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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1994

Turkey Citizens
Will Be Receiving a
Survey about the clinic
opening in Turkey.
Please fill out the form
& return to City Hall
by December 12, 1994.



Cotton Harvest

by Ann Coker

Pictured are four of the six strippers at work on the U. F. Coker farm west of Turkey, manned by Stacy Price and crew.

Cotton harvest is in full swing and production is higher in spots than anticipated.

Calendar Of Events

December 1

Quitauque Sr. Citizens
Robbie Hill @ Turkey

December 2

Lakeview BB 6:30 H

December 3

Caprock Country Christmas
Turkey Methodist Bazaar

December 4

Attend Church of Choice

December 5

Lions Club

Friona BB 4 H

December 6

Quitauque Chamber of Commerce

Masonic Lodge

Briscoe Co. Hist. Soc.

Flomot Do Gooders

Turkey Fire Dept.

December 8

Quitauque Sr. Citizens

Nuevo Study Club

Turkey City Council

Turkey Methodist Hold Bazaar

The women of the Turkey Methodist Church will be holding their annual bazaar this Friday and Saturday. They will open each morning at 9:00 am and will be open as long as necessary.

The bazaar will include a bake sale, arts and crafts and a rummage sale. They would like to invite all to come on this Friday or Saturday, December 2nd and 3rd, to look at the various things they will have on sale and do your Christmas baking early by taking advantage of the bake sale.

FCE Club Meets November 21

F.C.E. Club of Turkey met November 21 in the Senior Citizens Room. Roll call was answered by a favorite Holiday beverage. The program, "Tastier Fare of Holiday Beverages," was brought to 18 members who were present, by Beverly Logsdon. Beverly also gave some tips on making up a gift basket for the different types of beverages along with other foods. She always brings good tips in preparing foods.

Hostesses were Mary Tripp, Iona Lane, and Leota Johnson. Different kinds of sandwiches, chips, dip cookies and cakes were served. Punch and coffee topped of the refreshment table. The refreshment hit the spot with all of the members.

Open House Saturday At Many Quitauque Merchants

Many merchants in Quitauque will be hosting open house on Saturday, December 3, 1994 in conjunction with the Caprock Country Christmas event. Many of the local businesses will be having special sales and giving away door prizes during the day along with refreshments.

Valley Farm Store will be having refreshments and a drawing for a door prize. Caprock Home Center will have a microwave as their door prize. Karol's Kountry Korner will have refreshments along with door prizes during the day.

Go by Farley's Flowers and Variety for Brad Carter's autograph signing of his book and tapes. Farley's will also have door prizes and refreshments. Merrell Food will draw names to give away two turkeys.

The Sportsman Cafe will present some lucky person with a dinner for two. Allsup's will have a place to sign up for the turkey they are giving away. The Valley Tribune will have refreshments and will be giving away a subscription for the coming year of the paper. Also at The Valley Tribune you may sign up for a Mary Kay doorprize.

The Caprock Cafe is having a drawing for four dinners for two during the day. Trinkets to Treasures will be having a Santa Fun Shop along with refreshments and drawings.

Queen of the Valley Tours will be running tours all day Saturday. Vinita's Boutique at the Quitauque Quail Lodge (3 miles west of Quitauque on State Highway 86) will be having open house. Tours will also be available.

Flomot Hosts Holiday Supper December 11

by Earlyne Jameson

The Baptist Church of Flomot has scheduled a Holiday Festival for a community observance of the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays at 6:00 p.m., Sunday, December 11 at the Community Center in Flomot. The featured guest will be Briscoe County Judge, Jimmy Burson of Silvertown.

Those attending are requested to bring a vegetable or desert of their choice as the ham, bread and beverages will be furnished at the supper preceding the program.

Everyone is extended a cordial welcome for this holiday event.

Marjorie Bell was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Roberson of Amarillo for Thanksgiving dinner. Thirty family members and a guest were present.

Valley FFA Host Fruit Sale

The Valley FFA will be sponsoring a fruit sale from present thru Tuesday, December 6, 1994.

Contact any local FFA Member for your delicious apples, oranges and grapefruits.

Emergency Farm Loan Applications Being Accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for losses caused by extensive rain and hail which occurred on May 1, 1994 through May 31, 1994 and again on July 9, 1994 are being accepted at the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) office located in Tulia, FmHA County Supervisor Ross James said today.

Swisher County and Briscoe County are two of the six in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy as eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from the rain and hail.

Ross James said farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80 percent of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 4.5 percent.

"As a general rule, a farmer must have suffered at least a 30 percent loss of production to be eligible for an FmHA emergency loan," James said. Farmers participating in the PIK or Federal Crop Insurance program will have to figure in proceeds from those programs in determining their loss.

Applicants that certify that other credit is not available may receive loans covering actual losses at an interest rate of 4.5 percent and are scheduled for repayment as rapidly as feasible consistent with the applicants repayment ability to pay.

To be eligible for an emergency loan, an applicant must have suffered losses from the disaster.

In addition, the Small Business Administration (SBA), in an agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), provides Economic Injury Disaster Loans to eligible small businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers in counties that have received a disaster declaration from the Secretary of Agriculture.



Songwriter Will Be In Quitauque

Lubbock songwriter Brad Carter will be in Quitauque on December 3rd, from two to four p.m., to autograph copies of his new album, *I Believe In Rainbows*. This collection of children's songs is available on cassette or CD and comes with a unique lyric/coloring book, featuring original drawings by Linda Gillespie. This album contains several of Brad's latest compositions including "Not Me", a song about the two little ghosts that are always messing up the house, and the popular

"Slumberland Train." This magic train can take children anywhere, but only when they close their eyes. "I'm a Good Kid" features a little boy who is trying to convince Santa that he is truly a much better child than his recent behavior might indicate. Brad's vocals and 12-string guitar are enhanced by the musical talents of Lloyd Maines,

Kenny Maines, Cary Banks (of the Maines Brothers Band) and Doc Gillespie.

Brad's sister, Alison Kelly, sings a duet with him on the title song and directs the children's chorus on several songs. Alison's husband, Patrick Kelly, is a nephew of Walter Kelly of Quitauque. Brad Carter's wife, Anita, is the daughter of Wayne and Jimmie Hunter of Flomot and granddaughter of H G Hunter of Quitauque. This new album will be available at Farley's Flowers and Variety in Quitauque, where Brad will be on hand to autograph copies of *I Believe In Rainbows* as a part of the Caprock Country Christmas celebration.

Cattle Women's Association Hosts Christmas Party

For a Texas holiday experience mark December 8 on your calendar. The Palo Duro Pioneers Chapter of the Texas Cattle Women's Association will be hosting a Christmas party at the Bar H Dude Ranch on that Thursday evening. The festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public. Women who would like to join the newly formed chapter are encouraged to attend and their spouses are also welcome.

In addition to a holiday meal and festivities, newly elected officers of the group will be installed. They include: president, Ruth Robinson; 1st vice president, Kathy Xommel; 2nd vice president, Lisa Price; treasurer and recording secretary, Karen Simmons and coordinating secretary, Tina Lauler.

Committee Chairpersons are: Ways and Means, Courtney

Sixth Annual Caprock Country Christmas

The sixth annual Caprock Country Christmas will get an early start at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, December 3, 1994 in the Senior Citizens Building with coffee and cinnamon rolls available.

At 10 a.m. the Arts and Craft show will open as well as the bake sale by We The Women. The Caprock Public Library will begin their book sale at 10 a.m.

Lunch sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Community Center with a menu of barbecue or chili with homemade dessert.

At one in the afternoon the buggy rides will start from the Community Center. Two p.m. will see the Cow Pattie Bingo take place at the corner of First & Jones. This is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce.

Santa will arrive at the Craft Show on Main Street at 3 p.m. Pictures with Santa will be available.

To end a very enjoyable day, carolers will be seen strolling down Main Street at 4:30 p.m.

Caprock Public Library News

by Arlene Hinkle

New books at Caprock Public Library for adults: *In the Land Of Giants: My Life In Basketball* by Tyrone. "Muggsy" Bogues. At 5 ft. 3 in., Muggsy is the shortest player in the history of the National Basketball Association. An account of his extraordinary career.

The Unplowed Sky by Jeanne Williams. Nineteen years old and responsible for her young brother, Hallie gets a job as a cook for a threshing outfit in Kansas during the 20's.

For Juveniles: *Talking About Mime: An illustrated Guide* by David Alberts. Want to learn how to perform without words? This book will show you how.

To Race A Dream by Deborah Savage. In 1906, fifteen year old Theodora disguises herself as a boy to pursue her dream of becoming a race horse driver.

Don't forget...Book Sale... Saturday December 3.

THEN and NOW!

by Eunice McFall

Caprock Country Christmas will be the start of the Christmas season in Quitauque on Saturday, December 3, 1994. There will only remain 21 more shopping days when Saturday arrives. Not much time when you begin to think of all the many items on your list to purchase or make for your loved ones on your Christmas list and all the items on your TO DO Christmas list. We all have the tendency to try to cram too much into the days when December rolls around as we want each year for this year's Christmas to be the most perfect one yet. What we seem to forget is that it is not the cost of the gift or the size of the gift or the number of gifts under the tree that is important!

What is most important is that families are together for a happy occasion and everyone is trying to be on their best behavior so that it will be a nice day to remember. The thought that goes into the presents is what we should most remember! Don't you remember some time receiving a small unexpected gift that has remained in your mind as one of your most favorite gifts.

Saturday will help you to give some thought to the purchase of those gifts for those dear to your hearts. The craft show will have quite an array of many kinds of items for each and everyone on your list. The merchants in town have many many selections for gifts for you to choose from regardless if the gift is for a new baby or a great grandparent. Plan to reserve Saturday to "Shop at Home." You might be surprised at what you will find right here at home!

The Lions Club has been very active these past couple of weeks trying to get all the lights on the buildings to glowing with the Christmas spirit. We The Women have been just as busy cleaning and refurbishing the Sidewalk Museum with a great Christmas atmosphere. Merchants in town have put holiday charm in their stores also. The old saying, "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas" is quite true of downtown Quitauque this week. It could not have happened without all of the help from the many many volunteers who donated their time to make the town be quite festive. Edie Sargent has spent many hours painting scenes on some of the windows in town as well as coordinating the craft show.

Many merchants are having open house, giving away door prizes and have stocked up on Christmas products just for YOU to stop in and shop with them. Let us not disappoint the merchants in town. They are doing this to let you, their customer know that they appreciate you! We the customer in turn should return the favor and shop with the merchants and let them know that we do appreciate all the hard work that they go to for us.

Pulling together, merchants, customers, volunteers and service clubs will improve the economy of our area.

Come out Saturday and feast your eyes on Quitauque!

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Happy Birthdays

- December 1**
 Leticia Ortiz, Wes Henson, Dennins Irby
- December 2**
 Jack Barnhill, Bob Mc Williams, Earl Patrick
- December 3**
 Mary Woods, Jr. (Bubba) Cruz, Harold Thrasher, Eddie House, Ida Farley
- December 4**
 Izell Proctor, Alfredo Galvan, Kylon Morgan, Bryant Ortiz, Desiree Star Casillas
- December 5**
 Lane Barclay, Lori Clay, April Montaque, Linda Adamson, Lori Kleibrink, Gene Fuston
- December 6**
 Kacey Fuston
- December 7**
 Glen Calvert, Ronnie Eudy
- December 8**
 Ralph Carter, Celeste Sperry, Mrs. H. B. Finney, Brittany Hinkle
- Happy Anniversaries**
- December 3**
 Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Reagan
- December 4**
 Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Carnes
 Mr. and Mrs. Wes Shivers
- December 6**
 Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Mullin
 Mr. and Mrs. H. W. House
- December 7**
 Mr. and Mrs. Burl Price
 Mr. and Mrs. James Barefield

On the QT

Ken and Lisa Chandler and Kaci of Sweetwater spent Thanksgiving holiday visiting with Pete and Inetha Blankenship and other relatives in Quitaque.
 Rusty Sargent and family were out of town for the holidays visiting Rusty's family, R.W. and JoAnn Sargent at Holliday, Texas.

OBITUARY

Clara Husband

Services for Clara Husband, 90 of Marietta, Oklahoma were held in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Tommy Hagle officiating.
 Burial was under direction of Anderson-Kennedy Funeral Home of Marietta.
 She died Thursday, November 24, 1994, in Love County Health Center.
 She was born November 1, 1904, in Rowlette. She married Joe Husband on November 27, 1925, in Childress. He died May 13, 1982. She was a member of First Baptist Church. She moved to Marietta from Turkey in 1967. She had worked with the Blue Ribbon Laundry and she was a homemaker.
 Survivors include a son, Kenneth of Childress; two daughters, Velda Hurst of Marietta and Delores Toland of Lubbock; a sister, Vida Mae Pierce, of Turkey; 10 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.
 Pallbearers were Don Hurst, Scotty Hurst, Roger Husband, Ricky Husband, Tommy Husband and Joe Toland.

Billy Davis

Graveside services for Billy Dan Davis, 41, of Tulia were held at 5 pm on Wednesday, November 23, 1994, in Dreamland Cemetery.
 Interment was directed by Myers-Long Funeral Directors.
 Davis died Monday, November 21, 1994 in Amarillo.
 He was born in Memphis.
 He was a carpenter.
 Survivors include his mother, Laverne Mullin of Tulia; and his grandmother, Babe Harwood of Canyon.

James Russell

James Royce "Jim" Russell, 73, of Amarillo, died Sunday, November 19, 1994.
 Mr. Russell was born in Turkey. He married Lola Howard in 1949 at Childress. He was an Army Veteran of World War II and served in Okinawa and the invasion of Normandy. He was a member of the Knights of the Columbus and was a Catholic.
 He was a manager of TG&Y stores for many years and was currently employed by National Health Laboratories.
 Survivors include his wife, two daughters, Rose Mary Wall of Dallas and Angela Cantrell of Amarillo; a brother, Dr. Tommy Russell of Winters; two sisters, Katherine Russell of Amarillo and Elnora Masterson of Las Cruces, New Mexico; and five grandchildren.
 He was the nephew of Zona Lane, many Russell and Coker relatives and a host of friends.

Christmas Recital

by Mrs. Ross Herrington
 Mrs. Ross Herrington will present her annual Christmas recital on Wednesday, December 7, at 6:45 pm at the First Baptist Church, Quitaque.
 All Christmas music will be performed by twenty excited students, some for the first time and some seasoned performers. They have worked long and hard on this program.
 Performing that night will be Chance Maynard, Olivia Greene, Jana Merrell, Melody Farley, Chase Maynard, Brandi Price, Kenzie Burson, Matt Whittington, Zack Ramsey, Magan Whittington, Maddie Ramsey, Jamie Taylor, Mindy Proctor, April Farley, Lindsey Jennings, Lauren Sargent, Kristin Ramsey, Ava Jo Sargent, Holly Nance and Traci Ham. This promises to be one of the best ever.
 A reception of cake and punch will follow. The public is invited.

McWilliam Family Thanksgiving Reunion

The McWilliam family gathered at the Quitaque Community Center for their Thanksgiving Dinner.
 Those attending were Tim and Trish McWilliam; Christi, Danny, Chance and Chase Maynard; Bess McWilliams of Silverton; Mary King of Grover; Glenda Couch and Julia Couch; Jim and Martha McWilliam of Amarillo; Rachelle, Ashley, Leslie, Willie Mae Gerdes of Amarillo; Donna and Jim Taylor and son Dallas of Amarillo; Wayne Womack of Amarillo, Wilma Hunt of Silverton; Gary Hunt of Clarendon; Mary Sue Bingham, Doug Gail Bingham, Brittany, Bethany and Ben of Amarillo; Myrna Billips of Borger; Bobby and Punk; Martha and Roger Ludwig, Amy, Samantha and Dustin of Hereford; Dena, Tim Lacy of Roaring Springs; Kyle, Jan, Tyler Decker, Holly and Hope of Matador; Ronald and Franklin Ledbetter of Ponca City, Ok.; Gary and Mary Lynn Ledbetter of Chickasha, Ok.; Chris Ledbetter of Chickasha, Ok., and Joe, Teri, Shacy and Chisum Johnson of Hollis Oklahoma.

Yesterday On QT

Eastern Star Meets Monday
 The Turkey Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will meet at 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, December 13, the Worthy Matron announces. All members are asked to be present.###

Miss Jo Beth Lusk Enjoys Fifth Birthday

On Tuesday, November 30, Jo Beth Lusk enjoyed a party with a number of her little friends and cousins, celebrating her fifth birthday in the home of her grandmother, Mrs. J. Arnold.
 Those present, accompanied by their mothers, were Janice and Sherad Arnold, June and Sandra Wilson, Verna Leta Bradshaw, Billie Mae McCullum, Janice Russell, Margaret Young, Delores Lacy, Sue Mohon, Paulette Meacham, Betty Jo Arnold, and Jo Beth Lusk.###

RATION CALENDAR

GASOLINE—In states outside the east coast area A-9 coupons are good through January 21.
SUGAR—Stamp No. 29 in book four is good for 5 pounds through January 15.
SHOES—Stamp No. 18 in book one, good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the "Airplane" sheet in book three, good for 1 pair.
MEATS, FATS—Brown stamps L, M and N, good through January 1. Brown stamp P becomes good December 12 and remains good through January 1, 1994.
PROCESSED FOODS—Green stamps A, B, and C in book four, good through December 20. Green stamps D, E, and F in book four, good through January 20.###
 Ruby Lois Pinckard of Turkey, Junior Crowell and Preston Mosely of Flomot visited in Childress with Margie Gilmore Friday night.##
 Mrs. Jack Tutor and Mrs. Byron Young shopped in Memphis and Childress Friday.##
 Evelyn Coker, who is attending WTSC at Canyon spent the week end at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Coker.##
 Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Anderson and Mrs. Denver Anderson met Cpl. Denver Anderson in Lubbock Thursday. He returned Sunday to his station in Del Rio.##
 Mrs. C. K. Shelton of Plainview spent from Monday until Wednesday with her son-in-law

Steve, Lynn, and Lauren Burton of Dallas; Don and Kay Burton of Eustace and Jessica and Jason Burton, also, of Eustace and Candy and Michael Kern and Holly of Plano.##

Ruby King went to Edgewood the Monday before Thanksgiving to visit her daughter and family, Jane and James Hawkins.##

Barbara and Danny Mayfield drove to Lubbock to spend Thanksgiving with her mom, Maxine Allison.##

Guests of Earl Patrick during the Thanksgiving week were Dave Patrick and family of Albuquerque; Beno and Rick Hester and children of Silverton; the Olin Patrick family of Ft. Worth; and local residents, Sutt Patrick, Robert, Kim and Christian Patrick, and the Proff Patrick family.##

Visitors in the Sid McFall home for Thanksgiving were Floy and Monroe Parker of Anton; Lylia Knight of Tahoka; Roy Shepperd of Matador; local resident, Fish Wilson; the Bruce McFall family of Matador and the Gene Whitener family of Paducah. Overnight guests Saturday were Olin and Ann Patrick of Ft. Worth.##

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Corbin-Patterson Wedding

Kristi Elaine Corbin of San Antonio, Texas and Chad Alexander Patterson of Hawaii were married September 17, at Los Patios in San Antonio, Tx. Rev. John Payne was the presiding official.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Patrick F. Corbin of San Antonio, Texas. The grooms parents are Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Patterson of Ogden, Utah.

Jamie Lynn Corbin sister of the bride of San Antonio, Tx. was Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids were Holly Michelle Corbin, sister of the bride of San Antonio, TX, and Karen Lynn Patterson, sister of the groom of Ogden, Utah.

Jeff L. Russell of Tucson, Arizona, cousin of the groom, was the best man. C. L. Patterson of Ogden, Utah, father of the groom and Clint Wayne Corbin of San Antonio, TX, brother of the bride, served as groomsmen.

Kristi Corbin graduated from Weber High School in Ogden, Utah in 1992. She has attended Texas A&M two years and plans to finish her degree at the University of Hawaii.

Chad Patterson graduated from Weber High School in Ogden, Utah in 1991 and is currently serving in the U. S. Navy.

The couple will make their home in Aiea, Hawaii, following their honeymoon trip.

Chad Patterson is the grandson of Nadine Baisden of Turkey, Texas.

A Time For Thanks

(5th Grde Class)

What I am Thankful For

Hi! My name is Jana Marie Merrell. Thanksgiving is a time where I like to thank God for all things. First I would like to thank him for my family and especially E.J., my niece. I am thankful for my dad and my brothers. Also for my mom and me. I love Thanksgiving because I get to see my family. I am very grateful for my friends. Without Mrs. Davidson I don't know what I would do, and I am so appreciative of her for teaching us. That is what I am thankful for.

What I am Thankful For

Hi, I am Tate Bennett. I am thankful for alot of things. One of the things I am thankful for is my family, because they do alot of things and buy me things. I am also grateful for my animals because I get to do alot of things with them. I am thankful for God and the son of God, and I am appreeative of this land God gave us. I am also very grateful for the food that I get to eat. Clothes are one thing I am very appreciative for, I am also thankful for my life.

What Thanksgiv- ing Means To The Fifth Grade Class

A Time For Thanks

I'm thankful for my mom and dad. I'm thankful for all my neighbors. I'm thankful for music. I'm thankful for a very good education. I'm thankful for cattle. I'm thankful for cars. I'm thankful for Math. I'm thankful for guns. I'm thankful for God.

by Wes Henson

Thanksgiving is the time of year that we think of the things that we are thankful for. I am most of all thankful for God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. I am very thankful for my husband, Jon, and for my sweet girls, Macy, Molly, and Mary Kate. I am grateful for my family, my friends, and a great group of 5th graders to teach. Each student has so much to offer and I am very proud of them. I am thankful to live in a free country and for the freedoms we share in our country. Thanksgiving is a great time to think of these things and be truly thankful.

Mrs. Davidson**

Hi, my name is Allison Clardy. At Thanksgiving, I am thankful for my mom and dad. I am also grateful for my uncles, aunts, cousins, and friends. I like my teacher, Mrs. Davidson, and my principal, Mr. Davidson. I am also thankful for Mrs. Barrett, Mrs. Valdez, and Mr. Smith. I like food at Thanksgiving, and my favorites are turkey, dressing, salad, smashed potatoes, biscuits, pumpkin pie, pecan pie, and strawberry cheesecake. At Thanksgiving, I am thankful for my brothers and sisters.**

Hi my name is Amber Hays Stark. I am 10 years old. Thanksgiving makes me thankful for Jesus and God. Thanksgiving makes me thankful for God and Jesus because if Jesus didn't die for everyone, one one would be alive.

I am also grateful to have Christian parents, and a wonderful sister. If I didn't have Christian parents I probably wouldn't have ever been baptized.

It would take forever to tell all the things that I am thankful for, this is what I am most thankful for.**

What I Am Thankful For

I am Magan Whittington and there are many things in this world that I am thankful for. Most of all I am thankful for God. I am thankful for my mom, dad and my two brothers. I am thankful for my mom and dad because they gave me life. I am grateful for cattle and crops because they give me money because my dad is a farmer and a rancher and to be a farmer or a rancher you have to have cattle or crops. I am thankful for my little brother Matt because without him my life would be very boring. I am appreciative of my older brother, Cody because he lives in Oklahoma and he is not here to bug me. I am thankful for my grandparents because without them I would have no where to go when Matt starts to act obnoxious. I am also grateful for all of my friends. These are the things that I am thankful for in this world.

What I am Thankful For

Hi I'm Tessa Kelley, I am in the 5th grade at Valley School. Thanksgiving makes me think of things I am thankful for. For instance, my mom and my step-dad, I am especially thankful for my 2 little cousins, Jason and Jacob and their mother and their father. I am also thankful for all the food I am going to eat on Thanksgiving. The most important thing I am thankful for is Jesus and God and my dad. I

guess I'm thankful for Brice my nephew. I am thankful very much so for my house, my 12 dogs. These are the things I am thankful for.

What I am Thankful For

I am Ana Mora. Thanksgiving makes me think of many things to be thankful for. I am thankful for God. I am thankful for my mom and my dad, my sisters and my brothers. I am thankful for having the nicest teacher in the whole world. I am grateful for having some friends. I am thankful for my cousins and my aunt because she is alive and my uncles that some of them come and visit me. I am appreciative of having a nice principal. I am thankful for having some people like me. I am thankful for having all the food that I like a turkey and a pumpkin pie.

Thanksgiving Day Thanksgiving

Hi! My name is Rosalinda Lopez and I am thankful for my family and real special friends for having a real special teacher. I am thankful for my grandparents, uncles, aunts, cousins and for having a very special family. I am grateful for being a good student in school and for the pets I use to have. I am also thankful for having a special principal I am also grateful for my self and for going to a very good school, the name of the school is Valley School. I am thankful for not being a bad student at school. The most important thing that I am thankful for is God and Jesus. I am also thankful for being born if I wasn't born I couldn't be thankful for anything that is what Thanksgiving means to be giving to other people and to respect the Pilgrims and to thank them for bringing Thanksgiving to our lives. That is what I am thankful for in Thanksgiving is to give not to take away from others.



Daigle-Jones Engagement Announced

Barbara Daigle of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. E. Allen Daigle of Fredericksburg announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Michelle Lynn to Pepper Jones of Austin.

Michelle is a 1982 graduate of Cooper High School in Abilene and a 1986 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in finance. She is employed with American Credit Indemnity in Austin.

Pepper is the son of Ann and Buster Chadwick of Quitaque, Tx. and M. C. "Salty" Jones of Flomot, TX. He is a graduate of Valley High School and a 1983 graduate of Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Accounting. He is a partner in the Jones and Jones Company, a commercial real estate firm in Austin.

The couple is planning a January 14 wedding in Cox Chapel of Highland Park Methodist Church in Dallas.

Karol's Kountry Korner

Quitaque, TX

Open House

Sat. Dec. 4

** Register for Door Prizes to be given away during the day
** Refreshments

Specials

Silk Poinsettias	Reg. 19.95	Sale \$12.95
Leanin' Tree Christmas Cards	Reg. 8.50	Sale \$6.00
Crystal Jam Jars	Reg. 15.95	Sale \$10.95
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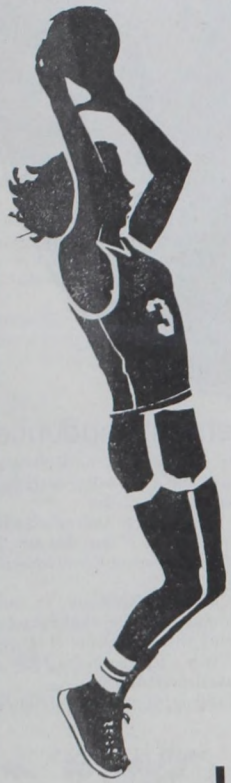
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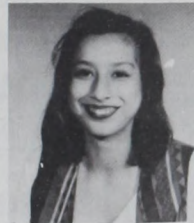
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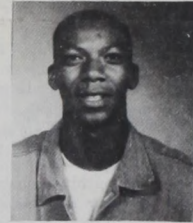
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Nov. 22	Kress	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Nov. 29	Kress	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Dec. 2	Lakeview	6:30	Here	X	X	X	X
Dec. 6	Paducah	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Dec. 8,9,10	Valley Tour.	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Dec. 13	Memphis	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Dec. 16	Patton Springs	6:30	There	X	X	X	X
Dec. 17	Motley Co. JV Tour.	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Dec. 20	Paducah	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Dec. 29,30,31	Groom Tour.	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Jan. 3	Silverton	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Jan. 5,6,7	Silverton Tour.	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Jan. 10	Spur	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Jan. 13	Lorenzo	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Jan. 14	Valley JV Tour.	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Jan. 17	Petersburg	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Jan. 20	Vernon Northside	5:00	There	X	X	X	X
Jan. 24	Motley Co.	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
Jan. 27	Spur	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Jan. 31	Lorenzo	4:00	There	X	X	X	X
Feb. 3	Petersburg	4:00	Here	X	X	X	X
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Flomot News

by Earlyne Jameson

OVERHEARD
Double Dividend: Who I drive at fifty-five, I find I save on gas, and have the highway to myself when other drivers pass!

IN HOSPITAL
Gordie Washington is a patient in the Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. At newstime, he is listed in critical condition. At his bedside besides his wife Edith are his sons and families, Bill D. Washington, Seab Washington and Max Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Turner, Heather and Cobey have been with her grandmother, Mrs. Laverna Sams of Lockney, a patient in CCU at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo following emergency surgery Saturday. She is listed in serious but stable condition Monday night.

CHRISTMAS PARTY TO BE TUESDAY
Mrs. Mary Jo Calvert announced that the Do Gooders' Club of Flomot will have a Christmas celebration, Tuesday, December 6, at 2:00 p.m. in the Flomot Community Center.

Each member is to bring a gift for her Secret Pal and refreshments of your choice. Beverages will be furnished. The 1994 Secret Pal names will be revealed. Don't miss the afternoon of holiday club fun!

Mr. and Mrs. Pace Cramer of Arlington visited from Nov. 23 to Dec. 1 at their rural home. Visitors during the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Ramsel of Lubbock, Mrs. Doris Meriweather of Plainview and Mrs. Melba Beeson of Kress.

John Barton and Mrs. Jane Cartwright joined Mrs. Joyce McCarty of Odessa in Matador, Thanksgiving day for lunch in the home of Mrs. Louvaine Scaff.

George Calvert and son Cole of Quitaque accompanied his mother, Mrs. Viola Calvert to Lubbock Thanksgiving day for a family luncheon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Max Bush.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hunter joined family members at the Barcelona Courts in Lubbock Thursday for a Thanksgiving luncheon. Attending were Maria Owen-Miller, Mr. and Mrs. David Hunter, Greg and Ross of Midland; Anita, Brad and Amanda Carter of Lubbock; Dr. Randall Hunter and H. G. Hunter of Quitaque, Mrs. Carrie Dell Dickerson and Clinton Dickerson of Silverton, and Mr. and Mrs. John Welch, Megan and

Merideth of Amarillo. They celebrated the birthdays of Wayne Hunter and Amanda Carter.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cruse, Leah, Keane, and Derrick were Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Marric, Shahala and Kaycee of Snyder and Mrs. Marihelen Wason and Mrs. Artie Wason of Matador.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Morris, Dodie and Rebecca were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Martin in Spur Thanksgiving Day. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Rickey Edwards of Afton and Mrs. Terri Attaway, Chris and Andy, of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Arneel and Alyssa visited in Floydada Thanksgiving day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Babe Jones and guests Mr. and Mrs. Larry Jones, Bryce and Travis of Paducah, and Mrs. Sherri White, Michael and Justin of Floydada. Their son, Michael Arneel visited from Wednesday until Sunday in Arlington with his paternal grandmother, Mrs. Lupe Barry.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stephens and his mother Mrs. Juddie Stephens of Lockney visited Thanksgiving Day in Clarendon with daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Martin and Shanon. Shawn Stephens of Quitaque visited in the Stephens home Saturday At newstime, Mrs. Juddie Stephens is a patient in Mangold Hospital in Lockney where she was admitted Saturday morning.

Holiday guests in the home of Wilson Barton were niece and husband Loretta and Harry Race of Russellville, Arkansas, and sister Mrs. Kathryn King of Matador. They also visited at Lockney Care Center with Mrs. Wilson Barton.

Holiday guests of Mrs. C. W. Starkey were Walter Malone and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Weaver of Olton, Mrs. Jometa McClain of Hart, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Starkey and Floyd T. Starkey of Ralls, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth George of Lewisville, Mr. and Mrs. Zelma D. Starkey of Amarillo, and Monty George and Emily of Lubbock.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rogers were Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rogers, Paul Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Rogers and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Duethaus and sons, all of Lubbock, and Donnie Rogers, local resident.

Viola Stinson attended the funeral of her cousin T. C. Stinson, 76,

held Wednesday afternoon at the Methodist Church in Paducah.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill D. Washington Thanksgiving Day were Cary and Cory Franks of Lubbock, Cody Barclay of Matador, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Franks and Cara, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barclay and Ty, local residents. Jerry Barclay also visited during the day in Lockney with his parents Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Barclay.

Visiting during the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Furman Vinson was their daughter, Mrs. Linda Perryman of Round Rock, and son and family Mr. and Mrs. Roger Vinson and Dana of Lubbock.

Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Martin were Marilee Pilcher of Borger, Dr. David Martin and Mrs. Bessie Martin of Floydada, Mrs. Ruth Ann Scrivner and Khaki of Turkey and Mr. and Mrs. Pace Cramer of Arlington.

Mrs. Annie B. Cloyd was a guest Thanksgiving day of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Russell in Turkey. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Cloyd and son Jason of Memphis.

Dustin and Shae Lynn Reed of Lubbock visited during the holidays with their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Calvert and uncle, Glen Calvert.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Morris were Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Morris of Breckenridge, Mrs. Tim Lane, Krysha, Amy and Kiley of Plainview, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Green, Aaron, Ashley and Annie of Matador.

Spending Thanksgiving with Arlie Williams was her son Harvey and Betty Williams and grandson Kyle and Ann Williams. On Friday Arlie drove to Idalou to spend the night with her daughter and son, Bridgett and Richie Johnson. Harvey and Betty are from Clarendon and Kyle and Ann are from Canyon.

Turkey News

Celebrating Thanksgiving in Turkey with their parents, the Arville Setliffs were Rod, Millie, Taylor and Robyn Setliff of Dallas and Scotty Setliff and friend, Marie of Ft. Worth. The group all enjoyed Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday at the home of Bud and Alice Richardson in Tulia.

It was reported that Gerald Lane, son of the late Dean Lane, has recently been a patient in an Amarillo hospital. Gerald is now at his home in Clarendon.

Virginia Degan recently talked to Raye (Colvin) Logan and Raye reported her mother, Ella Colvin, is much improved. She is beginning to say some words and can move her arms and legs. This is good news.

Keith and Bettie Green had all their children home for Thanksgiving, except a daughter-in-law, Kathy Green, who had to work during the holidays. Those here were: Jerry Green and children, Justin and Jamie; James Royce and Debbie Green and son Zachary; Kayleen, Criss Morrison and children, Megan and Crissta.

Burl and Vida Mae Pierce attended the funeral services of her sister, Clara Husband, in Marietta, Oklahoma on Saturday, November 26th

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Patriots Get Wins Over Sunray

by Kirk Saut
Both the Varsity and JV teams beat Sunray last Tuesday night to up their records to 3-0 and 2-0 respectively. The Varsity won by the score of 60-56 while the JV won another close one, 52-50 in overtime.

In the Varsity game, Alfie Clardy scored 17 points to lead the Patriots. Michael Cruz added 11 and Donnie Calvert scored 10. The Patriots trailed 15-20 at the end of the

first period, but outscored Sunray 13-3 in the second quarter for a 28-23 halftime lead. The Patriots never trailed in the second half.

In the JV game, Shawn Stephens scored 16 points and Jeremy Taylor added 14 for the Patriots. Valley outscored Sunray 8-6 in the overtime period, with 6 of these points coming from Stephens.

This week the Patriots have games with Friona and Lakeview. Both games are at home.

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- Monday**
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Cookies with Fruit
- Tuesday**
Fried Chicken
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Fruit Salad
Biscuit
- Wednesday**
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Chips
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Fried Okra
Fruit Cobbler
- Thursday**
Fish Sticks
Mustard Greens
Deviled Eggs
Strawberry Cake
Corn Bread
- Friday**
Hamburger on Bun
Chips and Cheese
Salad
Fruit

Basketball Game Results For Girls

by Coach Jeffcoat
On November 22, Kress JV won over Valley JV 44-46 in overtime game. Scorers for this game were Rosaio Mendoza, 16 Jessica Hernandez, 13 and rebounder, Jessica Ortiz with 6 points. The record is 1-2.

The Valley Varsity played Kress with the winning score of 61 over 48, in favor of Valley. Scorers in this game were Robin Williams, 12; Cara Powell, 11; Julie Cruz, 10; Brandi Gaddis, 9; Tennille Morrison, 9; and rebounder Robin Williams with 8 points. The record is 2-1.

The next game is on November 29 against Kress, at Quitaque; and



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Denton Named To All-District Team

Defensive end Lance Denton was named the 1-4A Most Valuable Player. His coach, Alan Cornelius was named the District Coach of the Year. The District 1-4A coaches selected the team.

Randall's Denton led the first team defense. Denton made 58 tackles, 36 tackles-for-losses (including 17 quarterback sacks), 25 quarterback hurries, six caused fumbles, three fumble recoveries and one interception.

Lance Denton is the grandson of Dot Arnold of Turkey.

Caprock Country Christmas

CARD OF THANKS

To my Turkey Friends,
Thank each of you for your prayers, concern, calls, cards, flowers and memorials to our husband and father. Words cannot express our gratitude. Each of you have a special place in our hearts. May the Lord bless you as you have blessed us.

Weisie (Walker) Hefner & girls,
Laura, Landa & April
24 1tc

Dear Ones,
Words cannot express the loving kindness you have shown us during the loss of our beloved Dan. Thank you for the flowers, cards and all the other kindnesses of loving words and support. Thank you for the meal which was served to all of us. Thank you and God Bless each of you.

LaVerne Mullin
Babe Lacy Harwood
Mr. and Mrs. Billy Fred Lacy
Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Lacy
24 1tp

Thanksgiving dinner in Turkey was a big day and enjoyed by not only Turkey community members but people from Memphis, Estelline, Lakeview, Silvertown, Quitaque and Salem, Virginia and reporters from the Dallas morning News.

All twelve turkeys were eaten. The turkeys were cooked by Curtis Scribner, Nell Guest, Doyle Dean Proctor, James Fuston and others whose names I do not have. Our appreciation to them for a job well done.

Lisa Price for decorating the beautiful tables. Thank you again for another job well done.

To those who were on the program, we thank you for your time and efforts and your songs. The electric shortage was one of those things that couldn't be helped. Next year we hope to have you all back again.

The members of all the churches and all who brought food, I will say we had one more big spread of food of all kinds. I am so proud to live in Turkey, so many wonderful people. God bless all of you. Marjorie Bell and all the Turkey Proud Committee. 24 1tc

Turkey News Things Seen or Heard

by Ann Coker

Les, Sue and Emile Anne Hall spent Thanksgiving holidays with Les' parents, Ed and Mary Hall. The Ed Halls live in Fort Stockton. Les is the pastor of the Turkey and Quitaque Methodist churches.

Traveling to Austin last Friday were Delores and Hubert Price. They visited in the home of their daughter and family, Sherice, Kevin and Kilby Bench. They enjoyed celebrating the first birthday of their grand-daughter, Kilby. They returned home on Monday night.

A group from this area traveled to Hamilton last Friday to witness the play-off football game between Milford and Mullin, a six-man game. Those attending the game were: Susie and Audra House, Kayla Johnson, Jerry, Brenda and Jason Smith, and Ginger Mullin.

Others that came to see the game and met the group in Hamilton were: Derek Mullin of Lubbock, Bryan and Shadi Buchanan of Canyon. The coaches at Milford are Brandon Smith and Cliff Gilmore, so they also met Brandon and Amy Smith and Cliff and Dianne Gilmore at the game.

Brandon and Amy reside in Waxahatchie so the group returned there after the game and spent the night. They returned home on Saturday. Milford won the game and will play Zephyr this Friday night.

The home of Zona Lane was a hive of activity Thanksgiving day as members of her family gathered for Thanksgiving dinner. Those attending were Linda Ferguson, Laura, Danny and children, Brandon and Katrina Stewart, Linda's children; Ike, Frances, Cory and Michelle Ferguson of Graham; Jesse, Grace, Nicole, Scott and Allie Ferguson of Corpus Christi and Connie Dvorak and children, Matthew and son of Arlington.

On Thursday night Linda's family gathered in her home to celebrate an early Christmas.

Those visiting in Marjorie Bell's home over the week end was Bonnie Nall, Hereford; Jaclyn and Sean Libler, Hailey and Shanlee Bell all of Amarillo.

Visiting in the home of Faye and Trent Crosby last Thursday for Thanksgiving were Jerry, Donna, LeAnn and Cassey Beck of Quitaque and Russ, Karen and Cody Yates of Turkey. Faye Crosby is the mother of Karen and Jerry.

On Saturday night, Karen, Russ and Cody Yates celebrated Thanksgiving at their home. Those attending were Pat and Gerald Carnes; Travis, Rachel, Jennifer, Danny and Courtney Carnes, and PeeWee Thrasher.

Nubin Yates is back at his home in Turkey after spending some time in a Lubbock hospital. Mr. Yates received some skin grafts on his leg where he recently received some bad burns.

Visitors in the home of Louis and Oleta Randell over the Thanksgiving holidays were Ronnie and Jo Ann Blythe and Courtney of Amarillo; Kendall Blythe and his fiancée Heather James both of Abilene Christian University and Jeff Blythe, also from Abilene Christian University; Mike and Ramona Smith, Derek, Tracie and Alicia of Houston.

Louis and Oleta Randell were in Plainview Saturday on business.

Bonnie Hill was truly blessed this past Thanksgiving as she enjoyed having all her children home plus other loved ones. They were her daughter Carol Weatherly and Lynn, Wyley, Carter and Sheriday Davis all of Memphis; Sherry and Shane McClenny and Lori Wooten of Baytown; Bob and Cathy Hill of Friendwood; Rod Dianna, Bob and Chris Hill of Claude. Also attending were Dianna Hill's mother, Mrs. Gennie Stackhouse of Canyon Lake and Larry Stackhouse of Denver. Also present were Beatrice Baker of Memphis; Bob and Janice Russell and Charles and Gerald Daniels of Turkey.

Visiting in Turkey last week was Wendell Case, Wendell is a former student at Turkey High School and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds Case.

Wrinkles are caused by repeated activity of the facial muscles and the gradual loss of fat pads under the skin.

Turkey Does Thanksgiving Proud

submitted by Ann Coker

The following article was taken from the Dallas Morning News, Wednesday, November 23, 1994. It was written by staff writer of the Dallas Morning News, Victoria Lee.

Out on the sculpted caprock and between the rows of cotton, the wind is tearing along like a runaway freight train, raising curtains of dust and playing holy heck with the electric lines. Inside the Bob Wills Center, the people of turkey are belly-up to heaping helpings of their namesake bird, eaten on long folding tables off of plastic foam plates.

"Hi!" grins a weathered retiree in a plaid shirt and a well worn cowboy hat. "I'm Ray Whitaker and I live in Turkey, Texas—just the other side of Gobbler's Knob"

Back in the kitchen, the women of the Turkey Proud Committee are already scaping remnants of salad and green bean casserole into an assortment of Tupperware and old Cool Whip containers. One table is stacked with sparkling Pyrex pie plates and casserole dishes, waiting for their owners to claim them.

The electricity lurches on and off at irregular intervals—off more often than on. The band members sit idly at their electric instruments, the fluorescent lights are useless and the coffee is lukewarm.

"The Lord is making us grateful, we don't have many days like this," says Jane Johnson, proprietor of the Hotel Turkey.

Turkey, Texas—as befits its name—is big on Thanksgiving. It's also big on the things that many Americans cherish only as fading memories; working the land, families that stay together, neighbors who do more than wave.

"I didn't think anybody would come," Belle Davis confides to Margie Bell, who was in charge of the event.

But Turkey's annual community Thanksgiving is pronounced a big success. Mrs. Bell and her helpers estimate they fed 250 people and 79 carry-outs to shut-ins and to farmers working in their fields. A dozen turkeys have been reduced to scraps and bones.

A cowboy with dust in his handlebar mustache and coating his battered boots slips out the kitchen door carrying a container crammed with turkey, dressing and all the trimmings.

Most of those who sit down to the communal tables look as though they've come straight from church on this Sunday afternoon. The old outnumber the young and women outnumber the men.

The committee advertised the gathering in local newspapers and the radio station in Memphis, Texas, generally gives it a few plugs.

"We want everyone to come," says Betty House, who says she's loved Turkey ever since she moved there in 1946. "It's like a big family" As in families everywhere, no one escapes without eating their fill—and then some.

Despite the wind and the dust, people have showed up from as far away as Quitaque (10 miles), Estelline (31 miles) and even Memphis (42 miles). The farmers of this southwest Panhandle county are the last people to be dissuaded by a little inclement weather.

"You have to understand," says Mrs. Johnson, who moved to turkey six years ago from Denton, "they're used to it."

Her husband Scott, says he read somewhere that the caprock region suffers the most drastic changes in weather of anyplace in the nation and he believes it.

Last Thanksgiving, a blizzard dumped 8 inches of snow. This summer, Turkey baked at 118 degrees for three days straight.

"They're the hardy one," Mrs. Johnson says of her adopted neighbors. "Despite freezing to death or burning up or getting blown away, they stayed."

Turkey also offers something no city can, she says. "When people call, they say 'What do you do in Turkey?' I say 'Nothing.' That's why people come."

Longtime residents say they pay no heed to the inevitable jokes—especially prevalent when someone calls directory assistance for a number in Turkey.

(to be continued next week)

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