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## Outstanding Citizen Sought

The search is underway for recipients of the Tyler County Chamber of Commerce's 1992 Outstanding Citizen Awards. Two different awards will be made this year. The Outstanding Citizen Award is an award for distinguished service for the year just past and a second award, Honorary Outstanding Citizen Award, represents someone who has rendered outstanding service to Tyler County over a number of years.

Nominations of individuals for these awards are being requested by Chamber Secretary Jeanne Buck. Letters should be mailed to the Chamber office, 201 N. Magnolia, Woodville, Texas, 75979 and should include the names of the

nominees, as well as a brief resume of qualifications. Any legal resident of Tyler County is eligible.

Many countywide improvements have been accomplished and most of these are due, in large part, to individual efforts. Selection will be on the basis of who, during the past year and previous years, have given unselfishly of themselves, time and money (according to means) and thereby have substantially improved the economic and civic climate of Tyler County. Your nominee must have acted in his/her civic or business works so that person is admired and respected. These awards, in a small way, enable these individuals to be recognized for those efforts.

Final selection will be

made at a special meeting of the Board of Directors with a secret ballot vote. The names of the recipients will remain a secret until the presentation is made at the annual banquet on January 17, 1992.

Previous recipients are Tom Dick Mann, J.B. Coffman, H.G. Sutton, Gary Hennigan, Major Alford, O.L. Marsh, Cecil Ogden, Eileen Mason, Aubrey Bradley, Clyde Bennett, Alva Cook, Clinton Currie, Ben Worth, Don Forse, Christine Sand-

ers, Don Stevenson, Sergio Ramos. The honorary recipients have been Wood Fain, Doug Tolbert, Harold Allison, Sr., Milton Durham, Quadie Sullivan, Vicki Warfield, F.M. "Polly" Archer. 1991 recipients were Tom Knapp & Josiah Wheat.

Nominations should be submitted before 1:00 p.m., December 23, 1991 if you have any questions about the nomination procedure, call Jeanne Buck at 283-2632 or stop by the Chamber office.

## 'You Can Be A Star' Contest Coming Soon

The "You Can Be A Star" contest, now in its third month of the second year, will feature many now recognized entertainers locally and regionally. Shane and Kasy, the young couple who won 2nd place in last year's final run-off, have gone on to perform at Astroworld, and several festivals in Louisiana, will be back on stage, as will Rogers Byars, a more recent discovery, who is assisting in coordinating the Caroling and Christmas party, after the contest itself.

Auditions will be held from 3 p.m. till 6:30 p.m. for contestants not previously interviewed...as well as time and space for "jammers" who just enjoy getting together and "picking."

All Royalty and honorees from all the Good Ol' Days Festivals from 1987 through 1991, are urged to come for a group picture and fun and fellowship, as we close the evening with our traditional candlelight caroling and refreshments.



## Santa Arrives

Children from all around Tyler County came to the Courthouse Square on Tuesday, November 26 to tell Santa Claus what they wanted for Christmas. Santa's arrival preceded an evening of celebration of the "Lighting of the Square", sponsored by Tyler County Chamber of Commerce.

## Miss Tyler County Pageant To Be Held January 25

The Wisteria Chapter of the American Business Women's Association is pleased to invite all young ladies from the age of 5 years and up to participate in the long lasting tradition of the Miss Tyler County Pageant.

The 27th Annual Miss Tyler County Pageant will

be held January 25 in the Kirby Auditorium in Woodville.

We encourage all young ladies to participate in this wonderful experience in charm, poise and talent. This is a Scholarship competition for the Senior group, with awards and gifts for the

younger groups.

All entrants, please call the ABWA representative for the appropriate age group no later than December 1. Make plans now!

Ages 5-7 call Jo Taylor at 283-5428 or Cindy Whisenant at 283-7051. Ages 8-10 call Darlene

Ellis at 283-5586 or Linda Patton at 283-7487.

Ages 11-13 call Joelle Barnett at 283-5102 or Sheryl Bennett at 283-5238.

Ages 14-16 call Shirley Rawls at 283-3484 or Joni Breder at 283-8610.

Ages 17-26 call Traci Rawls at 283-5015.

# Local Artist A Survivor Of Pearl Harbor Attack



Sergeant 1st Class  
Leroy Charles McGovney  
U.S. Navy, 1942

By Patsy Duke

The Nation cried to the Lord our God and He delivered us out of the hand of our enemy.

Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, December 7, 1941 is as far removed from today's generation as World War I was from mine, so with an understanding heart we unfold the story of one 19-year-old man who was there and who lived to give us, first hand, this page in our country's history.

The day after Leroy Charles McGovney graduated from Coffeyville, Kansas High School in May, 1941, his dad, Harry Wilson McGovney, drove him to Longview, Kansas where he left the induction center bound for the U.S. Navy's Boot Camp at San Diego, California. There he was assigned to Co. 65. "I signed up before graduation," McGovney said. "My dad's rule was that he would put his sons through school and give them a watch, but in the meantime, my mother, Dolly Potter McGovney, died and my dad remarried. My stepmother was tough," he said. "And we didn't have a happy home life. I was going to quit school, leave home and join the C.C.C. But my dad saved me by sticking it out together

year." His dad kept his promise and gave Leroy a 21 jewel Elgin watch for graduation. "It was the latest thing," he said. But during his tenure of duty, the watch got broken and Leroy sent it home. His dad kept the watch as it was not waterproof or fit for sea duty. After the senior McGovney's death, Leroy gave it to one of his daughters.

Leroy finished six weeks of Boot Camp and during that time, he made Aviation Radioman's School but the United States was trying to build its fleet so he was told that all the men would be given their choice of ships on which they wished to serve.

"I could have gotten good duty," he said, "but a friend told me that light cruisers were the latest thing." I said, "That's for me!"

At that time, the Navy had only five cruisers of that class. In July, 1941, Leroy left San Diego on a troop ship bound for Pearl Harbor, Hawaii where he was assigned to the 1st division 3rd section on the U.S.S. Honolulu CL-48 as a side cleaner, along with others in his section.

For three months, his duties included cleaning the sides of the ship, down to and including the portion below the waterline, painting the ship, scraping paint, applying red lead, then repainting the treated area, scrubbing down the deck and sometimes using a compound known as "Holly Stone." With tongue in cheek, Leroy was quick to point out that he was not alone in this duty. "The entire 1st division was responsible for keeping all four decks clean and in working order. Following his usual three months on board, he was assigned

other maintenance duties. On Saturday, the day before the Pearl Harbor attack, Leroy had liberty and went ashore. He took a cab and toured the Island. One member of the tour was stationed on a battleship and really didn't want to go back. Leroy and members of the group talked him into going back so that his record wouldn't show A.W.O.L. Later, Leroy wondered if the man had a premonition.

Leroy, along with all newly assigned men, slept in hammocks in the mess hall. He was on a working party on this fateful Sunday so he got up at 16:00 a.m. and ate breakfast. He was reading the newspaper when General Quarters (All Hands Man Your Battle Stations) sounded.

They had been practicing and Leroy thought the call was just another practice. His battle station was on the shell deck in the #2 turret. He sauntered to his station muttering to himself that it was rather "chicken" to have practice on Sunday morning. He was on the shell deck above the bridge—one of seven lookout stations when the entire 3rd section was called for battle lookout duty. Leaving the battle station enroute to the battle watch, one of the crew ran up to him and said, "The Japs are out there and they've sunk all the battleships!" Leroy said, "Aw, man! But the man's face was sickly white and Leroy knew he was telling the truth.

En route to his battle watch, Leroy saw a plane strafing the dock. He hid behind the turret until the plane left. "Planes were everywhere," he said. "I had never seen a plane with a red spot on it like that." "First thing the Japs did," Leroy said, "they came in and torpedoed the battleships which were an-

chored in 'torpedo row.' The reason the battleships sank so fast was that the day before, they (the battleships) had undergone Admiral Inspection. Ordinarily all compartments are closed with rubber tight doors, but every door was open so when these torpedoes hit, it was like hitting a bucket. I took only three torpedoes to sink each battleship. If the battleships had water tight integrity, such as is the rule while at sea, it would have taken eight torpedoes to sink each ship. Over 2,000 people died on the Arizona as a bomb came down through it and hit a magazine and blew it up.

We had 1,500 men on board our cruiser, Leroy said. "But we needed 300 more to make a full crew. These extra men were transferred from the inoperable battleships.

"One of the men, from the Oklahoma, said they were in a magazine four or five decks down when the ship turned over. They had a battle light they turned on every once in a while. Later, they heard people floating on the bottom of the ship, then listening to determine if any one was alive inside. He said when they came along cutting holes in the bottom of the ship (which was sticking up out of the water) to let out those trapped inside, he didn't know who was rescuing them. "It could have been the Japanese as far as I knew," Leroy quoted the survivor.

The U.S.S. Honolulu was hit by a delayed action bomb from a dive bomber. "It came through the dock and missed blowing up on the dock, it went below and blew up under the ship under one of the ship's magazines forward of the bridge," Leroy said. "The explosion pushed the cruiser over on its corner but none of the

primers were hit else it would have blown up."

Leroy was on the detail that cleaned the magazine. "Nothing on the Honolulu exploded," he said. "The ship sprung a seam and two or three days later we went into dry dock. We had to wait for the U.S.S. Tennessee to come out before we could go in. Two destroyers, the U.S.S. Cassins and the U.S.S. Downs had so many holes in them, they flooded the dock and emptied it but they wouldn't even move. They were both a total loss.

"We had muster every day at 8 a.m. The day after the attack, the Navy started burial detail. I didn't have to go on this.

"On December 7, the uniform of the day aboard ship was T-shirts and shorts. A lot of guys were burned because they were not wearing protective clothing. They first started identifying the dead, but after three days the odor was so great, they just dug long trenches and buried them and put up tombstones. Some were burned beyond recognition.

The Honolulu continued to serve in the South Pacific but in 1944, Leroy was assigned to the U.S.S. Porter, DD-48, a destroyer bound for Attu in the Aleutian Islands. "At one time," Leroy said, "the Japanese took these islands, but the weather was so bad that they slipped away in the dark and the U.S. took them back."

The captain of the destroyer set out to educate his men. He didn't want a bunch of dummies running around taking his orders because he gave the command," Leroy said. "He wanted his men to know why the order was given in the first place. So when a Japanese freighter was spotted, he gave each man a chance to shoot at it and get hands on experi-

encing every gun on board."

"I felt sorry for the Japs. It could have been us. Their ship finally caught on fire and they jumped in the sea. There was no place else to go. They all drowned or froze to death. A human can survive only five minutes in that water before they freeze to death.

"We were so close to Russia in the North Sea, we heard the Russian music, I liked it," he said.

"The whole thing was crazy," Leroy said. "The whole war."

Although the U.S.S. Porter was equipped with Radar, in July, 1944, it was named by a cable layer in a fog as it was leaving the harbor in Attu. "It shook the Porter up," Leroy said. "Knocked one nut off the turret mount I was keeping; knocked our 40 mm gun off and tore up our Post Office."

The U.S.S. Porter then sailed to Portland, Oregon for repairs. Leroy learned that shortly after he left the Honolulu, the cruiser was hit by a torpedo in the compartment where he had lived.

Leroy was aboard ship in Portland, Oregon when the war was over.

He said he didn't really get excited. He was just glad it was over. Following repairs, the Porter sailed down and through the Panama Canal.

"I would have been happy to remain in the Navy after the war, but things began to go downhill after that."

In 1946, with the rank of Gun 2/C, Leroy Charles McGovney was Honorably Discharged from the United States Navy in Pensacola, Florida. He received the Good Conduct Medal, The Asiatic Defense Medal, The Asiatic Medal and a Distinguished

he said, "I signed up for three years in the reserves, just to get out three months early, but I was never called into active duty."

In 1947, McGovney began working with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Beaumont on an unlocated crew. "We began building rural lines. Nobody had eight party lines back then," he said. "There were few phones in the country. Folks who had them, built the lines themselves.

"It was on the job training. We built the lines for simply doing what needed

to be done. That's what I've done all my life—from the time I was a kid. I had some training, but most was on-the-job training. Sometimes," he said, "that's the best kind. We simply figured out how to make it work and then we did it."

In 1948, McGovney was sent with the crew to Kirbyville, Texas where he met Erlene Gilchrist. They were married in Kountze the following year.

"The job with the unlocated crew was a good time for the men coming back

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## Receives Award

Lt. Commander Fred Schobert U.S. Navy Reserve presents the Pearl Harbor Survivors 50th anniversary commemorative coin to Leroy Charles McGovney following a luncheon at Cace's Seafood Restaurant in Tyler on November 10. Chapter 8 Pearl Harbor Survivors Association meets regularly at Rusk, Texas.

## Shop Tyler County This Christmas!

See Section 8 for Complete



## AARP To Install Officers

AARP's Regular Officers for 1992 will be installed at the meeting, Dec. 11, 10:00 a.m. at the Woodville Lions Club. The meeting will be held at the Woodville Lions Club. The meeting will be held at the Woodville Lions Club. The meeting will be held at the Woodville Lions Club.

Tyler County Aging Services Menu	
December 9 Smothered Sausage, Seasoned Lima Beans, Turnip Greens, Cornbread, Purple Plums, Milk or Tea	December 10 Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Green Beans, Rolls, White Cake w/icing, Milk or Tea
December 11 Beef Tips over Noodles, Collards, Scalloped Corn, Cornbread, Chocolate Pudding, Milk or Tea	December 12 Charbroiled Steak, Brown Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Black Eyed Peas, Rolls, Peanut Butter Bars, Milk or Tea
December 13 Fried Fish, Buttered Green Peas, Potato Salad, Cornbread, Sliced Peaches, Milk or Tea	201 Willow Street 283-5517

## Announcement:

**Edwards Funeral Home.....**  
wishes to announce a change of management. Effective November 25, 1991, Robert R. Smiley is the Funeral Director-In-Charge. James Daniels, a longtime Funeral Director, will remain with Edwards Funeral Home. There will be an addition of Russell Harvey, also a Funeral Director, to assure that there will be a licensed Funeral Director on duty at Edwards Home 24 Hours A Day. A combined experience of 60 years as licensed Funeral Directors in the State of Texas will serve you in the time of your great loss.

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## Obituaries

### Grady James, Sr.

Grady William James Sr., 75, of Woodville died November 28, 1991 in Shepherd. He was born November 30 at Magnolia Cemetery in Woodville under the direction of Riley Funeral Home. Dr. Raymond Parker officiated the graveside rites.

Mr. James was a member of the Woodville Lions Club and a former mayor of Woodville and Justice of the Peace #2 for nine years. Survivors include his wife, Eunice Humphreys James of Woodville; a son, Grady W. James, Jr. and his wife Cheryl of Conroe; a daughter, Becky James Briscoe and her husband, Gary of Conroe; one brother, Jim James of Oklahoma; two sisters, Verna Wood of Houston, and Billie Sue McGill of Missouri; and four grandchildren, David Briscoe, all of Conroe.

Serving as pallbearers were: Dr. Curtis M. Garner, Charles Smith, Gary Briscoe, Howard L. Riley, Dr. W.L. Nichols and Marvin Ramey.

### Minnie Ola Williamson

Minnie Ola Harrell Williamson, 98, of Woodville died November 27, 1991 at Tyler County Hospital in Woodville.

Funeral services were held November 30 from the Riley Funeral Home Chapel in Woodville with Rev. Don Caldwell and Robert Hargrave officiating. Interment followed in Salem Cemetery in Houston under the direction of Riley Funeral Home.

A native of Volga, she lived in Woodville most of her life. Survivors include sons, Neal Williamson of Grangerland and Don Williamson of Riverside; daughters, Judy Caldwell of Friday, and Irene Hest, Jane Boney and Lois Edridge, all of Woodville; 33 grandchildren; 85 great grandchildren and 14 great great grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were: Robert McKee, James Rouse, Rod Gates, Douglas Broom, Douglas Steel and Mark Sydnor.

### Rev. F.B. McBryde

Reverend F.B. McBryde, 76, of Woodville died Sunday, November 24, 1991 at Tyler County Hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 27 at 11 a.m. in the Stringer & Griffin Funeral Home Chapel in Woodville, with burial in the Old Shiloh Cemetery, officiated by John Wallace, also his grandson.

Survivors include his wife, Lorrain McBryde of Woodville; five daughters, Shirley Hemming of New Caney, Peggy Davis of Fort Worth, Lucy Blackburn of Lufkin, Burtie Rynearson of Indiana and Winnie Davis of DeBerry.

A native and lifelong resident of Tyler County he retired as owner and operator of McBryde Paint & Body Shop for over 20 years. He also served as pastor of Aline Baptist Church of Doucette for 14 years then pastored Mann's Chapel of Colmesneil and Hopewell and Woodville Churches of the Methodist churches for over 10 years. He was a U.S. Air Force World War II Veteran.

Funeral services under the direction of Stringer & Griffin Funeral Home of Woodville.

### Edward Gardner

Edward Anthony Gardner, 71, died November 23, 1991 in a local Houston hospital. Mr. Gardner was a member of the Methodist faith, member of the International Lions Club and was a veteran of World War II having served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He is survived by his sister, Virginia G. Callison of Beaumont; nieces, Maria Kay and Susan, both of Germany; and numerous cousins and dear friends.

Memorial services will be held on Sunday, December 8, at the Spurger United Methodist Church in Spurger, with Rev. Rick Sutton officiating. Interment of the cremated remains will be in the Houston National Cemetery. In lieu of usual remembrances the family suggests donations to the Shriners Crippled Childrens Hospital or St. Jude's Childrens Hospital. Arrangements by Forest Park Lawnedale Funeral Home in Houston.

### David Woodrome

David Preston Woodrome, 87, of Woodville died November 28, 1991 at Tyler County Hospital in Woodville. Funeral services were held November 30 at Hopewell Methodist Church in Woodville with Bro. Lawrence Wigley and Bro. Jesse R. McKee officiating. Interment followed in Ferrell Cemetery under the direction of Riley Funeral Home.

A native of Polk County, he lived in Tyler County most of his life and was retired from the Woodville ISD maintenance department. Mr. Woodrome was a charter member of the Hopewell Methodist Church and was a member of the Oddfellows Lodge of Texas. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Daisy Rawls Woodrome and his son, Wilbert "Woody" Woodrome.

Survivors include his wife, Gertrude Okun Woodrome of Woodville; sons, Preston Woodrome of Brazoria and David "C.D." Woodrome of Woodville; daughters, Evelyn "Sissy" Hanks of Woodville and Lela Merle Esmond of Texas City; brothers, Gene Woodrome and Cord Woodrome, both of Humble; sisters, Stella Goss and Rosie Page, both of Humble; eight grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers were: grandsons, Wamon Woodrome, Randy Woodrome, Ronnie Woodrome, Dwight Esmond, Mark Hanks and great grandson, Wayne Martindale.

### James Edward Cruse

James Edward Cruse, 59, of Hillister died Sunday, November 24, 1991 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont, after an illness. He was a lifelong resident of Tyler County and was employed in the logging industry. Funeral services were held November 30 at Little Baptist Church in Hillister, with burial at Hillister Community Cemetery under the direction of Coleman's Tyler County Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Mira Lee Cruse of Hillister; four sons, Wayne E. Cruse of Germany, Rev. Bobby L. Cruse of Woodville, Ricky D. Cruse of Liberty, North Carolina and Todd E. Cruse of Houston; seven daughters, Joyce M. Powell and Margie Ann Bowens, both of Hillister, Sharon Sells of Doucette, Brenda Toliver of Beaumont and Barbara Cruse, Shelia Williams and DeLoise Cruse, all of Houston; two sisters, Gladys Cruse of Houston, and Rosie Lee Harrell of Chicago, Illinois; twenty-nine grandchildren, six great grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

### Nelda Jo Flowers

Nelda Jo Flowers, 51, of Colmesneil died November 27, 1991 at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont. She was born in Acol Community in Polk County, Texas and was a member of the Woodville First Baptist Church. She lived in Lufkin and Houston before moving to Colmesneil three years ago. She was a Lioness of Woodville Lions Club.

Funeral services were held Friday, November 29 at Woodville First Baptist Church with Dr. Chet Hancy and Dr. Raymond Parker officiating. Interment followed in Steeles Grove Cemetery under the direction of Edwards Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, James Ellison (Jim) Flowers of Colmesneil; sons, Carlton Wade Flowers and his wife, Denise of Vidor, and Donnie James Flowers and his wife, Mary of Vidor; brothers, Willard Cherry of Lufkin, G.W. Cherry of Houston; sisters, Willa Stanley of Huntington, Vera Jean Wolf and Linda Marie Easley, both of Atlanta, Texas; six grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

## AARP Sets Meeting

Woodville Area Chapter #400 AARP will hold a regular meeting Monday, December 9 at 10:00 a.m. at the Lions Den on Highway 190 East. Officers for year 1992 will be installed by Assistant State Director Stacy McKnight of Lufkin, Texas.

Residents of local Nursing Homes will be special guests for Christmas dinner at 12:00 noon. Members are reminded to please bring extra dish to complete the meal.

Contact: E.E. George, President, 283-3552

## Letter To The Editor

**MAJIC JOHNSON DOUBLE STANDARD**  
Marina Navratilova made a most interesting statement during a press conference. She said there is a double standard. She stated that Magic Johnson's contracting AIDS "by heterosexual contact has been legitimized by negative stigma and condemnation upon them."

It is interesting to note that a woman practicing such perversion herself speaks with unerring truth. The public, as a majority, has indeed shown remorse and sorrow that Magic Johnson has contracted AIDS; not that he is sinning against God but rather that he has AIDS. Navratilova is right. There is a double standard. Many have judged Magic Johnson's conduct as normal, that is, a woman practicing such perversion herself speaks with unerring truth.

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### Personal Shopper

"Come with me and let's shop some of Tyler County's finest. Look for this column each week for some neat tips on shopping our area stores and shops."

**-Marcel Die (Call 283-8659 With Ideas of Your Own)**

### U-Pump-It

U-Pump-It is a new concept in gasoline sales. It opened in September 1991 at 112 S. Magnolia, Woodville. This is truly a convenience for the people of this area. This endeavor was started by Gil Tubbs and Oita Fortenberry. Go by Paper Works, at 2115 Magnolia.

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### Discount Pest Control

Ken and Sheryl DeRuten have owned and operated Discount Pest Control for 8 years. He got into this business by going with his grandfather who was in the pest control business over 35 years. They do inside and outside extermination. They have good guarantees and reasonable prices. They are located on Youpon Road in Lake Hayatt Addition in Warren. In interviewing Ken, I found out he is also a pastor at Emanuel Baptist Church in Honey Island. This church was formed in 1980. In talking to Ken I learned he and his wife have a genuine love for people and especially for young people. He said Discount Pest Control is what I do - being a Christian is who I am.

### Davis Grocery

Davis Grocery on Highway 69 South in Warren is virtually a landmark in downtown Warren. They are open 5:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and you will always find this to be a very busy place. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis have owned and operated this general store for about 30 years. This store has everything from a meat market to oil cloth for your table. They have clothing, material, thread, boots, they make keys, have gas and oil, feed, groceries, hardware and produce, and just about anything you can think of and many things you don't think of (at least until you see them there.) They also give Quality trading stamps.

They employ several people from their community and are always being active in community activities. Davis Grocery is a great place to shop. Call them at 547-3339 or the meat market 547-2264.

### No Time To Shop?

Let me be your Personal Shopper! Call 283-8659

If you hate to shop, or don't have time, let me shop for your gifts, groceries, etc.

### Chester High School Second Honor Roll

**A HONOR ROLL**  
7th Grade  
Jake David  
8th Grade  
Adrianne Bryon  
Susan Wihanks  
9th Grade  
Jaye Gilchrist  
10th Grade  
Adrianne McCasland  
Lashonda Brown  
Kashia Brown  
Nashua Darden  
11th Grade  
Michael Wallace  
Sissy Whitworth  
Kim Woodrome  
12th Grade  
Sandra Kross  
**A & B HONOR ROLL**  
7th Grade  
John Gilchrist  
Amber Hays  
Jesse Smith  
Andrew Smith  
Toby Taylor  
8th Grade  
Stefani Byron  
9th Grade  
Curtis Berry  
Chadwick Johnson  
John Quenock  
John Youngblood  
Bryce Freeman  
Sam Fuller  
Katie Hubert  
Keith Mahaffey  
10th Grade  
Joshua David  
Monica Colestine  
Scott Cassell  
Jade Williams  
11th Grade  
Bennie Berry  
Allie Cryer  
Katie Cryer  
Pam Daniels  
Mary Davis  
Shanna McFarland

The 1991-92 basketball season at Chester High School was tipped off at Leggett on November 19. Unfortunately varsity girls and boys were delayed by the fighting jacks.

The Junior Jackets have also started their basketball season. They've already played one game and two regular scheduled games. Good Luck to the Junior Jackets as they carry out their basketball season.

On November 14, the Juniors received their class rings. You feel the excitement in the halls as the traditional ring-turning got underway.

Retakes of class pictures were held November 21, along with Jr. High and High School cheerleading and basketball pictures. The photographer was Mr. Larry LeBlanc.

Chester's monthly edition of the Jacket Gazette went on sale on November 22. The High School Journalism class held an art contest among the sixth graders to design the cover of the November issue of the Jacket Gazette. You can't win them all. Congratulations to the winners. Congratulations to the winners. Congratulations to the winners.

There was a P.T.O. Thanksgiving Program on Monday, November 25. The school cafeteria was all decked out for the occasion. The boys will play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday night. The girls will play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday night. The boys will play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday night. The girls will play at 7:30 p.m. Thursday night.

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## Local Artist Survivor...

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Following their marriage, the McGowens lived in Pasadena, Texas, where the worked 10 years as a human, then as an installer/repairman.

In 1969, McGowen bid on the installer/repairman's opening with Southwestern Bell in Woodville and got the job. Shortly thereafter, Elsie Green, McGowen's sister moved to Woodville. The following year, she married Cecil Stewart. The couple continues to reside in Woodville.

The McGowens have four children: Pam Mitchell of Port Neches, Mrs. Michael Woolford (Karen) of Hewitt, Texas; Mrs. Asamir Beck (Sherry) of Houston and Kevin Dillit, Texas and seven grandchildren.

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## Couple Wed

Diane Payne and Charles Seamans were married November 25, 1991. The Rev. T.J. Seamans officiated. The bride is the mother of Robert and Phillip Parker of Chester.

The groom is the father of Charity, Crystal and Amanda Seamans of Orange. The couple plans to reside in Chester.

## Well Dressed Turkeys Promote Good Reading

The K-5 students at both Fred and Warren Elementary expressed their enthusiasm for reading by helping to dress a big turkey body in their campus cafeteria. For each book the students and teachers read during the month of November, a feather was added to the turkey. At the end of the "dressing" each student from each class was asked to guess how many feathers were on that turkey. Prizes were given for the best guesses. At Fred prizes were given K-2 with Martina Smith from the Kindergarten guessing with one of their 181 feathers; 3-5 with Warren fifth grader Ramona Peck. At the Warren Elementary, winners were: David Zeller and Mark Coon from kindergarten; Ashley Dornst, Steven Riley, and William Leggett from 1st; Danielle Barkin, Lauren Loftin, Rashad Foster, Jacy Forworth, Kyrle Cox from 2nd; Atoshia Miller, Daniel Leggett, Denise Pollins from 3rd; Anne Hamilton, Latoya Williams, Sidney Cheeser from 4th; Mack Maxie, Kenny Snodgrass, Dassy Garcia from 5th. Denise Rollins being closest entering the 390 feathers on the Warren Elm, turkey by only 9 feathers. Mrs. Boettcher all want to express their appreciation to the principals, teachers and students for helping to dress the turkey and promote reading and good reading.

## Got School News?

Call George: 283-2569

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By Vicky Wood  
This week at CHS students are getting ready for the Christmas holidays and other activities that are taking place.

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# SPORTS

Sports Editor



George Rawls

## Warren Warrior Boys Win 2 Warren Girls Scalp Splendor In Preparation For Tournament

### WARREN INVITATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT Boys Schedule

Thursday  
3:00-West Hardin-Hemphill Gym 1  
4:30-Woodville-Leggett Gym 1  
6:00-High Island-Kirbyville Gym 2  
7:30-Warren-Colmesneil Gym 1

#### Girls Schedule

Thursday  
3:00-Colmesneil-Woodville Gym 2  
4:30-West Hardin-Nederland Gym 2  
6:00-Warren-High Island Gym 1  
7:30-Lumberton-Kirbyville Gym 2

After overcoming the flu virus, the Warren Lady Warriors got on track by winning 2 straight before losing to Chester Friday, November 22, and beat them 59-27. Chester's Holland led all scoring with 22, Margaret Moore 13, and Angela Buggess 10. The

The Warren Varsity basketball teams spent the Thanksgiving holidays improving their records in non-distric play. Both the boys and girls won games against formidable opponents. These students have been congratulated by the coaches and faculty of Warren High School for their excellent work.

On Tuesday, November 26, the Boys Varsity Team defeated Broadus 51-43. Corey Ard led the scoring with seventeen points, Todd Read also contributed ten points. Shad Skinner and Zach Carroll led with nine and ten, respectively.

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## Warren Football And Volleyball 24-AA All-District Winners

24-AA All-District Team members were recently announced for football and volleyball. Certain Warren players were prominent in both teams. In football, Chris Flocke, Craig Overstreet and Jason

Spell were named to the First Team on offense; honorable mentions went to Gary Williams, Jason Spell, Joe Duke, Jimmy Overstreet, and Waylon Eddings made Second Team; honorable mention went to Gary Williams,

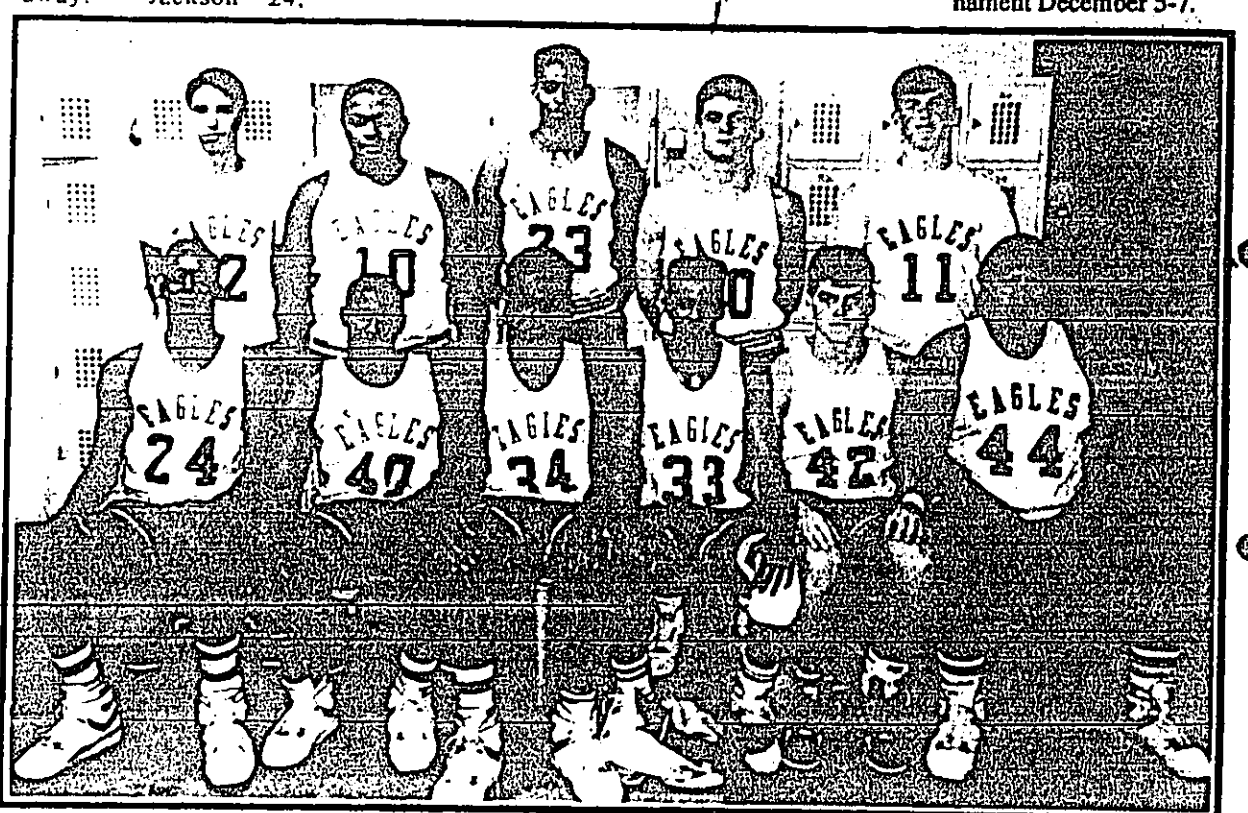
## Woodville Eagle Boys Basketball Dominate Warren, Shepherd, And Trinity In Victories

Freshmen The Woodville Freshmen Basketball Team dominated their opponents November 26 and 29. The young Eagles played Kirbyville November 26 and romped to a 75-41 victory. Woodville's forward Aubrey Jackson led all scorers with 21 points. Michael Keithan had 15 and D.J. Thowder added 11 for the victory.

The Eagles hosted the Warren Warriors November 29 at Eagle Stadium and blasted them 89-49. The Eagles scored 27 of their first quarter points and never looked back. Jackson tossed 12 points of his 24 points in the first quarter to put Warren away. Jackson 24.

On Friday, November 29, the boys played the Chester Yellowjackets and knocked them for a 36-36 tie. Corey Ard led the scorers with seventeen points. Gary Williams made fifteen points, and Todd Read and Benji Major each scored twelve points. Shad Skinner led with fifteen assists, with Todd Read making nine and Zach Carroll eight.

The Varsity Boys increase their record to 3 and 1. The next game will be at the Warren Varsity Tournament playing High Island Saturday at 6 p.m.



The 1991-92 Woodville Varsity Basketball Team (Back Row l-r) Ryan Ferguson, John Wooden, Eric Hart, Kirk Spasic, and Jeremiah Glidchrist. (Front Row l-r) Delondel Smith, Joseph Thompson, Ardis Beatty, Clay Rawls, and Craig Battis.

## Woodville Lady Eagles Win 3 On The Rough Road

Woodville Varsity Lady Eagles Basketball team are 5-0. Last Monday, November 25 the Lady Eagles traveled to Big Sandy to take on the Lady Bobcats team. Woodville sneaked away with a 57-51 overtime win. Woodville trailed at the half 27-24. The Lady Eagles tied it up entering the 4th with the score 37-37. Woodville ended the game with a 51-57 win.

Leading scores for the Eagles - Deanda Trotty 15, Angie Wilson 8, Whitney Lamberth 8, and Sherene Dennis 8.

This past Monday the Lady Eagles traveled to Warren to take on the Lady Warriors. The last time these two met, the Warriors had a 57-51 overtime win. Woodville ended the game with a 51-57 win.

nis 23, Whitney Lamberth 10 and Deanda Trotty 10. The next game for the Lady Eagles is in the Warren Invitational Tournament. The Eagles will play the Colmesneil Lady Bulldogs at 3 p.m. in gym 2.

The Lady Eagles J.V. have some impressive wins by beating Newton 48-27, Kirbyville 53-50 and Big Sandy 38-23. Also the freshmen Lady Eagles with a win over Newton 44-12.

## Spurger Lady Pirates Jump To A Perfect 2-0 Pre-District Start

Now since the Spurger Lady Pirates are finished with Volleyball, they are keeping their winning ways. Spurger Lady Pirates are 2-0 after coming from Austin in the State Volleyball Tournament. The Lady Pirates defeated Beaumont Christian Monday, November 25 at Pirate Gym 39-17. Also the Lady Pirates defeated Tuesday night November 26 at Deweyville 28-24.

In the Spurger-Beaumont Christian game, with Chris Herndon scored 18 points while Deanda Gill scored 10 in Monday's victory. Spurger senior post

## Little Eagles Basketball

Registration Date - December 7, 1991  
Time - 9:00 A.M. - Noon  
Place - High School Gymnasium  
Fee Schedule - \$30.00 per player  
We urge you to make an extra special effort to register your child on this Saturday, December 7, 1991.  
For more information call:  
Steve Evans --283-8111  
Gordon McCluskey --283-2220

Got Sports News Contact:  
Sports Editor George Rawls  
Tyler County Booster 283-2569

## Colmesneil Bulldogs Make Noise

The Colmesneil Bulldogs are making noise at Colmesneil. The Dogs hosted West Hardin Tuesday November 26 and beat them 75-63. Going in to the 4th quarter Colmesneil was tied 51-51. Colmesneil went wild in the 4th out scoring West

Hardin 25-12 to make the final score 75-63. Leading scorers for the Bulldogs Carlos Davis 20, Kevin McQueen 15, Les Stinson 15 and Russell Davis 10. The Lady Bulldogs played West Hardin also and were defeated 47-44. The Lady Dogs led at the

half 27-18 and in the third 35-32. West Hardin kept chipping at the Lady Bulldogs to out last them in a 47-44 victory. The leading scorers for the Lady Dogs Lacy Bateman 15, and Michelle Dickerson 14. The next game for the Bulldogs is at Bulldog gym

## Chester Girls Beat Apple Springs Chester Boys Lose At Home

The Chester Lady Yellowjackets traveled to Apple Springs Friday, November 22 and came away with a 45-34 win. Chester Lady Yellowjackets seniors Benny Berry hit 14 points while Tracy Botley added 10 to give the Lady Jackets a road victory.

33. Chester's Toma Barlow and Curtis Berry both contributed 8 points in their defeat. The Chester team hosted a rival team, the Big Sandy Bobcats. The Lady Jackets were down by 14 points at the half and put the Big Sandy early in the fourth quarter. The Lady Jackets ran out of gas late in the fourth and was defeated 40-37. Chester's Tracy Botley scored 14

points and Sandy Kraus added 11. The Boys also played Big Sandy and lost by a score of 67-30. Again it was Toma Barlow leading the Yellowjackets with 10 points. On November 29 the Yellowjackets traveled to the Warren gym in a Tyler County match up. The Warren Warriors defeated Chester's Yellowjackets 96-36.

### WOODVILLE FRESHMEN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT Boys Schedule

Thursday  
12:00-Huntington-Lumberton Gym 1  
1:15-Diboll-Kirbyville Gym 1  
3:30-Woodville-Warren Gym 1  
4:45-Central-Newton Gym 1  
Bye-Hudson ^:00  
Bye-Kountze 7:15

#### Girls Schedule

Thursday  
4:00-Jasper-Hampshire Fannett Gym 2  
5:15-BridgeCity-Lumberton Gym 2  
6:30-Newton-Woodville Gym 2

### WOODVILLE HIGH SCHOOL PLAYER OF THE WEEK

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**283-2569**  
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**Garage Sale**  
CRAFT SALE-Friday and Saturday, December 6 & 7, corner of 69 & 190. (49-1-TC)  
**Garage Sale**  
YARD SALE-Thursday, Friday-Saturday, 8am-11:30am. Behind hospital, mens, womens, childrens and baby clothes, knickknacks, dishes, follow signs. (49-1-NC)  
**For Sale**  
3 FAMILY GARAGE SALE-Town Bluff, 4th house on Hooper Drive, all items, lots of tools, dishes, odds-n-ends, collectibles. Friday & Saturday, December 6 & 7, 8am-4pm. (49-1-TP)  
**For Sale**  
YARD SALE-Saturday Only! December 7, behind Ricky's Auto Sales, next to Jarratts. (49-1-TP)  
**For Sale**  
SALE-Just in time for Christmas-toys, go carts, household appliances, clothes (children-teens-women), things for the home. 1 mile 1543 W in Warren. Friday & Saturday, 8am-5pm. No Early Sales! Rain or Shine. (49-1-TC)  
**Garage Sale**  
December 5, 6, 7, starts at 8am. Craft items for Christmas, clothes and miscellaneous. 3/4 miles on 1013 off 69 on the right. (49-1-TC)  
**HUGE GARAGE SALE**  
Toys, new & used, tools, 3 wheeler, furniture, kids shoes, baby items, lots of everything. Rain or Shine. Warren 1943 E, 6 miles to New Hope Road, turn Left, 2 miles on Right, follow signs, 8am-6pm, Friday & Saturday, December 6 & 7 (49-1-TP)  
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NOW HIRING-County Manager for New Texas Magazine. "The Alert Texas News". Call 1-800-338-4942. (49-1-TC)  
WANTED-Now hiring assistant managers at both locations. Apply in person. (42-TFN-TC)  
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 1/2 Acres-R235, improved pasture, barn, fenced... \$33,500  
 1/2 Acres-Crmy Road, wooded, comm. water... \$135,000  
 1/2 Acres-Crmy Road, 92 Eutawville, pasture, creek... \$160,000  
 1/2 Acres-FR174, good timber, small... \$140,000  
 1/2 Acres-FR235, largely cleared, will divide... \$110,000  
 1/2 Acres-FR256E, pasture, 2 old homes to replace... \$44,000  
 1/2 Acres-Front Neches River, recreation area... \$120,000  
 1/2 Acres-FR174, good timber, small... \$140,000  
 1/2 Acres-Crmy Road, wooded, front Neches area... \$135,000  
 1/2 Acres-Crmy Road, access UG69N, water... \$280,000  
 1/2 Acres-FR174, good timber, small... \$140,000  
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### Public Notice

**NOTICE**  
 Sealed proposals will be received until 10:00 a.m. on December 12, 1991 at the Warren L.S.D. Business Office located in Warren, Texas for Bestcoast Air Conditioning Supplies. Bid specifications may be picked up Monday-Friday at the business office or call 409/547-8100. Bids will be opened at the board meeting on December 17th at 7:30 p.m.


### Public Notice

The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals. Kenneth Grieg, President  
 Warren Board of Trustees (48-27C)

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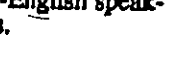


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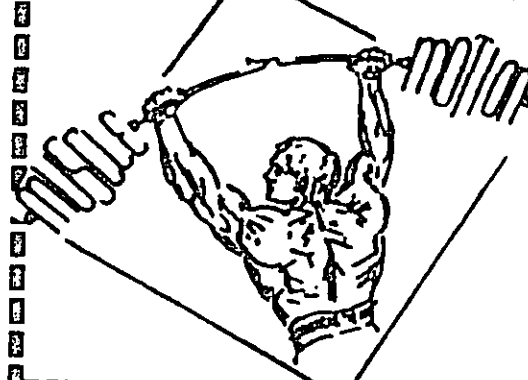
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by  
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At 7:40 a.m., Imperial Japan launched a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, destroying or severely damaging the bulk of our Pacific force. Half a century has passed, but the lessons are as relevant now as they were then.

People still ask how it could be that we were taken by surprise, certainly a fair question. But perhaps more important is the question: How on earth could the Japanese, who clearly understood the massive productive power of our economy, have believed they could succeed in a war with the United States? The many Japanese military leaders educated in the United States understood our capability, but they equally understood our lack of preparedness and apparent lack of resolve. Japan believed we could not and probably would not immediately respond to their attack. They judged our lack of preparedness correctly, but not our character and resolve.

Following the First World War, the United States, as well as the European democracies, forgot that peace comes through strength. We came to view peace as a permanent condition and defense as expensive and unlikely to be needed. Congress cut the authorized strength of the U.S. Army to just 280,000 men -- then declined to appropriate funds for even that number. The Army was reduced to a mere 135,000 men, leaving us with the world's sixteenth largest army. General George C. Marshall was put in command of an infantry battalion, normally 800 to 1,000 men; he reported he "could muster barely 200 men in ranks when every available man, including cooks, clerks and kitchen police, was present." The Air Corps obtained men only by stealing them from the artillery, infantry, engineering and Signal Corps.

Not was there any incentive for capable men to embark on a military career. Enlisted men could expect to serve four to five years before being promoted beyond PFC. A lieutenant normally waited 13 years to be promoted to captain, and could remain a captain for 17 years. By 1941, all four of the Army's top field generals were veterans of the Spanish-American War.

Even with the few men available, Congress provided scant funds to equip them. Of the \$6 billion total that Congress appropriated for the Army from 1925 to 1940, only 5 per cent was spent for arms and equipment for the ground forces. By 1934, then Army Chief of Staff Douglas MacArthur reported that the U.S. had a grand total of 12 modern tanks. The average infantryman lucky enough to get a rifle carried a 1903 model Springfield.

It's no wonder that, when the Army went on summer maneuvers in Louisiana in 1940, the soldiers (my father among them) trained with wooden "guns" and iron pipe "cannons" against "tanks" made out of cardboard covered trucks. The August 7, 1940 New York Times publicly reported this sorry fact. Both U.S. congressmen and Japanese diplomats read the story, but only the Japanese learned anything from it.

When war erupted in Europe, the United States Army consisted of just 188,000 men. Even Switzerland had more men under arms.

Our unwillingness to pay for military forces also expressed itself in a search for peace through arms control agreements. The five-power disarmament treaty signed at the Washington Conference of 1922 and the London naval treaty of 1930 imposed strict limits on the number, type, tonnage and armaments of our ships. We also agreed, along with Britain, France and Japan, to ban the further fortification of military bases on Pacific island possessions. Japan never lived up to the treaty, which it formally abrogated in 1940. When war came, the Japanese swept through the Pacific and we had to make do with the weapons on hand: if you visit the site of the bloody battle of Corregidor, you will see the cannons our soldiers used with the place and date of manufacture, Watervliet Arsenal N.Y. 1890, stamped into their barrels.

Our allies were similarly weak militarily. Britain rapidly demobilized her huge armies after 1918, largely dismantled her defense industries and

began a decade-long series of cuts in the defense budget. France rested behind the fixed defenses of the Maginot Line.

Germany had walked out of the Geneva disarmament conference in 1933 and massively rearmed. By 1939, the German army was sweeping victoriously across the continent. The Nazis' easy military conquests and the democracies' conspicuous weakness emboldened heavily-armed Japan, which desired to expand throughout Asia, much of it then under European or American control.

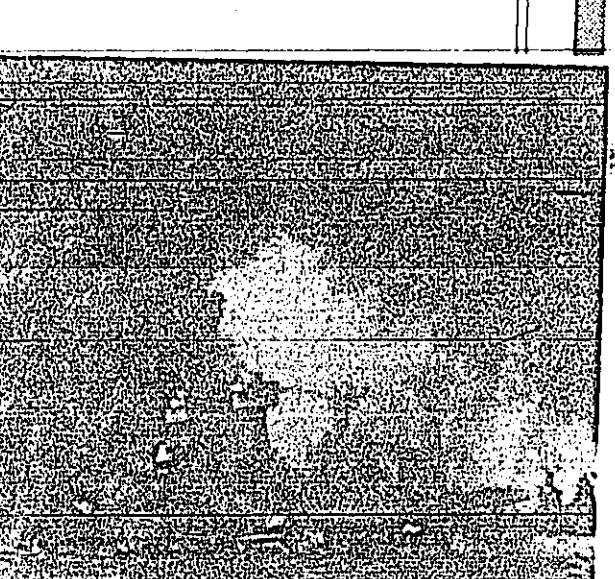
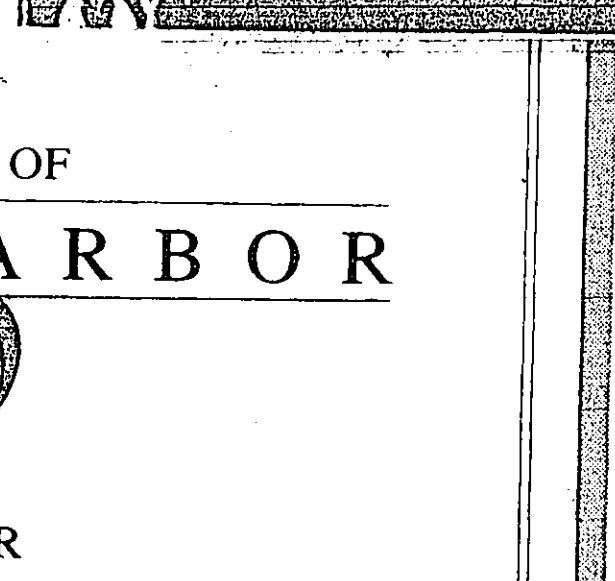
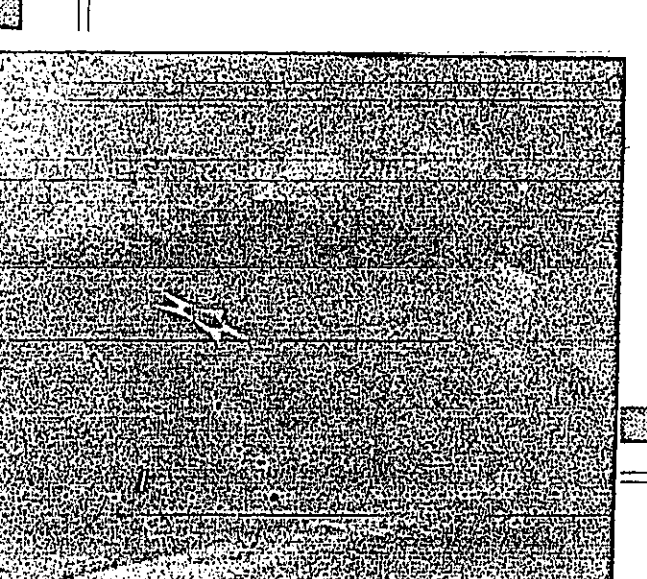
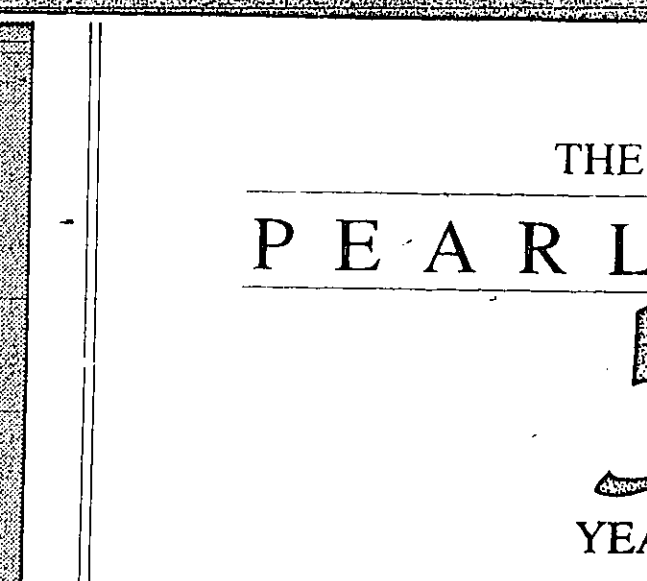
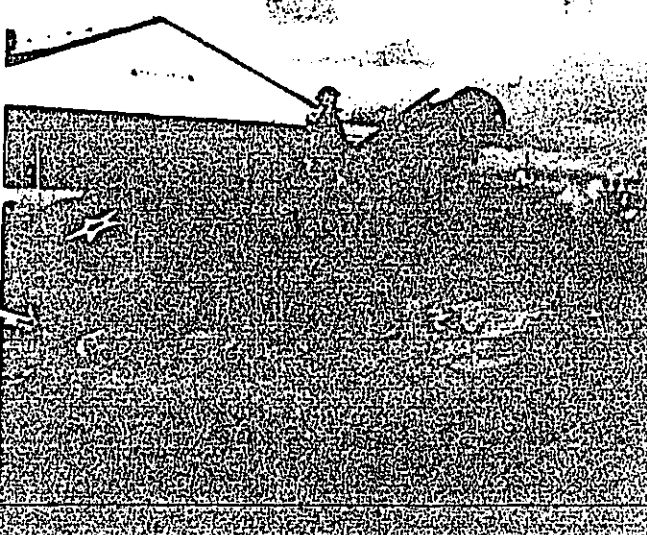
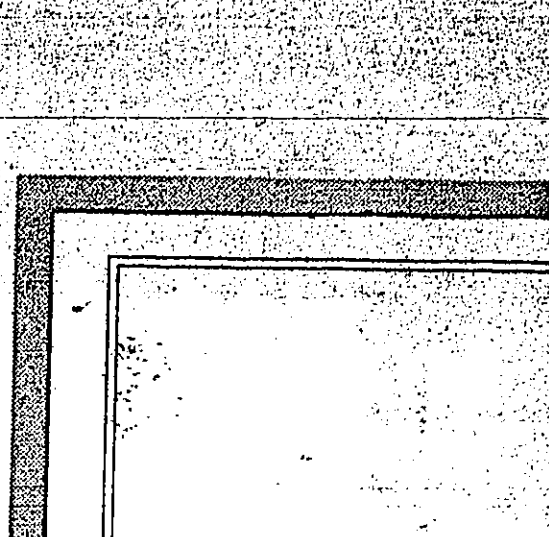
The United States and her allies were ill-prepared for reasons all too familiar today. There was political opposition to spending money on defense, particularly when the economy was poor. The view of anti-defense ideologues was that money should go to human needs, as if defending human life and freedom was not a human need. Second was an overwhelming sense from World War I of the horror of modern warfare, coupled with the false notion that weapons cause war, while disarmament wins peace. The horror of war was well-founded, but it was corrupted by a deadly unwillingness to prevent mass warfare by nipping aggression in the bud. Finally, there was a plenitude of wishful thinking that war just could not happen, while realistic views of the rising threat to the democracies were ignored.

As always, those who saw defense spending as wasteful, or who ideologically objected to military preparedness, or who doggedly denied the existence of any threats, fell silent once war came, but by then it was more than a little late. Winston Churchill, whose warnings had gone unheeded, called World War II "the unnecessary war," meaning that it could have been prevented by an early demonstration of resolve.

But by the morning of Sunday, December 7, 1941, it was a desperately necessary war into which the United States had been drawn. America was the only hope for freedom left in a world that had appeased the tyrants. The bravery, valor and heroism of the American soldiers cannot be overstated. At a time when the price of failure was absolute, our soldiers met the challenge and triumphed.

Today we remember the lessons of Pearl Harbor by learning from the noble sacrifice of our citizen-soldiers and by keeping America strong enough to preserve the liberty which they defended. In a time of peace few want to think of -- much less spend money -- preparing for war. But as George Washington so wisely counseled his countrymen, "To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual ways of preserving peace." Let those who would forget this historic truth think today about Pearl Harbor.

History shows that sadly and inevitably, unpreparedness and the seductive illusion of immunity force a nation into war, and at a time when it is least ready. How many lives lost in battle were actually sacrificed in peacetime through a complacency that robbed a nation of its deterrent and its will? And if the seeds that produce death in war are sown in peacetime, are those seeds growing today, in the nuclear era? These are the questions at the heart of our national security. These are questions to think about on December 7th, 1991.



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