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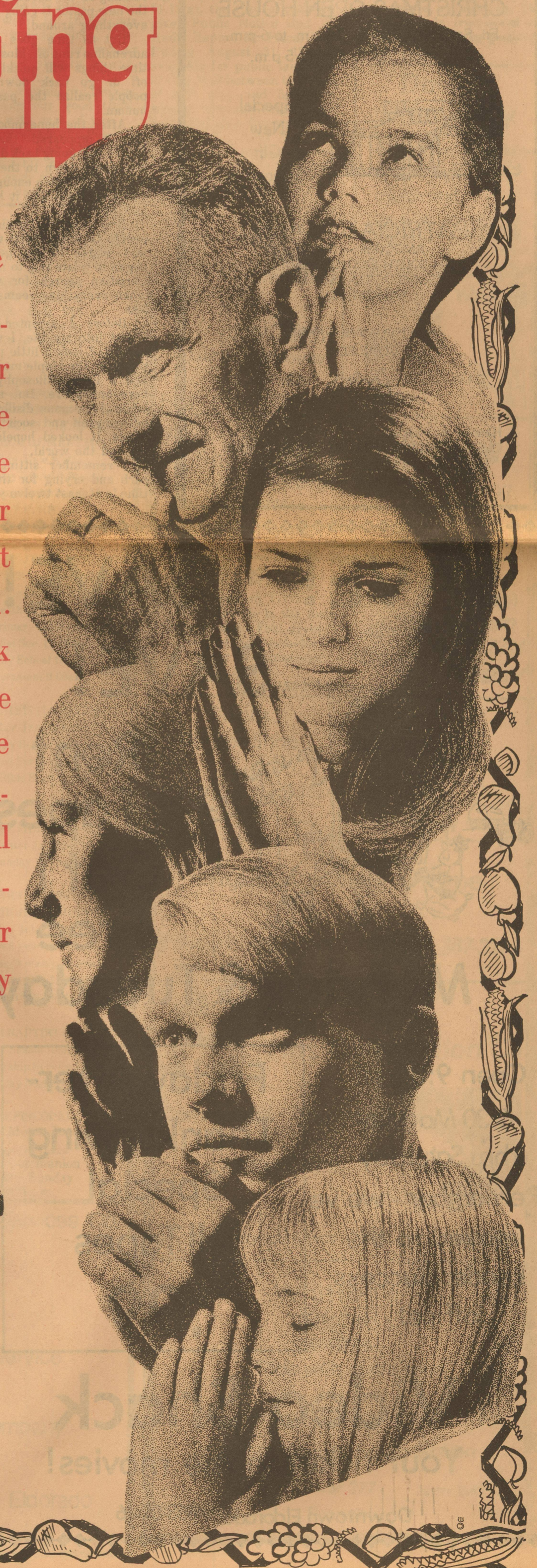
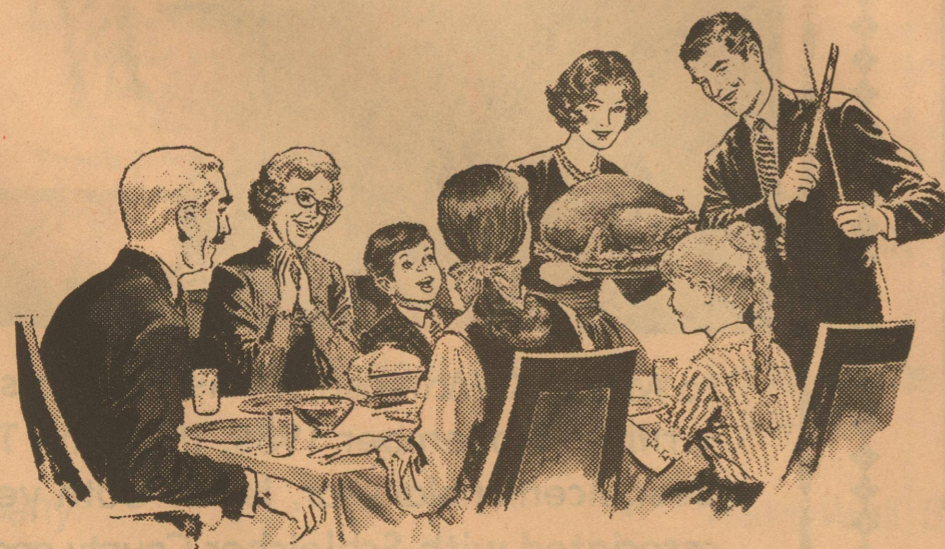
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Thanksgiving

... to give, with gratitude

Thanksgiving ... in the word lives the essence of the day. We give thanks ... for blessings large and small, bestowed on one and all. And because we are thankful, we gladly give of our energy and our efforts, our aims and ambitions, on behalf of all, that everyone may be blessed, and be thankful. On this Thanksgiving Day, we look back across the years and forward to the future with thanks for the plenitude that we have been privileged to enjoy, and with the steadfast resolve that in the years ahead we will do our part to bring forth more achievements, more good things for all. To our many friends, best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving.



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Statement from Stukey

Over the past few months, I've had periods where I've felt down in the dumps. I felt low. How low? It doesn't matter. When you start feeling low it's not a matter of degrees, it's a matter of wanting to get back up. I wanted to get back up but something else would suddenly come to my attention and that would keep me at the depths of despair.

When I came to Eldorado, things at our church started to go extremely well. Membership was up, and more important, attendance tripled. There seemed to be a lot of interest to keep the church growing.

This is what we call in the ministry, the "honeymoon period". People who had stopped going to church, started coming when the new pastor comes into town. Everyone is running on the adrenaline that the new pastor is going to turn everything around.

But as time goes on the adrenaline runs off. Most of the time things will quickly level off or go back down. The people realize the pastor is human.

After the honeymoon period, it appeared that our church was going back down. It was going down to the way I was feeling, down enough that you sometimes find it hard to look up.

How could I inspire our people to keep going when I was unable to get going? I began to relate this to my own Christian search for victory when everything seems hopeless.

Before I accepted Jesus Christ into my life, I was an idealist. I took a little philosophy from the hippie movement and a little philosophy from here and there. But after a while I became disillusioned with myself and society as a whole. It looked hopeless for me and the world.

I remember sitting on a curb and crying for the first time in at least twelve years. I

was low. And it seemed like I'd never get over it. I just avoided looking for questions and answers in life. If I thought about it, it got me depressed.

All this changed when I decided to follow Jesus. And during this time I realized that there is always victory in life for those who believe and know the power of Jesus Christ in their lives. No matter how things piled up against me, I knew that I would find victory because, who could be against me, if God was for me? God's power and grace was working for me.

Our church has not gone down. We're in a transition period. We are just in the balancing stages. We have one of the most committed group of Christians in Eldorado working for the church.

We have seen so much spiritual growth that persons tell me that they can see the difference in the church. We have more of a commitment from most of our people because they know that God has a vision for this church.

If God is for us, who can be against us? We have just begun to find victory in this church, as we will see more and more victory in our lives.

Do you feel defeated? Are you down in the depths of despair? Does there seem to be little hope for your life, or the world? Find a Christian church of which you can find the victory that you need. Find out what God means when He tells us nobody can be against us, if He is for us.

Jesus Christ brings victory. Whenever I get down there is always God's light to bring me out. If anyone is wondering whether I've even considered leaving Eldorado, I'm just beginning to unpack my bags. God is for me. He has called me here.

And if you've wondered whether I've mellowed out, since I first came, you're in for a big surprise. God is my

source and He has an endless supply of power for me to run on. And most of all, there are others in our church with God's power in their lives, looking to fulfill God's vision for this church.

I'm continuing in victory for Jesus. Don't be surprised when I come to your door with a Bible in one hand and the other pointing towards heaven. I want you to find victory in your life.

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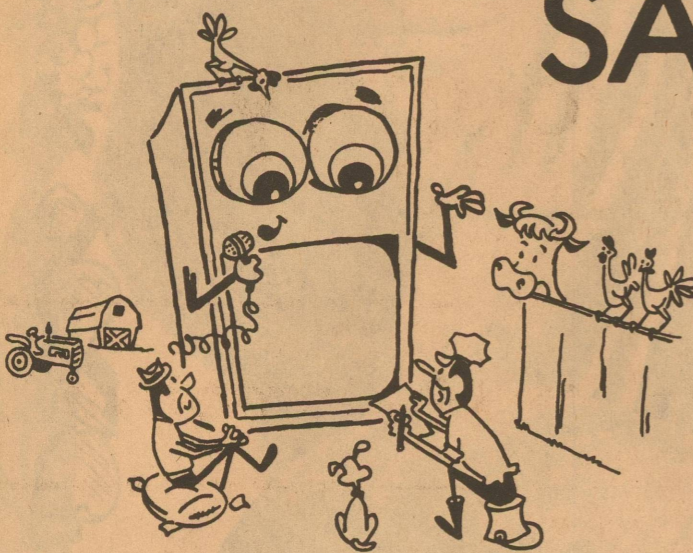
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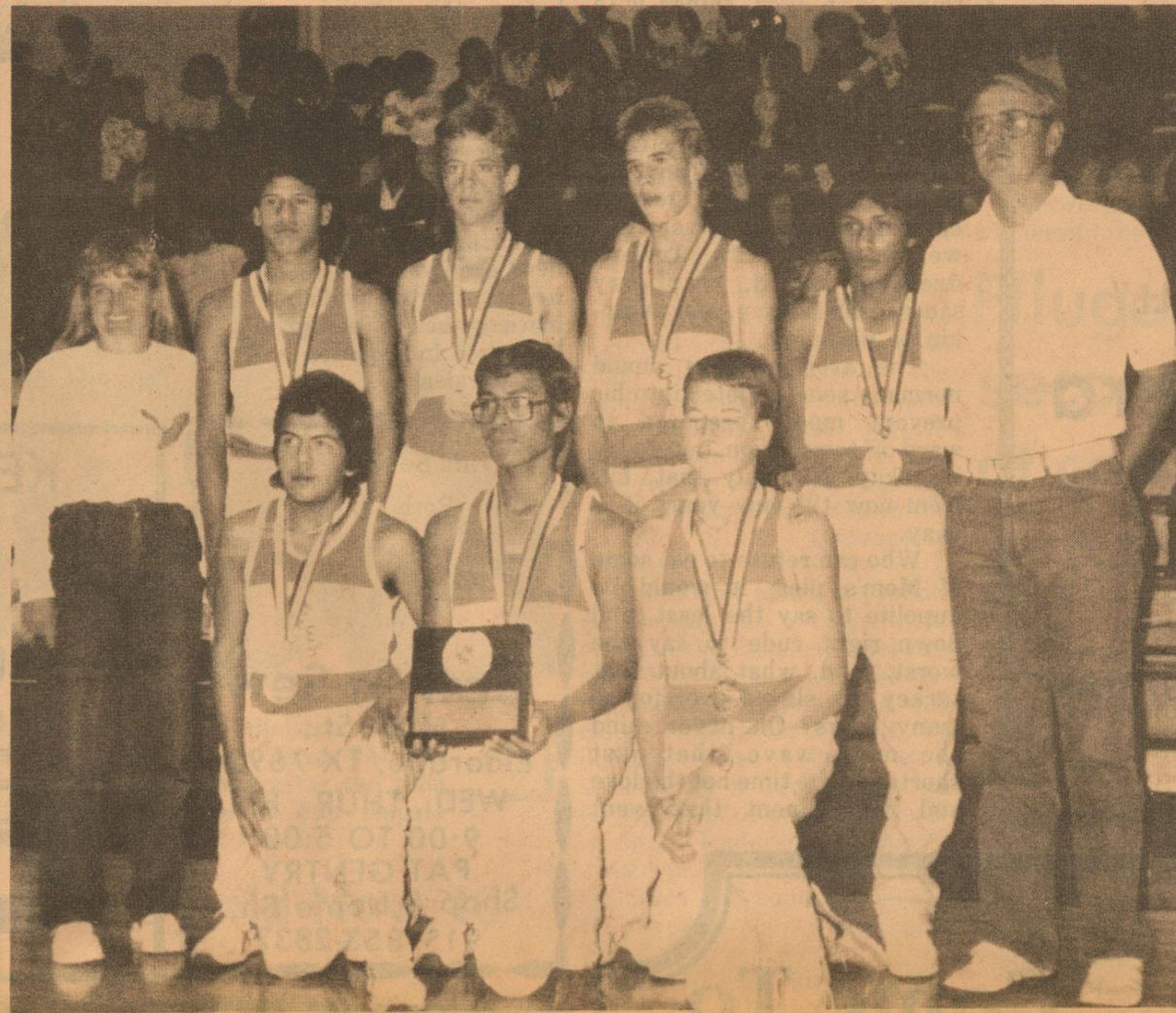


to Mrs. P.K. McIntosh she is 95 years of age, at this writing, November 1986. 1986, the Texas Sesquicentennial year, is her 50th year of being associated with Schleicher County and Eldorado. They've been good to her and she's tried to repay the kindness. She's a tribute to women, and very lacking in the ability to quit.

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Top of The Divide

BY THOMAS GIOVANNITTI

Well, Thanksgiving is finally here. Besides being one of the most popular holidays in this country it is probably one of the most important.

Do you know why it is so important? Not because it starts the Christmas season officially, although that is important; not because it is the first holiday we have had that isn't just for bank or government employees. No, the main reason Thanksgiving is so important is it marks the first day we can all put away any and every diet, successful or unsuccessful, and eat everything, fattening or not, with no guilt whatsoever.

I mean, think about it. We have cut out things with sugar, things with eggs, things with whipped cream, things with gravy, and, of course, things with cholesterol.

For some of us, that only leaves some very unappetizing meals. Finally, Thanksgiving comes and everything good to eat is also legal. That very day we start off with Turkey, dressing, salad, cranberry sauce, giblet gravy, and pumpkin or pican pie.

The aromas alone would normally send a dieter into his prevent mode, prepared to ward off temptation, but, today it's okay. Not only that, but from now till new years it is okay.

Who can refuse to eat some of Mom's pies; it would be impolite to say the least, and down right rude to say the worst. And, what about that turkey she slaved over for so many hours? Oh never mind the micro-wave, that just shortened the time not the love and commitment that went

into the preparation. Okay, okay, so stuffing comes in a box and all she did was add water, but this is your mother you are talking about you ingrate. Boy, the nerve of some people!

With three days of non-stop football, most of the women should be freed up from caring for their husbands that they can really begin to bake with abandon.

There are all the Christmas cookies, fruit cakes and other baked treats to get ready. Someone will have to eat them though so just set them in front of dear old dad as he watches some hero carry that pigskin toward the goal.

Oh sure, lots of what you will eat during this time is fattening but just think you have all winter to work it off before the summer clothes show it off...

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Methodists set yule Bazaar

The First United Methodist Church of Eldorado will have a Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 6 from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Fellowship Hall at the church. Mexican casserole will be served from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. with tickets selling for \$4 each.



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BY TERRY B. NEILL

GIVING THANKS.....

Alright.....the holidays are here. Cold weather, deer hunting, Thanksgiving, roaring fireplaces, great food and the gathering of families make this time of year special.

Most of us have many blessings to say thanks for this Thursday. Those blessings will vary in number and intensity from one person to another, but we all have something to be

thankful for.

For one thing, we're all fortunate to live in Schleicher County, where we have lots of top notch friends and neighbors. And if you have your health, regardless of how big the turkey is, then you're lucky indeed.

The holidays also bring depression, however. The suicide rate soars every year, as many folks are just not able to cope with all the happiness around them.

During the holidays we always think of our older citizens, like those who live in Schleicher County Medical Center Nursing Home. Many of the nursing home residents have no one special to spend Thanksgiving with, and a visit with them might help you appreciate your blessings.

And for some it will be the first such holiday without a loved one who they have lost since the holidays last year.

We do know how they feel, and about the only solace they may find is realizing that it will ease up a bit each year. We always try to remember that C.J. would want us to be happy and have a great holiday instead of getting "down in the dumps".

For years we marked Thanksgiving by remembering that mule deer season started the Saturday after. We pigged out on Turkey Day, then spent Friday getting ready for the big hunt. Mom always whipped up an applesauce cake for the great white hunter and if we didn't bag a deer at least we didn't go hungry. (And there's always lots of leftover turkey!)

As the aging process has begun to set in we find that the holidays put us in a more reflective mood. Comparisons between life styles and prosperity from this Thanksgiving to last are inevitable.

In 1986 this columnist finds himself happier than he has ever been and feeling extremely blessed that Eldorado and Schleicher County have welcomed him with such open arms.

It's easy to publish a good newspaper in Schleicher County. Award winning papers come from award winning communities and we certainly have that here.

Thanksgiving also finds us pondering a major change (in the newspaper not marital status--girls at the bank!) in format and features. A decision on the new format will be forthcoming and could take place before January 1.

At any rate, bear with us as we vary from our usually funny "t.b." theme to wish everyone a very special and happy Thanksgiving. And please drive carefully this holiday!

Auxiliary plans Christmas project

Members of the Schleicher County Medical Center Auxiliary are bringing back their popular Christmas greeting ad project this year.

"Boxes are being decorated with a Christmas motif and will be placed in five strategic places in the business section of the downtown area. The idea is for you to contribute about the amount you would spend in sending Christmas cards locally to friends and neighbors as another way to demonstrate the true spirit of sharing.

"With each box there will be an envelope in which you may place your contribution and put it in the box. The week before Christmas a huge Christmas Card will be printed in The Leader-Success with your name as you would like it to be on the card, of the ones who have contributed to the Project Christmas Card in the boxes or in the bank," a spokesman said.

The local auxiliary is sponsoring this project to benefit the Schleicher County Hospital and Nursing Home, to purchase items not in the budget or that otherwise would be paid for with tax dollars. A portion goes to two scholarships for Eldorado students in health career fields.

"You may help someone in the hospital or nursing home to be more comfortable or the hospital to have newer and better equipment. Thank you for caring," the spokesman concluded.

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TOP HONOREES--Neal Edmiston, Ashley Johnson, and Kit Horne, West Texas Utilities Farm and Ranch Advisor visit after the 1986 District Gold Star Banquet in San Angelo Monday night. [Contributed Photo]

Cardona rites held Nov. 10

Juanita Cervantes Cardona, 98, died November 8 at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo after a lengthy illness. Services were November 10 at 10 a.m. in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, with the Rev. Louise Moeller officiating. Gutierrez Funeral Chapel in San Angelo was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Cardona was born in El Remolino, Mexico, June 24, 1889. She married Jose Cardona in El Remolino. Her husband preceded her in death.

Mrs. Cardona is survived by two daughters, Evangelina Cardona and Mary Pina both of Eldorado; one son, Joe

Cardona, Jr., Odessa; 12 grandchildren; and 28 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Santos Pina, Jr. of Ft. Worth, Felipe and Billy Joe Pina of Eldorado, Arnulfo Valdez and Fidel Cardona of Odessa, and Tom Selman of Midland.

School Menu

Monday December 1
Breakfast - Peaches, Waffles, Syrup
Lunch - Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, Cornbread, Iced Cupcakes

Tuesday December 2
Breakfast - Prunes, Hot Oatmeal, Toast
Lunch - Spaghetti and Meat-sauce, Whole Kernel Corn, Lime Jello, Cowboy Cookies

Wednesday December 3
Breakfast - Pears, Doughnuts
Lunch - Corn Dogs, Potato Rounds, Pork and Beans, Cheese Strips, Gingerbread with Icing

Thursday December 4
Breakfast - Apple Juice, Cinnamon Toast
Lunch - Fried Chicken & Gravy, Creamed Potatoes, Broccoli with Cheese Sauce, Carrot, Pineapple, Raisin Salad, Cherry Cobbler

Friday December 5
Breakfast - Banana, Choice of Cereal
Lunch - Hamburgers, Potato Chips, Lettuce, Tomatoes Pickles, Banana Pudding

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AT DISTRICT BANQUET

Schleicher 4-Hers honored

Schleicher County's most outstanding 4-H members for 1986, Neal Edmiston and Ashley Johnson, were honored during the annual District Seven 4-H Gold Star Banquet in San Angelo on November 24.

Neal is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Edmiston and Ashley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnson.

Twenty-five boys and girls from the 17-county district received the coveted Gold Star Pin, symbolic of the highest county 4-H honor provided by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Setting for the ceremony was the Houston Harte Ballroom on the Angelo State University campus.

The event which is produced annually as a cooperative effort of the Extension Service and West Texas Utilities recognizes the outstanding 4-H club members throughout the district. The 4-Hers were selected by a local committee on the basis of personal development, leadership, achievement in 4-H projects and activities and contributions to the overall county 4-H program.

Phil George, long-time Director of Athletics at ASU, addressed the assembly saying that it is important to know your objectives and to have a positive, optimistic outlook on life.

Members of the District 4-H Council conducted the

recognition program including Stan Meador of Eldorado who helped to list the accomplishments of the honorees.

Presenting the Gold Star Awards to the winners was Kit Horne, West Texas Utilities Farm and Ranch Advisor.

Accompanying the local winners to the awards banquet

were Mr. and Mrs. Phil Edmiston, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Johnson, Christy Meador and Nancy Lester.

Proud Papa Report

Samantha Rene Powell arrived Saturday, November 1, weighing six pounds one ounce. Proud parents are Walter and Beverly Powell of Wau-taga.

Sam was welcomed by her grandparents, Walter and Janet Powell of Eldorado and Chuck Ethridge of Mertzon.

Greats include Mrs. W.G. Powell of Eldorado, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pike of Whitesboro and Mrs. Alma Blair of Mertzon.

Patrick and Mikayla Nicholson of Mertzon have a new baby girl, Vanessa Paige. She was born November 6 at 2:29 p.m. weighing six pounds three and one-half ounces, 19 inches long.

Vanessa is welcomed home by three year old brother Justin.

The maternal grandparents are Joe and Carolyn Charbonneau of Eldorado and the paternal grandparents are John and Beth Nicholson of Mertzon.

Wedding Selections
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED REDUCTION IN AT&T's TEXAS RATES

The Public Utility Commission of the state of Texas has entered orders in two recent cases that would substantially reduce the charges which AT&T pays to the state's local telephone companies and which could allow AT&T to reduce prices for most of AT&T's customers on calls placed within the state of Texas.

The total amount of the reduction to AT&T's customers is expected to be between \$115.3 million and \$120.6 million. This is in addition to the \$19.8 million reduction in AT&T's Texas basic long distance prices that went into effect on March 1, 1986 and is in addition to the approximately \$2 billion in AT&T interstate price reductions that took effect earlier this year.

If the changes are approved, all of AT&T's direct dialed long distance, directory assistance, WATS and 800 service customers would be affected, and would experience a decrease in their prices for these services when calling within the state of Texas. The following tables show the anticipated impact of the changes on AT&T customers by service category:

Class of Service	Approximate Overall % Reduction	Approximate Overall Dollar Reduction (in millions)
Long Distance	9.2	\$ 68.4
Directory Assistance	20.0	1.0
WATS	29.1	29.7
800	19.9	21.5

The rate reductions are presently anticipated to occur in two phases on or about October 22, 1986 and November 12, 1986. The matter has been assigned as Docket Nos. 6926 and 7113. Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene or participate or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Blvd., Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information also may be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf. A complete copy of the tariffs reflecting the potential rate reductions will be on file with the Commission on or before October 23, 1986.

Swift-Paxton vows repeated Tuesday

First Presbyterian Church, Eldorado was the setting for the wedding of Shanna June Swift and Charles Whitfield Paxton Tuesday evening November 25.

The sanctuary was beautifully decorated with spiral candelabra that were intertwined with Boston fern, rubreir lilies and purple statis. On either side of the pulpit were triple candelabra laced with color harmony ranging from soft pink to rich burgundy. Boted candles and burgundy pew bows.

Rev. Ron Sutto, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, officiated the ceremony.

Kelly Leggett was maid of honor and bridesmaid was Mary Lisa O'Harrow. Traci Paxton, sister of the groom, was the jr. bridesmaid, all of Eldorado.

Ashley Nibbett was the bestman, while groomsmen

were Kenneth Phillips and Justin Paxton, Jr., brother of the groom, all of Eldorado.

Todd Swift, brother of the bride, of Ballinger, and Tim McAngus of Eldorado were ushers.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry D. Swift of Eldorado. She is a 1983 graduate of Eldorado High School and attended Tarleton State University three years and is presently attending Angelo State University.

The bride wore a formal princess style gown of pure white satin and lace. The fitted bodice had a sweetheart neckline intricately adorned of crocheted embroidery, studded with sequins and pearls.

The full skirt featuring a scalloped edge that flowed easily into a cathedral length train, which was applied with matching lace.

The bride wore a reveve hat seeded with sequins and pearls with blushing veil that fell from the hat.

She carried a lovely bouquet which consisted of classic cascade of lilies, bouvardia, roses, ivy and a whisper of alstroveria.

The maid of honor and bridesmaids wore burgundy floor length gowns of moray taffetta. They were accented with Queen Ann styled jackets

with ruffled neck lines. They carried bouquets of free form Galax Roses designed with flowing purple statis and rose buds.

The groom is a 1982 graduate of Eldorado High School and attended T.S.T.I. in Sweetwater. He is employed by Cahill, Inc., in Sonora. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Paxton of Eldorado.

The groom wore a silver tuxedo with tails and a silver tie and vest. The best man, groomsmen and ushers wore silver tuxedos with huckaberry bow ties and cummerbunds. They wore boutoniere of red roses.

The mother and grandmother of the bride wore corsages of red roses and alstroemeria.

Music was provided by Maxine Page, organist and vocalist, Ruthie Chalmers, both of Eldorado.

The reception was held in the Memorial Building. The brides table featured a three layered teared cake with walkway additional tears. It was decorated with burgundy silk flowers and topped with wedding bells of burgundy. The crystal punch bowl was filled with strawberry delight punch.

The groom's table featured a western saddle cake decorated with tans and browns and accented with silver. The silver punch bowl was filled with wine and a silver coffee service were provided.

After returning from a short honeymoon trip, the couple will reside in Eldorado.



MRS. CHARLES "WHIT" PAXTON

Boy Scouts win blue ribbon

Boy Scout Troop 18 of Eldorado recently attended the Amangi Trail District's Fall Camporee in Junction.

The Scouts had a great time exploring the camping area which was located on the banks of the Llano River, and they enjoyed competing with other troops in such scouting events as: flint and steel fire starting, knot tying, compass reading, animal tracking, and how to properly perform a flag ceremony.

In addition to these events the Troop was also judged on its campsite in such categories as safety in storage of equipment and supplies, neatness of general camping area, woodcraft, food preparation and storage, and rustic entrance into campsite.

After the final judging on campsites, Troop 18 was proud to learn they had scored 148 out of 150 possible points. The

troop was awarded an "Honor of Merit" blue ribbon for its efforts.

"Troop 18 would like to thank Tom Enochs who provided us with a place to cut wood for this campout. It's people like him in our community that keeps our organization going.

"If your a boy 10 1/2 years of age or older, and in the fifth grade, you can join us on similar trips and community events by calling Weldon Jenkins, Scoutmaster at 853-2181 for further details," a spokesman said.

GRANDPARENT HOPEFULS

The trend toward delayed childbearing among young married couples has left many of their parents anxious about becoming grandparents. The "empty nest" feeling parents experience when children leave home may be prolonged

"Sunshine Gad Abouts"

Visitors in the nursing home this week were: Litane Kothman, Jane Doremire, Marjorie Reynolds, San Saba, Ives Swain, Sabrina Munns, Justin Munns, Pat Pfluger, Betty Wilson, Le Roy Oksak, San Angelo, Mary and Lon L. Hicks, Big Spring, Nancy E. and John Muir, Arroyo Grande, Ca., Ethel Etheredge, Helen Blakeway, Cynthia

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Church Services were provided by the Agape Assembly of God. Pastor Ken Otwell provided the spiritual message. Alpha Blaylock played the piano. Special prayers were said for Bertha Holland and others who are not feeling well.

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We would like to apologize to L.D. and Kathy Doty for not mentioning that they were here for beauty shop the 17th of November. They always do a great job when they are here. Thanks a lot.

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Bertha Holland is still in Community Hospital in San Angelo. We wish her a speedy recovery and wish she was here with us.

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

42 Club has Thanksgiving luncheon

Mrs. Maudie Bassinger was hostess to the "42" Club Thanksgiving luncheon and party at the Dairy Mart last Thursday.

Other members playing were Bessie Clifton, Etta Ruth Dannheim, Louise Logan, Lillian Mikeska, Zelma Henderson, Virginia Griffin, Jessie Sudduth and Jewel Van Dusen. Guests were Lois Etheridge, Gladys Gunn, Fay Mace, Viola Finnigan, Edith Shaw and "Jake" Spencer.

The players were treated to candies, nuts and coffee.

Second Flu Vaccine Has Arrived

The Taiwan Flu Vaccine has just arrived at Dr. B.R. Respass office.

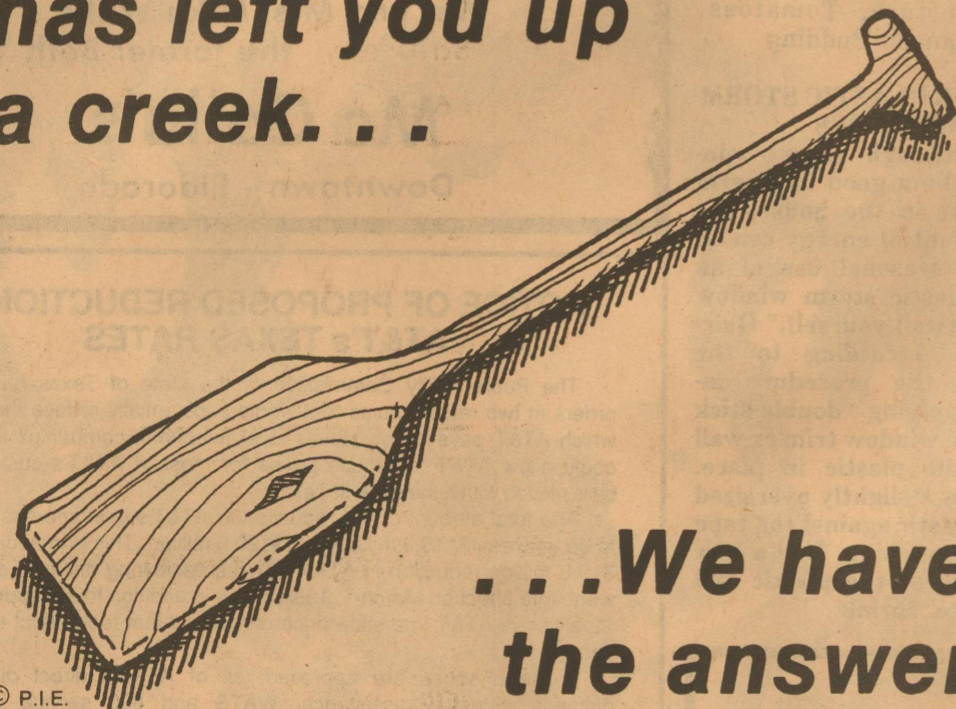
The Disease Control Center in Atlanta is advising adults to take both Flu vaccines, as they are predicting, an epidemic of Flu sweeping the country this winter.

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- Tuesday - Poor Boys or BBQ on a Bun
- Wednesday - Spaghetti
- Thursday - Peppered Chicken
- Friday - Chicken Enchiladas

- Friday Night Special - Chicken Fried Steak
- Saturday Night Special - Lasagna

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- Monday - Chicken Vegetable
- Tuesday - Nacho Cheese
- Wednesday - Broccoli Cheese
- Thursday - Corn Chowder
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