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## On The Corner

### Lawmaker on Liability

By DON TABOR  
Publisher

I just got a letter from Rick Perry, our state representative, enclosing a guest editorial he had written and requested me to run in the paper.

I think he did a pretty good job talking about a subject that is in a crisis situation, liability insurance.

In fact, I wonder if he might want my job. On second thought, though, I doubt it. I sure don't want his.

Anyway, his editorial follows:

By RICK PERRY  
State Representative

A man in New York City recently tried to commit suicide by jumping in front of a subway train. Although hit by the train, he was not fatally injured. He sued the city, claiming the engineer of the train should have been able to stop sooner. He received \$650,000 for his injuries.

A young man attempting to burglarize a school building fell through a skylight. He sued the school district's insurer, and settled out of court for \$260,000.

Unfortunately, cases of this type are no longer the wild exceptions that they once were. All over our nation, juries are awarding more and larger awards than ever before. This is just one of many factors behind the current crisis in the liability insurance industry.

Business people don't have to be told how sharply liability insurance premiums have increased in the last year; that's assuming they can still buy coverage. Insurance companies, faced with numerous lawsuits and claims, are raising their rates to prohibitive prices.

Local governments are not immune, either. Many cities, unable to afford the high premiums, have dropped their existing coverage and gone to a form of self-insurance. According to the Associated Press, at least 45 of Oklahoma's 77 counties either have no liability coverage, or face immediate cancellation of existing policies. Many Texas counties are in equally bad shape.

In my opinion, this crisis has three causes. As I mentioned earlier, large jury awards are one. Sometimes it seems that people lose all perspective when they sit on a jury. They see the injured party; they see the insurance company; they decide that someone should pay for the injuries. The insurance company is the natural choice.

Unfortunately, it is NOT the insurance company who pays; you and I, and even the juror in that case, are the ones who pay. Those jury awards eventually translate into larger and larger premiums and policy cancellations.

Furthermore, when a small businessman decides he can no longer afford his premiums, curtails

his operations, and lays off half his work force, that action causes ripples throughout a community. Given that every dollar turns over seven times before it leaves the local economy, the multiplied effect of such layoffs can be devastating to a small town, especially one already depressed because of other economic factors.

Another reason for the current crisis is the financial mismanagement of some insurance companies. During the high interest rates of the 70's, many insurance companies cut premiums and took on bad risks in order to have more money to invest. Claims from those policies and the much lower interest rates of today have helped bring about sharp cost increases and cancellations.

Finally, some of the blame must be shared by trial lawyers. Currently, most attorneys take one-third of any award received; if they lose, they get nothing. While the contingency fee system makes it possible for the "little man" to retain good legal counsel that he otherwise could not afford, it also encourages larger claims and frivolous lawsuits.

A legal doctrine called "joint and several liability" has also been sharply criticized. This tactic allows a plaintiff to sue everyone connected with his case, no matter how remote the connection might be; the effect is to find the person with the highest coverage and make them pay, even if they had no direct involvement. For example, a man in a phone booth which is hit by a car can sue not only the driver of the car, but also the manufacturer, the phone company, the city and the merchant who owned the property. In my opinion, this "shotgun" approach to liability is very unfair.

Reforms are clearly needed to curb abuses and make liability insurance affordable again. The Texas Legislature, which meets again next January, has empaneled a special select committee to study the causes and make recommendations for change.

Some of the changes being considered include placing caps on the size of jury awards, elimination of joint and several liability, and reforms of the contingency fee system. Limits on awards for "pain and suffering" and punitive damages have been proposed.

Insurance companies are also being investigated, to make sure that they are not taking advantage of the situation to artificially raise rates and cancel policies.

Obviously, there are times when lawsuits are needed to force a negligent party to pay for its actions. The citizens of this state and nation must have the right to seek justice in the courts. It is clear to me, however, that the system is being abused and must be reformed. Liability insurance must be made affordable again. The time for action is now.

### County Jail Given Okay

Officials from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards certified the Callahan County Jail as in compliance with the state regulations.

Officials from the commission were on hand to inspect the county jail last Tuesday and found the jail "in 100 percent compliance," said county

judge Mack Kniffen.

The report added that the jail was "very clean and well maintained" considering the age of the building.

Kniffen said that officials from the commission said the county jail is the oldest jail in Texas to be certified. The jail was built in 1895.

### Kiwanis Auction Set

The Cross Plains Kiwanis Club will sponsor a Consignment Auction Saturday, May 31, on the vacant lots across from Lawrence Farm & Supply, Inc. Gerald Lawrence of Abilene will be the auctioneer.

This is a great opportunity for you to clean out your home, garage and grounds of items no longer in use. The entire community and surrounding area are invited to participate.

Commissions on items selling for \$500 will be 10 per cent, except small items which will be 15 per cent.

Any farm machinery or large items

should be brought in Wednesday, May 28. Small items may be brought in Saturday morning before the auction.

If you have something you would like to consign, call Wimpy McCoy, Alvin Hutchins, Rolan Jones, Eddie Petty, John Sharpe, O. B. Edmondson or Gene Greenwood.

Char-broiled hamburgers and cold drinks will be available for your eating pleasure.

All proceeds derived from the event will go into community projects, and any donated items will be appreciated by the Kiwanis Club.



**1937 BASKETBALL STARS**—Team members are top row (from left) Lettie Harlow, Bobbie (Westerman) Edmondson, Cheryl Lutgens, Fanora (Neeb) Miller, Golda (Klutt) Edington and Helen (Johnson)

Walker, bottom row (from left) Bobbie Nell Neal, Roma Young, Helen (Gray) Freeman, Louise Nelson (Coach), Clara Nell (McDermett) Spencer, and Frances (McDermett) McAnally.



**1930 EXHIBITION PLAYERS**—Team members are top row (left left) Amy Carlile Albrecht, Minnie Coppinger Cunningham, Helen Gray Freeman, Clara Nell

McDermett Spencer, bottom row Billie Ruth Loving, Rosalea Cutbirth Bonner and Bobbie Westerman Edmondson.

### Half-Courters To Play

The Area Women's Half Court Basketball Tournament will begin Thursday, May 1, at the Cross Plains High School gym. All proceeds will be donated to the Athletic Booster Club for construction of the new track.

Baird and Rising Star will play the first game at 7:30 p.m. Cross Plains and May will play at 8:30 p.m. Ex-players from these four towns will represent the teams.

The consolation game will be Saturday, May 3 at 7:00 p.m. The championship game will be played at 9:15 p.m.

Between the consolation and championship game there will be an exhibition game of 1930 women's basketball. The players represent Caddo Peak, Belle Plain, Cottonwood and Cross Plains.

In those days the women divided the

court into three zones in which two players from each team were located. The positions were called guards, centers and forwards.

The two teams have been named the Medicares and Medicaid. Other players not pictured are Virginia Neeb Payne, Jaukana Westerman Scott, Louise Erwin Foster, Dessa McGee Higgins, Juanita Vestal Mayes, Frances McDermett McAnally and Blanche Hargrove Moore. Gretna Wright Payne and Helen Johnson Walker will be the coaches for the team. O. B. Edmondson will serve as the referee. Any physicians may attend free of charge, if their services are available. Ha!

Everyone come out and have a good time and help the Athletic Booster Club with their great project.



**75TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** - Walter and Oma Smith, formerly of Woodson and Rising Star, celebrated their 75th wedding anniversary at the Colonial Oaks Nursing Home on Sunday, April 27. Attending the celebra-

tion were 4 of their 5 children, 7 of their 19 grandchildren, 8 of their many great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews and friends.

## Cottonwood Church To Note 105th Year

The Cottonwood Baptist Church, the oldest Baptist Church in Callahan County, will be in observance of their 105th year of continuous service on Sunday, May 4.

The recognition will be in memory and honor of the many great pioneers that have given so much for this community and area, making what we have today possible.

Many great soldiers of the Lord have gone out from this church over the years as missionaries, preachers, singers and one president of a Southern Baptist Seminary.

Many more have remained here during their entire life and have kept the

home fires aglow.

All former members, former pastors, present members and their families are invited to attend.

The observance is planning to coincide with the annual meeting of the Cottonwood Historical Society. This society was originated many years ago by a pastor of this church, Rev. Charlie Myrick. Bro. Myrick's daughter and son-in-law, Hazel and Jess Bigbee have retired from the active ministry and are now active members of the Cottonwood Church.

Rev. Knox Waggoner, pastor of the church, invites everyone to please come and join in the festivities.

### Center Is Election Site

The Democratic Primary Election will be held on Saturday, May 3, at the Cross Plains Community Center. Ballots may be cast between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

The official candidates for Callahan County include Mack Kniffen and Jim G. Taylor candidates for County Judge.

Cubelle Loper Harris and Lavada Baucom Poindexter are candidates for District Clerk, 42nd District Court.

Rolan Jones, Betty Lewis, Audrey Purvis and L. D. Brown are candidates for the Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6.

Joe D. Ingram, Alvin Hutchins and Garmond L. Parrish are candidates for Commissioner, Precinct 4.

Callahan County Democratic voting box number 2, located at the Clyde

Lion's Club building, will not change locations.

Only voting boxes 3, 5 and 8 will be changing in order to comply with the voting accessibility for the elderly and handicapped.

The changes will be permanent beginning with the May 3 Democratic Primary for Callahan County, and continuing with the November 4 General Election.

Note the change in voting box 3 from the City Hall at Cross Plains to the Community Center.

Voting box 5, will be moved from the Eula School to the Eula Lions Club building.

Voting box 8, located at the Clyde High School cafeteria, will move to the Arrowhead Recreation Center building.

### Reunion Schedule Shapes Up

The schedule of events for the 45th Annual Callahan County Pioneer Reunion have recently been announced.

The reunion is set to begin on Saturday, May 17 at Treadway Park in Cross Plains.

The parade in downtown Cross Plains will kick things off at 9:30 a.m.

Registration is set for 10:00 a.m.; Invocation will be given by Jesse Bigbee at 10:30 a.m. and Welcome will follow by Jack Scott. Entertainment will be announced by Sandy Callaway and Turner Simpson.

A bar-b-que plate lunch will be served by the Old Settlers Committee at 11:30 a.m. A \$5.00 donation will be asked for the lunch.

### Cow-Calf Clinic At Brownwood

Many of the "ins and outs" of the cattle business will be discussed at the Heart-O'-Texas Cow-Calf Clinic at Brownwood, May 8.

The clinic, which will be at the Brownwood Civic Center, will begin with registration from 8:15-9:00 a.m.

Harry Holt, farm and ranch director for KRBC-TV in Abilene, will serve as moderator for the clinic, which is a cooperative effort of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System and the Texas Power and Light Company.

Leadoff speaker will be Walt Richburg, senior vice president of the Uvalde Bank. Richburg will discuss "Financing the Cow-Calf Operator."

Then Richburg will moderate a panel discussion relating to beef cattle finances. On the panel will be Robert Hopper of Temple, state director of the Farmers Home Administration; Don Neal, a Temple rancher; and Robert Whitten of San Saba, president of the Cattlemen's Production Credit Assn.

Another featured speaker will be Dave Ferrelli of Dallas, manager of meat marketing with Kroger's. He will talk on "Red Meat Consumption —

Influencing and Reacting to Consumer Trends."

How ranchers can increase profits with improved range management will be discussed by Dr. Milo Shult, associate director of the Extension Service.

Roddy Peebles of San Angelo, VSA farm and ranch director, will talk about VSA Radio Network and its live broadcast from the cow-calf clinic.

"Cussin'" Tom Graham of Luling will be the luncheon speaker.

Leading off the afternoon session will be Sister Thomas Moore Bertels of Silver Lake College, Maritonic, Wisconsin, whose talk is entitled, "Say it with Power — A Family Style Agriculture."

Concluding the daylong program will be a panel discussion on "Forages that work in Central Texas." The panel will be moderated by Dr. George Alston, Extension agronomist at Stephenville, and will include John Cargile with Producers Livestock Auction, San Angelo; Weldon Edwards, a rancher at Clyde; and John Dudley, with Dudley Bros. Herefords of Comanche.

## Dairy Queen Sponsors Wagon Train Contest

All 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade students of the Cross Plains School have been invited to enter a Sesquicentennial Wagon Train Contest. Grades 1 and 2 may draw a poster showing their interpretation of a wagon train 150 years ago. Grade 3 may write a short essay on why they would like to be a participant of the Sesquicentennial Wagon Train.

There will be one winner per grade level. Any child who has not yet entered the contest, may still do so by bringing their entry to Ophelia Merrill at the Dairy Queen. Contest deadline is May 7. All winners will be awarded a ride on the Dairy Queen Covered Wagon in June. Winners will be posted at the Dairy Queen on May 15.

## Doctors Clinic

**Will Be Closed  
May 5 thru May 9  
at Cross Plains**  
The Clinic at Gorman will be open if you need Medical Attention

## TO THE CITIZENS OF CALLAHAN COUNTY:

As we approach the Democratic Primary Election date, I realize there are many of you that I have failed to contact personally. The responsibilities of the office have curtailed the time that I would have needed to campaign through the entire county.

With the help of the Commissioner's Court, the County is financially sound and we feel we have not neglected any duties or programs we have been elected to administer. As presiding officer of the Court, I have always tried to fulfill my responsibilities to the best of my ability and will continue to do my best to serve you.

I do not want to take any of you for granted in my request to be your County Judge. I need and most earnestly ask for your vote and support in the Democratic Primary on May 3, 1986.

Sincerely,  
Mack Kniffen

Pd. Pol. Adv.

## Courthouse News

### COUNTY COURT Mack Kniffen, presiding Misdemeanor Filings

Walter Grady Carroll, possession of marijuana.  
Charles Owen Carroll, possession of marijuana.  
Kristen Lea Willoughby, possession of marijuana.  
Johnny Elgene Croft, carrying a prohibited weapon.  
Johnny Elgene Croft, evading arrest.  
Tammy K. Dinkins, theft of property by check.  
Franklin Richard Croft, theft.  
Dwayne Bowen, theft of property by check.  
Mary Lunceford, theft of property by check.

### Misdemeanor Minutes

Motions for continuance granted in following speeding cases: Keith M. Corley, Lance Dale Fulgham, Troy Dean Montgomery, Russell Eugene Golden, Michael Joe Timmey, Scott Russell Davidson.  
Gina Fletcher, plea of guilty to theft of property by check, \$5 fine and \$105 court costs.

Following discharged from probation: David W. Tuttle, Dale William Purdum, Gladys Jewell Johnson, Ronald Davis, John David Corbin, Gary Lynn Collins.

Judith Sparks Broussard, Christopher Hammond, Paula McIntosh Powell, motions for continuance granted in speeding cases.

Ramiro Barboza, order granting probation of 30-day jail term in DWI case, \$300 fine and \$105 court costs.

Marvin Alvis Davis, order granting probation of 30-day jail term in DWI case, \$200 fine and \$105 court costs.

### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Robert Hill Goundie, Iowa Park, and Lora Rudiene Scott, Wichita Falls.

Belo Benjamin Wright, Robstown, and Julia Diane Joy, Clyde.

Richard Samuel Glaze Sr., Baird, and Delores Marie Hardy, Mapleville, RI.

Lewis Lamar Cooley, Rt. 3, Clyde, and Joyce Elaine McDonald, Rt. 3, Clyde.

Danny Maurice Cater, Abilene, and Belinda Kay Oliver, Abilene.

Terry Michael Fleming, Clyde, and Carla Dean Bohannon, Rt. 1, Clyde.  
Morris Lee Lambert Jr., Rt. 1, Clyde, and Tammy Jane Boyd, no address listed.

### NEW VEHICLES

GMAC c/o Bill Smith, Abilene, Chev. 2 dr.

WTU, Abilene, Chev. PU.

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Warren D. Roach, Abilene, Toyota 4 dr.

H.A. Martin, Arlington, Chev. PU.

Lupe Diaz Jr., Abilene, Chev. 4 dr.

Darlene Sisco, Abilene, Pont 4 dr.

Treva A. Barnett, Coleman, Pont. 2 dr.

Ken L. Horan, Cross Plains, Chev. PU.

Homer Simons, Cross Plains, Ford PU.

Nancy R. & Stephen G. Whitley, Rt. 5, Abilene, Chev. van.

West Texas Utilities, Abilene, Chev. van.

Brittain's Furniture Showcase, Abilene, GMC Sub.

Gaspact Corp., Abilene, Chev. Sub.

Douglas G. Carlson, Abilene, Pont. 2 dr.

Debbie Lee & Rodney Kent King, Abilene, Chev. Blazer.

Higginbotham Bros. & Co., Cross Plains, Buick Funeral.

Collis Eager, Rt. 1, Cross Plains, Ford 4 dr.

Craig Worsham, Rt. 1, Carbon, Ford 4 dr.

### 42nd DISTRICT COURT

Don Lane, presiding  
Civil Filing

In Re: Rocky Mountain Resources, Inc., Ex parte petition.

Sheila Whitley vs. Jim Atchison, dba Big Country Meat and Produce, suit for damages.

Park and Park Oil, Co. vs. Nell Bowden, suit for breach of warranty.

Janice Leigh Ramos and Manuel Cisneros Ramos and in the interest of minor children, suit for divorce.

Robin Lynn McGough and Lonnie Gilbert McGough and in the interest of minor children, suit for divorce.

Lisa Leann Huxley and Jeffrey Dale Huxley and in the interest of minor children, suit for divorce.

In Re: Rocky Mountain Resources, Inc., District Clerk, Cubelle Harris instructed to pay \$66,687.26 out of registry of the court to district clerk of Comanche County.

Western Oilfield Equipment, Inc., vs. Rapid Drilling, Co., et al, interlocutory judgement.

Welltex Energy Corporation vs. Christopher C. Marshall and John Newsum, suit for constructive trust.

Deborah Sue Wellmaker and Henry

Grady Wellmaker, and in the interest of minor children, suit for divorce.

Joyce Ann Lee vs. David Calbert Melder, out of state child support.

B-W Oil Field Equipment, Inc. vs. Hutcheson Oil and Gas, and Michael Hutcheson, suit on account.

### CIVIL MINUTES

Joy Lavelle Drain and Rube Drain, temporary order.

Citizens State Bank of Cross Plains, Texas vs. Bandera Operating Company, Inc., et al, judgment for \$57,057.84 plus interest of \$7,232.04 and attorney fees in the amount of \$6,529.99.

Phillip Mitchell Mauldin and Iris Zelda Mauldin, decree of divorce.

Ginco Oil & Gas of Texas, Inc., vs. El Paso Hydrocarbons Company, order closing, Cubelle L. Harris, Receiver, discharged.

Citizens State Bank, Cross Plains, vs. Kenneth Allen Harris, and wife, Darl Harris, order dismissing.

First National Bank of Baird vs. James C. Burgess, default judgment.

First National Bank of Baird vs. David Collins, default judgment.

First National Bank of Baird vs. Kenneth and Leatta Davidson, default judgment.

First National Bank of Baird vs. Ismael Rodriguez, default judgment.

First National Bank of Baird vs. Howard and Joan Mackey, default judgment.

First National Bank of Baird vs. Charlotte & Floyd Bolton, default judgment.

### Felony Criminal Complaint and Information

Randy Jo Fox, indecency with a child.

### Felony Criminal Minutes

Harold Wade King, defendant discharged from probation.

### Free Clothing For The Needy

Free clothing for the needy will be available at the Church of Christ Activity Building, approximately 1/2 mile east on Highway 36. Clothing may be picked up on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. May 7, and every Wednesday thereafter for the month of May at 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

The Ladies Class is sponsoring this project as a community service.

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Pd. Pol. Adv. Precinct 4 - Callahan County

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## To The Voters Of Precinct 4

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I am familiar with the problems on our roads and the maintenance of our equipment.

I thank you for your kindness to me during the campaign and ask for your voting support on Saturday.

The voting will not be at City Hall. It will be at the Cross Plains Community Center on Beech Street.

If you need a ride, one of my daughters will be happy to take you. Call 725-6522, 725-6745 or 725-6239.

Joe D. Ingram

Pd. Pol. Adv.

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Pd. Pol. Adv. for Dr. Friends of Lavada Poindexter, Winifred Hansen, Treasurer

## BURKETT NEWS

By FREEDA BURKETT

Maurine Clark, sec. treas. for the Burkett-Adams Historical Association reports the following recent donations: Mrs. Lis Garrett \$15.00 in memory of B.W. Adams, and Velma Lee Mosley \$10.00 in memory of O.W. Helms.

Lucille Cross and Freeda Burkett attended a quilting in Coleman last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Carl Bludworth. Others that helped complete her quilt were Willie Mae Wilson of Santa Anna, Iola Terry, Addie C. Rhoads, Etta Mae Blanton and Mozell Seamans all of Coleman.

Kevin and Tracy Brown of Dalhart spent Thursday to Monday with their grandmother, Mrs. Cleo Porter.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Hulan Harris (Sealy Jean) of Big Spring is critically ill. Grady and Thedo Harris and her sister, Grace Green left early Sunday morning to be with them. On Wednesday of last week Grady, Thedo and Mrs. Lillian Harris visited with Hulan and Sealy.

The community supper Saturday night was well attended. The supper was delicious and enjoyable entertainment. Carl Buldworth, W.B. Bludworth and Cody Hounwell were the musicians and Mrs. Benny (Sandy) Callaway of Cross Plains sang beautifully. Ima Bludworth did her witty impression of "Minnie Pearl".

Visitors with Mrs. Lillian Harris last week were her son and wife, Grady and Thedo Harris and their grandson, Chris Yoder, all of Aransas Pass and their daughter and husband, Bill and Connie Noles of Dallas. They all attended the community supper and enjoyed visiting with friends and relatives.

Several out of towners were at the supper, but failing to get a complete list I'll not attempt to name them.

The quilting club met last Friday and Mrs. L.E. Mountain was hostess. Other members present were Willie Mae Wilson of Santa Anna, Ola Terry, Addie C. Rhoads and Mrs. Seamans all of Coleman, Lucille Cross, Wilda Tomlinson, and Freeda Burkett.

Don't forget to vote on Saturday, May 3.

Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Walker and Sons, Darrell and Pauls have returned home after spending a week on a trip

to Mountain Home, Idaho to visit their daughter and family, Thelma Merle & Gene Aims and children. They went by way of New Mexico, Colorado and Utah and returned, seeing sights in Wyoming and Colorado. They spent one night at Colorado Springs with LeRoy and Doris Walker.

Gene Garrett of Poteet visited relatives and friends here last week. Some of those he visited were Virgil Adams, Lillian Harris, Wilda Tomlinson, Girdie and Gill Helms and others. He also spent some time at Cross Plains visiting Tim and Opal Gray, Elsie Poteet and others.

### Roping Club

Cross Plains Roping Club will begin play night Friday night, May 2, at 7:00 p.m. and will continue this schedule through the summer.

The play nights will be held at the roping club arena and everyone is welcome.

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## Art Club Monthly Meeting

The Paint and Palette Club will meet Tuesday, May 6, at the Cross Plains Multi-Purpose Center at 7:00 p.m.

The agenda will include electing new officers and discussing fund raising projects. Plans will be made for the annual bake sale and the Arts and Crafts Fair booth.

Members are urged to attend and help with these important decisions.

## Athletic Banquet

The Cross Plains High School Athletic Banquet will be held at the Cross Plains Community Center on Saturday, May 10, at 7:30 p.m.

A chicken fried steak dinner will be catered by P.K.'s, owner Jean Wilson. Tickets may be purchased from High School students, and they are available at the High School or Western Atout for \$6.00 per person.

The parents of High School athletes and the general public are all invited to attend. The dress code will be Sunday clothes.

Vote For

**Joe D. Ingram**

Candidate For  
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## PIONEER NEWS

By ESTHLOY S. DICKSON

My column will be slightly brief this week, as I have a lot of plans for this Monday.

Last week at this time, I was in sorrow over the death of our friend in Abilene. On that Monday my daughter took me to his funeral. On this Monday, our long-time friend, Henry Callaway, will be buried in Cisco. He is the grandfather of my daughter-in-law, Karen C. V. Jr., Karen and Lisa Dawn came in from Nacogdoches last Sunday.

Mrs. Ethel Brown's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Robbins of Houston spent two nights with her the past week. Her regular visitors were Jimmielee Payne, Jean Fore, Lou Grider and the Cole Tillotsons.

Bobby and Sally Roady have been "blessed" with the arrival of six new calves. Their visitors this week were Joe, Beverly and Kari of Brownwood, his mother, Ms. Nettie, and her father, Howard Hicks. Bobby and Sally went to Abilene one evening to a repair school on washer/dryer repair.

Visiting the J. T. Beggs recently were Mark Smith and two friends of

Fort Worth. Also Mrs. Dick Smith of Fort Worth. Betty and Ms. Ruby Brooks and Wilda Dennis worked at the Youth Center during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fleming's visitors were Ms. Mary Cox, ms. Paula Carpenter and Harold Armstrong of San Angelo. Also neighbors, Novella Barton and Gladys Sessums.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lee were Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cundiff of Denton on Thursday.

My daughter stayed with me until Friday morning. Bless her heart. She cleaned my house like you wouldn't believe. It took both cars to haul my "discarded junk" to the dump grounds.

I'm deeply grateful, and I will try, try to keep my house in good shape from now on.

This next paragraph is purely personal. You might call it "Grandma Brags"...

Linda Dickson, age 7, is a member of the "Moonspinners" twirling group, under the direction of Mary Adams in Nacogdoches. On April 26, these talented young ladies, ranging in age from 4 to 18, competed in the Southwest Twirling Association Championship in Liberty City, near Longview. This annual contest pits groups similar to the "Moonspinners" from Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas against each other in Jazz, dance, ballet, and tap, as well as twirling.

Lisa won First Place, and a large trophy, in the 6 to 7 age group in ballet and tap competition. Her parents and local relatives are very proud of her accomplishments.

### San Jacinto Day Successful

The San Jacinto Day Celebration was something to smile about. The large crowd, good food, and the beautiful weather were a winning combination.

The Historical Committee wants to thank Felix Manion for the cooking, and Barbara Corn and her students for their historical play. Thanks to Diane Bell for sponsoring the "Little Miss and Mr." contest and to all the volunteers who helped serve the Bar-B-Que.

If you pre-purchased a history book and have not picked it up, you may get your book at Clyde Insurance Agency, Clyde, the County Library, Baird, Ida Mae Wadell's office, Putnam, and the Cross Plains Public Library. Please pick up your book as soon as possible. Extra copies are available at the locations listed.

### Officers Elected

The Callahan Divide Soil and Water Conservation District recently held elections for directors in Zones 1, 3, and 5. This completed the slate of directors for the new district. The directors are Jack Farmer-Zone 1, Charley Tom Straley-Zone 2, Jimmy Cauthen-Zone 3, Kenneth George-Zone 4, and A.H. Ringhoffer-Zone 5.

Following the director elections the board held its first official meeting and elected their officers. A.H. Ringhoffer was elected as Chairman, Charley Tom Straley was elected Vice Chairman, and Kenneth George was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

These directors will hold four-year terms with Zones 1 and 2 coming up for re-election in October this year.



LAMBDA CHI ALPHA COLONY — Fraternity members are (from left) Tommie Conlee, Edd Edington, Bob Winfrey, and Richard Clark.

### Lambda Chi Alpha Banquet

The Lambda Chi Alpha Colony at Tarleton State University conducted the presentation of their National Charting Ceremony Banquet at the Holiday Inn in Stephenville on April 19.

This fraternity was organized there in 1983 with 15 members. Membership has grown to 69 at present.

The presentation of the Charter was by David D. Leather. Dr. Mike Leese, Vice President of Student Service gave the opening remarks. Address by Walter J. Moser of Central, Missouri.

Bob Winfrey served as High Sigma, scholastic chairman for the 1985-86 year. This committee screens incoming pledges. Tommie Conlee was elected as president for the 1986-87

year. The Fraternity has voted Tommie Conlee to represent them at the National meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, this summer.

Attending the black tie affair were, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Winfrey, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie B. Conlee and Deana from Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Clark of Dallas.

Tommie Conlee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie B. Conlee, Edd Edington, son of Mrs. Billie Patterson of Albany, and the late Bill Edington, grandson of Mrs. Ben Atwood of Cross Plains, Bob Winfrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Winfrey of Cross Plains and Richard Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Clark of Dallas. All are members of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity.

### USDA Conservation Sign-Up May 5-16

Scott Odom, CED of the Callahan County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service today reported that a second sign-up period for the new USDA Conservation Reserve Program will be held from May 5 through May 16, 1986.

Farmers will be offered the opportunity to bid for a Conservation Reserve Program contract for either the 1986 or the 1987 crop year. Bids may be offered for both years, providing different acreage is involved.

Producers cannot harvest any 1986 crop planted on land to be placed in the program. For contracts which are effective immediately, annual payments will be made beginning October 1, 1986 or later, producers will be allowed to harvest their 1986 crop, and no annual payments will be made before October 1, 1987.

Odom said farmers will receive annual rental payments for participating in the program, the amounts depending on the bids per acre and the number of acres under the 10 year contracts. Program participants also will receive conservation payments of up to 50 percent of eligible cost of establishing trees or grass on the acres placed in the Conservation Reserve Program.

"The rental payments will compensate farmers for retiring highly erodible cropland from crop production," said Odom, "and the conservation payments will partially reimburse farmers for the one-time costs of establishing required conservation practices on the highly erodible cropland."

He said the annual rental payments will be issued as soon as possible after October 1 of each calendar year. Conservation payments will be made as soon as possible after individual participants report the approved conservation practice is completed.



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### Callahan Divide SWCD Sponsors Fish Pond Management Program

The Callahan Divide Soil and Water Conservation District will sponsor a Fish Pond Management program on May 19, 1986. The program which is set for 8:00 p.m. in the County Courtroom will deal with managing farm ponds for recreational and commercial fish production.

Topics on the agenda will include pond construction, species of fish, stocking rates, aquatic weed control, pond fertilization, and proper harvest.

According to Steve Uselton, District Conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service, local SCS personnel will participate in the program along with Harrell Arms from Arms Bait Company. Arms Bait Company will also be furnishing the fish for a fish stocking program which will be sponsored by the local SWCD. The District will begin taking orders for fish May 12th with expected delivery date to be

June 11th at the Callahan County Courthouse.

The Callahan Divide SWCD would like for this Fish Pond Management and Fish Stocking program to be an opportunity to get acquainted with all the landowners in Callahan County. The newly organized SWCD expresses its appreciation for the local support of the past few months and encourages all landowners to participate in these programs.

For more information on these programs contact your SWCD director or the Soil Conservation Service office in Baird.

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## OBITUARIES

### Jack E. Crist

Jack E. Crist, age 76, of Cross Plains died Wednesday, April 23, at Humana Hospital in Abilene.

There were no funeral services. His body was cremated.

Mr. Crist was born October 29, 1909, in Kansas. He was a member of the Trinity Masonic Lodge at Dallas and was a 32nd Degree Mason. He was a member of the Episcopal Church.

Survivors are his wife, Lois Graves Crist of Cross Plains.

### Lucille Rich

COLEMAN - Lucille Rich, 76, died Friday at her home.

Services were held 2 p.m. Sunday at Walker Funeral Home with the Rev. Gary Boyd officiating. Burial was in Coleman Cemetery.

She was born in Coleman County. She was a retired beautician. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She was a former resident of Cross Plains.

Survivors include her daughter, Marciel Carten of Fort Worth; a sister, Myrtle Burkett of Fort Worth; a brother, Faye Gilliam of Houston; and a granddaughter.

### Horace Thornton

CROSS PLAINS - Horace G. Thornton, 71, retired custodian, died Saturday at a Victoria hospital after a short illness.

Services were 3 p.m. Monday at Colonial Funeral Home in Victoria with the Rev. John Redfearn officiating.

Burial was in Colonial Gardens Cemetery in Victoria.

He was born in Rochelle. He was a retired custodian for Abilene Independent School District. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Flora B. Wilcoxon Thornton of Victoria; two daughters, Florene Hines and Sharron G. Gonzales, both of Victoria; a son, Randall Thornton of Baird; two sisters, Jewell Latimer of Abilene and Grace Stanick of Rockport; two brothers, Marvin Thornton of Burnett and Buddy Thornton of Abilene; and four grandchildren.

### Otto Thurman Powell

CROSS PLAINS - Otto Thurman Powell, 88, died Tuesday at a Cisco hospital.

Services were held 2 p.m. Thursday at Higginbotham Funeral Home. Burial will be in Pioneer Cemetery.

He was born in Mountain Home, Ark. He was an oil field driller and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Gertie M. Curry Powell of Cross Plains; a son, Vicky Powell of Comstock; and a foster daughter, Bonnie Dell Schnaubert of Odessa.

He was preceded in death by an infant son.

Pallbearers were Rodney McCarty, Eddy McCarty, Kenneth Brooks, Sonny Schnaubert, Ray Curry, Bobby Jack McCowen, Burlie Paul McCowen, Doug Weiss and Mark Norris.

### Henry Callaway

CROSS PLAINS - Henry F. Callaway, 79, died Sunday at a local nursing home after a long illness.

Services were 2 p.m. Monday at Higginbotham Funeral Home with Gary Adams and Brian Keele officiating.

Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Cisco.

He was born in Eastland County. He was a farmer and an oil-field pumper. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Lucile Martin Callaway of Cross Plains; two sons, Benny Callaway of Cross Plains and Weaver Callaway of Comanche; a daughter, Doris Ann McBride of Brazoria; three brothers, Howard Callaway of San Angelo, Ted Callaway of Lake Brownwood and H. H. "Shorty" Callaway of Cisco; four sisters, Florene Oakley of Oregon, Lorene Reynolds of California, Naomi Dennis of Arizona and Opal Mann of Mississippi; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Robert Callaway, Bob Townsend, Jim Clay Grubbs, Larry Jessup, James Lawrence, Jerry Callaway and Don Callaway.

### Sabanno Cemetery

Recent contributors to the Sabanno Cemetery were Mr. and Mrs. Forest C. Scott \$20, Loreta Lutzenburger \$20 and the Edwin Erwin Estate \$25. All donations are welcome and appreciated for the upkeep of the cemetery.

## COTTONWOOD NEWS

By BEVERLY BROWN

The Cottonwood Historical Association will hold its annual meeting, Sunday, May 4, in the Cottonwood Community Center. The day's festivities will start with a noon meal followed by the business meeting. Ladies are asked to bring a covered dish.

The Cottonwood Baptist Church will celebrate its 105 anniversary on Sunday, May 4. Sunday School services begin at 9:45 a.m. and the morning worship services at 11:00 a.m. with the pastor Knox Waggoner in charge.

The Cottonwood Church of Christ morning services begins with Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and the morning worship services at 11:00 a.m. with Minister Larry Copeland.

The Cottonwood Post office historical landmark will be open for visitors and area residents to view on Sunday. Lay out prints of the Cottonwood Cemetery, for reserved and open lots, are mounted on the west building.

On Thursday afternoon from 2:30 p.m., your help is needed to clean up the auditorium and building of the Cottonwood Community Center for the Sunday meeting. A half hour to an hour of your spare time will greatly be appreciated.

Mrs. Shirley Riley of the Houston

area is here visiting with her brother and wife Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Williams and Mr. John Crawley.

Craig Jr. and Charlie Rogers spent a week in Houston recently with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rogers.

Mrs. Ethel Anderson and Vanda King and children were at her son's and Vanda's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Anderson in Abilene, on Sunday.

On Saturday Lillie and Blanton Childers had their three boys, Harry, Aubrey and Arnold and grandson Kane spend the day with them. The boys were busy working on a tractor and doing a little hunting.

Mrs. Jessie Kelly and Mrs. Blue visited with the Blanton Childers. On Sunday afternoon, the Childers visited with Jessie Wilcoxon in town.

Harry Childers returned home from Chad, So. Africa, where the rig was stashed due to fighting in that area and evacuations of Americans there. They were delayed in Egypt for fourteen hours and arrived in the states on Thursday. Temperatures of 145 degrees was the day's high when he left.

Pat and Martha Moore of San Antonio were at his mother's, Mrs. Blanche Moore, over the weekend. They attended the salad supper at the Center Saturday evening and the morning worship services at the Cottonwood Baptist Church.

We wish to express our sincere sympathy to the family of Horace Thornton in the loss of their husband, father, and their family member. Mr. Thornton passed away early Saturday morning, April 26. Funeral services were held Monday.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Clark were Bob and Cookie Robinson and son, Brian, of Clyde, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Green of Cross Plains, and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Jones and children of the community.

The Cottonwood Community Regional Association will hold a general meeting on Wednesday, May 7 at the Cottonwood Community Center. Everyone is urged to attend.

## AARP

The AARP Chapter will meet at the Multi-Purpose Center on May 5 at 11:00 a.m. All persons fifty years plus are invited to come and bring someone with you.

The speaker will be Brian Keele, the Church of Christ preacher.

There will be discussions concerning the Old Settlers Reunion Texas Sesquicentennial, in which we will participate.

At 12:00 a.m. there will be a covered dish lunch.

Roy Cartee, assistant state director of American Association of Retired Persons, states an AARP Chapter will be organized in Clyde, Thursday, May 1, 1986.

The meeting will be held at the Lion's Club, in Clyde, at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Cartee, who has organized several chapters, states the Clyde Chapter will be a very fine chapter because of the strong leadership which has been elected.

The American Association of Retired Persons has a national membership of 22,000,000 with over 3,700 chapters. The membership in Texas exceeds 1,600,000 with over 600 chapters. To be able to be a member of the AARP you must be 50 years of age.

You are encouraged to attend the meeting in Clyde, Thursday, May 1, and to assist the chapter members in its organization.

## Republican Primary May 3

Voting location for the Republican primary for the Cross Plains precinct will be held at the Multi-Purpose Center on East Eighth Street, Saturday, May 3.

Main interest among a large percent of Texans is who will replace Mark White as Governor. The three candidates that are running for that chance on the Republican ticket are Kent Hance, Tom Loeffler and Bill Clements.

Other candidates on the ballot will be Glenn Jackson, David Davidson and Virgil E. Mulanax for Lt. Governor.

For Attorney General: Ed Walsh,

Roy Barrera, Jr. and Jack Roach. Commissioner of General Land Office: George Collis, Grady T. Yarbrough and M. D. Anderson, Jr. Commissioner of Agriculture: Charles F. Trompler and Bill Powers. Railroad Commissioner: Ralph Hoelscher, John Thomas Henderson, Ed Emmett and Milton E. Fox.

## Band Concert

Ricky Brom, band director of the local schools, announces that the Junior High and High School Spring Concert will be held this Thursday night, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

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## Cross Plains Flower Show Held

The Cross Plains Garden Club held its annual spring flower show April 26 and 27 with Mrs. Sterling Odom as general chairman. The theme, "Growing Then and Now, 1836-1986" was carried out in all the exhibit classes which were judged Saturday afternoon by flower judges from Abilene and Brownwood. A luncheon at the Garden Center preceded the judging.

High Award winners in the Horticulture Division were Julene Franke, Lois Garrett, and Lucille Payne. Top honors in the Artistic Design Division went to Maurine McCuin and Joyce Odom. Other winning blue ribbons were Joan McCowen, Sarah Brashear, Exa McCord, Claribel Gibbs, Lois Henderson, Helen Tillotson, Donie McCowen, and guest exhibitors Cindy Payne, Dorothy Thomas, and Tonya

Walker. Jodie Payne was blue ribbon winner in the Junior Gardener Division. Special Award ribbons for educational exhibits were presented to Arlene Stephenson, Marianne Taff, and Midge McCall.

The show was open to the public Sunday afternoon. A display table carrying out the Texas Sesquicentennial theme contained many old treasures and historical items, each "telling its own story" of early Texas. Some women were dressed in period costumes which added to the atmosphere of the occasion. Refreshments were served from a table decorated in an early day motif.

### Cottonwood Meeting May 4

Don't forget the Cottonwood Historical Association's annual meeting Sunday, May 4, at the Cottonwood Community Center. A covered dish luncheon will be served at noon. Business meeting to follow. You are urged to attend if you are interested in the upkeep of the Cottonwood cemeteries.

The Association would like to acknowledge and express their appreciation for the following donations: Durward Varner \$50, Florence B. Moore \$15, W. J. Coats Estate \$1.17, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Champion \$20, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jones, Sr. \$25 and Lou Ella Sudderth \$10. A memorial gift in honor of Mrs. Florence Sparks has been received from the Order of the Eastern Star, Cross Plains Chapter.

### Colonial Oaks Services

Sunday afternoon, May 4, at 3:30 p.m., the Old Time Gospel Mission will have charge of the service at Colonial Oaks Nursing Home.

### Kindergarten Registration

The Cross Plains I.S.D. will be conducting Kindergarten screening and registration on Friday, May 16. If you have a child, or know of a child, who will be 5 on or before September 1, please call the school for an appointment.

The screening process will take about one hour to complete, so your cooperation in making an appointment will be appreciated.

Each student's hearing, vision, speech, motor skills, language ability, and developmental growth will be evaluated at this time. Parents will be given a report on their children's progress at the time of the screening.

The Early Childhood Screening will also be done at this time. If you have a child who appears to be developmentally delayed or has a handicap, please call for more information and a screening appointment.

Please call the Elementary School office at 725-6123, or come by the school to make appointments before May 16.

## ROWDEN NEWS

By MRS. N. V. GIBBS

Some weeks keep one extra busy and that's how this one has been for this writer. It started out by attending the activities in Baird for the San Jacinto Celebration including the Depot unveiling of its Historical Marker and planting of a pecan tree and short speeches by Maurine Nickols, Thelma Berry, and others. Then on to the Courthouse grounds where Dr. Beasley of Abilene made a speech. History Books of Callahan County were picked up. Lunch and a program followed.

Later a "Little Miss" and "Little Mister" contest was held. Only one incident marred the day when Mrs. Leonard Mosely fell and broke her arm. Mrs. Sterling Odom, Blain and Jessie Odom, Miller and Marian Scott and their young sons and Mrs. Gene Mauldin. Also Robert and Dorothy Watson who just came for their books, a lot of people attended this meeting.

The rains have missed this area this week and all vegetation is really suffering.

When the Tommie Harris home was called, Lora Fay reported that she and Tommie had been on a tour trip to Hawaii. When asked what she enjoyed most, her reply was, the first sight-seeing was beautiful but then each place became more beautiful. This was speaking of the beauty and flowers and trees there. They had an enjoyable trip.

Friday night, Don and Maryana Harrell and Bob and Kathy Dye drove to Abilene where they ate out and then attended the Merle Haggard Concert.

When Mrs. Gene Mauldin was called for News, she thought and thought and came up with no News this week, only a trip to the grocery store.

Family relatives of Emma Johnson, Lizzie Burks and Robert Burks treated them with breakfast last Sunday morning. The relatives were Nellie Arrington of Cross Plains, and her daughter, Joan Pope, and two children, Craig and Melissa Pope of Stephenville and Nellie's daughter-in-law, Lorene Price of Potosi. Other grandchildren were Christopher Burks, and Julie and Lori Bishop all of Cross Plains.

These are some former Rowden residents who were in Baird last Monday. Thelma Smedley of Clyde, Leonard Swafford of DeLeon, Lois Haddock and Lorene O'Dell of Abilene. Also Charles and Lucille Foster of Clyde.

Mrs. Tony Steele and children Bill and Connie attended Bill's 5th grade beginner band concert at Cross Plains School Thursday night. Tonya Steele was among the Junior High Students who competed in track events in Santo. Tonya had a first in two events. Total points won were 129.

Ernest Sikes and his mother, Elveda Sikes of Abilene stopped for a visit in the N. V. Gibbs home Sunday afternoon.

Lee and Jean Jernigan of Lake Proctor spent two days in the Tony Steele

home this week. Opal Steele of Clyde came out and spent a day and night in the home.

The Jim Needham family of Coleman were visitors in the Robert Watson home Sunday. Other visitors later in the week were friends, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hughlett of Brownfield. On Monday night, Robert and Dorothy visited in the Roger Martin home in Baird.

Jim and son, Chris Reynolds of Midland, spent Sunday and Monday in the James Reynolds home. Little Chris was in Abilene for new eye glasses.

Chris and Rhonda West were in Austin this week where they attended the Federal Land Banks annual meeting. Chris replaced his father, Jimmy West, as director of the Board, in this area.

Their children, Nikki, Cory, and Chancy stayed with their grandmother, Joy West. Joy's parents, C. W. and Nomie Price of Baird spent part of the week in the home.

Ivon Odom, Vickie, and children, Brittany and Dustin, of Pioneer visited in the Sterling Odom home last Sunday. Since then Ivon became ill and entered Hendrick Hospital for tests. He returned to his home Saturday.

## Library News

"I Remember Callahan", the history of Callahan County that has been in the works for several months, is dedicated to the Callahan County Historical Commission. Mrs. John Berry is president of that organization.

The title was suggested by Mrs. Floyd Ryan of Levelland, Texas, and selected by members of the Texas Sesquicentennial Committee of Callahan County.

Hicks Turner, editor of the book, expresses gratitude to all who submitted material and to all who helped in getting the book ready for publication.

Copies for those in Cross Plains who ordered books without including postage can be picked up at the Cross Plains Public Library. Also, for those who did not order, copies are available at the library for \$55.00.

### 4-H Clothing

The Cross Plains 4-H is presently enrolling youth in a Clothing Project. The project is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 8-19 yrs.

If you are not currently a member of the 4-H, you may join in order to participate.

For more information call Cherry Shults 643-3823 or Dianne Stover 725-7370.

## Wrestling Tuesday, May 6

The Coleman Bluecat Band Boosters are sponsoring a World Class Wrestling match on Tuesday, May 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Brownwood Coliseum, Brownwood, Texas. Four matches will be held as follows: Kevin Von Erich vs. Rick Rude and Percy; Chris Adams vs. Buddy Roberts; Missing Link and Sunshine vs. John Tatum and Missy; Brickhouse Brown vs. Mark Youngblood.

Advance tickets are on sale for \$8.00 ringside and \$6.00 general admission at Tex Robin Boots, Coleman County State Bank, and First Coleman National Bank in Coleman and at Waynes Western Wear in Brownwood. Advance tickets will be sold through May 2. Tickets at the door will be \$10.00 ringside and \$8.00 general admission.

Proceeds of the event will help the band boosters complete end of the year projects, purchase new equipment and instruments and make a deposit to the uniform fund.

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### SCHOOL MENU

May 1 — May 7 BREAKFAST

THURSDAY — Pancake w/syrup, butter, orange juice, milk.

FRIDAY — Holiday

MONDAY — Hash, brown, biscuits/gravy, grape juice, milk.

TUESDAY — Waffles w/syrup, butter, orange juice, milk.

WEDNESDAY — Choice of ready to eat cereal, toast, grape juice, milk.

### LUNCH

THURSDAY — Submarine sandwich, lettuce, tomatoes, pickles, cookie, milk.

FRIDAY — Holiday

MONDAY — Corny dogs w/mustard, beans, French fries, peaches, milk.

TUESDAY — Grilled cheese sandwich, vegetable beef soup, crackers, cobbler, milk.

WEDNESDAY — Chicken fried steak, creamed potatoes, green beans, peanut butter and honey, rolls, milk.

### Transfer Application

Any new student who is living in another school district and planning to attend Cross Plains Independent School District will need to file for a transfer application prior to May 1.

This will include any kindergarten student, beginning to school in September, or other student who has no previous application.

Application forms are available at the Superintendent's office in the High School.



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**STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS**  
By Lyndell Williams  
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

parties expected light voter turnouts that could possibly make runoffs necessary in the gubernatorial nominations. Polls indicate that former Gov. Bill Clements might squeak by in the Republican primary without a runoff, but the race for second place has remained too close to call between Tom Loeffler and Kent Hance. In the Democratic primary, Gov. Mark White's support has been slipping for weeks. However, White's campaign still predicts no runoff will be needed. But Democratic challenger Don Crowder, who has collected formal support from thousands of educators and state employees in the final weeks, said the light voter turnout will increase the impact of the anti-Mark White protest vote and benefit him and Andy Briscoe.

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Evening Worship	7:00 P.M.
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**Teachers' Vow**  
Of all the opposition groups, teachers have the most at stake. They have publicly vowed to teach Mark White a lesson, singling him out as the man who broke promises to them when he forced the Legislature into special session to pass the HB 72 education reforms. Last week, thousands of teachers, coaches and principals held a rally at the Capitol and, in speech after speech, blasted the governor for raising taxes, utility rates and fees.

Several candidates spoke to the orderly crowd, including Crowder, Hance and Loeffler, to court their votes. And long-time political watchers are predicting that if teachers do not unseat Mark White, they will have zero political influence for years to come.

**Supreme Court**  
Besides the gubernatorial combat, the raft of candidates competing for seats on the Texas Supreme Court are providing the most action. The issue of ethics on the court continues to surface as the press and a legislative panel probe the conduct of some justices.

Last week, one Texas newspaper reported six justices attended a debutante ball in '83 as guests of an attorney, who only the day before received a favorable landmark decision from them.

All nine justices were invited by attorney Bill Edwards, but only William Kilgarlin, C. L. Ray, Ted Robertson, James Wallace, Sears McGee and Franklin Spears attended.

Some of the weekend expenses were also paid for by Edwards. At the time of the ball, Edwards still had four personal-injury cases pending before the court.

Later, Justices Ray, Robertson, Spears and Wallace voted for the attorney's position in all those cases.

At question is whether the justices violated the spirit of keeping an "arms length" relationship with lawyers with

cases pending.

**Attorney General**  
Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox announced his office was awarded a federal grant to track down parents who cross state lines to avoid making child-support payments.

Mattox will use the \$2.3 million grant to establish a national computer system, the first of its kind, to track down those who wench.

He said Texas, California and Florida have the highest number of cases.

**Capitol Arson**  
Mattox also said arson specialists have definite suspects in connections with a March 4 fire in the attorney general's office in Austin.

Another fire was set in the AG's Fort Worth office at about the same time, and Mattox expects evidence to link the events.

Mattox also issued a legal opinion that oil exchanged under contract should be classified as "receipts" for state franchise purposes.

The ruling will probably lead to "tens of millions" in higher franchise taxes for some oil companies, according to a spokesman for Comptroller Bob Bullock.

**"White Oil" Appeal**  
The controversial "white oil" lawsuit, which threatens to undo the economy of several Panhandle towns, finally reached the 3rd Court of Appeals last week.

At stake is the ownership of some \$25 billion in oil and gas reserves in the Panhandle Field, about eight counties.

At issue is whether operators can use refrigeration units to chill gas vapors and use the extra liquid, or "white oil," to meet the Railroad Commission's test for an oil well.

The court is expected to rule sometime this year.

**Title Insurance Savings**  
The State Board of Insurance last week advised homeowners who are refinancing mortgages as interest rates continue to fall that a current SBI rule may entitle them to a substantial reduction in their title insurance premiums.

Insurance Board members said many property owners who have refinanced loans which are no more than four years old may take advantage of the rule. In some instances, the rule may save the borrower up to 80 per cent of the usual title insurance premium.

Mark Gentle, SBI assistance director of title insurance, said he has been receiving complaints from homeowners who were denied the refinance credit although they clearly qualify.

Disputes concerning calculations of premiums should be referred to Gentle at the State Board of Insurance, Dept. C, 1110 San Jacinto Blvd., Austin, 78701-1998.

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**CONTROL APPETITE**

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