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sons, Max of Houston and Billy of Baton Rouge, La., and six grandchildren.

School Meal Menus

Following are the menus for meals to be served at Cross Plains School Cafeteria Monday through Wednesday, Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 1, subject to timely delivery of correct foods.

The noon menu listing for the three days was as follows.

Monday: Cheese wieners, sliced buttered potatoes, peas and carrots, pineapple, rolls and milk.

Tuesday: Chili beans, potato salad, cole slaw, cake, cornbread and milk.

Wednesday: Beef pot pie, mixed vegetables, jello salad, ice cream, rolls and milk.

Breakfast features for the three days follow.

Monday: Eggs, bacon, biscuits, butter-jelly, juice and milk.

Tuesday: Cereal, toast, juice and milk.

Wednesday: Cheese toast, juice and milk.

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This spirit of brotherhood is one that our forefathers exemplified on the first Thanksgiving. And from it we have established a lasting sense of loyalty, compassion and respect for one another. For this, we are truly fortunate.

Let's take this holiday as a time to reflect on all that we have to treasure. And celebrate Thanksgiving in the true tradition of peace unity and love.



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3 SISTERS AND FRIENDS GATHER FOR BREAKFAST

Visiting with Eula Eldridge in Cross Plains this past week were two sisters, Mrs. Lillie Helm of Cannon City, Colo., and Mrs. Pearl Edward of Plainview, and a friend, Mrs. Clarece Morris of Canyon.

They went to a local restaurant for breakfast Tuesday morning. Joining them were two cousins, Mrs. Allie Montgomery and Mrs. Pauline Mustin, of the city. Also three friends met there with them, Mrs. Ritta Knight and Vesta Bond, both of Cross Plains, and Mrs. Zora DeBusk of Burkett.

Pioneer News Items

By Mabel Halsell

The editor's note following a letter, in a recent issue of the Abilene Reporter-News gives me light on the origin of Thanksgiving Day. Most people have been taught that the first Thanksgiving Day was observed by the Pilgrims at Plymouth, Mass. in 1620, Dec. 13, 1621 was set aside by Gov. Bradford as a day of feasting and prayer in gratitude that the people were still alive after a hard winter.

The enlightening note follows. The clipping from the Richmond Times-Democrat reported on the 25th annual ceremony held Nov. 7, at Berkeley Plantation as "an annual reminder that the event (first Thanksgiving) was held in Virginia, not Massachusetts . . . two years before the Pilgrim observance at Plymouth. It said the president emeritus of the College of William and Mary recalled in his address that on Dec. 4, 1719, a service was held in accordance with the first of 10 directives required of Capt. John Woodlief, the leader of the band of 38 settlers who came ashore at what was to become Berkeley Hundred Plantation. The instruction read, "We ordain that the day of our ship's arrival at the place assigned for plantation in the land of Virginia shall be yearly and perpetually kept holy as a day of thanksgiving to Almighty God." The article said the service was observed again in 1620 and 1621 but an Indian massacre in 1622 postponed a renewal. It was not until the 1950's that the Woodlief Thanksgiving was recalled and an annual commemoration established.

The idea of a National Thanksgiving Day was kept alive in the United States by presidents, church groups and by several states officially setting aside a special day to give thanks. It was in 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation setting aside the last Thursday of November in that year "as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father." He issued a similar proclamation in 1864. One deviation from that date was when President Franklin Roosevelt named the third Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day. In 1941 Congress ruled that the fourth Thursday would be observed as our nation's day of thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Brown of Fort Worth visited his mother, Mrs. Ethel Brown, during the week end. Other visitors were Lou Grider, Velma Brown, Mrs. Doyle

Burchfield, of Cross Plains and Mrs. John Kilgore of the Williams community, and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Garrett of Cross Plains.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole Tillotson have returned from a trip to McAllen where they visited friends for two days. On their return trip home they visited their granddaughter and husband, Ruth and Ron Hutchins in Eldorado.

Travis and Warren Parsons visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Parsons on Friday night. Mrs. J. T. Beggs went to Eastland on Tuesday where she visited her sister-in-law, Billie Beggs, her father-in-law, Mr. Beggs, and did some shopping.

Their visitors last week end were William Peggs of Austin and J. T.'s father, Mr. Beggs of Eastland.

A recent visitor with Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Parrish was Robbie Carl Cannon, who has finished his boot training in South Carolina. He is in the Marines. Other visitors were Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Hilerholzer of the community. They accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Parrish to church in Coleman on Sunday. Garmond Parrish and L. D. Griffith of Coleman were other visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Sessums went to Eastland on business last Thursday. Their visitors were Mrs. Dorothy Zedlitz, Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Parsons of the community and Mr. Jack Watkins of Big Spring.

Mrs. Daniels reports that her daughter and husband, Barbara and Jim Athens, who live in England, are planning a trip home in mid-February. Jim and Barbara are having a Thanksgiving dinner for Mark, their son, this week end. He will be on shore for 28 days. He does offshore drilling for an Oil Company.

Pearl and Jim Kramer of Lake Brownwood and Wanda and James Cloud of Early visited Mrs. Winnie Glippin last Thursday. Other visitors were her grandson, Mike Flippin, and her pastor, Rev. Stan Coleman.

Rev. Doorn of Baird and Cross Plains, had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Halsell on Wednesday. Other visitors were their daughter and husband, Lou and Charles Rodenberger of Abilene on Sunday.

Tommy and Vanda King and children had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Lester King on Sunday. Their visitors on Thursday were Vanda's cousin, Barbara Sowell and children of Cottonwood.

Your correspondent next week will be Betty Beggs. Please call your news to her at 725-7255.

Library News Notes

Librarian Naomi McCowen reminds that books and films may still be checked out for free at the Cross Plains Public Library. Hours are from 1 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

It was reported that 156 books were checked out during the past week.

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