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Headlines From Around The World

French anti-terrorist squad storms plane

Marseille, France

Members of an elite French commando force stormed an Air France jetliner as it sat on the tarmac here killing 4 Algerian hijackers and freeing 171 hostages. Several of the passengers and French commandos were wounded in the 5-minute long battle, but none lost their lives.

The incident began Christmas Eve in Algeria when 4 men claiming to belong to a fundamentalist Moslem group commandeered the Paris bound plane and kept it on the ground at Algiers airport for three days. During the standoff in the North African capital, the terrorists killed three of their hostages. Before convincing French authorities to allow the plane to fly to France.

American GI still held prisoner in North Korea

Seoul, South Korea

Thomas Hubbard, a U.S. State Department diplomat arrived here Tuesday to meet with South Korean and U.S. officials in preparation for his trip to Pyongyang, North Korea. Hubbard is said to be prepared to negotiate with North Korean authorities for the release of American aviator, Bobby Hall whose helicopter was shot down north of the demilitarized zone more than a week ago.

North Korean officials are claiming that Hall and the helicopter's pilot, David Hilemon who was killed when the helicopter went down, were on a spy mission. U.S. officials deny the allegation, saying the helicopter was on a routine training mission when it strayed off course and crossed the DMZ.

Yeltsin calls and end to siege in Chechnya

Moscow, Russia

Russian President, Boris Yeltsin told reporters Tuesday that his deep concern over the loss of innocent life prompted him to call a halt to the aerial bombardment of Grozny, Chechnya. The move came as the Russian people were daily becoming more vocal in their opposition to the military action in the breakaway republic.

Russian analysts in the U.S. speculated that Yeltsin's actions were an effort to bolster his plummeting popularity. Recent published and broadcast reports from the Russian capital indicated that Russians were beginning to sympathize with the Chechen rebels in their fight for independence from Russia.

Schleicher County Clerk Retires



Helen Blakeway

Helen Blakeway steps down after 17 years in office.

Schleicher County and District Clerk, Helen Blakeway retires this week after more than 17 years in office. She will be succeeded by Peggy Williams, her current deputy.

Ms. Blakeway was appointed to the office of County Clerk on April 1, 1977 to fill the unexpired term of Jim Thornton who resigned the post. She was sworn in by County Judge, Bob McWhorter. She won election to a full term in 1978 and was re-elected in 1982, 1986 and 1990.

Ms. Blakeway has one son, David Blakeway of Seagraves Texas. He and his wife, Shay have 4 children, Kelly Jo, Brittany, Clayton and Chris Dearing.

Ms. Blakeway enjoys playing bridge and looks forward to having time to travel.

McCravey Retires From FNB



Sarah McCravey

Sarah McCravey, Assistant Cashier and Head Teller at First National Bank retired this week after 30 years on the job. She began working at FNB on June 15, 1964 when she took a position in the bookkeeping department. On Feb. 18, 1981 she was assigned to the Assistant Cashier position she held until her retirement.

Married to Billie McCravey, Sarah is a member of the First United Methodist Church and has been active in the Dora Lee Circle. She is a member of W.M.U. and helped organize the Junior Women's Club.

Sarah and Billie have 4 children, Chris McCravey, Maureen Hodges and Jeanne Snelson, all of Eldorado and Mike McCravey of

Abilene. They also have nine grandchildren.

Sarah has always been active in the community, participating in many organizations including the PTA. She is an avid bridge player and says she looks forward to having free time to travel and visit friends and relatives.

Hyman Sauer, Executive Vice President at First National Bank said, "A bank's most important asset is its people and Sarah has been a big part of First National Bank of Eldorado for a long time."

"To the many people who dealt with her on a regular basis, she was the bank. We all hope she enjoys her retirement, but we're going to miss her here," concluded Sauer.

Rehab '95 set for Jan. 14th

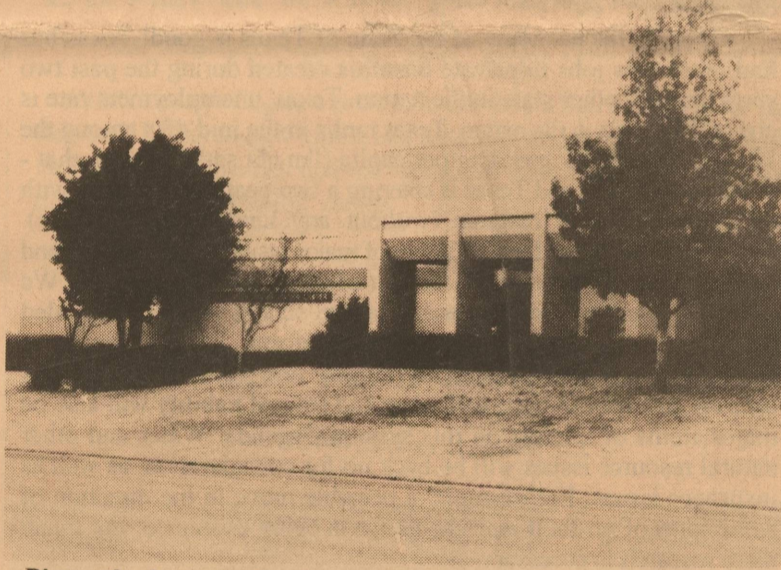
January 14, 1995 -- that's the date for West Texas Rehabilitation Center's primetime telethon which will air on 13 state-wide television stations, including KLST-TV in San Angelo.

And January 14th is the date volunteers, led by Mabel Freitag, will conduct Eldorado's Rehab 95 telethon phone bank at the Southwest Texas Electric Co-op. Residents are urged to call 853-2544 between 6 p.m. and midnight or go by and leave their donation in person. Also, advance donations may be made to Mrs. Freitag prior to the telethon.

This 25th event annually launches the Rehab Center's yearly funding of operations as viewers are asked to commit their support to WTRC's out-patient facilities in Abilene and San Angelo where 13,500 disabled children and adults are treated each year.

"No Greater Gift" is the theme for Rehab 95, which will be staged at the Abilene Civic Center and feature singer/guitarist Steve Wariner, the Forester Sisters, LeAnn Rimes and Peter Marshall.

Wariner has 20 number one country songs to his credit, including "If I Didn't Love You," "The Domino Theory" and "Tips of My Fingers," while the Forester Sisters are best known for



Pictured above is the San Angelo campus of the West Texas Rehabilitation Center located at 3001 S. Jackson

their hits, "Men" and "Mama's Never Seen Those Eyes." Miss Rimes, a dancer/vocalist, has delighted audiences at WTRC's Spring Chicken Affair and veteran Marshall hosted "Hollywood Squares" for 16 seasons.

Joining the entertainment lineup will be regular favorites Rex Allen Sr., Rex Allen Jr., Brad Maule, Anacani, Hilton Talbert, Arthur Duncan, Susan Hayes, Clyde Creel, the Maines Brothers Band and the Rehab 95 Orchestra and Chorus.

Viewers of KLST-TV will be able to see the network stage show as well as local interview and phone bank segments from WTRC in Angelo hosted by Pat

Attebery, local television personality and WTRC board vice chairman.

"We're truly grateful to all our volunteers throughout the Concho Valley who help with the telethon each year," said WTRC President Bill Snowden, "because this event is critical to our ability to face the challenges ahead."

"We hope to top the \$1 million mark on the Rehab 95 telethon because it's going to take more than \$9 million in 1995 for us to do our job of serving disabled individuals. However, TOGETHER, with our supporters, I'm confident we'll be successful on January 14 and all year long," he added.

Chamber of Commerce lighting contest

The Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce announced the winners of its holiday lighting contest this week. Taking top prize were Bob and Nancy Lester. Second place was awarded to John Edward Meador. Third Place went to Lupe Guerrero.

Honorable mention was given to Geneva McWhorter and Juanita Shurley for their decorations. While Lee Roy Hanusch received Special Mention.

The judges for this year's lighting contest were Ray and Janet Chowdry of Moline, Illinois. They

commented that they decided before the judging not to take into account the quantity of lights or the size of the display but rather the quality of the display. They said what they looked for in their judging were creative, well developed ideas that had a lot of Christmas Spirit.

Three file for school board

Three local men have filed to run for two vacant seats on the Schleicher County Independent School Districts Board of Trustees. Dr. Steve Sessom was the only candidate to file in Single

Member District #1. Felipe Pina and Reyes Robledo each filed to run in SMD #5.

A special election to fill the open seats is slated for Saturday, January 21, 1995.

Watch Night at Agape

Submitted by Faye Gibson

The Agape Assembly of God Church will host a Watch Night Service on December 31, 1994 from 9:30 p.m. until 12:00 p.m.

This will be a time of fellowship, singing and praising God.

Snacks will be served.

Come and share this special time of seeing the old year out and the new year in with us.

God Bless you and Happy New Year from Agape Assembly of God Church.

Ashlynn Worley Improving

ASHLYNN WORLEY UPDATE

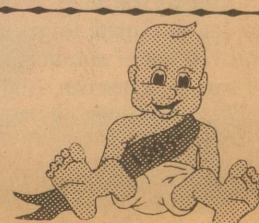
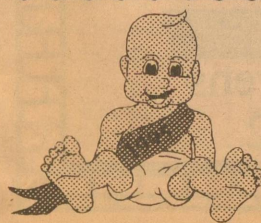
The Success received word this week that Ashlynn Worley is doing well. The youngster, who will turn 5 in March, was diagnosed with Rett Syndrome earlier this year. She is said by her mother to be improving daily since her surgery this summer.

Tammy Worley said her daughter is still having light seizures, but the severity of the seizures has improved greatly. Ashlynn is able to sit up now and has better use of her hands.

Tammy extends her thanks everyone in Eldorado for their support and prayers.



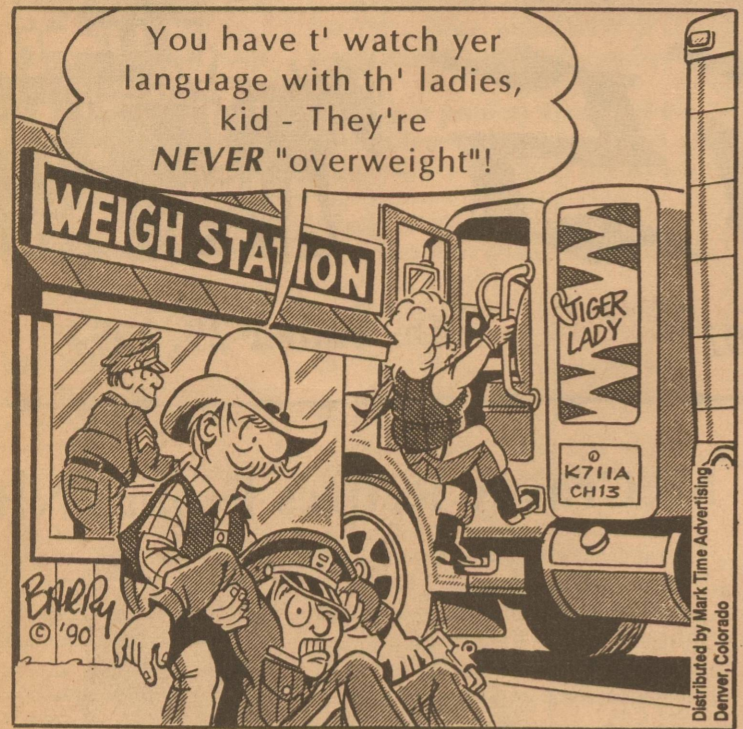
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by Barry McWilliams



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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS
By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
TEXAS PRESS ASSOCIATION

AUSTIN Texans who plan on having a drink or two on New Year's Eve had better heed a new law.

Effective Jan. 1, tipplers arrested while driving will have their driver's license taken away, in addition to criminal charges filed against them.

A first-time offender who fails a blood-alcohol test will have his license suspended for 60 days; a second-time offender will face a 120-day license suspension.

Lt. Col. Dudley Thomas of the Texas Department of Public Safety told the *Austin American-Statesman* he hoped the law would deter people from driving while intoxicated.

It is an extreme hazard to drink and drive, but in addition to that, they're putting one of their most prized documents on the line, and that is their driver's license," Thomas said.

Texas, in which 1,219 people were killed last year in traffic accidents caused by drunken drivers, joins 37 other states that have adopted laws for license revocation.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving hailed the new law as a step forward in getting drunk drivers off the road and saving lives.

Meanwhile, State Rep. Fred Hill, R-Richardson, says he will make a third attempt to pass legislation to ban open containers of alcohol in moving vehicles. Hill said he is "sick and tired" of senseless drunken-driving accidents. Existing law does not prohibit open containers, only drinking from them.

Phones for Inmates Eyed
A plan by Texas Comptroller John Sharp would provide a coinless collect-call phone system for every 20 to 80 inmates in the state prison system.

In Sharp's Nov. 13 "Gaining Ground" report, it was explained that revenues from fees paid by telephone service providers could save the state about \$138 million over five years.

But Wayne Scott, director of the Department of Criminal Justice's institutional division, said the telephone service has inherent liabilities, such as enabling inmates to conduct illegal business and burdening recipients of calls with costly phone bills. Scott said if a recipient had call-forwarding, it would be easy for an inmate to get around an approved list of numbers to call.

Sharp's spokesman, Andy Welch, said Texas has the only state prison

system that does not offer this type of telephone service, and that many county jails in the state already operate similar systems.

Ban on Kids in Truck Beds

The Legislature will consider a bill in January that would make it illegal for children to ride in the open beds of pickup trucks.

"We need this law badly," said state Sen. Gregory Luna, D-San Antonio, who filed the bill in November.

The current law allows children under 18 to ride in the back of pickups as long as the driver doesn't exceed 35 mph. But the Department of Public Safety says drivers often exceed the 35 mph limit.

According to DPS records, 449 children were hurt riding in the back of pickups last year -- the most since 1988.

Job Hanging By a Thread

Public Utility Commissioner Sarah Goodfriend doesn't want a good job to slip through her fingers just because of the impending switch in governors. As a lame duck appointee to a six-year term as PUC commissioner, Goodfriend is lobbying hard to continue in her post under Gov.-elect George W. Bush.

And though her lesbian sexual orientation reportedly is not an issue for Bush and other GOP leaders, the fact that she is a Democrat is.

In a comment regarding Goodfriend's effort, reported by the *Dallas Morning News*, Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, said, "We feel this (past) election was about the direction Texas wants to go... and that is in a more conservative direction."

Sibley is chairman of the Senate Economic Development Committee, which reviews bills affecting the utilities.

TexPool Withdrawals Slow

Treasurer Martha Whitehead announced last week that the state's bailout of the TexPool investment fund had cost taxpayers \$33 million, so far.

But she said withdrawals from the 3-year-old investment fund for more than 1,200 local governments across the state had slowed markedly. "The run's over," she said.

Whitehead said the Treasury Department lost \$33 million when it sold \$2.97 billion of its own and TexPool's securities to generate cash for jurisdictions making withdrawals.

Other Highlights

- State District Judge J. Blair Cherry of Eubock said he will decide early next year whether Henry Cisneros' former mistress has legal grounds to sue him for what she claims is an unpaid contract. The announcement was made during a hearing on a motion by the U.S. Housing Secretary to throw out the \$236,000 breach-of-contract suit.
- Gov. Ann Richards has approved the appointment of Don A. Gilbert of Dallas as commissioner of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Gilbert's appointment had been approved by the Texas MHMR board on Nov. 18. He is expected to assume his new duties on March 1.

Over The Back Fence
by Randy Mankin

I was planning to write a column this week about some of the events of 1994. This is our "Year In Review" issue and I intended to touch on a few things of note that happened during the last 12 months. But something else came up (or fell down). You know what they say about the best laid plans of mice and men.

Last week, a few of us were doing some work around the church and I found myself in the attic, checking out the furnace that heats the sanctuary. It was a simple task that required only a minute or two and I gathered my tools and started back down. That's when the ladder slipped. To make a long story short, the ladder fell and landed on the floor. I fell and landed on the ladder.

For a few moments, I couldn't feel a thing. My limbs wouldn't respond and I was overcome with panic and horror at the possibility of being paralyzed. I have to admit that in those few seconds, I was absolutely terrified.

Then the pain hit. My legs hurt, my back hurt, my arms hurt. Never before have I been happy to be in pain. Yet there I was, flat on my back, in excruciating pain and overjoyed that I could feel it.

I called out for help and several of the men that were working in another part of the building came to my aid. Soon the ambulance arrived and in a matter of minutes I was strapped to a back board, secured in a neck brace and transported to the hospital.

In a few days I was up and around, no worse for the wear.

Oh, I still have some pain in my lower back, but hey, what can you expect when you fall ten feet and land flat on your back on an extension ladder?

There are so many people I want to thank that I don't know where to begin. First, I thank my fellow church members who came so quickly to my assistance: Wally Nichols, Joe Christian, Lori Stricklan, Traci Stricklan, Aaron Turbeville and my pastor, Byron Orand. They heard my calls for help and responded immediately.

Next, I want to thank everyone at the hospital. I was pretty groggy and didn't catch all of their names but they treated me with care, concern and professionalism. They deserve more praise than I could ever give them.

But special thanks is due to the Ambulance crew. David Templeton, Tonya Meyers, Mike Neubert and David Overstreet. They were there when I needed them. Too often, the volunteers in this community are overlooked or taken for granted. These people came to my aid just as they have for countless others because they care. And, they care enough to make the commitment of time and energy necessary to keep the EMS going. I will never be able to thank them sufficiently.

Lastly, I want to thank the Lord for allowing me to maintain the use of my limbs. We have all heard the old saying, "You never appreciate something until it's gone." Well, for a few moments there, I feared I had lost something pretty important and I will forever believe it was the good Lord who restored it.



Capitol Comments
by State Rep. Bob Turner, Dist. 73

Another election cycle is over. All the politicians have had their opportunity to express their thoughts and make their promises. Now we must get down to work on solving the issues facing Texas. I personally feel that many of the frustrations expressed in the polls were aimed at the federal government and the federal bureaucracy and I certainly share the frustrations of the electorate.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for voting, whether you voted for me or not. Just so long as you did express enough concern and interest to vote! Thank you for granting me the privilege of representing you in state government for the next two years. I pledge my continued representation of your interest and concerns.

Overall, the economy of the State of Texas is good! Texas has had more new jobs in private business created during the past two years than any other state in the nation. Texas' unemployment rate is one of the lowest in the nation. Texas ranks in the mid 40's among the 50 states in welfare spending per capita (I'm not satisfied with that - it should be lower) and Texas is entering a two year budget cycle with sufficient available revenue (without any kind of tax increase). However, Texas does face a number of major issues, both present and future. We will be looking at a number of important topics during We upcoming legislative session such as: crime, school finance, concealed weapons, casino gambling and welfare reform. Tort reform issues such as the method of selecting judges, how to control frivolous lawsuits, and how to cope with joint and several liability will also be major items of interest on this session's agenda. Water and other natural resource issues will be back up for consideration, as well as insurance issues. For example, a possible move in the direction of some form of no-fault auto insurance is being examined, but much more research is necessary.

Since I have chaired two subcommittees in the area of private property rights during the interim, I feel it fair to say that my most pressing issue for this session of the Texas Legislature will be the private property rights issue. The leadership of the Texas Conservative Coalition, other individual members of the Legislature and I plan to introduce a series of bills that will constitute a package of property rights legislation. These include, but are not limited to, requiring legislative approval of agency rules, reassertion of Texas state sovereignty, a resolution to the U.S. Congress supporting

inclusion of language favoring private property rights in the re-authorizing of the "Endangered Species Act" during their upcoming session plus requiring cost/benefit analysis of all government rules and regulations.

There are a number of issues that I will be watching closely. Working to insure they do not get passed. In fact, some of the things in the previous sessions that I have been able to keep from happening were possibly more important than the things that I made happen! Some of the things that I will oppose in the upcoming legislative session are: any reduction of the state's contribution to the Teacher Retirement System, any proposal to remove the control of TRS from the membership and to place that control under state elected officials. The proposed legislation by Rep. Ron Wilson to take the management and operation of the Alamo away from the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and transfer it to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (I strongly oppose this initiative, which seems to be a reoccurring move each legislative session), and I oppose any move to redefine the word "family" to include same sex partners. These are only a few of my major concerns, but I feel strongly that I express the sentiment of the majority of the citizens of the 73rd district in opposing these issues. These are just some of the issues that the 74th session of the Texas Legislature will be facing.

Currently, new offices in the Capitol Extension are being selected based on seniority of the members. Committee chairmanships will be vied for and the House members will select the Speaker of the House during the first week of session. Shortly after that the committee assignments will be announced. Each new session the air is filled with a great deal of speculation and rumor, as you can well imagine. You should note that the new legislative session always begins on the second Tuesday of January of each odd numbered year. Therefore, January 10th will be the initial day of the 74th session.

In closing, let Ann and I wish you a most joyous and wonderful Christmas and Holiday Season. Further, we wish you a healthy, happy New Year in 1995. Thank you for the confidence you have placed in me by allowing me to represent you again in state government - I will always strive to merit your trust.

You Missed It!

by Lois Cole Bivins, J.D.

IT'S PARTY TIME!

We have no intention of saving the world this week--we plan to have some fun. First stop is Jerry Seinfeld's book *Sein Language*. As you know, Jerry loves to make observations of ordinary things, and explain why they are funny. Here's his assumption of the inexplicable ego of pharmacists:

"And why does the pharmacist have to be two and a half feet up above everybody else? Who the [heck] is he? He's a stockboy with pills as far as I can tell. Why can't he be down there on the floor with you and me? Brain surgeons, airline pilots, nuclear physicists, we're all on the same level. But not him. He's gotta be two and a half feet up. Look out everybody, I'm working with pills up here. Spread out gimme some room. I'm taking them from this big bottle and I'm putting them in this little bottle."

"The only hard part of his whole job that I can see is typing everything onto that little tiny label. He has to get a lot of words on there plus keep that small paper in the roller of the typewriter. That impresses me. But putting pills in a bottle with a white jacket on--you need a diploma for that!"

PROMISE KEEPERS

Have you heard of Promise Keepers organization? They are an interdenominational Christian ministry for

men. Their national meetings net around 50,000 men per event! [Ever notice how the press will cover 25 feminists or 13 animal rights activists like it's a really big deal, but they just happen to miss 50,000 men in a rented football arena?!] The meetings have numerous guest speakers and the idea is to give men a place to refresh their commitment to God, family, community--you know, the important stuff.

The Promise Keepers organization now has a magazine for men. The Jan/Feb '95 issue of *New Man, For Men of Integrity* has the following articles: "Your Wife: Fit to be Treated"; "Father and Daughter: Building a Legacy of Love"; "Will God Take My Isaac?" (A man who tried to stop violence in his city now wonders if his son will die from a bullet lodged in his brain); "True Grit"; "Company Man, Family Man"; "Single on Purpose" (for single guys).

So, you get the picture--the mag is for men, right? What do you want to bet their main orders will come from women who want their men to have the magazine??!

This issue also had a story on Greg Laurie, a 42-year-old who pastors one of the ten largest churches in America (proof that not all Boomers went berserk after hearing the Beatles). We see *You Missed It!* page 7

THE OIL PATCH (1) Gordon Bankston



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Our Sympathy

BERNABE HILL
ELDORADO - Bernabe Hill, 80, of Ulysses, Kansas, and formerly of Eldorado, died Monday, December 19, 1994, in Ulysses.

Services were held Thursday, December 11, 1994 at First Baptist Church with Reverend Carlos Estrada officiating. Burial followed in Eldorado Cemetery, directed by Gutierrez Funeral Chapel.

She was born May 21, 1914 in Del Rio, Texas.

Survivors include four sons, Moises Hill of Eldorado, Harvey Hill of San Angelo, Efrain Hill of Mexia and Ernesto Hill of Lubbock; six daughters, Elida Flores of Lubbock, Edna Robledo of Garden City, Kansas, Eloisa Hernandez, Emma Anguiano and Eva Ochoa, all of Ulysses, and Elodia Hill of San Angelo; a brother, Fermin Rios of San Jose, California; and two sister, Presentacion Chavarria and Carmen Rios, both of Del Rio.



Dorothy's Movie Time by Dorothy Dazy

The movie I have for your consideration this week is "Wagons East" starring John Candy and Richard Lewis. It is rated PG-13 due to adult subject matter.

This is supposed to be a funny satire of the West in the "Blazing Saddles" tradition, but I think it falls short. This is Candy's last film (he died while making this Western spoof) and many of his fans will want to see this, even if its generally flat and not that funny. They came for Gold, but now they'll settle for indoor plumbing. "I say you're a buncha gutless, lily-livered, yellow-bellied Eastern sissies! All you done since you got here is whine and complain!" So says the tough-as-nails bartender in the western town of Prosperity where the Easterners

have settled.

When Phil Taylor (played by Richard Lewis) and his family decide to call it quits and go back home, they hire a wagon master James A Harlow (played by John Candy) to take the journey back --- EAST! His references? Not to give too much away, lets just say that the man's resume does not inspire confidence. This film does have a few funny moments and Candy as in all his films is enormously likeable.

This movie is currently available at Eagle Video, Meyers and Shots.

Until next week: Everyone have a Happy New Year and remember: Don't miss the magic of the moment by focusing on what's to come.

Year in review

Game Assoc. Big Buck winners

January 3, 1994

The winners of the Big Buck contest sponsored by the Eldorado Game Association are as follows:

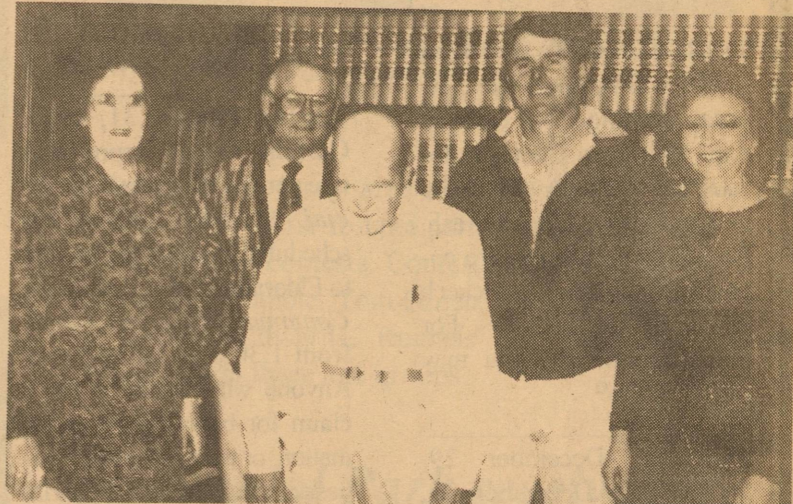
Big Buck Contest: 1st Place, Emil Jaks of Crosby, Texas; 2nd Place, Richard Michalsky of Crosby, Texas; 3rd Place, Orval Edmiston of Eldorado

Spike Buck Drawing: Rojelio Adame of Eldorado.

Doe Drawing: Bud Arendt of Eldorado

Frank "Pancho" Bradley retires

January 13, 1994



Frank "Pancho" Bradley

Schleicher County Justice of the Peace, Frank "Pancho" Bradley officially retired from office on December 31, 1993. Judge Bradley served the citizens of Schleicher County for 17 years and one month. Appointed to the office on November 30, 1976 when Peace Justice, B.L. Blakeway died, Bradley has easily won reelection every four years until his retirement.

Rehab '94 a success

January 20, 1994

The people of Schleicher County showed their support for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center again this year by pledging \$8,595.00 during the annual Rehab Telethon. According to Mabel Freitag, the local Rehab committee had set a goal of \$7,000.00 and they were delighted by the results of the evening.

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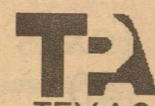
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Letter's To The Editor

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Dear Editor,

We have so very much to be thankful for that it's difficult for us to put it in words. Had it not been for the tremendous efforts of many volunteers and professionals, this Christmas could have been a very sad one for our family. Our son, Jason, was severely injured in the auto accident on December 3rd. We know that he very nearly died and probably would have without the prompt attention he received.

Our community is so lucky to have the services of dedicated medical professionals but the true heroes are the volunteers. The members of the Schleicher County EMS who routinely answer the call and respond to those in desperate need. The wonderful men of the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department who almost daily put themselves in danger to help someone else. The 911 dispatchers who calmly relay the messages and direct assistance to those in need.

Words cannot express the sincere appreciation we have for Sheriff Richard Harris and his staff. They responded in a manner that can only be described as above and beyond the call of duty.

And, we will never be able to say thank you enough to our friends and colleagues at Schleicher County Medical Center. We hesitate to start listing names for fear of leaving someone out. Anyway, all of you will forever be in our prayers.

We must say thank you to Dr. Sobredo who recognized immediately the nature of Jason's injury and started the proper treatment and to Dr. Brame who came down to the hospital and helped out with all the patients.

And, to the very special friends who went with us to San Angelo and those who met us there and stayed with us through the night, we say a heartfelt thank you. You'll never know how much your presence helped.

Finally, to all those who prayed for Jason, we believe it was you more than anyone, who made the difference.

This Christmas was a special one for us. We were given a gift by this community and we will always remember those who responded in our time of need. We love you Eldorado!

Mike, Carolyn
and Carisa Porter

Farm Bureau names CarQuest as source for replacement parts

A joint agreement announced today between STRAFCO, Inc. of San Antonio and the Texas Farm Bureau creates one of the largest tire wholesalers in Texas, according to officials with both companies.

Under the agreement, the Texas Agricultural Service Company (TASCO), an affiliate of the Texas Farm Bureau, acquires the Straus-Frank Tire Division with warehouses in San Antonio, Houston and Dallas. TASCO had previously serviced only Farm Bureau tire dealers across the state from its Waco distribution center.

In addition, the Texas Farm Bureau named CARQUEST the official supply source for replacement automobile, truck and farm equipment parts for Texas Farm Bureau members. Straus-Frank Company owns and/or

supplies 339 CARQUEST auto parts stores, located in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Louisiana.

"By merging our TASCO tire operation with the Straus-Frank Tire Division, we will be able to better serve the needs of our nearly 300-thousand members and, at the same time, reach another segment of the population with a quality product," said Bob Stallman, president of the Texas Farm Bureau. "The agreement with CARQUEST is exciting because we can now encourage our members to shop at CARQUEST stores for quality merchandise at special savings."

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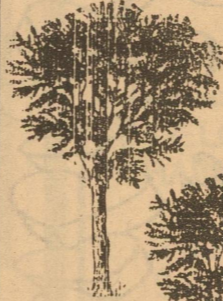
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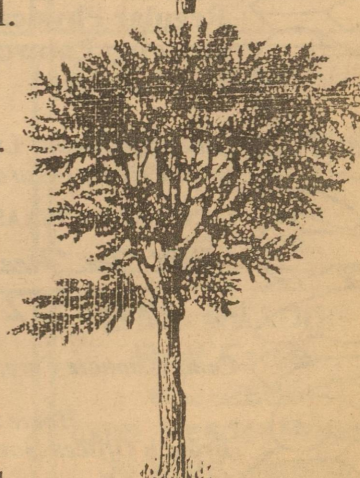


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Community Events

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TEEN CENTER The Teen Center will be open each Saturday evening from 6 to 12 p.m. The Teen Center is located at 605 Southwest Main, just in front of the carwash. All of the area youth are encouraged to come and check the Teen Center out. For more information, you may call 853-3349.

Thursday, December 29, and Friday, December 30, 1994 **VARSITY BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL REGAN CO. TOURNAMENT** in Big Lake.

Friday, December 30, 1994 **Templo Getsemani** will be having a menudo sale at 12:00 noon. The cost will be \$1.00 a bowl or \$3.00 for a quart.

Friday, January 6, 1995, and Wednesday, January 18, 1995 **The Rural Transportation Van** is going to San Angelo, Texas. Call for reservations because we only have 9 seats available. Anyone of any age or race can ride the van. The van plans to leave at 9:00 a.m. and hopes to return around 5:00 p.m. Call the Resource Center at 853-2574 or Maria Torres at 853-2761. Non senior citizens \$3.00 and senior citizens by donation.

Wednesday, January 11, 1995 last day to turn in Food Show Recipe Entry Forms at County Extension Office.

January 12, 13, and 14, 1995, Schleicher Co. Live-stock Show at Ag Barn.

Saturday, January 14, 1994, Eldorado's Rehab 95 tele-thon phone bank. Call 853-2544 between 6 p.m. and midnight or leave donation in person at Southwest Texas Electric Co-op.

Tuesday, January 31, 1995, Garland Gregg, representative for the *San Angelo Social Security Office* has scheduled his September visit to Eldorado. He will be at the *Community Resource Center* from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Anyone who wants to file a claim for benefits, get information, or transact other business with the Social Security Administration at this time.

Saturday, February 18, 1994, So far we have a new Propane Barbecue, used TV, Bedroom Suite. Do you have any new or used items to auction or sell on consignment? The **BAND-AIDS** will be holding an **AUCTION** at Ag Barn at 10:00 a.m. Steve Williams will be auctioneer. Large or small items will be auction for commission or donation, please set aside now. Call 853-3178-Rita Reeves, Mary Nolan-853-3192 or Adalie Montalvo at 853-3105.

ATTENTION OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS will meet every Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. For more information call Judy at 853-3376.

1994 ~Year in review

Ratliff donates theater bldg.

March 17, 1994

Through the generosity of Winnie Helen Ratliff, a permanent home has been created for civic use and Way Off-Broadway Players' productions. The building is the old theater which served Eldorado for many years as a movie house. Built in 1931 and with the stage still in place, the building holds many memories for long time Schleicher County residents.

The hope is to start renovations soon. Dependent upon fund raising efforts and volunteer help, there is the possibility that a production in the Tom Ratliff Civic Theater could come later this year.

Chamber of Commerce banquet

March 24, 1994



The Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce held its annual meeting and banquet the evening of Tuesday, March 22nd in the Memorial Building. The speaker for the evening was Sue Ann Wade-Crouse, President of Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc. During the evening, Sherry Lux and Doug Yates were honored as Schleicher County Citizens of the Year.

Edmiston named To Who's Who

March 31, 1994

Justin Edmiston, son of Marty and Joe Max Edmiston has been selected to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. Justin attends Navarro College in Corsicana, Texas and will graduate on May 14th with an Associates Degree in Aviation. He has obtained a license to be a certified flight instructor.

Eagle Band wins sweepstakes

April 7, 1994

The Eagle Band received a Sweepstakes Trophy for the seventh consecutive year at the U.I.L. Contest in Coleman on Wednesday, March 30th. The band had received a First Division rating in Marching at the U.I.L. Contest in Brady last October and completed the Sweepstakes with first divisions from all six judges in the Concert and Sightreading portions of the Coleman contest.

Community Baptist dedication

April 14, 1994

On Sunday, April 17th, Community Baptist Church of Eldorado will host dedication activities in its newly refurbished and remodeled facilities, featuring special services including guest preachers and musicians, dinner-on-the-ground, and an afternoon of gospel singing.

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Weekly Devotional

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A feature of the history of the Jews before the time of Jesus was that time and time again they were all but wiped off the face of the earth through oppression and exile. But, with a God given resilience, they always recovered to build up their religion and their people. As a symbol of their restoration in the Promised Land, they had built a magnificent temple in Jerusalem which features several times in the life of Jesus, it was the focus of their Jewish, religious and national aspirations. So when Jesus foretold its destruction, his hearers could visualise that such a happening must herald the end of the world at a time when their Messiah would establish his own new Kingdom. As a result Chapter 13 of Marks Gospel which we read on a Sunday preceding Christmas has a two pronged thrust, the imminent destruction of the Temple and the less predictable coming of God as judge of each one of us. The signs were obvious that the Romans were about to obliterate Jerusalem but Jesus was highlighting that God's coming is just as certain.

In Palestine, where most trees are evergreen, the arrival of green shoots on the late awakening fig tree was an obvious and unmistakable sign of the coming of summer. It is the image Jesus uses to alert us to the fact that his own coming heralded a new urgency about living as God's chosen people. Without being anxious, we must be urgent, alert to the opportunity of the present moment to make our contribution to God's kingdom. Yesterday's opportunities to do good are gone. Tomorrow's may not be ours. Seize the day now.

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1994 ~ Year in review

Career Fair

April 21, 1994

A Career Fair Sponsored by the Community Resource Center was held in the Memorial Building Wednesday, April 13, 1994. The main hall was packed with displays and exhibits from local and area businesses and agencies.

Library receives Dobie Award

April 28, 1994

The Schleicher County Public Library was awarded the J. Frank Dobie Library Trust Award. The award, presented to Librarian Jeri Whitten by James B. Stewart at the Texas Library Association meeting in Corpus Christi, Texas, is accompanied with a grant in the amount of \$4,787.00 to be used for the purchase of books.

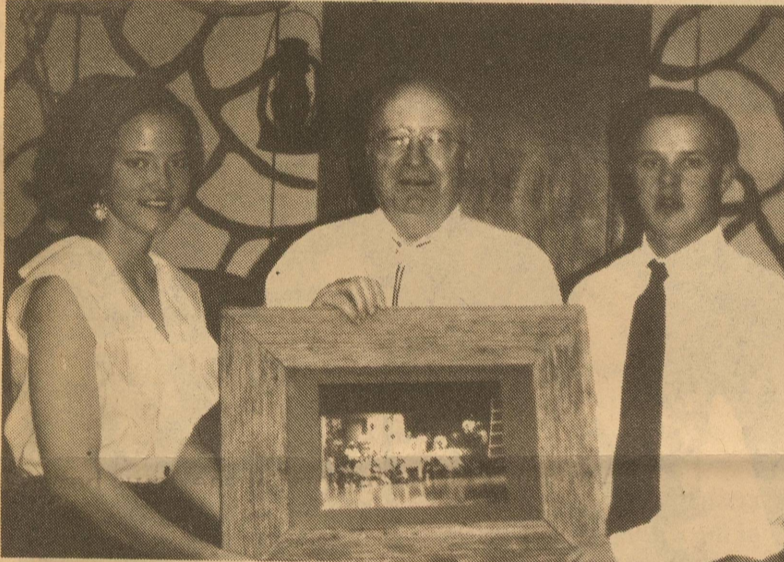
Mankin purchases Success

May 5, 1994

Randy and Kathy Mankin purchased the Eldorado Success from Gary and Kathy Smith, taking over operations April 29th. Randy Mankin will serve as Publisher and Editor of the Success. Kathy Mankin will serve as Office Manager.

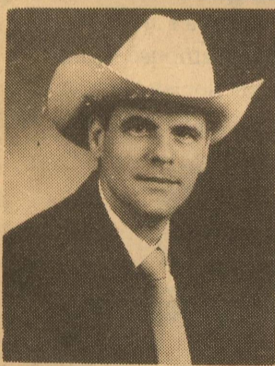
Kelton novel transformed into play

May 5, 1994



Above, Justina Saunders (L) and Trent Manning (R) present Elmer Kelton with a portrait of the cast of "The Time It Never Rained".

Eldorado High School's Dinner Theater "The Time It Never Rained" by Elmer Kelton was proclaimed a huge success. The EHS production, two years in the making was set somewhere in West Texas during the drought of the 1950's. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Kelton and Mr. and Mrs. Mauro Serrano, TEA High School Division Coordinator, Ms. Pat Locks, ETDC-Project Coordinator and Mr. and Mrs. Hector Montalvo, ESC Region XV Field Service Agent and Educational Specialist.



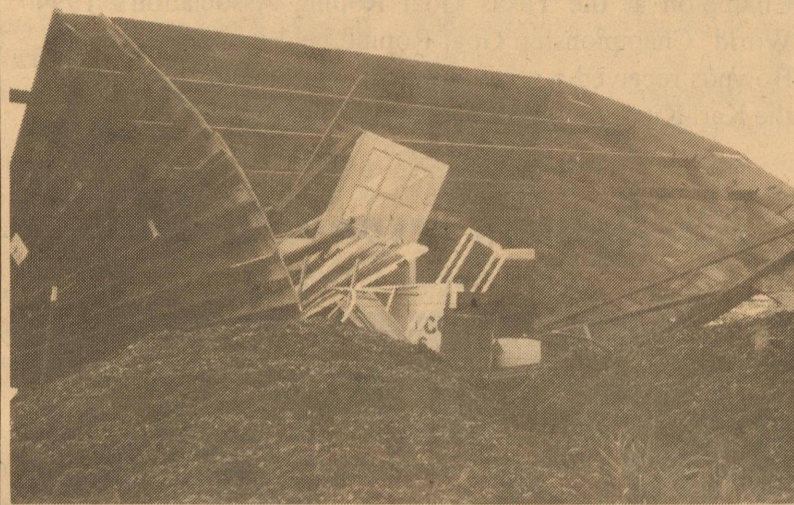
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Tornado rips through Eldorado

May 12, 1994



Above is the remnants of a barn struck by the tornado on the Mittel farm, north of town. Below, a pine tree which was felled by the twister in front of Rudy & Shine Spigareilli's home.



A tornado crossed through the north part of Eldorado at about 8:30 a.m., Monday, May 9th according to Schleicher County Sheriff Richard Harris and the National Weather Service. Harris reported that he made a visual sighting of the twister just moments before it lifted and spun his patrol car on north Highway 277. No injuries were reported in the storm although extensive damage was reported in several parts of town. The home of the Junior Rojas family was severely damaged in a fire that was directly attributed to the twister.

EHS Graduation

May 19, 1994

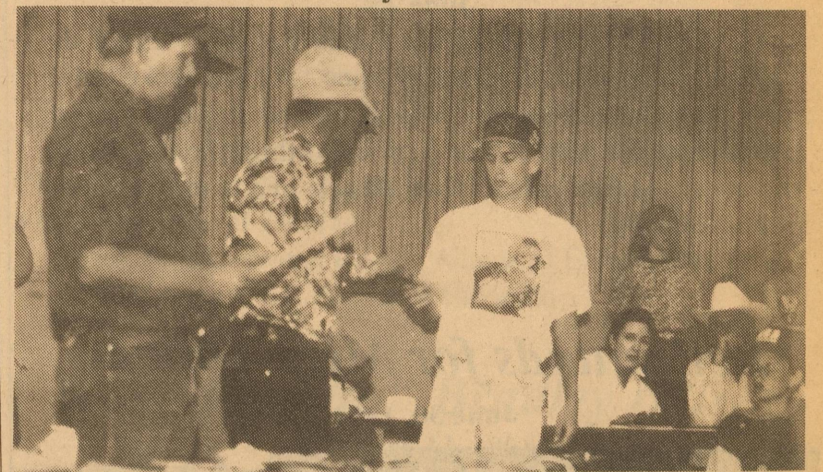


1994 Valedictorian Justina Saunders

Justina Saunders has been named Valedictorian and Cathy McGregor is the Salutatorian of the Eldorado High School graduating class of 1994. Graduation ceremonies are slated to be held at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, May 21st. at Eagle Stadium. Forty Five members of the 82nd graduating class will receive their diplomas.

SWCD Range & Wool Judging

May 26, 1994

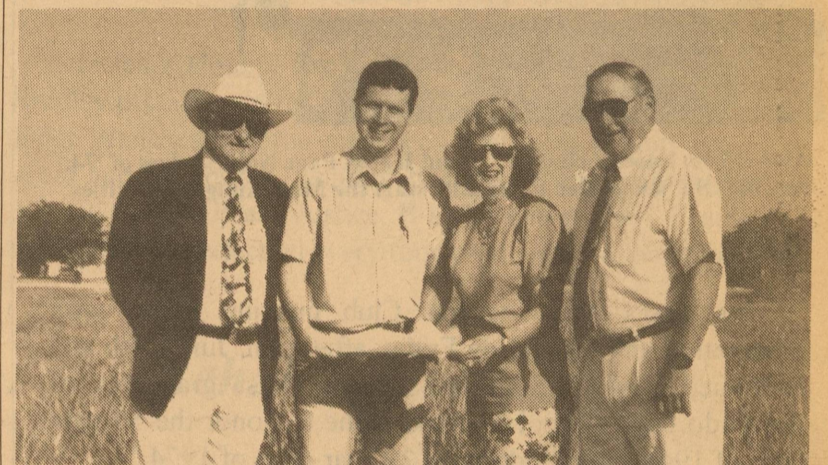


Above, Cody Andrews receives an award at the SWCD Range Plant and Wool & Mohair Judging contest.

Teams from many area counties parked the Ag Barn, Saturday, May 21st to take part in range plant and wool & mohair judging contests. Contestants representing Crockett, Sutton, Kerr, Kimble, Tom Green, Kendall, Menard, Reagan, Val Verde, Edwards, Runnels and Schleicher Counties participated in three age groups.

Centennial Park receives grant

June 9, 1994

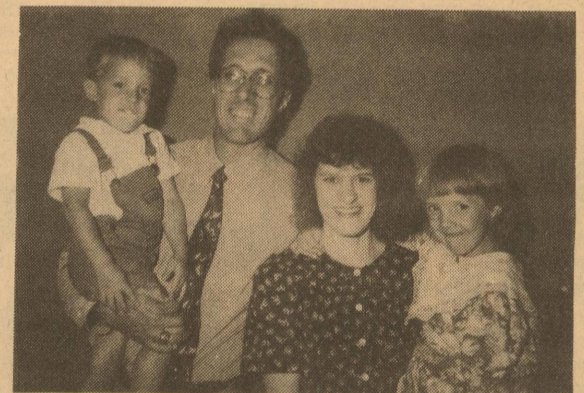


Above, (L-R) Judge, Johnny Griffin, Rev. Hawley Wolfe, Holly Brame and Mayor John Nikolauk look over plans for the new Centennial Park.

Word was received Tuesday, May 31st that the new Centennial Park will receive a grant in the amount of \$4,662.00 for the planting of trees and the installation of a "bubbler" irrigation system from the U.S. Small Business Administration. The Centennial Park is a three acre parcel of land adjacent to the hospital and the school practice field and was given to the county by Holly Brame.

New Methodist Minister arrives

June 16, 1994



Rev. George E. Lumpkin, Jr. became the new pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Eldorado on June 9, 1994. Rev. Lumpkin comes to Eldorado from Shiner, Texas where he served as pastor for five years. Rev. Lumpkin and his wife Brenda have two children, Angela, age 6 and Daniel, age 3.

Look Who's 86 January 6th



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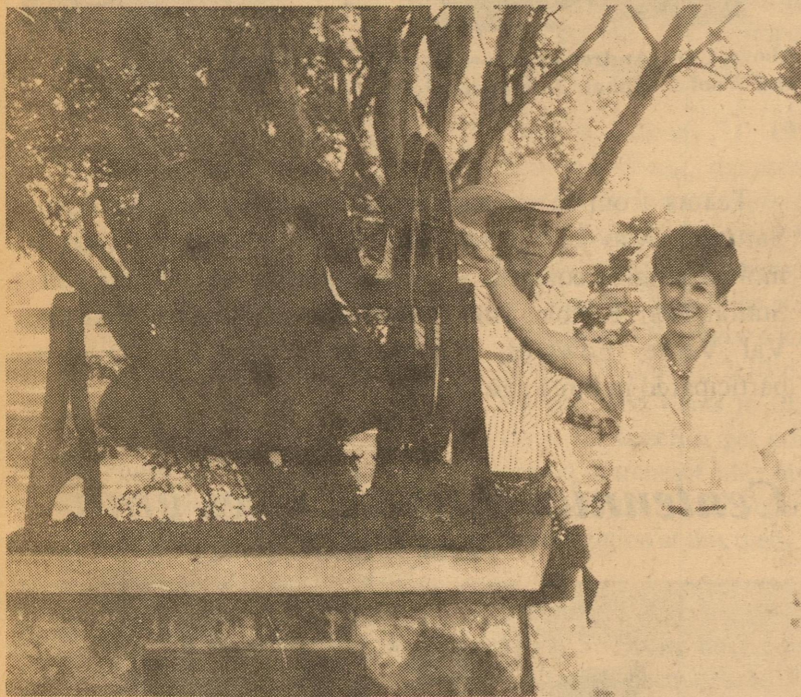
Marek visits Eldorado

June 23

Dr. Cyril Marek III, of the Czech Republic visited the Eldorado Lions Club Wednesday, June 15th and spoke to the group about his experiences in his homeland during the fall of communism. Dr. Marek, a 26 year old orthopedic surgeon, is the cousin of Eldorado's Helen Pfluger and is in the United States for a visit.

Bell sounds for Mias Amigas

June 30, 1994



Above, Tom Enochs, class of '44 and Kathy Page Nobles, class of '74, ring the Old School Bell to officially start the Mias Amigas festivities.

This year's Mias Amigas Club meeting began with registration and visiting on Friday afternoon, June 24th and continued through Saturday evening. Past graduates of Eldorado High School returned home to honor the 50-year class of 1944 and to induct the 20 year class of 1974.

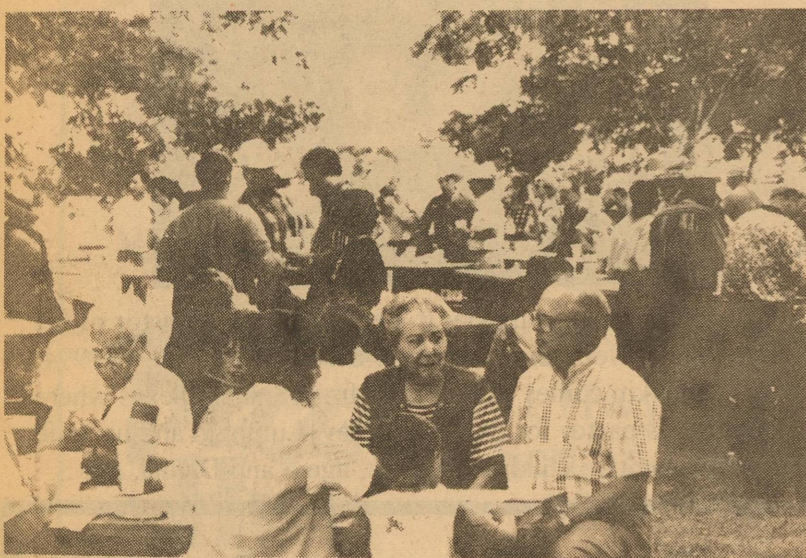
Cantu to pastor Templo Gethsemani

July 7, 1994

Reverend and Mrs. George Cantu, from Harker Heights, Texas are the new pastors of Templo Gethsemani. Recently they both graduated from the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary in Springfield, Missouri. They have two children, Deborah, age 11 and David, age 9.

Fiesta de la Borrega

July 21, 1994



Above, Fiesta participants mix and mingle and enjoy barbecued lamb during the second annual Fiesta de la Borrega.

The Schleicher County Chamber of Commerce held its second annual Fiesta de la Borrega last Thursday evening on the courthouse lawn. Barbecued lamb, lamb sausage and lamb rigs topped the bill of fare as fiesta-goers were treated to dinner on the grounds complete with entertainment provided by the cast of "Melody Hall". The main goal of the event was to promote lamb as a meat product.

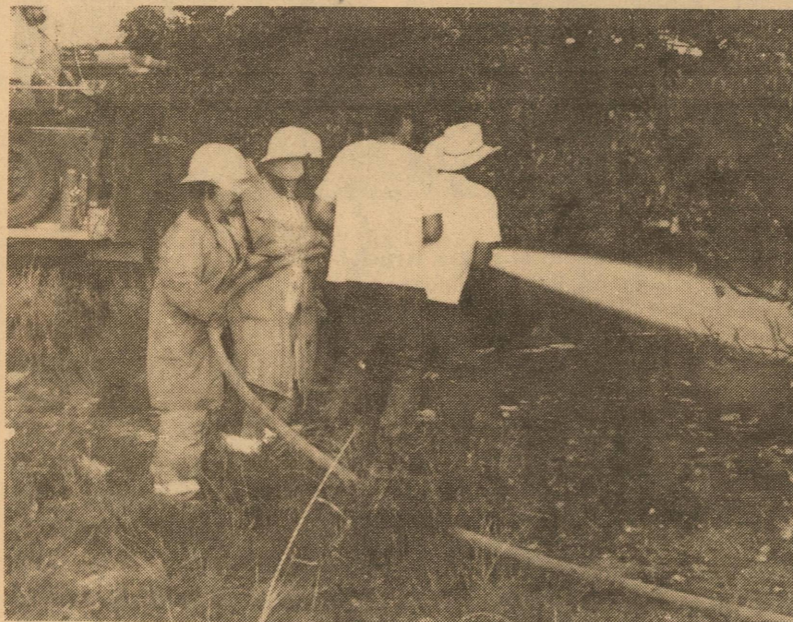
Bownds is new World Champion

July 28, 1994

Johnny Bownds of Eldorado won the title of World Champion at the Texas Goat Roping Association's 1994 World Championship Goat Roping held in Ozona recently. Bownds received a prize money, a belt buckle, a saddle and the Karl Kinney Kothman Memorial Trophy.

Firefighters respond to blaze

August 4, 1994



Above, Eldorado Volunteer Firefighters move in on a fire that consumed an abandoned building last week at the corner of Colorado and Del Rio Streets.

A structure fire on the corner of Colorado and Del Rio Streets was reported to the 911 operator at the Schleicher County Sheriff's Department and units of the Eldorado Volunteer Fire Department responded finding an abandoned grocery store fully involved with a second structure catching fire as the firefighters arrived. Both buildings were a total loss. Fire Chief Jerry Jones could cite no reason for the blaze.

Berta Nicholson, who lives adjacent to the scene of the fire, credited quick action by the fire department in saving her home. "I want to say thank you to the firemen for coming as quickly as they did," said Nicholson. "I want to thank them all from the bottom of my heart."

Eldorado Middle School honored

August 11, 1994



Representatives of Eldorado Middle School went to Austin this week to attend Education Commissioner Skip Meno's news conference. Pictured at top are Commissioner Meno (L) and Schleicher County Schools Superintendent Scott Barton (R).

Representatives of the administration, faculty and students of Eldorado Middle School met with Texas Education Commissioner Skip Meno, Tuesday, August 2nd. EMS was selected to be the middle school representative at a press conference where Commissioner Meno recognized improvement in education in Texas.

Schleicher County Days

August 18, 1994



Above, 1994 Little Mr. and Miss Schleicher County, Quincy Weddle and Erica Buitron. Below, Jack Williams and Olla Ruth Barbee were honored as Schleicher County Pioneers during the Schleicher County Days celebration held this past weekend.



Above (L-R) 1994 Rodeo Sweetheart Amy Clark, SCRA President Steve Nelson and Sweetheart contestant Rose Marie Torres.

Schleicher County Days began with a bang at the Rodeo Arena Friday evening as the 25th annual Eldorado Open Rodeo kicked off the weekends festivities. During the performance, events were halted momentarily as Amy Clark was crowned the 1994 Rodeo Sweetheart.

Saturday saw the traditional Schleicher County Days Parade wind through town, opening a day long festival on the courthouse square. During the day, the Schleicher County Historical Society honored Olla Ruth Barbee and Jack Williams as Schleicher County Pioneers.

Centennial plans taking shape

August 25, 1994

The Eldorado Centennial Committee met Monday evening, August 21st in the Memorial Building to discuss plans for the upcoming 100th Anniversary of the founding of Eldorado. Several sub-committee reports were heard and the date for the Centennial celebration was tentatively set to coincide with Schleicher County Days on August 11th & 12th of 1995. The committee also saw the new Eldorado Centennial Committee logo, designed by Mike Sproul.

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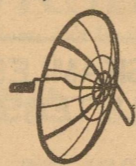
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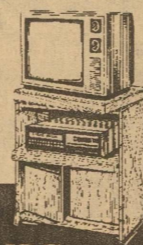
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1994 ~ Year in review

Eagles defeat Sonora

September 22, 1994



Above, Eagles defenders Cody McCravey and Eric McGinnes corral a Sonora Broncos ball carrier. The Eagles' defense held the Broncos to only 168 yards of total offense in the 14-10 Homecoming victory. Below, Ruby Gonzalez reacts as her name is announced as the 1994 Homecoming Queen. Ruby was escorted by Larry Sanchez.



Eldorado High School celebrated its 1994 Homecoming in grand style as the Eldorado Eagles moved their season mark to 3-0 last Friday night by knocking off the Sonora Broncos 14-10. The win has propelled the team upward in the statewide polls from 18th to 15th. The hard fought contest provided the Eagles with their first serious challenge of the young season and should lay to rest any questions as to whether the Eagles team is for real.

At halftime of the big game, Ruby Gonzalez was named Eldorado High School's 1994 Homecoming Queen. Ruby, 17 year old daughter of Raul and Diana Gonzalez, was escorted onto the field by Larry Sanchez.

You Missed It! continued from page 2

wondered if his favorite Scripture had anything to do with us: "God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise..." Jer. 29:11 & 1 Cor. 1:27. Just asking.

Well, ladies, men, mother-in-law, whoever does the ordering, here's the number: 800-877-5334.

RELIGION IS "IN"

For the first time in their lives, religious people may be finding themselves in the "in" group in America. Come on folks, the Pope was chosen as *Time's* Man of the Year? Feminists were outraged, gay activists appalled--we haven't heard the militant Animal Rights "take" yet. Nevertheless, there he was, the decade's moral leader, unbending to pressures of the likes of *Mother Jones* magazine, etc. Some elite-types are wising up--or they're kissing up!! Either way, this may shape up as a pretty good year for the converted.

The Pope--*Time's* man of the year... great job *Time*. We'd even love to have you join all of us in the "in" group!

CHRISTMAS FUNNIES BY LENO:

"Well, it's Christmas time again. This is the busiest shopping time of the year. They say there haven't been this many people in the stores in L.A... well, since the '92 riots."

"Do you think Santa knows that his red and white suit are gang colors in L.A.? He better watch out!"

"Santa announced he may join the Republican Party. It would make it easier on him. Just one stop to drop all the toys off at the orphanage and he can go home again. He won't have to go to each individual house."

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...you've ever been fired from your construction job due to "appearance."

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Let's make fun of everyone---hey, it's the holidays!! Some blonde bombshells:

What's the difference between Big Foot and a smart blonde? At least there are claims that Big Foot exists!

Why don't blondes like to make kool-aid? They can't fit two quarts of water into that little package.

What do you call it when a blonde dyes her hair brunette? Artificial intelligence.

How do you make a blonde laugh on Saturday? Tell her a joke on Wednesday!!! [Blond staff columnist note: That ain't funny!!]

ANOTHER SIGN

Don't let this go to your head, but even *USA Today* is showing signs of tolerance for those who love the Bible.

The Dec. 16 issue had this to say about basketball's Phoenix Sun player, A.C. Green: His new book *Victory* "is a winner for athletes trying to keep up with their peers on the court but follow their own conscience off it"

They quoted A.C.'s philosophical disagreement with Charles Barkley who claims he's not a "role model": "While I understand what he means... When you make it to the front of the pack you are a leader and therefore a role model." In other words, it comes with the territory, guys. [Are you folks warming up to 1995 yet?]

FINK ABOUT IT

Your staff columnist has a daughter who pronounces her "th's" like an "f". One of the girl's favorite lines is, "Fink about it" Speaking of families and fings to fink about in 1995, here are some words of wisdom from that child's grandfather:

"Champions are not those who never fail; they are those who never quit"

"Agreement produces power, disagreement produces powerlessness." [Heads up, office staff.]

"Strength is tested by resistance to pressure. True of marriage, friendships, character."

"A father's responsibility is not to make his child's decisions, but to let the child watch him make his."

"You don't drown by falling in the water. You drown by staying there."

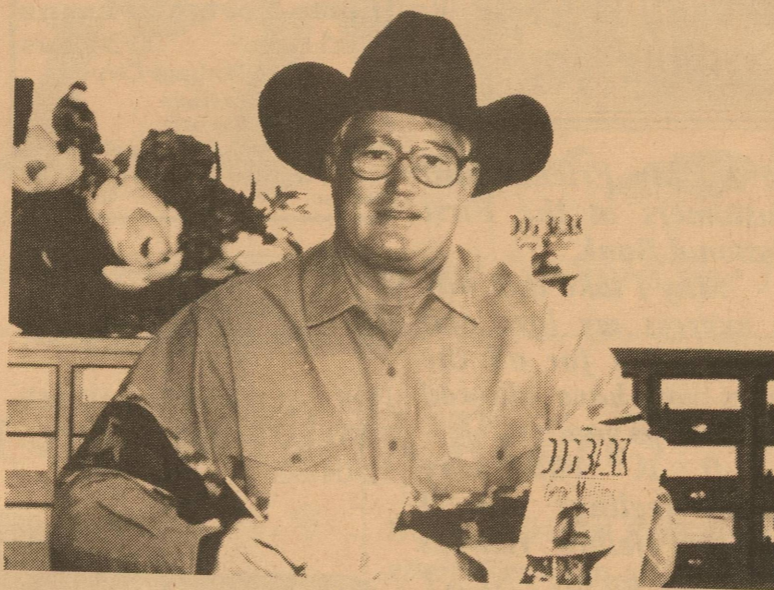
"When your wife whispers, 'Do you really love me?' the correct answer is, 'Is the sky blue, is the ocean big, are mountains high? That's how much I love you!!' [Yeah! Not 'do we have to start this again?' or 'I'm here, aren't I?']"

"The man who knows how will always have a job, the man who knows why will always be his boss."

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Autumn On Old Main Street

October 20, 1994



Gene Mullins

Autumn was on display last Saturday as Eldorado celebrated its 4th annual Autumn On Old Main Street. The annual festival, sponsored by the Chamber Pride Committee was almost rained out as dreary skies and streets still damp from the previous night's rains drove the street vendors indoors, but the drizzle lifted and the clouds began to part just as the Old Main Street Parade made its way through town.

In conjunction with the days festivities, the Schleicher County Public Library held an open house and book signing as author Gene Mullins welcomed visitors to the Library. Also, the Way Off-Broadway Players presented its production of "Faith County" as the group marked the grand opening of the newly restored Tom Ratliff Civic Theater.

SCMC Health Fair

October 27, 1994

The Schleicher County Medical Center held its annual Health Fair last Thursday in the Memorial Building. Booths representing numerous health and safety related businesses and agencies packed the auditorium and spilled over into adjoining rooms and even outside the building.

According to Annie Arisp, Activities Director at SCMC, more than 300 people registered during the day long event. She stated that many others attended without signing in at the door.

Eleven in a row for Eagle Band

October 27, 1994

The Eldorado Eagles marching band descended on Brady for the Region VII Marching Contest last Saturday and returned home with its 11th consecutive first division rating. All three judges awarded the Eagles Band a "superior" rating.

EHS Rodeo Team ends fall season

November 3, 1994



The final High School rodeo of the fall season was held in Odessa this past weekend at the West Texas Horse Center. Eldorado participants in the event were Mandy Belk, Kristal Nelson, Garrett Bownds, Matt McCormick and Stoney Harris.

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Schleicher County goes to the polls

November 10, 1994

Voters in Schleicher County went to the polls Tuesday as did citizens across the nation. Races for the U.S. Senate and Representative as well as Texas Governor perhaps drew the most attention across the state. But closer to home, voters decided several local races, too.

Johnny Griffin defeated John Nikolauk in the race for Schleicher County Judge. In the race for Schleicher County/District Clerk, Peggy Williams won over Pat Ragsdale. The Schleicher County Justice of the Peace position was claimed by Jimmy Doyle who out polled opponent Robert Parker. Karen Henderson was re-elected County Treasurer in an unopposed race. Kerry Joy won the County Commissioner Pct. 2 race over challengers Matt Brown and Hal Whitten. Ross Whitten defeated his opponent, C.R. Sproul to retain his seat as County Commissioner, Pct. 4.

Eagles capture Bi-District crown

November 17, 1994



The Eldorado Eagles captured the Class AA Bi-District Championship last Saturday night by downing the Wall Hawks 28-23. The game was played at San Angelo Stadium. Quarterback Travis Whitten and Receiver Pepper Nix who teamed up for 179 yards in the air were named the Offensive Players of the Game. Reagan Bownds who had a 106 yards rushing contributed on the other side of the ball as well and was named Defensive Player of the Game. Bownds was the Eagles' leading tackler, forced a fumble and hauled in an interception in the play-off game.

Trio receive 4-H Gold Star Award

December 1, 1994

Three Eldorado youths were presented with 4-H Gold Star Awards November 14th at the annual District 7 4-H Gold Star Banquet held in Abilene. Cody Andrews, Amy Clark and Will Edmiston each received the prestigious awards at the event.

McGinnes on All-State squad

December 22, 1994

Eldorado High School senior, Eric McGinnes was named to the Class 2A All-State Defensive team on the Honorable Mention roster. McGinnes, a 6'2", 190 lb. defensive end recorded 89 tackles on the season, 14 of those being solo tackles. He forced five fumbles, recovered a fumble, notched up 7 quarterback sacks and was credited with 4 batted balls during the Eldorado Eagles 9-2 Bi-District Championship season.

THE COMPUTER DOCTORS

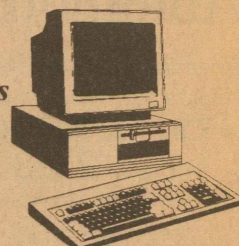
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"Reward in public, punish in private."

"To talk to his children about God, a man needs to first talk to God about his children."

"God created man in His image. Men spend their lifetime trying to return the favor."

"If you can be deceived, you can be conquered."

"Life management begins with time management"

"True peace only comes through total victory."

"Failing isn't the worst thing in the world, quitting is."

RESOLUTIONS

Your columnists have made their New Year's resolutions and wish to share them with you:

1) We are swearing off sarcasm. It is unprofessional and irritating--therefore, we ask your assistance in insuring that we keep our promise. The next time you read a piece in which we lapse into a sarcastic comment we ask that you shake the paper you are reading, just shake it really hard and we'll stop doing it.

2) We swear not to say the word, communist more than three times per month. We will succumb to political correctness to the degree that we will use euphemisms the rest of the time. That's what the big shots do, they use euphemisms. For example, we may say: Far leftist, an advocate of really, really, really, very big, big government. Stalinistic-ish. Mao-tolerant one who believes Lenin meant well. Manifesto-friendly, those who recognize the recklessness of freedom, those who spit out the word "bourgeois" in everyday social chatter, and, of course, the ones it would be better dead than...

3) No more media-bashing. We've gone too far. We've been too mean. We'll never say another nasty, vicious comment about members of the inside-the-beltway press who think only they know what's best for us and are going to force us to like it or else. Oops, did we already slip up? Shoot these resolutions are harder than we thought!

4) No more run-on sentences, no more grammar-homicides, we promise to have a subject verb and predicate and/or preposition --- whatever --- in every sentence or we'll quit typing, and like we were saying...

1994 AWARDS

Dumbest line by a politician goes to the re-elected Sen. Chuck Robb in VA. During the four-way debate, Robb looked like a recovering party-addict and he gave one of the worst performances in political history. But without doubt his biggest flub of the night was in response to the question on how he would reduce the deficit Robb responded: "I would take the food from the mouths of widows and orphans if I had to. I know that's a provocative line." Opponent Wilder then interjected: "It's a stupid line." (Thereafter, numerous widows and orphans formed a group and called it "Widows and Orphans for Oliver North.")

Most inspiring politician of the year: Newt Gingrich--hands down.

Most rowdy: James Traficant (D-OH).

Lamest line perhaps of the century goes to Hillary Rodham Clinton when defending her miraculous

\$100K commodities score she said in singsong voice: "Shoulda, woulda, coulda."

Best show biz clone: Dick Arney (R-TX)---looks, walks, talks like [a sober] Dean Martin. A very engaging guy.

Biggest political mistake of the year: Elected Democrats failure to replace their leadership. They are going to wish they had listened to Charles Stenholm (D-TX) and a couple dozen other conservative Democrats. Big mistake.

Biggest "guess again" political announcement Arlen Specter (R-PA), a liberal, says he's running for president in 1996 --- the nation vawned

Most peculiar logic: ABC's Cokie Roberts is a staunch advocate of abortion, on the theory it's a woman's body, therefore her choice. BUT... Cokie has expressed extreme concern about the damage that is done to babies by smoking while pregnant. Next thing you know, she'll support passing a new law against women harming the baby in the womb by smoking while pregnant!

Most fortunate people in the world: Americans --- hands down!

LITTLE WOMEN

Consensus opinion by a handful of movie-goers: Wynonna Ryder is pure Oscar-material in the new movie *Little Women* based on the classic novel. In fact Jo and Laurie are both dynamite. Meg is a doll and young Amy transformed her character into someone you'll long remember.

Unfortunately, the part of "Marmee" is woefully miscast with Susan Sarandon who nearly ruins the film. It's bad enough that her lines sound like she's reading a script but worse, after a while she comes off like a strident feminist. Political Correctness clearly had an active place in the script.

God and "Pilgrim's Progress" faith are replaced with some "transcendental" gobbledy-gook Marmee preaches against the violence of spanking children, and how life is unfair to women, and then she goes into it again, and then again. Enough already. Although in the book Jo's father is an enormous influence on her, in the movie he is such a forgettable big Nothing, that you wonder why they bothered casting the part (You wouldn't want a strong feminist have to compete with a male presence, would you?)

Nevertheless, if you brace yourself for these Hollywood-predictable, minor irritations, you will probably love the movie. The authenticity is great and we have on solid teen-age authority that the guy who plays Laurie is a heart-throb

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