



END SUCCESSFUL SEASON-Eldorado High School's boys cross country team ended a



highly-successful season last weekend with a second place finish at the State Cross Country



Meet. The boys qualified for the meet by winning the regional championship two weeks



ago. Both EHS teams, the boys and girls, won district titles in 1986. [Photos by Rick Sterling]

Schleicher County

Basketball season is here!

See complete previews next week.

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BY TERRY B. NEILL

COLUMN WRITING.....

Column writers are a strange lot anyway. Even if they begin their careers as normal writers they seldom end up that way.

But it's the readers' fault. If we write something that is funny or informative and doesn't have a scrap of controversy in it, everyone gets mad.

If we come out with something that we think everyone will be foaming at the mouth about and threatening murder at the coffee shop, no one says a word.

When we write a column we know what we're trying to say and what we're trying to accomplish with it. Sometimes it is written to inspire or inform, but many times it's designed to just get a chuckle or two.

We like the chuckle type best. We've always thought the world has enough serious stuff going on. Why bring up the depressing stuff in a column?

In the 16 or so years we've been writing columns we've done one on just about any subject you can name, including women, wives, ex-wives, children, coyotes, deer, dears, marriage, divorce, shopping, movies, soap operas, doctors, flying, fear, fun, religion, heaven, hell, money, etc.

As columnists get older they learn to steal from other columnists. After all, no one should be expected to be brilliant every week and sometimes you should be able to borrow from some other columnist who was brilliant that week.

When you're a publisher and a columnist you can just about get away with anything. You can write about any subject and anything you think you can write about without getting shot or tarred and feathered.

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FOR CITY SERVICES

Customer count drops

While Eldorado has managed to survive the crashing oil economy, the city is being affected, as city secretary Carolyn Mayo informed the Eldorado City Council last Tuesday night.

Meeting in regular monthly session the council heard a report from Mrs. Mayo on steps being taken to hold down city expenses in the wake of a slight population decrease.

According to city figures, city sewer and sanitation connections are down from 69 to 98 from the same time period last year. Fewer connections mean reduced operating monies for the city's water and sanitation department.

Mrs. Mayo reported that all employee overtime has been eliminated, with comp time being given instead. "Revenues in both general and utility funds are well below last year's," Mrs. Mayo said.

In other business the council:

(1) Approved the minutes of the October meeting and all bills incurred by the city for October.

(2) Heard water and street department superintendent Clay Long's report. He reported on sewer plant clean-up, repairs to the ground storage building, cleaning of drainage ditches in the Glendale/North Street area, trash truck repair and the possible retirement of two city employees.

(3) Learned that permission has been granted by Dr. Jim Brame for a Soil Conservation Service survey of his property adjacent to the Glendale Addition. Mayor Bob Lester said the study should begin shortly.

(4) Discussed the city's proposal to Schleicher County on rock crushing at the sewer plant. No action has been taken on the idea by the county, pending an estimate on the amount of available rock. Long was asked to acquire such a proposal from area rock crushing firms.

(5) Discussed the new Municipal Court, recently re-established by the city. Five tickets have been issued, with one dismissed, three paid and one pending.

Salary for City Judge Jerroll Sanders was discussed and the council voted to grant him a "flat" rate on his city utility charges—the same method city councilmen are paid for their work.

(6) Voted to accept a new insurance plan for all city employees. The new plan will be cheaper than the old plan and will include employees previously listed "uninsurable". Effective date of the new coverage will be January 1, 1987. The new plan will save the city \$1,252.

The city's workmen's compensation coverage is also expected to be considerably less than previously anticipated. The city will save \$2,400, it was learned.

(7) A brief discussion was held concerning service from Cities Service and Producers Gas. Gary Moore, a Producers rep, is scheduled to present a proposal to the city council concerning changes in the current gas supply contract this month. Chart reintegration was discussed but no action taken.

Economy 'holding line'

Sales tax totals were released this week by Comptroller Bob Bullock's office and Eldorado's totals continue to decline from the same time in 1985.

However, Schleicher County's more diversified economy may be responsible for holding the line. Neighboring Sonora, more dependent on the slumping oil business, shows sales tax receipts dropping more than 30 percent.

Sutton County merchants have collected 33.07 percent less this year than last, getting \$16,083.14 for this period, compared to \$19,648.14 in 1985.

Eldorado's payment was \$5,635.60, down from \$7,516.10. For the year the City of Eldorado has received \$47,308.93, down from \$54,350.26, or 12.96 percent for the year.

For comparative purposes, Rocksprings, with a "ranch" economy is up almost nine percent for the same time frame.

Other cities in the area and their totals include: McCamey, \$13,376.13, down; Rankin, \$3,093.33, down; San Angelo, \$698,474.39, down; Big Lake, \$17,076.23, down; Menard, \$6,054.20, up; Mason, \$12,134.03, down; and Mertzon, \$4,508.50, down.

Mertzon's total for the year is \$47,651.09, down 12.11 percent.

Bullock Friday sent checks totaling \$104.6 million in local sales tax to 1,033 cities that levy the one-percent city tax. Bullock said 1986 payments to date were down 1.7 percent as compared to the payments to date in November of last year.

Houston's check was the largest—\$16.1 million—bringing total payments in 1986 to \$132.9 million, down 5 percent from last year. Dallas' payment was \$12.7 million for a 1986 total of \$99.2 million, a 5 percent decrease from 1985.

San Antonio's payment of \$6.8 million pushed payments for 1986 to \$53 million, up .5 percent. Austin's check for \$4.8 million brought total payments this year to \$39.2 million, a 5 percent decrease from 1985.

News Briefs

Talent Show slated

A Lip-Sync and Talent Show will be held December 20 in the Eldorado High School auditorium. Entry fee will be \$5 for individual acts and \$10 for groups.

Acts will be limited to seven minutes, and December 12 is the entry deadline. Funds raised at the show will benefit the Teacher Scholarship Fund, established by the Texas Association of Future Educators.

Entries of all ages are invited, and should be given to Mrs. Willis, Mrs. Thomas or Tony Lopez.

'Xmas and More' set

About 30 Eldorado women are combining their individual talents to promote their city with a bazaar in December.

The bazaar, which has been named "Christmas and More", will open Sunday, December 7 and continue through Sunday, December 14.

Items to be featured include Christmas jewelry, wood works, wreaths, porcelain dolls, ceramic jewelry, ceramics, quilted vests and collars, decorated sweatshirts, needlepoint, and much more.

The women will also be selling different kinds of food each day, as follows: Monday, bread; Tuesday, cookies and candy; Wednesday, cakes; Thursday, pies; and Friday, casseroles.

Women from various surrounding cities and counties will be invited to visit Eldorado "Christmas and More" with the hopes that the bazaar will become an annual event.

It will be located in the pink house across from the Catholic Church on Hwy. 277 North.

Game meeting set

The Eldorado Game Association will hold a meeting Monday, November 24 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Memorial Building.

Organization of the newly-formed association will be the main order of business. All members and those interested in membership are encouraged to attend. Individual membership is \$25 per year. Associate membership is \$15 per year.

WTU rates lower

Residential customers of West Texas Utilities Company are paying less for electricity during November than the average price being paid by customers of other investor-owned utilities in Texas.

The monthly report by the Public Utility Commission of Texas shows that WTU's standard residential rates are \$36.80 for 500 kilowatt-hours, compared to an average of \$38.53 among the state's eight investor-owned companies, and \$64.09 for 1,000 KWh, compared to an average of \$70.

Highest rates in the state are charged by El Paso Electric, whose customers are paying \$49.69 for 500 KWh and \$92.86 for 1,000 KWh.

The PUC report shows that WTU's rates have declined 11.4 percent since November 1985, while the average decline among all utilities in the survey, including rural electric cooperatives and municipals, was 8.8 percent.

Tickets available

Youngsters and women of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church are now selling tickets for a homemade queen size quilt.

See BRIEFS Page 6.

AFTER 59 YEARS

'Poochie' retiring



He's listed in the telephone book as Lewis Stockton, but just about everyone calls him "Poochie". And this month Poochie is retiring after almost 60 years of barbering.

Poochie has sold his popular downtown barber shop to Brett Dacy "with regret", he said this week. "After barbering for 59 years I have found it time to retire. I will miss all my customers, who were also my friends. I have appreciated my contact with the fine people of Eldorado," Stockton said.

Poochie came to Eldorado first on July 4, 1927, accepting a job barbering with "Doagy" Finley. Haircuts brought a staggering 40 cents each and shaves were accomplished for 25 cents each.

The young barber left Schleicher County in 1936 to work at the old Naylor Hotel Barber Shop in San Angelo—a famous area landmark.

Poochie was cutting hair there when the San Angelo flood took place and water stood six feet deep in the hotel lobby. Stockton later purchased the Naylor shop and was in business there for 30 years.

Stockton returned to Eldorado in 1966 and has been cutting hair and beards here ever since. "Most of my customers have been steady ones—many coming for 50 years," Stockton relates.

Poochie and his wife will retire in Eldorado.

HANGING 'EM UP—Longtime Eldorado barber Poochie Stockton is retiring this month, after 59 years behind the barber chair.

FOUR-YEAR PLAN
The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is launching a four-year plan after more than a year of brainstorming and planning by local citizen groups throughout the state to lay the groundwork for educational programs

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Dear Editor,
Once again Operation Love would like to say a special thank you to everyone who made donations or helped in any way.

Proverbs 19:17
He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord: and that which he has given will he pay him again.

Operation Love is a non-profit organization formed by people at First Christian Church, Eldorado. We try to help anyone who has a real need. Operation Love was started about six years ago to help people in our community. Sometimes our funds are so low that it looks like we will not be able to help anyone else but God has always provided.

We weigh very carefully the need and try to help people to help themselves. We would

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like to think that there is no child in Eldorado that will have to go to bed hungry or cold and if they are sick we want to know that they are able to see a doctor and have the medicine they need. We have purchased shoes, coats, school supplies, paid utilities, bought food, and medicine. Thanksgiving and Christmas we provide food baskets and toys.

We would like to thank the local merchants for allowing us to put our boxes for food donations in their businesses. We will have boxes in some of the stores before Thanksgiving and Christmas, if you would like to share some of your good fortune with someone else, please drop something in as you go by.

If you would like to donate toys for Christmas, we will pick them up, just give us a call. We ask that if the toys are used they be in good condition as we are unable to do any repair on them.

There are people in Eldorado who need help, won't you please help.

God bless each of you for your help.

If you need help or know of anyone who does please call: Hazle Ferguson 853-2694 or

Faye Gibson 853-2271 after 5 p.m. or weekends.

Sincerely,
Operation Love

Dear Editor,

"Our paper is really good. We are sure lucky to have a talented editor like T.B.", these are a few of the many comments I hear every day - just wanted to pass it on to you.

Keep up the good work. You are appreciated and have become a household word in Schleicher County homes.

A couple of the favorite columnists are Tom Giovannitti and Rev. John Stukey. Everyone seems to enjoy their articles.

A little criticism has been expressed, but I hope it will not discourage them from writing because they would be greatly missed.

Thanks to you all.
Rene Calcote

SWINE SEMINARS

A series of swine seminars focusing on waste management, breeding for efficiency, tax management and management tips for women will be conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service on December 4 at Texas A&M



REPEAT VOWS--Michael David Wilks and Lea Beth Vogel were united in marriage November 10 at the West Angelo Church of Christ, officiated by Portis Ribble. She is the daughter of Lea Tilley of Groesbeck and Gary Vogel of Mart. She is a graduate of Groesbeck High School and is a student at Texas Tech University, Lubbock. He is the son of Kathy Doty of Eldorado, and Lowell Wilks of Del Rio. He is a graduate of Eldorado High School and is a senior at Tech. They are now at home in Lubbock.



The custom of kissing under the mistletoe goes back to the early 17th century. Purists say that after each kiss under the mistletoe, a berry should be plucked from the branch and the kissing ends when the berries are gone.

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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.



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Top of The Divide

BY THOMAS GIOVANNITTI

I am truly sorry if your son or daughter is a dentist and this article is not meant as anything personal against them or any other person you may know and admire who also happens to be a dentist.

You see, about the time you read this, Thursday morning, I will be sitting in a dentist's chair, mouth full of cotton trying to answer his questions on the meaning of Sartre's last major thesis.

Why is it that dentist

seldom ask you "yes" or "no" questions. You would think that a man who has to spend his life with his hands in someone else's mouth would know not to ask questions that require too much jaw movement.

What kind of person goes into a line of work, the major part of which is the infliction of pain on another person.

On top of all this they have become specialized. The general dentist cleans your teeth, maybe does a few simple fillings, and, in an emergency,

will pull a tooth. Given any time though, and he will send you to a specialist.

This is probably the way all professions are going, it is just that dentists have really smoothed out the operation.

If you have pre-teen and teenage children you live in mortal fear of your dentist. This otherwise mild mannered man, when he sees the teeth of a teenager, goes bonkers. You can tell by the gleeful look in his eye he is about to tell you what you did not want to hear. Your child needs braces!

No! Not that! Anything, reform school, a few years at hard labor, glasses even, a scholarship to A&M, but not braces. There goes the money saved for the travel trailer to be used in your twilight years. No chance now of going to Hawaii this year or maybe ever.

All this so your kid can have straight teeth. I mean, far be it from me, to have my child go through life with a crooked smile. What kind of a parent would condemn his child to years of a slight overbite when, for a mere fortune, his child will have a smile like Farrah Faucet.

Of course, the kid hates you for it. You have drained the family savings to salvage this ingrates mouth, and all you hear is this growling sound coming from this wired mouth.

This only goes to show that there are some fates worse than death, and one of them is braces, whether you are the kid or the parent.

PREPARE HEAT PUMP FOR WINTER

Like any other heating system, a heat pump needs regular maintenance to perform efficiently. Dr. Susan Quiring, a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service housing specialist, advises regular maintenance on the blower and cleaning the outside condenser coil with a coil cleaning solution or having service personnel do it for you. Lubricate the blower motor with a few drops of lightweight oil if it is required.

AT FEDERAL LAND BANK

Interest rates dropping

Farmers and ranchers who finance with the Federal Land Bank of Texas will pay lower interest rates beginning December 1.

Variable interest rates on long-term farm and ranch land loans will be 10.75 percent, down from 11 percent. Rural residence and farm-related business loans will decrease to 11.25 percent, down from 11.50 percent.

According to Don Rogge, president of the Federal Land Bank of Texas, the reduction, due to the drop in money cost, will save Texas farmers and ranchers more than \$6 million a year in interest.

The bank and its 44 Federal Land Bank Associations have more than \$2.5 billion outstanding to 40,000 Texas farmers and ranchers for terms of up to 30 years.

"Lower interest rates will give Land Bank borrowers some financial relief," says Rogge. "We feel that each time we bring interest rates down even a few basic points, we are helping stabilize the overall farm economy and Texas land prices, in particular."

Since August 1 the bank

has lowered interest rates 3/4 of 1 percent. This represents almost \$19 million a year less in interest rates for farmers, according to Rogge.

"The Texas Land Bank mortgage loan portfolio continues to earn money," Rogge said. "Almost 98 percent of our loans are current. Only 2 percent or about \$14 million of our loans are delinquent. We view this as acceptable considering the bank has \$2.5 billion in loans outstanding."

Rogge warned that even though the Land Bank continues to make money, third quarter earnings will be negative because of aid to other ailing Farm Credit districts. He emphasized, however, that recent legislation passed for the Farm Credit System would alter these figures. Special accounting methods and spreading losses over a 20-year period will allow the bank to reverse some payables to other districts, changing year-end earnings for the bank significantly, the association president said.

The Land Bank, this year, has averaged almost \$2 million a month in net earnings.

Points From Eagles Point

BY RITA REEVES

Eagles' Point held a garage sale and bake sale on Saturday. We want to thank the parents and other members of the community who provided items for the sale.

Excess items were donated to the West Texas Boys' Ranch Thrift Store in San Angelo. We are also providing our facility for the use of Tumbleweeds Gymnastics on Mondays.

Also in the near future we will be offering Karate Lessons by Clarence "Daddy-o" Smith each week. He has been kind enough to donate 15 percent of his total profit to the Youth Center. He will not accept more than 25 students at this time. The first class will be held in December. Entry deadline is November 24.

The back room will have new gas heaters installed by the next cold spell to make it more comfortable for those who use our building.

The hours for the youth center are Friday 7-12, Satur-

day 7-12, Sunday 1-5. There will be movies for viewing on the V.C.R. for Saturday and Sunday each week.

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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B.R. Respass, M.D.

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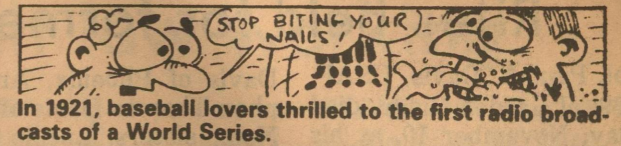
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TURKEY COST ABOUT THE SAME

Prices for whole turkeys should be about the same as last year, says a Texas A&M University Agricultural Extension Service poultry marketing specialist. According to Dr. David Mellor, the cost for plain store brand turkeys should be in the range of .60 to .70 per pound, while national brand basted turkeys will cost .90 to \$1.00 per pound. Although this year's turkey stocks are higher than in 1985, he says this shouldn't affect the retail price, since most turkey is now processed into parts or other food items.



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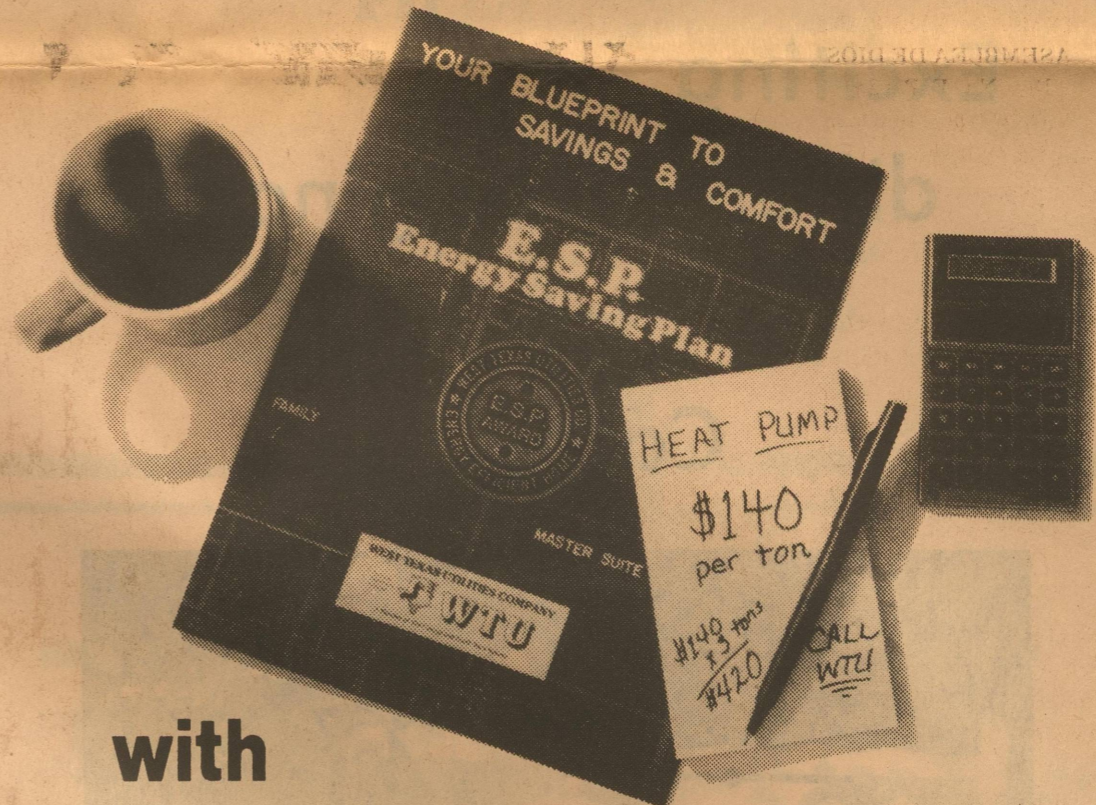
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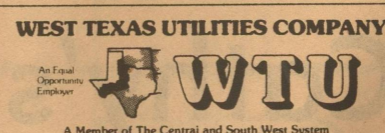
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Rites held for former Eldoradoite

Col. Paul A. Davis, USAF, ret., 69, of Garden Ridge, died Monday, November 10, at his residence in Universal City. He was an Eldorado native.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy "Dee" Davis of Garden Ridge; sons, Paul Richard

Davis of Phoenix, Ariz., Stephen Thomas Davis of Omaha, Neb.; sisters, Lucille Jackson of Eldorado, Eula Owens of Sherman and Venita Powers of Alpine; brother Wallace Davis of Alpine; grandchildren, Brent, Heidi, Allen and Jesse.

Col. Davis was the mayor of the City of Garden Ridge, he was a member of the Bracken United Methodist Church, a member of the Bracken Lions Club and the Garden Ridge VFW Post No. 8110.

Funeral services were held Thursday, November 13 at Chapel One, Randolph Air Force Base with the Rev. Tom Randles officiating. Burial followed in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery with full military honors.

TAX RELIEF

Farmers with taxable income from debts discharged are eligible for some tax relief, says an economist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The Texas A&M University System.



TOP CITIZENS—Citizens of the Month at Eldorado Middle School are [back row, l-r] Stephanie Nolen, Mondee Nelson, Justin Paxton and Trent Manning. [Staff Photo]

SEE TEXAS FALL FOLIAGE

Ambassadors have tour

BY EVELYN STIGLER
Twenty four Senior Ambassadors who are members of the First Baptist Church left Eldorado Monday morning November 10, on a Fall Foliage Texas Heritage tour of a part of Texas which had a big part in the fight for and the founding of our great state of Texas.

The tour was planned and carried out under the leadership of Mary Robinson, who along with Pat Sykes, made a trip to all the places on the tour ahead of time, made reservations for places to stay, places to eat, planned menus and activities of interest along the way.

The group is indebted to Mary for all her efforts. They are also appreciative of the efforts of the foods committee, chaired by Mary Etta Stricklan, who planned and prepared food for a picnic which had to be eaten on the bus because of the cold weather.

Their bus driver, Leon Stricklan, did a superb job of driving the First Baptist

Church Bus and everyone appreciated his leadership in getting them where they needed to be on time.

The tour was marred in some ways because of the weather and they did not get to enjoy the beauty of the Fall Foliage because of a dense fog and fine mist. The Lost Maples are still lost as far as they are concerned for they did not get to see them as they had expected.

One of the most interesting small towns that they went through was Castroville. A tour guide who just happened to be the manager of the chamber of commerce there, boarded the bus and gave a guided tour of the city.

She was Madeline Koepf who gave a very interesting history of the town. It was founded by Henri Castro who was a French Portugese Jew. He traveled to the United States frequently and became a naturalized citizen.

He received a grant to buy Texas land and tried to get 600 men or families to come to Texas. This place has many interesting homes, churches, a beautiful park which helps to bring in tourism. The Landmark Inn was an interesting building. In it was an interesting museum which they toured and listened to the history of how the Inn was built.

They went inside a Catholic Church which was beautiful. The statues, stained glass windows and the entire structure was very impressive.

The first night was spent in Goliad at Antler's Inn. The next day they saw the Fannin Battleground and visited the Presidio DeLa Bahia which was a fort that appears as it did in 1836. It is the oldest fort in the U.S., west of the Mississippi. There were twice as many lives lost here as in the Alamo. There was a museum here also.

In Gonzales they tried to have a picnic lunch in a very nice park but it was too cold so it was eaten on the bus. They visited a very interesting museum here which had the most interesting items of any they saw.

Interesting crystal, china, quilts, and many other memorabilia. This museum was sponsored by the DAR of Gonzales.

From Gonzales they drove on to San Antonio where they had reservations to stay at the Menger Hotel Tuesday night. Dinner was at Texas 21 which was a nice walk from the Menger on the river.

Wednesday morning the group took a planned tour of the Williams District in Horse Drawn Carriages. It was an

area of San Antonio where there are old but interesting homes. After that, part of the group took a street car to Market Square. Others had free time to do what they wanted to do.

Some of the highlights of the trip was the fun on the bus. They enjoyed a lot of singing led by Mabel Blaylock. All the old songs we could think of. Of course there were a few jokes along the way, especially by Pauline Thompson and a few others.

The combined age of the group was 1516 and the average age was 63.6.

They arrived back in Eldorado about six o'clock to face the cold, north wind and the lights out.

Anniversary fete slated

Earl and Sarah Yates will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary Saturday, November 22. The public is invited from 2 to 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Earl M. Yates and Sarah O. Sweatt were married November 16, 1946. Earl is employed by the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department since his retirement from Halliburton after 30 years. Sarah works at Perry's after employment with Western Auto for 20 years.

The Yates have five children and their families. The family includes: Jackie Yates, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Tanya) Chapman and Charlie of Junction; Mr. and Mrs. Joe (Jill) Freeman, Jr., Joey and Jinger; Mr. and Mrs. Larry (Randy) Mitchel, Victoria,

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Lance, Ty and Todd; and Mr. and Mrs. De (Sherry) Lux, Teresa, Stuart and Mitzl, all of Eldorado.

The children and grandchildren are hosting the anniversary gathering.

"Your presence will be your gift to them," a spokesman said.

Bake Sale set by Auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars met Monday night, November 17 with eight members present.

The auxiliary will have a Bake Sale Saturday, November 22 by Parker Foods. A drawing will be held at the end of the sale for a hand crocheted afghan. Tickets may be purchased from any auxiliary member for a \$1.00 donation.

Tickets may also be purchased at the Bake Sale. Proceeds from this sale go towards purchasing Christmas gifts for the nursing home.

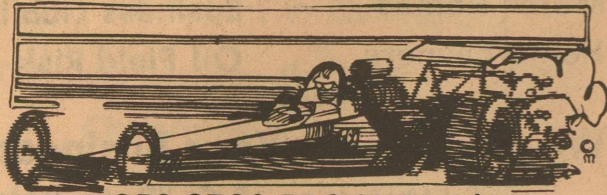
Plans are being made for the auxiliary's family Christmas supper and party to be held December 13.

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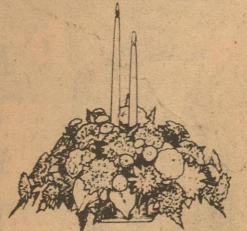


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1. Treat every gun with the respect due a loaded gun.
2. Watch that muzzle! Be

able to control the direction of the muzzle even if you should stumble.

3. Be sure the barrel and action are clear of obstructions and that you have only ammunition of the proper size for the gun you are carrying.

4. Be sure of your target before you pull the trigger; know identifying features of the game you hunt.

5. Unload guns when not in use.

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BRIEFS

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The quilt was made and donated by Mrs. Presley Weishuhn of Wall, and features autumn colors.

Tickets are one dollar each. The drawing will be Sunday, December 21. Proceeds will go toward items needed for youth instruction.

Memorial Fund set

The Eldorado Veterans of Foreign Wars Post is now sponsoring a Memorial Fund for the Eldorado Cemetery.

Persons can make cash memorials to the cemetery fund, and the money will be used to maintain the facility, according to VFW spokesmen.

Memorials will be published monthly in the Schleicher County Leader-Success. They should be mailed to V.F.W. Memorial Fund, Box 479, Eldorado, 76936.

Deadlines set

News and advertising deadlines for the Schleicher County Leader-Success' Thanksgiving issue were announced this week by publisher Terry B. Neill.

Deadlines have been rolled back exactly 24 hours. All news and advertising must be received by Monday at 5 p.m. and classified ads and society news must be received by noon Monday for inclusion in the Thanksgiving issue.

The paper will be printed on Tuesday afternoon instead of Wednesday and distributed Wednesday morning.

The newspaper office will be closed Wednesday afternoon, and Thursday. Video Shack, now located in the paper office, will be open all day Wednesday and closed on Thursday only.

PHONE YOUR CLASSIFIED ADS TO THE LEADER-SUCCESS AT 853-3631.

ACTIVITIES HELP ALZHEIMER'S PATIENTS

A family caregiver may spend many hours each day assisting an Alzheimer's patient with eating, dressing and personal care. But there are still many hours of the day that remain unoccupied.

Xmas Bazaar slated

In a continuing effort to promote Eldorado, a week-long Christmas Bazaar is being planned for December 7-13. A planning meeting for the bazaar will be held on Sunday, November 9 at 2 p.m. in the Memorial Building.

Anyone who is interested in participating needs to attend this meeting. For more information, please contact Nancy Lester at the County Extension Office.

Tourney slated

A 27-hole golf tournament benefitting the Eldorado Golf Club will be held on the local course Saturday, November 22.

The tourney will feature two-man partnership, select shot play and will be followed by a fish fry.

Entries are asked to sign up early for the tourney, which will kickoff with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. sharp. Entry fee will be \$50 per team or \$25 each player.

Proceeds from the tourney will benefit the local golf course.

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If you write for someone else, however, you're aware that the final editing pencil may not agree and that your columns must follow the editorial policies of the newspaper you're writing for.

We have some talented folks writing for us. Tom G., John Stukey and Evelyn Stigler are regular guest writers. Stukey and Stigler concentrate on religion and Eldorado news, while Tom G. (That's what we call our able prognosticator since we found out we couldn't spell Giovineti or whatever it is!) does his thing on a variety of subjects.

We like to hear comments on our newspaper and its columns. Obviously columns are someone's personal opinions and on occasion even the "t.b." doesn't agree with them. However, we would defend with our life, 'er typewriter, their right to produce them.

If we didn't hear pros and cons on our writers from time to time we would be worried. How could we know anyone was reading the newspaper? And wouldn't it be boring?

So, remember that columnists are a little strange anyway and take that into consideration before you set fire to their houses. The only thing more precious to them than their houses is their egos!

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Willis completes mechanic course

Army Private David G. Willis, son of Bobby E. and Shirley J. Willis of Barnhart, has completed a wheeled-vehicle mechanic course at the U.S. Army Training Center, Fort Dix, N.J.

During the course, students were trained to perform maintenance and assist in the repair of automotive vehicles and associated equipment.

They became familiar with the functioning of automotive wheeled-vehicle components, operating principles of internal combustion engines, fundamentals of fuel and electrical systems, and the use of organizational and test equipment.

He was an honor graduate of the course.

The private is a 1982 graduate of Sonora High School.

Poster winners named

Bobbie Roubison won first place in the Anti-Drug Poster Contest held at Eldorado Middle School recently. Miss Roubison, a student in Mrs. Preston's fifth grade class, won a \$50 United States Savings Bond.

Second place went to Matt Williams, a sixth grader in Mrs. Callison's class. He won a trophy. Third went to sixth grader Hope Martinez, a student in Mrs. Dean's class.

Honorable mention honors went to Shannon Chrisman, Cory Barton, Adrienne Noelle Pina, Robert Sanchez, Victor Belman, Holley Whitten, Daniel Hernandez, Jamey Belk, Pamela Whitten and Alyssa Halbert.

"Participation was wonderful. We had 100 entries," Scharlotta Smith with Narcotic Consultants Inc. said this week. Her company sponsored the activity.

Contest judges were Janet Wilson, Ruth Ann Callahan, Sonny Dunlap and Ms. Smith.

Memorial Building site for bazaar

Gethsemani Assembly of God Church will be having a church bazaar at the Memorial Building on November 22 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The women have worked for months to put together their colorful array of hand-made items which will make excellent Christmas gifts, or personal purchases.

There will also be tamales, Jeff David pies plus other baked items.

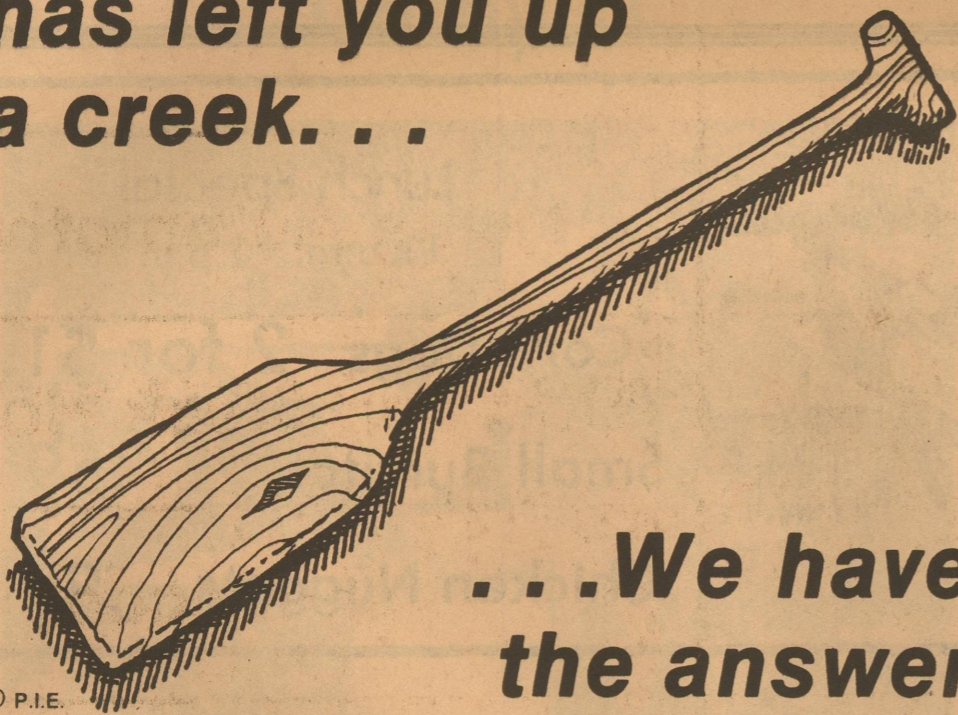
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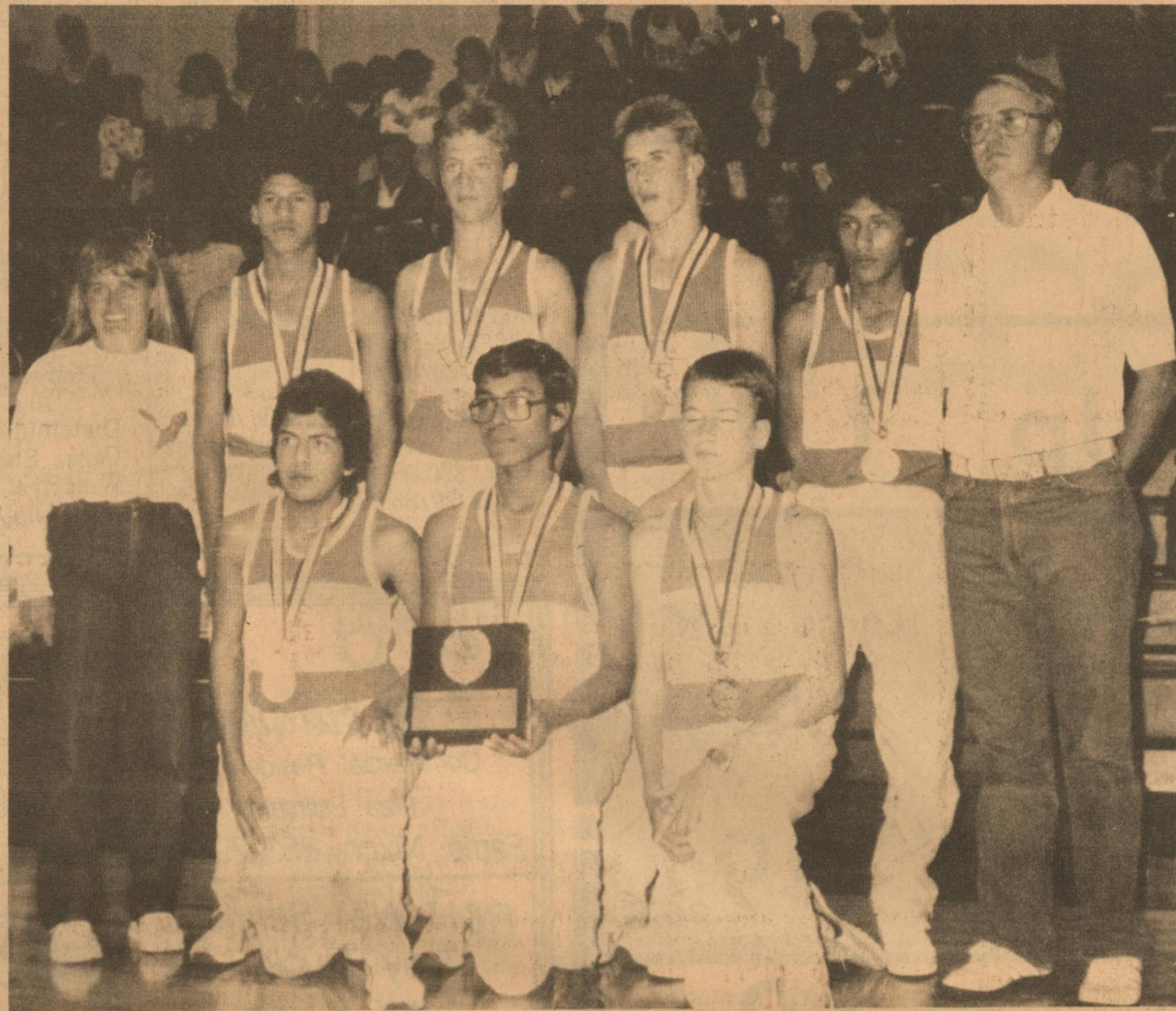


Congratulations Cross Country Team-- Second Place at State!

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Congratulations Boys Cross Country team!

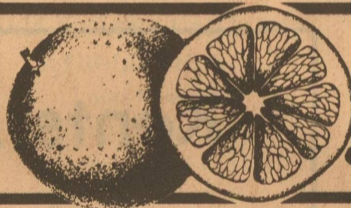
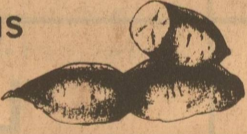
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