



MARIBEL MORENO

## Moreno wins baby contest

Maribel Moreno, eight and one-half month old daughter of Jose and Dolores Moreno of Spearman received three awards in a baby show held in the Civic Center Auditorium last Wednesday.

Little Maribel Moreno received certificates for third place in the beauty division of the 1988 Pan-

handle Area Baby Show and a certificate for fifth place in the "photogenic" category. Maribel also won a trophy for being "princess" overall in her age division.

Maribel has a five-year old brother, Junior.

## Library reading program has 141 kids reading

TRAILBLAZERS/STARGAZERS, the Hansford County Library's summer reading program is well underway at the library.

One hundred and forty one kids are enrolled in the six week program. The children have been reading books, making crafts for display out of items salvaged from the library's Beautiful Junk Box, attending film shows at the library on Wednesday mornings at 10:30, and designing reading wheels and bookmarks.

The program will end in mid-July with a free swimming party at the Spearman pool for all kids who have participated in the reading program.

Children are encouraged to design their own bookmarks for the library's bookmark contest. The bookmarks need to be turned in

before July 8, as judging will take place that day. Bookmark winners will be announced at the film show on Wednesday, July 13. The two winning bookmarks will be professionally printed through funds provided by the Texas Panhandle Library System. They will be distributed free through our library.

## Beedy; Holton play tennis in Borger tourney

Cindy Barkley of Gruver teamed with Christi Freeman of Perryton and took home a second place trophy in Women's doubles at the Borger Open Tennis Tournament last Friday and Saturday.

In the singles competition, Mollie Holton of Spearman was defeated by Freeman 6-7, 6-3, 7-6. In the singles championship game, Freeman beat Barkley 6-3, 6-4.

The Freeman Barkley pair defeated Jennifer Reimer of Spearman and Julie Zavala of Sunray in the first round 6-0, 6-2. The pair went on to beat Shelly Beedy and Mollie Holton, both of Spearman in the semi-finals, 6-4, 7-5.

They lost in the finals to Donna Doerge and Ona Lee Johnson of Borger 4-6, 4-6.

## Fund set up for Hendricks

A fund has been established for Don Hendricks at the First State Bank in Spearman. Hendricks was injured in a car-motorcycle collision on June 26 in Spearman. After being stabilized at Hansford Hospital, he was transferred to High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo. He is in the Intensive Care Unit and stable.

and southwestern counties are continuing to market or move their cattle in an effort to sustain some of their foundation herds. Large offerings of cattle are being consigned to local auction markets, creating depressed prices in a number of areas," Anderson said.

Maintenance feeding of livestock continues heavy in the driest areas, said Anderson, although hay supplies are low and new crop cuttings they are minimal. Some ranchers continue to burn prickly pear cactus to feed their cattle. Dryland sorghum yield potentials are declining fast and corn and other crops also are greatly stressed, Anderson said.

Although Texas counties were not among those in the 13 states where the U.S. Department of Agriculture opened Conservation

# Marketing ; production used to determine maximum beef profits by Texas cattlemen

Texas cattlemen from the Panhandle to the Rio Grande Valley are trying to determine what production and marketing options will maximize profitability. And that objective will be the focus of the second Beef Industry Conference at Texas A&M University July 7-8.

Texas and national leaders will be presenting their views on current and future trends and directions of the cattle industry, said Dr. Larry Boleman, beef cattle special-

ist with the Texas A&M Agricultural Extension Service.

Speakers will first characterize current beef cattle production practices, giving particular attention to the increased emphasis on lean beef and carcass merit.

"Many cattlemen are confused with the lean beef issue," Boleman said, "and are turning exclusively to producing cattle with less fat, often at the expense of feedlot performance and reproductive efficiency. Reducing the fat level of

cattle sent to the packer is important. However, the move to leanness must be put into the whole cattle production picture, which is the major objective of this year's beef conference."

Dr. Dan Hale, Extension meats specialist, said that some exciting research results will be released for the first time that examine carcass value of several breed types all the way to the retail meat case. Several speakers will address misconceptions many cattle buyers and

feedlot operators have regarding different cattle breed types.

The opening sessions of the Beef Industry conference begins at 9 a.m. on July 7 at Rudder Center on the A&M Campus. Special sessions will focus on lean beef, beef nutrition, carcass cutability, meeting industry needs, and cattle production and marketing options.

Conference details are available at any county Extension office.



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## amateur athletic union

# Kirkland to play in Florida



KRISTA KIRKLAND

Krista Kirkland has been playing summer AAU basketball. (Amateur Athletics Union). She is playing on the Amarillo American Legion team coached by Garrett von Netzer, Amarillo Globe News executive editor. Krista, two time all-stater, will be a senior this coming year at Spearman High School.

The West Texas AAU Junior Olympics Girls' Basketball Tournament was hosted in Amarillo June 9 through the 12. The winners in the 16 and under division, and 18 and under division advance to the National Tournament held in Miami, Florida July 9 through July 16.

Kirkland's team in the 18 and under division advanced to Miami by defeating the Lubbock Stars 116-87, the West-Texas Sandies 59-56, West Texas Dusters 63-58, and the West Texas Dusters again 48-46. The tournaments are double elimination tournaments. Each team has to lose twice before being

eliminated.

Playing on the American Legion team with Kirkland are Canyon's post Kim Horton, headed to University of Texas-Arlington; Plainview all-stater Verlonia Curry, headed for Wayland Baptist; Tascosa's all-state post, Tiffany Hobbs and guard Kristin von Netzer, both headed to Texas Tech; Clayton New Mexico's all-stater Jamie Jesko, headed for a California college; all-stater Johnanna Pointer of Shallowater, headed for University of Texas; Tracy Tyson of Follett, headed for Northwestern, Oklahoma; Carol Bailey all-stater from Levelland who will be a senior this coming year.

Kirkland and the rest of the team leave July 8 for Miami and arrive for the opening ceremonies July 9. There will be 40 teams participating in the 18 and under division from all over the United States. She is the daughter of Jimmie and Phillis Kirkland of Spearman.

## Drought effects beyond farm and ranch gate

Drought effects are mounting in Texas each day, and those effects are beginning to reach well beyond the farm gate.

The business sector, as well as cities and towns, are feeling the pinch of the drought, which is threatening the state's fragile economic turnaround, said Dr. Carl Anderson.

Anderson, an economist with the Texas A & M University Agricultural Extension Service, said some cities and towns in the state's drier areas have imposed water rationing programs. Officials elsewhere have asked residents to voluntarily cut water use and practice tight conservation measures.

The Texas crop, forage and livestock situation is deteriorating rapidly as summer begins, Anderson said.

"Ranchers in hardest hit south

Reserve Acreage (CRP) land to haying late last week, Texas officials in charge of drought documentation said this work is being rushed for federal review. Spearheading the move is Terry Harman, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service state executive director, and ASCS state committee members.

When Secretary of Agriculture Richard E. Lyng opened CRP acreage to haying, the move was designed to provide hay for livestock in the most critical areas. Farmers in the designated counties can harvest hay on the CRP acres for 30 days if they give up a proportional part of the program payments and meet other specified conditions.

Lyng said determination of eligible counties will be made on a

county-by-county basis by federal Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service officials, who receive complete documentation of drought from state ASCS leaders, including Harman in Texas.

County CRP eligibility will be made based on the fact that a county has been approved for the emergency haying and grazing of Acreage Conservation Reserve (ACR) and Conservation Use (CU) acreage, and use of the Palmer drought severity index as reported jointly by the USDA, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The drought severity index, often called "Long Term Palmer Drought Index," is a measure of prolonged and abnormal moisture deficiencies.

## Conference to be held on State changes

"Extension Education: Addressing Issues for a Changing Texas" will be the theme of the 1988 State Conference of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service July

11-15 at Texas A&M University. The professional development conference is aimed at updating the more than 900 faculty members throughout the state on current and

emerging issues facing Texans so that more effective educational programs can be developed, said Dr. Zerle L. Carpenter, Extension Service director.

"To be in tune with altered states of daily work and living, we must stay abreast of new tech- see, CONFERENCE p.2



Even though the nation has been in a drought, Spearman managed to get .73 inches of rain Thursday. The rain has prevented the farmers from finishing up harvest. Shown in the background, Cha-Lor's was getting a "face lift" by repainting their sign. Several other Spearman businesses have changed their appearance somewhat. Pizza Hut is getting a new parking lot, and Blackburn's Flower Basket changed it's name to Prairie Garden Flowers.



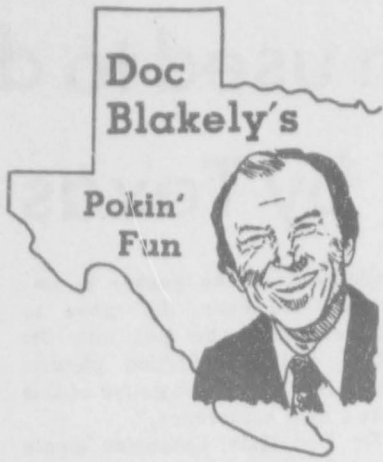
# Give me back tomorrow mate

It all started with a phone call. Nothing thrills me more than a long distance call and if this one had been any farther, it would have had to start back around the other way. "Mal Ross, New Zealand," the voice said. "A mate of mine in Australia said I should ring you up."

Thus began an adventure down under. My wife and I flew Qantas which I thought was the name of a little bear that ate tree leaves.

I learned that the name stands for Queensland and Northern Territory Air Service. The little bear I learned is called a Koala and has the personality of George Bush. It's like watching a brick in a tree.

We crossed the International Date Line flying from Los Angeles and landed first in Papeete, Tahiti. That's where they first explained to me that I had left today and arrived in tomorrow, even though it only seems like yesterday that we started traveling forever.



The only thing I recall from that part of my schooling was that the equator and the International Date line divides the world the way you would quarter an apple. We were now across the date line and south of the equator. I remembered hearing that water swirls to the right going down a sink if you are south of the equator and to the left if north. I performed an experiment

at the airport in Papeete and proved to my satisfaction that the sink was plugged.

Also I recalled that pig's tails curled to the right north of the equator and to the left south of it. I think I saw an equatorial pig because his tail was as straight as an icepick.

Landing in Auckland, New Zealand, we had to go through customs. A cheerful agent remarked, "I just knew you were Americans."

"How could you tell?" I asked. "Swiss watch, Nikon camera, and Yank clothes," he replied.

"Yank clothes?" "Right, mate. One yank and they come right off."

Obviously, I had met a man with a zest for life and a sense of humor. "It says on your visa that you are a writer. What do you write, mate?"

"Books," I replied.

"Ah-hah," he declared. "Good on you, mate. Sorry, I've never heard of you."

"Most of my stuff is very intellectual," I quipped.

"That would explain it for me, mate. Welcome to New Zealand."

I was told the Kiwis (as they call themselves) were very reserved and not to expect much in the way of laughter from the audiences I was to address. They turned out to be about as reserved as a wild wombat in a crystal factory.

We rented a car in Auckland for the drive to Lake Taupo, created by a huge volcanic eruption 1,800 years ago and due to erupt, so they say, within the next 1,800 years.

"When do you think it will go off again," I asked the rent car agent.

"Dunno, mate. We're 40 years overdue now according to those who say they know. Just do what all you Yanks do best in New Zealand ... drive on the left and hope for the best."

As one Kiwi philosopher told me, "In the land down under, we've seen the future and it's just like the present only longer."

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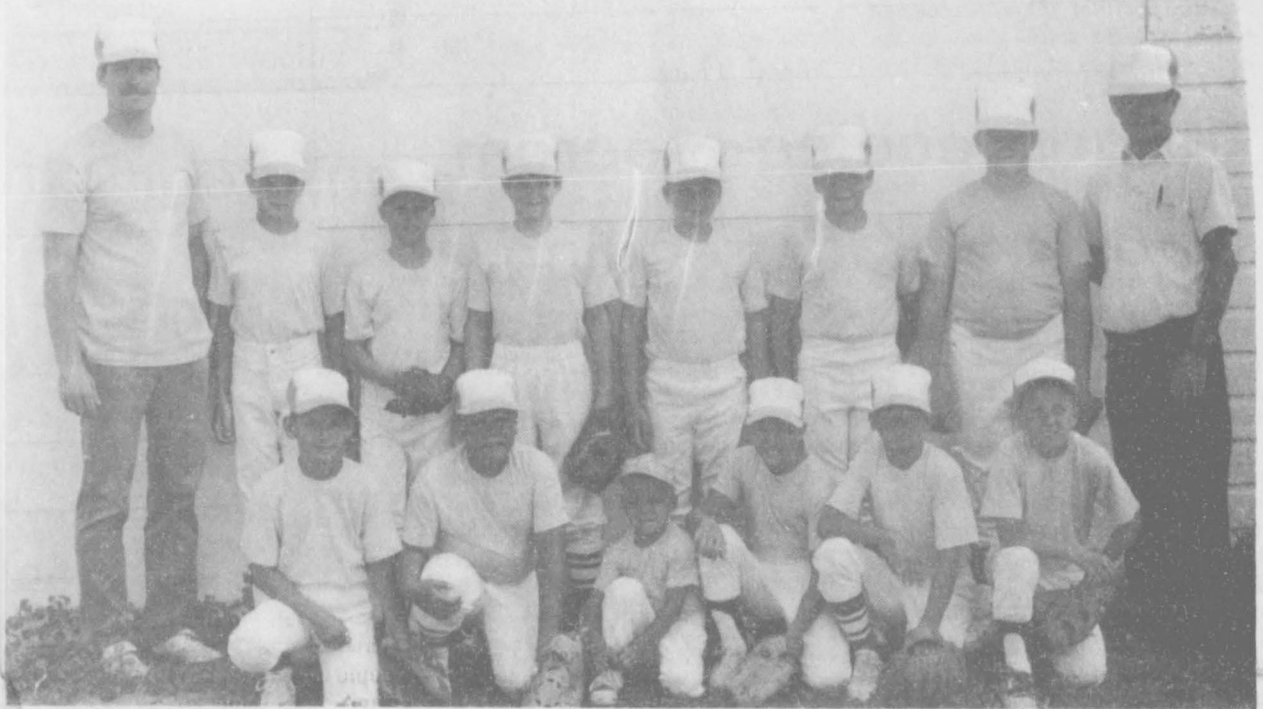
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# Hansford Activity Center Baseball



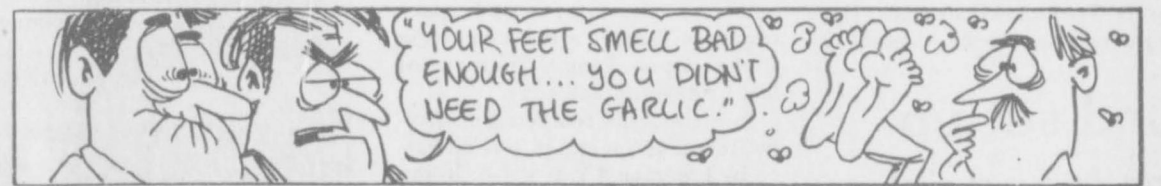
These girls played t-ball this summer. They are: back row [l to r] Randi Burch, Dawn Loomis, Kristin Beedy, Leslie Holton, and Landree Smith. Front row [l to r] Janae Watley, Maranda Fight, Chelsey Nollner and Kayla Taylor.



This group of boys participated in the boy's baseball program this summer. They are: back row [l to r] Jeff Beedy, coach, Coyt Tigrett, Cody McLeod, Chris Beck, Van Baumgardner, Stuart Riggins, Cameron Kunselman, and Bob Beck, coach. Front row [l to r] Jeremy Blan, Valentine Macias, Tanner Beedy, Blake Beedy, Shawn Moore and Toby Thompson.



These boys participated in coach pitch baseball this summer. They are: back row [l to r] Mike Cudd, coach, Michael Witten, Jake Howard, Clint Faries, Britt Savage, Eric Cudd, and Mike Butts. Front row [l to r] Aaron Witten, Derek George, Darrell Wolfe, Mac Butts and Manuel Vasquez.



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### CONFERENCE, from p.1

nologies and methodologies. Not only must we 'stay current' but we must provide creative leadership that will chart the course -- to be frontrunners of the future," Carpenter said.

The conference will begin with registration at the College Station Hilton July 11.

Featured speakers during the week include Dr. Perry Adkisson, chancellor of the Texas A&M University System; Dr. Charles Arntzen, deputy chancellor and dean of agriculture at Texas A&M; Dr. Chester Black, director of the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service; Carpenter; Doc Blakely of Wharton, an internationally known lecturer and humorist; and state Sen. Kent Caperton of Bryan.

Part of the week will be devoted to 27 technical sessions dealing with such areas as computer technology, community revitalization, alternate crops, cholesterol issues, price risk management, new ener-

gy technologies, biotechnology in agriculture, total ranch management, rangeland recreation, community tourism, groundwater quality protection, pesticide application technology, parenting education, urban 4-H programming, the

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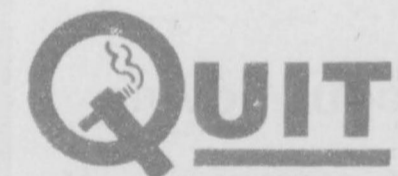
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## 'Beef is lean nutrition source' say specialists

Advertisements indicating that a lean, trim, cooked 3-ounce portion of beef fits within the dietary guidelines are stating fact, according to specialists with the Texas A & M University Agricultural Extension Service.

Last week the Center for Science in Public Interest (CPSI), a Washington-based consumer-interest group, labeled Beef Industry Council ads which contain this statement as misleading.

"Lean beef is included in dietary guidelines from the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services, the American Heart Association and other national health organizations," said Dr. Mary Kinney Sweeten, an Extension nutrition specialist.

"The CSPI didn't dispute this fact, but based its criticism on claims that the average serving of beef is more than three ounces and that popular beef products, such as hamburgers, contain large amounts of fat," Sweeten said.

"The dietary guidelines recommend 6-7 ounces of lean meat, poultry, fish or protein alternate each day," she said. "If you overeat these or any other foods, it can lead to overweight and obesity."

"So whether you eat your protein food for the day in the form of six ounces of lean beef for dinner, or two three-ounce servings at two different meals, you're still within the guidelines," said the nutritionist.

"It's true that some of our most

popular foods are high in fat, often because they're fried. Eating lots of chicken fried steak, fried chicken, fried fish, fried hamburgers, fried pies and french fries will put excess fat in your diet," she said.

The nutritionist said the key to including beef or any meat, poultry and fish in a healthy diet is selecting lean cuts, knowing the recommended serving sizes, balancing them out over the day and choosing low-fat cooking methods.

According to Dr. Dan Hale, an Extension meat scientist and expert in beef marketing, consumers can easily find lean cuts in the meat case.

"Most retailers are now removing all exterior fat or trimming it to less than 1/4 inch," he said. "Beef is also being pre-cut into serving sizes or smaller, more convenient packages," he said.

"Results of a recent national beef market basket survey conducted by meat scientists at Texas A & M showed that over 42% of beef retail cuts had no external fat and the overall fat thickness for steaks and roasts was .14 inch," Hale said.

"Consumers are also buying more lean ground beef. Figures on the distribution of ground beef type showed almost 60% of the ground beef in stores is lean or extra lean," said the specialist.

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# Among the Neighbors

By Helen Fisher

The J. E. Blackburn family is all together again after being in various places at various times. Judge Blackburn has been hearing some cases in Galveston and Mrs. Blackburn and Adrain have been with him for some time. On Tuesday they met Sara who had flown into Houston after the conclusion of a most interesting trip. She was with a group of nearly 600 young people who comprised the Texas Baptist State Youth Choir. Sara remained with her parents the rest of the week, and the family returned to Spearman on Saturday. Other Spearman girls who qualified for the 8 day trip and found it exciting were Miranda Loomis, Mechelle Graham, and April

Graham. The Choir presented two concerts in Washington, D.C.; one of which was in front of the Lincoln Memorial and the other in front of the White House. They also gave a concert in Charlotte, N.C. and were bused to Ridgecraft, N.C. for another. A detailed and official account of this trip will be published soon, but in the meantime, the girls are sharing the educational and interesting events. The Paul Hazlewoods were pleased to have their daughters visiting recently. Mary Ragsdale, who is on summer vacation from Brownfield, was here a couple of weeks, and Debbie Needham and two children were

here a couple of days over the last weekend. The Needhams live in Amarillo. Spearman is justifiably proud of James Pierce who has been named assistant director of the Ashland Opera Company for their summer season in Charlottesville Vir. James is a 1980 graduate of Spearman High School and in May received his Masters degree from the Boston Conservatory of Music. The graduation ceremony was held in the auditorium of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston and was proudly witnessed by his parents, Darlene and I.V. Pierce who flew up for the occasion. Overnight guests of Gloria and Don Knox were Quedette and Dick

# Local families attend 'Wonderland' reunion

The relatives of the late Crist and Jacob Melzer families held their annual reunion in the Club House at Wonderland Park in Amarillo, Saturday, June 25 with 58 in attendance. Mrs. Josephine (Melzer) Schneider was this years hostess. A barbeque meal was catered for the reunion by the Cattle Call restaurant. The afternoon was spent visiting Eudaley. They are friends from Casper, Wyo. and were enroute to Baltimore, Mar.

# Local poet honored with merit award

Local poet, Lometa Sparks has received a Golden Poet award from the World of Poetry. Her entry entitled "Life" the Potter won an award of merit from World of Poetry earlier in the year. An official presentation will be made on Aug. 27 in Anaheim, Calif. To poets the award is held as highly as an Academy Award is for actors. The award winning poem reads: She walks into the "Slip of life". Whirls for a while on the potters wheel, "Gaily" - And is formed by life's pressures. Whether she comes from the Kiln an Empty shell of terra-cotta Shaped like a flower pot or a beautiful Form of Porcelain - depends greatly on the Pressures of the potter and her own inner Strength and purpose.

# Quilter's guild sets date for quilt showing

The High Plains Quilter's Guild of Amarillo is beginning preparation for it's 3rd Annual Quilt Show. The date is set for November 5 and 6 at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium Lobby at 3rd and Buchanan. There will be several different categories. For more information send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Tricia Dallas, 2118 Van Buren, Amarillo, Tx. 79109.

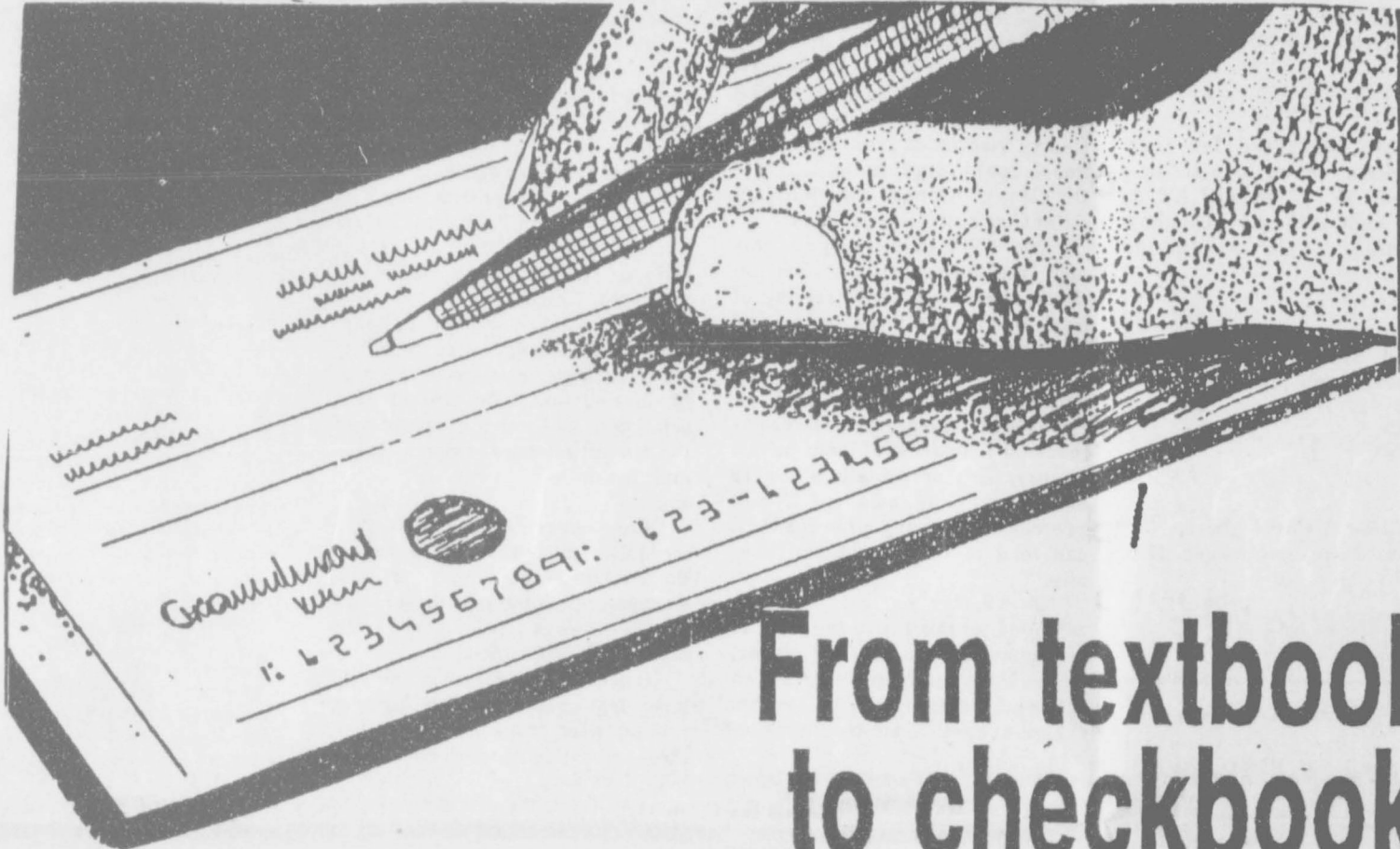
and playing games. Norman Melzer showed films of recent reunions while the children enjoyed the various rides at Wonderland Park. Those in attendance were: Josephine (Melzer) Schneider, Ken and Joan Schneider, Kookie and Delphine (Melzer) Kopke, Dave and Carolina Schick all of Spearman. Edgar and Jean Melzer of Waco; Odell and Tawny Brock of Lorena; Steve and Lousia Melzer, Steven, Sheri, Lochelle, and Christopher Melzer; Gene, Brenda, Stephanie and Gena Melzer all of Elk City, Okla.; and Mike, Linda and Michael Dittmore of Pampa. Cindy, Erik and Sheena Scarborough of Canyon; Mark and Tex Kopke; Denny and Kathleen Hargrove, Bruce, Carla and Trichelle, Propst of Amarillo. Darrell and Marilyn (Melzer) Rutz; Rocky, Kelly, Shannon and Shayne; Dunncan, Sandy and Blake Palmer all of Perryton. Janet Matlock and Christopher of Noble, Okla. Carl and Carolea (Melzer) Weis; Nancy and Amber Miranda; Bob, Kathy, Melody and Kyle Hargrove of Odessa. Norman and Wanda Melzer; Alice (Melzer) Lemon of Wichita, Kan. Albert and Elsie (Melzer) Pshigoda and Esther Pshigoda of Shattuck, Okla. The Steve Melzer, Carl Weise, and Cookie Kopke families had all their immediate family members present. The 1989 reunion will be held in Waco with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Melzer as hosts.

# Obituary

Mrs. V.R. Emanuel Mrs. V.R. (Rose) Emanuel 69, of Amarillo died Wednesday June 29. Services were held July 1 at Blackburn-Shaw Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Roy S. Wheeler, pastor of Paramount Terrace Christian Church, officiating. Burial was in Llano Cemetery. Mrs. Emanuel, born in Guymon, Okla., was a longtime Amarillo resident. She was an active member of the Amarillo Garden Club. Her husband, Vernon R. Emanuel, died in 1970. Survivors include a daughter, Betty Waldo of Sunset, La.; two sons, Joe Don Emanuel of Lubbock and Ronnie Emanuel of Amarillo; three sisters, Jean Fritz and Dorothy Fleming, both of Guymon and Louise Etter of Gruver; three brothers, Robert Shields and Bernard Shields, both of Guymon and

Richard Shields of Big Spring; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild. Ruth Hutton Ruth Hutton, 86, died June 30. Services were July 2 at the First Presbyterian Church. Burial was in Hansford Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home. Mrs. Hutton, born near Enid, Okla., moved to Spearman in 1934 from Canadian. She married Bill Hutton in 1923 at Canadian. He died in 1987. She was a charter member of First Presbyterian Church and was a Sundry school teacher and gave painting lessons. Her daughter, Patricia Donnell died in 1981. Survivors include two grandchildren, Bethany Lauersdorf of Splendora and Steve Donnell of Spearman.

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