously passed by Congress. Passed 306-114.
H.R. 4185 - Voted for Defense Department Appropriations amendment that would add \$81.7 million to the bill for purchase of aircraft for the Army and initial procurement of a new radar system. Appropriations Committee had reduced Army aircraft procurement by 10 percent; this adds back 2.9 percent; felt national defense should not be cut back by this large a margin.; Passed 219-193.

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Rising Star High School Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
NOV. 21	SIDNEY	RSHS	7:00
NOV. 22	MAY (GIRLS) (BOYS AT DE LEON)	MAY	7:00
NOV. 29	DE LEON	DE LEON	7:00
DEC. 1-2-3	CROSS PLAINS TOURNAMENT		
DEC. 6	DE LEON	RSHS	7:00
DEC. 8-9-10	RISING STAR TOURNAMENT		
DEC. 13	SIDNEY	SIDNEY	7:00
JAN. 3	MAY	RSHS	7:00
JAN. 6	*GORMAN	RSHS	7:00
JAN. 10	*CARBON	RSHS	7:00
JAN. 13	*MORAN	MORAN	7:00
JAN. 17	*EULA	EULA	7:00
JAN. 20	*CROSS PLAINS	CPSHS	7:00
JAN. 24	*GORMAN	GORMAN	7:00
JAN. 27	*CARBON	CARBON	7:00
JAN. 31	*MORAN	RSHS	7:00
FEB. 3	*EULA	RSHS	7:00
FEB. 7	*CROSS PLAINS	RSHS	7:00

* DENOTES DISTRICT GAMES
COACHES:
BOYS - FRANK COLVERT
GIRLS - JACK GRAY

MANAGER: KEVIN HALL

Rising Star Jr. High Basketball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME
NOV. 21	GORMAN	HERE	6:30
DEC. 5	MORAN	HERE	6:30
DEC. 12	EULA	HERE	6:30
JAN. 9	CROSS PLAINS	HERE	6:30
JAN. 16	GORMAN	THERE	6:30
JAN. 23	CARBON	HERE	6:30
JAN. 26	MORAN	THERE	6:30
JAN. 30	EULA	THERE	6:30
FEB. 6	CROSS PLAINS	THERE	6:30

JAN. 5th & 7th Gorman Jr. High Tournament
JAN. 12th & 14th Rising Star Jr. High Tournament
FEB. 2nd & 4th Carbon Jr. High Tournament

Coaches:
Boys - Frank Colvert
Mgr. Shannon Dudley

Girls - RaeAnn Kouterick
Mgr. Lisa Lewis & Amy West

School Lunchroom Menu

Nov. 28 - Dec. 2
Breakfast & Lunch
MONDAY

Holiday
TUESDAY

Oatmeal
Toast, jelly
Juice, milk

Shepherd pie
Corn, salad
Rolls, cake

WEDNESDAY

Eggs, bacon
Toast, jelly
Juice, milk

Chili beans
Cabbage, salad
Cornbread, cobbler

THURSDAY

Pancakes, syrup
Juice, milk

Spaghetti, meat sauce
Green beans, salad
Rolls, jello

FRIDAY

Coffee cake
Juice, milk

Hamburgers

Lettuce, tomatoes
Pickles, onion
Potatoes, cookie

Letters to the editor ...

Thank you for printing my letter concerning "Tyson Family" genealogy in your October 20 edition.

I received some wonderful responses from readers of your newspaper with interesting and valued information. I was greatly surprised to learn great-uncle Albert J. Tyson was editor of the Rising Star Xray newspaper until his death in 1908. Also, I learned of children of one of the great-aunts.

My special thanks to you and your readers taking the time to reply.

Mrs. Otis Tyson
Rt. 1 Box 98
Hamilton, TX 76531

Brown County Food Show Winners



These four May 4-H Club members brought home blue ribbons from the Brown County Food Show held November 19 at the Adam Street Community Center in Brownwood.

Venus Tischler, left, won her 1st place ribbon in Fruits and Vegetables with an avocado salad. Guyle Donham, second from left, entered a beefy lasagna in the Main Dish section and won a 1st place ribbon and a trophy for top score. Brandon

Geye, standing next to Guyle, won a 1st place ribbon and top score trophy for his peanut butter and oatmeal cookie in Desserts. These three were entered in the subjunior division.

Katy Lancaster, right, won a 1st place ribbon and top score trophy for her five-layer dip in Snacks; she was entered in the junior division of the food show.

HPU Releases Schedules for Spring Semester

Schedules for the spring semester of credit classes are now available in the registrar's office at Howard Payne University, said Dr. J.W. Cady, HPU vice-president for academic

affairs. In addition to a full schedule of spring classes set to begin Jan. 18, 21 courses will be offered in the mini-term Jan. 2-13. Courses will be offered in general education, drama, speech, biology, computers, business, secretarial science, Christianity, education, physical science, sociology and music.

Most of the mini-term courses are three credit hours and meet from 8 a.m. to noon daily for the two weeks.

Advisement for the spring semester at HPU will continue through Nov. 23, and new and returning students are encouraged to fill out a trial schedule of classes at this time.

Registration for spring classes will be Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 16 and 17, while students may register for the mini-term Jan. 2.

Personal

Stella Reed of Odessa recently spent the night in Rising Star with her mother, Margie Earp, after a trip to Texas City.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Michael of May on Sunday were Ralph and Pearl Goold of Pleasington, Calif., Joe and Lola Mae Krischke of Owen and Marie Gregory of May. The former Pearl Fish and Lola Mae Fish grew up in the Owen community.

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County News Briefs

Drilling Bits

At a location one mile north of Eastland, Dallas Sunbelt Oil and Gas Inc. of Dallas has finalized a new oil producer in the Eastland Regular Field.

The well is designated as the No. 1 Wright, flowing oil at the rate of 11 barrels per day on an open choke. The well also showed potential for 110,000 cubic feet of casinghead gas per day.

Location is in a 166-acre lease in the H&TC RR Co. Sec. 13, Blk 4 Survey. Bottomed at 3,976 feet, the well will produce from perforations 3,382 to 3,392 into the hole.

A 550-ft. developmental well is planned by Joe Hall of Ft. Worth at a drillsite four miles east of Putnam. The location is in a 20-acre lease in the Sec. 4, CC&SF RR Co. Survey. Well's designation is the No. 2 Isenhower Estate. It is in the Eastland Regular Field.

Ridgeway Oil Expl. and Dev. Inc. of Houston has filed for permit to drill the no. 20 Delbert Tarver "A", a 1,200-ft. developmental well one mile west of Romney. Location is in a 120-acre lease in the H&TC RR Co. Sec. 57, Blk. 3 Survey. The well is in the Hawk-Eye Field.

A Cleburn-based operator has staked location for two developmental wells, the No. 6 Walter Schoor and the No. 1 J. Brown. They will be located five miles south of Cisco and four miles east of Scranton. With projected total depth of 1,750 feet and 500 feet, the wells are in a 240 and 40-acre lease in the Eastland Regular Field, H&TC RR Co. Survey. The operator is Charles Pitts Co.

A 4,200 ft. developmental well is planned by North Ridge of Grand Prairie at a drillsite four miles north of Eastland. The location is in a 160-acre lease in the Sec. 9, Blk 4, H&TC RR Co. A-229 Survey. Well's designation is the No. 2 R.O. Morton. It is in the REB Field.

A Sand Springs-based operator has staked location for the No. 1 Isenhower Estate, a developmental well to be located five miles east of Putnam. With projected total depth of 500 feet, the well is in a 22-acre lease in Eastland Regular Field, Sec. 4, CG&SF RR Co. Survey. The operator is Kirkland Operating Company.

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one mile Northeast of Scranton. The location is in a 70-acre lease in the Sec. 128, Blk 3, H&TC A-820 Survey. The well is in the Scranton Field.

A 3,200 ft. developmental well is planned by Morrison Energy Co. of Abilene at a drillsite three miles south of Carbon. The location is in a 40-acre lease in the N.S. Mabrey & M.A. Westcott A-1647 Survey. Well's designation is the No. 5-1 Martin Unit No. 5. It is in the Marsan Field.

At a location nine miles southwest of Cisco, Nimrod Operating Co. of Cisco has finalized a new oil producer in Eastland County's Madwell Field.

The well is designated as the No. 19 C.W. Storebel, flowing oil at the rate of 40 barrels per day on an open choke.

Location is in a 200-acre lease in the Sec. 111, Blk 3, H&TC RR Co. Survey. Bottomed at 1,400 feet, the well will produce from perforations 1,342 to 1,350 into the hole.

A plug-back for shallow pay has been revealed by Richard Neal Wilson of Cross Plains. The no. 1 J.W. Gage "B" has a proposed depth of 2,860 feet. The operator has 80 acres leased, with drillsite in Eastland County's A.J. Fenn A-673 Survey. Location is nine miles north northeast of Rising Star.

At a location four miles north of Breckenridge, TIMN Oil Co. of Breckenridge has finalized a new oil producer in Stephens County's TIMN Field.

The well is designated as the No. 1 Baptist Foundation, pumping oil at the rate of 25 barrels per day on an open choke.

Location is in a 560-acre lease in the TE&L Co. Survey. Bottomed at 4,362 feet, the well will produce from perforations 4,300 to 4,308 feet into the hole.

Bob J. Williams of Graham has filed first production figures on a new gas well in the Neely Field. The No. 1 Copeland Ranch showed potential to make 273,000 CF gas per day on a 2-in.

choke. The operator has 4,731 acres leased, with drillsite in Stephens County's T&PRR Co. Survey, five miles west of Strawn.

The well will produce from an interval 3,830 to 3,833 feet into the wellbore. Total drilling depth was 4,285 feet.

A 2,200-ft. wildcat well is planned by Jim Birge Oil & Gas Co. of Wichita Falls at a drillsite three miles north of LaCasa, Stephens County. The location is in a 20-acre lease in the T&PRR Co. Survey. Well's designation is the No. 1 Herrington.

At a location four miles south of Caddo, Progress Oil Co. of Van has finalized a new oil producer in Stephens County.

The well is designated as the No. 2 Coody, pumping oil at the rate of 17 barrels per day on an open choke.

Location is in a 150-acre lease in the T&PRR Co. Survey. Bottomed at 2,399 feet, the well will produce from perforations 1,665 to 1,693 feet into the hole.

Foursome Oil Co. of Ranger has filed first production figures on a new oil well in the Stephens Regular Field. The No. 3 A.N. Bradford showed potential to make 18 barrels of oil per day.

The operator has 60 acres leased, with drillsite in Stephens County's T&PRR Co. Survey, ten miles north of Ranger.

The well will produce from an interval 1,952 to 1,970 feet into the wellbore. Total drilling depth was 2,000 feet.

A 4,200-ft. wildcat well is planned by T.R. Brower of Edmond at a drillsite six miles south of Breckenridge, Stephens County. The location is in a 734-acre lease in the T&PRR Co. Survey. Well's designation is the No. 1 R.E. Brower.


The South Mineral Wells Field will see more drilling action when UPCO Inc. of Mineral Wells starts making hole for the No. 3 Whitis. The well carries authority for 1,200-ft. total depth. It will be spudded in a 220-acre lease block Palo Pinto County's Richard Starr Survey, about four miles south of Mineral Wells. Oil or gas pay in the Strawn Formation is the target.

Location has been staked for a 5,000-ft. developmental venture in the North Mineral Wells Field, about two miles northeast of the Oran Community.

The well will be known as the No. 1-S Kendrick South. It will be spudded in a 165-acre lease in the TE&L Survey, Palo Pinto County, with Williams Petroleum Co. of Burkburnett as the operator.

The target is natural gas production in the Big Saline Formation.


A 4,300-ft. developmental well is scheduled for spuding in Palo Pinto County's B.R.A. Field 14 miles northwest of the town of Palo Pinto with Kadane Oil Co. of Wichita Falls as the operator. The well will be located in a 2,149-acre lease assembly in the fr. de la Garza Survey. It will be known as the No. 9 B.R.A.



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CISCO
The Cisco Lobos, Area winners, will play Frisco in the Regional Tournament Friday night, Nov. 25, 8:00 p.m. at the Azel High School football field. The winner of this game will go on to the State semi-finals, playing the winner of the Boyd-Pilot Posing game. The Lobos hope for a win at Azel, and all area fans are invited to attend.

D & H Enterprises, located at 105 W. 8th St., Cisco, has been opened by Harvey and Dixie Hull. They will offer picture frames, finished and unfinished, canvas and paints. Custom framing will be available. Mrs. Hull, well-known area artist, is planning to offer a free class in glass painting soon. Oil painting classes are planned for the near future. Sue Mullinax, Cisco Junior College art instructor, will have paintings on display.

The Christmas Season will begin in Cisco with the annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade. This event will begin Saturday, Dec. 3, at 10:00 a.m. There will be trophies presented for places in three divisions - floats, riding clubs and children's entries. There is no entry fee. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to join in the fun by participating. Interested persons should call the Chamber of Commerce at 442-2537 or drop by the office.

The board of trustees of the Cisco Independent School District expects to build a new primary school facility within a few years, Supt. James Couch reports. Several possible sites are being considered, and others will be sought. There is

no time table for the building project at present, he said.

EASTLAND
Merchants Fast Motor Lines will have a new Eastland County terminal when its new 3,200 sq. ft. building is completed in late January in Pogue Industrial Park. Local Agent Cliff Schooler, Merchants Official Ira T. May, and Park Developer J.D. May participated at a ground breaking. This development and other improvements opens Pogue Park for further expansion.

RANGER
Ranger has a State FHA officer - Lisa Schwesig. The Future Homemakers of America elected Lisa to the office of Sergeant At Arms during an area meeting in Stephenville. Locally she holds the office of Social Chairman. She says she would recommend being an area officer to anyone who enjoys traveling, meeting people and learning new things.

Bob Carroll of B.C. Construction Co. has received an award from St. Paul Insurance Co. for accident prevention by his company. This is in recognition of the efforts of employees and management to control and reduce accidents between August 1982-August 1983. The BC Co. headquarters is at Ranger, with a rock-crushing plant located S.E. of Eastland.

If a large track of land is under one lease, the lessee is required to pay rent on land not used.

Cost of exploration, drilling, production or marketing are responsibility of the company.

All production should be metered at wellhead, with lessor having right to check readings.

Do the terms specify how close to home, buildings and other structures that explorations are permitted?

ROYALTY. is the percentage of production you will receive, such as 1/16 - 1/8 - 3/16 - or 1/4th, of total production, and at the current market value? Company is to market production as produced and not to "hold".

Company should pay first proceeds within 90 days from start of production and with interest, and thereafter every 30 days, at the occurring market value. Company can not shut down a producing well. Failure to continue production will terminate the lease.

If, after exploration within the lease time and there is no production, the lease is terminated.

Bonus on Acreage: Bonus is the income money paid to lessor as rent, such as, \$25-\$50-\$75-per acre at the time the lease is signed.

The lessee, also called the land man, must be held responsible to find all heirs to mineral rights and to ownership of land. All titles must be clear.

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Water Rights: A very important clause, concerning surface water or fresh water wells. The company is to remove equipment when work is completed. Clean up land. Repair roads, and be responsible for any damage done on the property.

Free gas will be given to the land owner, for private use. Last but not least: find yourself a good lawyer and follow his advice.

Editorials

Recently this material came to the Telegram from Fredericksburg, Texas, with no name listed as the sender.

It goes into detail as to what type of agreement a landowner should attempt to negotiate in order to protect himself when leasing land for oil.

The material has been checked by persons with professional knowledge of the subject, and they agree that the suggestions have some value.

Leasing is not simple matter at any time but suggestions such as these may offer ideas to consider.

THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT G & O LEASE

There are many different versions of the so called "Form 88", each designed to fit the lessee's particular requirements. Before you sign a mineral lease read it carefully, word for word. You may be surprised at the little hidden, but important clauses. Check on HOW the clause is written.

THE LEASE: (Always check on Co. trying to lease)

If you own rights to A large acreage, it is not a good idea to lease the entire mineral rights under one lease. It is best to lease smaller

acreage, even as from 40-80 or 100 acres.

Otherwise a Co. could tie up hundreds of acres for yrs. What are the terms of the lease in years? Is it for 1-2-3-5 or 10 years? Does the lease terminate if exploration and drilling are not started in a specified time?

Does the terms of the lease specify for oil and gas only? Hard minerals should be on a separate lease.

Adjacent or contiguous lands under lessor rights are not included in lease unless specified.

There should be a pooling clause for small mineral rights. The "Pugh Law" provides that after 2 years if land is not producing oil or gas, the lease is terminated and the land is returned to the pool.

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But how did our love affair with the cowboy get started and what has kept it going through a century of economic and social change?

"The American Cowboy," a major exhibit on display at The University of Texas Institute of Texas Cultures in San Antonio Dec. 1983 through Jan. 1984, addresses these and other questions relating to our fascination with this most durable of folk heroes. Created by the American Folklife Center of the Library of Congress, the exhibit surveys the cowboy from his humble beginnings as a migrant agricultural worker to his status as a glamorous international celebrity.

Through its various facets the exhibit reviews the history and real life experiences of the open-range cowboy of the 19th century and compares his lifestyle to the men and women working in today's cattle industry. In addition, the exhibit explores how, from the dime novels of the 1870s to the fashion crazes of the 1980s, the cowboy myth has

become a medium through which America's changing social values are displayed.

In fact, since the 1880s, Americans have projected their needs and values on the cowboy and transformed him into a whole cast of characters: the romantic cowboy, the heroic cowboy, the Hollywood cowboy, the singing cowboy and, most recently, the chic cowboy and the urban cowboy. Can the punk cowboy be far behind?

Incorporating nearly 370 items, "The American Cowboy" is one of the most comprehensive collections of its kind. Materials displayed in the exhibit include paintings, watercolors, prints, posters, books, manuscripts, music recordings, film clips and artifacts.

Special three-dimensional attractions include an 1866 chuck box designed by the noted Texas rancher, Charles Goodnight; a 1940s Seeburg Wall-o-matic jukebox which plays a selection of cowboy songs from the 1920s through the 50s; and an eye-catching array of cowboy "kitsch" ranging from mint condition samples of the Hopalong Cassidy wrist watch, thermos, placemat and chow set to a pair of colorful procelain boots and a cowboy hat made of blue-tinted glass.

The exhibit's significance does not lie simply in its magnitude, however, but in its searching and scholarly look at the origins of a na-

tional myth. "This exhibit can remind us...what America is about. If we understand this part of our history and our continuing fascination with it, we will better understand how our people see themselves and the hopes they have for America," remarked President Reagan during the exhibit's opening in Washington, D.C., at the Library of Congress.

As one of only four institutions chosen to house "The American Cowboy" on its North American tour, the Institute of Texas Cultures has planned a variety of special programs and events to highlight the exhibition. A western film series featuring such classics as "The Texan" and "Red River," public discussions with both scholars and "real live" cowboys, and demonstrations of cowboy skills and pastimes such as trick roping, horsemanship hitching and western folk singing are scheduled throughout the month of January.

Following its showing at the Institute the exhibit will travel to: the Denver Museum of Art in Colorado (March 7 to April 29, 1984); Glenbow Museum in Calgary, Alberta, Canada (June 5 to July 29, 1984); and San Jose Museum of Art in California (Sept. 3 to Oct. 26, 1984).

"The American Cowboy" was made possible by a gift to the Library of Congress from United Technologies Corporation and its ap-

pearance at the Institute is sponsored by donations from individuals and organizations throughout Texas.

For more information on the exhibit or special events

contact The Institute of Texas Cultures at (512) 226-7651 or write P.O. Box 1226, San Antonio, Texas 78294. The Institute is a learning and communications center concern-

ed with the ethnic, cultural and folk history of Texas and is located on the corner of Bowie Street and Durango Boulevard in downtown San Antonio.



Dustin Farnum starred in the title role of the 1904 play, "The Virginian." The play and book of the same title, both written by Owen Wister, perfected and firmly established the image of the romantic cowboy as young, soft-spoken, handsome, courageous, independent and honorable. "The Virginian" is one example of the role popular media have played in transforming the cowboy from a humble agricultural worker to a national folk hero. The myth and reality of cowboy life are highlighted in "The American Cowboy," a major international exhibition produced by the Library of Congress and on display at The University of Texas Institute of Texas Cultures in San Antonio Dec. 1983 through Jan. 1984. (Photo courtesy of the Library of Congress.)

Northwestern cowboys of the 1880s were a mixture of Texas ranch hands, eastern college graduates, British remittance men and midwestern farm boys. In this photo—one of the hundreds taken by John C.H. Grabill and filed for copyright with the Library of Congress between 1887 and 1891—the cowboy's method of holding the reins indicates that he probably obtained his riding skills in the East or in England. A copy of Grabill's original photograph is included in "The American Cowboy," a major international exhibition produced by the Library of Congress and on display at The University of Texas Institute of Texas Cultures in San Antonio Dec. 1983 through Jan. 1984. (Photo courtesy of the Grabill Collection, Prints and Photographs Division of the Library of Congress.)



The logo for "The American Cowboy," a major international exhibition depicting America's fascination with this most durable of folk heroes, is adapted from the cover art of the book, "The Log of a Cowboy," by Andy Adams. Published in 1903, the book is considered the best account of a

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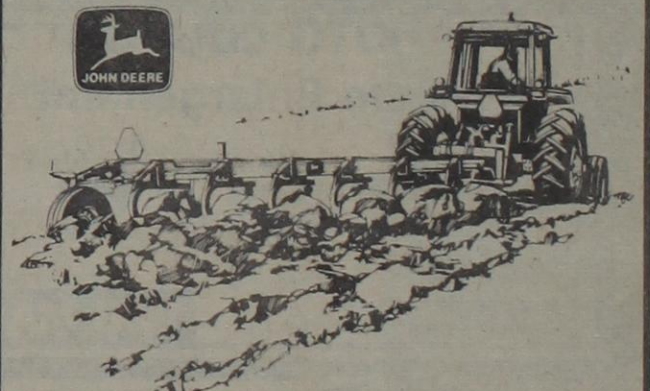
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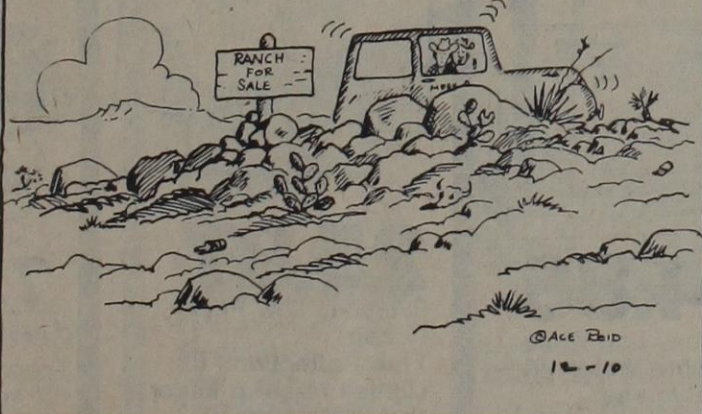
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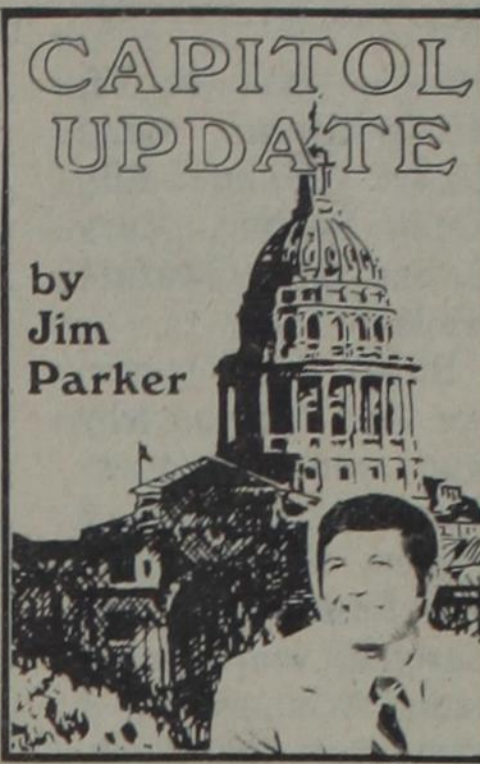
Parker Receives Requests To Sponsor Legislation To Change Laws Concerning Private Clubs

This column has been too quiet too long so let's see if we can generate some healthy controversy this week.

Toward that end I will advise you that I have been requested by several people to sponsor a bill, in the next session of the Legislature, that would slightly amend and change the current laws dealing with the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages. More specifically I have been requested to carry legislation that would effectively eliminate "private clubs" in otherwise dry areas.

As the law currently stands, a political subdivision may hold a local option election to legalize or prohibit sale of liquor. Assuming the sale is prohibited, there is another method whereby alcoholic beverages can be sold in a dry area, that method being generically known as a private club license.

The procedure for licensing a private club is relatively simple and unless certain safety objections can be proven there is virtually no way to keep a private club from being licensed, member, temporary member, guest, ect. In practical operation at a private club either by payment of a nominal fee for temporary membership or singing in as a "guest" of a



by Jim Parker

member, the member often being an employee of the private club.

Many of the people who have approached me about the matter I would have to characterize as good, levelheaded, rational thinking citizens who are not necessarily out to "rain on anyone's picnic" but simply feel that if the majority of voters of a political subdivision determine that they want their political subdivision dry, then it quite literally should be dry. I have to admit that if you follow the theory that the democratic process mandates rule of the majority then these folks are absolutely correct.

At the same time, one must look down from the dizzying heights of democratic theory to the abysmal depth

of the realities of human nature and realize that no law prohibits consumption of an alcoholic beverage in any public place, where the owner agrees, and that, in fact, the simple prohibition of private clubs in dry areas may have the most undesirable effect of allowing the same or similar type establishments to operate under the guise of no sale of alcohol, simply consumption of alcohol. Under this scenario there would be absolutely no regulation. Drinking could be conducted at any hour of the day or night and authorities, under the Constitution, would not

even have the ability to go on the premises to see what type of conduct was being carried on for the reason that they would likely never have "probable cause" to do so.

This is a controversial issue and maybe I should not bring it up this close to Christmas when there is supposed to be "peace on earth, goodwill towards men" but I do not want my constituents to lose the spirit of involvement that has been so gratifying to me as your state representative; so "give me your best shot" and let me hear what you think of this issue.

Dog Show In Dublin Dec. 4

The Bosque Valley Kennel Club, of Stephenville, would like to announce a Fun Match and Obedience Match to be held on Sunday, December 4, at the Dublin Community Park, Recreation Hall, in Dublin at 12:30 p.m. Owners of AKC registered dogs are urged to come and participate in this event. For pre-registration or other information please call Teresa Bradford in Stephenville 968-6247 or Maria Pino in Gorman 734-2578. Registration will be taken at the sight of the match.

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Senior Center News

Thursday was a busy day at the center with thirty-five signing the register. We had sandwiches, chips and dips for lunch. The Starbrites were due in Gorman at 2 p.m. for a program and I think everyone enjoyed the simple meal after a number of turkey dinners.

On November 14 sixty-one people enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner at the center.

November 15 we went to Hico where the Starbrites played for the Senior Citizens there. It was here we had another Thanksgiving feast. It was an enjoyable day and we enjoyed the autumn leaves along the way. It seemed the peanut harvest was about all finished.

Earl Fussell will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with his son and family of Houston.

We got a good report on Mary Carroll and Rada King. They recently had eye surgery and are recovering normally. We miss you at the center and hope you will be back soon.

Edith Bostick is in Utah spending two weeks there with two of her sons and families.

Bob and Betty Biggs and Effie Wright have returned to Seminole after a week's visit with the West families. Bob put in some long hunting hours, but got his turkey and deer for Thanksgiving.

Kenneth and Wanda Brown and son Kurt will be spending Thanksgiving with Wanda's parents, Marion and Marjorie West. They will be trying their luck for deer and turkey.

Holiday baking time is fast approaching, so I am sharing two of my favorite recipes.

Holiday Fruit Cake
 2½ c. sifted flour
 1 tsp. baking soda
 2 eggs, lightly beaten
 1 18 oz jar None Such mince meat
 1 can Eagle Brand milk
 2 c.-1 lb. jar-candied fruits
 1 c. chopped nuts, coarse

Butter a 9 in. tube pan. Line with wax paper. Butter again. Sift flour and soda. Combine eggs, mince meat, condensed milk, fruit and nuts. Fold in dry ingredients. Pour into pan. Bake in slow oven, 300F for 2 hrs. or until center springs back when touched, and top is golden brown. Turn out and remove paper.

RECIPE 2
YAM QUICK BREAD
 ½ cup cooking oil
 1½ cups sifted flour
 ¼ teaspoon baking powder
 1 teaspoon baking soda
 ¾ teaspoon salt
 ½ teaspoon cinnamon
 1/8 teaspoon cloves
 ¾ cup sugar
 2 eggs
 1 cup cooked mashed yams firmly packed
 3 tablespoons water
 ½ finely chopped nuts

On wax paper, thoroughly stir together the flour, baking powder, soda, salt and spices.

In a medium mixing bowl, beat the sugar and oil until blended, add eggs, one at a time, beating well. Add mashed yams, a spoon full at a time, beating until smooth. Add flour mixture and water, stir just enough to moisten, add nut meats and dates. Stir until dry ingredients are completely moistened.

Turn into a well greased loaf pan (9x5x3 in.). Bake at 350 degrees until firm in the middle, about 1 hour.

Marjorie West

Rising Star Nursing Center

Darlene Harris
Activity Director

Monday- exercise- Effie Williams, Lena Eason, Pauline Hill, Estell Bolding, Mary Boase and Mamie Wells.

Bingo- Our big winner was Maartha Irby who won 5 games; Mary Crisp won 3 games; Pauline Hill, Ada Foster and Lena Eason all won 2 games each. Winners of 1 game were Ora Clark, Mary Hammett and Mary Boase.
 Tuesday- We started the Christmas wreath for the dining area, those giving a hand to the project were: Mary Crisp, Mamie Wells, Pauline Hill, Martha Irby, Estell Bolding and Maggie Christian.

Pauline Hill and Vera Forbes were partners against Estell Bolding and Darlene Harris in a game of dominoes.

Wednesday- We had a small exercise program due to the virus that is going around in the Nursing Center. The ones to participate were: Estell Bolding, Pauline Hill, Effie Williams and Mamie Wells. We worked on cutting yarn to go on the wreath.

Wednesday evening- We enjoyed Dorothy Reynolds singing and Gertie Powell, playing the piano, we always enjoy the music.

YARN NEEDED

Thursday- This morning we worked on the Christmas wreath, we need yarn to finish these wreaths, if you have some scraps in red, yellow, green or blue please call or come by the nursing center. We would deeply appreciate it!
 Thursday evening- we went into town and did some of our Christmas shopping.

BIBLE STUDY ONE TO ONE

Friday- We did only a few exercises because of everyone being sick, those who felt like exercising were Estell Bolding, Pauline Hill and Mary Boase.
 Friday evening- Mrs. Odom and Lois Richardson came and tried to hold Bible study, but they decided that everyone was too sick to go to the front, so they took the time to go to everyone's rooms and hold Bible study one to one.

Thank you and God bless you!

Our birthday committee is sick this month so Mrs. Odom has taken it upon herself to find someone to bring cake so we can have a good birthday party.

Birthday Honorees

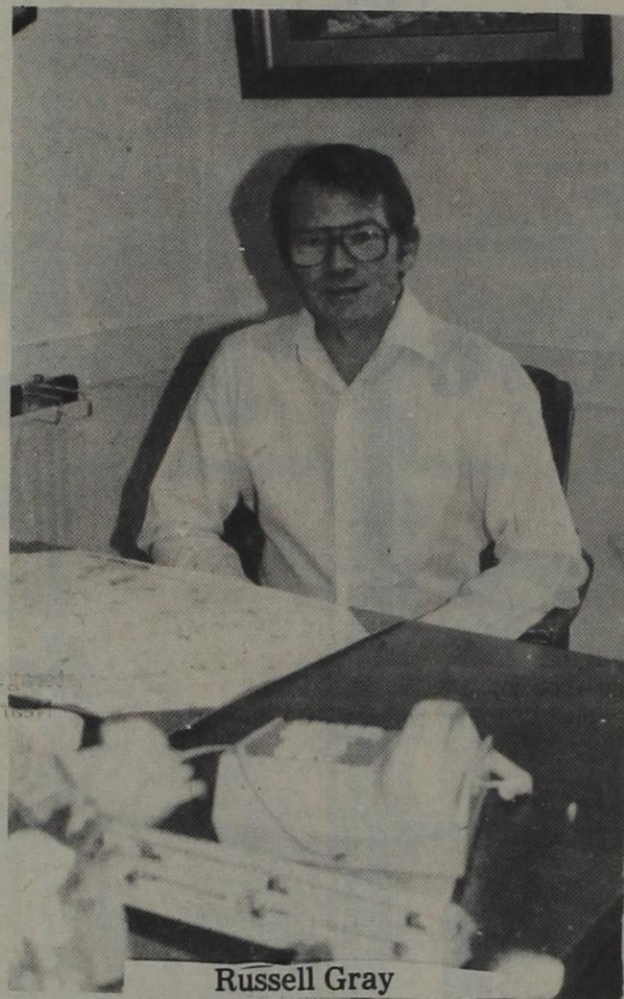


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Rising Star Nursing Center Has New Administrator



Russell Gray

Russell Gray is Rising Star Nursing Center's new administrator. Gray began work at the center three weeks ago, moving to Rising Star from Clyde where he served as administrator for Clyde

Nursing Center for the past four years.

A native of Eastland, Gray received his training at the two nursing homes there, Valley View and Eastland Manor. Following his training, he went to Baird and

worked as administrator for three years in the nursing home there until it sold. He then moved to Clyde. Gray has been an administrator since 1975.

Gray and his wife, Teresa, attend the Baptist church. She is now working at First State Bank of Rising Star.

Enthusiastic about newspaper coverage for the nursing home residents, many of whom have told him parts of fascinating life histories, Gray is making plans to feature profiles for publication on the residents, beginning in the near future.

Not Pictured
 Martha Eubank
 November 30, 1898
 near Peking, China

The ladies who have been doing the volunteer work for the past several years in holding the birthday party, complete with punch and many cakes, each month at the Rising Star Nursing Center have been ill this month and were unable to carry out the party for November. Activity director Darlene Harris asked for other volunteers to step in and Olive Odom of May agreed to find the help needed.

Bringing cakes for the party were Lorene Bush, Julia Devers, Sherra Doerschuck, Connie Hightower, Lynda Jackson, Olive Odom, Lois Richardson, Ava Nell Stewart and Bea Kelton. Many of these, with other volunteers, served cake and punch to residents in the nursing home.

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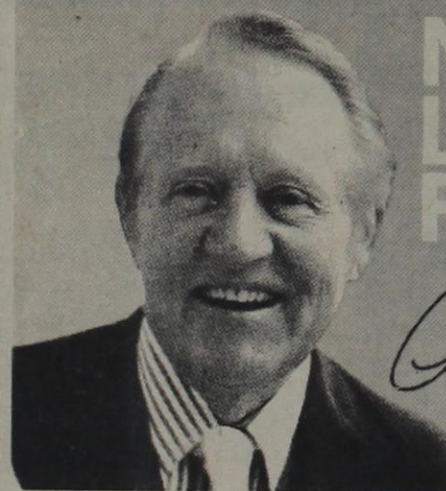
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Sipe Springs News

Our community was saddened by the death of one of our loving neighbors, Mrs. Minnie Houser. She was buried here Saturday afternoon. Our love and sympathy go to her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Rye of Albuquerque, N.M., Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Leonard of Fort Worth and Mr. Joe Leonard of De Leon were visitors in the N.L. Leonard home this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Popin of Canadian and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wyatt of Hico visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marshall Houser of Cypress, Brent Houser of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Johnston of Gustine attended Mrs. Houser's funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. David Rainer of Terrell and Red Jamerson of Whitney visited Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Weaver.

Mrs. Doris Mitchell of Newcastle visited her sister, Mrs. Irene McKeehan, and John McKeehan.

Visitors in the Millwee home have been Mrs. Layne Cotter, Mrs. Ardis Kanda-day of Baird, Mrs. Evie Haile, Genie Robinson of Amarillo, Mrs. Vicky Crow of Hico and Layne Cotter Jr. of De Leon.

Visitors in the Ted Barton home have been Beth Minnix, Randy Minnix, Susan Minnix, Tracie Marshall, Angie Baldinelli, Buddy Barton and Kia Barton, all of Midland. They had just come from the Texas A&M, Arkansas game at College Station. A&M won 36 to 23.

Visitors in the Jack Graham home have been Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Graham and family and Mrs. Bobby Ridell and children of Houston.

Saturday Club

The Saturday Club met on November 16 at the club room. Lottie Mae Roach and Vera Westerman were hostesses.

After a short business meeting the program entitled "Holiday Foods" was presented by Dianne Cantrell of Abilene.

Mrs. Cantrell presented each member with a complimentary cookbook containing recipes for holiday foods and attractive ways to display them, along with suggestions for wrapping foods as gifts.

Members also enjoyed seeing attractive wreaths that could be made to decorate one's home.

After the program refreshments of finger sandwiches, relishes, spiced apple juice, coffee and cake slices were served.

Members present were Ileta Agnew, Edra Butler, Gladys Carter, Mary Claborn, Lela Clark, Rosa Van Cox, Helen Donham, Joyce Gey, Marie Hardin, Dorris Harrell, Lenell Henry, Olice Jones, Lucille Joyce, Irene Mayfield, Barbara McCollum, Eleanor Nunnally, Polly Parker, Bonnie Polk, Polly Price, Lottie Mae Roach, Elizabeth Robertson, Dorothy Shook, Emma Jean Steel, Vera Westerman, Bertha Mae White and Yvonne Williams. Guests were Dicie Adams, Edythe Carr and Dianne Cantrell.

Thursday, Nov. 24, 1983

Obituaries

Minnie Houser

Mrs. Guy (Minnie) Houser, 90, or Hobbs, N.M., formerly of Sipe Springs, died at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 17 in Lee Regional Hospital in Hobbs. Services were at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Jerry Monsey officiated, assisted by the Rev. Dick Williams of Girling Health Care in Brownwood. Burial was at Sipe Springs Cemetery.

Born Jan. 2, 1893, she married Alan Alford in 1908. He died in 1919. She married Edward Guy Houser in 1925 in Cisco. He died in 1976. A homemaker, she was a member of the Eastern Star No. 310 in Comanche.

Survivors include a son, Curtis Alford of Rising Star; two daughters, Tinnie Miller of Carlsbad, N.M., and Lucille Monsey of Hobbs, N.M.; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren; and eight grandchildren.

Alvin McNutt

Alvin Ray McNutt, 71, of Cross Plains, who was self-employed in the well service business, died at 12:50 p.m. Thursday, November 17, at Rising Star Nursing Center. Services were at 11 a.m. Saturday at Higginbotham Funeral Home.

Burlie Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist

Church, officiated. Burial was at Cross Plains Cemetery.

Born April 7, 1912, in Mississippi, he married Hazel Marie Souls April 25, 1931, in Oklahoma. She died Aug. 14, 1979. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include three sons, Edgar of Lake Brownwood, and Jimmy and Glenn, both of Cross Plains; two daughters, Mary Ashcroft of Gatesville and Joan Apple of Cross Plains; three brothers, Feldon, Tommy and Melvin, all of Fort Worth; three sisters, Ida Belle Harrison, Winnie Hatcock and Carol Pipes, all of Fort Worth; 15 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

'Rocky' Erwin

Bruce "Rocky" Erwin, 74, of Brownwood, a retired farmer, died Monday evening at his home. Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Davis-Morris Funeral Home.

Burial will be at Sabanno Cemetery near Cross Plains.

Born Sept. 15, 1909, in Haskell County, he had lived in Brownwood for 24 years. He was a member of Melwood Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Clifford C. of Red Oak; a daughter, Rhea Mayfield of Brownwood; two brothers, Hulon of Rising Star and Pat of Cross Plains; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Eva Venable

Eva Venable, 93, of Dallas, formerly of Rising Star, died at 8:30 p.m. November 18 at the Blanton Gardens Nursing Home in Dallas.

Graveside services, under the direction of Lamar & Smith Funeral Home of Dallas, were held at 2 p.m. Monday at the Rising Star Cemetery. The Rev. Charles Cox, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiated.

Born on August 28, 1890, in Hunt County, she had lived in Dallas since 1928. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Dallas.

Three brothers and three sisters preceded her in Death.

Survivors are a niece, Martha Jay Childress of San Angelo, and two nieces from Dallas.

Legal Notices

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Cong. Charles Stenholm Reports... 1232 Longworth Ofs. Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20515

Congressman Charles W. Stenholm (D-Stamford) introduced a bill to make farm programs simpler, more predictable and fairer.

The legislation simplifies and standardizes the way acreage bases and yields are assigned to producers. Stenholm has been working on the project almost a year, along with the Texas Agricultural Forum, a coalition of farmers and agribusinessmen in the state.

An acreage base, or number of acres to be planted, is assigned to farmers who wish to take part in federal farm programs. A yield measures how many bushels or pounds per acre the farmer is

assumed to produce. Both bases and yields are important when farmers decide whether to participate in the programs.

"Right now, our system of bases and yields is a mess," Stenholm said. "It's not fair to many farmers; it's unpredictable for the rest; and it leaves too much discretion to USDA's bureaucratic whims. It needs to be changed and put into permanent law."

Bases and yields are now set by four-year farm bills, Stenholm said, which makes them subject to the political winds every four years. If the base and yield formulas were in permanent law, they would stay there unless repealed, and farmers would

have a better idea how many acres they can plant.

"When unpredictable programs keep farmers from planning ahead," Stenholm said, "they often decide not to bother with the programs at all. But this usually means more production and that lowers prices, which drives up taxpayer costs for the farm program."

Stenholm's proposal assigns bases for both overall farm acreage and individual crops. It bases yields on actual records, and

gives farmers more flexibility than they now have in deciding for themselves how much of a given crop they will plant.

Supplemental Compensation Benefits Extended

State Senator Bob Glasgow has been advised of an extension to March 31, 1985, of benefits under the Federal Supplemental Compensation (FSC) program. This extension will provide additional benefits for claimants under the following guidelines:

1. Claimants who received FSC benefits prior to April 1, 1983, are not entitled to these additional benefits.

2. Those individuals who have previously qualified for FSC claims subsequent to

4-1-83 and have exhausted their benefits prior to 10-23-83 will be entitled to an additional 5 weeks of benefits up to a maximum of 13 weeks total payment under the FSC program.

3. FSC claims established prior to 10-16-83 with benefits remaining after 10-23-83 will be entitled to 2 additional weeks with total entitlement not to exceed 10 weeks.

4. Claimants who establish FSC entitlement between October 16 and 23, 1983, will be entitled to one additional week for a total of 9 weeks.

5. Claimants who qualify for FSC on or after October 23, 1983, will be entitled to the lesser of 8 weeks or 55% of their maximum benefit amount.

Senator Glasgow stated that notices would be mailed to Texas claimants who have exhausted FSC benefits as soon as possible. Additional questions may be referred to the local Texas Employment Commission office.



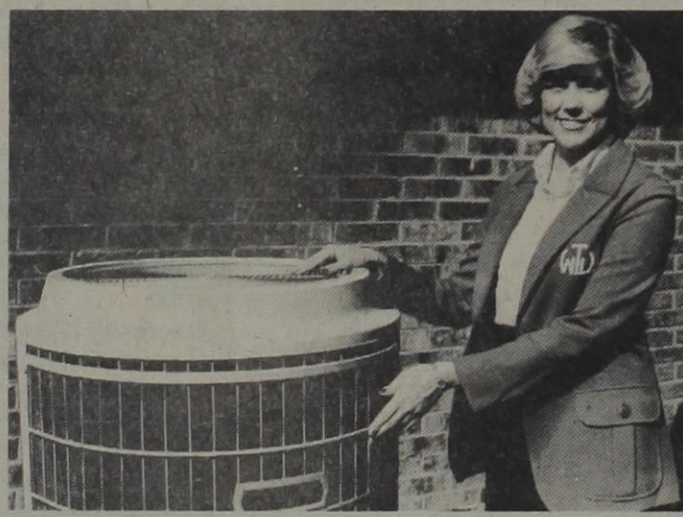
Call for State Hay Show Entries

Texas farmers and ranchers who would like to see how their 1983 hay crop stacks up have until Dec. 15 to submit entries for the Texas State Hay Show. The show will be Jan. 24 at the Sheraton

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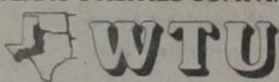
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Lifting Up Jesus



Gregg Knight

How easy it is to take things for granted! Sit down right now and list the things that you would miss if they were taken away from you. Would your husband head that list? The children; house; cars; money; etc. What about love and compassion; understanding and communication? Could not the list continue on and on?
This is the time of

the year when we are supposed to be grateful for everything. Right? Do we get caught up in the tradition of food, fun and free time. Please take advantage of the time you will have with family and friends this weekend. It will be gone soon enough. May you have a good and safe time this weekend! And of all things do not eat too much! Remember God and that He is the giver of good! Please read and enjoy the following poem:

I thank God for the little things,
That can brighten up each day,
Seems life is more abundant,
When a small kindness comes my way.
In case I'm ever doubtful,
And life seems a sorry lot,
I can be truly thankful,
That a "turkey" I am not!

Commentary

by Myrtle Owen

"Whatever things ye desire" Just about everything that we receive from our Heavenly Father, both in the natural and spiritual worlds, is based upon our desires. We have to really desire victorious Christian living, or it will never be ours. When we are sick, we really have to have the desire to be healed, or divine supernatural forces will not be put into action on our behalf. When we are living a defeated, compromising, powerless Christian life, we have to honestly desire the better life that Christ can give us or it will never come. When we have unsaved love ones, whether it be children, husband, or wife, we have to desire their salvation from the very depths of our being before spiritual forces are set in motion that will change the course of their lives, their thinking, their spiritual insight and bring them to Christ.

Wishful thinking is not enough: "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." (James 5:16) Fervent to me speaks of heat, white heat, the heat of a flame, something that is moving, that comes from the innermost depths. Fervent prayer is not just some form or ritual that you mechanically go through. Remember this! God wants you to have complete victory in your life, so many people are consumed with the belief that something they are going through, which is causing them to lose the victory in their life is God's will, it isn't their time to live in the Holy Spirit. This is simply not true!
God sent His Son into the world that He

might destroy the works of the devil. "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." (1 John 3:8) Jesus died that we might have the victory in our bodies, in our souls, and in our spirit: and don't let the devil ever put the suggestion in your mind that you are suffering and that you are defeated because it is the will of God for your life. The victory that I am talking about applies to the greatest crises in our lives, and that may be the very reason the Holy Spirit has placed this writing into your hands. This formula for victory will work for you right now, and will give you the ability to begin to apply the Word of God today, which will bring you the victory that you need regardless how great the problem is you are facing. Even more important for you, this revelation of the Holy Spirit will apply to the day by day walk through life, and all of its little problems. Most great crises are the result of a build-up of a lot of little things...crises are the explosions that finally take place as a result of the day to day pressures that are not faed squarely and eliminated. If the day to day items of conflict were handled on a day to day basis, even if a crisis did come that appeared to be totally beyond our control, in Jesus we can cope. This applies to me also! Mark 11:23-25.

United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church met Monday at 3 p.m., continuing the Bible study of The Great Physician with Chapter 8, "The Roll of Malady."
Mrs. James Armstrong presided and Mrs. Maggie Smith gave the invocation.
Mrs. Jeannine Cox opened the study with the subjects, The Roll of Malady and The Universality of Malady. Other subjects were The Old Hebrew Views of Malady by Winnie Armstrong, Another Biblical View by Mae Pearl Hull, Malady and Healing in Antiquity by Elizabeth Robertson, Shamanism by Yvonne Williams, Modern Views of Malady by Inez Hutton and The New Age and Visions and Scriptures by Elza Witt.
The Society Benediction in unison was the closing prayer.

Coverage of Nonprofit Organizations

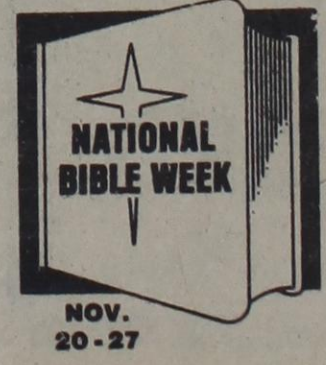
Starting January 1, 1984, all employees of nonprofit organizations will be covered by Social Security. Under the old law, such employment was not covered unless the organization waived its exemption from Federal taxes, including Social Security taxes. The new provision is included in the Social Security Amendments of 1983. Newly covered persons can get Social Security retirement and survivors insurance with fewer years of coverage than normally required if: they are at least 55 on January 1, 1984; and they earn a specified amount of Social Security credit after January 1, 1984. The amount ranges from one and a half years for a person who is 60 or older on that date, to five years for someone who is 55 or 56 at that time.
Under the old law, these organizations could end coverage if they gave two years notice if coverage had been in effect for at least eight years. This is no longer allowed. These provisions are designed to end gaps in the protection of workers who move between covered and non-covered work. In addition, they reduce the payment or windfall benefits to workers who work under Social Security and then qualify for a relatively high benefit in relation to the Social Security taxes they have paid into the system.

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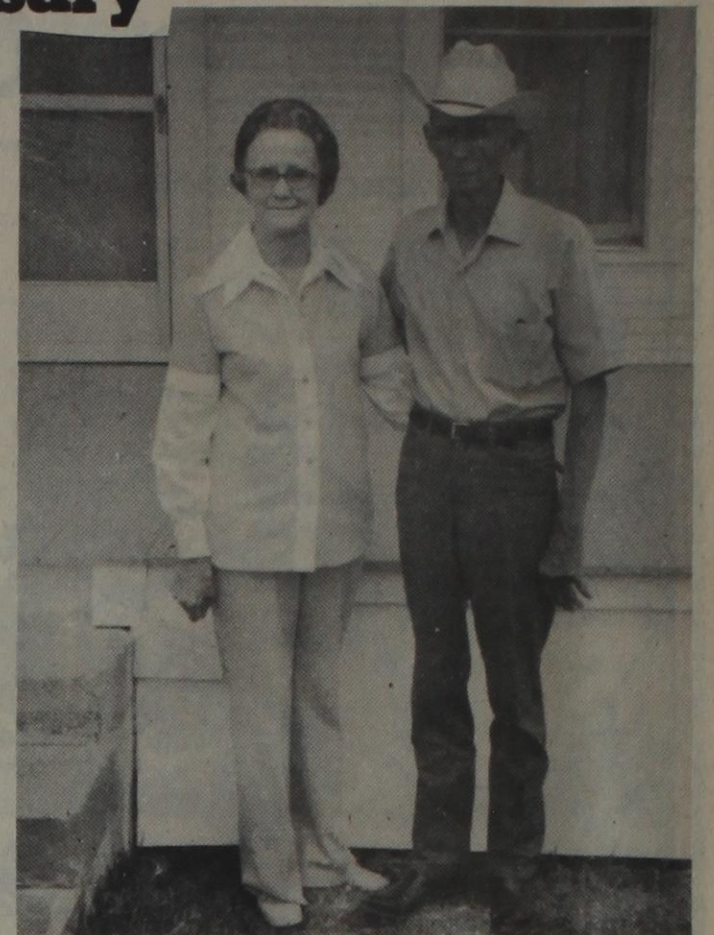
The May FFA Senior Chapter Conducting Team recently placed 2nd in the district leadership contest. This week the team placed 4th in area IV competition. The team members are: Glenn Pittman-President, Chris Matthews-Vice Pres., Tony Thompson-Secretary, Richard Windom-Tres, Alex Teague-Reporter, Dale Cloer-Sentinel, Lonnie Robertson-Student Adv., Jimmy Crafton-member

Anniversary

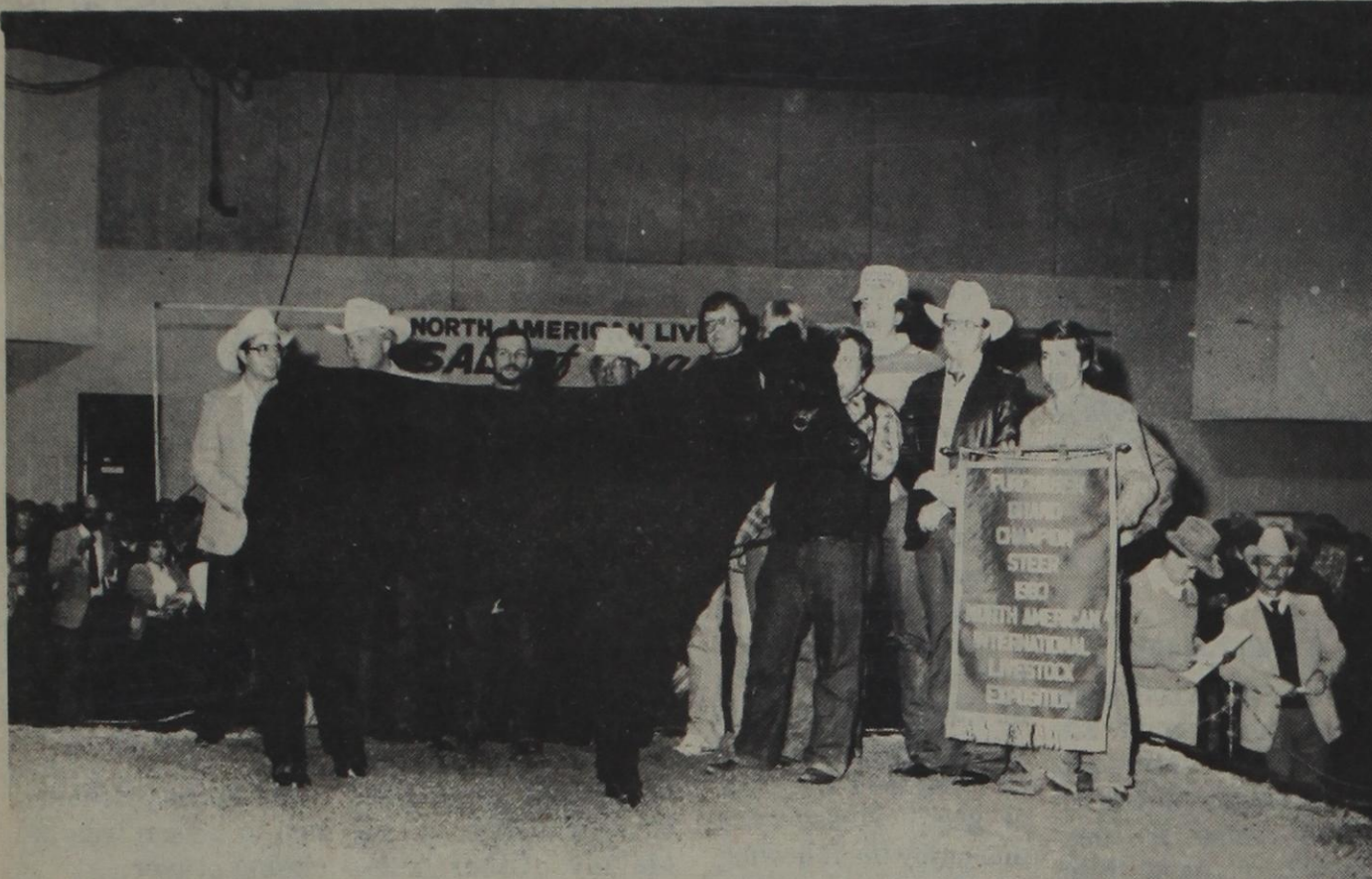
An informal reception will honor long-time area school teachers, Carl and Mabel Halsell at Cottonwood Community Center on Saturday Nov. 26, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The occasion celebrates the sixtieth anniversary of the wedding December 1, 1923.

Hosting the party are their children, Charles and Lou Rodenberger and Sue Taylor.

The Halsells have taught school at Cottonwood, Romney, Cedar Bluff, Woodson, Cross Plains, Okra, Sipe Springs and Kokomo, during their more than forty years as educators. They make their home near Cross Plains at present. Honoring them on this day are all seven



grand-children and seven great-grandchildren. All friends and former students are invited to share their celebration. The honorees have requested no gifts be given.



Many cattle breeders from across the nation pooled resources to purchase the Grand Champion Steer for a record \$10,000. Six of America's top producing cattle states were represented in the purchase. From left to right in the photo, the companies and individuals represented are:

Sculpture Cattle Company of Rising Star, TX; Jensen Cattle Co. of El Reno, OK; Ken Jacobson of Kearney, MO; Nolan Fleshner of Augusta, IL; Mark Sneed, owner of the champ, Ewing, IL; Tom Kisse of Spring Field, MO; Rick Graff of Albany, TX; and Jim Horsley of Toulon, IL.

The May FFA Livestock Judging Team & Advisor would like to give a special "THANK YOU" to all of the following persons & organizations that contributed both time & money to help us go to the National Livestock Judging Contest:

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| May PTC | Mike & Jean Hardwick | Mr. & Mrs. Troy Pallett |
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Brad Fortune Named All District Housewarming for Clarks Is December 4

Brad Fortune, a senior in Early High School, was unanimously chosen as linebacker for the All District team in 10AA football. Brad has played all four years, making the varsity as a sophomore. He received honorable mention in All District last year.

The high school student body elected Brad as Mr. Early High for the 1983-84 school year. His junior year he was chosen class favorite. He is a member of the Key Club, a service organization, and was class representative his junior year. Brad was selected by the faculty to attend Boys State in Austin last June. The week-long trip is sponsored by the Early Lions Club and two junior boys are selected each year.

Active in FFA and 4-H, Brad is currently serving as president of the Early FFA. His project is a show calf which he won in the 1983 Houston Scramble and he plans to show it in Houston in 1984. The 4-H Dairy Judging team of which he is a member won District in 1983 and went to Texas A&M University in June to the 4-H Round-Up to compete in state competition. He served as vice-president of the 4-H club in 1982-83.

Brad's interests extend to music and science. He has been a member of the school choir for two years and is now serving as vice-president of the Concert Choir. He has competed in the regional Science Fair in Abilene two years; last spring his project earned four awards at the regional fair.

Brad also remains active in the Early United Methodist Church where he has served as president of MYF.

Brad is the son of Mrs. Martha Fortune and the late Bobby Fortune. The Fortune family lived in Rising Star for a number of years and Mrs. Fortune taught in the local elementary school.

Mr. Fortune also taught in the school system and served as high school principal and as school superintendent.

Local friends have expressed their delight and satisfaction in Brad's achievements.

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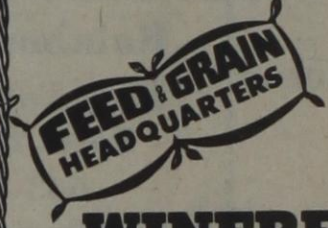
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Laura Cox is the 14 year old daughter of Franklin & Sharon Cox. A Freshman student at Rising Star High School, Laura is President of her class, twirler for the Wildcat Band, and plays the clarinet. She is on the basketball and track teams.

Aside from school, Laura is an active member of the First Baptist Church and on the Youth Council. She is also a dance student of Nicki Harle's in Baird and has 9 years of tap, jazz, and ballet training. She has recently been selected as a finalist in the Miss Texas National Teenagers Pageant to be held in June '84 on the T.C.U. Campus in Ft. Worth.

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