

Going To The Lake

Gerry Hester Gray
 Submitted by Hartal Blackwell
 Going to the lake was so much part of my life during the 1920's and 1930's that I thought everyone had a lake to swim in. Gulf Coasters might have their seaside; Austinites their San Marcos Springs; and San Marcos their Rio Vista Park, but I was sure I knew nothing of existence. Even so, I would have been sure they envied the lake from Mills County because of Lake Merritt.
 It was in the lake that I learned to swim; there I was baptized, went camping, to Sunday School parties, to Club picnics, Miss Nora's class parties and to teen-age parties. Fourth of July and all-day-battered swimming parties. The lake was always the part of Mills County I showed to my college friends and to my husband-to-be. It was a lovely, lovely place. Lake Merritt was owned by the Santa Fe Railroad; a fact I learned little about, just as I learned little about swimming. There were seven miles north of Goldthwaite, and in the 1920's the road was unpaved. We went to the Fisher Street, on past Harper home, winding and dipping through red sand and white chalky dirt to the

and dressed, with stringy wet hair, shriveled toes and fingers and bodies tingling from exercise, we ate. No meal served anywhere has ever tasted so delicious.

There was a time when a rumor started that an alligator was in the lake. Everyone had heard of someone who had seen this alligator. Thrills of fear gripped us all and any movement in the water meant, perhaps, an alligator? Understandably, mothers were most apprehensive and swimming was curtailed for some time. To my knowledge, no alligator was ever found.

Many years later there was a drought in Mills County and the lake dried up. I shall never forget the sorrow when, on a visit to Goldthwaite, we drove to the lake and there it was - nothing but a pitiful little stream down the middle. It later dried completely and one could walk across it. Happily, the county had good rains several years later and the lake was once again full of water.

Of course, the lake is still there. Most of the road is paved today; there are cabins all around it, and I still love to go there. It brings back those lovely memories of times gone by when I was young and skinny and lived in Mills County.



Lake Scene

Lake Merritt in the early 1920's. Few cabins graced the lake shore at this early date. (Photo courtesy of Billie Ledbetter)

Old Fashioned Tasting Bee Friday, December 17

COME ONE - COME ALL to an Old Fashioned Tasting Bee for the benefit of the Mills County Historical Commission at the home of Col. and Mrs. M. A. Campbell, Friday, December 17th.

Ladies of the Commission will bring their fanciest Christmas dainties to be tasted and enjoyed. Many of the recipes will be reminders of olden days - everything from cookies to cakes to candies.

Take a few moments off from whatever you are doing on Friday afternoon, between 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., and visit the Tasting Bee. Don't miss the fun and excitement of tasting all the Christmas goodies prepared by these ladies.

Donations of \$1.50 will be accepted at the door and if you like any certain recipe, it can be bought from the cook for 10c. Come as you are - Don't miss it!

Council Approves Lone Star Gas Co. Rate Hike

The Goldthwaite City Council met on December 9. Items carried over from the agenda of the regular meeting scheduled for December 2 and cancelled were presented for consideration.

In addition to the published agenda, the Council placed the following items on the approved agenda:

- (1) Sewer line at James Reese residence
- (2) Reconsideration of Schuster annexation
- (3) Bills and operations report

All members of the Council were present. Acting City Manager Allen, Secretary Mildred Taylor, James Knight, James Reese and Lone Star Gas Company representatives Steve Frederick and Melvin Walters were also in attendance.

Minutes of previous meetings were approved. After reconsideration of the petition for annexation by Schusters of Texas, the stipulation that Schusters pay one-half the cost of fire plug installation was rescinded and implementation of Ordinance 222, which establishes new boundaries of the City including Schusters of Texas, was approved.

Mr. James Reese presented to the Council his problem in connecting to City sewer lines at the location of his new residence construction. Because of the low level of the site, a in-line pump and man-hole are required to properly protect his property and other line users. Mr. Reese asked the City to include the man-hole in its service line connection and he will install the pump on his property. After discussion, the Council unanimously agreed to the request.

Representatives of Lone Star

Gas Company presented the company's request for rate increase and substantiating documentation. Based on dollars invested in providing gas service to residents of Goldthwaite, the company claims a deficient rate of return (6.9 per cent) and requests a 8.5 per cent rate of return. The proposed new schedule provides for a lower cost to many households which use small amounts of gas.

Members of the Council shared concerns of citizens of Goldthwaite with gas company representatives who expressed their desire to provide the best gas service possible to residents of Goldthwaite. The Council, on a 3-2 vote, passed the rate increase for first reading. This item will be reconsidered for second and third readings at the January and February meetings.

November bills were approved for payment and the Operations Report was accepted.

Acting City Manager Allen requested the Council to table "Group Insurance Plans" to a future meeting. Information needed to share with the Council has not been received from all the insurance companies contacted.

Acting City Manager Allen requested the Council adopt a policy statement regarding water line extensions. After discussion, the Council approved the following statement:

"It shall be the policy of this Council to require a one-half cost share payment of residents for whom new City water line is made or extended. When anticipated cost exceeds \$5,000 or water connection is outside City limits, specific Council action is required. Each indus-

trial application shall be considered on an individual basis by the Council."

It was noted this policy has been the practice of the City, but formal policy statement had not been developed.

The Council adopted the following policy statement regarding utility service disconnection due to non-payment:

"Final notice of unpaid bills shall be sent to City Utility customers after two months non-payment of bill. If payment is not made within five days of final notice, service will be disconnected. Extenuating circumstances or special consideration must be presented to City Manager in advance of final notice."

Among Council member "reports and requests" were:

- (1) Train speed through City clocked at 60 m.p.h. Manager Allen requested to contact Santa Fe Railroad and state a speed limit was being considered to protect the citizens of Goldthwaite.
- (2) Owner of downtown building south of Steen Hardware has responded to the Council request for rehabilitation of the building and indicates that some repair is planned.

Acting City Manager Allen reported on work project progress including:

- (1) Christmas decorations installed
- (2) Water line installation
- (3) New pickup arrived and in service
- (4) Personnel items
- (5) Employee annual bonus
- (6) Holidays to correspond with local business practice
- (7) Report from Texas Health Department Water Superintendent regarding trash disposal (landfill) operation
- (8) Texas Water Quality Board Report regarding sewer plant

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.
 City Secretary
 Mildred Taylor

Book Distribution Begins Today

Mrs. M. F. Horton, chairman of the Mills County Historical Commission, announced Wednesday that the distribution of Mrs. Hartal Blackwell's book, "Mills County - The Way It Was", will begin Thursday, December 16, at Mills County State Bank. Books will be handled during regular banking hours.

Commission members will be on hand to handle the sale of books and those who have reserved copies may pick theirs up.

Hartal Blackwell, author of the book, will be on hand to autograph copies for those who wish.

Hospital Report

TUESDAY, DEC. 7
 Admitted - Lucius M. Stephens, Lometa; Hugh A. Nowell of Goldthwaite
 No Discharges

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8
 No Admittances
 No Discharges

THURSDAY, DEC. 9
 Admitted - John Andrew Jackson, James Fowler Soules, both of Goldthwaite
 Discharged - Celia Bynum, Lucius M. Stephens, Walter C. Henry, Hugh A. Nowell

FRIDAY, DEC. 10
 No Admittances
 Discharged - Lois Richardson, John Jackson, W. F. Spinks
 Transfer - Albert L. Cagle

SATURDAY, DEC. 11
 Admitted - Pearl Bohannon, Goldthwaite; Betty Beatrice Brumalaw, Hamilton
 No Discharges

SUNDAY, DEC. 12
 Admitted - Lois Scoby, Oral L. Bohannon, both of Goldthwaite; Donald Jackson, Mullin
 No Discharges

MONDAY, DEC. 13
 Admitted - Delia Davee, Goldthwaite; Betty Jane Brumalaw, Hamilton
 Discharged - Orville Harris

27th District Court Renders Three Guilty Verdicts

The 27th District Court met in the Mills County Courthouse last week and rendered three verdicts of guilty.

Ervin Groover received a six year term in the Texas penitentiary. The sentence resulted from his breaking probation for a car theft conviction. The probation was revoked after his alleged burglary of the Dairy Cup in Goldthwaite. Judge Don Busby assessed Billy Wayne Kincheloe a seven year probation sentence for burglary. Kincheloe was ordered

to make \$3,200 restitution, pay \$56 in court costs, and pay \$10 a month probation fee for the seven year period.

He allegedly burglarized Yarbroughs, D Bat T, and Head Electric in 1975.

The third case handled by the court resulted in a three year probation sentence for Mark Wash on a hot check violation. He was ordered to make restitution of \$400, pay \$107 in court costs, and pay \$10 a month probation fee for the three year period.

Julie Andrews Christmas Special Thursday (Tonight)

Milton Schwartz, owner of Schwartz Food Store in Goldthwaite, announced this week that the Julie Andrews Christmas Special will be aired Thursday, December 16.

The special, which is sponsored by Shurline Food Dealers, of which Schwartz Food Store is a member, can be seen starting at 7 p.m. on the Dallas-Fort Worth Channel and the Waco-Temple Channel.

Merchants To Observe Christmas

Christmas Day, December 25, will be observed by most Goldthwaite business and retail establishments by closing for the day.

Mills County Courthouse will be closed December 24th and December 25th. Also closing for Christmas Eve will be Mills County State Bank and Southern Savings and Loan Association. According to announcement from the courthouse, Mills County State Bank and Southern Savings will also be closed New Year's Eve, December 31st.

County Schools To Dismiss For Holidays

Mullin School students will begin observing the Christmas holidays Friday, December 17. Goldthwaite, Fridy and Star students will dismiss for the Christmas holidays Tuesday,

December 21. Goldthwaite and Star will dismiss classes at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday.

All four Mills County Schools will resume classes on Monday, January 3.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT . . .

The five-year-old returning from his first day at school told his mother: "I'm not going back. I can't read and I can't write and they won't let me talk."



FB Confab

The Mills County Farm Bureau was represented by three delegates at the 43rd annual Farm Bureau convention in

Fort Worth Dec. 5-8. Pictured at registration are James Wells, Florence Sheldon, and Inez Gilbreath.

Christmas Lighting Contest

Mrs. C. A. Keeler, president of the Goldthwaite Garden Club, announced that the club is sponsoring a Christmas Lighting Contest.

The categories are as follows: Homes - windows - religious, secular Grounds - religious, secular Churches Business Firms

The judging will be held Monday, Dec. 20, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

43rd Annual Farm Bureau Meeting Conducted Recently

Mills County Farm Bureau was represented by three delegates to the 43rd annual meeting of the Texas Farm Bureau Dec. 5-8 at the Tarrant County Convention Center in Ft. Worth. Some 1,500 persons from all parts of Texas attended.

Policies to guide the state's largest farm organization next year were adopted. Also approved were recommendations on national issues. Delegates registered Sunday,

Dec. 5, before attending the evening's activities which included a Vesper Service, Discussion Meet and Talent Find.

In the state finals of the TFB Queen Contest, Miss Cheryl Leigh McCann of Lometa was chosen queen over eleven other candidates.

The last order of business was the election of directors and the president. The president for 1977 is Carrol Chaloupka of Dalhart, Texas.

Fourth Graders Produce Filmstrip On Traffic Safety

Fourth grade students in Mrs. Page and Mrs. Daniel's class at Goldthwaite Elementary School have produced their own colorful filmstrip on traffic safety with materials provided free of charge by the Texas Office of Traffic Safety.

In "The Safest Show on Earth" class members create their own illustrations for a full color, sound filmstrip exploring key aspects of passenger, bicycle and pedestrian safety.

The Texas Office of Traffic Safety makes available to the school all necessary materials without cost for "The Safest Show on Earth". After the students finish their illustrations, the drawings are processed into a filmstrip by Media Intensive Learning Corporation, designers of the program.

The filmstrip is returned to the class originating the draw-

ings, along with a lively sound-track cassette narrated by children in Spanish and English. Both the filmstrip and the cassette become the property of the school.

More than a half million children across the nation have participated in the program to date. Initial evidence from evaluation efforts in Texas indicates that the program is contributing to a reduction in traffic accidents among school children.

Ridge Christmas Party Friday

A Christmas party will be held at the Ridge Schoolhouse Friday, December 17, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The public is cordially invited to attend.



TIM HIGGINBOTHAM & SELENA JOHNSON

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Don Elliott of Goldthwaite announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Selena Johnson, to Tim Higginbotham. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Higginbotham.

Miss Johnson is a junior in Goldthwaite High School. Her fiancé graduated from San Saba High School and is attending TSTI in Waco.

The couple will be married at 7 p.m. December 23 in Parkview Baptist Church.



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- * Tricycles
- * Footballs

- * Wagons
- * Basketballs
- * Tennis Rackets and Balls

- FOR HIM**
- * Spurs
 - * Horse Blankets
 - * Ropes
 - * Saddles
 - * Chaps
 - * Halters
 - * All Types Guns
 - * Gun Racks
 - * Shells
 - * Fishing Tackle
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Heritage Nursing Home Happenings

At the Heritage Home we're decking the halls with boughs of holly and making preparations for the arrival of Santa. Decorating the Christmas tree always puts everyone in a festive mood and we're especially proud of ours this year. We believe it's the prettiest one we've ever had!

Christmas music was brought to us by Sybil Head and Julian Evans. It was a delightful occasion for everyone as they played special selections and requests.

The Men's Downtown Bible Class singing was enjoyed by everyone. This is one of our favorite activities of the month.

Just to keep everyone on their toes, our new Activity Director, Daughety Yeager, conducted a quiz which was enlightening and fun for everyone.

Our thanks to Ella Bishop for coming and teaching the Skip-Bo lessons. This game is sparking a lot of interest in our home.

Our choir is a pleasantly awaited activity each week. We would like to say a special thank you to each volunteer who is so devoted to come and sing. To Hazel Smith for playing the piano in the absence of our regular pianist, Clara Kimble, we also say thank you.

Hazel Moseley and her group consisting of Colquitt Miller, Buster Ables, and Julian Evans entertained us with some great music. Some mighty fancy dance steps were done by Mitzl Smith and Pat Davis along with Ruth and Mohler Simpson and Carlita and Earl Blake. Also helping out were Inez Petty, Willie Casbeer, Rodie Humphries, Lorena Letbetter, and Mr. and Mrs. Wright. This group presented a fine program and we sincerely thank you. We're also looking forward to your next visit.

The Priddy F.H.A. along with their advisor, Bonita House, paid us a visit and sang Christmas carols. These were enjoyed by everyone and to this delight-

ful group we say thank you. Among the many visitors during this holiday season were Ernest Coursey and L. G. Coursey, brothers of Willie

Mae Palmer, a resident of our home. Mrs. Palmer hadn't seen her brothers in 37 years; so this was a joyous occasion for her family.

We would like to express our appreciation to the following churches for bringing our Devotionals on the coinciding dates:

Nov. 21 - Goldthwaite Methodist
Dec. 5 - Mullin Methodist
Nov. 28 - Goldthwaite Baptist
Dec. 12 - Scallorn Baptist

As Christmas draws nearer, we invite you to come by and share the joy of fellowship with us. From all of us to all of you - MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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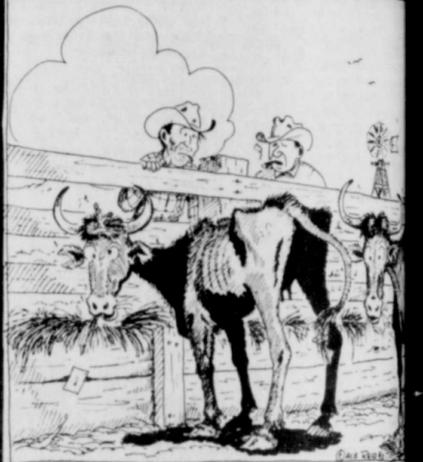
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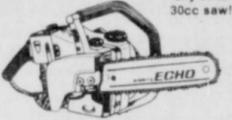
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Lometa Commission Co. Market Report

Lometa Commission Co.
Lometa, Texas

BUD HARRELL, Owner

December 10, 1976

RECEIPTS: 1646

Light Weight Steer Calves, 34.00-41.00; Medium Weight Steer Calves, 36.00-40.00; Heavy Weight Steer Calves, 33.00-38.50.

Light Weight Heifer Calves, 24.00-31.50; Medium Weight Heifer Calves, 24.00-32.00; Heavy Weight Heifer Calves, 25.00-29.00.

Feeder Heifers — 25.00-29.00
Feeder Steers — 30.00-36.50
Heiferettes — 22.00-26.00
Stocker Cows — 23.00-28.00
Cows and Calves, 185.00-286.00

Bull Calves — 30.00-38.50
Bull Yearlings — 26.00-32.50
Packer Bulls — 24.00-31.50
Packer Cows — 17.00-24.50
Shelly Cows — 12.00-16.00

All choice light weight steer and heifer calves were steady with last week with steers topping at \$41. Medium weight steer and heifer calves were steady with steers topping at \$40. Heavy weight steer and heifer calves were steady with steers topping at \$38. Yearling steers were \$1 to \$2 higher topping at \$36.50. Yearling heifers were \$1 to \$2 higher topping at \$29. Packer cows were fully steady. Fat calves were \$1 lower topping at \$30. Plainer kinds of cattle were fully steady.

REPRESENTATIVE SALES
McCullough Livestock Co.,
4 Hereford Heifers 31.50
8 Hereford Steers 35.60
Archie Rutherford, San Saba,
440 lb. Blk. Wf. Steer 38.75
630 lb. Blk. Wf. Steer 35.75
Lynn Ratliff, Llano,
15 Hereford Steers 39.60
10 Hereford Heifers 29.60
Clara Wash, Richland Spgs.,
535 lb. Fat Heifer 30.00
Dean & Allen Taylor, R. S.,
350 lb. Heifer 29.50
JM Ranch, Goldthwaite,
390 lb. Blk. Wf. Steer 41.75
T. E. Hartley, Hamilton,
345 lb. Blk. Wf. Steer 40.00

Our market was steady with last week. Buyer attendance was good with bidding very active. We had 19 volume buyers here today. We had a good run of cattle and the market was steady all the way through. REMEMBER, Our Sale Starts At 12:00 Noon On Friday.

A Special Invitation

To all our many relatives and friends, we extend a very special invitation to attend the annual Christmas Party, Wed. evening, December 22, 1976 at 6:30 p.m., in the living room of the home.

Your presence will help to make our party as happy and festive as possible. However, if you cannot make it to the party, may we take this opportunity to wish you and your family a very

**Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year**

Residents and Staff of

Heritage Nursing Home

Historical Commission Conducts Final '76 Meeting

The last regular meeting of the Mills County Historical Commission was held on Thurs-

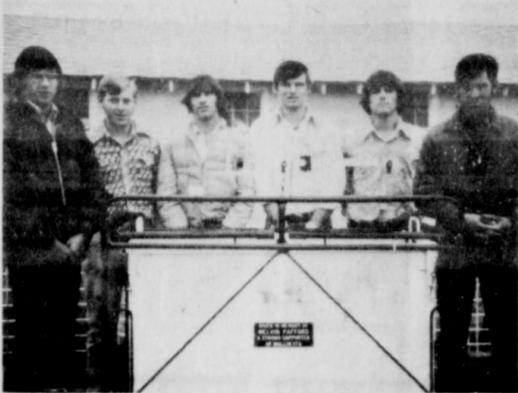
day, Dec. 9, with Mrs. M. F. Horton, chairman, thanking every person who had contributed in any way for their help and cooperation the past two years.

The new officers will be elected in January. They are: Chairman, Mrs. M. A. Campbell; Co-Chairman, Mr. Julian Evans; Secretary, Mrs. Woodrow Boykin; Treasurer, Mrs. R. L. Steen; Reporter, Mrs. M. F. Horton; Assistant Reporter, Mrs. O. H. Renfro; and Parliamentarian, Judge Herbert Faulkner.

All the markers that have been applied for have been approved, and dedications have been made for four, with four yet to be dedicated.

A memorial honoring Mr. O. K. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. George Hill was given to be used on the Pleasant Grove cemetery marker by Mrs. O. K. Berry.

Don't forget to come to the tasting bee!



Officers for the Mullin FFA Chapter are, left to right, Phil Hickman, president; Jimmy Johnson, vice president; Randy Lindsey, secretary; Steve King, treasurer; Sam Shelton, reporter; and Rocky Welch, sentinel. Pictured in front of the group are the newly purchased scales bought by the group with a donation from the Melvin

Pafford family. The inscription on the scales reads: "Given in Memory of Melvin Pafford, a Strong Supporter of Mullin FFA."

Mullin Livestock Show Saturday

Keith Kensing, agricultural teacher and FFA Advisor for the Mullin School, has announced that the annual Mullin Livestock Show will be held Saturday, December 18. The show, which will get underway around 10 a.m., will be conducted at the Mullin Agricultural Building.

Schedule for the day is:

10:00 a.m. - hogs
Lunchbreak
1:00 p.m. - lambs

Steers to follow

A barbecue lunch will be served in the school cafeteria. Judge for the day's events will be Darrell Lusty of Richland Springs.

Mr. Kensing urges all the Mills County residents to come out and enjoy the Mullin Livestock Show Saturday.

The Commissioners' Court and the County Employees invite you to a

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Cecil G. Faulkner To Retire From Shell Pipe Line

Cecil G. Faulkner, who resides at Driver Station near Midland, in Shell Pipe Line Corp.'s eastern district of the Central Division, has completed 40 years of service with the corporation, and will retire August 1.

He was given a retirement party recently in Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner were also guests of honor at a dinner at which he was presented an award in recognition of his long tenure.

He began his career with Shell as a maintenance laborer in the Yates district. He served as pipeliner at McCamey and Wasson, and later was pumper gauger, oiler and station engineer.

He returned to McCamey as station engineer in April, 1944. Succeeding assignments were station engineer at Driver and Wheeler stations and field gauger at Rankin, Iraan, McCamey, and his present post

at Driver.

Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner will make their retirement home in Rankin.

Mr. Faulkner is a brother of Mills County Judge Herbert Faulkner.



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Social Security Representative's Jan. Schedule

The Brownwood Social Secur-
ity Agent will be in Goldthwaite
every Thursday in January
at 10:00 a.m. in the Commis-
sioners Courtroom.
If you cannot meet with the

representative at this time, you
may wish to come to the Brown-
wood Office which is open from
9 to 4:30 Monday thru Friday
each week. The office is located
at 300 North Main Building,
phone 646-7533.

Scallorn Baptist Christmas Program Sunday Night

The Scallorn Baptist Church
will have a Christmas program
and tree Sunday night at 6 p.m.
There will be a gift exchange.
The men are asked to bring a

gift suitable for a man and the
ladies should bring a gift suit-
able for a woman.
Everyone is invited to come.
There will be a social following
the gift exchange.

One teenage boy to
"Hey, you had your long
cut off. How much weight
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Extension Highlights

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coffee's tempting flavor and aroma are easily lost, especially if coffee is exposed to air for any length of time. Once a coffee can is opened, it should be kept tightly covered in the refrigerator to maintain best quality. Also, buy amounts that can be used within a fairly short period of time. For top

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CARDS OF THANKS

We would like to thank our many friends for the food, cards, letters and visits during our convalescence from our recent car wreck. Your help will always be remembered.

W. R. McGlothlin
Luleen McGlothlin
Hilda Lyons
12-16-1tp

Words cannot express our appreciation for the loving kindness, flowers, food, and memorials during the illness and death of our loved one. A special thanks to Bro. Dan Connally, and Dr. Childress and the nursing staff of Childress Clinic.

The family of Herman L. Boyd
12-16-1tp

Words cannot express our appreciation for every deed of kindness by way of flowers, food, memorials, and love shown us during the illness and death of our loved one.

The families of Herbert B. Straley
12-16-1tp

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the doctors and nurses at the Childress Hospital for their attentive care during my recent stay there.

To all the friends who sent cards, flowers, and showed their concern with such kind deeds, I am deeply grateful. Also, thanks to Bro. Dan Connally for the wonderful visits.
Mrs. W. R. Bynum
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Museum
Memorials

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Alice Waggoner, Ruby Kattes, Olive Covington and Dru Huckabee, residents of Hillview Manor, have not forgotten how to make a fruit cake.

Hillview Highlights

CHRISTMAS is in the air, and we all got the true spirit recently when we sacked approximately 480 sacks of candy for the Lions Club. This will be distributed to the boys and girls of the area. We were happy to be a small part of it. And really it was fun forming the assembly line and singing carols as we worked.

We also enjoyed helping in the decoration process of HILLVIEW. Mrs. Fought, Mrs. Kattes and Susan Huckabee strung icicles while other decorating work was going on. And needless to say, it would simply be impossible to dig out tree decorations, spotlights, etc. without the help of Charles Frary. Charles just never says no.

It was fun going shopping one afternoon recently when a group of us banded together and 'made the town'. Now we are busy getting presents wrapped and under the tree without someone seeing us. Our Christmas party and tree will be at 6:30 on Dec. 21. We are expecting Santa to be with us. Come join in our celebration!

Hazel Mosely, Pat Davis, Mitzi Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Mohler Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blake, Colquitt Miller and Buster Ables produced some mighty good music and dancing last Friday night. This group is one of our favorites. They make music for us each first and third Friday nights at 7:00. Our residents have asked that we have more Bible reading. Mrs. Ruth Walker has started an extra class on Saturday afternoon. Yvonne Bruce leads our Bible study on Wednesday afternoon. Thanks a million, ladies. You are most welcome.

It was "just like old times" when we gathered around the table and made our UNCOOKED Christmas fruit cake. This will be stored in the refrigerator a few days and then we plan to CELEBRATE. None of us had quite forgotten just how a fruit cake is made. Each added a little stirring, patting and molding.

We are looking forward with great anticipation to our SINGING & COVERED DISH SUPPER ON THURSDAY NITE.

We expect many good things from all over the area to be present to help make this a good one. Come bring a covered dish and sing with us Dec. 21. We will eat at 6:30.

From looking at our calendar for Dec. it is a pretty busy sign we will be kept busy attending all the activities scheduled. On the 14th we will be entertained by the Methodist Jr. Choir. Mrs. Welch is in charge of this choir. Then on the 17th Monroe Show of Brownwood will be playing gospel records for us. At 4:30 on the 17th the Cub Scouts, under the direction of Dan Tyson, will be entertaining us. Thanks so much, people, for bringing the true spirit of CHRISTMAS to our home.

It was a MERRY TIME singing along with Julian Evans and Sybil Head Friday while they played all kinds of beautiful music for us, including some Christmas carols. Sybil and Julian are kind enough to use their talents for us each second Friday afternoon.

BANK CENTS
By: W.P. Duren, President
Mills County State Bank

The nation's money supply similar in ways to commodities like wheat, oats, cattle, and corn. Most bankers and other financial people consider the money supply as the total of all checking and savings accounts, plus the cash public hands. The most recent total given of all this was at the area of \$300 billion.

Just like agriculture commodities, if the supply of money is large, then the price paid for money, interest, will generally go down. On the other hand, if money is in short supply, then the price for it will cause an increase in the cost of borrowed money. But, unlike the commodity markets the money supply can be controlled, managed by the Federal Reserve Bank (Bankers call it the FED). The Fed controls the supply of money by how much money they print. If there is inflation, they may choose to increase the amount they print to get new money; if there is recession they may choose to print more.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Lone Star Gas Company, in accordance with Section 43(a) of Article 1446c V.A.T.C.S., hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to implement a new schedule of rates for natural gas service to be charged to the industrial consumers in the

City of Goldthwaite, Texas
effective December 30, 1976.

It is anticipated that the increased cost of service under Schedule of Industrial Rates-N, Rate Schedule For Public Free Schools-N and Schedule For Industrial Rates-N for Agencies of the State or Federal Government will result in \$102.00 additional annual revenue to Lone Star Gas Company in the City of Goldthwaite, Texas.

A Statement of Intent has been filed with the City of Goldthwaite, Texas, and is available for inspection at the Company's business office located at 313 E. Wallace, San Saba, Texas.

Lone Star Gas Company
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**Bulldogs Place Three
On All District Team**

Three Mullin High School football players were selected to the All-District team recently at a District 5B meeting held at Rochelle. Mullin High was the district champion.

Heading the list is Phil Hickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hickman. Phil is a four year letterman and a senior at Mullin. He has twice been selected to the All-District team. Phil will also represent District 5B in the annual All-Star game held in Brownwood in July. Phil, who weighs 155 lbs. and stands 5'10" tall, was quarterback for the Bulldogs this year.

Also selected was Randy Lindsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lindsey. Randy is also a four year letterman and played halfback most of the year for the Bulldogs. He was selected as an alternate to the All-Star game and has also been an All-District selection twice before. Randy is 5'10" tall and

weighs 165 lbs. Steve King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne King, was the third All-District selection. Steve is also a senior four year letterman and played end for the Bulldog team. This was Steve's first year on the All-District team. He is 6'2" tall and weighs 185 lbs.

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10 Years Ago

(Taken From The Eagle Files Of December 8, 1966)

A presidential certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Selective Service System has been awarded to the late Bruce Archer of Goldthwaite and presented to his family here. Mr. Archer was a member of the draft board, representing Mills County, at the time of his death. He had served on the board for several years.

The Mullin girls were defeated by the Zephyr girls 52-27 Thursday night in the Zephyr Tournament. Tylene Smith was high point girl with 12 points

25 Years Ago

(Taken From The Eagle Files Of December 7, 1951)

Mr. and Mrs. David Watters have announced the arrival of a daughter, Karen Elaine, who was born at 8:00 a.m. Dec. 2. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Berry of Goldthwaite are the maternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Watters of London, Tx. are the paternal grandparents.

Members of the Star Chapter of the Future Farmers of America have selected Miss Wandlene Head to be their sweetheart for the 1951-52 year.

Robert Henry Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Johnson, has been elected president of the Taurus Society at Baylor University. A junior, who is nearing completion of his pre-dental course, his academic marks have been A's and B's. He will enter Baylor University College of Dentistry at Dallas next June.

After many of the other deer hunters in these parts had reported on what happened during the season that just closed, along came C. L. "Solly" Featherston with the largest kill of all Mr. Featherston, who hunted about 80 miles south of Alpine, got himself a 12 point buck that dressed out at 140 pounds.

Pvt. Carl C. Keese, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Carl Keese and grandson of Mrs. J. N. Keese of Goldthwaite, has been named outstanding trainee of his company at Camp Breckenridge, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bate were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Crawford, Letricia and Leonia.

Miss Helda Nauert reports they are doing nicely and keeping busy feeding livestock.

40 Years Ago

(Taken From The Eagle Files Of December 11, 1936)

Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Hays of the Trigger Mountain community celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Tuesday, Dec. 8. Married at Scottsboro, Alabama in 1886, they came to Texas in 1887. In 1897 they settled their present homesite in the Trigger Mountain community where they have lived since. Rev. Hays was a pioneer missionary and a number of church houses were erected

under his leadership.

R. H. Patterson, postmaster at Mullin, who was injured last night by a car on the streets of Mullin, was resting fairly well this morning and it is hoped that no serious injury will result. He is at the residence of his nephew, Carlos Patterson.

Contracts for next spring mohair clip at 55c for greasy hair and 65c for kid hair were being made in Mills County this week. Approximately 80 per cent of the 1937 wool crop is already under contract at 30c. A cash advance of \$1 per head on goats and \$1 per head on sheep is paid when the contracts are signed.

The Art and Civic Club met at the home of Mrs. Paul McCullough Thursday with Mrs. Walter Glen Saylor leader for the program. A dessert plate was served to members and the following guests: Mrs. Gilford Scott, A. L. Whitaker, Rufus McKenney and J. L. Stephen.

The Parent-Teachers Association held their regular meeting Tuesday, Dec. 8, with a very satisfactory attendance. The fourth grade, with Mrs. Stanley as teacher, is the first room to report 100 per cent paid membership for which a prize of \$1.00 was given.

Chappell Hill

By Pearl Crawford

We had some cold weather Saturday - slow rain, ice, and some sleet. Some are feeding stock and hauling wood.

Raymond Hopper of Belton spent Tuesday with George and Pearl Crawford. That afternoon George and Raymond visited Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wesson and Carl and Clifton, who is a resident of Tyler, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lou Sahnke.

We think the folks at Hillview Manor are doing nicely. They are putting up all kinds of pretty things - trying to catch old Santa! Some of the residents were planning to help bake a fruit cake.

Mrs. O. L. Harris visited Mr. Harris at the local hospital Sunday. He is doing nicely and will be home soon.

We had very little visiting during the weekend. Some went hunting.

Mrs. Winnie Mae Brown spent last week with Mrs. O. L. Harris. Other visitors were Robert Lewis Harris of El Paso and Warren Harris.

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Services For Herman Boyd San Angelo Held Monday

Herman L. Boyd, 64, of Goldthwaite, a former longtime resident of San Angelo, died at 5 p.m. in Shannon Hospital. Services were held at 11:30 a.m. Monday in Johnson's Memorial Home Chapel with Dan Connolly of Goldthwaite officiating. Burial was in the Hollis Cemetery at San Angelo.

Mr. Boyd was born December 19, 1911, in Mills County. He married Ruby Cummings June 22, 1935, in Brownsville. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boyd. Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Milton Adkins of Monahan; and Mrs. Bob (Barbara) King of

Mullin Community News

BY: LILLIAN PLIMMER

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams have returned from several days visit with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Williams of Houston.

Donald Murphy and a friend from Austin visited with his grandfather recently, Mr. Aubrey French.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Barrington have moved into the Lowe house, owned by Grady Hancock. Mr. Barrington will work for Mr. John Smith.

Mr. Clint Henry is able to be up and attend church. His many friends are glad.

The Baptist Revival of several days duration is reported to have been successful.

Mrs. Audrey Anderson is at home after a stay in a Temple hospital where she had knee surgery.

Mrs. Daisy Winkle of Comanche spent Sunday in my home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fisher went to Talpa Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moore and Jennifer of Talpa took her parents to Lubbock where they had a nice visit with Mrs. Fisher's brother, Mr. James Hopkins and family.

Friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spinks are happy that Frank is able to be at home after a stay in the hospital at Goldthwaite. Their daughter, Mrs. Jaunelle Davee of Ozona, was with her father in the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Ray Spinks of San Antonio were here over the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spinks.

Mrs. Albert Cox and Mrs. Claude Williams were shopping in Goldthwaite Monday.

Mrs. Mary Nichols and son Chad of Brownwood visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Calder, Sunday. Mrs. Calder is visiting for a few days in Brownwood with her daughters.

Mr. Wilford Spinks visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Spinks, and helped out while Frank was in the hospital.

There was quite a bit of rain and ice here Friday night and Saturday. The moisture is fine to put a good "season" in the ground.

Mrs. Gladys Simpson of Brownwood visited her cousin,

Mrs. Mable Taylor, for a while Monday.

"Prejudice is a great time-saver. It enables you to pass judgement without getting the facts."

"Too often we see the handwriting on the wall only when our back is up against it."

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sybert of Austin are proud to announce the arrival of their first child, a son, Bobby Darrell, born Thursday, December 2, 1976.

The little lad, who made his arrival at St. David's Hospital at 5:23 p.m., tipped the scales at 9 lbs. 9 ozs.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Tom Darrell Sybert of Georgetown. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Johnson of Goldthwaite.

Great grandparents are Mrs. Myrna Johnson of The Wesleyan in Georgetown; Mrs. Ed Sybert, also of Georgetown; and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn White of Clifton.

Little Bobby is welcomed by a three-year-old cousin, Matthew Malone, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Malone.

Pompey Mountain Methodist Present Program Dec. 23

Thursday, December 23, the annual homecoming and Christmas services will be conducted at the Pompey Mountain Congregational Church in the Duren community. The program, under the direction of Pastor Martin Emert, will get underway at 7 p.m.

Santa Claus will be present and there will be candy and fruit for everyone there.

The public is invited to attend.

Garden Club December Meeting

The Goldthwaite Garden Club met on December 8, 1976, at 2:30 p.m. in the lovely home of Mrs. Malcolm Jernigan where Christmas was already much in evidence.

Mrs. C. A. Keeler presided over the short business meeting. Roll call was by members giving a good deed for Christmas, either past or in the plans for this year.

Persons wanting to enter the Christmas lighting should call Mrs. Robert McCoy or Mrs. T. J. Collier. Places will be judged only if this committee is notified. Judging will be Dec. 20th.

It was announced that there would be a Tasting Bee or Tea sponsored by the Mills County Historical Commission at the home of Mrs. M. A. Campbell on Friday, December 17, from 2:30 to 4:30. A slight fee will be taken at the door.

Members were reminded of the Christmas party at the home of Mrs. N. M. Coats on December 11. Husbands are invited to share in the Christmas fun.

Mrs. W. P. Duren, court-house grounds chairman, reported that some shrubs would be planted at the proper time and this is all the work planned at this time.

Garden tips were given by Mrs. Paul Henderson, remind-

ing us to continue to clean up and also that it is a good time to plant roses.

Members had made table decorations and tray favors for Christmas for the two nursing homes. These were delivered to the homes.

Delicious tea dainties were served from the beautiful Christmas table. Assisting Mrs. Jernigan as hostess were Mmes. Lloyd Reynolds, C. A. Skipping and Roy Wilkins.

Senior Citizens Building Fund List Increases

Following is a new list of donations and memorials to the Mills County Senior Citizen Building Fund:

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Weatherby
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Celery 19¢
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New Arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Daniel Brumalaw of Hamilton, Texas announce the birth of a baby girl, Betty Jane, born at Childress Hospital, December 13, 1976. She arrived at 2:50 p.m. weighing 7 lbs. 10 ozs.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong Blan-

sit of Hamilton. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Brumalaw of Hamilton. Maternal great grandmother is Mrs. Bessie Maddow of Hamilton.

Paternal great grandmothers are Mrs. J. H. Anthony of McGregor and Mrs. Ruby Brumalaw of Clyde, Texas.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

MANAGER POSITION
Dairy Queen of Goldthwaite to open Mid January now hiring for manager and other positions. Manager position must be willing to train and to learn speed cooking as well as management. Applicants must be willing to take a lie detector test upon hiring. Applications may be picked up at Landrum Ford, Write Verna Seaberry, Box 636, Graham, Tx. 76046, 12-16-tfc

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6:00 a.m. Sign-On Murray Cox Farm Show
6:15 KBAL Music
6:25 News - Continental News Service
6:30 KBAL Music
6:45 Livestock Market Report CNS
6:50 KBAL Music
7:00 News - CNS
7:05 Sports - Texas State Network
7:10 KBAL Music
7:25 News - CNS

GHS Basketball Happenings

By Mark Lewis and Truitt Eubank
POTTSVILLE

The Goldthwaite Eagles slaughtered the Pottsville 'Cats Friday night 62-22. The Eagles clearly dominated the game

from the opening minutes to the end.

Leading scorer for the Eagles was David Miller with 17, followed by Jett Johnson 16, B. J. Truitt and Mike Lee 8 each, Rodney Scott 5, Rick Welch and Tim Spradley 3 each, and Lester Saathoff 2.

Top rebounders were Rick Welch with 11 rebounds, and Lester Saathoff with 10 rebounds.

EAGLES OUTSCORED BY PRIDDY

The Goldthwaite Eagles were outscored by Priddy 67-55 Tuesday, Dec. 7.

Top scorer for the Eagles were David Miller and Jett Johnson with 15 each. Also contributing in the scoring were Jay Sims 13, Rick Welch 6, Mike Lee 4, and Lester Saathoff 2.

Jett Johnson had 17 rebounds while Rick Welch had 13. Leading scorer for Priddy was Anthony Tyson with 20.

EAGLETTES TOPPLE PRIDDY

The Goldthwaite Eaglettes won over the Priddy Pirates Tuesday night, Dec. 7, by the score of 58-40. Both teams played well.

The leading scorer for the Eaglettes was Sheila Vaughan with 17, followed by Mina Kay and Ruth Ann Johnson with 16 each. Other scorers were Sandra Derrick who had 6, and Sheila Thomas with 3.

For Priddy, Schwartz had 19, Kunkel had 9, B. Kunkel 6, Peters 4, and Schrank had 2.

For the Eaglettes, the leading rebounder was Tammy Head 7, and Mina Kay 6. Cindy Berry led in the steals department with 7.



The Mills Minister

By Bruce A. Perkins
Pastor, Big Valley Baptist Church

The idea of a blooming flower is a beautiful one whether taken literally or as a symbol of a Christian's life. Yet too often we are taken by the beauty of the flower and are completely unaware of the effort that went into the production of the flower. Just as it takes a plant time and effort to produce its flower, it also takes the Christian time and effort to bloom. Blooming is the result of a process - a process of growth. So before you are a flower, you must be a branch.

In John 15, Jesus speaks of himself as being the true vine and us as the branches. To be branches of the vine, we must be grafted to the vine. This is the first step if we are even to have hopes of blooming. We must connect ourselves to Jesus Christ in a vital, living relationship which comes only by accepting Him as one's personal Saviour. In a life which is connected to the vine in such a relationship, the bond should be so complete that the same life blood flows between that life and the life of the Saviour, as the nutrients of life flow between the vine and the branch.

This brings us to a second point, that of the transfer of nutrients. As the vine draws from the soil and passes nutrients to the branch, so must we allow God to supply us with the necessities of growth. Too often we try to obtain nutrients on our own. Do we forget that the branch cannot live apart from the vine? Do we not know that the branch does not supply

its own nutrients, but rather receives them from the vine? Of course we know this to be true. Thus, we should realize that growing as a Christian is not a result of things we do, but simply allowing God to have control over more of us each day. We must allow our Maker to "grow" us. This also involves pruning at times. Though sometimes the things God teaches us are painful to our ego and difficult to learn, they are all a part of his magnificent pruning process and vital to growth.

Let us not forget that God does not use the same calendar as we use. God will do his work as He wants it done. Living in a world of hurrying people, we tend to hurry and become impatient - even in matters concerning God. The little seedling cannot grow into a tree overnight, neither must we expect to bloom right away. Growth is a process, and processes take time.

Perhaps, as we look upon the flower, we would do well to remember the effort which was put into its creation. Likewise, we would do well to be constantly aware of the work involved in making our own flower. A vital relationship with Jesus produces a living branch. Nourishment from God produces a growing branch. Patience while growing yields a blooming branch. The beautiful flower may be prettier to look at than the rough branch. But remember that the flower just didn't happen; it resulted from a growing branch. In the same way, spiritual maturity doesn't just happen. Before you're a flower, you've got to be a branch.

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The different species will be stocked at no charge to the landowner. However, to qualify,

the pond must never have been stocked with the requested species; have been dried up, refilled since the last stocking request; or have had all fish chemically removed since last request.

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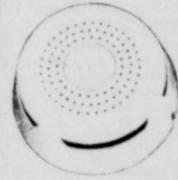
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