

To Regional Friday

Bi-District Champs * * * * * * * *

White in bi-district competition at Seymour Monday of the other Hounds, District scheduled. 18A victors, as they pulled out a 58-45 win over the Hornets.

The win advances Coach Tommy Sloan's Greyhounds to regional competition in followed by Adam White with Wisdom Gym on the Tarleton 12, Ricky Gutierrez with 10, campus at Stephenville this Jay Rutherford with 8, Friday and Saturday. Coach Sloan advised the News office that he would not know until

In an effort to control Knox Wednesday noon what time City Greyhound's 6'5" Adam or whom the Hounds would play. He did however know that it would be Friday and night, Harrold, District 17A the Hounds would either play winner, could not overcome at 2:30, 4:00, 7:00, or 8:30 the steady, consistent efforts when games have been

> High point for the Hounds in their bi-district win was Andy Barnard with 15 points, Dwayne Watkins with 5, Rickey Gonzales with 4, and Kevin Leach and Daniel Alsides with 2 each.

The Hounds got off to an early lead even though at

Since 1953 Tornado

times it was slim. However, they held on to the lead for the entire game except one time with 2:05 left in the third quarter, when Harrold tied it

At the end of the first quarter, it was KC 13, Harrold 10. At halftime KC lead 30-24. Third quarter score read 38-34, with the final total, 58-45.

Leading rebounder was Adam White with 14, followed by Dwayne Watkins with 10. Team rebounds were KC 35,

Leading defense was Jay Rutherford with six recovery

The Hounds shot 62% from and Dwayne Watkins.

the line with 41% from the

Of interest to fans was the fact that only two jump balls were called during the entire game with the second and last tie ball coming with only 4:14 left in the game.

The Hounds' record is now

Seniors on the Greyhound roster are Adam White, Rickey Gonzales, Andy Barnard, Kelley Boone, Daniel Alsides, Jay Rutherford, and Arturo Rocha. Other team members include Kevin Leach, Ricky Gutierrez, Steve Lynn, Tyke Meinzer,



BI-DISTRICT CHAMPS carry Knox City Coach Tommy Sloan from the court Monday night following the bi-district contest at Seymour between District 18A winner Knox City and 17A winner Harrold. Several team members, who

THE

accommodated the photographer, are from left, Kevin Leach, Adam White, Daniel Alsides, Jay Rutherford, and Andy Barnard. Other Hounds had already gone into the dressing room when photo was made.



SIMONE COBB

Simone Cobb **Returns From** California

Simone Cohh 2 1980 graduate of Knox City-O'Brien High School and currently a student at Jessie Lee's Hair Design Institute in Lubbock, has just returned from "A very exciting trip for a small town girl'

Simone, along with students Jeaneen Vitale and Donna Grandbury, instructor Darlene Brockett and owner Jessie Lee Sharpley, was in Hollywood, California, to make an educational series of television shows on hairstyling and wetsetting techniques

Filmed and produced on location at Spectrum Studios in Burbank, the series will be shown nationwide on PBS network starting in March. Simone's particular series can be seen in April and the final segment will be shown in May. Times and exact dates have not been confir-

The series is being made into a movie which will be available upon request to high school counselors for students who are interested in a career of this nature.

During her week in California, Simone felt fortunate to see Sacramento, Santa Monica, and Los Angeles and to visit Capital Record Studios, Universal Studios and the Sunset Strip even though a hectic 12-hour shift was worked each day.

On the evening prior to departure from California, the ladies were guests at a party in their honor held by the directors of their show.

In December of last year, Simone made two television commercials for Jessie Lee's which are currently being show on Channel 28 in Lubbock.

Simone, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holcomb, will graduate in May upon completion of 1500 required hours of study.

Did You Know...

that Jan Kilgore 8050 Chicago, Omaha Nebraska 68114 subscribes to The Knox County News?

Friday the 13th Marks 28 Years

Twenty-eight years ago tomorrow, Friday, March 13, an angry 'Texas Twister' slashed a 300-yard swath across northwestern Haskell County and the southern tip of Knox County claiming the lives of 14 persons and hospitalizing 23 more. In Knox City alone, real estate damages were estimated at over \$2 million.

Friday, March 13, 1953, began as any other early spring day in Knox City might begin. Adults went about their various daily tasks and children went to school. The weather was fair and not too windy until noon when the sky became hazy and the atmosphere muggy Severe weather was suspected and teachers dismissed classes early for an afternoon teachers' meeting in Vernon.

The boisterous, brutal cloud which began its course at Jud and traveled northeasterly, dipped down at least six times during its

course bringing a final furious blow to Knox City at 2:15 p.m. and leaving in its wake four members dead and three others in the family injured at Jud; five persons in a trailer house on a farm between Rochester and O'Brien, including three members of one family dead; one fatally injured man in O'Brien; and four dead in Knox City. One O'Brien woman died the following day from injuries received in the storm.

Residents who lived through the horror still speak of the awesome incident with marked terror. And nine families of every ten render due respect to the fury of a tornado by means of backvard cellars.

Now, 28 years later, a new, more modern clinic replaces the old structure, and the hospital, which was badly damaged, added another wing and paperwork is now being processed for badly needed remodeling. Citizens

CONGRATULATING RELIEF OPERATOR

Robert Taylor, right, of KMA Well Service's

Knox City yard is Steve Pepper, field superin-

tendant. Taylor was recently presented an

engraved watch for achieving 10,000 manhours.

worked together clearing the scenes of desolation and building new homes until the 300-yard strip is dotted with new homes and well landscaped yards.

Few scars remain but citizens will never forget that black Friday the 13th in March, 1953, when an ordinary spring day turned into a nightmare and 14 lives were snuffed out without

The News staff is doing a special feature this week reproducing some of the stories that appeared in The Abilene Reporter News, The Wichita Falls Times and Record News, and The Fort Worth Star Telegram, along with comments from local individuals as to where they were and what they were doing on that fateful Friday 13th! Pictures used in connection with the feature are used through the courtesy of Bill Baker.

See TORNADO Pages 4-5

Auxiliary To Meet Monday Night

The Knox County Hospital Auxiliary will meet Monday night, March 16, at 7:00 o'clock.

This month's meeting will be held at the auxiliary's newly-located Thrift Shop rather than the hospital cafeteria where previous meetings have been held. Members are asked to note this change.

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3-5	39	55	
3-6	40	61	
3-7	44	64	.17
3-8	37	46	.23
3.0	40	55	

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SUE WALKER ...new president

Sue Walker Is Head Of Seymour C-C

Former O'Brien resident Mrs. Sue Walker of Seymour, has been named president of the Seymour Chamber of Commerce being the first woman ever named to this position.

Mrs. Walker has served as chairman of Fish Day and was vice-president of the Seymour Chamber of Commerce last year. She also was chairman of the Chamber of Commerce Christmas parade in 1980. Other activities in which she has served as chairman include the Miss and Little Miss Lake Kemp contests in 1979 and 1980 as well as the American Cancer and March of Dimes drives for

Sue is married to Randy No Opposition In Walker and they have two sons, Justin and Marty. She is the daughter of Mrs. Annette Hester of O'Brien.

FROM STAMFORD Former Chief of Police Dave Thompson, who has joined the police force in Stamford, visited friends here Monday afternoon.

Races Develop In City, **Hospital Elections**

KNOX COUNTY

Last Wednesday, March 4, the deadline for filing for the city and school elections, two more candidates filed for city council seats.

KNOX CITY, KNOX COUNTY, TEXAS 79529

Bobby Vasquez, local businessman, and incumbent Cornie King both filed. joining the two others who had previously filed including incumbent Craig Williams and Carol Felts.

The four candidates will be seeking two seats for two year terms.

Mayor Charles Auburg is

Businessman Files For **City Council**

Local businessman, Bobby Vasquez, owner of Bobby's Oilfield Service, announced he filed for a seat on the city council last week.

Bobby has been in business in Knox City since March 1975. He and his wife, Louise, have resided here for 13 years. They have a daughter, Jennifer, and reside at 806

Benjamin Election

Benjamin's city election will have no contested races.

Mayor Vernon D. (Butch) McCanlies is unopposed in his bid for re-election while incumbent Dennis Duke and Fred McGregor have filed for the two seats on the city council.

unopposed as is councilman Larry Staggs for a one-year

No race developed for incumbents,

McGaughey, J.M. Emerson, and John Gillispie, filed for re-election for the three expiring terms. Another contested race of

interest to the voters will be for the one elective seat on the Knox County Hospital board. With Tuesday midnight, March 10, the deadline for filing, three candidates had filed including incumbent Greg Clonts, Bill Kingston, and Dr. W.F. Thompson. The Knox County Commissionners' Court re-appointed two members to the board last month including Galen Hord

and Terry Keener. The city, school, and hospital elections will be held jointly on Saturday, April 4. Absentee voting begins

March 16 and continues through March 31.

New Business To Open In **Knox City**

A grand opening to invite all of the old customers and welcome new ones has been slated for Tortilla Flat. a new eating establishment on North Central Avenue, Friday, March 13, from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Owners Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rocha would like to extend a welcome to everyone to come by for coffee and doughnuts.

The new cafe will be open on Saturday and Sunday and business nours win be announced at a later date, Mrs. Rocha said.

Kathy Zaiger Is Teacher Of The Year

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NEWS

Kathy Verhalen Zaiger was recently voted "Teacher of the Year" at Shackelford Junior High in Arlington where she has taught the past school trustees as the three seven years. Approximately 60 other teachers voted for Kathy for this honor. She teaches seventh grade basic, regular and honors reading and each year sponsors seventh, eighth and ninth

grade tournament speech. In 1980-81, Ms. Zaiger directed a play production of "Dracula" by the speech department and most currently directed the musical "Oklahoma" by the choir department. Her students won first and second in the Tarrant County poetry contest and she coached the sweepstakes winning speech and drama team.

This year, she also sponsored the spelling bee, wrote a seventh grade spelling curriculum guide for the Arlington schools, tutors, and teaches dance lessons after

Kathy is married to Russ Zaiger and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mat Verhalen. She is a graduate of Knox City High School and Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

L.W. Graham **Undergoes Surgery**

L.W. Graham underwent eye surgery Friday, March 6, in a Fort Worth hospital.

Accompanying Mr Graham to Fort Worth for the surgery were his sons, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Graham and Doyle Graham, and also Marge Rixford of Munday.

Dale Graham of Pasadena was also in Fort Worth with his father and brothers.

Mr. Graham returned to his home Saturday and is 'Doing well". According to reports. he is also "up and about" and enjoys visiting.

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3-12 1tc GENERAL ELECTRIC Washers, Dryers, Dishwashers and other major appliances. Special- Washer and Dryer Pair \$699.95 this week. City Hardware, 658-

NOTICES

RETIRING FROM the egg business. All of my DeKalb hens are for sale at \$2.00 each. They are nice laying hens. Also nest, feeders, waterers and egg baskets for sale. Phone 658- 3137, Knox City. Lloyd Waldrip. 3-12 2tc SALE CONTINUES at the

family Boutique. Savings up to 70% on many items! 3-12 1tc

JEAN LYLES of the Texas Art Gallery will teach an all day workshop, Saturday, March 28, from 9 to 4. Deposits must be in by March 21. The Art Stall, Knox City Mini Mall, phone 658-3957

3-12 1tc NEW GIFTS -- Brass. Wicker, frames arriving daily. The Art Stall, Knox City Mini Mall. 3-12 1tc SIX LITTLE Puppies will be given away - free! Call 658-

3-12 1tc

AUTOS, TRUCKS TRAILERS

FOR SALE -- 1978 Celica GT lift back, five speed; 1965 Mustang, four speed. Call 658-3133, or after five, call 658-

FOR SALE - 1980 Chevy Custom Deluxe 4-wheel drive, 3/4 ton, automatic, power, air, tilt, AM-FM radio, 11,900 miles, good condition. Call after 6:00 p.m. (817) 454-3191. 3-12 2tp

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MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

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RIVERSIDE CHEMICAL, Knox City, would like to help you with all your fertilizer and chemical needs. Call (817) 658-3841. tfc

INCOME TAX SERVICE -Federal taxes done quickly and reasonably. Trained by H&R Block, had several years' experience. Charleen Miller, 658-3213. 1-8 tfc

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FOR A FACIAL or Mary Kay products, call Mary Beth Smith, 658-3835, 200 South Second.

BRIGGS-STRATTON Factory Authorized Sales and Service, Parts, Service Manuals, Authorized Warranty Station. City Hardware, 658-3222. 3-12 1tc

CUSTOM FARMING and welding, Ed Daniel, 658-3196. 12-25 tfc

CARD OF THANKS

we wish to express our love and gratitude to our many friends for the beautiful cards, pot plants and memorials since the loss of our dear 3-12 1tc Mother.

God bless you. 3-12 1tp Virginia and Eddie

CAKD OF THANKS

I want to thank Dr. Thompson and the hospital staff for their tender loving care during my stay in the hospital. Also to Dr. Howell for coming in to see me and the Pink Ladies for their concern. The lovely letters, cards, telephone calls, and visits from my relatives and friends were appreciated. Thanks to the Lions Club, the senior citizens and the Methodist women for every kindness shown.

I especially want to thank everyone for their prayers. May the Lord bless each and

3-12 1tc Gene and Dovie Clonts

CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank everyone for the cards, phone calls, food and prayers while Willie

was in the hospital. Cleo and Willie

CARD OF THANKS Words carnot express our deep appreciation for all that was done for us during Bud's illness in the hospital. For the men of the Church and Bud's employers who rotated hours around the clock to give us relief. For the dedicated attention of the nurses and Dr. Thompson and all the hospital staff. For the expressions of love and encouragement, the prayers of friends and kin, the flowers, cards and visits. To us this meant God's love and compassion in action. Thank you and God bless you.

Mary Alice & Bud Thompson Ruby Robinson Jessie Teague LaVerne Thompson

John Milford

3-12 1tp

CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank everyone for their many expressions of sympathy, their prayers, cards, flowers, and food in the loss of our brother,

Manuel Villa. A special thanks to Bro. Trice who helped in many

Whitey Gutierrez

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CUSTOM BUILT -Four Bedroom, three baths, large family room with fireplace. So many extras you will have to see to appreciate. 610 South 4th. Shown by appointment only. Only \$88,500.00.

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IN MUNDAY -- Four very nice home building lots on Gail Street between South 11th and 12th. Excellent neighborhood. Paved street.

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WANTED

PART TIME

HELP WANTED The Texas Department of Human Resources is soliciting bids for a Janitorial Service Contract for its offices at 606 E. Main Street, Knox City. The job will be a part time in nature, and will require work one evening

a week. Bids will be accepted from individuals or service companies. Individuals must be over 18 years of age and with no police record. Bid information and applications may be obtained in the Department office as in-Quintanilla. Bid closing date will be 10:00 a.m. Friday,

March 20, 1981. No bids will

be acceptable after that time.

WANT TO BUY - Ladies' 10speed bicycle. Call after 5:00 p.m. 658-3157. 3-12 1tc

NEEDS SECRETARY -- Insurance experience helpful, must be good typist. Apply in person. Arnold Insurance and Real Estate.

GARAGE-SALE

GARAGE SALE -Friday and Saturday, 9-5, 208 South Second. Books, children's clothes, appliances, many miscellaneous items.

GARAGE SALE - Friday dicated above, from Ms. Jan only. Lots of ladies' good clothes, misc. items. One mile north of Knox City on Benjamin Highway. Johnnie

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LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Knox City-O'Brien Consolidated Independent School District, 400 North Fourth Street, Knox City, Texas, at the offices of the superintendent at 2:00 p.m. C.S.T. on the 27th day of March for the construction of an auditorium.

Separate proposals will be received on the following

1) Electrical Work 2) Floor Covering

3) Sound Reinforcement System

at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Copies of all plans, specifications, and other Contract Documents are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Architect, Fred W. Heaton, Jr., 205 E. Neches St., Suite 103, Palestine, Texas 75801, and may be obtained upon receipt of a \$30.00 deposit.

Bid security is to be furnished by each bidder in the amount of 2% of the bid, by cashier's check, certified check, or a bid bond.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days from the scheduled closing time.

Knox City-O'Brien Consolidated I.S.D. reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities.

3-5 2tc /s/J.M. Emerson, Sec.

LEGAL NOTICE THAT IN ACCORDANCE

WITH SECTION 30.05 OF THE PENAL CODE TEXAS CRIMINAL TRESPASS (SENATE BILL 111 PASSED THE LEGISLATURE), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL LANDS OF W.T. WAGGONER ESTATE ARE POSTED EXCEPT WHERE WRITTEN PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO COME UPON THE SAME.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF TAX **EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE**

TO HOMEOWNERS The Knox City-O'Brien Independent School District tax office is currently accepting applications for residence homestead exemptions. The deadline for filing is April 30, 1981. Applications should be filed as early as possible to avoid inconvenience to the homeowner.

Two types of homestead exemptions from school taxes are available to taxpayers who owned their residence homesteads in this school district on January 1 of this vear. First, the general homestead exemption is available to all homeowners and exempts \$5,000 from the market value of the homestead.

Second, any person who is 65 years of age or older or who is disabled can be exempted an additional \$10,000 from the market value of the homestead. Proof of age or disability may be necessary.

"Disabled," in this case, refers to the definition found in the Federal Old-Age Survivors, and Disability Insurance Act under Social Security Administration. Disability is defined as inability to engage in any substantial gainful employment which exists in the national economy, or, in the case of someone who is 55 and blind, inability by reason of such blindness to engage in the employment in which he was previously engaged. The person claiming disability does not necessarily have to be drawing benefits from Social Security.

Homeowners age 65 or older who apply for their exemption will not be granted a tax freeze. If application is not made, the tax freeze will be lost for this year.

Application forms were mailed earlier to all homeowners who qualified for a nomestead exemption in 1980. If you did not receive an application, or if you have questions about qualifying for exemptions or filing application forms, contact the

PUBLIC NOTICE

school tax office at 658-3054. Application forms may also be picked up at the office at 107 North Fourth (East).

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE ELECTION

The Knox City-O'Brien Independent School District Board of Trustees hereby gives notice of an election to be held on April 4, 1981, for the purpose of electing three trustees for a full three year

ABSENTEE VOTING by personal appearance will begin on 16, March, 1981, and continue through 31, March, 1981 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on each day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday.

Absentee voting in person shall be conducted at Knox City City Hall. Applications for absentee ballots by mail should be mailed to Supt. Office, P.O. Box 697 Knox City, Texas 79529.

The POLLING PLACES designated below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on the day of the election.

Knox County, Community Center, Knox City, Texas. Haskell County, O'Brien Coop Gin. O'Brien. Texas

3-12 1tc

PUBLIC NOTIC

AVISO DE ELECCION

DE REGENTES Por la presente la junta de regentes del distrito escolar independiente da aviso que se llevara a cabo una eleccion el dia April 4 de 1981 con el proposito de elegir tres regentes indicado a un ter-

mino completo. VOTACION POR AUSEN-CIA en persona comencera el 16 de Marzo de 1981 y continuara hasta el 31 de Marzo de 1981 desde las 8 a.m. hasta las 5 p.m. en todos los dias que no sean sabado, domingo, o dia oficial de vacaciones estatales.

Votando por ausencia personal va ser condocido acerca de Knox City Ciudad Oficina.

Solicitudes para una boleta de ausencia por correo deben dar vuelta por correo al Superintendent's Office, P.O. Box 697, Knox City, Texas

Los sitios de votacion indicados abajo se abriran desde las 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. el dia de la eleccion.

Knox County Community Center, Knox City, Texas. Haskell County, O'Brien Coop Gin. O'Brien, Texas.

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Birthday Honoree

A party honoring Ross

Wade Pierce, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Keith Pierce of Ben-

jamin, was held in observan-

ce of his first birthday,

Friday evening, March 6, at

seven o'clock in the home of

Enjoying a "Choo-Choo"

train birthday cake and pun-

ch were his grandparents,

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brooke

Hudson and Mr. and Mrs.

Sammy Pierce, Jeff Pierce,

Debbie Hudson, JoAnn Mc-

Nitt, Leigh Ann Littlecreek

and Aaron, Wade and Ruth

House, Julia Waldron, Vicki

Lewis, Bobby Frank Hudson,

Billye and Buddy Angle,

Stacy Angle, and the

his parents.

O'Brien Happenings

By AUDIE JOHNSTON

Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Banner spent the weekend with their son, Babe Banner and wife in Littlefield. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Lendon LaDuke in Olton.

Mrs. O.S. Johnston is in Lubbock taking care of her sister Lynelle Ratliff who fell and broke both arms last

Royce and Brad Manning of Abilene spent the weekend with Royce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Manning and

helped work cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayo Morris moved to Knox City last week. Mayo works for Butch Stephens and they built a new home in Knox City

Mrs. Bernice Rowan spent several days in Haskell with her grandchildren, Traci and Four Burson while their parents Trae and Debbie vacationed in Houston.

Those from the First Baptist Church who attended a 6hour special on the Bible en-

Former Residents 'Remarried' In Korea

Former Knox City residents Dorothy and Ray Plummer, who are celebrating their 37th wedding anniversary this year, were remarried in a mock ceremony during a visit to

FROM LUBBOCK

Gwen and Clay Hewitt of Lubbock visited over the weekend in the home of their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Angle and Stacy.

Others visitng during the weekend were Mrs. Tom Brooke Hudson and Mrs. Keith Pierce and Wade, all of Benjamin, and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Shaver.

South Korea late last year. Plummers were Friendship Force hosts to Guatemalans.

They traveled with the Friendship Force, a group which promotes friendship between countries through cultural exchange between individuals.

The bride wore a manyhued brocade gown and the groom wore a brilliant blue, embroidered robe.

"By living and visiting in one another's homes, lasting friendships are made, even when there is a language barrier," Plummer said.

Plummer is superintendent of one of Sohio's oldest oil and gas fields, the West Edmond Hunton Lime Unit near Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Webb of

The young lass weighed in

measured 20 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are

the Rev. and Mrs. James Pat-

terson and Mr. and Mrs. Bud

Webb of Hamlin are paternal

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Feild

of Austin are the proud

parents of a baby girl born

February 12 in an Austin

The young miss has been

named Catherine Elizabeth

and she weighed in at seven

Grandparents include Mrs.

The baby is the great-niece.

of Blanche and Clifford

Chester Elliott and Mr. and

Mrs. Feild, all of Austin.

Elliott of Knox City.

pounds, nine ounces

grandparents.

They plan to call her Julie.

Weinert announce the birth of



Look Who's Here

Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Crownover of Amarillo are the proud parents of a baby a daughter, Julia Rossane, girl born Wednesday, March born Saturday, February 28 4, at 7:04 a.m. in High Plains at 7:23 p.m. in Haskell Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

The young miss has been named Justa Gwynne and she weighed in at seven pounds, at seven pounds, eight and She one-half ounces and she thirteen ounces. measured 19 inches in length.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Crownover of Knox City and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crownover, also of Knox City, paternal greatgrandparents.

Maternal grandparents are Joe and Viola Taylor of Canyon and maternal greatgrandparents are Dora Casebolt, also of Canyon, and Laura Taylor of Collinsville, Oklahoma

Keith and Chi-Chi had a visitor February 10, 1981, at 7:41 in Iowa Park. It was the stork. He left an eight pound, nine ounce baby. Sisters Sandi and Sally decided their new brother needed a name, so everyone agreed it should be Justin Keith.

Ready to help spoil the youngster are maternal grandparents, Sandra Pautsky and Bill Price. Also paternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Rusk.

Mr. and Ms. Noel Pautsky and Lee R. Price, maternal great-grandparents, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Catlin and C. Rusk, paternal greatgrandparents, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Catlin and C. Rusk, paternal greatgrandparents, will have a hand in spoiling him

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titled, "Walk Through the Bible" last Saturday were the Rev. and Mrs. Bill Trice, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Emerson, Justin and Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Don Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Claudale Barnard, Butch Stephens, Becky and Beth Underwood, Charles and Faye Reed, and Alex, Carol, Jonathan, Joe and Dan God-

Mrs. Eva Covey flew to Macon, Georgia, Saturday to be with her sister, Barbara Brown while Barbara's daughter, Patty Dotson had surgery. She will probably be there about a week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Cox over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Irby Carlisle, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Reed and Linda of Anton, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dickson of

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Johnson is Oscar's brother, Ira Johnson. His son, Larry Don Johnson brought him here to visit from Riley,

Those in the hospital and those who have been released recently are Willie Sparks, dismissed from Knox County Hospital; John Underwood, had surgery in Haskell County Hospital but has been released and is home; and Charlene Brothers who is now in Wichita General Hospital in Wichita Falls.

Ruth and Anne Underwood were in Alice this week to attend the funeral for Ruth's sister, Mrs. Fred Capps, who was 85 years old.

Murry Underwood and Lucille Collins met them in Fort Worth to accompany them to the funeral services.

O'Brien readers, if you want your loved ones away from home to get 'a letter from home' in the KC News each week, call me at 658-3852 and give me your news, please. Thanks!

IN LUBBOCK

Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Hollis were in Lubbock for Mrs. Hollis's birthday dinner with the F.C. Stanleys, Roy Burgess of Snyder, Margie Tidwell, and Matt Cook.

SBA Loans Available Until April 13

LUBBOCK - The deadline for farmers and ranchers to file physical crop loss disaster loan applications under the Small Business Administration (SBA) declaration #1900 is April 13, 1981. Business have until July 13, 1981, to apply for Economic Injury Disaster Loans. This declaration covers the drought and extreme heat conditions during the 1980 crop production If a Farmers Home Ad-

ministration (FmHA) borrower suffers a disaster loss, it is suggested the borrower apply first with FmHA. An applicant cannot receive the total amount of his eligibility from both FmHA and SBA for the same disaster loss to his crops. Under SBA guidelines, should an applicant not receive his full eligibility from FmHA, he could apply with SBA for the difference provided his application is received by the April 13, 1981 deadline.

For applications to be accepted, they must be received by the close of business or postmarked before midnight of the deadline date.

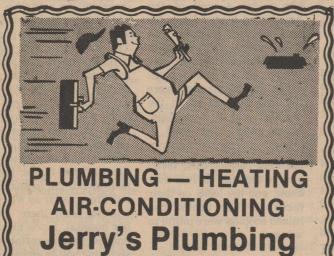
Saturday Shower Fetes Miss Hammer

Shelly Hammer, brideelect of Max Rocha, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday, March 7, in the home of Mrs. Johnny Rocha. Calling hour was from two until three o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Rocha greeted guests and presented them to the honoree.

Chella Rocha registered guests from an antique wood table. A vase of yellow and blue carnations was used on

The honoree was presented a corsage of white daisies by

Serving refreshments of punch, wedding cookies, mints and nuts were Mrs. Sid Richardson and Mrs. Mague Rocha. The serving table was covered with a white cloth and the centerpiece was a basket of blue and vellow silk daisies. Also on the table were two white turtle doves. Appointments were of gold





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KC Colored News Events

St. Paul Baptist held Sunday school with a small attendance. Supt. Manuel in charge, the lesson was taught by the teacher, viewed by the supt, then on to The Church of the Living God for a wonderful morning service the attendance were small by the spirit were high. Bro. Roberson preach from Matt 16:13-16 Do you really know Christ?

> SERVICES OF THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Each of the weekly meeting were held here except Sunshine Band.

Minister Tilly preached during a three nights meeting at the Munday Church last

The meeting that was to be held at the Rule Church last week was cancelled.

The Abilene District Purity Class and a part of the Sunshine Band held a choir night. The children sang beautifully under the supervision of their presidents Sister, Mae Dell Young of Abilene and Missionary Wilson of Knox

Sunday School had a good,

EX-PUBLISHER VISITS

Former Knox County Herald owner and publisher James E. Hill, who is in the process of moving from Plainview to Lubbock, visited briefly in the News office Friday afternoon.

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attendance with the Assistant, Supt., Minister

Minister James Washington brought a stirring message from Psalms 121

The YPWW Joint meeting was held at the Stamford Church on Sunday evening.

Deacon Wellington of the Rule church brought a message from Proverbs 3:1,5 and Minister Daughtery of Abilene preached from Luke 3:5, 6, and Isaiah 35:8, on Sunday evening.

The presidents, Sister

book of Genesis.

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PRODUCTS

Tilly in charge In the morning service

Bible Band joint meeting was held at the Knox City Church on Monday night of

Manuel had the vice president, Sister Hardeman to conduct the service.

The scriptures for the round table discussion was brought from Psalms 133 and reference was made to the lives of Esau and Jacob in the

The classes, co-sponsored by

American Lung Association and the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, are scheduled from 4:00 p.m. until 4:45 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday for a six week period. The classes will emphasize both education and exercise for the asthmatic

There is no charge for these classes, with a Physician's referral the only entrance requirement.

A special "Family Night" is slated for 7:00 p.m. March 31 in the Board Room at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center featuring a film, information and discussion. Parents and children are invited, free of charge.

For more information, readers contact Ofelia Gonzales at the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at 692-

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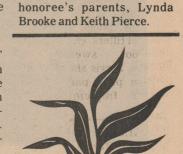
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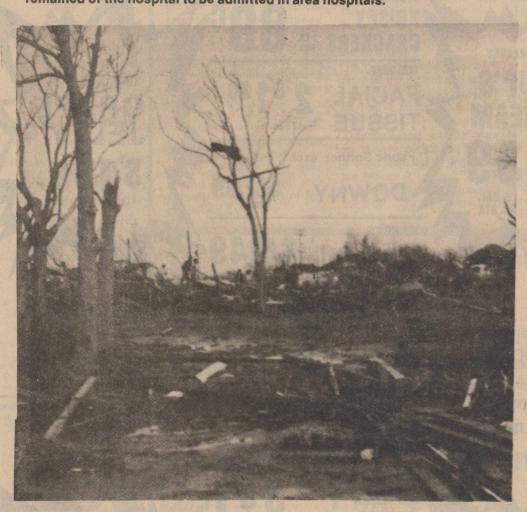
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THE REAR of the Knox County Hospital as it looked in 1953 following the tornado. The doctors and nurses had moved all patients into the halls where they were spared the worst of the storm's fury.



ONLOOKERS WAIT as patients are brought out of the 'shell' of what remained of the hospital to be admitted in area hospitals.



COMPLETE DEVASTATION - Persons in background sift through debris where a house once stood.



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ABILENE, TEXAS, SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH

Sky's Black Fu Dead, 23 Hurt

WF Newsman **One Of First** At Storm Site

By AL HALL Wichita Falls Record News **Staff Writer**

(Editor's Note: Al Hall, state editor of the Times, Record News, was the first out of town newsman to reach Knox City following the tragic tornado. Here is his eye witness account of the scene.)

A deathly hush hung over Knox City as I drove into town less than an hour after a death-dealing tornado had laid waste to some eight or ten blocks.

Volunteer firemen were directing traffic, tragic-faced weeping survivors were picking through rubble in the almost vain hope of recovering a memento or something tangible of the life they had enjoyed a few short minutes before.

White refrigerators stood as tombstones, marking the sites of comfortable homes that had been flattened or the devastating wind.

Streets were blocked with uprooted trees, telephone and light poles, wires were everywhere, and the trees still standing were festooned with sheets of corrugated roofing.

My first thought was to get to the hospital, to check on casualties. But the hospital was the first structure to be razed by the storm.

The plate glass windows of the operating room had been blown out and the equipment was a shambles. Windows all over the building were gone, and one complete wall had been ripped from the inner wall. Not a brick was left in place.

But the nurses, who had watched the storm's approach. well were disciplined, and although shaken by the ordeal were hastily evacuating the patients. Between 25 and 30 patients, including two mothers with newborn babes, were transferred to other hospitals or private homes.

Already four ambulances from other towns had arrived and were loading patients. Then the injured started to arrive. As fast as facilities could be set up in one of the less badly damaged rooms of the hospital, blood donors by the score lined up -- waiting to give the vital fluid that might save a life. Hap Smith, Rochester druggist, was stationed at the door, methodically listing the patients as they arrived and were transferred to other

There were literally hundreds standing around on the watching lawns proceedings. But the stark tragedy made coherent thought almost impossible. The only signs of hysteria were apparent among those who had escaped uninjured

'Where I Was...'

"It was Friday, the 13th day of March, 1953.

'School was dismissed that afternoon. We, myself (Romain), Dessie, two yearold Sue and Mama Day went to school and picked up brothers Bobby, a junior high student and Clyde, a third grade student, who had already begun walking to Dessie's house. We drove to Munday and shopped and then returned to Knox City. By that time, the sky was sandy and rain was pouring. We went to John and Dessie Egenbacher's house and the sky had darkened. Mama Day ran to the phone to ask for help, then realized it was too late. She told the children to get into the bathroom knowing a tornado was upon us. Clyde, watching outside, was amazed at the houses going up in the air. While Bobby was rolling around in the bathtub, Dessie was

holding on to Sue, which was the floor. The nouse completely demolished except for the bathroom.

'Mama Day was also in the bathroom during the storm.

'After the storm was over, Clyde was missing. I found him under a wall of the demolished house. I ran for help for two blocks, Fred Posey came. In the meantime, Mama Day lost her bridge out of her mouth. Clyde and Mama Day were the first ones to go to the hospital and it was gone, blown away. They went to

but were rushing their loved ones to the only asylum they knew, and the looks on their faces as they beheld the ruined hospital were pitiful to

Communications from Knox City were confined to mobile telephones on police cars and those owned by oil companies which flocked in to summon aid and maintain contact with the outside

As the injured and dying began arriving faster than they could be given first-aid, they were transferred to ambulances directly from the cars in which they arrived. Then the count of actual casualties became impossible and it may be hours before all are located.

But through it all, the firemen, peace officers and just plain civilians who volunterred to direct traffic, kept the lanes open for the emergency cars, and traffic moved smoothly minimum delays.

As the shock wore off, good neighbors turned to coordinating their efforts to provide shelter, comfort and food for the less fortunate. Within two hours the crisis had passed, and the town started binding its wounds. But the scars of damaged homes and broken families will long remind Knox City of the tragic 13 minutes at 2:13 on Friday the 13th that left 13 lifeless victims in its wake.

Stamford in the first ambulance. Clyde was hospitalized for two weeks with a concussion.

"Daddy Day was playing dominoes unaware of the storm. All our family members were okay. Kenneth was at school playing ball, Dessie and John Egenbacher built back their home in the same location.

"The only thing I lost were my shoes. Dessie lost her home and belongings and also her shoes!

'Clyde was in the tornado that hit Lubbock also and Bobby was not too far away during the Lubbock storm."

-- Romain Day Stubbs

"School dismissed early this day in order for our teachers to attend the Texas State Teachers Convention at Vernon. I drove a bus route which ran west of Knox City. While on the route, I encounhard to do. I was thrown to tered heavy rain. It rained so nard that the bus eventually drowned out I was unable to restart the bus so I decided to return to town and pick up a spare bus. An oil field worker gave me a lift and about the time we reached the cemetery we noticed a dark red sandstorm between the low clouds and the ground. The sandstorm was moving to the northeast. The location appeared to be in the east part of Knox City. We were not aware that we were watching a tornado in progress. When we crossed the intersection of North Third and Avenue C, I noticed obstructions in Third Street. We turned toward the football field and drove as far as we could. Looking from there toward our hospital, I saw blocks of unbelievable devastation; a sight that will be etched in my mind forever."

-- W.R. (Bill) Baker

"Friday the 13th of March

in the year 1953, I was working at Kemletz and Carl Department Store in Knox City. Alice Wilson and I were standing in the door watching the rain come down in torrents. All of a sudden, debris of all description began to fall. (The electricity was off at the time.) I looked across the street and saw Ford Waldrip running down the east side of the street soaking wet. I told Alice something had happened at O'Brien and I began to hunt for Mr. Kemletz so he could take me home and see about all my family at O'Brien. About that time, Curtis Coates came down the street from the north and saying all of the east of Knox City was blown away. I finally found Mr. Kemletz coming from the domino hall. Before he took me home I went to West Texas Utilities where our daughter Sammie was working and she didn't know anything was going on. Mr. Kemletz took me to O'Brien and my family was all okay. Mr. Kemletz then went to Rochester to get an ambulance for the injured at O'Brien. They finally ended up taking some of the injured to the hospital at Haskell as this hospital was already full

and they had to use pickups to take some of them in to the

"All was quiet at the Knox

City Clinic at 2:15 p.m.

-- Audie Johnston

Friday, March 13, 1953, as employees were getting ready for the doctors' and patients' arrival. A flowering peach tree was in full bloom at the back and the employees stopped to admire it. Their attention was diverted to a black, muddy cloud a block to the southwest. Inez (Logan) Herr left the group to answer the telephone and tell Herald Editor Irene Branch that "we're having a tornado here". Inez and Ethel Lemond took cover in a small restroom. Carol (Finley) Godsey and I ran to the office eager to be free and enjoy a of Dr. R.C. Edwards and threw our arms around each other. As the roof and some of the walls disintegrated, it sounded like giant sheets of return home, through heavy aluminum foil being crum- showers, reaching Crowell pled. No one was injured in after a deluge of rain We the building, although the structure was a total loss. Cars were demolished, adding to the unbelievable litter. Soon patients and their families emerged from the nado

hospital. An ambulance with a heart patient (J.A. Hallmark) drove onto the hospital street. A ruptured natural gas line west of the hospital posed a problem. The injured soon arrived at the hospital, some on doors and other makeshift stretchers. Doctors, nurses and volunteers performed heroically in treatment and evacuation.

-- Mary Stone

Friday, March the 13th, 1953, was a black day in O'Brien. Something happened that none of us had ever experienced.

"We were in our gym taking P.E. when I noticed several of the board members and our superintendent, each of them very concerned. I overheard one of the board members say "tornado". All of the elementary students were brought to the gym. In fact, all of the students in O'Brien School were in the gym. Then we weren't aware of the safer places to be. as that was probably the most dangerous.

"The tornado missed our school. Our little O'Brien community was really torn up. People were killed, homes destroyed, cars wrapped around trees and debris in power lines.

'Even to this day when I see a bad cloud I want to be close to a cellar.'

-Katrine Allred Hudson

"Willie Collins and I were in Haskell, wiring the Haskell School contract. We caught up with the brick layers early that afternoon and went by the theatre to bid on a remodeling job. Willie went to the telephone company to pay his phone bill. The phone company was in a confused mess, the tornado had hit O'Brien and was headed for Knox City. Needless to say,

the phone bill did not get paid and I did not bid on the building. Somehow 20 minutes later we were in Knox City. It was bad, everyone was working and trying to help. Friday, March 13, 1953, a day we won't

-- Doyle Graham

"March 13, 1953, was a day filled with interests, conferences and hysteria!

"It began with an enjoyable ride with some of my teacher friends to Vernon where our TSTA District Meeting was in session. Having a holiday, even when it means attending workshops, gives one a different feeling or reaction than when one is standing before a class of 30 pupils

spring break. 'After the afternoon session at the Memorial Building, we started on our stopped at a service station for gasoline and a refreshing Coke and received the news that Knox City had been practically destroyed by a tor-

"The remaining time of the return trip was a nightmare! "In Benjamin, I stopped to inquire from Sam Leaverton, who was standing on the steps of the Court House, about the storm and to try to find out what disasters or

assured me there were many injured people but thought there were no deaths. 'Rushing on toward Knox City, I was prevented from entering at the city limits because of the debris and dangers awaiting anvone

driving on the downtown

fatalities had occurred. He

streets. 'The east side of the town, where our home was located, was said to have suffered more destruction. I was escorted to this area by the City police entering from the Munday highway. Walking cautiously, in semi-darkness, we managed to reach South Third Street, to discover several homes leveled in that area. Our home received some damage but the small house across the street on a corner was completely destroyed. However, there were no injuries since the occupants were in the storm

"Our young son, luckily was in town with his father, waiting to get a haircut and my father, E.L. Park, who had been sitting in his easy chair waiting for the rain to be over had gone to the front door to see what was happening when the real tornado struck. I felt so fortunate that none of my family was in the storm; yet so many suffered losses and fatalities.

cellar.

"Neal, and others working at the drug store and other places, walked from downtown and policed the streets from now Avenue E to Avenue K and as far south as the nospital, carrying the injured on doors and boards recovered from the destroyed

-- Lillian Logan

eporter—News morning

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Storm Dead And Injured

THE DEAD Mrs. I.B. Ashley, 49, Jud. Carlton Richard Ashley, 11, her son.

Velma Ruth Ashley, 5, her daughter. Glenda Sue Ashley, 3, her

daughter. Mrs. Joe Klutts, about 40, near O'Brien, and two of her

children, a boy, about 12, and a girl, about 16. A woman lived with the Klutts family in their trailer

home, whose name was not known. She was about 20. W.W. Hyde about 70, of

Knox City. Mrs. John Escobar, about

45, of O'Brien. Mrs. Martina Avalos, 65, Mrs. Escobar's mother. Fred Qualls, about 65, of

O'Brien. J.T. Darr, 76, Route 2, Knox City.

CRITICALLY HURT Knox City, in Hendrick strangers.

Hospital, Abilene. Mrs. Fred Qualls, 63, of O'Brien, head injuries; Haskell Hospital.

Lilly Mae Escobar, about 10, O'Brien, both arms broken, leg injury; in

Haskell Hospital. Ruch Ashley, about 15, Jud head injury; Haskell Hospital.

G.D. McCarty, 75, Knox City, fractured leg and other injuries; Seymour Hospital.

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Hendrick Hospital, Abilene Mrs. L.L. Houston, 73, Route 1, Knox City.

Stamford Sanitarium-Ms. E.H. Day and two children. Knox City; Clyde Grissom Day, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Day, Knox City.

Haskell Hospital-Glenn Bell, 30, Knox City; baby girl Littlejohn, O'Brien; Mrs. G.H. Taylor, 23, and daughter, Barbara Jean, 11/2, both of Fort Worth, visiting their mother and grandmother in Jud; J.W. Oxford, 68, Rochester; Shirley Ashley, 9, Jud; Wanda Ashley, 4, Jud.

Seymour Hospital-Mrs. B.E. Karr, 81, Rochester; Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Cornett, 70 and 53, Knox City; Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Ball, 63 and 48, Knox City.

Most Silent Who Know Storm's Fury

By ED N. WISHCAMPER Reporter-News Managing Editor ROCHESTER, March 13. -Who knows the fury and

power of a tornado?

Perhaps only those who lost their lives. Their stories are not known.

You drive down the muddy reads and step through the shambles of the ruins and shake your head.

"It's unbelievable what a tornado can do," one says, the storm roared through and that pretty well sums it

You can see, but you can't conceive, the destructive force that wrought such havoc.

Knox City's 'Black Friday'

Victims Dig Among Wreckage, Dazed

By GERALD SKIDMORE Wichita Falls Record News Staff Writer

KNOX CITY, March 13 -- It was truly a black Friday the 13th for the 1,488 residents of this small city.

But with all the wreck, ruin and death that a powerful tornado could wield, neighbor began to help neighbor, and bits of furniture, a few prized possessions and little less was begin salvaged.

Residents of the approximately 40 homes wrecked were left with nothing but grotesque ruins -or nothing. Most were getting settled for the night with Mrs. J.T. Darr, 72, Route 2, relatives, friends or

> The stories of the windy blast were many. Some of

Storm Gave No Warning Of Approach

By JIMMY BRANCH Editor/Publisher

Knox County Herald KNOX CITY. March 13 -- A death-dealing tornado sideswiped this West Texas town of 2,000 persons this afternoon, leaving death and destruction in its wake.

The twister dropped down from a rain-soaked sky, striking the southeast section of the city without warning about 2:20 p.m. Residents were enjoying what looked like a drouth-breaking rain when nature's masterpiece of destruction took the joy out of the Friday 13th afternoon.

Communication lines were snarled immediately and streets were littered with rubbish from wrecked homes. Approximately 20 homes were destroyed and many more seriously damaged. A count of the dead and injured was still going on

at a late hour. The tornado struck the Knox City Clinic-Hospital, doing extensive damage, but none of the patients were seriously injured. Trained hospital personnel evacuated the hospital immediately.

The citizens of this small. thriving community seemed to be stunned by the suddenness of the tragedy which struck without any warning. Many were poking around in the ruins of the residential area, hunting for injured and dead.

Mrs. C.E. Williams, operating a short-wave radio unit, was the first to tell the outside world about the tragedy. No telephone circuits were in operating order from Knox City.

It was a hit-and-run tornado. The twister left as fast as it arrived. Seconds after town, quiet prevailed. The sun broke through an overcast and shined down on the destruction left in the wake of

almost miraculous escapes; others with a bit of humor. Most were pathetic.

"It was in my back yard before we discovered it," Mrs. John Lewis said. "I grabbed my 18 month old son and daughter and ran to the car. John and Carolyn (husband and daughter) remained in the house," she

While Mrs. Lewis was talking, her husband and nephew were loading the remains of the furnishings of their home on a truck, getting set to move into another house, under construction. 'We only moved here about

two weeks ago, and the house we moved from had only one window broken," she added. looking toward what used to be her home, now moved several feet from its foundation and battered all over by the heavy winds.

Across the street, Mrs. Ada Clark was looking over the debris that was once her home. Nothing but bits of wood, glass and other small items remained.

"Everything I have is gone," she sobbed. "Even the pump off my well and my new ice box. I don't know where it is. She looked down at her blue dress. "This is all I have left, and it's not very pretty,' she added

Mrs. Clark was downtown when the tornado struck her

But next door, an 18-yearold boy saw the storm coming, grabbed his dog and rushed to Mrs. Clark's, yelling for her to open the storm cellar. Unable to get an answer, Ed Wynn crouched in an outside corner of the house and waited for the blow to hit.

"I felt myself sucked between two walls which split

Sam Johnston

apart and thrown through the air," young Wynn said. He was thrown about 60 feet. His home was moved from its foundation and almost com-

pletely destroyed. One of the miracle stories to come out of the tornado was that of T.C. Carter. He was in his pickup truck with another man, Glen Bell.

When the winds hit, the men and truck were picked up, tossed about and thrown about 100 yards. Carter escaped with only a bruise on his head, but Bell was taken to a hospital. The truck was demolished.

'Here's where they dug my mother out," Leonard Houston said, pointing to a pick up a flashlight.

"I don't know how bad she was hurt; someone said she had a broken arm...I haven't been able to check yet," he added. The mother, Mrs. L.L. Houston was alone at the house when the tornado

Sightseers Crowd Town On the highway, vehicles

packed with sightseers or those trying to locate relatives poured into the city. Members of all law enforcement offices in the area and of the highway department tried to direct the cars, turning some back, letting those with business in.

At the Knox County Hospital, officials saw the blast of wind coming and

prepared. Twenty-seven patients and all the personnel of the hospital escaped injury. The patients who were able were sent home; others were sent to other hospitals.

The building was practically in ruins as nurses were busy trying to keep up with

loss of wounded being sent out to hospitals in the area.

Emergency patients brought in from the tornado were quickly loaded into ambulances arriving from all over the area. They were scattered from Abilene to Seymour.

After dark, part of the city's lights were restored, but one part -- the eastern remained in darkness.

Some Are Uninjured In Storm

By KATHARYN DUFF

Reporter-News Staff Writer KNOX CITY, March 13-At 2:15 p.m. Friday a tornado turned the Knox County Hospital into a shambles.

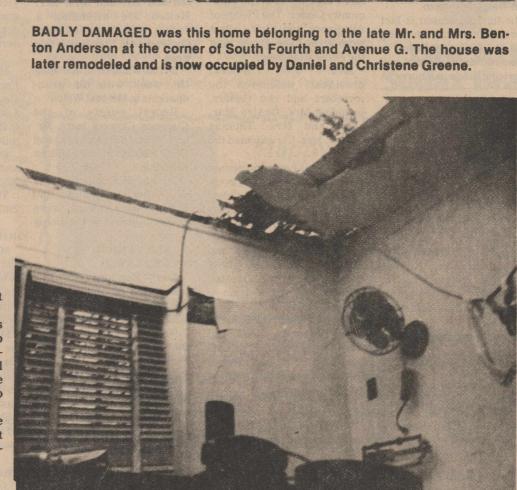
The roof was yanked off. Bricks were stripped from outside walls. South and west walls caved. Torrents of rain and hail poured through glassless windows. Electricity, telephone, gas and water service stopped.

Patients were screaming. Minutes later the injured started coming for help. Some came by car as drivers dodged fallen trees and poles. Some came afoot, wading deep water and picking their way through tangled utility

"Four people came carrying a badly hurt woman in a bedspread," said Mary Parsons, Knox City Clinic employee

Doctors set up emergency stations in the hospital wreckage.

'We gave 'em blood and hypos and did what we could," said young Dr. Ben Bowden





THIS PICKUP 'flew through the air' according to owner T.C. Carter who witnessed the horrible sights from a bar ditch where he had taken refuge.

13 Take Refuge In O'Brien Man's Cellar

O'BRIEN, March 14 -- Thirteen persons of varying colors and origins pushed into the Sam Johnston cellar for shelter as a tornado ripped within 100 yards of his home Friday

"Thirteen more could have got in there, and probably would if they'd known it was there," Johnston, a farmer

It was a strange assemblage, but no one bothered about the formalities of in-

Johnston's Negro maid, Lennie McGuire of Knox City, and her daughter, Josie, were

"Lennie was praying and shouting, 'Oh my God, have mercy on my children'." They were back in Knox City and Lennie feared for their

Race From Car Even a couple of men left a car on the highway and raced for Johnston's cellar. They made it and no questions were asked. Johnston doesn't

know yet who they were. Johnston's wife, Audie, and

daughter, Sammie Lee, 20, were working in Knox City. Members of the family in the cellar with Johnston were another daughter, Mrs. Billy Proffitt, three sons, John Tom, 11, Jimmy, 8, and Don, 6, a daughter, Shirley Fay, 3, his father-in-law and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R.I. Walsworth

of O'Brien, and Billy Self. "We saw tin and pieces of trees flying through the sky,'



CITIZENS DO WHAT THEY CAN TO HELP

Benjamin News

By GLADENE GREEN

CLEAN-UP-DAY PLANNED

Encouraged by the Sorosis Club here in Benjamin, a citywide clean up day is planned for Saturday, March 14. The group is encouraging everyone to clean up their own places, then venture on to the vancant lots to help clean them. Bring your working tools and lots of energy and weather permitting, a lot will get done on that

FIRE DEPT. NEWS

The Benjamin Volunteer Fire Department will hold a public meeting in the County Courthouse on Tuesday, March 17, for interested Citizens Concerning tornadoes and the Benjamin Civil Warning system.

The tornado season is fact approaching and knowing what to look for and what to do are two decisions that will have to be made in a hurry. A

City-County **Library Sets Sale**

The City-County Library is sponsoring a Sidewalk Book Sale, Wednesday, March 18, in Munday. Tables of surplus library books and paperbacks will be set up outside the library.

Readers are invited to go by and browse. Anyone wishing to donate books or paperbacks is requested to take them to the library by March 13.

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> DON HERTEL 817-454-2691 Benjamin, Texas

film will be presented first followed by a demonstration of the Benjamin Civil detective warning systems, stated Fire Chief Steve Bisbee. The public is invited to attend the

Newly elected officers for 1981-82 are Fire Chief, Steve Bisbee, Assistant Chief, Fred McGregor, Secretary-Treasurer, Dennis Duke; Training Officer, Bobby Trainham; Fire Marshall, Ronnie White; and Chaplin,

K.C Study Club Meets February 26

The Knox City Study Club met February 26 in the Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance and Club Collect were given. The group sang the Federation Song

McGee, J.C. president, welcomed the members and two visitors, including Mrs. DeAlva Marshall and Mrs. Thomas Christ., Mrs. Christ joined the

Mrs. Neal Logan presented the program on her "Travels in Spain". She showed slides, pictures, fans, jewelry, scarves and many very interesting articles

Mrs. Exa Faye Reed and Mrs. C.C. Hutchinson served cookies, orange balls, toasted peanuts and coffee from a very attractive table.

Those present in addition to those previously mentioned were Mr. and Mrs. E.R. Carpenter, A.P. Denton, James Patterson and G.E. Wilson

Retired Teachers Hear Rule Woman

The Knox County Retired Teachers Association met Tuesday, February 24, at the Community Center with president Hazel Long in

Lois Smith introduced the speaker, Mrs. Weldon Norman of Rule, who delighted showed films of her recent trip to China. Among highlights were the Great Wall of China, the vast hordes of people, their friendliness and courtesy. She contrasted conditions in China and

Hostesses Mary Jo Lankford and Lois Smith served cherry pie and coffee to twelve members and their guest. Mrs. Norman was presented with a gift of appreciation.

Clyde McCollough. ATTEND WEDDING

Julia Propps accompanied by Mabel Moorhouse of Amarillo attended the wedding of Susan Propps and Steven Watkins in Los Alamas, New Mexico. On Saturday, February 14. The wedding was held in the Chapel of the Holy Faith

ATTEND FUNERAL Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Clower and their daughter Mrs. Bill Powers of Midland attended the funeral of Mrs. Clower's sister. Minnie Randall in

Bowie Saturday HERE N THERE

Episcopal Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Roberson and Mr. and Mrs. H.T. Melton are attending a Judges and Commissioners Conference in Fort Worth this

Byron Waldron is spending the week with his grandparents in Mineral Wells.

Recent guests of the Clarence Clowers were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Powers and Chris Robertson and children of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Parker of Asperment and Bud Clower of Lubbock were weekend guests of the Leroy

PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEK SLATED

School will be conducting an open house on March 20.

The program will begin at 7:00 with K through 6 putting Following will be the Ben-"Stranger With Roses", Nassau. Followed by open house for each individual class room. **FFANEWS**

By Eric Redder All classes have been busy as usual. Ag I had a test Wed nesday on duties, responsibilities, and the FFA Program of activites. The Swearingen, last week. rest of the week was spent motions and designed a kite. ted construction on kites. Friday, they finished their College Saturday night. construction.

print on our school and made corrections. Studied material on 1040 A income tax forms and had a test Wednesday.

Area Oil News

D & H Oil Co. completed well No. 1 on D.J. Brookerson Lease, 330 feet from most easterly north line and 2,220 feet from most easterly east line of Sec. 91, Blk. 2, D&WRR Survey, yielding 50 barrels of 33 gravity oil per day from total depth of 2,279 feet, 134 miles northeast of Knox City.

E.H. Wortham, Wichita Falls, staked location for a 2,600 foot wildcat test in Knox County, six miles northwest of Knox City and 4,500 feet southwest of 2,317 foot Tannehill sand production in APC field. Designated 1 Lee Smith, location is 2,950 feet from northwest line and 334 feet from southwest line of MEP&P Survey, A-560.

Sun Texas Company completed well No. 5603 on Fant Est. Lease, 1,980 feet from southeast line and 660 feet from southwest line of T.M. northwest of Benjamin.

Haskell County Hopehill Petroleum Inc., Fort Worth, No. 1 Tankersley-Mitchell is a planned 4,800-foot wildcat for the O'Brien (Strawn) Field six miles east of O'Brien.

HOME FROM CRUISE

The Benjamin Public in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben

Mrs. Smith reported that on a singing program. the group drove to Miami, Florida, and were on board jamin High School putting on ship for one week where they their One Act Play, visited Jamacia, Haiti, and

She also reported a wonderful time with the exception of 'seasickness"

FROM COLORADO

Joe Swearingen of Colorado Springs spent several days here with his mother, Alma

BACK HOME

cording to Sue, is so 'happy' to be home again.

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Film 6: What Wives Wish Their Husbands Knew About Women-Money, Sex, and Children

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January 29, 1981 -- Elizabeth Roberts from Benjamin residence to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson, Roland Marion, and Billy Bob

Reynolds.

Adams Survey, A-1367, yielding 43 barrels of 43 gravity oil per day from total Dear Billie Bess and All, depth of 6,120 feet, 61/2 miles

Drillsite is 467 feet from the south and east lines of Section 205. Block 45. H&TC Survey. The lease is composed of

Mr. and Mrs. Z.I. Smith and their son and daughter-Smith of Fort Worth, have returned from a Carribbean

They also visited in Plaindrawing drafts of plaques and view with two other sons and got them ready to be built. Ag their families, Mr. and Mrs. II had a test over the 12 Wallace Swearingen and Parlimentary Procedure children and Mr. and Mrs. Cled Swearingen then on Thursday they star- children, and attended a musical at Wayland Baptist

Mrs. Swearingen remained Ag IV covered the blue in Plainview for several days

Thursday and Friday was staying with her daughter spent on repairing and taking Sue and husband Frank sina shop inventory. School is ce her release from the out March 9 through the 13 hospital in December has and will resume on Monday, returned to her home and ac-

REPORT

February 1, 1981 -- L.C. Brown from Brazos Valley Care Home to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Roland

Letters To The Editor

February 23, 1981 3711 Galuez Fort Worth, Tex. 76111

You don't know how we look forward to Thursday to get our weekly letter from home. It is like getting a letter when we get The Knox County News and read about what the people of Knox City

have been doing. We have been gone from Knox City for quite a while but still know most of the people there. Enclosed is our check for another year's subscription. John and Pearl Clark

Mabank, Texas

Dear Billye, Sorry to be late with my

Subscription check. We enjoy keeping up with news of friends in Knox. Love,

Fred and Oma Jones Editor's Note: Thanks to you both for the kind remarks! If we could get more local folk to report their news, it would be even better!

> Benjamin Tex, 79505 Feb. 26, 1981

Dear Sir: Please renew our Knox Co. paper for another year. Thank you for reminding

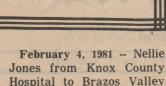
me it was due. Mrs. Rex A. Patterson Benjamin, Texas, 79505

IN WOODALL HOME

Mr. and Mrs. David Woodall, Charlie and Paul of Henrietta visited his parents, the Frank Woodalls, and his grandmother, Cora Saunders, last weekend.

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Care Home. Attendants were

Cornelia Tolleson and

Roland Marion. February 6, 1981--Ben Snelson from Brazos Valley Care Home to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Roland Marion and Wayne McKinney.

February 7, 1981 -- Lala Morgan from Dr. R.G. Howell's clinic to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Roland Marion.

February 10, 1981 -- Beryl Hickman from Truscott residence to Knox County Hopital. Attendants were John Turner and Roland

February 18, 1981 -- Eunice Michaels from Rochester residence to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Sue Marion.

February 19, 1981 -- Lucille Idol from Benjamin residence to Knox County Hospital. Attendents were Cornelia Tolleson, Roland Marion, Sue Marion and Debbie Bishop.

February 20, 1981 -- Lucille Idol from Knox County Hospital to Wichita General Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Sue Marion.

February 22, 1981 -- LuElla Tolson from Altus, Oklahoma Hospital to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Wayne McKinney.

February, 22, 1981 -- Lucille Idol from Wichita General Hospital to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Jill February 24, 1981 -- W.E.

Clonts from Knox City residence to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and Roland Marion February 27, 1981 -- Eubanks from Throckmorton care

home to Knox County

Hospital. Attendants were

Cornelia Tolleson and Debbie Bishop. February 27, 1981 - Dicie Singleton from Wichita General Hospital to Knox County Hospital. Attendants were Cornelia Tolleson and





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Seniors of the Week

JAY RUTHERFORD

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snowfall of the year, was a six

pound, twelve ounce boy. J.B.

and Sharon Rutherford

Jay's early years were

filled with playing football,

watching the Dallas Cowoys,

and attending elementary

Jay began junior high at

Knox City at the age of

twelve. Junior high for Jay

was exciting since he was

participating in an outstan-

ding sports program and also

in the UIL events such as

ready writing and number

sense. But, bigger and better

"High School", those two

with

words started new experien-

ces for Jay when he became

organizations and events that

Jay has competed on the var-

sity football team for three

years, varsity basketball, two

years; and varsity track for

three years. In his senior

year, he was elected to first

Jay has participated in

numerous UIL events, such

as number sense, ready

writing and debate. Jay

and his partner, Kelley

Boone, have been successful

in debate the past three

years, winning district the

Jay has been involved in

organizations in high school.

ving as chapter president.

Awards Jay has won in FFA

include Lone Star Farmer

Memorial award. Jay has

staff, Beta Club, Letterman's

Club, and is currently serving

as the co-editor of the Kennel

Staff. Jay is also representing

Leadership activities in

high school for Jay include

class favorite, one year; and

(scholastically) of Knox City

High School for 1979 and

Jay's future plans are to at-

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the FHA as their co-beau.

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team all-district in football.

school

named him Jay Kevin.

school at Munday.

things were ahead



KAY HOWELL

At the age of seventeen. Ray Ann Howell is called to reflect on her life.

After being told by her two older brothers, Mark and Mike, that she came from a gum ball machine, Kay finally discovered her birthdate to be August 9, 1963.

Moving to Knox City from Big Spring, Kay's parents, Br. and Mrs. R.G. Howell established their home and medical practice. The family has remained here since

Mrs. Vaughan set Kay off with a good basis for her education. From the first grade up to her senior year, she has been on the honor roll. Kay's eighth grade year ended with her as highest ranking girl in the graduating class. Then her junior year, Kay was rewarded with a plaque for highest ranking girl in Knox City High School. Being very active in athletics, Kay has spent much of her time at basketball, volleyball, and football

games, along with track meets and tennis tournaments. Her involvement in these started while still in Junior high. Her eighth grade year, Kay won first in district tennis. As high school rolled around, she found herself on the varsity team in four of the five sports mentioned above, with football being the obexception. She remained on these teams all numerous clubs and four years of high school. Basketball being her He has been in FFA for four favorite, Kay was chosen to years and is currently serbe on the all-district team for

year. are other Degree and Claud Reed There organizations in Kay's life besides athletics. An FHA been a member of the annual member for four years, she serves now as the chapter president. Beta Club and band are also in the picture. For the band, she has been a twirler for seven years. Her senior year, she was head twirler. This year, Kay is also class officer, three years; representing the FFA and band as their sweetheart.

her sophomore and junior

Back from the past and into the future, Kay plans to attend Texas Tech University upon graduation from Knox City High School.

IN GAGE HOME

! Visitng in the home of Mrs. Pearl Gage over the weekend were her daughter, Mrs. Joe Carlile of Lake Charles, Louisiana, and her grandson and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Carlile of Hobbs, New

Fifth, Sixth **Teams Win** In O'Brien

By Coach Randy Ivy The "A" team of the fifth and sixth grade basketball team won first place in last week's O'Brien Tourney. The "B" team played two close games but lost both to Goree by nine and Munday by ten. The "A" team beat Benjamin first by a score of 31-8. In the second game, O'Brien was a winner over Rule by a score of 50-10. Each player really played well. In this game, the Bulldogs were paced by Chris Rogers' 18 points and Brian Correll's 13 points. We then met Goree for the championship. We led them by as many as 12 points before becoming sluggish and winning by four points, 29-25

I congratulate this group of kids on a fine job of hustling every game.

'A" team members were Davey Gonzales, Brian Correll, Jessie Ledesma, Shane Lewis, Richie Saxton, Chris Rogers, Kevin White, and Glendon Sanders.

'B" team members were Ray Casillas, Robbie Large, Jay Emerson, Freddie Agraz, Rance Marion, John Covey, and Anthony Oudems.

SCHOOL LUNCHROOM **MENUS**

BREAKFAST MENUS: March 16-20, 1981

Monday: Orange Halves. Peanut Butter Whip, Buttered Toast, Chocolate Milk Tuesday: Grape Juice, Buttered Pancakes. Maple Syrup, Chocolate Milk Wednesday: Apple Juice.

Bacon, Buttered Toast and Jelly, Chocolate Milk Thursday: Orange Juice, Scrambled Eggs, Buttered Toast and Jelly, Chocolate

Friday: Applesauce, Cowboy Bread, Chocolate Milk

LUNCH MENUS: March 16-20

Monday: Smoked Sausage. Whipped Potatoes, Ranch Style Beans, Batter Bread. Apple Halves, Milk

Tuesday: Pinto Beans with Ham, Fried Okra, Potato Salad, Jello, Cornbread, Milk Wednesday: Hamburger or Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Tomato and Pickle Slices, French Fries, Cake, Milk Thursday: Beef Tacos, Let-

tuce and Tomato Salad, Cheese. Corn. Cinnamon Rolls, Milk Friday: Roast and Beef

Gravy, Whipped Potatoes, Broccoli with Cheese Sauce, Hot Rolls, Butter, Honey,

tend Texas Tech University and major in some form of agricultural education.

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'Small Fry' Tourney **Results Are Told**

The O'Brien fifth and sixth boys won the first place trophy last week while Goree took the girls first place trophy in last week's tourney. Goree's boys took second place while Benjamin's girls and Munday's boys won son-

In the K-4 division, Knox City's boys won first and consolation, while Weinert was second. The Weinert girls were first, Benjamin second and Knox City consolation. Fifth and Sixth

O'Brien 6th 14, Benjamin 13; S. Ellis 4, S. Eddington 5, C. Agraz 4, I. Gross 1.

O'Brien 5th 6, Goree 14; W. Walaski 6. O'Brien 4, Rule 14; S. Ed-

dington 4. Munday 17, Goree 32. Benjamin 15, O'Brien 6th-

13; S. Eddington 6, C. Agraz 2. S. Ellis 5. O'Brien 23, Munday 25; K. Moore 2, Albus 4, C. Mowrey 5, L. Tankersley 2, N. Walaski

Consolation Finals:

Benjamin 32, Munday 8

Bridge Tourney To Benefit County 4-H

A partnership bridge tournament at the Community Center in Munday on Saturday, March 21, will benefit the Knox County 4-H programs, according to a spokesman

Coffee is to be served at 9:30 a.m. with bridge beginning at 10:00 a.m. A luncheon will be served with proceeds going to the Knox County 4-H

For more information readers may call Paula Schur at 817/422-4631, Shirley Gass 422-4459, or Ronnie Cude 436-

Mesquite District Convention Set

The Mesquite District's 21st annual convention of Federation of Women's Club will meet at Merkel on March 20-21 at the First United Methodist Chruch The Fortnightly Club of Merkel and the Woman's Literary Club of Hamlin will be co-hostesses.

Club presidents will be honored at the 6:00 p.m. dinner on March 20 when they will report on their year's

The speaker for March 21 will be Herman Propst of Anson, who will speak on "Conton, the Pot of Gold". Door prizes will be given at each

Reservations should be made by March 18 with Mrs. C.B. Knight, 204 Cherry, Merkel, Texas 79536, phone

Championship Finals

Goree 20, O'Brien 14, S. Eddington 4, C. Mowrey 4, L. Tnakersley 2, N. Walaski 2.

O'Brien #1 31, Benjamin 8; D. Gonzales 3, C. Rogers 12, S. Lewis 2, R. Santon 10, K. White 4

O'Brien #2 22, Goree 31; R. Marion 2, R. Large 3, F. Agraz 8, A. Oudems 7, R. Casillas 2.

O'Brien #1 50, Rule 10; B. Correll 13, R. Saxon 8, K. White 6, C. Rogers 18, D. Gonzales 5.

Goree 29, Munday 28. O'Brien #2 16, Munday 27; F. Agraz 7, R. Marion 1, R. Casillas 6, R. Large 2. Consolation

Munday 24, Benjamin 11; Championship

O'Brien #1 26, Goree 22; D. Gonzales 6, R. Saxon 5, C. Rogers 6, S. Lewis 1, B.

Knox City #1 4, Benjamin 6; Kim Bateman 4.

Knox City #2 5, Weinert 12; L. Rauch 3, M. Marion 2. Consolation

KC #1 15, KC #± §: K. Bateman 8, L. McIlhaney 4, B. Underwood 2, S. Wilson 1, M. Ellis 4, L. Rauch 2, M. Championship:

STREAMSIN DESERT PLACES

By OZELLE STEPHENS

"The Lord will give strength unto his people" (Psalms 29:11) In the sorrows and hear-

taches of this life, we do not have to let our hearts be troubled but keep them set steadfast on Christ Jesus who will comfort and strengthen us for any task. We must stay in control, by being of good courage and putting our trust in Him who will give joy and strength unto his believers.

The Lord is a good stronghold in the day of trouble and He knoweth them that trust Him; also, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth

The past few weeks our friends and loved ones have fulfilled their duty of administering love and comfort to the family of which we say "Thank You" from the depths of our hearts. We have drawn comfort and strength from all the many things people have done and said in love. Our prayers are, "God Bless each one Real Good. We

Weinert 12. Benjamin 11: KC #1 31, Benjamin 7; B. Rogers 6, P. Wupperman 15,

B. Burkham 4, J. Ford 4, M. Manuel 2. KC #2 5, Weinert 14; D. Grindstaff 2, A. Flores 2, Bl

Large 2

Consolation KC #2 18, Benjamin 4. A. Flores 6, C. CArter 4, D. Grindstaff 2, W. Rodriquez 2, H. Rocha 2, R. Whitford 2. Championship:

KC #1 26, Weinert 13; B. Rogers 12, P. Wupperman 15, J. Ford 2.

Couple Repeat Sunday Vows

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rodriquez, who were married approximately two weeks ago, were "remarried" in Spanish Sunday afternoon at the Church of Christ

The bride, the former LaVerne Martinez, wore a blue dress and carried a bouquet of spring flowers and gypsophilia.

A Mexican dinner, hosted by the bride's mother, was given preceding the ceremony with hostesses from the shower and their families and Mr. and Mrs. Max Azmorono and son. Mr. and Mrs. James Martinez, Shelly and Michael, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcelino Banda and Yvette, all of Lubbock, attending.

A small reception followed the ceremony. A wedding cake decorated with yellow and green flowers and love birds and rings atop was served. Pat Elston and Kay

Jimmy Ray Lynn On Dean's List

ABILENE -- Jimmy Ray Lynn of Knox City has been named to the Dean's List at McMurry College for the 1980 fall semester, according to Dr. Paul Jungmeyer, academic dean of the college.

academic honor roll made up each semester of those students who have carried a minimum of twelve semester hours and have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or above for that semester.

McMurry College, a fouryear liberal arts institution located in Abilene, is jointly owned by the Northwest Texas and New Mexico Conferences of the United Methodist Church.

Lynn, an accounting major at McMurry, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Lynn of Knox City

Hospital News

Patients Dismissed Since February 28 Rochester: Isla Corley, Willie

Tibbets Munday: Winnie Hobert, Ysidro Montoya, Robin Welborn

Knox City: Doyle Griffith, W.H. Lankford, Arthur Crownover, Paul Rios, Dicie Singleton, Celso Gonzales Jr., Mabel PyeattBenjamin: Bessie Russell, Irene Todd Cantwood: Robert Berryman

FROM OLNEY

Amy and Traci Derring, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Deering of Olney, visited several days last week with their grandmother, Mrs. Elaine Lewis, Todd and Shane

Paducah: Irene J. Blound Haskell: Janis Briggs and

Patients in Hosptial as of March 7 Munday: Boyd Meers, Mary Reed, Delores Wilde, Jewell Culberson and baby boy Knox City: Elzie Marion. Othella Walker, Ozella Thomas, C.S. Thompson, Mack Battle (Care Home), Teresa Speck Goree: Crystal Huffman Benjamin: W.C. Leaverton, Lucille Idol, LuElla Tolson Rochester: Eunice Micheals O'Brien: Eulalio Garcia Throckmorton: Caryl Eubank

Weinert: Virgie Johnson Rule: Irene Riggins Paducah: Irene Blount Levelland: Thelma Hilbers



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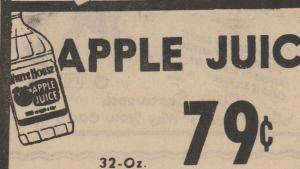
FRANKS

12 oz. pkg.

Generic

Big 8 oz. Size

DETERGENT \$219



Bile.



BOUNTY PAPER



DOG FOOD

CHICKEN OF THE SEA CHUNK

BODEN'S GAL. **FRUIT PUNCH**





HAWAIIAN BREAD

16 Oz.

SAVE ON SIES

SAUCE BOTTLE

FABRIC

SOFTENER

POST

18 OZ. BOX

1502. \$

RANCH STYLE

FIRESIDE

SWEETIE

PIES 12 Oz.

Mazola

OIL

FOR

WILSON'S SLICED BACON

LB

WITH EACH FILLED BEDCET

WHIP **TOPPING** 8 Oz. WITH EACH FILLED BUCCA NEEP

DISCOUNT BOOKLET

BIG DIP 1/2 gal.

FOREMOST

The best things' are close to home.

RED DELICIOUS

TEXAS RUBY RED

CALIFORNIA FRESH













HUNT'S



8-Oz. 4

By Laura Ivie

and Brownie Tackitt.

Jimmy O'Pry

Singleton.

Bradford.

Vida Williamson

A.L. Cameron, Mrs. J.D.

Evelyn Balis visited

M. Portwood, Evelyn and

Cayton Jr. Joe

Shelly Balis, Margaret and

Swearingen, Danny Balis,

John and Wanda Bradford,

Randy Boyd, Ophelia Qualls,

F.C. Boyd, C.F. Bradford,

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Brad-

ford, Mr. and Mrs. R.Y.

Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. John

Bradford, Mr. and Mrs. Carl

Bradford, Mr. and Mrs.

Ralph Bradford, Mr. and

Mrs. Jim Elliott and Evelyn

Jones visited Ben and Esther

Mamie Emerson, Mabel

Coates, Mrs. Hob Smith, Bill

Burleson and Buddy and

Flora Tankersley visited

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond

Wilhite visited Mrs. Jones,

Mrs. Burleson, Nena Alvis,

Lena Dabney, Eda Faye

Mabel Hollis visited Grace

Mrs. J.D. Hollis and Mr.

Jewel Little and Bessie

Marvin and Barbara Jones

Mrs. Lowry and Mr. and

C.C. Strickland and Willie

Aldridge welcomed their

visitors Mr. and Mrs.

Raymond Wilhite, Betty

Aldridge, Ophelia Qualls,

Mary Buchannan, Bessie

Clower, and Darlene and

company Shari, L.C. Brown,

Mrs. Ancel Flores Jr., Mrs.

Casillas, Mrs. Simon Rocha,

Christi Rios, Arnold Casillas,

and Ancel Flores visited Mr.

Casillas and Mr. Collier.

406 S. Second

Mr. Brown enjoyed his

Loyd Howeth.

and Mr. Woolley

Mrs. Rusty Cole visited Hollie

Barrington and Clara Lowry.

and Hob Smith visited Ben

Snelson and Martin Fredr-

McWhorter visited Lillie and

and Mrs. A.C. Tackitt visited

Mr. Suter and Mr. Warren.

Pounds and Zena Guffey.

Cyr and Mary Bigham.

Opal Dennington.

Chessie Jackson and Dicie

Hollis and Mr. and Mrs. John

Gillispie visited William and

Sunday, March 8, Romans Chapter 11 was taught by Ozelle Stephens. Jack and Vernelle Tankersley sang a special song entitled "In Times Like These". There were 18 attending Sunday School.

Sunday afternoon, the Gillispie Baptist Church brought the church service. Rev. K.E. Woolley delivered the sermon. Psalms, 119 Ch., 1-40 was read and discussed. Martha Hunter sang a beautiful song, "What A Day That Will Be". There were 29 attending the afternoon ser-

Tuesday afternoon, Eda Faye Pounds led the Bingo game with two Bingos. Other winners were Mrs. Burleson, Bo Strickland, Ruth Harden, and Betty Aldridge. Way to go, Betty!

The blackout winners were Bo Strickland and Hazel Clark.

Thursday, the gents had their day. The victory was theirs. The Bingo winners were Bo Strickland (2), Wayne Harden, Mr. Jackson, Lillie Burleson, Lena Dabney, and Zona Guffey. The blackout winners were Mr. Fredrickson and Wayne Har-

Hazel and Waynell Clark enjoyed their visitors Ramona Helms and Ophelia Clark.

Mrs. J.D. Hollis, Blanche Elliott, DeAlva Marshall and Mrs. Strickland visited Ocie

Clough and Cliff Elliott. Raymond Wilhite, J.N. LaDuke and Lou Sikes visited

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Harden enjoyed their company Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Baxter, Mrs. J.D. Hollis, Sandra Chambers, Christy Chambers, and Wanda Phipps.

Raymond Wilhite and H.E. Wall Jr. visited Mack Battle and Carl Murrell.

Mae Flowers welcomed her visitors, Lorena Burnison, Doris Webb, Pearl Gage, Dewey and Marie Darr, Jewel Matura, Mrs. J.D. Hollis, Cleta Greathouse, Opal Guffey, DeAlva Marshall, Blanche Elliott, and Dean Worley.

HE Wall Sr h visit with John and Peggy Gillispie, Mabel Hollis, Buddy and Flora Tankersley, Tess and Elmer Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tankersley, Mrs. Joe D. Warren and son,

IN AMARILLO

Mr. and Mrs. John Crownover were in Amarillo from Wednesday of last week until Sunday to be with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Art Crownover, and to get acquainted with their new granddaughter, Justa Gwynne, who was born March 4 in an Amarillo hospital.

IN STUBBS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Smethers of Pampa visited over the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stubbs and Shea.

Shea returned home with



658-3416

Mrs. Helms Is Honored Saturday

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Jimmy Helms was held Saturday, March 7, in the home of Mrs. Jimmy Lynn. Calling hour was from three until four o'clock in the after-

Receiving guests were the honoree; her mother, Mrs. Ray Hatcher of Wichita Falls; Mrs. Johnny Helms, mother of the bridegroom; and Mrs. Tead Helms, grandmother

The bridegroom's sister, Diane Helms, registered

Jerri Buerger served refreshments of cookies, punch, mints and nuts from a table covered with a lace cloth over yellow. An arrangement of yellow flowers centered the table.

A friend of the honoree, Mrs. Darlene Hunter of Wichita Falls, also attended.

Hostesses were Peggy McGaughey, Elaine Lewis, Betty Skiles, Estelle Skiles, Carolina Rios, Georgie Lynn, Pat Elston, Glenna Benson, Delma Hickman, Aurora Casillas, Romain Stubbs, Melanie Whitley, Mary Saucedo, and Pat Grimsley.

New Bride Is Shower Honoree

A bridal shower honoring Mrs. Joe Rodriquez, the former LaVerne Martinez, was held Saturday, March 7, from two until four o'clock in the afternoon at the Church of Christ Annex.

Refreshments of yellow and green cookies and punch were served from a table covered with a lace cloth and with centered an arrangement of yellow

Hostesses were Joetta Boyd, Kay Pepper, Jewell Worley, Evelyn Boyd, Pat Elston, Jean Thomas, Marie Darr, and Dean Worley

FROM OLNEY

James P. Patterson, Pastor

Morning Worship

Evening Worship

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Averitt of Olney were in Knox City Friday where they visited her parents, Estelle Hawkins and Jay Hawkins.

11:00

6:00

Knox City, Texas

Delta Kappa Gamma **Meets In Benjamin**

Colehour, and Mary Beth

Smith. Truscott and Ben-

jamin members were

The meeting was called to

order by the first vice-

president Mary Martin, due

to the absence of the

Lois Smith led the women

Fourteen new members

The program consisted of a

report on "Women in

Legislation" by Mary Beth

Smith, and "Personal Growth

and Service" by Valorie Kin-

Sybil Simmons presented a

short history on Katharina

Von Schiegel who wrote the

hymn, "Be Still, My Soul".

The song was sung by Mary

Jo Lankford and Mary Mar-

tin, accompanied by Virginia

with the singing of the Delta

the St. Patrick's Day theme

and served cake and punch.

Leads UMW Study

The United Methodist

Women met Tuesday, March

3, with 13 members attending

Cordelia Woodward opened

the meeting with prayer.

Charlotte Patterson conduc-

ted the business meeting in

which the members voted to

pay for the replacement of

Mamie Watson brought the

devotional based on scripture

Matthew 25: 31-46. Lillian

Logan presented an in-

teresting beginning to the

mission study on Latin

America. The women are

studying the book, "The Cry

of My People" by Esther and

Mortimer Arias. Through this

book, they are learning to see

Latin America through Latin

Wretha Fitzgerald assisted

Mrs. Logan by leading a

responsive reading "The

Lord Is Born Everyday". The

meeting was dismissed with

South Central

prayer by Lois Cypert.

GRANNY'S PLACE

Special Of The Week

Thurs. - Fri. - Sat.

MON. - FRI. 7 A.M. - 7 P.M. -- SATURDAYS 7 A.M. - 8 P.M.

Knox City

American eyes.

depleted kitchen items.

The meeting was dismissed

Hostesses decorated in the

Casey at the piano.

Kappa Gamma song

Lillian Logan

were elected to membership

and initiation will be conduc-

ted at the April meeting.

hostesses

president.

nibrugh

of meditation.

The Beta Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met Saturday afternoon, March 7, at two-thirty o'clock at the Benjamin Memorial Center. Attending from Knox City were Hazel Long, Mary Jo Lankford, Lois Smith, Sudia Cash, Exa Faye Reed, Sammie Carpenter, Gretchen

Methodists Honor Seniors

The Knox City-O'Brien High School senior class of 1981, Superintendent and Mrs. W.R. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Dillon, and Principal and Mrs. Bill Holcomb were honored guests Monday evening, March 2, at seven o'clock at the annual "Senior Supper" given by the Knox City First United Methodist

Church women. The fellowship hall was beautifully decorated with all colors and sizes of butterflies. Large colorful glittered letters of Love, Joy, Home, Faith, Peace, and Life of the butterfly were displayed. The butterfly is the symbol of 'resurrection'

The Rev. James Patterson greeted guests and Mrs. Charlie Spencer presided at the register.

Rev. Patterson served as master of ceremonies and the invocation was given by Jay Rutherford.

Dinner was served by Michelle Bateman, Ricky Wupperman, Sheri Evatt and Leah Boone

A program of entertainment and inspiration was presented by Kevin Kirby and Connie Walroth, students at McMurry College in

The benediction was given by Kelley Boone.

FROM LUBBOCK

658-3858

Simone Cobb of Lubbock visited Saturday and Sunday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Holcomb and Daveine and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Guinn.

Steak

Fingers

Celebrate Anniversary

residents Mr. and Mrs. Ben-

"Happy Sixtieth Anniversary, Ben and Irene". Gifts honorees following an an-

brother, J.H. Rex of McCurtain of Oklahoma, were

Howard Hendrix Birthday Honoree

A party honoring Howard

Alexander assisted with hostess duties.

dwiches, punch, and coffee.

LaDukes

A weekend celebration honored former O'Brien jamin Franklin LaDuke, who celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary, February 20, at their home in

A decorated cake trimmed in gold and green expressed were presented to the niversary dinner and refreshments.

Those attending included their daughter, Helen Thomas, Mineola; their grandson, John and Sherry Thomas, Dallas; and five of her sisters and their husbands, Bud and Stella Carver of Knox City, Ross and Juanita Malone of Azcaweista Ranch, Vernon, Clifton C. and Bessie Goodgame of Lequire, Oklahoma, Guy and Thelma Todd of Crowell, Mrs. Gussie Woverton of DeLeon, and a nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Don Malone, Matthew and Aaron of Vernon. One sister, Noddie Hester of Brownfield and a

Mr. and Mrs. LaDuke were residents of O'Brien at the time of their marriage in

unable to attend

Hendrix on his 83rd birthday was held Saturday, February 28, in the home of Charlene

Mary Flye and Dorothea

Twenty-six persons enjoyed refreshments of birthday cake, cupcakes, san-

Dr. C.L. Cromwell **OPTOMETRIST** Phone (915) 773-3542

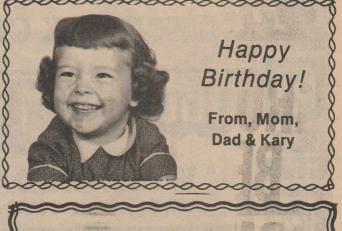
Happy Birthday, Billye Bess! From Your Employees!

Knox City, Texas, Thursday, March 12. 1981

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RE-ELECT **CRAIG WILLIAMS** FOR CITY COUNCIL Your Vote And Influence Will Be Appreciated PAID POLITICAL ADV PAID FOR BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

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GRAND OPENING Tortilla Flat

North Central Avenue

We invite all our old friends and welcome new ones to come by for

> Coffee & Doughnuts Friday, March 13 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

We will be open for business **SATURDAY & SUNDAY**

HOURS TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rocha, Owners

