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CAUGHT AT WORK — Caught together at work Monday were three of the first employees of Schleicher County Medical Center and two of the newest employees. From left to right, they are Miss Lillian Kroeger, administrator; Dr. Wayne Williams; Barbara

Schroeder Wilkin, physicians assistant; and nurses Delia Pina and Pauline Hodges. Miss Kroeger, Mrs. Pina and Mrs. Hodges were the first employees of the medical center. Mrs. Wilkin joined the staff a few years ago and Dr. Williams came last summer.

Last Ten Years Have Been Good For Medical Center And Staff

EDITOR'S NOTE — This is the second of a three-part series on the history and projected future of Schleicher County Medical Center. The center will be ten years old Feb. 16 and the anniversary will be observed by an open house sponsored by the Hospital Auxiliary.

Feb. 16, 1969 was a special day for people in Schleicher County, because it was the day of the grand opening of Schleicher County Medical Center. Almost 1,000 persons filed through the center to look at the 16-bed hospital and 22-bed nursing home.

After the initial excitement of the grand opening, there were four persons left to carry the workload of the center, Dr. J.B. Brame, administrator Lillian Kroeger and nurses Delia Pina and Pauline Hodges.

Miss Kroeger remembers that first month of operation as a hectic one. "After the open house, we were going to begin using the hospital on Feb. 24," she explained, adding "But before we got everything out of the boxes, Mrs. Peggy Ussery came to the clinic and said it was time for her baby to be born."

"I had to hurry and get the obstetrical equipment out of the boxes before the baby came," added Mrs. Pina. The birth was a double surprise, as Mrs. Ussery gave birth to a set of twin girls. They were the first of about 12 sets of twins born in the hospital in the last ten years.

In addition to all that, there was not a cook in the hospital, so the first few patients had to eat frozen TV dinners prepared by one of the women employees. Mrs. Lillian Crosby was the first patient. She is now a resident of the nursing home.

"We ordered what we thought would be the essentials to begin with," remembers Miss Kroeger, "and would you believe the first rattle out of the box, the doctor prescribed some aspirin for a patient and we didn't have any. Of all things, we forgot to get aspirin."

Another problem for the administrator was writing a set of by-laws for the hospital. "Even though I had been a hospital administrator and a hospital consultant, it was hard to start from scratch. They had to fit our hospital here," she said.

Since then, she has had some other problems, most of which come from having to meet standards of the department of Health, Education

and Welfare. First of all, the facility must follow the life safety code, which cost the hospital about \$25,000 during the first year. To meet HEW requirements, the administrator had to replace several doors, buy a fire alarm system, a partial sprinkler system and install both a separate air conditioning system and new glass in the nursery.

To meet additional standards, the center is presently extending the roof deck down the hall in the nursing home. This is the first year this requirement has not been a headache for the administrator.

At first, collecting bills owed the hospital presented a problem, but Miss Kroeger's staff says it is not as bad now as it was. There are about \$50,000 of outstanding debts owed the center since its opening.

However, the center meets all the requirements set by HEW and the Texas Hospital Association. Plus, the nursing home is registered with the Texas Nursing Home Association.

Miss Kroeger points out that the hospital participates in the voluntary cost containment effort of the Texas Voluntary Effort. This is a pledge of intent to contain the rate of hospital expenditures and incur new capital investment at levels that provide quality medical hospital services.

Even though the thought of a new hospital met with much opposition, it is a success, so much so that an addition to the nursing home was made in 1971, which added 16 beds to the facility.

The hospital district is still paying on the \$450,000 of bonds and will have paid them off in 1987. The addition to the nursing home was paid for in November of 1978.

At first there was only one doctor here, Dr. Brame. He was later joined by Dr. Phil Osborne and then Dr. Dan Patterson who left in 1973. Last year, another doctor, Dr. Wayne Williams joined the staff.

At the present time, the center has the two doctors, 55 employees, and a monthly payroll of \$30,000. In addition to the doctors, there is a physician's assistant, Barbara Schroeder Wilkin; the administrator, five registered nurses, four LVNs, four full-time kitchen employees, two maids, two janitors, 18 aides in the nursing home, eight aides in the hospital, one x-ray technician, one laboratory technician, one inhalation therapist and five office workers.

With such a large staff and a successful ten years, the center is looking forward to a profitable and successful future.

City Sets Two Public Hearings

The City of Eldorado will have two public hearings this week, one today and one Friday. Both are at 2 p.m. in the city hall.

Purpose of the hearings is to discuss preapplication for Community Development Block Grant for SK Engineering of San Angelo. Murl Sudduth, engineer and SK representative will be at the meetings.

The hearings will determine how and where the grant, if it is approved will be used. City officials have expressed the opinion it could be used to upgrade the city's gas system. If the grant is approved, it will not cost the city anything.

As most residents of the city already know, there has been a long standing problem with gas pressure here. Pat Ragsdale said the grant might be the answer of guaranteeing the city a gas supply on a long range basis.

Several other small towns in the West Texas area have used this kind of grant for projects such as upgrading gas systems or building school facilities.

Sports Banquet Is Scheduled

The All-Sports Banquet will be at 6 p.m. Feb. 24 in the Memorial Building, under direction of the Booster Club.

Bob Wright, a recruiting coach, will be the guest speaker.

Tickets for the banquet are \$3.50 each and may be bought from any booster Club member or at school.

A dance in the show barn will be held after the meal from 8-12 p.m. Providing music will be Deja-Yu Productions of Austin.

Booster club members urge the public to support all the students who participated or will be participating in sports this year, as all of them will be recognized.

The dance is for junior high and high school students.

Gerald Geistweidt Wins Representative Race

The race is finally over, with voters in the 56th district voting in Gerald Geistweidt as their state representative. The Mason County attorney-rancher won the race easily over Kerr County attorney Scott Stehling.

The Republican winner took nine out of ten counties in the district, losing only in Kerr County where he received 1,761 to Stehling's 2,447. In Mason County, Geistweidt received 1,053 and Stehling received 53 votes.

In Schleicher County, local voters favored Geistweidt 219 to 59, with a total of 278 voters going to the polls.

Geistweidt, who will be sworn in at 10 a.m. Friday on the floor of the House of Representatives at the state capital, pledged to be a representative and promoter of ranchers, farmers and others in the agriculture industry.

Speaker of the house, Bill Clayton will swear in the new representative.

Immediately following the ceremonies a brunch will be held for friends and contingents of Gerald Geistweidt at the Green Pastures Restaurant in Austin from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

He also said he would try to find a viable alternative to the property tax, saying that possibly the state could eliminate property taxes altogether.

Geistweidt reported spending \$15,602 for his campaign and Stehling reported spending \$11,635 for his. Geistweidt was helped by workers who also helped 21st district U.S. Congressman Tom Loeffler, who is Geistweidt's cousin.

Stehling and Geistweidt were the top two contenders during a special



GERALD GEISTWEIDT

election on Jan. 6 after long-time representative Jim Nugent was appointed to the Railroad Commission.

The winner is a graduate of Mason High School and the University of Texas Law School. He is also a former member of the Texas Crime and Narcotics Advisory Commission and the Mason County Independent School board. He joins two other Republicans who were winners in other races last year, Loeffler, and Gov. Bill Clements.

City Council Meets Tonight

There will be a special meeting of the Eldorado City Council at 7 p.m. tonight in City Hall. Purpose of the meeting is to review applications for city secretary.

The special meeting was set during a regular meeting of the council Monday night. During this meeting, the council met with three local citizens about minor affairs and paid the city's bills.

Farmers And Ranchers Face New Roadblocks

Inflation and a mild recession are several of the roadblocks facing farmers and ranchers in 1979, says a marketing economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Dr. Carl Anderson expects overall economic growth to slow to 2 percent or less in 1979, down from nearly 4 percent in 1978. "This will bring on a mild recession during the mid-year. The economic slowdown will likely curtail buying of higher priced cuts of red meats and will encourage the use of ground beef, meat substitutes and poultry," he contends. "Mill use of cotton may also decline."

"Inflation and the cost of energy will continue to hamper economic growth in the United States and will especially keep agricultural producers in an economic bind," believes Anderson. "The President's wage and price standards are not expected to be effective unless they are bolstered by considerable economic restraints by monetary authorities and in government spending."

"Effects of a high rate of inflation are particularly severe on agriculture," emphasizes the economist. "It aggravates the cost-price

squeeze by increasing production costs but not necessarily farm prices. The result is lower incomes and a risky financial environment. At the same time, farmers and ranchers are faced with rising costs of living such as higher bills for utilities, pickup trucks, housing, clothing, fuel and medical costs just like other businessmen and wage earners."

Anderson expects sagging productivity, deficit federal government spending and cumbersome federal regulations to fuel inflation. A sizeable trade deficit will also contribute to economic instability. With limited petroleum resources and slow progress in developing alternate sources of energy, the U.S. is becoming increasingly dependent upon expensive oil imports.

"Prospects for holding the rate of inflation below about 8 percent in 1979 is bleak," contends the economist. "There is no easy answer nor quick solution to controlling inflation without a number of undesirable short-term side effects such as high interest rates and increasing unemployment."

WEATHER LOG

date	high	low
Jan. 29	39	27
Jan. 30	48	12
Jan. 31	44	13
Feb. 1	47	27
Feb. 2	62	38
Feb. 3	60	38
Feb. 4	45	30

Fog was reported on Jan. 29 and Feb. 2. Official recording for moisture was .24 inches on Feb. 3 and .81 inches on Feb. 4, with the total at 1.05 inches.



BEAUTIFUL SETTING — This is the setting of the Old Shop in Sonora which handles a wide variety of China and other dining room accessories. The store, owned

and operated by Mr. and Mrs. James Hunt, moved into its new building Monday.

Short Stuff

By JOE AWTRY

Tuesday night will end the regularly scheduled basketball campaign for the Eldorado Eagles as they travel to Wall to face two very fine cager teams.

The girls are still in contention for the playoffs, but even though the boys are not I think they have represented their school well.

They never at any time gave up and were always out there hustling until the final whistle sounded and I don't think anyone could ask for more. So our congratulations to the fine boys and their coaches.

On the other hand, if the girls can handle Menard here this Friday night they could win the second half of the district play and force a playoff game with the talented Wall Hawk girls, winners of the first half of district play.

Let's all get behind our teams this Friday night and boost them to victory.

However, if Wall wins Tuesday night they will be the District 9A champions. At any rate, whichever team comes out on top, I think this district will have a very good representative in the playoffs.

—Ss—

The Historical Society has sent the first phase of their history book, "History of Schleicher County" to the printer, so maybe it won't be too long before the books will be coming off the press.

This book will have most of the history of the county and histories of the first families who came to Schleicher County and the many businesses, schools and churches.

If you haven't ordered your copy, you should write or call Wenona Isaacs or Margaret Frost.

—Ss—

Ole man winter has hit the area again this week with freezing rain coming in Monday. Most of the area has reported from an inch to an inch-and-half of moisture which was welcomed by most of the farmers and ranchers.

This moisture should be real good for any winter pasture if the weather will warm up some now to prevent freezing.

—Ss—

I was visiting in Junction one day last week with Roy Cooper, publisher of the Junction Eagle, and he made the comment that Schleicher County was fortunate to have a sheriff the caliber of Orval Edmiston and deputies like Walter Donaldson and Barry Hale.

It sure makes a person feel good to go out of town and hear a comment like this about your hometown. I also think this speaks very highly for our law enforcement officers.

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I, J. Patrick Ragsdale, in my capacity as Mayor of the City of Eldorado, Texas, do hereby order that an election be held in said City on the 7th day of April 1979, for the purpose of electing the following officials for said City.

Two (2) Alderman One (1) Mayor

Whose terms expire March 31, 1979

That in accordance with an order adopted by the City Council of said City, said election shall be held at the following place: Fire Station in said City, and the following named persons are hereby appointed officers for said election:

Mr. Billie Porter, Judge
Mr. Richard Mendez

In election precinct No. 1 at the Fire Station Building, in said City, with Mrs. Billie Porter as presiding Judge, Richard Mendez as alternate presiding Judge, and said Presiding Judge shall have Mrs. Ina Lambert as clerk to assist her with said election.

J. Patrick Ragsdale Mayor 28c2c

Co-Op Sponsors Speech Contest

An all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., next June will be awarded to two young people from the service area of Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative, Inc., according to Elton McGinnes, general manager of the rural electric system headquartered at Eldorado.

It is part of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association's Annual Rural Electric Youth Tour which brings around one-thousand rural youth to the nation's capital each year.

McGinnes said that an essay writing contest has been offered to each local area school system. There will be two winners from each school system who will

be required to give a five to eight minute talk on their subject matter before three judges at the Memorial Building in Eldorado at 2 p.m., on April 7. Two winners (one boy and one girl) and two alternates (one boy and one girl) will be selected by this oral contest.

Winners from each school will be judged on the basis of (1) knowledge of subject — 40%, (2) speaking ability — 30%, (3) appearance — 10%, (4) personality 10%, and (5) poise — 10%, according to A.T. Turner, Assistant Manager, who is in charge of the contest for Southwest Texas Electric Cooperative.

Edmiston Baby Born Feb. 3 Local Club Sponsoring Contest

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bob Edmiston Feb. 3 at Schleicher County Medical Center.

The infant has been named James Robert Edmiston. He weighed seven pounds, nine ounces and was 20 inches long. He is the Edmiston's first child.

Grandparents are Mrs. Jake Merck, Mr. Marvin McAngus and Mr. and Mrs. Orval Edmiston all of Eldorado.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Lizzie McAngus and Mr. E.N. Edmiston, both of Eldorado.

The Women's Club will be sponsoring speeches made by 10 junior students at Eldorado High School Monday, Feb. 12. Subject of the speeches will be inflation, regulations, controls and energy as they pertain to our government.

There will be first, second and third place awards and the winner will compete in a similar contest March 24 in Brownwood at the district convention of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

The contest continues at state, regional and national levels with winners at the national level being given scholarships.

M. Clarks Have A Baby Boy

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mickie Clark of Charlotte Feb. 1. Named Luke Allen, the baby was born in San Antonio. He weighed seven pounds, nine and one-half ounces.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A.A. "Tucker" Clark of Eldorado and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Allen of Charlotte. Mrs. Maude Clark of San Angelo is a great-grandmother.

Benefit Auction Is Saturday

The VFW and the Ladies Auxiliary of Big Lake will sponsor an auction in conjunction with the Eldorado Country Western Jamboree Saturday, Feb. 12 at the Memorial Building.

Merchandise donated by local merchants and residents will be auctioned off with all proceeds going to three men who were burned in an oil field accident here last September.

Everyone is encouraged to attend and participate in the jamboree and the auction.

Amy Willeke Is On Dean's List

Amy Willeke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Willeke of Eldorado, was on the dean's list at Sam Houston State University for the 1978 fall semester.

She earned a 4.0 grade average and is majoring in agriculture.

Nine Tables Play Bridge, Honor Bebees

Nine tables of players attended the Duplicate Bridge Club meeting last week, as members honored Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bebee with a reception after their marriage.

Winners in north-south play were Sue Henry and Sue Barber of San Angelo, first; Sally Sheen and George Finley of San Angelo, second; Baroniece Callan of Menard and Mrs. Bebee, third and Sue McDonald and Sharon Haney of San Angelo, fourth.

High east-west winners were Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Barber of San Angelo, first; Hayden Callan of Menard and Jack Bebee, second; Evelyn Wimer and Bernice Sweatt, third; Tom Peaslee of Sonora and Billie Porter, fourth.

On Jan. 11, during the membership tournament, Mrs. Wilson and Lorene Capehart of San Angelo won first. Other winners were Ebba Ann Barber and Lucille Cohan of San Angelo, second; Jo Roberts and Sue Henry of San Angelo, third and Pug Scott and Bessie Mae Tucker of San Angelo, fourth. Bobby Barber and George Finley of San Angelo tied with Mr. and Mrs. Hollis McCormick for fifth.

Girl Born To Bob Cramers

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cramer of Eldorado are the parents of a baby girl, born Saturday in Schleicher County Medical Center.

Named Michelle Yvonne Cramer, the baby weighed six pounds, ten ounces and measured 18 inches.

Grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cramer of Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boisse of San Angelo. Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Cramer of Pasadena and Mr. and Mrs. B.V. McBride of Dear Park are great-grandparent. Maria Torrez of San Angelo is the baby's great-great-grandmother.

Home Front

Mrs. Neal Heflin of Lake Oswego, Oregon was visiting this past week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Peters. They spent the weekend in Jourdan with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Peters, brother of Mrs. Heflin.

Mrs. Ruth Harkey of Anaheim, Calif. and Mr. and Mrs. K.B. Hallmark, Jr. of Lampasas were weekend guests in the Clay Porter home.

Mrs. Marylue Olson has been a patient in the local hospital for the past few days.

Mrs. Ed Meador, Mrs. Lynn Meador and Erin and Mrs. Ronnie Mittel spent last week in Dallas.

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Yo, J. Patrick Ragsdale, en mi capacidad como Mayor de la ciudad de Eldorado, Tejas, mediante la presente ordeno que una eleccion se lleve a cabo en esta ciudad el dia 7 de Abril 1979, por el proposito de elegir los siguientes oficiales para esta ciudad:

Dos (2) Concejales Uno (1) Mayor

Termino de puesto se vence Marzo 31, 1979

De Acuerdo con la orden adoptada por el concilio de la ciudad, dicha eleccion se lleva a cabo en el siguiente lugar: Estacion de Bomberos en esta ciudad, y las siguientes personas son nombradas como oficiales para dirigir dicha eleccion.

Sra. Billie Porter, Juez Sr. Richard Mendez

En la eleccion del preciento No. 1 en la Estacion de Bomberos de esta ciudad, con la Sra. Billie Porter presidiendo como Juez, y el Sr. Richard Mendez como Jues alternaiva y dicho juez debera tener a la Sra. Ina Lambert como archivera para asistirle con dicha eleccion.

J. Patrick Ragsdale Mayor 28c2c

PERSONAL

IF YOU WANT TO DRINK THAT'S YOUR BUSINESS. IF YOU WANT TO STOP DRINKING, THAT'S OUR BUSINESS. Persons interested in joining an alcoholic anonymous group in Eldorado are asked to come to the Memorial Building every Monday night at 8 p.m. for a meeting.

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Nursing Home Sweethearts Are Chosen

A tacky party will be held in the hospital dining room at 3:30 p.m. Feb. 15 to honor the Valentine king and queen of the nursing home. Named queen of the nursing home is Mrs. Tom (Bess) Ratliff and runnerup was Mrs. Juanita Sanchez. George Kisselburg was voted king with Lester Garrett as runnerup. The announcement was made by Ruthie Dacy, activities director for the home. Mrs. Ratliff has been in the home since Jan. 12 of 1978. Mrs. Sanchez is from Sonora and

is Delia Pina's grandmother. She has been in the home since April of 1978. Kisselburg is originally from Sonora and is Harvey Kisselburg's father. He has been in the home since December 14, 1978. Garrett is a rancher from Roosevelt and has ranched all of his life. He has been a nursing home resident since November of 1977. Mrs. Dacy encourages everyone in the community to come by the home to congratulate the valentine sweethearts.

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Mrs. Otto Sauer, who has been a resident of this county for many years, fell and broke a hip about a month or so ago, and she is living here in the home until she is able to walk again.

Mrs. Mabel Shultz, of San Angelo, who had been in the nursing home for about a month, moved back to her home last week. She, too, had suffered a broken hip a few weeks before she came here. Her sister came to live with her until she recovers to the extent that she can live alone again.

We had no visitors from out of town in the home last week, so far as I know, caused, I am sure, on account of the inclement weather we had most of the week.

The bingo winners last Friday were: Juanita Sanchez, 2; Bess Andrews, 2;

Frank Reed, 1; Lester Garrett, 1; Beulah Harris, 2; Erna Rexroat, 2; Tom Humphreys, Fannie Blaylock.

Winners on Wednesday were: Beulah Harris, 2; Frank Reed, 2; LaVita Brooks, 1; Fannie Blaylock, 2; Dehlla Gardener, 1 and Juanita Sanchez, 1.

Every February Ruthie Dacy asks the residents of the nursing home to decide who they want to be their Valentine Queen and also who they want to be the runner up for queen. This year she decided to have a Valentine King also, so the following are the names of the ones chosen: Queen, Bess Andrews; Runner up Juanita Sanchez. For King George Kisselburg and

runner up is Lester Garrett.

Last Sunday the West Side Church of Christ conducted the service here in the dining room and there was a large group of their members present. In the absence of their pastor they all sang a number of hymns and we all joined in the singing and enjoyed it very much. Ronnie Sauer led in the singing.

Next Sunday the Presbyterian Church will conduct the service here.

Wheeling and dealing: Seeing all the 1979 cars on the road makes you realize that you have to give the American people a lot of credit.

Repoters, LaVita Brooks and Beulah Harris

SA Stock Show, Rodeo Slated

The San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo will be held March 7-11. For the past 16 years, the Women's Division has been a part of the stock show and rodeo.

This year there will be nine divisions for participants: clothing, foods, hobbies and crafts, needlework, youth exhibits, flower arrangements, art exhibition, handpainted china and ceramics and plaster.

Special contests will be: spectacular desserts, March 7; breads, March 8; party foods and sandwiches, March 9; and pies, March 10. These require an entry fee of one dollar.

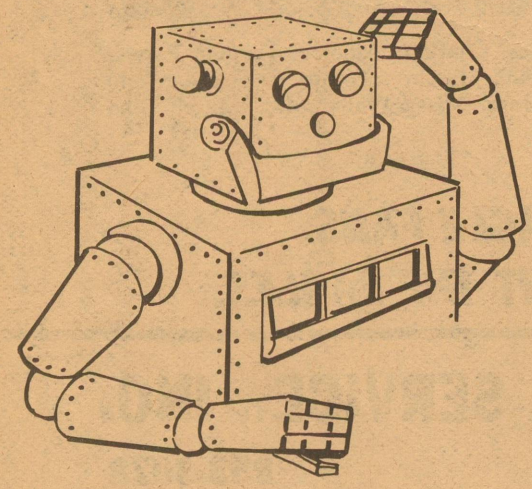
Entries are open to men, women and children. Deadline for entries is Feb. 16. For more information, catalog and entry blanks, write to San Angelo Stock Show and Rodeo Association, 500 Rio Concho Drive, San Angelo, Texas 76903 or phone (915) 653-6419.

Auxiliary Holds Party For Birthday Honorees

A birthday party was held recently in the dining room of the Schleicher County Medical Center honoring Ella Casbeer, Christine West and Fannie Blaylock. Refreshments were served to the honorees, residents of the nursing home and members of the auxiliary. Sherry Belk, vocalist and Mrs. James Page, pianist, provided entertainment.

During the auxiliary business meeting, a plea was made for gift items for the Gift Shop. Anyone making something to sell and donate to the shop will be greatly appreciated.

Plans are being made to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the hospital opening Feb. 18 from 2-4 p.m.



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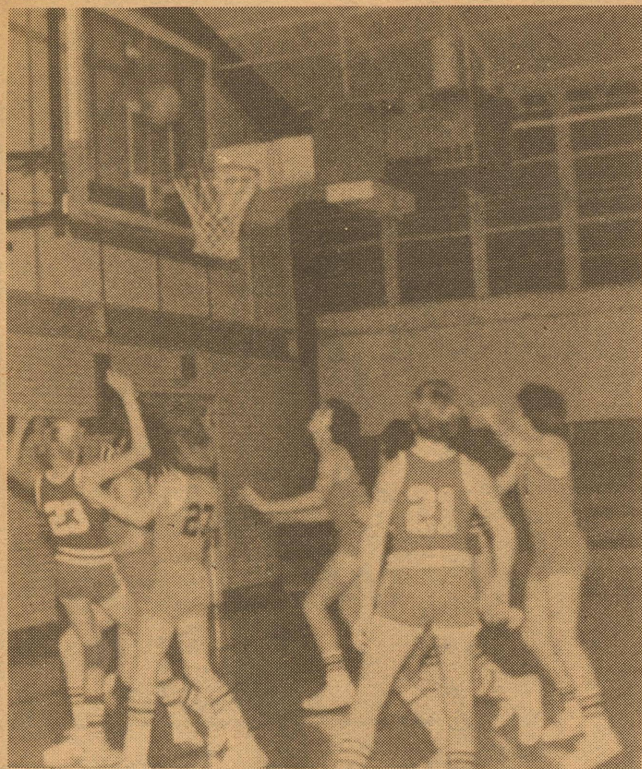
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AH, GET IN THERE — Ashley Niblett (23) couldn't get the ball to drop through the hoop in action against Junction eighth grade last Thursday night. Gene Edmiston (21) watches the action.

Junior High District Tournament Play Opens Thursday

The Junior Varsity girls had to use two overtimes to keep their district record unblemished last Friday night to a charged up Junction team.

At the end of regulation time the score was 34-34. Junction took a two point lead in the first overtime but Eldorado tied it up again at 36-36 to end the first overtime. Lori Patton hit four points in the second overtime period and the defense stopped Junction cold to earn a hard fought 40-36 district win.

Tuesday night here at the local gym the JV girls breezed by Reagan County 42-24.

VARSIITY GIRLS

The Junction Eagles pushed the Eldorado varsity girls throughout the entire game before bowing out in a low scoring contest 31-29 last Friday night in Junction.

The varsity girls hosted Reagan County here Tuesday night and out waited them 38-18.

Eldorado took a quick two point lead and Reagan County started stalling the ball and at the end of the first quarter the score was 8-2, Eldorado.

Eldorado forced the turnovers in the second quarter as they began pulling away.

The Eaglettes tried a little trickery of their own but it backfired as the officials were caught by not knowing their rules.

Coach Bobby Helmerts sent his girls about an inch from the sidelines in a row and they passed the ball back and forth, but the officials wouldn't cooperate on the play causing it to backfire. Later after the game they found out they blew it. Anyway it stirred some excitement for the fans.

VARSIITY BOYS

The Varsity boys visited Junction last Friday and found a team that could miss in the first half as the hosts shot an amazing 75% from the field in the first half to build a 51-21 lead.

Eldorado couldn't make the 30 point deficit up and finally bowed out 77-55.

Tuesday the Eagles hosted the talented Reagan County Owls in a District 9A contest.



EASY DOES IT — Joe Barrera (22) gets an easy basket against Junction in eighth grade action here last Thursday night. Eldorado won the game 28-20 as Barrera led the scoring with 12 points.

ELDORADO 7th and 8th GRADE GIRLS



TO ENTER DISTRICT TOURNAMENT HERE — The Eldorado eighth grade girls are entering the district tournament this weekend at the Eldorado beginning Thursday. Eighth grade girls are, left to right, bottom row, Lori Heffernan, Diana Harris, Martha Atkins, Jody Reynolds and Deanna Yocham. Second row, left to right are Kamie Hunter, Victoria

Powell, Stephanie Thomas, Becky Ragsdale, Melissa Burleson, Amy Heald, Mary Lisa O'Harrow and Danette Dunagan. Third row, left to right are Julie Cash, Margie Logan, Sherry Short, Shanna Swift, Adalia Garza, Sarah Day, Melanie Moody, Maricela Arispe and Coach Randy Mitchell.



TAKES PERFECT RECORD INTO TOURNAMENT PLAY — The Eldorado seventh grade girls will put their 8-0 record on the line Thursday against Wall as they enter the District Tournament held here this weekend. Seventh grade girls from left to right bottom row, Sherry Powell, Vikki Cavaness, Pam Dunham, Laura Lozano, Davina Vannett, and Sandra Minor. Second

row, left to right are Anna Robles, Charlotte Mobley, Tammie Faries, Tammie Hunter, Charla Hudnall and Margaret Turner. Top row, left to right, Melissa Sauer, Mary Guerrero, Missy White, Mitzi Mittel, Gina Patton and Coach Randy Mitchell.

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... And The Weatherman Said

by SUNSHINE
You've heard the old saying — old weather forecasters never lie — they just sound that way. Well — maybe they need some lessons from their ancestors. They never knew how to read a teletype, but clouds and signs of pending storms meanings were soaked up somewhere between 'The Three Bears' and 'Dick and Jane.'

Those swirling sky high 'Mare's Tail Clouds', always mean rain.

Another sure sign of rain is the colorful splotches of the spectacular 'Sun Dog'. These are much like a

rainbow in miniature form, small splotches peeking gaily from the clouds.

Oldtimer cattlemen always knew a real cold spell was coming when the stock laid down and rested in the middle of the day preparing for the cold ahead.

Even during dry weather, seepage may be seen in the cuts in the hills before a big rain. Where does the moisture come from? The dry hills are crying for rain say the Indians.

When a northerner comes in, cattle will go north facing the bitter cold in search of a hill between

them and 'Old Man Winter.'

Buffalo will become restless and search frantically for food supplies just before a northerner hits.

Ground Hog day is one of the customs or beliefs of the oldtimers that has remained; steadfastly forecasting the good or bad weather ahead for the next six weeks ahead.

The Russian Thistle or Mesquite as we know it are rarely fooled into leafing out until all danger of frost

is over.

The gorgeous purple Sage blooms gloriously after a rain giving evidence of the scattered showers here and there as you drive through ranchland.

How much extra hair does a horse have? Just enough. And that's the way you can gauge the severity of the winter ahead too.

So look around you — Which way does the tall grass lean? That's the way the wind blows — See it's not so hard to be a weather forecaster.

Nursing Home News

Roy Lester is in the hospital.

Herbert Graizier is back after a short stay in the hospital.

Roy and Gwen McCann called on his mother, Mrs. Derr.

'The Jolly Time Band' from San Angelo entertained everyone Friday night.

Mrs. Lasater visited with her mother, Mrs. Bell.

Another visitor was Lloyd Bell of San Angelo. He brought his new motor home for his mother to see.

The Bill Perry's visited his mother, Callie Perry.

Rudy Ethridge was an overnight visitor at his brothers home.

We have a new resident, Nora Holstead. Welcome to Golden Years.

Faye Belcher visited Doris Parker.

Elena Ramirez had company from Temple.

Fletcher Lively celebrated his 93rd birthday Saturday, Feb. 3.

Lois Stewart and Earl Barnes went to the Methodist Church Sunday.

Grace McShan visited in the home of her son, Fred McShan.

Those who attended the Community Luncheon were Opal Joiner, Lois Stewart, Earl Barnes, Stella King, Ann Passow, June Pettit Rean Gaines, Liz Cox, Pat Wyatt, J.B. and Chicken Jones.

Bingo winners were Opal Joiner, Pat Burke, Grace McShan and Edna Mayfield.

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Because Timmy's father had long been out of work, glasses were simply out of the question — until this year.

The boy's glasses were paid for by a volunteer organization, hundreds of miles away, called New Eyes for the Needy, Inc., in Short Hills, New Jersey.

Now Timmy is one of the top batters in his class and ends every baseball game with a grin. He wrote to New Eyes: "My Dad says there won't be any gifts

under our tree this Christmas, but I have my present, the best ever, my new glasses. Thank you, New Eyes."

Timmy is just one of the more than 10,000 grateful people in this country who received eyeglasses from New Eyes in the past year.

New Eyes has earned the reputation of being one of the most effective sight-saving charities in the world. It has helped many thousands of needy people obtain glasses — here and abroad — and it has never asked for a penny in donations.

Since its inception 47 years ago, New Eyes has asked only for used eyeglasses and precious metal articles such as old watches, jewelry (real, costume and antique), good or damaged silver and dentures.

The eyeglasses and glittering clutter are sent to New Eyes for the Needy, Inc., Short Hills, New Jersey 07078. Thousands of packages from all over the United States arrive in the neat stucco headquarters every year. There, volunteers, mostly housewives, sort out the glasses, separating those in plastic frames from those in metal frames.

Many of the 250 workers have learned to operate complex optical grading and testing equipment. They help fill specific orders from missions and hospitals in foreign countries where plastic framed glasses and sunglasses are sent.

The metal framed glasses have their uses, too. Through refining, they yield precious metals that are sold, along with the jewelry, to finance New Eyes funds in over 100 hospitals and health agencies throughout the United States. The money in these funds buys glasses for people who have nowhere else to turn.

In addition to these funds, arrangements have also been made in 48 states through health and welfare agencies whereby New Eyes purchases glasses for carefully screened persons to whom no other private or public funds are available.

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and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Benedict.

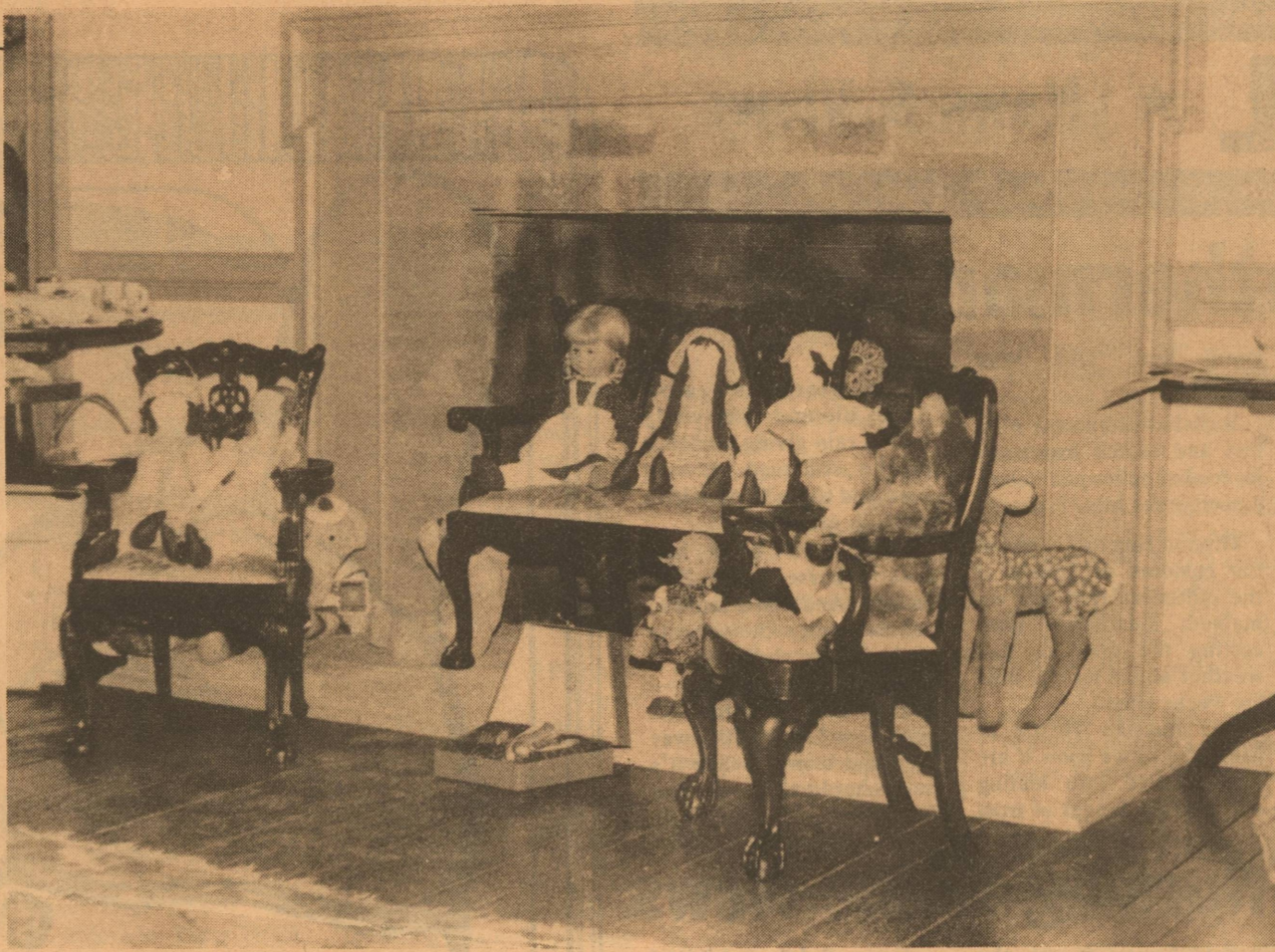
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Calendar Of Events

Today, public hearing for grant for city, 2 p.m., city hall; special meeting of city council, 7 p.m., city hall.
Friday, Feb. 9 — Kerrville Outreach program, 11-12 Neighborhood Center; public hearing for grant for city, 2 p.m., city hall.
Saturday, Feb. 10 — Eldorado Jamboree and auction for the three fire victims, 8 p.m., Memorial Building.
Sunday, Feb. 11 — Mixed foursome at golf course; Sunday devotional at nursing home, 3:30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 12 — Commissioners Court, 9 a.m., courthouse; Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Hall; School board, 7:30 p.m., high school library; Beta Sigma Phi meeting and salad supper, 7 p.m., club room; Woman's Club speech contest at school, 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 13 — Woman's Club, 2:30 p.m.; TOPS, 6:30 p.m., Memorial Building.
Wednesday, Feb. 14 — Methodist Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m.
Thursday, Feb. 15 — Lions Club Ladies Night, 7 p.m., El Dorado Restaurant; EHS Band winter concert, 7:30 p.m., high school auditorium.
Sunday, Feb. 18 — Sunday devotional at nursing home, 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 20 — TOPS, 6:30 p.m., Memorial Building.
Wednesday, Feb. 21 — Methodist Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m.; State comptroller representative, 9-10:30 a.m., Memorial Building; Lions Club, noon, Memorial Building.
Thursday, Feb. 22 — Social Security representative, 1-2:30 p.m., firehall.
Saturday, Feb. 24 — Christoval Jamboree; Eldorado All Sports Banquet, 6 p.m., Memorial Building with dance following in 4-H Show Barn.

In Those Days

(Compiled From Eldorado Success Files)

ONE YEAR AGO
Feb. 10, 1978 — Paul Dahlgren, candidate for the 21st congressional district, addressed the Lions Club.

A town meeting was held with 27 local residents attending. The Texas Department of Health announced a blood pressure screening clinic at the Memorial Building.

A pool tournament was to be held at the Dairy Mart. Prizes were \$25 for first place and \$15 for second place.

Miss Ruth Baker celebrated her 80th birthday.

FIVE YEARS AGO
Feb. 7, 1974 — Approval for the renovating and decorating of the church sanctuary was given during a congregational meeting of First Presbyterian Church.

Services were held for the first time in the newly remodeled and renovated auditorium of the First Baptist Church.

Rehearsals for the Easter cantata had begun in First Baptist Church under direction of Lucille McWhorter.

Gordon Schrank, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schrank, was named in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities. He was a student at the University of Texas Medical Branch.

Patricia Holsey was a student in Lubbock Christian College.

12 YEARS AGO
Feb. 9 1967 — Eldorado received a light covering of snow and cold winds and had temperatures of about 20 degrees.

The Presbyterian Church issued a call to the Rev.

Toney McMillian who was a native of Arkansas.

A ranch hand on the Curtis Stockton ranch, Amador Gonzales, was shot after apparently going berserk and threatened the lives of his family and employer.

Mr. and Mrs. George Long were in Temple where he was hospitalized in the Veterans Administration Hospital.

Dr. J.B. Brame of Pasadena and his partner were to visit Eldorado and meet with the hospital planning committee.

Martha Sue Page was named Betty Crocker Homemaker of the year for Eldorado High School.

Johnny Griffin and Julia Ann Toland were married in Forest Height Methodist Church in Lubbock.

35 YEARS AGO
Feb. 11, 1944 — Fourteen towns were represented during the Hill Country Firemen's Association meeting held here. About 100 attended the banquet in the Presbyterian Church. The Eldorado firemen won the hose race by getting water through the hose in 25.8 seconds.

Paul Sveinsson of Iceland presented a program on Iceland to students in the high school and grade school.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Kent were the parents of a baby boy, named Leonard Lynn.

Members of the Parent-Teacher Association were to present a play during their regular meeting to observe Founder's Day.

Mrs. R.T. Crain was in charge of the bandage rollers who produced a little less than 1,000 bandages in one week. Earning service pins for working 100 hours were Mrs. Brice Badney, Mrs. J.E. Hill, Mrs. W.F. Meador and Mrs. Crain.

Mrs. Bebee Is Honored With Shower

Mrs. Jack Bebee was honored with a lingerie shower Tuesday, Jan. 27 in the home of Mrs. Marylue Olson.

Hostesses for the affair were Mrs. Olson, Mrs. Ina Lambert, Mrs. Flora Hubble, Mrs. Frankie Williams and Mrs. Billie Porter.

Refreshments of sandwiches, chips, relish tray, cookies, mints, coffee and hot spiced tea were served.

Guests attending were Mrs. Billie Jones, Mrs. Dorothy Evans, Mrs. Bea Griffith, Mrs. Mary Christian, Mrs. Imogene Edmiston, Mrs. Winnie Helen Hilliard, Mrs. Dorothy Barker, Mrs. Nancy Lester, Mrs. Mabel Freitag, Mrs. Evelyn Wimer and Mrs. Bernice Sweatt all of Eldorado.

Out of town guests were Vivian Mears and Marilyn Adkins both of Sonora.

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